

POPE PIUS IS BURIED

Vatican City, Feb. 14.—Pope Pius XI was entombed in a crypt of St. Peter's today with magnificence and solemnity seldom seen in these modern times.

GERMANS LAUNCH NEW BATTLESHIP

Hamburg, Feb. 14.—Adolf Hitler launched Germany's newest and largest battleship today with the declaration that his Nazi party had developed "a spiritual philosophy and organization for destroying from now on and for all future time the enemies of the Reich."

The roar of a 21-gun salute echoed over this festive city and its harbor as the fucher called upon the spirit of the "Iron Chancellor" Otto von Bismarck to watch over his namesake, the 35,000-ton Bismarck, in her acts of peace and "in the hours of a more difficult performance of duty."

The launching marked another advance in what Nazis call their "road to destiny" for 1939.

READY FOR BATTLE OF MADRID

Perpignan, Franco - Spanish Frontier, Feb. 14.—Generalissimo Francisco Franco's Saragossa base announced tonight that nearly 1,000,000 insurgent troops equipped with the latest implements of war will be ready for the battle of Madrid—perhaps the last big struggle of the civil war—within about three weeks.

Franco, it was said, will start his "final offensive" with manpower outnumbering the loyalists two to one while his superiority in guns, planes, tanks and automatic arms will be even more overwhelming.

DEMOCRATS URGE UNITY

Washington, Feb. 14.—House leaders today took erring Democrats into the woodshed for a spanking and were met by a barrage of demands that President Roosevelt aid in restoring party harmony by showing more sympathy toward Congress.

The meeting was called by the leadership to impress on their Democratic colleagues that times have changed since the November elections, and that 150 or more of them cannot remain away from their seats without endangering administration legislation when it is up for amendment or passage.

Employers Are to Fete Employees Here February 21

The annual Employer-Employee banquet of the Elkin Merchants Association will be held Tuesday evening, February 21, at Hotel Elkin, according to Mrs. Franklin Folger, secretary of the group.

Following the dinner a square dance will be held, with music furnished by a string band. Tickets for the banquet are on sale at the Merchants Association office and all members and their employees are urged to make reservations to attend the banquet.

P. O. S. OF A. IS TO PRESENT AIR PROGRAM

A radio program will be presented by the P. O. S. of A. Monday evening, February 20, from 8 until 8:30 over station WSTP, Salisbury, on 1500 kilocycles. A radio will be installed at the local P. O. S. of A. hall and all members are urged to be present and hear the program, which will be of vital interest to them.

DO GOOD TURN Elkin's Boy Scouts, in office here for an hour last Friday afternoon, pictured in the act of removing traffic "dinkuses," long rated as a public nuisance by motorists, from Elkin's streets. Scouts in the group below are Worth Graham, Jr., Bobby Harris, Fred Norman, Bobby McNeil, Donnie Harris, Bobby Park, Graham Zachary, Gayle Graham, Harold Brendle, Charles Colhard and Tommy Bryan.—(Tribune Photo.)



Thirty-One Teams Entered In Elkin 4-County Cage Tourney

Third Annual Event to Begin at Local Gymnasium Next Wednesday Night

INTEREST RUNS HIGH

With the opening of the Third Annual Elkin 4-County Basketball Tournament less than a week hence, officials are putting finishing touches to plans which bid fair to mould the most successful tournament as yet conducted here.

With 31 teams already on the official entry list, representing 16 schools of Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes and Alleghany counties, officials believe that the list will have grown to 35 before the starting whistle next Wednesday night, February 22.

It was pointed out last Tuesday night that entry lists were to close February 15 (Wednesday), and that all entries received today or later would have to bear a postmark of not later than midnight of February 15, to be eligible for participation.

Pairings will be made and put in the mails by Monday, February 20, it was said. The tournament will follow the single elimination system—one defeat and the team is out.

Ab Crater, himself a former basketball star, will act as head referee, it was announced, Royall and Boles will act as assistants. Beautiful silver trophies to be awarded winners of the tournament.

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SEEKS TO PROVIDE MORE COLLECTORS

Senator Fred Folger Introduces Bill in State Senate; Reported Favorably

COLLECTOR AT PILOT

A bill to provide additional tax collectors for Surry county and set up discounts and penalties for prompt and tardy payment of taxes, has been introduced in the North Carolina senate by Senator Fred Folger, of Surry.

The bill was referred to the finance committee, which gave it a favorable report last Friday.

It provides for placing of a tax collector at Pilot Mountain for the receipt of taxes from Pilot, Long Hill and Shoals township. It also provides that the county tax collector may appoint, subject to approval by the county board of commissioners, an assistant tax collector for each township in the county, except Dobson, Mount Airy, Elkin and Pilot, especially for the collection of taxes in the fall.

Senator Folger said the purpose of the bill was to aid in the collection of taxes, especially during the fall months, by making it more convenient for Surry county citizens to pay their taxes to the collectors in the various townships.

20-Cent Taxi Rate In Public Interest

Commissioners Said to Be Fearful Taxi Insurance Would Be Cancelled in Event of Price Slashing Taxi War, Tribune Is Informed. Many Claim Setting of Rate Is Unconstitutional

Elkin's board of commissioners were not attempting to take unto themselves the power of a Hitler in setting a minimum taxi fare here of 20 cents, a Tribune reporter was told by a reliable source Wednesday morning. Neither were the commissioners favoring one taxi company over another, as has been intimated in the so-called "taxi war" which has flared into the open here following the arrest Wednesday last week of Charlie Morrison and David Brown, operators of Downtown taxi, on a warrant issued by John Mayberry, operator of City Cabs.

The Tribune reporter, hearing on all sides that the commission-

ers' action in setting a minimum taxi fare of 20 cents, five cents more than is being currently charged by Downtown taxi, was "unconstitutional," and that it constituted a slap in the face to the taxi-riding public in form of the increased fare, sought to learn the town officials' viewpoint as compared to the charges of the public in general.

According to the information secured, the commissioners were interested only in seeing that all taxi firms operating locally provide adequate insurance protection for their passengers. It was their belief, it was said, that a

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Kiwanians Are to Stage Wrestling Matches Saturday

Number two of a planned series of wrestling matches, sponsored by the Elkin Kiwanis club for the benefit of underprivileged children, will be held at the Elkin gymnasium Saturday, February 18, at 8:30 o'clock.

The event will feature two matches between good wrestlers, two of whom appeared here in the recent match presented by the Kiwanians. The first match will feature Lou Newman vs. Glenn Wade, two out of three falls, 60 minute time limit.

The second match will feature Alonzo Woods vs. Sammy Macher in two out of three falls, 90 minute time limit. The first matches held here drew a large crowd, and it is believed that Saturday's event will draw an even larger house.

JONESVILLE STUDENT IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Geneva Martin, nine year old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Martin, of Jonesville, passed away Saturday following a critical illness from measles, pneumonia and pleurisy. The child was a member of the Sunday school of the Jonesville Baptist church and a student in the Jonesville school. She was a popular and well loved child.

She is survived by her parents, three sisters, Ruby, Eloise and Wilene, all of the home. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Fall Creek church.

CONFESSES THEFT OF \$420 IN CASH

Alex Rash Leads Police to Brush Pile Where He Concealed Stolen Loot

IN GLASS CONTAINER

Alex Rash, 27, is being held in jail at Yadkinville on a charge of stealing \$420 in cash from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Johnson, aged residents of Buck Shoals township. He confessed

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Scouts Do Good Job In Governing Town

Elkin's Boy Scouts, taking over the reins of government for one hour here Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, removed the traffic "dead men" located at downtown intersections; moved to clean up alleys, and passed an ordinance making it unlawful for children to ride double on bicycles while going to and from school.

The traffic markers were installed here several years ago and since that time have met with objection on the part of motorists who claimed they were more of a nuisance than an aid to traffic. However, no action was taken for their removal by the town government until the Scouts took office as a part of their activity during National Scout Week. It took the boys about 25 minutes to pass a law outlawing the markers, take them up and throw

CHIEF GRAHAM IS FOUND NOT GUILTY OF DRUNK CHARGE

Is Exonerated at Hearing Held Thursday

TAXI CASE CONTINUED

David Brown Testifies Police Chief Was Loaded into Auto After Dance

CHARGE SAID MALICIOUS

Facing a charge of public drunkenness lodged against him by C. C. Morrison, Chief of Police Dixie Graham was found not guilty in a hearing before Justice of the Peace J. L. Hall last Thursday afternoon.

In the meantime, a charge of operating taxis without paying license and privilege tax, sworn against Morrison and David Brown, operators of Downtown Taxi, by John Mayberry, operator of City Cabs, a rival taxi company, has been continued until February 24 at 2:00 p.m.

The warrant for Chief Graham was sworn out before Magistrate Hall by Morrison late Wednesday afternoon of last week, shortly after The Tribune had gone to press. It alleged that the police officer was publicly drunk on the night of January 30 while attending the local Roosevelt ball, held at the school gymnasium.

Trial of the case saw only two witnesses presented by the prosecution, while an array of witnesses were presented by the defense.

David Brown was the first witness to take the stand, testifying that he went to the gymnasium about 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. and while there saw Chief Graham and smelled whiskey on his breath. On a second trip to the gym, Brown said he saw the police officer out where the cars were parked in a "slightly intoxicated" condition. On a third trip he testified he saw Graham dancing, "kinda sloppy and droopy," and that on a fourth trip he observed four men loading the policeman in his car. He was unable to identify any of the four men.

Asked on cross examination as

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Junior Order Is to Hold District Meet Here February 24

Bradley E. Dancy, 7th District deputy councilor of the Jr. O. U. A. M., has announced a district meeting in celebration of George Washington's birthday to be held in the Elkin Junior Order hall on the evening of February 24. The seventh district embraces the counties of Surry, Ashe, Alleghany, Yadkin and Wilkes.

Several good speakers are expected for the meeting and refreshments will be served.

Members of all councils in the district as well as local members are urged to attend this meeting. The entertainment committee of the local council extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend a meeting at the Junior Order hall on the evening of February 17, at 7:30, when they will present well known quartettes in a program of sacred music. Some of the best quartettes in this section will be here for the meeting and it is hoped that a good crowd will be present to hear them.

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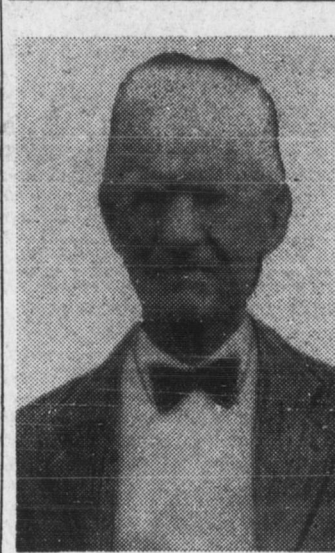
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Finance Body Puts Budget In The Red By \$1,000,000 More

Elkin's Oldest Citizen Passes Sunday A. M.



W. S. GOUGH

Funeral Services Held Monday Afternoon from Elkin Methodist Church

HAD LED ACTIVE LIFE

William Sanford Gough, affectionately known to friends throughout this section as "Uncle Billy," died Sunday morning in a Winston-Salem hospital, following a critical illness of six weeks from a complication of diseases.

Mr. Gough, who was 88, was Elkin's oldest citizen. A native of Yadkin county, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John E. Gough. He had made his home in Elkin for the past 33 years and during that time had been prominently identified with the industrial, civic and religious life of the town. At the time of his death he was vice-president of The Bank of Elkin. Due to his age and a decline in health he retired from active business several years ago.

He was an active member of

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ONE INJURED IN ACCIDENT SUNDAY

Cars Collide on Elkin-Ronda Highway; Both Damaged by Impact

THIRD CAR IS INVOLVED

Coy Shores, 19, of Jonesville, received lacerations about the face as the result of an automobile accident which occurred early Sunday morning on the Elkin-Ronda highway.

Shores was taken to the local hospital for treatment, but his hurts were not serious. He was only recently dismissed from the hospital following treatment for serious injuries sustained in a former automobile accident.

The young man was injured when a car operated by Treely Blevins, in which Shores was a passenger, collided with a car occupied by Mr. and Mrs. James Freeman, of Elkin. Both machines were damaged.

A third car, operated by Jack Holcomb, which was closely trailing one of the colliding machines, was slightly damaged by the crash.

SURRY TEACHERS TO MEET FRIDAY, 2:30

The Surry county teachers' meeting will be held at Dobson in the school auditorium Friday, February 17, at 2:30 p. m., it has been announced by John W. Comer, superintendent of Surry county schools.

Due to an amendment to the Constitution of the North Carolina Educational association, every member will be entitled to vote for state officers, and the Surry unit will vote at the meeting Friday. Each teacher will have to be present in order to vote, it was pointed out.

BOOST OF LIQUOR LEVY IS REFUSED; RAIL TAX IS CUT

Repulse New Attack Opposing Diversion

HOLD STORMY SESSIONS

Committee Decides Increase Tax on Beer from One Cent to Cent and Half

FOR PATROL INCREASE

Raleigh, Feb. 14.—Members of legislative money committees today pushed the proposed 1939-41 budget approximately \$1,000,000 further into the red, revived the possibility of an additional salary increment for teachers, and repulsed a new attack by forces opposing diversion of highway funds.

Administration supporters broke about even in a series of skirmishes at stormy sessions of the joint finance and appropriations committees.

Finance committee members handed Governor Hoyer and his followers a severe set-back by refusing to increase taxes on liquor from seven to ten per cent., as recommended by the advisory budget commission. The proposed boost had been counted on to net \$500,000 during the biennium.

Voting to give railroads some "relief" from taxes, the finance group reduced franchise and income levies of rail carriers by \$500,000 in 1939-41.

The administration won a distinct victory, however, when the committee decided to follow budget commission recommendations and boost the tax on beer from one cent to one and a half cents a bottle. The levy will be collected

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JENKINS SPEAKER AT BANQUET HERE

Former Pastor Given Ovation at Kiwanis First Father-Son Gathering

McADAMS IS CHAIRMAN

Dr. William A. Jenkins, former Boy Scout leader here while pastor of the Elkin Methodist church, returned to Elkin last Thursday from Marion to address the first annual Father - Son banquet sponsored by the Elkin Kiwanis Club and held in observance of National Boy Scout Week. The banquet was held in the Kiwanis room of Hotel Elkin.

Dr. Jenkins, who is now pastor of the First Methodist church of Marion, was given an ovation when he arose to deliver a masterful talk on the value of Scouting and the importance of a close relationship between father and son.

Greeted by a full attendance of Kiwanians and by many fathers

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Vestal Receives \$1.00 Check from Midnight Customer

Proudly displaying a cashier's check on the Cleveland Trust Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, for \$1.00, W. D. Vestal, operator of Dutch Castle, local service station, said Wednesday that the check proved that he wasn't merely seeking publicity when he broke into print recently with a story of a man entering his unlocked station after closing hours at night, taking four gallons of gas and a package of cigarettes, and leaving a note giving his address and a promise to pay if he would present a bill.

Vestal received the check Wednesday and a letter from the sender, Ernest H. Brass, of Cleveland, Ohio, the man who made the midnight call. "You see it wasn't a publicity gag after all," he said.