

## DIPLOMAS ARE AWARDED TO 30 ELKIN SENIORS

Commencement Ends Here Tuesday Evening

MILNER IS SPEAKER

J. G. Abernethy Delivers Awards to Outstanding Students of Class

HIATT GIVES SERMON

The commencement exercises of the city schools came to a close with the graduating exercises Tuesday evening at the First Baptist church. Dr. Clyde A. Milner, president of Guilford College, delivered the literary address. Diplomas were awarded thirty members of the graduating class by J. Mark McAdams, superintendent of the school.

J. G. Abernethy, chairman of the local school board, made the awards of special recognition to members of the class. James A. Harrell, valedictorian of the class, received the scholarship medal; Miss Louise Laffoon received the activities medal and Joe Transou, the medal for outstanding work in athletics. Miss Nancy Moseley, salutatorian of the class, received the American Legion Auxiliary Citizenship award of \$5.00 offered annually to the student excelling in citizenship.

The Danforth Foundation awards of the book "I Dare You" was made to James A. Harrell and Miss Elizabeth McNeill. The wards are made throughout the United States to high school graduates for leadership in church, school and town activities as a challenge to carry out their qualities of leadership. This

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## FIND BODY OF SURRY WOMAN

Mrs. Dorothy Johnson Had Bullet Wound Through Her Heart

RIFLE IS BY HER SIDE

Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, 24, wife of E. H. Johnson, of the Little Richmond section, east of Elkin, was found early Tuesday morning by her husband, shot through the heart with a .22 caliber rifle by her side.

According to reports by investigating officers, the husband, a tenant farmer and sawmill worker, heard a shot shortly after he left his home Tuesday morning to go about his duties of the day, and returned to his home to investigate, as the sound of the shot was in that direction. Upon his return he found his wife in the yard in a dying condition, with a recently-fired rifle by her side. Powder burns were observed on the body, the officers said. Coroner R. E. Smith and Sheriff H. S. Boyd pronounced the death a case of suicide.

The family lived in a desolate homestead and were in very poor circumstances, according to Sheriff Boyd. No note was left by the woman and no motive except the dire circumstances of the family was known for taking her own life.

The husband and two children, three and five years of age, survive.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Little Richmond Baptist church. Interment was in the church cemetery. The rites were in charge of Rev. J. L. Powers, Rev. E. B. Draughn and Rev. T. S. Draughn.

## Yadkin Democrats Endorse F. D. R. For Third Term

The Yadkin County Democratic executive committee met in executive session in Yadkinville Saturday afternoon and re-elected Dr. T. W. Shore of Boonville, for a fourth term as county chairman. Miss Mildred Logan of Yadkinville, was elected vice-chairman and E. H. Barnard, of Yadkinville, was elected secretary. Among the resolutions passed by the committee was one endorsing the administration of President Roosevelt and pledging their support to him for a third term.

**THEY GRADUATE, TOO** Although they don't receive the acclaim given the seniors at commencement time, this seventh grade group of Elkin elementary school are graduates too, most of them, and next fall they will enter Elkin high school, and in a few more years will be the seniors of 1944. As pictured below, they represent one of the largest seventh grades ever to finish elementary school here. Teachers are Miss Josephine Paul and Miss Emma Cook.—(Tribune Photo.)



## Surry Democrats Back Roosevelt For Third Term In Dobson Meet

County Convention Proves Harmonious Affair as Party Members Meet to Select Delegates to State Convention; Standing Vote of Thanks Is Extended John Folger for Work in Behalf of President

A small group of Surry county Democrats met Saturday at the courthouse in Dobson and in an atmosphere of complete harmony endorsed President Roosevelt for a third term, decided that all Democrats who attend the state convention at Raleigh Saturday shall be delegates, and adjourned. The convention, which began at 1:00 o'clock, was opened by Congressman A. D. Folger, county chairman, who, after a brief talk, turned the meeting over to W. R. Badgett, of Pilot Mountain, who presided.

Archie Carter, of Mount Airy, and John Folger, also of that city, jointly offered the following resolution which was unanimously carried:

Whereas, seven years ago the Democratic Party brought to the leadership of this Nation a President whose vision, wisdom, humanity and statesmanship lifted the American people from the depths of depression and despondency to the high place of recovery and hope; and

Whereas, in this time of fear,

and amidst the horrors of war abroad, the American people look to Franklin Delano Roosevelt to protect us and preserve our peace; and

Whereas, full confidence of the people is well founded in him;

Now, Therefore, we the Democrats of Surry County in convention assembled, do hereby resolve, that:

The delegates from this county to the State Democratic Convention support a resolution to instruct the casting of North Carolina's delegate vote at Chicago on every presidential ballot when and as long as his name shall be presented, for the world's greatest humanitarian, the champion of Americanism, the great Democratic statesman, Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Following the decision to make all Democrats attending the state convention delegates, a rising vote of thanks was extended John Folger for his work throughout in behalf of Roosevelt for a third term. The convention then adjourned.

## MAKE DRIVE ON LIGHT DODGERS

Motorists Who Violate Traffic Light Ordinance Subject to Arrest

POLICE ON LOOKOUT

All motorists are liable to arrest for violating the traffic light ordinance, and a special drive is now under way to curb this evil, Corbett Wall, Elkin traffic officer, said Wednesday morning.

Numerous motorists here violate the law by disregarding the red light altogether, Mr. Wall said. Others go through on the "caution" signal when they should stop, he said.

It was pointed out that the "caution," or orange light is for the express purpose of warning motorists that the red stop light is about to flash on, and that they should bring their cars to a halt. However, many pull a "squeeze play" on the orange and run through the light, creating a dangerous traffic hazard.

Local police are now on the lookout for motorists who habitually ignore the lights, and all violators seen in the act will be subject to arrest and fine.

Bicycle fatalities for the first four months of this year in North Carolina were somewhat behind those for the same period last year.

## Red Cross Makes Urgent Appeal For Surry Funds

Citizens of Elkin and Surry county will be given an opportunity to aid helpless men, women and children in war-blasted Europe. Many victims escaped, wearing only one garment, therefore the need for clothing and medical supplies is very urgent.

A quota of \$1,500 has been assigned to Surry county. Donations of any size will be received by the Elkin branch of the Surry county chapter.

All funds received in this campaign will be applied directly to war relief work by Red Cross workers in the stricken areas. Funds may be mailed to the Elkin Red Cross, or will be received at the drug stores and the Basketeria store.

## COMMISSIONERS ARE TO CONSIDER SCHOOLS

A meeting of the county board of commissioners has been called for Tuesday morning in Dobson. The purpose of the meeting is to study more carefully the needs of the county school system and to try to meet these demands.

County School Superintendent John W. Comer said that an effort would be made to give each school due consideration and that some decision would be made in regard to the emergency in Elkin.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF  
From the State and Nation

### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, May 14 — President Roosevelt and Senator Taft, Republican, Ohio, picked up Ohio's delegations to the Democratic and Republican national conventions today while West Virginia elected uncommitted delegations. Ohio will have 52 votes in each national convention. Of the 584 delegates chosen so far to the Democratic convention, 481 are committed, by pledge or by expression of preference, to support a third term. There will be a total of 1,094 votes in the convention.

WASHINGTON, May 14 — The good people of North Carolina, one is assured, are not only ready to follow President Roosevelt into a third term, but with equal enthusiasm would follow him to Flanders fields. They find themselves wholly in accord with the view attributed to the President, that the American frontier is on the Rhine, or thereabouts. J. Con Lanier, here from Greenville, N. C., brought word to the offices of some of the members of the North Carolina delegation that sentiment in his part of the state is shifting fast, that wherever he has gone in his campaigning, the people in all walks of life tell him that this country will have to go into the war, and the sooner the better.

WASHINGTON, May 14 — General John J. Pershing declared today that "every energy in this country" should be devoted to "preparedness against the possibility of war." In a formal statement, issued soon after his return to Washington from a winter vacation, the general of the armies said "none of us can tell when we may become involved in the struggle now raging with such tremendous fury in Europe." During the last war, Pershing said, the allies protected the United States during more than a year of preparation and provided materials.

WASHINGTON, May 14 — An extraordinary arms program boosting next fiscal year's defense spending to over \$2,500,000,000 was reported in the making tonight after President Roosevelt had asserted, with the utmost emphasis, that European events dictated an immediate expansion and modernization of America's armed forces. Costless, seated behind a desk piled high with papers as the result of long conferences on the subject, Mr. Roosevelt informed reporters that the program may cost a great deal of money.

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## Nazis Claim To Have Pierced French Maginot Line; British Hold Despite Hun Pressure

### ARE SEEKING CURB MARKET

Home Demonstration Club Officials Meet Here with Elkin Merchants

BENEFIT RURAL WOMEN

Home Demonstration officials met Tuesday morning at the Town Hall with members of the Elkin Merchants Association in regards to opening a curb market in Elkin.

Attending the meeting were Mrs. Grace Pope Brown, Surry home demonstration agent; Miss Brown, agent of Yadkin county, and Mrs. Morris, home demonstration official, of Raleigh.

According to the plans outlined at the meeting, the market would be for rural women, and the cooperation of Elkin merchants and other local organizations would be needed to put the project across.

Mrs. Morris stated that there are 44 markets of this kind in North Carolina. The farm women sell only what they produce; they are not allowed to buy and resell products. On markets of this kind poultry is the best seller, it was said.

In 1939, according to Mrs. Morris, 2,112 farm women sold \$377,947.53 worth of products. This figure included \$40,000 worth of cakes, \$15,000 worth of flowers, \$50,000 worth of vegetables, \$23,000 worth of butter, \$42,000 worth of eggs, and many other products.

Money made in this manner is used to pay debts, pay off mortgages, pay doctor bills, educate children, buy labor-saving devices for the home, build new homes, buy automobiles, and many other things, it was said. It was also pointed out that rural women of this section are heartily in favor of the opening of a curb market in Elkin.

Following the meeting, it was said that it is hoped arrangements can be made to have a curb market in Elkin within the near future.

### ELKIN WOMEN FOR DOBSON

Group of Prominent Ladies Endorse Candidate for Legislature

ARE TO VOTE FOR HIM

Henry Dobson, candidate for the Democratic nomination as representative to the North Carolina General Assembly, has been endorsed by a group of prominent Elkin women who, in an advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue, have publicly voiced their intention to vote for him.

Stating that "we believe Mr. Dobson to be the proper person at this time to represent us, and that he deserves this office because of his experience and qualification," the ladies have stated that they will "take pleasure in voting for him in the Democratic primary on May 25."

Mr. Dobson has served Surry as representative during the two previous sessions of the General Assembly, and is thoroughly experienced.

### REVIVAL TO BEGIN AT PILGRIM CHURCH

Announcement is made by B. W. Walker, pastor of the Pilgrim church here, of a series of revival services to begin at the church on Sunday, May 19, to continue through June 2. Services will be held each evening at 7:30 during the week and two services will be held on Sunday, at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Rev. W. A. Way, of Greensboro, well-known evangelist, will bring the messages and special music will be rendered at each service by the Liberty Hill quartette, in charge of Miss Hilda Way.

Rev. Way and the Liberty Hill quartette are heard each Sunday afternoon at 4:30 over radio station WELG, Greensboro.

### Esteemed Siloam Citizen Passes In Hospital Here



S. J. ATKINSON

Samuel Josiah Atkinson, of Siloam, one of the best known and esteemed residents of the county, died at the local hospital about 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, following an illness of two weeks from septic sore throat. Mr. Atkinson, who was in his 90th year, has been in declining health for the past few months but his condition became critical only a week ago. Until his last illness he maintained a keen interest in civic, county, state and national affairs. He was a prosperous retired farmer and merchant. During his life he was a leader in the county, although he never held a political office. He was interested in the work of the church and donated the building site for the Siloam Baptist church and for the church cemetery.

Mr. Atkinson was a native of Caswell county, and a son of the late Johnson and Mrs. Elizabeth Ingram Atkinson, and was the last surviving member of the family. The family moved to Surry county 80 years ago. Mr. Atkinson was married to Miss Sarah Russell Jones on December 16, 1875. In 1935 they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home at Siloam, where they lived during all of their married life, and hundreds of friends called to felicitate the beloved couple.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon (Thursday) at 2:30 at the Siloam Baptist church. The body will lie in state at the church from one o'clock until the hour of the service. The rites will be in charge of Rev. T. S. Draughn and Rev. Mr. Russell. Interment will be in the family plot in the church cemetery.

Mr. Atkinson is survived by his wife, three sons, J. S. Atkinson, of this city, deputy collector of internal revenue, K. B. Atkinson, of Winston-Salem, and S. H. Atkinson, of Siloam; and two daughters, Mrs. W. G. Miller, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. M. F. Butler, of Pine Bluff; 23 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

### GLADE VALLEY MAN INJURED IN CRASH

Thomas Green, 28, of Glade Valley, is in the hospital here suffering from a fractured skull and other injuries sustained late Saturday night near Sparta. According to reports Green and J. W. Inskeep, of Roaring Gap, were en route to their home from a dance near Sparta, when the car went out of control and crashed into a telephone pole. Inskeep escaped injury of any consequence.

The young man is making satisfactory recovery from his injuries, according to latest reports.

### POSTPONE REGULAR TERM SURRY COURT

Announcement of the postponement of the regular term of Surry county court that was scheduled to begin June 3, was made Wednesday morning by Fred Llewellyn. No reason was given for the postponement.

### SURRENDER OF DUTCH PROVES SEVERE BLOW

Greatest Battle of All Time Said Raging

LAUNCH AIR ATTACKS

British Air Forces Said to Have Been Successful Behind Nazi Lines

35 PLANES ARE LOST

Berlin, May 15.—The German high command claimed today to have pierced the French Maginot line near the textile town of Sedan—a historic, bloody battlefield in Europe's wars and scene of a crushing French defeat in 1870.

The German offensive, according to the communique, also carried the Reich's forces all the way up to the Dyle River, a scant 18 miles from Brussels, capital of Belgium.

(Dispatches from Paris and London this morning disputed the German claims of victory but admitted a serious situation where Germans crossed the Meuse near Sedan. Paris pointed out that Sedan is outside the Maginot line and stated that the main defense of France's wall of concrete and

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### JONESVILLE MAN PASSES TUESDAY

Meredith F. Gregory Was One of Town's Oldest Citizens

RITEs ON WEDNESDAY

Meredith Franklin Gregory, 78, one of the oldest citizens of Jonesville, and for many years a merchant of that town, died early Tuesday morning from an illness of several days. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Thomas Gregory.

His wife died a number of years ago. He is survived by seven children, Mrs. N. F. Roberson, of Hudson; Mrs. G. E. Mangrum, of Danville, Va.; Mrs. J. E. Coon, of Pinnacle; Mrs. W. A. Stroud, of Jonesville, who resided with her father; T. G. Gregory, of Charlotte, and P. A. and R. L. Gregory, of Jonesville, and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Jonesville Baptist church. The rites were in charge of Rev. Mr. Connell, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. R. E. Adams, of Mayodan, and Rev. R. J. Pardue. Interment was in the family plot in the Jonesville cemetery.

### "Gone With the Wind" to Start Here Monday

"Gone with the Wind," movie version of Margaret Mitchell's celebrated novel, will be shown at the Lyric theatre here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

Reserved seat tickets for the night shows are now on sale at the Lyric boxoffice, and will remain on sale the remainder of this week or until they have all been sold.

The picture will be shown three times daily, the first show starting at 9:30 a.m., the second at 1:30 p.m., and the final night show at 7:30 p.m. Seats will be reserved for the night shows only.

Everyone is urged to see the picture from the beginning. The afternoon show will begin immediately after the morning show ends.

The picture will be full length, exactly as it was shown at its world premier in Atlanta.

An intermission will be observed during each showing.