

YANKS CRASH INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

To Make City-Wide Clothing Collection

Will Be Staged Sunday, Starting At 2 o'Clock

A city-wide clothing collection for the United National Clothing Collection campaign will be conducted next Sunday afternoon, April 22, beginning at 2:00 o'clock.

Members of the Kiwanis Club, Junior Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club will take part in the collection and will be assisted by the various troops of Boy Scouts.

All persons contributing clothing (and all are urged to contribute), are requested to have the clothing ready when the collectors call. The clothing need not be wrapped; however, it will be easier to handle if rolled and tied into a bundle. The need for this clothing in the former occupied countries grows greater each day, and it is hoped that the Elkin community will donate a very substantial quantity of usable township.

Collection points have been established at the plant of Chatham Manufacturing Co., for donations from employees who are unable to reach the central collection depot in the Nicks' building.

Young ladies of the Junior Woman's Club are on duty each afternoon (except Wednesday) from 2:00 to 6:00 to receive clothing delivered to the central collection depot. Call telephone 50 for further information.

WILDLIFE CLUB TO BE FORMED

Meeting Is To Be Held At Gilvin Roth YMCA This Evening At 7:30

STATE OFFICERS COMING

A meeting will be held this evening (Thursday), at 7:30 o'clock at the Gilvin Roth YMCA for the purpose of organizing the "Elkin Wildlife Federation."

The organization to be formed will be an affiliate of the recently formed state organization, and Col. Frank Page, of Greensboro, president of the federation, and other state officers, will be present.

The Wildlife Federation has as its purpose the conservation, preservation, and protection of all wildlife resources.

SHOULD PACK BOXES BETTER

Post Office Department Warns That Many Packages Badly Damaged

Attention has been called to improper packing and insufficiently wrapped parcels for overseas shipment, by the post office department.

Due to the fact that thousands of improperly wrapped parcels have to be re-wrapped and packed by postal employees at ports of embarkation, the post office department at Washington has advised local postmasters that such packages should not be accepted.

Among factors contributing to damage are: shipping containers made of too light and brittle material to carry safely; outer wrapping paper that is too thin and easily torn; insufficient cord too light to withstand strain; insufficient and improper packing of breakable articles, such as bottles of shaving lotions, jars of preserves, etc., which when broken cause the outer container to disintegrate; loose packing of articles with sharp edges and corners.

Boxes for overseas transmission should be stronger than containers used for parcels which do not leave the country, and should be made of metal, wood, solid fiberboard or strong, double-faced corrugated fiberboard, testing at least 200 pounds.

Each box should be tied securely with strong cord.

ASSAULT COUNT AGAINST LOCAL POLICE DENIED

Officer Sams Cleared After Hearing Monday

HEARD BY J. L. HALL

Charge of Assault With Intent To Kill Brought By Guy Cockerham

GREW OUT OF ARREST

In a preliminary hearing held before Justice of the Peace J. L. Hall here Monday morning, which was attended by approximately a hundred interested Elkin citizens, a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill which had been brought against Elkin Policeman T. B. Sams by Guy Cockerham, of Yadkin county, was dismissed.

The charge by Cockerham was preferred following his arrest by Officer Sams here last week in which the policeman found it necessary to subdue the man by force. Dismissal of the charge against Sams apparently met with the complete approval of all who knew of the case.

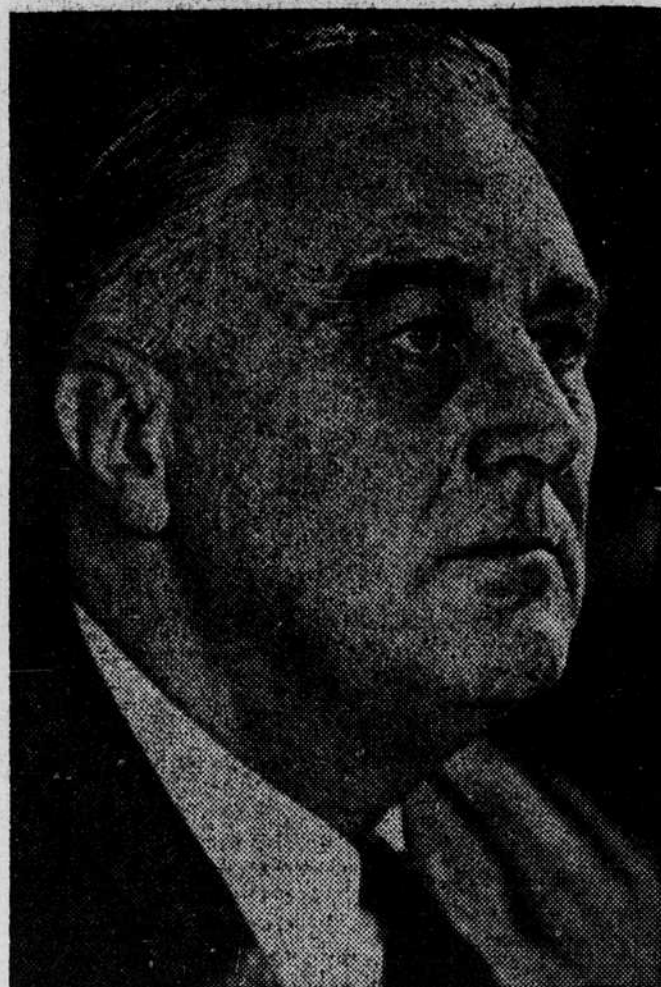
Cockerham, said to have been in a drunken condition, was arrested by Sams Monday night of last week after he had emerged from a local cafe. Witnesses stated that Sams in attempting to take the man to jail peacefully, was forced to resort to his pistol after Cockerham had snatched his blackjack and had made an attempt to stab him with a pocket knife.

Sams stated that inasmuch as Cockerham had cut a slight gash in his neck and had ripped his

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DEATH BRINGS NEW LEADERSHIP

While the world mourned the tragic passing of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who died unexpectedly at Warm Springs, Ga., last Thursday afternoon, new leadership was brought to the nation as Vice-President Harry S. Truman, right, was sworn into office a few hours after the news of Mr. Roosevelt's death. Pledged to carry on as Mr. Roosevelt would have wished it, President Truman has been assured of the support of Washington leaders.



Death Of President Roosevelt Is Shock To Citizens Of Elkin

Merchants Here Close Stores In Last Tribute

The tragic news of the passing of President Franklin D. Roosevelt at Warm Springs, Ga., last Thursday afternoon, was received in Elkin with the same sense of numbing shock and sorrow as characterized other towns and cities throughout the nation.

Announced by radio, the news was quickly spread by those who heard it. With but few exceptions, every person seemed to feel that he had lost a true friend, and many were heard to remark that it was almost as if a member of the family had passed away.

Flags flew at half-mast throughout the day Friday and Saturday in front of the stores, and as a mark of respect to the late President all Elkin stores with but one exception, closed their doors at 4:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, the time of the funeral services which were conducted in the White House at Washington.

Local theatres closed at four to reopen at 5:00 p. m., along with grocery stores, drug stores and barber shops. With these exceptions, all other stores which had closed did not reopen Saturday.

Although there were no special memorial services held here for Mr. Roosevelt, prayers were offered in the town's churches and at other gatherings, as were prayers for the guidance of the nation's new President, Harry S. Truman, who was sworn in a short time after the news of the passing of Mr.

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Ernie Pyle Is Killed By Jap Machine Gun

Ernie Pyle, considered one of the most outstanding war correspondents of the present war, and who is known to thousands throughout this section who have been readers of his daily newspaper column, has been killed in the Pacific war theatre, it was announced Wednesday at noon.

According to the news bulletin, Pyle was killed by Japanese machine gun fire on a small island near Okinawa.

PURCHASES TO AFFECT QUOTA

All E-Bonds Bought Now Will Apply On Figure Set For Seventh War Loan

DRIVE STARTS MAY 14

All purchase of E-Bonds which have been made since Monday morning of last week will apply on the E-Bond quota assigned Surry county in the Seventh War Loan drive which will officially get under way throughout the nation on May 14, and continue through June 30. However, purchases of E-Bonds will continue to apply on the county quota through July 7.

The Surry county quota for all ers must be accompanied by a

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SERIOUSLY WOUNDED—Private First Class Reginald G. Boles, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Boles, of Cycle, was seriously wounded in Germany on March 22, according to a War Department telegram to his wife, the former Miss Inez Hemic, of Cycle. He entered service early in 1943, and went overseas in February of this year. He is holder of the Good Conduct Medal.

Pvt. Ralph H. Nance Is Slightly Wounded

Private Ralph H. Nance, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Nance, of Booneville, was slightly wounded in Germany on March 27, according to a notice from the War Department to his parents. He entered the Army in June, 1944, and received his training at Camp Croft before going overseas in January.

Storm Five Of Hun's Major Strongholds As 3rd Reich Crumbles

McAdams Has Resigned As School Head

J. Mark McAdams, for the past 10 years superintendent of the Elkin schools, has resigned, effective at the end of the current school year, it was learned Wednesday.

Mr. McAdams told The Tribune that he had made no definite plans for the future, and that he did not wish to make a further statement at this time.

Whether or not the Elkin school board has anyone under consideration to replace Mr. McAdams will probably not be announced until the next meeting of the school board, or later, it is understood.

OLDER GIRLS HOLD MEETING

Carolinas Conference Held At The Gilvin Roth YMCA Here, Past Week-End

ENJOY GOOD PROGRAM

The fourth Older Girls Conference of the Carolinas was opened Friday night at the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A. by words of welcome from J. Wilson Smith, Interstate Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. The welcome from the local group was given by Miss Martha Harris, president of the Elkin Tri-Hi-Y. Miss Alene Holcomb, president of Jonesville club, led a devotional built around the Conference theme "Passing The Torch". The highlight of the evening was an inspirational talk by Miss Janet Robinson, head of the Department of Bible in the Charlotte City Schools. Miss Robinson spoke on the subject "Looking Unto Jesus", asking searching questions about our use of prayer and our abilities in the service of the Master. The Session was closed with the singing of "My Faith Looks Up To Thee".

The Saturday morning session was opened with moments of silence in memory of President Roosevelt, followed by devotionals led by Miss Winkle Stokes, of Mount Airy. During the business session reports were given by Miss Peggy Rose Lambert, of Kannapolis, and Miss Billie Jones of

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FORMER ELKIN WOMAN PASSES

Mrs. Sophia Kernodle Turner Passes Away Monday At Statesville Hospital

RITES ARE HELD HERE

Funeral services for Mrs. Sophia Kernodle Turner, 65, who died Monday morning in a Statesville Hospital, following a month's serious illness, were held here at the Methodist Church Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Turner formerly resided in this city, and was a member of the Methodist Church. Dr. J. Lem Stokes, II, Rev. E. W. Fox, and Dr. Charles M. Boyd conducted the services. Burial was in the Hollywood cemetery.

Mrs. Turner was the daughter of John Willie and Cornelia Thompson Kernodle, of Reidsville. She was married to Dr. W. D. Turner, who preceded her in death. Dr. Turner was in the drug store business here for 23 years. Since his death Mrs. Turner has made her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Garland R. Stafford, in Taylorsville.

The body remained at the Hayes-Speas Funeral Home until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning when it was removed to the church to lie in state until the funeral hour.

Surviving are one son, W. Delbert, Jr., of Charlotte, and one daughter, Mrs. G. B. Stafford of Taylorsville.

REDS ARE SAID WITHIN SIGHT NAZI CAPITAL

Believed Pushing Forward In Drive To Berlin

GERMANS SAY 17 MILES

Patton's Army Is Reported To Be Within 80 Miles Of Russian Army

ALL ARMIES ADVANCING

Paris April 18.—American Armies rolled into Czechoslovakia and stormed the five keystone cities of Hitler's crumbling Third Reich today in a general offensive that swept away their Western Front.

Flying columns of Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton's American Third Army broke across the German frontiers into Czechoslovakia early today on the final lap of a 200-mile dash from the Rhine that split the Reich in two.

The break-through was made at an undisclosed point near the northwestern tip of the enslaved Czechoslovak Republic, barely 100 miles from Prague.

Patton's Third Army troops also fought their way into Chemnitz, about 50 miles northeast of their crossing point, and 80-odd miles west of the advancing Red Army.

Powerful tank and infantry forces of the American First Seventh and Ninth Armies meanwhile, were storming the remaining four cornerstones of Germany's western line—Leipzig, Halle, Nuernberg and Magdeburg.

The Americans already had swept far beyond all five Nazi citadels to points as close as 70 miles from the Russians—on the Berlin front—and their fall ap-

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ORGANIZE FOR CANCER DRIVE

Campaign To Raise Funds Gets Under Way Next Monday Morning

LIONS CLUB SPONSOR

An organizational meeting to plan for the campaign here against cancer, in which the American Cancer Society is seeking \$5,000,000 for research, relief of cancer victims, and educational work, was held at the YMCA Monday evening by representatives of the Elkin Lions Club, which is sponsoring the drive, and the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce.

T. L. Parnell has been named as Elkin chairman of the drive, having been appointed by Jack Caudill, of this city, who is Surry chairman. Mr. Parnell said Tuesday that the drive will get under way next Monday, and that special contribution boxes would be placed in business houses and the schools.

Plans have also been made for the showing of a motion picture on the disease at local theatres. Vance Byrd has been named as Jaycee chairman in the drive, and Glenn Lewis, Lions chairman.

Too many people, it was pointed out, do not realize what a terrible killer cancer is. Usually regarded as a women's disease because it is the leading cause of death among American women today, cancer killed an equal number of men to swell the total number of victims in one year to 165,000. The disease kills 60 per cent more people every year than all contagious and infectious diseases combined, including infantile paralysis, tuberculosis, typhoid fever, malaria, scarlet fever, etc.

Need for funds with which to combat the disease is acute, and all citizens are urged to contribute as generously as possible. Donations may be turned over to Jake Jones, campaign treasurer, at The Bank of Elkin.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, April 17.—This limousine-infested capital saw something today it hadn't seen for a great many years—the President of the United States walking to work. President Truman walked to work this morning, striding at a rapid pace from Blair house where he and his family moved last night, across Pennsylvania Avenue and down the long, broad driveway to the executive wing of the White House. Mr. Truman came out of Blair house about 8:30 a. m., smiled broadly at a group of waiting photographers, and then walked over to the White House, flanked by a group of secret service agents. Michael F. Keilly, supervising agent of the White House secret service detail, walked with the President and chatted with him along the way.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Transfer of America's military might from Europe to the far east already has begun and is four months ahead of schedule. An official spokesman for the war department revealed this development today. The great shift is taking place without any further wait for an official declaration of V-day by General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, commander in chief of the European theatre of operations, it was said. Service personnel already on the move include those who will aid in setting up advance bases for the final strike against the Japanese. Material no longer needed by General Eisenhower is also on the move, to be taken over by Gen. Douglas MacArthur for his purposes.

INTERNATIONAL

STOCKHOLM, April 17.—The newspaper Express said today that German crews of a Norwegian torpedo boat and a Nazi minesweeper who deserted from the German navy had told Swedish naval officials "all man warships in Norwegian waters will reach Sweden within a week." The crewmen brought their vessels to Swedish ports for internment Monday.

WITH NINTH ARMY, Germany, April 17.—A handful of survivors charged tonight that teen aged SS stormtroopers last week-end burned alive some 1,100 Russian, Polish, and Hungarian slave laborers in a large barn near Gardelegen, 25 miles from Magdeburg. American investigators probing through the fused and charred remains in a red brick barn in flat farmland tonight, authenticated the grim stories told by the only 10 persons known to have escaped this monstrous deed of Nazi desperation. The survivors said boasting young Nazis laughingly touched matches to gasoline soaked straw which littered the barn and cruelly shot and killed those victims with enough courage to make a break for freedom.

LONDON, April 17.—Prime Minister Churchill eulogized Franklin D. Roosevelt today "as the greatest American

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AWARDED BRONZE STAR—Sergeant John M. Smith, husband of the former Miss Helen Lyon, of this city, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service against the enemy on February 7, in France. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, of Benham. Sgt. Smith has been in service for the past two years. He went overseas in November, and is now in Germany. Before going to Germany he served in Belgium, France and Holland. Prior to going overseas he trained at Camp Breckinridge, Ky., and Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

FARMERS WILL GET MORE COAL

Any Needing Fuel For Brooders, Etc., Should File Separate Order

SEE AAA COMMITTEE

The Solid Fuels Administration has issued SFAW Order 23 which provides that any dealer requiring an additional supply of bituminous coal for use in a brooder, hatchery or for tobacco curing for new users may obtain the additional coal if a separate order is filed with his shipper on or before May 15, 1945.

J. A. Tilley, Chairman of the Surry County AAA Committee, announced that these separate orders

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Tribune Is Winner Of Second Place In Nation For General Excellence

The Tribune was notified Wednesday morning from Chicago that it has been awarded second place for general excellence among all weekly newspapers of the United States of more than 1,500 circulation.

The telegram was signed by Don Eck, manager of the National Editorial Association. Judges in the contest were prominent newspaper men from all sections of the country.

The Gazette, of Rhinebeck, N. Y., was first place winner. With the winning of this new

honor, The Tribune holds the distinction of having won one first prize and one second prize in national contests, it being the only newspaper in North Carolina ever to have won the first place general excellence award of the North Carolina Press Association four times.

With the winning of the National Editorial Association first place award for community service in 1943, The Tribune became the first North Carolina weekly ever to win a national first place award.

In state contests, in addition to its four general excellence awards, The Tribune also holds State Press Association first place awards for best community service in 1942 and 1943. It has also won two second place awards in state contests.

Due to the fact that this newspaper was winner of both general excellence and best community service awards in the 1943 State Press Association contests it was not eligible to enter the 1944 contest, winners of which were announced a short time ago.