

North Carolina - Scattered showers and thunderstorms over central and east portions this afternoon, tonight and Thursday.

# STORMS BATTER 12 STATES; 49 DIE



**PEGGY RUTH PLAYS HOSTESS**—Last year's Miss Dunn, Peggy Ruth Barfield, will be hostess at a tea at the home of Mrs. Bob Leach on the morning of April 20. All entries in the Miss Dunn Pageant of 1956 will be present. The contestants will be sheltered during the two days of the pageant at the Cottendale Hotel, where Manager Glenn Foster will give them plenty of guest space. (Daily Record Photo)

## Dunn's Pageant Takes Air Of A Rose Spectacle

By TED CRAIL  
Record Staff Writer

Billy Rose, whose house burned down the other day, has many knacks. Almost before he was five-foot tall, he became a champion at shorthand and typing. Growing taller, he talked Jimmy Durante into putting his celebrated nose under the hoof of an elephant. But Billy's greatest talent has been the ability to find beauty and make it squirt dollars at him. He has dealt in profitable antiques, costly art masterpieces and Esther Williams. A cynical childhood apparently taught Billy the great truth that mankind will always go silly over a good-looking girl with a throaty voice if she measures right in both directions from the kneecaps. He has found, as Howard Hughes did with Jane Russell, that all girls are created unequal. He has capitalized on the very general belief that these inequalities are a matter of utter fascination.

It is altogether fitting and proper that during the same span of Historic Time which has wafted Billy Rose's big house and immortal art masterpieces on the breeze as ashes, Harnett County has a Rose-type spectacle going. It is going like a house afire. More contestants are announced, almost daily, for the Miss Dunn Pageant. The 1956 edition of this show will be held here on April 19 and 20. It will be a big affair. Billy himself could not have worked out a tighter schedule for one of his proteges than the Junior Chamber of Commerce has worked out for girls who enter this contest. (Continued On Page Two)

### Democrats Hail Kefauver Vote

## Ike Beats Estes In Wisconsin Vote

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)—President Eisenhower beat Sen. Estes Kefauver in Wisconsin's "popularity contest" presidential primary election Tuesday. The Democrats claimed Kefauver's showing amounted to a moral victory. The Republicans said the results proved little. With 3,219 of the state's 3,323 precincts reporting, the vote was: Eisenhower 416,212; Kefauver 318,068. The President got about 55 per cent of the vote and Kefauver pulled in about 42 per cent. John Chapple, whose slate opposed the Eisenhower delegation, got about 3 per cent and 17,162 votes.

## Ike Says Farm Bill In Present Shape Unwise

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower said today that it is problematical whether the farm bill in its present shape would be of any help to farmers.

The chief executive said he still hopes Congress will produce a sensible bill this year, but he thought any benefits from the so-called soil bank would be so late as to be negligible this year.

In a meeting with reporters the President also expressed gratitude over the heavy vote cast for him in the Wisconsin preference primary yesterday. He declined to analyze his vote as compared to that of Democratic Sen. Estes Kefauver.

Other highlights of the news conference:

1. He declined to join with his chief assistant, Sherman Adams, in recent broad criticism of Democratic congressional leadership. The President said he believed that the people in Congress in general were trying to do what they thought best for the United States, although their performance sometimes varied in the heat of partisanship.

2. Discussing recent shifts in Soviet policy and the Red denunciation of Stalin, the President said he thinks there has been no basic change in the long-time aims of Communist leaders.

3. He belatedly rejected as ridiculous an inquiry as to whether American Marines, now in the Mediterranean, would be sent to war without congressional approval.

4. He has been in frequent communication by mail with British Prime Minister Anthony Eden and their exchanges invariably mention the Middle East. He said, however, that to his knowledge he has not received any recent communication from Eden asking for a firmer (Continued on Page Five)

## Bride Doesn't Let Bee Upset Her Wedding

OUNDRY, England (AP)—Many brides are nervous. But not auburn-haired Margaret O'Connell. She stood calmly throughout the ceremony Tuesday as she married Patrick Cunningham. And all the time she could feel a bee crawling along beneath her bolero.

The bee stung her near the end of the ceremony but she endured the pain and carried on. But when the wedding was over she dashed from the church and to a drug store for treatment. Her husband ran after her.

In the store he helped remove the lace-trimmed, tight-fitting bolero, and there was the bee and the swelling wound.

Mrs. Cunningham dabbed on some medicine and left calmly for the reception.

## Church Census Will Be Taken

A City-Wide Religious Census will be conducted Sunday afternoon, April 9, from 1:30 to 4:00. The people of Dunn are asked to co-operate by staying at home during these hours until they have been contacted by one of the workers.

The following ministers and laymen have been appointed to direct the census: General Chairman, The Rev. J. W. Lineberger, Secretary, The Rev. Jack Daniel, who will be assisted by two secretaries from each church. Publicity, The Rev. Leslie O. Tucker, Jr. Assignment Committee, Paul Strickland, chairman, with W. M. Bryan and Earn Vann. (Continued On Page Two)



**GRACE-FUL DECOR**—Shopkeepers in Monaco are vying with each other in creating colorful decorations for the Grace Kelly-Prince Rainier III wedding. Typical is Francois Gudi, Monagasque electrician, shown putting the finishing touches to a crown made of Baccarat crystal that he'll display in his window.

### Amid Gay Clamor

## Grace Kelly Sails To Marry Prince

NEW YORK (AP)—Movie star Grace Kelly boarded the liner Constitution today to sail to her royal wedding amid a clamor that almost resembled a mob scene.

She said she was "a little very excited, and very happy" as she left to marry the Prince of Monaco and live in a palace with more titles than any other woman of Europe.

Waving a bright red-streamer from the bow of the liner Grace Kelly was on the road to royal romance.

She and her mother and father waved goodbyes from the deck outside her suite as the liner swung from its berth into the Hudson River in fog so thick the ship was not visible from shore when it reached mid-stream.

Yellow and white streamers thrown by celebrating passengers flickered and waved over the shoulders of Miss Kelly and her parents on an upper deck.

"Do you feel that your cup runneth over?" a reporter asked Miss Kelly shortly before she left for her Monaco wedding to Prince Rainier III.

"Yes, I do!" she replied. And she said there were "a few more people than I expected" to see her off.

There were more than expected (Continued On Page Three)

## Comedy Pays Seniors' Way To Capital

The senior class at Dunn High School will go to Washington, D. C., April 25-29, partly on the proceeds of the play which will be presented in the school auditorium Friday evening.

"Come Over To Our House," which features 18 seniors in a three-act comedy, will start promptly at 8 p. m. Admission prices will be 30 cents for children, 60 cents for adults.

Senior Class sponsors Mrs. Roy Dixon and J. P. Crumpler have directed the play with assistance from two "student directors," Virginia Turlington and Jean Ennis.

Members of the cast include these girls: Cecilia Crabtree, Ethelyn Maxwell, Joyce Godwin, Sue Bailey, Lillian Hartley, Alice Stewart, Mary Allred, Betsy Bryant, Jean Young. (Continued On Page Eight)

### First Dunn Youth to Pilot Jets

## Judge M. O. Lee Seeks Re-Election

In a simple, formal statement released last night, Judge M. O. Lee announced that he will run for reelection as judge of Harnett County Recorder's Court.

"I hereby announce my candidacy," he wrote under his letterhead as attorney and counselor at law, "subject to the wishes of the voters in the Democratic primary, May 26."

Judge Lee, who first took office in 1962 to fill an unexpired term left vacant by the death of Judge Floyd Taylor, said, "If re-elected there will continue fair and impartial justice to all people."

Several years before becoming judge, Lee was solicitor of the recorder's court at Lillington, serving in that post from 1936 until 1947 with the exception of a year which he spent in the Army.

A native of Sampson County, he was removed to Raleigh at the age of two and has lived in Lillington since 1935. After attending Buie's Creek Academy (now Campbell (Continued On Page Two)

## Over 500 Hurt Many Hundreds Left Homeless

By UNITED PRESS  
Tornadoes and storms that battered a dozen states in a two-day barrage left 49 persons dead, more than 500 injured and hundreds homeless. Property damage soared into the millions of dollars.

The twisters and storms spread a swath of destruction from Oklahoma to Michigan.

The Grand Rapids, Mich., area suffered the severest blow. The death count there rose to 24 as rescue crews searched debris reminiscent of wartime bomb devastation.

The Michigan twisters, spawned last night at twilight, struck the surrounding area and narrowly missed Grand Rapids, a city of 250,000.

### TAR HEEL WARNINGS

RALEIGH (AP)—The weather bureau warned at noon today of possible isolated tornadoes in Central and Eastern North Carolina this afternoon or early tonight.

In a special bulletin, the weather bureau said windy weather with scattered thunderstorms is expected to develop over the Piedmont this afternoon and spread into the Coastal Plain late this afternoon and early evening.

"Some of these thunderstorms may be severe with strong winds and hail, and there is a possibility of an isolated local tornado in the Piedmont this afternoon and in the northern or central portion of the Coastal Plain this afternoon or early this evening."

Elsewhere, tornadoes and storms spread destruction in Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and Kansas. (Continued on Page Five)

## Kurfrees Raps Senator Ervin

WINSTON-SALEM (AP)—Mayor Marshall Kurfrees opened his campaign for the Democratic nomination for the U. S. Senate last night with an attack on the "stand-offish attitude" and "ivory tower campaigning" of Sen. Sam J. Ervin (D-NC).

Kurfrees did not mention Ervin by name but said "my opponent has publicly announced that he is going to conduct his campaign from Washington, apparently without seeking the counsel and guidance of the average citizen."

Kurfrees said he plans to consult with many citizens of the state in his bid for Ervin's Senate seat. He said he realized that he is an underdog in the race but that tradition is on his side. He pointed out that no man appointed to the Senate by a governor ever has been elected.

Ervin was named by the late Gov. William B. Umstead after the death of Sen. Clyde Hoey in 1954. He was elected without opposition to fill the remainder of Hoey's term, which expires this year. (Continued on Page Two)

### GRANGE TRIES FOR NAT'L AWARD

## Mingo Springs Big Campaign

Extensive committee appointments have been made at Mingo to carry through a sweeping plan for community improvement.

The Mingo Grange, states O. O. Manning, is "undertaking to win the state and national prize for community service this year."

A home improvements committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Clayton Williams, has seven goals including landscaping, re-



LT. JOE ANDREWS

## Dunn's Joe Andrews Flies The Fast 'Uns

The one and only Dunn High graduate known to have landed in the cockpit of an ultra-modern, supersonic jet won't admit that being a member of the U. S. Air Force is what the movies crack it up to be.

Joe Andrews was commissioned a second lieutenant on March 12, and is now near the tail-end of a 25 day leave which he has spent with his parents in Dunn.

The other pilots who share his Air Force and jet training are certainly different from other people, he says, but what distinguishes them is not any definite cockeyedness or even a lust for unearthly dangers.

"They're different because they're specialists," he says. "They know one thing, and they can do one thing. I can't tell you about international relations, in fact I'm not much of a conversationalist unless I get with another pilot. Then we really talk."

If you can make Joe light on the subject of his flying experience, he can go back a long way. His father, Jake Andrews, a wholesale grocery salesman for Purdie Bros., flew an Aeronca when Joe was a boy, and even his mother went behind the stick now and again.

His first airplane ride, Joe says, was taken at the age of one. As far back as he can remember, he was up there and the earth was down here. How does it feel to be high in the sky? "The only thing I can give you is just a bunch of cliches," says Joe. "I still feel the same way, every time I go up. It's just a feeling of—"

But it's a hard sentence to finish.

Describe it any way you like, it's a sensation which made Joe decide very early that he was going to be (Continued on Page Two)

## What Gal Wouldn't For Brando

TOKYO (AP)—A giggling 20-year-old Japanese, co-ed traveled 120 miles to Tokyo to meet Marlon Brando today, and nearly swooned when he shook her hand.

Keeping her name to herself, she fought her way through 300 greeters — most of them men and boys — to meet the film star upon his arrival from Hong Kong.

The school girl reached Brando just as he was being driven away from Tokyo International Airport amid popping flash bulbs.

The girl thrust her arm into the car window and grabbed the actor's hand for a quick shake before policemen pulled her away. Brando smiled and the girl melted.

"Oh, Marlon," she shrieked. She refused to tell newsmen her name.

"I am Miss Marlon Brando," was all she would say. Before coming to Japan, the movie actor traveled through south-east Asia on a film project for the United Nations.

He visited Ball Island noted for its beautiful native women. Asked his impressions of Ball, Brando replied seriously, "It is the most happily integrated society I have ever seen."

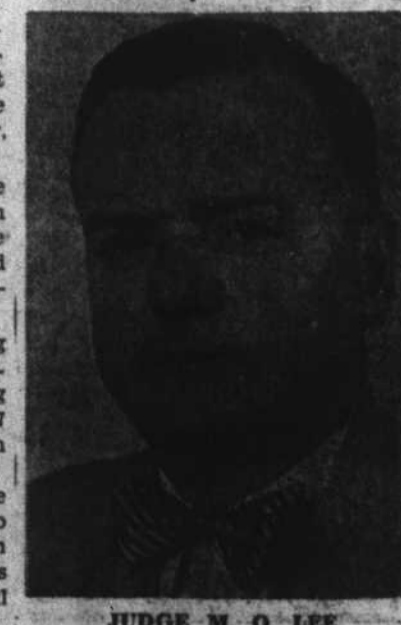
### CAME BACK FOR IT

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—The burglar who entered Harry Kirmser's home left his hat and coat behind.

While Kirmser was waiting for police to arrive, the thief showed up again, grabbed his hat and coat and escaped again.

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modeling, painting, development of kitchens, installation of water and sewage, better wiring and lighting and establishment of telephones. Other members of this committee—only one of 12 which will strive to make the Mingo area a real show-piece of community advancement—are Thomas Paul Aman, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Barefoot and Mrs. Naylor B. Barefoot. WELFARE COMMITTEE PLANS Mrs. Cranford McMillan will lead a committee devoted to aiding needy families and cooperation with county welfare agencies. This "individual welfare" committee is made up of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Glover and Mrs. Merrill Bizzle. The "education" committee is headed by Robert A. Gray and includes E. F. Baggett, C. N. Jackson, Curtis G. Griffin and Mrs. Jack Faircloth. At the top of the education projects are the goals of completing and completely equipping the Mingo Agriculture Building. The committee will also strive to (Continued On Page Two)



JUDGE M. O. LEE