

County Is Over Top In Fourth War Loan Drive

E BOND SALES BELOW QUOTA, FIGURES SHOW

All E Bond Sales During This Month To Count On Quota

BOND TOTAL \$1,645,607

This Figure Is Expected To Grow When Complete Figures Are In

ANNOUNCE NEXT WEEK

Surry county, with a Fourth War Loan quota of \$1,261,000, has gone over the top in its over-all drive by selling a total of \$1,645,607, it was learned Wednesday morning.

These figures, it was said, while the latest available, do not represent sales up until the final day of the campaign, which was Tuesday.

While the results of the drive as a whole has proven a great success, the sale of E bonds is still below the assigned quota of \$648,900, current figures showing that only \$457,575 in E bonds have been sold in Surry. However, it was pointed out that sale of E bonds throughout the remainder of February will apply on this quota, and it is hoped that the figure will more nearly approach the E quota by the end of the month.

Officials stated that it is impossible to release complete figures up through Tuesday on the drive this week. However, final figures were promised for next week when a full count has been taken.

All persons planning to purchase E bonds in the near future are urged to do so during February if possible, so that the sales may apply on the Surry quota.

BLANKETEERS TO GO NORTH

To Meet Gruen Watch Company and Westinghouse Teams During Trip

ARE TO GO ON TRAIN

Chatham's girls' basketball team will head north this week-end for games with the Gruen Watch Company and Westinghouse, returning to Elkin Monday, February 28. A. R. Plaster, Blanketeer coach, said Wednesday afternoon.

The girls, accompanied by Ab Crater and Miss Lois McKnight, will go by train to Cincinnati, where they will arrive Sunday afternoon, meeting the Gruen team Sunday night. From Cincinnati they will go to Pittsburgh, where they will play a three-game series with Westinghouse. Mr. Plaster said the team might possibly play a fourth game while there, although it has not as yet been scheduled.

In a three-game series played at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium here on January 5-6-7, the Blanketeers defeated the Westinghouse girls in each game, and hope to duplicate that performance in the return series at Pittsburgh.

Ronda Man Slightly Hurt In Car Wreck

Charlie Combs of Ronda, suffered minor injuries in an automobile accident Sunday evening on the Elkin-Ronda highway when his car went out of control, smashed into a stone wall and turned over.

He was kept overnight at the local hospital for observation but was released the following day.

Bonds or Bondage—It's Up to You

LARGE NUMBER OF MEN SENT TO CAMP CROFT

Leave Tuesday To Take Pre-Induction Examination

FROM DRAFT BOARD 2

Those Who Pass Are Subject To Call At Any Time Within 90 Days

NAMES ARE ANNOUNCED

A large number of selective service registrants left Tuesday morning for Camp Croft for a pre-induction physical examination. Those who pass the examination and are accepted for service are liable for call any time within ninety days and not less than twenty-one days, under the new selective service ruling. Those who pass the test who are not called within ninety days will be summoned for another pre-induction examination, subject to further call.

Those reporting on Tuesday were:

Roy Reece Bates, Elkin; Pholie Fred Renegar, Elkin; William Howard Windsor, Elkin; James Ruby McCormick, Rockford; Martin Elmer Jones, Pilot Mountain; Roy Webster Myers, Elkin; Theodore Franklin Turpin, route 2, Pilot Mountain; Jiles Henry Cave, State Road; Claude Harding Jennings, Burlington; Ira Fred Jessup, route 1, Pinnacle; Connie William Jenkins, route 2, Dobson; Paul Kermit Lowe, Lowgap; Fred Andrew Collins, route 1, Elkin; James Martin Cave, route 1, Dobson; DeWitt White, route 1, Elkin; Herman James Martin, Greensboro.

Jack Simmons, Pilot Mountain; Lee Thomas Tilley, route 1, Elkin; Claude Henry Davis, Pilot Mountain; Hugh Glenn Creed, Elkin; John Henry Summit, Elkin; Wilbert Edward McHone, Pilot Mountain; Paul Odell Wilson, Pilot Mountain; O. D. Gray, Durham; Thad A. Stanley, Rusk; Thomas Glenn Barker, Dobson; Cola Croom Pulp, Wilmington; George McKinley Gentry, Elkin; Benford Blain Baugus, Elkin; Clyde Taft Overby, Pilot Mountain; Leon Franklin Stewart, route 1, Rural Hall; Lynwood Galyean, Lowgap; Oliver Nathaniel Swanson, Pilot Mountain; Sam Brooks, Mountain Park.

Claude Clyde Stewart, Elkin; Fredrick Eugene Chappell, route 1, State Road; Tom Benbow Scott, Bennettsville, S. C.; Herman Sebron Atkins, Elkin; El-

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LOCKER PLANT SEEMS ASSURED

However, Over 40 More Lockers Must Be Rented Before Installation

ASKED TO RENT NOW

Success of the freezer locker plant proposed for Elkin was nearing success Wednesday when it was announced that only between 40 and 50 lockers needed to be rented in order to obtain government priority to install the plant.

Dave Brendle, of F. A. Brendle & Son, the firm interested in putting in the modern freezer locker facilities, said that his firm planned to start with 300 lockers, and of this number it is necessary to rent in advance a total of 60 per cent, or 180 lockers, in order to obtain the necessary equipment. It is hoped that the remaining number of lockers necessary to assure the success of the project will be rented within a short while so that the plant may be installed and ready for operation at an early date.

Those wishing to rent lockers should make their check payable to Garland Johnson, vice-president of The Bank of Elkin. These checks, which should be for \$12.50 for regular size locker, or \$15.00 for large locker, are for a year's rent, and will be held uncashed until the plant is installed and ready to operate and the keys turned over to the renters. Checks may be given or mailed to Mr. Johnson or to F. A. Brendle & Son. In event something should occur which prevented the installation of the plant, all checks would be returned.

Heads Association



T. F. Cooley, of Elkin, superintendent of Klondike Farm near here, was elected president of the North Carolina Guernsey Breeders Association at their meeting held in Winston-Salem last week. During the session, the problems of feed, and the presentation of the Klondike Trophy, were centers of interest. The Klondike Trophy, presented annually for the cow with the best milk and butterfat production record, was presented by Prof. R. H. Ruffner of State College, Raleigh, to A. L. Brown, owner, and G. H. Cartner, manager of the Clear Springs Farm, Kannapolis, for the production record of "Clear Springs" Elizabeth. During the session Frank Johnson, of the American Guernsey Club, spoke on "Golden Guernsey Milk," urging the association to take into its membership the distributors of Guernsey milk.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF
From the State and Nation

STATE

RALEIGH, FEB. 15.—North Carolina's traffic in black market gasoline operations was shown today in a report released by James S. Burch, statistical engineer for the state highway department. Burch said that traffic over North Carolina's highway system in January, 1944, as compared with the same month in 1941, the most recent normal year used as a basis for compilation of figures, showed only a 31 per cent reduction as compared with January, 1941. He said the OPA had informed him that "black market operations in gasoline were the cause for the steady flow of automobiles over the highways."

NATIONAL

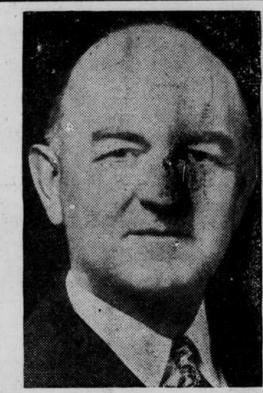
WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Acting Secretary of the Treasury Daniel W. Bell announced tonight that the United States has gone over the top in its fourth loan drive, purchases totalling 14,191,000,000. Purchases of the bonds leaped over the \$14,000,000,000 goal today, last day officially in the two months of intensive sales effort. All bonds purchases during the remainder of February are to be counted in the total, which Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau has indicated he will announce on March 2.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—President Roosevelt told a press-radio conference today that he would not be a bit surprised if the United States was

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President of American Bankers Association To Be Speaker At Farmers Meet; Governor Coming

TO ATTEND FARMERS MEETING Pictured below are the three honor guests who will attend the annual Farmers' Night banquet to be held here at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. on Thursday, March 16, under sponsorship of the Elkin Agricultural Council. They are, left to right, A. L. M. Wiggins, of Hartsville, S. C., president of the American Bankers Association, who will be principal speaker; Word H. Wood, of Charlotte, chairman of the board of the American Trust Company, and Governor J. M. Broughton. Mr. Wood, a native of Elkin, will be honored during the meeting. Governor Broughton will introduce both Mr. Wiggins and Mr. Wood.



WORD H. WOOD OF CHARLOTTE HONOR GUEST

Is Native of Elkin and Nationally Known Banker

MEETING ON MARCH 16

Approximately 500 Farmers of Section Will Be Guests At Annual Event

PLAN GOOD PROGRAM

A. L. M. Wiggins, of Hartsville, S. C., president of the American Bankers Association, has been announced as the principal speaker for the Elkin Annual Farmers Night program to be held at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. Thursday, March 16, in which Word H. Wood, of Charlotte, chairman of the board of the American Trust Company, will be honored, and at which Governor J. M. Broughton will be a guest.

Present at the banquet will be approximately 500 farmers of Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes counties, in addition to prominent North Carolina agricultural leaders, and business professional men of Elkin.

Garland Johnson, chairman of the Elkin Agricultural Council, which is sponsoring the event, said Wednesday morning that a comprehensive program is being arranged for visiting farmers, who will attend various group meetings to be held at the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon of the day of the banquet. These meetings will be presided over by members of the State College Farm Extension Service.

The Agriculture Council is made up of representatives of the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce, Elkin Kiwanis Club, and the Elkin Merchants Association. The guest of honor, Mr. Wood, is himself a native of Elkin, having been born here April 28, 1873.

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Berlin Staggered Under Nearly 3000 Tons Bombs

New Pastor



Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, who has been appointed as pastor of the Elkin Methodist Church to succeed Rev. Herman F. Duncan, who has been transferred to Asheboro to succeed the late Dr. M. T. Smathers. Pastor of the Franklin Methodist church for the past three and one-half years, Dr. Stokes will preach his first sermon here on February 27. He said Tuesday that he planned to move his wife and family here within the very near future.

German Capital Feels Greatest Raid In History

London, Feb. 16.—A mighty armada of British bombers—comprising the bulk of the night's raiding fleet of some 1,200 planes—sent nearly 3,000 tons of explosives crashing down on devastated Berlin last night in the heaviest aerial assault ever made on a single target.

While the main force of 1,000 planes rained block-busters and incendiaries on Berlin at the rate of 140 tons a minute, another 200 Lancasters feinted 50 miles to the east and dropped 300 tons of bombs on railway yards at Frankfurt-on-Oder.

Only 45 planes—less than 4 per cent of the raiding fleet—were lost in all operations last night. All but 200 of the participating bombers were four-engined aircraft.

The Air Ministry announced that crews of twin-engine Mosquito bombers that roared over Berlin after the R. A. F.'s heavyweights had dropped their cargoes of nearly 6,000,000 pounds of steel and explosives found "a very large area of fire with smoke rising to a height of 2,000 feet."

Mosquitos also bombed objectives in Western Germany and Holland to round out the night's offensive.

The night's raiding fleet was the greatest ever sent out by the R. A. F. and brought the pre-invasion aerial offensive against Germany to its highest pitch at a time when Allied daylight raiders, including American Flying Fortresses and Liberators, were smashing daily at the "Western Front" coast of Northern France.

KIWANIS WINS OVER TCU CLUB

Chalk Up Score of 6-2 In Bond Selling Game At YMCA Friday

SALES TOTAL \$10,000

The Elkin Kiwanis Club, in basketball suits that reminded of the gay nineties and must have put a strain upon the purveyors of long handled underwear, stumbled to a 6-2 victory over the T. C. U. Club here last Friday evening at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in a contest risked for promotion of War Bond sales.

The Kiwanians, known as the "Kroakers," chalked up an early lead in the first quarter when Clyde Long's toss neatly split the basket, a feat which proved as surprising to Mr. Long as it did to his opponents and to the assembled audience.

The only score for the T. C. U. (Continued on page 4, 1st. Sec.)

POSTPONE DEAN MURDER TRIAL

State Asks Continuance To Analyze Blood Said Found At Home

MARCH 27TH DATE SET

Due to the fact the state needed additional time in which to analyze blood found in the home following the alleged murder of William Everett Dean last December 18 near East Bend, a continuance was granted by Judge Rousseau in Yadkin county superior court last week until March 27 when Governor Broughton is expected to call a special term in which to try the three defendants held in the case—Dean's wife, Woodrow Lane and Early Vernon Sears.

In explaining to the court that time will be needed to analyze the blood, Solicitor Avalon E. Hall also told the court that the state could show that when Dean's body was found shortly after midnight it was clad in clothes different from those Dean was wearing at 5:30 p. m., the preceding afternoon.

Although Mr. Hall didn't say so in so many words, it was implied that the murder might have been committed at the Dean home and that the clothing was changed there in order to give the perpetrators of the crime opportunity to dispose of the bloody garments. Little blood was found on the clothes Dean was wearing when his body was found in a pickup truck about a mile from the home.

Following the granting of a continuance, Judge Rousseau allowed all three defendants privilege of bond in the sum of \$5,000. Although Solicitor Hall did not state where the blood was found, he did say that it was in sufficient quantity to be of great importance. He said it was not difficult to determine that the substance found at the home was blood, but that it took some time to determine whether or not it was human blood. Three or four weeks will be necessary to finish the investigation, he intimated.

CATTLE

Farmers turning cattle into corn fields this fall are warned to take special precautions against losses from "cornstalk disease," says Dr. C. D. Grinnells, livestock specialist.

Alleged Crap Game Leads To Shooting

Oscar Phillips, 32, of the Little Richmond section of Surry, is reported as getting along satisfactorily at Hugh Chatham hospital following bullet wounds received Saturday night which were said to have been inflicted by Rastus Stanley, of the same community, in an alleged fight over a crap game.

It was reported that Stanley fired five shots from a .32 calibre revolver, one of the bullets passing almost through Phillips' body.

At last reports officers were still looking for Stanley.

Use of Tokens Explained In OPA Bulletin

To eliminate apparent existing confusion, the local ration office has been informed by the OPA that between February 27 and March 20, inclusive, blue tokens, as well as green one-point stamps may be used in making change for valid green and blue stamps which are surrendered upon a purchase of processed foods.

It was also pointed out that during the same dates, red tokens, as well as brown one-point stamps may be used in making change for valid green and blue stamps. Red tokens, as well as brown one-point stamps, may be used in making change for valid red and brown stamps. However, after March 20, red tokens and blue tokens only may be given as change against red or blue stamps.