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Weather

Variable cloudiness and continued cool tonight with some rain south-east portion this evening. Lows mostly mid 40s south coast. Friday partly cloudy and not quite so cool south portion.

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KEOKUK BLAST KILLS AT LEAST 7

Red Bullets Fail To Kill U.S. Sergeant

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (UPI) — A Communist officer gave Sgt. John Eade the coup de grace last week.

Today hospital attendants gave him turkey for Thanksgiving. Eade, 22, of Toledo, Ohio, was shot three times in an ambush Nov. 17. Then he was "finished off" by an officer, who fired a pistol directly into his face and left him for dead in a valley in Viet Nam.

But the 1st Cavalry Division soldier lived to spend his Thanksgiving back in the United States.

Eade told his story from a hospital bed Wednesday during treatment of his multiple wounds by hospital attendants at Travis Air Force Base.

"I was shot about one o'clock in the afternoon," said Eade, the only survivor of his squad. "Then about four o'clock this Viet Cong officer came up — I think he was Chinese.

"I was only about half conscious and was leaning up against a tree. He took his pistol and shot me again — right in the face. And then he left me there for dead."

The bullet entered Eade's right eye and lodged in the back of his head.

"It was 11 o'clock the next day before the Americans came and got me," Eade continued. "They were out there to recover the bodies."

Eade said he is not sure the officer was Chinese, but he was certain he would recognize him if he saw him again.

"I ain't likely to forget him," Eade said.

Eade was one of the battle casualties from last week's fighting in Viet Nam — the heaviest week of casualties for American troops since Korea. He and 25 other were flown to Travis Air Force Base Wednesday in a C141 Skyliner to be transferred to hospitals near their homes. Was he glad to be home for Thanksgiving?

"I'm just glad to be home period," he replied quietly.



HIGHWAY CHIEF ADDRESSES ROTARY — Chairman Joe Hunt of the State Highway Commission addressed Dunn Rotarians last night on the importance of one vote. Pictured here with the popular State official are, left to right, club president Earl G. Vann; Chairman Hunt; State Legion Commander J. Alvis Carver; and George Willoughby, a Dunn man who now heads the State's secondary road system. Hunt had high praise for Willoughby and the job he's doing for the state, declaring, "I'm mighty proud of George." (Daily Record Photo by Russell Bassford.)

Praises Dunn Aide George Willoughby In Rotary Speech

Hunt Cites Value Of A Vote

State Highway Chairman Joe Hunt told Dunn Rotarians Tuesday night that communities and counties that voted against the \$300 million road bond issue in the Nov. 2 referendum have nothing to worry about over the way they voted.

He noted that the issue carried by only 47 votes in Harnett, the heaviest opposition vote in the State with exception of the two counties that voted against the

issue, and that the Dunn community voted overwhelmingly against the road bonds.

"But that was your privilege and it won't make a bit of difference in the amount of road work

you'll receive from either the bond money or the regular budget," declared Hunt.

He noted that allocations for various towns and counties had

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Dunn Beauty In Charlotte's Famed Carousel Today

Dunn's Alexis Parker Faces Schedule Busy As Old Santa

Pretty 19-year-old Alexis Parker, Dunn's gift of beauty, talent and brains to South Carolina, has a schedule of holiday public appearances that'll keep her just about as busy as old Santa Claus himself.

She's the current "Miss Spartanburg, S. C." and she's so much in demand for Christmas appearances and other holiday festivities that she hardly knows whether she's going or coming.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Parker, will tell you that from their standpoint it seems she's always going. Her boy friend Wall Jones makes the same complaint.

The curly-haired Converse College cutie breezed home for the Thanksgiving holiday late Tuesday. She hadn't been here but a few hours before receiving a call from her manager, Kenneth Suggs of Spartanburg, advising her to be in Charlotte Thanksgiving morning to appear in The Charlotte Carroussel—the biggest parade of any kind held in the two states each year.

In the course of the conversation, he also mentioned that she had been booked for at least two appearances in Spartanburg Friday.

Stays On The Go So Alexis and her family had

to do their Thanksgiving celebrating Wednesday night and she was off bright and early Thursday morning to decorate one of the



ALEXIS PARKER

More Bodies May Be Found; 47 Injured

KEOKUK, Iowa (UPI) — Rescue workers today searched the smoking ruins of a National Guard Armory ripped by an explosion at the height of a gala Thanksgiving eve square dance. Seven persons were killed and at least 47 others injured.

It was feared more bodies might be found in the rubble-filled basement of the brick and concrete block armory.

The sudden explosion blasted out three walls of the building at about 9:40 CST Wednesday night and sent the roof crashing to the dance floor, where members of the "Swing Easy Square Dance Club" were promenading in a holiday atmosphere.

Three of the dead were identified as William Bennett, his 7-year-old son Tony and Alice Summers. The others were burned so badly identification was difficult.

"I saw people screaming and timbers lying on top of some of them. One man came running through the hall all ablaze," said square dance caller Kenay Anderson, who was blown through a door by the blast.

"I picked myself up and looked back," he said. "It was an awful mess. One couple I know quite well came running out without any burned off. . . . It was a mass of clothes on. The clothing had been human fire. Everybody was burning."

Emergency Aid

Doctors from Southeastern Iowa, Illinois and Missouri answered emergency calls for aid. The injured were rushed to hospitals. The Air Force flew blood to Keokuk from Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, Ill.

Graham Hospital said today 28

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Coup Succeeds Without Violence

Military Seizes Power In Congo



BRITISH BEAUTY — Great Britain's Lesley Langley, 21, wears her crown and a bright smile after being named Miss World in London. Dianna Lynn Batts, of the United States, finished second. (NEA Telephoto)

Sad At Leaving U.S.

Royal Couple Back In Rainy London

LONDON (UPI) — Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon returned in a rain storm from their exhausting but successful tour of the United States.

During their five-hour stop in Bermuda on the way back by plane from New York they went through a blackout. A blown transformer fuse plunged Government House into darkness for 23 minutes shortly after the royal couple arrived for a reception and dinner.

U. S. Ambassador David Bruce and the Earl of Westmoreland met their Boeing 707 jetliner at London Airport.

The princess and Snowdon stepped down from the plane under the shelter of an umbrella and greeted the reception party.

They then walked straight to their car to drive home to Kensington Palace and a reunion with their children, Viscount David Linley, 4, and Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones, 18 months.

When she left New York Wednesday Princess Margaret said, "This, for us, is a very, very sad moment."

"From the moment we arrived

MAN KILLED

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH, N. C. (UPI) — A Wilmington man was killed here Wednesday night when the car which he was driving ran off a causeway and struck a pole. William L. Bozeman, 66, a retired Wachovia Bank vice president, died at Cape Fear Hospital in Wilmington.

LEOPOLDVILLE, The Congo (UPI) — A military coup today toppled the Congo's shaky civilian government. The commander of the army, Lt. Gen. Joseph Mobutu, seized power and installed himself as president for five years.

There was no violence.

Mobutu, 35, deposed President Joseph Kasavubu and Premier designate Evariste Kimba and ordered Col. Leonard Mulamba to take over as premier and form a government of national union.

The upheaval was the climax to several weeks of bitter political infighting between Kasavubu and former Premier Moise Tshombe. Kasavubu fired Tshombe six weeks ago.

RACE OVER

"The race for the top is finished," Mobutu announced at a news conference in the garden of his residence in the para-commando army camp outside Leopoldville.

"By Saturday, Col. Mulamba will have a government of national union. It will pass by acclamation through Parliament."

Mobutu said the battle for power between Tshombe and Kasavubu had plunged the Congo into "permanent political crisis."

"You have all seen that our politicians had made complete bankruptcy," Mobutu told reporters. "This is not a military coup d'etat. The army has only taken its responsibilities toward the country."

Eight Rebuked For Lewd Movie

CHAPEL HILL, N. C. (UPI) — The University of North Carolina disciplined eight students for their part in the showing of stag movies in a men's dormitory earlier this month.

Officials confirmed Wednesday the students, whose names were not released, were disciplined for involvement in the case. Two were placed on one semester probation. Six were given official reprimands. (Continued on Page Six)

Peace and Quiet — Not Even A Wreck

It Was A Quiet Day All Over The Area

In Dunn and throughout Harnett and the surrounding areas was quiet this Thanksgiving Day. In fact, it seemed even quieter than ever, as of noontime.

John E. Norris, on duty at the Dunn police station, said there had been nothing unusual here.

"We got a report about one wreck but couldn't find it, so guess there wasn't much to it," he said.

There was only two prisoners in the Dunn jail, both arrested on capiases for previous violations. They got ham and eggs instead of turkey.

Deputy Bernice Temple reported everything was equally quiet throughout Harnett County.

A similar report came from

Policeman Charles Woodall, who said the Benson jail was completely empty of guests.

Harnett Coroner Paul Drew was on duty at his place of business, Fletcher-Sitinger Drew Funeral Home, but said he had no reports of fatalities and no calls during the past 24 hours.

Cronhardt Funeral Home also reported no deaths.

"This was the picture of a quiet day. Harnett has been known to have as many as two murders and two highway fatalities on a single Thanksgiving.

State troopers and other law enforcement officers were keeping their fingers crossed.

From 6 P. M. to 9 A. M.

64 Road Deaths

The National Safety Council has not kept track of holiday traffic deaths but a United Press International count at 9 a.m. EST showed at least 64 persons dead in highway accidents since 6 p.m. local time Wednesday. The breakdown:

Traffic 64

Fires 3

Miscellaneous

Total 67

The worst tragedy of the holiday period occurred Wednesday when an explosion ripped through a National Guard Armory at Keokuk, Iowa, during a square dance. At least seven persons were killed and 47 injured.

Pope Gives Tips For Mailing

Postmaster Says Mail Early For Christmas

"Last Christmas the post office handled more mail than ever before, yet the operation was the most efficient in history," Postmaster Thad Pope said today.

Nationally about 90 per cent of the Christmas mail reached its destination before Christmas Eve.

"ZIP Code use and the cooperation of the public in mailing early were the main reasons for our success. With the same or better cooperation this year, we expect to handle an even greater volume

of mail with less effort than during the 1964 Christmas rush."

Mr. Pope had advice which would help mailers prepare for the upcoming mailing season.

A. Up to date last year's address list and include ZIP Codes. The phone book is usually a good source for local addresses. (Postmaster — if applicable mention that local ZIP Codes are listed in the yellow pages of your phone book.)

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