

## ALBERT RIMER FIRES GUN AT JAMES CRAB IN AUSTIN SECTION

### Shooting Took Place After Note Had Been Sent

## USED A SHOT GUN

Albert Rimer was required to give bond of \$1,000 for a shooting affair which took place in the Austin section of Wilkes county a few days ago when James Crab was fired upon by Rimer, a shotgun being the weapon used.

It is said the two men had not been on the very best of terms for some time, and that Crab had sent Rimer a note or warning to stay away from him, the message being carried by a colored man named Lonzo Fletcher.

It is stated that when the message was received, Rimer went to Crab's home, a distance of about a mile, and found him at home, telling him that he had come to kill him. It is also stated that Rimer cursed Crab and invited him to come out in the road, which runs near the home.

Crab, it is alleged walked out in the yard and told Rimer that he did not wish to have any trouble with him, and asked that he be left alone, whereupon Rimer is said to have leveled his shotgun and fired at Crab, several shots taking effect in his head. Crab retreated into his home, asking Rimer to leave, according to the information furnished The Tribune. He soon returned and asked Rimer the second time to leave his premises, and again Rimer is said to have brought his gun into play. Crab darted behind a door.

Officers were notified and Crab was taken to a physician to have his wounds cared for. Although pain in the affair did not prove serious to Crab, who is able to be out. After a chase of about a half a mile, Rimer was apprehended by Deputy Sheriff W. B. Hall and others, and placed under a bond of \$1,000 for his appearance before Squire D. H. Brown, the hearing being set for January 2, 1931, at 2 P. M.

## ASHLEY-BURCH EACH FINED \$10

### Local Young Men Charged With Possession and Transporting Given Suspended Sentences

Marvin Ashley and Arthur Burch, two local young men, were on docket for trial in Recorder's Court here Tuesday morning, and when found guilty of possession and transporting, Judge Harry H. Barker fined each of the defendants \$10 and costs, and gave them 90 days each on the roads, suspended upon condition that they be of good behavior, refrain from drinking, selling or manufacturing whiskey for two years.

Siras Cockerham, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was given 90 days on the road, suspended upon condition that he appear in court the first Tuesday in the month, for a period of six months, and show that he has not had anything to do with intoxicating liquors by drinking or otherwise. The court reserved the power to enforce the sentence at any time if the provisions of the court order were not followed.

## Negro Well Digger Is Hurt By Fall Into Pit

Gipps Welborn, negro, of Jonesville, a well digger by trade, was the victim of a very painful injury last week while engaged in digging a well near State Road, when a rope upon which he was being brought to the top of the ground, suddenly snapped when he had reached a distance from the bottom of about 20 feet and caused him to fall to the bottom of the cavity.

His left leg was broken, in addition to lesser injuries. He was brought to a local physician for attention.

## FOUR BASKET BALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED BY ELKIN

The Elkin Basket ball teams will play a double header game with the Union Grove teams on Friday evening at Union Grove and with the Booneville teams at Booneville Tuesday evening. These are strong teams and they will be hard fought games.

Mr. Grover Graham, of Hanes-town, spent a few hours here Tuesday visiting his mother, Mrs. Anna Graham, on Gwyn Avenue.

## LOW PRICE CAUSES ELKIN WAREHOUSES CLOSE FOR SEASON

### Inferior Quality Of the Weed; Operating At A Loss

## MAKE STATEMENT

McNeer's Warehouse and the Liberty Warehouse closed their doors for the season last Friday, somewhat to the surprise of many, yet there was ample grounds for the steps taken, as the warehouses have been operating at a loss for the past several weeks, although there was little complaint as to the quantity.

Prevailing low prices paid for the weed this year, coupled with the very poor quality, is responsible for the loss to the operators, and, it might be said, to the growers as well. Farmers throughout this section have been loyal to the local market, and a very satisfactory amount of tobacco has been marketed here, but the warehouse commissions were held to a very low point through the constant dropping in prices.

Good tobacco has sold at fair prices, but the drought of the past summer affected the quality of the leaf in many sections, resulting in a loss to the grower and small commissions for the warehousemen.

The management of the local floors have issued a circular announcing the closing, which reads as follows:

"Owing to the low price and quality of tobacco that is left in this section of the country, and the cheap price at which it is selling, we have decided to close the market for this year, Friday, December 5th. We have been operating at a loss for the last few weeks.

"We are very much pleased with the amount of tobacco that we have sold, and we thank you very kindly for your patronage, and we are coming back next year better prepared to serve you.—McNeer's Warehouse, Liberty Warehouse."

Experiencing the low prices for tobacco this year, it would be well for the growers to consider carefully the amount of acreage planted next year, and limit their crops to a consistent amount. A few acres, well cared for, will afford a cash crop, and the remainder of the farmer's land should be planted in something to eat with a surplus to market. In the event of a repetition of low prices again next season, they would be self-supporting from the returns of their labor to the extent of full graineries, plenty of meat, chickens, potatoes, etc., from which to supply the family table.

A shortage in tobacco is necessary before the return of higher prices will be realized, and the only way to create the shortage is to plant less. It has been a custom among many farmers to figure that everyone else will cut his crop, and by putting out a big one himself he will be "sitting pretty." They all think the same thing—and usually all increase the acreage. But the experience gained through marketing the present crop should be sufficient food for thought to guard against a recurrence next year, and result in a big cut in the crop.

## JOHN L. THOMPSON APPOINTS DEPUTIES

### C. S. Foster and Crawford Hart Get Appointments From Sheriff As Township Deputies

John D. Thompson, newly elected sheriff of Surry county, spent a few hours in Elkin Tuesday, looking after business matters and seeing friends.

While in the city Mr. Thompson made two appointments to fill vacancies created in the November election, the offices being that of deputy sheriffs, and Messrs. C. S. Foster and Crawford Hart were sworn into office. These appointments were for Elkin township.

Mr. Gilmer Corder was also appointed to the same position, to serve in Marsh township.

With a few other appointments yet to be made, it is expected that the new organization of deputy sheriffs in the county will soon be organized and functioning in the various townships of the county. Thus far, the gentlemen named are men of high type and should make efficient officers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Whitaker and little granddaughter, Eleanor Hayes, spent Sunday in Mount Airy, the guests of friends.

## Charity Football Game To Be Played Saturday

Those who attend the charity football game to be played at Riverside Park here next Saturday at 2:30 P. M., will get double satisfaction for the admission price they pay, in that the entire proceeds go to charity and in addition they are promised a thriller.

Another drawing card for the game is that this will be the last of the season to be played on the local field. Not alone for the sport feature, but for the most worthy cause, it is hoped and expected that a large crowd from all parts of the surrounding country will be on hand to pull for their favorites.

The game will be played by former high school and college stars, those making up the Elkin team as follows:

Dortche, all-State tackle and full back; McAllister, U. of N. C.; Shore of State College, half-back; Price of University of Tennessee; Shugart, all-State high, quarter back; Transou,

end; Church, tackle; Kirkman, guard; Evans, End, Berea College; Cook, guard; Bohannon, back, Harmony High; Bailey, all-State center; Hall, back; Williams, center; Moore, State freshman, back; Ritchie, of Lehigh-Rhyme College; Arnold of Campbell College; Price, Leas McBae, Reich, and others will be among the line-up.

The game will be played rain or shine, next Saturday at 2:30 p. m. Tie a string around your finger, and remind everyone who asks you about it that a thrilling benefit football game is to be played—and see that a record crowd is there, to witness it.

There are many cases of need in the community, and this is a fine way in which to raise funds for their relief, since football fans will be rendering a direct benefit to those who are in less fortunate circumstances while spending a "few bits" in the form of amusement.

## CLOTHING BURNED FROM GHILD LEFT ALONE IN HOME

### Shoes Also Are Burned When Child Is Discovered

## MOTHER AT SPRING

Shortly after the elder children of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Tilley, who live in the Lomax section of Wilkes County, had departed for school yesterday morning, the mother of her three-year-old boy went to the spring near the home, little dreaming of the deplorable sight that was to confront her upon the return.

After the mother had left the room, the child in some manner obtained matches, and being near a stove, evidently ignited them by a touch against the hot stove. When Mrs. Tilley returned, she found the little tot with its clothing burned from the body, and its shoes almost destroyed by the flames.

The child was horribly burned over its entire body, the face being a mass of blistered flesh. The flannel body worn only added to the rapid spread of the flames, and with telling effects.

The father of the child was at a neighbor's home, assisting in killing hogs, when the discovery was made, and a neighbor was hastily summoned, who brought the little fellow to a local physician. An examination revealed that there was little or no chance of recovery, and the grief stricken parents continued the journey to the Wilkes Hospital at North Wilkesboro, in hope of bringing relief to the child and saving its life. First aid was given before the trip to North Wilkesboro was made, but there is little chance, as stated above, in being able to do anything to relieve the child, who was in a state of semi-consciousness, and appeared not to suffer in the least.

Friends of the family will regret exceedingly to learn of the deplorable accident, and extend sympathy in their affliction.

## MANY ATTRACTIVE WINDOW DISPLAYS

### Merchants and Business Men Tidy Up Their Places of Business As Holidays Approach

The approach of the holiday season has found many Elkin business firms ready to catch the spirit and join in the effort to make attractive the various places to which the public is being invited on their shopping tours.

Numerous store fronts present the appearance of an artists' work in reality, and while some business experience difficulty in displaying their particular lines, all have done exceptionally well where any effort has been put forth.

Christmas shopping is expected to get under way rapidly, as it is realized that the time is so short, and progressive merchants of the city are bidding for the holiday business not alone through the advertising columns of The Tribune, but through attractive offerings in gift goods—reasonably priced and effectively displayed.

The people of this community are urged to patronize our local firms, and if a search is made through the various business houses of the town, one should experience no difficulty in obtaining just the gifts they desire. And your loyalty leaves the town in just that much better condition financially. Give local merchants the once over, at least, and in most instances you will find what you want.

## Fred Eidson's Car Has Been Recovered

The Chevrolet coupe belonging to Mr. Fred Eidson, which was stolen from the street here about two weeks ago, has been located near Hickory. A letter received from the Merchants Produce Co., of Hickory, advised that a truck driver had located the car about seven miles from town, and upon investigation learned from Raleigh that the car was registered in the name of Mr. Eidson.

The machine is being held in Hickory, and will likely be returned to Elkin today, and restored to its rightful owner.

No one was seen about the car when it was located, and no trace of the thief has yet been discovered, although there are certain facts which consideration that may lead to an arrest.

## NEW OFFICERS FOR KIWANIS CLUB ARE INSTALLED FRIDAY

### A. O. Bryan Is Named President For the Next Year

## ARMFIELD TALKS

The Kiwanis meeting held at Hotel Elkin last Friday evening proved to be a very interesting affair, and considerable business was transacted during the hour.

President J. G. Abernethy opening the meeting, which was followed by invocation by Rev. L. B. Abernethy.

When the dinner period had been finished, Kiwanian C. G. Armfield took the floor for a talk on the tobacco growers co-operative association, Mr. Armfield having been recently appointed as a member of the board to represent this section of the tobacco belt. He explained briefly the methods to be employed in working out the organization, and his discourse was heard with a great deal of interest. Requesting the support of the Kiwanis club in the movement, it was moved and seconded that the club go on record as favoring it, and pledged its support.

Considerable discussion was heard in regard to the Christmas fund for the poor, and it was decided that the Kiwanis club and other agencies working in behalf of the needy should turn over any contributions to the associated charities organization for distribution as that body sees fit. Kiwanian John Ippock, representing the club, tendered his resignation as a member of the associated charities on account of his health, stating that he did not feel he could give the work proper attention, and Kiwanian J. R. Poinexter was appointed by the president to fill the vacancy.

It was suggested by Kiwanian A. O. Bryan that the club record itself as favoring a movement to encourage the giving of useful things instead of frivolous articles wherever possible, especially as to the contributions which are to come from public funds.

The election of officers was disposed of at this meeting, resulting as follows: President, A. O. Bryan; Vice-president, Louis Nelson; district trustee, Eugene Spahnour; past-president, J. G. Abernethy; treasurer, J. H. Beeson; directors, B. E. DeHoff, H. F. Laffoon, J. R. Poinexter, R. L. Hubbard, S. T. Ray, W. F. Harris and E. F. McNeer.

## DR. R. E. SMITH NAMED CORONER

### Dr. M. A. Royall, of Elkin, Has Declined to Accept and Dr. Smith Named

On about the same day that he would have taken the oath of office as county coroner, Dr. M. A. Royall, who was recently elected to that office, received a call from a remote part of the county. Upon questioning the party who had requested his services, Dr. Royall was advised that a gentleman had been stricken with paralysis, and living alone, was in need of help. The afflicted man was of mature years, and the party who called upon the supposed coroner advised him of his understanding that he was both coroner and doctor, and thought him the proper person to consult.

Dr. Royall, since election to the office, has decided not to qualify, and Dr. R. E. Smith, of Mount Airy, has been chosen to fill the place. Dr. Royall feels that since a majority of the work of a coroner is done in that end of the county, it would be more convenient to the acting official to be a resident of that section.

## Home Is Entered In North Elkin

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steele, who reside in North Elkin, was entered by a party or parties a few days ago, but nothing of value has been missed.

Mr. and Mrs. Steele make their home with her mother during the winter months, and were not occupying the residence when the intruders made their visit. Entrance was gained by whittling and opening the screened window, and exit was made through the front door, which was left open. A few potted plants were from exposure as a result of the cold air being let into the room, which composed the principal damage done.

## President of Tobacco Co-Op Association To Speak In City Friday

## Empty Stocking Fund

Following up the announcement that The Tribune would receive contributions to the Empty Stocking Fund, the Kiwanis Club took the matter up at its last meeting and decided to head the list with an offering of \$25.00. A representative of the American Legion and also a Kiwanian, followed the club's action and announced that the legion would add \$10.00 to that amount.

While no public canvass has been made for funds, two other donations were volunteered at the meeting of the Kiwanis club, and many others will doubtless follow.

The list to date follows:  
Elkin Kiwanis Club.....\$25.00  
American Legion..... 5.00  
Louis Nelson..... 2.00  
H. F. Laffoon..... 2.00

Total.....\$34.00  
All donations, whether in cash, clothing, food or what not, will be acknowledged through this newspaper, and the gifts turned over to the associated charities.

## HELD AT 2 O'CLOCK

### J. R. Page To Launch a Campaign Which Means Much

## FARMERS INVITED

Mr. J. R. Page, president of the North Carolina Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association, will officially launch a campaign in behalf of the organization when he appears at the school auditorium tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The meeting is of vital importance to the tobacco growers, and farmers from all nearby counties are expected to be present, and hear the co-operative plan discussed fully.

Appearing with Mr. Page will be Mr. Geo. Ross, Governor Gardner's personal representative on the executive committee.

With the low prices prevailing for tobacco this year, it seems to be an opportune time for the formation of this new association, and to inform those who have not yet been enlightened as to the plans, we are giving the important facts in the contract, which are as follows:

1. The Organization Agreement provides for the preliminary work of organizing the association.
2. The Marketing Agreement binds the member to sell through the association after the association is organized.
3. There is no specific amount of tobacco required as a minimum for starting operations. When there is enough tobacco signed up to guarantee efficient operation, the Organization Committee can incorporate the association. The Organization Committee must, however, get the consent of the Federal Farm Board before making this decision.
4. Decision must be made prior to May 1, 1931, if the association is to operate for the 1931 crop of tobacco.
5. Growers may withdraw from the association during April of any year.
6. Growers who withdraw cannot be reinstated for one year.
7. Every grower is to get the same amount for same type, quality and quantity of tobacco.
8. The association will sell tobacco.

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## AUTO TAG SALE STARTS MONDAY

### New Plates Will Go On Sale Dec. 15 to Jan. 15; Elkin Motor Co. Again Sell Them.

Motorists are again reminded that new auto license plates will be required after December 30, and that the tags go on sale Monday. The fees are the same as last year, which will eliminate confusion as to what the car owner will have to pay for his operating privilege next year. Elkin Motor Company has again been appointed to handle the tags, and will be open every week-day until the time limit, except Christmas day.

## LIGHTING CONTEST TO BE HELD AGAIN

### Prizes Will Be Awarded For Best And Second Best Displays; Contest Open To All

This year the Woman's Club, together with the Southern Public Utilities Company, will sponsor the annual Christmas Lighting Contest. Any person is eligible to enter, the only requirement being that you burn your lights for one week prior to Christmas and that you enter your name at the S. P. U. office.

Last year and for several years previous this campaign has added much to the beauty of the town during the Yuletide season, and it is hoped that there will be even more entrants this year.

A committee will make a tour of the town and judge the beauty of the lights and will award two prizes of \$10.00 for the best arrangement and \$5.00 for the second best.

## AMERICAN LEGION SPONSORS PICTURE

### "With Byrd at the South Pole" To Be Shown At Lyric Theatre December 18th-19th

The George Gray Post of the American Legion will sponsor the picture, "With Byrd at the South Pole," at the Lyric Theatre on December 18th-19th. Part of the proceeds will go to the local empty stocking fund.

This picture is one of the most sensational of all pictures, the scenes being filmed at the bottom of the world. It is an educational picture as well, for it portrays events that no other humans, except this band of adventurers has ever known.

Support the Legion and the Empty Stocking Fund by attending this picture.