

# LOCALS

Miss Rosa Tatum, of Cooleme, is the guest this week of her sister, Mrs. A. G. Click, at her home on West Main street.

Mrs. C. F. James, of Mt. Airy, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. James, the former her son, at their home on West Main street.

Robert Kirkman, of Winston-Salem, spent the week-end here the guest of his mother, Mrs. R. L. Kirkman, on West Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Beddingfield spent several days last week in Charlottesville, Va., attending to business matters.

Mrs. M. E. Hopkins has returned to her home in Martinsville, Va., following a stay of two weeks here.

Cameron Murcheson of Alexander, La., was the overnight guest Thursday of his uncle, Van W. Dillon, at his home on West Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wright Powell, of this city, were called to North Wilkesboro Sunday on account of the death of Mrs. Powell's mother, Mrs. W. V. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McDaniel have as their guest at their home on Bridge street, Mr. McDaniel's sister, Mrs. Luther Edens, of Lumberton.

George Grier, a student at Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, spent the week-end here the guest of his mother, Mrs. E. C. Grier, on Bridge street.

W. E. Jones, of North Wilkesboro, formerly of this city, was installed as president of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club for 1940 at a special installation service of the club last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Holcomb and daughter and son, Sarah and Hugh, spent Sunday in Mount Airy, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ashby and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. John Evans and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Glenn spent the week-end in Winston-Salem, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Fitzgerald and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Thomas.

Friends of H. D. Transou and T. E. Eldson will be glad to know that they have recovered sufficiently to return to their respective places of business after being confined to their homes by illness, since before the Christmas holidays.

Among the local oil dealers who will attend the state meeting of the N. C. Petroleum Industries Commission in a luncheon session at the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston-Salem today are: H. P. Graham, E. Carl Boyles, R. L. Church and C. F. Lineberry.

Mrs. E. G. Click and Mrs. Hugh Parks attended the funeral of their cousin, Miss Mary Johnston, in Reidsville Tuesday. Miss Johnston, who was a member of the nursing staff at St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, died Sunday afternoon from injuries sustained late Saturday in an explosion in an apartment house in Richmond, where she resided.

Mrs. Thomas Haynes, of Bristol, Va., and J. D. Morrison, of Lynchburg, returned to their homes the latter part of last week, having been called here on account of the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. C. S. Morrison, at her home on Market street. The many friends of Mrs. Morrison will be glad to know that she is able to be up, although she is still confined to her room.

### BELK-DOUGHTON IS STAGING CLEARANCE

Belk-Doughton Co., Elkin department store, is in this issue of The Tribune announcing its January Clearance Sale.

It was pointed out by R. L. Mills, manager, that although prices on merchandise have been steadily advancing, Belk's are giving their customers the benefit of the same old low prices due to the company's policy in buying in large quantities prior to current price advances. These savings, he said are passed on to the customer. Many unusual clearance values are awaiting the people of this section during the clearance. Full details may be found in the advertisement.

### DEVOTION CHILD DIES WEDNESDAY

Ruth Wood, 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wood of Devotion, passed away at her home early Wednesday morning. She is survived by her parents, two sisters, Pauline and Maxine Wood, and one brother, Left Wood.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at Rocky Ford Baptist church. The rites will be in charge of Rev. Ford Walker. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

### President's Christmas



WASHINGTON, D. C.—Photo shows President Roosevelt in a happy mood as he played with his grandchildren during the Roosevelt family reunion at the Executive Mansion. Left to right: Franklin D. Roosevelt 3rd, President Roosevelt and John Boettiger, Jr.

### Mercury Test Car Pays Elkin Visit Friday

The official 1940 Mercury 8 economy test run car visited Elkin last Friday morning, coming here from North Wilkesboro, and going on to Mount Airy after a brief stop in its 2,400 miles run to test gasoline economy.

A member of The Tribune staff met the car at North Wilkesboro and rode back to Elkin as official observer. The car was met at the Elkin city limits by officials of the Elkin Motor Car Company, local dealers, and by J. R. Poindexter, mayor of Elkin, and Corbett Wall, Elkin police officer.

Although the test car, an ordinary Mercury stock car equipped with a simple testing device, had covered several hundred miles in its test run when it reached Elkin, its average gas mileage to date has been 20.6 miles per gallon. The run thus far has been under all kinds of road and weather conditions, the trip to Elkin from North Wilkesboro having been in the snow.

The test run is being conducted under the supervision of J. L. Payne, retail manager of the Charlotte branch of the Ford Motor Co.

### WITH THE SICK

The following patients have been admitted to the local hospital during the past week: C. H. Stiers, Hamptonville; Junior Reece, Elkin; Mrs. Mary Darnell, Elkin; Mrs. Jettie Adams, Booneville; Thomas Lewis, Jonesville; Mrs. Hoke Henderson, Elkin; Howard Castevens, Elkin; Mrs. Marie Collins, Elkin; Mrs. Ida Peggy Alberty, Dobson; Charles McBride, Jonesville; Mrs. Clarina Key, Elkin; Berta Draughn, Dobson; Bill Muskgrove, Sparta; Mrs. Mamie Sue Collins, Yadkinville; W. Edward Eidson, Harmony; Jack Park, Elkin; Lavinia Kiger, Jonesville; Mrs. Lucille Hooper, Elkin; Gilmer Boles, Jonesville; Mrs. Nettie Rogers, Jonesville; Ruff Stanley, Dobson; Joseph Champion, Elkin; Richard Harvey Wishon, Booneville; Mrs. Mollie Johnson, Dobson; Alex Chatman, Sr., Elkin; Luther Stewart, Elkin; Mrs. Ethel St. John, Ronda; Ernest Brown, Elkin.

Patients dismissed during the week were: Mrs. Gene Lewis, Elkin; Mrs. Joyce Hemric, Jonesville; Mrs. Minnie Nance, State Road; Mrs. Louise Martin, Ronda; Everette Jester, East Bend; Sydney Choplin, Booneville; Mrs. Roxie Sprinkle, Elkin; Mary Wolfe, Thurmond; Kent Combs, Thurmond; Carroll Derry, Elkin; Frances Childress, Elkin; Neil Axson, Dobson; Robey Nixon, Mountain Park; Baxter Owens, Elkin; Beauford Nichols, Dobson; Joe Wolfe, Elkin; Eva Adams, Ronda; C. H. Stiers, Hamptonville; Junior Reece, Elkin; Mrs. Mary Darnell, Elkin; Mrs. Bessie Parsons, Lenoir; Mrs. Elizabeth Walsh, Elkin; Chloe Dell Byrd, Ronda; Mrs. Pauline Marshall, Elkin; Margie Baughman, Elkin; Bill Muskgrove, Sparta.

### ELKIN ELECTRIC RATES LOWER SINCE JUNE, '39

Due to the fact The Tribune's Washington Bureau was quoting from rates in effect prior to June, 1939, the figures presented in last week's Tribune in connection with local electric rates were incorrect, D. G. Smith, manager of the local branch of the Duke Power Co., said Monday.

Under the new rate which went into effect in June, 1939, the Elkin rate for 25 kw per month is \$1.23 and not \$1.40 as the story said. For 100 kw the correct Elkin rate is now \$3.20. Mr. Smith said, while the rate for 250 kw is \$6.20. The rates as quoted last week were \$3.65 and \$6.80, respectively.

### Shipment Of New Ford Tractors Received Here

The first shipment of new Ford tractors with wheelless implements for local distribution have arrived at the Elkin Motor Car Company, recently appointed dealer for Elkin and Stokes counties.

Officials of the Elkin Motor Car Company are optimistic regarding the possibilities with this new mechanized farm equipment, feeling that it is designed to meet the requirements of the majority of farmers and that it is so simple, effective and economical in operation that it should sell readily.

Arrangements are under way for demonstrations of the new tractor and implements on local farms, it was said. Farmers will be invited to attend these demonstrations where they can gain first hand knowledge of this different kind of power farming.

"The most revolutionary feature of the new Ford tractor is the power and traction it develops although it weighs only about 2,000 pounds. The hydraulic control and special coupling makes it possible to use this lightweight tractor for heavy jobs such as plowing with two bottoms. Because dead weight is not needed for traction such work can be done on one gallon of fuel an hour even under difficult soil conditions," it was said.

The tractor and implements are now on display at the Elkin Motor Car company.

### Gable's Ex-Wife



COLUMBIA, Mo.—Mrs. Josephine Dillon Gable, former wife of Clark Gable, film star, has just taken over the post of drama instructor at Christian College here. She will instruct in courses covering the stage, motion pictures, television, and radio.

### Watchmaker Takes Position With Leonard's

George W. Isenhour has arrived in Elkin from Reidsville to accept a position with Leonard's, local jewelry store, as watchmaker.

Mr. Isenhour is thoroughly trained in his profession, having studied watch making and jewelry repairing at the Philadelphia College of Horology.

Originally from Charlotte, Mr. Isenhour has been connected with a number of good jewelry firms in this state, having at one time been connected with Leonard's Mount Airy store.

Mr. and Mrs. Isenhour are making their home in the rock house on Church street formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown.

### Too Polite

Mother—Robert, if you are always kind and polite to all your playmates, what will they think of you?

Robert—Some of them would think they could lick me.

### J. C. Penney Co. Announces Its Re-opening

The J. C. Penney Company store here, badly damaged shortly before Christmas by fire, smoke and water, is announcing its formal re-opening for Friday morning.

The store, completely repaired, remodeled and repainted, has been fully restocked with new merchandise and is now ready for business on an even larger scale than before the fire.

Although the store has been open for business for the past few weeks, workmen had not completed their tasks, and it was decided to hold the formal opening only when everything was completed.

The store is combining its semi-annual white goods event with the re-opening, and is offering many unusual values to its customers.

Everyone is invited by G. L. Hill, manager, to visit the store. Many new fixtures and a new arrangement of merchandise makes it one of the most attractive stores in Elkin.

No damaged merchandise will be on sale, Mr. Hill said, pointing out that the entire stock in every department is brand new.

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