


# ELKIN IS HOST TO FARMERS OF AREA

## Great Air Fight Reported By Germans

## Governor Broughton And Other Honored Guests To Be Here

**To Welcome**



Mayor J. R. Poindexter will officially welcome farmers and other guests to Elkin's Second Annual Farmer's Meeting at the banquet to be held at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A., this evening (Thursday).

### HEAVY BOMBERS RESUME RAIDS OVER EUROPE

**Believe Nazis Challenged Eighth Air Force Planes**

**AFTER THREE-DAY LULL**

German Radio Lays Groundwork for Admission of Feeble Defense

**REPORT MANY FIGHTERS**

London, March 15. — Heavy bombers of the United States Eighth Air Force resumed their daylight offensive against Germany today, after a three-day lull, and the Berlin radio said they fought a big battle with the Nazi defense planes over the Hannover area.

Strong squadrons of American fighters shepherded the four-motored bombers striking into Germany for the first time since the bombardment Saturday of Munster, transport and industrial center of the northwest Reich.

The first official announcement of the daylight attack said a medium-sized force of Eighth Air Force heavy bombers hit military targets in Central Germany behind a formidable shield of U. S. fighter strength.

If the Nazi report of heavy air battles were borne out, it would mean that the German Air Force, recently reluctant to challenge American raiding forces, had made its first defense effort of any consequence since the big raid on Berlin a week ago today.

Even in its tentative propaganda flourish today the German radio laid the groundwork for any necessary admission later of a feeble defense effort aloft. It conceded that "only a part" of the German fighter and destroyer squadrons were able to contact the American bombers, "which were escorted by an extraordinarily large number of fighters."

### WAC RECRUITER COMING FRIDAY

**Sergeant Toni Oliaro To Receive Applications At The Post Office**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Sergeant Toni Oliaro of the WAC recruiting station in Winston-Salem, will be at the post office here on Friday of this week to interview women wishing to apply for enlistment in the WAC from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m.

### WILKES MAN IS FREED BY JURY

**Armfield Bauguss Declared Not Guilty of Charge of Gilreath Death**

**CLAIMS WAS ACCIDENT**

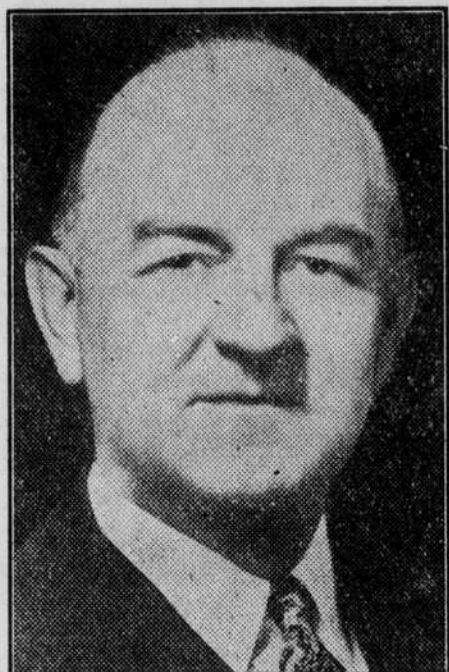
Armfield Bauguss, of near Traphill, was acquitted in Wilkes county superior court Tuesday of the murder of Arnold Gilreath near Traphill on November 28, last year.

The verdict was returned after a short deliberation by the jury. Gilreath, a resident of North Wilkesboro, was instantly killed at the Bauguss home as the climax of an argument about payment for a gallon of whisky purchased by Gilreath's companion, Clate Riggs, from Bauguss.

Bauguss told officers on the night following the shooting that his gun accidentally discharged as he ran around a car while looking for Riggs, and ran into Gilreath.

Judge J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, is presiding over the Wilkes court, which is now in its second week.

**DISTINGUISHED GUESTS** Pictured below are three distinguished guests who will take part in the banquet program of the Second Annual Farmers' Meeting here this afternoon and night. Pictured left to right are A. L. M. Wiggins, of Hartsville, S. C., president of the American Bankers Association, the speaker; Governor J. Melville Broughton, who will act as master of ceremonies, and Word H. Wood, of Charlotte, chairman of the board of the American Trust Company, who is the guest of honor. Mr. Wood is a native of Elkin.



### Red Cross Drive Here Seeking Full Support

### Chatham Reports Drive There Is Going Smoothly

Although no figures on the current Red Cross War Fund Drive here were available Wednesday, it was understood the drive is making progress, but that the Elkin district quota of \$10,000 is not yet in sight.

The drive at the Chatham Manufacturing Company plant has been good so far, it was learned from C. J. Hyslop, who stated that a big red cross has been erected outside the mill and the names of all departments which contribute 100 per cent to the Red Cross are being printed there. Thus far, he said, 17 departments have qualified.

Because the need is so much greater this year, the Elkin district quota is \$4,000 more than it was last year, and every citizen who has as yet not contributed is urged to do so at once.

That the Red Cross is doing a wonderful job among the men in service is proven by the numerous letters from service men which will be found in this issue. Another letter, received too late to be included in that list, has been received by Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Norman from their son, Pfc. Fred C. Norman, who recently landed in England. From this letter is reprinted the following paragraph:

"The Red Cross has been especially good to us, and fed us coffee and doughnuts when we needed them most."

That the Red Cross is always on the job when needed goes without saying, but it takes the dollars of the folks back home to put it there. That's why local officials are so anxious that Elkin do its part in putting over the current drive.

### Gregg Cherry Speaks At Teachers Meeting

Hon. R. Gregg Cherry of Gastonia, candidate for governor of North Carolina was speaker at a meeting of the Surry county teachers at Dobson Friday afternoon. Mr. Cherry spoke on his views for the advancement of the educational program in North Carolina. He was introduced by County Superintendent of Schools, John W. Comer.

During a brief business session the following officers were named for the Surry county unit of the North Carolina Education Association: Athel P. Phillips, principal of Flat Rock school, president; John W. Comer, vice-president; and Mrs. Posey Jones, secretary-treasurer.

**LATE NEWS IN BRIEF**

- From the State and Nation

**NATIONAL**

WASHINGTON, March 14.—President Roosevelt assailed today German use of Rome as a "military center" and reaffirmed the intention of the allies to spare religious monuments if possible. The chief executive said in a formal statement at his press-radio conference that use of the Holy City by the German army was only the latest of Hitler's many affronts to religion and "a logical step in the Nazi policy of total war — a policy which treats nothing as sacred." "We on our side," he added, "have made freedom of religion one of the principles for which we are fighting this war." "Everyone knows the Nazi record on religion. Both at home and abroad. Hitler and his followers have waged a ruthless war against the churches of all faiths."

WASHINGTON, March 14.—The navy will require nearly 500,000 more men to reach its goal of 3,006,000 men by the end of this year and meet the needs of a fleet growing at the rate of 12 new seagoing ships per day, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said today. His press conference statement, following President Roosevelt's recent disclosure that the army alone is more than 200,000 men behind its authorized goal, emphasized the magnitude of the problem faced by draft boards to meet quotas.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—The navy department announced today the loss of the United States submarine, Corvina, presumably sunk in the far Pacific while attacking Japanese supply lines. The 1,525-ton Corvina was the 17th American submarine lost in the fierce struggle for control of Pacific shipping lanes, and the 143rd United States naval vessel lost since the beginning of the war. The navy communication said that the Corvina, which was commissioned only last August, "is overdue from patrol and must be presumed

### FARM MEETING CO-OP EVENT

Elkin Business and Professional Men, Civic Clubs, Make It Possible

**REQUIRES LARGE SUM**

The second annual Farmers' meeting to be held here today (Thursday), at which Governor Broughton, A. L. M. Wiggins, president of the American Bankers Association, and Word H. Wood, a native of Elkin and chairman of the board of the American Trust Company, Charlotte, will be special guests in addition to approximately 500 leading farmers of Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes and Alleghany counties has been made possible by Elkin business men, professional men and Elkin civic organizations.

The considerable amount of money required to stage an event of this kind was contributed by Elkin's business and professional men, and by other interested citizens, in tribute to the farmers of this section.

Sponsoring the event under the direction of Chairman Garland Johnson, are the following organizations: Elkin Agricultural Council, Elkin Merchants Association, Elkin Kiwanis Club, Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A., where the meeting will be held, and which will provide the banquet.

John Gambill, who is stationed with the Naval R. O. T. C. at the University of N. C., Chapel Hill, and Pvt. Sam Gambill, who is with the A. S. T. at N. C. State, Raleigh, spent the week-end here with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. S. Gambill.

Buy U. S. War Bonds and Stamps!

### Chatham Girls To Take Part In National Play

Chatham's girls basketball team, who rank among the nation's top girls' teams, will take part in the National A. A. U. championship tournament at St. Joseph, Mo., it has been announced here.

According to present plans, which are tentative, the girls will leave Elkin March 23 for the mid-West city.

A game with a strong team in Cincinnati to be played enroute to St. Joseph, is being sought by Coach Russell Plaster.

In last year's tournament, the girls went to the semi-finals and lost a thrilling extra period game to the Iowa champions of the national tournament.

### American Bankers' Association President To Be Guest Speaker

Approximately 500 leading farmers from Surry, Wilkes, Yadkin and Alleghany counties, will be Elkin's guests this afternoon and tonight at the second annual Farmers' Meeting being staged under the direction and sponsorship of the Elkin Agricultural Council.

This event, larger in scope than that held early last spring, will be held at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A., and will again see Governor J. M. Broughton taking a leading part on a program that will in part be broadcast by radio station WBT of Charlotte, and will feature as principal speaker

A. L. M. Wiggins, of Hartsville, S. C., president of the American Bankers Association and a man very much interested in agriculture.

The meeting will also see tribute paid to a native of Elkin, Word H. Wood, chairman of the board of the American Trust Company, Charlotte, who will be the guest of honor.

In addition to the farmers who will attend, newspaper men of this section have been invited, as have other special guests, and a hundred or more business and professional men of Elkin will also attend.

Ranking high among the list of guests who will take part in the meeting are extension department officials of the North Carolina department of agriculture, who will hold special meetings and clinics during the afternoon on a variety of subjects related to farming and its problems.

Among extension department officials who will be here are Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the N. C. agriculture extension service; O. F. McCrary, district extension agent; Dr. G. K. Middleton, of the N. C. State College

### SPECIAL COURT IS CALLED OFF

**Yadkin Solicitor Says He Does Not Have Enough Evidence In Dean Case**

**AGREEMENT IS REACHED**

Governor J. Melville Broughton has been requested by Avalon E. Hall, solicitor of the 17th judicial district, to cancel the special term of court called in Yadkin county for the trial of the three persons indicted for murder in connection with the death of William Everett Dean.

This case, in which Woodrow Lane, Early Vernon Sears and Mrs. William Everett Dean are defendants, was slated to come up for trial on March 27 at a special term of court called by Governor Broughton.

In a letter to the Governor, Solicitor Hall pointed out that the state does not have sufficient evidence to convict and that if a trial is held the solicitor would necessarily have to take a nol pros.

It was also learned that if between now and the regular term of Yadkin superior court in August additional evidence has not been obtained, Solicitor Hall plans to take a nol pros at that time.

The request for cancellation of the special term, it was learned, was made in accordance with an agreement reached by the solicitor, Judge J. A. Rousseau, and members of the defense counsel, W. M. Allen, of Elkin; Fred Hutchins and Thad Reece. It was also agreed that in event the state should unearth additional evidence later, the defense counsel would be advised in advance so that they might prepare their defense.

Lane, Sears and the wife of the dead man, Mrs. Dean, gave bond shortly after the case was postponed during the February term of Yadkin court. All three had been indicted by the Yadkin grand jury during the same term.

### Chairman



Garland Johnson, president of the Elkin Kiwanis Club and chairman of the Elkin Agricultural Council, has played a major role in planning the Annual Farmers' Meeting, to be held here this afternoon and tonight. The Agricultural Council is made up of representatives from the Kiwanis Club, Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Elkin Merchants Association.

### PRODUCERS TO GET MORE CASH

Increase of 40 Cents Per Hundred For Milk Is Now Effective

IS SUBSIDY BY WFA

With the milk subsidy payment increased from 40 to 80 cents per hundred pounds of milk, dairymen in this section of North Carolina are now receiving a record high return from sale of milk.

An official of Coble Dairy Products company, which operates large plants at Wilkesboro and Lexington, revealed that the increase in the subsidy amounts to about three and one-half cents per gallon of milk. The price of milk now being paid by Coble is \$2.90 per hundred for four per cent milk, and when the subsidy is added the total is \$3.70 per hundred. Figures revealed that the total average now being paid for ungraded milk is almost 35 cents per gallon.

The eighty-cent subsidy went into effect March 1. The subsidy is being paid by the War Food administration to compensate for increased costs of dairy feed without raising prices of milk and milk products to consumers.