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## LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

### ROOSEVELT HAS LEAD

The first trickle of returns from Ohio's Republican primary battlefront last night gave delegate-at-large candidates representing the "favorite son" slate favoring Robert A. Taft a slight lead over Senator William E. Borah. From the Democratic sector in that state's primary battling came early returns showing a decided lead for President Roosevelt over Colonel Henry Breckinridge in presidential preferential voting.

### ITALIANS BOLT LEAGUE

Geneva, May 12.—A fresh effort to build up security for uneasy Europe crumbled tonight when the Italian delegation to the league of nations brusquely bolted from Geneva at the imperative command of Premier Mussolini. The fascists walked out after the council adopted a resolution which was virtually a new condemnation of Italy's conquest of Ethiopia.

### FARLEY IS CONFIDENT

Devils Lake, N. D., May 12.—Postmaster-General James A. Farley said today the people know "the work of recovery is only half done" and predicted they would give President Roosevelt full opportunity to complete it by "the greatest indorsement received by any of our chief executives since the birth of parties in this country."

### KIDNAPER ADMITS CRIME

Louisville, Ky., May 12.—Announcement that Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., has "willingly admitted" that he kidnaped Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll and that during the 20 months since he had spent most of his time traveling between New York and California was made here tonight by E. J. Connelly, in charge of the Cincinnati office of the federal bureau of investigation.

## FINAL EXERCISES TO BEGIN FRIDAY

### Dr. Jenkins to Deliver Sermon at Mountain Park School

Commencement exercises will begin at Mountain Park public school Friday evening, May 15, with an operetta "The Wedding of the Flowers," to be presented by the primary department with approximately 100 children taking part in the program. Saturday evening at 8 o'clock the junior class will present the commencement play, "The Red-Headed Step Child," a comedy drama in three acts, which promises to be highly entertaining.

Sunday afternoon, May 17, at 2:30 o'clock, Dr. Wm. A. Jenkins, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church will deliver the baccalaureate sermon.

Monday evening at 8 o'clock the senior class day exercises will be presented in the form of a play "Quo Vadis." The twelve members of the graduating class will have the leading parts. In addition to the senior class, members of the junior class and about thirty students from the eighth and ninth grades are included in the cast.

Tuesday morning at 10:30 the seventh grade graduating exercises will be held with about twenty-eight members of the class will receive their certificates.

The final exercises will be Tuesday evening, May 19, at 8 o'clock when the graduating exercises will be held, Harry F. Comer, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, will deliver the commencement address and John W. Comer, superintendent of Surry county schools, will award the diplomas.

### Are To Hold Alumni Meet At Union Grove

Former students, teachers, parents and former members of the Union Grove school board are invited to attend an alumni meeting at Union Grove high school from 12 to 2 p. m. Saturday, May 16. Interesting speakers will be present for the meeting.

Each person attending is requested to bring a picnic lunch.

### Seeks Senate Seat



Fred A. Kirkman, Surry county man, who has announced his candidacy for the state senate subject to the Democratic primary on June 6.

## SURRY MAN TO RUN FOR STATE SENATE

### Fred A. Kirkman Seeks Nomination From Surry, Stokes

Fred A. Kirkman, a native of Mt. Airy and a prominent highway contractor, last week announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination of state senator in the Surry-Stokes district. He has formally filed his name with the board of elections.

Mr. Kirkman was born near Mount Airy in 1902, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kirkman and was educated in Surry county, attending and graduating from the Mount Airy high school, and since reaching his majority has been a loyal supporter of the Democratic party.

In announcing for the state senate, Mr. Kirkman states that he is primarily interested in highway construction and especially in the two counties he seeks to represent. He believes that Surry and Stokes are entitled to their fair proportion of funds for highway work and cites the fact that adjoining counties have received a much larger allotment for roads than have been expended in Surry and Stokes and states that should these two counties receive their fair proportion, unemployment could be considerably reduced.

He says that he thinks that it is absurd to advertise by the use of safety campaigns and newspaper publicity the increasing number of automobile fatalities, so long as highways are being constructed with a smooth, slick surface, and his greatest hope and ambition is to see a system of non-skid roads built in North Carolina similar to the ones now being constructed in the state of Pennsylvania and other states. He says that if he is instrumental through this campaign for the state senate in having the highway department construct this type of paving thereby in the future saving the lives of many people every year, that his efforts will not have been in vain.

Proper waterproofing of highways, Mr. Kirkman states, would have saved many thousands of dollars for the state this past winter. Two years ago, Mr. Kirkman told the chairman and chief engineer of the North Carolina highway commission that surface treated roads then under construction would not stand up and rather than jeopardize his reputation as a road builder he would quit highway work. He did quit and the condition of North Carolina roads today bears out his prediction.

## MAY 23 IS TO BE POPPY DAY HERE

Poppy Day will be observed in Elkin this year on May 23, when Memorial poppies, to be worn in honor of the world war dead, will be distributed by the George Gray Post of the American Legion Auxiliary. The auxiliary women are making extensive plans for the observance of the day, under the leadership of Mrs. George Royall, Poppy Day chairman.

The poppies, made of crepe paper by disabled war veterans, will be offered on the streets by volunteer workers from the auxiliary and cooperating organizations. Contributions for the welfare of disabled veterans and needy families of veterans will be asked in exchange for the flowers.

## COMMENCEMENT OF ELKIN SCHOOL ENDS WEDNESDAY NIGHT

### Dr. Jordan, Winston-Salem Pastor, Delivers Address

### DIPLOMAS GIVEN

Commencement exercises of the Elkin high school came to an end here Wednesday night following the literary address by Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, of Winston-Salem, and the presentation of high school diplomas by F. W. Graham, member of the Surry county board of education.

Dr. Jordan was introduced by Dr. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church, and made an excellent address, inspiring to his entire audience as well as to the graduating class to whom it was addressed.

Winners in the readers' and declaimers' contest, Sammy Gambill, as the best declaimer, and Alice McCain, as the best reader, were awarded medals given by the Elkin Kiwanis club. E. C. James, member of the club, presented the medals.

Debating medals were also awarded each of the participants in the recent triangular debate, by J. Mark McAdams, superintendent of schools. Mr. McAdams presented these medals to the following: Miss Lesbia Graham, Claude McNeill, Barney Rhodes and Pete Lea. The activities medal for scholarship, general high school activities, debate, dramatics and athletics, went to Pete Lea. John Foster was awarded the athletic medal.

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## TRAPHILL FINALS BEGIN MAY 22ND

### School Has Enjoyed Successful Year; Big Enrollment

Seventh grade group commencement for Traphill district and high school finals were announced Monday by Carl Hendrix, principal.

The commencement season begins at Traphill Saturday, May 16, when the seventh grade commencement will be held. The program will begin at 10 o'clock and there will be an address by C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools. Mrs. Holbrook's music class will render a recital in the afternoon.

The first event of the high school finals will be the graduation sermon on Sunday, May 17, 2:30 by Rev. A. E. Watts, well known Baptist minister of Taylorsville.

The senior class will present a play, "For Pete's Sake," at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, May 21. This is a three-act comedy by Jay Tobias.

Class day and graduation exercises will be held on Friday evening, May 22, at 8 o'clock. The senior class is composed of 12 members.

The school has enjoyed quite a successful year with increased enrollment that will justify an additional teacher next year. Eight teachers made up the faculty this year.

### "Old Shepherd and Jane" To Be Here

"The Old Shepherd and Jane," in person will appear here on the stage of the Lyric theatre Tuesday night under the sponsorship of the Elkin Woman's club.

This team of radio entertainers is heard daily, except Sunday, over station WBT, of Charlotte, their 15-minute daily program being sponsored by the Chatham Manufacturing company.

In addition to the personal appearance of the radio entertainers, a good movie will also be shown by the Lyric.

### Car Crashes Pole And Turns Turtle

Striking an electric light pole on Bridge street early Tuesday morning near the home of Mason Lillard, a car thought to have been occupied by three persons from Ronda, continued up the street for about 50 feet and turned over. The occupants were unhurt.

The pole was snapped off close to the ground. It is believed that the car was proceeding at a fast rate of speed and went out of control after leaving the new bridge. A man by name of Carter, said to be from Ronda, was driving.

### Meteor Story From Wilkes Described As Ill Founded

Reports which have appeared in recent issues of several daily papers to the effect that the meteor which aroused many persons here and throughout this section of the state one night last week, landed in a roadway near Roaring River in Wilkes county, are ill founded, according to T. A. Leeper, local highway official. Mr. Leeper stated he visited the scene and that the small hole in the road was probably made by a wagon or automobile. No trace of a heavenly body could be found.

## WILLIAM H. NEWMAN DIES HERE SUNDAY

### Funeral Services Held Monday From Shoaly Branch

William Harrison Newman, 74, died Sunday at his home in West Elkin, following a long period of ill health. He was a native of Yadkin county and a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Newman, Sr.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mollie Spencer Newman, and three children, J. C. Newman of Benham, Mrs. Jettie Petree of Johnson City, Tenn., and Robert Newman of Winston-Salem and a number of grandchildren. Four brothers, Sanford Newman of Hamptonsville, and three sisters, Mrs. Charlie Morrison and Mrs. L. H. Reeves of Elkin and Mrs. J. A. Chipman of Cycle, also survive.

Funeral services were held Monday morning from Shoaly Branch Baptist church in charge of Rev. Grant Cothren and interment was in the church cemetery.

## JONESVILLE WOMAN PASSES THURSDAY

### Funeral Services Held Last Friday From Little Elkin

Mrs. Fannie Elizabeth Wagoner Smith, wife of Thomas A. Smith, of Jonesville, passed away Thursday, following an illness of nine days with pneumonia. The deceased was 61 years of age.

Funeral services were held Friday morning at 11 o'clock from Little Elkin Baptist church, of which Mrs. Smith was a devout member. The rites were in charge of Rev. J. L. Powers and interment was in the church cemetery.

She is survived by her husband and the following sons and daughters: Jones, Charlie and Ed Smith, Mrs. Charlie Long and Mrs. Theo Barber, all of Jonesville, and three brothers, Lee, Jim and Dan Wagoner, all of Yadkin county.

### Cripple Clinic To Be Held At Mount Airy

A cripple clinic will be held in the offices of the Surry county health department at Mount Airy Friday morning, May 22, from 9 a. m. until 12 noon. Dr. R. A. Moore, of Winston-Salem, will be in charge as usual.

It has also been announced that important meetings of the midwives of the county will be held at the following places on the following dates: Mount Airy office, May 20, 9 a. m.; Dobson courthouse, May 21, 10 a. m.; Elkin office (over Abernethy's), May 21, 1:30 p. m.

### Jersey Cattle Club To Meet at Dobson

Paul E. Burch, one of the directors of the N. C. Jersey Cattle club, announces that a Jersey field day will be held at the court house at Dobson Thursday, May 21, beginning at 11:00 a. m.

Lawrence Gardner, field man for the American Jersey Cattle club, will be the main speaker for the occasion. J. A. Arey, dairy specialist from Raleigh, will also be on the program.

All people interested in breeding and rearing Jersey cattle are urged to attend.

### SHORTAGE OF LABOR

Washington, May 10.—Government housing officials said today a country-wide surge in home construction this spring had created a strong demand for skilled labor, presenting the possibility of an "acute" shortage if the present upswing continues.

### To Speak Here



A. D. Folger, state manager for Sandy Graham, Democratic candidate for governor of North Carolina, who will speak in the Elkin school auditorium Saturday night, May 23, at 8 o'clock in the interest of Mr. Graham's candidacy. Mr. Folger, whose home is in Dobson, is prominently connected with the Surry county Democratic party and is well-known throughout the entire state.

## KIWANIS CLUB IS HOST TO SENIORS

### Talk By Kiwanian Stacy Weaver Is Feature Of Program

The graduating class of the Elkin high school was the guest Friday night of the Elkin Kiwanis club.

Although a portion of the program was presented by the seniors, the feature of the evening was a talk by Stacy Weaver, a member of the club and superintendent of the Jonesville high school.

In an excellent talk, Mr. Weaver pointed out to the class the probability that many of them, upon entering the world on their own, would encounter difficulties and discouragement, but urged them to carry on in the face of any adversity which they might meet.

The seniors' part of the program included a harmonica duet by Miss Deon Lowery and Frank Tulbert, and a vocal solo by Miss Dorothy Chappell, accompanied by Miss Dorothy Colhard.

The program opened with a brief message of welcome by Rev. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church. Wilbur Carter was in charge of the program.

At the close of the meeting, Mr. Carter urged all members of the graduating class to consult any member of the club for advice or help in any way at any time.

Next Friday night the Kiwanians will observe ladies' night.

### Josephus C. Darnell Passes Away Monday

Josephus C. Darnell, 71, passed away at his home in the Cool Springs section Monday night, following a lingering illness. The deceased was a former building contractor and was well known in this section.

He is survived by his wife by a second marriage, four children of the first marriage: Richard Darnell, of Winston-Salem; Lytle Darnell, Mrs. Pruitt and another daughter of Danville, Va., and three brothers, Alex Darnell, Winston-Salem; Geo. Darnell of Sanford, and Frank Darnell of Benham, and two sisters, Mrs. Sallie Lineback of Winston-Salem and Mrs. George Collins of Sanford.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from Cool Springs church.

### Mount Airy Approves Special School Levy

Mount Airy voted Tuesday in a hotly contested election to levy a 15 cent supplement school tax in the Mount Airy district for the purpose of making the schools in the district a nine-months' school instead of the former eight-months' school. The election carried by a majority of 374 out of a registration total of approximately 2,200.

Practically all who voted were said to have been in favor of the levy, but all who failed to vote counted as against the measure, which made the majority voting for the measure appear smaller than it really was.

Arrested in New York City for possessing policy-game slips, Negro Mickey Mouse insisted, "I've had that name for 35 years."

## BLANKETEERS TO FACE V. P. I. HERE FRIDAY, SATURDAY

### Go Up Against Strong Competition In Tech Squad

### HAS FINE RECORD

The Chatham Blanketeers, 1935 semi-pro champions of the two Carolinas, and who thus far this season have won 20 games to but three lost, go up against stiff competition here Friday and Saturday when they meet V. P. I. in a two-game series.

The Techmen will arrive here 17 strong and will include an aggregation of ball players designed to pull their best performance of the season from the Blanketeers if they expect their win column to show new figures.

The Virginia outfit thus far has won eight games and lost seven, with 87 runs scored to their opponents' 55. Four of the seven defeats were by a one-run margin, two by a two-run, and one by a five-run margin. The team has out-hit opposing batsmen in almost every game and has scored as high as 22 runs in one game against strong college competition. The majority of their defeats were early in the season which started when the squad had had less than a week of outdoor practice.

Cregger, centerfielder, is one of the finest outfielders in college baseball in the South Atlantic sector, while Lake and Murray, sophomores, are outstanding lefthanders, neither having allowed more than five hits in any one game other than in early season games.

Against Washington and Lee, a strong club, Lake pitched a no-hit, no-run game on May 9, beating the Generals 2-0. Henry won the game in

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## WILKES MAN DIES OF HEART ATTACK

### John Solomon Holcomb Passes at Home Near Benham

John Solomon Holcomb, 53 widely known farmer and contractor, died suddenly at his home near Benham, Wilkes county, late Saturday afternoon from a heart attack. Mr. Holcomb was apparently in his usual good health just prior to the fatal attack.

The deceased was twice married, first to Miss Bertha Blackburn and after her passing to Miss Edith Spicer, who survives him. He is also survived by one son of the first marriage, Cyrus Holcomb, and two daughters and two sons by his second marriage, Misses Phyllis and Mary Holcomb and Oakie and Jones Holcomb. One brother, L. L. Holcomb of Altoona, Pa., also survives.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Charity Methodist church in Wilkes county, in charge of the pastor, Rev. Mr. White, and interment was in the church cemetery.

## N. ELKIN FINALS TO BE HELD TODAY

### Entire Faculty of School Relected By School Board

The 1935-36 term of the North Elkin school will close today with graduation exercises for the seventh grade being held this morning at 10 o'clock.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the sixth and seventh grades will give a negro minstrel to which the public is invited. A nominal admission will be charged.

At a recent meeting the North Elkin school board met and relected the entire faculty for another term. It was the opinion of the board that a very successful year had been enjoyed.

### Dobson Class Is To Visit Klondike Farm

Clyde Wright, agricultural instructor of the Dobson school, stated Wednesday that he will take his class of 4-H club boys to Klondike Farm on Friday of this week on a cattle judging trip. This trip will be in preparation for the district cattle judging contest of the Upper Piedmont district which will be held at Thomasville on May 26th.