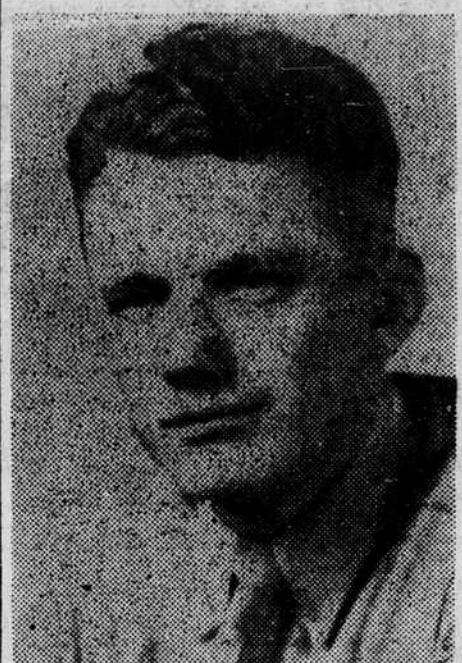


LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

Chatham Wins Award For 5th Straight Time



KILLED IN ACTION—Technician 5th Grade, Robert B. Sale, of Ronda, was killed in action in Belgium on December 19, according to a War Department telegram. He was inducted into the service in November, 1942, and went overseas in September 1944. Technician Sale was with the 10th Armored Division at the time he was killed. Prior to being in Belgium he served in England and France. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sale, of Ronda, and is survived by two brothers, C. E. Sale, of Ronda, and Howard Sale, who is now serving in France, and one sister, Alene Sale, of Ronda.

ARE NOTIFIED BY PATTERSON OF NEW HONOR

Letter Is Addressed To Employees of Firm
HIGH STANDARD IS SET
May Fly Production Flag For Entire Year Before Again Being Considered
MAINTAIN FINE RECORD

The Chatham Manufacturing Company has been notified by Robert P. Patterson, under secretary of war, that the company has again won the Army-Navy Production Award for outstanding service in the production of war equipment for the fifth time. The letter from Under Secretary Patterson, addressed to the men and women of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, as released by R. W. Harris, general superintendent, Monday, is as follows: "I am pleased to inform you that you have won for the fifth time the Army-Navy Production Award for outstanding services in the production of war equipment. You have maintained the fine record which brought you distinction more than six months ago, and your standard of practical patriotism is one of which you may well be proud. This fourth renewal is a symbol of high achievement over a long period, and you may now fly the Army-Navy Production Award flag, with its four white stars, for a full year before being considered again by the Army and Navy Boards for Production Awards."

Awarded Three Bronze Stars For Heroism



PFC. ROBERT CHIPMAN
Pfc. Robert Chipman, who was a member of the 155th Infantry Division, and served in the Southwest Pacific for three years, was awarded three Bronze Stars for heroism performed in major engagements on New Britain, Sarmiti, and Neomfoor. He also won the Combat Infantryman's Badge. Pfc. Chipman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Chipman, of Jonesville. He enlisted in the service ten months before Pearl Harbor, and received his training in Panama. He served in New Caledonia, New Britain, Austria, and several small islands. Pfc. Chipman recently spent a 21-day furlough here with his parents, after which he reported to Asheville for reassignment. He was transferred from the Infantry to the Army Air Corps, and is now at Sheppard Field, Texas.

DELEGATION TO PUSH YADKIN FLOOD CONTROL

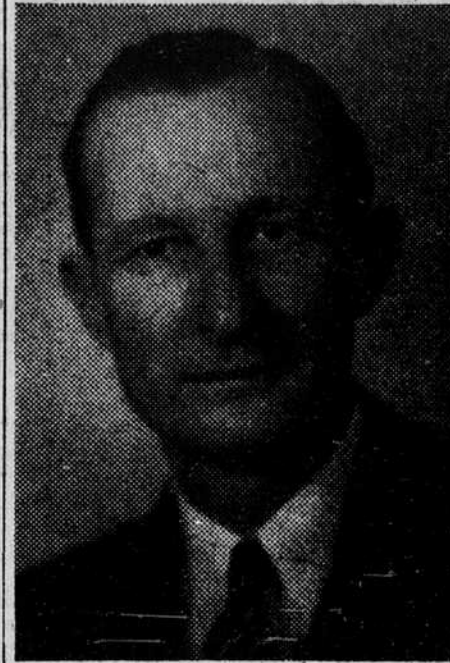
Will Go To Washington February 19 To Discuss Matter TO MEET WITH SOLONS
Support of N. C. Delegation To Be Sought For New Plan Agreed Upon
TO BE INFORMAL MEET

Washington, Feb. 6.—North Carolina solons interested in proposals for flood control, hydroelectric and navigation of the Yadkin-Pee Dee area are preparing to receive a delegation of Tar Heel leaders here during the week of February 19 to discuss the matter informally. Senator Josiah W. Bailey and Reps. Robert L. Doughton, of Laurel Springs, and W. O. Burgin, of Lexington, today suggested to North Carolinians seeking a conference on the matter that such a meeting should await the certainty that members of Congress representing affected districts would all be able to attend.

Hand James, Bailey's secretary, said the senior senator expects to leave Friday for several days on a visit to Raleigh. Since Bailey is chairman of the Senate commerce committee, where Yadkin-Pee Dee development legislation would be handled, Doughton and Burgin are anxious that he attend the planned conference.

Citizens of Wilkes, Surry and Caldwell counties, at a recent meeting in North Wilkesboro, adopted resolutions requesting Congress to enact a "purely flood control dam or dams" in the Yadkin headwaters and to create a national park in the area "to be known as the R. L. Doughton national park." One purpose of the Washington meeting is to seek the support of the N. C. delegation for the new plan.

Four Yank Divisions Invade Germany Anew At Different Points



OFFICIALS—T. F. Cooley, of Elkin, left, manager of Klondike, was reelected president of the North Carolina State Guernsey Breeders Association at Winston-Salem Tuesday, and R. A. McLaughlin, right, former Yadkin county farm agent and later with the Coble Dairy Products Co., of Lexington, was named field man for the five Southeastern States with the National organization. He is said to be tentatively planning to locate his office in Winston-Salem. During the meeting, the Klondike Production Trophy was awarded to Quail Roost Farm. The winning cow was Quail Roost Royal Primrose, owned by George Watts Hill.



Paris, Feb. 7.—Four divisions of the American Third Army invaded Germany anew on a 22-mile front today, storming across the Our and Sure Rivers between ancient Echternach and a point in northern Luxembourg five miles northeast of Clervaux. Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton's shock troops crossed the rivers by boat and bridge at seven points and attacked the Siegfried Line. Intense small arms fire from the fortifications was encountered, but early artillery action was light. The fresh invasion gave Gen. Eisenhower's armies a virtually continuous 120-mile front in western Germany between Holland and the industrial German city of Saarlautern. In the north, the U. S. Ninth and British Second Armies are part 35 miles of the Siegfried Line. The U. S. First and Third Armies are at or through the first West Wall fortifications on a 57-mile sector from the upper Roer near Schmidt to Echternach. Initial gains put Patton's men in half mile inside Germany and

TROOPS SWARM ACROSS RIVERS IN QUICK PUSH

Patton's Third Army Holds Gains On 22-Mile Front
ARE IN SIEGFRIED LINE
Russian Army Broadens Bridgeheads Over The Oder River Near Berlin
ASSAULTING HEAVILY

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INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, Feb. 6.—President Roosevelt, because of problems demanding his attention in Washington, has declined an invitation of King George IV and Queen Elizabeth to be their guest, along with Mrs. Roosevelt, at Buckingham palace after the "big three" meeting, well informed sources said tonight. It was proposed that the President spend four days at Buckingham palace and that Mrs. Roosevelt should fly from the United States to join him.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Germans were told by their own propaganda spokesmen tonight that the Russian offensive could not be stopped at present, while Moscow broadcasts called on Berliners to revolt and spare their city "because no miracle can save Berlin any more." Col. Rittion von Schramm, DNB commentator, said "more territory will have to be yielded to further penetrating Russian masses and in general they still have the initiative." But he added: "German countermeasures are beginning to be felt and the Russians have not yet achieved their main strategic aim—the smashing of the German armies which would have resulted in quick, tragic defeat."

BERN, Feb. 6.—New arrivals from Germany reported today that tremendous new stocks of supplies were being poured into mountain strongholds in the Munich area, where Adolf Hitler is preparing a last-ditch defense when Berlin and northern Germany are conquered. Gestapo chief Heinrich Himmler, these sources said, will join Hitler in his mountain-top stronghold at Berchtesgaden after he conducts the defense of Berlin. He will aid in the command of thousands of fanatical Nazis expected to fight to the last to defend the fuhrer. These travelers from Berlin and other parts of the Reich, who bring a fantastic array of rumors, reports, facts and half-truths, said that some leading Nazis were expected to flee or bargain for their freedom, but that preparation for the last stand was going forward at top speed. Civilian transport around Munich has practically ceased and the normal food supply is disrupted, these sources said.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—It was disclosed definitely today that the "big three" actually are in conference, and the expectation was expressed in informed quarters in London that President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, and Premier Stalin might already have tackled the thorny problem of halting future aggression. Sir Walter Clitine, British trade union

MEN ACCEPTED FOR SERVICES

Names of Those Passing Examination Are Released By Surry Board

COLORED MEN REPORT

Following is the list of men from Surry county draft board No. 2 who have been accepted by the armed forces in the January call: Alfred Wiley Huff, Nathan Atkins, Jesse Alvin Simmons, Eugene Dalton Young, Lonnie Ray Baker, James Montgomery Lyon, Ernest Homer Vestal, Lemuel Clyde Bryant, Dick Ward Ramey, Edworth Mickel, Benjamin Franklin Holyfield, Frank Willey, Clarence Harold Holcomb, Ray Kimber Thompson, Roy Lee Nixon, James Wilton Money, and John Davis Cheek. The latter two are volunteers. Roy Willie Barker and Thomas Phillip Martin, colored, reported for induction February 6.

To Assist Taxpayers In Filing Returns

A deputy collector of internal revenue will be at the city hall here Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 1, 2 and 3, from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. to assist taxpayers in filing their 1944 income tax. No charge will be made for this service.

Although most taxpayers have already made substantial payments on their 1944 federal tax through withholding from their wages or by direct payment to the Collector of Internal Revenue, all taxpayers must file annual returns on or before March 15, 1945. Any person whose total income in 1944 was \$500 or more will be required to file.

Lieut. A. A. Wilson To Speak To Club

Lieutenant A. A. Wilson, commanding officer of the prisoner of war camp at Winston-Salem, will be guest speaker at the meeting this evening (Thursday), of the Elkin Kiwanis Club. The meeting will be held at 6:30 at the Gilvin Roth YMCA. No meeting of the club was held last week, members having attended a special district meeting of Kiwanis Clubs at Salisbury on Wednesday.

Yadkin Soldier Is Wounded In Action

Private Francis Trivette, of near Windsor's Cross Roads, was seriously wounded in Belgium on January 14, a message received by his mother, Mrs. Martha E. Trivette, from the War Department, stated Saturday. Details were unavailable.

FORMER ELKIN WOMAN KILLED

Mrs. Annie Lee Luffman Sneed Fatally Injured In Baltimore By Truck

FUNERAL RITES FRIDAY

Mrs. Annie Lee Luffman Sneed, 20, formerly of this city, was killed Sunday when she was struck by a motor truck in Baltimore, where she has been living, according to a message received by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moseley Luffman. Mrs. Sneed was the wife of Wesley Sneed, now in the army in New Caledonia. She had been employed in Baltimore during his absence. Her father left immediately to accompany the body, and Mrs. Sneed's two-year old daughter here.

Funeral services will be held at the Little Elkin Baptist Church of which Mrs. Sneed was a member, on Friday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. J. H. Luffman and Rev. Willie Luffman will be in charge of the service. Survivors are as follows: the husband, Wesley Ford Sneed; one daughter, Barbara Ann; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moseley M. Luffman of this city; two brothers and one sister of the home, James, Bobby, and Gladys; one sister, Mrs. John Hobson of this city; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Luffman of Ronda; and maternal grandfather, U. G. Love of Statesville.

To Hold 4-H Club Achievement Day February 12th

The annual 4-H Club Achievement Program will be held in the courthouse in Dobson, Monday, February 12th at 10:00 a. m. L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club Leader, will deliver the address. A "Ceremonial for Freedom" pageant will be given by the Copeland 4-H Club. Medals and prizes will be awarded the county winners in the various projects.

A 4-H Club flag will be awarded the club with the most members present based on miles traveled. All club members, leaders and parents are urged to attend.

SURRY MEN ARE GIVEN STATUS

Classifications and Reclassifications Announced By Draft Board

NUMBER IN CLASS 1-A

The following men have been classified or reclassified by the Surry County draft board No. 2, which has jurisdiction over this area:

Robert E. Hodge from 1-C-H (in armed forces but now over 38), to 4-A; Clyde C. Snow to 4-F; Alvie L. Johnson from 1-C to 4-F; Benjamin G. Williams to 1-C (discharged); Doff Kennedy from 4-F to 2-B-F (necessary in civilian work but unfit for military service); Sherman T. Anderson from 2-A to 2-A-F; Mollie Taylor from 4-F-H to 1-A; Dick W. Ramey from 1-A to 1-C (inducted); George W. Wood and James W. Money, from 1-A to 1-C; John D. Cheek to 1-C (inducted); Willie A. Kennedy to 1-A; Charles C. Poplin to 4-F; Lemuel C. Bryant, Eugene D. Young to 1-C (inducted); Marvin E. Chilton to 1-A; Jesse A. Vernon from 4-F to 1-A; Eugene C. Schuyler to 1-A; Paul R. Goins, Coy P. Boyd, William H. Martin, Walter E. Wellborn, to 1-A; James E. Smith to 2-C-F; Raleigh P. Prim, Jr., to 2-C-F; Roy L. Lowe to 4-F; Otis O. Atkins, Carl E. Atkins, Clayton W. McCann, to 2-C-F; Thaddeus D. Hardy, Dalbert A. Simmons, Marshall R. Norman, Arthur J. Booth, Raymond Nance, Amos N. Lowe, Cranford W. Phillips, Alvin J. Stanley, Robert T. Bryant, to 1-A; James R. Pucket to 1-C (inducted); Vestal I. Boyles, Oscar M. Tolbert, Charles A. Peterson, to 1-A.

Joe R. Wilmoth from 2-A to 2-C; Raymond V. Johnson from 1-A to 2-B (necessary in civilian capacity); Arlys G. Walters from 1-A to 2-C (farming); Walter J. Ingool from 1-A to 2-C (farming); Early J. Marsh to 4-F; Jay Mays from 2-A to 2-C; Isaac G. Johnson from 2-A to 2-C; Ira O. Hawks from 4-F to 2-A-F (disqualified for army service); Robert H. Ball from 4-F to 2-A-F; Clayton S. Watson from 4-F to 2-B-F; Charlie W. Wilson from 4-F to 2-B-F; James L. O. Gammans from 4-F to 2-B-F; Claude R. Pardue from 4-F to 2-A-F; Rex W. Pardue from 2-A-F to 4-F; Paul Marion, Jr., from 4-F to 2-B-F; Jesse J. Couch from 4-F to 2-A-F; James T. Mays from 4-F to 2-A-F; Gurney G. Wilkins from 2-B; William T. Shinault from 2-A to 2-B.

Pvt. Robt. Mallory Seriously Wounded

Private Robert C. Mallory, of Thurmond, was seriously wounded in Belgium on January 19, his mother, Mrs. Meadie B. Mallory, was notified Sunday by the War Department. No other details were available.

J-CS THANKED BY HOSPITAL

Dr. Weaver Expresses In Letter Appreciation For Members' Help

HEAR MUSICAL PROGRAM

A letter from Dr. C. C. Weaver, expressing the appreciation of Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital officials and personnel to the Jaycees for their voluntary work at the hospital was read at the regular meeting of the Junior Chamber at the Y. M. C. A., Monday evening. Two Jaycees are aiding at the hospital each morning and evening as orderlies due to an acute shortage of help. Following the dinner and business session, an enjoyable musical program was presented, including several numbers by a quartet made up of Dr. Lem Stokes, John Sagar, Dr. Taylor and Van Dillon, Jr., accompanied by Mrs. Van Dillon, Jr. A piano duet by Mrs. Dwayne Irwin and Mrs. Dillon was also presented. Approximately 35 members attended the meeting. President Hubert Parker presided, welcoming a new member, Bill Turner, into the organization.

READY PLANS FOR BANQUET

Frank Jeter, of Raleigh, To Speak At Annual Employer-Employee Meeting
TICKETS NOW ON SALE
Plans have been completed for the annual employer-employee banquet to be held here at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening, February 13, at 7:00 o'clock. Frank Jeter, of Raleigh, extension editor of N. C. State College, will be the principal speaker. Following the banquet, a special program and square dance will be held. Sponsored by the officers and directors of the Elkin Merchants Association, the banquet is always a gala affair. Attendance is not confined to merchants association members and their employees, but is also open to anyone wishing to attend. C. N. Myers will act as master of ceremonies. Tickets are now on sale at Turner Company, Abernethy's and at the office of the Merchants Association. Price of a ticket is \$1.50, it was announced.

Two Have Narrow Escape In Crash

Tom Morrison, colored pilot, of Elkin, and Tom Hemric, white, an employee of Klondike Farm, narrowly escaped serious injury Wednesday afternoon of last week when the plane in which they were returning from Hickory to the Elkin-Jonesville airport, piloted by Morrison, struck a power line and crashed. Morrison, who holds a pilot's license and has had considerable time in the air, said one of the wheels of the plane struck the static wire of a high tension line which runs near the airport, causing the plane to nose over and land on its back. Blinded by the sun he said he failed to see the wire. Hemric was uninjured. Morrison received a cut on his left cheek. The plane was pretty badly damaged.

Dr. Weaver Appeals For Nurses' Aides

Dr. C. C. Weaver, general superintendent of Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, Wednesday issued an appeal to local women to join the Red Cross Nurses' Aide class that is to get under way here within the near future. Dr. Weaver said that the need for nurses' aides is vital, and that by joining the new class, local women could render service where it is needed most. Those interested in joining the class should get in touch with Miss Roxie Bowen by phoning her at 317-M any afternoon after 5:00 o'clock.

WMC TO CHECK ON EMPLOYERS

To See If They Adhere To Regulations As To The Hiring of Workers
IS TO BE STATE-WIDE

The War Manpower Commission in North Carolina is moving out immediately on the Byrnes Directive by making a State-wide check on employers as to their adherence to WMC regulations in the hiring of workers, maintaining approved employment ceilings and turnover allowances, states WMC Area Director Phil W. Grandjean for the Piedmont area. WMC-USSES Compliance Officers are now busily engaged checking employment records of all essential and non-essential employers to determine if their workers have been hired in accordance with WMC directives. No stone will be left unturned to find out if hiring, ceilings, and stabilization procedures have been followed. The employer should have in his files a USSES referral card, Form 508, for all male workers on his pay roll. Female workers from out of the area or last employed in essential work must have been hired either by a referral of the USSES or a Statement of Availability from their last employer. For female workers just entering the labor market and those hired from non-essential employment, employers must have a Certificate of Prior Employment. Veterans of World War II are exempt from these controls and have freedom of movement in their choice of jobs. (The WMC defines a veteran to be a person discharged from the armed forces subsequent to December 7, 1941.) Mr. Grandjean asks the cooperation of all employers who may have lost workers to other firms without proper clearance in order that Compliance officers may help locate any such workers. When workers are found to be hired in non-compliance, they will either be returned to their former employers or they will be required to secure proper clearance. Mr. Grandjean urges employers to report such violations to him or to the Compliance Officers or to telephone or write their nearest U. S. Employment Service Office in order that each case may be thoroughly investigated.

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Marine Injured In Crash Through Glass

Pfc. Charles Tullock, of the U. S. Marine Corps, a veteran of the South Pacific fighting, received a slightly punctured lung and cuts about the head and face here on Tuesday night in an affray with Dolphus Kennedy, a member of the U. S. Merchant Marine, when the two crashed through a plate glass window of a local cafe. Tullock was taken to the Hugh Chatham hospital for treatment. Kennedy was not injured. The two are scheduled to be given a hearing before Magistrate J. L. Hall.

SCOUTS ARE TO RUN THE TOWN

Will Assume All City Offices Friday Afternoon From 4 Until 5 o'Clock
KETCHEL ADAMS MAYOR

As has been the custom here for a number of years in observance of Boy Scout Week, members of the local troops of Elkin Scouts will take over the duties of town officials for an hour Friday afternoon, from 4 to 5 p. m. Scouts who will hold the various offices have been announced as follows: Mayor, Kitchel Adams; Mayor Pro-Tem, John Beeson; Chief of Police, David Lee Fletcher; Assistant Chief of Police, Jim DeBorde; Chief of Fire Department, Sam Shugart; Assistant Fire Chief, Bill Price; Chief Surgeon, Ralph Jennings; Assistant Chief Surgeon, Dickey Stuart; Town Commissioners: Eugene Phillips, Charles Hanks, G. C. Cooper, Bill Smith, Sonny Blackburn; Tax Collector, Bob Lawrence; Assistant Tax Collector, Hal Martin Stuart; Firemen: Dick Ogburn, Floyd Brendle, Jim Chipman, Parks Roberts, Vascoe Whatley and Jim Parker.

Polio Drive Here Nets Total Of \$1,754.72

With a county quota of \$3,500, the infantile paralysis March of Dimes campaign in the Elkin district alone has netted a total of \$1,754.72. It was announced Wednesday by Sam Neaves, local chairman. Contributions in the drive as listed last week totaled \$1,150. Later contributions have been announced as follows: North Elkin school, \$65.63; Mountain Park school, \$101.83; colored residential section, \$12.78; Jaycee coin boxes in business section, \$249.93; Chatham Manufacturing Company, \$100; Spalnhour's, \$50.00; Miscellaneous, \$24.60. Mr. Neaves stated that he wished to extend his thanks to the public for the generous response, and to all who so ably assisted in the drive.