

WEATHER

Scattered showers and possible thundershowers and becoming windy Friday. Much colder over state tonight. Saturday clearing and very cold

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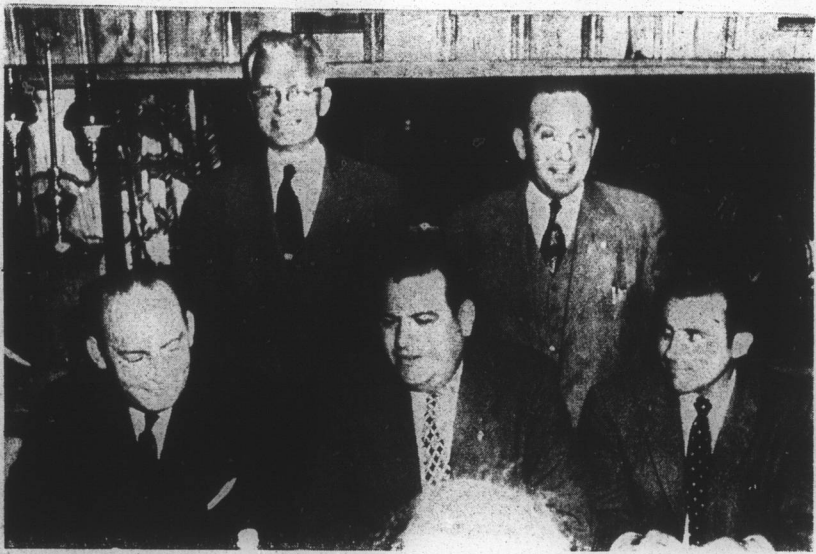
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TARIFF FIGHT IS FACING CONGRESS



PLAN OPTIMISTIC CLUB - A group of Dunn business and civic leaders met last night with three representatives of the Raleigh club to discuss the formation of an Optimist Club for Dunn.

Courthouse Office Space Big Problem

Office space, or rather the lack of it, proved to be the toughest problem the county commissioners faced Monday when the health department moves into its new health center, quarters vacated will be in great demand.

After lengthy discussion, the commissioners agreed to give the major portion of the space to the county home demonstration clubs who through their representatives had made a spirited personal appeal for the quarters.

Mrs. W. R. Langdon of the Turlington Club and Mrs. Delmer Ennis of Oakdale Club, past and present president of the county council of home demonstration clubs, spoke for their group.

They pointed out that present office of home agent is inadequate and space is needed for demonstration kitchen, visual aids, demonstrations of many kinds. They stressed that as an agricultural county, improvement in this work is necessary and since the agricultural building was erected for this purpose extension agencies should get first choice.

Embarrassment of commissioners arose from the fact that last Fall the board promised verbally the same space to the county library. No record was made on the minutes of this agreement, but Mrs. S. R. McKay, county librarian and state library officials had been planning their work with assumption the library would have the space.

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FLORAL VALENTINE - Pretty Joyce Chrest of Miami, Fla., holds a floral heart of blooming hibiscus blooms, just to remind you that St. Valentine's Day is on Feb. 14.

Ike Expected To Win On Proposed Cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) - The White House was reported confident today a majority of Republicans will join in beating down a GOP-led attempt to cripple President Eisenhower's tariff-cutting program on the House floor next week.

But Democratic House Leader John W. McCormack (Mass.) told a reporter "from the information I've received, President Eisenhower had better do some work among the Republicans—or more than half of them will vote against the bill."

The controversial bill cleared the House Ways and Means Committee by a 20-5 vote Thursday. But it still faced grave danger of being crippled by amendment on the House floor, where there is considerable tariff protectionist sentiment.

CLOSE FIGHT SEEN - Two committee backers of the bill—Reps. Hale Boggs (D-La.) and Robert W. Kean (R-N.J.)—predicted it would clear the House without change. Boggs said it wouldn't "even be a very close vote." Others foresaw a nip and tuck fight over revision of the measure with the outcome too uncertain to forecast.

The bill would extend for three more years to June 30, 1958, President Eisenhower's power to negotiate new tariff-cutting agreements.

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RULES RUSSIA - Marshal Nikolai Bulganin is Russia's new premier, succeeding Georgi Malenkov. Malenkov resigned, citing his own "inexperienced leadership" as the reason for the action. Bulganin, former defense minister, is shown above in a photo taken in 1946.

Man Cleared At Inquest

Freeman Heath, 35, of Four Oaks, driver of a vehicle in which his wife was killed and three other members of the family injured, was cleared of all blame at an inquest conducted here Thursday afternoon by Harnett Coroner Grover C. Henderson.

Members of the coroner's jury ruled after brief deliberation that it was "an unavoidable accident" and Heath was released of all blame.

The accident occurred January 8 when the automobile driven by Heath crashed into the rear of a truck driven by Charles Elder Stimpney, 36, of Delray Beach, Fla.

Mrs. Donnie Heath, 36, was killed almost instantly. Heath, the driver, and two of their sons, Noel and Frederick, were badly injured in the crash. The inquest had been delayed pending their recovery.

Heath testified at the inquest that he passed one vehicle, met another approaching car and was forced to cut back behind the truck. His car ran under the big truck trailer.

Stimpney, the truck driver, and Fred Mossop of West Palm Beach, Fla., his relief driver, also testified. Members of the jury were: Gene Bracey, Sam Dorman, Bruce Byrd, Charles S. Core, Edward Godwin and Bill Twyford, Jr.

Mrs. Byrd Given \$15,000 Award

Mrs. Luke Byrd of Dunn has been awarded \$15,000 in a compromise settlement in her suit against her husband, Luke Byrd, and Auto Sales and Service Co. as the result of an automobile accident in which she was injured on May 14, 1953.

It was reported to be one of the largest compromise settlements ever reached in this county.

Mrs. Byrd had sued for a total of \$100,000. She was represented by Attorneys Everett L. Doffenmyre and D. K. Stewart.

At the time of the accident, Mr. Byrd was an employee of Auto Sales and Service Co. and was operating one of the company's cars. Mrs. Byrd was a passenger.

FATHER NOT NOTIFIED

Adoption Of Child Hits Snag In Court

Efforts of a Jonesboro-Heights couple to legally adopt a nine year old girl hit a snag Thursday in Harnett Superior Court when Judge Chester Morris discovered that the papers had not been served personally on the natural father of the child, a man now living in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cooper who have cared for the child for several years had brought suit to legalize the adoption of Betty Jean Davis. They alleged that the child was abandoned. Under N. C. law if this can be shown, consent of the parents is not necessary if any child is over 12 years of age the court takes into consideration wishes of the child.

However, when the matter was called late Thursday, Judge Morris wanted to know if notice had been given to Norris Davis, the father. Attorneys Neil Ross and A. R. Taylor representing the Coopers pointed out that they had the clerk of court serve notice on the counsel.

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+ Record Roundup +

MUSICAL VARIETIES - Mrs. Reta Whittenon has announced who will appear on her radio program, "Musical Varieties" next week. On Monday, Mrs. Warren Mitchell of Benson will be the featured soloist, while on Tuesday Miss Joyce Lee will sing. Wednesday, Miss Edith Grey Jernigan will present piano selections, and Miss Carolyn Jackson of Erwin will sing Thursday. An organ program will be presented by Mrs. Whittenon Friday.

ALLIED YOUTH - Members of the Allied Youth in Dunn enjoyed a wieners roast at Tyler Park last night, followed by a dance at the D-Hi Hut. Dickie Bass and Meredith Cromartie were in charge of arrangements.

MOTHER DIES - C. H. Hood of Lillington, county school bus maintenance chief, has been called home to Sandersville, Ga. by the illness and death of his mother, Mrs. (Continued on Page Two)

Optimist Club For Dunn Is Discussed

Organization of an Optimist Club for Dunn appeared a certainty today following an enthusiastic meeting of a group of local business and civic leaders held Thursday night at Johnson's Restaurant.

Three members of the Raleigh Optimist Club, which has expressed a desire to organize and sponsor the Dunn club, met with the local group.

Heading the local movement is Bob Price, manager of Leder Brothers Department Store and member of Optimist clubs in Jacksonville and Concord before coming to Dunn.

Mr. Price, who presided over the meeting, had high praises for the work and services rendered by Optimist Clubs throughout the nation and pointed out that he feels there is a need for such a club in Dunn.

"It would mean a lot to the town," said Mr. Price, "and would give many men not now affiliated with other civic clubs an opportunity to render service to their town and community."

Raleigh Optimists here for the dinner meeting were: Past President R. E. Godwin, Former President C. L. Haney and Morris Todd. All three of them spoke and told of the organization, its aims and purposes.

MUCH ENTHUSIASM

"I am delighted with the enthusiasm shown here tonight," said Todd. "Never before in any other town have we met with so much interest and enthusiasm."

The group decided to meet again next Thursday night at 7 o'clock at Johnson's. Each of those present Thursday night agreed to bring another interested citizen to next week's meeting.

Local citizens who attended the (Continued on Page Two)

30-Degree Drop Due In Weather

By UNITED PRESS

The winter's most severe cold wave stabbed into Dixie today, plummeting temperatures as much as 25 degrees within an hour and bringing forecasts of a hard freeze all the way to the sunny shores of Miami Beach.

North Georgia braced for a low of 10 degrees. In Atlanta the mercury skidded from 58 at 5 a. m. today to 26 at 11 a. m. At Memphis the red line shrank 25 degrees in a single hour as frigid winds blew the cold wave into the Deep South out of the nation's midlands.

Floridians hunted for warm clothing and pulled out electric heaters. Motorists and farmers sought anti-freeze as they heard this forecast: "All crops, water lines, tractor and car radiators should be protected."

Only Key West at Florida's southernmost tip was expected to escape freezing weather. A forecast of 15 was made for the East Coast farm section. The heart of Central Florida's citrus belt expected a low of 17 to 24.

TONIGHT'S LOW

It was raining in Florida today, raising hopes that the moisture would prevent a disastrous crop freeze.

A 30-degree drop in temperatures was forecast for North and South Carolina late today, leaving them at a 10-degree low by morning.

Nashville, Knoxville and Crossville in Tennessee had up to two inches of snow and near zero temperatures were forecast for that state tonight. Many roads were hazardous under wheel and foot.

One-Pound Baby Dies

MONTREAL (AP) - Doctors lost a fight to save the life of a seven-day-old girl who weighed one pound and measured only 11 inches long.

The baby was born early this week nearly three months prematurely to Mrs. Yvon Gohier, 38, who has one other child.

A spokesman at children's memorial hospital said it had been expected the perfectly-formed baby, smallest doctors there had seen, would live after she started crying two days ago. She died yesterday.

These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

BELVA LIKED LENA;

OTHER LITTLE NOTES

State Highway Patrolman N. H. Parrish had a hard time a few days ago trying to arrest Tony Lanza of Rosemont, Quebec for speeding up near Benson.

He stopped the French-Canadian all right, but talking to him was something else. Lanza speaks French, but no English.

The patrolman took him to Benson's police station for booking. Nobody there could converse in French, either.

Finally, the officer called on Miss Ella Starling, French teacher in the Benson school to serve as interpreter. She made Lanza understand that he could either post a bond or sign a waiver and plead guilty to the charge.

The visitor decided to plead guilty—and paid off in good U.S.A. currency. The folding stuff, they both understood.

BIRTHDAYS: Today is the birthday of Marva Lett Tew of Dunn, Route 5, Windell Jernigan, Elaine Purdie, Blake Warren, Mrs. Valarie Referson and Norman Sutcliffe... Celebrating Saturday will Dunn, Windley Dunbar, J. A. Yount, Bill Thompson, Mrs. Howard A. Johnson, Mrs. L. F. Mims, Mrs. H. A. Parker and Sidney Edwards... And Sunday will be the birthday of Christine Green, Halie K. Price, Larry Godwin and (Continued on Page Two)

Inquest Unlikely In Death Of West

Assistant Harnett Coroner Ed Black of Dunn said this afternoon it is doubtful whether or not an inquest will be held into the death of William Beckman (Bill) West, 22, of Spring Lake, Route 1, Harnett's second highway victim of the year.

West died in Highsmith Hospital at Fayetteville Wednesday afternoon as the result of injuries received late last 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 never regained consciousness. His car turned over and rolled under a culvert as he started out on a hunting trip.

Assistant Coroner Black pointed out that West was the only known occupant of the car and said at this time it does not appear an (Continued on Page Two)



WILLIAM B. WEST

Finer Carolina Committee Named

Chairman Hubert Peay of Dunn's 1955 "Finer Carolina" Committee today announced selection of the steering committee which will help direct this year's program.

The committee was named at a meeting Thursday night of officials who were elected on Wednesday night.

Chairman Peay said the steering committee would meet with the officials on Monday to adopt five projects and one alternate project for the town to complete during the year.

A long list of recommended projects will be studied in making the selection.

Members of the steering committee selected representative of the various civic organizations and other fields of endeavor in the city.

THE COMMITTEE

Members of the steering committee are: Mrs. Billy Hodges, Frank Belote, Mrs. Frank Sprull, Herman Green, Hoover Adams, W. M. Bryan, John G. Thomas, Louis Baer, Earl Mahone, O. W. Golwin, Jr., Hal Jordan, Mrs. Mary Libby Fowler and Tommy Godwin.

Mrs. Pat Lynch is vice chairman of the organization and John Thomas is publicity chairman.

WANTED MONEY - NOT LOVE

Intimate Trial Of Astors Postponed

MIAMI (AP) - Circuit Judge Vincent Giblin banned newsmen from what was booked as an "intimate" hearing into the marital woes of John Jacob Astor III today, then abruptly postponed the proceedings.

Giblin said after the brief hearing in his private chambers that Astor and his third wife, blonde Dolores Dolly Fullman Astor, had informed him they might be able to settle their differences out of court.

Giblin said no figures were mentioned and no testimony was given at the closed hearing. Mrs. Astor claimed she left the (Continued on Page Five)

Judge Tells Lawyers Cases Will Be Tried Or Removed

By LOIS BYRD RECORD STAFF WRITER Judge Chester Morris of Currituck County will return to Lillington on Monday morning to preside at the second of a two weeks civil term of Harnett Superior Court.

But the judge served notice late yesterday that, "Next week is going to be different from this week," he said referring to the small number of cases removed from the docket. "We are either going to try these suits, or non-suit them," he warned the lawyers.

"We will try these cases as we come to them on the calendar," said Judge Morris. "You will be ready, or we will just try the case without being ready." The judge went on to explain he felt it was his duty to make every effort to dispatch as much business as possible. "We will try these cases as we come to them on the calendar," said Judge Morris. "You will be ready, or we will just try the case without being ready." The judge went on to explain he felt it was his duty to make every effort to dispatch as much business as possible. "We will try these cases as we come to them on the calendar," said Judge Morris. "You will be ready, or we will just try the case without being ready." The judge went on to explain he felt it was his duty to make every effort to dispatch as much business as possible. (Continued on Page Five)