

## AMERICAN AIRMEN BATTLE JAPS

### Governor Orders New Survey Of Quarry Operate From Secret Bases In Australia; Strike At Nip Bases

**ADDRESSES KIWANIANS** This photograph was made of Governor J. Melville Broughton here last Thursday as he addressed the Elkin Kiwanis Club and its guests at Hotel Elkin prior to holding a meeting with interested citizens concerning the lime quarry at Lime Rock, Yadkin county. Seated at left of Governor Broughton is H. P. Graham, mayor pro-tem, who welcomed the governor when he arrived in Elkin. On the right is D. G. Smith, president of the Kiwanis Club, who presided over the meeting.—(Tribune Photo.)



### Governor Broughton Is Guest Of Kiwanis Club

#### Elkin's Civil Defense Organization Lauded By State's Chief Executive

Speaking before the Elkin Kiwanis Club as its honored guest last Thursday, Governor J. Melville Broughton talked of the state's participation in the war effort and paid Elkin's civil defense organization the compliment of being the best in the state.

"The state director of civil defense at Raleigh told me that Elkin has the best home defense organization in the state," the governor stated.

Quite a good part of the governor's remarks were off the record, but he did point with pride to the fact that labor working on war projects in North Carolina did not have to pay high fees to organized gangsters in the guise of union officials. He also pointed to the fact that North Carolina workmen have shown their ability to handle big projects in the form of army camps and bases.

Governor Broughton was presented by R. C. Lewellyn, president of The Bank of Elkin. Garland Johnson, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Kiwanis club, presented other guests at the meeting.

The dinner, prepared by Hotel

### Number of Men Reclassified

Several selective service registrants have recently been reclassified by the Surry county draft board No. 2 at Dobson. The registrants reclassified include:

Jefferson E. Poindexter, I-A from III-A; Fidel Sale, I-A from III-A; Samuel Felix Johnson, I-A from III-A; Robert G. Hamby, I-B from III-A; Garland W. Morrison, I-A from III-A; Arthur R. Plaster, I-A from III-A; Lewis Fleet Mathis, I-B from III-A; William R. Ray, IV-F continued in IV-F; Theford Sprinkle, I-A from III-A; Charles C. Pratt, I-A from I-B; Elbert E. Danley, IV-F continued in IV-F; Connie Lowe, IV-F from III-A; Joe C. Bartley, IV-F from III-A.

Elkin, was served by the Elkin high school home economics class, the girls of which made such a hit with the governor that he posed for his picture with them following the banquet.

The Kiwanis room, scene of the meeting, was attractively decorated by wives of members of the Kiwanis club, who used a red, white and blue color scheme.

### WILL TEACH BUS DRIVERS

#### Operators of School Buses to Learn How to Drive More Safely

School bus drivers of the Surry county school system will be instructed in safe driving in a series of institutes planned by the Surry county school board in conjunction with the State Highway Safety Division, according to an announcement by John W. Comer, superintendent of Surry county schools.

The first of the institutes will be held in Mount Airy on March 31 for the Mount Airy, Beulah, Franklin and Flat Rock schools. On Wednesday, April 1, drivers of Westfield, Pilot Mountain, Shoals and Eldora schools will be instructed.

Thursday, April 2, the institute will be moved to Dobson for Dobson, Little Richmond, Elkin, North Elkin and Mountain Park drivers. The remaining schools of the county, Low Gap, White Plains, Copeland and Siloam will receive their instruction on Friday, April 3.

Following these institutes individual instruction at each school where buses operate will be given by a member of the state highway safety division. This plan is to make preparation for the school bus driver situation during the coming year.

### MAY VOLUNTEER FOR TRAINING

#### Men With Dependents Must Not Waive Permanently Claim for Dependency

#### INFORMATION IS GIVEN

Men with dependents who are between 21 and 36 will be able to volunteer immediately for officer training but the 20-year-olds and those between 36 and 45 will have to wait a few weeks it has been learned here.

Those who did not register until last month will have to wait until their order numbers are assigned—which will be around April 1—because their boards must classify them before they can be accepted.

Men who volunteer for the training will not have to waive permanently their claim for dependency deferment—a point which had worried some men with families—it appears from the wording of the government blanks.

They will have to assure the board, however, that they have made provision for supporting their dependents during the six to nine months which their officer training will require and their dependents will have to waive their claim upon them with this understanding.

Only men will be accepted whom local draft boards have classified and found available for service except for their dependency status.

This classification rule makes it necessary for boards to send them questionnaires and study these questionnaires before they can be accepted. The recent registrants will not receive questionnaires until after their order numbers are allotted.

### Dr. J. E. Abernethy Passes Away Sunday

Dr. J. E. Abernethy, 73, of Rutherford College, prominent retired minister of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church, died at the local hospital late Sunday afternoon, following a lengthy illness.

The body was removed to Salisbury, where funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon. He is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters.

### TO AGAIN PROBE POSSIBILITIES OF LIME MINE

#### State to Pay Disinterested Mining Engineer

#### MEETING IS HELD HERE

Broughton and Highway Chairman Prince Go into Matter Thursday

#### LOCAL FOLKS PLEASED

A new survey and study by a competent and disinterested mining engineer of the possibilities of the lime quarry at Lime Rock, Yadkin county, was ordered here Thursday by Governor J. Melville Broughton after a conference with interested Elkin citizens and representatives from Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes, Stokes, Forsyth, Iredell and other neighboring counties. All expenses of the survey will be borne by the state.

The governor's decision in the matter came after hearing facts and figures submitted in the matter by those interested in the operation of the lime quarry as a source of cheap agricultural lime for farmers of this section, and by state highway officials, headed by L. Ben Prince, chairman of the state highway and public works commission, who was looking at the matter as a source of crushed rock for highway use with lime as a by product.

Mr. Prince, in a statement to the press several weeks ago, said that operation of the mine was not practical on account of the expense involved, stating that a total initial outlay of \$106,300 would be required before the lime could be quarried. This amount, it was said, would include an outlay of \$83,800 for the mining equipment, \$5,000 for a road to the site of the deposit, and \$17,500 for a bridge across the Yadkin river, which flows by the deposit.

It was these figures which resulted in the meeting here Thursday. The Tribune, which had previously brought the matter of the lime quarry into the limelight through an open letter to Governor Broughton asking action in the matter, challenged the figures in a front page editorial as being out of reason. The Tribune's stand was backed by several daily newspapers which ran editorials on the matter, and further interest and cooperation in the matter was forthcoming from the Elkin Kiwanis Club, the Elkin board of commissioners, the Surry board of commissioners, the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Yadkin county board of commis-

sioners.

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### GIRL SCOUTS OBSERVE WEEK

#### National Event Is Being Observed by Two Troops Here

#### BEING ENTERTAINED

National Girl Scout week is being observed by the two troops here. A window display has been arranged in the Spahnour-Sydnor show window for the event and the theatre managers of the town have entertained members of both troops as their guests.

Girl Scouts also attended services in a body at the Methodist church Sunday.

Troop leaders are Miss Mary E. Foster, captain, and Mrs. Nig Plaster and Mrs. J. Mark McAdams, lieutenants.

The two troops have a membership of 25, with Martha Harris leader of the Mars patrol and Julie Bryan leader of the Jupiter patrol. Assistant leaders are Cynthia Allen and "Sugar" Haywood.

### LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

#### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, March 17.—

War Production Chief Donald M. Nelson revealed tonight that airplane production has reached the 3,000 a month rate, but solemnly warned industry and labor alike to beware of axis propagandists engaged in a "fiendish" campaign to bog down America's war effort. He said in a nationwide radio address, that the enemy is aware U. S. production will bring his ultimate defeat, and is therefore attempting to divide this nation and lead the fighting factions "into the same pitfalls he prepared for the people of France and Norway."

WASHINGTON, March 17.—

President Roosevelt today opposed precipitate enactment of restrictive labor legislation following a conference with A. F. L.-C. I. O. leaders at which he was represented as favoring retention of the 40-hour week and time-and-a-half overtime pay. Striking at a growing drive in Congress to suspend the short work week, outlaw the closed shop, ban strikes and eliminate overtime pay, he told a press conference there is an amazing state of public misinformation about the general labor picture.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, hero of the Philippines and scourge of the Japanese, arrived in invasion-menaced Australia today and at once became supreme commander of all allied forces there—a breathtaking move that sent a wave of new hope surging through the anti-axis world. He reached his new post with his wife and child and some of his staff officers at a daring and secret plane flight from Bataan, where he and his gallant little band of American-Filipino defenders have fashioned an everlasting epic of courage, determination and military brilliance.

COMMUNITIES in seven southern and midwestern states, digging out from under the wreckage of one of the most destructive tornado storms in recent years, counted Wednesday at least 153 dead and more than 1,000 injured. The swiftly-striking winds left behind a trail of smashed homes and buildings that sent damage estimates into the millions. A large number of the injured were believed dying.

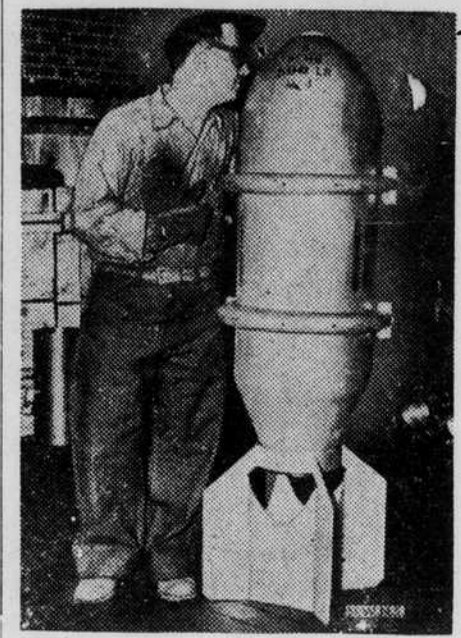
Mississippi's heavily-populated cotton growing belt in the north-central section bore the brunt of the terrific winds. At least 78 were known dead and some 650 injured in that state alone. A path of death and destruction also was left in the wake of tornadoes in Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois, Indiana, Alabama and Missouri. None was reported killed or injured in Missouri, but the storm did damage as far as the west-central section of that state.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—

President Roosevelt said today he will send to Congress tomorrow a request for a supplemental war department appropriation of \$17,579,311,253 to help provide for the army air corps 148,000 of the 185,000 warplanes envisaged in his 1942-43 production goals. The fund will raise America's stake in the war against the axis to a total of almost \$164,000,000,000 which, despite its seemingly staggering size, is expected to represent only a fraction of the total cost of final victory.

### Operate From Secret Bases In Australia; Strike At Nip Bases

#### Woe for Axis



Ready for shipment to an ordnance department loading plant to be filled with explosive, this 500-pound demolition bomb is getting a final examination in a bomb manufacturing plant at Philadelphia. Fins were attached for photographic purposes. Ordinarily bomb fins are attached at air field.

### WARN FARMERS OF DEADLINE

#### Must File Application for Conservation and Parity Payments

#### MARCH 31st IS LAST DAY

Farmers who participated in the 1941 Agricultural Adjustment Administration program must file application for conservation and parity payments by March 31, according to E. Y. Floyd, state AAA executive officer.

More than 213,000 farm operators took part in the program last year, and each of these must file an application, he said. Payments will not be made on applications filed after the deadline.

Mr. Floyd said applications should be signed at the Triple A office in the county in which the farm is located. It was pointed out that farmers will not be required to come to the county offices to receive their checks this year. U. S. Department of Agriculture officials have announced that checks will be mailed directly to farmers in order to save time and conserve transportation.

Estimated earnings of North

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### Schools to Continue On Present Schedule

Elkin city schools will continue on their present schedule instead of going on eastern war time on March 23, as was announced when the new time was inaugurated, according to an announcement Tuesday by J. Mark McAdams, superintendent of the city schools.

### Marriage License Issued at Dobson

Kermit Lawrence, Surry county register of deeds, issued marriage license during the past week to the following couples: Walter L. Mason, Jr., Mebane, to Mary Margaret Hollingsworth, Mount Airy; George Willey, Rusk, to Laura Juanita Gentry, State Road; James Rossie Goins, Mount Airy, to Louise Galyean, Toast, and Garnet Easter, Mount Airy, to Forrest Cagle, Mount Airy.

### MEN, SUPPLIES POUR IN FROM UNITED STATES

#### Big Battle Is Expected at Any Time

#### MacARTHUR IN CHARGE

#### Australia Wildly Enthusiastic Over Appointment of General

#### LARGE GROUND FORCES

Canberra, Australia, March 18.—American fighter and bombing planes, including giant flying fortresses, operating from secret bases along the north Australian coast, have been battling the Japanese for weeks while trainloads of troops moved up to prospective fighting lines, it was revealed today as General Douglas MacArthur established headquarters somewhere in Australia.

Shiploads of American airmen, pilots and technicians and a steady stream of war equipment have been pouring into Australia for the last two months.

The flying fortresses are striking at the Japanese in their New Guinea and other invasion bases off the northeast coast almost daily.

All along the northern fringe of this great continent the American planes have been flying out with the Australians from secret bases to fight the Japanese in the skirmishes preliminary to the battle of Australia.

These are but the advanced units of the United States flying corps but they offer evidence, until now kept secret, that the American forces are already fully engaged in the first task of securing the defense of Australia

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### DRAFT LOTTERY HELD TUESDAY

#### R. G. Holyfield, Jr., Is First Man Drawn in This Draft Area

#### 9,000,000 MEN INVOLVED

No. 3485 was the first drawn Tuesday night in the war's first draft lottery which is intended to add millions of men to the pool of men who may be called for military service.

Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, selective service chief at Washington, stressed that some of the 9,000,000 men involved in the lottery might be drafted to man factories while their comrades manned guns.

The first number was drawn by Secretary of War Stimson. In Surry draft area No. 2, with headquarters at Dobson, Raleigh Gilmer Holyfield, Jr., of Rockford, became the first man of his area to be drawn, his serial number being 441.

Actually, 441 was the fourth number to be drawn at Washington Tuesday, but all three preceding numbers were higher than the highest of the local board, thus putting Holyfield in the top position in Surry No. 2 area.

Allen Herman Johnson, of Lowgap, was the second man to be drawn, with serial number 176, and Otis Roscoe Pendry, of Siloam, was third, with serial number 606.

The complete list of names, and their order numbers as assigned by the local board, will probably be published in a later issue of The Tribune, when complete figures become available.