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LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

LOCAL

G. KELLOCK HALE, Jr., of Mount Airy, head of the Surry chapter of the American Red Cross, announced Tuesday that to date the total amount received in the current roll call drive has reached the \$1,444.50 mark, more than double last year's figures. He said that a number of outlying communities in rural Surry have not been heard from.

STATE

ASHEVILLE, Nov. 29—Asheville threw wide its doors for President Roosevelt today. The President will be here from 6:10 p.m. until 8 p.m., and while here will visit his secretary Marvin H. McIntyre, and Miss Margaret Durand, former secretary to James Roosevelt and the late Louis Howe. Mr. Roosevelt is going back to Washington after the November 23 Thanksgiving holidays, which he spent at Warm Springs, Ga.

RALEIGH, Nov. 29 — The peace and quiet of North Carolina will be shattered Thanksgiving by the sharp crack of rifles and the blast of shotguns. The occasion, of course, will be the opening of the quail, turkey, grouse and rabbit seasons. The state department of conservation and development expected most of the hunters to be in quest of quail. Reports from many sections, the game division said today, "indicate an unusually good quail crop this year." There will be some turkey shooting, and in the mountains a few hardy souls will brave the ice and sleet to shoot grouse.

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON — State Department officials feared today that increasing sympathy in this country for Finland might force President Roosevelt to appeal again for peaceful settlement of the Soviet-Finnish border dispute. They believe that a major factor in the result of Finland's prompt and unflinching annual payment of its war debt. That country has created an abundance of American good-will by being the only European nation not to default on payments of debt principal or interest.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 — Senator Borah (R-Idaho) and Wheeler (D-Mont.) served notice today that they would oppose special taxes to pay for increased national defense costs. Both senators said they felt that if any such taxes were proposed, they would be bound to fall on the "little fellow" who could least afford to have them.

INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, Nov. 28—Informal French and British naval sources today estimated a total of 43 German submarines have been sunk since the beginning of the war September 3. Thirty-three of these were attributed to British action while a French naval source said the French navy had sunk about 10 more. Winston Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, told the House of Commons November 8 Germany had about 60 submarines ready for action when war broke out, but that more were being built.

BERLIN, Nov. 28—A young Nazi commander who took his U-boat into Scapa Flow and sank the British battleship Royal Oak on October 14, has torpedoed and "destroyed" a 10,000-ton British cruiser with an estimated loss of 700 lives, Nazis announced tonight. The high command announced that blond and rosy-cheeked Commander Guenther Prien returned to the vicinity of his previous daring exploit to attack the cruiser in the North Atlantic.

LAND WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR LEASE BY GOV'T.

Surry Has Approximately 170,000 Acres Waste Land

LEGISLATION PLANNED

Act Would Solve Problem of Diminishing Forest Resources, Backers Say

WILL FACE CONGRESS

(Tribune Washington Bureau)
Washington, D. C., Nov. 28—Surry county has approximately 170,000 acres of woodland, swamp and waste land which would be eligible for lease by the Federal Government under terms of the pending Forest Restoration Act, it was learned at the agriculture department today.

The department has been studying the bill and its possible effects because passage of the measure at the next session of Congress is expected, and administration of the act, by its terms, would be the job of the agriculture department's Forest Service.

Designed to solve the problem of our diminishing forest resources, the Forest Restoration Act would provide for development of timber as a sustained yield basis on tracts of uncultivated or unproductive land leased by the government for 20-year terms.

Rental not to exceed average annual taxes on the land would be paid by the government, and money spent would be taken out

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Senior Class To Present Play Tuesday Evening

The senior class of Elkin high school will present "The Marlenburg Necklace," an exciting mystery play in three acts in the school auditorium on Tuesday evening, December 5, at 8 P. M.

Like other mysteries it depends upon suspense to sustain the interest, so come prepared to see a true mystery unraveled by Detective O. Flannigan, played by Joe Transou and Bob Waring, a young lawyer whose ability to think and talk convincing is portrayed by Jim James.

The plot of the story is that the famous Marlenburg Necklace disappears at a dinner-party and suspicion is thrown on every guest present. Of course, Mrs. Marlenburg, who is acted by Elizabeth McNeill, is anxious to get her necklace back. It is most interesting to see the mystery solved and the real thief of the necklace will be surprising.

Between acts the seniors will furnish some special music, the entire evening will be a program of uninterrupted entertainment.

A nominal admission charge will be made and the proceeds will be used by the senior class for current expenses.

E. P. YATES DIES IN WINSTON-SALEM MON.

Earl P. Yates, 50, of Winston-Salem, died suddenly at his home Monday evening, while listening to a radio program.

The deceased was a brother of I. C. Yates of this city.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in Winston-Salem and interment was in the Moravian graveyard.

City Buses to Start Service Here Tuesday

City buses will begin operation here next Tuesday, it has been announced by John and Marvin Mayberry, who hold the local franchise.

Four buses will be used and will thoroughly cover Elkin on a frequent schedule. In addition to Elkin, the buses will cover routes in Jonesville, Arlington, State Road, Rena, Swan Creek and Pleasant Hill. A nominal fare will be charged.

FIRE DAMAGES STORE Two scenes of the fire which Monday morning damaged the J. C. Penney Company store here, are shown below. Top photo was taken while firemen poured water into the front of the building in an effort to extinguish stubborn flames hidden by dense smoke. Bottom photo shows clouds of smoke and steam pouring from the rear windows of the building.—(Tribune Photos.)



ENGLISH BRING DOWN RAIDING GERMAN PLANE

Coastal Residents Line Shore to Watch Fight

ANOTHER SHIP IS SUNK

British Steamer Rubislaw Strikes Mine and Sinks Off English Coast

DENY HOLLAND FLIGHT

London, Nov. 29.—An air battle between British combat planes and a lone German raider over the northeast coast of England today resulted in bringing down the Nazi plane at sea, a British announcement said.

British fighters rose to meet the raider when it was sighted approaching the Northumberland coast.

Coastal residents lining the shore watched the battle. After the invader fell a lifeboat was unable to find a trace of the plane's occupants.

Another British steamer, the 1,023-ton Rubislaw, was added to the list of mine victims off the British coast. The Rubislaw sank yesterday two minutes after striking an explosive. Four injured survivors were rescued by a minesweeper and 133 others were reported killed.

Cryptic radio instructions from the admiralty put British warships on the alert today for the scheduled start of a new total blockade against Germany Monday.

The air ministry, meanwhile, reiterated that all its planes had returned safely after machine-gunning three minelaying seaplanes yesterday at Borkum, an island base off the northwestern coast of Germany.

"There is no truth whatever in the German statement that our aircraft flew over Holland," said the ministry.

Tobacco Acreage Goal Is Slashed In Farm Program

The flue-cured acreage goal of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration was placed at 730,000-770,000 acres in the 1940 farm program announced today by The Associated Press, as compared to the goal of 860,000-900,000 in the 1939 program.

Benefit payment rate was increased from 8 cent to one cent a pound.

The AAA set the 1940 goal for soil-depleting crops at 270,000,000 to 285,000,000 acres, the same as this year.

It increased the acreage for wheat and cut the rate of soil conservation payments on that grain to 9 cents a bushel from this year's 17 cents.

The hide of a hippopotamus is one and one-half inches thick.

Russian Planes Are Said To Have Flown Over Finn Territory

Finnish Soldiers Are Ordered Not to Fire at Them Under Any Circumstances. Fear Reds Might Bring Crisis to Head by Seizing Islands in Gulf of Finland

Copenhagen, Denmark, Nov. 29.—The noon edition of the conservative newspaper Berlingske Tidende reported that Russian airplanes had flown over Finnish territory on the Karelian border several times and that Finnish soldiers had been ordered not to shoot at them under any circumstances.

The broadcaster said resolutions were pouring in from factories and troop garrisons ridiculing the Finnish suggestions for a mutual withdrawal from the frontiers.

"Never will the mighty Red Army withdraw a single step at the suggestions of anybody abroad," the broadcaster said.

FINLAND REPLIES

Helsinki, Nov. 29.—Finland sent a message to Moscow today replying to Russia's announcement that the Russian-Finnish nonaggression treaty was cancelled.

Contents of the message will not be disclosed here until the Finnish minister in Moscow has handed it to the Soviet premier, V. M. Molotov, probably this afternoon.

Finns believed that Russia might bring the crisis to a head by seizing four unfortified islands in the Gulf of Finland.

DEMAND ACTION

London, Nov. 29.—The Moscow radio was heard at 9:10 a.m. (4:10 a.m. e.s.t.) broadcasting that "the Soviet people are demanding action against Finland and this demand is growing every minute."

The broadcaster denounced the Finns in abusive terms and announced that Soviet workers had

ONLY ONE LICENSE TO WED IS GRANTED

Only one marriage license was granted in Dobson during the past week, by County Register of Deeds, Kermit Lawrence, that one being to Richard R. King of Wytheville, Va., to Martha Orr of Wytheville.

Elkin Merchants Are Ready For Christmas; Santa Coming Friday

Annual Sale of Christmas Seals To Start Dec. 6
The annual Christmas Seal sale, for the fight against tuberculosis, will begin here Wednesday, December 6, according to Mrs. E. F. McNeer, chairman of the seal sale. Members of the Junior Department of the Elkin Woman's Club will sponsor the sale, which is under the auspices of the entire Woman's Club.

A poem, written by a patient at the Kansas State Sanatorium, explaining the use of the funds and the meaning of the double bar cross may be found on page four of this section.

DEATH CLAIMS C. E. MOXLEY

Former High Sheriff Dies After Brief Illness Early Yesterday

WAS SHERIFF 11 YEARS

Yadkinville, Nov. 30.—(Special)—Ex-Sheriff Charlie E. Moxley, 57, died at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning at a Winston-Salem hospital, to which he was taken late Sunday afternoon for treatment. He had been ill for three weeks, but serious only a few days.

Mr. Moxley was appointed sheriff of Yadkin county by the board of county commissioners, February 27, 1920, following the killing of Sheriff J. E. Zachary. He was elected the following November, and four times thereafter, serving in all about 11 years, the longest term ever held by any

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YADKIN YOUTH ESCAPES DEATH

Ramon Fletcher, 20, Only Slightly Injured When Car Is Wrecked

URNS OVER TWO TIMES

Ramon Fletcher, about 20, of East Bend, narrowly escaped death Sunday night when the Ford V-8 sedan in which he was riding alone overturned on the Boonville-East Bend road about six miles west of East Bend. It is understood that the car driven by Fletcher sideswiped another car, before it careened across the road, climbed a waist high bank, and then overturned at least two times.

The car, as it hurtled to the ground after leaving the road ripped up a good sized pine tree, and came to rest on its side.

Fletcher escaped uninjured with the exception of a small cut over his right eye. He is the son of Renzo Fletcher of near East Bend. The car was badly damaged.

FUNERAL DIRECTORS HOLD MEETING HERE

Funeral directors of the seventh North Carolina district met here Monday for a luncheon session. The meeting was held at Hotel Elkin. Errol Hayes, district governor, presided at the session which featured a round table discussion of matters of interest to the group.

Those attending the meeting were: Ernest Thompson of Burlington, president of the North Carolina Funeral Directors Association; Albert Fair of Leaksville; Ed Needham of Pilot Mountain; Wade Moody of Mount Airy; W. H. Sturdivant of North Wilkesboro; Mr. Willis of Newton; Thomas Meekin of Turner White Casket Co., Winston-Salem; Frank Pickett, of Atlantic Casket Co., Rose Hill, and Errol Hayes.

BROTHER OF LOCAL MAN DIES SUNDAY

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning from the Dallas Baptist church for A. B. Leeper, of Dallas, brother of T. A. Leeper of this city. Mr. Leeper passed away Sunday night in a Statesville hospital following a brief illness.

One Killed in This Wreck



Death took no holiday when the wrecked car pictured above struck a power pole near State Road Wednesday evening of last week, causing the instant death of Ford Norman, of near Traphill, and injuring his two companions, Roby Norman, a brother, and C. R. Cox, also of near Traphill. As may be seen, one side of the car, a light coach of popular make, was torn completely away by the impact with the pole which was knocked almost out of the ground. Glaring lights of an approaching car was blamed for the accident, causing Cox, the driver, to lose control on a curve.—(Tribune Photo.)