

LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

RATE REDUCTIONS SAVE GREAT SUM

Raleigh, April 19.—Reductions in power rates in North Carolina have saved customers \$23,341,611 over a period of five years, it was disclosed tonight by State Utilities Commissioner Stanley Winborne.

In the first report ever made by the commission on savings to customers in rate reductions of more than a year, Winborne listed subjugations of Duke Power company, Carolina Power and Light, Durham Power company, Tidewater Power company and Virginia Utilities.

ROOSEVELT HAILS NEW PACT

Washington, April 19.—President Roosevelt today hailed the new Anglo-Italian accord as proof the nations of the world can live side by side in peace.

He studiously refrained from discussion of the "political features" of the pact, but declared he watched its completion with "sympathetic interest."

At the same time it was learned the United States does not intend to follow Britain's lead in recognizing Mussolini's conquest of Ethiopia.

JAPAN PLANNING POWERFUL DRIVE

Shanghai, April 20.—(Wednesday) — Japan is putting together a huge, new offensive machine for a second drive against the Chinese wall of men, guns and broadsword which stopped and hurled back the first.

Chinese reported today that the first stages of the Japanese drive on the central China front already were under way.

FRANCO SAYS WAR IS WON

Hendaye, Franco-Spanish Border, April 19.—While his legions scored to conquer Catalonia, General Francisco Franco tonight proclaimed the Spanish civil war already won by the insurgents.

In a radio speech from his capital at Burgos, the generalissimo declared: "We have won the war. Our army, navy and air force are now fighting in the last days of our re-conquest of Spain."

PLANS ARE MADE FOR ELKIN FAIR

Annual Event Will Probably
Be Held Around the
Middle of September

NEW DIRECTORS NAMED

The Elkin Fair will be held this year probably around the middle of September, according to tentative plans made Tuesday evening at a meeting of the board of directors of the fair association, it was learned from Mrs. Alan Browning, Jr., secretary.

Plans for this year's event call for three days, and it is hoped the fair will be bigger and better than last year's, which featured Lee's Riding Devices and other midway amusements for the first time in its history.

Work of preparing the fair catalog and premium list is expected to begin right away so that farmers and others interested, may have more time in which to plan and prepare entries.

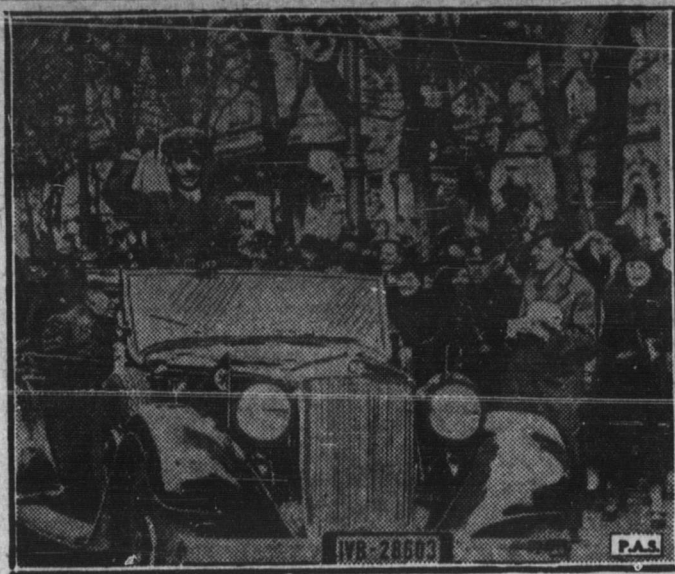
According to present plans, a small admission will be charged to the fair grounds this year, which will be located at the community playground. It is hoped by next year to have the grounds fenced in.

Two new directors were added to the present board at Tuesday's meeting, they being Mrs. E. F. McNeer and Mrs. H. F. Laffoon.

RONDA FINALS ARE TO CLOSE TONIGHT

Ronda school commencement, which has been in progress for several days, will close this evening (Thursday) with the high school graduating exercises. Rev. Watt Cooper, pastor of the North Wilkesboro Presbyterian church will deliver the graduating address.

Before the Ballot, the Ballyhoo



VIENNA . . . Propaganda is indispensable in Nazi politics. Here Propaganda Minister Paul Goebbels arrives in Vienna to personally take charge of the "build-up" for the plebiscite which affirmed Hitler's annexation of Austria by a 99.75 per cent "pure" vote. Der Fuehrer himself spoke immediately before the balloting began, shouting, "I regard Vienna as a pearl and I will give it a setting worthy of its value!"

To Celebrate 7th Anniversary Hospital Opening

The general public is invited to meet in the Kiwanis room at Hotel Elkin this evening (Thursday), at 7:30 o'clock to celebrate the seventh anniversary of the opening of High Chatham Memorial hospital.

The celebration, sponsored by the Elkin Kiwanis club, is in charge of a Kiwanis committee made up of H. P. Graham, E. C. James and W. M. Allen. Dr. M. A. Royall, former mayor of Elkin, and dean of Elkin physicians, will be guest speaker.

GIRL SCOUTS IN KIWANIS PROGRAM

Members of Thistle and Pine
Patrols Entertain at
Weekly Meeting

GIVE TALKS AND MUSIC

The Elkin Girl Scouts were the guests of the local Kiwanis club at their meeting Thursday evening at Hotel Elkin. The members of the Thistle and Pine patrols were present in uniform. Two representatives from the Star and Oak patrols were present. Mrs. Seth M. Beale, one of the local leaders, accompanied the girls.

The program consisted of talks and musical numbers by the girls. Peggy Anne Royall gave a short talk on the origin of Scouting, this being followed by a song by the "Do Ra and Me" of the local scouts. They were Mary Elizabeth Allen, Jerry Barker and Lena Sale. Louise E. Laffoon gave the history and formation of the local troupe. This was followed by a talk by Jo Barker on the activities of the Elkin girls, in which she pointed out that the activities of the girls had not ceased, due to the fact the girls had changed leaders four times during the first year that they have been organized. Constance Greenwood gave a tap dance, which was followed by a reading by Beaulah Yates, a member of the Star patrol. Eleanor Hayes thanked the Kiwanians for a pleasant evening by reciting a poem written by the girls. The laws and promise were given by Mary Vance McAdams, a representative of the younger girls.

The troop dismissed the meeting by singing "Taps." Following this they were joined by the remainder of the girls and went to the Holy Week services at the Methodist church.

W. C. T. U. PLANNING UNION MEETING HERE

The Northwest District meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which meets at the Methodist church in this city on Friday, April 22, announces a union meeting for Friday evening at 7:30.

Miss Mary E. Grimmer, of the national organization, will present the program of the W. C. T. U. for temperance. She is an excellent speaker and all citizens of the town and surrounding communities are invited to hear her.

F.D.R. PROMISES QUICK ACTION IN RECOVERY DRIVE

Relief Plans Await Move by
Congress

PLAN ACTION THURSDAY

Seeking to Negotiate Truce
Between Government and
Utility Interests

ARE TO HOLD HEARINGS

Washington, April 19.—President Roosevelt today pledged that there will be no delay in starting his new \$4,512,000,000 recovery-relief drive after Congress appropriates the money.

He also disclosed at his press conference that he is continuing efforts to negotiate a truce between the government and the public utility industry and said that some progress has been made. He said he has written to several persons and discussed the subject with others. He did not reveal their identity.

The recovery program will start on its way through Congress tomorrow when Works Progress Administrator Harry Hopkins appears before a House deficiency sub-committee. Chairman Clifton Woodruff (D), Virginia, said he expects hearings to last for 10 days. All government officials who will take part in the proposed spending will be questioned.

Two of the President's recommendations got action today at the Capitol. The House added \$101,000,000 for highway construction to the agricultural appropriation bill before sending it to the Senate. The Senate passed and sent to the White House a measure adding \$51,000,000 to the appropriation for the Civilian Conservation Corps.

OFFICIALS NAMED FOR JUNE PRIMARY

Registrars and Republican
and Democratic Judges
Announced by Freeman

SPECIAL JUDGES NAMED

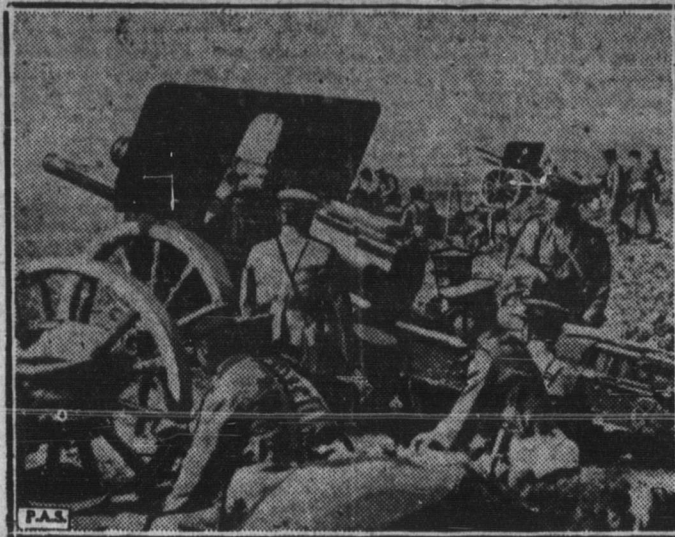
Election officials for the approaching Democratic primary, scheduled for the first Saturday in June, and for the general election next November, have been county precincts by R. A. Freeman, of Dobson, chairman of the announced for the various Surry county board of elections.

The officials by Freeman included registrars for the 18 voting precincts, and Democratic and Republican judges for the general election next fall. An additional group of Democratic judges were also named to officiate as the third official at the Democratic primary in June were named.

The registrars included Scott Nixon, Bryan; F. F. Riggs, Dobson; R. G. Shackelford, Eldora; C. A. McNeil, Elkin; Dixie Lowe, Franklin; D. B. Needham, Long Hill; T. E. Stanley, Marsh; Gil-

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So Sorry Please, But No Ammunition



SOUTH CHINA . . . With the Sino-Japanese "undeclared war" now nine months old, Nipponese forces find themselves involved in the most bitter battle of their drive to break Chinese resistance on the strategically important Shantung front. Besides losing appalling numbers of troops, the hard-pressed Japs are reported seriously lacking ammunition for heavy artillery due to incessant raids on their communication lines by Chinese irregulars.

Pre-School Clinic Is to Be Held Here Monday

The annual pre-school clinic for children who will enter school for the first time next year will be held in the elementary school building Monday morning, April 25, at 10 o'clock, according to Mrs. J. Mark McAdams, chairman of the Pre-School Clinic of the Parent-Teacher association.

The clinic will be held by the Surry county health department and all parents who have children who are of school age now or who will be old enough to enter school in the fall are urged to have them present for the examination, which will be entirely free.

Parents are also advised that diphtheria vaccinations will be given any child needing this service. Children should be brought to the school building at the time of the pre-school clinic.

NEGRO IS TAKEN ON MURDER COUNT

Being Held in Virginia Jail
Charged With Shooting
of Sparta Man

MOB VIOLENCE FEARED

Sparta, April 16.—Glenn Maxwell, 40, negro, sought for three days on a charge of murder in connection with the gunshot slaying of Charles Shepherd Thursday night, was being held in jail at Roanoke, Va., tonight until threats of mob violence subside here.

Sheriff Walter M. Irwin, who declined to say where the negro was spirited to after his arrest at Galax, Va., this morning, said feeling against Maxwell was running high here and he would

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FILE PETITION TO INCORPORATE

Citizens of North Elkin
Would Have Town of Their
Own Named North View

HEARING SET FOR MAY 30

Certain citizens residing in that section of the county north of, and adjoining the Elkin city limits, have filed a petition with the North Carolina Municipal Board of Control requesting that the board grant an order incorporating a municipal corporation to be known as North View.

Hearing of the petition has been set for May 30 at 10:30 a. m. in the hearing room of the Utilities Commission at Raleigh.

The plan of incorporating the section has been considerably discussed during recent months, with opinion divided on the part of those affected. Many are against the proposal, while numerous others favor it.

It is understood the idea was first suggested through fear that the town of Elkin would extend its corporate limits to include that section, thus causing its residents to have to pay city tax without the benefits of those who live on sewer and water mains. However, insofar as can be learned, Elkin

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PUBLIC IS INVITED TO INSPECT HOUSE

The public has been invited to visit and inspect the modern new home recently completed by Mr. and Mrs. Sig Holcomb on Elk Spur street.

The home has been furnished by local stores, and represents how attractive and truly modern a small home may be made through proper use of electrical conveniences and attractive furnishings, at a comparatively small cost.

Days for inspection will be next Saturday and Sunday.

N. ELKIN GIRL IS CHAMPION OF SURRY SPELLERS

Mary Frances Combs Downs
Them All

WILL GO TO WINSTON

State Contest to Be Held on
April 30, and Broadcast
Over WSJS

WINNER TO WASHINGTON

Mary Frances Combs of the North Elkin seventh grade won the Surry county championship at Dobson Tuesday afternoon. The final word, "difficult," was not difficult for Mary Frances. She will receive a cash prize of \$2.50 and the school will be awarded with a Webster's Daily Use dictionary. The county champions will assemble in Winston-Salem on April 30 for the State contest which will be broadcast over WSJS. The winner of the State contest will get a free trip to Washington, where they will compete in a National contest, which awards a first prize of \$500.00.

In addition to the Journal-Sentinel district contest Surry county sponsored a grade championship contest. Sam J. Johnson of the North Elkin fourth grade was the winner.

Miss Combs is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Combs, of State Road.

The Surry finals were held at the Dobson high school Tuesday afternoon and at the same time the annual county spelling contests were held, featuring contests for the individual championships of each of the eleven grades in the county schools. The school title was also decided on the basis of first, second and third places in the various contests.

The Mountain Park school paced the schools with 26 points, based on four firsts and two seconds. Other leading schools were Dobson with 12 points, Copeland with 11 points, North Elkin 10 points and Eldora and Flat Rock with 9 points each.

The individual champions of the various grades included Tom Llewellyn (Dobson), first grade; Norma Simpson Watson (Eldora), second grade; James Howard Thompson (Mountain Park), third grade; Sam Johnson (North Elkin), fourth grade; Bertha Baugess (Mountain Park), fifth grade; Harold Smith (Mountain Park), sixth grade; Ariene Johnson (Feulah), seventh grade; Mae Pike (Flat Rock), eighth grade; Maudine Martin (Copeland), ninth grade; Ruth Thompson (Mountain Park), tenth grade, and Ruth Wolfe (Dobson), eleventh grade.

TO BUILD BRIDGE AT SILOAM FERRY

Old Hall Ferry, in Use for 40
Years, to Be Replaced by
Modern Structure

WORK TO BEGIN IN MAY

A \$20,000 concrete bridge will span the Yadkin river at Siloam this summer in place of the old ferry that has operated there for over 40 years, highway department officials have announced.

Construction of the bridge is assured and work will begin about May 25, it was learned. The structure will be built by means of a WPA project, with the State Highway department furnishing around \$6,000.

The Hall ferry, symbol of a by-gone era in North Carolina, has carried wagons and later automobiles across the river on their way from Winston-Salem, Smithtown, and East Bend to Siloam and other points in Surry county since the early 1890's.

The big, flat-bottomed wooden boat, the last commercial ferry plying the Yadkin river, will make its final trip sometime this summer.

It will be supplanted by a modern reinforced concrete span. The days of ferries are over in North Carolina.

R. L. Hall began operating the ferry over 40 years ago.

For many years this ferry was the only outlet from Surry county to the East Bend and Winston-Salem area. Even now, it is the shortest route, and is used by the majority of the travelers in that section.

Poor indeed is the man who is rich and doesn't know it.

ELKIN ODDITIES — BY BROWNING

AND SHE TOLD ME THAT HE TOLD HER THAT YOU-KNOW-WHO WAS SEEN OUT LAST NIGHT WITH

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
VIOLATION _____
CAR NO. _____
WM / IN / NW / SW / SE / NE

LARGE ROUND IRON OBJECT TO BE FOUND AT ELKIN STREET INTERSECTIONS. THOUGHT TO BE SPONSORED BY TIRE DEALERS AND AUTO REPAIR SHOPS.

HYDRANT, USED EXTENSIVELY BY ELKIN MOTORISTS TO PARK BY. SOMETIMES USED IN FIRE FIGHTING.

BARE CREATURE KNOWN AS TRAFFIC TICKET. SHOWS UP IN ELKIN AT RARE INTERVALS FOR BRIEF STAY, FEW TAKE IT SERIOUSLY.

RIGHT SEEN ON ELKIN STREETS ONCE IN A GREAT WHILE, KNOWN AS "DOUBLE PARKING," NO CURE AS YET BEEN FOUND.

Shoot 'em in Folks! We'll take the blame!
BROWNING