

**WEATHER**  
Sunny and a little warmer Thursday. Friday increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer with a chance for occasional light rain.

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## SANTA STARS IN DUNN PARADE FRIDAY



MR. AND MRS. JAMES A. POOLE  
Plenty Of Reasons For Those Proud Smiles

AFTER 37 YEARS AS FEDERAL TAX AGENT

### James A. Poole Retiring With Government's Praise

James A. (Jim) Poole of Dunn, the State's oldest federal income tax officer in years of service and head of the Dunn and Fayetteville U. S. tax offices, retired from his official duties yesterday after 37 years of continuous service.

High officials of the U. S. Internal Revenue Service from various sections of the State made a special trip to Dunn to honor the veteran revenue agent and left with him several highly-prized mementos and testimonials of his long and faithful service to his government.

Among them are: The U. S. Treasury's coveted Albert Gallatin Award for outstanding and meritorious service, personally signed by Secretary of the Treasury George Humphrey. A letter of commendation and praise from E. C. Palmer of Atlanta, Ga. regional Commissioner of Revenue in charge of the Southern States and the Republican of Panama.

Another letter of commendation for his services from P. K. Sanders of Greensboro District Director for North Carolina and a close personal friend of Mr. Poole.

**PRESENTED GOLD WATCH**  
Also a handsome gold Hamilton watch and a gold chain of 37 links (one for each year of service) presented to Mr. Poole by Weldon (Continued On Page Two)

### Gov. Hodges Makes Report To The People

RALEIGH, N. C. (AP) — Gov. Luther H. Hodges promised last night that a special session of the Legislature will be called to deal with school segregation problem if his present program "should result in conditions not acceptable to the state."

For the present, Hodges said he and legislative leaders have agreed that "no additional legislation is needed." He said he remains convinced that his "voluntary segregation" plan, proposed in a speech Aug. 8, "is the best approach to the problem."

Hodges said there have been "loud protestations" from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and "unfavorable reactions" from certain Negro groups, but he said "as time passes" Negroes will realize "that their real friends are the white people of North Carolina, including the governor."

In a televised-broadcast statewide "report to the people" Hodges listed the school segregation issue among a number of "difficult problems" faced during his first year as chief executive.

His proposal that "in the interest of keeping our public schools, the different races of their own free choice, attend their own schools, has been endorsed by 'prominent colored leaders.'"

These leaders, he said, have had to remain anonymous "because they do not wish to be made the objects of pressure from the professional agitators."

He said the Negroes "are working for the program and I believe their number will grow." He said the segregation problem is "receiving constant attention, and we are convinced that wisdom dictates it be dealt with a step at a time as conditions develop."

The governor remained that if a special session is called "before any basic change could be made in our school system, a state constitution" (Continued on Page Five)



NORTH POLE

Hi Kids

Christmas is almost here and we're busy as bees up here making toys and getting ready to go to see you on Christmas Eve.

It's also time for you to write to me and tell me just what you want. I've got loads and loads of toys and other things, but you have to write and let me know what you want.

Just write to me like this:  
SANTA CLAUS  
Care Of  
THE DAILY RECORD  
DUNN, N. C.

Last year, hundreds of you wrote to me in care of The Daily Record and I tried to fill your orders as best I could. Don't be late. Write today and The Daily Record will publish your letters for you.

SANTA CLAUS

P. S. I'm going to be in Dunn for the Christmas parade Friday afternoon at six o'clock. See you then.

### DUNN POLICE AID FBI IN FEDERAL CASE

### Negro Says Parolee Kidnapped Him

Twenty-five-year-old John Joseph Mitchell, who has already been up for robbery, has passed through the hands of several police departments including Dunn's since night before last and is now in custody of the FBI.

Mitchell is charged with kidnapping Alvertus Lowery of Washington, D. C., a 45-year-old negro who works in the Pentagon by day and is a saxophone player in a nightclub at night.

Ray Abbaticchio, chief of the FBI for North and South Carolina, reported that a complaint was filed at 4 p. m. Wednesday before U. S. Commissioner T. L. Hon at Fayetteville. Mitchell was bound over to the March term of Federal Court under \$10,000 bond.

**BROKE FEDERAL LAW**  
It was charged that he did "unlawfully and wilfully seize, abduct, kidnap and carry away by threat of a firearm, to-wit a pistol, the person of Alvertus Lowery, 44, at (Continued on Page Two)

### Woman Won't Convict Him, Hangs Jury

Defense lawyers are commonly of the opinion that a woman will convict a man a lot quicker than men will but it didn't work out that way in court here yesterday.

Solicitor J. Shep Bryan reports that five minutes after the jury retired on the case of L. H. Tew, charged with driving under the influence of intoxicating beverages, the count was five to six for conviction. It never changed.

Members of the hung jury were J. R. Smith, J. A. Green, Milford F. Gainey, J. Edgar Black, Jr., A. N. Hudson and Mrs. Myrtle T. Lee. Mrs. Lee, a resident of Dunn, Rt. 2, was reported by the five male members as the only one who "refused to have anything to do with the guilty verdict."

The jury stayed out an hour and a half before Judge H. Paul Strickland declared a mistrial. Tew will be tried again.

### CAUDLE INDICTED

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Two former officials of the Truman administration and an attorney were named today in a 24-count indictment charging conspiracy, bribery and perjury.

Named as defendants were Matthew J. Connelly, former White House appointment secretary; T. Lamar Caudle, head of the Justice Department's tax division until he was fired by President Truman in 1951, and Harry I. Schwimmer, a Kansas City attorney.

### Beautiful Floats, Other Attractions At Holiday Opening

Youngsters are vibrating like so many tenor saxophones as the time draws near for Dunn's big Christmas parade, marking the formal opening of the holiday festivities.

Zero hour is 6 p. m. tomorrow night. That's when Santa comes. By all reports, Santa has been ignoring the campaign against fatness, and will appear in Dunn with all his fabled roundness, his great beard, and his enormously convivial spirits still intact.

Santa will ride an enormous float and give out candy to boys and girls who come to see him. Sharing the spotlight in the parade will be a group of Mother Goose floats and Dunn's own "Miss Merry Christmas," Meredith Cromartie.

Charles Hildreth, chairman of the parade which is sponsored by the Retail Merchants Association, has asked that all parade participants be at the Armory by 5:30 at the very latest.

This definitely includes youngsters who plan to ride their decorated bicycles and compete for prizes.

### EVERYBODY'LL BE THERE

The whole town is expected to adjourn to Broad Street for the parade. Expecting this rush, Hildreth has requested that parents take a back seat to their children and not push into the front lines where they will block the view of youngsters who will have enough to do seeing around each other.

Besides the Mother Goose floats and Santa Claus, many local floats will be in the parade. The Harnett High band will play. The parade will be one of the longest planned, best organized, greatest in length and greatest, in sheer thrill ever to appear in the Christmas season.

### THIRD QUAD DIES

ALMA, Ga. (AP) — The third member of quadruplets born to a tenant farm wife here Tuesday died early today and concern was expressed for the remaining baby, a girl.



HARVEST SIGHT — Wearing a "gown" of lettuce leaves, 1955's "Lettuce Queen of Phoenix, Ariz., and the Valley of the Sun" helps during harvest of the vegetable in Phoenix. She's Betty Borkenstein, 23.

### School Board Delays Meeting

The county board of education, which usually meets on the first Monday, has delayed its meeting until Dec. 16 when bids will be opened on three new school plants. These projects, which will be the first to be financed by the two million dollar bond money voted (Continued on Page Five)

### Edmonds Is New Ford Sales Manager

Harry Edmonds, new sales manager for Auto Sales and Service, hasn't moved himself and family in from Fayetteville yet but that will come just as soon as he finds a house here.

At least one member of the family he moves here will be as fresh as the Fords and Mercurys which Auto Sales sells. Tiny Beverly is only two months old.

Edmonds and his wife Lois have two older children — Harry, Jr., (the Third) and Deborah. Harry is five and Deborah two.

Appointment of Mr. Edmonds to the post was announced today by President Henry H. Sandlin.

An auto salesman for twelve years, all told, Edmonds said he

started in Williamston in 1939. Drafted into the Army, he switched into the Air Force and became an instructor in map reading.

He was a master sergeant, served overseas in '43, '44, '49 and '50. Despite service experiences, he considers auto selling an exciting game, works at it from eight in the morning until nine at night, seven days a week.

"I think Dunn is a great place," he said. He has been at the new job for three weeks.



HARRY EDMONDS — Ford, Mercury His Line

### These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

### THE FBI TELEPHONES; BUT IT WAS GOOD NEWS

Yesterday afternoon about four o'clock, our telephone rang and the switchboard operator at the other end of the line asked our identity and then instructed, "Hold on, please, the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Charlotte is calling YOU."

At first, we figured it was some friend playing a joke on us. We are blessed (or plagued) by a couple of friends who are always calling us from far-off places just for the fun of it. They've got plenty of money and are just as likely to call from London as from California. Once she phoned from Bangkok, Thailand.

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### Hi-Lo Supermarket Plans Big Opening

Lillington's newest grocery store has the catchy name of Hi-Lo Supermarket.

This four letter word stands for high quality and low price reports owner-manager David O. Marlin, who is inviting the public to come and see that his store has the right name.

Grand opening of the grocery will be held Friday and Saturday at the new store which already is open for business on Lillington's Main Street, opposite the Town Hall and adjoining the Lillington Furniture Company. The building is one which formerly housed the Firestone Store and is the property of Mrs. J. T. Northam.

### GIFTS AND PRIZES

All day Friday and Saturday there will be free gifts for the kiddies. Other visitors are invited to register the same two days for an array of attractive prizes. Every person who goes into the new store Friday and Saturday also may register for the grand prize which will be drawn Saturday at 6 p. m.

Lillington's first supermarket represents a new business, but grocery business is not new to Marlin who has had seven years experience in food selling, with two years of special training in meat (Continued on Page Two)

### Youths Ignore S-D Day, Race To Death

DARLINGTON, S. C. (AP) — Three and a half hours before national Safe Driving Day began at midnight, two carloads of thrill-seeking teenagers pried bars from a barricade on famed Darlington International Raceway and began racing around the track.

They didn't know track officials had dug a 24-foot wide ditch, 15 feet deep, across the track for installation of a tunnel.

One of the racers was killed and four were injured when the cars roared into the hazard.

State Highway Patrol Cpl. C. H. Butler Jr. said one automobile (Continued on Page Five)

### Record Roundup

**PLAYS TO BE PRESENTED** — The Linden school teachers will present two one-act plays in the Linden School auditorium, Friday evening, December 2, at 7:30 o'clock. The plays are: "Just What They Wanted" — a Christmas comedy and "A Sign Unto You."

The patrons and public are invited. The tickets are 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students. (Continued on Page Four)



MOTHER GOOSE PAGEANTRY — Ten striking floats, built around Mother Goose themes, will be part of Dunn's Christmas parade tomorrow.

Above is the Humpty Dumpty float — with Jack and Jill on wall at rear — which was seen in Durham's Santa Claus parade.