

WEATHER

Mostly cloudy and a little warmer this afternoon and tonight, with occasional light rain. Saturday warmer with widely scattered showers.

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BARGAIN DAYS CROWDS ARE HAPPY



MARTZ REVIVAL PARTY — Renee, famed teenage evangelist who has drawn crowds of thousands in cities throughout America and abroad, will begin a city-wide evangelistic campaign in Dunn Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the city courtroom. The lovely little lady is shown here seated at the desk in her library with her parents and tutor. Standing, left to right are: Ruby James, talented musician who also serves as private tutor to Renee; Mrs. Esther Martz and Jack Martz. They were scheduled to arrive in Dunn this afternoon.

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EVANGELISTIC PARTY ARRIVING TODAY

Renee To Open City-Wide Campaign Here On Sunday

By LEE CRAIL

Renee Martz, 15-year-old evangelist, "The Preacher With The Be-Bop Style" will return today from an engagement in Augusta, Georgia, where she was reported to have packed them in.

She will begin a week of services Sunday afternoon at 3 P. M. at the Dunn City Hall. Renee, a beauty at fifteen, has already been all over the world preaching the gospel. She has visited 37 countries and can sing gospel songs in 15 tongues with a "definite be-bop lilt."

At age six, she asked her father (who was then the only preacher in the family) if she could give the sermon that night. He said she could and she did.

Now Daddy is the song leader. Renee enjoys her work. Though she has had to leave many friends behind, she figures she makes more than anyone else and that even up the score.

She was ordained right here in Dunn and that is why she is so anxious to speak here again.

Harnett Wife Is Divorced For Adultery

Eugene E. Sloan of Western Harnett was granted a divorce from Stella Sloan in Harnett Superior Court on grounds of adultery.

Jurors found after brief deliberation that adultery had been proven in the case.

The divorce action was brought by attorneys for Sloan, who is in military service overseas. Sloan alleged in the complaint his wife committed adultery on the 15th of May, 1954 with a man named Lacy Sloan "and with various other persons whose names are unknown."

Mrs. Sloan, an attractive young woman, filed an answer in which she denied that she was guilty of sexual misconduct. Before the case reached trial, however, she withdrew.

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Ike Expected To Announce On Wednesday

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower's announcement of his political future is expected to be made at the White House, perhaps at his next news conference on Wednesday, February 29.

But, Mr. Eisenhower has said he would make the announcement as dramatic as possible, which has suggested to some persons that he will appear personally before the voters on television.

He will return from his Georgia vacation day after tomorrow. Mr. Eisenhower told associates here before explaining for Georgia last week that he wanted a second term. He also wanted to test his physical well-being during a week of 10 days of comparatively vigorous activity before making any final decision or announcement of his political intentions.

That is the way it lay when the President departed, Feb. 15 for the Thomasville plantation of Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey.

If Mr. Eisenhower has further advised Washington associates of his intentions, the United Press is not aware of it. The Republican leadership, however, has followed closely the reports from Thomasville, especially of Mr. Eisenhower's rapidly expanding physical.

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Rev. Tom Foley To Speak Here

The Reverend Tom Foley, missionary to Brazil, now on furlough in this country, will be the guest preacher at the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday night, February 26.

The Young People and Pioneers of the church will have Mr. Foley as their guest at a 6 o'clock meeting. The congregation will enjoy a fellowship supper following this meeting at 6:45 p. m. Mr. Foley will speak in the sanctuary at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Foley is the son of the Reverend and Mrs. W. L. Foley of Sanford. His father was former pastor of the Lillington Presbyterian Church. Mr. Foley is married and has two sons. He is particularly talented in music and has been classified as a musical missionary. The public is cordially invited to hear him Sunday evening.



LUCKY FFA PRESIDENT — Future farmers can grow almost anything, but you won't find many girls like these among the tall corn. With Dunn High School, are Sue Bailey, left, Mary Gail Tart, center, and June Register, all nominees for FFA Sweetheart. June won. A fourth nominee, Linda Altman, was not present for the picture.

BROADSLABBERS, OTHER RURAL FRIENDS TO BE HONORED

Country Style Day Mar. 2

Everybody better get out their best dancing shoes because Jim Thornton and his whole gang of TV entertainers will descend on Dunn March 2 for "Country Style Day."

The big benefit for the March of Dimes grew out of that wrangle Jim has with the folks in Benson. Dunn's downright tolerant attitude, in accepting the Capital of the Broadslab tag which Benson rejected, impressed Big Jim so much he said he'd bring his show in here for free.

Mayor Ralph Hanna announced this morning that Thornton has finally found a home in his busy schedule and will be here a week from today to pay in the Dunn Armory. Originally, it was planned to call (Continued on Page Five)

SIX FROM HARNETT TO ATTEND \$50 DINNER

Politics Is Getting Warmer In State

RALEIGH (AP) — Democratic Party leaders of North Carolina gathered today on the eve of the annual fundraising Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner and the hot topic was the suddenly booming race for lieutenant governor.

Guardsmen To Appear On TV Show

National Guardsmen from Dunn, who have been getting a Superior rating since 1950, will have a part in a half-hour special TV broadcast from Raleigh on Channel 28 at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

Sgt. Eugene Huggins said today that a final conference by battery officers and key non-coms will be held tonight at the Dunn Armory to complete plans for Dunn's part of the program. The TV show celebrates National Guard Muster Day.

Guardsmen from here who will be on the program are in the gun section, and they will be taken to Raleigh by the motor pool. Also on deck for a visual presentation of their activities will be National Guard helicopters from the Raleigh-Durham airport.

Sgt. Huggins said that there will (Continued on Page Two)

Delegations from each of the state's 100 counties, virtually all high elected officials and most candidates in the May 26 primary, announced and unannounced, will attend the \$50-dollar affair tomorrow night. Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.) will be the principal speaker. (Continued on Page Five)

HUBERT PEAY APPOINTED CHAIRMAN

Jaycees Seeking New "Miss" Dunn

The search is beginning for a Harnett County girl who can knock the judges in the "Miss North Carolina" contest for a loop.

Hubert Peay, who learned today that he is to be general chairman of the annual Miss Dunn Pageant sponsored by the Jaycees, said applications can be filed starting next week.

Primarily a beauty contest, the pageant nevertheless will probably be won by a girl who can prove

Bargain Days Hit Finale On Saturday

Bargain Day sales have rolled right along since the opening yesterday morning. With those attracted by Bargain Days in addition to the thousands who regularly pour in on Saturdays, Dunn storekeepers expect to be frazzled — if happy — by tomorrow night.

At Perry Brothers Tire Service, new owner Paul Perry announced that through Bargain Days he is giving away absolutely free one Goodyear tire with the purchase of any three other tires. Four for the price of three, it seemed certain that the bargain would go over.

Ed Black, Jr., chairman of the Retail Merchants Association which gained the cooperation of practically all Dunn's active businesses for the three-day sales campaign, declared that everything went fine yesterday.

Like last year's chairman Charles Hildreth, Black believes the Bargain Days sales bring in people who don't normally come to Dunn, could be a factor in securing their year-around patronage. Thought (Continued On Page Three)

Never Should Have Left That Tractor

Just before Christmas, Bobbie Godwin, described by officers as approximately 25 years old, was put under a suspended sentence for manufacturing whiskey. Yesterday he was back in jail, facing a fresh charge of "having a still for the purpose of the manufacture of whiskey." Godwin was arrested after a running chase by rural police officers.

Six of the rural policemen spent two or three hours in the bushes near a still in Averasboro township off Highway 40, waiting to see if Godwin would come near.

It was alleged that he operated a tractor for awhile, finally got off the tractor, leaving the motor running, and came down to the still and stirred some beer. When of (Continued on Page Five)

These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

CANDIDATES, RENEK, ABE, SCENES, BRUCE & A DOLL

Harnett Representative Carson Gregory is a sure candidate for a fourth term in the legislature. He hasn't announced yet but reminds friends, "I haven't quit running since the first day I announced." No opposition is expected. There's a boom underway to persuade Joe Curran of Angler to run for county commissioner in his district and he's expected to do so. Mr. Curran, a brother of Buck and Hank Curran of Dunn, is a veteran in the service of Reynolds Tobacco Company. He's chairman of the (Continued on Page Two)

WATER BOND ISSUE TO BE DECIDED

Lillington Votes Tuesday

By LOIS BYRD Record Staff Writer

The special election Lillington citizens will hold next Tuesday, February 28 on whether or not they will issue \$145,000 in bonds to finance a new city water system, linking the county seat with the Cape Fear River, last night had assumed the appearance of a hot municipal election.

Lillington is now served by five deep wells. An engineering firm of Moore, Gardner and Associates of Asheboro, in a report filed in December with the Town Council, termed the wells as entirely "inadequate for fire protection or as an attraction to new industry."

"One of the five wells popularly called 'Old Rusty' and admittedly the town's most prolific has objectionable iron deposits which fall almost entirely to the lot of residents of the Eastern half of the town. Muddy, rusty water, detrimental to clothes and plumbing fixtures, but safe to drink, has provided the campaign slogan, 'Down With Old Rusty.'"

Advocates of the bond issue are headed by Mayor Henry Hamilton and the town council, and supported by the majority of residents of the Eastern half of town who have argued long and loud that it is not fair for the town to exist "half muddy and half clear," that the muddy water user pays the same tax and the same water rate.

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+ Record Roundup +

EASTERN STAR MEETING — Dunn Chapter 59, Order of Eastern Star, will honor all past masters and past patrons Monday evening at 8:00 in the Masonic Temple. There will also be an initiation. All members are most cordially invited to attend.

TAKE MILL TOUR — On Tuesday, February 28, 40 clerical and other office employes of Carolina Power and Light in Raleigh will tour the mill plants at Erwin, W. H. Miley, Jr., manager, will personally direct their tour. (Continued on Page Five)

Proffit Seeking Director's Post

Harnett's Superintendent of Schools Glenn T. Proffit will compete with a classroom teacher, Miss Heien Wilkins of Henderson, for the post of director in the state education association. The election — with all teacher-members voting — is this Wednesday.

Proffit is sponsored by the Harnett units of the North Carolina Education Association, of Classroom Teachers and of the Educators Club as director in the North Central District of the North Carolina Education Association.

His career includes five years as a classroom teacher, 14 as a principal, 11 as superintendent. He was appointed acting superintendent in Harnett in 1944 and except for four years, 1947-51 when he served as superintendent in Orange County, he has been the (Continued on Page Five)



GLENN PROFFIT

MUSHY FAMILY DRAMA IN COURTROOM

Pinto Beans On Saturday Nite

By TED CRAIL

Most families have their arguments in private, or in that sort of semi-private where only the neighbors next door and across the street can hear. Yet a certain number of family quarrels boil over into police court and become, in a sense, public business.

In the Dunn Recorder's Court yesterday morning, a slight, curly-haired young man named Charles Hair, only a couple of years out of high school, pled guilty to running into a stop sign and was fined \$35 and costs. Practically all Hair did in the case was to announce

himself guilty, and he did that as quietly as possible. Those who came after him were not nearly as quiet nor did they feel as guilty. The offending driver is usually, by the time he reaches court, a penitent, but the survivor of a family squabble — and sometimes

it is surprising that they do survive — is apt to be a wildcat. He narrows his eyes and waits for a chance at self-defense.

Yesterday Judge H. Paul Strickland had a number of family quarrels to settle. All but the first involved negroes. Some, if not all of these cases were the type where participants had grabbed whatever was handy, and since few picks seem to be very handy in a certain number of homes, it is easy to understand why the police are occasionally called in. (Continued On Page Four)