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## MAYOR PLEDGES AID IN FIGHT TO CURB HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS

### Issues Proclamation In Cooperation With National Campaign

#### CALL TO EVERYONE

Pledging Elkin's cooperation in the national and state fight to cut down the rising tide of death and destruction on the streets and highways of the nation, Mayor J. R. Poindexter Wednesday issued the following proclamation:

"Whereas the President of the United States has called on the people to unite in a national effort to cut down the rising tide of death and destruction on the streets and highways of the nation;

"Whereas the Governor of North Carolina has pledged the cooperation of this state in this national effort;

"Whereas the Law Enforcing Officers of North Carolina have inaugurated through The Institute of Government a systematic and continuous program of Accident Prevention and Motor Vehicle Law Enforcement through the distribution of 500,000 copies of "Guides to Highway Safety";

"Now, therefore, I, J. R. Poindexter, mayor of Elkin, N. C., call upon all high school authorities, all local officials and employees, all citizens' organizations and automobile drivers, and the heads of all business enterprises, to procure and study "Guides to Highway Safety" without delay, and to devote the first meetings of their respective organizations in January, 1936, to a program of accident prevention and motor vehicle law enforcement as the starting point of a larger program of crime prevention and criminal law enforcement."

"Guides to Highway Safety" may be procured from the city halls, local school authorities or from the Institute of Government, Chapel Hill.

The monthly magazine, Popular Government, will furnish a clearing house of information each month on street and highway accidents in North Carolina and safety programs and campaigns as they develop throughout the state. Those interested in securing this magazine should write the Institute of Government at Chapel Hill.

## WILKES NEGRO IS ARRESTED IN OHIO

### Alleged to Have Pushed White Man Into Boiling Still Slop

Clementine Fletcher, negro, who has been wanted by Wilkes county officers since November 1934 for assault upon James Cheek in which he allegedly pushed Cheek into a vat of boiling still slop and held him there, has been turned over to Wilkes county officers by police of Circleville, Ohio, where he had been arrested on several charges, it was learned Wednesday from Deputy Sheriff W. B. Hall.

It will be remembered that Cheek, who is from the Austin section of Wilkes, remained in the local hospital for months, so serious were the nature of his burns, and although he has been dismissed, he has not, and probably never will, completely recover.

Deputy Hall, accompanied by Deputy Cleve Kilby, made the trip to Ohio and brought Fletcher back to stand trial.

## Two Injured In Truck Crash Here

Their trucks colliding near the south end of the Yadkin river bridge Saturday night, Hugh Madison, employee of the White Swan Laundry, and Arthur Shives, occupant of a truck operated by Pack Southard, sustained minor injuries which necessitated treatment at the local hospital.

Both trucks were severely damaged. Southard is being held under bond for a court hearing.

## To Give Cantata

A cantata, "The Christchild," by Rene Bronner and H. W. Petrie, will be given Sunday afternoon, December 22, at 5 o'clock by the choir of the Methodist church. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

## Canning Champion



CHICAGO . . . Miss Lorraine Tanz (above), 19, of Eau Claire, Wis., is the national canning champion of the 4-H Clubs for 1935. She was crowned in the annual national competition held here last week.

## LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

### ETHIOPIANS ROUTE ITALIANS

Rome, Dec. 17.—Italians rushed tanks and airplanes to the northern front today in a desperate counter-attack on Ethiopian troops who, in a surprise attack yesterday, routed Fascist forces near the Takase River, an official communique announced.

A fierce battle was raging tonight. It may be the start of the long-delayed Ethiopian mass offensive.

Striking just before dawn, a strong force of Ethiopians believed to be commanded by Ras Siyom swept down on Italian outposts. The first full-scale killed four Italian officers, nine white Italian soldiers and killed or wounded scores of Italian askaris.

The Italians poured a withering machine-gun fire on the charging black warriors. Ethiopian losses were not known, but were said to have been heavy.

### BRITISH PROPOSE NAVAL PLAN

London, Dec. 17.—Great Britain earnestly urged four other naval powers to cease their discussion of the equality of fleets and accept London's proposals for a new treaty as a practical method of continuing world naval limitation.

Britain's plan is for each power, including the United States, Japan, France and Italy, to make an individual public statement of its naval building program for a period of about six years.

### DEATH OF ACTRESS MYSTERY

Los Angeles, Dec. 17.—Blue-eyed Thelma Todd of the films died accidentally of carbon monoxide after a tiff with Roland West, her business manager, police decided tonight—but they could not dissolve the mystery cloaking her last hours.

The time of death could not be fixed within 12 hours or more. The circumstances remained entirely unexplained.

### EXPECT WEED CROP TO BRING MORE

Washington, Dec. 17.—Figures released today by the AAA indicate that the 1935 flue-cured tobacco crop will sell for approximately \$10,000,000 more than the 1934 crop.

However, the total price of the North Carolina crop will probably fall just short of the total price received in 1934.

### Benefit Dance

There will be a dance at Hotel Elkin Tuesday evening, December 24, from 10 until 2 o'clock. Al Watson's ten-piece orchestra, with a singing trio, will furnish music for the affair. The proceeds of the dance will go to the local Associated Charities.

## CONTRACTS ARE LET FOR CONSTRUCTION SCHOOL BUILDING

### Winston-Salem and Local Firm Are Successful Bidders

#### IS TO COST \$32,879

The contract for the construction of a new high school building for Elkin, has been awarded and actual work is expected to get under way within the next few days.

Fowler-Jones Lumber Co., of Winston-Salem, was the successful bidder on the construction work and the Elkin Plumbing and Heating Co. was awarded the contract for plumbing and heating. The total cost of the eight room building will be \$32,879.50.

The new school building, long needed here to relieve the congestion in the present school building which houses primary, elementary and high school grades, will be located on Elk Spur street. Plans and specifications were drawn by John Franklin, local architect, who so planned the building that additional wings may be added when necessary without marring the appearance.

The building will be erected through PWA aid, 45 per cent of the cost being contributed by the federal government and the remaining 55 per cent jointly by the town of Elkin and Surry county.

## THREE CONVICTS ARE RECAPTURED

### Price Miller Arrested Near Ronda Monday Night

Price Miller, one of the 10 prisoners who escaped through a hole in the wall at the Wilkesboro prison camp Saturday night, was recaptured near Ronda Monday night and returned to camp by Dean Bentley, a highway employee who chanced to see and recognize him as a convict he had seen working on the highways.

The capture of Miller brings the number of convicts recaptured to three, there being seven still at large. John Gambill, negro, was recaptured soon after the break and Bernard Bell was taken in Forsyth county Monday. Search for the others is still going on.

## Legion Provides 10 New Uniforms

The Elkin high school basketball team has been provided with 10 new basketball uniforms by the local post of the American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary, Gene Hall, manager, stated Monday.

Mr. Hall said he wanted to publicly express the appreciation of the team and school as a whole for the new equipment.

## Please Bring Bundles To Town Tax Office

All persons who prepared bundles which were not collected on Bundle Day are requested to bring them to the town tax office Saturday. These bundles will be distributed together with donations from other civic organizations to the needy of this community.

## No Curtailment of Window Service At Local P. O. Saturday

In order to secure prompt dispatch of all mail and facilitate Christmas mailing, there will be no curtailment of window service at the local postoffice Saturday. It was announced Tuesday by F. W. Graham, postmaster.

Mr. Graham asked that it be announced that those mailing a quantity of Christmas cards would greatly aid in their handling and dispatch if, instead of putting them in the letter drop, they hand them in at the general delivery window.

He also stated that there will be no window service or delivery of mail on Christmas day other than the delivery of first class mail and newspapers through postoffice boxes.

## Cotton Sandwich



PHILADELPHIA . . . Thelma Kaighn, 18, (above), was rushing around to get dressed for a party. She swallowed a straight pin. Now the doctors at a hospital here have Thelma eating sandwiches filled with fluffy cotton, as a part of the strategy of protection.

## ROBBERS LOOT SAFE OF LOCAL COMPANY

### Take \$65.00 From F-W Chevrolet Co. Here Sunday Night

Entering through a window leading into the repair department, located on the ground floor, robbers Sunday night broke open the safe in the office of the F-W Chevrolet company here and made their getaway with cash amounting to approximately \$65.00. Papers and checks in the safe were not molested.

A padded sledge hammer was left behind at the scene of the robbery, and the thieves wore gloves in belief of fingerprint men who were unable to find clues of this nature.

In addition to the robbery of the local firm, three slot machines were stolen from Yadkinville firms on the same night. The machines, smashed open and emptied of contents, were found Monday morning along the highway five miles north of Elkin. It is believed that all the robberies were perpetrated by the same men.

## Two Face Hearing On Sordid Charge

Ray Johnson, of Jonesville, and Mabel Lowery of Mount Airy, await a preliminary hearing here December 30 before Magistrate J. L. Hall, following their arrest the first of this week.

Johnson is charged with aiding and abetting in prostitution and possession of a pint of liquor, and the Mount Airy woman is charged with prostitution. The Jonesville youth is at liberty under \$300 bond while the woman was allowed to sign her own bond for appearance here for hearing.

## Kiwanians to Hold Annual Auction Sale

The annual Kiwanis club auction sale, proceeds of which are turned over to the Associated Charities to be used in providing Christmas Cheer for less fortunate families, will be held at the meeting of the club Friday night at Hotel Elkin.

All members are urged to be present, and bring a gift to be auctioned off. Each member is also requested to bring a guest.

## Miss Martha Jennings Dies At Mountain Park

Miss Martha Jennings, 84, died at her home in the Mountain Park community Friday afternoon from an illness due to the infirmities of her advanced age. The deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Martin Jennings.

She is survived by the following sisters: Mrs. Joe Parsons, and Miss Mary Jennings, Mountain Park; Mrs. D. C. Smith, Rusk, and Mrs. S. J. Edwards, Spokane, Wash.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock from Pleasant Ridge Methodist church in charge of Rev. G. W. Russell and Rev. G. W. Miles and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Hadley of Statesville, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Hadley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Snow, at their home on Gwyn Avenue. They were accompanied home by their niece, little Miss Betsy Richardson, who will spend several days as their guest.

# All In Readiness For Big Gift Movie Here Saturday, 10:30 A. M.

### Offer Prizes For Most Attractively Decorated Homes

As an incentive for citizens to decorate their homes for the Christmas season the Elkin Woman's club is offering attractive cash prizes for the most attractive decorations. A prize of \$5.00 will be awarded for the most attractive home; \$2.50 for the prettiest out-door Christmas tree and \$2.50 for the prettiest doorway.

The judging will be by three out-of-town judges and the decisions will be made between 8 and 9 o'clock Sunday night, December 22.

The contest is open to all citizens of the town, regardless of whether or not they are affiliated with the Woman's Club and all citizens are urged to decorate their homes, both to compete for the prizes and to add Christmas spirit to the town as a whole.

## WANT NAMES OF ALL NEEDY BY FRIDAY

### Associated Charities Hopes to Care for Every Family

A meeting of the Associated Charities committee in charge of distribution of Christmas Cheer to the unfortunate families of Elkin and Jonesville will hold a meeting in the town tax office here Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock to make up the list of families to whom baskets will be given this Christmas.

Due to this fact, it is asked that everyone who knows of a family deserving aid kindly report their name and address to the Associated Charities on or before Friday. Names may be reported to George Royall, chairman, or Rev. Eph Whisenhant.

Mr. Royall stated Wednesday afternoon that every needy family in Elkin and Jonesville, white and colored, will be remembered Christmas. For that reason it is important that all names be in by Friday so that full preparations may be made.

## Four Car Wreck Occurs Near Brooks

A three-cornered wreck, involving four cars occurred two miles west of Brooks Cross Roads one night the past week. Bob Milam, Yadkinville truck operator, was going East on No. 60 when an axle broke in his truck and he was forced to stop. He turned on a number of green lights on the front end of the truck body and went for help.

Along comes George Salmons, going west, and he saw all the row of lights and took it for Jack Reinhard's filling station, he says, and started to drive in. He smashed the front of the truck instead.

While this wreckage was being cleared a car going east and driven and occupied by negroes, started around the wrecked cars just as a car approached from the opposite direction and they smashed, head-on, beside the other cars.

No one was hurt, it seems, beyond a few bruises. Sheriff A. L. Inscore was called to the scene, but as all seemed to be sober and the property damage settled among themselves, no arrests were made.

## Tribune To Appear Monday of Next Week Instead of Thursday

In order that employees of this newspaper may have Tuesday and Wednesday off in observance of Christmas, The Tribune will be printed Monday of next week, instead of appearing Thursday, its regular publication day.

It is hoped that merchants planning ads, for next week's issue will cooperate with The Tribune by releasing their copy as early as possible.

## FOOD RECEIVED IS TO GO TO PROVIDE CHRISTMAS CHEER

### Lyric Theatre Has Booked Good Pictures For Event

## WANT BIG CROWD

Picture, if you can, the heartbreak of little children who arise Christmas morning to find their stockings, placed by the fireplace so carefully the night before in childish anticipation of old Santa's visit, hanging limp and empty in the grey light of early dawn.

Picture the agony the parents who, through misfortune, are unable to aid Santa and who must witness the sorrow and bewilderment of their little ones.

Not a pretty picture. The Elkin Kiwanis club and the Associated Charities are hoping to eliminate any possibility of such a picture in Elkin and Jonesville this Christmas. Every effort is being made to provide Christmas cheer for every needy family in the towns. And your help is asked.

Saturday morning a special show for kiddies will be held at the Lyric theatre. A good show, of special interest to children, is to be shown, and every child in Elkin and Jonesville who wants everybody to have a Merry Christmas this year, is invited to attend.

The show will be held at 10:30 o'clock, and the price of admission will be a gift of food valued at not less than 10 cents. All kinds of staple groceries will be accepted and the more the merrier. Flour, canned goods, dried fruits, beans, cabbage, potatoes, jellies, sugar, meal, baking powder—every kind of food that will keep, will be welcomed.

Attendees will be in the lobby of the theatre to take charge of the food gifts which will be used for distribution in gift baskets Christmas Eve.

All children are urged to attend the show and to get their friends to attend. Everyone, it is hoped, will bring just as much as they possibly can.

Make it a Merry Christmas for everyone!

## ROARING RIVER P. O. IS LOOTED

### Several Dollars In Money Stolen and Postoffice Ransacked

Thieves entered the postoffice at Roaring River some time Sunday night and stole several dollars.

The theft was discovered Monday morning by Mrs. Bessie Caudill, postmaster. After the thieves had entered the building the small amount of funds not in the safe were taken and packages were opened and ransacked. Attempts to open the office safe, however, were futile.

So far no clues have been discovered that promise to lead to the identity or capture of the guilty party or parties.

Key West, Florida, is closer to Cuba than the mainland of the United States.

ONLY 5 More Days TO SHOP!