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IF WEATHER conditions permit, it may be possible to complete the stone surfacing on highway 268 between Roaring River and North Wilkesboro by September 1. Nello Teer, contractor, has announced. After this is completed it will be necessary to allow the stone to become settled and bonded before the black top hard surface is applied. It is hoped this surfacing can be completed before winter as it is not practical to put down such surfacing during cold weather.

FORREST H. SHUFORD, North Carolina commissioner of labor, was guest speaker at a meeting of the Chatham Manufacturing company T. C. U. Club held here Monday evening. Mr. Shuford spoke on diversified industries in North Carolina. In addition to the regular club members, the foremen of the company were also present at the meeting.

T. R. SAMPLE, of Rowland, who has recently purchased Hotel Elkin here, was expected to arrive here Wednesday, but had not arrived prior to Tribune press time. It is said he is planning extensive improvements when he takes over the business. C. H. Brewer, who has operated the hotel for 11 years, will go to Henderson for the present.

THE CHATHAM All-Stars, local softball team of the Chatham Manufacturing company Tuesday defeated B. F. Huntley company 9 to 3 in the first annual softball tournament being conducted in Winston-Salem by the Winston-Salem newspapers. Judd, of Chatham, turned in a three-hit performance.

THE FILLING Station on North Bridge street formerly operated as Boyles Esso Service, is now under the management of Marvin and John Mayberry, and will be known as the City Service Station, handling Gulf products. The station will also serve as quarters for City Cabs, also operated by the Mayberry brothers, who plan to give Elkin city bus service within the next few months, four modern buses having been ordered.

STATE

REVENUE Commissioner A. J. Maxwell announced Wednesday that the sale of automobile tags in North Carolina had reached a new all-time peak. Up to and including August 21, a total of 593,337 tags have been sold, which tops the total 1938 sales by 302.

GOVERNOR HOEY announced Tuesday that within the next few days, probably today (Thursday), he would allocate from the highway surplus a special fund for road work. The amount of the allocation has not been determined, he said.

NATIONAL

EUROPEAN WAR alarms had no visible effect on President Roosevelt Wednesday, who calmly continued his fishing trip aboard the U. S. S. Lang. Maintaining silence on foreign developments, the President showed no perturbation, but carefully studied latest information from the State department and diplomatic reports.

INTERNATIONAL

MOSCOW—Von Ribbentrop lands in Moscow for negotiations designed to set quick seal on Russian-German non-aggression pact; British, French missions still await instructions.

PARIS—Thousands of reservists take up posts; men under arms exceed 1,000,000; ambassadors instructed to outline firm French stand by Poland.

WARSAW — Clash between Polish, German troops reported; Poles charge Germans crossed frontier; United States embassy advises American citizens that "serious situation" obtains.

WASHINGTON — United States officials draft plans to rush home thousands of American citizens if war breaks out in Europe.

ROME—Italy speeds military preparations; nation believed ready to call additional reserves to match French moves.

Dr. Ethel Abernethy Tells Of Conditions As Viewed In Europe

GUEST SPEAKER BEFORE KIWANIS CLUB THURSDAY

Visited England, Germany, France on Trip

DELEGATES ARE NAMED

Wilbur Carter Endorsed by Club for High Post in Carolinas District

GUESTS ARE PRESENT

Dr. Ethel Abernethy, of Charlotte, a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Abernethy, of this city, was guest speaker at the regular Kiwanis meeting at Hotel Elkin last Thursday evening.

Miss Abernethy, professor of philosophy and psychology at Queens-Chicoora College in Charlotte, has just returned from a trip to Europe, where she visited England, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, France and Germany, and her talk concerned her travels in these countries, made for the purpose of securing material for her college classes and for a period of study at Oxford. Her talk was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present.

During the business session of the meeting, Kiwanians Julius Hall and Stacy Weaver were elected as delegates to the Carolinas Kiwanis convention to be held at Raleigh September 24 to 26. Wilbur Carter, a past president of the club was unanimously endorsed by its members for the lieutenant-governor of the Carolinas district, and the secretary was instructed to write other clubs asking their endorsement.

On Friday, September 8, the club will meet at North Wilkesboro in a joint meeting with the club of that city and of Lenoir. Dr. C. C. Weaver, of Charlotte, was a guest of his son, L. S. Weaver, Ralph Triplett, of Elkin, was

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FOLGER IS TO ADDRESS CLUB

Surry Young Democrats Will Meet at Dobson on Tuesday, August 29th

ARE TO ELECT OFFICERS

Hon. A. D. (Lon) Folger, congressman from this district, will be the principal speaker at the meeting in Dobson August 29, of the Surry county Young Democrats Club, it has been announced by George Royall, Elkin, president.

The annual meeting will be staged in the courthouse, and will get under way at 8:00 o'clock, Mr. Royall said.

Purpose of the meeting is to elect officers, and choose delegates to the state convention, which will be held in Charlotte September 7-9.

All young Democrats are urged to attend the meeting, with ladies being especially invited.

Present officials of the club, all of whom have served for the past two years, are George Royall, president; A. B. Carter, Mount Airy, vice president, and John Lewellyn, Dobson, secretary-treasurer.

DOBSON MAN HEADS SURRY BAR ASS'N

At a meeting of the Surry County Bar Association at Dobson on August 22, 1939, Judge W. F. Carter resigned as president of the association.

R. A. Freeman, of Dobson, was elected to the office and a resolution was unanimously adopted that the Bar Association extend to Judge Carter its sincere thanks for his excellent services in this office, which he held from July, 1926, until his resignation in August, 1939, and his resignation was only accepted after Judge Carter's insistence that he felt that he should be relieved of the duties of the office.

Elkin Man Is Crash Victim Near Kinston



Robert W. James, above of this city, who was instantly killed about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon in an automobile crash near Kinston which also claimed the life of V. C. Jensen, of Conway, S. C., who was in the same car. Several others were injured.

CRASH FATAL TO LOCAL MAN

Robert W. James Instantly Killed in Head-on Collision Sun

FUNERAL HELD MONDAY

Robert Wayne James, 38, of this city, was fatally injured in an automobile accident near Kinston about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mr. James was a native of Mount Airy and a member of a prominent Surry county family. Since the completion of his education at Wake Forest College he had been connected with the state highway commission and was located at Rocky Mount as resident engineer at the time of his death, having gone there only a few weeks ago from Wilson.

For several years Mr. James had made his home here and he was deservedly popular with a host of friends. He was a son of the late C. F. James and Mrs. Bethania Whitaker James, of Mt. Airy.

According to reports, Mr. James was instantly killed in a head-on collision. Viggio C. Jensen, of Conway, S. C., who was also in the car with Mr. James, died about midnight Sunday from injuries sustained in the crash. It is not known who was driving the death car but Mr. James was riding in the rear seat at the time of the crash. Other injured in the accident were: Lee Luther Stanton, of Rocky Mount; Leon Deans, of Kinston, and Harry

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Oxford Singing Class at Lyric Theatre Tonight

The Oxford Orphanage singing class will appear in a concert on the stage of the Lyric theatre here tonight (Thursday), under the auspices of the local Masonic Lodge.

Always presenting clever and thoroughly enjoyable programs, the children are said to be exceptionally talented this year, and a very entertaining concert may be expected.

In addition to the singing class, theatre patrons will also see a moving picture, "For Love or Money," and latest news events on the screen.

No increase in admission will be charged for the double program.

NEW BRIGHT BELT OPENS; PRICES LOW

Inferior Grades Offered as Season Begins

BELOW \$18.00 AVERAGE

Volume of Offerings at Several Markets Sets All-Time Record

QUALITY IS SAID LOW

Raleigh, Aug. 22. — Tobacco prices at the opening of auctions today in the new bright belt fell below expectations, but volume of offerings at several markets set all-time records.

The belt, embracing 14 Eastern North Carolina markets, saw opening price averages fall beneath the \$18 a hundredweight farmers and Department of Agriculture representatives had hoped for.

Offerings generally were of an inferior grade, indicating, market observers said, that an improved price average might be expected when better grades found their way to warehouse floors.

Because of the crush of business, official figures on volume and price ranges and averages at most markets were unavailable tonight.

Quality at several markets was said by sales supervisors to be the lowest opening day offering ever seen. However, at Williamston the quality was described as the best in 10 years.

Wilson, largest market in the world, was glutted with between three and four million pounds. A price average unofficially reported at about \$15.50 prevailed. Better grades were off, but the poorer grades brought better prices than expected.

YADKIN COURT GRINDS SLOWLY

Grand Jury Finishes Work; Lackey Is Indicted for Rape

DRUNK DRIVERS IN BAD

Yadkinville, Aug. 23.—(Special)—Superior court of Yadkin county was still in full swing when it adjourned for the day yesterday and indications were it would continue until Friday. Judge Frank Armstrong, of Troy, is presiding and Solicitor Avalon E. Hall is prosecuting the docket.

Mr. John N. Davis, of East Bend, is foreman of the grand jury and John Swaim is grand jury officer. The grand jury finished their work late yesterday.

The three cases of violation of election laws is expected to come up today.

Large Case

The case requiring the longest trial was that of William Mason, colored driver of the truck seized here some time ago with over 200 cases of bottled and bonded liquor on it. Mason was found guilty by a jury on two charges. On one case he was fined \$300 and costs. The other case was left open until today and Mason will be given a chance to tell what he knows about the ownership of the truck and liquor. His sentence may be measured on what use he makes of his tongue when brought back to court.

Lackey Indicted

The grand jury appeared in a body before the court and returned a true bill against Erskine Lackey, alias Howard Parker, on a charge of rape. Lackey has not been brought back to Yadkin yet and will probably be tried at next term of court.

SOLDIERS TO HOLD REUNION AT LENOIR

There will be a reunion of the Second Battalion, 113th Field Artillery, at Lenoir Friday, August 25, it has been announced by L. E. Dimmette, general chairman.

Invitations have been sent to all members whose addresses were available, but due to the fact that many were not on file, wide newspaper publicity is being given the event. All members are urged to attend, but in case anyone cannot, he is urged to send his present address to Mr. Dimmette, at Lenoir.

An eagle cannot soar away with over two pounds attached to his feet.

Backdown Or War Is Forecast As European Crisis Becomes More Serious; Poland Is Firm

FLOOD A record rainfall here, plus a cloudburst at Roaring Gap last Friday, sent Big Elkin creek roaring from its banks to overflow the shoe factory road and completely flood the Elkin fairgrounds, backing water within a few feet of the gymnasium. Pictured here is flood scene made on the shoe factory road a few yards from its intersection with Elk Spur street. The automobile shown backed out after an attempt to travel the submerged road proved to be impossible.—(Tribune Photo.)



New Surry Farm Agent Is Elected By Board

Cafe Ratings Announced by Health Dept.

Only three of Elkin's eating establishments rated a grade A in the report by the Surry health department on cafes, issued for August. These three were the Palace, with an A rating of 92, the Bon-Ton Grill with an A rating of 90, and the Dutch Castle, also with an A rating of 90.

Other ratings, in the order they appear in the report, are as follows:

- Hotel Elkin, 88.5, grade B; Eat Quick Lunch, 79.5, grade C; Greenwood Cafe, 85, grade B; Home Hotel, 70, grade C; Monticello Cafe, 89, grade B; New Deal, 73, grade C; Riverside Cafe, 81, grade B.

Eating establishments in State Road were rated as follows: Mountain View, 80.5, grade B; State Road Cafe, 90, grade A.

RECORD FALL OF RAIN HERE

Cloudburst at Roaring Gap Sweeps Away Thousands of Fish

CREEK FLOODS ROAD

A cloudburst at Roaring Gap last Friday sent Big Elkin creek here out of its banks to flood roads and fields with the assistance of one of the heaviest rainfalls that has been experienced locally in 30 years.

The downpour at Roaring Gap, which lasted about an hour, washed away an estimated total of 150,000 fish from the Roaring Gap fish hatchery, this number being about one-fourth of the fish on hand. All sizes were swept away, including thousands of tiny fish hatched there to restock the streams of this section of the state.

Big Elkin creek, already flooded to high level Friday morning by a total of 4.08 inches of rain, swelled from its banks when the mountain waters rushed down into it following the cloudburst about 10:30 Friday morning. At noon Friday the yellow water had spread over the shoe factory road and the Elkin fair ground, lap-

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GREAT BRITAIN SAYS SHE WILL STAND BY WORD

England Warns Hitler That She Is Not Bluffing

ARMIES ARE MOBILIZED

Situation Is Precipitated by Announcement of Nazi-Soviet Pact

JAPAN IS RESENTFUL

A blunt, last minute message to Adolf Hitler pointing out the fact that England was unshaken in her determination to assist Poland in event Germany used force in an attempt to take Danzig, was delivered to the German dictator Wednesday by the British ambassador. The Tribune learned via radio dispatches Wednesday noon.

It was also learned that Webb Miller, ace European correspondent for an American news service, made the statement from London that there were but three possible moves for the prevention of war—1st, for Poland to back down; 2nd, for Germany to back down, and 3rd, for England to back down. Miller was quoted as saying that the next few days would disclose the fate of Europe.

BRITISH FIRM

London, August 22 — Great Britain today declared her determination to stand by Poland, called parliament into emergency session Thursday to approve virtually dictatorial powers for the government, and, with France,

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BRUMFIELD IS WILKES AGENT

Former Yadkin Farm Expert Is Elected Saturday by County Board

IS OUTSTANDING MAN

The Wilkes county board of commissioners last Saturday elected L. F. Brumfield as county farm agent, subject to the approval of the North Carolina extension service.

Mr. Brumfield, who for 12 years was county agent of Yadkin, and for the past few months affiliated with the extension service as a county agent at large, is the third to have been elected by the Wilkes board to succeed Dan F. Holler, the two men previously elected having been rejected by state authorities.

The commissioners were quoted as saying that they had examined Brumfield's record as county agent in Yadkin and his qualifications for the work. Extension authorities, the board was quoted as saying, have said that he is among the outstanding county agents of the state.

Elkin Schools Are to Open On September 4

According to information received here Wednesday by members of the school faculty, the city schools will open on Monday, September 4.

Miss Mary Holland, home economics instructor, of Timmonsville, S. C., arrived Friday to make preparations for the opening of the school.

The faculty this year will include two new members, Miss Ruth Atkinson of this city, who will teach the sixth grade, succeeding Miss Lucille Young, and Miss Overcash, of Troutman, who will teach a commercial course. Miss Atkinson has for several years been associated with the Marion city schools and Miss Overcash comes here from the Kernersville schools.