

## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

### LOCAL

**GOV. HOEY** Tuesday issued paroles to five prisoners, one of them going to Ellis Cassell, sent up from Surry county last April to serve a year for housebreaking, larceny and receiving.

**THE FACULTY** of the Elkin schools will take a holiday Friday in order to attend the district meeting of the N. C. Education association which is scheduled to convene in High Point, with Prof. T. E. Story, president of the body, presiding. The Elkin faculty will attend in a body.

**TWO FIRES**, one of which occurred last Friday afternoon, and the other about 5 a. m. Wednesday morning, did slight damage here. The first fire was at the home of Henry Byrd, in Sunset Park, and was extinguished by the local fire department after damaging the rear part of the house. Wednesday's blaze completely destroyed an old two-room house on North Bridge street next to the home of George Chatham. This house, an eye sore for several years, was not occupied, and had partly fallen down. It was owned by Andrew Greenwood, of this city.

### STATE

**RALEIGH, Oct. 31**—State officials, viewing with satisfaction a revenue report showing tax receipts are continuing to climb, cautiously forecast today that North Carolina might not have to transfer money from the highway to the general fund in order to balance its 1939-40 budget. A provision making possible "diversion" of \$2,500,000—if it is needed—from the highway department to the general fund was made by the 1939 general assembly after a hot fight.

### NATIONAL

**WASHINGTON, Oct. 31**—President Roosevelt today officially designated Thursday, November 23, as a "day of general thanksgiving" and voiced gratitude for the nation "that in a world of turmoil we are at peace with all countries." While the proclamation stressed hopes for international peace, it may stir up a measure of domestic strife since the calendars—and a good many governors—say Thanksgiving is going to be Thursday, November 30.

### INTERNATIONAL

**LONDON, Oct. 31**—The air ministry announced tonight a British convoy was attacked today by a German seaplane but was not damaged. The attack followed an engagement between Royal Air Force planes and a German seaplane off the north coast of Britain earlier in the morning. The German plane escaped.

**PARIS, Oct. 31**—The French reported "marked activity" on the western front today with a series of land skirmishes between French and German forces and brisk artillery duels in which the Germans were said to have used long range heavy artillery for the first time of the war. A general staff communique said both sides engaged in raids and ambushes in the Lorraine sector between the Moselle and Saar rivers on a section extending from the Luxembourg border to Saaregumines.

**ROME, Oct. 31**—Premier Mussolini in a sweeping overhauling of the fascist leadership today removed three military chiefs who had conducted staff talks with German officers and two cabinet members popularly regarded as pro-German. The shuffling of military chiefs, army leaders, and cabinet ministers, however, was regarded in foreign circles as primarily designed to reinforce the fascist regime at home with the international aspect incidental to domestic factors.

## RUSSIAN CHIDES PRESIDENT FOR MORAL SUPPORT

Molotov Is Displeased With U. S. Attitude

### TRouble Over Finland

Reds Unable to Understand Finland's Refusal to Accept Terms

### HE SCORES ENGLAND

Moscow, Oct. 31.—Premier Molotov today chided President Roosevelt for lending Finland the "moral support" of the United States, in effect warned the Finns to come to terms, and notified the world that Russia is drawing closer to Germany and Japan, once partners in the anti-comintern pact.

In an exhaustive report on Russia's new foreign policy, the premier and foreign commissar told more than 1,100 deputies attending the extraordinary joint session of the soviet council that the United States' move to repeal its arms embargo would "intensify, aggravate and protract" the European war.

Salient points in Molotov's 85-minute speech:

1. Struck at President Roosevelt for "intervening" in Russia's negotiations with Finland "in contradiction of the United States' policy of neutrality."
2. Declared Russia was unable to understand Finland's refusal of a mutual assistance pact similar to those which made the Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania virtual protectorates.
3. Denounced Great Britain and France for carrying on the war with Germany for the purpose, he said, of safeguarding their colonial possessions.
4. Said "there can be no question of restoring Poland" and that it was "absurd to continue the present war" for such a cause.
5. Asserted that German and Russian relations are being placed on an increasingly solid and friendly basis.
6. Announced trade negotiations would be opened with Japan and opened the door for a move by Tokio toward stronger co-operation—possibly a non-aggression pact.
7. Gave no hint of any possible soviet aims in the Balkans but with Russia and signed one with said Turkey, which refused a pact Britain and France, must take note of the offer of co-operation to Japan.

By her pact with Britain and France, he said, Turkey had moved into the "orbit of war" and he would not hazard a guess whether Turkey would come to regret it.

## TRAPHILL LADY HAS BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Sarah Jane McBride Celebrates 93rd Anniversary with Dinner

### 200 ARE IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs. Sarah Jane McBride, of Traphill, celebrated her ninety-third birthday anniversary Sunday with a family dinner. Approximately 200 attended the celebration.

Mrs. McBride is the widow of Martin McBride, who died a number of years ago. She has five living children, Mrs. John Miles, of Cherry Lane; John McBride, of Benham; William McBride, of Ronda; Walter McBride, of Traphill, and Edgar McBride, of Rock Springs, Wyo. All of the children were present for the event except the son in Wyoming. Mrs. McBride also has 22 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

A bountiful dinner was served from long tables arranged in the yard. The table at which Mrs. McBride was seated was centered with a handsomely decorated birthday cake bearing ninety-three lighted candles.

Rev. John Miles, of Cherry Lane, and Rev. J. W. Brown, of Austin, spoke briefly to the gathering.

A 10-inch snow destroyed gardens in the Matanuska Valley in Alaska last week.

## New Church Officials And Former Pastor



Pictured above are officials of the Methodist church who will serve the newly created Elkin district during the ensuing year, and the outgoing pastor of the Elkin Methodist church, Rev. P. W. Tucker. Top photo is Rev. L. B. Abernethy, for nine years pastor of the Elkin Methodist church, and for the past six years Conference Mission Secretary and chairman of the Golden Cross, with headquarters here. Second from top is Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the newly formed Elkin district, who will make his home here. Second from bottom is the new pastor Rev. H. M. F. Duncan, of the Elkin Methodist church, who comes to Elkin from Gastonia to succeed Rev. P. W. Tucker, bottom photo, pastor here for the past year, was transferred to Gastonia.

**PRICES UP**  
Since the low point in the depression, the value of cattle in the nation has increased 97 per cent., but in the South the value has gone up 108 per cent.

## COMMITTEES ARE NAMED TO CONTROL ACT

Rockford Man Is Elected Chairman of Surry Body

### NAME TOWNSHIP HEADS

Will Determine Farm Acreage Allotments, Farm Marketing Quotas

### ALTERNATES NAMED

A township or community committee was elected for each township of Surry county at township meetings held over the county last week, the elected groups to determine farm acreage allotments, normal yields, soil building goals, farm marketing quotas, and to assist in explaining to farmers the purposes and provisions of the crop control program and to perform other such duties as may be prescribed by the AAA.

Robert S. Burrus, of Rockford, was elected chairman of the county committee for Surry, John Austin Tilley, of Westfield, was elected vice-chairman, and Charles T. Hall, of Stewart's Creek, regular member, J. B. Felts, of Elkin, was elected first alternate for the county committee, and Paul E. Burch, of Bryan township, as second alternate. These men were elected at a county convention made up of fourteen delegates, at Dobson Saturday. They will serve during the 1940 agricultural conservation year which began Wednesday, November 1, and which ends October 31, 1940. They will work with the township committees.

Each community committee is made up of three regular members. Two alternates were elected in each community in event any of the regular committeemen could not serve.

Committeemen and alternates for the townships are: Bryan—P. E. Burch, chairman; E. E. Smith, vice-chairman; F. C.

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## TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT CREW

Germany and England Asked Not to Expose Men to Danger

### POSITION IS UNKNOWN

Washington, Oct. 31.—Secretary Hull took steps to protect the American crew of the City of Flint today by instructing the American embassies in Germany and England to request those governments to avoid exposing the crew to unnecessary danger.

The City of Flint's position was unknown to the state department tonight, but in Bergen, Norway, she was reported making her way slowly southward along the Norwegian coast. Aboard her were Captain Gainard, 40 American crew members and the German prize crew of 17.

President Roosevelt said he had no new information on the City of Flint, but he still hoped for her return.

Secretary Hull disclosed he still was pressing soviet Russia for full information on what had happened to the ship at Murmansk. He further disclosed that the department of justice would prepare the government's case when the City of Flint seizure is taken up by the German prize court at Hamburg.

The instructions he sent to Berlin and London expressed this government's concern for the safety of the American crew and its expectation that both belligerents would take precautions to avoid exposing the crew members to unnecessary danger.

## PLAN TWO SERVICES AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Two services will be held at the Elkin Presbyterian church Sunday.

Dr. R. E. McAlpine, of Winston-Salem, will preach at the 11 o'clock service. The evening service will be conducted at 7:30 by the pastor, Rev. O. V. Caudill.

## U. S. Speeds Aid To British Ship Reported Victim of Sub Attack Off American Shore

**CHAT WITH ENEMY** Somewhere in Germany a German officer, left, is pictured chatting with two captured British airmen at an internment barracks. This photo was released after being passed by the German censor.



## ANNOUNCE PLAN FOR UNVEILING

Former Governor Ehringhaus to Be Chief Speaker at Dobson Nov. 11th

### TO HONOR VETERANS

At a recent conference of a committee in charge of the ceremonies in connection with the unveiling of a monument to Surry county's soldiers of the World War, to be held at Dobson Armistice Day, November 11, plans for the occasion were completed.

W. M. Allen, of Elkin, will preside over the ceremonies, which are scheduled to open at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, with Rev. W. J. Miller, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Mount Airy, offering the invocation.

Former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus will be chief speaker of the occasion, and will be introduced by Judge W. F. Carter, of Mount Airy. Congressman A. D. (Lon) Folger will also be one of the program speakers. A. H. Wolfe will present the Surry county school girl to be chosen for the unveiling of the monument.

Music for the event will be furnished by the American Legion band, of Winston-Salem.

On the monument will be the names of the 950 soldiers who served during the conflict. Heading the list are names of those of the U. S. Army killed in action; second in line are those dying of wounds; third, those dying of disease; fourth, those wounded but not mortally, during the war; fifth, all others who served in any capacity. Soldiers of the marines and navy departments are listed in like order.

The committee arranging the program includes W. M. Allen of Elkin; John G. Lewellyn of Dobson; Mrs. R. J. Lovill of Mount Airy.

## MAN WHO SHOT COUSIN TRIED

Ed Casey Found Guilty and Sent to Prison for 18 Months

### PLEADS SELF DEFENSE

Ed Casey, convicted for shooting his cousin, Paul Casey, in the Traphill community a few months ago, has been sentenced in Wilkes county superior court to not less than 18 nor more than 60 months in state prison.

Casey entered a plea of self defense, alleging that Paul Casey was attacking him when he fired his gun.

The prisoner, it will be remembered, led officers a merry chase following the shooting, and was not captured until after a long search.

Tanna Tuva is a tiny republic in Central Asia. Its population is 65,000 but its area is greater than that of Greece.

## W. W. Whitaker Resigns as Head Of Fire Dept.

W. W. Whitaker, for 25 years chief of Elkin's fire department, has announced his resignation from that post effective the end of this year.

Mr. Whitaker, who during his time in office has seen the fire department grow from a poorly equipped organization to its present modern status, has rendered the town valuable service, and his loss as head of the department will be keenly felt.

Just who will be named to succeed Mr. Whitaker has not been announced.

## WINSTON LADY DIES THURSDAY

Mrs. Carrie Bell Salmons, Well Known Here, Was Ill Three Months

### rites Held Saturday

Mrs. Carrie Bell Salmons, 47, widow of Dr. LeRoy Salmons, of Winston-Salem, passed away at the City Memorial hospital there Thursday afternoon following an illness of three months. Mrs. Salmons was well known here, where she lived for several years prior to going to Winston-Salem to make her home.

She is survived by four sons, Lee, Edwin and Billy Salmons, of Winston-Salem, Hugh Salmons, of Elkin, and one daughter, Miss Carolyn Salmons, of Winston-Salem. Two sisters, Mrs. Richard Stark, of Memphis, Tenn., and Mrs. Calvin Huff, of Booneville, and two brothers, Walter Bell and William Bell, of Winston-Salem, and two half-sisters, Mesdames R. P. Crater and W. S. Sale, of this city, also survive.

Funeral services were held from the late home in Winston-Salem Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. A number of friends of the family from this city attended the last rites.

## CAFE RATINGS ARE RELEASED FOR MONTH

Ratings of Elkin cafes and other eating establishments for October have been released by the county health department. The names and ratings, in the order given by the health department, follow:

Abernethy's, 80, grade B; Bon-Ton Grill, 88.5, grade B; Dutch Castle, 89, grade B; Hotel Elkin (under repair), 92.5, grade A; Eat Quick, 76.5, grade C; Greenwood Cafe, 81.5, grade B; Monticello, 70, grade C; Palace, 94, grade A; Riverside Cafe, 80, grade B.

State Road — Mountain View, 71, grade C; State Road Cafe, 78, grade C.

Grades are given as follows: 90 to 100, grade A; 80 to 90, grade B; 70 to 80, grade C.

## RADIO CALL FOR HELP ANSWERED BY COAST GUARD

Ship Said to Be About 400 Miles at Sea

### MAY BE BATTLESHIP

British Think German Pocket Size Warship Operating in Vicinity

### RADIO BECOMES SILENT

BOSTON, Nov. 1—Two U. S. Coast Guard cutters raced through Atlantic waters today in an effort to reach the 3,670-ton British freighter Coulmore, whose radio has been silent since flashing a call for help and reporting that she had been attacked by a submarine last night about 400 miles southeast of Boston.

The cutter Bibb radioed that she expected to reach the last position given by the Coulmore at about 8:45 a. m. (e. s. t.) and the Cutter Campbell said she would reach the scene by about 1:30 p. m.

Shore stations, for a time after the first distress call, were puzzled as to whether the Coulmore had been attacked by an undersea craft or had merely "sighted" one, but later a Canadian station at Camperdown, N. S., informed tropical radio at Hingham, Mass., that it understood the vessel's radio operator to say his ship had been attacked.

Tropical radio said the first word of the incident apparently was picked up by the Standard Oil Tanker Frederic R. Kellogg at about 10:50 p. m. (e. s. t.) last night but that the signals apparently were not plain. At 12:28 a. m., the Camperdown station reported receiving the message, and six minutes later the coast guard station at Jacksonville, Fla., which had picked up part of the message, ordered all stations silenced, in order to be in better position to hear.

At 1:38 a. m., the distress signals were heard more clearly. There was nothing in these messages, shore radio sources said, to indicate the nationality of the submarine or what form the attack took.

### MAY BE BATTLESHIP

London, Nov. 1—First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill announced today that two German pocket battleships were reported operating as sea raiders in the North and South Atlantic. Naval experts believed one of them, rather than a submarine, might have been responsible for a reported attack on a British freighter about 450 miles off the New England coast.

## JAMES R. WOOD DIES SATURDAY

Well-Known Farmer of Fairview Community Is Victim of Pneumonia

James Roscoe Wood, 69, well known farmer of the Fairview community, passed away early Saturday morning at his home, following an illness from pneumonia, which developed following a long period of ill health.

He was a son of the late Silas and Mrs. Mary Strange Wood.

He is survived by his wife, who was before their marriage Miss Nora Jenkins, and four children, Howard Wood, of Randolph county; Mrs. Paul Smithman, East Bend; and Omar and Alvin Wood, of the home. Three grandchildren and three brothers, Vascoe and Mallory Wood, of Kernersville, and Vannie Wood, of Dobson, also survive.

Funeral services were held Sunday from Fairview Baptist church. The rites were in charge of Rev. T. S. Draughan, of Crutchfield, and Rev. G. E. Burrus, of Rockford. Interment was in the church cemetery.