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Continued warm and humid this afternoon, tonight and Friday with showers and thundershowers occurring mostly in afternoons and evenings.

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BIG-TIME RACKETEERS ARE ARRESTED

White Man Shot Negro Couple

Johnson Draws Twelve Years

An Anderson Creek white man who shot his Negro housekeeper and a male friend today was sentenced to a total of twelve years in State Prison.

Jack Johnson, jailed on May 10 a few hours after the double shooting, pled guilty to both shootings and the only witness in the case was Rural Policeman Stanley Byrd.

Judge Heman Clark of Fayetteville, presiding in Superior Court at Lillington, heard the evidence yesterday and this morning passed judgment on Johnson.

Neither of the two victims were present. Seriously injured, both are still under treatment at Highsmith Hospital in Fayetteville.

Annie Sue Patterson was operated on earlier and a bullet was removed from just below her heart. Johnson had told Byrd that the shooting of Annie Sue was accidental. James McGill was raked with a shotgun blast and was in critical condition when first taken to the hospital.

Byrd's investigation indicated that the shooting occurred as the housekeeper was about to leave Johnson's farm with McGill. The case was tried with only Byrd testifying and the defendant himself did not take the stand.

Sheriff Wade Stewart said he would be sent today to State Prison to begin his term. Judge Clark sentenced him to seven years for the shooting of McGill, five years for the shooting of Annie Sue Patterson. The sentences are to run in sequence.

Pollard Named Southern Baptists Head

By LOUIS CASSELS
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LOUISVILLE, Ky. (UPI) — The Rev. Ramsey Pollard, pastor of the Broadway Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tenn., today was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention, America's second largest Protestant denomination.

Pollard, 56, a native of Cleburne, Tex., was chosen in a runoff election over the Rev. Roy O. McClain, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, at the 102nd annual meeting of the convention.

Voting was by secret ballot and the totals cast for each candidate were not announced. Pollard will succeed former U. S. Rep. Brooks Hays (D-Ark.), president of the convention for the past two years.

The 15,000 messengers attending the convention voted overwhelmingly to let the trustees of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here handle as they see fit charges made before the convention by the Rev. James S. Bulman of East Spencer, N. C.

Disputed Doctrines
Bulman told the convention that one professor at the seminary—whom he did not name—has indicated in his writings that he regards some fundamental Baptist (Continued On Page Six)

Asks Million for Libel

Rape Victim Sues Newspaper

HATTIESBURG, Miss. (UPI) — The young white mother a Negro lynch victim was accused of raping filed a one million dollar suit against a Negro newspaper Thursday.

Mrs. June Walters, the alleged rape victim, filed the suit in U. S. federal district court here.

The woman, of nearby Petal, Miss., asked damages for publication of a story in the Memphis Tri-States Defender. She named as defendant Robert A. Abbott Publishing Co. of Chicago, publisher of the paper.

The newspaper published a story Saturday quoting an unidentified white man as saying the woman "cooked up" the rape story to "hide a secret love affair with another white man from

Guatemala Claims Invaders Coming

GUATEMALA CITY (UPI) — Guatemala charged today that four schooners carrying arms and Communist invaders are on the way from Cuba to attempt a landing in this country.

President Miguel Ydigoras Fuentes said the army, alerted last month to the possibility of sea-borne attack, is "ready to repel any mercenary invasion force that attempts to land on Guatemala's beaches."

The government announced that Guatemala, which now has no Navy, has purchased a 400-ton frigate from Sweden. The warship, mounting 75-mm. guns in its main battery, is expected here early next month.

An "urgent communique" said the invasion fleet sailed Tuesday from Pinar Del Rio province, at Cuba's western tip, crossed the Yucatan Channel and headed south down the coast.

The official announcement said a Guatemalan reconnaissance plane "shadowed" the schooners as far as the Mexican provincial capital of Chetumal.

The course and speed of the ships suggest they may have reached Punta Gorda in British Honduras Wednesday night, the communique said.

Punta Gorda is on Amatique Bay about 30 miles northwest of Puerto Barrios, the principal city on Guatemala's 50-mile Caribbean coastline.

Withdraws As an Original Signer

Morgan Denounces Sucker-Control Bill

State Senator Robert Morgan of Lillington has helped put the kiss of death on the MH-30 bill which started a fierce farm controversy about ten days ago.

In his original statement to this newspaper, Morgan had made it plain that he did not expect or want the bill to become law.

He said his motive in signing the bill was to give an airing to a matter which he felt farmers were not fully considering.

This was the possible danger to the tobacco crop, and hence the leaf marketing, in North Carolina of using an excess of sucker-control chemical known as MH-30.

Now, Senator Morgan, Senators Arthur Williamson and Wills Hancock of Granville—all three of them among the five original signers of the bill—in rejecting it outright.

Morgan and Hancock said they would base their opposition on their belief that tobacco manufacturers at a hearing last week had not "made enough of a case" against use of the chemical.

"If an invader attempt materializes, it would be the second launched from Cuba in a month. About 90 Cubans landed in Panama late in April, but surrendered a few days later.

Lady Mayor Wants Her Bottom Bumped

MAIDENHEAD, England (UPI) — Mrs. Gladys Longworth, a 62-year-old grandmother, said today she will fight for the right of getting bumped on her bottom when she becomes a mayor.

"Bottom bumping" is a Maidenhead ceremony that goes back to 1581, the year a Maidenhead mayor was grabbed by citizens and dropped seat first on boundary line stones.

Mrs. Longworth recently was elected mayor but the town council refused to spend the \$200 needed for bumping ceremonies at her inauguration.

"I am sure everyone would like to see the mayor being bumped," said Mrs. Longworth, "and I don't mind." In fact, she said, she will demand the ceremony.

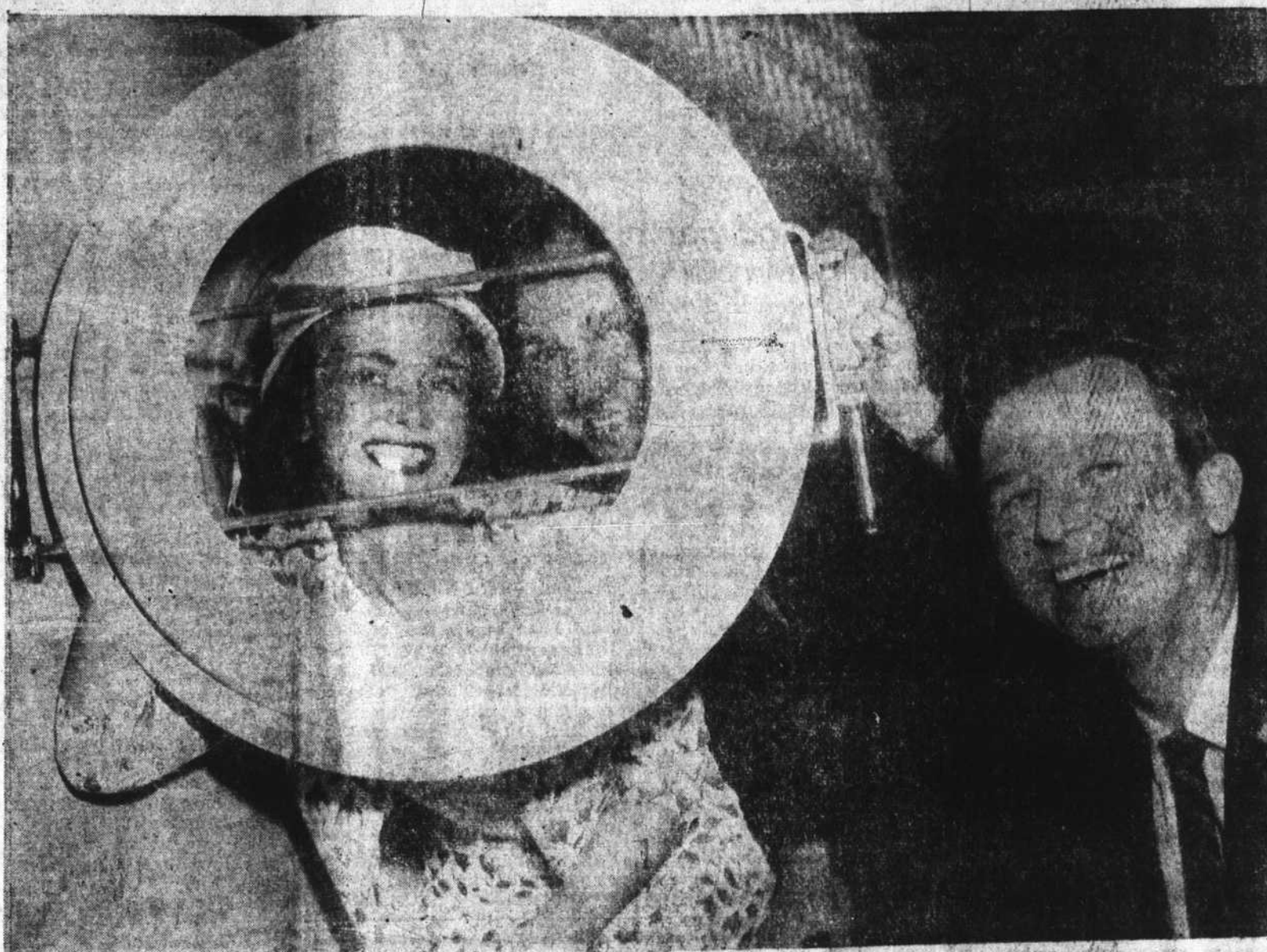
SURVIVES VOTE

RALEIGH (UPI) — Supporters of a bill to ban use of maleic hydrazide MH-30 for tobacco sucker control headed off what appeared to be certain defeat today and won approval for their measure in the Senate Agriculture Committee.

The bill faces a tough fight on the floor with three of the five original signers now opposing the measure. Two of the five issued a strong attack on the measure Wednesday night.

BILL GETS SUPPORT

The Senate Education Committee salvaged a bill today that would have required the state's schools to change to a 10-month, 11-year program. The group showed strong support for the bill but admitted it would stand little chance of enactment unless it were permissive rather than mandatory.



A BEAUTY QUEEN, like a president's wife, always has plenty of festive chores. This morning, Janet Sutton of Lillington, the 1959 Miss Dunn, was caught peering through the periscope-like door on a drying unit at new automatic laundry in the Quim

Shopping Center. Sharing periscope space is laundromat president William D. Ward and at right is Billy Wellons, who will act as vice-president and treasurer of the new firm. (Record Photo by Ted Crall)

Theft Charge Reduced In County Court

Harnett recorder's court met Thursday in the Lillington town hall due to the fact that the regular court-room was in use for a term of superior court.

William Bill Gaster, 16, and Joe Gregory, 17, Bule's Creek youths had the charge of larceny reduced to forcible trespass after they entered guilty pleas to the lesser charge. They had been arrested on the information and belief of Sheriff Wade H. Stewart that they stole and took away the following articles of personal property of Campbell College, to wit: cigarettes (Continued On Page Six)

Blalock's Civic Program Faces Its First Test

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Mayor George Franklin Blalock, who has promised the town a vigorous program of action, will have a chance to swing into action tonight.

Facing his second Council meeting—the first was relatively routine with Blalock suggesting that important issues shouldn't be faced until he had "got his feet wet"—several large items confront him.

Blalock, of course, is head of the city administration but has a vote only in case of a dead split

by other members of the board.

Lacking the administrative authority of the city manager and the lawmaking power of the city board, it is the mayor's job to supply lungpower and leadership which will bring the city along the way he wants it to go.

Blalock has indicated that he wants it to go this way:

- (1) Keep all public business public.
- (2) Get a new zoning law which breaks down the broad categories of Residential and Business.
- (3) Adopt a policy whereby the town accepts full responsibility in getting water-lines to the meters

of the water-user.

(4) Combine the town primary and general election in order to save money.

(5) Up court costs in Dunn Recorder's Court and use the increased funds "to buy police cars and police equipment."

(6) Consider building a new city hall without resorting to a bond issue (which, he believes, would be rejected by local citizens).

All of these matters are slated for discussion either tonight or in the immediate future. During his campaign for mayor, Blalock also threw out several other ideas which are expected to be discussed at future meetings of the board.

They included his call for a one-street overpass so traffic can move through town even when an Atlantic Coast Line train is making a stop. He also suggested the ACL be approached on the possibility (Continued On Page Two)



PEPSI "KING" DISPLAYS THE SWIRL—Crafton Tart's Open Air Market is the largest Pepsi-Cola retailer in this entire area and today he was proudly showing off Pepsi-Colas in their new Swirl-Shape bottle, which gives the popular drink the bright, light look Mr. Tart and representatives of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. in Fayetteville are pictured here after completing

work on a beautiful and massive Pepsi-Cola display containing hundreds of cases in front of Open Air. Left to right are: Elton Strickland, Pepsi-Cola supervisor; Howard Mason, Pepsi route salesman; Mr. Tart and V. H. Behm, assistant to Pepsi President R. B. Minges. (Daily Record Photo.)

Mass Roundup Underway For Top Racket Men

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Federal agents and state police began a coast-to-coast roundup today of 27 big name racketeers who attended the 1957 gangland convention in Apalachin, N. Y.

Atty. Gen. William P. Rogers disclosed that all of them were indicted by a federal grand jury in New York on charges of conspiring to obstruct justice by refusing to disclose what went on at the November 1957 underworld meeting.

Thirty-six others, including Joseph Barbara Sr., who was host at the conclave in his hilltop Apalachin home, were named as co-conspirators but not defendants.

Some of the men were routed out of bed at dawn as the nationwide crackdown began.

At least two of the men were reported to be members of the Mafia or ill-famed "Black Hand" society of Sicily.

Crime Syndicates

The New York grand jury that returned the indictments had been conducting an investigation of racketeering and crime syndicates, particularly in the Ladies East Coast traffic in narcotics.

Rogers said all 27 named as defendants were accused of conspiring to obstruct justice by giving false and evasive testimony about the rendezvous of racketeers at Apalachin. Three faced additional charges of perjury on grounds they lied to police, investigating committees and grand juries.

The conspiracy charge carries a maximum penalty of a \$5,000 fine and five years in jail, or both, on each count. The maximum penalty for perjury, per count, is a \$2,000 fine, two years in jail, or both.

Rogers said today's mass arrest was part of a long range (Continued On Page Six)

Badgered Heiress Says She'll Wait

GLASGOW, Scotland (UPI) — Blonde heiress Katherine Dowsett promised her irate father today she would wait until she was older to marry the former truck driver with whom she eloped.

Katherine and Edward Langley, 27, the truckdriver turned playboy, were in hiding from shipbuilding magnate Harry Dowsett somewhere in eastern Scotland.

Katherine issued her appeal through newspapers, her main channel of contact with her father (Continued On Page Six)

Pleads Guilty on Five Counts

McCoy's Attacker Gets Five Years

Bud Ryals, the Harnett man who laid gun-siege to a house and tried to burn it down while in flight from a small posse, has been sentenced to five years in prison.

Tried yesterday in Harnett Superior Court at Lillington, Ryals pled guilty to each of five counts. Three were for larceny, one for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, one for attempted arson.

Sheriff Wade Stewart was among the witnesses in the case. Ryals himself did not take the stand to give an explanation of his actions.

Officers had theorized that Ryals shot up the home of George McCoy because he felt the family had betrayed him to the police. But Ryals has never discussed his motives. The 43-year-old colored man was

object of a search extending over several weeks when he reportedly stole some chickens and an automobile tire.

Sheriff Wade Stewart and B. E. Sturgill attempted to arrest on Monday, May 4, when they approached his house and saw him driving to it from another road. Bud Ryals sped off, ditched his car and set off across fields and timber.

A search was started, temporarily called off because of rain and during this hunt-down Ryals came to the McCoy house and fired into it. Louise McCoy, a 14-year-old, was struck in the left shoulder by a .22 bullet. Ryals departed when her father came out with a shotgun and drove him off.

Officers found that the gunman had sprinkled gasoline around the house and was apparently preparing to set it afire.