

## Reginald Turner Again Elected Superintendent Of City School System

### Made Good Record In Past Two Years

Announcement Made At Meeting Of Asheboro School Board On Thursday

### Easter Vacation Dates Are Fixed

### Miss Steele's Ninth Grade Wins Attendance Banner For Past Month

This Asheboro city school board at a meeting Thursday night re-elected Reginald Turner as superintendent for another year.

Mr. Turner is now completing his second year as head of the city schools, during which time he has established a fine record. A graduate of Duke University, he came here from Southport with an enviable record as a teacher and administrator.

Mr. Turner announced Friday that the Asheboro schools would be closed for Easter holidays Friday, March 29, and Monday, March 30. This will be a welcome rest for both teachers and students, who have just completed the sixth school month and who have been working without a let-up since the first of the year.

An unusually fine program was enjoyed by the high school at chapel assembly Friday, the feature being a most interesting talk by Dr. S. W. Taylor. An announcement was made of the progress of the drive for more books in the high school library; Miss Ayer's room is leading so far with a collection of about 60 books.

Miss Mary Little Steele's ninth grade won the attendance banner for the past month and was given an hour off because of its high average. During the current month half holiday will be awarded to a room with the best average in the division of the local schools, the west elementary school, the east elementary school, and the high school. Some token of recognition for others whose records are high will also be made.

### Greensboro Man On New Committee

C. R. Wharton, prominent attorney of Greensboro, and well known in Randolph county, has been appointed a member of a committee of five lawyers from the various sections of the country charged with the duty of representing the American Bar association before the judiciary committee of the United States senate in opposition to President Roosevelt's proposal to revise the Supreme court.

The five appointments were made by Frederick H. Stinchfield, of Minneapolis, Minn., president of the American Bar association. Sylvester C. Smith, of Phillipsburg, N. J., is chairman of the committee.

### Branch Office Of Security Life Co.

J. E. Webb has opened a branch office of the Security Life and Trust Company of Winston-Salem in the office of the Asheboro Insurance and Realty Company. The Security Life and Trust Company offers all types of insurance, and features life income, retirement income, and juvenile policies.

### Reckless Driving Causes Accident

A. L. Jordon, young North Asheboro man, was charged with reckless driving and placed under arrest Friday afternoon after over-driving his automobile in a sequel to the sidswiping of a couple of cars on E. Salisbury street.

Highway Patrolman H. V. Norwood, who investigated, said that Jordon proceeded in zig-zag fashion along E. Salisbury street until he turned over at the curve at Greenwood Branch. Jordon was not hurt, but the front and left side of his car were badly damaged. A hearing was set for Monday morning.

### Again Heads School



REGINALD TURNER

### Invitation From Siler City Club

Local Rotarians Asked To Send Delegation To Tri-City Meeting

### Brandon Joins

Rev. N. M. Harrison And Dr. George Sumner On Community Service Program

Two members of the Siler City Rotary Club, President Smith and Secretary Alston Brooks, were present at the meeting of the local Rotarians Friday and extended an invitation to the Asheboro club to send delegates to an inter-city meeting at Siler City March 29. Three neighboring cities will take part in the program and each will be responsible for a five-minute stunt.

The program Friday was in charge of the community service committee, of which Charles McCrary is chairman. Rev. N. M. Harrison made the principal talk, speaking of community service in the local schools and on the supervised playgrounds.

Mr. Harrison stated that the criminal age in North Carolina is so low that it includes many boys and girls and that the number of crimes was higher in out of school hours. In this respect he mentioned the value of the supervised playground for children after school and during vacations, adding that last summer the attendance at the playgrounds in Asheboro was 3,286.

After speaking of the need for enlarging the appropriation for education in Randolph county, Mr. Harrison told of a conversation between himself and ex-governor Cameron Morrison which shows the recent growth in public education. Mr. Harrison had said that 20,000 had graduated from high schools in the state and 222 from colleges last year, and Mr. Morrison remarked that there were more graduates from college now than there were from high school during his administration.

Dr. George H. Sumner reviewed the work of the well-baby clinics, which were begun in January and have been held monthly since. Their purpose is to spread information among mothers about the importance of catching at the start common ailments such as defective eyes, ears, or tonsils, and the value of inoculation and vaccination for typhoid, diphtheria, scarlet fever, and similar diseases. He stated that only 32 percent of the children in the county have been vaccinated for smallpox.

A call for volunteers to carry a crippled child to the hospital Saturday was answered by Dr. S. W. Taylor. Curry Lofin attended the meeting Friday, and it was noted that although Mr. Lofin has been here for only a few meetings since he became a member he has maintained a 100 per cent attendance record for the past three years by attending at some other club each week.

## Old Hickory Cafe Leads After New Sanitary Survey

Randolph Drug Company And Little Cafe Also Win Places In Class A

### Many Cafes Rise

County Health Department Will Hold Third Midwife Class On Friday

The Old Hickory Cafe heads the list of Asheboro eating establishments in the sanitary ratings announced Saturday by the county health department as the result of a survey conducted Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday by Archie B. Freeman, district sanitary inspector, and J. A. Ferree, Randolph county sanitary inspector.

The Old Hickory had a point percentage of 95 for the highest mark in Class A, but there were two others in this class, each with a rating of 90: the Randolph Drug Company and the Little Cafe. The inspectors reported that the general sanitary condition was greatly improved, with every eating place but one showing higher ratings. The lowered rating in this instance was caused by a temporary mechanical fault which it is expected will be corrected immediately.

In Class B were ten cafes, as follows: Central Hotel, 87.5; Red Pig Cafe, 86.5; Sunset Cafe, 85.5; M & M Cafe, 85; White Spot Cafe, 84; Little Castle, 83.5; Elliott's Barbecue, 83; Tom's Lunch 82; C. L. Hasty's Cafe, 82; Sanitary Lunch, 80.

Also passing, with a grade of C were: Lewis' Place, 77.5; G. B. Hasty's Cafe, 77; Ashlyn Hotel, 75; Sunset Diner, 75; Hasty's Quick Lunch, 70.

### Essay Contest Is Open To Students

High school students in this county are invited to enter an interesting contest which was announced this week-end to all public high school principals in North Carolina.

For solutions of the mystery of what became of the Lost Colony, the Roanoke Island Historical Association, Inc., sponsors with the Federal Government of this summer's mammoth 350th anniversary celebration of the English settlement of America on Roanoke Island, N. C., is offering a \$50 prize and 107 other prizes valued at \$200.

The solutions will be written by the students in papers which must not number more than 1,200 words and must be completed and handed to the high school principal not later than April 15.

Attractive illustrated folders explaining the contest will be available from high school principals this week.

Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, is chairman of the committee of judges.

### Soil Conservation Checks Coming In

Some 512 soil conservation payment checks, amounting to more than \$32,600 have been received at the Randolph county farm office and are now being handed out.

Farmers are advised, however, not to come in for their checks unless notified by the farm office, since everyone will receive a notice as soon as his check arrives. Only confusion would result if everybody came it at once upon hearing that some checks had arrived.

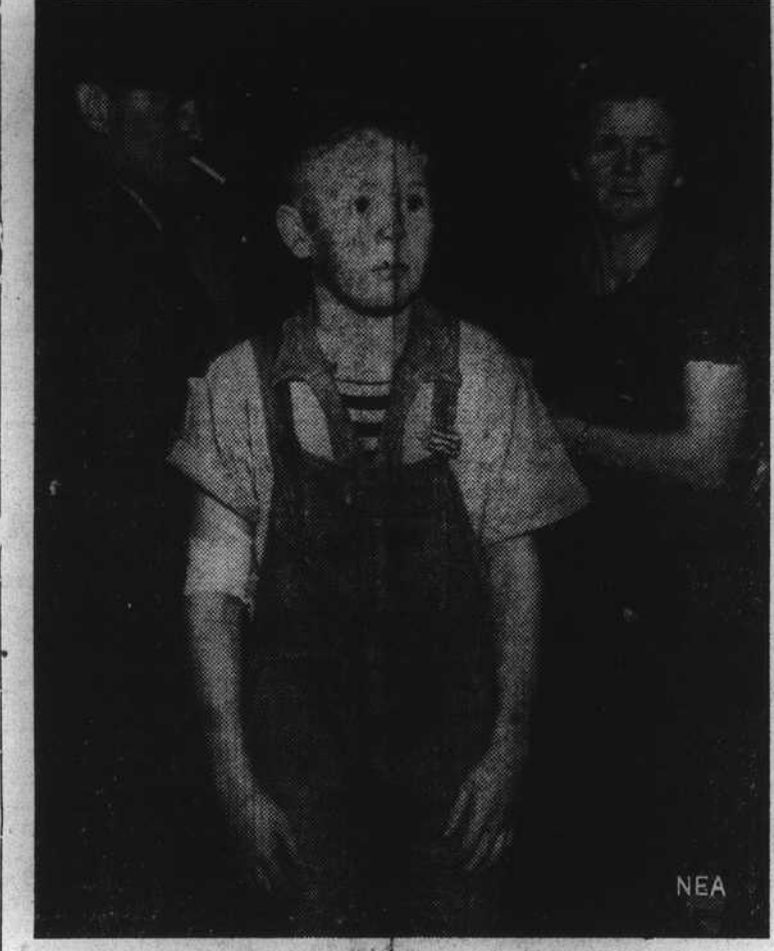
E. S. Millsaps, county farm agent, said Saturday that any farmer who had not joined up last year but wished to comply now could still come to the office and sign up to participate in the 1937 program.

### Aid In Marking Veterans' Graves

The American Legion Auxiliary is very anxious for every veteran's grave in Randolph county to be marked. If no private headstone has been provided the government will furnish one free of cost for any unmarked grave of any individual who served in the military or naval forces of the United States and was honorably discharged. It will be shipped prepaid to the nearest railroad station.

All other expenses in the erection must be paid by the family. In case the family cannot afford to erect the stone, the Auxiliary will be glad to do this. If any family is interested in securing one of these markers please get in touch at once with Mrs. W. L. Ward or Mrs. Jess Garner in Asheboro.

## One Of Many Texas Horrors



Still scared, James Kennedy, II, son of an oil field worker, photographed shortly after he was dug from the wreckage of the New London School. Scatches were young Kennedy's only injuries, despite the fact that he was buried ten minutes before rescuers dug him out. Shown with him is his mother, Mrs. Clay Kennedy.

## Local Rotarian Is Chosen For Rotary Meet In France

Dr. Cothran G. Smith has been elected by the Asheboro Rotary Club as the delegate to represent the club at the annual convention of Rotary International at Nice, France, June 6 to 11. Dr. Smith was chosen by the board of directors at a recent meeting and this choice was confirmed by the club Friday.

His trip to Nice will bring him into contact not only with the French, but also with all the nations of the world, as Rotary delegates from every continent will be on hand for the annual convention. Although the beginning of the voyage is still some ten weeks off, he is already brushing up on his French so that he may meet the French on their own ground and feel right at home.

## License Tag Tax Is Compromised

Legislators Who Have Promised Large Reductions Forced To Agree

### Machinery Enacted

Adjournment Promised For Past Week Will Be Postponed Until The Next

One of the most important actions of the present legislature was that of Thursday afternoon and evening when they enacted into law the important revenue machinery bill and reaching a compromise agreement on the motor vehicle measure.

Representatives, who had attempted to reduce the cost of automobile license plates from 40 to 30 cents the hundred pounds of car weight and the minimum charge from \$8 to \$6, concurred in a senate amendment reducing the cost only to 35 cents the hundredweight and the minimum to \$7.

The senate, at the same time, agreed to a house section lowering the hundredweight tax on contract haulers from \$1.25 to \$1.15.

The compromise measure was ordered engrossed by the senate, then sent to the house where it passed first reading.

Under a resolution adopted a fortnight ago, the Legislature was to have adjourned Thursday. Adjournment even by Saturday night, seemed improbable, however, since the so-called "Ickes bills," to authorize the issuance by counties and municipalities of revenue bonds to match PWA funds, have not been considered by the senate. Three days will be required to enact the measures into law, as roll call votes must be held on three separate days.

As ordered ratified, the revenue machinery act will not exempt homesteaders from property taxation. With little discussion, the representatives concurred in senate amendments to the measure under which municipalities and counties levy taxes.

The house bucked, however, at senate amendments to the school machinery bill and a conference committee was named to iron out the differences between the two bodies.

## All Bodies Taken From Torn Ruins Of Texas School

425 Dead Found In Wreckage, Many Others Die In Hospitals, Ambulances

### Martial Law

Task Of Identification Adds To Difficulty; Many Survivors Maimed

The grim task of searching the ruins for the bodies of children in the wreckage of the New London, Texas, school, which was torn by a blast Thursday afternoon, was declared finished late Friday by Col. E. E. Parker, commander of national guard forces which held the area under martial law. He said that the number of bodies taken from the building was 425, while fatalities in hospitals and in ambulances on the way to emergency stations were expected to push the total to 450.

Many of those who lived after the eruption that scattered human beings and building alike, are maimed, physicians said, and fractures are evident in almost every case.

The task of identification was one of the most difficult presented by the disaster and was the cause of scenes of pathos.

Long lines of the bereaved moved wearily through improvised morgues, peering with fearful eyes to pick their missing children from the rows of sheeted bodies.

At least three official inquiries were started to determine the cause of the gigantic explosion in the London consolidated school which made of this rich oil country a vast house of mourning.

Definite indication that seepage gas caused the explosion—a theory first advanced by Superintendent W. C. Shaw who lost a son in the tragedy—came when Maj. Gaston Howard said Dr. E. P. Schoch, University of Texas chemistry professor, would testify.

Seeping gas, an ever-present menace that lurks in the oil fields, collects in recesses of well-ventilated buildings and along highways, said Assistant Fire Chief J. J. Lynn, of Oklahoma City. "The east Texas country of New London is hilly," he added. "You'd probably find more gas pockets along highways there."

### Program Given By Asheboro Baptists

A number of members of the First Baptist church of Asheboro attended the meeting of the central regional training union held at Burlington Friday and Saturday. At this meeting a demonstration program was given by the Asheboro delegation, which included the pastor, Dr. L. R. O'Brian, Mrs. O'Brian; Miss Ruth Tucker, general director of the B. T. U. of the local church; Waldo C. Cheek, and a group of intermediate boys and girls.

A meeting of the men of the Randolph Baptist Association will be held at the First Baptist church here Sunday, April 11. Among the distinguished guests will be the Honorable Grover H. Jones of High Point; Smith Hagaman, superintendent of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem; Dr. Louis S. Gaines, pastor of the First Baptist church of Lexington; and Moderator H. M. Stroup of Ramseur.

At the evening service tonight Dr. O'Brian will deliver the first of a series of seven evangelistic messages, each of which will deal with some peril besetting humanity. The message tonight will be on "The Peril of Sin." Other perils to be taken up on subsequent Sundays are underweight, politics, possessions, procreation, substitution, and prodigality.

A quarterly associational meeting of the Randolph Baptist W. M. U. will be held this afternoon at 2:30 at White's Memorial church.

### P. T. A. Meeting Is Set For Monday Eve

The postponed meeting of the Asheboro Parent Teachers Association will convene at the Fayetteville Street school tomorrow (Monday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. All patrons, teachers, and friends of the school and children of the community are invited to attend the meeting.

Members of the school boards, both the county and city boards, will be present to discuss the matter of school finances. Much improvement is needed on the Fayetteville Street school building, the grounds of the Park Street school are badly in need of grading and grassing, and the addition of the ninth month to the school term are all improvements which are badly needed and it is hoped that some suggestion may be made looking forward to realizing them in the near future.

## Arthur Hasty Cafe Prop. Shoots Babe Yow Dead As Result Of An Argument

### Mellett Plotter Seeking Pardon



A move started by his family sought executive pardon for Ben Rudner, above, sentenced to life imprisonment for conspiracy in the 1926 murder of Don R. Mellett, crusading Canton, O., editor. A parole board investigator recently spent a month checking sentiment in Canton, where Rudner operated a bootleg liquor headquarters in a hardware store before his conviction.

### Shooting Occurs In Center Town

Yow Dies Almost Immediately After Running From Hasty's Lunch Room

### Hasty Is Arrested By Pearl Miller

Investigation By Coroner Reveals Shooting; Several Eye-Witnesses

Arthur Hasty, proprietor of a lunch place in the business section of Asheboro, is being held in the county jail charged with shooting and killing Babe Yow, also of Asheboro. The shooting occurred on Thursday night about 9:30 following a quarrel, said to have been about the result of a recent sanitary inspection of the eating places of the town. While there are several witnesses who are said to have seen the whole affair, there has been no preliminary hearing and officers are making further investigation of the case.

Babe Yow, who is around 35 and who is employed by another of the Hasty places in Asheboro, was talking with Hasty, who, according to police officers of the town, has been drinking continuously for the past three weeks. Hasty is said to have shot Yow in the chest while in the cafe and twice in the back as he turned to run for his life. Yow got out of the eating place but dropped to the sidewalk almost in front of Prevost's store. An ambulance was called and the dying man was taken to the hospital but was dead before he reached there.

Pearlie Miller, night police officer, arrested Hasty and placed him in jail, where he remains at present. According to police chief, Dewey Bulla, he is charged with shooting and killing Yow. Dr. W. L. Lambert, county coroner, and county deputy Ben Morgan, conducted a preliminary investigation of the body and of the case. There is no date set yet for a formal hearing.

Yow, who has worked for the Hasty's, has a wife and three children who survive. Funeral service will be held from the Asheboro Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

Hasty, who is about 50, is one of several brothers who moved here a number of years ago from South Carolina and is in the cafe business in Asheboro.

### More Cars Sold Than Last Year

The state motor vehicle bureau's statistics reveals sales of new cars and trucks in the state are far ahead of those for the same time last year.

The bureau reported 8,051 new cars and 2,177 new trucks had been purchased in 1937 to March 1 while for the same time last year 5,452 new machines and 1,916 new hauling vehicles were secured.

License plate sales to March 17, the statistics disclosed, totaled 453,451 this year against 407,315 on the same date last year.

### Economics Class In Demonstration

Liberty, March 20.—The home economics class of Liberty high school demonstrated what they have learned this year in a delightful banquet given at the school Wednesday evening. The guests included the members of the Liberty school board and their wives, the members of the county school board, the faculty, and Dr. George H. Sumner, county health officer. The dinner was both prepared and served by the home economics girls, who proved to the guests how well cooked and well chosen was the meal.

### Former Resident Of Randolph Dies

Branson J. Blair, 80, former Randolph county resident, died Friday night at his home in the Friendship community, Guilford county. He was born in Randolph and spent the early part of his life here, but had lived in Guilford for about 50 years. He is survived by his widow, the former Mary Frederick, and two sons. Funeral service will be held Sunday afternoon at New Garden Friends church, with Rev. Joseph Peeler and Rev. R. E. Scaer officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

### Mrs. Kerr Again Heads Dist. U. D. C.

Mrs. A. Yancey Kerr was re-elected director of the sixth district U. D. C. at its meeting at the Methodist Protestant church Thursday. Mrs. Kerr was given the privilege of naming the recording secretary.

Reidsville received the prize of \$10 awarded by Mrs. Garland Daniel of Greensboro for the chapter with the best representation. An appeal to those who had records of Confederate relatives was made by Mrs. T. L. Caudle of Wadesboro, who wishes to have them in order to make the new roster as complete as possible.

### Kemp Alexander Wins Tip Award

Kemp Alexander is winner of the two news tip tickets for the best tip of this period just past. The tickets are for the Sunset Theatre Monday and Tuesday. The Holy Terror is the name of the picture in which stars Jane Withers. The next period will offer tickets for the Carolina Theatre Wednesday The Big House For Girls or to see Advice To The Lovelorn on Thursday at the same theatre.