

Churches Will Conduct Drive In Community

Are Joining In Evangelistic Program Here

The churches of the Elkin-Jonesville community will conduct a unified evangelistic campaign during the months of March and April. The program will begin with a religious census on Sunday, March 10, and conclude with a series of revival meetings in each of the churches during the first two weeks in April.

On the afternoon of March 10 teams of lay workers from every church in Elkin-Jonesville will visit in every home in the area in an effort to obtain religious information about every family in the community.

The week of March 24-29 will be highlighted by the Home-Visitation Evangelism campaign. Evangelistic lay teams from each church will visit in the homes of prospective members. One hundred persons, comprising fifty teams of two each, will attend supper meetings at the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A. for six nights. During this time they will be trained in lay evangelism by Dr. F. S. Love, superintendent of Lake Junaluska, who will direct the activities of Home-Visitation Week. Following this instructional period the evangelistic teams will call in the homes of prospective members.

The two weeks of March 31—April 14 will be devoted to revival meetings in each of the Elkin churches. The Reverend Knolan Benfield, pastor of the First Baptist Church; the Reverend Walter J. Miller, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Salisbury, will be the visiting minister for the Elkin Methodist Church, and the pastor, the Reverend Ralph Ritchie, will conduct the services in the Presbyterian Church.

The Pilgrim Holiness Church was not able to secure its speaker for the special evangelistic weeks but will have its meeting in May with the Reverend P. O. Carpenter of Ashland, Ky., as the visiting evangelist.

Palm Sunday, April 14, will be observed as Membership Sunday in all of the churches in the Elkin-Jonesville area. On this day the children and adult classes will be accepted into the church. This will climax the special evangelistic emphasis of the churches.

1,554 Discharges Are Filed With RD Office

According to Mrs. Bertha M. Shinnault, Register of Deeds, 1,554 discharges from the Army, Navy, and Marines have been recorded from Surry county in that office. This number, said Mrs. Shinnault, represents approximately one-third of the number inducted or volunteering for service from Surry county.

Discharged veterans, it was said, should report to the Register of Deeds' office and record their discharge papers immediately upon coming home, as if in the future a need should arise for the record and the original copy be lost, a certified copy could be issued from that office.

Local Men Obtain Agency For New Prefabricated Houses

Prefabricated houses, about which much has been written during recent years, will make their appearance in Elkin the latter part of this week, or the first of next week, depending on the weather, it was learned from Earl Day, of this city, and O. L. Brown, Hamptonville contractor, Tuesday. Day and Brown have secured this territory for the sale of prefabricated houses, and two of the houses are expected to be erected in Sunset Park Friday of this week provided the weather remains good. Foundations for the houses have been laid, and it is said that the structures can be erected in a matter of hours.

One of the two houses will be used as a demonstrator so that persons interested in this type of dwelling, quickly secured and erected, may see them before buying. The second house has been purchased by M. C. Whitener of this city, and will be erected for sale, Mr. Whitener said.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 19.—More than a quarter million C.I.O.-united steelworkers remained on strike throughout the nation today despite the fact the huge steel walkout had ended for some 440,000 employees who were returning to plants and mills in increasing numbers. Many of the country's 834 steel fabricating firms, who buy the partly-finished product to manufacture commodities, were apparently unwilling to grant higher wages without price relief.

DETROIT, Feb. 19.—A four-hour General Motors and C.I.O. united auto workers conference adjourned late today with no agreement in the 91-day-old strike and a federal mediator blocked in an effort to lengthen the sessions. Special Federal Mediator James F. Dewey said both the company and the union declined his suggestion that they schedule extended negotiating sessions, saying it was "more expeditious" to confer between meetings in separate groups.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The automobile price war between OPA and Henry Ford II was set today for a full congressional airing, as the house banking committee asked young Ford to appear personally and present his side of the argument. Tempers flashed in the committee when Chester Bowles, newly appointed economic stabilizer, said the Ford Motor company, first made an "outrageous" request for a price increase, and then accused OPA of holding up automobile production. Rep. Buffet, Republican, Nebraska, interposed: "Did Congress give you the right to browbeat Mr. Ford?" Bowles shot back: "I know of no law against correcting false or misleading statements."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes said today that the United States still remains sole possessor of the atomic bomb production secret and that no American is involved in the Canadian spy plot. He referred to the federal bureau of investigation all questions whether foreign espionage agents are operating similarly in the United States, but said there was no reason to expect any arrests for espionage in this country. The FBI declined comment. Earlier, Chairman John S. Wood, Democrat, Georgia, of the house committee on un-American activities,

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IT'S ALL IN KNOWING HOW—Eating with chopsticks is a simple matter if you know how, as demonstrated above by Mu-Yuan Hwang, a native of China and a textile student who is now observing textile manufacture at the Chatham Manufacturing Co. The chopsticks are the property of Mrs. Jane Wooten, pictured at left, having been sent to her by her soldier husband overseas, and she is being given definite proof that they are just as effective as a fork, provided you know how—which Mrs. Wooten doesn't. The photo was made in Fruitt's Cafe where Mrs. Wooten is employed. —Photo by Bell.

Red Cross Drive Will Begin Here March 5th

Quota For Elkin District Is Set At \$4,000; Workers To Meet Feb. 28th

With the appointment of C. J. Hyslop as general chairman and E. S. Spainhour and Mrs. Clyde Long as co-chairmen, the plans for the 1946 Red Cross Fund Campaign for the Elkin District are being completed. The drive starts Tuesday, March 5.

The quota for the Elkin District is \$4,000, and 42% of the amount raised will be retained locally, 58% being sent to the National Organization. Campaign, Chairman, C. J. Hyslop has announced that Robert E. White, administrator of services to veterans of the Southeastern Area of the American Red Cross will address a meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club and Red Cross workers on Thursday evening, February 28th. Mr. White recently completed five years of active duty with the United States Army Air Forces and holds the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army Air Reserve.

"We cannot emphasize too strongly the task which confronts the Red Cross," Mr. Hyslop said. "Three major fields of service challenge the organization; Hospital, Recreation and Social Service Programs in Military and Naval Hospitals; Services for the thousands of men still in uniform, at home and overseas; and services to our veterans. In addition the Red Cross is responsible for carrying on its Disaster Relief Programs and its educational services to First Aid, Life Saving, Home Nursing and Nutrition."

The campaign goal for the Nation this year is \$100,000,000. And the slogan for the 1946 Campaign is "Your Red Cross must carry on."

JAYCEES HOLD MEET MONDAY

The Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce met in a dinner meeting Monday night at 6:30 at the YMCA in regular session, with President Alex Biggs, presiding over the meeting. Two guests, Richard Atkinson, of this city and Pat Kane, of Roanoke, Va., attended the meeting as guests of their Jaycee brothers, Sam Atkinson and Roy Kane, respectively. Approximately forty attended the meeting.

During the business session, Walter Burgiss, of Chatham Manufacturing company, explained in detail matters of interest affecting the development of an airport for Elkin. In the course of his address, Mr. Burgiss brought considerable light to the Jaycee members in pointing out the need of an adequate airport for Elkin. During the meeting final arrangements were made and finishing touches were put on all committees regarding the Yadkin Valley basketball tournament, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which begins in the YMCA gymnasium Friday night.

To Seek Local Administrative Unit For Schools Of Township; Petition Is To Be Circulated

Fourth Annual Farmers' Meet Be Staged Here On March 7th

Dr. Wm. A. Irwin, Of New York City To Be Principal Speaker For Event

Elkin is preparing for the Fourth Annual Farmers' Day Program and Banquet to be held in the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A., on March 7. Dr. William A. Irwin, National Educational Director of the American Institute of Banking of New York City, will be the banquet speaker. Former Governor J. Melville Broughton, of Raleigh, will be Master of Ceremonies. Introductions and recognitions of important personages will be made by Elkin's Mayor, Garland Johnson.

This program is an important part of local Civic Clubs' endeavor to improve the Agriculture in the Elkin area.

Farmers, this week, in Surry, Yadkin, and Wilkes counties, have received programs and invitations from the county agents urging attendance for the farmers' program which gets under way at 2:30 P. M. Farmers and agricultural leaders will have an opportunity to discuss farm problems with outstanding leaders in Agriculture during the afternoon session. Frank H. Jeter, Agricultural Editor of State College, will preside and is scheduled to illuminate the part Elkin has played in the Agriculture of this area and throughout the state. Other speakers include Dr. T. B. Hutch-

EASTERN STAR FORMS CHAPTER

H. D. Watson, of Winston-Salem, Speaker At Organization Meeting

A chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, under the leadership of Mrs. Nonnie S. York and a committee of members of Elkin Masonic lodge, was organized here last Thursday evening when an organization meeting was held in the local Masonic lodge hall, under the leadership of R. D. Watson, of Winston-Salem, who was present to assist in the organization. The chapter organized with an initial membership of 51.

Listed below are the officers who were elected and who will be installed at a formal installation service of the chapter at the next meeting on March 14.

Elective officers named are Mrs. Nonnie S. York, worthy matron; Mrs. Odessa S. Stockton, assistant worthy matron; Roy J. Barker, worthy patron; H. G. York, assistant worthy patron; Mrs. Beatrice M. Phillips, secretary; Mrs. Willie S. Whitener, treasurer; Mrs. M. M. Mammie Y. Scroggs, conductor; Mrs. Estelle W. Caudill, assistant conductor.

Appointive officers are Mrs. Elon M. Colhard, Marshall; Mrs. Cleo Hart, Assistant Marshall; five star point officers, Mrs. Gracie M. Greene, Adah; Mrs. Mattie M. Smith, Ruth; Mrs. Helen G. Miller, Esther; Miss Willie F. Guyer, Martha; Mrs. Savannah G. Sheppard, Electa. Mrs. Avis B. Brown is warden, Mrs. Vaughn F. Miller, sentinel, and Mrs. Dorothy C. Summey, pianist. Composing the organization committee were H. G. York, George A. Hart, and Marion C. Whitener.

Nylon stockings have a trade price in Minnesota — One carload of corn is swapped for six pairs.

Birds will not fly out of sight of the ground when there is a heavy fog.

47 Teams To Enter Yadkin Valley Basketball Tournament Here 22nd

The Yadkin Valley Conference Basketball Tournament, sponsored by the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce, will get under way Friday, February 22nd and will continue for ten days, ending March 5th. The tournament will be held at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in Elkin. This promises to be a very successful tournament with 47 teams participating. The following schools will enter both boys' and girls' teams: Courtney, Mt. Pleasant, Westfield, Sparta, Traphill, Ronda, Miller's Creek, Jonesville, Boonville, East Bend, Yadkinville, Mountain Park, Elkin, Dobson, Lowgap, Beulah, Flat Rock, Franklin, Copeland, West Yadkin, White Plains, Shoals, and Pilot Mountain. Mountain View will enter a girls' team.

There will be a total of 47 games. On Friday, February 22nd, there will be four games starting at 6:30 p. m. Saturday will bring eight games, four in the afternoon starting at 1:00 p. m., and four in the evening tilt beginning at 6:30 p. m. Monday will feature three

Special Meeting Of P.-T. A. To Be Held Today

A meeting of the Elkin Parent-Teachers Association has been called for this afternoon (Thursday), at 4 o'clock in the auditorium of the elementary school, it was announced Wednesday by C. C. Weaver, Jr., president of the association.

Mr. Weaver stressed the fact that this will be a very important meeting for the purpose of discussing the proposed school betterment program here, details of which are located in a story elsewhere on this page, and urged that every member be present.

ELKIN LOSES TO MT. AIRY

Locals Defeated In Double-Headers Played Here And There

Mount Airy High boys and girls defeated Elkin teams in a double header played on the local court here Friday night before a large crowd of spectators.

Mount Airy boys won easily with a score of 39-20. O'Neal, Hatcher, and Willon all featured the offensive attack for Mount Airy, while the visiting guards did exceptionally good playing, as did both losing teams.

Hanes topped the score for Elkin with eleven points.

Mount Airy boys won 24-18. During the first quarter of the night cap, not a single point was chalked up by either team, but the half time found the visiting team with a 13 to 3 lead. Gruble was the top threat for Mount Airy boys with eight points to his credit, while Hanes and Osborne led the way for Elkin with six points each.

This was the first game the Elkin boys have lost on their home court.

In a game between the same teams, played Tuesday night at Mount Airy, the local teams lost both ends again of a basketball twin bill, with the Mount Airy boys winning 43 to 29 and the boys of Mount Airy taking a 39 to 21 victory.

Steelman made 16 points for Elkin, while Dillon made 21 and Hatcher 15.

B. Osborne led in the scoring for Elkin with nine points and B. Harris dropped in eight more. Atkins and Gruble were tops for Mount Airy.

The following games have been scheduled: Elkin will play a doubleheader with Boonville, at Boonville, Thursday night. On Friday night the local teams play Trinity, at Trinity.

Bob Harris and Betty Lou Steelman, of the Elkin teams, were picked as Surry county all-star basketball players during the recent county-wide tournament played at Pilot Mountain.

To Ask County Board To Call Local Election

Due to sentiment on part of many citizens of Elkin township that something should be done to improve the schools of the township, the school boards of both the Elkin and North Elkin schools have made a careful study and investigation of requirements for a local administrative school unit, and will circulate a petition among citizens of the township requesting the county commissioners of Surry to call a special election in order that the citizens may decide just what type of schools they desire, it was announced here Tuesday afternoon by R. W. Harris, chairman of the Elkin board.

Mr. Harris said, in speaking for the joint boards of the township schools, that committee, made up of C. S. Foster, Frithie Yarboro, and Principal Paul Lewis, of the North Elkin school; and himself, Claude Farrell and N. H. Carpenter, of the Elkin school, had met with the Elkin board of commissioners in order to feel out their sentiments toward the proposed plan. He said the town board had pledged 100 per cent co-operation.

In order to obtain for Elkin township a higher type of school than now exists locally, it was pointed out, the petition which is to be circulated within the next day or so, will ask the county commissioners to call a township election so that the voters may approve a special school tax levy not to exceed 20 cents per one hundred dollar valuation, and to petition the State Legislature for approval of Elkin township as a local school administrative unit.

These steps, it was said, are un-

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RECEIPTS SHOW INCREASE HERE

Postmaster Announces Large Gain Over Same Period Last Year

REFLECT GOOD BUSINESS

French W. Graham, Elkin postmaster, in stating figures in regard to postal receipts at the local post office said that a considerable increase had come about in the comparison of this year's amounts with the corresponding period of last year. Mr. Graham, in showing the increase in postal receipts, gives the following figures which represent a 16% increase over the corresponding period of last year's record. From January 1 to February 15, of 1946, a total of \$7,372.87 was shown against \$6,326.85 of the same period in 1945, or a \$1,046.02 increase.

The general trend in postal receipts, said Mr. Graham, seems to be a decline, and this increase is exceptional and reflects good general business conditions throughout this section.

Postal savings for 1946, said Mr. Graham, stand at \$191,131, while those for 1945 were only \$95,913, or a substantial gain of \$95,218 during 1945.

The post office here will be closed Friday, George Washington's birthday, and there will be no delivery service on that day. The general delivery window will, however, be open from 11:00 to 1:00 P. M.