

Capt. McKnight
Is Victim of
Tragic Accident



CAPT. JOHN C. MCKNIGHT

Victim of an accidental bullet wound through the abdomen received while he was dismantling a German pistol, Captain John C. McKnight, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. McKnight, of Elkin, died in a hospital at Augsburg, Germany, May 28. The accident occurred May 20.

A letter dictated by Captain McKnight while in the hospital and received a few days prior to the War Department death message, gave no hint that his condition was so grave. Death was attributed to peritonitis.

A letter to the parents here from Captain McKnight's chaplain gave full details of the accident and the nature of his injuries, and described fully the funeral services held for him on May 29. The letter also mentioned that his childhood friend, Captain Billy Gibson, formerly of Sumter, S. C., had been with him in Augsburg for the past month.

Captain McKnight had been wounded in action about a year ago, but after recovering five months later declined to return home.

The young man entered the army in February 1941 as a second lieutenant. He trained at Fort Benning, Ga., and went overseas nearly three years ago, seeing service in North Africa, Italy, France and Germany with the Seventh Army.

A younger brother, Lieut. Ben G. McKnight, died of wounds received in New Guinea in December, 1942, Elkin's first casualty of the war.

In commending Captain McKnight for the Rhine crossing, his commanding officer said, "This is only one of the assignments that you have faithfully performed. Crossing and breaking the Siegfried Line was accomplished with such speed and fearless determination under enemy fire that you made it look fairly simple. I am proud to say that no mission is too hazardous for you to accomplish. Your spirit and attitude are superb."

Surviving are the parents and one sister, Mrs. R. L. Alexander, who is with her husband, Lieut. Alexander, now at Bainbridge, Md., after having served overseas.

Mr. McKnight, the father, is general secretary of the Glavin Roth YMCA here.

Funeral On Saturday
For Mrs. Mary Burton

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at Prospect Methodist church for Mrs. Mary T. Burton, 83, who died at the home of her son, J. F. Burton, near Booneville, Friday, after an illness of only a few hours. Rev. E. C. Norman and Rev. R. L. Speer conducted the services and interment followed in the church cemetery. The body lay in state for one hour preceding the funeral.

She was a native of Guilford county, but had lived in Booneville for 55 years.

Survivors include two sons, J. F. Burton, of Booneville, and D. F. Burton, of Marshalltown, Iowa; two brothers, J. N. Mendenhall of Hagerstown, Mo., and C. M. Mendenhall, of Slater, Mo.; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Chatham Buys Wool
Of Five Counties

The Chatham Manufacturing Company has purchased the entire wool output of Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga counties in North Carolina, and Carroll and Grayson counties in Virginia, it was announced by a company official Wednesday morning.

Wool purchased amounted to between 100,000 and 125,000 pounds, for which an average of 54 cents per pound was paid.

SURRY FAR SHORT OF E-BOND QUOTA

Launch Final Battle
Against Okinawa Japs

10,000 Enemy
Troops Backed
Into Pocket

Guam, June 13.—Tenth Army reinforcements stormed onto Yaeju-Dake plateau from three sides today and hammered perhaps 10,000 Japanese back toward the sea in which may be the final battle of Okinawa.

Marines and soldiers were pressing toward the southern tip of Okinawa with flame throwers, tommy guns and bayonets after scaling the rocky approaches to the plateau and murderous enemy fire.

Some of the cliffs were so precipitous the troops used rope ladders.

The final American assault was under way, and it was a battle to the death with no quarter asked or given. Gains of up to 1,000 yards were reported in the past 24 hours.

Marines of the First Division cracked the western end of the Yaeju-Dake position in a pre-dawn attack yesterday morning. They clambered up 150-foot Kunishi ridge at 3:30 a. m., under cover of darkness with comparative ease.

Heavy fighting broke out after dawn, but the marines held their positions and reinforced them under fire. At last reports, the marines were fighting their way south and west.

The Seventh Infantry Division at the opposite end of the cross-island line simultaneously battled 500 yards onto the eastern corner of the Yaeju-Dake escarpment at a point northwest of Hanagusuku.

BEGIN WORK ON
BUILDING HERE

Hinshaw Hardware Erecting
Large Farm Machinery
Warehouse, Showrooms

BURCHAM CONTRACTOR

Construction of a modern brick, reinforced concrete and steel structure on West Market street adjoining the Elk Printing Company, was begun Monday by H. C. Burcham, Elkin contractor, for the Hinshaw Hardware Company.

This building will house a full basement and street floor, will be 45 feet in width and 100 feet long. It will fill entirely the lot between the Elk Printing Company and the State theatre.

To be completely fire-proof, the front of the building will contain offices and showrooms for farm equipment, as well as a farm machinery department. The front of the building will be of cream brick and plate glass construction.

The remainder of the building will be used for the storage of farm equipment. It is expected to be ready for occupancy around October 1.

Brendle Resigns
Sanatarian Office

Ford P. Brendle, who has been chief sanatarian with the health district composed of Orange, Person and Chatham counties, with headquarters at Chapel Hill, has resigned his position, effective June 1, according to Dr. David Garvin, district director.

Brendle has been with the department there since Jan. 1, 1941, and prior to that time was with the health district composed of Forsyth, Stokes, Yadkin and Davie counties since 1934. He has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brendle, at Booneville, before entering a new position, although he was offered a substantial raise in salary to remain at Chapel Hill.

He has accepted a position as sanitary engineer for Biltmore Dairies, Inc., with headquarters in Charlotte. Mr. Brendle's duties will include the sanitary supervision of all the milk producers supplying the Charlotte plant, the supervision of the processing and bottling plant, and also the distribution. Other duties of his will be the encouragement of new producers and the raising of the sanitary standards of all producers.



NEW PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR—Rev. Ralph Ritchie has been named pastor of the Elkin Presbyterian church and has assumed his pastorate. A native of West Virginia, Rev. Ritchie is a graduate of Hampden Sydney College and Union Theological Seminary, at Richmond, Va. Rev. and Mrs. Ritchie will reside at the Presbyterian manse at 289 North Bridge street.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF
From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—The united nations conference dove steadily ahead today toward approving both veto rights for great powers and the vital peace-enforcement mechanism they will control. Some small nations kept talking against granting Russia, Britain, China, France and the United States authority to block by individual votes any actions to preserve peace in the security council of a new world league. But with a crucial test vote coming up in a committee considering the council's functions, the little powers were on the losing side and knew it.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—President Truman suggested today that congressmen raise their salaries from \$10,000 to at least \$15,000 a year—after wage controls are lifted. But he said that for the present they should be content with an increase that would be consistent pay raise to \$1,500 a year, since the formula permits a maximum 15 per cent boost over January, 1941, wage levels. In letters to House Speaker Sam Rayburn and Senate President Kenneth D. McKellar, Mr. Truman urged that salaries of members of Congress be raised "to a level more in line with the job they are called upon to do."

WASHINGTON, June 12.—The house veterans committee today subpoenaed two officials of the Northport, N. Y., neuropsychiatric veterans hospital to answer charges of maltreatment and a report that untreated violent patients attempted suicide. It also subpoenaed John H. Ale, manager of the Dayton, Ohio, veterans hospital. Rep. Homer A. Ramey, Republican, Ohio, said patients have accused Ale of "treating them like dogs." The Northport officials, ordered to appear Thursday, are Col. Louis Verdel, manager, and Dr. William J. Turner, his chief medical officer.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—The Suzuki government of Japan obtained from the diet today virtually absolute power to rule the empire by decree in its "gravest crisis." With little debate, the house of peers completed passage of the wartime emergency measure, Japan's Domei news agency reported which puts the diet on a rubber stamp basis. The low-

BOYS ATTEND
SUMMER CAMP

Over 50 Local Youngsters
Now At Silver Pines As
Part Of YMCA Program

MCKNIGHT SUPERVISOR

Approximately 50 or 60 boys of this city left Saturday morning for Camp Silver Pines at Roaring Gap, to attend the Y Camp that is being held there this week. This camp has been in progress since June 2. The first group was made up of the younger girls and the second group of the high school girls of Elkin.

The boys will be under the supervision of T. C. McKnight, secretary of the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A.; N. H. Carpenter, swimming instructor at the Y; Rev. Ralph Ritchie, pastor of the Presbyterian church; Leo Malvin, athletic director at the Y; and Rev. Worth Sweet, of Jefferson, N. C.

The summer camps for the youngsters are planned for physical, mental, social and spiritual development. Mr. McKnight will spend each night at the camp with the boys and return to the Y each morning.

ALLEY TRAFFIC
MADE ONE-WAY

Cars and Trucks Should Enter
Street Behind Stores
From East Only

ENTRANCE BEHIND BANK

The alley which runs back of stores on West Main street from the bank corner to Turner Drug Company, serving The Basketeria, and adjoining stores, including the Elk Printing Company, has been made a one-way alley by action of the Elkin board of commissioners, it was learned Tuesday.

Due to the heavy traffic in the alley which frequently causes such congestion that cars and trucks cause a bottleneck, especially behind The Basketeria, traffic has been routed east to west, with entrance from North Bridge street and the exit on Church street between the State theatre and Turner Drug Company. According to the new ruling, traffic should not enter the alley from west to east.

Signs are to be placed at the entrance and exit of the alley to inform motorists, it was said.

Funeral Is Held
For Mrs. Lane

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist church, near East Bend, for Mrs. Nealie B. Lane, 61, who died at her home at East Bend Saturday afternoon at 2:30, following an illness of three years.

Rev. Ellis C. Norman conducted the funeral. Burial was in the Douglas cemetery. Mrs. Lane was well known in the East Bend section, where she had spent her life. She was the daughter of the late Sallie Gough Douglas and Charlie Douglas, and the widow of Archie Lane, who died 25 years ago.

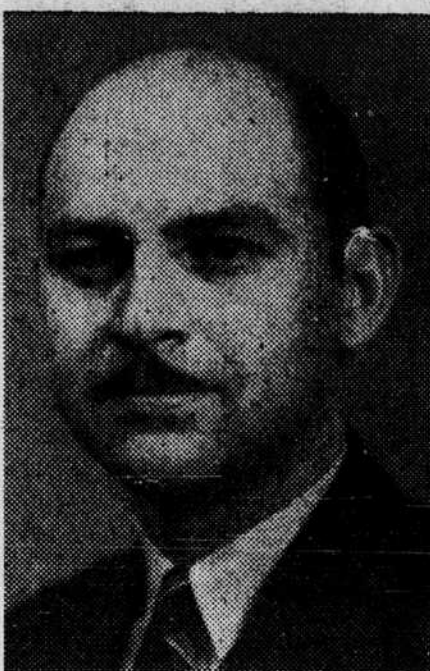
Surviving are four sons, Buford, Marvin, Troy and Walter Lane, and three daughters, Mrs. Carrie Cox, Mrs. Lillian Bullin, and Mrs. Stella Bullin, all of East Bend; 24 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Duncan Is To Be
Kiwanis Speaker

Rev. Herman F. Duncan, a former pastor of the Elkin Methodist Church, and a former member of the Elkin Kiwanis Club, but who is now pastor of the First Methodist Church at Asheboro, will be guest speaker at this evening's meeting of the Elkin Club, which will be held at the YMCA at 8:30 o'clock.

At last week's meeting a motion picture, showing the manufacture of telephones, was presented by Kiwanian, Wilbur Beddingfield.

Graham Again
Heads Elkin
Lions Club



W. J. GRAHAM

The Elkin Lion's Club, meeting at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A., here Tuesday evening, elected officers to serve the club during the coming year.

W. J. (Bill) Graham, who has served the club as president since its organization less than a year ago, was re-elected president. Other officers named were: first vice-president, Dr. C. E. Nicks; second vice-president, Jack Caudill; third vice-president, H. G. York; secretary-treasurer, T. L. Parnell; Lion Tamer, Graham Greene; Tail Twister, Gene Hall.

Directors to serve two years were M. C. Whitener and L. M. Stuart. Directors who will serve one year were L. F. Walker and W. A. Poston.

Guests attending the meeting of the club were Lieut. Robert Nicks, who is home on furlough with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Nicks, and Private Benny Shumate, son of Mrs. S. E. Shumate, who has recently returned to this country after having been wounded in Europe. Both were the guests of Dr. Nicks.

HOLD SHUMATE
RITES SUNDAY

Funeral Is Conducted From
First Baptist Church, In
Elkin, At 2:30 P. M.

MORRISSETT IN CHARGE

Funeral services for Shober Shumate, well-known Elkin man who ended his life with a pistol bullet through the head about 6:00 p. m. Tuesday of last week, were held Sunday at 2:30 p. m. from the Elkin First Baptist Church, with Rev. Stephen Morrissett in charge.

Prior to the funeral the body lay in state in the church from 1:30 to 2:30. Interment was in Hollywood cemetery.

The death of Mr. Shumate came as a shock to this entire community, he having shot himself while his home was in flames which originated in a basement workshop. Just how the flames started will perhaps never be known, although Chief of the Fire Department Ted Brown stated shortly after the fire that there was a distinct smell of gasoline when he reached the scene. Chief of Police Corbett Wall, who also investigated the blaze, said he did not smell gasoline, but that he was not close to the scene of the fire. Some were of the opinion that a can of gasoline exploded when flames reached it.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Nora Russell; three sons, Earl Shumate, now in Germany; Pvt. Benny Shumate, now home on leave; and Graham Shumate, of the home; one daughter, Mrs. Clyde Combs, of this city, and one half-sister, Mrs. Grady Harris, also of Elkin.

Persons from out of town who attended the funeral were: W. Shumate, of West Virginia; Mrs. James Brookshire, Miss Sadie Brookshire, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Brookshire, all of Moravian Falls; Mr. and Mrs. James Isaac and Miss Mae Jo Isaac, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. Duren Cheek and son, of Mountain City, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Broynhill, of Pores Knob; John Halliday, of North Wilkesboro; Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Myers, of Mountain View, and Tom H. Adams and Cuby Adams, both of Bluefield, W. Va.

THEY still die! — will YOU buy?

C. H. VESTAL
HURT IN CRASH

Yadkinville Man, Aviation
Instructor, Cracks Up
During Take-Off

IN FORT THOMAS, KY.

Charlie H. Vestal, of Yadkinville, aviation instructor at Smith Reynolds Airport, Winston-Salem, was painfully but not seriously injured Monday afternoon when the Stinson plane he was piloting crashed in a take-off at Fort Thomas, Ky. Two other passengers in the plane were also injured, but not seriously, when all three were thrown clear of the plane. The machine exploded and burned.

Mr. Vestal, who is regarded as one of the best pilots in this section, had piloted the plane belonging to Vernon Rudolph of Winston-Salem, and carried his passengers to the Kentucky Derby and was taking off to return home. The plane failed to gain altitude and struck the top of a tree, plummeted into a street, and landed on a vacant lot.

Mr. Rudolph was piloting another plane and saw his own plane crash from the air.

Mr. Vestal resides in Yadkinville with his wife and small son and comes home each night when not on a long trip. His father, E. J. Vestal, also resides in Yadkinville.

Latest advices from a hospital at Dayton, Ky., say Vestal and the passengers are all improving and he is expected home in week.

DISCUSS PLANS
FOR REST ROOM

Merchants Association
Directors Recognize Need
For Facilities

COMMITTEE IS NAMED

At a meeting of directors of the Elkin Merchants Association, held Tuesday morning at the city hall, plans were discussed for a public rest room for the use of farmers and other visitors to Elkin, it was announced Tuesday afternoon.

Need of such facilities here have been apparent for a long time, due to the fact that only a few of the local stores provide such convenience for their customers, and visitors who come to Elkin for the day are handicapped because of the lack of public rest rooms.

Gaston L. Hill, president of the merchants group, named the following committee to look into the matter: Eugene S. Spainhour, Claude Farrell, and Joe Bivins.

Harris Speaker
At Jaycee Meet

A talk by Lieut. Robert H. Harris was a feature of the meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Gilvin Roth YMCA here Monday evening. Lieut. Harris has just returned from extended service in the European war theatre.

The speaker gave an interesting account of his service with the Allied Military Government in the invasions of North Africa, Italy and Sicily. He mentioned that he had had opportunity to talk with Mrs. Enze Gemma, the former Miss Rosebud Wade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Wade, of this city, while in Rome.

Vice-President Vern Chase presided over the meeting in the absence of President Hubert Parker.

Following the meeting, members completed the task of loading a car of scrap paper totaling 25,000 pounds which had been collected here.

Angeline Denny, 80,
Dies At Hamptonville

Angeline Denny, 80, died at her home near Hamptonville, Sunday night, after a lengthy illness. She was a native of that section, where she was born September 27, 1864, and had spent her life there. She was a member of Union Baptist church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Carra Bell Ashley, of Hamptonville, and one brother, Turner Denny, of Ridgecrest. Funeral services were held at Asbury church Monday afternoon with Rev. W. H. Neese in charge. Burial was in the church cemetery.

War Bond Show Is To
Be Staged At State
Theatre This P. M.



AWARDED PURPLE HEART—Private First Class James L. Calloway, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action in Germany, according to a message received by his wife, the former Miss Earline Macemore, of Jonesville. Private First Class Calloway has been in service for the past two years, serving overseas for 14 months. Prior to going overseas he trained at Camp Croft, S. C., and Camp Robinson, Ark. At the time he was wounded he was serving with the 17th Airborne Division as a special messenger. He is a member of the 194th Glider Infantry Division, and the holder of the Good Conduct Medal, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, and he also wears the wings of a qualified gliderman. Calloway is the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Calloway, of Booneville.

52 Per Cent of
Quota Has Been
Sold In County

Elkin E-Bond buyers will be given an opportunity to boost the county's E-Bond quota and at the same time see the premier showing of the newly released motion picture, "Salome, Where She Danced," at a special Seventh War Loan showing at the State Theatre here this evening (Thursday), at 7:30 o'clock.

Admission to this show, which is being arranged by Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Reeves in cooperation with the War Loan drive, will be Bonds which will be on sale in the lobby. Miss Mattie Mae Powell, co-chairman of the drive, will have charge of the Bond sales. Only one show will be screened.

Need for the sale of E-Bonds in Surry is acute, J. F. Yokley, of Mount Airy, Surry chairman, told The Tribune by telephone Wednesday morning. With a county E-Bond quota of \$756,000, Surry had reached only 52 per cent of this figure, or 392,767.00, up until June 9, Mr. Yokley said, and this in the face of the drive now being in its final phase.

Local figures, supplied by Miss Powell, and correct up to Wednesday noon, show that a total of \$175,330 in E-Bonds have been sold in the Elkin district, a large portion of this figure being included in the Surry figure given above. Other series here total \$102,685.00, Miss Powell stated.

In view of the fact that Surry has never failed to meet its War Bond quotas in previous drives, with the exception of falling a bit short of its E-Quota in the drive which was under way during the infantile paralysis epidemic (and which was later made up during the Sixth War Loan), it is hoped that the E-Bond quota in this drive may be reached and over-subscribed. But to do it, Mr. Yokley pointed out, is going to take a bit of digging down on the part of all Surry citizens. "Only after the war with Japan is won can we relax," it was said, "for to do so now will only prolong the war and keep our men fighting that much longer."

ABERNETHY'S
IS HONORED

Local Drug Store Receives
National Certificate Of
Merit Wednesday

FOR EXCELLENT RECORD

The distinction of being cited as one of the nation's outstanding Rexall drug stores is one that has come to Abernethy's, of Elkin, along with the added distinction of being on Rexall's annual Honor Roll. The award, announced Wednesday morning, is made by the International Association of Rexall Clubs and the United Drug Company, parent organization of Rexall.

The Certificate of Merit, much coveted honor, was received by Dr. J. G. Abernethy, owner of the store Wednesday morning. On richly engraved parchment, it states that the Elkin store and its staff have rendered exceptional service to their community.

Dr. Abernethy and his salespeople, to whom he gives much of the credit for winning the award, are to be congratulated because of this outstanding honor.

Cycle Will Have
New Postmaster

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to fill the position of fourth-class postmaster at Cycle, in western Yadkin county. Receipt of applications for the position will close June 28, 1945. The examination will be held at the Elkin post office building.

The salary, as stated in the release from the office of the Civil Service Commission, is \$1,100.

Yadkin Tax Rate
Will Be 88 Cents

The Yadkin county tax rate for 1945 will be 88 cents on the \$100 valuation, instead of 85 cents, as it has been for several years, it was announced by J. Roy Pendry, County Auditor, yesterday. The small increase is due to several things, but as the budget has not been completed by the county commissioners we cannot give the breakdown in the expected increases.

HOLD RITES FOR
WILKES LADY

Wife Of Pleasant Hill Man
Dies Monday At Home
Of Her Daughter

HAD SUFFERED STROKE

Funeral services for Mrs. Willie Walls Alexander, 68, were conducted Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at the White Plains Baptist church, near Roaring River. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Alexander, wife of W. Scott Alexander, of Pleasant Hill, died Monday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Barney Blackburn, at Roaring River. She had been ill since suffering a stroke several weeks ago.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Walls. Surviving are the husband; three sons, Rev. Arvil Alexander, of this city; Sam Alexander of Jonesville; Lytle Alexander, of Leaksville; Private First Class Herman Alexander, of the U. S. Army, in Germany; two sisters, Mrs. T. H. Eidson, of this city; Miss Laura Walls, Ronda, and one brother, Ambrose Walls, of Winston-Salem.

Soda Fountains To
Be Closed Sundays

Due to the scarcities of sugar, beverage syrups, meats and other supplies, fountains and sandwich bars to two Elkin drug stores, Abernethy's and Turner Drug Company, will be closed on Sundays until further notice, it was announced Tuesday. Elkin's third drug store, the Elk Pharmacy, does not open at all on Sundays. Turner's and Abernethy's will be open Sunday afternoons for the sale of drugs and drug sundries, it was said, and for the filling of prescriptions.