

CHATHAM IS PAYING MID-YEAR BONUS

German Threat To Alexandria Becoming More Grave

AXIS HORDES PUSH ONWARD TOWARD BASE

Reported Only 65 Miles From British Stronghold WITHOUT CONFIRMATION U. S. Aircraft Carrier Takes Aerial Reinforcements to Malta TRIP IS MADE SAFELY

London, July 1.—The menace to Alexandria became rapidly graver today as the axis' armored armies rolled steadily eastward toward the great bastion of Britain's Mediterranean seapower, still without encountering a solid line of defense. A bulletin from Adolf Hitler's headquarters said axis forces were assaulting El Alamein, only 5 miles southwest of Alexandria, which it called the last fortification before Alexandria itself. This would mean an overnight jump of roughly 35 miles to the easternmost limit of the Qattara depression, an almost impassable obstacle which compelled Nazi Field Marshal Erwin Rommel to compress his advance between it and the coast. Beyond El Alamein, where the corridor is 35 miles wide, a broad expanse of desert would give Rommel wide freedom of maneuver with his superior armored strength. There was no corroboration here (Continued on last page)

DRAW UP PLAN FOR AIR RAIDS

Merchants Vote to Cease Business At First Sound Air Raid Signal TO ORGANIZE CLERKS

Following a meeting of the Elkin Citizens Defense Council Tuesday afternoon at which it was recommended that local merchants get together and work out plans for taking care of people in their stores during air raid alarms, members of the Elkin Merchants Association met at the State Theatre here Wednesday morning to discuss the situation. Following the discussion, it was voted that all stores cease business immediately upon notice of an air raid alarm, and that no business be transacted during the duration of the alarm period. Plans are to be made to take all customers in the store, and those who may come in from the streets, to a designated spot to await the ending of the alarm. Store clerks will act as auxiliary police during alarms, and Roy H. Kane, of the local defense committee, has volunteered to instruct them as to their duties. In this manner, store managers who are air raid wardens, auxiliary police, etc., will be enabled to leave their stores and assume their respective posts. During the meeting it was decided to help in the work of the rationing board here, the local office being understaffed to cope with the numerous demands made upon it.

U. S. War Bond And Stamp Sale Pushed

Elkin merchants, cooperating with all other retail stores of the nation, Tuesday from 12:00 noon to 12:15 p. m. concentrated on the sale of war stamps and bonds. All merchants had stamps for sale and clerks were instructed to concentrate only on their sale during the period. Just what success resulted from the 15-minute period has not been learned.

One Critically Hurt, Two Are Jailed After Alleged Robbery

To Hold Hearing For Eldridges Today At 9 a. m.

A preliminary hearing for Bill Eldridge and his brother, Hasten Eldridge, both of Elkin, scheduled for Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock before Magistrate R. C. Jennings, of Wilkesboro, on charges which include robbery with firearms, assault, resisting an officer and larceny, was postponed until 9 o'clock this morning (Thursday), at the Wilkesboro courthouse. The Tribune learned from North Wilkesboro Wednesday afternoon. As a result of events which led to the arrest of the Eldridge boys, Dan Eldridge, 23, also of Elkin, is in a very critical condition at Hugh Chatham hospital here, suffering from injuries received when he was crushed beneath the rear wheels of a heavy oil truck. According to hospital authorities, he is suffering from a ruptured bladder, fractured pelvis and possibly other internal injuries, and although his condition was described Wednesday as being slightly improved in some ways, it was stated that it would be several days yet before it could be determined how his injuries might result. The entire trouble was said to have started at Fred's Place, a filling station located in Wilkes county on the Elkin-Ronda road, about 1:30 a. m. last Friday night. According to Ray Cockerham, Wilkes deputy sheriff, one of the officers involved in the case, Bill Eldridge and Pee Wee Pardue, the latter of Jonesville, entered the filling station about 1:30 a. m. and after loitering around for a few minutes, stuck up Jolly at the point of a pistol and escaped with three slot machines. Deputy Cockerham said that Pardue held the gun on Jolly while Bill Eldridge carried the slot machines outside, one after the other, and the quickness in which he accomplished this made officers believe that a third party was yet unknown, must have been involved. The following morning, the of-

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MERCHANTS TO AID IN MOVE

North Wilkesboro Leader Asks Cooperation Drive For Yadkin Dam

SURVEYS COMPLETED

S. V. Tomlinson, chairman of the Public Affairs committee of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club, has announced that Congressman Doughton has promised to do all in his power to aid in getting the proposed flood control dam above North Wilkesboro constructed at the earliest possible moment. It is understood that two surveys above the Wilkes city have been completed, and Mr. Tomlinson is urging that citizens of Elkin join the movement by contacting their congressman and others who may have influence at Washington to get this much needed project. Local civic organizations were also asked to back the movement. As a result of the appeal of the Wilkes man, the Elkin Merchants association, at a meeting held at the State Theatre Wednesday morning, pledged its full support of the project, and decided to name a committee from local civic groups to work with Wilkes citizens in the move.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, June 30.—A new and intensified nationwide salvage campaign to stimulate the flow of all vital scrap materials—rubber, steel, iron, tin and fats—into war factories—was announced tonight by war production Chief Donald M. Nelson. He disclosed the new program amid signs that nationwide gasoline rationing as a rubber-saving measure is inevitable despite strong efforts by President Roosevelt and other officials to inject new life into the current scrap rubber collection drive. Nelson said the stimulated campaign will begin Monday, July 13, with the cooperation of some 12,000 state and local salvage committees already in existence. The iron, steel, glycerine and allied industries have raised a \$2,000,000 fund to stimulate collections through advertising.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Congress, in a spectacular rush to beat the fiscal year-end deadline at midnight, completed action tonight on appropriations totaling nearly \$45,000,000,000 including a \$42,800,000,000 grant to the war department—the largest in world history. This unprecedented total does not include the \$680,000,000 agriculture department supply bill which is deadlocked in conference, or the \$1,808,669,615 appropriation for the office of price administration and 18 other war agencies which was passed by the house today and requires senate action.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The civilian conservation corps was voted out of existence tonight as the senate completed congressional action on a \$1,074,000,000 labor-federal security appropriation bill carrying funds for the agency's liquidation. The senate adopted a conference report which eliminated a \$76,529,000 appropriation for the CCC which the senate had inserted in the measure by a 33 to 32 vote, with Vice President Wallace casting the deciding ballot. As finally approved, the bill carried \$8,000,000 for liquidation of the depression-born agency within a year.

INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, June 30.—Cheers greeted Prime Minister Churchill in the house of commons today on his first appearance there since his return from Washington, and he temporarily quieted the political storm over the Egyptian crisis with announcement that Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, the middle east commander, has taken personal charge of the African front. Churchill said he did not "propose to make a statement today on the momentous battle now being fought in Egypt" but felt that the house would wish to know that Auchinleck was directing operations at the front in place of Lieut. Gen. Neil M. Ritchie, who commanded in Libya.

LOCAL DEFENSE SETUP PROVES DISAPPOINTING

Benson Scores Lack of Interest By Citizens

TEST RAID IS FLOP

Fire Siren to Be Used to Supplement Steam Whistle; Test Saturday

MEETING THURSDAY P.M.

J. W. L. Benson, director of the Elkin Civilian Defense Corps, expressed dissatisfaction and disappointment over the lack of support and response on the part of the citizens of Elkin and this section in providing the community with an efficient civilian defense organization. At a meeting Tuesday afternoon of the local defense council, Mr. Benson stressed that something must be done to awaken the people to their danger and to destroy the "it can't happen here" attitude so prevalent among a majority of the citizens. "I firmly believe," he said, "that our east coast will be bombed before this war is over. It might not happen in Elkin, but then again Elkin might be the first town to feel the destructive weight of bombs. And for that reason it is highly important that our citizens wake up, pitch in, and do their part in organizing to cope with all eventualities." Discussing the practice air raid staged here Friday afternoon, Mr. Benson said in plain language that it was a flop; that the more

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TO GET LOANS ON SOYBEANS

Farmers Who Grow Soybeans Will Be Eligible for Federal Money

"FOOD FOR FREEDOM"

North Carolina farmers who grow soybeans this year as part of the "Food for Freedom" program will be eligible for federal loans on the soybeans stored in approved bins on farms, according to E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive assistant, at State College. Soybeans of any class grading No. 3 or better with respect to factors other than moisture content, and having a moisture content not above 14 percent and which were produced in 1942 will be eligible for loans, Floyd said. Soybeans grading weevily, or which are musty, sour, heating, or have any objectionable foreign odor, will not be eligible. Floyd said the basic loan rate for North Carolina No. 1 and No. 2 soybeans will be \$1.55 per bushel for medium oil content soybeans of Class I (yellow) and Class II (green). The rate for the same classes having a high oil content will be \$1.65 per bushel. All yellow and green soybeans produced in this state will be considered as having medium oil content unless it is determined on the basis of representative samples that beans produced in any county have an oil content of 17 1/2 percent or more. In this case, he said, all soybeans grown in that county will be considered as having a high oil content. All determinations of oil content will be made on a 10 percent moisture basis.

Winner



Sam Patterson, Mount Airy Democrat, was nominated by Surry Democrats in a second primary Saturday as the party's candidate for sheriff, defeating Sheriff H. S. Boyd, who again sought the nomination, by a big majority.

PATTERSON IS EASY WINNER

Chalks Up Big Majority Over Sheriff Boyd in Saturday Voting

OFFICIAL VOTE GIVEN

Voters went to the polls in Surry county's Democratic second primary Saturday and nominated themselves a new sheriff, turning down the present sheriff, H. S. Boyd, by a large majority. Sam C. Patterson, of Mount Airy, the newly elected nominee, was winner in every precinct with the exception of Mount Airy No. 4, home precinct of Boyd, polling a total of 3,721 votes to his opponent's 1,747 throughout the county.

In the first primary, held May 30, Patterson ran second in a field of four, with Boyd leading the field by a small count. Several days later Patterson asked for the second primary. In Elkin the vote was: Patterson, 308, Boyd, 179. Official vote in other precincts was as follows: Bryan, Patterson 173, Boyd 36; Dobson, Patterson 801, Boyd 120; Eldora, Patterson 87, Boyd 37; Franklin, Patterson 83, Boyd 18; Long Hill, Patterson 31, Boyd 6; Marsh, Patterson 93, Boyd 11; Mount Airy 1-2-3-4, Patterson 1,224, Boyd 942; Pilot Mountain, Patterson 148, Boyd 126; Rockford, Patterson 224, Boyd 43; Shoals, Patterson 68, Boyd 21; Siloam, Patterson 131, Boyd 20; Stewarts Creek, Patterson 250, Boyd 138; Westfield, Patterson 100, Boyd 50.

Sheriff Boyd has been sheriff of Surry for the past eight years. He will retire in December after the November election.

Total Of 186 Men 18 To 20, Register Here

A total of 186 young men between the ages of 18-20 registered here Tuesday in the nation's fifth count of manpower under the selective service act, it was learned Wednesday afternoon from C. A. McNeil, a member of the local draft board. It could not be learned how many had registered in the county. Of this group, only those 20 years of age will be eligible for military service. It is expected, however, that the draft laws may be changed later to permit the induction of men 18 and 19 years of age. Tuesday's registration brings to a total of 45 million men between the age of 18 and 65 who are now on Uncle Sam's list.

Announcement Is Made By A. L. Butler Here Wednesday

Rubber Drive Is Extended For 10 Days

Because results of the nationwide salvage rubber campaign have proven disappointing, with a total of only 219,000 tons collected thus far, President Roosevelt has extended the drive until July 10 to round up every available scrap of the vital material. The scrap collection campaign was originally scheduled to end at midnight Wednesday. Every person is urged to do their full share in turning in every scrap of old rubber, large or small. The drive locally has resulted in over 10 tons at last reports.

REGISTRARS TO MEET TUESDAY

Motorists to Register Under New Gas Rationing Plan July 9-10-11

EFFECTIVE ON JULY 22

Persons who will act as registrars in the district under jurisdiction of the local ration board will meet in the office of the board, located upstairs at the city hall, next Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock to receive instructions concerning the new and permanent gas rationing plan which will go into effect on July 22. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 9, 10, and 11, have been designated as the days upon which motorists will register for the new gasoline allotments. Sugar for canning will not be allotted on these days by the local rationing board. In this district registration places will be at the Elkin elementary school, North Elkin school, Little Richmond school and possibly at other places which may be designated later, Charles Poplin, secretary to the local rationing board, said Wednesday. Mr. Poplin also stated that private automobile owners will register at the elementary school here and truck owners and auto owners who use their cars for commercial purposes will register at the city hall. Supplementary cards will be issued from this office, according to Mr. Poplin.

Martin Faces Assault Hearing On July 27th

H. L. Martin, of Elkin, will be given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate J. L. Hall Monday, July 27, on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon on the person of Reginald Gambill, as the result of some trouble between the two last Friday night. Martin is alleged to have struck Gambill in the head with a wrench, causing injuries that necessitated hospital treatment.

Bank Will Observe Fourth On Saturday

The Bank of Elkin will be closed Saturday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day, according to Franklin Folger, Jr., cashier of the bank. The family motto of the Doolittles is "Do more and do it better."

IS MORE THAN AMOUNT PAID IN JULY, 1941

Letter to Employees Attached to Each Check

SIGNED BY MR. BUTLER

Thurmond Chatham, President of Company, Serving in the Navy

OTHERS IN THE SERVICE

The management of the Chatham Manufacturing Company announced Wednesday afternoon that a mid-year bonus is being paid to employees of the mills. The amount of the bonus will be in excess of that paid in July, 1941, with a portion of each employee's bonus being in such form as to make it easy for the recipient to purchase a War Savings Bond. A letter, signed by A. L. Butler, vice-president of the company, is accompanying each bonus check. It was also announced that on Saturday, July 4, and the following Sunday the mill will be closed so that all employees will have an opportunity to have a vacation rest period. The Chatham Company, working in cooperation with the United States government, is working on a 24-hour basis. It's president, Thurmond Chatham, is a lieutenant-commander in the United States Navy, and is one of over a hundred Chatham employees now serving in the nation's armed forces.

SPECIAL CLASS TO BEGIN HERE

Red Cross Nutrition Class to Get Under Way At Y Next Tuesday

A nutrition class, sponsored by the American Red Cross, will begin Tuesday, July 7, at 8 o'clock at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. The class will be taught by Mrs. Linville Hendren, who has had excellent training in foods and economics. The course is a simple story of what foods to eat, why we should eat them, and how to best provide them at a reasonable cost. The local branch of the Red Cross feels that a rare opportunity is being given to citizens of Elkin, Jonesville and the surrounding community in offering this class. Nutrition training is required before canteen service can be taken up.