



VETERAN'S INTERVIEW — E. P. Robinson, director of the district veterans' office here, is shown interviewing one of the many ex-service men who visit the office for advice and assistance. At the left is Miss Pearl Wilhelm, secretary of the Elkin office, and Earl Harp, local veteran. —Tribune Photo

Veterans Commission Office Is Busy Place

Is Rendering Real Service To Large Number

BY THOMAS WILSON



ARTIST OF THE ORGAN — Paul Weber, nationally known organist and recording artist will present an organ concert at the Gilvin Roth YMCA Friday evening, March 21, at 7:30 o'clock, playing the Hammond electric organ with Vibraphone and Solonox attachments. Sponsored by the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Lions Club, Mr. Weber's concert is expected to be well attended by music lovers of this section. Admission for adults has been announced at \$1.00, with students tickets selling for 50 cents. Tickets are now on sale at The Music Box, and will also be on sale at the door on the evening of the concert.

JONESVILLE WINS EVENT

Defeat Elkin In Finals Of Parent-Teacher Grammar School Cage Tourney

W. YADKIN DEFEATED

Jonesville defeated Elkin in two hard-fought games in the Elkin high school gymnasium Friday night to win the grammar school tournament sponsored by the Elkin Parent-Teachers Association. The girls from Jonesville beat Elkin, 21-16, and the boys' game ended in a 34-23 victory for the Jonesville boys.

The Jonesville boys gained a lead in the first moments of play and held it throughout the game, despite several rallies on the part of the Elkin five.

Jonesville's boys entered the finals after defeating a smaller West Yadkin team Thursday, and the Jonesville girls won the right to play in the finals by edging out the West Yadkin girls.

Both Elkin teams went into the finals by way of forfeits from Traphill, whose teams were unable to fill their engagements because of heavy rain and muddy roads.

Call Special Junior Order Meeting Here

All members of the Elkin council No. 96 of the J. O. U. A. M. are asked to attend a meeting of the order to be held Friday night at 7:30, according to G. C. Cooper, councilor, and Paul Newman, secretary.

The Friday night meeting will be the beginning of a series to be held in the near future, including a district meeting on April 14.

MT. AIRY MAN HELD IN JAIL FOR SHOOTING

Is Charged With Killing Of Roy Towe, 27

HAD PREVIOUS RECORD

Robert L. Jessup Released From Prison After Sentence For Murder

SCORE LAXITY OF LAW

Robert L. Jessup, 45, of Mount Airy, is in the Surry county jail at Dobson awaiting a hearing on charges of having fatally shot Roy Towe, 27, of Cana, Va., Saturday afternoon at the Bunker Woods Service station between White Plains and Mount Airy.

According to Miss Edna Wood and Elwood Jacobs, employees of the station, the two men left the building about 2 p. m. Saturday, evidently on friendly terms. Miss Wood said she heard some shots after the two men left and looked out the window to see Towe lying on the ground.

Officers said Towe had two bullet holes in his body—one through the right shoulder and another in the lower right ribs.

Jessup was arrested on the Westfield road about two and one-half miles from Mount Airy later in the afternoon. Officers said he offered no resistance, and that he was in an intoxicated condition.

The motive for the shooting could not be determined.

Towe is the second man Jessup is said to have killed on the same spot. He allegedly shot and killed Faye Seay, 23-year-old CCC worker, on August 29, 1936, within 10 feet of the place where Saturday's shooting occurred. Jessup was tried for murder and sentenced to serve from 15 to 20 years in the state prison, but was released on parole in 1939 after serving two years and three months of the term.

In December, 1940, his parole was terminated because of his "excellent" prison record.

Since that time, he has been tried in Surry county courts on nine different occasions, several of which would have justified revocation of any parole, officers said.

Law enforcement officers of this area, meanwhile, have expressed concern at the laxity of the state's parole policy. Several cases have been cited of parolees who have given police trouble while on parole. Two outstanding cases were those of Summerfield Martin, convicted of slaying an officer, paroled, and then arrested on a kidnaping charge, and Ralph Vernon Litteral, who, while on parole from Jackson Training School, began a career of crime that filled his police record with some 50 criminal offenses. Litteral is now in State Prison at Raleigh awaiting the outcome of an appeal to the Supreme Court after a death sentence received for the rape of Peggy Shore.

Walter E. Johnson, Jr., solicitor of the Eleventh Solicitorial District, also expressed the opinion this week that the paroling of prisoners in the state was lax, and

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CIVIC GROUPS TO TALK PLAN

Will Discuss Exposition Building At Joint Meeting At YMCA Monday

LIONS TO BE HOSTS

The Lions Club will play host to the Kiwanis Club, the Jaycees, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign War at a joint meeting at 6:30 p. m. Monday, March 24, at the YMCA.

The main topic of discussion will be the construction of a building to house such activities as horse shows, fat stock shows, fairs, etc., on the ground just north of the high school athletic field.

A special committee appointed by the town commissioners to study the problem believes a suitable structure can be erected and equipped for about \$12,000.00, and that the venture will be self-liquidating over a period of approximately five years.

A plan to finance the venture with a bank loan secured by limited guarantees from interested citizens was discussed at length in a meeting of the town commissioners, the special agricultural committee, and representatives of civic clubs on March 10. This plan was received favorably by that group and it is believed that it will be recommended to the larger meeting on March 24.

Is To Preach At Methodist Services Here



DR. C. E. ROZZELLE

Dr. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of the Ardmore Methodist Church in Winston-Salem, and one of the leading ministers in North Carolina Methodism, will be guest speaker in the pre-Easter evangelistic services at the Elkin Methodist Church. Dr. Rozzelle will preach each evening from Sunday through Friday at 7:30, and each morning from 8:05 to 8:30 he will talk to children and young people.

The Young People and Intermediates will meet at 6 p. m. at the church Sunday in a supper meeting when Dr. Rozzelle will speak. On Sunday morning the children's class will be received into the church membership, and on Palm Sunday the adults will be received.

OFFICIALS OF EASTER DRIVE

R. M. Smith Is Named Chairman Of Seal Sale For Crippled Children

GETS UNDER WAY TODAY

County chairmen for the annual Easter Seal campaign for the North Carolina League for Crippled Children were announced this week by Senator Thomas O'Berry, president of the League, and Miss Ethel Honeycutt, executive secretary.

R. M. Smith, of Mount Airy, was named chairman for Surry county in the campaign which gets under way today, March 20. Mrs. Fred C. Hobson, of Yadkinville, is chairman for Yadkin county, and C. B. Eller, of Wilkesboro, will head the drive in Wilkes county.

Records show that 62,000 handicapped children in North Carolina need improved physical condition, proper schooling, opportunity for recreation, and vocational guidance, Senator O'Berry said.

WILL SPEAK AT FARMERS RALLY

Joe R. Williams, Of Farm Bureau Federation Is To Be Speaker

AT DOBSON COURTHOUSE

Joe R. Williams, assistant secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, will speak at a county-wide rally for Tobacco Associates, Inc., tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the court house in Dobson.

Tobacco Associates is an organization sponsored by the State Farm Bureau to promote flue-cured tobacco exports markets.

S. H. Atkinson and P. N. Taylor, president and secretary, respectively, of the Surry Farm Bureau, pointed out that half the tobacco crop is exported normally and urged tobacco growers to support the organization in the interest of maintaining good prices in the export market.

Supported by farmers, banks, warehouses and merchants, Tobacco Associates is attempting to raise funds to carry out the program. Surry county's quota for farmers, based on tobacco acreage, is \$1,400.

CORRECTION

The mass meeting for the nomination of candidates for Elkin's mayor and five commissioners will be held Friday night, April 4, instead of Tuesday night, as stated in last week's issue of The Tribune. The date, April 4, is correct, but the day was inadvertently named as Tuesday rather than Friday.

Thieves Take \$230 In Cash In Burglary Of Surry Co. Courthouse

HOLD MEMORIAL DINNER AT 'Y'

More Than 600 Are Guests Of Chatham Company In Honor Of War Victims

PLAQUE IS PRESENTED

More than 600 guests of the Chatham Manufacturing Company attended a memorial dinner in the YMCA last night in honor of the 12 former Chatham employees who lost their lives in World War II.

Sam Alford of Greensboro, a student-veteran at Guilford College, sang two special numbers on the program, which was presided over by R. W. Harris, superintendent of the plant.

Clyde Cotthren, president of the Thurmond Chatham Unit club, presented a memorial plaque to the company on which was inscribed the names of the 12 men who gave their lives in the war. A. L. Butler, president of the company, accepted the plaque for the company.

C. J. Hyslop, safety director of the company, called the names of the 12 men on the roll of honor, and Earl V. Henderson sounded taps.

Following the opening song, "America," T. C. McKnight, general secretary of the YMCA, led the group in prayer.

Thurmond Chatham, chairman of the board of directors of the company, spoke briefly on the program, and Rev. J. L. Powers pronounced the benediction.

Guests at the dinner included Chatham service men who have returned to the company, other veterans employed since their discharge, and parents and widows of men in whose honor the dinner was given.

The 12 men who lost their lives in the war were Robert W. Cheek, Jr., William B. Graham, C. Curtis Hall, Charles R. Hanes, Walter J. Osborne, Garvis W. Pinnix, Robert J. Reynolds, Herman G. Sale, Paul H. Simmons, Ira H. Smoot, William J. Sparks and Ray R. Transou.

SCHOOL BILL IS APPROVED

Legislative Committee Unanimously Okeys Local Administrative Unit

INTRODUCED BY SNOW

A bill that would give Elkin township a separate school administrative unit was unanimously approved by members of the State Senate and House education committees at a point hearing in Raleigh last Wednesday.

Surry county's Representative George K. Snow, who introduced the measure in January, and Surry's Senator R. Posey Jones, a member of the Senate education committee, spoke at the hearing in behalf of the bill, which is expected to pass the House and go to the Senate at an early date.

A delegation of 11 Elkin citizens attended the hearing in support of the bill, including R. W. Harris, chairman of the local school board; N. H. Carpenter, principal of Elkin high school; Hoyle Cranford, president of the Merchants Association; Milton Cooper, representing the Parent-Teachers Association; R. Lewis Alexander and W. M. Allen, local attorneys; Jack Caudill, president of the Lions Club; H. C. Dobson, former member of the State Legislature; J. W. L. Benson, town commissioner; Hugh Royall, Claude Farrell, and Foley Norman, local business men.

If the bill is enacted into law, Elkin will have a full-time school superintendent and a school unit administered by a local board and separate from the county system. Funds to administer the unit are already available as the result of a supplementary school tax levy which was voted last April.

It was pointed out that all larger towns of the state have separate school units, and the bill, if passed, will place Elkin's educational facilities on a par with those of other schools.

Tribune Advertising Gets Results



TO PREACH — Dr. R. E. Richards, evangelist, above will conduct a two-weeks' series of special services at the Pilgrim Church here beginning Sunday, March 23, and continuing each night until Sunday, April 6, it has been announced by Rev. Jos. C. Brown, minister of the church.

Special music is to be provided by the Buckeye Gospel Quartet, which will also be here for the services. Services will be held each week night at 7:30 o'clock, and on Sunday nights at 7:00. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend.

EMPLOYEES ARE DINNER GUESTS

Annual Employer - Employee Banquet Is Staged At Gilvin Roth YMCA

MAGICIAN ENTERTAINS

A cartoonist, a magician and a square dance provided a full evening of amusement for some 300 guests who attended the annual employer-employee banquet in the YMCA Tuesday night.

Alan Browning, Jr., master of ceremonies, entertained the group with a series of cartoon sketches following the dinner, and J. Coke Cecil, sleight-of-hand artist from High Point, produced handkerchiefs and coins out of the thin air in a program of tricks. Both performers received enthusiastic rounds of applause.

Following the opening song, led by T. C. McKnight, Hoyle Cranford, president, welcomed the guests to the banquet, which is sponsored annually by the Elkin Merchants Association. Claude H. Farrell, past president of the association, spoke briefly, and W. H. Combs pronounced the invocation.

Mr. Browning and Mr. Cecil were presented Chatham blankets by George Royall.

The square dancing was led by Orvid Wilcox.

DOBSON SEEKS WATER SYSTEM

Proposed Bond Issue Of Approximately \$70,000 To Be Voted Upon

TO ATTRACT INDUSTRY

A proposed bond issue of approximately \$70,000 to finance a town water system in Dobson will be voted on at a special election the latter part of April or the first part of May, according to a statement this week by Mayor Frank Freeman.

Plans and specifications for the water facilities have already been drawn up, and an initial advance of \$2,000 for preliminary engineering work has been approved by the Federal Works Agency.

Mayor Freeman expressed confidence that Dobson voters would favor the plan for a municipal water system.

"It will be an added inducement for small industries to locate here," he said, commenting on the present trend toward de-centralization of industry, "and will eliminate difficulties of privately-owned water systems."

The new water system, if approved by voters, will consist of one or more wells sunk several hundred feet in the ground to assure an adequate supply of water.

Seven Offices Entered, Three Safes Cracked

Robbers broke into seven offices and took approximately \$230 from two safes in the court house at Dobson late Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. A third safe in the county accountant's office was cracked, but no money was reported missing.

The combinations to the safes had been chiseled off, and the contents ransacked, but the thugs were evidently interested only in money. Mrs. Jessy Belle Black-welder, Surry county tax collector, said a preliminary check-up showed approximately \$140 was missing from the safe in her office. K. W. Lawrence, clerk of the superior court, stated that about \$90 had been taken from his safe, although he had not completed a check of the contents.

The doors to the offices had been pried open after the thieves presumably gained entrance to the building through a door that had been left unlocked, or with a skeleton key.

No finger prints were found, and investigating officers expressed the opinion that the robbery was committed by experienced men. Marks on one of the safes indicated that the robbers wore gloves.

The thieves made a systematic search of nearly every office in the building, passing up only the county agent's office in the basement and the office of the draft board on the first floor. About \$80 in an unlocked cabinet in the county school superintendent's office was overlooked.

Offices of the home demonstration agent, register of deeds, and the welfare office were broken into, but nothing was reported missing.

Experts from the State Bureau of Investigation were expected to be called to aid in further investigation.

TO SPEAK HERE TRAINING MEET

Extension Specialist In Family Relations To Address Group At YMCA

OPEN TO 3 COUNTIES

Mrs. Virginia Swain, extension specialist in family relations, will be the chief speaker at a "Family Life Training" meeting in the YMCA here April 1.

Family life leaders of home demonstration clubs, and 4-H club leaders of Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes counties are especially urged to attend the meeting, which begins at 9:30 a. m.

In the afternoon, Miss Willie Hunter, extension specialist in clothing from Raleigh, will discuss and demonstrate sewing machine attachments for home demonstration agents of the three counties. Mrs. Grace Pope Brown and Mrs. Bess G. Devenport, of Surry; Mrs. Annie Laura Green and Miss Margaret Morrison, of Wilkes; and Miss Irene Brown, of Yadkin, are the home agents for the three counties.

Thieves Take \$600 From Lucky Break

Thieves broke into the Lucky Break pool room here last Thursday night and took about \$600 in cash from a cabinet, according to the owners.

Entrance to the building was gained through a rear door facing into the alley behind the pool room. The culprits evidently chiseled a hole through the door and lifted the bar securing the door inside.

The cabinet had been forced open, and only cash was taken. Local officers have no clues as to the identity of the robbers.

Club Officials Are Guests Of Kiwanians

Officials of various Elkin civic clubs were guests of the Kiwanians at their meeting at the Gilvin Roth YMCA last Thursday evening.

President Carl C. Pondexter presided.