

HONOR PROF. DIXON ON ANNIVERSARY OF "16TH" BIRTHDAY

Folks of Surry and Yadkin Give Pioneer Educator Surprise Party

PRAISED BY EDITOR

Born on the 29th day of February, 1864, Prof. Zeno H. Dixon, principal of the Jonesville High school and for many years a pioneer in education in this state, was honored Monday at the school chapel hour by students, faculty and many former school mates and old friends in celebration of his "sixteenth" anniversary.

Although Professor Dixon has celebrated only 16 anniversaries, he was in reality 68 years old Monday, due to the fact that he was born upon a day which comes but one time in every four years.

The celebration, which saw the auditorium filled to overflowing, with many standing along the walls or sitting in improvised seats, came as a complete surprise to the noted educator, who appeared deeply moved at the honor done him. Mrs. Dixon, who had been forewarned, had been brought from her home and was seated upon the stage.

Miss Clara Bell, of Elkin, member of the Jonesville school faculty, presided. The singing of "America" opened the celebration, after which Rev. Eph Whisenhunt, pastor of the Elkin Baptist church, led the devotionals. J. Thad Reece, superintendent of the Yadkin coun-

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\$25,000 ALLOCATED TO SURRY FARMERS

Those Behind in Loan Payments May Borrow From This Sum

Farmers of Surry county who are in arrears on the farm loan payments to the federal land banks will profit from the recently organized Reconstruction Finance corporation, it has been learned from J. Luther Wood, secretary-treasurer of the county farm loan association. Mr. Wood has stated that Surry has been allocated from the government finance act the sum of \$25,000 with which to extend the past due payments on the farm lands of the county.

Borrowers who have installments past due are required to take advantage of the help and place their loans in good condition by paying past due installments with further loans from the government, provided they are in good standing in the county organization. To take care of the past due payments the government is offering to loan the farmer an amount necessary to do this, requiring this extra loan to be repaid in five annual installments. More than 400 farmers have secured loans in this county, and of this number 150 have become in arrears on account of their financial condition. The government now expects those who are in arrears to borrow from the new fund to pay past due amounts, otherwise the farms will be foreclosed to satisfy the first mortgage.

Tribune Egg Day Nets 311 Dozen

A total of 311 dozen eggs, or in round numbers, 3,732 eggs, were received at The Tribune office during the past week-end as farmers of Surry and adjoining counties hastened to take advantage of The Tribune's offer to give subscriptions to the paper in exchange for eggs, allowing a price of 25 cents per dozen. Eggs were bringing 10 cents per dozen wholesale Saturday, and many farmers who brought their eggs produce to The Tribune office expressed their appreciation for the co-operation accorded them by this paper. Whereas only six dozen, at 25 cents per dozen, were necessary to secure a subscription to The Tribune, at market prices it would have taken 15 dozen to raise the necessary \$1.50.

To the many new subscribers who will receive this issue as their first, The Tribune extends a hearty welcome.

Candidate



Stacy W. Wade, former State insurance commissioner, who has announced himself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for secretary of state in the June primary. A native of Carteret county, Mr. Wade was twice elected as state insurance commissioner. He resigned in 1927 to devote himself to private business. He has made his home in Raleigh and Durham for many years.

CONTEST SPONSORED BY WALTON LEAGUE

Elkin-Sparta Chapter to Give Prizes For Best Essays

The Elkin-Sparta Chapter of the Isaac Walton League is sponsoring a high school essay contest in Surry and Alleghany counties. Any pupil in public high school is eligible to enter this contest. Attractive prizes will be awarded to the boy or girl in each county winning the first prize. Winning this prize will also enable them to compete in the state contest, which is being sponsored by the Waltonian Council of North Carolina.

Details of the contest follow:
1. Subject: "The Relation of Forests to Our Fish and Game."
2. Eligibility: All pupils in public high schools of the State, whether supervised by County Superintendent or Public Instruction or city school authorities.
3. Material: The principal, teacher or other school official shall notify the State Forester's of-

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CIVIC BETTERMENT LEAGUE ORGANIZED

J. H. Beeson Appointed Chairman, D. C. Martin Secretary

At a meeting in the Junior Order hall Monday night of a number of citizens, a Civic Betterment League was organized, it was learned Wednesday from E. C. James, local attorney.

Following the organization, J. H. Beeson, cashier of the Bank of Elkin, was elected as chairman and D. C. Martin, local real estate man, was named as secretary.

The Civic League is to be of a non-partisan, non-sectarian nature, Mr. James said, nor will it deal in personalities, whatever involved. The league feels that its activities should at all times be confined towards bettering civic conditions in Elkin, he said.

It was also stated that the town's financial condition was discussed at length and a committee appointed by the chairman to represent the league before the local government commission at Raleigh. The names of these committeemen were not given for publication.

Civil War Veteran Of Zephyr Seriously Ill

J. Kimber Cockerham, Civil War veteran and highly esteemed citizen of the Zephyr community of Surry county, has been ill for the past three weeks and his many friends will regret to know that his condition shows no improvement. He is over 86 years old.

Changes Hours

The local office of the Western Union Telegraph Company announces that the office hours will be changed from 8 a. m. until 7 p. m. to from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

TO CONTINUE WORK OF DEMONSTRATION AS CITIZENS AID

Home Agent To Continue in Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes

IS WELCOME NEWS

Through individual donations from interested citizens, the home demonstration work in southern Surry, Yadkin and a portion of Wilkes will continue, it has been learned from Miss Hazel Browne, home demonstration agent, who last week announced that the work was to be discontinued due to withdrawal of state and federal aid.

The home demonstration work was inaugurated November 1, 1931, and up until the present time has progressed rapidly. The state, in beginning this work in the three counties, was relying upon funds expected as tax upon fertilizer. However, this source of revenue did not come up to expectations and state help had to be withdrawn, which automatically curtailed federal aid.

Since the work was started a number of beneficial projects have been organized by Miss Browne, including eleven 4-H clubs and a woman's exchange, which is held each Saturday in the home demonstration office. Approximately \$200 worth of farm products and handiwork have been disposed of since the exchange was begun.

Many expressions of gratification have been heard since it was learned the demonstration work was to continue. Hundreds of farm women throughout the three counties are deeply interested in the work.

ELKIN MOTORS, INC. OPEN FOR BUSINESS

With One Exception Old Personnel Remains With New Concern

The Elkin Motor company, formerly run by E. F. McNeer, of this city, has been purchased by Elkin Motors, Inc., a corporation headed by the owners of the Yadkin Valley Motor company, of North Wilkesboro. Albert Somers, formerly of North Wilkesboro, is in full charge. Although owned by the men back of the Yadkin Valley Motor company, Elkin Motors is in no way connected with the North Wilkesboro concern, Mr. Somers said, and is to be run as an entirely separate organization.

The new concern will sell and service Ford automobiles and trucks, and will carry at all times a full line of both A and T model parts, in addition to maintaining an efficient repairing department, using only Ford trained mechanics. With but one exception, the entire personnel of the old organization have accepted positions with the new company.

CONVICTS ARRIVE AT NEW STOCKADE

Seventy-three Negroes, Mostly Long Termers, Brought From Raleigh To Surry In Prison Vans

Seventy-three negro convicts, the majority of them serving sentences of from three to 30 years, were sent to the Surry state prison camp, located near Dobson, last Wednesday, where they will be housed while engaged in road construction work in this section.

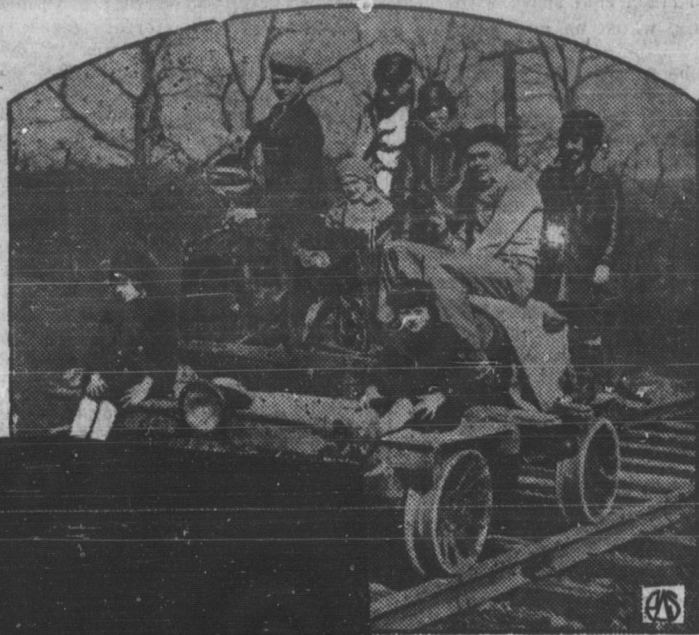
The convicts were brought from state's prison at Raleigh in three large prison vans made for that purpose, and were escorted by five experienced guards and the steward assigned to the Surry camp. Several other guards will be on duty in addition to those who accompanied the convicts.

Nevelly Lowe, superintendent of the camp, had everything in readiness when the men arrived. The stockade was only recently erected and is situated on property of the county home.

Death Claims J. H. Coe At His Home In Rusk

J. Hilary Coe died at his home at Rusk early Wednesday from paralysis. He was stricken on Saturday of last week and his condition has been critical since then. Surviving are his widow, two sons and one daughter.

Something Else You Can Do With a Flivver



found an old hand-car beside the right an ancient Model T for three axle. They cover the two miles sur. And is it fun?

Martin Is 30 Years Penitentiary

ADMITS HIS GUILT

True Bills of Murder Against Chappel and Misenheimer

MOORE PRESIDING

Pleading guilty to the second degree murder of Claude Jones, who was a prominent automobile dealer of Leaksville, Summerfield Martin was Wednesday sentenced to 30 years in state's prison by Judge Walter E. Moore, of Sylvia, presiding over the criminal term of Yadkin county superior court now in session at Yadkinville.

Martin was brought to Yadkinville Sunday night from Atlanta, by Sheriff Reavis, and submitted his plea of guilty to murder in the second degree shortly after the case was called for trial. John McIver, who was also indicted for the murder of Jones, is at the present time serving a 30 year sentence for his part in the crime.

The murder of Jones occurred several years ago near Brook's Cross Roads as Martin and McIver were being brought back to Yadkin county from Knoxville. The two had previously escaped from the Forsyth county chain gang, stealing an automobile and heading in the direction of Greensboro. Pursued by the Forsyth county sheriff and his deputies, a running gun fight took place between Kernersville and Guilford College, where the convicts abandoned their machine and took to the woods. They were later arrested in Knoxville.

A true bill for murder was returned by the grand jury against Clement Chappel for the killing of Ernest McBride last fall. The alleged murder took place at a tobacco barn near Jonesville during a fight between the two boys.

Another true bill for murder was returned against James Misenheimer for the murder of Ray Holcomb, near Mitchell's Chapel. This murder was said to have been the outcome of a fight over a girl.

Both Chappel and Misenheimer are boys in their middle teens and it is not expected that the state will ask for a verdict of murder in the first degree in either case.

Arrest Clark York In Burrus Mystery Case

Clark York, 32, was arrested in Winston-Salem Tuesday afternoon and placed in jail in connection with the mysterious disappearance of Jim Burrus, Mount Airy taxicab driver, who dropped from sight last Friday night. The taxicab was found deserted the following Saturday parked on a Winston-Salem street. York is alleged to have been the last person seen with Burrus.

Capone Loses Fight

The federal court of appeals sustained a district court at Chicago on Saturday and Al Capone, gang leader, lost his fight to escape an 11-year sentence for income tax evasion.

RUMORS OF OPENING PLANS OF BANK TO BE BRANDED FALSE

Spradlin States He Will Not Discuss Chance of Opening

COULD WORK HARM

Rumors pertaining to the condition of the Elkin National Bank or what it is going to do in the way of opening as reported coming from W. H. Spradlin, receiver, are absolutely false and without grounds, Mr. Spradlin stated to a Tribune reporter Wednesday.

There has been much talk and conjecture as to future plans of the bank, Mr. Spradlin said, and he and his staff have been questioned repeatedly as to opening plans, if any. However, he is not at liberty to divulge one word of information to anyone, not even to the bank's attorney, the receiver said.

Rumors that the bank is planning to open could result unfavorably in a number of ways, it was pointed out. Depositors who are to be given certificates acknowledging that the bank is indebted to them in a certain amount, following the filing of claim papers, might sell these certificates to other parties provided it was thought the bank was going to open. In a case like this if the bank didn't open, the purchaser of the certificate would find himself a loser.

Mr. Spradlin wished it emphatically stated that he has made no statement concerning future plans for the bank, and that he does not intend to. Any reports to that effect are to be branded as groundless.

A large number of depositors have filed their claims this week, it was learned, the work going forward smoothly and rapidly. Before putting in a claim, the depositor is required to first identify himself and to have his claim statement witnessed by a notary public.

THREE FIRES WREAK HAVOC IN ONE DAY

Flames Raze Store And Two Homes; Origins Unknown

Three fires, each of unknown origin, destroyed two homes and one store near here between the hours of 3 o'clock Thursday morning and 10 o'clock Thursday night. The first building to burn was the store building and living quarters of A. V. Kennedy, at Mountain Park, which blazed about 3 o'clock Thursday morning. One hour later the home of Ernest Brown, of Arlington was a mass of flames. About 10 o'clock Thursday night the home of Lyle Alexander, located three miles west of Elkin, was completely destroyed.

The fire at the Brown home, which was a two story structure, had gained such headway when discovered that only a few pieces of furniture could be recovered. Apparently the flames had originated in the rear portion of the house, which was partly protected by insurance.

An expensive bird dog and her litter of seven puppies were burned to death. The dog was under the house and could not be coaxed out.

Mr. Kennedy was not at his store in Mountain Park when the fire there originated. When he reached the scene the building was little more than a smoldering ruin. The loss was estimated at about \$1,500, part of which was covered by insurance.

The wife of Mr. Alexander and her three small children had a narrow escape when flames and smoke ate away the Alexander home Thursday night. The family had retired, with the exception of Mr. Alexander, who is on the night shift at the Chatham Manufacturing company, and were not awakened by the crackle of flames until the ceiling had started falling in. They were forced to escape without having time to secure clothing.

Services At Galloway Memorial Church

Rev. Hurst, of Mt. Airy, will conduct services at the Galloway Memorial church on Sunday afternoon, March 6th, at 3 o'clock. The public is most cordially invited to attend.

By Mayor To Assist Anti-Hoarding Plans

A committee composed of J. H. Beeson, W. A. Neaves, Paul Gwyn, Joe Bivins, C. G. Armfield, A. O. Bryan and W. M. Allen has been appointed by Mayor M. A. Royall to take charge the campaign of the Citizens' Reconstruction Organization in this vicinity, which has as its object the selling of "Baby Bonds" in an effort to combat the habit of hoarding.

According to a letter received Tuesday by Mayor Royall from J. L. Morehead, of Durham, state chairman of the organization, the securities will probably run for one year, bear two per cent interest, be cashable on 30 to 60 days notice at par, and will have behind them all the resources of the government. In addition, all money received will be deposited in the local bank and used in this vicinity, it was said.

Already some \$100,000,000 has been returned to circulation by this program and it is believed that with the active co-operation on the parts of the citizens of this state, a successful sale of securities can be had and a great good accomplished.

Plans for the work here are in the hands of Mayor Royall.

TO PLANT TREE IN HONOR WASHINGTON

Dedication Service To Be Held On School Grounds Friday

As one of the features of the Nation's celebration of the Washington Bicentennial, the commission and the American Association are co-operating in a program that calls for the planting of 10,000,000 trees as living monuments to George Washington. Following this suggestion, the Jonathan Hunt Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is sponsoring the planting and dedication of an evergreen tree on the school grounds on Friday morning, March 4, at 8:45 o'clock, with the following program: Song, "America"; Salute to the Flag; "Why We Plant a Tree"; C. G. Armfield; Dedication; Poem, Mrs. Conrad Jamison.

Everyone interested in honoring the anniversary of the great man who founded the nation, is most cordially invited to be present.

Last Game

The last basket ball game of the season to be seen here will take place Friday night at McNeer's warehouse when both the boys' and girls' teams of the local high school battle the teams of the Sparta high school.