

## LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

**LOCAL**  
SURREY county Republicans will hold a rally and barbecue at Mountain Park on October 9, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. At one o'clock Hon. Robert H. McNeill, Republican candidate for governor, will address the meeting. The public is cordially invited.

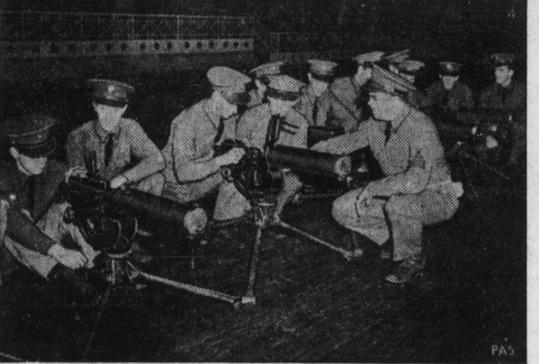
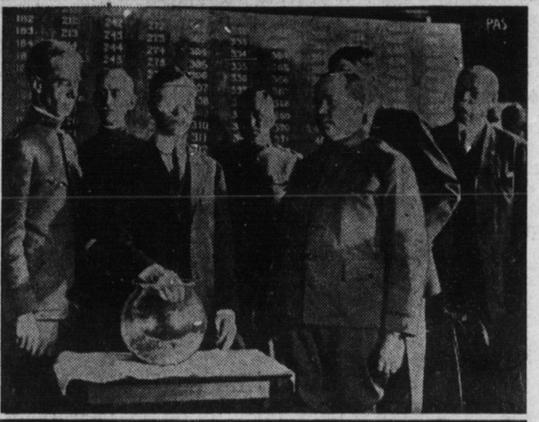
**STATE**  
WINSTON-SALEM, Oct. 1.—Richard J. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, has been named finance chairman of North Carolina by the national Democratic executive committee. Oliver O. Quayle, Jr., committee treasurer, announced in New York yesterday Reynolds' appointment and his acceptance of the post. Reynolds will be in charge of the raising of funds in North Carolina for the national presidential campaign. This charge is aside from the campaign for a state campaign chest for use within the state. Oscar Pitts heads the North Carolina organization.

**NATIONAL**  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—There were signs last night that administration officials would look with suspicion on any French plan to strengthen the fortifications of Martinique, French island in the Caribbean. President Roosevelt cautioned reporters not to print any stories saying that the United States and France were in agreement on fortification of the island.  
NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 1.—Sabotage occurred in the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. plant at Chester, Pa., after Nazi and Communist leaders among the workmen joined forces, a sub-committee of the Dies Committee was informed yesterday. The charge came from Walter M. Appleby, marine chemist employed by the company, who described four recent instances of sabotage, including the cutting in 63 places of hose lines which carry an inflammable chemical to various parts of the shipyards.

**INTERNATIONAL**  
LONDON, Oct. 1.—Great Britain is preparing to throw into the air whole squadrons of new "wonder planes" including a British version of the flying fortress which is described as the most heavily armed warplane in the world. The new type planes, including both fighters and bombers, are said to boast of performance far exceeding anything which the royal air force has sent into action thus far.  
ROME, Oct. 1.—The likelihood of Spain entering the war or even joining the axis powers at this time in a formal alliance against Britain was virtually discarded by political circles yesterday as Generalissimo Francisco Franco's minister of government, Ramon Serrano Suner, conferred with Premier Mussolini. Spain, said Virginio Gayda, authoritative Fascist editor of Giornale D'Italia, "is and can remain among the non-belligerent powers, but its men and its policy naturally belong to the axis system . . ."

BERLIN, Oct. 1.—Germany yesterday called upon Russia and the United States, through one of her most authoritative organs, to announce their "final positions" in the European war either on the side of Great Britain or the Axis powers. The Hamburger Fremdenblatt accompanied its demand with a prediction that the Soviets will turn their backs upon Britain and enter into a new "Euro-Asian power bloc" supplementing the new Italo-German-Japanese military alliance. This bloc, it was stated, will be directed not only against Britain but against "certain other interventionist circles" seeking to expand the war—a reference to the United States.

**THEN AND NOW** Remember the last draft? Fairness and impartiality marked selection of the first draftees of the World War as Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, blindfolded, drew the first draft capsule from a glass bowl in 1917, as pictured at top. Today (bottom photo), the draft is still a couple of weeks off, but hundreds of young National Guardsmen in 26 states have already been called to service. Some are shown in the photo learning the ins and outs of machine guns in a New York armory.



## LOCAL POSTAL GAINS RECORD, GRAHAM SAYS

77 Per Cent. Increase Shown By Figures

**ENDS SEPT. 30 QUARTER**  
Each Quarterly Period of Year Has Shown Substantial Gains

**EXPECT FURTHER GAINS**

Local postal receipts for the quarter ending September 30 showed a record gain of over 77 per cent. over the same period last year, it was announced here Wednesday by Postmaster F. W. Graham.

Receipts for the quarter ending with September, 1939, were \$3,241.83 as compared with the current figure of \$5,778.24. Mr. Graham said, showing an increase of \$2,536.41.

The September gain marks the largest increase in quarterly receipts in the history of the local office, it was announced. Each quarterly period of the current year has shown a substantial gain over corresponding periods last year. Figures released show that for the nine months period this year the increase has amounted to \$4,129.57.

Present business conditions, Mr. Graham stated, indicate continued improvement in receipts.

## Ronda Singing Convention Has Good Session

A good session of the Ronda singing convention was held at Bethel church, five miles southwest of Elkin, last Sunday.

C. W. Gilliam had charge of the devotional. "The Kingdom Is Coming" was the opening hymn led by the chairman, W. H. Jones.

Rev. J. A. Gilley acted as secretary in the absence of Rev. Mr. Crafer.

The following took part in the song service: Bethel, New Hope and Swan Creek choirs, Bethel quartet, from Yadkin county, Jones Family, Gough Duet, Stanley Island Ford, Elkin Valley, New Hope and Zion quartet.

Mr. Stroud, of Wilkesboro, and Rev. David Day both directed congregational songs during the day.

The next singing will be held at Swan Creek church.

## BAPTIST SERVICES FOR WEEK ARE OUTLINED

Services for the week at the First Baptist church are announced as follows by the pastor, Rev. Stephen Morrissett: Bible school Sunday morning at 9:45, followed by the morning hour of worship at 11 o'clock. The sermon Sunday morning will be the fourth of a series on lessons in the school of Christ, with the subject "Never-Falling Supplies."

The celebration of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the close of the sermon. The anthem, "God So Loved the World" (Schwaker) by the senior choir of the church, will be rendered during the morning service.

Sunday evening at 6:30 the young people's meeting will be held at the church and at the evening hour of worship at 7:30 the pastor, Rev. Morrissett, will use as his sermon subject, "The Story of a Carnal Christian." "List to the Lark" (Dickinson) will be the anthem for the evening service and it will be sung by the junior choir.

On Wednesday evening the prayer service was a continuation of the study of the tabernacle, with the subject, "The Difference Between a Christian's State and His Standing in Christ."

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

## SURRY COURT COMES TO END AT DOBSON

Surry county superior court came to an end September 30 with many cases having been disposed of before Presiding Judge J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro.

All cases cleared from the docket during the closing days of the session were said to have been of a minor and uninteresting nature.

# Increased Fleets of German Bombing Planes Driven Off; European Pestilence Feared

## CONTINENT IS EXPECTED TO SEE OUTBREAK

Hope That Channel Will Protect Isles

SEEKING QUICK ACTION

Moves Must Be Made to Avoid Overcrowding of Raid Shelters

DOCTOR WARNS PEOPLE

London, Oct. 2.—Dr. Joseph Barnes Burt, vice-president of the physical medicine section of the Royal Society of Medicine, said in a speech at Bath today that unless every law of medicine was broken, a terrible pestilence would break out on the continent this winter.

"Fortunately we have the channel between us," he said, "but whether that will be sufficient to prevent a spread to England is another matter. With people herded together in dug-outs without proper sanitation and people calling in on their friends, there will be great risk of an epidemic here."

Dr. Burt urged health authorities to act at once, regardless of expense, to prevent overcrowding in houses and shelters and in improving sanitation.

There have been widespread outbreaks of "shelter colds" in London already.

The appointment of Admiral Sir Edward Broke as "shelter dictator" for Greater London was expected to speed up at once the task of providing shelters with adequate sleeping, heating, ventilating and sanitary facilities, in preparation for a winter of bombing.

Medical men are of opinion that London faces a danger of influenza and pneumonia epidemics this winter unless real shelters are provided instead of draughty surface shelters.

## Public To Be Given Treat In Form of Wedding

A large crowd is expected to attend the "Womanless Wedding" and girlish beauty show to be presented at the Elkin elementary school Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

This highly comical event is sponsored by the newly organized Quarterback Club, and proceeds will go for the use of the Elkin high school football team.

Included in the cast of the production will be numerous Elkin business men. Hugh Royall will be the bride and Walter Osborne the groom. Dr. J. G. Abernethy will act as the officiating minister.

The public is cordially invited to attend and is promised an evening of real entertainment.

## OLD DEBTS ARE FINALLY PAID

North Wilkesboro, Oct. 1.—Two men who were partners for many years in the firm of Absher and Blackburn have received very delightful surprises during the past few days.

A man walked up to W. R. Absher Saturday and gave him \$30, saying he had been owing it for 40 years. He offered to pay interest but Mr. Absher, who did not remember the debt, declined all except the \$30.

Today E. M. Blackburn received a \$35 check in the mail from a Raleigh citizen who left here in 1911 without paying for a suit he purchased from the firm of Absher and Blackburn. He said that he had been in hard luck but was finally able to pay and wanted to "get it over with."

Neither Absher nor Blackburn would reveal the names of the parties furnishing their pleasant surprises. However, it was not the same man who paid both debts.

## New Speaker



Washington, D. C.—Rep. Sam Rayburn, of Texas, yields the speaker for the first time as Speaker of the House of Representatives after the death of his predecessor, William B. Bankhead of Alabama. He and the late Speaker were warm personal friends.

## N. Wilkesboro Church To Be Host To W.M.U.

The Wilkesboro Divisional meeting of the W. M. U. of the Baptist church will convene with the First Baptist church in North Wilkesboro on Tuesday, October 8, at 10 a.m. for an all-day meeting. There are thirteen churches in the division, and all are urged to have representatives present.

Among the more prominent speakers on the program will be Mrs. W. W. Lawton, of Ridgecrest, who will speak on foreign missions, and Miss Wilma Bucy, of Atlanta, who will speak on home missions. The state mission board will be represented by Mrs. J. Clyde Turner, of Greensboro, president of the State Baptist W. M. U.; Mrs. W. D. Briggs, corresponding secretary, and Miss Mary Curran, state young people's leader, both of Raleigh.

Members of the young people's department of the North Wilkesboro church will present a playlet, dealing with missionary work, during the afternoon session.

## WILKES MAN ARRIVES SAFELY IN ENGLAND

North Wilkesboro, Oct. 1.—E. E. Eller, of this city, said today that he had received word from his son, Lieutenant Commander Ernest M. Eller, that he had arrived safely in London, where he was sent by the United States Government as assistant to the U. S. naval attaché there.

He is expected to remain there for several months and his wife and small son, Peter, will make their home in Winston-Salem during his absence.

Lieutenant Commander Eller had served for the past few years as an instructor at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. Prior to that time he was in command of a ship in the navy for several years.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES OUTLINED BY DUNCAN

Sunday at the morning hour of worship at 11 o'clock at the Methodist church the pastor, Rev. Herman F. Duncan, will talk on "The Sacrament That Never Wears Out," prior to the observance of the sacrament of Lord's Supper.

At the evening service at 7:30, Rev. Duncan will use as his sermon subject, "I Do Join the Christian Church."

Special music by the senior church choir will be rendered at each of the services Sunday.

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

## ONE MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

One marriage license has been issued by the Surry county register of deeds during the past week. The license was to Carl Robah Semar and Miss Frances Olivia Joyce, both of Kernersville.

## BRITISH PLANES ROUT INVADERS FROM CITY AREA

Only 20 Nazi Bombers Penetrate Defense

AMBUSHED BY R. A. F.

Eight German Planes Shot Down With No Loss of English Fighters

ATTACKS INTERCEPTED

London, Oct. 2.—German air fleets, increasing the size and ferocity of their attacks, were driven back from London today by British fighter planes which dived down on them from above, catching them by surprise.

There were four daylight raid alarms in London before noon. Big German fleets crossed the coast and headed for the capital area, flying at great heights, hoping to keep above the strong anti-aircraft gun barrage. But the guns caught them and drove them into close formation while the fighter planes swept down.

Some of the German fleets were turned back over the coast by fighter squadrons.

Only 20 German planes penetrated the London area during the morning. They dropped bombs on two southeastern districts.

No gun fire was heard in central London during the morning alarms and no planes were seen.

Patrolling Spitfire fighter planes routed a fleet of German planes attempting to attack a convoy in the Channel off a southwestern town. One German plane was shot down.

People stood along the water front and cheered as the British planes, returning, gave the "victory roll."

Other German planes, flying over several southwestern towns, dropped bombs but were met by fierce gun fire.

The air ministry said that incomplete reports showed eight German planes shot down since midnight without the loss of a British plane.

Several German attacks were intercepted and fought off in the southeastern England area during the morning.

Observers saw German plane formations over the eastern, the southeastern, and southwestern suburbs, with British fighter airplanes chasing them, their machine guns rattling.

A blast from big anti-aircraft guns drove off German fleets that attacked the capital during the night, and to the astonishment of Londoners, now inured to night-long attacks, there was a lull in the early morning hours.

## TO HOLD DEMOCRATIC RALLY IN LEAKSVILLE

A big Democratic rally will be held Saturday, October 5, at the ball park in Leaksville. The program, which will begin at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, will feature addresses by Hon. J. M. Broughton, Democratic candidate for governor, and Congressman A. D. (Lon) Folger.

In addition to the speakers, heads of the departments of state offices will also be present. The festivities will include free Brunswick stew and will be climaxed with a dance at the Leaksville armory in the evening, beginning at 9 o'clock. There will be no admission to the dance and music will be furnished by Al Ramsey and his Cavaliers from Virginia.

The public is cordially invited.

## YARBORO FAMILY TO MEET IN REUNION

Members of the Yarboro family will meet in reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Yarboro, near Benham church, Sunday, October 6. The occasion will also mark the birthday anniversary of Mr. Yarboro. All relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend and bring a basket dinner.

An interesting program is being planned for the day.

## COUNTY QUOTA IS \$14,463.75

This Is Amount Surry Must Raise Under Old Age Assistance Program

FOR FISCAL YEAR '40-41

The Surry county board of commissioners has received notice from the state board of allotments and appeal, Raleigh, of the amount required to be raised by the county for old age assistance for the fiscal year 1940-41.

According to the figures, Surry's old age assistance quota has been set at 510 persons, with an average monthly grant of \$9.50. Monthly allotment for the county amounts to \$4,845.00.

As set out by the board, the annual allotment for Surry amounts to \$57,855.00. Of this amount, \$14,463.75 must be raised by the county.

It was also disclosed by the state that the county's part for the administration of old age assistance funds and aid to dependent children, amounts to only \$876.82.

## BIDS ARE OPENED BY SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Bids, ranging from \$43,900 to \$54,680, were submitted by contractors to the Yadkin county board of commissioners at Yadkinville Thursday for the new Jonesville school building.

The contract has not been awarded, but it is expected that the commissioners will give the contract to one of the bidders within the next few days. A bond issue of \$40,000 was voted in June last year to erect the building, which, when completed, will give Jonesville one of the most adequate school plants of any small town in this section.

## R. CLEVE LEWELLYN HAS HEART ATTACK

R. Cleve Lewellyn, of Dobson, prominent Surry county citizen and president of The Bank of Elkin, is slightly improved at a Mount Airy hospital, where he is a patient. Mr. Lewellyn suffered a severe heart attack while playing golf in Mount Airy Sunday afternoon. In a telephone message to relatives here Wednesday it was stated that he was improving, although he is still seriously ill.

Mrs. Kyle McMillan, Mrs. S. L. Payne, Mrs. Cox and Misses Doris and Elaine McMillan, all of Galax, were the guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neaves, at their home on Bridge street.

## Free Knife to Be Given With Subscriptions

The Tribune is today announcing a worthwhile free offer of a strongly made and attractive pocket knife, valued at \$1.00, as a premium for new subscriptions, or renewals.

In an advertisement in this issue, an actual size photo of the knife is printed, and complete details of the offer are outlined.

Under the plan, a knife will be given with each subscription, whether new or renewal, at the regular subscription rate of \$1.50 per year. This offer is good for a limited time only.

## WEED PRICES HOLDING UP

Tobacco Averages \$22.12 Per Hundred on Mount Airy Market Tuesday

GROWERS ARE PLEASED

Tobacco sales on the Mount Airy market Tuesday topped in price sales on the Winston-Salem market, with averages high in both selling centers, reports from warehouses disclosed Wednesday morning.

In Mount Airy Tuesday approximately 80,000 pounds of tobacco were sold for an average price of \$22.12 per hundred.

On the Winston-Salem market reports indicated a sale of 1,150,000 pounds at an average of approximately \$21.50 per hundred.

Farmers, it is said, continue highly pleased with prices which their tobacco is bringing.

## BOONVILLE FAIR TO BE HELD OCT. 10-12

The Boonville Agricultural Fair dates have been set for October 10, 11 and 12.

This will be the fourteenth annual fair to be held at Boonville. Amusement rides will be furnished by the A. B. and B. amusement company. The Shelton-Amos players of Richmond, Va., will present the following plays Friday afternoon and Friday night: "The Family Upstairs" and "Fair and Warmer."

The horse show is scheduled for Saturday, October 12, which will include draft horses, mules and saddle horses. The saddle horse show will be held in the afternoon and this promises to be an outstanding event of the fair.