

## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

### LOCAL

THE JAMES BATES arrested here recently in connection with the robbery of a local hardware store is not the grandson of Quilla Bates, of this city, who has the same name. The latter stated that since news of the arrest was printed in The Tribune some weeks ago that he was fearful some might think that he had been arrested.

### STATE

GILES Yeomans Newton, of Gibson, will announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomination to Congress from the Eighth District in a radio talk over WBT, Charlotte, Tuesday, March 19, at 1:00 p.m. The Tribune has been informed.

GILLIAM Grissom, of McLeansville, veteran political campaigner, former collector of internal revenue and gubernatorial candidate in 1936, last Tuesday night was selected as the Republican candidate for Congress from the sixth congressional district at a meeting of the congressional district committee at King Cotton hotel in Greensboro. Ernest Wright, of High Point, presided. Mr. Grissom was present and accepted the nomination. He expressed confidence of victory in the November election and in accepting the post declared it was a sacrifice and "I'm your next congressman."

### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, March 12—Senator Bailey, Democrat, North Carolina, proposed today that the United States look to South America and Central America as a possible market for its tobacco. With the European war having shut off exports to that continent, Bailey introduced a bill (S 3564) authorizing a \$50,000 appropriation to study ways to promote the sale and use of this country's leaf in Latin American nations. The study would be made by the commerce department in co-operation with the agriculture and state departments.

WASHINGTON, March 12—Expressing fear of "violent physical abuse," Silver Shirt Leader William Dudley Pelley forestalled today his immediate return to North Carolina to face a possible prison term under a five-year-old conviction. First ordered extradited by Chief Justice Alfred A. Wheat in United States district court, the dapper little publisher immediately obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Justice F. Dickinson Lettis, staying his removal at least eight days. In a hearing before Justice Wheat, Defense Attorney T. Edward O'Connell charged that efforts to extradite Pelley were "nothing but a scheme and a frameup to serve ulterior motives." He later told Justice Lettis that Pelley fears "prohibitive bail" and "violent physical abuse" if he returns to North Carolina.

SHREVEPORT, La., March 12—Police radio late today reported five people were killed in a Shreveport residential district by a terrific wind and hailstorm which swept across the city at 5 p.m. Telephone wires were down throughout the city and there were reports of damage over an area of several miles. Two men were reported pinned beneath a building which was blown down at the state fair grounds.

### INTERNATIONAL

With 50,000 British and French troops reported ready to help Finland upon her formal call for aid, British official circles at first refused to accept reports of the Russian-Finnish peace treaty. The viewpoint was changed later, as reflected in the report of the British Press association which said that Finland has "it is feared, fallen victim to yet another instance of brutal aggression by a great power upon a small but wonderfully courageous state."

## Elkin's Oldest Citizen Passes Friday Morning



MRS. D. J. COCKERHAM

Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts Cockerham, almost 89, widow of D. J. Cockerham, and probably Elkin's oldest citizen, passed away Friday morning about 9 o'clock at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Cockerham, in Chatham Park, with whom she had made her home for some time. Mrs. Cockerham suffered a heart attack about two weeks prior to her death. Her health had been declining for several years, due to her advanced age.

Mrs. Cockerham was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Roberts, of the Little Richmond community, and for the past fifty years had been a resident of Elkin. Her husband, the late D. J. Cockerham, was a prominent merchant of Elkin. Mr. Cockerham died in 1917.

She was a member of the First Baptist church and of the Woman's Missionary Union of the church, and as long as her health permitted she was a regular attendant at the services of her church.

She is survived by four sons, T. V. Woodson, and H. Grady Cockerham, of Elkin, and Charlie E. Cockerham, of Roaring River; two daughters, Mrs. H. T. Moore, of Mount Airy, and Mrs. Claude C. Martin, of Charlotte; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Miss Effie Roberts, of Winston-Salem, and one brother, Thomas Roberts, of Mount Airy.

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## SEE DEFEAT OF THE ALLIES IN RUSSIAN TREATY

Nazis Say Reds Now Have Leading Role

"FLANK ATTACK FAILS" Claim Treaty With Finland Is "Victory for Common Sense"

### NAZIS ARE JUBILANT

Berlin. — Great Britain and France confront a defeat of such enormous proportions in the Russo-Finnish treaty that "one can only vaguely conceive the consequences," the newspaper National Zeitung of Essen, personal organ of Field Marshal Herman Goering, asserted today.

In an admonitory note to the Danubian and Balkan countries, the newspaper said:

"Southeastern European states have learned a valuable lesson and have preserved a sensible and profitable neutrality."

It was asserted that Russia had assumed the leading role "which was its due" in the "entire European east from Murmansk to the Black Sea."

"England's attempt at a flank attack against Germany has failed," the newspaper continued, "and she has been thrown back from east Europe to her island, and from this vulnerable position she must now face further developments in a decisive struggle."

An authorized Nazi spokesman said that the peace treaty was "a victory for common sense."

"The terms bear a fair relation to sacrifices and also a fair relation to the need of a great state within its living room (Lebensraum)," the spokesman said.

He added that Germany never had sought to extend its influence to Finland but that from the beginning of the Russo-Finnish war Germany had "detected a French and British hand trying to extend the western conflict." The effort, he said, had now been shattered because the Finns were "not as shortsighted as the Poles."

## WARNING IS ISSUED HERE

Police Have Instructions to Arrest Those Who Violate Traffic Laws

### MUST STOP ON YELLOW

Elkin police have been instructed by the Elkin board of commissioners to "bear down" upon violators of Elkin traffic laws, especially where traffic lights are concerned, it has been announced.

One of the main offenses committed by motorists is failing to stop for the red light, it was pointed out. This practice is not only against the law, but is highly dangerous to other motorists and to pedestrians, and must be stopped, it was said.

A motorist, upon approaching an intersection at which there is a traffic light, must bring his car to a halt if the light changes from "go" to "caution," designated by the yellow light. Many have been running through the light when it was on yellow, and this is strictly against the law unless the motorist is too close to the intersection to stop when the light changes from green to yellow.

Local police have instructions to arrest all who violate the law in this regard. Those arrested will be subject to fine, it was said.

### PLAN SPECIAL EASTER MEMORIAL SERVICE

Easter Sunday evening a memorial service will be held at Swain's Baptist church in Yadkin county, for the late I. W. Vestal. From his entry into the ministry until his death Rev. Vestal held services each Easter Sunday evening at Swain's church. Others who will be honored at the service are members of the church who have died during the pastorate of Rev. Clete Simmons, present pastor of the church.

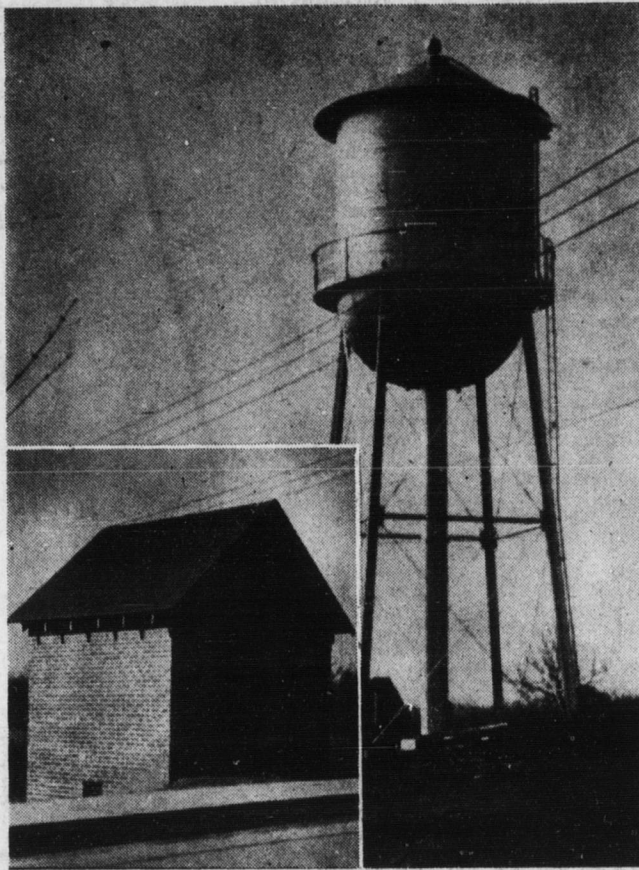
The choir from Cool Springs church and the Sunshine quartette from Pleasant Hill will furnish special music for the service.

A cordial invitation is extended to members of churches served by the late Rev. Vestal as pastor.

The gray-checked thrush flies 10,000 miles to lay an egg.

## ADD TO SYSTEM

Plenty of good water at adequate pressure is now serving the needs of citizens living in the North Elkin area of town since the erection of a 25,000-gallon tank in that section, which is pictured below. The small building (inset), is a pumping station located near the intersection of Hospital Road with North Bridge street extension. This pump, J. R. Windsor, superintendent of the Elkin water department, said, pumps water from the water main there into the new tank at the rate of 125 gallons per minute. Elkin's main water tank, located near the Elkin elementary school building, has a capacity of 60,000 gallons. The new tank is now in use.—(Tribune Photos.)



## THREE INJURED IN AUTO CRASH

Sam Sprinkle in Elkin Hospital Suffering Fractured Skull

### HIT POWER LINE POST

Sam Sprinkle, 19, sustained a fractured skull and other injuries, and Wilbur Holcomb, and Miss Evelyn Smitherman sustained injuries of a lesser nature in an automobile accident Friday night on the Elkin-East Bend highway. All were brought to the local hospital by ambulance for treatment. Sprinkle's condition is regarded as serious, although he is improving, and Holcomb is still confined to the hospital from the injuries. Miss Smitherman, who received an injured arm and other abrasions, was dismissed from the hospital following first aid treatment.

According to information from the injured, the accident occurred when the car, the property of young Holcomb's father, in an effort to avoid collision with another car pulling into the road, swerved to the side of the road, crashing into a power line post. The car was extensively damaged. Sprinkle is the son of Mrs. Myrtle Sprinkle, and young Holcomb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holcomb. Miss Smitherman is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smitherman, one of the recent arrivals here from the former Winston-Salem plant of the Chatham Manufacturing company.

## SCHEDULE OF PAY IS GIVEN

For Farmers Joining in 1940 Agricultural Conservation Plan

### STAY WITHIN ACREAGE

Raleigh—E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer at N. C. State College, announced Tuesday the schedule of pay for farmers participating in the 1940 agricultural conservation program.

The payments, he explained, will be made to farmers who plant within their acreage allotments and carry out approved soil-building practices.

The schedule (based on normal yields of acreage allotments) follows:

Tobacco, either flue-cured or

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## WM. N. MARION DIES TUESDAY

Was Native of Crutchfield Community of Surry County

### WAS IN ILL HEALTH

William Nathan Marion, 74, a native of the Crutchfield community of Surry county, died in the local hospital Tuesday morning. He was critically ill when he was admitted to the hospital Sunday. Since the death of his wife he had made his home here with his daughter.

Surviving are seven sons and four daughters, Jack, Ernest and Wiley Marion, of Winston-Salem; Earl, Dan and Eugene Marion, Mrs. O. N. Harris and Mrs. Coy Johnson, of Elkin; Mrs. Henry Harris of Jonesville, and Mrs. Raymond Johnson of Crutchfield; twenty-seven grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and one brother, L. G. Marion, of Crutchfield.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Mt. Herman Baptist church, of which he had long been a member. The body lay in state at the church from one o'clock until the hour of the funeral. The rites were in charge of Rev. T. S. Draughan. Interment was in the church cemetery.

### CHATHAM GIRLS LOSE CROWN TO ENKA TEAM

The Enka Rayettes, of Asheville, Saturday night at Greenville, S. C., defeated the Chatham Blanketeers 18 to 14 to regain the Class A Textile Basketball Championship held by the Chatham girls for several years. The game was played before a roaring crowd of 5,000 fans who packed the mammoth Textile Hall from floor to rafters.

The Sherrill Twins, Jannie and Jennie, hurled the Blanketeers into an early 6-2 lead, but Enka kept hard on the trail to win.

### SINGING CONVENTION ON SUNDAY, MARCH 31

The Ronda Singing convention will hold its next meeting at Sweet Home church Sunday, March 31, beginning at 10:30 a.m. All groups of singers are invited to attend and have a part in the program. The public is also asked to attend. W. H. Jones is chairman and R. R. Crater is secretary.

Corn are the world's greatest

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## Russian-Finnish War Ends As Finns Sign Treaty With Moscow

### Evangelistic Services At Methodist Church

A series of Easter evangelistic services are in progress at the Methodist church in this city. The services opened with a dinner meeting Sunday of the young people of the church, which was followed by a round table revival. Similar meetings were also held on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

A service for children from the ages of 6 to 11 is also being held. These services are being held each afternoon at 4 o'clock, beginning Wednesday of this week and continuing through Wednesday of next week.

Each evening at 7:30, beginning Wednesday, March 13, and continuing through Easter Sunday, a special service will be held at the church. The pastor, Rev. Herman F. Duncan, will bring the messages at these services and the choirs of the church will furnish music.

Palm Sunday, which is March 17, a baptismal service will be held for all infants who are presented at the altar.

The church extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend the services.

## ELKIN MAN TAKES LIFE

Funeral for Steve Allred, World War Veteran, Held Wednesday

### WAS IN ILL HEALTH

Steve Allred, about 45, died Monday night from a self-administered dose of carbolic acid. The body of Allred was discovered by members of the Frank Miller family, where he resided.

Allred, a native of Virginia, was a world war veteran and was shell shocked during his overseas service and had spent much time in government hospitals since his return from France. He was a carpenter by trade and mentioned to friends the day before he took his life that he had secured a job with a construction company and was planning to begin work the following day. Ill health and personal difficulties are attributed as the cause of the act.

He is survived by his estranged wife, Mrs. Martha Allred, of Washington, D. C., a son and a daughter, Herman 14, and Irene, 16, also of Washington, two sisters who reside in High Point and five brothers, who reside in Virginia.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 o'clock at the Hayes and Speas funeral parlor. The rites were in charge of Rev. Eph Whisenhunt, pastor of the First Baptist church. Pallbearers were members of the George Gray Post of the American Legion.

## DR. McDONALD SPEAKER HERE

Makes Talks to Three Groups in Elkin Friday as First Forum Speaker

### PLAN OTHER MEETINGS

Dr. Ralph W. McDonald of the extension division of the University of North Carolina, and state counsellor of the public forum in North Carolina, spoke to three groups in Elkin Friday.

First Dr. McDonald spoke at 5 o'clock in the afternoon to the council of the newly organized forum here on the work of the organization and explained in detail the benefits of such an organization.

At 6:30 Dr. McDonald addressed the Elkin Kiwanis Club at their weekly dinner meeting at Hotel Elkin. At this time Dr. McDonald also explained the public forum idea, pointing out the definite purposes of the movement, which is steadily growing.

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## TANNER SAYS NO CHOICE BUT TO SIGN, IN REPORT

Smoking Guns Silenced at 11:00 A. M.

### SOLDIERS ARE PRAISED

Leaders Tell People Nation Was Not Prepared to Continue Fight

### NATION IS SORROWFUL

Helsinki, Finland, March 13—Giant Russia and little Finland formally ended their unequal 3½-month war today and Foreign Minister V. A. Tanner in a poignant radio speech to the mourning nation said that Finland had had no choice.

The end came here at the World War armistice hour at 11 a.m. The smoking guns of the Mannerheim line ceased fire, and the ski patrols in the far north were called in.

"All war-like operations ceased at 11 a.m. Finnish time," said the official announcement.

This was the hour set in the treaty signed at Moscow at 2:30 a. m. Moscow time.

It was announced also to the Finnish people that the treaty, which put Russia back to the frontiers of Peter the Great's time in the early 18th century, had been signed.

An hour later Tanner made the first of a series of speeches by national leaders—bitter, sorrowful but resolute speeches—to tell the nation why a humiliating peace had been made for them.

"We were not prepared because we had believed in treaties," Tanner said. "... There was a lack of all sort of equipment, and a noticeable shortage of certain special important arms... We had not got guarantees from other quarters... Our army did

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## HOLD DRIVER, OWNER OF CAR

Carolyn Barnett and Vern Ester Face Manslaughter Count in Wreck Case

### TO BE TRIED IN APRIL

Carolyn Barnett, 15, of Jonesville, and Vern Ester, 21, of Roaring River, are at liberty under bonds of \$500 and \$1,000 respectively as a result of the wreck near Booneville Sunday a week ago in which two persons received fatal injuries, and one other was critically hurt.

The Barnett girl is alleged to have been the driver of the car, while Ester is said to be the owner. Both are faced with manslaughter charges which are scheduled to be heard in Yadkin county criminal court at the April term following a continuance Tuesday due to illness of witnesses.

Tom Barnett, 17, a brother of Carolyn Barnett, and Ruth Groce, 16, of Elkin, died as a result of injuries received in the crash, which occurred while the car was allegedly traveling at a terrific rate of speed. Marie Collins, 18, of Elkin, is still in the Elkin hospital where her condition is described as critical. She is suffering a fractured skull and other injuries.

Vern and Hubert Ester, and Miss Barnett, were not seriously hurt in the crash, all having been dismissed from the hospital.

### TRYING MURDER CASE IN WILKES CO. COURT

The task of selecting a jury for the trial of George Byrd, Wilkes man who is charged with first degree murder of S. M. Burchette, of Ferguson, on November 11, was still under way in Wilkes county superior court Tuesday morning. The state is asking the death penalty for Byrd, charging that he shot Burchette through the window of his home as he was retiring for the night.