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Snow flurries, turning colder in mountains, elsewhere mild and windy with scattered showers gradually ending from west to east this morning followed by clearing and cooler this afternoon.

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RALEIGH BANK ROBBER CAUGHT

Total income	154	3,800
EXPENSE	80,676	127,323
Interest	40,187	61,289
Operating	33,230	36,650
Total	73,417	97,939
NET OPER	7,253	29,941
PR	2,767	10,000
	622	
	5,314	

AS THE CENTURY TURNED — Herman Green, left, general manager of the Dunn PCA, was talking with president E. E. Seay (center) of Turkey and Robert A. Darr (right) of Columbia, S. C., key figures at the Silver Anniversary meeting here. President Seay has himself been an active member for the full quarter-century. (Record Photo by Ted Crail.)

Youth Tries Suicide As FBI Arrives

RALEIGH (UPI) — A conscience-stricken young insurance salesman swallowed rat poison today as FBI and police officers entered his home in a fashionable area to charge him with the \$17,094 robbery of a Raleigh branch bank last month.

Robert (Bobby) Earl Smith, 23, was rushed to the emergency room at Rex Hospital where his stomach was pumped out. He refused to talk with newsmen.

Capt. Robert Goodwin of the Raleigh police department said the part-time college student had confessed to the March 3 holdup, North Carolina's fourth bank robbery of the year.

Godwin said Smith lived with his mother, who works in a home on Buckingham Road. He quoted Smith as saying that he had been "feeling bad" about the robbery for some time.

As officers entered the house this morning, Smith surrendered without resistance. He told officers he "took some poison" when he heard a car drive up in front of the house.

None of the loot was recovered at the house, said Goodwin. He said officers were put on the trail of Smith when the youth began paying off debts that had resulted in a series of bad check charges.

In fact, Goodwin said, Smith appeared in city court on the day of the robbery to pay off one debt and had purchased a new sports car.

He said the youth confessed using the family car, a 1957 Ford to stage the holdup, using a license tag stolen from a car parked at memorial auditorium. He later tossed the stolen tag into a creek.

Records showed that Smith attended Campbell College in 1954-56 and transferred to North Carolina State College during 1956-57.

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NOTABLES AT COATS FFA BANQUET—One of the highlights of the year at Coats High School is the annual Future Farmers of America Father-Son banquet. A special guest at this year's banquet, held Tuesday night, was Addison Hewlett, Speaker of the N. C. House of Representatives, who accompanied Harnett Representative Carson Gregory to the meeting. Left to right are, seated: Principal Hal Smith, Speaker Hewlett; and M. O. Phillips, ex teacher and FFA advisor; standing, Rep. Gregory, who was given high praises by Hewlett, and Herbert Johnson, chairman of the Coats school board. (Daily Record photo.)

Husband Found Man In House, Beat His Wife

Ethel Leggett, a slight colored woman who claimed her estranged husband had jumped on her and beat her in a jealous rage, told Judge H. Paul Strickland today she'd rather "live by herself."

The judge had suggested that she and her husband, Lee, should try to find a way to get along with each other.

Mrs. Leggett did not mention any man when she took the stand to testify to the assault. Later, when her husband became a witness, and said there was a man in the house with her, she testified that he was a fellow who had dropped by to fix the heater.

The Leggetts had been married ten years and came here about three years ago. They have four children. The wife said she left her husband because "too many people were living in the house."

She had invited him, she said, to come and live with her and he wouldn't come. Now she had de-

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Darr Sees Farming Upturn In 2 Years

At PCA Silver Anniversary

Robert A. Darr of Columbia, S. C., predicted another year or two of tough sledding for farmers but stated the long-term outlook for agriculture is good.

He was the featured speaker at the silver anniversary meeting yesterday of the Dunn Production Credit Association.

Darr, president of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank at Columbia, said he doesn't believe that agriculture is "dying or fading away."

The individual farmer can cope with the long-term trends, he said, by keeping abreast of developments, diversifying his crops and livestock and, if necessary, using long-term credit to stay in farming through the bumpy spots.

"PCA," he said, "tried to keep credit needs geared to changes by intermediate term (five-year) loans for irrigation, buildings, machinery, trucks, farm ponds and other uses."

Around 200 persons gathered for the meeting in the Dunn courtroom. Elected to succeed him self on the board of directors of the organization, E. E. Seay of Turkey was again chosen president of the Dunn PCA.

A member for 25 years, Seay has been on the board since 1933, became vice-president in 1935 and president in 1946, holding that post ever since.

Herman P. Green, general manager here, announced that the association's total net worth was \$412,586.11 and income for the year ending December 31 was \$127,323.97 in 1958, well up from the \$80,676.13 recorded the year before.

Net earnings were \$19,752.35 in '58 as against \$5,077.48 in 1957. The figures computed to record activities of the firm through the 25 years from 1933 to 1958 were reflective of the activities in agriculture over that period.

Some 21,498 loans have been made - totaling over 18 million dollars - and the association has continued to grow, 211 members joining in 1958 alone and the total membership now standing at 1818.

Hall Facing 2nd Operation

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Alling Rep. Dave Hall (D-NC) may have to undergo a second kidney operation soon.

Hall, now serving his freshman term in Congress, underwent a series of laboratory tests at the Bethesda, Md., naval hospital to determine whether an operation on his left kidney is necessary. Last month, he underwent surgery on his right kidney.

He is a brother of Miss Lela Moore Hall, superintendent of the Harnett County Welfare department.

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Cold Wave Hits South Will Sell for Under \$2,000

United Press International

Winter came howling back into the South today, dropping temperatures and coating some areas with light snow.

Two inches of snow fell at Leesburg in extreme northern Virginia during the early morning hours. There was an inch of snow at Winchester and most of the northern portion of the state had scattered snow and frost.

Some light snow and sleet was reported in several counties in Alabama, which was hit by thunderstorms and strong winds, Wednesday.

Although the weather bureau said the snow was not sticking to the ground in Anniston, Muscle Shoals and Huntsville, Ala., streets were reported slick and dangerous.

What could be winter's final blast of the season came on the heels of heavy rain and tornadoic winds that swept the Southeast Wednesday as colder air from a snowstorm that whipped the north east pressed southward.

High wind Wednesday demolished two furniture warehouses at Burns, Miss. Teachers and 150 children huddled in a corner of their nearby school as the winds "roared like a tornado." No one was injured.

Tornado Reports

There was at least one tornado report in Alabama. The highway patrol said one, struck Oakhill Wednesday afternoon, causing some damage to a few buildings, but there were no injuries.

The patrol said one car was picked up by the twister, but was back down on the shoulder of the road.

The snow that whipped across the South was on the fringe of a snowstorm that hit the Ohio Valley during the night. The weather bureau reported the storm was "clobbering" Cleveland, and six inches of snow was on the ground by early morning.

The weather bureau warned that a wind-whipped storm out of the Midwest would dump a 60-to-

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New Pastor Coming To Erwin Church

Reverend Colon Jackson, 30-year-old pastor of Sanbria Baptist Church, has accepted a call, ending the months-long search in Erwin for a successor to departed pastor Reverend Forrest Maxwell.

Though he will not actually undertake pastoral duties at Erwin's First Baptist Church until the second Sunday in April, Rev. Jackson and his wife made their second trip to Harnett his week.

They were here today to settle final details. Last Sunday he preached at both the morning and evening services in the church and was given a vote of approval by the congregation.

If he follows the precedent set by his predecessor, Rev. Jackson will be in Erwin a long time. Rev. Maxwell departed July 1 for another pastorate after serving for

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Entertained 60 Men A Week

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Grand Jury Action Faces Theft Ring

One of the biggest roundups of accused thieves and stolen-goods dealers in the history of Eastern North Carolina has given the grand jury which will assemble Monday a full calendar.

In Lillington, where the new Superior Court criminal term will start with Judge Heman R. Clark presiding, most of the 13 youths (they range in age from their teens to mid-twenties) will be appraised by the grand jury.

If evidence warrants, true gills will be returned and a trial at this same term is expected.

Harnett County sheriff's officers, who broke the case and have blamed the youths with robberies in at least three counties, claim the alleged participants have admitted their crimes.

This is the actual calendar with the names of all defendants currently scheduled for the one week

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Said the Judge, 'A Certain Provocation'

Wife Who Shot Husband's Pals Lightly Fined In Dunn Court

A 26-year-old Negro woman, Janie Carroll, took the stand in Dunn Recorder's Court today to admit that she had gone out hunting her husband with a gun.

In defense of her actions—she had fired a shotgun blast that lightly injured three persons including her husband's alleged girlfriend, Bernice McLamb—she said her husband had let their children suffer while he ran around.

He spent money on women, she said, while their four youngsters did not have proper shoes. She is

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'Peeping' Is Denied By Man; Court Record Being Checked

Jesse Ragland, address Lillington Rt. 2, and somewhere in Cumberland county, pleaded 'not guilty' to peeping into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen B. Stone in Lillington on Saturday night. He pleaded guilty to trespassing.

Mrs. Stone took the stand to tell of seeing the defendant standing, looking in her living-room window. She positively identified the defendant from the witness stand. It was between 10 and 10:30 p.m., she said.

Ragland took the stand to deny that he was peeping. His story was that he was running from the law because he was drinking and ran between two houses. He said he didn't know where he was. The "law" caught him, the defendant said, and he was in jail before he knew what the charge was.

Ragland refused to give all his court record and Solicitor Jake Lamm sent him back to jail while his court record could be checked in Cumberland, Wake, Lee and Harnett counties. Lamm said he hoped to be able to complete the case Thursday.

Mrs. Stone is deputy clerk of Harnett Recorder's court. She lives on Main St. near the bus station. Ragland admitted he had been tried for breaking and entering, but refused to say where. Sheriff Wade Stewart said Rag-

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