

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, July 16 — President Roosevelt disclosed today that the national defense commission had cleared \$1,661,891,494 of army and navy contracts in a little more than a month's time. The chief executive made public commission reports which gave the nation its first detailed account of progress made in mobilizing materials, men and machines for the most extensive peace-time defense effort in United States history. Mr. Roosevelt told his press conference that the reports showed extremely good progress. He said they were just as important, if not more so, than the news coming from the Democratic national convention—even though, he added, most editors might not agree with him.

WASHINGTON, July 16 — Federal taxes collected in North Carolina during the fiscal year ended June 30, last, reached a new all-time peak of \$329,096,313, an increase of \$18,500,000 over revenues in the fiscal year 1939, it was reported tonight by the internal revenue bureau. The fourth largest contributor to the federal treasury, North Carolina's total was exceeded only by New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois, bureau figures disclosed, and represented more than 6 per cent. of the national collections of \$5,339,583,925. Total national collections, the bureau stated, showed an increase of \$158,000,000 over the \$5,181,573,925 reported for 1939.

WASHINGTON, July 16 — Terminating the bombing of Rotterdam the "greatest mass destruction the world has ever seen," The Netherlands legation said in a statement today that 30,000 persons were killed "in the seven and one-half minutes the planes were over the city." Seventy thousand others were maimed and injured, the statement added. "The crime against Rotterdam was a deliberate, fiendish assault on unarmed, undefended civilians. The world knows Rotterdam is built on marshy soil and that therefore adequate bomb shelters could not be constructed. Of course, the Germans knew this, too."

INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, July 16 — British and German warplanes fought over the English coast today while parliament heard angry charges that favoritism for the wealthy was shown in the removal of refugee children to the new world. The air ministry reported three enemy bombers were destroyed during nazi raids and that the British air force had raided numerous objectives in Germany and occupied territory yesterday and last night. The nazis dropped bombs on three Scottish towns but only minor casualties were reported.

MADRID, July 16 — Spain severed diplomatic relations with Chile tonight in a startling move against an American republic now busy combating pro-nazi elements. The Spanish foreign ministry said it broke off relations because of the Chilean government's tolerance of an anti-nationalist campaign which has "reached intolerable limits." The Chilean charge d'affaires in Madrid was handed his passports and the Spanish diplomatic representatives in Chile were ordered home immediately.

TOKYO, July 16 — Japan moved swiftly toward more energetic action in the far east tonight. The cabinet of Premier Admiral Matsumoto Yonai, recently criticized for failing to seize the "golden opportunity" created by the fall of France and Holland, resigned en bloc, apparently to make way for a new regime ready to fulfill army demands for a "firm hand" policy in the orient. Emperor Hirohito, cancelling his scheduled review of the Japanese fleet, prepared to return to Tokyo from his seaside villa tomorrow.

Doesn't Want Third Term Is Word From FDR



The Democratic national convention was told by Senator Alben Barkley Tuesday night, in a statement authorized by the President, that Franklin D. Roosevelt was not a candidate for a third term and that he released all candidates pledged to him. However, it appeared late Wednesday afternoon that Mr. Roosevelt would be renominated by the convention, perhaps Wednesday night. In event the nomination is forced upon him, Mr. Roosevelt will probably accept.

SURRY COURT IS ADJOURNED

Many Cases Are Disposed of Before Presiding Jurist Burgwyn

DIVORCES ARE GRANTED

The following cases were disposed of in the Surry county superior court before adjournment Friday afternoon. Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn presided over the term in which many cases of importance were tried.

James Bates and Tom Atkins, charged with unlawful breaking and entering, were each given six-month terms on the road. However, Bates' sentence is suspended for 2 years provided he pay the costs of the action.

Ernest Bates was found guilty of possessing stolen property and was placed on a two years suspended sentence. He is also required to pay \$26 to the Surry Hardware company in Elkin.

William ("Shine") Eaton, charged with the murder of Clifford Brim, was sentenced to the State Prison for 8 to 10 years. The charge was changed from murder in the second degree to manslaughter.

Ernest Fulk was given six months and had his driver's license revoked for one year.

Carl Segrevas, larceny of pistol, five years, sentence suspended provided costs of court is paid.

Ralph Goad was tried on two charges, simple assault and malicious injury of personal property. On the first charge a sentence of

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E. G. FITZGERALD DIES SUDDENLY

Former Manager of Graystone Inn Is Victim of Heart Attack

FUNERAL HELD SUNDAY

Edward G. Fitzgerald, 56, manager of Graystone Inn at Roaring Gap at the time the hotel was opened, and for many years thereafter, and a prominent citizen of Pinehurst and for a number of years manager of the Carolina Hotel there, died suddenly Saturday from a heart attack at Manchester, Vermont. Mr. Fitzgerald was manager of the Orvis Inn, at Manchester, Vt., during the summer season and during the winter season was at the Kirkwood Hotel in Camden, S. C. He was well known here.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at his native home at Bethlehem, N. H. Survivors include the widow, a twin sister, Miss Belle Fitzgerald, of Pinehurst, a brother, John J. Fitzgerald, of Southern Pines, and two adopted daughters.

SEN. BARKLEY DEFENDS NEW DEAL RECORD

Describes Willkie as "Political Chameleon"

ANSWERS ACCUSATIONS

Charges Herbert Hoover Is Guilty of "Misstatement of Facts"

UPHOLDS ROOSEVELT

Chicago, July 16—Assailing the Republican party with cries of "misstatement" and charges of "deceit," Senator Alben W. Barkley rallied the Democratic convention last night to a fight on the record of President Roosevelt's defense and foreign policies with which he said most Republican voters "are in full agreement."

The Kentuckian, majority leader of the Senate, spoke in accepting the permanent chairmanship of the party meeting. Much of his address was devoted to replies to accusations made by Republicans, especially former President Hoover, at their recent Philadelphia convention.

He described the Republican platform as "written in mud by the migratory feet of a weasel" and the Republican presidential nominee, Wendell Willkie, former Democrat, as "a political chameleon." "The Republicans, he asserted, "seemed unwilling or afraid to nominate any man who had been a Republican for more than two years."

The most "deceitful alibi" ever offered, he said, was the Republican platform plank seeking to fasten upon the new deal "full responsibility for our unpreparedness and for the consequent danger of involvement in war."

To this Barkley added the charge that President Hoover was guilty of "misstatement of facts" when he said President Roosevelt reduced military expenditures and hampered navy and army preparations upon succeeding Hoover in 1933.

WILLKIE CLUB IS ORGANIZED

Republican Meeting Is Held in Dobson Thursday Afternoon

MANY LEADERS ATTEND

A meeting of Republicans of the county was held in Dobson Thursday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a "Willkie-McNeill-Reynolds" club.

The meeting was presided over by Warren Alberty, Republican executive chairman of the county, and Mrs. Otis J. Reynolds, of this city, was named as temporary chairman.

In the permanent organization Attorney A. E. Tilley, of Mount Airy, was elected chairman of the club; Walter Blevins, of Dobson, vice-president, and Mrs. Otis J. Reynolds, secretary-treasurer.

More than 40 party leaders of the county attended the meeting. At the close of the business session the group was addressed briefly by Otis J. Reynolds, of this city, candidate for the United States Congress.

KIWANIS CLUB HEARS ADDRESS

Dr. C. C. Weaver, Charlotte Pastor, Guest at Ladies' Night Meeting

GOOD PROGRAM HEARD

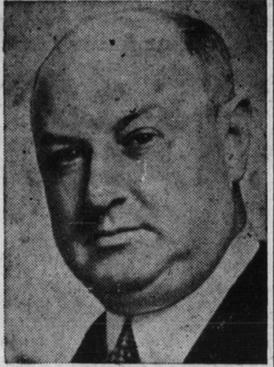
Dr. C. C. Weaver, of Charlotte, pastor of the First Methodist church, of that city, and chairman of the board of missions of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference, was guest speaker at the ladies' night banquet of the Elkin Kiwanis club staged at Hotel Elkin last Thursday evening.

Dr. Weaver, who is the father of L. Stacey Weaver, president of the club, was presented by Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Elkin district of the conference.

Speaking from the theme "It takes all kinds of people to make a world," Dr. Weaver held to the opinion that the world might be a better one in which to live, were

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High Officials Of Democratic Convention



Pictured above are two Democratic officials who have played a big part in the Democratic national convention, now under way in Chicago. James A. Farley, national chairman, (top), opened the convention Monday. Senator Alben Barkley, (bottom), of Kentucky, was elected permanent chairman of the convention at Tuesday night's session.

LEAF GROWERS WILL VOTE ON CONTROL 20TH

Saturday Is to See Important Decision Made

POLLING PLACES GIVEN

Polls in County Are to Open at 9:00 A.M. and Close at 7:00 P.M.

ALL URGED TO VOTE

Tobacco growers in all flue-cured tobacco counties will go to the polls on Saturday, July 20, to vote for control for three years, one year, or no control. The County Committee of the Surry County Agricultural Conservation Association have designated the following places for voting in Surry county by townships:

Bryan, Mountain Park school; Dobson, court house; Eldora, Eldora school; Elkin, North Elkin school; Franklin, Eblevin's store; Long Hill, Needham's filling station; Marsh, Little Richmond school; Mount Airy, Franklin school; Pilot, Pilot Mountain school; Rockford, Copeland school; Shoals, Shoals school; Siloam, Siloam school; Stewart's Creek, S. A. Holder's filling station; Westfield, Cook's school.

The polls will open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. Growers should vote in the township in which their farm is listed. All persons who share in the proceeds of the 1940 tobacco crop are urged to vote and express their sentiment on control.

rites HELD FOR SURRY CITIZEN

James M. Eldridge Passes Away at Home Near Here Friday Morning

IS SURVIVED BY WIDOW

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock from Poplar Springs Baptist church for James Madison Eldridge, 79, who passed away at his home near Elkin Friday morning. Mr. Eldridge had been ill several weeks from a complication of diseases. The rites were in charge of Rev. Preston Stone and Rev. Richard Day. Interment was in the church cemetery.

He was well known throughout the county as "Sheriff" Eldridge, having served as deputy sheriff of the county for 22 years. He was a member of the Mulberry Primitive Baptist church and a man highly esteemed. He was a son of the late John and Mrs. Mary Cockerham Eldridge, pioneer citizens of this section.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Betty Jane Snow Eldridge, six sons and two daughters, Elmer and Thurmond Eldridge, of this city; Mrs. D. E. Cockerham and Marvin Eldridge, of State Road; Warren Eldridge, of Winston-Salem; H. V. Eldridge, of Iowa, and Robert Eldridge, of Seattle, Wash.; 30 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren, one brother and one sister, V. H. Eldridge and Mrs. Abe Woodruff, of Elkin.

Gwyn RESERVES HIS DECISION

Yadkin Seeks Approval of Acceptance of Offer by City of High Point

Judge Allen Gwyn Wednesday afternoon reserved his decision in the Yadkin county-City of High Point hydroelectric project case in which he was petitioned to relax conditions of a judgment preventing High Point from proceeding with the project.

The Yadkin board of commissioners brought the petition following its acceptance last Monday of High Points offer to pay Yadkin county \$75,000 for the county home property and highway rights-of-way affected by the \$6,500,000 project.

Approval of the agreement between the Guilford city and Yadkin county would clear the way for completion of the project, it is understood.

Following Wednesday's hearing, Judge Gwyn stated he would make his decision known in about two weeks.

U. S. Fleet Believed On Way To Far East; Interest Sharpened

JAPAN SELECTS NEW LEADER TO PUSH PROGRAM

Nippon Planning Policy of Foreign Expansion

COMPLICATIONS ARISE

Nazis Say U. S. Should "Condemn" British Blockade Against Germans

TO GIVE LAST CHANCE?

America's interest in the Orient sharpened today—amid an ominous lull in the European conflict—as Japan chose a new premier to carry out a policy of foreign expansion and United States warships were believed speeding toward the Far East.

New complications arose, too, in Berlin, where authorized Nazis said the United States, following its expressed desire of keeping world trade lanes open, should "condemn" the British blockade against Germany and Italy.

Reports that Adolf Hitler is preparing a "last chance" offer to Britain—presumably a "surrender or be destroyed" ultimatum, as heralded by the Fascist editor, Virginia Gayda—were strengthened with the scheduled departure of Italy's foreign minister, Count Galeazzo Ciano, for Berlin.

Count Ciano, due in Berlin Friday, is expected to confer with Hitler regarding possible "terms" to be offered Britain.

The Japanese foreign office announced Britain has agreed to close the Burma road—China's main lifeline of war supplies—and also shut off the flow of arms traffic into China from the British crown colony of Hongkong.

China, however, has insisted she will not give up the fight against Japan, despite these amputations.

REPORT IS MADE BY GRAND JURY

Tour of Inspection Reveals County Institutions Are All Okey

JAIL IN GOOD SHAPE

Surry county institutions were found to be in excellent condition following a tour of inspection by the Surry county grand jury last week, the jury's report to Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn disclosed.

Included in the grand jury's inspection tour were the county jail, the court house, county home and farm, and prison camp. The jail was said to have been in the best condition noted in a long time. Both the court house and county farm were praised.

It was also reported that county school buses are being put in good shape for the coming school term, and that safety glass is being installed in all the 55 machines.

Roscoe F. Childress acted as foreman of the jury.

CHATHAM SCHEDULES TWO WEEK-END GAMES

With a record behind them of having recent games rained out, the Chatham Blanketeers are this week-end tempting the weatherman by announcing two games, both to be played at Chatham Park here.

Saturday, at 3:00 p. m. the Blanketeers will face a Triangle Hosiery Mill team from High Point.

Sunday a Tomlinson Furniture Company team, also of High Point, will face the blanket makers here.

A total of 19,500 persons were killed in traffic accidents at night last year and 13,000 in daytime traffic accidents.

Presides



Rev. O. V. Caudill, above, of this city, was in West Jefferson Tuesday to preside over the 39th annual meeting of the Winston-Salem Presbytery. Rev. Mr. Caudill is retiring moderator of the Presbytery, having served in that post during the past year.

Youth Caravan Program Here To End Friday

The Youth Caravan, which is sponsored by the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church, and which has been at the local church during this week, will come to a close on Friday evening with a consecration service. All workers and those who have been attending the caravan will be served a supper at 6 o'clock Friday evening at the church, the supper to be served by the women of the church.

Among the classes in religious education which have been held outside of the regular meetings at the church are daily Bible school classes at Wesley Chapel, colored Methodist church, and prayer services at the Chatham Manufacturing company and Elkin Furniture company.

The classes, which are varied with religious and recreational periods, are increasing in attendance. All ages, from twelve years up, are included in the classes, and all people of the town, regardless of religious affiliation, are invited to attend.

MISHAP FATAL TO S. G. ALLEN

Brother of the Late Prof. J. H. Allen, of Elkin, Dies Friday

WAS PROMINENT MAN

Solomon G. Allen, 72, widely known citizen and farmer of the Hamptonville section, and brother of the late Prof. J. H. Allen, of this city, died in the Davis hospital, Statesville, Friday morning from injuries suffered the previous day on his farm when he was thrown from a wagon. He suffered a crushed chest and ribs and a ruptured lung when the wagon passed over his body.

Mr. Allen was recognized as a master farmer and was one of the most progressive in Yadkin county, and was an extensive land owner.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock from Flat Rock Baptist church, near Hamptonville, where he worshipped regularly, and interment was in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Plutina Stinson Allen, two sons and one daughter, Tuttle and Homer Allen, and Mrs. Charles Ireland, of Hamptonville, and several grandchildren. Two brothers, Dr. J. A. Allen, of New London, and James Allen, of Sanford, and two sisters, Mrs. Ed Shugart, of Yadkinville, and Mrs. Dave Nicholson, of Ferrum, Va., also survive.

A well-driven golf ball leaves the head of the club at a speed of 135 miles an hour.