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OPTIMIST LEADERS— Pictured here at last night's meeting of the Dunn Optimist Club are, left to right, Morris Todd of the Raleigh club, District Governor Thompson Greenwood of Raleigh, and Bob Price of Dunn, who is heading the local movement. The election of officers was postponed until next Tuesday night, when Governor Greenwood will return to address the group. (Daily Record Photo.)

Salary Issue Is Before County Board

Requests for salary raises for appointive and clerical workers, chiefly those under the State Merit System, is nothing new to county commissioners. Pleas made Monday followed the same pattern.

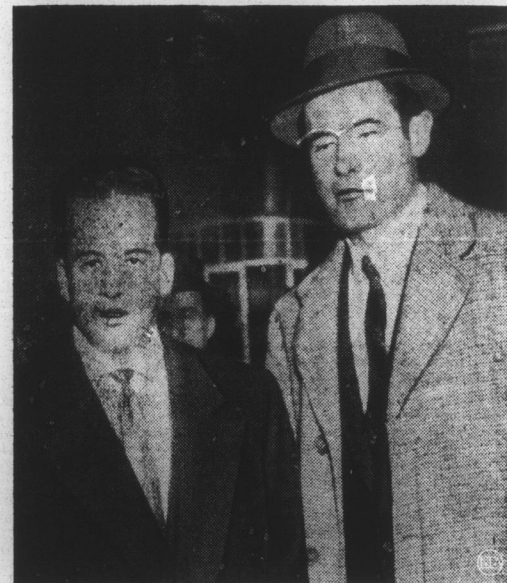
Miss Wilma Williams, welfare superintendent, asked for a raise for Mrs. Betty Cannon, junior stenographer clerk. Miss Williams said that since Mrs. Cannon has passed an examination for a salary increase she now rates \$180 monthly salary and a rating of senior stenographer clerk. The welfare superintendent also wanted to employ a new stenographer, a post now vacant but set up in her welfare department administrative budget. She said the \$140 set aside for a clerk typist was not sufficient to allow her to get good help and since she now has hopes of securing a trained secretary she wanted the salary of the vacant post fixed at \$200 and the rating at senior stenographer clerk.

Commissioner Bob Pate pointed out that it was bad policy to raise salaries in the middle of the fiscal year, that under the Merit System increases fall due twice yearly on January 1 and July 1.

"But I can't hire a new person at more salary than the girls who have worked for three years are receiving," Miss Williams insisted. "I do not think that is fair." She went on to say that clerical work in her office was pressing, that several mistakes had been made in her office last month because "girls had too much to do. Mistakes in our office can be more costly than employing sufficient help," she added.

Commissioners finally compromised and set both salaries at \$180. Then after more discussion recalled Miss Williams and informed her increases will not be effective until July 1. Meantime, Sheriff C. R. Moore appeared to remind the board that if they saw fit they could give his efficient office deputy Miss Ramona O'Quinn a raise to bring her salary up to that paid the girl who formerly held that position.

Commissioners failed to comment. The talk about increasing salary of elective officials came unexpectedly when State Senator Robert Morgan came to the meeting. (Continued On Page Two)



FACES SECOND TRIAL—Minot "Mickey" Jelke, left, and his lawyer, Arthur L. Stelges, arrive at the General Sessions Court in New York City. Jelke, an heir to oleomargarine fortune, is being tried on charges of compulsory prostitution.

Call Girls, Ex-Cons To Give Testimony

NEW YORK—Customers of Y-girls will be called as witnesses and wiretap evidence will be introduced during Mickey Jelke's second vice trial, Assistant District Attorney Anthony J. Liebler told prospective jurors today in General Sessions Court, where the new trial is in progress.

Both prostitutes and ex-convicts are expected to testify. Jelke, who will inherit millions in five years, is charged with compulsory prostitution. The state says he lived off the earnings of Miss Ward, a former girl friend.

Jelke won this second trial because the press and public were barred by Judge Francis L. Valente from part of the first case.

During the questioning of talesman, Jelke's chief counsel, George Washington Herz, repeatedly asked whether the publicity about the first trial would influence the jurors. He noted that Mickey had been sentenced to a 3-to-6-year term last time; he pointed out that Mickey served an 8-month workhouse sentence for illegal possession of revolver. The jurors said they could be fair.

Herz also asked whether Mickey's "Bohemian life" . . . his career as a "high-flying playboy" would influence a juror adversely. "If the evidence shows that the defendant lived with Pat Ward for three or four months and had sexual intimacies with her, would this prejudice you?" he asked the prospective jurors. They said this would have no effect. (Continued On Page Four)

Mountain Top Catches Fire In Collision

GUADALAJARA, Mexico (AP)—Twenty-six persons including four American tourists were killed on Tuesday when a Mexican airliner crashed into a 9,000-foot peak of the western Sierra Madres and exploded with a blast that set the mountain top afire.

Rescue brigades set out at dawn from the nearby Rancho el Mosco to reach the wreckage of the twin-engine DC-3 airliner a few miles from the village of Talpa de Allende, 100 miles west-southwest of Guadalajara. They were halted on Tuesday night by darkness.

A rancher on horseback, who climbed to the scene late Tuesday, reported all aboard "perished horribly." He was prevented for more than three hours from approaching the area because flaming gasoline touched off a series of brush fires.

The San Francisco Chronicle said the victims were Edd Johnson, a member of its editorial staff; Dr. Clifford Hays, an Arcadia, Calif., dentist; Dr. Russell Ingle, Jr., a Montebello, Calif., dentist; and R. S. Hall, a Whittier, Calif., grocer. Hays, Ingle and Hall had been on a fishing trip, the Chronicle said.

LOST RADIO CONTACT
The plane rose swiftly to clear the mountains which rise abruptly from the coast but crashed 20 minutes later, only 30 miles from the Puerto Vallarta airfield.

There was no explanation. Radio contact was lost shortly after take-off.

Those aboard included three crew members, two Mexican infants and "several women."

It was the second air disaster in Mexico within 24 hours but the first for the airline in five years. Jorge Pasquel, Mexican millionaire (Continued On Page Two)



ROYAL NEWS—According to the London Mirror, Princess Margaret is now deciding whether to renounce her rights to the British throne to marry Group Capt. Peter Townsend. They are shown above in Bechuanaland during her 1947 visit to South Africa.

Meg's Lover May See Duke

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP)—Group Capt. Peter Townsend dropped out of sight for hours today, touching off speculation he might be arranging a meeting with the Duke of Edinburgh to discuss his reported romance with Princess Margaret.

Townsend and the duke were close friends when the RAF war hero served as the Queen's equerry at Buckingham Palace and one newspaper, Le Soleil, asked in a bold headline "Is the Duke of Edinburgh coming to Brussels?"

The duke was in the south of France on a holiday, visiting his aunt, the Marchioness of Milford. (Continued On Page Two)

Compromise Seen On Cut In Tax

By UNITED PRESS
Senate Democratic leaders hoped to agree today on a compromise bill for cutting income taxes. If they do, it will be made public by mid-afternoon.

A compromise has been sought since Senate Democrats split over the House-approved measure to give everyone a \$20 tax cut. This proposal, strongly opposed by the administration, cleared the House despite some Democratic defection.

Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.), meanwhile, tions but has little chance of doing so in the more narrowly divided Senate.

It was understood the Senate compromise will provide for recovering part of the revenue loss resulting from an income tax reduction. There have been proposals to do this by repealing the Republican-sponsored tax relief provided for stock dividends last year.

The House-approved bill to slash income taxes would cost the treasury about \$2,300,000,000 in a full year.

assured GOP leaders there will be no filibuster on the tax issue in order to put the administration in a financial squeeze.

Other Congressional news: Stocks: The Senate Banking Committee was told the stock market is booming because investors feel sure the nation's economic future will be prosperous. Winthrop H. Smith, an official of the nation's top brokerage firm, said in (Continued On Page Two)

Man In Fined For Owing Distillery

Lennis Young of Benson, Route 2 was given a 90-day suspended sentence and fined \$50 and costs in the Benson Recorder's Court for possession of a whiskey distillery.

Judge Ed Johnson ordered him not to violate the liquor laws for a period of 12 months. Deputy Sheriff J. T. Smith told the court he and other officers saw Young enter the woods with distillery equipment and followed him to the still site.

Following is a list of other cases: Ben A. Goldwasser, Mamaroneck, N. Y., speeding. Called and failed, \$20 bond ordered forfeited. John D. Parker, Benson Route 2 publicly drunk costs. John J. Parker Four Oaks Route 2 publicly drunk costs. Carson McLamb Benson publicly drunk costs. Gerald C. Arnett Tampa Fla., improper passing, costs. Arthur B. Norris, Benson, Rt. 2, publicly drunk and damage to town property, costs. Costs to include payment for damage to property. Richard Hepworth, Quebec, Can., speeding, costs. Henry Crosby Orange, N. Y., speeding, costs. Ross A. Guarino, Angola, N. Y., speeding, costs. (Continued On Page Two)

These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

COPS AND ROBBERS, AND AN UNLADY-LIKE LADY

The Dunn police department got a call the other night that some strange noises were coming out of the office of Principal A. B. Johnson at the Dunn High School.

A couple of times during recent years, the big safe at the local school has been cracked by robbers.

The call was radioed to Police-men K. M. Fall and E. H. Alphin and they rushed to the scene. They parked the police car a good distance away and crept softly to the window of the building.

Immediately, they could hear the distinct sound of metal hitting against metal. They figured the robbers were chiseling the safe open.

With pistols drawn and ready for action, the veteran Dunn cops prepared to go in after the safe-crackers.

About that time, Alphin happened to look up at the flag pole on the school ground. The "safe-cracking" noise was coming from a piece of metal attached to a rope which was being dashed against the metal flagpole by the strong wind.

"There we were," laughed the officers, "with gun in hand ready to go in and bring out a couple of burglars when it was nothing but the piece of metal blowing against the flagpole."

But, they added, they felt relieved and were mighty glad it was nothing more.

BIRTHDAYS: Celebrating birth-days today are Rochelle Pope, Ann. (Continued On Page Two)

Fuller Trying To Prove Character

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP)—The defense continued its parade of character witnesses today in the trial of Albert Fuller, former chief deputy sheriff of Russell County, for murdering vice crusader Albert Patterson last June.

The character witnesses represented a last-ditch defense effort to support previous alibi witnesses who wore Fuller was a block away in the county jail when Patterson was slain 17 days after he had been nominated attorney general of Alabama on a promise to clean up Phenix City.

PADGETT TO TESTIFY
The defense said it would delay until this afternoon the recalling of star state witness Cecil Padgett in a final attempt to shake his story placing Fuller at the murder scene.

About 20 character witnesses paraded before the jury today, following the 16 who testified yesterday as to the good reputation of former Sheriff Ralph Mathews and others who have given alibi testimony for Fuller. The character witnesses included police officials, politicians, bankers, grocers, businessmen and housewives.

Most of them testified they knew Mathews had been thrown out of office and had pleaded guilty to willful neglect of duty when the (Continued on Page Two)

Haymes Settles Up With Third Wife

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Singer Dick Haymes has ended his alimony troubles with his third wife, Nora Edgington Flynn Haymes, by agreeing to pay her a lump sum, her attorney said today.

Haymes, now married to actress Rita Hayworth, did not disclose the amount of the settlement, but it was believed in the neighborhood of \$25,000.

Leaders Say War In Asia May Be Near

TOKYO (AP)—United States military leaders in the Far East have warned Washington that a general war in Asia may be only weeks away, well-informed sources said today.

Such a war presumably would involve the use of atomic weapons by the United States against military targets.

This is the background of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' blunt war warning to Communist China that aggression would bring United States and Allied retaliation from southern, central and northern fronts.

ONE DEAD, TWO HURT
CHEBERTON, Ind. (AP)—One man was killed, two were injured and three were missing today when a natural gas pipeline blew up and set off a big fire in a field near here.

The blast occurred while a seven-man construction crew for the Wisconsin-Michigan Pipeline Co. of Detroit was working on a project south of here.

United Youth Rally Slated

On Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock the young people from Dunn's different churches will gather at the Good Memorial Christian Church to stage a united youth rally. This rally is being held under the auspices of the Dunn Christian Youth Council, of which Ekum Kirby of the Gospel Tabernacle, is president.

The theme for the rally is "Youth; The Living Witness," and its purpose is to develop a greater (Continued On Page Two)



Baptists Planning For Youth Revival

A Youth Revival for all the youth of Dunn has been planned at the First Baptist Church. The revival will be held on March 11 through March 13 with "Youth - The Winning Witness" as its theme.

The youth will have complete charge of the services. Each night different persons will be choir director, organist, ushers, and presiding officers. Several committees are now working to make this weekend a success.

Mr. Horace "Bohes" McKinney, assistant basketball coach at Wake Forest, will be the guest speaker, and Bennett Straughn from Raleigh will lead the singing and give chalk talks each night.

Jimmy Ringgold, ex-professional football player, will be the guest soloist. Mr. Ringgold taught civics at Needham Broughton High School and coached baseball and backfield football for the high school until June, 1954. He is now a steel construction contractor. Mr. Ringgold turned church soloist on Mother's Day in 1951 when he sang a very simple hymn at the Hayes-Barton Baptist Church. Today he is known as one of the finest tenors in the Raleigh churches. Mr. Ringgold is also a deacon and Sunday School Teacher at the Hayes-Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh.

+ Record Roundup +

WRECK—The panel truck owned by Sirena's Florist and an automobile belonging to John Moses Gardner of Angier were damaged considerably in a collision Monday around 6 p.m. on Front Street in Lillington. Mrs. Sirena Phelps Byrd, owner of the florist shop was driving the truck. Gardner had three passengers in his car and was traveling on 421 returning from Greensboro to Angier. City Police-man Burnice Temple said Mrs. Byrd had pulled out of a parking place in front of her store and made a U turn in violation of a town ordinance when she was hit by the oncoming car. Gardner suffered a slight cut on the face. Others were not injured.

MARRIAGE LICENSES— Marriage licenses were issued recently from the office of Mrs. Inez Harrington, register of deeds, to the following couples: on March 7 to Roy Morgan Yoder of Sanford and Mattie Brown McFarland of Broadway, Route 1; and on March 5 to Frank Weaver, Jr. of Dunn and Shirley Rose Mayes of Dunn and (Continued On Page Two)

23 Indicted In Housing Frauds

PITTSBURGH (AP)—A federal grand jury indicted 23 persons today on fraud charges in connection with the handling of Federal Housing Administration home improvement and repair loans.

FBI agents, whose six-month investigation led to the grand jury action, said the charges involved 75 loans totaling about \$150,000.

The defendants are small contractors and salesmen. They were accused of pushing through fraudulent applications for loans averaging about \$2,000 each.

Betty Hutton Weds Livingston

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP)—Actress Betty Hutton and Alan Livingston, left for Hollywood today after being married in a quiet ceremony last night.

The marriage was made possible when Livingston flew to Acapulco, Mexico and obtained a "quickie" divorce from his wife, Elaine. Mrs. Livingston was awarded a California decree recently but it is not final for a year.

Miss Hutton divorced her second husband, dance director Charles O'Curran, in Las Vegas earlier this year.

Jones Infant Buried Today

Ramona Jean Jones, three-day-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood E. Jones of Dunn, died Tuesday afternoon in the Dunn Hospital.

Graveside burial rites were held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Dunn. The Rev. D. A. Harding officiated. In addition to the parents, the baby is survived by the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Jones of Erwin, Rt. 1 and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Moore of Dunn Rt. 4, and a great grandmother, Mrs. Mattie Barefoot of Dunn, Rt. 3.