

SURRY CROP BOXCAR LOAD SENT TO PORT

Boxcar Dedicated In Mount Airy Station Sunday

CAR LEAVES TUESDAY

Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes Counties Together Turn In 14 Tons of Food

ON THE WAY OVERSEAS

Surry County's gift to the Christmas Rural Overseas Program was a mediocre success as the boxcar of foodstuffs was dedicated Sunday at Mount Airy.

From Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes counties, it was reported that 14 tons of food material had been loaded. Donald A. Halsey, assistant county agent for Surry, listed the loading as follows: Wheat, 6,000 pounds; corn, 13,000 pounds; and mixed canned goods, 9,000 pounds.

The response was not too great, but Neill M. Smith, Surry County farm agent and chairman of CROP in the county, said that the rally on the weekend saved the project from failure. Prior to last Thursday, no appreciable amount had been given.

The car left Tuesday night, from Mount Airy and will join the first of the other cars of the North Carolina Friendship Train at Greensboro today (Thursday). Then from Durham, Raleigh, Goldsboro, Wilson, and Rocky Mount others will be joined for the procession which will amount to about 30 cars before the shipping destination, Norfolk, is reached.

Cash donations, however, can still be turned in to Mrs. Frances G. Scott, at the Surry Loan and Trust Company in Dobson. Since North Carolina is financing the entire transportation to its overseas destination, Mr. Smith said, it will require more donations to bear the expense. About \$175.21 had been received in the county through Tuesday.

Sunday's dedication was in

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JAYCEE AWARD WILL BE GIVEN

Royall Stresses Recipient Need Not Be Jaycee; Asks For Nominations

SECRET GROUP DECIDES

The Junior Chamber of Commerce's annual Distinguished Service Award will be given in the latter part of January.

Edwin Royall, contact committeeman for the Jaycees, said yesterday that nominations were being solicited from everyone to be considered by a secret committee, not members of the Jaycees.

"The award is not intended as recognition of contributions to the Junior Chamber of Commerce, its activities, or for business success, but it is designed for the young man, between 21 and 35 years of age, of good personal character and ability, who has done outstanding service to the community," Royall declared.

He stressed that membership in the Jaycees is not a prerequisite for the winning of the award.

All nominations should be addressed to Mr. Royall for consideration of the committee.

Greensboro Pilot Hurt In Crackup Near Here

V. B. Thomas, 44, of Greensboro, suffered two compound fractures of the legs and other injuries in a forced landing of a converted trainer near Burch Saturday

Thomas was on his way from Chicago to Greensboro, where he is an electrical engineer at the Greensboro Airport. His radio is reported to have failed in the vicinity of Pulaski, Va., where he had lost his bearings.

He crashed in a dry river basin near the farm of A. C. Gentry who helped to take the victim from the wreckage. An ambulance was secured and members of the Elkin-Jonesville Civil Air Patrol helped to carry the pilot by litter across a quarter-mile stretch to the furthest point which it was possible to drive a vehicle.

Major R. E. Church, commander of the Civil Air Patrol here, said that apparently fuel pump



Charity Drive Soaring Past \$400 In Stretch

More Needy Families Located As Elkinites Give With Yule Spirit

A Tribune newsboy came into the office Saturday to settle his weekly bill with the bookkeeper.

After paying his account, the boy dug into his pockets and drew out several crumpled dollar bills.

"Here's four dollars from my sister and me," he chirped, "... for the charity drive." He turned and left as cheerfully as he had entered.

Those in the office watched

quietly as the boy made his way down the street.

The bookkeeper recorded the gift among all those given. Her eyes lingered upon the drying figures. Somehow the last entry looked large — larger still than those of \$10, \$15 and \$25.

... And in proportion they were larger. The boy and his sister had given, in comparison with other gifts, what might nearly equal the story of the boy of whom we read in grade school ... who gave all he had—an apple—to a charity collection. To those by whom the collection plate passed, the apple seemed of more value than the gold piece, equally as large, which the king had given.

The newsboy's money will help to aid such families as this: A family including six children of the ages of two to 18.

The father of the family is dying of cancer. Hospital physicians have sent him home for the remainder of his life. But there is little income on which to live — for the father, the mother and the six children. Income is gained through only the meager earnings of the oldest son. Much of this goes toward paying bits of the \$400 hospital bill which mounted during the father's treatment for cancer.

The only help gotten is from those in the surrounding community and help of such organizations as the Christian Charity Committee.

The newsboy's money, his sister's and others who give like him will aid greatly in the recovery of this family to live normal lives. And more gifts of clothing, food and money came into the Charity

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Surry Seal Drive Nets \$3,845.59; In Home Stretch

Miss Louise Bailey, chairman of the Surry County Tuberculosis Association's annual Christmas Seal drive, said yesterday that \$3,845.59 on the \$6,000 goal had been collected up to Tuesday noon.

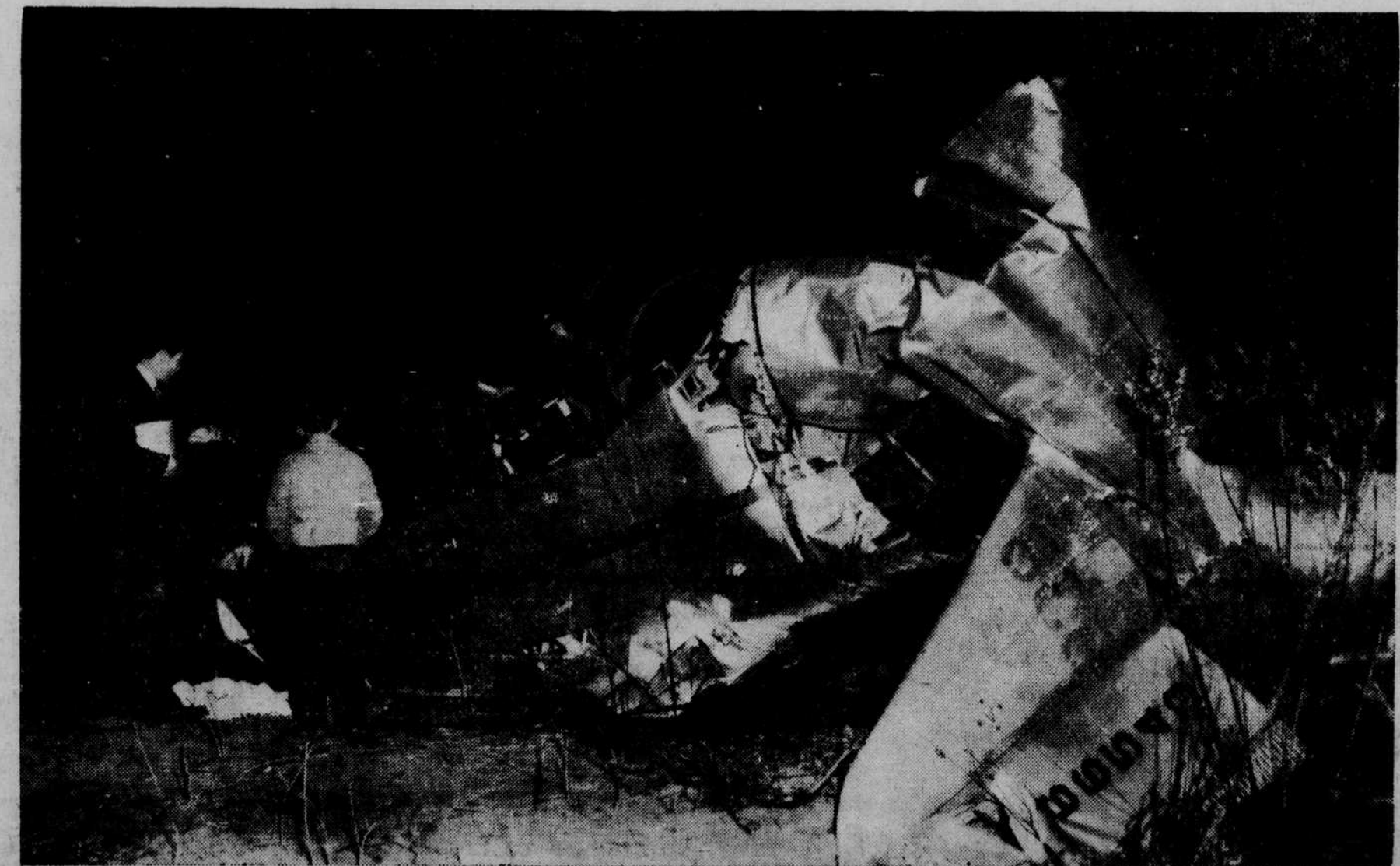
She said that the drive was about \$421 short of last year's total at this time, but expected a final spurt to come during this week.

Drive-In Theatre Bought By Billings

Gordon Billings announced this week the outright purchase of the Jonesville-Elkin Drive-In Theatre.

The company was formerly owned and operated by Mr. Billings, James J. Randleman and Earl C. James. The purchase from Mr. Randleman and Mr. James was made effective December 20.

An improved sound set-up will be installed and contract has been made for some of the best pictures available, Mr. Billings said.



NARROW ESCAPE FOR PILOT — The wreckage of this converted BT 13, army trainer, was strewn over a large area of a dry river basin near Burch, Surry County, Saturday night, when V. B. Thomas, 44, Greensboro, made a forced landing which injured him seriously. Looking on with a Tribune reporter is Bobby Gentry, 13, son of A. C. Gentry, near whose farm the plane crashed. (TRIBUNE PHOTO)

Chatham Will Pay The Largest Bonus In Its History For Christmas

KIWANIS SALE NETS \$500.66

Girl Scouts and Chatham Ramblers Provide Music For Annual Event

\$15.00 FOR AUCTION LOG

The annual Christmas auction of the Elkin Kiwanis Club, held last Thursday evening at the Gilvin Roth YMCA, netted more than \$500 to top last year's auction when \$487.00 was raised. The money will be used to help finance the Elkin high school band.

Linville Hendren, president of the club, bid in the auction block for \$15.00, after being faced with the prospects of selling the ancestral family estate or pushing the log in a wheelbarrow to California. It turned out that President Hendren was being kidded.

It has always been a custom of the club to sell the auction block to the highest bidder, when all other items, which are contributed to the sale by club members, have been sold, and tradition calls for the president to either bid in the log or push it to the home of the

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EAST BEND BOY FATALLY HURT

Willie Glenn Horn, 20, Dies In Winston-Salem Hospital After Wreck

RITES HELD TUESDAY

Funeral service for Willie Glenn Horn, 20, of East Bend was held Tuesday afternoon at East Bend Baptist Church, with Rev. T. S. Draughn, Rev. C. H. Hutchens and Rev. E. W. McMurray in charge.

Full military honors were given by the East Bend American Legion Post, and interment was in East Bend Memorial Park Cemetery.

The youth died Sunday in a Winston-Salem hospital from injuries received Saturday evening when his automobile went out of control and crashed over a 20-foot embankment. The accident occurred on highway 67 between Booneville and East Bend.

He was released from the U. S. Navy two months ago, and lived with his aunt, Mrs. Jesse Horn. He was born May 7, 1927, son of Frank Horn and the late Myrtle Pendry Horn. He spent three years in the navy, most of which time he served overseas.

Survivors, in addition to his father, include a sister, Nell Horn, of Washington, D. C., and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pendry of East Bend.



PRESIDENT—E. S. Spainhour, above, of Spainhour's Department Store, was elected president of the Elkin Merchants Association at a meeting held at the City Hall last week. Mr. Spainhour will serve during 1949, succeeding George W. Isenhour in that capacity.

NEEDY GIVEN HELP BY VFW

Burcham Announces Post To Give 35 Baskets of Food, Clothes, Toys

ELKIN MERCHANTS GIVE

The Elkin post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars this week completed their campaign to aid the needy of Elkin.

Commander Russell Burcham said last night that 35 baskets of canned goods and other staples, clothing and toys would be distributed by the group on Christmas Eve.

Donations were secured through soliciting from Elkin merchants.

A list of names of the needy and articles that would be required for them were prepared by the members of the post.

Articles were assembled at the home of the commander where arrangements for distributions were made.

The VFW last year helped approximately the same amount of families.

A list was compared by Commander Burcham with George Farah, head of the Community Christian Charity Committee so that duplications of gifts would not be made.

"At first we thought that it would not be necessary for an all-out campaign this year, but a thorough investigation proved that families are probably in more need than the year before," Burcham said.

Elkin Furn. Co. Pays Bonus Here Tuesday

Elkin prepares for its merriest Christmas amid the hustle and bustle of pre-Christmas shopping. Festivities, already under way, make a familiar turn this morning (Thursday), when Chatham Manufacturing Company entertains its approximately 2,500 employees at an annual Christmas party at the YMCA.

After what was termed a "satisfactory year, with the plant operating at full capacity," Chatham—under its traditional plan of sharing profits with employees—will pay the largest Christmas bonus in its history, Albert L. Butler, president, said yesterday.

Chatham closed at midnight (Wednesday) and will remain so until midnight, December 29.

Elkin Furniture Company closed Tuesday for the holidays and

Stores Here To Stay Open Until 8:00 This P. M.

Following a meeting of the Elkin Merchants Association held Wednesday morning, it was announced that local stores will remain open this evening (Thursday), until 8:00 p. m., in order that customers whose hours of employment might make it hard to do their Christmas shopping during the usual hours from 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., might avail themselves of the extra time. Stores will close Friday (Christmas Eve), as usual at 5:30 p. m.

will open January 3. Meanwhile, company employees are enjoying the annual Christmas bonus which the firm gave upon closing.

Most Elkin merchants will close Saturday and Monday while ga-

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YADKIN COUNTY DONATION GOOD

Report Given On Friendship Train Collection of Food In County

ABOUT \$200 CASH GIVEN

Collection of food in Yadkin County for the "Friendship Train" was considered as successful as the campaign ended last week, Harvey Gentry, county chairman, said yesterday.

Mr. Gentry said that the following totals were collected in the drive: four tons of corn, one and one-half tons of wheat, 500 pounds of mixed canned fruits, vegetables and nuts, and \$187.00 in cash.

The food was loaded into a boxcar Monday and made a part of the train at Salisbury, for trans-

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Tribune Will Close 3 Days For Christmas

Although a majority of Elkin's business establishments will be closed two days—Saturday and Monday—in observance of Christmas, The Tribune will take an extra day—Friday—in order that employees may have a well-earned rest. The Tribune will close this evening (Thursday), and will not open until next Tuesday morning.

Due to the fact that a newspaper finds it possible to observe few holidays during the year, it is felt the Christmas vacation is in order.

Next week's paper will be published on its usual date. Advertisers planning copy for this issue are urged to release their ads as early as possible Tuesday morning.