

THE WEATHER

Monday and Tuesday: somewhat  
cloudy in the interior and north and  
west portions Monday.

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Sandy Hook to Hatteras: Moderate  
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## Basques Prepare Defense

Aguirre Takes Over  
Army, Reorganizes His Staff

Refugees Leaving

The Loyalist Government  
Sends Reinforcements  
to Barcelona

Spain, Monday, May 10. (U.P.)—  
President and Defense Minister  
Don Aguirre today announced  
that he had assumed the  
command of the Basque  
army and reorganized his general  
staff.

Aguirre will direct the defense  
of the Basque country, taking the  
place of Gen. Liano de la  
Mota, who had been in  
charge.

Some 20,000 additional re-  
fugees are being sent to France  
and other countries, according to  
reports from the Basque  
government. The Basque  
government is preparing to fight  
the two thousand women  
and children who were sent to France  
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Valencia Sends Aid To  
Barcelona Government

Spain, Monday, May 10. (U.P.)—  
The Valencia government today  
announced that it had sent  
a detachment of five hundred  
men to Barcelona to assist the  
Basque government in its fight  
against the Spanish army.

Brazil Faces  
Revolution In  
Southern States

Deposed Governor Said to  
Plan Trouble at Head  
of State Troops

Montevideo, Uruguay, May 9. (U.P.)—  
The newspaper El Diario  
today announced that a revolution  
was being planned in Brazil.  
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by a group of officers and  
politicians who were opposed  
to the current government.  
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Three Slightly Hurt  
In Newland Road  
Collision

George White of Parsonage  
street, Mrs. Madie Miller of Queen  
street and William Mann of Parsonage  
street were slightly hurt today  
when a light-colored pickup truck  
collided with a coupe driven by  
Claude "Bots" Ziegler of this city.

Miss Audrey Meads also of  
Elizabeth City, a passenger in the  
pickup truck, received a slight injury  
to her arm. Ziegler was unhurt  
and the two companions riding  
with him were treated for minor  
cuts and bruises at the Albemarle  
hospital and released.

## The Dirigible Hindenburg Sinking to the Earth a Flaming Torch



LIKE a giant torch, with fire streaming from her nose, here is the giant German airship as she settled to the ground at Lakehurst, N. J., after she had burst into flames. The explosion occurred as the stern seemed to touch the earth, as shown here. Fire shot through her, killing at least 21 of the 97 passengers and crew. The mooring mast is seen at lower left, near the silhouette of an officer of the ground crew.

## Wilcox-Lowe Case Again Pops Up

Papers Are Filed Agreeing to Separation by Both the Parties

For the second time within a  
period of a few months Mr. and  
Mrs. Ralph Wilcox of this city  
signed papers Saturday agreeing  
to a mutual separation.

Wilcox had threatened a fortnight  
ago to sue for a divorce on the  
grounds of incompatibility, but he  
had a change of mind.

Wilcox and Fannie Mather Lowe  
were married in Suffolk last November. A few weeks later she  
entered suit for divorce on the  
grounds that Wilcox was physically  
impotent. He retaliated with a  
threat of a slander suit, and she  
withdrew her complaint and  
agreed to a mutual separation.  
Within a few weeks, however, they  
were reunited.

## First Inquiry Into Hindenburg's Loss Scheduled Today

Weeksville Road Now Nearing Completion

Residents of the Weeksville section, noting the progress being made on the paving of the few remaining unpaved gaps in the road from Elizabeth City to a point just north of Weeksville, are counting the days until they will be able to ride to town on a smooth road.

The paving of the Weeksville road was completed last fall except for a half dozen short stretches, and these are now being paved. Approximately half of the 1.6 miles that was not completed last fall was paved last week, and if fair weather prevails it is expected that most of the paving will have been completed by the end of this week.

FLEET IN WAR GAME  
Aboard USS Pennsylvania, May 9. (U.P.)—With many of its ships theoretically out of commission, a 135-unit fleet of the U. S. Navy steamed into Pearl Harbor, off Honolulu, T. H., today, at the completion of its annual maneuvers.

we came over—the whole family," the Nebraska millionaire said.  
The "whole family" is Mr. and Mrs. Coryell.  
He gazed around his \$15-a-day room in the Savoy hotel, the same room he and Mrs. Coryell occupied on his 13 other visits to England since his \$100 capital blossomed into millions.  
They came over on the Europa April 28 and are going back on the Queen Mary May 19.  
"I gotta hand it to the English," he said. "They certainly aren't going in for any excessive prices for the coronation. Look at

## Studios Give In To Movie Actors Guild

And Stars Abandon Plans to Join Technicians In General Walk-out

Hollywood, May 9. (U.P.)—The screen actors' guild at a mass meeting tonight tumultuously agreed to abandon plans for a general walkout tomorrow after six of the nine major studios granted them a guild shop.

With a shout that vibrated the wooden rafters of old Hollywood Legion stadium, actors and actresses abandoned their strike plans and voted to accept the accord previously approved by the six studios.

An amendment was tacked on and passed, authorizing the guild's executive board to call a strike at either of the three studios—Warner Brothers, Hal Roach and

has been a wonderful helper to our people during the past two decades, and such an edison is a most worthy undertaking and that organization urges your support in this edition.

## Roanoke Colony Edition Makes Fine Progress

The Daily Independent has reason to be gratified by the manner in which the people of Elizabeth City and the Albemarle have co-operated with it in the matter of its Official Roanoke Colony Souvenir Edition, which is to be published in the green photogravure, magazine size within the next few weeks. To date a large number of the leading firms, individuals and corporations of this region have supported the edition, which participation in itself justifies the printing of two eight page sections already.

## Half Million Spectators View Final Rehearsal Of Coronation Ceremony

### Rice Miller, Perquimans Student, Dies After Auto Collision

John Everett of Hertford In Hospital With Severe Injuries

Hertford, May 9.—Rice Miller, Perquimans high school student, died in the Albemarle hospital early tonight, the result of injuries sustained in an auto crash on the Elizabeth City highway late this afternoon.

John Everett, of Hertford, a passenger in the car, driven by Ben Thatch of Hertford, which collided with Miller's car, was picked up in an unconscious condition shortly after the crash and carried to the Albemarle hospital where his injuries were described as "serious," but he was said to have a good chance to recover. Like Miller, Everett suffered a fractured skull and several severe lacerations.

Before Miller's Home  
Information available last night was to the effect that the Thatch car was passing Miller when Miller made a left hand turn into his own driveway. The accident occurred just in front of the Miller home about six miles from Hertford and both cars were badly damaged.

A young brother, riding in the car with Miller, was reported uninjured, and two other passengers in the Thatch car, Harold Thatch and George Butler of Hertford, escaped with cuts and bruises as did the driver, Ben Thatch, least seriously injured.

All the young men were treated by local physicians and released. Rice Miller, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Miller, died approximately four hours after the crash and his injuries were multiple, including besides the fractured skull, severe cuts and the loss of one eye.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

### Harry S. New, Former Postmaster - General, Dies In Baltimore

Baltimore, Md., May 9. (U.P.)—Harry S. New, 78, former postmaster general and former U. S. senator from Indiana, died at 10:30 p. m. tonight in Johns Hopkins hospital. He had been sick for the past two weeks with pneumonia.

Mrs. New and Col. and Mrs. Parker Hitt, friends of the New family, were in the hospital when he died.

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### No Stranger



GEORGE F. SEYFFERT, manager of the new business department of the Elizabeth City Public Utilities Commission is no stranger to Elizabeth City and no stranger to his job. For about 18 months, prior to his return to Elizabeth City, he was general manager of the Home Heating Co., of Newport News, Va., one of the largest concerns in Tidewater Virginia specializing in electrical appliances, modern heating equipment and air conditioning. Mr. Seyffert brings to his new job a lot of practical experience in the field of air-conditioning, in which Elizabeth City is beginning to show a lively interest.

George Seyffert was born in Cincinnati, O., but is almost a native, his parents having resided in North Carolina since he was 12 years old. He came to Elizabeth City first in 1902 as Superintendent of the Elizabeth City Hosiery Mills, which positions he occupied until 1926 when he went to Phoebus, Va. as general manager of the Stilwell (hosiery) Mills if that place. He is a high type of citizen, active in civic affairs and religious work, and was formerly superintendent of the City Road M. E. Sunday School. He expects to re-affiliate himself with that church. Photo by Frisby.

## Dick Merrill Takes Off For Trans-Atlantic Hop

Veteran Ocean Flier Plans to Return With Coronation Pictures

New York, Monday, May 10. (U.P.)—Dick Merrill was flying over the North Atlantic early today, well on his way to London to attend the coronation of King George VI. The veteran transport pilot, who has flown the Atlantic twice, was accompanied by Co-Pilot Jack Lambie.

Merrill, piloting a Lockheed Electra transport plane, took off from Floyd Bennett airport here at 3:35 p. m. (EST) yesterday and made good time up the coast with a tailwind helping him along. He ran into rain over Canada's maritime provinces, but radio advices from the plane to Eastern Airlines indicated he was having no difficulties as he sped over Newfoundland and headed for the open sea.

The flight was encased in some mystery, as Merrill declined to reveal up to the moment of starting whether or not an unidentified backer of the flight—reportedly a New York broker—would fly with him.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

### Full Dress Practice Included All But King and Queen

260,000 Visitors

Influx Is Most Impressive Congregation of World-Famed Figures In History.

London, May 9. (U.P.)—More than a half-million persons jammed London's flag-choked streets in a drizzling rain today to witness final polishing-up exercises for the coronation of King George VI next Wednesday.

The "little coronation" parade was the final dress rehearsal for the big show, and it included everything except the actual coronation of the king, who was represented by an empty carriage drawn by eight gray horses.

Started at Dawn  
It started at dawn and included five full processions from Buckingham Palace to Westminster Abbey, where the king will be crowned. In spite of the early start, more than 100,000 who had bought sleeping space on grandstands were ready at 6:30 a. m. when the eight grays pulled smartly out of the palace with an empty carriage.

The king and queen spent a quiet week-end at the Royal Lodge at Windsor, but they were the only principals missing.

What may be described historically as the first coronation jollification occurred when 200

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## London Faces Strike Crisis At Bad Time

Has Threat of Traffic Tie-Up On Eve of the Coronation

London, Monday, May 10. (U.P.) Possibility of a complete tie-up of all subway, taxi and bus transportation here on coronation day appeared imminent today after 11 to 50 branches of the Transport General Workers Union rejected a "trial offer" to settle the bus strike.

The offer was extended by the transport board, which enjoys exclusive monopoly of all bus transportation in London.

The remaining branches will report their decision to a delegates meeting tonight. They are expected to vote to continue the strike which began 10 days ago when 25,000 bus workers walked out for shorter hours and slower schedules.

Trolley, subway and taxi employees announced unofficially that if the bus drivers continue the strike, they will walk out in sympathy. Such action would create an unprecedented traffic jam in London which is preparing for the coronation Wednesday.

The labor ministry, led by Ernest Brown, abandoned conciliation efforts pending the busmen's decision. It apparently believed that the transport board's compromise offer was unlikely to be improved upon.

Yesterday hundreds of striking busmen, carrying banners inscribed "long hours for busmen means danger for you" and "London busmen demand right to live a little longer," paraded to Trafalgar Square.

## 'Tis Memorial Day In The Southland Today

May 10th is Confederate Memorial day, but you'd never know it in Elizabeth City unless you happened to pass by the Confederate monument on the court house plaza.

As usual, the United Daughters of the Confederacy will decorate the monument with Confederate flags this morning, but other than that the day will pass practically unnoticed here. There may be some exercises in the local grammar school in observance of Confederate Memorial day, but no public exercises are planned.

### TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR

A. M.  
8:30 Mens Christian Federation  
10:00 Pasquotank county Superior court civil term second week.  
P. M.  
1:00 Rotary club  
3:30 First Methodist WMS  
4:00 First Baptist Jr., G. A.  
7:30 Pocahontas; Kiwanis Jr. Glee club; W. O. W.  
8:00 American Legion  
Library Hours: 10-12, 2-6.