

**WEATHER**

Generally fair and cold Friday. High mostly in the 40's, Saturday increasing cloudiness with slowly rising temperatures and a chance of rain or snow by night.

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# HARNETT YOUTH DIES IN CRASH OF CAR



END OF A JOURNEY — For Isaac Tart the end of a journey to Dunn came swiftly last night. The car he drove plunged off the highway on a curve, turned over three times, landed on him,

killed him. Arrow points to his body still caught under the wreckage. (Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

## Senator Ervin, Brownell In Rights Row

WASHINGTON (AP) — Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell Jr. said today a major aim of the administration's civil rights bill is to remedy a "mass disenfranchisement of Negro voters."

Brownell promised to give a Senate Judiciary subcommittee a list of hundreds of recent court cases to back up his charge of a mass denial of the ballot to Negroes. Southern witnesses have denied Negroes have been deprived of voting rights.

Brownell said the cases "could have been handled better" by civil court action, which is a key feature of President Eisenhower's 4-point civil rights program.

But Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr. (D-NC), a subcommittee member opposing any civil rights legislation, (Continued on Page Six)

## Wealthy Tobacco Heir Is Visitor In Dunn

# Hill Says South Facing Opportunities Unlimited

Percival Smith (Val) Hill of New York City and Greenwich, Conn., member of a family long recognized as giants in the American tobacco industry, arrived in Dunn yesterday for a short visit.

And the suave young business executive, scion of one of America's wealthiest and most famous families, proudly admits that he has a warm spot in his heart for this section of the country.

It was in this region of tobacco-land that his famous father began a fabulous career that firmly established him as more than a legendary figure in the fields of tobacco, high finance and advertising.

He is the son of the late George Washington Hill of 960 Park Avenue, who, as president of the vast American Tobacco Co. and its far-flung subsidiaries, created the slogan-craze that swept the nation, started millions smoking Luckies, amassed a huge personal fortune and died a few years ago as the highest salaried business man in the world.

Subject Of Movie — One of the most colorful personalities of "big business," Hill's career was the inspiration for Frederick Wakeman's best-selling book, "The Hucksters," which later was made into a movie starring Sidney Greenstreet and Ava Gardner.

Personal Visit — Young Hill's mission in Dunn is strictly personal and social. He's (Continued on Page Five)

## Lincoln With '57 Motor Turns Over Three Times

By TED CRAIL  
Record News Editor  
Twenty-two year old Isaac Junior Tart and a companion stopped in a Lillington gas station last night and boasted about the speeds attained by the '52 Lincoln they were driving.

Half an hour later Tart was dead, pinned by the wreckage of his Lincoln into deep mud that covered his face to the ears and may have suffocated him. The companion, suffering from severe shock, was being rushed to the hospital.

There was a reason for the young men to boast about the car. Under the '52 hood raced the powerful motor of a '57 Lincoln.

The accident which took Tart's life occurred on the old Prison Camp road two miles out of Lillington. Highway Patrolman Herman Ward said the car had apparently come to the neck of the curve at tremendous speed.

It didn't go around the curve, it went through—plunging into a triple spin that carried it 675 feet from where it first left the highway.

Ward said the left rear tire of the car had blown, and this may have been either the cause or the result of the accident. But the wreck couldn't have resulted simply from a blown tire if the car had been cruising at 50 or 55 miles an hour, claimed the patrolman.

Carl Vaughn, the companion, is in Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital in Dunn. He is suffering from extensive cuts and bruises, possibly a brain concussion. This morning he was able to talk with patrolman about the wreck which occurred at approximately 7 p.m. last evening.

Tart is a Harnett youth who formerly lived at 108 Prince Street in Dunn. The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Garland Tart of Route 1, Broadway, he has recently been living with his grandfather, John W. Tart, on Lillington, Rt. 3.

From what Vaughn told him, said the patrolman, the pair became acquainted while in the service and when they were mustered out a few weeks ago, both of them came here where Tart's relatives were located. The Lincoln belonged to Vaughn. It carried Baltimore numbers on it.

The two had been living with Tart's grandfather and were cutting railroad ties during the day-time, the Patrolman said.

Last night, by Vaughn's account, he had decided to go to Dunn. First they visited the gas station where the conversation about the capacity of the big Lincoln took place. Then they pushed on to a grill in Italy Hill, a section of Lillington.

"Vaughn said they'd both been (Continued on Page Five)

## Traffic Violator Given Choice-170 Years Or \$20,000

## Gromyko Succeeds Shepilov

MOSCOW (AP) — Andrei Gromyko has been appointed Russia's foreign minister, replacing Dmitri Shepilov, it was announced today.

Shepilov had served in the post only nine months, marked by unrest in Poland and armed revolution in Hungary.

The action was taken following secret meetings of the Soviet Communist Party central committee Wednesday and Thursday.

Shepilov, 51, former editor of the Communist Party organ Pravda, replaced V. H. Molotov only last June. The few new foreign minister was first deputy to both men. (Continued on Page Five)

PARIS (AP) — Garage owner Jean Barrier worried today about serving a sentence of 170 years in jail and paying a \$20,000 fine for being the world's No. 1 traffic scofflaw.

But Barrier hoped the court would consider his record as a wounded war veteran and let him off with a light sentence, say 35 years in jail.

Barrier, a middle-aged man who weighs 250 pounds, pleaded innocent to charges he ignored 2,500 parking tickets over a two-month period.

He had this explanation. He didn't violate the parking laws at all. But other people parked in a nearby no-parking lot and went across the street to the cemetery to put flowers on graves.

Tore Them Up — Barrier told his attorneys police apparently were giving tickets in his name for all the cars found parked in front of his garage and in the adjoining, forbidden lot. That's why he tore them up, he said.

Police had another version. "We believe Barrier may have found an easy way of making mo-

ney," a spokesman for the pre-lecture said.

The spokesman said Barrier allegedly took more clients in his garage than the space available and then shunted others over to (Continued on Page Five)

## Widow, Child Escape Injury From Explosion

Out in the yard hanging clothes, a widowed negro woman named Sarah Bunting and her child were saved from serious injury today when an oil stove exploded, scattering flaming oil through the kitchen.

By the time the Dunn fire department arrived, said Howard M. Lee, neighbors had the fire virtually out by throwing water on it from dishpans. The house at 617 East Harnett Street belonged to (Continued On Page Six)

# Miss America (No Less) Coming To Dunn For May Beauty-Fest

Miss America of 1957 — sparkling Marian Ann McKnight — has turned the hearts of local Jaycees topsyturvy by agreeing that she would be most happy to come to Dunn and preside at the beauty pageant here on May 1 and 2.

Her acceptance of the bid touched off a major effort to make the coming beauty pageant to select a new Miss Dunn the most gala of many similar events that have been held here.

Never before has Dunn had a Miss America in its midst. Never before has America had a beauty queen like Marian Ann McKnight.

For one thing, she's a good old Southern girl — bred in Manning, South Carolina, and her drawl proclaiming to all the world that she sure does come from south of the Mason-Dixon.

Beauty, charm and a good sense of direction have carried the five-foot-five-inch blonde to the kind of fame that usually exists only in day dreams.

Woody Myers, publicity chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, said that a dramatic program will be arranged for May 1 and 2 with Miss America as the most spectacular of the invited guests.

Fond of writing short stories in her spare time, Miss McKnight has happy thoughts about such diverse idols as Frank Sinatra. She is currently seeking an A. B. degree in business from Coker College but wants further study in dramatics and voice.

On the go since she was chosen Miss America at the Atlantic City pageant earlier this winter, she has learned what a girl can get into by joining one of those Jaycee-sponsored contests.

The winner of 11 beauty titles before she became Miss America, Marian started on her way by taking a first in the South Carolina pageant after a near miss in 1955 (Continued On Page Six)



STATISTICS, TOO — Marian Ann McKnight, the '57 Miss America from South Carolina, has learned to deal with statistics in her business course at Coker College. Her admirers will be more interested in the vital statistics of Miss McKnight herself; but don't count on applying your own tape measure when she comes to Dunn on May 1.



VAL HILL... Yale accent, Park Avenue manners and a flair for making money.

## Floor Fight Looms On Soil Bank Pay

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats accepted today a Republican challenge to a floor fight to determine whether subsidies for farmers under the soil bank program will be increased, curtailed or restored to last year's level.

Under the 1.2 billion dollar soil bank farmers receive government checks for taking surplus-producing acres of certain crops out of production.

The Democratic decision broke the deadlock which had threatened to bottle up an administration request in the House Agriculture Committee. The administration wants legislation to restore last year's soil bank benefits to commercial corn growers in the Republican Midwest.

The Democrats insist upon a bill that also would include granting new supplemental soil bank benefits to growers of wheat, cotton and other basic crops.

The result could be a bitter floor fight that might result in killing both the corn benefits (Continued on Page Five)

## Astor Must Pay Both Of His Wives

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Supreme Court refused Tuesday to solve the two-wife dilemma of millionaire John Jacob Astor III.

Justice Samuel Gold said the dilemma was "purely abstract" anyway.

Astor had asked the court to decide whether he was legally married to the former Gertrude Gretch of New York or to Dolores (Continued on Page Five)

## Royal Doll Pulls Off Shoes At Rock 'N Roll

# Princess Meg's Curves Attract Attention, Too

By ROBERT MUSEL  
United Press Staff Writer

LONDON (AP) — I was rockin' 'n rollin' with Princess Margaret Thursday night and may I tell cats everywhere that this royal chick is cool, real cool.

We were neighbors at a rock and roll film, "The Girl Can't Help It," which stars all 40 inches of Jayne Mansfield.

The producers spent a fortune publicizing this vital statistic of the blond actress. It was counted on to glue all eyes to the screen.

But Princess Margaret had on a deep-sashed green dress that made me wish I had a tape measure handy. This blue-blooded young woman packs astonishing amount of curves into five feet, 95 pounds.

When I saw her by chance hop-

ping out of a Rolls-Royce in front of the cinema, I followed close behind. No one could have blamed

me. In fact I was maneuvering so intently for position that I did not notice till later that the Princess was accompanied by her almost constant escort these days, Billy Wallace.

This stalwart among her few remaining eligible boy friends tells his chums he is not a candidate for the tiny hand of the Princess. But she recently advised him on the furnishings of his new house and they spend a lot of time together.

One of the features of the film is a series of rock 'n roll acts. Margaret and her party of 10 giggled to each other at the first unbelievable closeup of Hollywood's bosom champion.

Princess Hops — They came the guitar strummers, the blues shouters, the pianists beating out insistent 12 bar phrases and the Princess hopped (Continued on Page Five)



PRINCESS MARGARET

## Principals Say No, Earl Says Yes

# Did Anita, Hubby Brawl Over Statue

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Some 700 society and Hollywood celebrities frolicked at Horace Dodge's benefit ball until the early hours today but none would or could confirm a reported beach fight involving actress Anita Ekberg.

Columnist Earl Wilson reported that Miss Ekberg's husband, actor Anthony Steel, and Cuban sculptor Joseph Dubronyi hurled chairs at each other in a battle over Dubronyi's nude statue of the actress.

The party was attended by such personalities as Errol Flynn, Peter Lawford, Ann Miller, Joe DiMaggio, and Sen. John Kennedy (D-Mass).

Steel, awakened after only a few hours sleep following the big ball, said he did not know Dubronyi and said he did not get into any fights. Dodge heir to an automobile fortune, backed up Steel.

"Tony and Miss Ekberg are my guests," Dodge said. "If he had been in a fight, I would have been in it too. I think this is a shame... what they are saying about my wife's party."

The party was given by his wife, the former blonde actress Gregg Sherwood, for the benefit of the Heart Fund.

"Why, I'm sure she must have raised more than \$60,000," Dodge said.



ANITA EKBERG