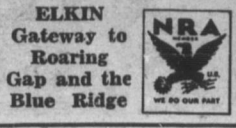


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## CONSTRUCTION OF LAST LAP ROUTE 21 NOW UNDER WAY

### Will Complete Long Awaited Lakes-to-Florida Highway

### NEAR WYTHEVILLE

Contract for the construction work on the last link of the Lakes-to-Florida highway, known as Federal route No. 21, has been let to Walters and Prater, who will begin work immediately, it has been learned here.

The stretch of road in question lies between Wytheville and Independence, Va., and when it is completed the entire road between those towns will have been improved with the exception of a short stretch under the railroad in North Wytheville.

The state of Virginia has made arrangements for a camp at the South side of Iron Mountain on Turkey Fork to complete the grading on 21 from the point on Dry Run, across Iron Mountain and through Elk Creek valley to the intersection of the improved section from Independence north.

With the completion of the stretches under construction, Route 21, providing a direct route from the Great Lakes to Florida, will be practically complete and should turn considerable traffic through Elkin.

## BOONVILLE MAN IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

### Eugene A. Reece Passes Near Boonville January 27th

Eugene Adre Reece, 58, passed away at his home near Boonville Wednesday night, following a short illness.

Mr. Reece was born in Yadkin county May 4, 1876, a son of the late Evan H. and Mary Woodhouse Reece, and he had spent his life in the county. He was married to Miss Ella M. Warden September 15, 1901. To this union were born two sons, Clarence L. and Ralph E. Reece, who with the widow, survive him, together with three sisters, Mrs. Miranda Cartwright and Mrs. Carrie Reece of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Mamie Winters, of Eldora, Iowa.

Mr. Reece became a member of Boonville Baptist church in 1893 where he remained a faithful member through the years, and he will be greatly missed by his church and friends.

There are three things that marked his life in particular: He was one of the best neighbors a man ever lived by. He would sacrifice his own interest to accommodate his neighbor. Genuine hospitality stood out in his life. Second, he was one of the most peaceable men the county has ever produced. His was a gentle, unpretentious, unoffensive, peaceable life. From a child he was moral and quiet. Third, he was a Christian. Christ was to him personal and a Saviour. He tried to follow him; his life possessed many of the Christian graces, and he died with a surrender of life to his Lord.

The funeral was conducted in Boonville Baptist church by Rev. J. P. Davis and Rev. D. G. Reece. A large crowd of relatives and friends were there to pay their last tribute of respect.

The family extends appreciation for the kindness shown by their friends during the sickness and death of husband and father.

Palbearers were J. H. Huff, E. Q. Stinson, Roscoe Smith, Sam Hicks, C. W. Park and Leonard Davis.

## New Baptist Minister Arrives In Jonesville

Rev. and Mrs. Avery Church have arrived in Jonesville, from Louisville, Ky., where Rev. Church has been studying at the Baptist Seminary since the first of the year. Rev. Church has accepted the pastorate of the Jonesville Baptist church and will preach his first sermon there Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour of worship. All members of the church and the public are cordially invited to be present for this service.

Mr. and Mrs. Church are natives of North Wilkesboro.

E. E. Hayes and Archie Bartlett left Wednesday for Charlotte, where they will spend two days, attending to business matters for the Hayes & Speas company of this city.

## Death Mystery



Alton Wayne Whitaker, of near Center, Yadkin county, who died in a Winston-Salem hospital Friday night following an illness the nature of which physicians are not agreed. The young man had been struck on the head by a billiard ball previous to his death, but whether this was responsible, no one knows.

## LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

### GREEKS WIN OVER REBELS

Athens, March 6.—(Wednesday)—The Greek government early today claimed a smashing victory against the rebels in Macedonia, announcing the Greek fourth army, after a thundering artillery attack, had captured the Macedonia town of Seres, 45 miles northwest of Salonika.

### SAID MRS. DAVIDSON WAS "MELANCHOLY"

Pinehurst, March 5.—A coroner's jury today was told that Mrs. Elva Statter Davidson was "melancholy" at a gay spaghetti house party a few hours before her mysterious death and that she engaged in an argument with her husband shortly before her partly-clothed body was found sprawled upon her automobile in the family garage here last Wednesday morning.

### CHILD HAS GOOD CHANCE

Fall River, Mass., March 5.—The prospect of Alyce Jane McHenry's recovery from her up-sideways stomach operation was slightly but definitely better tonight.

"She is holding her own" was the word that went through the Truesdale hospital time and again during the day and upon its significance rests most of the reasons for hope that she will win in the long recovery fight ahead of her.

### CHANCES OF BILL PASSING GOOD

Washington, March 5.—While the obstructions have not as yet been entirely removed from the right-of-way, ultimate passage of the President's \$4,880,000,000 work relief bill is more clearly foreshadowed tonight than at any time since administration leaders, to cover their defeat, moved to recommit the bill to the appropriations committee of which Senator Glass, of Virginia, is chairman.

### WILLIAMS RESIGNS AS NRA CHAIRMAN

Washington, March 5.—Following an exchange of letters with President Roosevelt, signifying the existence of the most cordial relations, S. Clay Williams this afternoon resigned the chairmanship of the national industrial recovery board, and the President accepted with the reservation that Mr. Williams remain at his present post "for at least another two weeks."

### June Shaw

Funeral services were held Monday morning from Knobs church in Yadkin county, for June Shaw, nine-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shaw, Jonesville, Route. The child died at the home of her parents, following a brief illness.

When a man has a birthday he takes a day off. When a woman has one she takes a year off.

## ELKIN MERCHANTS ORGANIZE CREDIT BUREAU TUESDAY

### Will Hold Weekly Meetings and Discuss and Compare Accounts

### WILL SEEK TO AID

At a meeting Tuesday night of the Elkin Merchants association, a credit bureau was organized to work in connection with the association, it was learned Wednesday morning.

The newly organized department is to meet each Tuesday night to discuss credits and to compare lists of delinquent and slow accounts.

At the meeting Tuesday it was brought out that the discussion of credit will not be confined merely to slow accounts, but that those who have a good rating for promptness will also be discussed for the information of the various members.

It was also brought out that it is not the intention of the organization to do anything to hurt anyone; its purpose, on the contrary, is to be of a helpful nature looking toward the aid of those who are deeply in debt and who find it impossible to make payments each week on all accounts. However, those who can pay but will not, will necessarily be placed on the black list so that they may not obtain further credit to which they are not entitled.

## COMPLETING SURVEY ON FEDERAL ROUTE

### Construction of Scenic Highway Expected to Start Soon

Final surveys of the park-to-park highway which when constructed will reach from near Washington to beyond Asheville, and which will pass near Roaring Gap, are now being rushed to completion and the sector between Roanoke, Va., and the North Carolina line will soon be finished.

A large group of engineers is now stationed at Hillsville, Va., working on the survey between Fancy Gap and Low Gap. This route was surveyed by state engineers last summer and is now being re-checked by the federal engineers. When the route is finally approved by the federal bureau of roads it will then be ready for letting and construction.

Reports from the engineers are that the authorities are pushing them and they are making every effort to hurry along the survey work. Considerable construction work is expected to be under way this summer. State authorities of North Carolina and Virginia are taking action to secure rights-of-way with the least delay so that work can go ahead when the engineers are ready to give the word.

## Rex Church Freed of Manslaughter Charge

Rex Church, of Roaring River, on trial in Yadkin county superior court last Wednesday on a charge of manslaughter growing out of the death of Warren Cockerham, 13-year-old boy, was freed by a directed verdict of not guilty following presentation of evidence by both state and defense.

The Yadkin county boy was hit by Church's car while walking along the Elkin-Boonville highway. The state attempted to prove that the defendant was driving too fast and that recklessness was the cause of the accident. The defense showed, however, that Church was not exceeding the speed limit, and that the child was either pushed or ran directly into the path of his car, and that the accident was not through negligence of the driver.

## Brother Hits Brother With Brick Bat Sunday

Dick Stuart, colored, of Jonesville, received a broken cheek bone and nose Sunday morning at his home when he was said to have been struck in the face with a brick by his brother, William Stuart.

Following the fight, the cause of which was not learned, the injured man was carried to the local hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Thad Reece, of Boonville, announce the birth of a son at Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital in this city, March 1, 1935.

# Complete Federal Survey of Town Tuesday Looking Toward Erection Here of New Postoffice Building

### In a One-Horse Open Sleigh



HYDE PARK, N. Y. . . . President Roosevelt got away from official Washington cares for a short two day rest at his home here. The snow covered hills beckoned, so in a one-horse open sleigh he went for an old fashioned ride with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Boettiger.

## Word Received Here of Death of Don E. L. Gwyn

Word has been received here of the death in Portland, Ore., of Don E. L. Gwyn, son of the late Rev. E. N. Gwyn and a nephew of Thomas Lenor Gwyn, who died here in 1934. The Portland man was crushed under the rear wheels of a heavy truck. Forty years have elapsed since the deceased made his home here and many of his former friends were in ignorance of his whereabouts.

## MASS MEETING IS CALLED FOR APR. 5

### Commissioners Seek Cost of Numbering Houses in Elkin

A mass meeting, to be held in the school auditorium the night of April 5, at 7:30 o'clock, has been ordered by the board of town commissioners for the purpose of nominating a mayor and board of town commissioners, it was learned following the meeting of the commissioners Monday night.

During Monday's meeting, the numbering of houses in Elkin was discussed, and John Franklin was requested to ascertain the cost of such a project.

## FIRE TRUCK IS DEMONSTRATED

### Six Men Required to Hold Hose Nozzle in Low Pressure Area

A new fire truck, en route from the factory to Chatham, Va., was demonstrated here Tuesday for the benefit of the Elkin commissioners and the members of the local fire department.

The truck, equipped with pumper and booster tank, was driven out on Elk Spur street near Byrd's store where water pressure is low, and promptly converted a weak, 15-pound hydrant pressure stream into a 150-pound stream which required six men to man the hose nozzle.

Several of the commissioners, who are interested in such a truck for Elkin, were present and appeared pleased with the performance of the fire fighting equipment.

Charles Wesley, noted English clergyman, wrote more than 6,000 hymns.

## YADKIN SUPERIOR COURT ADJOURNS

### Docket Almost Clear After Four Days of Hard Work

The February criminal term of superior court for Yadkin county adjourned Friday night, with the docket almost clear after four days of hard work by court officials.

Judge W. F. Harding, presiding over the term, made it clear early in the week that he had little patience with those who transgress the law by the liquor route and his judgments in the cases that came before him proved he meant business. Reckless and fast driving of cars also came in for their share of punishment.

The case of Dulin Williams was one of the most important tried during the closing of the court. He was charged with an assault with a knife on one Ned Myers, who has since committed suicide. He and Myers fought at an ice cream supper and Myers was seriously injured, but the jury said Williams was not guilty. Williams, however, was sent to jail for non-payment of costs in an old case, where he will remain for 20 days.

Robert Pardue, Yadkinville boy, was one of those receiving a sentence for making whisky. He was given 4 months on the roads.

John E. Norman, of the East Bend section, at whose home the officers found 40 gallons of whisky a short time ago, was given a fine of \$50 and costs, and a suspended sentence of two years.

Marvin Wiles plead guilty to a charge of assault and was taxed the costs and given a suspended sentence of two years.

Bennett Holleman, abandonment, not guilty.

Louise and Tang Garris, possession of whisky. Louise not prosed, Garris given 90 days on the roads.

Charlie Couzzin, carrying a concealed weapon, not guilty.

D. Mathis, transporting, \$10 and costs.

Tommie C. Cummings, transporting, costs.

Press Southard, possession, costs. J. E. Pruitt and Mollie Goins, f. and a., nol pros.

Paul Hutchens, seduction, not guilty.

Robert Garris, drunkenness, 30 days on roads.

## HANCOCK TO MAKE DETERMINED FIGHT TO GET BUILDING

### Would Cost Approximately \$75,000; Hinges On Work Relief Bill

### GRAHAM OPTIMISTIC

Through the efforts of Congressman Frank Hancock, a federal survey of Elkin, looking towards the construction of a \$75,000 federal building to house the Elkin postoffice, has been completed here, and complete data collected as to several sites located in the business district, it was learned Wednesday morning from F. W. Graham, Elkin postmaster.

R. E. Dauch, of the postoffice department, Washington, spent practically the entire day here Tuesday going over plans and making a survey of both Elkin and Jonesville postal facilities.

Five hundred new federal buildings will probably be constructed throughout the nation provided the public works bill sponsored by President Roosevelt, which is now before Congress, goes through, Mr. Dauch said, and of this number North Carolina will probably get ten or twelve, of which Elkin will be one.

Mr. Graham submitted detailed data on the needs of the town some time ago to the postoffice department at Washington, and it was following this report that Mr. Dauch was sent here.

Congressman Hancock has already stated that he will make a determined and vigorous fight to obtain a federal building for Elkin, and what has been done thus far has been largely through his efforts.

If and when the new building is constructed it will have approximately 5,000 square feet of floor space, and in addition to housing the postoffice, would also house several office rooms on the upper floor.

So completely did Mr. Dauch go into the matter of prospective sites Tuesday, he even gathered data as to depths of sewer lines, etc., which serve the locations investigated.

Mr. Graham, in discussing the matter Wednesday, stated that he firmly believes, provided the town gets behind the project, that Elkin will have a new federal building within the next two years.

## SERVICES HELD FOR WAYNE WHITAKER

### Former Yadkin Boy Dies of Rare Disease; Many At Funeral

Funeral services for Alton Wayne Whitaker, 30, were held at the home of his parents, near Center, at 2 o'clock and at Center Methodist church at 2:30 Sunday afternoon.

Young Whitaker died in a Winston-Salem hospital Friday night following an illness of ten days with a rare disease which was diagnosed as Landry's paralysis, or creeping paralysis. Attending physicians and those present at the autopsy did not agree on the cause of his illness. It was stated that he was hit on the head by a billiard ball in a pool room a few days before being taken ill but the doctors are positive this had nothing to do with his fatal illness. However police took into custody one Willie Martin, of Poplar street, Winston-Salem, who threw the pool ball at another man who dodged it, allowing it to strike Whitaker. This form of paralysis strikes first in the legs and arms and finally closes in on the body, with fatal results when it reaches the lungs.

Surviving are the widow and his parents, together with three brothers: Numa, Dwight and Haskel Whitaker, of Center, and two sisters, Misses Ruth and Lytle Mae Whitakers: Numa, Dwight and Haskel close relatives also survive, including his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Holcomb, also of Center.

Funeral services were held Sunday.

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## Plans For Repairing Jail Approved Monday

Plans for fire proofing and improving the Surry county jail as suggested by the last Surry county grand jury, were approved Monday by the county board of commissioners, in session at Dobson.

The plans were submitted as a federal project, and the commissioners have been assured federal aid.