

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

LOCAL

FIRE, originating from an electric percolator which had been left plugged in, narrowly missed claiming the home of Herbert Dockery here Tuesday morning about 3 o'clock. The Dockery family was awakened by dense smoke and found the kitchen table upon which the appliance was resting, in flames. A few minutes more and the blaze would have gained good headway, it was said.

J. B. JOHNSON, 6, son of Johnnie Johnson, of Jonesville, was knocked down and injured by an automobile here shortly after 5 p.m. Wednesday afternoon. The car which struck the child was driven by W. E. Davis, of Davie county. The accident occurred on Main street in front of the Duke Power Co. Bleeding profusely from a head wound, the child was carried to the office of Dr. H. C. Salmans, and then to the hospital. He was not believed seriously injured. Policeman Corbett Wall, who investigated the accident, said a charge of speeding would be brought against Mr. Davis.

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24—Future enforcement of the wage-hour law, which began the second phase of its operations today, may be devoted largely to southern and north-eastern industrial states where the government has found the bulk of low wage farmers to be situated. This was indicated by a bureau of labor statistics survey which reported that approximately 500,000 persons were employed in these states at less than 30 cents an hour.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24—As Communist Leader Earl Browder emerged today from a federal detention cell under \$7,500 bail supplied by a society matron, he shrugged off questions as to whether a man in a similar position in soviet Russia might expect release in bond. To this and other inquiries touching upon his ideology—such as whether "anyone was ever acquitted" in a comparable case in Russia—he had for reply only a thin smile and the remark: "I won't enter into any political discussions right here."

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24—The house committee on un-American activities voted today to make public the names of 900-odd government employees who are members of the American League for Peace and Democracy, an organization which Chairman Dies, Democrat, Texas, said was dominated by Communists. Dies had accused the league of attempting to "penetrate" the federal government and said flatly the organization was "under the Communists." Harry F. Ward, the league's national president, denied a similar assertion yesterday.

INTERNATIONAL

FOUR MORE British merchantmen and a Greek vessel heavily laden with scrap metal were sunk and another British ship more than a week ago was reported yesterday as intense diplomatic exchange arose over the seizure of the American freighter City of Flint. Loss of the five British ships sent England's toll to 45 and the losses of all nations to 90 ships.

MOSCOW, Oct. 24—Renewed negotiations between soviet Russia and a Finnish delegation were suspended today less than 48 hours after the Finns' arrival, leading foreign observers to believe the talks were not going too happily. The Finns prepared to return tonight to Helsinki presumably for fresh instructions from their government, including that compromise proposals they brought here were unacceptable or that soviet authorities may have made new demands.

FATE OF SHIP UNDECIDED BY NAZI CAPTORS

Germany and Russia Discuss What to Do

SHIP IS HELD IN RUSSIA

City of Flint, Germans Aver, Was Carrying Contraband to England

IS A TICKLISH PROBLEM

Berlin, Oct. 25—The German government informed the United States today it was discussing with Soviet Russia the question of the American ship City of Flint, taken to the Russian port of Murmansk by a German prize crew.

The information was given, American Charge d'Affaires Alexander Kirk when he was received this morning by Baron Ernst von Weizsaecker, secretary of state in the German foreign office.

It was the first contact made by Kirk with the German government in connection with the incident. Hitherto the stock answer to inquiries concerning the City of Flint had been that nothing was known here officially about the vessel.

The ship was seized, inquirers were told unofficially, because it carried war contraband.

EARLIER REPORT

Moscow, Oct. 24—Arrival of the American vessel City of Flint in a soviet port as a war captive with a German prize crew in command confronted Russian officials with a knotty and ticklish problem in international law tonight.

United States Ambassador Laurence A. Steinhardt was assured by Vladimir Potempkin, vice-commissioner for foreign affairs, that full information would be furnished as soon as available concerning the captured 4,963-ton vessel.

The embassy pressed inquiries into the fate of the crew of 42 and the cargo of tractors, grain, fruit, leather and wax which she was said to be carrying for England.

Steinhardt described his interview with Potempkin as cordial and said he was promised details as soon as obtainable from Murmansk where the City of Flint was taken, flying the German flag.

Delay of a day or two was expected since there are no foreign consulates at Murmansk, Russia's northernmost port which is not ice-bound in winter. The German liner Bremen also is understood to be at Murmansk, about 200 miles north of the Arctic circle.

BOONVILLE FAIR TO START 27TH

Yadkin County Track Meet to Be Held Friday Afternoon; Play Fri. Night

FIREWORKS A FEATURE

The thirteenth annual Boonville Fair will begin on Thursday afternoon, October 27, with the entering of exhibits. Entering of exhibits will continue until ten o'clock Friday morning. At this time the judges will begin to judge the exhibits.

Friday afternoon at one o'clock Mr. Sauline and his all-star players will present "Tom Sawyer." Following the play the Yadkin County high school track meet will be held. On Friday night the Sauline players will give their second play, "Turn to the Right." On Saturday the livestock show will be held and this will include

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TO PRESENT PAGEANT AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday at the evening hour of worship at the First Baptist church at 7:30 a pageant, "On the Wings of an Eagle," will be presented. Approximately forty people will take part in the program, in addition to special music by the two choirs of the church. Several solos will also be rendered in connection with the program.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

Visitor Here Again To Be Candidate



Giles Yeomans Newton, above, of Gibson, Scotland county, was a visitor in Elkin Tuesday. Mr. Newton, who was a candidate for Congress from the Eighth District in 1938, is expected to again announce his candidacy for Congress at a later date. He is a graduate of Duke University and the Harvard Law School.

MAN KILLED BY TRAIN SUNDAY

Eastbound Train Passes Over Body Before Brought to Halt

TRACES FOUND

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday morning at Pleasant Home Baptist Church, Wilkes county, for Taft Norman, 27, who was killed on the railway tracks a short distance west of Crutchfield Sunday.

The young man's body was found on the Southern Railway tracks by the crew of the east-bound train shortly after 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the train passing over the body before it could be brought to a stop. Indications were that the man had been dead sometime, as a pool of congealed blood was found where the body had been lying.

At first it was believed the man had met foul play and that his dead body had been placed on the tracks. However, a careful study of the case finally led Sheriff Harvey Boyd, of Surry, to conclude that the man was killed as the train made its westbound trip, but was not seen until it was on the return trip to Winston-Salem.

The sheriff and coroner, Dr. Robert Smith, found that Norman left a neighboring house in an intoxicated condition shortly before the train passed going west. It is believed he was struck shortly afterwards when he got on the railroad tracks.

Norman was a resident of the Boonville community.

ARE TO PRESENT COMEDY HERE

P.-T. A. to Offer Play, "Old Maids' Plea" on Friday Evening

IN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Friday evening, October 27, at 8 o'clock, members of the Parent-Teachers Association will present a humorous play, "Old Maids' Plea." In addition to a cast of well known women and girls of the town, music will be furnished by the high school orchestra, the saxette band, with special songs by the elementary and primary students. Tap dancing will also be a feature of the program. An evening of exceptional entertainment is promised. Proceeds will go for the P.-T. A. treasury.

The cast includes: President, Mamie Halsten, Miss Emma Cooke; secretary, Carolina Watson, Mrs. Fred Harris; Mandy Adams, Miss Frances Alexander; Eliza Beck, Miss Edith Fox; Lucy Duck, Mrs. E. R. Settle; Lovie Farrow, Mrs. Fletcher Harris; Delaney Hays, Miss Ruth Atkinson; Cleo Henderson, Mrs. H. P.

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NEW PASTOR IS ASSIGNED HERE BY CONFERENCE

Rev. H. F. Duncan Will Succeed Rev. P. W. Tucker

CHARGES EXCHANGED

Rev. L. B. Abernethy Again Elected Conference Mission Secretary

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Resulting from the combining of the trio of denominations of the Methodist church at the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church at Greensboro, which closed on Monday of this week, two new districts were formed in the conference, one, the Elkin conference, with headquarters in Elkin, and the other at High Point. Prior to this the local church had been a part of the Statesville district. Until the redistricting a few years ago the church here was in the Mount Airy district.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, formerly presiding elder of the Statesville district, and more recently pastor of the First Baptist church of Lenoir, will be district superintendent of the Elkin district, this office replacing that of presiding elder. Rev. Hiatt is well known here. He and his family will come to Elkin within a short time to make their home. He has one son and two daughters. The son and the older daughter are college students and the younger daughter is a high school senior.

Rev. H. F. Duncan will succeed Rev. P. W. Tucker as pastor of the local church. Rev. Mr. Duncan comes to Elkin from Bradley Memorial church in Gastonia, where Rev. Mr. Tucker was sent as pastor.

Rev. Mr. Duncan will come to Elkin within a short time and will occupy the Methodist parsonage on Market street. He is a married man, with one small child.

Rev. L. B. Abernethy, of this city, was again elected Conference Mission Secretary and chairman of the Golden Cross.

Other appointments in this section were as follows: Rev. D. B. Mullis was returned to the Jonesville church as pastor for another year; Rev. R. G. McClamrock succeeds Rev. C. W. Russell of the Dobson church, and Rev. J. H. Green was returned for another year to the Yadkinville church.

TAX ROUNDS ANNOUNCED

Will Give Taxpayers Opportunity to Pay Both 1938 and 1939 Taxes

B. F. Folger, Surry county tax collector, has announced a complete tax round of the county to begin in this section Friday to give the taxpayers an opportunity to pay either their 1938 or 1939 tax. He has revealed that the 1938 taxes will be advertised November 1 for sale on December 1.

Mr. Folger has also pointed out that the 1939 taxes, under the provisions set out in a new state law, must be paid by the first of March, 1940, at which time the 1939 taxes will be advertised for sale April 1.

The Elkin books will remain in Elkin all the time with W. J. Snow. The collection schedule for other townships will be found in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

HALLOWE'EN CARNIVAL AT MTN. PARK SCHOOL

The annual Hallowe'en carnival will be at Mountain Park school Saturday, October 28. The grammar grades of the school will give a program in the auditorium consisting of Hallowe'en plays and skits. After the program there will be a number of attractions in the school gymnasium including bingo, fortune telling, art gallery, fishing, and a variety of penny games. Prizes will also be given for the best Hallowe'en costume worn to the carnival. The public is cordially invited to attend. The proceeds will apply on the school grounds and building improvement program.

EXPERIENCE WAR

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Lawton, pictured below, parents of Mrs. Eph Whisenhunt, of this city, have arrived in Elkin for a visit with their daughter and Rev. Mr. Whisenhunt, after returning to this country from China, where they have been as missionaries for the past 45 years. Prior to their departure from Kuling, China, they experienced air raids and saw the Japanese capture the town.—(Tribune Photo.)



Missionaries Tell Of Life In China During Invasion By Japanese

Parents of Mrs. Eph Whisenhunt, on Visit Here, Describe Bombing Attacks on Chinese Resort of Kuling as Japs Besiege Town. Make Way Down Yangtze River on Japanese Transport. Expect to Return to China

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Lawton, parents of Mrs. Eph Whisenhunt, her husband pastor of the First Baptist church here, have recently arrived in Elkin to visit their daughter.

For 45 years missionaries to China, the Lawtons have just returned from that Jap-infested land, yet despite the dangers of death from land and sky they are planning to return next year to again resume their work there.

Genial and pleasant, the couple

show none of the worry and anxiety they must have suffered when their home town of Kuling was besieged and later captured by the Japanese, and their chief worry now seems to be whether or not world conditions will enable them to return to the war-torn land from which they've just come.

Apparently they enjoyed telling of their experiences as bombers

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World's Champion Bible Reader Dies In Yadkin

Davis Evan Mathews, 80 years old, died at the home of his foster daughter, Mrs. J. D. Hutcheson, near Smithtown, Saturday afternoon, following a two weeks illness. Mr. Mathews was known to his many friends as "Uncle Dock" and he was universally liked.

He was born Dec. 8, 1850, in Yadkin county and had spent his life here. He was married to Biddie D. Boverdar on March 19, 1882. She died March 24, 1929. They had no children, but adopted two. They are Mrs. J. D. Hutcheson, and Frank Davis, of the Smithtown section. Several nieces and nephews survive.

Champion Bible Reader "Uncle Dock" had often been described in the press of the country as the world's champion Bible reader. He had read the old Bible through 40 times and the New Testament 104 times. An off hand estimate would be that he had spent more than a years' time reading the Bible.

Mr. Mathews taught school for 12 years and served as a magistrate for over 20 years. He was a member of Holly Springs Primitive Baptist church for the past 25 years and enjoyed going to his church.

Funeral services were conducted from Prospect Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Elder James Creed, Rev. W. T. Crissman and Rev. E. C. Norman in charge. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

YADKIN YOUTH KILLED BY CAR

Barney Inscore Is Instantly Killed as He Steps into Path of Auto

TRACES FOUND

Funeral services for Barney Inscore, 23, who was instantly killed last Sunday morning three miles west of Brooks Cross Roads, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Oak Grove Baptist church.

Inscore was killed when struck by an automobile driven by D. E. (Dock) Mathis, a resident of Wilkes county.

It was said that the young man stopped his car on the highway to make repairs. He was standing behind his machine when a car approached from the east. He was said to have darted out into the highway to avoid what he apparently thought was a collision and stepped in front of Matthews' car.

The young man was badly crushed, suffering a broken leg, crushed shoulder and right temple when it crashed against the car, the body striking the fender and the head the car's windshield. An arm was also broken.

Investigating officers were W. E. Rutledge and State Highway Patrolman J. B. Rhyne, of Yadkinville. Both termed the accident unavoidable and an inquest unnecessary.

Mathis had his family with

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NAZIS ASSERT NO DESIGNS ON UNITED STATES

Ribbentrop Makes Speech at Danzig Tuesday

BROADCAST TO WORLD

Says Germany Determined to Fight Great Britain to Bitter End

CHAMBERLAIN SCORED

Danzig, Oct. 24.—Germany is determined to fight Britain to the bitter end and is supremely confident of victory, Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop told the world tonight.

In a 90-minute address von Ribbentrop warned Britain that by continuing the war she was "playing dangerously with the fate of her empire."

"The present British government may go down in history as the gravedigger of the empire," he told a group of veteran nazi fighters which formed his immediate audience in this one-time free city, now incorporated in the reich.

The nazi foreign minister let fall not a single hint of a possible compromise to end the war before the conflict at arms goes to its bitter conclusion.

"Chamberlain refused the hand of the fuhrer stretched out in a gesture of peace," he shouted at the climax of his address.

"Now the German people takes up the challenge. The German people is ready and is determined to fight until the security of the German people is assured for all time."

"The German people is a solid block, defended by its army, air force and navy which have just won bright laurels. The German people now will fight this war to the end."

"That this end will be a great German victory is guaranteed by the fuhrer."

On the continent of Europe, German borders now are final, von Ribbentrop continued.

"Germany has no more demands against England and France except the return of her former colonial possessions."

Von Ribbentrop also asserted with great emphasis that no cause exists for conflict between Germany and the United States.

"Only diseased phantasy could even conceive of a question which could bring about trouble between these states," he asserted. "Germany wants only extensive trade on the American continent and it always respected the Monroe Doctrine."

Yadkin Sunday Schools To Meet Next Sunday

The one day convention of the Yadkin County Sunday Schools will begin at Center Methodist church next Sunday morning, Oct. 29, when it will meet with the morning Sunday school class. Rev. R. L. Speer will open the convention with the devotion.

This will be followed by an address by Attorney J. T. Reece of Yadkinville, after which the Center boys will sing a quartette. It is announced there will be no dinner on the grounds.

The afternoon session will be

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Chatham Seeking Houses, Rooms, For Employees

The Chatham Manufacturing company, seeking to make provision for Winston-Salem employees who will move to Elkin around the first of the year when the Chatham finishing plant is moved here, is seeking houses, apartments and rooms for rent.

In an advertisement elsewhere in this issue, the company points out it wants such housing accommodations in Elkin, Jonesville, Boonville, Arlington, State Road, Ronda and within a radius of 10 miles of Elkin.

Everyone having houses, apartments and rooms to rent, at all prices, are asked to telephone, write or see Dick Chatham at the Chatham Manufacturing Co.