

WEATHER
Generally fair in East. Considerable cloudiness tonight and Wednesday.

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450 DEAD IN EUROPEAN COLD WAVE



FEBRUARY
Valentine's Day fluttered in today and all over the county hearts were presumably bounding madly at sweet verses ("I'm counting my calories honest and true, and find I'm deficient in Vitamin U"). At Mary Stewart School, where Larry Smith (right) and Barbara Coats attend the fourth grade, there was dramatic valentine display. Although Larry didn't seem to be bothered with heart trouble, he and Barbara did the best they could to look like true Valentine sweethearts for the camera.

Finer Carolina Organizing This Evening

Thirty or forty local leaders are expected to be at the Finer Carolina meeting tonight at Johnson's Restaurant. They will be guests of Carolina Power and Light.

R. N. Hadley, manager of the Dunn branch of the power company, said today that Finer Carolina will again sponsor community programs in 1956.

Cash prizes are to be awarded the towns which, in the opinion of the judges, do the most outstanding job of overall community development. Towns are judged in competition with others in the same population group (1-1000; 1000-3000; 3000-up).

The cash award amounts to \$1000, \$250 of which goes to the group, club, organization or agency which sponsored the outstanding project for the community.

1955 winners are to be announced later this week.

Hadley said today that the power company has sponsored Finer Carolina because of a desire to help directly the area served. "Improving the economy of a community and developing community pride is not a job for any individual," an official company statement states, "but it will be up to you to see that the chance for a year of progressing your community is not lost."

The Finer Carolina dinner and discussion program begins at 7:30 p. m. tonight at Johnson's.

WHITENER FILES

RALEIGH (AP)—Basil L. Whitener of Gastonia filed today as a candidate in the May 26 Democratic primary for Congress in the 11th District. Ralph W. Gardner of Shelby became the first of three announced candidates to pay a \$225 filing fee for the race to succeed Rep. Woodrow W. Jones who will not seek re-election.

LOVERS ACCUSE EACH OTHER

Husband Is Slain In Love Triangle

DETROIT (AP)—An Iraqi immigrant and her lover admitted plotting the stabbing death of her husband today, but each accused the other of wielding the knife.

Maurice Hamilton, 20-year-old Scotch-Iraqi immigrant, told police Mrs. Victoria Halsha, 23, killed her husband, Aziz Halsha, 38, after



LENNON CAMPAIGNS IN HARNETT — Former U. S. Senator Alton Lennon of Wilmington, seeking the seat now held by Congressman F. Ertel Carlyle, arrived in Dunn yesterday to spend a full week of campaigning in Harnett. He's shown here at noon today having lunch with Henry A. Turlington, left, and W. A. (Bill) Taylor, right, two prominent Harnett Democratic leaders. Mr. Lennon says he has been highly gratified and encouraged over the enthusiastic response given his announcement. "If elected," he said, "I'll work hard and will try to make the district a good Congressman." (Daily Record Photo.)

STICKING WITH HARRIMAN

DeSapio Dares Adlai To Enter June 5th Primary In New York

Democratic National Committee Chairman Carmine DeSapio, active mastermind of Gov. Harriman's "inactive" candidacy for the Democratic Presidential nomination, yesterday challenged the New York supporters of Adlai Stevenson to enter this state's June 5 Presidential primary election.

This was DeSapio's reply to the claim of the Stevenson forces that private polls show Stevenson 4 to 1 over Harriman among Democrats (Continued On Page Eight)

ASKING TRUSTEES FOR ADVICE ON ACCUSED RED

Campbell Didn't Know Myers' Past

The president of Campbell College, Dr. Leslie C. Campbell, said today he had prepared a statement concerning faculty member John Myers who has indicated he will be an uncooperative witness before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

President Campbell said his statement will be mailed as a letter to members of the Baptist College's 24-man board of directors including Chairman W. Carroll Bryan of Jacksonville, North Carolina.

"I (the statement) is as objective as I can make it," Dr. Campbell stated. He said he was not advising the board on what action should be taken about Myers status on the faculty.

"I am asking them for advice." Myers' name was catapulted into the news last week when he gave an exclusive interview to the Daily Record and announced his opposition to any move the House committee may make in probing what he considers "personal political beliefs."

Myers said he believed the committee subpoenaed him because he had been connected with the Communist party by two government witnesses. One of them, Ralph Long was a student in a class taught by Myers when he was teaching and studying in graduate school at the University of North Carolina from 1946 to 1949. The other witness, Ralph Clontz of Charlotte, suggested there was an association between Myers and Junius Scales,

convicted Communist leader. Dr. Campbell has been reported as saying that he did not know Myers had failed to sign a questionnaire circulated among the faculty at the University of North Carolina which asked about Communist affiliations.

That was the consensus of a small group of community leaders who met with R. N. Hadley, area manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company, on Friday night at the Lillington Community Center.

But exact details of the projects needed and the formation of a permanent steering committee will be drawn on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 8 p. m. in the Lillington School Library.

Roger Johnson, principal of the Lillington School, was elected temporary chairman of the 1956 Finer Carolina Contest Committee. He was instructed to invite one or more representatives from every civic club in the town to meet with him on Wednesday night to effect a permanent steering committee.

Organizations to be represented at the Wednesday night conference will include Rotary Club, Junior Chamber of Commerce, The Chamber of Commerce, the Parent-Teacher Association and the Lillington School.

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Riviera Hit By Blizzard; Areas Isolated

LONDON (AP) — A relentless cold wave today maintained its grip on Europe where nearly 450 persons have died in an unprecedented two-week siege of snow and ice.

Conditions in Scandinavia approached the chaotic winter of 1658 when King Karl Gustav X of Sweden marched his army across the frozen sea to conquer Denmark.

The belts of water separating hundreds of Danish islands neared a total freeze during the night and Denmark's "bear fleet" of ice-breakers worked to free hundreds of trapped ships before supplies run out.

A country by country count of the dead since the first Siberian-born coldwave moved down over Europe Feb. 1 showed: France 124, Italy 93, Yugoslavia 58, West Germany 46, Britain 30, Denmark 25, Portugal 18, Greece 17, Switzerland 12, Sweden 12 and Austria 10. Ninety-three persons were missing in avalanches in Yugoslavia.

France expected more snow and sleet today. The Riviera was hit by a blizzard and some 300 automobiles were trapped in snowdrifts along the coast.

FOOD BY HELICOPTER
Scores of little villages in south and central France are isolated by snowdrifts but helicopters were making regular food drops. American and Italian air force planes also were dropping relief supplies.

Last Minute News Shorts

MOSCOW — Khrushchev says U. S. nearing end of its economic rope.

WASHINGTON — Federal grand jury opens inquiry to determine if Case donation violated federal laws.

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Benson accuses Democrats of sabotaging GOP farm program.

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Lillington Entering Finer Carolina Race

Nothing can be finer than that Lillington should enter the "Finer Carolina" contest for 1956.

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These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

EASTER, AL, A SALE, A CHURCH, GLEASON STORY

The new Porter's Restaurant, to be located across the street from its present location in the Hotel Cotton Dale, will be one of the most lavish and most beautiful in the State when it's completed. . . . Arthur Pope, owner of the Cotton Dale, is sparing no expense. . . . When the architect was drawing up the plans, Pope told him, "I want it just as nice as any restaurant in the State. I want the very best."

"He's a man with enough money to talk like that and mean it, too. . . . He's buying equipment and putting in modern innovations I've always dreamed about but never hoped to have," declared Gilbert Porter, who is leasing the building from him. . . . Porter is pleased as punch, too. . . . The disc jockeys are already playing "Easter Parade."

In case you hadn't already thought about it, there are only 46 more days until Easter, which falls on April 1 this year. . . . Former U. S. Senator Alton Lennon was back in Dunn yesterday to begin a round of campaigning for the seat now held by Congressman F. Ertel Carlyle. . . . He looks just as handsome and distinguished as ever.

We spotted the Senator in a serious huddle with Fred Byerly, local insurance and finance man. . . . He and Fred are old friends were classmates at Wake Forest. . . . Mr. Lennon still has to (Continued on Page Two)

OLDEST RESTAURANT GETS BIGGER QUARTERS

Porter's Moving Into Cotton Dale

Twenty-one years in the restaurant business in Dunn, B. Gilbert Porter today announced plans to move across the street from his present location.

As passerby have noted, one side of Hotel Cotton Dale is already under serious major alteration as workmen prepare a place for the new version of "Porter's Restaurant."

Porter expects to have the doors open on a restaurant which will seat 96 by April 1. The architect employed by Montgomery Greene of Raleigh has drawn up the plans. There will be a private dining room for 40. Porter said he will now cater for parties, banquets and club meetings.

The restaurant will be owned by Porter, his wife Lucille, and Mrs. Lucille Faircloth. All new equipment will be installed. It will be neatly and colorfully decorated.

By moving right across the street, the restaurant does not yield the choice location it has enjoyed all these years — with the two main highways, 301 and 421, going right by.

MODERNISTIC THROUGH-OUT

The new restaurant will be one of the very latest, modernistic design and no expense is being spared to provide the best equipment available.

Arthur F. Pope is owner of the hotel building. Pope and Mixon, local building supply concern, is handling the remodeling project. Willard Mixon is supervising the construction work.

Parking space will be provided (Continued On Page Eight)

This Transfer Student Is All Right

James Albert Lewis, a top basketball player since his transfer from Westbrook High School, has been selected as Dunn High's "Student of the Month."

While at Westbrook he was president of the Sophomore class, president of the Beta Club, appeared in the junior play — and of course played basketball and baseball.

In the 11th grade there, he won a special award for his athletic performances.

At Dunn, he is a member of the Beta Club, Teen-Age and Hi-Y groups, takes an in-and-out-of class interest in chemistry. English, he declares, is his hardest subject.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lewis, Sr. of Route 5, Dunn, he attends Oak Grove Church and Hood Memorial Christian Church. He lives with his uncle, W. P. Williford, at 506 S. Magnolia Ave.

Record Roundup

TO MEET WEDNESDAY—The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet with Mrs. Guy Hardee at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Purdie on West Divine Street Wednesday afternoon at 4:00. Mrs. William Newsome, president, announces that the District Director, Mrs. Mildred McKay of Sanford will be guest of the club. She will be introduced by Mrs. Nathan Johnson.

NO LET UP—The Lillington Ground Observation Corps went on duty on an "around-the-clock" basis, starting February 1st. Since that time, R. N. Sessoms, chief observer, said yesterday that there has not been an hour that the post has not been staffed by volunteer civilian defense workers. The post (Continued On Page Two)



HARP SOLOIST TO APPEAR — Mildred Dilling, internationally famous harpist will appear in D. Rich Memorial Auditorium, 8 p. m. Thursday, as a feature of the Campbell College Community Concert Association series.

COUPLE CAUGHT CAVORTING IN THE NUDE

Love-For-Hire Ring Smashed By Police

NEW YORK (AP) — Police today held a platinum blonde and a brunette ex-show girl, picked up in two raids that broke up a \$100-a-date call girl operation.

The 21-year-old blonde, who identified herself as Jane Stacey of Buffalo, was arrested yesterday as she and a male "date" cavorted in the nude in an expensive hotel suite. The girl told reporters she was a Vassar student taking a holiday in New York. Vassar denied she was registered there.

The brunette, Jane Cook, 33, was charged with running the love for money ring. She was arrested in a police raid on her fancy apartment which featured a plush, custom-made bar.

Police said they learned of a telephone call in which Mrs. Cook told the man she had a "nice one for you this time." Mrs. Cook arranged for the "date" and Miss Stacey to meet at the Cook apartment. (Continued On Page Eight)