

# Thousands Spent On Renovation Of Hotel

Since Change of Ownership Last Summer, Hotel Elkin Has Been Repainted and Redecorated Thoroughly; New Mattresses and New Equipment Provided; Over \$17,000 Spent Up Until April 15, This Year

Hotel Elkin, since being purchased here last year by T. R. Sample, an experienced hotel man, formerly of Rowland, has been transformed into an attractive home for travelers that is fast gaining in prestige among the traveling public.

Since acquiring the hotel last summer, a total of \$17,988 has been spent up to April 15, this

year, in refurbishing, remodeling and repairs.

The program of renovation which has been under way since the hotel was purchased by Mr. Sample has included the entire building. The 60 rooms which the hotel contains have been attractively repainted and redecorated. Luxurious new rugs have been installed in each room, as well as much new furniture. Fifty new box springs and mattresses have been placed on the beds, the old mattresses and springs having been discarded. New wool carpets have been laid in the halls, or are ready to lay, on all floors.

The main dining room of the

## More Free Theatre Tickets for Those Nabbed by Camera



Focused by the lens of The Tribune candid camera, the three people pictured above are entitled to two free theatre tickets each if they will call in person at The Tribune office. Tickets are good for admission to the Elk and Lyric theatres. Three more people will be pictured in this space next week. Watch for The Tribune cameraman. It may mean free tickets for you.

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hotel has been newly decorated and equipped with new silver and dinner ware and other equipment. The kitchen has been newly equipped for cleanliness and convenience.

The Kiwanis room, located on the basement floor, has also been newly decorated.

New curtains, drapes and window shades have been installed in a majority of the rooms, with this work still in progress. Far more attractive and comfortable than ever before are the hotel lobby and lounge, which have been repainted and redecorated throughout. New rugs and furniture have been placed, as well as new drapes.

The outside of the building has also come in for its full share of attention, all woodwork and decorative metalwork having recently been newly painted. A large neon sign has also taken the place of the old-fashioned elec-

tric bulb sign on top of the structure. A new heating plant has also been installed.

Mr. Sample stated that business at the hotel is good, guests oftentimes taxing it to capacity.

## Mountain Park Commencement Starts Saturday

Commencement exercises will begin at Mountain Park high school Saturday evening, April 27, with a play, "Where's Grandma," which will be presented by members of the junior class and of the commercial department. The play, a three-act comedy, will begin at 8 p. m.

Sunday evening at 8 o'clock Rev. Herman F. Duncan, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church, will preach the commencement sermon. This will also be in the school auditorium.

Class Day exercises by the senior class will be presented on the evening of April 29, at 8 o'clock. The exercises will be in the form of a play, with the cast in colonial costumes.

Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock certificates of promotion will be awarded to 31 seventh grade students. A short play "No Success Without Labor" will be presented in connection with the program. Perfect attendance certificates will also be awarded at the Tuesday morning exercises.

The final program will be on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock when the high school graduating exercises will be held. Twelve members of the class, each representing a different department of the school, will speak during the program, on the subject of "Education and Democracy," showing the contribution of that particular phase of school work to life in a democracy. Diplomas will be presented to 29 seniors and five members of the commercial class by county superintendent of schools, John W. Comer. During the graduating exercises five medals will be awarded by J. Sam Gentry, principal of the school, to students who have excelled in certain fields.

A woman of Flint, Mich., found a 12 leaved clover.

## ARE NO AGE LIMITATIONS

Widows of Workers Covered by Federal Aid Get Their Benefits Before 65

DETAILS ANNOUNCED

Widows of workers who were covered by the Federal old-age and survivors insurance program, if they have dependent children, do not have to be 65 years old in order to get monthly benefit payments under the program, J. N. Freeman, manager of the Board's Winston-Salem field office, pointed out today.

Mr. Freeman said that inquiries recently made at his field office show that a number of young widows of insured workers, who have dependent children under 18, have not filed applications because of a misunderstanding of age requirements.

"The age-65 requirement applies to some type of claims, but not to those of widows with dependent children," Mr. Freeman explained. "Should a worker die, leaving a widow with young, dependent children, the widow's age is immaterial. She and the children would be eligible for payments if her husband had earned wages of at least \$50 in each of six calendar quarters during the 3 years before his death.

The amount a widow and her children receive will depend on the worker's average monthly wage," Mr. Freeman stated. "This determines the benefit to which the worker would have been entitled. The widow receives three-fourths of the worker's benefit, and each child under 18 is entitled to one-half." There are, of course, limits to what one family may receive; generally the family total for a widow with 3 or more children comes to twice the worker's benefit.

Attainment of age 65 is one of the requirements for eligibility in the case of retired workers themselves. If the wife of the retired worker is 65 or more, she too is eligible for a monthly payment, equal to one-half of her husband's old-age insurance benefit.

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