

FAMOUS ACROBAT TO SHOW TRICKS HERE — Program of the air show to be given here under the sponsorship of the William J. Jones post of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Lions Club will feature the acrobatic flying of Beverly Howard, shown in the above photo standing beside his plane and in the lower photo performing one of the stunts that have made him famous. Now president of the Hawthorne Flying Service of Orangeburg, S. C., Mr. Howard has held the World's Champion Acrobatic Flying trophy since 1936. He recently renewed his claim to the title by taking top stunting honors at the Cleveland air show.

REPUBLICANS SHOW SLIGHT GAIN IN RACE

Pick Up About Four Per Cent In Surry

MAJORITIES ARE SLICED

Folger Loses Total of 702 Votes In Majority As Compared With 1942

OFFICIAL VOTE LISTED

In spite of a nation-wide change of sentiment in favor of the Republican party, as evidenced in the first general election since the end of the war, Surry county voters remained faithful to the Democratic cause and gave to every party candidate appearing on the tickets, both county and State, a substantial majority.

Republicans, however, showed a slight gain of about four per cent.

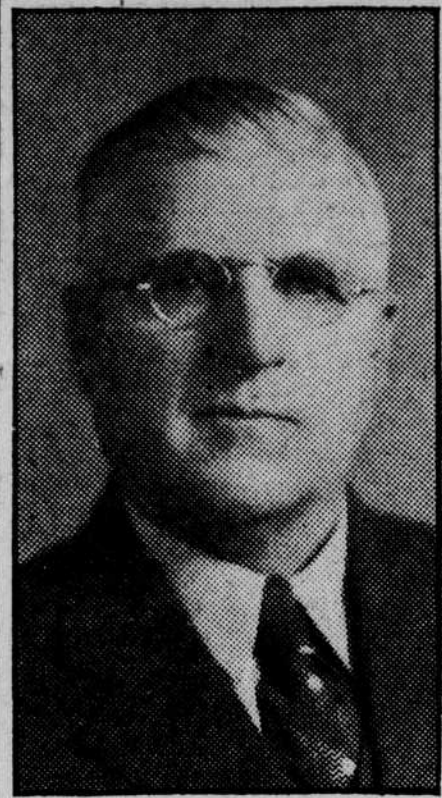
Using the election of 1942, the last "off-year" ballot casting, as a basis of comparison, Republicans cut into the Democratic majority by an average of 550 votes per candidate. In 1942 the average number of votes per Democrat was 5,489, and per Republican, 3,402. Last week an average of 5,474 voters favored the Democratic ticket, while an average of 3,926 went Republican.

Thus the 1942 Democratic majority averaged 2,087, while in 1946 it averaged, according to the official vote tabulation, 1,538.

Democratic candidates for two offices registered slight gains over Republican opponents, those offices being clerk of superior court and State senate. All other offices attracted an increased number of Republican ballots.

Closest race of the just-completed campaign was run off by Sheriff Sam Patterson and Republican sheriff-nominee Wesley J. Davis. Patterson won by a margin of 586 votes. In 1942 Patterson beat out Davis in a race

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DIES SUDDENLY — Robert L. Church, well-known Elkin businessman, above, died unexpectedly last Thursday afternoon while working on his lawn at his home on Gwyn Avenue. Funeral rites were conducted Saturday at 2 p. m.

R. L. CHURCH, 69, DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME HERE

Highly Esteemed Elkin Business Man Passes Thurs.

HAD HEART CONDITION

Was Active In Business Here For 25 Years As Lumberman and Oil Distributor

RITEs HELD SATURDAY

Robert Lee Church, 69, well known and highly esteemed businessman of this city, died unexpectedly Thursday afternoon while working on the lawn at his home on Gwyn Avenue.

Having retired from business two years ago due to a heart condition, which was responsible for his death, Mr. Church was active in business here for 25 years; first as a lumber manufacturer and more recently as district distributor of Gulf Oil products.

A native of Wilkes County, Mr. Church was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Church. He was a member of the Elkin Methodist Church and the Masonic organization.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Della Warren; three daughters, Mrs. Robert Smith, of Greensboro, Mrs. N. S. Forester, Jr., of North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Paul Price, of this city; two sons, R. Edward Church, of Elkin, and Clay F. Church, of Marion, Va.; and three brothers, J. B. Church, of Roaring River, F. C. Church, and E. E. Church, of Winston-Salem.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 2 p. m. at the home, with Rev. Robert G. Tuttle and Rev. R. V. C. Ritchie officiating. Interment was made in the Hollywood cemetery here.

ELKS TO PLAY SPARTA FRIDAY

Game Across Mountain To Get Under Way At 1:30 P. M.; Defeat Mocksville

CHALK UP 32-6 SCORE

Elkin high school defeated Mocksville High here last Friday afternoon 32 to 6.

B. Harris ran 21 yards to score the first touchdown after a drive from the 38-yard line. T. M. Eldridge carried the ball 37 yards in the third play of the game, with B. Lawrence carrying it in the half-yard line. Fred "Choo-Choo" Ratledge took it over to score.

A Eldridge, a second stringer, scored one of Elkin's touchdowns. Blocking a kick on Mocksville's 32-yard line, the ball was taken by C. Eldridge and carried to the one-yard stripe where B. Ratledge pushed it over for another score.

In the third quarter C. Eldridge scored from the two-yard line. B. Harris got two extra points from placement.

In the last period Mocksville scored when Poplin threw a pass 28 yards to Collette for a touchdown.

The Elks will go to Sparta tomorrow afternoon (Friday), for a game with Sparta High. The game is scheduled to start at 1:30 P. M.

Car Plunges Over High Embankment

An automobile belonging to Dr. Ira S. Gambill, North Elkin, was badly damaged when it plunged over a roadside embankment near the owner's home about 4 p. m. Sunday.

The car, parked on an incline, broke loose when its brakes apparently gave way. It rolled backwards down the incline, gathering speed, and finally coasted over the bank flanking Highway 21. It was unoccupied. The machine came to rest in an almost vertical position, and no one was injured.

Thieves Loot Safe Of \$5.20 Here, Passing Up Several Thousand

TO MAKE LABOR SURVEY IN CO.

Seek To Alleviate Farm Labor Problems; 200 Farms Are To Be Checked

FARMERS COOPERATING

In an effort to take further steps to alleviate the farm labor problem, brought about by shortages in both man-power and machinery, Neill M. Smith, Surry county agriculture extension agent, has directed that a survey be made of labor problems on a representative group of 200 farms in the county.

The survey is being made under the guidance of H. W. Miller, farm labor coordinator. It will include 100 farms in the Dobson area and 100 in the vicinity of Shoals.

Thus far workers have reported that farmers have offered "100 per cent" cooperation, and that the majority of them have expressed approval of the plan.

The extension service has been encouraging a "swap" of farm machinery and farm hands among the county's farmers, each man helping his neighbor and in return receiving help from him. This system met with general success, it was stated, but had several disadvantages. Among them being the fact that when one planter was busy with his crops, it was likely that neighboring planters were equally as hard-pressed with similar crops, which required treatment at the same time.

The survey will make an attempt to discover how much labor and how much equipment is available, the equipment survey including everything from hay forks to tractors, and also including electric power and running water on the farms examined. It is expected to result in statistics which will show at a glance what is lacking and what is most needed on farms in the county.

Enough fence post timber was sold off the Jefferson National forest to build 22 miles of fence.

Dies Instantly Of Rifle Wound Saturday A. M.



WILLIAM G. GAMBILL

William G. (Billy) Gambill, 25, World War II veteran and son of Dr. and Mrs. Ira S. Gambill died Saturday morning about 7:30 o'clock of rifle wounds said to have been self-inflicted while he stood on the lawn at the home of his parents in North Elkin.

Mr. Gambill's act was attributed to despondency due to possible battle fatigue.

He was graduated from the Elkin schools and attended the University of North Carolina. Mr. Gambill was called to military service and served three years in the Eighth Air Force, being discharged with the rating of corporal.

Since receiving his discharge, young Gambill had assisted his father in the management of their farm interests located near the city.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church, of which he was a member, Sunday afternoon. Rev. Howard J. Ford officiated. Burial was made in Hollywood Cemetery with full military honors. Veterans of both World War I and II participated. Pallbearers were members of the American Legion.

Survivors include the parents; one brother, John Gambill, recently discharged from the Navy and now a student at the University; one sister, Nancy Carroll Gambill, of the home; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Gentry of Doughton.

Mr. Gambill was one of three sons of Dr. and Mrs. Gambill who were in service during World War II, one of whom, Ira S. Gambill, Jr., was killed in action in Germany.

LEGISLATORS DENIED MONEY

Voters Defeat Amendment Allowing Them \$10 Per Day Expense

WOMEN'S RIGHTS OK'D

Raleigh, Nov. 12. — An amendment to the State Constitution authorizing the payment of \$10 a day expenses to members of the General Assembly apparently was defeated in the November 5 general election by the narrow margin of 916 votes, an unofficial compilation of election returns showed today.

Returns from all of the 1929 precincts in the State showed that a total of 143,014 voters favored the amendment and 143,930 opposed it. Voters in 46 of the 100 counties approved the amendment and voters in the 54 other counties were against it.

The proposed amendment would have provided \$10 a day in expenses to each member of the General Assembly for the first 60 days of any legislative session.

Meanwhile another amendment to give women the right to serve on juries apparently was approved overwhelmingly. Complete but unofficial returns showed 184,918 votes for and 131,660 against the amendment.

The State Board of Elections is scheduled to meet here on November 26 to compile the official election figures.

Get Into Wrong Safe In Texas Oil Co. Office

Thieves broke into the Texas Oil Company storage plant, about one mile from here on the Dobson road, sometime Monday night, and after performing about \$20 worth of labor, escaped with \$5.20.

The thieves reportedly hacked their way through the gate of the fence surrounding the plant, entered the office, and with hammer and chisel forced open one of the two safes in the building. They found the \$5.20, which apparently satisfied their efforts. Charles G. Poplin, Texaco agent, was said to have placed between two and three thousand dollars the day before in a second safe, which was untouched by the burglars.

In addition, Mr. Poplin had a sum of money from the Elkin Presbyterian Church, of which he is treasurer, stuffed into a desk drawer, along with several signed checks. The desk was also ignored.

Authorities examined the place for fingerprints but were unable to find anything which might immediately lead to identification of the thieves.

DR. MAUZE TO SPEAK TODAY

Appearance Before Jonesville And Elkin Schools To Mark Final Talk

WILL CONCLUDE SERIES

Dr. George Mauze, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem, speaks for the third and final time this morning to the student bodies of the Elkin and Jonesville high schools. He speaks at 9 a. m. in the Elkin high school gymnasium and at 9:50 a. m. in the Jonesville high school auditorium.

Tuesday the prominent Presbyterian pastor, in popular demand throughout the South, took as his subject "Flying High." He built his theme around the flight of eagles into the atmosphere above the world, and challenged the young people to construct for themselves high ideals, to live in the rare atmosphere of God which is the atmosphere of truth.

Wednesday he spoke of "Following the Christ," pointing out that many young folks follow the call of "self," seeking personal benefit, rather than following the call of Christ into a life of Christian service.

These programs, a part of "Religious Emphasis Week," are being sponsored by organizations of the two schools. Members of the club are leading opening devotionals. Dr. Mauze was introduced to the Elkin group by Rev. Ralph Ritchie and to Jonesville students by Rev. R. J. Hogan.

BEAGLE CLUB PLANS TRIALS

Will Be Held Monday, November 18 Through Saturday, November 23

ON ROWAN CO. FARM

The Carolina Beagle Club, of which L. I. Wade of this city is president, has announced a field trial to be held Monday, Nov. 18, through Saturday, Nov. 23, at the B. H. Miller Farm near Salisbury.

Several beagle fanciers from this section are expected to enter dogs in the trials.

Entries, together with fees, are to be mailed in advance, if possible, to the secretary of the club, Hubert I. Reinhardt of Newton. Members are also requested to make reservations for the banquet in advance. The entry fee is \$5 for all-age dogs and \$3 for debbies. Cost of banquet will be \$1.55 per plate.

Headquarters for the trial will be the Yadkin Hotel in Salisbury. Judges for the event are Mark Roberts, Walnut, Pa., William J. Dawson, Beaver Falls, Pa., John Lotz, Jr., Rochester, Pa., and John H. Burke, Apponaug, R. I.

INCREASE IN PRICES NOTED

Many Items Shoot Upward Following Decontrol; Some Try To Hold Line

SOAPS UP 50 PER CENT

New York, Nov. 12. — One-time OPA price levels were shattered today in more than half a dozen different industrial fields, but a hold-the-price-line sentiment ruled at least temporarily in many areas of American business.

A cross-county check by the Associated Press underscored these among other increases since President Truman suddenly cut the strings on most prices last Saturday night.

A boost of 50 per cent by major soap manufacturers; an increase of \$2.50 a ton in steel scrap; boosts of \$100 for passenger cars by General Motors and Crosley Motors; advances in varying amounts for copper, lead, zinc and tin recovered from scrap; a 9 per cent increase in farm implements by International Harvester; and marked increases by Du Pont for viscose products that apparently will spell out rising rayon prices.

At the same time, Westinghouse and General Motors reported at

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BENEFIT SALE IS TO BE HELD

Seek To Raise Funds For Erection Of New Church Near Dobson

PLANNED NOVEMBER 28

In order to help raise funds for the erection of a new church building, members of the Central View Baptist Church, located near Dobson, are to conduct a benefit auction Thanksgiving Day, November 28.

A religious service conducted by Rev. Joe Hall and Welmar Hodges will open the program at 10 a. m. A dinner, picnic-style, will be held at noon, and those attending are invited to bring baskets.

Immediately following dinner the auction will take place. Varied articles, donated by persons interested in the church, will be sold to the highest bidders, and all proceeds will be turned over to the church building fund.

Lonzie V. Hodges, secretary-treasurer of the church, extends on behalf of the pastor, Rev. S. C. Smith, and the membership a cordial invitation to the public. Former pastors are especially invited to attend.

Are To Turn On Christmas Lights Here Nov. 29th

At a meeting of directors of the Elkin Merchants Association Wednesday morning it was decided that Christmas street lighting will be turned on November 29 to officially mark the opening of the Christmas season here.

It was also decided that stores will close one day, November 28, for Thanksgiving, and two days for Christmas, December 25, and Thursday, December 26. Store hours during the Christmas shopping season will remain as they now are, from 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., it was said.

TURNED OVER TO WILKES CO.

Litteral And Bell To Be Tried At Wilkesboro On Criminal Assault Charge

HELD WITHOUT BOND

Ralph Vernon Litteral, 34, of Winston-Salem, and Marvin C. Bell, 23, of Roaring River, Route 1, accused of kidnaping and criminally assaulting 15-year-old Peggy Shore of the Pleasant Hill community, were ordered released to the sheriff of Wilkes county by Judge Johnson J. Hayes at the conclusion of United District Court term last week.

The two men were being held on a Federal charge of violating the Lindbergh law, since it was alleged that they took the little girl across the state line into Tennessee. The order releasing the men to State court, where they will be tried on assault charge alone, does not "prejudice the rights of the United States" to prosecute them under the Lindbergh law Judge Hayes said.

A petition filed along with the order for the release of the pair, signed by Avalon E. Hall, 17th District solicitor, stated that Sheriff C. G. Poindexter holds a warrant charging them with criminal assault in Wilkes county, and adds that prosecution will be started "at the earliest possible date in Wilkes County Superior Court."

Bell has been held in Guilford county without privilege of bond and Litteral has been serving a 60 day sentence in the State penitentiary at Raleigh, for violation of liquor laws, since their apprehension in August.

All rubies and sapphires, genuine and synthetic, are composed of aluminum oxide.

STORES ARE TO CLOSE HALF-DAY

Merchants Vote To Take Wednesday Afternoons Off Effective January, 1947

THROUGH SEPTEMBER

Elkin merchants, through a questionnaire-survey offered by the Merchants Association, have voted to close their stores each Wednesday afternoon, January through September. It is understood that the extension of the summer-time holiday will take effect January, 1947.

It has previously been customary for the merchants to close one-half day each week during the summer only.

Claude Farrell, president of the Merchants Association, stated that Wednesday afternoon closing will give employees, who normally work a six-day week, an opportunity to more free time for relaxation and household tasks.

Mr. Farrell also pointed out that the neighboring towns of Mount Airy, North Wilkesboro, and Winston-Salem observe the half-holiday 11 months out of the year, remaining open the entire week only during the month directly preceding Christmas.

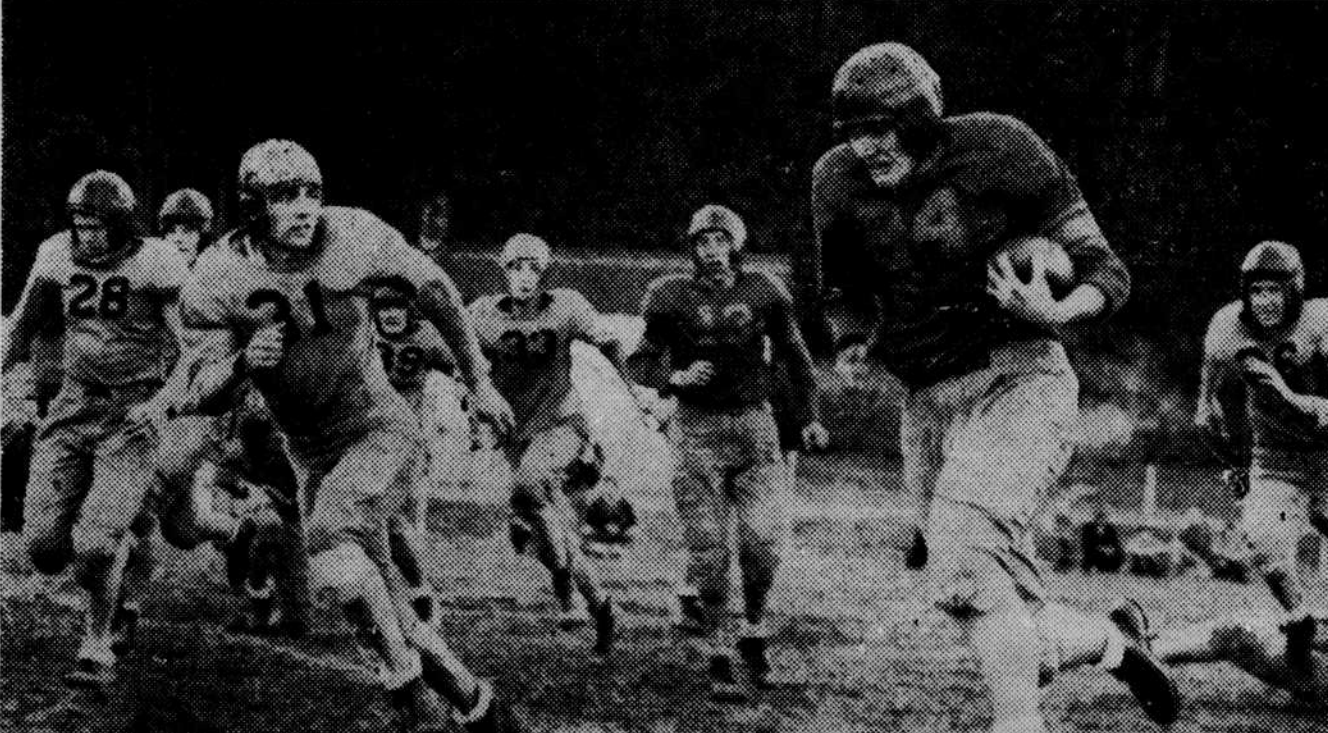
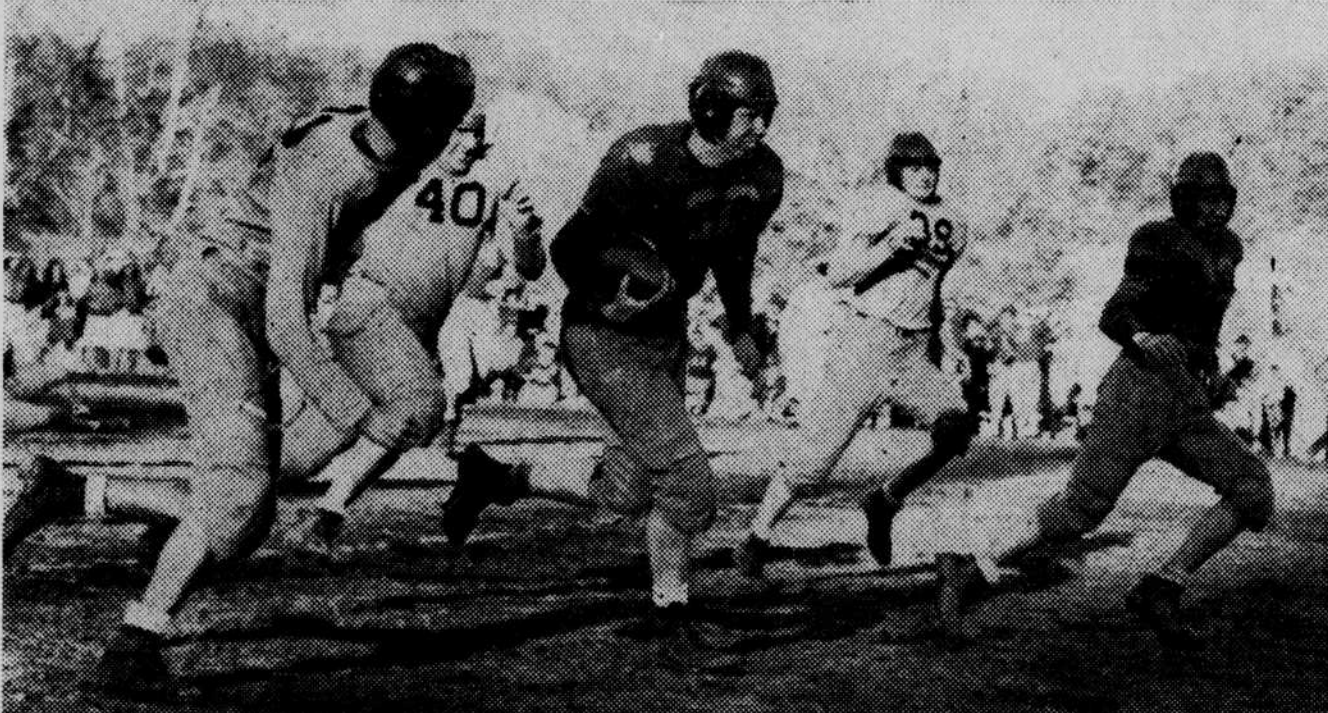
The questionnaire distributed among local merchants asked whether or not they favored closing during the summer months, closing for 11 months, or closing at the discretion of the association. The majority, Mr. Farrell said, indicated that they preferred closing each Wednesday afternoon, at 12 noon, January through September. It was previously agreed that all would abide by the opinion of the majority.

Presbyterians Hold Youth Night

The annual Youth Night program, conducted by the young people of the Presbyterian Church, will be presented Sunday night at 7:00 o'clock at the church.

Youth Night is observed in all Presbyterian Churches annually for the purpose of conveying the aims and program of the Young People's organization to the church as a whole, and the offering from this service is used to promote young people's work throughout the Synod and Presbytery.

Those taking part from the Elkin Pioneer League will be: Janice Jennings, Edna Dillon, Phyllis Jennings, David Dickson, Jean Combs, Gwendolyn Dickson, Betty Lou Wall, and David Causey.



ELKS PROVE TOO STRONG FOR MOCKSVILLE IN GAME HERE FRIDAY — Elkin High's Buckin' Elks experienced little difficulty here last Friday afternoon in defeating a scrappy Mocksville team 32-6. Top photo shows Bob "Cotton" Harris go forward bound as he ran off right end for the Elks. Bob Ratledge is leading the way, while Murph (40), makes a desperate effort to overtake him. In lower photo Lawrence picks up plenty of yardage in a drive which netted another Elkin score. Mocksville players seeking to intercept the runner are Campbell (31), Jones (28), and Hartman (33). Mocksville player at extreme right (38), is Graves. B. Ratledge (13), is pictured just beyond Lawrence.

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