

**WEATHER**

Partly cloudy and warmer this afternoon; Considerable cloudiness and mild tonight and Friday with chance of showers in northern Friday.

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# MAN KILLS TWO, ENDS OWN LIFE



**THE OFFICER GETS STOPPED** — Police Officer Edward Derle and his wife, en route from Long Island, N. Y., were stopped as they pulled through Dunn last night. Though the delegation must have provided a moment's pause for Derle, they were just Tarheels bearing gifts. Left to

right are James Surles, manager of Gardner's Dairy, Chief Alton J. Cobb, Mrs. Derle, the officer, and Charles Hildreth, president of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce. (Daily Record Photo by Ted Crall.)

## Truman Expected To Direct Harriman Drive

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ten will get you \$10 or maybe \$20 that former President Truman shows up in the traditional smoke-filled room at Chicago as master mind of the Harriman for president machine.

Frank E. McKinney, of Indiana, will be sitting on one side of Mr. T and Carmine DeSapio, of New York, on the other. Three of that kind will be hard to beat.

McKinney is the Indianapolis banker who served as Mr. Truman's Democratic National Committee chairman, 1951-53. He plays the former President's kind of politics, which is rough. DeSapio is boss of New York County's Tammany Hall, the manager of Averell Harriman's successful campaign for governor and a member of his cabinet in the sinecure post of secretary of state.

### CITES OCTOBER BREAK

Evidence of Mr. Truman's leaning toward Harriman has been accumulating for some time, beginning with his remark back there in October that if he were a New Yorker he would support Harriman for the Democratic nomination. Mr. Truman also has said that both Harriman and Alvin E. Stevenson were friends of his and that he did not intend to try to nominate anyone, being content to support the convention's choice. "I have no desire to be boss," he said, and the Washington politician hummed a long hum on that one. They and others look for

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**EVANGELIST**—Dr. O. E. Sproull of Tampa, Florida, began a revival meeting last night at the Gospel Tabernacle. He has served as pastor in Washington, D. C., Toronto, Canada, and Norfolk, Virginia. For some years he served as an evangelist conducting campaigns in different parts of the United States and Canada. Dr. Sproull is a radio preacher of note. The services will be conducted each evening at 7:45 through May 20.

## Triple Deaths Take Place In Nursing Home

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A man identified as John Emory, 62, a retired Lebanon, Tenn., farmer, shot and killed two women and himself in a nursing home today.

Police identified the women as Mrs. Nettie Corbett, the nursing home operator; and Mrs. Viola O'Donnell, 69, an arthritic patient at the home for the past two or three years.

Officers said their early investigation found only one witness to the shooting, an aged patient who they said could not give a coherent story.

However police quoted others in the nursing home at the time as saying they heard Mrs. Corbett and Emory arguing in a hallway and heard Mrs. Corbett scream: "No! No! John! Don't do it," just before they heard shots.

Emory's wife was a patient in a nearby room, officers said.

Mrs. Beatrice Crowe, an attendant, said she was putting up groceries on shelves in the basement when she heard the shots. She said she ran up the stairs and got the impression several persons witnessed the shootings.

She added, "Everything was so confused, though, I don't believe we'll ever be able to find out what really happened."



**SITE OF A SUICIDE** — County Jailor Lee Upchurch examines belt, hanging over door rod, which Herman Thomas used to hang himself last night. The suicide occurred a few hours after Thomas' arrest for public drunkenness. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

## Jailed, He Hangs Himself With Belt

Herman Thomas, 42-year-old resident of Barbecue township, hanged himself in the county jail at Lillington last night.

He was put in the jail at five-thirty yesterday afternoon on a charge of public drunkenness. Sheriff Claude Moore said Thomas had been in jail several times for drunkenness, but he did not know what prompted the man to take his life.

A janitor discovered the body early this morning. Thomas used a belt from his trousers to hang himself. Looping this around his neck he tied the other end to a rod

over the door. Sheriff Moore said the man's feet were not off the ground so the exact manner in which he succeeded in killing himself are not known. Coroner Grover Henderson, who made an investigation, was not available for comment this afternoon.

The sheriff said Thomas' wife was at the jail following the discovery of the body. He said he believes that Thomas left a large family.

## Slayers Executed By Firing Squad

POINT OF THE MOUNTAIN, Utah (AP) — A double-strength firing squad executed two slayers at dawn today. The youths asked that "our tragic lives and ending serve as a warning to all — young and old."

The barking rifles of 19 volunteer marksmen ended a 6 1/2-year battle by Verne Alfred Braasch, 27, Reinbeck, Iowa, and Melvin Leroy Sullivan, 25, Kansas City, Kan., to escape death for the slaying of a youthful Utah service station attendant.

Braasch and Sullivan died seated in spotlighted chairs in a shed in the outer yard of Utah's Point of the Mountain prison.

Deputy Sheriff Charles Wells gave the firing order for the state's first double firing squad execution.

As Wells had dropped in signal, the riflemen fired from standing and kneeling positions behind the window of a prison building 25 feet from the slayers. Eight of the

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### CAUGHT TRYING TO STEAL GAS

## Picked Patrol Car, But Lucky, Too

Two young service men from Ft. Bragg, William Angell and Lawrence D. Coleman, who selected a state highway patrol car as a sure spot to get some gas without permission, were "glad it happened like it did" they told Judge M. O. Lee in Harnett Recorder's Court on Tuesday.

What they had liked was the fact that, although they were indicted for attempted larceny of gasoline from the patrol car of W. O. Grady in Erwin, the court found they had not been successful in syphoning any gas when they were surprised by the untimely arrival of Patrolman Grady.

The charge was reduced from attempted larceny, to trespass on recommendation of acting solicitor Jake Lamm. The soldiers promptly pled guilty and received 30 days in jail, suspended six months on payment of costs and good behavior.

Patrolman Grady told this account. He said he had parked the

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## These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

### LAWYERS, PREACHERS, LEONE'S AND BILLY

A man waked up to Harnett Jailor Lee Upchurch late Monday afternoon and asked to be put in jail.

"I'm drunk," he explained, "and I need some help." The jailer obliged with a night's lodging.

On Tuesday, the now - soberest found he already had three other charges of public drunkenness hanging over his head.

"The best thing to do is to pay the mandatory fines all at once or take the jail terms," advised Judge M. O. Lee in county court yesterday.

"I've postponed these cases," Judge Lee said, "in hope that you would be free from liquor and could think this over. That just doesn't seem to happen."

Fines totaled around \$400 and the jail term alternately looked long — three 30-day terms and one 120-day term, to run concurrently.

"But you are not a bad man," consoled His Honor after several minutes thought. You can have until next Thursday but if you don't have the money then you will have to serve the time."

"Thank you, Sir," said the pitiful alcoholic, who hastened out of the courtroom with tears in his eyes.

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## Long Islanders Get Merchant's Gifts

"Well, I'd heard you had pretty tough cops down here," said Edward Derle, a police officer on vacation who was stopped last night as he followed Highway 301 into Dunn.

Chief of Police Alton J. Cobb was among the party which brought the Derles car to a halt. Just for a moment, the travelers must have felt they were in for it.

Not at all. What they were in for was a grab-bagful of gifts courtesy of the Chamber of Commerce and local businessmen.

The Derles were the first tourists this year to be stopped by a Chamber of Commerce delegation and given the free Coca-Cola, ice cream from Gardner's Dairy, theater passes courtesy of the Dunn and Stewart theater, and a number of other presents.

Learning that he and Mrs. Derle were to be given a free night's lodging at the Hodges Motel by the managers, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, and a free dinner at Johnson's Restaurant, Derle said, "I've heard about things like this happening, but it's never happened to me."

As the Derles resumed their trip from Long Island to Florida, they proudly displayed on their windshield the card which makes them "honorary members of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce."

## Road-E-O Competition On May 20

With the Miss Dunn Pageant barely out of the way, the Dunn Junior Chamber of Commerce has already started on another big event — the annual Teen-Age Road-E-O. Joint sponsor is the All-State insurance Co.

So many contestants are expected that screening and written exams will be given in the schools in order to narrow the field of actual competitors.

The driving tests will be held Sunday afternoon, May 20, at 3 p.m. A course designed to check skill in several categories will be laid out in front of the Woman's Club.

Cash prizes of \$20, \$15 and \$10 will be awarded to the three teenagers who finish on top by Sam Ausley, local representative of All-State Insurance. Plaques will go to the winners, and the top driver will advance to the state competition.

All-State will pay for his trip, and that of a Jaycee escort, to the state Road-E-O competition in Greenville on June 2-3, where first prize is a \$500 college scholarship given by the Pure Oil Company.

Two years ago, Dunn's local winner, Murphy Upchurch, also took first place in North Carolina, and won an expenses-paid trip to the national Road-E-O in Washington, D. C.

General chairman of the Dunn event this year is Lamar Stone. Robert Lee Smith is in charge of equipment and course layout. Bob Leak of awards, H. W. Heath and Pete Skinner of screening and eligibility, Red Sealey and Frank McLeod of judging, Woody Myers of publicity.

Coach Jim Brown, high school driving instructor, will assist in screening the contestants and giving written exams in the schools.

## Record Roundup

**SCOUT TROOP 782** — At a meeting Wednesday night at the Gospel Tabernacle Church Scout Troop No. 782 was called to reorganize by H. M. Eggers, Field Scout Executive. Following officers were elected: Chairman, Charlie Hildreth; Sec-

## 4-H CLUB DRESS REVUE STAGED Nancy And Lois Win

By LOIS BYRD  
Record Staff Writer

A white dress, modelled by Bertha Lois Ray of Boone Trail, and a pink cotton frock worn by Nancy Christian of Lillington, took first prizes in the annual county-wide 4-H Club dress revue given Wednesday night in Lillington.

Miss Ray, member of the Boone Trail Senior Club, will represent Harnett County at the state finals to be held in Raleigh during July at the annual State 4-H Club Week. An expense - paid stay in Raleigh

will be her prize. She is a junior in high school.

Miss Christian, member of the Lillington Junior Club, will receive a free trip to 4-H Club camp this summer.

Miss Ray's winning outfit featured a rayon and cotton dress of original design made by combining two patterns. It featured an empire waistline, vertical tucks across the back which ended in soft, unpressed pleats near the hemline, and was worn with Navy accessories

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**WINNERS** — First place winners in the annual 4-H Club dress revue are seen on the stage of the Lillington School immediately after winners were announced on Wednesday night. Bertha Lois Ray, of Boone Trail, in white rayon and cotton, and Nancy Christian of Lillington in pink cotton frocks, were winners in the senior and junior divisions. Behind them are judges who had to

scan the seams to make up their minds. They are Mrs. Annie Margaret Carringer of Lillington, Mrs. Ruby I. Parker of Angier and Mrs. Betty Matthews of LaFayette. Miss Ray will represent Harnett County in the state finals to be held in Raleigh in July during 4-H Club Week. (Photo by T. M. Stewart)

## LISTED IN FOUR WHO'S-WHO'S College President To Address Seniors

Dr. Harold H. Hutson, the president of Greensboro College, will deliver the commencement address at Dunn High School on Monday, May 28.

The widely-known educator is listed in a healthy selection of Who's Who's (Who's Who in America, Who's Who in Methodism, Who's Who in the South and Southwest, Who's Who in American Education). . . . .

He was born in Spring Hill, South Carolina, in 1914, graduated from high school in 1929, and studied at a number of colleges including Wofford, Duke, University of Chicago and Columbia.



DR. HAROLD HUTSON

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