

# R. A. F. RAINS BOMBS ON FRANCE, RUHR

## Board Allots \$1,500 For Curb Market

### SITE DONATED BY CHATHAM ON E. MAIN STREET

Commissioners Frown on Grass Fires ARE COSTLY TO TOWN To Pass Ordinance Placing Responsibility and \$40.00 Fine

### STREET NAME CHANGED

At a meeting of the Elkin board of commissioners Tuesday evening the board authorized the appropriation of \$1,500 to be used in establishing a curb market for Elkin.

The money was sought by the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce, which has been active in sponsoring such a project here, and which guaranteed that no further financial aid would be asked of the town.

Property on East Main street just east of the Hugh Chatham bridge has been made available by the Chatham Manufacturing Company as a site for the market. The money appropriated by the town will go toward erecting a building and providing walks and driveways.

Another matter to be brought before the commissioners was that of grass fires, which have been

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## ARE FORMING FIRE PATROLS

4-H Club Groups to Aid in Combatting Forest Fires In Section

### DUTIES ARE OUTLINED

Forest Fire Patrols are being organized in all schools having 4-H clubs in Surry county. They will be known as 4-H Forest Fire Patrols. From eight to twelve boys in each club are patrolmen. These boys are elected from a standpoint of activity in club work and with an eye toward locating a member in every neighborhood served by that school of which he is a member. It is their duty to put out fires themselves if possible, and to report all to the fire warden. They also shall help report any breakage of fire laws.

Each patrol has a captain and an assistant captain. For the Pilot Mountain club Harold Venable is captain and for the Shoals club Harry Matthews is captain. The Shoals patrol was the first to complete its organization.

For the Franklin club Johnnie Gwyn is captain; Gene Key is captain of White Plains; Harold Hodges of Beulah; Billy Jack Isaacs of Lowgap, and Hugh Snow of Copeland and Nookie Bass of Siloam are the captains of their respective clubs. The Elkin and North Elkin club patrol has not been completed as yet.

This work is in close cooperation with county and local fire wardens. A map of each school community, fire fighting information and the name and locations of county and local wardens is being supplied each captain for distribution among the members.

## Court To Convene At Dobson Monday

Surry county superior court for the trial of criminal cases will get underway at Dobson Monday, April 20, to be followed April 27 with a week of civil court, with Judge William H. Bobbitt presiding. The criminal session will feature one murder case, in which Gidd Reynolds Sheff is defendant, and the usual assortment of liquor, assault and traffic cases.

## Elkin To Have City Delivery Of Parcel Post Within Short Time

### Given Approval By Postoffice Authorities

City delivery of parcel post for Elkin has been approved and this service should get under way here within the next 10 days or two weeks, it was announced Tuesday by Postmaster F. W. Graham.

City delivery of mail has been under way for the past six weeks. Postmaster Graham said that the new delivery would be in the business and residential section, and will begin as soon as the post-office department at Washington approves bids made by local truck owners.

Drop boxes, to be located at various convenient points in town, will be installed soon as posts for the boxes are received, the war having held up delivery of this equipment.

## BYNUM GRAY IS SUICIDE VICTIM

Aged Wilkes County Man Dies Wednesday Morning From Bullet Wound

### REASON IS NOT KNOWN

Bynum Gray, about 80, of the Clingman section of Wilkes county, died in the Wilkes hospital at North Wilkesboro, about 4 o'clock Wednesday morning from a self-inflicted bullet wound.

Mr. Gray, who was a successful farmer and highly respected citizen in his community, returned from North Wilkesboro late in the afternoon Tuesday, where he bought farming tools to operate his large farm, and upon arriving home went into his bedroom and put a bullet into his temple with a shotgun. He was rushed to the Wilkes hospital immediately, where he died only a few hours later. No reason for the suicide is known.

His wife died a number of years ago and since her death two of his children, Miss Mollie Gray, and Wint Gray, had resided with their father. Four other children survive him, Mrs. Pearl Shore, of Cycle; Mrs. Paul Holcomb, of Winston-Salem, and John and Jim Gray, of Ronda.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon (Thursday) at 1 o'clock at Pleasant Grove Baptist church.

## GUY SPARGER IS CANDIDATE

Stewart's Creek Man Files Wednesday for Job As Surry Sheriff

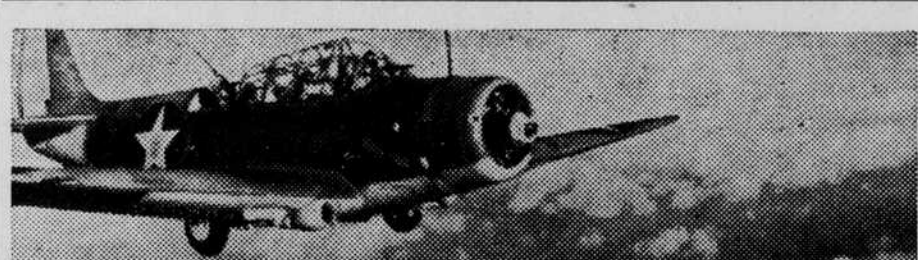
### SATURDAY IS DEADLINE

A third candidate for sheriff of Surry county, Guy Sparger, of Stewart's Creek, formally filed for office Wednesday afternoon, it was learned from Robt. A. Freeman, of Dobson, chairman of the Surry board of elections.

Mr. Sparger's announcement puts him in the field against two other democratic candidates for the office, Sheriff Harvey Boyd and Sam Patterson, who have also filed. J. E. Monday, expected to be a candidate, had not filed up to Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Freeman said.

Other Surry candidates are Henry Dobson, of Ellkin, for house of representatives; J. Raymond Smith, of Mount Airy, for state senate; Kermit W. Lawrence, for register of deeds; and Fred Lewellyn, for clerk of superior court. Other candidates have until April 18 to file.

## U. S. HITS BACK



Shown here is a U. S. fighter plane operating from an aircraft carrier in the Pacific as it hovers over the Japanese-held Wake island. In the lower center can be seen columns of smoke drifting upwards, the remains of the Japanese stores on the isle, after direct hits by U. S. airmen in retaliation for the sneak assault on December 7.

## All Citizens Urged To Attend Defense Meeting

### Motion Picture to be Shown Sunday On Combatting Incendiary Bombs

A public meeting, to which all citizens of Elkin, Jonesville, and this entire section are invited and urged to attend, will be held at the Lyric theatre here Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in connection with Elkin's civil defense organization.

Purpose of the meeting is to show a motion picture, prepared by the chemical warfare department of the United States army, which deals with incendiary bombs and the correct method of combatting them. The picture, which has already been witnessed by many of the civic defense volunteers of this and neighboring

communities, and by all Elkin school children, gives actual demonstrations of bombs and how to handle them.

It has been stressed by defense leaders here that in event of an actual raid, much of the work of fighting incendiary bombs will fall on the part of ordinary citizens, including women and children, and it is highly important that every citizen learn as much as possible about fighting such a menace.

The picture was shown to the students of the Elkin elementary

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## MANY ATTEND ZONE MEETING

Approximately 85 Present For Gathering At Methodist Church

### MISS TUTTLE SPEAKER

Approximately 85 women, representing 14 churches, were present for the zone meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church held at the Methodist church here Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Ed Gardner of North Wilkesboro, zone president, presided over the session. Mrs. Harry Pierson of North Wilkesboro, conducted the devotionals. The work of the group was explained by Mrs. W. L. Thompson of Greensboro, conference leader, and Mrs. Mason Lillard of this city, conference secretary. Mrs. Thompson led an impressive pledge service following her talk. This was followed by a vocal solo "The Lord Is My Shepherd" by Mrs. E. G. Click of this city, accompanied by Mrs. Van Dillon, Jr., also of Elkin.

The principal speaker for the program was Miss Lelia Tuttle, returned missionary from China, who spoke of her work in the mission fields.

Following the program the women of the local church entertained the visitors at an informal tea in the church parlor.

## Citizens Warned To Keep Sand Completely Dry

City trucks Monday delivered dry sand to homes in Elkin which had containers in which to put it, and in some cases provided containers as long as they were available, it was announced Monday evening.

This sand is to be used to combat incendiary bombs, when and if an air raid occurs.

It was pointed out by local civilian defense officials that the sand should be kept in a convenient place, and that it is highly important that it be kept dry. Wet sand on an incendiary bomb is worse than using no sand at all, it was said.

## T. C. U. CLUB HOLDS MEETING

Group Celebrates Third Anniversary of Organization Tuesday

Members of the Thurmond Chatham Unity Club celebrated the third anniversary of their organization with a dinner meeting

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## OVER 50 TO GO TO ARMY FROM SECOND AREA

Will Leave for Induction Center Soon

### MAKE UP APRIL QUOTA

Of This Number, 21 Are From Elkin and Vicinity, List Shows

### GO TO FORT BRAGG

Over 50 young men from Surry county draft area No. 2, will leave Dobson April 18th, for Fort Bragg, where they will be inducted into the army.

Of this number, 21 are from Elkin or nearby, the list shows, and the next call is expected to see many more local men go to the army.

The list of those going in the April call, as provided by the draft board, is as follows:

Cecil P. Folger, Dobson; Ben Folger, Dobson; William Sam Royal, Elkin; Rayford Wilson Lawrence, Elkin; Woodrow Pershing Burrus, Rockford; Charlie Wiseman Stokes, Crutchfield; Robert Glenn Morris, Pilot Mountain; Richard Carl Martin, route 1, Elkin; Luther Glenn Baker, Elkin; Madison Eugene Mot-singer, Elkin; Floyd Raymond Bullin, route 1, Ararat; James Welch Hayes, route 3, Mt. Airy; Carl Garvey Golden, Rusk; Harvey Wesley Brown, route 1, Siloam; Walter Wendell Bruner, Ararat; Jiles Henry Cave, State Road; Oscar Lee Bowman, route 1, Ararat.

Paul Kermet Royall, Elkin; Woodrow Oliver Crouse, Lowgap; Newell Clifton Stewart, Elkin; Paul Newton Whitaker, route 2.

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## MEN IN ARMY CAN CAST VOTE

Qualified Voters in Armed Services May Use Absentee Ballots

### PROCEDURE EXPLAINED

Any qualified voter who is now in the armed forces of the United States may vote in the primary to be held May 30 by absentee ballot, it was announced Tuesday by Robert A. Freeman, chairman of the Surry county board of elections.

Explaining the proper procedure to vote, Mr. Freeman said that the voter himself may apply in writing for the ballot, or any member of his immediate family, including wife, brother, sister, parent or child, may make such application. The application should show the precinct of the soldier or sailor, his party affiliation and should be mailed to Robt. A. Freeman at Dobson. On receipt of this application with the correct address of the soldier or sailor, Chairman Freeman will immediately send the official ballot and envelope to the person for his voting.

Saturday, April 18, at 6:30, is the last day for all candidates for county and township officers, justice of the peace, and constable, to file notice of their candidacy with the county board, Mr. Freeman said.

## Copeland Alumni Group To Gather

The Copeland alumni association will have their annual picnic in the school gymnasium on May 2, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

All former teachers and alumni and their families are invited to attend and bring a basket supper. An interesting program is planned for the entertainment of those attending.

## Make Daylight Sweep Of Invasion Coast In Great Air Offensive

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF	•
	From the State and Nation
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## LAVAL CAUSES BITTER ISSUE WITH THE U. S.

Pro-Hitler Frenchman Returned to Power

### SPURN AMERICAN NOTE

### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, April 14.— President Roosevelt implied today that a national war labor policy will be set down in the administration's forthcoming program to combat inflation through rigid control of prices, wages, profits and rents. He said at his press conference that the question of a war labor policy was tied up with inflation—a word which he described as vile and which he urged reporters to drop as meaningless until a better descriptive term for the economic situation can be found.

WASHINGTON, April 14.— President Roosevelt predicted tonight that the United Nations will emerge victorious from the present war within two, or perhaps three years. Mr. Roosevelt also suggested the term "the survival war" as a name for the conflict, pointing out that it is a war for "the survival of our civilization." Addressing members of the government board of the Pan-American union informally, the chief executive expressed his own confidence in ultimate victory but warned that all people of all the Americas must pave the way by sacrifice.

WASHINGTON, April 14.— The army reported today that an American-Filipino raiding party had ambushed a Japanese truck column on the island of Mindanao and inflicted heavy casualties with no losses to itself. At the same time, it said small bodies of troops in northern Luzon had conducted successful raids against "lightly held enemy positions in the mountains." Luzon is the principal Philippine island, on which is located Manila and Bataan peninsula. Mindanao is far to the south.

WASHINGTON, April 14.— Postmaster General Walker tonight ordered a hearing to determine whether Social Justice, a weekly newspaper founded at Royal Oak, Mich., by Father Charles E. Coughlin, should be barred from the mails for alleged seditious statements. Pending the hearing April 29, Walker directed the postmaster at Royal Oak to withhold the publication from the mails until officials at Washington determine its availability, a proceeding which it was said would have the effect of barring the tabloid from the mails immediately.

WASHINGTON, April 14.— The navy department, in two announcements yesterday, revealed that four vessels—a medium-sized tanker, a small merchantman and two medium-sized merchantmen—have been sunk off the Atlantic coast. All four were American vessels. The earlier announcement listed the tanker and small merchantman as sunk, and stated that 68 survivors were landed at Jacksonville, Fla. The announcement last night listed the two medium-sized merchant ships as lost. Fifty-nine survivors from these two ships were landed at Morehead City. Loss of all four vessels was attributed to axis submarines.

## French People Await to Learn Extent of Laval's Authority

### STATEMENT IS ISSUED

London, April 15.—Large formations of British fighter planes raced across the Dover Strait today in another daylight sweep of the French invasion coast after a night in which giant bombers set mammoth fires through Germany's vital industrial Ruhr.

Flying so high they could not be seen despite the cloudless sky, the planes crossed the French coast in the Calais area and soon thunderous explosions could be heard from the Dover coast.

The Royal Air Force, developing its greatest offensive of the war, was now engaged in a 24-hour attack which had thrown the German air force on the defensive from Norway to France in fear that an allied invasion of the continent was in prospect.

In Vichy, France, a bitter issue with the United States overhung this government today as a new regime for vanquished France took shape on a "new foundation," bringing the once-ousted collaborationist Pierre Laval back to power.

As the French people awaited to learn—probably tomorrow—just how Laval will share authority with Marshal Petain and Admiral Jean Darlan, the government last night angrily rejected Washington's statement of its reasons for sending a consul general to Brazzaville accredited to the Free French authorities in control of French Equatorial Africa.

France's answer declared that "the French government does not accept the note of the American government, couched in injurious terms which tend to discredit in the eyes of the world the conduct of French citizens who do not have to take lessons in patriotism from abroad."

## JAYCEES HOLD DINNER MEET

Film on Incendiary Bombs And Their Handling Is Shown

### SEEK SITE APPROVAL

Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce met for a dinner session in the Lucy Hanes Chatham club house Monday evening. A delicious dinner was served by the Gilvin Rother Y. M. C. A. staff.

The members were shown a motion picture on incendiary bombs, and following the showing of the picture the bombs, or the procedure of combatting them, was explained by Roy H. Kane and E. E. Shore, Jr., of the civilian defense committee.

C. C. Weaver, Jr., president of the Jaycees, presided over the business session. It was announced that as soon as approval of the site and construction plans was made by the city council, that construction would begin on a curb market here, provided the material for construction was not withheld by the WPB. Other routine matters were dispatched.

1942 automobile tags will be used again in 1943, so save yours.