

WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness and mild today with scattered showers in east portion before noon. Partly cloudy to cloudy and colder tonight and tomorrow.

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TACHEN ISLAND IS BEING EVACUATED



AVA AND FRANKIE IN HAPPIER DAYS—This picture of Ava Gardner and Frankie Sinatra was made during around of golf at the peak of their romance. It's all off now and Ava says

there's no hope for reconciliation. She has established residence in Nevada to divorce the crooner. Ava looks good in sports clothes, too, doesn't she?

EARL TRIES TO PLAY CLIM

Ava—Queen Of The Gypsies

These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

RICH MAN, A BIG CAR;

OTHER LITTLE NOTES

A specially-built Cadillac sports convertible stopped at the Big-4 Restaurant in Dunn Friday night and attracted more attention than a three-ring circus.

Just as they do wherever the car stops, throngs of people flocked around to see and inspect it.

The long, sleek convertible measures just 22 feet, 10 inches in length and is nearly three inches lower than a standard Cadillac. The standard Cadillac is only about 18 feet in length.

It has all the usual modern gadgets—plus dozens of unusual ones. The hood raises by push-button and everything under the hood is chrome-plated.

The owner of the car is John C. (Continued On Page Two)

Earl Wilson, the famed New York columnist, has written this special piece on Ava Gardner for The Daily Record. It brings to a close — and also a climax — the special series of articles on the Goddess of Love from Johnston County.

By EARL WILSON
Special To The Record

NEW YORK — For a couple of weeks now you've been reading that interesting series of stories about Ava Gardner in The Daily Record and I'm sure you must have enjoyed them as much as I have.

Hoover Adams, editor of The Record and one of my bosses, asked me to write a piece giving you a little different angle on Ava.

It really isn't necessary to be "too different" when it comes to Ava, because she's a very different sort of girl.

I understand her birthplace isn't too far from Dunn, so you folks have a right to be proud of her.

She's sweet!

I've been on friendly terms with Ava for years now and am very fond of her. I always find her interesting. Just as I do when I go to interview any beautiful babe, I always take my Beautiful Wife along when I call on Ava. The BW thinks highly of Ava, too.

In fact, I'm the guy who tried to patch up that romance between Ava and Frank Sinatra.

As a cupid, I'm stupid, for I made a gallant effort to melt the deep freeze between Ava and Frank (Continued On Page Two)

200 Stitches Taken In Injured Man

William Hubert Page, 26, of near Dunn, is in the Dunn Hospital with more than 200 stitches in his face and head and awaiting trial in court as the result of an accident that occurred on a rural dirt road in East Erwin.

State Patrolman Paul Albright said Page was driving a 1940 Chevrolet at a high rate of speed, lost control of the vehicle and turned over.

He was driving after revocation of his license. (Continued from Page Two)

Pinay Accepts Position As French Premier

PARIS (AP) — Antoine Pinay, a smalltown businessman who served as premier for eight months and 15 days and didn't like it, said today he hoped to form France's 21st postwar government by Thursday.

Pinay, 63, agreed Sunday night to accept President Rene Coty's mandate. But when the National Assembly voted him out of office two days before Christmas, 1952, he said, "I won't go back before that lion's den again."

Pinay began his drive for a new cabinet with a touch of the same brusqueness that won Pierre Mendes-France the nickname of "M. France" before he was toppled from the premiership Saturday.

But it was considered almost certain the National Assembly would reject Pinay's first bid for office so it could see who else would be offered the job.

Pinay, a businessman who married the boss' daughter and became owner of a tannery, held the job of premier in another period of crisis. He tried for political stability then but his plan to "save the franc" tumbled before the divided assembly.

Pinay, after being asked by Coty to form a government, accepted despite a previous denial earlier in the crisis. He talked to the leader of his own party, the National Center of Independents, then shortly after midnight told newsmen:

"I think it will be possible to present a cabinet to the National Assembly on Thursday at the latest."

Few political observers shared his optimism. The general outlook was bleak since France has no government at time of the Formosa crisis, it has no budget to pay its bill and it has no ministers to deal with new troubles at home and abroad — German rearmament, nationalist resurgence in North Africa and a threatened political breakdown in Indochina.

Willie Parker To Get Hearing

Willie Parker of Benson, Route 2 will be given a hearing in Dunn before Mrs. Mallie Adams Jackson, local United States Commissioner, Saturday, Feb. 12 at 10 a. m. on charges of possessing a whiskey still for the purpose of manufacturing illicit whiskey.

The hearing was scheduled for Saturday, but was postponed for a week.

Parker was indicted by Federal ATU Agent C. S. Coats following a series of raids staged in Johnston County.

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PLAYS ROUGH—Italian movie star Anna Magnani cracked one of her costar's ribs and swelled the jaw of another while filming "The Rose Tattoo" in Hollywood. Anna wasn't mad at anyone, saying: "It's in the script. When I play I play."

West Almost Dies From Cold

William West, 23, of Spring Lake, Route 1, is in Highsmith Hospital at Fayetteville in a critical condition as the result of an accident which occurred late Thursday night in Western Harnett.

He was pinned beneath his automobile all night long on one of the coldest nights of the year and was almost frozen to death. He is still not out of danger.

DOGS STAND VIGIL

State Patrolman Paul Lucas, who investigated the accident, said West, the only occupant of the car besides two hunting dogs, apparently ran off the road and down an embankment and was pinned beneath the automobile.

The car ran under a large culvert, which put it in a position that it could not be seen from the highway.

The two hunting dogs stood vigil at the accident all night long and it wasn't until about 10:30 Friday morning that West was found by his brother, Harvey West.

His condition at that time was acute from exposure to the below freezing weather and loss of blood. He was immediately rushed to the hospital where examination also showed him to be in a state of severe shock.

Patrolman Lucas said West apparently had started out hunting when his car ran off the road.

JUST PRAYING

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Judge Beverly Boushe dismissed charges against four men accused of shooting dice when officers admitted they found only a \$10 bill but no dice on the floor.

The men testified they were on their knees praying.

U. S. Fighter Planes, Fleet Provide Cover

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP) — Troops and civilians began a bloodless evacuation of beleaguered Tachen Island today under a round-the-clock protective cover of hundreds of American fighter planes and the massed might of the U. S. 7th Fleet.

Red planes which only hours before had held complete air mastery over the island disappeared, seemingly in an unofficial cease-fire.

United Press correspondent William Miller reported late Monday night "the most significant thing at Tachen Monday was the almost dead silence."

NO ENEMY CONTACT

A message from Vice Adm. Alfred M. Pride received in Taipei at 5 p. m. — 4 a. m. EST, said there had been "no enemy contact made during the current phase of the operation" and that "everything is according to schedule."

In Washington, Adm. Robert B. Carney said the "first significant lift" in the evacuation of the Tachen Islands is scheduled to begin this afternoon, Washington time. The Navy is ready to take "necessary steps" if the Communists intervene.

A "lift" in military parlance is the transportation of people or material.

Carney, chief of naval operations, said the evacuation so far has been on a "token basis."

"There has been no reports of operational incidents," he told newsmen. Everything has been going "on schedule."

REDS SHELL QUEMOY

The only report of Communist activity in the Formosa Strait area (Continued on page five)

Four Couples Get Divorce

Four couples were granted a divorce in Harnett Superior Court this morning as a two-weeks civil session got underway. Judge Chester Morris of Cojock is presiding.

Mrs. Arlene Price Turner won a divorce from Laverne Turner. He had also filed a divorce suit against her but took a voluntary non-suit in his case, allowing her to divorce him.

Others granted a divorce were: Merle T. Godwin from Homer Pat Godwin, Edna Josephine Norris from Herbert E. Norris; and Clarence E. Tripp from Sallye B. Tripp.

Six other divorce cases are still pending at the term.

Mrs. Betty Byrd Dies At Age 75

Mrs. Betty Byrd, 75, of Linden, died early Monday morning after a long illness.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Parker's Grove Methodist Church in Linden. The Rev. W. C. Felton will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Surviving are one stepson, Jessie H. Byrd of Linden; one stepdaughter, Mrs. J. P. Crumpler of Dunn; four step-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

JOHNSTON'S "BAD BOY"

Sherwood Barefoot Found Guilty Again At Benson

Sherwood Barefoot, the perennial "bad boy" of Johnston County, today was awaiting sentence on a new liquor conviction in the Benson Recorder's Court.

The 18-year-old, Meadow High School student who last year escaped the gas chamber on a first degree rape charge and last month received a prison term in Harnett for a sex crime, was convicted after brief deliberation by a jury.

Judge J. Ed Johnson postponed sentencing Barefoot until Monday, February 14th.



GARDNER'S FIRST AGAIN—Gardner's Dairy Products, Inc. of Dunn, always first with the finest and most modern innovations in the dairy field, is now putting out these big electric milk vending machines. You merely put in a dime and get a carton of delicious plain or chocolate Gardner's milk—cold and refreshing. Manager James Surles of the Dunn plant is shown here admiring one of the new machines, manufactured by the Vendo Company of Kansas City. The first machine went into Erwin Mills and is proving highly popular. (Daily Record Photo.)

Sadistic Slayer Of Raped Girl Sought

NEW YORK (AP)—Police toured the haunts of Greenwich Village's bohemian today in their search for the sadistic killer who raped, strangled and stabbed a pretty New York University co-ed in what a veteran officer described as this city's "most brutal" murder.

The victim was brown-haired Anne Yarrow, 23, a quiet, deeply religious honor graduate of a North Carolina Quaker College. Her body was discovered in a dingy, sparsely furnished flat of a friend where the girl had gone 10 days ago because she "wanted to be alone" to forget an unhappy affair with a boy friend.

The tenement was on the fringe of Greenwich Village and a half-block from the Bowery, where Miss Yarrow had spent much of her time in preparing for a master's degree in psychology and sociology at NYU.

The murder occurred just one year to the day after that of Maxwell Bodenheim, the forlorn Greenwich Village poet and novelist who, with his wife, was murdered by a madman ex-convict.

HAD BOHEMIAN FRIENDS
Miss Yarrow, who once bought a poem from Bodenheim, knew his Bohemian friends in the village and spent much time with them, was found in the apartment of a friend.

She had been stabbed 40 times and mutilated from her neck to her ankles. Except for a sweater (Continued on Page Two)

Post Office At Linden Is Robbed

Federal authorities today were investigating the week-end robbery of the Linden Post Office.

Postmaster W. C. Melvin said he discovered the robbery Sunday morning when he went down to open the building.

The Post Office safe had been entered, he said, and approximately \$30 in cash was missing. He said stamps, money orders and other valuables in the safe were not bothered.

Entrance to the building was gained through the rear door. The door facing had been torn off, apparently with a crow bar.

The Third Class Postoffice is located in the business district of the Cumberland County village.

Postmaster Melvin said there were no clues as to the identity of the robber.

Sheriff Sends More Proof To Identify Love Slayers

Harnett Sheriff Claude R. Moore said today that when an extradition hearing is resumed on March 2 in Detroit for Edsel Heslip, 30, and Mrs. Dorothy Long, 19, he'll have plenty of evidence in the hands of Michigan authorities to positively identify the accused love slayers.

Technicalities delayed extradition of the couple last week. They are charged with the murder of her husband, Pfc. Samuel Long, 21-year-old soldier, in Harnett on December 14th.

They allegedly took the young soldier on a "last ride," pumped three bullets into his chest and then kicked him out beside the

road in Harnett and sat in their automobile to watch him die. They had come to North Carolina, they said, to persuade Long to give her a divorce.

When the extradition hearing opened last week, Heslip's attorney argued that papers from North Carolina did not positively identify his client. He said the papers con-

tained no pictures or fingerprints of Heslip.

SIGNED CONFESSION

Meantime, however, the woman had signed a confession in which she admitted the crime and named Heslip as the one who fired the trigger on Long at close range in the automobile.

Alfred Pitt, legal aide to Michigan Gov. G. Mennen Williams, said he would seek further identification of Heslip from Sheriff Moore. Once the additional information is received, he said, Gov. (Continued On Page Two)

PROGRAM TOPIC — Topic of the demonstration to be given during February at each of the county's 18 home demonstration clubs will be "Figure Flattery." Clothing leaders from each club, recently trained by Miss Julia McIver, clothing specialist of Raleigh, will give the demonstrations. This study follows directly that of January when club women studied "What to Wear When, or Dress for the Occasion." As a follow-up of this instruction in sewing, March will be devoted to a study of the art of tailoring.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club will meet Tuesday, February 8 at 4 o'clock at the club house. The Education Committee will be in charge of the meeting. The executive meeting precedes at 3:15 p.m. (Continued On Page Five)