

## Chatham Blanket Mills Go to Normal Schedule; Furniture Co. Active

### HAVE BIG ORDERS

Woolen Plant To Start Normal Production First Of Week

### PROSPECTS BRIGHT

The business outlook in Elkin brightened perceptibly Wednesday morning with an announcement by the Chatham Manufacturing company that they now have on hand large orders and that the plant will resume normal operations Monday.

Aiding still further in creating a spirit of optimism here was the announcement Wednesday by Dr. E. G. Click, newly elected president of the Elkin Furniture company, that prospects for the new year were bright and that they anticipated no close downs. He also stated that the last six months of 1931 were better than the first half of the year and indications were that business would continue to improve as the new year advanced.

Officials of the blanket mills, in making their announcement, stated that the company has secured a new outlet for their product. To further boost the business, they have planned a campaign of national advertising which will appear in all parts of the country.

New colors and designs now being woven into Chatham blankets are expected to make these blankets even more popular than before and officials are facing the new year with confidence.

At the stockholders meeting of the Elkin Furniture company, Dr. Click was elected president to succeed his father, the late Abel Graham Click. J. G. Ray was elected

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## SEED LOAN AGENTS EXPLAIN SITUATION

### Government Men Are Attempting To Clear Up Confusion

Extensive efforts are now being made in Surry and Stokes counties to clear up the government feed and seed loan situation between the farmers, by collection agents of the federal farm board, it has been learned from J. S. McMurray, of Winston-Salem, who is in charge of the government's collection service in north-western North Carolina.

Meetings have been held in both Surry and Stokes counties during the past weeks between Mr. McMurray, his assistants, and the farmers. The meetings have been for the purpose of taking up individual cases in instances where the telephone crop has failed to bring enough money to clear up the loans.

Each case is to be handled individually and in no case will the government take the necessary substance from a farmer and his family because that farmer is unable to pay his loan, Mr. McMurray has stated.

Much confusion throughout this section has hinged on the rights of the landlord as to the crop made by tenants on his land, following a report that the government would allow tenants to retain their own shares of the crop for living purposes and would take the landlord's part as payment on the loan.

Mr. McMurray has explained this

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## Yadkin County Farmer Buried Monday; Was 76

Louis D. Shaw, prominent citizen and farmer of Knobbs township, of Yadkin county, was buried Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Swain's Baptist church, near the home. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Shaw died Saturday night in the Davis hospital at Statesville, where he had been a patient for two weeks. He was 76 years of age.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Victoria Chappell Shaw, and the following sons and daughters: Horton, "Bud," Rovie and Oscar L. Shaw, and Mrs. Frank Hemric, of Yadkin; Mrs. Robert Hudson, of North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Rody Holcomb, of Jonesville.

### Says Outlook Good



Frederick Ecker, president of the Metropolitan Life, who told a Senate Committee that conditions are now pretty close to becoming normal.

### Favorable Publicity In Saturday Evening Post For N. Carolina

The state of North Carolina received nation-wide publicity last week through an article headed "One State Cleans House," which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post under the by-line of Governor O. Max Gardner.

In the article, Governor Gardner outlined the various programs inaugurated since he took office, explaining the benefits of his live-at-home movement, and discussed the present state maintenance of all highways and roads. He further stressed the fact that taxes on land had been reduced.

The article, appearing as it did, in a magazine with 2,850,000 circulation, should focus much favorable attention upon the Old North State.

## ELKIN HARDWARE CO. IN REORGANIZATION

### Frozen Assets Given As Cause; Will Operate On Cash Basis

Placed in "friendly receivership" January 5 by an order signed by Judge J. H. Clements, of the 11th judicial district, the Elkin Hardware company, of this city, will continue to operate, although upon a cash basis, it was learned Wednesday morning from W. M. Allen, local attorney. C. G. Armfield, cashier of the Elkin National bank, was named receiver.

Figures released by Mr. Allen show that the Hardware company, which has done one of the biggest credit businesses of any firm in Elkin, was not forced into receivership by bad management or unsound financial judgment. Frozen assets are said to be the chief cause.

The assets of the company are listed at \$130,000, with liabilities of only \$80,000. Eighty thousand dollars of the company's assets are

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## TAGLESS MOTORISTS PREY OF PATROLMEN

### Officers Have Orders To Wage War On All Cars Without Plates

Patrolmen throughout the state received orders yesterday from Captain Charles D. Farmer, chief of the state highway patrol, to begin a campaign against all automobiles not bearing 1932 license plates.

Corporal W. B. Lentz could not be reached Wednesday as to the line of action he intends to take locally, but it is expected that local car owners who do not have the new tags will be instructed to park their cars

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## CARL BILLINGS IS ARRESTED TUESDAY

### Wanted Since Recent Federal Raid, Young Man Is Taken Here By Deputy Marshall Jim Bumgarner

Carl Billings, Wilkes county young man, was arrested here Tuesday by Deputy Marshall Jim Bumgarner on a charge of violating the prohibition laws, it was learned from Chief of Police W. G. Church Wednesday.

According to Chief Church, Billings, who has been wanted since the recent federal round-up of alleged bootleggers here, was seen on the street by Mr. Bumgarner, who immediately gave chase. Billings was said to have run a considerable distance and then to have hopped a ride in an automobile driven by E. W. Darnell, manager of the local telephone exchange. The officer overtook the car in which he was riding, on Elk Spur street.

Billings was carried to Wilkesboro immediately after and turned over to federal authorities there.

## RELIEF COMMITTEES ASK AID FOR SURRY

### Burden Of Caring For Poor Becoming Strain On County

Realizing that it is probable that the county commissioners of Surry county may be forced to discontinue charity aid to the many needy of the county, and taking into consideration the increased burden of charity aid due to the depression and its accompanying lack of employment plus low prices for farm products, the county board of charity and public welfare and the county committee on unemployment and relief are now making an appeal to all loyal Surry citizens to help care for the "unfortunates" by donating a small monthly sum each month for a period of six months, to the Surry county charity fund. John G. Lewellyn, chairman of the board of welfare at Dobson, is acting as the

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## KIWANIANS INSTALL OFFICERS FOR YEAR

### Wives of Members Attend Banquet at Hotel Elkin Friday Night

Officers in whose hands rests the duty of guiding the local Kiwanis club through the coming year were formally installed in office Friday night at a banquet held at Hotel Elkin, which, in addition to the installation of officers, was designated as ladies' night.

W. M. Allen, local attorney, acted as master of ceremonies, and delivered a few appropriate remarks as to the character and history of the various new officials as he bade them rise and be introduced.

H. P. Graham new president of the club, succeeds A. O. Bryan, who has efficiently guided the destinies of the club during the past year. Mr. Bryan was awarded a club pin showing that he had served as president. H. F. Laffoon, vice-president for the coming year, succeeded L. M.

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## BUILDING AND LOAN IN GOOD CONDITION

### Made Gain In Assets Of Approximately \$35,000 Over 1930; Has 371 Stockholders

Forging steadily ahead under conservative management, the Elkin-Jonesville Building & Loan association made a gain of \$35,000 in assets over 1930, it has been learned from association officials, and was responsible for adding approximately \$100,000 to the value of Elkin homes during the year 1930.

At present the association has 371 stockholders, and has a profit and reserve account of approximately \$15,000 for the protection of stockholders.

Although numerous banks were forced to close their doors in this state during 1931 due to the depression, not one building and loan association in the state failed. It was learned. All associations operate under strict supervision of the state insurance department.

Before this organization makes a loan, it is necessary that the loan be passed upon by two-thirds of the directors and the title to the property upon which the loan is to be made, approved by an attorney, and fire insurance attached.

## HOLD FINAL RITES FOR BELOVED ELKIN WOMAN ON MONDAY

### Mrs. W. S. Reich Laid To Eternal Rest In Hollywood Cemetery

### DIED AT HOSPITAL

Attended by a great concourse of friends, including many from distant cities, funeral services were held Monday afternoon at three o'clock from the Methodist church for Mrs. Ella Whitaker Reich, 54, who passed away Sunday morning at the Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital, following a three weeks' illness. The funeral rites were in charge of Rev. L. B. Abernethy, pastor of the deceased, assisted by Rev. Eph Whisenand of the First Baptist church and Professor Z. H. Dixon, of this city, lifelong friend of the family.

The passing of this gentle-spirited Christian woman, cast a pall of sorrow over the entire town. She had been a resident of Elkin for the past 32 years and during that time had endeared herself to the entire community by her sweetness of disposition and loyal service to the town and to the church activities.

Her passing was all the more keenly felt because of the briefness of her final illness. Everything possible was done for her; she was removed from her home to the hospital on Friday and two blood trans-

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## CYCLONE MACK ENDS SERVICES TUESDAY

### Illness Of Wife Forces Evangelist To Cut Revival Short

Rev. Baxter F. McLendon (Cyclone Mack), widely known evangelist who has conducted a series of revival services here in McNear's warehouse since November 12, delivered his last sermon Tuesday night before an Elkin congregation. Mr. McLendon was forced to cut his meeting short due to the illness of his wife who is suffering a nervous breakdown at their home in Bennettsville, S. C.

In stating last week that he would remain here until the last of this week, the evangelist said it was possible that he might have to close sooner due to his wife's illness. He reported Mrs. McLendon as being no better Tuesday since her illness began several weeks ago.

From here Mr. McLendon intends to go to Portland, Maine for a series

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## ARREST WILKES MAN ON SERIOUS COUNT

### Will Face Charge Of Assault With Intent To Kill

Lester Holbrook, of the Austin section of Wilkes county, is under \$500 bond on a charge of assault and battery with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, and Tom Crabb, also of the Austin section, is dangerously wounded in the head as the result of an alleged drunken brawl which occurred the Saturday after Christmas at the home of Carl Billings. Billings was also arrested and was bound over to superior court under bond. The arrests were made by Deputy Sheriff W. B. Hall.

According to Deputy Hall's account, Holbrook struck Crabb in the head with a large rock, inflicting a dangerous wound. For several days following, Crabb's life was in danger but he is said to be slowly improving at the present date.

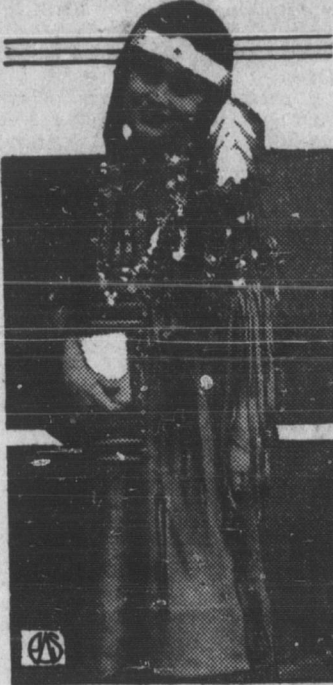
Immediately following the fight and injury of Crabb, Deputy Hall arrested Billings, but Holbrook made his escape. He was arrested the following Saturday and is to be given a hearing January 16 at 10 o'clock before Magistrate D. H. Brown. Billings was given a hearing before Magistrate Brown last Saturday.

### Postal Receipts Gain

Postal receipts in the Elkin post-office for the quarter ending December 31, 1931, showed a slight increase over the same period in 1930. It was learned Tuesday from C. N. Bodenheimer, postmaster.

## J. W. Crawford, County Farm Agent For Surry, Takes Up Duties Here

### Heap Big Injun



The Sioux tribe made Jean Darling, film star of "Our Gang", a princess of the tribe, so she acted as messenger to take a letter to President Hoover from Chief Medicine Crow, asking aid for the Indians at Fort Thompson, South Dakota, whose crops have been damaged by locusts.

## HOLD SERVICES FOR ALEX B. KEY FRIDAY

### Primitive Baptist Minister Dies Here After Blow On Head

Funeral services were conducted Friday at Mu'herry church for Alex B. Key, 62, Primitive Baptist minister of the Rusk community, who died in Hugh Chatham hospital here Thursday as the result of a fractured skull sustained Wednesday while removing the rock lining of a dry well at his home. The funeral, which was at 2 o'clock, was in charge of Elder George Denny, assisted by other Primitive Baptist ministers.

Mr. Key was at the bottom of the well when a huge stone toppled from the large bucket being used to draw up the debris, striking him on the head and cutting a deep gash just back of the right ear, resulting in a bad fracture and concussion of the brain. The bucket was being drawn to the surface by the victim's son.

Immediately after the accident, the unconscious man was rushed to the hospital here where an emergency operation failed to save his

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## WANT FARMERS TO ATTEND MEET

### Special Hotel Rates Arranged For Delegates By Winston-Salem Hotel, Crawford Announces

An extension meeting of all home demonstration agents and all county farm agents of the state is scheduled to take place in Winston-Salem next Tuesday and Wednesday, it was announced Tuesday by J. W. Crawford, Surry farm agent, who stated he is desirous of having as many farmers and women of the county attend as possibly can.

Mr. Crawford stated that low hotel rates have been arranged for the delegates and the meeting hours set at such times which will allow those who cannot remain overnight to return to their homes and again reach Winston-Salem the following morning without missing anything.

Anyone interested in attending this meeting is asked to get in touch with him at the home demonstration agent's office here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Joyce and children, returned to their home in Sanford, Friday, after spending the holidays here the guest of Mrs. Joyce's mother, Mrs. J. H. Ball, at her home on West Main street. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Ball, who will spend the remainder of the winter with them.

## FROM STATESVILLE

### To Push 4H Club Work and Stress Importance of Dairy and Poultry

### OFFICE IN THIS CITY

J. W. Crawford, of Statesville, has accepted the job as county farm agent for Surry county and entered upon his new duties immediately upon arriving in Elkin Friday. Mrs. Crawford joined her husband here the first of this week.

Mr. Crawford, who is a young man of pleasing personality, was formerly assistant farm agent of Gaston county. Prior to that time he was engaged in cow testing throughout the state.

Although he has not as yet mapped out his plans for the coming year, not having yet had the opportunity to make a survey of the county and its agricultural problems, Mr. Crawford, in an interview Saturday with a Tribune reporter, stated that he intended to push the 4H club work and to stress the importance of dairy and poultry farming. He will make his headquarters in Elkin.

Asked whether or not he will also serve as farm agent for Yadkin county as well as for Surry, Mr. Crawford said he did not know, the matter having not yet been definitely decided. However, in case he should take over the sister county, he would continue to make his headquarters here, he said.

Great things are expected of the new agent by the county commissioners, who only recently voted to employ an agent. Surry farmers have been described as wandering in a one-crop wilderness, and it is hoped, through the aid of the new man, that the farmers will change their plans to include poultry, truck produce, hog and dairy farming on a larger scale.

## W. M. ALLEN ELECTED TO HEAD CHARITIES

### Succeeds Paul Gwyn; Penny-A-Meal Jars Net \$66.89

At a meeting of the board of Associated Charities held recently, W. M. Allen was elected president of the organization to succeed Paul Gwyn, who has served in this capacity for the past year. Mr. Allen assumed his duties on January 1. Other members of the board were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Mr. Gwyn, on behalf of the board, stated that he wished to thank the community for their loyal support during the past year. "The demands upon the board of charities have been greater this year than in the past," Mr. Gwyn said, "but in spite of the fact that business conditions have not been so good and our people have had less money to spend, the number of contributors to the empty stocking fund and the amount contributed was more than in the past."

The board was also gratified with the results of the Penny-A-Meal club, sponsored by the citizenship department of the Woman's club. The amount collected from the jars on Monday of this week was \$66.89. It is the intention of the club to keep a few jars in the principal business places during the winter months in order that everyone may have an opportunity to participate in caring for the worthy needy of our community.

## YOUTH LOSES HAND IN SAWING WOOD

### Roy Shores, of Mountain Park, Recovering After Accident Which Occurred Friday

Roy Shores, 12, of Mountain Park, is making satisfactory recovery at the Hugh Chatham hospital here where he was carried last Friday after an accident at his home which cost him the loss of his left hand.

The youth, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shores, was said to be assisting in sawing some wood when he accidentally allowed his hand to come into contact with the motor operated saw. The hand was severed at the wrist.