

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT HIKES RATES

Postage Increase Intended To Offset Annual Deficit

BEGAN NEW YEAR'S DAY

Air Mail Goes To Six Cents; Special Delivery Hiked To 15 Cents

GREETING CARDS GO UP

Postmaster J. F. Moseley, of the Elkin branch, United States Post Office, called attention this week to the change in postal rates which commenced 12:30 a. m., January 1.

The hikes are intended to offset the annual post office deficit, he said.

The biggest changes, so far as the average post office customer is concerned, are in air mail rates and the cost of sending small-size greeting cards. All Christmas cards and birthday cards formerly sent at one and one-half cents each are now at two cents.

Air mail postage goes up from five to six cents an ounce on letters and small parcels weighing up to eight ounces. Bigger packages, which are easier to handle, will continue at the postal zone rates effective last September.

Special delivery mail increased from 12 to 15 cents.

A new air postcard costing four cents will make its debut.

Small greeting cards less than three inches wide and four inches long, now mailed for one and one-half cents if unsealed hereafter will cost three cents sealed, or not. Unsealed flat pieces more than nine inches wide or 12 inches long also will cost three cents.

Summerfield Martin On Virginia Trial

The trial of Summerfield Martin, Ray Cummings and Joe Stafford, all indicted by a Henry County, Va., grand jury Monday for housebreaking and grand larceny was set yesterday (Wednesday) morning in county circuit court in Martinsville, Va.

Martin and Cummings face charges of breaking into Cliff's service station at Martinsville last summer and Martin and Stafford are jointly charged with entering Robertson's store at Horsepasture near Martinsville last fall.

The escapades of Summerfield Martin have been of much interest in the Elkin and surrounding areas because of his many adventures with the law in the past 25 years. He was captured recently after a two-month escape from Forsyth county jail.

Three Attend Jaycee Meeting In Charlotte

Dr. V. R. Taylor, Jr., Herbert Graham, Jr., and Van Dillon, Jr., represented the Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the Charlotte Jaycees, Tuesday evening, the occasion being the 23rd anniversary of the founding of Jaycees in the United States.

The speaker was Paul Bagwell, president of the National Junior Chamber of Commerce, of Michigan, formerly of Henderson, N. C.

A dinner and dance was held at the El Morocco Club in Charlotte. Approximately 200 people attended including North Carolina Jaycee officers and representatives from all the clubs in the Western District.

McKinney Lectures To Drivers' Class

Cpl. W. Sam McKinney, of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, spoke to the Elkin High School drivers' class Monday on the three "E's" of driving.

His talk is one in a series of lectures and projects studied by the class in connection with better driving.

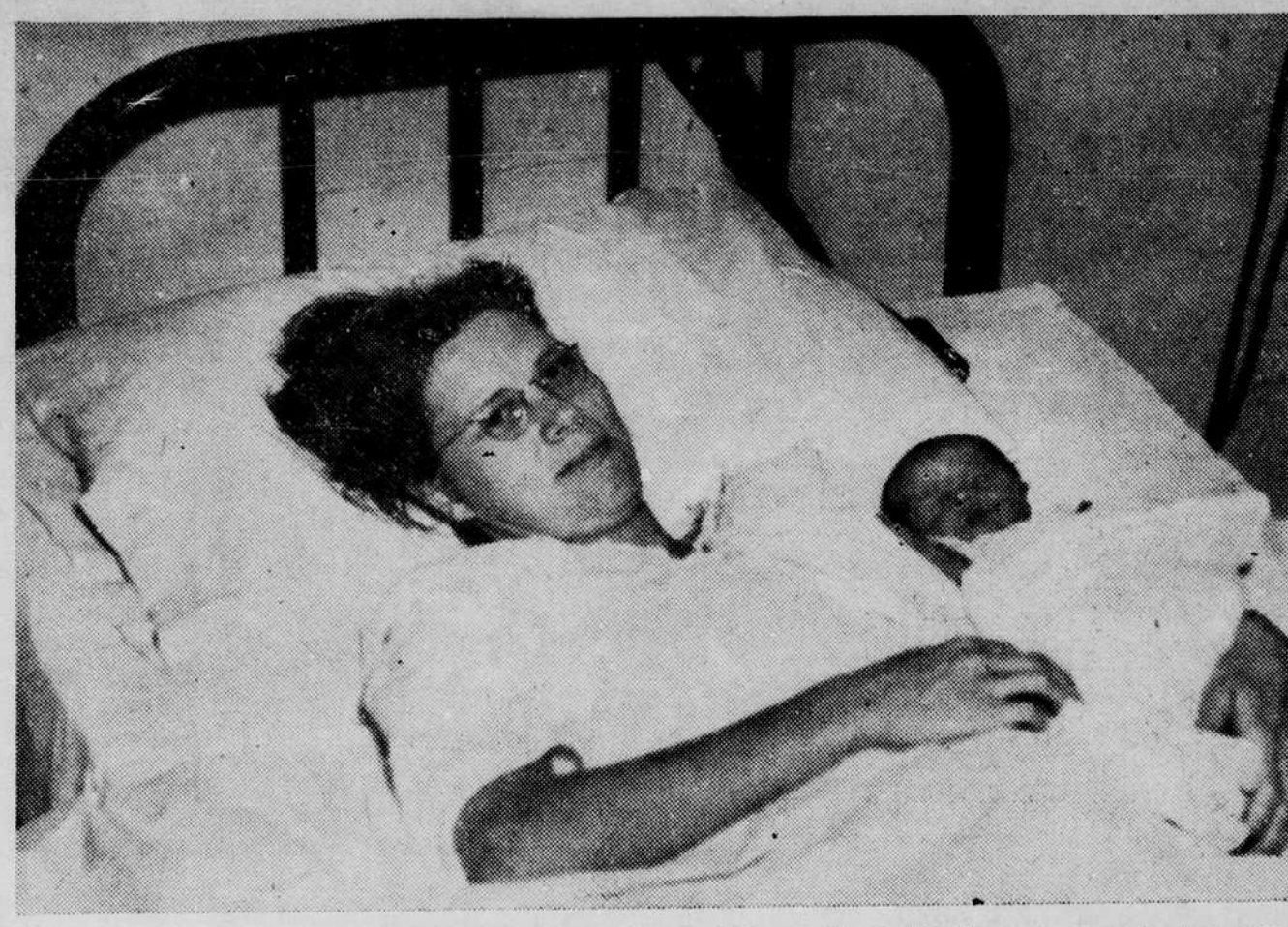
He named the three "E's" as education, engineering and enforcement. Members of the physical education classes also were present for the lecture.

House Stripped By Fire Monday

A stone-veneer bungalow on highway 67, one mile east of Elkin, was ravaged by fire Friday night while the occupants, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Anthony, were absent.

All clothing and furniture were destroyed. The origin of the fire was undetermined. The dwelling was owned by Mrs. W. S. Chapell.

The annual world consumption of tea is over 800 million pounds.



LITTLE MISS 1949 — Mrs. Kim Thompson Moxley, of Boonville, holds her six-pound, two-ounce daughter for her first picture, taken when she was exactly seven hours and 30 minutes old. Little Miss Moxley was the first child born in Elkin in the new year. She was born at the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at 4 a. m., New Year's Day. (TRIBUNE PHOTO)

SURRY'S CUPID GOES RAMPANT

Thirty Marriage Permits Issued In Period Extending Through Yule Season

SEVERAL FROM ELKIN

Dan Cupid went wild with Christmas joy in the two-week season ending Monday. Surry County Register of Deeds Bertha M. Shinault reported that 30 marriage permits had been issued from her office during the rush.

License were granted to the following:

Edwin Duncan, Jr., Sparta, and Cynthia Betha Allen, Elkin; Arestus Childress, 24, Thurmond, and Alma Pauline Roberts, 18, State Road; Bud Lawrence, 25, and Mildred Edmonds, 18, both of Elkin; Maurin Laster, 22, Rusk, and Effie Mae Hamlin, 20, Elkin; N. L. Tickle, 59, and Lula Simpson, 42, both of Mt. Airy; Robert Milton Evans, 23, Gallop, Ohio, and Mary Agnes Pitts, 20, Mt. Airy; Hamp Church, 19, Rusk, and Elizabeth Marion, 17, Dobson; Earn Johnson, 21, and Miller Lee Bartley, 19, both of Lowgap; Johnny Amos, 24, Bassett, Va., and Gracie Collins, 23, Mt. Airy; Andrew Jackson Wood, 53, Thurmond, and Annie Pugh, 47, Grant, Va.; Davis Monroe Haynes, 18, Elkin, and Peggy Terrell, 18, Rockford; Albert Bowles, 37, White Plains, and Annie Blanche Smith, 30, Francisco; Herman Hayes, 21, and Gloria Smith, 20, both of Mt. Airy; Thomas Hayes, 38, Jonesville, and Jewel Eldridge, 21, Rusk; Roy Marion, 22, and Fay Johnson, 18, both of Mt. Airy; James A. Brannock, 18, and Annie Lou Simmons, 19, both of Mt. Airy; J. Frank Martin, 48, Burlington, and Ola Steele, 42, Mt. Airy; R. L. Faulkner, 68, and Lillie Hawks Lamb, 38, both of Lambsburg, Va.; and Ezra Andrew Holey, 22, and Ailare May France, 16, both of Mt. Airy (colored).

Also Tom Council, 32, and Carrie Greer, 25, both of Boone; Matthew Smith, 32, Lake Wales, Fla., and Rossie Lee Williams, 35, Elkin (colored); Vernon Vass, 40, Laurel Fork, Va., and Tommie M. Dunbar, 40, Mt. Airy; Maruin E. Bright, 37, and Betty Hatcher, 27, both of Mt. Airy; Walter Glass, 26, and Mary Jane Steelman, 16, both of Roaring River; Roger Ray, 22, Pleasant Hill, and Irene Sloop, 17, Elkin; Fred Winston Bailey, Houston, Tex., and Betty Lou Sparger, Mt. Airy; Charlie S. Barnes, 31, Pilot Mountain, and Annie Mae Denny, 21, King; Charlie Sexton, 44, Benham, and Lucille Myers, 26, Jonesville; and James C. Cokerham, 21, Durham, and Lucy Travis, 19, Ararat, Va. (colored).

Local Firm Will Move To New Home

The Home Furniture Co., owned and operated here by A. T. Whittington, is now holding a removal sale in preparation to moving the business to a new and larger building on East Main street, next door to Cash & Carry.

The new building, which is nearing completion, is being erected by C. C. Myers, of Elkin, and is of brick, concrete and steel construction. It is of one story and full basement type.

Mr. Whittington said it would probably be around the first of February before the structure would be ready, and that he had rather sell his present furniture stock at reduced prices than go to the trouble and expense of moving it to the new store.

Jonesville, Elkin High Party Friday

A "good-will" party will be given tomorrow (Friday) night at the newly-opened Youth Center at the Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A. for students of Jonesville and Elkin high schools. The event will be held immediately following the Blue Jay-Buckin' Elk basketball double header at the Jonesville High School gymnasium.

Surry Criminal Session Docket Has 182 Cases

The State of North Carolina will prosecute 182 cases at the Surry County Superior Court criminal session beginning next Monday.

The session will run through Thursday, January 20, under Judge H. Hoyle Sink.

Uncontested divorce cases will be heard at the convenience of the court.

Civil cases will commence January 20.

7 OF YADKIN, SURRY ENLIST

Local Army Recruiting Office Signs Youths For Regular Army Service

SOME FOR ETO DUTY

The local Army Recruiting Office reported this week the enlistment of seven youths from Surry and Yadkin counties.

Ira W. Hinson, Thurmond, general delivery, enlisted in the regular army for a period of three years. He is the son of Worace Hinson, of Thurmond.

James E. Brown, Jr., Jonesville, enlisted for the European Theatre of Operations in the regular army for a period of three years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Brown, Sr.

Jonah A. Garriss, Jonesville, enlisted for the European Theatre for a three-year term in the regular army, as did Mack A. Settle, also of Jonesville. Mack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Settle.

Harold W. Cheek and Gerald E. Hemric, both of Jonesville, each signed for two years service in the regular army unassigned. The former is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cheek. Hemric is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hemric.

Signing up for the 416th Ordnance, Fort Bragg, was Luther J. Williams, Route 2, Yadkinville. He enlisted for a period of three years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Williams.

Charles F. Reece, Route 1, Jonesville, enlisted for three years with the United States Air Force. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roby K. Reece.

Moonshine Plants Closed By Officers

Yadkin and Surry County officers closed in on the moonshine business over the week-end to put a damper on the New Year for at least two booze manufacturing plants.

Yadkin officers arrested Gwyn Rogan Mathis of Wilkesboro, Route 3, Friday night after they stopped his coupe and found 60 gallons of illegal whiskey in it. Mathis is being held for a hearing. The car and whiskey were confiscated.

Early Friday morning Surry sheriff's deputies seized a 200-gallon illicit distillery near Kapps Mill. They didn't apprehend the still operators but destroyed 1,000 gallons of beer.

Weather Delays Tank Operation

The newly-erected, 100,000-gallon water tank in West Elkin will go into operation as soon as weather permits the installation of a pump. Dixie Graham, town clerk, said yesterday.

The tank has already been approved by consultant engineer Richard Moore.

"It should not take more than a week for the installing of the pump to be completed once it is begun," Mr. Graham said.

Boy Hunts Single Handed; Returns Empty Handed

"How did you get so beat up?" Cpl. W. Sam McKinney, state trooper, asked a youth as he lay bleeding about the face on an emergency table.

"'Possum huntin' at night," the boy retorted.

"Did you have a dog?" the corporal queried.

"Nope."

"A flashlight?"

"A gun?"

"Uh, uh."

"Well did you even see a 'possum?" the patrolman asked finally in exasperation.

"Naw," the boy replied. "I just saw some tracks and began running after them. That's how I got banged up."

Club Officials To Be Inducted

District Governor Boyce, Of Durham, To Be Speaker At Kiwanis Meet

TO BE LADIES' NIGHT

District Governor Spurgeon Boyce, of Durham, will formally install the new officials of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at a special ladies' night program to be staged at the YMCA this evening (Thursday), at 7:00 o'clock.

Officers to be installed are: C. H. Leary, president; Rev. Howard J. Ford, vice-president; and Julius Hall, secretary-treasurer. Directors who will take office are: Charles W. Armstrong, Jr., Harry Hensel, Rev. Ralph Ritchie and Hubert M. Willis. Each of these directors will serve for two years.

Lieutenant Governor Clem Lipscombe, of Reidsville, is expected to be a guest at the meeting.

YADKIN LAW NABS THREE

To Be Tried In February Superior Court On Charges Of Theft, Burglary

TAKEN IN YADKINVILLE

The long arm of the law reached out and finally nabbed three young thieves in Yadkinville last week following an epidemic of robberies in which six business firms were the victims.

Reposing in the Yadkin County jail under heavy bonds are Roy "Parky" Marsh, his brother, Brady Marsh, and Shannon Brown, each charged with six cases of breaking and entering and stealing money and merchandise during December.

Both Marsh brothers are from Yadkinville, while Brown, a native of Surry County, has been living with his grandfather, Winfield Brown, of near Boonville.

Sheriff Bill Moxley said yesterday the first break came in the cases when a wrist watch, stolen in one of the robberies, turned up in town, and when one of the Marsh boys was seen wearing a pair of stolen trousers.

Arrested Saturday, Roy Marsh continued to deny the thefts until the stock numbers on the pair of trousers was checked and found to tally with the other merchandise stolen from Hayes & Brown department store in Yadkinville. He then admitted the robbery and implicated the two other boys, who were then arrested.

Sheriff Moxley said that all three of the boys have admitted the thefts of the business firms.

The first in the series of breaking and entering was on November 30, when Yadkin Auto Parts Company was robbed of about \$80.00.

On December 5, The Yadkin Grill was entered by the three boys and \$27.00 in money and an Elgin wrist watch was taken.

On the same night, Mason Hardware & Electric Company was

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Christian Charity Total Now \$469.50

Further contributions to the Elkin Christian Community Charity drive mounted to \$469.50 during the past week.

The Rev. George Farah, chairman of the drive, said that further work on supplying needy families with food, fuel and clothing would be continued throughout the year from the funds and materials given in the campaign carried on through the holidays.

Latest contributions were from: Mr. and Mrs. Abe Harris and family — clothing. Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Harrell — \$10. Dr. and Mrs. James A. Harrell — \$10.

Jonesville Town Licenses On Sale

Jonesville town tags for the year 1949 are now on sale at the tax collector's office under the Post Office. Officials have urged automobile owners to buy and display these licenses as soon as possible.

In 1940 there were 2,145 Kiwanis clubs in existence, most of them in America.

Scott Urged By Surry Farmers To Consider Paving County Roads

All On List Would Cover Bus Routes

A list of Surry County roads to be considered for hard surfacing were submitted Tuesday to W. Kerr Scott, governor-elect of North Carolina, and the Highway Commission.

The country road program was designed by the Surry Farm Bureau with the approval of the Surry County Commission.

All roads listed were school bus routes. Farm Bureau officials said yesterday that their program is in consistency with Mr. Scott's proposed program of home-school road improvement and believed he would act favorably.

The roads listed, which officials say will include every township in Surry County, are Prison Camp to Bottom; Mountain Park up Mitchell River; Copeland to Rockford; Shoals School to Trulove's Store, thence to the county line; Dobson via Ararat to Pilot Mountain; Cook School to Highway 89; Salem Fork via Union Cross to Twin Oaks; Zephyr to Mountain Park to Highway 21, thus connecting Dobson and Sparta with an all-weather road; Pine Ridge to White Plains; Poplar Springs Church to Zephyr; Pine Ridge to Crooked Oak Church; Cook to Westfield; Skull Camp Service Station to Lowgap, Blevens Store Highway; and Lowgap, Blevens Store and Salem Fork.

The letter said in part: "The Surry County Farm Bureau, as a farm organization, is interested in doing what can be done in the county and state to promote good roads so necessary for the agricultural development of the county and state. Realizing your experience with farm organizations, the Farm Bureau believes that you, as Governor of North Carolina, will be interested in cooperating with the Surry Farm Bureau in the development of a long time county road system. For this reason the Farm Bureau submits herewith a county road program with the approval, cooperation and influence of the Surry County board of commissioners. The objective of submitting a joint recommendation is to create harmony in the ranks of Surry citizenship."

Members of the Farm Bureau Directors signing were S. H. Atkinson, chairman, P. S. McCormick, C. D. Smith, H. C. Lawrence, C. E. Marion, P. Boyd Nelson, W. J. Davis, Sheldon Poole, Claude L. Fell, W. V. Holder, P. N. Taylor, Elmer Hodges, L. M. Key, Tilden Ramey, Robert Jones, J. K. Thompson, F. E. Lane, Ovid Hurt and Reed Joyce.

County commissioners M. Q. Snow, chairman, S. M. Smith and M. C. Fowler approved the request.

Todd Named Head Of Yadkin Lodge

Luther S. Todd, of Todd Implement Company, Yadkinville, has been made worshipful master of Yadkin Lodge No. 162, A. F. and A. M.

Mr. Todd succeeds William H. Poindexter, Jr., as top officer of the Yadkinville Masons.

Other 1949 officers are: Phillip J. Hupp, senior warden; Charles V. Burchette, junior warden; Hurley M. Hinshaw, treasurer; Grady M. Mackie, secretary; Labon W. Hauser, senior deacon; Virgil N. Todd, junior deacon; Henry E. Stryker, steward; Woodrow W. Dixon, Sr. steward; and Eugene C. Adams, tyler.

YADKIN JURORS DRAWN MONDAY

Two-Week Superior Court Term Begins February 7, Judge Pless Presiding

2ND WEEK UNCERTAIN

The County Commissioners in session at Yadkinville Monday drew jurors for the two weeks term of court which begins at Yadkinville February 7, with Judge J. Will Pless of Marion presiding. The second week of court is always uncertain, and if there is no court there will be no jurors summoned. Those drawn are as follows:

Mrs. Hattie Reavis, Everett R. Hoots, Jones Todd, Mrs. Henry Sheek, Mrs. V. L. Renegar, B. H. Dinkins, James Parks, Roy L. Benton, J. J. Coram, E. E. Smith, G. Cletus Willmouth, Roscoe Morrison, Clifford Vestal, V. L. Angell, R. D. Campbell, Melvin J. Sizemore, Bruce Warden, Curtis Joyner, Hubert L. Phillips, W. P. Evans, T. C. Hauser, Dewey Groce, Henry C. Haynes, Leham Templeton, Mrs. F. M. Haire, A. E. Zachary, Clarence Allgood, George Prim, Earl Gant, Pet D. Jester, Sanford E. Burgess, Kermit Ashley, J. W. Miller, T. Nelson Hutcheson, Henry Hodge, Thomas J. Groce, J. Z. Holleman, D. C. Martin, Otto R. Burchette, A. Leslie Bruce, Mrs. Guion Davis, Mrs. James Williams, Richard Draughtan, L. J. Loflin.

Second week, if any:

Gwyn Whitlock, Harvey Vestal, Loyd Carlton, Bart R. Brown, J. Grady Holcomb, T. G. Maynard, Harvey J. Peoples, R. D. Baily, Bobbie Regans, John Evans, T. S. Collins, Jim T. Haynes, G. C. Wallace, W. S. Steelman, Ray C. Holcomb, Robert M. Hunt, Clayton Long, J. B. Reavis, M. T. Joyner, Sallie Allen, John B. Wiseman, Mrs. Carl Rary, Arthur Adams, Ray T. Reavis.

Wooten Rites To Be Friday Afternoon

Funeral service for Jesse Wade (Dock) Wooten, 35, prominent businessman of Yadkinville, will be held at 2 p. m. Friday afternoon at Harmony Grove Friends Church.

Mr. Wooten died Wednesday morning at 3 a. m. in a Winston-Salem hospital of a hemorrhage. He had been ill for sometime.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Helen Wooten and one son, both of the home.

Meat production under Federal inspection for the week ended December 18 totaled 366 million pounds.

New Furniture Store Now Open

A new furniture store, the Modern Furniture Company, has opened on East Main street in the building formerly occupied by the Blue Ridge Furniture Co., which went out of business in December.

The new firm, which will carry a complete line of furniture and electric appliances, is owned and operated by R. J. and L. J. Pardue, Jim Mitchell, Arthur Lee Pendry and Tom Hemric. Mrs. Vivian Shumate is secretary.

The first Normal School in the world was established in Vermont.

It's A Woman's World

Petite Carrie Jane Rumpel, 17, weighs only 113 pounds, but maneuvers the largest school bus on the Ronda school route. A good student, a good basketball player and a pretty girl are among her other admirable qualities. Miss Rumpel, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Rumpel, Clingman, is one of nine children. She is one of the few women ever selected to operate a bus.

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