



**NEW LEGION COMMANDER—**  
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## STEVENSON IS LEGION HEAD

**Named Commander Of George Gray Post At Special Meeting Here Friday**

### OTHER OFFICERS NAMED

Bill Stevenson was named Commander of the George Gray Post of the American Legion at a special meeting last Friday night. He will be installed, with other new officers, at the next regular meeting of the organization next Wednesday night in the YMCA.

Other officers elected to serve one-year terms were Charlie Alexander, First Vice-Commander; Fred Norman, Second Vice-Commander; Kemp Reese, Adjutant; Lewis Alexander, Chaplain; Walter Safrit, Finance Officer; F. W. Graham, Historian; Henry Beeson, Service Officer; Harry Clay Price, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Joe Transou, Athletic Officer.

## Highway Is To Award Surfacing Contracts

The North Carolina State Highway Commission is expected to award contracts for the surfacing of several roads in Surry and Wilkes at a meeting in Raleigh next week.

Bids on 28 road projects were opened by the Commission Tuesday, and the P. and P. Construction Company, of Concord, was low bidder on 15.68 miles of road in the two counties with a bid of \$63,549.20.

The projects will include bituminous surfacing of seven-tenths of a mile of the old Dobson road, three miles of the Ronda-Clingman road, a section of the road from U. S. Highway 21 to the Poplar Springs Church, eight-tenths of a mile of the road by Pleasant Hill school, three miles of the North Wilkesboro-Oakwood road, and five miles of the Parsonville road off U. S. Highway 421.

## Clarence Weir Dies At Farmington Home

Clarence M. Weir, 57, died suddenly at his home in Farmington about 11 o'clock Monday night with a heart attack. He was a traveling salesman for a coffee company.

Mr. Weir lived in Yadkinville about 1915 and while here married Miss Clara Jarvis. She survives him, together with one daughter, Mrs. Clarence Shore of Walkertown and one grandchild. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Farmington Methodist church, and burial was in the Farmington cemetery.

## Saturday Is To Be Observed As Poppy Day

Saturday, May 24, will be observed as Poppy Day throughout the United States, and Elk-in citizens will be asked to honor the dead of two World Wars by wearing one of the flowers on that day.

Proceeds from the sale of poppies will be used for the benefit of disabled veterans, their families and the families of the dead.

Mrs. D. C. Martin, Poppy chairman of the American Legion Auxiliary here, will be in charge of the sale in Elk-in. Volunteers from the Auxiliary and young women's groups will distribute the flowers Saturday, and everyone will be given an opportunity to wear a poppy.

# Robbers Enter Home Here And Clean Out Safe

## Yadkinville Home Is Also Robbed Sunday

Investigating officers had no clues up to yesterday as to the identity of thieves who robbed homes in Elk-in and Yadkinville over the week-end.

The home of John S. Mayberry, on North Bridge Street, was entered and robbed of several thousand dollars worth of notes, bonds, and other valuables while the family was absent on a week-end trip to the beach. The stolen goods were recovered Sunday when the loot was found by four Walkertown youths in a sack submerged in the Yadkin river near the bridge on the Elk-in-Winston-Salem highway.

The contents of the sack included two notes for \$7,500 and \$5,000, several hundred dollars worth of war bonds, ten automobile titles, and other valuables, it was reported. The Walkertown youths turned the stolen goods over to Winston-Salem police, and Mr. Mayberry was notified and went to the city to recover the goods.

The stolen articles had been taken from a safe in the home, evidently by someone who had keys to the house and knew the combination to the safe. There was no evidence that a door lock had been damaged or that the safe had been broken into.

Mr. Mayberry said yesterday that police were still working on the case.

The Yadkinville robbery occurred Sunday afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock when thieves entered the home of Ernest Long and took several hundred dollars worth of war bonds, about \$65 in cash, several suits of clothing, and other items. The Long family was attending the baccalaureate sermon at Yadkinville high school when the robbery took place. It was reported that three men in an automobile were seen in front of the Long residence Sunday afternoon and it was believed that they were the culprits. Statements as to the description of the car differed, however. No arrests had been made up to Wednesday afternoon.

Ned Hood, agronomist with the Soil Conservation Service who roomed with the Longs, was heavily hit by the robbery. He lost four suits of clothing, 15 shirts and \$925 in war bonds, it was reported.

Sheriff Bill Moxley said a \$50 reward had been offered for information leading to the arrest of the thieves.

## \$781.57 NETTED ON RIDES HERE

**Money Applied To Fund Being Raised For Elk-in Exposition Building**

### WORK TO START SOON

The Exposition Building Committee, which sponsored the Williams Riding Devices here last week, realized a profit of \$781.57 on the devices according to E. W. McDaniel, chairman of the committee.

The money will be applied to a fund being raised for the construction of an agricultural and exposition building here that will cost an estimated \$18,000.

Mr. McDaniel expressed his appreciation for the cooperation of the Eastern Star, whose members sold tickets for the rides, and to the Masonic Order, which assisted in bringing the devices here.

Construction on the exposition building is expected to be started within the next two weeks, Mr. McDaniel said. Cinder blocks have already been purchased and delivered, and other materials are expected to arrive shortly.

In addition to the profits from the riding devices, Mr. McDaniel reported that Andrew Greenwood had donated \$100 to the fund, and that \$124.27 had been realized from the sale of a steer contributed by J. R. Poindexter. Out of this total of \$1,005.84, the Frank L. Blum Company was paid \$920.69 for cinder blocks; C. W.

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**SPEAKER—**Dr. George Mauze, above, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem, will deliver the commencement address at Jonesville High School, Friday evening, May 23, at 8 p. m. Diplomas will be awarded to 22 graduates.

## NOT TO CALL NEW ELECTION

**Alleged Irregularities At Dobson Do Not Constitute Sufficient Grounds**

### HAD WRITTEN ATTORNEY

The reported irregularities in Dobson's recent town election do not constitute sufficient grounds for calling a new election, according to North Carolina's Attorney General Harry McMullan.

The opinion was contained in a letter this week to Mayor Frank Freeman, who had requested a statement relative to procedure for calling a new election after D. T. Sparger, a Dobson merchant, had protested the legality of the May 5 election. Among other charges, Mr. Sparger had asserted that the polls were opened late, that the registrar was not present at the polls during the entire day of election, and that election judge was not required to take the prescribed oath.

Mayor Freeman, conceding that the charges were technically valid, had requested an opinion from the attorney general on the question of a new election.

According to McMullan's opinion, a new election would be justified only if voters had been denied the right to cast ballots to the extent that the results of the election had been altered. Such irregularities as were evident in the election were not to be condoned, McMullan asserted in the opinion, but they did not constitute sufficient grounds for vitiating the election.

However, Mayor Freeman has called a public hearing in the court house in Dobson tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 for the purpose of airing any protests or complaints relative to the election. Members of the town board, acting as ex officio members of the board of elections, will determine whether further action is to be taken in the matter. Indications are that, in view of the attorney general's opinion, the results of the election will stand.

Mayor Freeman stated that a proposed bond issue for financing a municipal water system in Dobson would also be discussed tonight. He indicated that definite action would be taken either to set an election date, or to discard the project.

## Elkin P.-T. A. To Hold Final Meet

The final meeting of the Elkin Parent-Teachers Association for the 1946-47 term will be held Tuesday evening at the Elementary school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

Officers for the coming year will be installed during ceremonies which Mrs. Earl C. James will direct.

A highlight of the program will be a talk by N. H. Carpenter, superintendent of Elkin schools, who will discuss the school bond election and other topics of interest to citizens of the community.

An invitation is extended to the public to attend the Tuesday evening session.

Tribune Advertising Gets Results

# NO OPPOSITION SHOWN TO PLAN FOR NEW BONDS

**County Board To Call Election On Or About June 28**

### SURRY SCHOOL PROGRAM

Schools At Elkin, Mount Airy And Nine Rural Schools Would Benefit

### IS \$1,000,000 PROGRAM

The County Board of Commissioners will call a bond election "on or about June 28" to determine whether Surry voters are willing to authorize the issuance of \$1,000,000 in bonds for a proposed county-wide school building program.

The date was set at a meeting in the court house in Dobson Monday night when a public hearing on the proposed issue was held, and no opposition to the plan was presented. The bond issue is supported by approximately 5,000 qualified voters who signed petitions requesting that the election be called.

City schools at Elkin and Mount Airy and nine county schools will receive funds for additional buildings and improved facilities if the election carries. A majority of voters cast in the election, without regard for the number of registered voters, will determine whether the bonds will be issued.

## TWO HURT IN AUTO WRECK

**Mr. And Mrs. Joe Price Injured When Car Turns Over Near Boonville**

### SMALL SON UNINJURED

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Price, of Jonesville, suffered serious injuries when the automobile in which they were riding overturned on a curve near Boonville Monday morning as the result of a tire blowing out.

Mrs. Price received a severe laceration of the head that required 16 stitches to close. Mr. Price suffered a broken ankle, a bruised knee and lacerated hand. Their three-year-old son, the only other occupant of the car, escaped without injury.

The Prices were returning to Boonville, where Mr. Price works, after a visit in Jonesville. The accident occurred on a curve near the Island Ford Church.

The victims were taken to a Statesville hospital for treatment, where their condition was reported as improved yesterday.

# Churches To Take Part In Drive For Clothing

**Seek Help For Needy Families In Oversea Area**

Elkin and Jonesville churches will participate in a State-wide campaign next week to collect clothing for needy families overseas through the Drive for Overseas Relief.

Receptacles for the clothing will be placed in each of the churches in the two communities on Sunday, May 25, and the drive will continue through June 1.

One pound of clothing per person has been set as the goal for the drive, and generous contributions are requested. Wearing apparel collected in the drive will go to 28 foreign nations for distribution to those in need.

When the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation program ended on March 31, foreign nations were forced to look to private agencies for help. Churches in particular are being called upon to aid in relief work in countries where post war inflation makes it impossible for the average working man to provide even the minimum necessities for his family. In Poland, for instance, a pair of shoes costs \$50, a suit, \$200, while most workers make less than \$1 per day.

Contributions of clothing will reduce the suffering resulting from improperly clothed peoples in the stricken countries.

Dynamiting fish in North Carolina inland waters is subject to a minimum fine of \$100.



**PRINCIPALS IN YADKIN MURDER—** Leroy Pardue, above left, who is charged with the fatal shooting of his uncle, Walter Holcomb, Saturday afternoon, was released under \$5,000 bond Tuesday. The late Mr. Holcomb is shown at the right in a recent picture with his wife. The shooting was said to have resulted from an argument over the tying of a cow.



## Supreme Court Considers Bell Litteral Case

The State Supreme Court began hearings Tuesday on 24 cases, including the appeal of Ralph Vernon Litteral and Marvin Claude Bell from a death sentence imposed on them in Wilkes County last January for the criminal assault of Peggy Ruth Shore.

The two men were sentenced to die in the gas chamber on March 15, but the case was appealed to the Supreme Court. A decision on the appeal will probably require at least two weeks.

## No Bond Is Made For Buck Nicks

Buck Nicks, 36, who is charged with shooting Carl Boggs and his wife in a drunken brawl in a north Yadkinville section Sunday, May 11, is still in Yadkinville jail in default of \$4,000 bond. Unless he furnishes the bond he will remain there until next term of court, first Monday in September.

Carl Boggs, who received two charges of number six shot from a .410 gauge shot gun, allegedly fired by Nicks, is still in a Winston-Salem hospital where they are still removing shot from his body, although he is said to be out of danger now. Mrs. Boggs was shot in the arm and received only first aid treatment.

According to Yadkin officers who investigated the shooting, about all parties present were drinking heavily, and Nicks says he was so drunk he doesn't remember what happened. Mrs. Buck Nicks had just finished a 30 day jail sentence but was present when the shooting took place.



## ELKS WIN OVER N. WILKESBORO

**Coney Couch Holds Visitors To Four Hits In Chalk-ing Up 10-3 Score**

Elkin high chalked up another victory here Monday afternoon by defeating North Wilkesboro, 10-3. Coney Couch, Elkin hurler, held the visiting team to four hits.

The North Wilkesboro nine mustered only two runs in the first inning and one in the fourth, while the Buckin' Elks tallied three runs in the third, one in the fifth, and three in the sixth.

## SENIORS HEAR GOOD TALK

**Roy Armstrong, Director Of Admissions Of UNC, Gives Them Good Advice**

### GUEST OF KIWANIANS

Roy Armstrong, director of admissions of the University of North Carolina, was guest speaker at last Thursday's meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club, which was host to the graduating classes of Elkin and Jonesville high schools.

Mr. Armstrong made an excellent talk in which he gave the seniors worthwhile advice as to their future. He told them that unless they sincerely had a desire to go to college, not to do so, or the chances are that they would prove a failure in their college work. "College," he said, "has ruined many a good farmer, mechanic and other tradesman."

However, Mr. Armstrong stressed the advantages of college education, but said that unless the student had finished in the upper half of his class, as far as grades are concerned, he would find college tough sledding.

Anyone planning to be a merchant, tinsmith or other career along these lines does not need to spend four years in college, he said. But if a student is planning to enter the medical profession, law or other highly specialized profession, college is a necessity.

Mr. Armstrong was introduced to the seniors by A. O. Bryan, program chairman for the evening. A brief talk was also made by R. W. Harris, chairman of the Elkin school board. Seniors from the two schools were introduced by their respective school superintendents, Watt Deal, of Jonesville, and N. H. Carpenter, of Elk-in.

President Carl C. Poindexter presided. The much-talked-of color motion picture of North Carolina, its various industries and resources, will be shown at this evening's meeting (Thursday) of the club.

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Bob Lawrence led the batting with one single and a double. North Wilkesboro had the bases loaded in the sixth as a result of Elkin errors, but Couch spiked the rally by fanning the next two batters. The side was retired when the third man was thrown out at first.

The Elks meet Yadkinville on the latter's field at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

## Bill Started To Kill Rationing Of Sugar

Washington, May 20.—A bill to end sugar rationing without waiting for the October 31 deadline provided under the present law was introduced in the Senate today and its sponsors predicted Congress would approve it.

# Yadkin Youth Charged With Killing Uncle

## Washington Column Starts In Tribune

The Tribune is this week starting publication of a Washington Column entitled "North Carolina in the Nation's Capitol," by Robert A. Erwin, native North Carolinian, and his large staff of reporters.

This column is devoted largely to activities of North Carolina people in Washington and the doings of Congress. In addition, Mr. Erwin's staff will cover any special stories of particular interest to Tribune readers. The Erwin News Service serves a large number of daily and weekly newspapers in North Carolina, and numerous radio stations.

With our Raleigh column, conducted by Yadkin's native son, Thompson Greenwood, this gives The Tribune an excellent coverage of both Washington and Raleigh. We believe Mr. Erwin's reports will be a valuable addition to our news service.

## Leroy Pardue Bound Over On Murder Count

Leroy Pardue, 19-year-old blonde haired youth of the Knobs Township section of Yadkin County, was bound over to the fall term of Superior Court Tuesday on a charge of murder for killing Walter Holcomb after a preliminary trial in Yadkinville.

Pardue furnished the required bond of \$5,000 Tuesday afternoon and was released from custody. The bond was signed by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Pardue and his aunt, Miss Lillie Pardue.

Sheriff A. F. "Bill" Moxley, Patrolman W. S. McKinney and J. W. Williamson and a number of other witnesses testified at a hearing in regard to the circumstances surrounding the fatal shooting of Holcomb last Saturday afternoon near his home between Brooks Cross Roads and Jonesville.

Testimony revealed that the trouble developed over a cow belonging to his sister, Lillie Holcomb, adjoining his land and the land of Heaton and Katie Pardue, parents of Leroy Pardue.

Mrs. Ruby Rycroft, daughter of the slain man, testified Tuesday that young Pardue and his mother, Mrs. Katie Pardue, went out to where Mr. Holcomb's cow was tied and began moving it to a different section of land. At this point, she related, Mr. Holcomb asked her and Mrs. Holcomb to accompany him to the spot where the two had his cow. They got into Holcomb's automobile and drove out there.

"My daddy had no sooner put his feet on the ground near his side of the car when Leroy shot him," she testified. "Then he bent over, and when he straightened up he had something in his hand, and he threw it at Leroy. He hit him in the face with it," she said.

About this time, Mrs. Rycroft related, her mother and Pardue's mother were scuffling with each other on the scene, and pulled chunks of hair from each other's head. Testimony revealed that Mrs. Holcomb hit Mrs. Pardue on the head with a bottle.

Another witness, Mrs. Mary Brooks, a neighbor, related a somewhat different version of the fight. "I saw the whole thing," she related from the witness stand. "Mrs. Pardue told Mr. Holcomb to get his cow off her land," she said. "Then he picked up something from the ground, a rock, I believe, and began throwing it at Leroy. Leroy backed up, turned partly around, and a rock hit him. Then he shot Mr. Holcomb two times," she said.

The weapon, a .22 semi-automatic rifle, was displayed during the trial.

Pardue did not testify at the trial.

## Delegates Named By Elkin Lions

Lion Claude Farrell was in charge of the program at Monday evening's dinner session of Elkin Lion Club at Gilvin Roth YMCA. An interesting quiz program was conducted.

During the business session Lions Jim Crowe, Jack Caudill and Claude Farrell were elected as delegates to the State convention which will convene in Asheville on May 25, 26 and 27.

Lion Glenn Lewis, chairman of the cancer fund drive, reported that \$1,173.19 had been raised in Elk-in and that the quota of \$1,000 was exceeded.

The club voted to sponsor a baseball team in the knee-pants league, which is being sponsored by various civic organizations in Elk-in.

The next meeting of the Lions will be held on Monday evening, June 2, at which time new officers will be installed for the coming year. This will be a ladies' night program.

North Carolina farmers produced the largest flue cured tobacco crop on record in 1946 along with the highest yield per acre in history.

There were approximately 1,311,000 people living on farms in North Carolina on January 1, 1945.

County agents will leave Monday, May 26, and return on Saturday, May 31.

## Smith To Make Education Tour

County Agent Neill Smith and Assistant Agent Mark Goforth will join other farm agents of western North Carolina next week on an educational tour of the Tennessee Valley. The county agents will observe farming methods and practices of TVA projects, and visit the TVA fertilizer plant at Muscle Shoals.

The trip will also include a visit to the state farm at Morganton for the purpose of observing results of scientific farming practices.

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