

Weather

Fair and not quite as cold most of state tonight but with risk of scattered frost inland sections

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The Record Gets Results

SPACE COUPLING ATTEMPT FAILS

E. Baer & Sons, Inc. Badly Damaged By Smoke

Fire Destroys Dunn Pharmacy

Both Business Firms To Reopen Soon As Possible

Fire early this morning destroyed Dunn Pharmacy, one of the town's oldest and largest drug stores, and heavy smoke damage was done to E. Baer & Sons, Inc. next door.

It was the worst and most costly fire to hit the main street of Dunn's business district in years.

Damages to the drug store and building were estimated at from \$60,000 to \$80,000 and damages done by smoke to E. Baer & Sons, Inc., a department store, appliance and furniture store, were estimated by firemen at from \$25,000 to \$50,000, possibly more.

The drug store and its contents were owned by C. Otis Warren, one of the town's oldest drug store operators, and his daughter, Miss Ailene Warren. The building was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Otis Warren and J. W. Whitehead III and his brother, Preston, of Richmond, Va. E. Baer and two sons, Sam and Bob, own the other firm and its building.

Dept. Secretary Howard M. Lee said the call was received at 5:52 this morning. When firemen arrived, they found the building filled with dense smoke and entrance had to be made at the rear. Part of the roof had already caved in and firemen had to force their way through heavily barred doors.

Interior of the modern drug store was left a shambles of burned debris.

The Baer firm was also forced to close but owners said both business firms will be reopened as soon as possible. Stanley Jeweler's on the west side of the drug store, also suffered smoke damage. Huber Register, the owner, said damage there was small and the jewelry store is still operating.

Mr. Warren said the fire had to originate in the furnace. It came on for the first time this fall during the coldest night so far and Mr. Warren expressed belief it must have exploded when it cut on.

The local Rexall dealership was a complete loss. Nothing was saved. Mr. Warren said the loss was partially covered by insurance.

COIN CLUB TO MEET

The Dunn Coin Club will hold its annual meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in the Community Room of the Home Savings & Loan office. A door prize of a 1938 D BU Buffalo nickel will be given away. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Officers And Workers Announced

Symphony Drive Opens Tonight

The membership drive of the Dunn Chapter of the North Carolina Little Symphony will begin tonight with a kick-off meeting at the home of Mrs. E. P. Davis, Jr. at 8:30. The drive will end Friday, October 29.

Memberships will not be available after the drive is over.

Officers and workers who will participate in the drive are:

Pres., Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith; children's chairman - Robert Cannady; secretary - Mrs. Taylor Newton; treasurer - M. J. McSorley;

Neither Warren or the Baer brothers would give any estimate as to the amount of damages.

The figures came from firemen Hanna and 23 men worked for hours to extinguish the blaze and prevent its spread to other firms in the block.

Police Sgt. Hood Alphin discovered the fire. Chief Ralph



OWNER OTTIS WARREN SURVEYS THE DAMAGE
A Lifetime of work gone up in smoke



INTERIOR VIEW OF SHAMBLES

Agena Launched Smoothly And Then Disappears

CAPE KENNEDY (UPI) — History's first attempt to couple two spacecraft in orbit ended in failure today when engineers lost radio contact with an Agena rocket.

The Agena, whose role was to serve as target to a separately launched Gemini 6 spacecraft, rose smoothly in which looked at first like a perfect launch. It soared from Pad 14 just four seconds after the 11 a.m. EDT lift-off time.

Astronauts Walter M. Schirra and Thomas Stafford had been scheduled to leap in pursuit 101 minutes later aboard the Gemini 6 capsule.

But at a critical moment engineers lost contact with Agena's main radio transmitter and there was no way of determining whether its engine fired as planned to kick it into orbit, and no way to tracking it past downrange stations.

The radio loss came at 11:06 a.m. EDT.

At 11:54 a.m. EDT when the tracking station at Carnarvon, Australia, had reported failure to spot the Agena, the mission was officially canceled.

"We can assume the Agena vehicle went into the Atlantic," an official said.

The failure, which came as a heart-breaking surprise after a perfect countdown, meant that the meeting and mating mission, crucial to future moon flights, would have to be delayed until 1966.

Sacred Heart Plans Bazaar

The Sacred Heart Catholic Church will have a bazaar on Thursday, Oct. 28 at the parish center, located corner of Cumberland Street and Ellis Avenue.

Barbecue pork and barbecue chicken will be served for \$1 a plate. Serving time begins at 11:00 a. m. until 2:00 p. m. and from 5:00 p. m. until 8:00 p. m. Tickets can be purchased from any church member. The meals may be eaten three or ordered to go.

Following the bazaar, which begins at 8:00 p. m., a drawing will be held for a \$100 and a \$25 saving bonds to be given away to the lucky ticket holder.

Rev. Roger Patterson, the minister of Westfield Baptist Church, will speak at the business men's weekly prayer service at 10 a. m. Tuesday in the conference room of Home Savings & Loan. It is open to the public.



KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Donald W. Sawyer, left, Central district sales manager for Ford Motor Company's Tractor and Implement Operations, congratulates Oliver O. Manning, vocational agriculture teacher at Midway High School, Dunn, N. C., on his selection for the Future Farmers of America's Honorary American Farmer Degree. Mr. Manning and 24 other teachers of vocational agriculture who received the Honorary American Farmer Degree at the recent FFA convention in Kansas City will have Ford engines donated in their names to schools of their choice. Ford announced the engine donation program at a dinner honoring the teachers.

Dorman Held In Slaying

Ira B. Dorman 32-year-old Dunn, Route 4 carpenter, Saturday afternoon was formally charged with murder in the rifle slaying of Edward Chance, a 45-year-old Indian farmer.

Chance was fatally shot late Friday afternoon as he and his wife were feeding hogs at their home on Dunn, Route 4.

Harnett Coroner Paul Drew said a 22 calibre bullet passed through his brain and lodged in his skull. Mrs. Chance managed to get her husband into the house nearby but Dr. W. W. Stanfield, who extracted the bullet at Cromartie Funeral Home, said Carter no doubt had died instantly.

Deputy Sheriff Carson Hall, who arrested Dorman at his home at 7 o'clock, approximately two hours after the slaying, signed the warrant against him late this afternoon after hours of questioning by Sheriff Wade Stewart, Coroner Drew and himself.

Witnesses had seen Dorman in the area and a 22 rifle was found in his 1959 Green Ford.

Officers said Dorman admitted he had been hunting and fishing at a pond about a half mile from the Carter home and had fired his rifle a few times, but insisted he knew nothing about Carter's death and did not know he had died.

Deputy Hall said the shot was not fired from a speeding automobile as previously reported, but had been fired on the ground.

Authorities all agreed there was no racial angle involved in the killing of Chance, a well-known and respected Lumbee Indian. Both men were employed at (Continued On Page 6)

School Blown Up

MICRO, N. C. (UPI) — An all-Negro elementary school was damaged by an explosion today in the crossroads community of Bagley in Johnston County.

The Johnston sheriff's office reported there "has been a bombing" at the school. There were no reports of injuries.

The explosion at Bagley elementary school was being investigated by county authorities and the federal and state bureaus of investigation.

Principal E. L. Willetts reported the explosion tore out a wall of windows from one classroom, apparently of injuries. (Continued On Page 6)

Williams Killed In Auto Crash

An auto accident Saturday night claimed the life of Lutrell Williams, 29, of Erwin, while a passenger in the car, Wallace McLeod of Route 3, Dunn, received serious injuries and is a patient in Betsy Johnson Hospital.

According to State Trooper, E. W. Horton, the investigating officer, and Harnett Coroner Paul Drew, the accident occurred 3 1/2 miles north of Dunn on rural paved road 1722 just off the Old Fairground Road about 8:20 p.m. Williams was apparently driving the car, they said, and he lost control of his 1960 Chevrolet in a curve. Both occupants were thrown from the car. Williams received a fractured skull and death was instant.

He was employed by Erwin Mills in the weaving department. He was a member of the Erwin Rescue Squad and the Erwin Volunteer Fire Department.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. today at the Erwin Church of God by the Rev. Joe Whittenton. (Continued On Page Four)

Lillington Woman Is Killed

Mrs. Ruby Wilbourne Cotton, 53 of Route 2, Lillington, was killed instantly early this morning after being struck by a pickup truck driven by John B. Morton of Route 2, Polkton, N. C.

The accident occurred in front of the Cotton home, which is located on Highway 27 four miles south of Lillington, while Mrs. Cotton was raking leaves in her yard in the ditch area looking for money that had blown from her billfold Saturday.

Apparently, she had crossed the road back toward her house when the pickup truck headed north struck her.

The driver applied his brakes, and the vehicle skidded and struck Mrs. Cotton while in the south-bound lane. The accident was witnessed by her husband, Charlie L. Cotton, who was standing in the yard at their home.

Morton, an employee of R. H. Bouligny Construction Co. of Charlotte, was en route to work near Lillington from Polkton.

Coroner Paul Drew said an inquest would probably be held next week.

Trooper Dwight Padgett is the investigating officer.

Mr. Cotton had been employed for many years by J. E. Womble & Sons in Lillington.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Betty Mason of Annadale, Va. and Mrs. Carol Adcock of Alexandria, Va.; two step-daughters, Mrs. Mary Ellen Matheny of Raleigh and Mrs. Patricia Lee Reynolds of Denver, Colo.; one brother, Terry Wilbourne of Route 2 Faquay; one sister Mrs. Paul Phelps of Phoenix, Ariz., who was scheduled to arrive today to visit her.



MRS. RUBY COTTON

Dr. Mein To Speak

Erwin First Host To Baptist Meet

The 90th Session of the Little River Baptist Association gets underway at the Erwin First Baptist Church tomorrow night at 7:15 p. m. The thirty-three churches will convene this first night to focus their attention on Associational and World Missions.

Feature speakers for the occasion is Dr. David Mein, Southern Baptist Missionary, who has served as President of the North Brazil Baptist Seminary in Recife, Brazil, since 1953. He also serves as pastor of the Cordelero Baptist Church and is second vice-president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention.

"Dr. Mein is a born leader and a religious statesman, and everywhere he has gone has inspired confidence, admiration, and respect in people with whom he has worked. President of the Brazilian Baptist Convention." (Continued On Page 6)

membership chairman - Mrs. Vaughn Hutaff and Mrs. William Tart; publicity - Mrs. John Snipes

The workers include A. B. Johnson, H. Paul Strickland, Taylor Newton, Vera Lee Thornton, Rev. Wallace Kirby, Charlie McCullers, Bessie Mearns, Mrs. Leon Mc Kay, Mrs. James McD. Johnson, Mrs. George Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Black, Mrs. C. D. Hutaff, Sr., Mrs. Pam Davis, Mrs. Ed Purdie, Mrs. Jack Jordan, Mrs. Bobby Ery-an, Mrs. Everette Dofformyre, Rev.

Carlton Best, Mr. D. K. Stewart, Mrs. Leon Kittrell, Mrs. Clarence Roberts, Mrs. Roy Tew, Mrs. Fannie Belle Smith, Mrs. Hoover Adams, Mrs. Charles Highsmith, Mrs. Earl Westbrook, Mrs. Wiley Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hutaff

Also, Erwin - Mrs. D. C. Woodall, Mrs. J. K. Bruton, Miss Blanche Bruton; Coats - Mrs. Haywood Roberts; Linden - Mrs. George Elliott; Bales Creek - Mrs. D. H. Pearce and Mrs. Frank Belote; Falcon, Mrs. Annie Randall.