

Negro Prowler Enters Number Of Homes Here

ELUDES POLICE AS SEARCH IS MADE MONDAY

Takes \$3.00 From Home of J. Mark McAdams

JONES HOME ENTERED

Is Believed To Be Same Man Who Was Sought Here Several Months Ago

WEARS GREEN TOPCOAT

An unknown negro man, thought to be the same one who several months ago entered a number of homes here, was reported Monday to again have been on the prowl.

Described as being of light tan in color, and between 25 and 30 years of age, the man entered the home of Mrs. R. L. Jones, on North Bridge street, about 2:30 Monday afternoon, and later in the day entered the home of J. Mark McAdams, on Church street.

It was also reported that he entered the Mathis home on North Bridge.

Police, arriving on the scene a few minutes after the man had left the McAdams home, failed to find him, although a search of the entire neighborhood was made. Since Monday no trace of him has been found.

Mrs. Jones, ill with a cold, was in an upstairs bedroom when the man entered her home. She said she was lying down and heard a knock at the door, but did not feel like answering it, being there alone. A moment later she heard the front door open and someone entered the living room. At first, she said, she thought it was a youngster of the neighborhood who frequently came to visit her son. Then she heard someone coming up the stairs, and upon

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YOUTH IS HELD IN DOBSON JAIL

Charged with Shooting James A. White, Surry Farmer, Monday P. M.

BOND SET AT \$2,500.00

Wounded in the chest by a .22 calibre bullet allegedly fired by Curtis Lawson, 17, James A. White, farmer of Elkin, route 1, is in Hugh Chatham hospital here where his condition is said to be satisfactory.

Lawson, arrested Tuesday by Deputy Sheriff Gilmer Corder, is being held in jail at Dobson in default of \$2,500 bond to await hearing before Magistrate J. L. Hall, of Elkin. Date of the hearing has not been set.

The shooting was said to have resulted from ill-feeling for some time between White and Lawson's family, who are White's tenants. The shooting occurred along the road near White's farm seven miles from Elkin.

The bullet went completely through White's chest, it was learned, but apparently did not hit a vital spot. Officials are awaiting the outcome of his condition before setting a date for the hearing.

Surry Superior Court Under Way

Surry County Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases got under way at Dobson Monday before Judge J. H. Clement, of Walkertown, but up until the end of the Tuesday session no cases of any importance locally had been tried. It was learned Wednesday morning, with most cases being for minor offenses.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

STATE

RALEIGH, Jan. 11.—All of North Carolina's major highways have been cleared of snow and ice hazards following the heavy snow and rain of last week-end, Maj. John T. Armstrong, commander of the state highway patrol, said today. However, some spots are dangerous for normal travel, he said, because of light winds which shift snow onto the pavement, where it immediately freezes.

NATIONAL

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey reiterated tonight his "exclusive" occupation with the affairs of New York State, but left the door open for a possible draft as the 1944 Republican presidential candidate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—President Roosevelt tonight called on the nation to support a sweeping win-the-war program — which he laid before Congress earlier today — including a national service law which "will prevent strikes" and, with certain exceptions, draft every able-bodied adult for an all-out home front effort. Such a law is necessary now to carry the nation over the last hard miles to victory, he said in a fireside chat during which he made a cryptic reference to 1944 as "this very fateful year in our history."

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—Republicans will choose their 1944 presidential candidate in Chicago the week beginning June 26 in the same stadium where President Roosevelt was nominated for his first and third terms. The Republican national committee made these choices unanimously today after Chicago business men submitted the only money bid — of \$75,000 — to pay the convention expenses. This was the lowest offer in years. Other midwest cities said they were too congested and New York extended an invitation without financial backing. Democrats will pick a convention city and date at a meeting of their national committee in Washington January 22. They also are expected to accept a bid of \$75,000 from Chicago like that which Silas Strawn, Chicago lawyer, extended today at the "G. O. P. meeting on behalf of a bi-partisan citizens committee."

INTERNATIONAL
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Jan. 11.—American and British heavy bombers, operating from a network of airdromes in southern Italy, have opened a day and night onslaught on Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, in what may be a campaign calculated to knock that nazi satellite nation out of the war and start a collapse of Hitler's unsteady empire. Wellington bombers, "workhorses" of the RAF, left Bulgaria's only important city a mass of blazing wreckage last night when they showered it with tons of explosives only a few hours after fighter-escorted American Flying Fortresses had fought off between 40 and 50 nazi fighters and blasted the capital with as great a load of bombs as struck London in any night of the 1940-41 German blitz.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 12.—United States Eighth air

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Dies In Action



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RONDA SOLDIER DIES IN ACTION

Pfc. George Wellborn Killed In Attack On Makin Island Nov. 25th

SURVIVED BY PARENTS

Private First Class George Wellborn, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wellborn of Ronda, was killed in action on Makin Island during the invasion of the Gilbert Islands on November 25, according to a message received by his parents.

Pfc. Wellborn was a member of the famous "Fighting 69th Infantry," which made the heroic assault of Makin Island. The regiment was commanded by Colonel James Gardiner Conroy of New York, who was killed while leading his troops.

Pfc. Wellborn, who was 28, was inducted into service on April 11, 1941. He graduated from the Ronda high school with the class of 1935.

He is survived by his parents and the following brothers and sisters, Wess, Kenneth, Charles and Pless Wellborn, all of Ronda; Petis Wellborn of Roaring River; Mrs. Charity Wilmoth of Jonesville and Mrs. Ethel Mitchell of Cleveland.

CONFERENCE IS FORMED IN CO.

Surry Baptist Association Ministers Hold Meeting In Mount Airy

STIMULATE FELLOWSHIP

At a well attended meeting of the ministers of the Surry Baptist association on Monday in Mount Airy, a pastor's conference was organized. Dr. D. K. Redwine was elected president of the group; Rev. C. E. Otey, vice-president and Rev. Felix Wagoner, secretary. Rev. Lonnie Fleming and Rev. J. F. Sellers will serve with the officers as an executive and program committee.

The membership of the conference will be composed of all Baptist ministers living in the Surry Association and all pastors of churches in the association. Regular meetings will be held on Monday night following the second Sunday in each month.

The object of the organization is to gain inspiration, give information and stimulate fellowship among the ministers of the association.

Miss Willa Marks, associational missionary, will be in charge of the publicity for the conference.

Bond Meeting To Be Held At Jonesville

A bond meeting will be held at the Jonesville school building on Monday evening at 7:30. All citizens of the Jonesville school district are urged to attend.

The meeting is being called by Mayor Z. B. Martin of Jonesville, chairman of the fourth War Bond drive for the Jonesville district.

Bonds or Bondage—It's Up to You

BELIEVE NAZI PLANE LOSSES ARE OVER 300

Estimated Over 60 U. S. Planes Downed In Raid

ATHENS PORT RAIDED

Large Allied Air Fleet Hits Balkans In Heavy Force Tuesday

MORE GROUND SEIZED

London, Jan. 12.—Massive American raiding fleets were believed today to have shot down a record number of German planes—more than 300—in the biggest air battle ever fought over Germany which London newspapers estimated cost them more than 60 planes.

The German High Command claimed 136 American planes were destroyed, including 124 four-motored bombers, in the great battle fought five miles above the Reich.

Obviously believing the great aerial onslaught to be the first American daylight thrust at Berlin, the Nazis revealed tactics and weapons they had been saving for the defense of their battered capital.

The Nazi command threw into the struggle "destroyer" smoke screens and broadside rocket shells in a desperate attempt to check the hundreds of Flying Fortresses and Liberators flanked by hundreds of Thunderbolts and Lightnings as well as a new type of long range fighter.

Allied Headquarters in Algiers, Jan. 12.—Allied bombers, striking another day-and-night double-header blow into the Balkans, battered Piraeus, the port of Athens in Greece, in heavy force yesterday, while around the Fifth Army seized more high ground in Italy, Allied headquarters announced today.

(The German communique aid the Nazis had been thrown out of Cervaro, fortified village four miles east southeast of Cassino on the Rome road, "after hard fighting," and also lost a mountain top to the northeast.)

(Cervaro was the last village outpost guarding Cassino, the powerful stronghold blocking the road to Rome. Allied troops had closed in on the village from the south and the northeast.)

The one-two punch against Piraeus was delivered by "a considerable force" of Flying Fortresses by day, followed by R. A. F. Wellingtons swooping in last night. Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, was hammered Monday in the same kind of swift blows.

Missing Since Bataan, Soldier Is Jap Prisoner

Frank Anderson, formerly of Jonesville, who has been reported missing in action since the fall of Bataan, was reported Tuesday morning by the War Department to be a prisoner of war of the Japanese.

Anderson was a member of the U. S. Army and the only son of Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Anderson of Danville, Va. At the time the young man went into service and also when he was reported missing in action, his parents were residing in Jonesville, where his father was pastor of the Pentecostal Holiness church. The Andersons moved to Danville in October 1942 and have been residing there since that time.

Before the French Revolution, the nobility went in for highly decorative eyeglasses, with jeweled frames.

Test Blackout May Be Staged Here Thursday

Although he has received no official notification of the fact, it is quite likely that Elkin, along with the remainder of the state, may have a test blackout tonight (Thursday), J. W. L. Benson, coordinator of the local office of Civilian Defense, said Wednesday afternoon.

Mention of such a blackout has appeared in the daily press, but definite information was lacking.

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Secretary Wickard Is Invited To Speak Here To Farmers Of Section

Workers In Bond Drive To Hold Meeting 19th

Wachovia Bank Official To Be Guest Speaker

A workers' meeting preparatory to launching the Elkin district drive in the Fourth War Loan which gets under way throughout the nation next Tuesday, will be held next Wednesday evening at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A., with William Neal, vice-president of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., of Winston-Salem, as speaker, it has been announced by D. G. Smith, local War Loan Drive chairman.

An effort was made to get Mr. Neal here earlier, Mr. Smith said, but due to the fact that he is busy attending similar meetings in other towns of this section of the state, next Wednesday is the earliest available date he can be here.

It is planned to have sufficient workers take part in the drive to canvas the downtown section of town in as brief time as possible, it was said. It was also announced that one or more bond auction sales will be staged during the course of the campaign.

The Surry county quota has been set at \$1,261,000, which is less than that of the third War Loan Drive, when Surry's quota of \$1,736,000 was topped by half-a-million. Of the current quota, \$648,900 must be sold in "E" Bonds, these bonds being the type usually bought by the average citizen.

Every citizen is urged to buy all the bonds possible during the campaign, and to "Back the Attack" in every way possible.

CLUB OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

Kiwanis Governor Jeff Bates Is Guest Speaker At Kiwanis Meet

LADIES ARE PRESENT

New officers of the Elkin Kiwanis Club were installed by Carolina District Governor Jeff Bates, of Columbia, S. C., at the annual Kiwanis ladies' night meeting at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. last Thursday night.

The new officers are, president, Garland Johnson; vice-president, C. C. Poindexter, and secretary-treasurer, Julius L. Hall. New directors are W. M. Allen, J. W. L. Benson, Gaston L. Hill, J. F. Lowrance, T. C. McKnight, E. S. Spainhour, D. G. Smith and Raymond Harris, by virtue of his office as past president.

R. W. Harris, retiring president, presided over the meeting, and in a review of the year's activity of the club expressed his appreciation for the cooperation that had been given him by the members. He said he feared for the progress of the club when he assumed office in January, 1943, due to the uncertainties of war, but was proud to announce that in many ways the accomplishments of the club had been outstanding during the year. Mr. Harris called special attention to the work of the agricultural committee and that of the committee on youth guidance.

Governor Bates, who in addition to being a high Kiwanis official, is also treasurer of the State of South Carolina, was presented to the club by Kiwanian W. M. Allen. In a brief talk before installing the officials, he stated that Kiwanis has had the best year in its history during 1943, despite the war. He said that winning the war was Kiwanis' first objective, and that

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Given Award



J. Mark McAdams, of this city, Tuesday night was presented with the Silver Beaver award, one of the highest in Scouting, by the Old Hickory Council of Boy Scouts, for outstanding service to Scouting aid to the community.

HONOR ELKIN SCOUT LEADER

J. Mark McAdams Is Presented Silver Beaver Award At Winston Meet

OFFICIALS ARE NAMED

For outstanding service to scouting and to their communities, J. Mark McAdams, of this city, and W. N. Volger, of Winston-Salem, were Tuesday night presented Silver Beaver awards by the Old Hickory Council of Boy Scouts at the annual meeting of the council, held at Winston-Salem.

The Silver Beaver award is the highest honor at the command of the Council.

The presentation was made by Council President John M. Brown, assisted by Raymond W. Harris, of Elkin.

Both Mr. McAdams, who is superintendent of the Elkin schools, and Mr. Volger have played active roles in scouting for many years, it was pointed out, and have contributed to programs for the betterment of young people and the community as a whole.

Mr. Brown was re-elected president of the council and R. E. Lasater was re-named honorary president. H. Banks Newman, of Winston-Salem, and J. W. Yokley, of Mount Airy, were chosen representatives on the national council, and R. W. Harris, of Elkin; J. B. Carter, of North Wilkesboro, and Leverne Johnson, of

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To Again Collect Cans, Waste Paper

A second collection of waste paper and tin cans will be made Sunday afternoon by the local Junior Chamber of Commerce. Collection will be made in Elkin, Jonesville and Arlington, and residents are asked to place their collection where they may be seen from the street.

Members of the Jaycees are highly enthusiastic over the response to the first collection in which they gathered 6 tons of waste paper and approximately one-fifth of a car load of tin cans. A special appeal is made for cans for the second collection, in addition to waste paper, as shipment of cans cannot be made until a full car load is collected.

RECOGNITION DAY PROGRAM NOW PLANNED

Governor Broughton Adds His Voice To Appeal

CLUBS JOIN FORCES

Secretary of Agriculture has As Yet Made No Definite Commitment

TO BE IN FEBRUARY

Claude R. Wickard, secretary of agriculture of the United States, has been invited to address farmers and businessmen of Elkin and vicinity at a farmers' recognition day dinner planned for Thursday, February 17, it has been announced by Garland Johnson, chairman of the Elkin Agricultural Council, and president of the Elkin Kiwanis Club.

The invitation to Mr. Wickard was forwarded through Representative John Folger by the Elkin Kiwanis Club, Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Elkin Merchants Association. At the same time, Governor Broughton, in a letter to Mr. Wickard, has added his personal appeal.

In event the secretary of agriculture finds it possible to come here, the three organizations plan to invite a large number of farmers from Surry and adjacent counties for similar sessions in the afternoon and the dinner and address in the evening.

It is also planned, it was said, to get State College extension specialists to head up meetings during the afternoon in which matters will be discussed pertinent to the needs of the various farming interests.

Mr. Johnson said Wednesday afternoon that he had received no definite commitment from Mr. Wickard, but that he and all others identified with the proposed program were extremely hopeful that he can attend.

Claude Farrell is president of the Junior Chamber, and G. L. Hill president of the Merchants Association.

Comer Named Surry Campaign Chairman

Superintendent John W. Comer, who heads the Surry county school system, has been named county chairman for the annual campaign against infantile paralysis, the drive which has been featured each year with birthday balls for the President.

The appointment of Mr. Comer was made by Dr. Ralph McDonald, of Chapel Hill, who is the state chairman for the drive.

BACK THE ATTACK — WITH WAR BONDS!

Citizens Urged To List Their Taxes Early

Surry county township tax-listers have begun their work of placing real estate and personal property on the tax records so that the board of county commissioners might determine the valuation of property in the county and fix the tax rate for the year.

Cooperation of property owners in getting their property listed as early in the month as possible is important.

All property on hand January 1, either real or personal, is subject to taxation and must be listed, and all male persons between 21 and 50 years of age must list poll tax.

Local tax listers, W. J. Snow, and George Chatham, Sr., are located in the county tax office on Main street here next to The Bank of Elkin.