

# Seven Killed In Highway Collision Near Lillington

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# TRAGEDY AT HIGHWAY COLLISION NEAR LILLINGTON



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## Censure Resolution Changes Discussed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two Republican Senate leaders said today efforts are under way to compromise or modify the resolution to censure Sen. McCarthy. They talked of a possible test vote late this week or early next week.

Sen. Knowland of California, the GOP floor leader, said "two, three or four discussions are going on" about a compromise.

Sen. Bridges (R-NH), Senate president pro tempore, said in a separate interview that he expects a compromise proposal to be presented "by some one who has not taken a position," adding that he would make a speech supporting it.

Neither Knowland nor Bridges gave any hint as to the nature of compromise proposals under discussion.

However, Sen. Dirksen (R-IL) told reporters they might be "patterned after the suggestion of Sen. Case." He added: "It would be necessary for Sen. McCarthy to go along. He is the party of interest."

**CASE'S IDEA**

Case (R-SD) has suggested the Senate might dispose of the controversy without censure if McCarthy would apologize for his statements about a 1951-52 Senate elections subcommittee — something McCarthy has said he doesn't intend to do.

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## Marilyn's Pillow Bore Imprint Of Instrument

By RALEIGH ALLBROOK

CLEVELAND (AP)—The county coroner testified today that he found the imprint of a surgical instrument on the pillow beneath the head of the slain Marilyn Sheppard.

Dr. Samuel R. Gerber, the coroner, said the imprint and the blood stain were on the under side of the pillow.

He testified that after Marilyn's body was removed "I turned over the pillow at the head of the bed and found a blood stain on the opposite side of the pillow, a large blood stain. On that side of the pillow was the imprint of an instrument, a surgical instrument."

The coroner testified at the murder trial of Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, the osteopath, a neurosurgeon, is charged with kidnaping to death his wife, Marilyn, in her bed July 4 in a quarrel over his sex affairs with other women.

Sheppard insists a bushy haired intruder killed his wife.

The murder weapon never has been found.

This was the first time that the state has given any indication that it has a theory about the missing murder weapon.

The grey haired bespectacled little coroner held up the bloody pillow in court and showed a large blood spot divided by a blank white space.

He said the area in between the

two stains appeared to have been left by a surgical instrument with two blades, with an indentation at the end of each blade impression.

Gerber followed on the stand a 16-year-old high school football player, Larry Houk, a neighbor of Sheppard's, who said he never saw Sheppard lose his temper or quarrel with his wife over the use of a boys' clubhouse on the Sheppard grounds.

He was questioned by defense lawyer Fred Garmon.

## WHAT'S INSIDE

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**OUR WEATHER**

Cloudy and cool with occasional rain today and tonight. Rain ending tomorrow morning.

Low temperature this morning 51 degrees.

Low temperature expected tonight 48 degrees.

High temperature yesterday 68 degrees.

High temperature expected today 56 degrees.

High temperature expected tomorrow 65 degrees.

Sunrise 6:58 a.m.; sunset 5:17 p.m.

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## Two Speeding Cars Crash On Crest Of Hill

### Soldier And Six Civilians Victims

LILLINGTON (AP)—Two automobiles collided at high speed on a highway near here early today and killed seven persons.

Two were seriously injured.

Highway Patrolman R. B. Leonard said a car driven by Sgt. Eugene F. Holder, 24, of Ft. Bragg collided with one driven by William Carlisle Johnson, 33, of Rt. 2, Lillington and killed Holder and six of eight passengers in the Johnson car.

Both cars seem to have been traveling at high speed and the car driven by Holder, judging from tire marks on the pavement, seems to have swerved into the path of Johnson's car," said the patrolman.

He listed the dead as Holder, Johnson, Talmadge E. Jones, 39, Norma Phillips, 51, Johnny Johnson, 4, Mrs. Rene Poole Johnson, 39, and Reta, 7.

Two other Johnson children, Sheila, 8, and George, 3, were reported by Highsmith Hospital at Fayetteville to be in serious condition. Their sister, Reta, died there at 6:25 a.m.

The accident occurred between 1 and 2 a.m., about five miles south of Lillington on a heavily traveled road.

The wreck was at the crest of a hill on the highway between Lillington and Ft. Bragg. Four soldiers were killed last March at the same hill in a wreck of two cars.

Coroner Grover C. Henderson said indications were that Holder was driving on the left side of the highway. The coroner said no indication will be held.

The Johnsons, all of whom lived at Dunn, were returning from Rockingham where they had visited relatives.

Sgt. Holder had reported to Ft. Bragg from Ft. Hood, Tex., only this month. He had served 16 months with an anti-aircraft unit in Korea. Among those surviving him are his mother, Mrs. Lucile Faison of 308 Glander St., Durham.



First Baptist Church Was Filled With Baptists At Beginning Of State Convention Here This Morning. (News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Martin)

## Much Of Sum Would Go To Buildings

## Baptists Are Urged To Increase Giving

(Sidehlights on the state Baptist convention and the convention program itself will be found on page 1-B.)

More than 758,000 North Carolina Baptists were urged today to contribute 20 per cent more to their colleges, orphanages, hospitals and other causes next year than was contributed this year.

As the 1954 annual Baptist State Convention of North Carolina opened today at the First Baptist Church, a total of 1,250 registered messengers and visitors heard the General Board's challenge to raise \$2,725,000 in 1955 for the Cooperative Program which is basically the missions and benevolence fund of the denomination.

The challenge came from the report of the General Board of the chairman, Henry B. Anderson of Durham. This amount compares with \$2,275,000 expected to come through the 3,107 churches in the state.

The report of the General Board was the highlight of the business session this morning as resolutions were brought before the assembly concerning authorizations for several Baptist colleges to borrow additional funds.

Formally suggesting to the assembly that Meredith College be authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$150,000 for new construction, the General Board also sought approval for an authorized debt of \$250,000 for Wake Forest College to be used in construction on the new campus at Reynolda.

The board also recommended another \$80,000 for a projected new state headquarters building in Raleigh to replace the present structure. Building costs are now estimated at \$250,000 compared with the \$475,000 authorized by last year's Greensboro convention.

During the morning session the Rev. William Harrison Williams of Pritchard Baptist Church welcomed and introduced over 30 Charlotte pastors attending a joint conference of the ICC should that act be noted, prohibits any put an end to racial segregation of "undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage" among interstate patrons of the railroads.

Howard Hosmer, the examiner, said the practice of some railroads in assigning separate facilities or facilities so designated as to "aboard trains and in station wait" imply his inherent inferiority solely travelers on interstate journeys is reasonable." Hosmer said.

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COKER PHARR (News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Martin)

Hallway discussion was held in the First Baptist Church during pre-convention educational workers conference preceding the formal opening of the 124th annual Baptist State Convention today. Shown left to right are Dr. Denton Coker, speaker from Southeastern Seminary; Keener Pharr, president of the educational workers conference; and Dr. J. C. Canipe, speaker from Hendersonville.

Dr. Coker, executive secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Florida, was in the Southville Cooperative program. Mr. Pharr is executive secretary for over eight million Baptists, executive secretary and treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Florida.

The main address of the workers will be given by Dr. J. C. Canipe, executive secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Florida.

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## N. C. Governor For Proposal 'In Principle'

### Also Favors Free News Coverage

RALEIGH (AP)—Gov. Hodges said today he agrees with the principle of separation of the state's Prisons Department from the Highway Commission and freedom of newsmen to cover legislative proceedings.

The governor also told reporters at his news conference he does not "contemplate releasing my views" on how the state's serious budget problems should be met prior to the convening of the 1955 General Assembly.

He said he is still working on the budget he and the Advisory Budget Commission will present to the Legislature and plans further conferences with Asst. Budget Director D. S. Coltrane. He will meet with the Advisory Budget Commission tomorrow.

**PRISONERS' BRIEF**

Commenting on the state's brief on school segregation which was presented to the U.S. Supreme Court yesterday, Hodges said, "It was thoughtfully done."

In answer to a question as to whether he favors separation of the Prisons Department from the Highway Commission, the governor said:

"I have previously said I favor separation in principle. I think we ought to indicate that in the direction we ought to go."

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## Pickets Halt Lithium Work

BESSEMER CITY (AP)—Picket lines today halted construction of the seven million dollar refining plant here of Lithium Corp. of America. Work also was slowed on the company's mining site about 11 miles north of here.

The pickets appeared at both sites this morning and some company workers, mostly electricians and plumbers, honored the lines.

Management termed the incident "a wildcat labor disturbance" and said the picket lines were composed of "strangers" had organized the discharged workers.

There was no statement from union officials although one report said the workers were members of the American Federation of Labor's Teamsters Union.

Munson said the workers were laid off because a bridge over Indian Creek in Lincoln County has to be completed before ore from the mine can be moved. They were engaged in operations at the mine.

The company mines spodumene rock in the area. It is from this rock that lithium is extracted.

## Parrot Eliminated For 'Gutter' Speech

BARCELONA, Spain (AP)—A parrot was kicked out of the national championships for talking birds today for using gutter language. The judges said it was a shame—the parrot could speak in seven different tongues.

The star of the show thus far is a parrot capable of whistling six popular Spanish tunes.

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## Dulles Sees No Need For Review

## Foreign Policy Called 'Adequate'

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles said today he believes Eisenhower administration foreign policy adequately covers present needs and he knows of no emergency requiring an extraordinary review.

He said appeared at a news conference to place himself in opposition to the "all voiced yesterday" by Sen. Knowland (R-Calif) for a congressional review of policies in view whether a "basic change in direction" is needed.

Dulles also appeared to dispute Knowland's contention that the atomic stalemate between the United States and Russia could mean the weakening of the free world through "nubbling aggression."

He told inquiring reporters that the free nations, largely under Eisenhower leadership, have been

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continuously taking measures to strengthen themselves against Soviet pressures and he would say policy adequately covers present needs and he knows of no emergency requiring an extraordinary review.

A short time before, in an address which had some of the earmarks of a response to Knowland, President Eisenhower had said that better understanding between the peoples of the United States and Russia is the only way to a lasting and just peace.

Eisenhower, addressing the students of land grant colleges and universities, said one of the problems of the world is lack of Russia's understanding of America's motives, and lack of appreciation here of the Russians' culture and history.

Ahead of the statements by Eisenhower and his secretary of State, Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark) had

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said that Knowland, Senate Republican leader, was engaging in "dangerous talk" when he said "ultimate Communist victory" would result from "coexistence and atomic stalemate."

Two other members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senators H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.) and Sparkman (D-Ala.), said they were puzzled over the point Knowland was trying to make.

Knowland is the Senate Republican leader.

Fulbright said it was "dangerous talk" to suggest that the United States could see no possibility of working out a peaceful solution of pressing world problems. He cautioned that this country could lose the cold war by losing the allegiance of India and

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SEN. KNOWLAND SEN. JOHNSON They Agree On A Policy Review. (AP Wirephoto)

## EVENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that no one in this world is beyond Thy love. Thou art able to save to the uttermost everyone who comes in faith to Thee. Grant that we who name Thy Son in Saviour may truly demonstrate in ourselves the transforming power of Thy salvation. Amen.