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## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

### LOCAL

TOGETHER WITH other sheriffs and coroners in the 100 counties of North Carolina, Sheriff Harvey Boyd and Dr. R. E. Smith, coroner, are serving four-year terms, and there will be no election for sheriff or coroner until 1942. The decision on two- or four-year terms for sheriffs and coroners because of a constitutional amendment voted in 1938, was handed down Friday by the North Carolina supreme court. The ruling had been anxiously awaited by political leaders.

### STATE

SALISBURY, Feb. 6 — Dr. Forest Witten, of Salisbury, today announced that he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor of North Carolina, subject to the party's primary. Dr. Witten's announcement comes as the first since the Republican party recently declared its intention of holding a statewide primary for the nomination of candidates. Another candidate expected to announce presently is John R. Hoffman, Burlington attorney, who is a native of Guilford county. Already there are six candidates in the field for the Democratic nomination.

RALEIGH, Feb. 6 — Willis Smith, Raleigh attorney, announced tonight he would not be a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in the May primary. He was the fifth to withdraw from the race after having been mentioned as a possible candidate. In a formal statement he said he had "reached the conclusion that I should not at this time abandon my business and professional contacts and neglect my personal associations to enter this race."

### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — Vice-President Garner cast his first vote in the senate in almost six years today and thereby helped economy advocates win a hair-line victory. Garner struck his blow for lower expenditures by breaking a 34-34 tie on the first of a series of proposed amendments stripping \$1,178,739 from the amount the house had voted for the civil aeronautics authority.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 — Earl Browder, the American communist leader under a four-year federal prison sentence, was overwhelmingly defeated for Congress today in a special election in which for two reasons he had no right to vote. The winner was M. Michael Edelstein, a Tammany Democrat who pledged support of the new deal and was described by other party leaders as having the blessing of President Roosevelt.

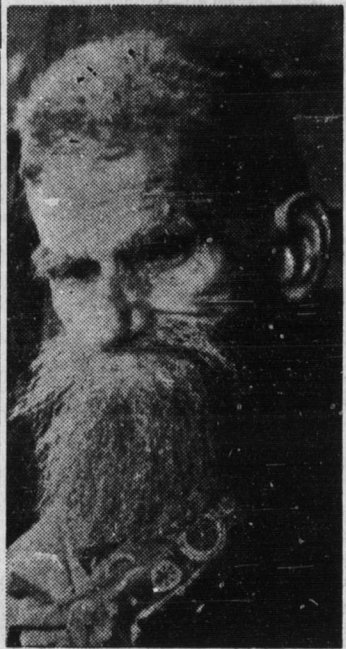
### INTERNATIONAL

PARIS, Feb. 6 — A campaign for widespread allied military aid for Finland gained momentum in the French parliament today as the shipment through France of 50 carloads of Italian-made airplanes for the Finnish army was disclosed. Premier Daladier's own radical-socialist party called upon the government to give Finland all the help needed to "fight and win" her war against Russia. The definite defeat of the soviet aggression against Finland "will hurt our enemies in their military power as well as in prestige," a radical-socialist resolution declared. This coincided with similar demands in the French press.

HELSINKI, Feb. 6 — Guided by the snow-reflected glare of hundreds of campfires, Finnish warplanes tonight bombed massive red army infantry concentrations before the Mannerheim line after repelling soviet tanks and manpower which broke five times in futile assault against single Finnish base.

## Hanes Discusses Tax Problems of Nation In Address To Club

### Death Claims Surry County's Oldest Citizen



Squire James Odell, 102, one of Surry's few remaining Confederate veterans, who passed away last Sunday afternoon.

### SURRY VETERAN PASSES SUNDAY

County's Only Centenarian Dies in Person of Squire James Odell

### FUNERAL RITES MONDAY

One of Surry county's few Confederate veterans and believed to have been the only centenarian in the county, Squire James Odell, 102, passed away Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of his son, M. C. Odell, in the Toast community, near Mount Airy.

His death followed a brief illness of influenza. Squire Odell was born in Stokes county on October 6, 1837, the son of the late Jesse and Beckie Collins Odell, and he spent his early life in that county. He later moved to Surry county where he spent a great part of his life.

He served throughout the War Between the States, having been badly wounded at the battle of Gettysburg. He had lived during the terms of 24 presidents of the United States, and through all of his country's major wars, except two.

He is survived by three sons and two daughters. Twice married, both of his wives preceded him in death. Funeral services were held from Old Hollow Primitive Baptist church at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, with Elder J. C. Dunbar officiating. Burial was in Old Hollow cemetery.

### Tri-County Union Holds Meeting At Jonesville

A meeting of the tri-county union of young people of the Methodist church was held Monday evening with the Jonesville church, with approximately 50 members attending. The union embraces the churches in Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin counties.

The program for the meeting was presented by the Jonesville church and was an open discussion on the promotion of peace, led by Rev. D. B. Mullus, pastor of the Jonesville church. A. B. Scroggs, Eugene Martin and James Taylor.

A recreational period was under the direction of Mrs. A. B. Scroggs and consisted of a number of songs and games. Doughnuts and hot chocolate were served by the Jonesville group.

### FORMER GOV'T OFFICIAL FEARS FOR U.S. SYSTEM

Unless Economic Recovery Can Be Attained

### GUEST OF KIWANIANS

Thurmond Chatham, James G. Hanes and Other Prominent Men Present

### REVENUE SOURCE CITED

The American system of government faces a breakdown unless economic recovery, the basic problem confronting the United States, can be attained, John W. Hanes, former undersecretary of the United States treasury, told members of the Elkin Kiwanis club and their guests last Thursday night.

Widely discussed as likely to be drafted for the vice-presidential ticket, the former treasury executive gave his listeners a peek at the federal tax structure from the viewpoint of one who knows it from the inside, giving a technical analysis of the nation's tax problem. He said that the budget must be balanced either by levying new taxes, reducing expenditures, or a combination of these two ideas.

A large gathering greeted Mr. Hanes, who styled himself a member of the "unemployed," but designated his permanent address as "Elkin, N. C." His appearance marked his first public address in the state recently.

Among those present were his brother, James G. Hanes, chairman of the Forsyth county board of commissioners; his own guest, Henry Flowers, vice-president of the Walter J. Thompson Advertising Agency, New York City; E. B. Garrett, state co-ordinator of soil conservation, Raleigh; E. C. Jennings, area soil conservationist.

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### SPARTA HAS BIG FIRE LOSS

Blaze Destroys Church, Motor Company, Cafe and Pool Room

### DAMAGE OVER \$25,000.00

Fire which for a time threatened the business section, last Thursday night destroyed three business buildings and the Baptist church at Sparta, doing damage estimated at over \$25,000.

The blaze raged for two hours before finally being brought under control at 10:30 o'clock.

Firms suffering loss in the blaze were the Alleghany Motor Company, the Greenland Cafe and a pool room.

The blaze started in the basement of the motor company and quickly spread next door to the cafe, pool room and church.

Calls for aid were made to Elkin, Galax, Va., and Independence, Va. Hose was sent from here and firemen responded from the other towns.

A recently installed water system was frozen at the time of the fire.

### FUNERAL RITES HELD FOR T. W. SOUTHARD

Funeral services were held at Mountain View Baptist church Saturday for Thomas Willie Southard, 66, who passed away at his home near Cycle, Yadkin county, Friday. The rites were in charge of Rev. J. L. Powers.

In early manhood Mr. Southard joined the Baptist church and remained a devoted member. He was married to Miss Tishia Snow in 1897, who survives him, together with five children, Mrs. Vertie Renegar, Mrs. Gertrude Hudspeth, Mrs. Bruce Hudspeth, Mrs. Opal Coe and Mrs. Minnie Ball, all of Hamptonville, and eight grandchildren.

### HANES SPEAKER HERE

The photo below was made at Hotel Elkin last Thursday evening as Elkin Kiwanians and their guests gathered to hear an address by John W. Hanes, center, former undersecretary of the United States treasury. To Mr. Hanes' left is L. Stacey Weaver, president of the Kiwanis club, who presided over the meeting. Right is Thurmond Chatham, president of the Chatham Manufacturing Co., who introduced Mr. Hanes.—(Tribune photo.)



### Surry Court for Civil Cases to Begin Feb. 19th

The regular session of Surry county civil court will be held in Dobson beginning Monday, February 19, despite any and all reports to the contrary, county court officials have announced. Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, will preside. Due to a mixup in dates, it had first been announced that the court would be held the week of February 12, but this proved in error.

### Fast Cage Teams Coming to Play Chatham Squads

Basketball squads from Bristol and Kingsport, Tenn., and from Davenport, Iowa, and Danville, Va., will show here Saturday and next Wednesday at the Elkin school gymnasium as the girls' and boys' teams of the Chatham Manufacturing Company reach far afield for the best cage talent available.

Saturday night the Chatham girls will battle the Bristol girls in a game to start at 7:45, this contest to be followed at 9:00 o'clock by a game between the Chatham boys and a team from Kingsport.

The following Wednesday, February 14, the Chatham girls will meet a fast team from Davenport, Iowa, at 7:45. At 9:00 the Chatham boys will play the Danville Red Flashes.

Each of the visiting teams is highly touted and will provide keen competition for the Chatham groups.

### YADKIN COUNTY WOMAN PASSES AWAY TUESDAY

Mrs. Mollie Comer Madison, 79, wife of Charles A. Madison, of the Buck Shoals community of Yadkin county, passed away at her home at 8:45 o'clock Tuesday evening following an illness of several years.

She is survived by her husband. Funeral services will be held this afternoon from Shiloh church of which the deceased was a devout member. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

### PROMINENT MAN TO BE GUEST SPEAKER HERE

Dr. Alonso C. Hall, of the department of English of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, will be guest speaker at the annual banquet for members of the Merchants Association and their employees at Hotel Elkin on the evening of February 20.

The meeting will be climaxed with a square dance.

## Tribune Is Presenting Special Chatham Issue

Elkin Extends Sincere Welcome to Employees of Company Who Are Moving Here from Winston-Salem; Huge Task of Moving Machinery Is in Full Swing

The Tribune is with this issue presenting a special Chatham Manufacturing Company "Welcome Edition," addressed to the employees of the Chatham finishing and shipping plant who will come to Elkin to make their homes as the new plant here is put into full operation, and to the Chatham Company as a whole. Arrangements have been made to place a copy of this edition in the hands of every employee of the company, an additional 2,000 copies having been printed for that purpose.

The huge task of moving the

machinery and equipment from Winston-Salem to the new Elkin plant is now under way. Many former Winston employees have already moved to Elkin; others will follow as the job of moving progresses.

That Elkin really welcomes the new Chatham employees may readily be seen by an inspection of this issue. Practically every firm in Elkin has taken liberal space in which to express their greetings, and many out-of-town firms whose products daily come into Elkin have added their voices to the general chorus.

### PATROLMAN DISCHARGED

H. B. Norris Said to Have Admitted Receiving \$50 Bribe

### FIRST BLOT ON RECORD

State Highway Patrolman H. B. Norris was discharged from the state highway patrol service last Thursday after his arrest at Mocksville on a charge of accepting a bribe of \$50.00 from a motorist he had arrested on a charge of drunken driving.

Major John Armstrong, in command of the patrol, stated Norris admitted the charge. Armstrong said that it was the first time in the 10-year history of the patrol "that anything like this had happened."

Norris was accused of accepting the bribe from Clyde D. Weatherman, of Yadkinville, the money allegedly changing hands at the Davie-Iredell county line Monday night of last week.

Weatherman had notified authorities of a proposal he had received from the patrolman, and Sheriff L. S. Bowden, of Davie county, and Guy Scott, of the state bureau of investigation, were hiding in the back seat of Weatherman's car when the transaction was completed, according to the sheriff. Before officers had a chance to make a move, the patrolman started his car and drove rapidly away.

Some bills identified as having been used by Weatherman, were found when Norris was arrested, it was said.

### LICENSE GRANTED

Only one marriage license has been issued recently by Surry county Register of Deeds Kermit Lawrence, it being to Howard Nunn and Margaret Chandler, both of Mount Airy.

### Special Program Planned; Sunday Boy Scout Day

Sunday at the opening worship service for the adult department of the Methodist Sunday school, Miss Margaret Abernethy, of this city, a student at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, and president of the Wesley Foundation at College Place Methodist church, Greensboro, student organization, will speak on her recent trip to the International Youth Conference at Toronto, Canada.

Miss Abernethy is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Abernethy. At the 11 o'clock hour of worship Sunday members of the Boy Scout troop, which is sponsored by the church, will be special guests. The pastor, Rev. Herman F. Duncan, will use as his sermon subject, "Daniel Was a Good Scout."

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend both services.

### HENRY NEWMAN IS GIVEN 18 MONTHS

Henry Newman, of Elkin, was sentenced to 18 months in Alexander county superior court Monday on a charge of attempting to enter a store near Taylorsville, while Graham Newman, of Elkin, and Blane Bauguss, of near Elkin, were released under sentences of six months each, suspended for a period of four years provided they are of good behavior.

Both Graham Newman and Bauguss proved good characters and good reputations. They admitted that they had taken several drinks and were under the influence at the time of the offense. Neither has ever been in trouble before.

Henry Newman was alleged to have been the instigator of the attempted break.

## THIEVES BREAK INTO 2 STORES TUESDAY NIGHT

Loot Obtained Is Small, Check-up Reveals

### ENTER REAR WINDOWS

Surry Hardware and Moseley & Reece Miss Small Sums of Money

### POLICE WORK ON CLUES

Two Elkin firms, the Surry Hardware company, and Moseley & Reece, wholesale grocers, were entered and robbed sometime Tuesday night.

A bag of pennies and a small calibre pistol was all that was missed at Surry Hardware company following a quick check Wednesday morning when the break was discovered. About three dollars was taken from the cash drawer at Moseley & Reece. J. F. Moseley, of the firm, said that insofar as he had been able to determine, nothing else was missing.

The thieves entered both buildings through rear windows. At the hardware company they had attempted to get in the back door by battering a hole through the brick, but although they managed to dislodge enough brick to get their hands through, they were unable to reach both of the two locks securing the door. They then climbed upon a shed under a window, and removing a large pane of glass, entered in that manner.

The pennies and pistol were taken from the office.

Breaking a window pane, the robbers unatched and opened the window in the rear of Moseley & Reece. They then prised apart the iron bars covering the window, and made their entrance.

Police were still busy on the case Wednesday afternoon. They were said to have had several hot clues.

## CHILD FALLS FROM MACHINE

Nola Hutchins Suffers Painful Lacerations as Result of Accident

### IS IN LOCAL HOSPITAL

Nola Hutchins, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hutchins, of near Elkin, is in Hugh Chatham hospital suffering painful lacerations and bruises as the result of falling out of her father's automobile last Sunday afternoon.

The family was riding between Ronda and Roaring River at the time of the accident. The child was said to have unatched the car door, falling out while the car was traveling at a speed of about 40 miles per hour.

Hospital attaches stated that while her injuries are serious, she is getting along satisfactorily and will recover.

Mr. Hutchins is employed by the Chatham Manufacturing Co.

### 4-H CLUB MEMBERS TO GIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

The Surry County 4-H council will meet in the Woman's club room in Dobson on Monday, February 12 at 10 o'clock in the morning. The officers of all clubs are urged to be present.

The members of the White Plains, Mountain Park, Copeland, Low Gap and Dobson clubs will put on team demonstrations which were scheduled to have been put on Achievement Day.

### Notice to Tribune Correspondents

Due to lack of space in the main news section of this issue, The Tribune has been forced to omit a number of interesting letters from country correspondents. The Tribune appreciates the interest and cooperation of its correspondents and regrets that this omission proved necessary this week. It is hoped that this will not happen again.