



Sgt. Sam Gambill Killed In Action At Luxembourg



SGT. I. S. GAMBILL, Jr.

Sergeant Ira Samuel Gambill, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Ira Samuel Gambill, Sr., of this city, was killed in action in Luxembourg on February 12, according to an official War Department telegram to his wife, the former Miss Edna O'Hair.

Sergeant Gambill was a member of a Combat Engineers Unit of General Patton's Third Army. He entered service May 15, 1943 and trained at Ft. McClellan, Ala., ASTP at State College, Raleigh, and at Ft. Jackson, S. C. He went overseas in October, 1944, and served in England and France before going to Luxembourg.

Sergeant Gambill was a graduate of Elkin high school and of the University of North Carolina, class of 1943. While a student at the University he distinguished himself in many fields of activity. He is listed in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," 1942-43 edition, as a member of the Golden Fleece, secretary and treasurer of the student body, exchequer of the Order of the Grail, president of the junior class, member of the University Club, secretary of the dance committee, member of the Board of Directors of Graham Memorial, and a member of the inter dormitory council.

Surviving are: his wife, who is at present making her home in Greensboro; his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Ira Samuel Gambill of this city; one sister, Nancy Carroll, of the home; two brothers, Corporal William G. Gambill, who is stationed with the Army Air Force in England; John M. Gambill, who is now aboard the U. S. S. Blount; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gentry, of Thurmond.

YADKIN FARMER DIES TUESDAY

T. L. Mendenhall, Well-Known Citizen, Suffered Brief Illness

RITES ARE INCOMPLETE

T. L. Mendenhall, 62, passed away at the Elkin Hospital Tuesday evening following an illness of several days.

Mr. Mendenhall, a well-known farmer, was a native of Yadkin county and spent his entire life in the Boonville community.

Survivors are the wife, the former Miss Rhoda Mathis; six sons, Dallas, Boonville; Harvey, Leasbury; David, U. S. Army; Glenn, Jonesville; James, of this city; Charlie, U. S. Army; three daughters, Mrs. Sadie Long, Jonesville; Mrs. Gladys Ray, Roaring River, and Miss Ruby Mendenhall, of the home.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Mayor, Board Frown On Ride Thumbing Here

J. R. Poindexter, mayor of Elkin, and members of the Elkin school board have asked The Tribune to call attention to the practice of thumbing rides by high school students and out of school.

It was also asked that this matter be called to the attention of the parents for the protection of both the children and motorists.

This habit of standing in the street and thumbing rides by a dangerous practice, it was said, and could cause a child to be injured and a resultant lawsuit against the motorist involved in case of injury while riding or getting in or out of the vehicle.

RED CROSS DRIVE TO START MONDAY

Invite 600 To Annual Farmers Meeting

WILL BE HELD AT YMCA HERE ON MARCH 15

C. W. Bailey, Prominent Banker, To Be Speaker

GOVERNOR IS INVITED

Former Governor J. Melville Broughton Also Expected To Be Here

JOHNSON IS CHAIRMAN

Six hundred farmers from Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes counties have been invited to Elkin for the Third Annual Farmers Day Program and Farmers Night Dinner, according to an announcement by Garland Johnson, Elkin banker and chairman of the Elkin Agricultural Council.

The program will be conducted in the YMCA on March 15. The address, climaxing the program for the day, will be made by C. W. Bailey, chairman of the Food for Freedom Committee of the American Banker's Association. Governor R. Gregg Cherry and former Governor, J. Melville Broughton are expected to attend and both are scheduled to speak at the banquet.

The afternoon program, starting at 3 p. m., will bring many outstanding leaders in Agriculture and North Carolina to Elkin. The first program will give farmers who received and accepted invitations, an opportunity to hear Dr. E. O. Schaub, Director of the Extension Service open the meeting. Greetings will be given from the North Carolina Banker's Association Secretary, Fred Greene.

J. H. Hilton, head of Animal Husbandry Department of State College, will speak on "The Importance of Pastures in a Livestock Program." "Establishing and Maintaining Permanent Pastures" will be discussed by Dr. J. P. LaMaster, Dairy Department of Clemson College.

The first program will end with a discussion on "Annual Pastures" by John A. Arey, Dairy Extension Specialist of State College.

The second program will get under way at 4:30 in the YMCA, when farmers will have a chance to discuss beef cattle problems with L. I. Case, Animal Husbandry Specialist; soil conservation problems with E. B. Garrett, State Conservationist; farm management problems with R. W. Shaffner, head of Extension Farm Management. These discussions will run simultaneously and farmers may have their choice of subjects. This section will run for 30 minutes with 10 minutes intermission to change speakers.

The next part of the second program will be discussions on dairying by J. A. Arey; Hybrid corn production by Dr. G. K. Middleton, and frozen fruits by Dr. D. E. Jones. These speakers are top ranking leaders in each of their subjects.

The closing discussions or lectures on the second program will offer poultry production by C. F. Parrish in charge of Poultry Extension at State College. Hay and forage crops will be discussed by E. C. Blair, Extension Agronomist—small grains by Dr. G. K. Middleton, Plant Breeder of the Experiment Station.

The banquet starting at 7:00 o'clock is sponsored by the Civic Clubs of Elkin and presented by the Agricultural Council composed of the Agricultural Committees of the Civic Clubs and the Merchants Association. Seven to eight hundred men are expected to attend this, the Third Annual Banquet.

No One Badly Hurt In Auto Collision

Gene Hall, of Elkin, received bruises about the face last Saturday, when the car in which he was riding, driven by Harold Brendle, also of this city, was struck by a car said to have been operated by Paul Moxley, of near Boonville. The accident occurred on the Boonville highway.

Brendle and Moxley were not hurt, although both cars were pretty badly damaged. Moxley, it was said, was arrested following the accident on a charge of drunkenness.

Yanks Cross River And Press Toward Cologne

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF From the State and Nation

Repulse Banzai Charge Of Japs In Philippines

American infantrymen broke across the Ert River line at two or more points Wednesday, and rammmed eastward through deep minefields over the last seven miles to Cologne and the Rhine River.

Front dispatches said the bulk of the German forces were believed to have fled over the Rhine, leaving the remnants of seven divisions to be cut to pieces by American armored columns fanning out over the Cologne Plain.

Panic and confusion were spreading swiftly through the ranks of the remaining Nazi troops scattered over a front of more than 100 miles on the west side of the Rhine from the Calcar-Uedem sector, down to the headwaters of the Roer River below Dueren.

While powerful infantry columns of the American First Army hurried the Ert and struck for Cologne in the area directly east of Dueren, armored divisions of the U. S. Ninth Army were racing northward into the rim of the Ruhr Valley, driving full-tilt for the great arsenal city of Duesseldorf.

At the same time, the Canadian First Army to the north won a major breakthrough in the Siegfried Line defenses guarding the upper roads to the Ruhr and slammed ahead to within about 25 miles of a junction with the American Ninth Army.

In the Philippines screaming Japanese, attacking behind the heaviest artillery barrage in the growing battle for the Marikina watershed east of Manila, launched a large-scale banzai charge

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NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27. — Fuel Administrator Harold L. Ickes stepped into the growing coal-wage dispute today with a blunt warning that the nation cannot afford a work stoppage, however brief. Declaring that the time has come to "trim our sails and get down to realities," he reported that consumer stocks are dwindling rapidly and that many industrial uses must be slowed down. His lengthy report to the war production board said a national fuel crisis can be expected by next winter if the European war lasts that long. This will be true even with continued full coal production which is expected to fall 50,000,000 tons short of needs.

INTERNATIONAL

ROME, Feb. 27. — In their first major counterthrust at the allies' newly won positions on the left flank of the Fifth army front, German troops attacked savagely in the Mt. Belvedere sector, it was disclosed today. The thrust, launched on Monday, followed an artillery barrage designed to dislodge the Tenth United States mountain division and a unit of Brazilian troops from their commanding positions atop the lofty heights of Belvedere and the lesser peaks of Mt. Della

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Pfc. J. H. Hemric Slightly Wounded

Mrs. Verna Haynes of State Road has been notified by the War Department that her son, Pfc. Joseph H. Hemric was slightly wounded in Germany on February 9.

Pfc. M. R. Underwood Wounded In Germany

Pfc. Miles R. Underwood was slightly wounded in Germany on February 9, according to a War Department telegram to his wife, Mrs. Hazel Underwood, of Hamptonville.



WINS TWO AWARDS — Pfc. Elliot Dale Walters, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Walters of Ronda, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in Belgium on January 15. He has also won the Good Conduct Medal. Pfc. Walters is serving with the 6th Armored Division of General Patton's Third Army. He entered service in February, 1943, and received his training at Camp Cooke, California. He went overseas in February, 1944.

FFA MEMBERS HOLD MEETING

Representatives From Four Counties Gather At Boonville On Thursday

The Federation of Future Farmers of four counties, Surry, Stokes, Davie and Yadkin, met at Boonville in the Agricultural Building, Thursday, February 22, at 3:00 o'clock with around 60 members present for the annual Ritual and Parliamentary Procedure Contest.

The schools competing were the King and Walnut Cove from Stokes County, Pilot Mountain, Copeland and White Plains from Surry County, Mocksville from Davie County and Yadkinville, Boonville, West Yadkin and Courtney from Yadkin County.

West Yadkin won first place with sixty-four points while King and Pilot Mountain tied for second with fifty-eight points each. Boonville won fourth place.

The officers competing from West Yadkin were Bobby Marshall, president; J. D. Mason, vice-president; Gray Bell, treasurer; Lester Miller, secretary; Thomas Miller, Jr., reporter; C. R. Wright, advisor.

The next Federation meeting will be the seed judging contest which will be held at West Yadkin on March 23, with two representatives present from each school.

LIONS CLUB TO COLLECT WASTE GREASE SUNDAY

Will Cover Town Regardless Of Weather

COOPERATION IS ASKED

Citizens Requested To Place Fats Near Curb Or In Other Convenient Spot

DO NOT STORE IN GLASS

The Elkin Lions Club will make a town-wide collection of waste fats here Sunday, beginning at 2 p. m., rain or shine, it has been announced by club officers.

Due to the bad weather, many people failed to put their waste fats out, although a city-wide collection was made as planned.

W. J. (Bill) Graham, president of the club, urged Wednesday that every Elkin resident save fats and remember to put it in a convenient place for collection Sunday afternoon. Needed for the manufacture of medicines and explosives, if just one person falls down on the job of saving waste fats it could possibly cost the life of some fighting man.

"The Lions Club appreciates the manner in which Elkin people have cooperated in helping to send our fats off to war," Mr. Graham said. "It shows that we are doing our bit to help on the home front. As a public service as well as a patriotic duty, the Elkin Lions Club will collect this waste fat on the first Sunday of each month as long as the people will cooperate."

Citizens putting out fats are urged to store it in containers other than glass, and to place it where it will be plain view.

Miss Brodie Joins Staff Of Tribune

Miss Paige Brodie, of Raleigh, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, where she majored in journalism, has joined The Tribune reporter staff.

Prior to entering the University, she attended Flora Macdonald College at Red Springs. During her college work at Chapel Hill, Miss Brodie was a feature writer for The News of Orange County, weekly newspaper published at Hillsboro. She is a member of the Episcopal Church, and is making her home at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Cockerham, on West Main street.

Charles L. Skarren To Speak At Special Organizational Meet



HAS RETURNED RECENTLY FROM WAR THEATRES

Civic Club Members and Other Workers Are To Attend

ANNOUNCE COMMITTEES

Final Detailed Instruction To Be Given Workers At Special Session

NEED FOR FUNDS GREAT

Charles L. Skarren, who has just returned from seventeen months overseas service with the American Red Cross, will address a joint dinner meeting of the Kiwanis Club, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club and other Red Cross workers at a final organization dinner meeting at the YMCA Monday evening, March 5, at 7:00 o'clock. C. C. Poindexter, publicity chairman of the Red Cross War Fund Drive, announced Tuesday.

Mr. Skarren will be introduced by G. Kellock Hale, Jr., of Mount Airy, chairman of the Surry county chapter of the Red Cross. Mrs. Joe Bivins, chairman of the Elkin branch; Mrs. George Royall, vice-chairman; Mrs. A. O. Bryan, campaign chairman; Miss Bettie Allen, treasurer of the Elkin branch; Miss Ophelia Paul, War Fund treasurer; J. H. Beeson, Home Service chairman; and C. J. Hyslop, County controller and local secretary, have completed appointments of the various workers committee, and final detailed instructions will be outlined at this meeting.

The workers have responded cheerfully to this call, and the committees are as follows:

Rural Districts: Mrs. Paul Brown, chairman; Mrs. C. B. Burch, Mrs. W. V. Burch, Mrs. C. C. Thompson, Mrs. Raymond Brown, Mrs. Ernest Smith and Mrs. J. D. Hemmings.

North Elkin: Mrs. J. Walter Darnell, Chairman; Mrs. T. F. Cooley, Mrs. C. S. Foster, Mrs. Paul Smith, Mrs. J. L. Darnell, Mrs. Marie Smith, Mrs. Oscar Dalton Jester, Rt. 1, East Bend; Earl Edward Hinshaw, Boonville; Harold Alonzo Renegar, Hamptonville; Thomas Howard Gough, Rt. 2, East Bend; Grady Junior Hunter, Rt. 1, Boonville; Jether Ward Smitherman, Rt. 2, East Bend; Lynn Aaron Holcomb, Jonesville; Julius Monroe Miller, Jr., Rt. 1, Boonville; Graham Davis Haga, Rt. 2, East Bend; Sanford Columbus Swain, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Clark Obin Hoots, Rt. 2, Yadkinville; Billy Wade Hobson, Rt. 2, East Bend; Arvil Lloyd Pardue, Yadkinville; Earle Ring, East Bend; Leg Roy Turner, Rt. 1, Hamptonville; Hobert Coolidge Vanhoy, Hamptonville; Ernest Gladis Shaffner, Jonesville; P. D. Groce, Rt. 1, Cycle; William James Willard, Rt. 1, Boonville; Howard Goodin, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Granville Vestal, Jonesville; David William Lovelace, Jonesville; Troy Lee Branon, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Otis Gordon Trexler, Rt. 1, Jonesville.

The two who failed to show up Monday morning were John Henry Brown, Jonesville; and Joseph Kenneth Cheek, Jonesville. According to the local board Cheek has not co-operated with the board as other draftees have. In the first place he failed to register and the local board had to send him a message to report. Several months after registration day, when called for his physical examination he appeared promptly and went for the physical. However when called for induction Monday he failed to report.

YADKIN MEN GO FOR INDUCTION

Two of Group Scheduled To Enter Armed Forces Monday Failed To Appear

WENT TO FORT BRAGG

Twenty-seven young Yadkin county men left Monday morning for Fort Bragg, where they were to be inducted into the armed forces of the nation. The local draft board intended to call 30 men to go, but one of them failed to get his notice properly and two failed to show up. The 27 who were sent were:

Willie Gray Hunter, Rt. 2, East Bend; Brice Richard Williams, Rt. 2, Yadkinville; Wilbert Free Harrison, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Everette Dalton Jester, Rt. 1, East Bend; Earl Edward Hinshaw, Boonville; Harold Alonzo Renegar, Hamptonville; Thomas Howard Gough, Rt. 2, East Bend; Grady Junior Hunter, Rt. 1, Boonville; Jether Ward Smitherman, Rt. 2, East Bend; Lynn Aaron Holcomb, Jonesville; Julius Monroe Miller, Jr., Rt. 1, Boonville; Graham Davis Haga, Rt. 2, East Bend; Sanford Columbus Swain, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Clark Obin Hoots, Rt. 2, Yadkinville; Billy Wade Hobson, Rt. 2, East Bend; Arvil Lloyd Pardue, Yadkinville; Earle Ring, East Bend; Leg Roy Turner, Rt. 1, Hamptonville; Hobert Coolidge Vanhoy, Hamptonville; Ernest Gladis Shaffner, Jonesville; P. D. Groce, Rt. 1, Cycle; William James Willard, Rt. 1, Boonville; Howard Goodin, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Granville Vestal, Jonesville; David William Lovelace, Jonesville; Troy Lee Branon, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Otis Gordon Trexler, Rt. 1, Jonesville.

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Jaycee Cage Tournament Off To Flying Start



EAST BEND-MOUNTAIN PARK OPEN TOURNAMENT—The first play of the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce Invitational Basketball Tournament had just gotten under way at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. gymnasium when the picture above was taken, showing an exciting moment of the contest between East Bend and Mountain Park boys which was won by East Bend. Note ball near basket. Players shown are, left to right, Janita Davis, East Bend; Lorene Brown, Mountain Park; Eva Moody, shooting, Mountain Park; Ab Crater, partly hidden, referee; Margaret Horn, East Bend; Dot Pardue, Mountain Park, and Patsy Smitherman, East Bend.—Photo by T. A. Redmon.

The Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce Invitational Basketball Tournament got under way here Monday evening at the Gilvin Roth YMCA auditorium with an excellent brand of basketball that featured exciting contests and large crowds.

Jaycees were definitely pleased with the manner in which the tournament, which they hope to make an annual event, opened.

Games scheduled for Wednesday evening were announced as follows: girls—Jonesville vs. Elkin, and Pilot Mountain vs. Harmony, Boys—Jonesville vs. Harmony and Pilot Mountain vs. Franklin. Inasmuch as these games were to be played after The Tribune press time, winners cannot be listed.

Games this evening (Thursday): girls—West Yadkin vs. Dobson, and Beulah vs. Yadkinville. Boys—Mountain Park vs. Shoals and Union Grove vs. Courtney.

In the first round of play Monday evening, the East Bend girls defeated Mountain Park; Boonville boys defeated Sparta; and Flat Rock girls defeated Sparta girls. Tuesday evening, Lowgap girls defeated Shoals; Union Grove boys defeated Lowgap; Beulah girls defeated Courtney 23 to 22 in an exciting extra period game, and Courtney boys defeated Dobson.

Finals of the tournament will be played on March 2.

Need Here For Blood Plasma Is Said Acute

The Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital is once more in urgent need for blood donors to make blood plasma, it has been announced.

Due to the poor response of the town people to this call, it is felt that they do not realize the importance of plasma. It was said, although everyone reads practically every day of the wonders it works on the battlefields. Its need at home is just as important to the patient as to the wounded soldier.

"In case of a large fire or accident in town we would need numerous pints of plasma for the Joe Doakes that would be hurt," it was pointed out, "but if the Joe Doakes are not interested in donating blood now the plasma will not be available if and when needed."

Citizens interested in giving of their blood for use as plasma are urged to either call the hospital or Jack Caudill, captain of the emergency squad. Mr. Caudill will provide transportation to the hospital in cases where the donor needs it.

THEY STILL DIE—WILL YOU BUY?

John P. Burch Is Prisoner of War

John P. Burch, who was reported missing on January 12, is now a prisoner of the Germans, according to a message received on Thursday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Burch of Devotion.