

Considerable cloudiness and cool this afternoon with occasional rain tonight and Friday. Warmer tonight and Friday.

FLOOD VICTIMS RETURN TO HOMES



RECOGNIZE THE BLONDE?—If you don't know who the blonde is at right, it's because you're used to seeing her as a brunette. Sophia Loren, known for her dark, sultry Italian look, left, wears her hair blonde for part in "Heller With a Gun," a western.

Bomb Threats Now Felony In This State

RALEIGH (UPI) — A group of senators introduced a bill today which would allow courts to hand down stiff sentences in bombings or bomb threats on church or school property.

The bill, introduced by Sens. John Jordan of Wake County and Carlyle Rutledge of Cabarrus County, is an outgrowth of a wave of school bomb threats which hit North Carolina late in 1958 and again recently.

Jordan said the law would not apply to youths under 16 because they could not be treated as felons. The law makes the offense a felony.

It would provide a 10 - 20 year sentence for anyone convicted of placing a bomb in school or church property.

It would also provide for fines of more than \$500 and imprisonment for 10 years for anyone convicted of making a false bomb report or for putting a fake bomb in a school or church building.

Gov. Luther H. Hodges and a number of other state officials have spoken out angrily against the rash of bomb scares and promised legislation strengthening the state's hand against offenders.

Both the House and Senate adjourned after brief sessions to continue their study of the billion-dollar budget Hodges proposed Monday night. State Revenue Commissioner James Currien went to Raleigh.

In Egypt, the Aleutians and Dunn

Round - The - World Religious Service

The World Day of Prayer chain begins on the Tonga Islands with Queen Saiote leading her subjects as dawn breaks over these tropic isles. When the sun sinks behind the Arctic horizon on ice-locked St. Lawrence Island in the Aleutians, the last supplications of the 24-hour unbroken cycles will be murmured.



AZALEA PRINCESS — Hanna White (above) was chosen today to appear in the teenage division at the 1959 Azalea Festival in Wilmington. From April 2 until April 5 she will be an expenses-paid guest of the city. A Junior at Dunn High, Hanna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard White. (Record Photo by Ted Crall.)



CONTINUOUS DEMONSTRATIONS — A jam-packed showroom in Johnson Cotton Co.'s tractor division was the site today for an unusual reception in which the company displayed the major appliances that will be sold this year under its own Nathane trademark. Seen with

part of the appliance display are (left) Rosa Turlington, an employee of the firm, and Lane Siler, representative of Carolina Power and Light. There were continuous demonstrations of the products today and refreshments for visitors. (Record Photo.)

1200 Families Had To Flee Surging Wabash

PARU, Ind. (UPI)—The threat of further severe flooding along the banks of the Wabash appeared ended today and Peru officials met to consider permitting 1,200 families routed by the floodwaters here return to their homes.

Gov. Harold Handley urged that 13 counties in north-central Indiana affected by floodwaters from the ice-choked river be declared disaster areas.

Peru, a city of 12,000, was hit hardest when the swollen river, backed up by an ice gorge four miles downstream, tore through a sandbagged levee late Wednesday. It inundated the southwest section of the city in a flash. Many residents had to be rescued from their homes by boat.

The flood crest, highest in 46 years, rolled past Peru and by this morning the level was down to 20.4 feet, a drop of nearly four feet. (Continued On Page Four)

Anna Thinks Her Ma Will Be There

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Singer Anna Maria Alberghetti says she thinks her mother will attend her April wedding to composer-arranger Buddy Bregman despite the older woman's opposition to the match.

"I was hoping my mother would be resigned to my wedding to Buddy by now," Anna said Wednesday. "I thought she had. When I told her about it she was calm and we talked about it but she still says she won't come to the wedding."

"But I think she will. Mrs. Vittoria Alberghetti has opposed her 22-year-old daughter's plans to marry Bregman, who is divorced from his first wife and has a 6-year-old son.

When Anna announced Tuesday she was going ahead with the marriage plans, Mrs. Alberghetti said, "I will not attend the ceremony. I said I was going to be sick the day the marriage took place. I am still going to be sick."

Mrs. Alberghetti said she opposed the wedding because of Bregman's divorce. Both she and Anna are Roman Catholics and natives of Italy.

Tourist Bitter At Court Fine

A Yankee tourist—Herman Klar of New York City—toyed with the idea of taking a jail sentence today rather than paying \$12.50 for speeding.

Klar, brought directly to court from Highway 301 by Patrolman David Matthews, wrangled with the judge when told he couldn't send the money back later or leave a check.

On his way home from a trip to Mexico and Miami Beach, Klar was driving a '58 Dodge but told Judge H. Paul Strickland that he had only \$17 to get home on and (Continued On Page Four)

Afraid Of Husband Judge Sends Her Home

Vera Surles, a Dunn Negro woman, said she was afraid to go home to watch over her children because her husband had threatened to kill her and the children, she said, were not in school because they had no shoes.

Her testimony came as Judge H. Paul Strickland, presiding in Dunn Recorder's Court, heard a non-support case against Mayfield Surles.

Pleading not guilty, the husband

denied that he had run her away from home or sworn he would murder her. Judge Strickland found him guilty of non-support but ordered Mrs. Surles to go home and start taking care of her children. Mother of nine, she has five children still minors ranging in age from 16 to 8.

By her testimony, her husband, who had been working only in- (Continued On Page Four)

Officers Round Up Accused Robbers

Four young Harnett County men have been charged with the January 30 break-in at Jones' Gulf service station in Broadway, Sheriff D. F. Holder said today.

The four charged with breaking and entering are: Michael Jones, 17, Bunnlevel; Jack Bowling, 18, Lillington; Earle Olive, 23, Fuquay Springs, R. 2; and Floyd Colville, 21, Lillington, Route 2.

In the Broadway robbery, merchandise and money totalling \$460 were stolen. Missing were two tires valued at \$324; and holding five dollars; a cigar box filled with \$20 worth of nickels, a set of keys to the American Legion building in Broadway, keys to an automatic cracker vending machine, an electric Ronson razor, a set of automobile keys, and five cartons of cigarettes. Sheriff Holder said that the four (Continued On Page Four)

Beam Drops, Derails Train, Injuries 32

MIDDLE RIVER, Md. (UPI) — A steel beam fell from a passing freight, buckled a track and derailed an 80-mile-an-hour Washington to New York express train today, injuring 32 persons.

Engineer T. L. Winsey of the Pennsylvania Railroad's derailed Potomac said he saw the buckled track as he rounded a bend into the straight stretch where the wreck occurred. Winsey said he applied the brakes but the train wobbled out of control on the bent track.

Only one truck of the locomotive left the rails. The sleeping car behind it stayed on. The remaining 10 cars of the train derailed, tore up more than half a mile of track and came to rest still upright but tilted precariously across three of the four tracks of the New York-Washington main line.

The steel I-beam, 7 feet, 9 inches long and weighing about 250 pounds, was found beside the track. Railroad, police and FBI investigators said it apparently had fallen from a passing freight car.

Twenty-five injured persons were taken to City Hospital and seven to the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

These Little Things

By HOOVER ADAMS

Dunn's on-the-ball Wellons Brothers last week opened a big new addition to the already huge Wellons Village Shopping Center in Durham. The Citizens National Bank, a laundry and dry cleaning establishment and the shopping center's headquarters office building were formally opened. Several other big chain stores will be added as soon as buildings are completed for them. Billy Wellons of Dunn and Charles Wellons, who stay in Durham to manage the big operation, were on hand for the event, but Johnnie and Calvin were too busy in Dunn with the formal opening of the new First Federal Savings and Loan Association, held the same day. Johnnie is president of First Federal and Calvin is a director. Imagine that, not even bothering about the opening of a new investment of a couple hundred thousand dollars but devoting their time to a civic project in their hometown instead. (Continued On Page Eight)

Learned Lines of Play In Trance Sessions

Hypnosis Helps Linda Score Hit

CHICAGO (UPI)—The husband of veteran film queen Linda Darnell, who once appeared in "Forever Amber," today credited hypnosis for a successful performance in "Late Love."

"Hypnosis helped her relax," husband Robby Robertson said of Miss Darnell's submission to a physician - hypnotherapist who helped her learn her lines for the stage play's opening here.

The actress' trance memorization sessions, arranged just 72 hours before the play opened Tuesday night, included one performance before Chicago Daily News science writer Arthur J. Snider. Arriving in town in an emotional turmoil, Snider wrote Wednesday the screen star felt inadequate. Line learning for the movies involved separate, short sequences, he said.

Physician To Rescue She telephoned their West Coast physician, Robertson said, arranging for him to fly here and coach her through the chore, us- (Continued On Page Four)

Thousands Welcome Tar Heel Evangelist

Australians Cheer Arrival Of Graham

MELBOURNE, Australia (UPI) — Thousands of Australians turned out today to cheer American evangelist Billy Graham on his arrival here to open a religious revival crusade.

More than 600 persons cheered and sang hymns at the airport, while others lined the route to the Victoria Palace Hotel which will be his headquarters. Graham told a battery of press, radio and television newsmen that he had not expected any "film star" reception.

"I've never sought publicity," he said. "My only aim is to serve Christ. There will be no play on emotionalism during my crusade. But I believe we have made religion a bit too stuffy—one of the greatest needs of the church today being a bit of enthusiasm."

Asked whether his crusades had any lasting effect, Graham answered: "The effects of a bath don't last, but you need it and it's good for you."

Graham will begin his crusade in West Melbourne Stadium Sunday.

He arrived here from Sydney where he told newsmen he had recovered from a stiff neck suf-

fered during the flight from the United States. The evangelist gave credit for curing the stiff neck to Dr. Charles Lake, an osteopath he visited in Honolulu.

He said this eye trouble also appeared to be somewhat improved. "Today my left eye is better—almost normal, but as the trouble comes and goes it could be worst tonight," he said.

Graham will remain in Melbourne until early April. He said he would launch his Sydney campaign on April 12.

Wife-Slayer Sent Back To Hospital

FAYETTEVILLE — Two Cumberland County residents, facing murder charges, were ordered returned to state hospitals for further treatment Tuesday in Superior Court, after Judge Raymond Mallard heard medical recommendations they were not mentally capable to answer indictments.

The judge ordered Almon D. Hall, 42, Wade, Rt. 1, returned to Raleigh; and Eva Jane McLaughlin, 33, Negro, Shaw Road, sent back to Goldsboro.

Hal was accused of slaying his wife, Elizabeth, 52, last Aug. 2 at their Wade area farmhouse. Mrs. Hall's body was found in the living room, with a single shotgun blast in the rear of her head.

The McLaughlin woman was accused of stuffing her infant in loan outdoor toilet near her house.

Search Debris For Victims

ST. LOUIS Mo. (UPI) — An army of workers today struggled to clear away mounds of debris than once were homes and searched for possible additional victims of a tornado that killed at least 12 persons and injured more than 350.

A check of police districts in the tornado disaster near the center of the city showed one person still missing. An officer said, "we are no sure if he is missing due to the tornado, or if he is just dislocated."

Rescuers believed they had recovered the last of the dead and concentrated on cleaning up the wreckage from a teeming Negro tenement district hit hardest by (Continued On Page Seven)

Abe Lincoln Paid Tribute

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Poet Carl Sandburg today told a joint session of Congress the "most enduring memorial to Lincoln is in the hearts of lovers of liberty."

The Congress met in pomp and humility to honor the memory of the Civil War President on the 150th anniversary of his birth in a Kentucky log cabin 20 years after the founding of the union that he later preserved.

Southern and Northern—Democrat and Republican—sat side by side as Sandburg praised Abraham Lincoln as the rare type of man who appears "here and there across the centuries." Earlier, the Army Band crashed out "Dixie" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Sandburg, one of Lincoln's most famed biographers, described the first Republican president as a (Continued On Page Eight)