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LOCAL

BAUSIE MARION, who succeeds himself as county welfare officer, has announced that he and his staff will continue the same schedule for conference in different towns of the county as have been in effect during his previous terms in office. This schedule brings Mr. Marion to Elkin on Thursday of each week; to Mount Airy on Tuesdays and Fridays, and he remains at his Dobson office the other days of the week.

JOHN HUDSPETH, of Elkin, suffered minor injuries last Thursday night in a wreck of his automobile as he was en route to his home in North Elkin. Hudspeth's car crashed into an electric line pole near the intersection of Hospital Road and highway 21. The car was badly damaged.

THE UNITED STATES Civil Service commission has announced open competitive examinations for the following positions: public health nurse, \$2,000 per year, graduate nurse, general staff duty, \$1,800 a year, Indian Field Service (including Alaska), department of interior; junior graduate nurse, \$1,620 a year, U. S. public health service and Veterans' administration. Applicants must have passed their 35th birthday. Full details may be obtained at the Elkin postoffice.

DEWEY CHURCH, a former Elkin boy, but now an aviator of Fayetteville, suffered slight injuries Saturday evening at a landing field on the W. M. Dickerson farm, six miles north of here. Church was attempting a flight when a control wire of his small two-passenger plane caught on a stump in the field. The plane was damaged.

STATE

ADEQUATE STATE facilities for the care of mentally diseased persons would eliminate the state-wide practice of holding mental cases in county jails, according to W. C. Ezell, of the state board of charities and public welfare. "However," he points out, "state facilities are strictly limited." North Carolina county jails held 995 insane persons in 1938, which was 55 less than the number confined in the county institutions in 1937.

WILLIAM T. LONG has been elected as superintendent of the Wilkesboro school by the Wilkesboro district school board. The new superintendent succeeds Prof. T. E. Story, who after 15 years with the school, was ousted by the board. He is recognized as an outstanding school man.

THE STATE banking department Monday completed the job of liquidating the 185 banks which closed between 1927 and the bank holiday of 1933.

NATIONAL

KING GEORGE of England told President Roosevelt in a telegram Monday that the kindness and cordiality shown himself and his queen in the United States "has stirred our hearts." The message, signed "George VI," reached the President at Philadelphia, where his special train paused on the way back to Washington. "To you our host," it concluded, "and to the many thousands of American citizens who also showed us such true hospitality and such spontaneous courtesies, we send our heartfelt thanks and best wishes."

TOO MUCH RAIN in some sections of the country and not enough in others has cost the nation's farmers millions of dollars in crop losses, a survey has revealed. While the deep south hoped for cessation of heavy spring rains that threatened to ruin thousands of acres of cotton, farmers in the east, southwest and Pacific northwest sought relief from arid weather that already has wrought permanent injury to millions of bushels of grain.

INTERNATIONAL

THE NEWS from Europe during the past week has shown growing unrest with Great Britain answering opposition accusations of new "appeasement" inclinations with a firm declaration that it was prepared to meet force with force. Meanwhile, in what was once Czechoslovakia, the killing of two Nazi policemen resulted in wholesale arrests by the Germans. To complicate matters 18,000 young Czechs were said in reports from Warsaw and Prague to have organized a new legion in Poland designed to regain their country's independence.

JAPS BEGIN BLOCKADE OF CONCESSIONS

110,000 Persons Isolated from Outer World

TROUBLE IS FEARED

Move Made in Reprisal for British Refusal to Give Up Chinese

POSITION IS DIFFICULT

Tientsin, China, June 14 (Wednesday).—Japanese troops began an armed blockade of the British and French concessions here at 6 a.m. today, isolating more than 110,000 persons—several thousands of them occidentals—from Tientsin proper and the outer world.

The Japanese action, risking serious trouble with the western powers, was taken in reprisal for the refusal of British authorities to surrender four Chinese whom the Japanese suspect of killing a pro-Japanese Chinese customs official.

In a last minute effort at some sort of compromise arrangement to prevent the blockade British authorities proposed that a special conciliatory court be formed, including one Briton, one Japanese and one neutral, to decide whether the Chinese should be delivered. These efforts failed, placing Britain in the most difficult position she has faced during the two years of the Sino-Japanese conflict. In recent months Japanese-British relations have worsened rapidly.

(In Tokyo the newspaper Yomiuri asserted editorially what foreigners had suspected for a long time, namely: "Japan is aiming not only at Tientsin's concessions but at foreign concessions in China generally, and also against the far-eastern policies of Britain and France.")

BAPTISTS TO HOLD REVIVAL

Dr. J. R. Jester, of Winston-Salem, to Conduct Series of Meetings

PLAN SPECIAL MUSIC

Beginning Sunday, June 18, Dr. J. R. Jester, well known evangelist and for 13 years pastor of the First Baptist church in Winston-Salem, will come to the First Baptist church here for a revival meeting. The meeting will continue through June 30, and two services will be held daily, at 9:30 in the morning and 7:30 in the evening. Dr. Jester is favorably known throughout this section for his forceful and earnest sermons and his friends here are legion.

A special nursery has been provided at the church for the care of small children whose parents want to attend the services. This service will be offered at each of the meetings.

Special music will be a feature of the daily sessions in addition to helpful and inspiring sermons.

Rev. Eph Whisenhunt, pastor of the church, and the church membership extends a cordial invitation to the town to attend the services.

PLAY HOUR IS WELL ATTENDED

The Play Hour, in progress at the Methodist church, is being well attended by children of the community. The hour is sponsored by the Epworth League of the church and the program is varied with art, music, stories, Bible verses and games. The children are divided into age groups with instruction for each group suitable for children of that particular age.

Miss Lena Sale directs the program; Miss Peggy Royall, music, and Miss Louise Laffoon the art groups and the enrollment of the children.

Is to Conduct Revival at Baptist Church



Dr. J. R. Jester, evangelist, who will conduct a revival at the First Baptist church here beginning June 18. Dr. Jester was for 13 years pastor of the First Baptist church of Winston-Salem.

BUDGET SET UP BY CO. BOARD

County Tax Rate Has Not Been Definitely Decided by Commissioners

TO MEET NEXT MONDAY

An annual budget of \$174,702 has been set up for Surry county for the fiscal year of 1939-40, although the county tax rate has not been definitely decided.

The budget as worked out and submitted to the county commissioners by County Treasurer B. F. Folger provides \$700 for the county commissioners service; \$12,000 for the tax department; \$4,500 for the sheriff's office; \$1,000 for the elections board; \$2,000 for the county accountant; \$325 for the county treasurer; \$3,000 for the courthouse and grounds maintenance; \$4,250 for the register of deeds; \$300 for the attorney and \$600 for the forest warden.

It also provides \$3,000 for the maintenance and operation of the county jail; \$100 for the county coroner; \$2,000 for operation of the county farm; \$7,000 for the administration and supplies for the county welfare department; \$8,100 for the outside poor; \$7,700 for the home demonstration and county farm agents; 4,350 for the county health department; \$4,200 for the recorder's court; \$100 for the pension board; \$500 for vital statistics; \$16,307 for the old age, dependent children and blind; \$80,070 for debt service, and \$2,000 for miscellaneous purposes.

Yadkin Couple Celebrate 65th Anniversary

More than 300 people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ray in the Shady Grove community of Yadkin county Sunday to celebrate with them their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Ray was before her marriage Miss Elizabeth Swaim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Swaim. Five years after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Ray united with Swaim's Baptist church and during that time have been two of the most active members of that group. They have three children: A. M. Ray, Milas Ray and Mrs. J. Free Brown. In addition to this they have 18 grandchildren and 45 great-grandchildren. This couple has spent their entire life at their present home.

They are, so far as is known, the oldest married couple in Yadkin county and in this vicinity. They are both in unusually good health and are mentally alert.

During the day addresses were made by Rev. W. V. Brown, Rev. E. C. Norman, Rev. Clete Simmons and Rev. Brady Mathis, all former pastors of Swaim's church and all close friends of the family.

NEW ACT GIVEN 8 TO 12 VOTE BY THE HOUSE

Foreign Affairs Body Acts Favorably

EARLY ACTION SOUGHT

Would Change Neutrality Bill to Make Resources Available to Britain

WOULD HELP FRANCE

Washington, June 13.—By a strictly party vote, 12 to 8, the house foreign affairs committee today approved the new administration neutrality bill, a measure so drawn that if war should come to Europe, America's vast resources would be made available to Great Britain, France and their allies.

The legislation, denounced by its foes as "unneutral" and likely to drag the United States into the first foreign conflict that comes along, goes next to the house proper. Action there is planned for late next week, or early in the week following.

Leaders were confident that the house would approve the bill, but readily conceded that its chances in the senate were of a different sort. There the old isolationist bloc, augmented by some new recruits, was waiting to fight the measure to the end, and a filibuster against it was considered much more than a possibility.

The senate foreign relations committee was scheduled to meet tomorrow to decide when it would begin consideration of specific neutrality legislation. Some looked for a test vote on an effort to postpone the date. With adjournment dependent upon disposition of the controversy it was regarded as axiomatic that any delay would favor the opposition.

N. C. EXHIBIT DRAWS PRAISE

Noted Artist Classes It "Strongest, Most Modern and Most Graphic"

TAR HEELS GRATIFIED

New York, N. Y.—"Strongest, most modern and most graphic" of any of the exhibits at New York World's Fair is the praise heaped upon North Carolina's exhibit by Boris Margo, noted artist, who visited the state building this week.

Margo dropped in at the North Carolina space and immediately called it "wonderful," and expressed his appreciation that such a "modest and simple" exhibit could convey so much information and so many impressions of a state.

The artist designed the Time and Space building at the fair. For five years he has been instructor in modern art at the Rorech Museum. Many of his pieces are on display in the Art Gallery at 36 West Eighth Avenue.

The Tar Heel staff was so gratified by the enthusiasm of their visitor that they insisted he make another inspection of the exhibit, this time with the services of an attendant who explained each piece and answered all the guest's questions. They were especially pleased that the artist insisted on judging the exhibits by the skill and impressiveness of idea-presentation, rather than luxury of material or size of space.

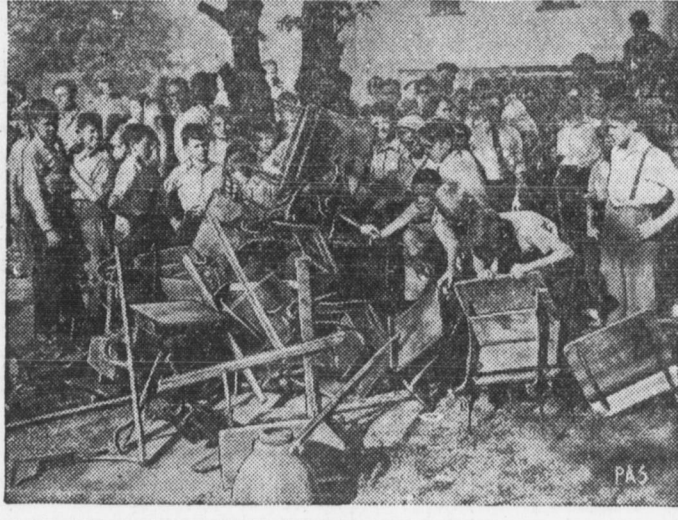
TO PRESENT PUPILS IN SONG RECITAL

R. Gratz Cox will present his vocal pupils of Elkin and North Wilkesboro in a song recital this evening (Thursday) at 8:15 in the elementary school auditorium here.

Local people appearing on the program are: Miss Lena Sale, Mrs. Fletcher Harris, Van Dillon, Miss Josephine Paul, Mrs. Hugh Chatham, John Sagar, Miss Caroline Lillard and Mrs. Franklin Folger, the latter to play accompaniments. Those from North Wilkesboro will be: Louis Vickery, Miss Ruth Halfacre, Richard Johnson, Mrs. Richard Finley, John Blackburn, Mrs. Andrew F. Kilby, Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant, Forest Church and Mrs. Frank Johnson.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend.

NO SCHOOL



Pictured below are some of the 200 children, between the ages of 6 and 11, who escaped to safety when their two-story frame school house was destroyed after a gas explosion at Barberton, Ohio. Forty-two children were injured, three critically.

SURRY COURT ENDS FRIDAY

Numerous Whisky Cases Result in Fines and Suspended Sentences

ONE DIVORCE GRANTED

The criminal session of Surry county superior court adjourned Friday with the following cases being disposed of:

Elbert Watson, Ellard Adams, G. L. Golding, Dan Edwards and William O'Neal, operating a car while intoxicated, \$50 fine and driving license revoked for a period of one year, plus suspended sentence each.

Coy Todd, assault with a deadly weapon, \$50 and costs.

Lillie Hauser Dean and Price Dean, violating prohibition laws, \$50 and costs, plus suspended sentence.

P. A. Hill, violation of prohibition law, \$50 and costs, plus suspended sentence.

Seymore Norman, assault with a deadly weapon, \$20 and costs.

Robert Glass, Charlie Mills, Calvin Mills, Robert Mills and Fred Mills, assault with a deadly weapon, fines of \$25 to \$50 each, plus suspended sentences.

A divorce was granted to Margaret Grogan and John Grogan. Judge Felix Alley presided over the session.

AGED VETERAN PLANS 94th ANNIVERSARY

Ed Hemric, a Confederate veteran, will celebrate his 94th birthday at the home of his son, Harrison Hemric, near Yadkinville, Sunday, June 25, at which time his six children, 54 grandchildren and 47 great-grandchildren, expect to attend. This is a total of 107 descendants without a death in the family.

Mr. Hemric was born at Swan Creek, Yadkin county, and has spent his life in Yadkin and Surry counties except the time spent in the Civil War. Mr. Hemric is 87 for his age and spent the past week-end with relatives in Elkin. He drinks black coffee three times daily and eats heartily.

Present plans call for all the descendants to be present, as well as other relatives and neighbors, all invited to attend and bring baskets for dinner in picnic style. The children consist of five boys and a daughter. They are Harrison Hemric, with whom he lives, George, Clay and Wade Hemric, of Elkin, and Robert Hemric, of the West Virginia coal fields, one daughter, Mrs. Fannie Couch, of Jonesville.

LOCAL YOUTH AWARDED DIPLOMA AT TULANE

New Orleans, La., June 13.—William Revere Wellborn, Jr., of Elkin, was awarded the degree of bachelor of science at Tulane University's commencement exercises Wednesday night in the New Orleans municipal auditorium.

Mr. Wellborn completed the regular course of the college of arts and sciences and was presented for the degree by Dean Marten ten Hoop.

Out of the total of 37,887 North Carolina prisoners in 1937 and 1938, only 313, or less than one out of every hundred, had been to college.

TOWN BOARD TO CUT TAX RATE; PASS NEW LAWS

Tentative Rate Is Set at \$1.35

PRESENT RATE IS \$1.50

City Bus Franchise Is Granted to Marvin Mayberry; to Start by Dec. 1

PUT BAN ON DEVICES

The Elkin tax rate has been reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.35 according to a proposed budget tentatively adopted by the Elkin board of commissioners at their meeting last Thursday evening. This makes a tax reduction of 15 cents on the hundred dollar valuation and brings Elkin's tax rate below many towns of the state. The budget and tax rate are expected to be officially approved at the commissioners' next meeting in July.

In addition to working on the budget the city officials outlawed slot machines here after four cafe operators had requested license to operate such machines. An ordinance was passed which prohibits possession, use and operation of the machines, or any other gambling apparatus and device of any kind which "pays off." Violation carries a minimum fine of \$50.00 or 30 days imprisonment.

With several applications before them for a city bus franchise, the board awarded a five-year franchise to Marvin Mayberry, local taxi operator, with the provision that the service start on or before December 1 and that all equipment be new and modern, with adequate insurance provided.

The commissioners also passed an ordinance regulating the hours for opening and closing barber shops, limiting the hours from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., with the exception of Saturday evenings when the closing hour was set for midnight. Violation will result in a \$25 fine.

A schedule of privilege taxes was completed (printed elsewhere in this issue), and an offer of a plat of land in Westover Terrace by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neaves to the town of Elkin to be developed into a public park was accepted.

LOCAL TEAM DEFEATS GREENSBORO 15 TO 1

The Elkin Furniture baseball nine invaded Greensboro Sunday to take a game from the Car-Cal Winery by a score of 15-1. Red Powers pitching for the local team added to his pitching honors with a home run. Smith also hit a homer while Gene Hampton got three for four.

The furniture team will tackle the strong team from North Wilkesboro Saturday, June 17, at Chatham Park. The game will be called at 3:30.

Goodness! The Hens Around Here Are Acting Up!

Although they are both producing eggs, there are two hens around this neck of the woods who are not acting eggactly according to Hoyle, if one would judge by their eggs.

First there is the pullet belonging to Mrs. A. M. Blackburn, of Ronda. This pullet, age four and one-half months, lays an egg every day, but instead of the customary one yolk, the eggs have two. It may be the pullet is trying to make a good impression, what with so many Methodist preachers around, or else just doesn't know any better.

Hen No. 2, whose identity is unknown, but who is owned by C. S. Lyons, of near Austin, has gone in for brick-red eggs. Such an egg was found in the nest and no doubt was laid by a Rhode Island Red hen. This egg is being saved at The Tribune office for its owner, much against the will of the manager of The Tribune freak department, whose custom it is to eat all the freaks.

If you hear your hen reciting Lincoln's Gettysburg Address sometime, be sure to phone The Tribune right away. One never knows what a hen will do these days.

JURY LIST IS DRAWN

Surry Civil Court to Get Under Way at Dobson on Monday, July 10th

NETTLES TO PRESIDE

Surry county superior court for the trial of civil cases will convene Monday, July 10, at Dobson, before Judge Nettles. Jurors selected by the county commissioners to serve during the session are as follows:

First week: J. B. Jarrell, John Nixon, A. J. Vestal, J. C. Vestal, J. C. Harris, Dan Cockerham, S. F. Shelton, E. W. Badgett, Bryon Johnson, Davis G. Smith, A. S. Allred, Chester C. Fulp, E. F. Jackson, D. T. Sparger, John Jackson, John Tucker, Calvin Norris, Charles B. Shelton, T. C. Cockerham, Elmer Key, Clyde Eller, C. H. Cheek, J. W. Allen and E. B. Spainhour.

Second week: E. W. Draughn, C. R. Smith, James W. Lowell, A. Dawns, J. D. Davis, Willie Gammons, T. C. Alberty, Sam Inman, R. F. Haymore, Fred Pruitt, Jesse M. Banner, T. V. Bass, J. W. Shore, Fred Hill, Walter F. Scott, Marion Perry, S. S. Lambert, J. B. McKinney.

WILKINS INFANT PASSES MONDAY

Ann Lee Wilkins, almost five months old, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Wilkins of Brooks Cross Roads, died in the local hospital Monday morning from colitis.

She is survived by her parents and two brothers, James and Page Wilkins.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from the Pentecostal Holiness church at Longtown. The rites were in charge of Rev. Sam Jones, pastor of the church.

BAPTIST CHURCH BEING RENOVATED

The interior of the First Baptist church is being renovated and redecored and the woodwork on the exterior of the building is being painted. This adds greatly to the appearance of the church. The work will be completed this week.