

Thursday partly cloudy with cooler temperatures in the west, portion. Friday generally fair and cold.

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DULLES SAYS COLD WAR IS ON AGAIN



MAKING CAMP IN DUNN — Mysteriously enough, Santa Claus has chosen this tiny North Carolina town as his pre-Christmas headquarters. Local youngsters regard it as quite a blessing for not only is Santa a friendly head-patter, and a cheerful listener, but he has candy to pass out too. Most every afternoon you'll find him walking the streets of Dunn, trying to catch up with children who haven't written about their needs. Thrilled youngsters in car are Tommie and Mary Godwin and (center) Bobbie Tyler. The thinker, whose head just comes to Santa's waist, is Mark Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Johnson of Dunn. (Daily Record Photo by Ted Crall.)

Report On Ike Brings More Speculation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Doctors' reports that President Eisenhower should ease his work load touched off new Republican speculation today as to whether the President will seek reelection.

With no obvious explanation, disbelief appears to be running in much greater proportion among GOP politicians not closely tied to the Eisenhower wing of the party. For more than a month, there has been a steady upswing in expressed hopes or beliefs that Mr. Eisenhower will run again. Evidence supporting these views, if it exists, has not been disclosed.

ADMIT WISHFUL THINKING

Some Republicans admit wishful thinking may be a factor; others say the President is facing an unfinished job as a world leader, others concede they just have a "feeling in the bones" that he will run again.

Those who remain unconvinced are expressing their opinion only in private. Some are suspicious of a plot among White House lieutenants, encouraging hopes of a second Eisenhower candidacy to discourage moves by other possible candidates.

These Little Things

LITTLE NOTES ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS
Outside The Daily Record office somebody dumped a pile of broken-up parking meters. We sensed a news story, figuring that somebody might have robbed some of the meters downtown or that Howard Lee had finally gotten so angry over the meters that he had chopped them down. But Ted Crall of The Record staff checked with Police Chief Alton Cobb and the broken meters were not of the type used in Dunn. Ted recalled that when parking meters were first installed in his hometown out in Montana that citizens were so enraged they formed a vigilante committee for the express purpose of destroying the gadgets. During the night, the vigilantes would sweep down over the town and tear up the meters. Pieces of them would be found for miles around. Christmas holidays for Harnett schools will begin at the close of the school day on Tuesday, December 20th. Classes will be resumed on Monday, January 2. Before beginning their Christmas holidays, employees of Erwin Mills (Continued On Page Six)

Lions' Ladies Are Feted By Husbands

Tonight at Johnson's Restaurant members of the Dunn Lions Club will exercise their Christmas conviviality on their wives. The annual Ladies' Night Christmas program will include a dinner followed by a dance. During the evening, the Lions will also turn their minds for a moment to a more serious matter. Glenn Hooper, Jr. president, reported today that a number of blind persons and families will be aided in celebrating this Christmas by Lions Club members. "We have names of 18 blind persons in all to distribute," said Hooper. "Each three members of the club will collaborate in helping them. They will get some money from the club for this, and some will come from their own pockets." On the program for this evening are a number of entertainment features planned by Program Chairman Billy Creel and committeemen Johnny Ciccone, Billy Pearsall, Nathan Cannady and Ed Welborn. Eugene Huggins will sing "O Holy Night." Mrs. Eugene Smith will give a solo. A quartet organized by Frank Belote is to sing three carols. Each of the Ladies' present at tonight's party is to be given a gift, and there will be a drawing for eight larger gifts. Following dinner, there will be dancing in the General Lee ballroom to last from about 9:30 until 12 p.m. Ladies' Night begins at 8 p.m. (Continued On Page Six)

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Dorothy McGuire Being Divorced

NEW YORK (AP) — Singer Dorothy McGuire may be free soon to resume her celebrated romance with an old flame—Julius LaRosa. "I don't know when I expect to see her again... we're both in show business, you know," said LaRosa when he was informed last night that Dorothy's husband had filed suit for divorce and she had filed a counter-suit.

LaRosa, who is appearing here as a guest star on the Martha Raye television show, said he knew nothing of the divorce actions. They were filed in Florida. He told reporters he hadn't seen Dorothy since "three days before last New Year's."

News of the pending divorce action was disclosed by Miss McGuire's lawyer, Charles E. Booth. He said Dorothy's husband, Sgt. John Henry Brown, filed suit for divorce in the Flagler Circuit Court at Bunnell, Fla., on Aug. 16. CHARGES CRUELTY Fourteen days later, on Aug. 30, Dorothy filed her suit. (Continued On Page Six)

Reports Russia Has Launched New Offensive

PARIS (AP) — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles warned the North Atlantic Treaty Organization today that the Soviet Union has launched a new cold war offensive in the Middle East and Asia.

In an address to the opening session of the North Atlantic Council, Dulles said the new Soviet strategy is a serious threat. Speaking for nearly an hour to the assembled foreign, defense and treasury ministers of the 15 NATO nations gathered to review military, political and economic policies, Dulles noted that the Soviets have the potential to act decisively. He said the Reds were offering both aid and technicians in the Middle East and Asia. He pointed out that Russia has huge stocks of obsolescent arms to offer, even though it lacks many consumer goods.

Dulles' speech reviewed in their entirety the Soviet's sizzags of policy for the past year. He said the year started and ended with the cold war. He recalled that last year's annual NATO meeting came under growl. (Continued on Page Five)



CROWNED QUEEN — Pictured above is Miss Annette Barefoot, a sophomore at Atlantic Christian College in Wilson, who was crowned Fine Knot queen at the annual Christmas dance held at the Wilson Country Club, recently. The Fine Knot is the name of the college yearbook. Miss Barefoot was chosen over a field of thirteen contestants in the contest sponsored by various organizations of the campus. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barefoot of Dunn.

Mrs. Bell To Give Reading At Erwin

Mrs. Mae Bell, who is known to television audiences throughout eastern North Carolina, will present a reading of "The Littlest Angel" at the First Baptist Church in Erwin Sunday evening at 7:30. Mrs. Bell's reading will be part of a Christmas program which the Adult Choir will be presenting, under the direction of their Minister of Music, Charles A. Horton. Mr. Horton is also head of the Music Department at Campbell College. Mrs. Bell is Director of the Children's Museum in Rocky Mount. She is a former elementary school teacher and is also a member of the nine-member governing board of the Southeast Museum Association. She also has a weekly children's program on television.

Smith Will Head Benson Chamber

Newell Smith, Sr., manager of the Benson Hog Market, has been elected president of the Benson Chamber of Commerce for the coming year. Election of new officers, which took place at the annual organizational meeting, was announced today by Mrs. Elizabeth Ferguson executive secretary and manager of the chamber. Smith, prominent civic and religious leader succeeds Ralph Deiano, editor of The Benson Review, who is retiring after a very successful term of office. TO TAKE OVER JAN. 27 Other new officers are: Hiram Rose, vice president; Z. V. Stephenson, second vice president; W. P. Strickland, treasurer; and Mrs. Ferguson, renamed executive secretary. (Continued On Page Six)

Chamber Still Seeks Manager

The Chamber of Commerce is still looking for a manager to fill the position left vacant by Ed Carroll who resigned on Nov. 15. J. N. Stephenson, chairman of a special screening committee which passes on the names of the acceptable applicants to the full Chamber of Commerce board, said today that action would not be taken until after the holidays. "It's possible we'll select our new manager in January," he said. Serving on the committee with Stephenson are Earl Mahone and Billy Godwin. Also helping with the screening is Chamber of Commerce President Emmett Aldredge. A number of applications have been received, said Stephenson, and these cover a wide area, including some from out-of-state. The son ended a four-month marriage to "Racehorse" Mary, 56, a woman with a long reputation for drinking and playing the horses, by meeting her unconscious yesterday and strangling her with a noose he fashioned from his bathrobe cord. He said she was "nothing but an old prostitute." Campbell killed his wife in the American Hotel which his father had bought for him for \$21,000, police said. (Continued on Page Six)

Hospital Board To Discuss Ford Gift

Tonight the Dunn Hospital Board will have its first real chance to discuss what might be done with its share of the Ford Foundation's tremendous 500 million dollar gift to hospitals and schools. Myers Tilghman, chairman of the board which has its regular meeting this evening, said he thought there would only be discussion this evening and that action would be delayed until the new hospital administrator is here and can take part in the plans. One of the conditions of the gift from the Foundation is that it must be used to expand services offered by the hospital, and cannot merely be used in support of what has been done. The Foundation made this stipulation because it hopes to improve hospital service, and not simply take some of the burden of hospital support off local shoulders. Tilghman said he couldn't guess at present in what direction Dunn (Continued On Page Two)

Dear Santa!

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little boy 4 years old, and I would like for you to bring me a dump truck and a pair of gloves and a big surprise. Please remember the other little boys and girls, too. Remember Grandma and Moezell. Thank you, Ricky Lee Allen, Route one, Dunn, N. C. Hi Santa Claus, I am a little girl 7 years old in the second grade. I have been good this year. My two little brothers have, too. Please bring me for Christmas a big doll, a cash register. (Continued On Page Five)

Aged Father Won't Help Young Slayer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The foster son of a wealthy Denver insurance executive, jailed for strangling his "nagging" wife, waited hopefully today for his father to "come down here and get this over with." But it appeared that Jack Milton Campbell, 44, son of J. M. Campbell, 87-year-old chairman of the board of the Security Life Insurance Co., would have a long wait before his father offers aid. The elder Campbell said yesterday in Denver that his son had been a "source of trouble" most of his life, and he does not plan to go to New Orleans to help him. The son ended a four-month marriage to "Racehorse" Mary, 56, a woman with a long reputation for drinking and playing the horses, by meeting her unconscious yesterday and strangling her with a noose he fashioned from his bathrobe cord. He said she was "nothing but an old prostitute." Campbell killed his wife in the American Hotel which his father had bought for him for \$21,000, police said. (Continued on Page Six)

Four Children Die In Blaze

DURANT, Okla. (AP) — Four youths burned to death and the mother of three of them was critically injured today when fire swept through a three-room residence here. The victims were three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Womack and an 18-year-old friend of the family, Hilton Berry. Mrs. Womack, 38, was in a grave condition with severe burns on her head and chest. The Womack boys who died were Leon, 19, Bobby, 14, and Jay, 7. Their badly charred bodies were found after the raging flames had consumed all but one wall of the home. The father told firemen he had built a fire in a wood stove a few minutes before leaving for work. Firemen said the house was "afire all over" when they arrived. Mrs. Womack stumbled out of the house in a daze. M. S. Owens who lives near the stricken family, said the Womacks had moved into the house only Sunday, and he had gone over to get acquainted with them. "Some wall paper was hanging loose from the ceiling and Womack said he was going to paste it up or rip it off, because it was a fire hazard," Owens said.

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