

Mostly fair and cool today; highest temperatures in the low 60s in the mountains and between 66 and 73 elsewhere. Friday fair and mild.

HEARING ON GAS PETITION UNDERWAY



TAYLOR WINS AWARD - Fred T. Taylor of Spring Lake, Route 1, a civilian employee at Fort Bragg, has won an award at Bragg for an employee suggestion which resulted in greater efficiency and savings to the government. He is shown here receiving his award. Left to right are Norman G. Shaw of Spring Lake, Route 1; Major General Paul D. Adams, commanding general at Fort Bragg, and Mr. Taylor. Mr. Shaw also received a cash reward for his suggestion. (U. S. Army Photo.)

Gen. MacArthur Replies To Defense Dept.

NEW YORK (AP) - Gen. Douglas MacArthur replied today to Defense Department documents purporting to show his strong support for Russian entry into the Pacific fighting of World War II. The text of MacArthur's statement: The report of the Department of Defense fully confirms that I was never consulted concerning the Yalta conference, that I exercised no influence whatsoever thereon and knew nothing about its secret agreements until after they had been consummated and communicated to me. The report furthermore clearly demonstrates that the basis of such agreements lay in decisions taken by the State Department on political policy and the Joint Chiefs of Staff on military policy long before Yalta. Of these I was not informed. However, once such decisions had been taken and communicated to me following Yalta, they became (Continued on Page Five)

Soldiers Confess Robbing And Beating Erwin Man

Two Fort Bragg soldiers are being held in the Dunn jail without privilege of bond after confessing highway robbery and brutal assault on an Erwin resident Saturday night. The defendants are Pfc. Joseph Abell, 17, and Pfc. Robert E. Richardson, 22 both paratroopers stationed at Fort Bragg. They were taken into custody after an outstanding piece of police sleuthing done by Harnett Rural Policemen Clarence Moore and B. E. Sturgill. Their victim, Bill Bolton, 40, well-known Erwin resident, is in the Dunn Hospital in a serious condition, recuperating from a severe beating which required more than 30 stitches to close the wounds in his head. OCCURRED SATURDAY NIGHT The robbery-beating took place Saturday night in East Erwin between Shug's Restaurant and Clarence Horrell's cafe. Bolton told officers he was walking up the road when he saw the two soldiers standing by the highway trying to hitch-hike a ride. (Continued on Page Five)

Several Towns In Area Would Be Affected

RALEIGH (AP) - The brick and tile industry of Lee and Chatham Counties became a center of controversy today between two natural gas firms locked in a franchise fight before the State Utilities Commission. Dunn, Benson and Lillington are among the towns to be served. Public Service Corp. of North Carolina told the commission that it stands to lose \$500 a day starting Nov. 1 unless it is granted authority to serve Lee and Chatham. Public Service argued that it is "at the end of a row unless we get some relief from this commission." It said Lee and Chatham counties are "its rightful territory." Another company, the new North Carolina Natural Gas Corp. has applied for authority to serve most of the eastern half of the state, including Lee and Chatham with natural gas. Unless Lee and Chatham counties are included in the territory it is to serve, Natural Gas said, it's "broad plan" for the entire eastern half of the state will be "jeopardized." It also said that unless it is allowed to serve the "substantial" brick and tile industry of the two (Continued on Page Five)



PRINCESS MARGARET - A radiant Princess Margaret, left, and her cousin, Princess Alexandra, drive off in a car after they arrived in London by train from Scotland. Princess Meg's arrival coincides with the visit of Capt. Peter Townsend and has caused increased speculation about their rumored romance. (Continued on Page Five)

Martin, Lewis Give Away \$75,000 In 35 Minutes

Rise In Paper Cost May Doom Some

WASHINGTON (AP) - A congressional group, fearing some U. S. newspaper may be forced out of business by an increase in Canadian newspaper prices, has called a meeting to find out what can be done about it.

The meeting of the nine-man House commerce subcommittee will be held in New York on Nov. 1. Concern about the newspaper elsewhere. In Canada Quebec premier Maurice Duplessis warned his country's newspaper producers that they were not the sole owners of Canadian forests and should "play fair" with other partners. "the newspapers and the consumer." (Continued on Page Five)

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) - Jerry Lewis and Dean Martin, clowns on and off the screen, took over a blackjack card table in a swank hotel here and "gave away" almost \$75,000 during a 35-minute period, the hotel said today. The money, said a spokesman for the Sands Hotel, came from the coffers of the resort's casino. Martin and Lewis did not use their own cash on the give-away spree. "That \$75,000 is nothing compared to the 2 million dollars in good will the boys just made for the Sands with the public," said Jack Entratter, one of the hotel's owners. The team recently patched up a feud. They came here Sunday night for a brief vacation. While waiting yesterday for a car to take them to the airport, Martin and Lewis sat at an unoccupied blackjack table. "At first they were just playfully dealing cards to kill time," said Entratter. CROWD SPOTTED THEM Hotel visitors spotted them and started crowding around the table. Some joined in the game. Lewis, rubber-faced clown of the act, set himself up as dealer. Martin took over the money tray which contained silver dollars and \$25 and \$100 bills. (Continued on Page Five)

Porter Is Fined In Bawdy House Case

Robert Porter, 31, of South Erwin entered a guilty plea on Tuesday in Harnett Recorder's Court to the charge of operating a bawdy house. Acting Recorder L. M. Chaffin handed Porter 12 months on the roads, suspended two years, on condition he pay a \$200 fine and costs, and permit his premises to be searched by officers at any time. No search warrant will be necessary. Porter's house in South Erwin was raided last July 12 by Sheriff C. R. Moore and rural police. One nude woman was arrested at the time and charged with immoral conduct. Porter appeared in court voluntarily today and entered the guilty plea. (Continued on Page Five)

Princess Meg May Still Be Undecided

LONDON (AP) - Belief grew down to the simple fact that the princess had not yet decided between love and duty. The blue-eyed princess is deeply religious and fully aware of her obligations as a member of the royal family. She would weigh deeply her decision in the matter which apparently has split the crown, church and country. Margaret dined Wednesday night with the heads of the Church of England, none of whom could condone her marriage to the 41-year-old divorced group captain. The dinner at Lambert Palace marked the first meeting between Mar- (Continued on Page Five)

1956 Pontiac On Display

The new 1956 Pontiac models which go on display at Strickland Motor Co. in Dunn Friday introduce a General Motors "first", a completely new Hydra-Matic transmission. Called Strato-Flight Hydra-Matic by Pontiac engineers, the new transmission is designed to provide smoother, quieter shifting of gears. The Pontiac Strato-Stroak V-8 engine, introduced last year, is larger in 1956 with horsepower upped to 227 in the Star Chief and 205 in the 870 and 860 series. Fifteen new body styles, longer by 2.4 inches, include six "hardtop" Catalinas, three of them four-door and three two-door. "Hardtop" models (Continued on Page 2, Sec. Section)

"GOP THINKS IKE WILL RUN"

That's what Peter Edson reports in an exclusive article today. It follows his talks with top members of the Republican Party in Washington. To keep abreast of the significant moves and changes in the nation's political scene, read Peter Edson Daily for an accurate, informative and authoritative report on the upcoming election, which shapes up as one of the greatest presidential contests ever. Read Peter Edson's Exclusive Article SEE EDITORIAL PAGE

Neighbors Gets \$6,000 Verdict

The Harnett County Superior Court jury today held that Jesse Cleon Neighbors, Dunn truck driver, was entitled to recover six thousand dollars from Johnson Motor Lines, Inc., of Charlotte, in compensation for personal injuries received in a collision between two tractor-trailer vans. The accident out of which the suit arose occurred Nov. 3, 1954, eight miles south of Fredericksburg, Va. It was around 4 a. m. on (Continued on Page Five)

New Committees Picked By Farmers

New community committeemen to administer the federal Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation program in Harnett County were elected on Tuesday in a county-wide election in which 716 farmers out of around 4,000 eligible voters went to the polls. Each community committee consists of a chairman, a vice-chairman, a regular member, and a first and a second alternate. The chairman from each community committee will, in turn, compose a body of delegates which on Oct. 27 at 9 a. m. will meet in Lillington at the county agriculture building to elect by secret ballot a county committee. The same five positions found in each local community will be repeated on the (Continued on Page Five)

The Marilyn Monroe Story



The walk, a blend of side sway and forward movement which possesses the rhythm of a metronome on a slow beat, is the same old walk. The platinum of the hair is still a shock to the eye. The talk, a misty, murmuring thing which hints of dear distractions and double beds, sounds just the same. Familiar is the face, and so is the figure. All these things - the walk, the shock of hair, the talk, the face and the figure - still identify the phenomenon called Marilyn Monroe. But New York is currently being re-educated to the fact that although the trademarks have not been altered, there has been a change in the merchandise. Marilyn Monroe, America's mid-century Sex Symbol, is waging a private rebellion. She is fighting to break out of the prison of Stereotyped Sex, where she had been confined by Hollywood publicists working in league with an overly generous Mother Nature. She is rebelling against Biology, bearing forward the banner of Intellect. And New York is her battleground. Love Affair With New York For nine months, the love goddess of the movies has conducted a revolutionary love affair with New York City and - platonically to be sure - with its groundings. Marilyn Monroe, unnoticed, has crossed the Brooklyn Bridge on (Continued on Page Eight)

MARILYN DANCES CHEEK-TO-CHEEK, STRETCHES

Traffic Cases Top Harnett's Docket

Cases arising chiefly out of violation of traffic laws of many kinds occupied most of the attention of Harnett Recorder's Court on Tuesday. Acting Recorder L. M. Chaffin was on the bench and acting solicitor J. T. Lamm prosecuted the docket. Dewitt Baker, 26 year old man of Jonesboro Heights, Route 8, tendered a guilty plea to driving without an operator's license and while under the influence of intoxicants. He drew six months on the roads, suspended 12 months on condition he pay \$125 fine and costs, and not drive until he obtains his license. Robert Branton, 26 year old Negro soldier of Ft. Bragg, submitted to charge of having an improper (Continued on Page Seven)

LARGEST LIQUOR FINE IN HARNETT HISTORY

Jackson Is Fined \$1,000 For Whiskey

R. B. (Huckleberry) Jackson confessed himself reeling under the blow today after Judge L. M. Chaffin of Harnett Recorder's Court ordered him to pay \$1000 fine and court costs for a fistful of violations. These included speeding 85 miles an hour, running a stop sign, failure to stop at the sound of a siren (Huckleberry led rural police quite a chase through the Dunn-Erwin countryside) and possession and transporting of whiskey. Of the latter, 42 gallons. Among other woes, Huckleberry's '48 Dodge has been confiscated. Attorney D. E. Stewart, appearing on the well-known Dunn man's behalf, made a plea which caused Judge L. M. Chaffin to reduce the original fine levied. It was for \$1,500 and court costs. A sentence of 18 months, suspended conditionally on payment (Continued on Page Five)