

## THOUSANDS WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR OLD AGE PENSION

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### ARE MANY PROVISIONS

State Board of Public Welfare Gives Details About Old Age Act

### IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST

Raleigh, May 19. There are thousands of North Carolinians who will be eligible for aid under provisions of the Old Age Assistance Act passed by the 1937 General Assembly, and there are many more who will not be able to meet the requirements for various reasons.

The State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, anxious to make clear provisions of the Old Age Assistance plan, which becomes effective on July 1 of this year, has issued a statement tending to clarify the Act.

One of the first requirements is that applicants for aid under the plan shall be citizens of the United States, either native-born or naturalized. Another essential is that applicants shall be 65 years of age or over, and shall not have sufficient income, or other resources, to provide a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health.

Many persons reaching the age of 65 have not been able, frequently through no fault of their own, to save sufficient money to care for themselves in the declining years of their lives; others, because of age or disabilities, are unable to earn a comfortable livelihood, while still others are not so situated that they can care for themselves.

Applicants for assistance under the Act are not supposed to be inmates of any public institution at the time the applications are filed. However, they may apply for aid which, if allowed, will not begin until they have ceased to be inmates of public institutions.

In order to prevent possible fraudulent applications for assistance under the Old Age plan, the law specifically prohibits the assignment or transfer of property during the two years prior to the filing of applications.

Another requirement which will be rigidly adhered to is that all applicants must have been residents of North Carolina for at least five of the nine years preceding the filing of the applications, and for one year immediately preceding the filing.

There is an additional stipulation, in view of the fact that the 100 counties of the State are participating in the financial aspects of the Act, that applicants must have been residents of the county in which the applications are filed for at least one year. This, however, in cases where county residence has been of shorter duration, has been cared for by a clause in the law which provides that approved applicants shall receive full benefits, with the difference which would have been absorbed by the county coming from the State appropriation. Instance of this character will be passed upon by the State board.

Amounts to be paid applicants will be determined upon individual conditions and will not exceed \$30 per month, or \$360 per year. Of this amount, the counties will pay practically one-fourth, and the State one-fourth.

## SCHOOL FINALS COME TO CLOSE

Dick Graham Wins Award Given Yearly by American Legion Auxiliary

### 20 RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

The school finals came to a close Thursday evening when twenty graduates received their diplomas. Dr. Merton French, professor of Religious Education at Elon College delivered the literary address.

Dick Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Graham, was awarded the American Legion Auxiliary award of \$5.00 offered for the high school student who achieved an eight point standard set by the Auxiliary. There were several close contestants for the honor and the judges had considerable difficulty in making a selection.

Temperance workers are advocating check on liquor, but many are giving checks for liquor.

## LATENEWS from the State and Nation

### ROCKEFELLER'S BODY IS TAKEN HOME

Tarrytown, N. Y., May 25.—The body of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., who died early Sunday morning, arrived from Florida in the family's rented private car tonight and was carried to his Pocantico Hills castle. The coffin was placed in the huge reception room overlooking the Hudson River.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr. and his five sons, two of whom had just completed a plane dash from Panama, headed a throng of several hundred persons at the railroad siding when the special engine, drawing only the private car and one empty coach, pulled in.

### WILL COLLECT MONTH'S TAX

Raleigh, May 25 — A. J. Maxwell, state revenue commissioner, said today he had instructed his deputies to collect the tax on all slot machines in operation June 1—but the fee can cover only one month, since the devices were "outlawed" by the 1937 General Assembly, beginning July 1.

Maxwell explained that the new year for slot machine licenses begins June 1.

"As it was about to pass," he said, "the bill was to take effect on and after ratification. But then it was amended to take effect from and after June 30, the legislature thinking that that was the end of the license year."

### N. C. DELEGATION DIVIDES VOTE

Washington, May 25. — The North Carolina delegation was divided on the various votes today when the House of Representatives earmarked a half billion of the \$1,500,000,000 relief fund for PWA, flood control and highway construction.

Representatives Hancock and Lambeth voted for all earmarking amendments, while Representatives Warren and Cooley voted against them.

## ORIGINAL PARKWAY FUND IS RESTORED BY ACT OF HOUSE

Had Been Slashed to Only \$2,500,000.00

### INTEREST OF ECONOMY

Doughton Brings Pressure to Restore Figure to Original Amount

### PRESIDENT INTERESTED

Washington, May 19. — The house this afternoon approved while the interior department appropriation bill was under consideration, the provision allocating \$5,000,000 for the park to park highway, connecting the Shenandoah and the Great Smoky Mountain National Parks. The house appropriations committee had reduced this allocation by half, taking the position that now is the time to economize in all things.

The action of the appropriations committee, altogether unforeseen, caused something like consternation among interested in the parkway, now under construction. They immediately got into action, Frank Dunlap, now chairman of the North Carolina highway commission, came here to see about it, and explained to Representative Bulwinkle, of Gastonia, strong for economy, that the states had entered into obligations in the way of purchasing land for the right of way, and were awaiting similar action by the federal government. Mr. Doughton spent several days in missionary work among his friends in the house, and he, with the assistance of Mr. Weaver and other members of the state delegation,

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### MICKEY COCHRANE SERIOUSLY INJURED

New York, May 25. — Mickey Cochrane, stocky playing manager of the Detroit Tigers was knocked out with a pitched ball in the fifth inning of today's game with the New York Yankees, and was hurried to St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

He had barely recovered consciousness tonight, but a physician attending him, said he had brain concussion.

## Elkin High School Graduating Class of 1937



Pictured above are the graduates of Elkin high school who last Thursday evening were awarded their diplomas. They are, front row, left to right: Lesbia Graham, Olene Norman, Lorene Fulp Carter, Mattie Lee Eidson, Mary Elizabeth Foster, Virginia Lawrence and Ruth Shumate.

Second row: Richard Collins, Iris Collins, Lubeth Cochran, Louise Tubert, Frances Davis, Ruth Bell. Third row: McNeer Fields, Fidel Sale, Herman Sale, Raymond Hanks, Lytle Osborne.

Back row: Edwin Royall and C. C. Wolfe.

Pictured front are the class mascots, Anna Katharine Dobson and Tommy Roth, Jr.

## DR. V. A. MCBEE PASSES FRIDAY

Was Widely Known in This Section of the State As A Musician

### FUNERAL HELD SUNDAY

Dr. Vardrey A. McBee, 78, of Ronda, passed away at his home early Friday morning, following an illness which had been critical only a short time. He had been in declining health for a number of years.

Dr. McBee was widely known in this part of the state. He was a native of Lincoln and a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. V. A. McBee. His fame as a musician and instructor in music was known throughout this section. He held a doctor's degree in music and up until a short time ago instructed private classes in piano in towns adjacent to Ronda. For many years he taught piano and voice in this city.

He was a member of the Episcopal church at Ronda. His wife, Mrs. Joyce Gwyn McBee, preceded him in death a few months ago.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Rhoda McBee Carter, two grandsons, Sidney and Billy Carter, of Ronda, and two sisters, Mrs. M. A. Guerry of Charleston, S. C., and Mrs. William E. Meckell of Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in charge of Rev. B. M. Lackey. Interment was in the family plot in the Ronda cemetery.

### FIRE DOES DAMAGE AT LOCAL LUMBER PLANT

A fire which originated in the boiler room of the Elkin Lumber & Manufacturing company here about 10 o'clock Wednesday night of last week, for a short while seriously threatened the entire plant and adjacent buildings with destruction before being extinguished by the local firemen.

The fire, which did damage estimated at about \$500, evidently originated when sparks from the boiler fire box ignited dry shavings. The roof of the boiler room was in flames and flames were securing a foothold on a nearby structure when streams of water were brought into play.

### BLANKETEERS ARE TO MEET THREE TEAMS

The Chatham Blanketeers will meet the Statesville Spinners at Riverside Park here Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, this game to be followed Saturday afternoon at 4:00 with a game with Unique Furniture Co. of Winston-Salem. This game will be a Semi-Pro League contest.

Sunday the Blanketeers will go to Mount Airy for a game with the Mount Airy Reds, of the Bi-State league, at 3 p. m.

## New Features Are Added To The Tribune

"Fireside Philosophy," a column by C. M. Dickson, well-known educator of Western North Carolina, is starting in this issue of The Tribune. This column is now being carried in a number of newspapers of this section, and it is believed readers of The Tribune will find it highly enjoyable.

Another feature, designed to make The Tribune more interesting to its subscribers, began last week. This feature—Dale Carnegie's 5-Minute Biographies—is both interesting and educational.

## IS IMPOSSIBLE TO USE SURRY STONE

Present Limit of Cost is Said to Prohibit Granite Below Water Table

### CONCRETE TO BE USED

By PAUL MAY (Tribune Washington Bureau) Washington, D. C., May 26.—It would be impossible, under the present limit of cost, to use Surry County granite for the foundation of the new Elkin postoffice, an official of the Treasury's procurement division said today.

Surry county granite has been requested for use on that portion of the building below the water table, part of the foundation, he explained, while it was originally planned to use granite only for the entrance steps and platform. Concrete is usually used for foundations of buildings, and nothing more expensive than concrete could be used for a building with a limit of cost of only \$65,000, it was said.

Working or architectural drawings, with mechanical and structural drawings, will be officially approved and signed by Postmaster-General Farley and Secretary of the Treasury Monganithau Jr., within two or three days, it was learned. Then the project will enter the specifications stage, in which the various materials to be used in construction of the building will be finally determined and listed in pamphlet form.

### DOBSON YOUTH IS HURT IN ACCIDENT

Gurney Copeland, nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Copeland, of Dobson, suffered a broken arm and other bruises and abrasions when a school bus backed into a car on the ball grounds at the Dobson school Tuesday afternoon.

## HIGHWAY DIVISION HEADS ARE NAMED

Z. V. Stewart, of Winston-Salem, is Engineer For This Division

### TO NAME DISTRICT MEN

The state highway and public works commission, meeting in Raleigh Tuesday, named 10 men, all of whom have been employed by the highway department for the past six years, as division engineers to head the 10 divisions of the state under the new highway setup.

Z. V. Stewart, of Winston-Salem, was named as division engineer of the eighth division, in which Surry county is located, while other engineers were named in the order following:

J. C. Gardner, first; S. M. Gibbs, second; T. T. Betts, third; R. Markham, fourth; Tom Burton, fifth; L. E. Whitfield, sixth; Louis Peck, seventh; H. E. Noell, ninth, and J. C. Walker, 10th.

Still to be appointed for each unit are an assistant division engineer, three district engineers, an office engineer and senior stenographer.

Frank L. Dunlap, chairman of the commission, who is to have a free rein in administering the new road and prison program, said these posts would probably be filled by the commission, likely on the recommendation of the highway commissioner from the division. Also to be determined by the road body are the locations of the 10 division offices.

According to a statement credited to J. Gordon Hackett, commissioner of this division, the eighth division office will be located at North Wilkesboro.

T. A. Leeper, in charge of the highway office here, is at present district engineer. It is thought probable that Mr. Leeper will again be appointed as engineer of this district and that the local office will be retained here as one of three district offices to be located in this division.

### DISCOVER IDENTITY OF DOOR-STEP BABY

The pretty, blue-eyed baby girl found on the doorstep of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Collins, in Mount Airy, early last Thursday morning, was discovered by police to be the daughter of Mrs. Ernest Pruitt, wife of Ernest Pruitt, of Elkin.

Mrs. Pruitt, when taken into custody by Mount Airy police after evidence had pointed to her as the mother of the child, confessed leaving it at the Collins home, stating that she was unable to care for it. She is related to the Collins'.

The child, it is understood, has been placed in an orphanage, and Mrs. Pruitt released.

In 1936, 67 per cent of the total national income was distributed in salaries, wages and other labor payments. (Department of Commerce.)

## PROHIBITIONISTS WIN ELECTION IN ALLEGHANY CO.

Is First Dry Vote In History of Section

### SPARTA IS FOR CONTROL

Outlying Townships, However, Overcome Majority of County Seat

### COUNT IS 1,225 TO 1,050

Sparta, May 25.—Today for the first time in history, the people of mountainous Alleghany County voted against liquor. In an election to decide whether this county should have legalized liquor stores, the drys polled 1,225 votes to 1,050 for the wets.

A few absentee ballots remained to be counted but election officials said tonight that the 175 majority against legalized liquor selling would not be greatly changed.

The switch from wet to dry could not be explained by older residents of the county who have witnessed several liquor elections since the fight for prohibition started back in 1908. Always, even in the last election in 1933, the majority of the county's residents voted that they wanted legal whiskey.

Although little interest had been evident in the election, prohibition workers in the remote parts of the county had gained considerable power.

Gap Civil township, the largest in the county, and the one in which Sparta, the county seat, is located, voted more than two to one against prohibition but the other townships overcame that majority.

Alleghany is the first western county to hold an election on the question of liquor stores since passage of the liquor control bill at the last session of the North Carolina General Assembly. That law gives counties authority to vote on the question of establishing liquor stores under county control.

## WORK BEGINS ON LINK OF HIGHWAY

Construction Under Way on Section Between Ronda and Roaring River

### ESTABLISH OFFICE HERE

Construction work has been started on the Ronda-Roaring River section of highway No. 268 which eventually will lead from Elkin to North Wilkesboro to complete a project for which the people of this section have been pleading for the past 15 years.

This stretch of road, a little over four miles in length, will be of the same type construction as the stretch leading from Elkin to Ronda, it is understood, with cotton fabric being used in the base. The road will run through a territory of which much is practically isolated during bad weather. It will follow closely the railway on the north side of the Yadkin river.

The E. W. Grannis Construction company is doing the road-work construction and the Hobbs-Feabody Construction company of Charlotte, will build all structures.

B. D. Gentry, resident engineer has arrived here, and with other members of the engineering staff, has established an office in the Greenwood building on West Market street.

## JOE GISH



GO-GETTER IS A FELLOW THAT'S WILLIN' TRY ANYTHING TWICE