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LocalLegionPostVotes ACCOUNTANT NAMED BY COMMISSIONERS TO CHECK ON BOOKS Nurses' Home By May 1 As Plans Settlement War Bonus Audit Contract Award- Are Approved By Hospital Board ed to G. H. Adams, of

68 VETS PRESENT

George K. Snow, of Mt. **Airy, Makes Stirring** Address

NEW MEMBERS 10

Sixty-eight veterans of the World War, meeting here Monday night, arose to their feet as one man in voting for the immediate payment of the soldiers' bonus, following a talk on the subject by George K. Snow, legionnaire of Mount Airy; a full two minutes of oratory delivered in the approved "before the jury" style by Attorney W. M. Allen, and several other short talks by other veterans and members of the Legion who expressed themselves on the subject before a vote was taken.

The meeting took place in the Junior Order hall at 8 o'clock, an hour and date which also saw the meeting of 10,400 other Legion posts throughout the entire country, as veterans gathered from far and near to consider and vote on the question.

Mr. Snow was enthusiastically for immediate payment of the bonus. He quoted figures and facts tending to show that it should be paid and that the payment would not bankrupt the nation or affect its credit. "Tax the millionairesthey made their money from the blood of our comrades during the

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Was Knocked Down By **Car Driven By Clyde** Walker Monday

Bennie Groce, small son of Frank Groce, of Jonesville, was painfully injured in that city Monday morning when he was knocked down and dragged a considerable distance on the concrete highway by an automobile driven by Clyde Walker, of Elkin, a clerk in Basketeria Store No. 2, located in Jonesville.

Rushed to the local hospital immediately after the accident, in Walker's car, it was found that he



whether he be a member of the American Legion or not, will be furnished seed for this year's crop absolutely free, provided he has not the money to buy it himself, it was announced Monday night at the meeting of the George Gray post here.

It was also stated that several vetering, at the present time un-employed, wish to go to work on a farm, and members present were requested to notify-local of-ficials if they knew of any open-ing where a man might be placed.



Is Charged With Driving Automobile While **Drunk: Trial May 9**

Harry H. Barker, judge of Elkin Recorder's court, was arrested Sunday evening by Deputy Sheriff Crawford Hurt on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of whisky, and disorderly conduct at the home of Tom Pittman, of Arlington, it was learned Tuesday morning from Magistrate K. M. Thompson, of Jones-

ville. According to the magistrate. Mr. Barker was alleged to have raised a disturbance sometime late last Wednesday night in front of the Pittman home, blowing his horn and making other commotion which awakened the family. He was said to have been in an intoxicated con-

dition. The warrant was sworn out against the judge by J. J. Robertson also of Arlington, and trial has been set for May 9th, before Magistrate Thompson, it was learned. It was stated that the date was orginally set for May 2, but due to the fact that the defendant must attend Federal court on that date, it was postponed until the following week He was placed under bond.

GIVE PLANS HERE FOR COMMENCEMENT

To Deliver Bacca-

laureate Sermon

Plans are complete for the com-

mencement exercises of the Elkin

city school which will begin on

Monday evening, May 1st, at

o'clock with the baccalaureate ser-

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JOHNSON PRESENT G. H. Adams, certified public accountant of Raleigh, has been chosen by the local board of town commissioners to make an audit of the town books, it has been learned following an executive meeting of the board here Monday, and Mr. Adams is expected to start work on

Raleigh

the audit within approximately 10 days. Charles M. Johnson, director ci the local government commission of North Carolina was present at the recting and it was at his suggestion that a new man be appointed to do the work instead of an accountant of Concord who has made the audit in the past, Although speaking highly of the ability of the Concord accountant, Mr. Johnson pointed out that if he was given the contract it would probably result in dissatisfaction among many Elkin citizens who are of the opinion that new man should do the work.

It was also at the suggestion of Mr. Johnson that the executive session be called, which barred all spectators from the room. There were present only the commissioners, the mayor and the city attorney. The appointment of Mr. Adams proved satisfactory to all concerned, it was said.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. H. D. GREENWOOD

Elkin Woman Held monday From Home

Scores of friends, including many from nearby towns, attended the funeral services for Mrs. Harriet Dozier Greenwood, 67, which were held from the home on Bridge street Monday afternoon at o'clock. Mrs. Greenwood passed away Sunday morning at nine o'clock from a sudden heart attack, while sitting in her room reading the morning paper. At the passing of this beloved

woman a pall of sorrow was cast over the entire town, and elsewhere where she was known. She had endeared herself to everyone with whom she came in contact by her sweet and genial disposition. She was a member of the Elkin Meth-Corporal Lentz's report showed, in

Funeral Plans Complete, Find "Corpse" In Act of **Taking In Local Scenery**

A telegram came, telling of the death of a son and stating that the body would arrive in Elkin Tuesday on the noon train. As a result a grave was dug, relatives were wired, a preacher was notified, and all arrangements made for the funeral-and then the "corpse" was found standing on the corner by the Elkin Hardware company calmly looking over the town, which, it must be admitted, is very unusual procedure for a corpse.

Floyd Wagoner, father of the "dead man," received the tele-gram via telephone at his home at Whitehead, Monday. It read: "Body of Sol Wagoner will arrive in Elkin, N. C., Tuesday about noon." The message was dated Washington, D. C., and was signed by an undertaking concern. It was then that preparations

were begun for the funeral. Men were hired to dig the grave, preacher notified, and relatives summoned.

Tuesday morning a delegation of sorrowing friends and kinsfolk came to Elkin to meet the noon train and to carry the body of the

lost son to its last resting place and the minute they arrived at of a handsome nurses' home were the square, there it was calmly standing on the corner looking as if being buried was the last thought it had in mind. The son had come home, but he was far from dead!

Now the parents and the wife of the "corpse" are wondering how come? The only plausible explanation that has been advanced so far is that it was a case of mistaken identity. Two men were said to have been killed in an accident in Forester Hills, where Sol Wagoner has been working, Monday, and badly mutilated, it may be that the body of one of them was prepared for shipment here under the belief that it was Wagoner. However, no body consigned to Elkin was on the noon train Tuesday, although there was a corpse of a colored man aboard for North Wilkesboro.

Anyway Sol Wagoner, who just happened to come home on the same date his corpse was expected is probably the only man in this section to be greeted by a floral wreath and a prepared grave.

Funeral For Prominent Surry School Busses Are **Found In Bad Condition**

> An inspection of Surry county's found to Surry county school busses school busses, entrusted with the is the fact that only a few are lives of thousands of children each equipped with rear doors. If a bus day, has disclosed the fact that the that is not equipped with a rear door fleet as a whole-is in terrible conshould turn over on its right side, dition and prior to the inspection, a the only exit would be blocked, he said, whereas if a rear door was available, the children could quickmenace to the safety of the youngsters who went to school in them, it has been learned from Corporal W ly make their exit. B. Lentz, of the state highway pa-Yadkin county school busses, also trol, who has recently completed an recently inspected, were found to be in exceptionally good condition with

inspection of the entire fleet under orders of the state. Of the fleet of 23 busses, 21 are owned by the county, and of this number, 14 were without proper JOSIAH K. HODGES emergency brakes and three had neither emergency or foot brakes,

completed last Wednesday at a meeting of the directors of Hugh Chatham hospital, and plans for the structure, to cost approximately \$25,000, were approved, it has been learned from Rev. L. B. Abernethy, chairman of the board, and J. M. Franklin, designer of the plant. The contract will probably be let by the first of May, and actual construction is expected to get under way shortly thereafter.

TO COST \$25,000.00

Board Worked Out Fi-

nal Details In Meet

Last Wednesday

Final details for the construction

APPROVED

PLANS

Western Carolina's Leading Weekly Newspaper

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The building, which in addition to the nurses, is also to house hospital doctors and colored attendants, Mr. Franklin stated. Specifications call for a structure 78 feet, seven inches long by 37 feet, 11 inches wide, which will contain approximately 40 rooms. Three months will

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ARREST THREE MEN IN COTTAGE THEFT

Pilferers of Roaring **Gap Homes Lodged** In Sparta Jail

Eight cottages, the summer homes of the rich and near rich who yearly trek to Roaring Gap to inhale the gentle zephyrs usually afloat about the mountain top at that time of the year, saw rude entrance last Thursday afternoon and night as three robbers proceeded to force their way in and cart away furnishings, including a quantity of rare spirits, valued at between \$500 and \$1,000.

According to Deputy Sheriff George Royall, of Alleghany county, three of the cottages were entered Thursday afternoon and the remaining five that night, the thieves winding up their day's work by getting tanked up on the spirits and flinging a party in one of the cottages.

had sustained no broken bones and that his injuries were confined to severe bruises. After treatment he was allowed to return home Monday afternoon.

According to witnesses of the accident, the youngster was crossing the street after returning from store, and was hurrying so rapidly he failed to see the approaching automobile. No blame was attached to Walker, the accident being held unavoidable.

District Conference Week of April 25th

Beginning Sunday afternoon, April 24th and continuing throughout Monday, 25th, the Mount Airy District Conference will be in ses sion in the Methodist church in this city. Rev. W. E. Poovey, presiding Elder of this district, will preside

over the meeting.

mon in the school auditorium by Rev. Eph Whisenhunt, pastor of the First Baptist church of Elkin. Wednesday evening, May 4, the 7th grade diplomas will be awarded after which the Senior Class Day ex-

ercises will be given. On Thursday evening, May 5, the commencement address will be delivered by Santford Martin, editor of

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FlamesofUnknownOrigin Wreck 2 Homes Tuesday

Two residences, one in Jonesville and the other near State Road, were completely razed early Tuesday morning by fires of undetermined origin.

The Jonesville residence, known as the old Whittington home owned by John S. Mayberry, was discovered in flames about 3 o'clock by a citizen living nearby, who immediately summoned the Elkin five department. However, the flames had gained great headway before the apparatus arrived and the local firemen devoted the majority of their sitention to sav-ing the frame Jonesville Baptist church building which was situated directly across the road from the flaming structure.

Due to the fact that water pressure was low and it was impossi-ble to throw water any height, the roof and steeple of the church were scon ablaze, and for a while it looked as if the church would be consumed by the flames. However, a determined effort on the part of the fighters finally resulted in the extinguishing of the flames, although the roof and the steeple were badly damaged. All the windows on the side of the church facing the Mayberry

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dist church.

Mrs. Greenwood had been in declining health for a number of years, having suffered intermittently from a heart ailment, however, **Rev. Eph Whisenhunt** her health had recently become much improved and her passing was a distinct shock.

A beautiful tribute was paid to her life by her pastor, Rev. L. B. Abernethy in the solemn service at the home before the remains were conveyed to the family plot in Hol-

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VETERAN DOCTOR OF WILKES IS DEAD Cars Meet Head-On On

Dr. L. P. Somers to be Buried Today In Vault Constructed Beside **His Office**

Dr. L. P. Somers, 67, of New Castle, Wilkes County, died on Saturday at a Statesville hospital from a lingering illness from cancer and other complications. Dr. Somers had been a patient in the hospital for the past eight months and had been in declining health for a number of years.

He was a native of Wilkes county and had spent his entire life there, having been a practicing physician for the past 45 years. His work and influence have been far-reaching. Among his benefactions was the helping of 31 young men and wom-en, now listed among the leading men and women of their communities, in completing their college educations. He represented his district in the State Senate several years

Clara Dell Somers, who live at the homestead.

Funeral services will be held today and interment will be in a vault be-side his office, where he has spent his life helping humanity.

addition to being without rear view mirrors, windshield wipers, and oth er attachments designed for safety. The majority of the busses are of

ancient vintage, it was said, there being one 1922 bus in operation and a large number of others which range from two to six years old. Another drawback Corporal Lentz

IN COLLISION HERE

Curve Near Furniture Factory

Four men were sent to Hugh Chatham hospital suffering painful in-juries and two others suffered minor injuries here Saturday afternoon as the result of a head-on collision be tween two Ford automobiles on the Mt. Airy highway about 100 yards west of the Elkin Furniture company

The wreck, which took place on a curve, practically demolished both cars, one of which was a new coupe driven by George Chatham, Jr., of

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New Store Added By Sydnor-Spainhour Co.

The Sydnor-Spainhour Co., which ago. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Minnie Couch Somers and two children, L. P. Somers, Jr., and Miss Children, L. P. Somers, Jr., and Miss tinue to operate it under the name of Bevan's.

Mr. C. B. Stainback, who has been



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Became Critically III Miss Billings Dies Last Week; Funeral Tuesday

Josiah Kelly Hodges, 28, passed away on Monday afternoon in the Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital following a brief illness from ulcer of the stomach and complications. He became critically ill on Tuesday of the Pleasant Home Baptist. of last week and his recovery was church. despaired of from the beginning of

fusions were given after repeated hemorrhages but his condition failed ment was in the church cemetery. to respond to treatment.

young man of sterling character. and Thomas Billings of Elwood,

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The Tribune, in an effort to

o-operate with the farmers

this section, and due to the fact that only a short notice was given prior to its last egg day, is again

offering to accept eggs at 25c per dozen on subscriptions. This of-fer will be in effect three days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 26, 29 and 30. Please un-

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derstand that this offer is for the three days only, and we positive-ly cannot accept eggs before or after the days mentioned. At the rate of 25c per dozon, it will require only six dozen eggs, now-bringing very low prices at produce houses, to subscribe to The Tribune for one year. The

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After Long Illness

Funeral services were held Monday morning at 11 o'clock for Miss Sarah Jane Billings, 63, who passed away on Sunday at her home in East Elkin, following a lingering illness. The deceased was a native of

Wilkes county and was a member

The rites were conducted from his illness. Numerous blood trans- the Pleasant Home church in charge of Rev. Grant Cothren and inter-

She is survived by one sister, -He was a member of the First Mrs. Neeley Lyons and two brothers, Baptist church of Elkin and was a William Billings of Wilkes county For the past several years he had Indiana. Several neices and nephews also survive, among whom is Miss Juanita Billings of this city.

Tribune To Again Accept Eggs For Subscriptions

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offer is not limited, however, to one year's subscription. As many eggs as the farmers care to dispose of in this way will be taken.

Although but two days' notice was given before the last egg day, over 300 dozon eggs were re-ceived at The Tribune office. However, many farmers expressed themselves as unable to take adthemselves as unable to take ad-vantage of the offer due to the fact that they had recently sold all the eggs on hand to produce houses. This announcement, coming a week in advance, should enable those who desire to take advantage of the offer, to be pre-pared. This offer is strictly lim-ited to farmers of this section.