

Generally fair to cool this afternoon. Increasing cloudiness tonight. Thursday cloudy, colder and rain.

TANKER SINKS, 2 DEAD 25 MISSING



SUPER MARKET HEADS — Carl Lucas (left) has opened his new Erwin Super Market for business. The manager on the floor is 31-year-old Ervett McDonald, who has been with Lucas at Carl's Grocery and Market, the other store run by the prominent Erwin businessman. Though

householders can do business at the new market right now, the Grand Opening doesn't begin until tomorrow. Finishing touches were attended to this week as Lucas readied the store for tomorrow, Friday and Saturday when many persons in this area will undoubtedly be visiting it.

Defense Chief Doubts U. S. Was Near War

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, and Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson disagreed today on how close the United States came to war during the first three years of the Eisenhower administration.

The disagreement between the two cabinet officers developed in the face of increased Democratic criticism of Dulles for his controversial "brink-of-war" statement. The statement prompted a demand Tuesday night from Adlai E. Stevenson, candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, that President Eisenhower either repudiate Dulles' assertion of fire him. Mr. Eisenhower will have an opportunity to give his views at a news conference Thursday.

Three War Crises Dulles' controversial statement was that this country avoided war three times with Communist China only by "walking to the brink" of conflict — during crises over the Korean armistice, Indochina and Formosa.

Wilson told a news conference Tuesday he "never thought we were that close" to war in those areas. But he conceded, "there are all kinds of brinks."

Dulles defended himself vigorously Tuesday against charges that he had gambled dangerously with the nation's peace on the three occasions. He declared that the nation had not moved of its own accord but was "brought" to the brink of war by Red threats relating to Korea, Indochina and Formosa.

Calculated Risks Necessary In a nutshell, Dulles said his



THE EASY SELL — The "hard sell" method of salesmanship, involving a long harangue by an ulcer-threatened salesman, apparently isn't necessary at Sherrill Johnson's. He shows his machinery-wise customers — like R. D. Weeks (in tractor seat) and J. T. Neighbors — what his tractors will do, and let's them sell themselves.

Leaf Meeting Is Scheduled

A meeting of Harnett County Tobacco growers will be held in the Lillington High School Auditorium on Friday, January 20 at 7:00 p. m., stated C. R. Ammons here today.

The speakers for this meeting will be Mr. S. N. Hawks, Extension tobacco specialist and F. A. Todd, Extension Plant Pathologist of State College. The latest research practices in tobacco production will be discussed by Mr. Hawks and Mr. Todd. This meeting is being planned in cooperation with J. H. Blackmon, teacher of agriculture in the Lillington High School.

All tobacco growers throughout the county are cordially invited to attend and participate in this tobacco discussion. May I suggest that you invite your neighbor to attend this meeting with you.

UNUSUAL NEW TRACTOR

Low-Profile MH 50 Shown Locally

J. Sherrill Johnson, local Massey-Harris dealer whose shop is a mile and a half from Dunn on the Benson Highway, had his first look at the company's 1956 line of tractors during presentation ceremonies at Atlanta, Georgia, on December 12.

Legion Post Will Discuss New Home

The American Legion post is split several ways on what to do with their present meeting-place. Tomorrow night they will meet at their hut on West Broad Street and try to thrash out what they're going to do.

Keith Finch, past commander and presently a member of the board of trustees of the Dunn post, lists the possibilities this way:

The Legion could continue in its present home, maybe give it a face-lifting, make some minor changes.

It could scrap the hut, tear it all down, and put up a modern building in its place.

Instead of building at the present site on West Broad, the post could sell that property—which should bring a pretty good price—and build on 30 acres they own on Jonesboro Road, a mile out of town.

Finch said there are advocates of each of these steps within the post.

The Legion's current commander, Ed Boyette, said, "I think we can swing whatever we decide to do. What I want is to have a lot of members come out tomorrow night, and all of them take part in deciding this."

Finch said the main quarrel of members with the Legion's present

Stephenson's Fate Still In Balance

Trial of David Stephenson, local youth who has had a hard time staying out of jail, has been postponed in Dunn Recorder's Court, the trial has been continued to January 31.

Although the charge is the usually minor one of "public drunkenness," conviction in this instance could do Stephenson a lot of harm. He is on probation from a prison sentence, and might have to serve

Harnett Scouters Have Big Plans

At Erwin last night, scout leaders from throughout Harnett joined in what their chairman, H. H. Hamilton of Lillington, finally termed "the best district meeting" in the history of scouting in this area.

Homer Eggers, district scout executive who had worked as a full-time "pro" at scouting for several years, beamed this morning, "No more of these one-man committees. This time we have operating committees with the emphasis on operation."

Besides installing officers last night, the group discussed and made plans for a year full of action and advancement. They also

received news that 1956 has already produced some interesting developments.

A brand new scout troop is reported to be just about ready to go in Dunn. Earl Wells, the county dogcatcher, is acting as scoutmaster and George Perry Lee is his assistant. It meets at Grove Freytherian Church. Eggers said that Angier, also, is right on the

grinding out, "I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm."

Then theater manager Gilbert Oacraft intervened and said Peaches could appear in the second show — her last. Men were posted in the wings to watch for mice.

"Miss Page will not be appearing again," Eggar announced later. "She is under contract to remain still while posing. If the authorities hear of this I could lose my license."

"I don't care what Mr. Eggar, the London County Council or anyone else says," Miss Page told newsmen. "Any girl would have done the same."

Last-Minute News Shorts

WASHINGTON — Democratic Leader Johnson says he is hopeful the Senate can begin voting on the hotly-disputed natural gas bill by the end of next week.

LONDON — Prime Minister Eden has scheduled a major policy address for this afternoon in which he is expected to reply to charges of dragging his feet in office.

NEW YORK — Frenzied bidding carries Ford stock to \$70.50, giving early birds \$62 million profit.

WASHINGTON — Sen. Jackson says Russia probably will test-fire 1,500-mile ballistic missile before year's end.

LAKE CHARLES, La. — Burning hulk of explosion-rent tanker sinks; two known dead, as many as 25 believed missing.

WASHINGTON — Sen. Svnington accuses Dulles and Wilson of confusing nation with conflicting "brink of war" statements.

BERLIN — East German Reds formally approve new "national peoples army."

WASHINGTON — Cabinet surprises President with Grandma Moses painting of Gettysburg farm.

Burned To Death Lighting Her Pipe

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, (AP) — Mrs. Margareta Sundstrom, 75, died of burns yesterday. Police said she set her nightcap on fire while trying to light her pipe with a candle while in bed.

CAUGHT WITH NEGRO "LOVER"

Girl Begins Prison Term For Adultery

MORGANTON, N. C. (AP) — A 20-year-old white girl was taken to women's prison at Raleigh today to begin an 18-months sentence for adultery and fornication with a Negro sawmill employe.

The Negro, Louis Carson, 40, of Harmony, was sentenced to six months on the road last Tuesday in Burke Superior Court, but judgment was postponed on the girl who claimed she was 17-years old and had never been in trouble.

Judge T. Earl Franklin postponed sentencing the girl, Mary Higgins of Ennioce, pending an investigation by probationary officers. The investigation showed that the girl was 20-years old and had been in jail twice before.

Ford Stock Soars; Demand Is Terrific

NEW YORK (AP) — The price of Ford Motor Company stock today soared past the \$70-a-share mark in frenzied over-the-counter trading.

This was a big premium over the original offering price of \$64.50 a share for the 10,200,000 shares of Ford common stock.

Brokers report demand is "simply terrific." They quoted the stock at \$70 and \$71 asked—what they are willing to buy and sell it at.

The stock officially went on sale this morning through a giant syndicate of 722 investment banking firms. The group is committed to sell the stock at \$64.50 to those lucky investors who have been allocated shares.

But thousands of persons who were left out in the cold when the stock was originally allotted are offering Ford's new stockholders a big profit if they'll sell.

Brokers said people who never

Boone Trail FHA Has Meet

The Boone Trail Chapter of the F. H. A. met January 6th at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the President, Bertha Lois Ray. For the devotional, Clea Stewart read the Bible. Norma Stewart read a poem, "Character is up to You," and Bertha Lois Ray led in prayer.

Janet Harrington conducted an "I've Got A Secret" program. She had as panel members: Mrs. Hales, Janet McCormick, Elaine Norton, and Helen Page. The contestants were Elizabeth Nordon, Lois Ray, and Lorraine Brown.

The Sophomore girls gave two selections in song, "It's Almost Tomorrow" and "He."

The banquet is planned for February.

TWUA Plans Drive For Wage Boost

ATLANTA (AP) — The United Textile Workers of America announced today it will begin a wage increase drive in North Carolina and Virginia at a session in Danville, Va., Feb. 19.

Joseph Jacobs, Southern director of the union, said there had been a "lag between wage movements in the textile industry as compared with other basic industries" following the increase in the national minimum wage scale to \$1.00 an hour.

"Conditions are favorable for a wage increase, because of improved sales, higher earnings and profits, increased productivity and continued good outlook for the textile industry in 1956," Jacobs said.

He said a number of contracts in the North Carolina-Virginia area already have been opened for the wage increase demands.



AUTO IN WHICH GODWIN WAS INJURED — Pictured here is the 1955 Pontiac in which Lewis Godwin, prominent Dunn business man, was badly injured yesterday just before noon at the corner of Johnson and Layton. The accident occurred between the car driven by Godwin and an automobile driven by Bud Norris. Notice the pole cut down by the impact. Godwin was thrown out of the vehicle. Condition of Mr. Godwin today was reported as satisfactory at Dunn Hospital. He is a grading contractor here. (Daily Record Photo.)

+ Record Roundup +

NEW ACTIVITY BUS — The Lillington school has a newly acquired school activity bus, which is a renovated school bus. Erwin also has a new activity bus, and Dunn has added a second to the one it already possessed. Other school activity buses are owned by Bule's Creek, Anderson Creek, Shawtown, Harnett High School, and Coats. These buses make it possible to transport students to attend various school events outside of their community, but not

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Strickland Heads Dunn Shriners

Paul L. Strickland, Jr. was installed as president of the Dunn Shriners Monday evening.

Others who have taken office for the coming year include Howard

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IT'S LAW IN LONDON — BUT MOUSE FRIGHTENED HER

Nude Singer Moves, Gets Fired

LONDON (AP) — Actresses can appear on the stage nude in Britain if they don't move. If they move they are breaking the law and are liable to get fired.

Nineteen-year old Peaches Page billed as "the delicious singing nude," broke the law Tuesday night. Her grand immobility dissolved in a burst of speed and she was fired.

Peaches appeared at the Cambridge Palace in shoes, a bracelet and a white muff. And as she moved her lips (legal) a record player in the background gave forth with "I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm."

Peaches and the mouse fled in different directions.

Show manager Syd Eggar said the authorities would get after him if they found out Peaches was flouncing about in public without her clothes.

NO CLOTHES OK—MOVING NOT "By moving, you have broken your contract," he told Peaches "You're sacked."

But Peaches' show stopper didn't stop the show. The record kept