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Another Heavy Toll

Trouble comes in droves, as we here in the Yadkin's valley have had abundant evidence in recent days. Hardly did we get our bearings after the recent flood that took such a heavy toll of our resources when fire came to deliver another blow.

The all but total loss of the old Chatham plant which housed precious raw materials and supplies, would have been a serious if not fatal blow to any concern less fortified financially to withstand it. But while Elkin stands by in fullest sympathy, the Chatham management announces "business as usual." Which means that the large order for blankets from the federal government will be filled and the regular trade taken care of.

It is a monument to Thurmond Chatham's human interest in his fellows that he promptly made arrangements to absorb those workers made idle by the fire, into other channels of the firm's activities, and instead of having to remain without work when they must earn to live, they find their names still on the payroll, even if it adds to the burden of costs that fire brought. Such thoughtfulness should not, and we think will not, go unrewarded by the loyalty and appreciation of the workers.

This is a distinct loss to the Chatham Manufacturing Company and to Elkin, and coming as it does, at a time when flood losses had dealt this section a serious blow, the discouragement would overwhelm a less courageous citizenry than our own. We'll soon be snapping out of it, but as we turn our eyes to the sunrise, we will all be hoping that future tragedies will either pass us by, or give us a breathing spell during which we may brace ourselves against whatever disrupting thing fate may have in store for us.

More Than Ships Involved

Britain has her fifty destroyers in exchange for leases on certain air and naval bases among her possessions on this side of the Atlantic, and the President has come in less censure than was expected for for taking the bit in his teeth for action without first getting the sanction of Congress. Even the die-hard isolationists did not raise the expected ruckus about it, for the simple reason, that members of Congress realized that public sentiment was predominantly in favor of it.

Regardless of whether the President was within the law, his action is heartily approved, for if past procedure is any criterion, Congress would have spent at least a month in a talkfest that might have made the delivery of the destroyers too late to do Britain any good, and thereby breeding an antagonism that would not fit into our future relationships, to say nothing of defeating a purpose in which this nation is deeply interested-the hopeful assurance that Britain will not lose this battle to a rattlebrain hellion, who would not hesitate to use his victory as a stepping stone to our own discomfort. The transfer of these destroyers was important because in the discussion leading up to action we were given the pledge that the British fleet would never be delivered to Hitler in case the battle for England is lost nor scuttled by British seamen rather than turn the ships over to a hated enemy. That means that they will remain the bulwark to this nation they have always been; means that we would not have to go down into our jeans to build a two-ocean navy and mort-gage our future to pay for it. That defense agreement with Canada was not for nothing. If Britain falls, there is plenty to indicate that the minutest details already have been worked out, and the sea lanes would still have to reckon with ships that fly the Union Jack. And the transfer of those ships has not been lost on Japan. It indicates very plainly how America feels toward Britain and to what extent we will go to help in this emergency. For we need not blind ourselves to the fact that our help stops here. We will be asked for more assistance, short of manpower, and Britain will get that too, because the American people have sensed the fact that our danger is real, that our national security is on the scales, and they will be tilted accordingly, no matter what Hitler and his Trojan horses over here think about it. With the certainty that the American fleet can remain in the Pacific, Japan will pause in her hurry to grab what is loose in the Far East, and thus lessen the tension that might lead directly to a war that would make giving, instead of trading these ships, look small in the comparative costs. The President acted boldly and fearlessly

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A Dream Come True

The Smoky Mountain Park which President Roosevelt dedicated last week, and the great scenic boulevard that leads into it is now an established fact. Only a short time ago somebody was dreaming about it, while most of us were thinking of it as some desirable future thing that maybe our children

might live to enjoy. Yet in the space of a few short months engineers have marked the course, and mas-sive machinery has rooted a trail, dynamite has blasted huge boulders from the trail, and workmen have smoothed and doctored the course into what eventually will be one of the most comfortable and popular pleasure lanes in the world.

Neither the park nor the highway has the finishing touches that man's genius finally will bring to them, for neither can be said to be finished in any particular. But when the landscaping is finished and when the plantings put years of growth behind them, it is easy to predict that it will be a lovely sight that will attract visitors by the thousand year in and year out. It couldn't

be any other way. And among them will be many who never looked upon North Carolina as a state with so much to offer. Of course Tennessee comes in for some of this high-rating, but it's North Carolina we are talking about now.

First-off, though, it is our park and our road, and we should use it fully and freely, not to the exclusion of others, but for our own inspiration and edification. Many of us have gone to enjoy and admire, but countless North Carolinians have not the least idea of its gorgeous glory, and they owe it to themselves to go and have a look. It is educational as well as recreational.

And what will it mean to North Carolina in a material way? That is something the future probably will answer. But much of it will depend on the attitude of individual Tar Heels and organizations that are supposed to be interested in such things. Certainly the throngs that come will leave some cash, and just as surely will they be interested and impressed with the possibilities of future development along lines that are as undreamable now as the park and highway were a few years back.

Both Have a Stake In It

Thurmond Chatham was the principal speaker at a dinner meeting given recently by the Iredell Sportsmen's Club at Statesville, and according to the Statesville Daily gave the club and its guests something worth thinking about in connection with improved gamelife conditions-in which Mr. Chatham and his audience were particularly interested at that time.

Mr. Chatham said among other things that the farmer is one of the main keys to the gate that will open to the Utopia that every hunter and fisherman likes to dream about, and he made especial plea that every sportsman worthy of the name give the landowner the respect and consideration and courtesy that he deserves, in the certainty that co-operation will follow-and co-operation between landowner and sportsman is necessary if hunting and fishing conditions are ever to become anywhere near satisfactory

And there we think Mr. Chatham is on solid ground. For farmer and sportsman have an equal stake in game conservation: To the sportsman who covets the recreation and release from high pressure living, it means that his time and talents and investment in equipment and licenses, will be rewarded at the end of the day's hunt; to the farmer it means, or could be made to mean that he too will not go unrewarded for co-operation in this important matter. Each then is essential to the other, and both have a responsibility in the preservation of our natural resources of wildlife. And any program looking to the immediate or future improvement in this respect necessarily must start from there. First-off it should be understood by all that the State is the owner of the wildlife within its borders. A covey of quail does not belong to the man on whose land it is, for it can move on to the land of his neighbor. Title to game depends upon possession by trapping or killing, and the State can restrict or deny this right even to the landowner on which the game is found. That is law and it should and must be observed by

Kiwanians to Hear Director of State Highway Safety Division

ADMIT NEW MEMBERS

Ronald Hocutt, of Raleigh, diector of the division of highway afety for North Carolina, will be guest speaker at this evening's neeting (Thursday), of the Elkin Kiwanis club, it has been announced by Program Chairman D. G. Smith.

Mr. Hocutt is expected to make very interesting talk and all embers of the club are urged to be present to hear him.

G. F. Ball, of Charlotte, was peaker at last week's meeting, resenting an interesting motion picture concerning the part pe-troleum plays in the homes of Americans

During the business session resided over by President L. S. Weaver, two new members, Bob Hartness and Charlie Dixon, of the Chatham Manufacturing Co., were received by the club. Among the visitors present

were Louis Nelson, of North Wilkesboro; Mr. Simmons, of Pilot Mountain; and Rev. O. V. Caudill, pastor of the Elkin Presbyterian church.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS OF CO. TO SET UP CLUBS

A series of "Roosevelt clubs" will be sponsored by the Surry Young Democrats club in the townships of the county, it has been stated by Archie B. Carter, of Mt. Airy, president of the organization.

The club wil also sponsor four weekly rallies at Dobson, prior to the election, the first to be held Friday, October 11. Other rallies planned are October 18, with J. M. Broughton, nominee for governor, the speaker; on October 25, the rally is expected to feature an address by Robert R. "Our Bob" Reynolds and the fourth rally November 1, will feature an address by Congressman A. D. Folger.

Mr. Carter said township clubs tion of Yadkin county, passed would elect their own officers and away at his home early Wednesponsor rallies in their respective day morning, from an illness of communities, the purpose being six years, beginning with a par-to get the prospective voters for alytic stroke. Mr. Swaim was a Roosevelt in the November elec- life long resident of Yadkin coun tions to attend.

QUAIL SEASON IS TO

H. Grady Farthing, of Boone, district game warden, has announced that the quail season in Surry county will open on November 28, and close on February 15, with a bag limit of 10 per day and 150 per season.

The squirrel season opened on the first of September and will be open to January 1. There is no open season on fox squirrel and oomer. The season on ruffled grouse

extends from November 28 to January 15. There is no open season in this county on deer, turkey and otter.

The rabbit season will be from November 28 to February 15, and the opossum and raccoon season



Thursday, September 12, 1940



RONDA

The Ronda Home Demonstra

tion Club held its regular month-

ly meeting at the Home Econom-

A number of Ronda people at-

TO BE HELD SEPT. 22

The annual Green and Gray

September 22, at Clingman school

by Rev. R.R. Crater, followed with

singing by Pleasant Grove quartet.

Principal speaker for the occasion will be Mr. T. E. Story and Mr.

Eugene Trivette of North Wilkes-

tended the funeral of Mr. Marcus

YADKIN MAN PASSES AWAY

Virgil M. Swaim, 66, Dies Following Illness Lasting Following Illness Lasting sion. Miss Elizabeth Williams Six Years

our new county home demonstration agent, was present, also six FUNERAL RITES TODAY members and two visitors. A number of Ronda folks are

Virgil M. Swaim, 66, well attending the Wilkes and Elkin known farmer of the Center secfairs this week. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bell of Norfolk, Va., left Thursday, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bell. Mr. and Mrs. Nat Blackwood of Winston-Salem, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Henty and a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Swaim. He was drix last Sunday.

for many years a member of OPEN ON NOVEMBER 28 Swaim's Baptist church.

He was married to Miss Sarah Walker at Dennyville church Elizabeth Royall, who survives Tuesday, September 10th, at 11 him with one daughter, Miss a. m. Weldon Hinshaw, of Boonville, and five sons, P. M. Swaim, Thad **GREEN-GRAY REUNION** Swaim, D. T. Swaim and Ralph Swaim, all of Boonville, and Taft Swaim, of Winston-Salem.

Funeral rites will be held this afternoon (Thursday) at 2 o'clock reunion will be held Sunday, from Swaim's church, in charge of Rev. Cleet Simmons, Rev. J. N. The program will begin at 10:45 Binkley and Rey, R. L. Speer, In- with the devotional and welcome terment will be in the church cemetery.

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Our school sale is on in full blast, featuring a complete line of school supplies at bargain prices. Graham & Click's 5c & 10c Store

Special Close-Out Prices On slightly shopworn and new floor, table and pin-it-up lamps. Only a few left. Duke Power Co. 9-12c

Wanted! Refined girls for Beauty Culture Training. A complete course for only \$50.00. State accredited. Mae's School of Beauty Culture, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Mrs. Jake Church, Prop. tfc

pecial this week-Our regular 59c three-thread, 45-gauge full fashioned hose at 49c pair. Graham & Click's 5c & 10c Store.

For rent: three and four room apartments. Newly finished. Private bath. Carl Chappell. Telephone 126-M. tfc tfc

For sale: solid maple dining room suite, table, buffet and six chairs, in perfect condition. Priced reasonable. Mrs. J. W.

Kill destructive insects with

Do you want plenty of eggs from

this little matter, and the future probably will determine that he acted wisely.

When the State issues license to hunt or fish, such license does not include the right to trespass, it only gives permission to the holder to take fish or game which belong to

the State, and only upon land or in stream where he has a right to go for that purpose and he must get that right from the landowner. The State cannot and does not give it to him.

Let the sportsman and landowner recognize these principles and most of the problem will be solved. For then the co-operation can begin. Sportsmen can supplement State aid by providing seeds for feed and if need be provide a small fee for the privilege of hunting, so that the farmer will not go entirely unrewarded.

But when the sportsman does this he wants the assurance that when he goes hunting there will be something to hunt, and the farmer must assume this responsibility. And we believe it will be a pleasant one, for what finer sensation can come than that of feeding birds in winter and observe their gratefulness. But above all we should remember to follow the rules of the game, particularly that which requires permission from the landowner.

