

Pfc. Lawrence Is Interred Sunday At Elkin Valley



DAVID W. LAWRENCE

Funeral services for Private First Class David W. Lawrence, who was killed in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands, April 17, 1945, was conducted at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Elkin Valley Baptist Church by Rev. J. C. Gwaltney, pastor.

Burial was in the church cemetery with military rites conducted by the George Gray Post 114, American Legion.

The body arrived at Hayes-Speas Funeral Home Friday.

Pfc. Lawrence entered service in 1942. He was 21 years old when he was killed.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lawrence; three brothers, Wilson, Dewey and Ray Lawrence, all of Elkin.

DRAFT BOARD IS TO MEET

Organization Session To Be Held At Dobson Court House Within Few Days

DRAFT STARTS AUG. 30

C. A. McNeil, Elkin soft drink bottler who has been recommended to serve on the Surry county draft board, announced this week that the board would hold an organizational meeting within the next few days to set up the machinery which will be used to induct Surry county men into military service.

Office space has been secured in the court house at Dobson, McNeil said, and necessary equipment and personnel will be secured as soon as possible for the program which is expected to start August 30.

McNeil and W. B. White, Dobson, both members of the war-time board, will serve with Marion Burke, Mount Airy, a veteran of World War II.

Frank Freeman, Dobson attorney, is expected to serve as appeal agent.

In Washington, Selective Service officials made public the eight-page questionnaire which an estimated 9,600,000 draft registrants will receive.

N. C. DOCTOR HAS NEW IDEA

Believes Cutting Down On Sugar And Starches Will Prevent Polio

AVOID OVER-EXERTION

A North Carolina veterans hospital doctor felt last week that he has found the long-sought preventive for infantile paralysis.

Cut out the sugars and starches in your meals and in 24 hours' time you stand a good chance of being immune to the polio virus, says Dr. Benjamin P. Sandler.

Sandler is a physician at the Oteen Veterans Hospital at Asheville, one of the North Carolina resort cities which have been under siege nearly two months against the state's worst polio invasion in history.

Ten years ago, Sandler said, he with other doctors began intensive polio experiments on rabbits at New York's Morrisania Hospital laboratories. At that time he became the first researcher ever to transmit the polio virus to supposedly "paralysis-proof" rabbits.

Sandler explained his answer easily in one word: Diet.

Polio victims, the VA doctor says, frequently have a low blood sugar content. "This is caused in

THIEVES STEAL SAFE, HAUL IT OFF IN TRUCK

Is Third Safe Job In This Area Within Recent Weeks

BELIEVED WORK OF RING

Latest Robbery Was At Office Of R. M. Fletcher, Of Boonville

OTHERS STILL MYSTERY

The report of the theft of a 600 pound safe from a Boonville used car dealer this week was the third major robbery reported in this area recently.

The safe, containing cash and valuable papers, was taken from the office of R. M. Fletcher, who estimated that it contained several hundred dollars, three or four war bonds with \$500 maturity value, insurance policies, and other valuable papers.

The safe-cracking at the Butler-McLeod Motor Company here two weeks ago still poses as an unsolved mystery as local and state officers continue to investigate all available clues.

A safe was stolen recently from the Jonesville office of the Winston-Elkin Motor Express Company which was later found empty in the Yadkin river.

A. F. Moxley, Yadkin county sheriff investigating the Boonville theft, is reportedly working on the theory that Yadkin county has a ring of safe robbers and thieves who carry off safes.

The robbers were believed to have entered by the front door, using a skeleton key to unlock it. Tracks indicated that three men carried the safe to a car parked on the side of the road.

The large safe at the Butler-McLeod company was opened after the dial had been pried off, exposing the lock mechanism. Approximately \$1,500 in cash was stolen.

The thieves had first attempted to blast open the safe, four holes having been drilled in the door. Equipment found in the building was used for the drilling and in removing the dial.

Officers reported that the thieves had entered the building through the only window in the plant which could not be locked. Muddy foot prints led from the window to the office.

POLIO DRIVE SUCCESSFUL

Chatham Manufacturing Company Employees Contribute \$2,250

TOTAL NEARS \$3,000

Employees of the Chatham Manufacturing Company have contributed \$2,350 in the drive to raise funds for the Central Carolina Convalescent Hospital now under construction at Greensboro.

C. J. Hyslop, drive chairman at the plant, reported this week. This brings the total of Elkin's contribution to approximately \$3,000.

Mayor Garland Johnson has announced that the funds will be sent to Greensboro this week.

Hyslop said that Chatham employees received the call for aid with enthusiasm.

"The response was grand; it was the first such drive to my knowledge that was conducted by all our personnel," he added.

The drive was conducted there during Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week.

Earlier, a special radio request program and an auction of merchandise had raised over \$600. Several individual contributions have also been reported by George Yarborough, drive chairman.

Radio station WKBC, North Wilkesboro, sponsored a two-hour musical request program from its Elkin studio which netted over \$300 to open the drive. Later, merchants donated articles which

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Work On Laboratory At Dobson Is Pushed

Work on the artificial breeding laboratory in the basement of the Surry county court house at Dobson is being rapidly pushed to completion, members of the County Agent's staff announced this week.

Necessary equipment is arriving daily and is being installed. Leaders of the association expect the program to be put in operation at an early date.



MOST DECORATED SOLDIER — U. S. Army Lieut. Audie Murphy, most decorated soldier in the U. S. Army, is awarded two more medals by Gen. De Lattre De Tassigny, commander-in-chief of the French army. They are the medal of the Legion of Honor and the "Medaille Militaire."

OPENING LEAF PRICES HIGH

Set New Record On The Carolinas Flue-Cured Border Belt

WEEK'S AVERAGE \$54.44

Opening week tobacco prices on the Carolinas flue-cured border belt set a new record, the U. S. and N. C. Departments of Agriculture announced this week.

Their report said 28,448,480 pounds were marketed during the four-day opening week, which ended Friday, for an average of \$54.44 per hundred pounds.

The average exceeded the previous first week high of \$52.64 set in 1946 by \$1.80, and topped last year's opening week average by \$6.29. Individual market averages ranged from a low of \$48.83 to a high of \$56.74.

Practically all prices advanced over opening week last year with increases ranging from 75 cents to \$11 per hundred. Most gains, however, were from \$4 to \$8.

Grade averages, compared with last year, show cutters up \$6 to \$10; lugs up \$6 to \$11; and primings up \$4 to \$9. All the averages are quoted at or above Commodity Credit support prices. Receipts of the Stabilization Corporation were estimated at about nine per cent.

The two days of sales during last year's opening week saw only 6,882,125 pounds auctioned for an average of \$48.15. This year there is one additional market operating in the belt, making a total of 18. Elerbe, N. C., is operating as a market this year; it didn't last year.

First week's sales this year on the South Carolina markets saw 14,735,159 pounds sold for an average of \$55.09, compared with last year's opening week sales of 4,112,250 pounds for an average of \$48.72.

North Carolina's opening week's sales saw 13,695,321 pounds auctioned for an average of \$53.75, compared with last year's opening week sales of 13,695,321 pounds.

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FOOT BRIDGE TO BE ERECTED

Elkin Park Commission To Join Properties Of High And Elementary Schools

TO OPEN THIS FALL

A foot bridge, expected to be opened by the time school starts in the Fall, will be erected over Big Elkin creek, Hubert Parker, treasurer of the Elkin Park Commission, announced this week.

This span will enable school children of the town to reach the high school and the elementary school without passing through the business section of Elkin.

The 72-foot span, providing a five-foot walkway, will be erected by Frank L. Blum, Winston-Salem contractor, at the south end of Memorial Park.

Later the commission expects to develop a walkway from the east end of the bridge to the elementary school property.

The bridge was obtained from the Mount Airy Mantle and Table Company, at a much smaller cost than that of a new structure. The span had been used between two buildings at Mount Airy.

Parker said that the commission expected the cost of the bridge and its erection to be approximately one half of the expense of erecting a new bridge.

The bridge and the services of a landscape engineer are the only expenditures which have been made by the commission Parker added.

RED FLETCHER FREED UNDER \$5,000 BOND

Boonville Youth Nabbed On Shooting Charge

TAKEN IN MOUNT AIRY

Is Alleged To Have Shot And Wounded Clarence Hines Monday Night

TWO OTHERS ARRESTED

Robert F. (Red) Fletcher, of Boonville, has been released from the Mount Airy jail under a \$5,000 bond, charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Fletcher allegedly fired four shots from a pistol at Clarence Hines on a Mount Airy street Monday night. Two of the bullets reportedly struck Hines in the arms.

Hines is the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hines of Mount Airy.

Bond for Fletcher, who will be given a hearing in Mount Airy Recorder's Court August 23, was posted by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Fletcher.

Two others, riding in the car with Fletcher, are charged with aiding and abetting the assault and have been released under bond. Hearings are scheduled at the same time for Benjamin F. Callahan, Dobson, released under \$500 bond, and Hurley Thore, Mount Airy, released under \$1,000 bond.

According to police, Hines, who planned to enter Catawba College this Fall, was in his car alone when another car, occupied by the three youths, pulled up alongside at a stoplight. An argument apparently ensued, said local police, and Fletcher pulled out a pistol and shot at Hines four times.

Two of the bullets hit Hines, striking him in both arms. An X-ray at the hospital disclosed that one arm was broken and the other fractured by the bullets.

All three men were arrested about a half hour after the shooting by Police Officers C. O. Brinkley and E. V. Marion. Both Thore and Calloway signed statements yesterday saying that Fletcher did the shooting, police reported.

Thore was driving the car, which belonged to Fletcher, who recently had his driving license revoked in Surry Superior Court for driving after his license had been revoked previously and for drunken driving, officers said. The pistol was still in the car when the trio was arrested, they said.

SURRY HOME PROGRAM TOLD

Two State Extension Specialists To Visit With County Women During Fall

MRS. BROWN RETURNS

Mrs. Virginia Swain, extension specialist in family relations, will be in Elkin in October to assist leaders of this section in the Fall home demonstration program.

Mrs. Grace Pope Brown, Surry County Home Demonstration Agent, announced this week.

Mrs. Brown, who returned to her Dobson office Tuesday after a two-week vacation, reviewed plans for the work to be followed this Fall by the county's home demonstration clubs.

During September the clubs will give their attention to furniture selection and refinishing. October will be devoted to budgeting time.

During October, Mrs. Swain, plans to meet with home demonstration leaders from Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes to discuss problems relating to family life and domestic relations.

Family life adolescence programs during the month of November will follow Mrs. Swain's lectures.

Miss Rose Elwood Bryan, extension specialist in food preservation and marketing, is expected to conduct lectures in the county during the Fall on craft work and Christmas presents.

This instruction will be in line with announced work for December which will be devoted to Christmas programs.

Mrs. Brown expects to return to the 4-H program to the active list with the coming of Fall and an expected break in the epidemic of infantile paralysis. This program has been practically curtailed during the summer months.

The annual Person County farm tour attracted a good attendance this year. Improved pastures, alfalfa fields, livestock enterprises, and other farm projects were inspected by the group.



KNIGHT OF THE OPEN ROAD RETURNS — In June, 1947, Richard Cook arrived in Elkin in a horse-drawn wagon on his way from Florida to Michigan. Last week he returned. This time he is going from Florida to Canada and reports that he is making better time — he left the horse at home. Cook has a home-made wagon which he pulls up hill and rides down hill as his home for this journey. His average speed is 25 miles a day which enabled him to arrive here 32 days after leaving Gainesville, Fla. Although on foot and with a 250 pound wagon to pull, he seemed anxious to start the job of climbing to Roaring Gap. (TRIBUNE PHOTO BY BELL)

ENLISTMENTS HIGH IN JULY

Two Navy Veterans Accepted For Six Years Army Service In Europe

TWO JOIN AIR FORCE

Two Navy veterans who enlisted for six years service in the European Theater headed the list of 11 men who were accepted for service in the army air force by Master Sergeant Sherman Colvard, local recruiting representative, during the month of July.

During the twelve months that Sgt. Colvard has been stationed in Elkin he has maintained an average that exceeded his quota for enlistments.

Leroy and Lewis F. Tyson were accepted for service in Europe and sent to Fort Jackson, S. C., for processing. These men arrived in Elkin this week for a ten-day delay en route before reporting to Camp Kilmer, N. J., to await transportation to their foreign posts.

Both boys attended Thomas Jefferson high school in Jacksonville, Fla., before their war-time service with the Navy. The wife of Lewis is a resident of Arlington.

Two enlistees received special army assignments. James B. Shephard, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Hudson of Yadkinville, enlisted for service with the 11th Airborne Division in Japan. He has been ordered to Fort Jackson for basic training.

Rayford C. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harris and the husband of Winnie Lee Harris, all of Jonesville, has been accepted

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Roaring Gap Road Closed To Traffic

The section of U. S. Highway 21 between Thurmond and Roaring Gap was closed to the public this week as contractors prepared to place a bituminous surface on the relocated roadway.

Construction started early this year on the project to eliminate some of the numerous curves that plagued motorists on the short stretch.

Officials stated that all traffic will be detoured by North Wilkesboro during the several weeks required to complete the project.

G. E. Welch Moved To Mount Airy Hospital

County Accountant George E. Welch, who has been undergoing treatment at Duke University Hospital for a muscular condition, reported to be myasphenia gravis, last Friday was moved to the Martin Memorial Hospital, Mount Airy.

Hospital reports indicate that he is holding his own although his condition is still critical.

School Principals To Plan Fall Work

School principals from a three-county area will meet at Pilot Mountain August 17 to discuss the Fall program with a representative of the state department of public instruction, John W. Comer, superintendent of Surry county schools, announced this week.

Representatives of Surry county's three systems — Elkin, Mount Airy and county — will be joined by teachers from Yadkin and Stokes counties for the administrative conference, Comer said.

Miss Julia Wetherington, state supervisor of the division of instructional service, will meet with the principals to discuss means of complying with state standards set for the instructional program, Comer added.

On August 19, principals of the county system will meet with Comer at Dobson for a general organizational meeting at which time work for the coming session will be planned.

BLANKETEERS WHIP LUCAS

Victory In 11th Inning Keeps Chatham Squad In State Semipro Tournament

HANES KNITTERS NEXT

(Another Blanketeer story on page six, section two).

The Chatham Blanketeers bounced back Tuesday night and edged Lucas Industries by a one-run margin in an 11-inning tussle to enter the semi-finals of the state semipro baseball tournament at Asheboro. The 14-13 victory paired the Blanketeers against Hanes Knitters on Wednesday night's schedule.

The nightcap was marked by the ousting of two Lucas players, Manager Charlie Barnes and Third Baseman Johnny Raynor which ended up with the two being escorted personally from the park by the police at the request of Umpire Pug Thomas. Raynor was sent to the bench in the sixth after disputing a called strike. Barnes disputed the same thing in the seventh and, according to spectators, punched Thomas in the ribs with the bat.

Chatham got its three winning runs in the 11th on walks to Storey and Cross, a double by Mabry and a single by Collins.

Lucas came back with two runs

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Audit Of County Books Under Way

Work was started this week by Strand, Skees and Jones, Greensboro certified accountants, on an audit of all Surry county records.

The audit, expected to be finished sometime next week, is being conducted under the supervision of L. E. Skees.

FUNDS FOR FARMERS UPPED

Handbook For Surry To Be Submitted To State Group For Approval This Month

NEW PRACTICES ADDED

S. A. Holder, chairman of the Surry county PMA committee and Hal E. Collins, secretary of the county committee, attended a meeting on August 6 at North Wilkesboro, where representatives of a number of county associations discussed with the PMA fieldman plans for the 1949 Agricultural Conservation Program.

Congress has authorized the development of the program for next year on the basis of a considerable increase in the appropriation over the funds available for the 1948 program. The amount which can be paid to farmers in this county for carrying out practices in 1949 will be about the same as the funds available in 1947.

In the meeting, practices which are included in the 1949 state handbook were reviewed and discussed. The Surry county committee will now decide which practices are most necessary in this county to assist farmers in restoring and conserving soil fertility. These practices will then be included in the Surry County handbook which is to be prepared and submitted to the state committee for approval by August 25. The 23 practices which are included in the State Handbook for 1949 include several new ones which have not been included previously and which will receive serious consideration of the county committee.

In addition to selecting from these 23 practices those which are most needed in this county, the county committee is authorized to select two additional practices; namely, a local practice for which there may be a definite need in this county but which is not included in the national bulletin, and a special conservation practice which is not included in the

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Mrs. Cain To Be Kiwanis Speaker

Mrs. Anne Cain, who is in charge of the Training School of Practical Nursing at Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, which will get under way in September, will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at the Gilvin Roth YMCA this evening (Thursday), at 6:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Cain is expected to explain in detail the work she is undertaking, and the urgent necessity for a large number of well-trained nurses.

The Kiwanians, whose planned ladies' night meeting at Camp Albert Butler Wednesday of last week was rained out, held their usual meeting Thursday at the YMCA. It is hoped to hold the Camp Butler meeting at a later date.

POLIO SLOWS IN SURRY BUT STILL ACUTE

Second Case For Elkin Is Reported

BRINGS TOTAL TO TWO

Dr. Franklin Reminds Parents That Ban On Children's Activities Still On

SURRY CASES NOW 30

The current outbreak of infantile paralysis, slowed but still surging forward, this week claimed its second victim of the year in Elkin.

The report of a case from route 1, Mount Airy, and the Elkin case pushed the total for the year in Surry county to 30.

Barbara Gwendolyn Felts, ten-year-old daughter of Raymond H. Felts of Elkin, was reported Tuesday to be suffering from polio and was hospitalized at the convalescent center at Camp Sutton.

The other case this week was that of Robert Wayne Beck, four-year-old son of George W. Beck, route 1, Mount Airy, who is hospitalized at ORD, Greensboro.

Elkin's only other case this year is Mary Ellen Crater, who is recovering rapidly at her home.

Martha Randleman, 13, of Brooks Cross Roads, is Yadkin county's latest victim of polio. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Randleman, she was admitted to City Hospital, Winston-Salem, Monday.

Dr. R. B. C. Franklin, Surry county health officer, reminded parents that the ban on activities of children under 16 years of age has not been lifted and urged them to exert every effort in co-operating with health department officials.

"Although we seem to have reached the turning point in the current epidemic of infantile paralysis, the reports of new cases indicate that we are not yet rid of all danger. It is of the utmost importance that parents of our younger children take every precaution possible to halt the spread of this dangerous disease," Dr. Franklin continued.

"The ban, imposed a few weeks ago on children's activities, will be lifted as soon as it is felt that in so doing we will not jeopardize the youth of our community. It will not be considered until two weeks after the last case has been reported in Surry county, he added.

"The reports of new cases indicate that infantile paralysis exists in all parts of this county which makes it imperative that the restrictions be enforced rigidly by parents of all children," he concluded.

Meanwhile, nearby counties also count slight rises in the number of polio cases. Through Saturday, Yadkin county had reported 13 and Wilkes county 17. The state total for 1948 through Monday was 1,316.

JET MODEL TOPS AIR SHOW

Tiny Plane Clocked In Excess Of 100 Miles Per Hour At C.A.P. Demonstration

MANY PARTICIPATE

A jet-propelled, model plane stole the show Sunday at the aerial demonstration sponsored by the Elkin squadron, Civil Air Patrol, at Rendezvous Airpark.

In its flight of less than two minutes, the model, built and shown by Jake Brown, was clocked at a speed in excess of 100 miles per hour.

Ed Hood, 17-year-old Boonville pilot, was the youngest to take part in the show. Joe Myers, local 17-year-old, who was scheduled to give an acrobatic demonstration, was unable to participate due to the unavailability of the type of aircraft needed for his act.

One of the show's feature attractions was a demonstration of how not to fly by Charlie Vestal, chief pilot for Piedmont Aviation, Winston-Salem.

Spencer Bowman, of Yadkinville, flying his Ercoupe, displayed excellent flying skill in his maneuvers.

Local pilots participating in the show were Joe Brandon, Shine Brown, Lewey Pennell, James Pardue and Dal Ingram.

Proceeds from the show will be used in the training program now underway in the local CAP squadron.

Walter Burgess served as master of ceremonies.