

Seen Along...



The Elk Trail

Ted Griffin, clad in raincoat and hat, vigorously scrubbing away the marks of Hallowe'eners from his store window.

Local photography studio crowded with pulchritude as high school girls wait their turn to have pictures taken for the high school annual.

Jonesville business man opening statement which bore only the notation: "You owe us nothing. We wish you did."

Postoffice visitors making way for lady who is oblivious of others as she descends steps, smiling over some lines of letter, knitting eyebrows at others.

Tots having frightful time in their Hallowe'en attire on downtown streets Monday.

An article in a nearby daily paper informing readers that Yadkin River displayed "one of worst days in a long time" during Monday's rainfall.

Betsy Ross Ashby taking in Mrs. W. W. Whitaker's porch chairs to keep the Hallowe'en spooks from taking them, as she delivered The Tribune Monday night.

Mrs. E. W. Hicks and Mrs. Thurmond Harris of Jonesville taking homemade mints and clothing to the Yadkin County home in a downpour of rain Tuesday.

Youngsters coming out of local theatre swinging fists and shadow boxing. The current attraction being one of Ring Lardner's famed fight stories.

Miss Elinor Montgomery teaching little girls to skate in gymnasium at Y. Beginners pounding floor regularly.

George Chatham picking turnip greens in his garden.

Dr. J. S. Hiatt making his rounds in the hospital visiting the sick.

Mrs. Charles Utley and her Brownie Scouts selling homemade candy at the local theatres.

Little girl remarking to grown-up, "You may like to go to school... but not me!"

Miss Mamie Blackwood hurrying to First Methodist Church to get in a few minutes organ practice during lunch hour.

Pat Graham and Elizabeth Ann Harris sighing that "We'll be glad when this homecoming business is over. You just don't know!"

(Editor's Note: This feature will be published regularly with everyone as its author and everyone as its subject. Contributions are solicited by the Elk Trail editor. They may be submitted either by phone, letter or in person, but in all cases the contributor must also supply his name. The feature is intended to present little interesting, amusing scenes of Elkin and vicinity and incidents that are worthwhile but not ordinarily large enough for a news story).

October Passes Without Frost

The month of October passed without a single frost in Elkin and vicinity, but made its appearance early in November.

The initial visit of frost came yesterday morning when Elkinites found their automobiles more difficult to crank and found, too, that additional clothing was needed to drive off the chill of the early morn.

VFW Hut Building Is Slated To Start Today

Work was slated to begin today on the VFW hut, according to post commander Russell Burcham, and the job was scheduled to be finished in 30 working days.

The grading was finished on the site yesterday afternoon and the staking off for the building was to be done today.

Bad weather had postponed the completion of the excavation until yesterday. But with good weather, the hut should be finished in five weeks time.

COAL STATUS AROUND ELKIN REMAINS SAME

Stockpiles Are Exhausted But Most Citizens Prepared

SCOTT WRITES TRUMAN

Situation Is Called Worst In 20 Years Around Raleigh By Leading Merchant

PRICES ARE GOING UP

The coal situation in Elkin and North Carolina is still in the hang-on stage.

Residents are having to make out with what they have on hand... for there will be no more coal in these parts until the strike is ended.

So far, the matter has not reached the critical point. Only a few calls have been placed with coal dealers in town, whose stockpiles have long since been exhausted.

Elkin townsmen, for the greater part, have enough coal in their bins to bring them through the current chills and the supplies are expected to hold up until December.

Then, if the strike is not settled, discomfort is expected to set in along with the real cold weather, which is sure to come.

Governor Kerr Scott of North Carolina has written President Truman in regards to the situation, reminding him that the coal shortage is acute and almost desperate in some parts of North Carolina. The Governor expressed hope that the coal miners' strike would end soon.

Among the dealers throughout the state, most of them have had their supplies exhausted completely.

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Army Reserve Units Hold Meets Tonight

Two army reserve units, now in operation in Elkin, will hold meetings tonight and will receive instruction from Major Oscar T. Nations of Winston-Salem.

The two units, finance and quartermaster, still have quotas to be filled in their outfits and the commanding officers, Capt. George Yarbrough and Est. Lt. Frank Tulbert have urged those men interested in the reserves to be present at the meetings.

The meetings will be held above the Quality Food Store in Jonesville.

90 Gallons Liquor And Still Seized

Sheriff Bill Moxley, and Deputies Prim and Russell destroyed a still near Mountain Grove church, in a community known as Stokes-town, in upper Yadkin county Thursday, and found at the place 90 gallons of white liquor which had been made but not moved away.

All mash and beer had been made up into whiskey, the sheriff said, and everything left just as it was finished, including the product of the still. No was at the place, and no arrests have been made.

Tribune Makes Change With Friends' Support

The Tribune made its entrance this week into the semi-weekly field with the support of a number of friends, some of whom sent notes and words of congratulations.

Received here Tuesday and Wednesday were the following messages:

From Miss Beatrice Cobb, secretary of the North Carolina Press Association and publisher of the Morganton News-Herald:

"Your first semi-weekly issue is a knock-out, maintaining the worth of high journalistic standards. The Tribune has long maintained. Congratulations and best wishes to you and all your helpers with a share of the congratulations to Elkin in having such an excellent local newspaper."

From E. A. Resch, publisher of The Chatham News at Siler City: "I believe that the city of Elkin and the other communities you will serve should be exceedingly proud of your decision to go semi-weekly."

"The longer I hang around this business the more I am convinced that a newspaper is merely what the community makes of it."

"One look at the pages of The Elk Tribune gives even the remote stranger a quick picture of the area you serve—and the fact that it will now be published



BETHLEHEM SETTLEMENT — Announced in Cleveland, the Bethlehem steel strike settlement, sending 80,000 back to work with company-financed pensions, is hailed by CIO leaders as the break pointing toward an end of the month-long strike by 558,000 union steelworkers. Joe Larkin, left, vice-president in charge of labor relations for Bethlehem, and Philip Murray, right, CIO and United Steelworkers' president, announce the agreement at a press conference. (International)

HOLIDAYS SET FOR CHATHAM

Annual Vacation To Be Given From December 22 Until Midnight December 29

BONUS CHECKS DEC. 23

Chatham Manufacturing employees will be given annual vacation from midnight Thursday, Dec. 22, until midnight, Thursday, Dec. 29, it was announced today by R. W. Harris, general superintendent.

Bonus and vacation checks will be distributed Friday morning, December 23.

A bulletin posted over the plant departments today made the announcement from Mr. Harris as follows:

"The management of the company has definitely decided that the mill will be shut down for annual vacation and Christmas holidays from midnight, Thursday, Dec. 22, until midnight, Thursday, Dec. 29. Bonus and vacation checks will be distributed Friday morning, Dec. 23.

"The management would like to take this opportunity to thank every person in the mill for the fine spirit of cooperation in the postponement of the vacation period until the above date."

West Yadkin P.-T. A. Meet Date Changed

The date of the monthly meeting of the West Yadkin Parent-Teachers Association has been changed from Wednesday, November 16 to Wednesday, November 30 according to Mrs. Joe Paris, publicity chairman of the organization.

The meeting will be held in the school auditorium. Floyd Davis, president, today urged all parents to attend. A report on the Hallowe'en Carnival will be given and other important business matters will be discussed.

Glee Club To Be Guest of Kiwanis

The Elkin high school glee club, under the direction of Joe Austell, will be the featured guests of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at its weekly meeting this evening at 6:30 o'clock. The meeting will be held at the Gilvin Roth YMCA.

DOBSON LIONS PLAN PROGRAM

Fiddlers Convention To Be Held November 12 In Dobson School Auditorium

ANNOUNCE COMMITTEES

A fiddlers convention will be held in the Dobson School Auditorium Saturday, November 12, under the sponsorship of the Dobson Lions Club.

Bausie Marion, president of the club, announced today the appointment of committees to carry out the program which will feature entrants from every part of Northwest North Carolina who wish to participate.

Committees were listed as follows:

Program — Frank Comer, chairman; J. S. Gentry, D. A. Halsey and Bausie Marion.

Advertising — Neill M. Smith, chairman; Hort Thompson, John W. Comer, J. E. Eades and C. W. Allen Jr.

Ticket — Aubrey Moore, chairman; Walter Blevens, J. E. Eades, P. V. Crissman, W. B. Coleman, R. L. Folger and W. B. White.

Judges, prizes and awards — Frank Freeman, chairman; E. M. Bryan, J. E. Trevathan and Sam Austin.

Advance Gifts Total \$900.50 For Scouts

Advance gifts for the Boy Scout finance drive totaled \$900.50 this week from the Elkin business district.

General solicitations in the business district are continuing through this week. Early reports indicate that this part of the drive is going along in a satisfactory manner, it was noted by Ralph Ritchie, co-chairman of the Elkin-Yadkin district campaign.

The drive, as previously noted, is going forward throughout Chatham Manufacturing Company this week under the chairmanship of Hubert Parker.

United Mechanics To Meet At Purlear

The New Hope Council Number 278 of Purlear will be host to members of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics of the Seventh District at their council hall 7:30 p. m. Tuesday.

A. Z. Goforth of Statesville, newly-elected state councilor, will be principal speaker. The meeting will be presided over by Bradley E. Dancy of North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Dancy is extending an invitation to all members of the order, especially those in the Seventh District to attend the meeting.

There are at least 365 breeds of dogs.

OFFICIALS SET FIRST MEETING FOR NEXT WEEK

Five More Schools Expected To Enter Northwest Asso.

PLAN FOR COMING YEAR

Member High Schools Are Provided Officials For Every Scheduled Game

COACHES USE RATINGS

The Northwest North Carolina Officials' Association will hold its first meeting prior to the 1949-50 basketball season on Wednesday night with prospects of five more schools joining.

Two schools in Yadkin County and three from Wilkes have expressed interest in entering the association, which will swell the membership ranks to 11 for the coming year.

The association's principal duties are to provide officials at all scheduled games at a low cost, relieving the small schools of having to contend with this problem for every game.

Last year, the association was organized and operated with success. Officials were provided for all of the games played by member schools and these officials were rated by the coaches of the teams involved.

All of the schools that received this service last year are expected to belong again this season, as the coaches' reports were good and the schools appeared enthusiastic over the arrangement, according to Neil Melvin, booking agent for the association.

The meeting Wednesday night is slated for the organization of the association and the completion of plans for the coming basketball campaign. It is scheduled for the

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CONCERT OPENS EIGHT TONIGHT

Michael Rhoades, American Baritone, Will Open Surry-Yadkin Series

GIRL SCOUTS TO USHER

The Surry-Yadkin Community Concert Association will present Michael Rhoades, young American baritone, in concert tonight at 8 p. m., at the State Theatre.

The appearance of Rhoades will mark the opening of the 1949-50 concert season.

Rhoades has been soloist with the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Stokowski and has sung operatic roles.

During World War II, he was a member of a Special Service Unit in the Army Air Corps.

Ushers for the concert tonight will be the members of the Elkin Senior Girl Scout troop.

Elkin High's Largest Homecoming Program Is Slated Tomorrow

HALLOWE'EN IS KIND TO ELKIN

Masqueraders Are Pesky, But Do Little Property Damage Around Town

BREAK 27 STREET LAMPS

Hallowe'en passed kindly over Elkin Monday night without serious property damage or personal injury, but the pranks of masqueraders proved harassing to police and pesky to residents.

Twenty-seven street lamps — mostly in the West Elkin area — were smashed in a night's pranks of vandals... masked and otherwise. A fence was torn down, and traffic downtown for two hours was described by police as "terrible."

As usual, windows of few stores were by-passed by youngsters who used soap and wax as drawing instruments.

Downtown sidewalks were teeming with masked pedestrians from tots to twenty who kept their horns and whistles blowing well into the night. Police kept to a minimum the sounding of automobile horns.

Only one arrest was made, and Hallowe'en was not the contributor.

Jack L. Pruitt, 28, of Ontario, Calif., and Mack M. McIntyre, 26, and Burt A. McIntyre, 27, both of Alameda, Calif., were arrested by Elkin patrolmen Carl Wood and Robert Thompson when the trio attempted to siphon gasoline from a tank. They will be tried Wednesday at Recorder's Court here on a charge of larceny of gasoline.

Weather was clear and the quieter youngsters rang doorbells and threatened "trick or treat" to housewives.

Most parties... the most civil part of the Hallowe'en celebration... were held Saturday night, but the Elkin Police Department "suffered" the largest party of the year in holding down the town Monday night.

Officers Arrest Man Who Carried Pistol

Howard Thompson was arrested Tuesday night near State Road and charged with carrying a concealed weapon.

Highway Patrolman D. J. Caudle and Deputy Sheriff Gold Payne said that Thompson would be tried Wednesday in Recorder's Court. He was carrying a pistol when picked up on the roadside, the officers said.

Winston Police Hold Suspect In Bait Case

A suspect has been arrested in the killing of Ike Baity, Huntsville man, it was stated yesterday by the Winston-Salem police department.

Officers said that Lyman Edward Allen, 28, of Forsyth county was being held for investigation in the murder, and that Allen had been with the Yadkin County man about a half-hour before the shooting.

The two had been drinking, according to Allen, who reportedly left the scene when Baity was shot.

OLD BELT LEAF LITTLE HIGHER

Most Medium, Top Grades Steady To Slightly Stronger On Tuesday's Sales

POOR QUALITY LOWER

Most medium and top grades of flue-cured tobacco were steady to slightly stronger on the Old Belt yesterday, but most lower quality offerings tended to weaken.

The Federal-State Market News Service reported the bulk of offerings was chiefly common to fair leaf, low to good smoking leaf, fair cutters, fair lugs and non-descript.

Sales on the belt Tuesday were 4,086,756 pounds averaging \$45.51 per hundred. Season sales rose to 180,219,438 pounds averaging \$46.46.

Demand continued to weaken slightly on the Middle Belt. Most average prices declined \$1 to \$3 per hundred. Most cutter grades, however, remained fairly steady.

The belt Tuesday sold 876,338 pounds averaging \$46.83. Season sales reached 123,439,970 pounds averaging \$48.07.

Sales on the Eastern North Carolina Belt were 306,513 pounds Tuesday averaging \$40.12. Season's poundage climbed to 398,465,405 averaging \$48.75.

The Mount Airy Tobacco market sold 115,372 pounds of tobacco Wednesday for \$95,905.78, an average of \$44.52. Average wrappers on the Mount Airy floor sold as high as \$1.05 per pound. Good smoking tobacco brought 65 and 66 cents. Marshall C. Fowler, sales supervisor, said.

The Winston-Salem market sold 1,070,450 pounds for a total of \$485,983.59, an average of \$45.40 for a hundred pounds.

Parade, Game Of Festivities Are Features

Elkin High's Homecoming Day celebration, the largest in its history, is all set for tomorrow with a football game, parade, and coronation of the Homecoming queen sharing the spotlight.

The Elkin Buckin' Elks will meet the Booneville eleven in a high school football game at Memorial Park tomorrow night and Mrs. Jo Anne Crater, wife of center Jim Crater of the Elks, will be crowned queen during halftime ceremonies.

Floats entered by 16 organizations from the high school and the Elkin High band will highlight the parade, which is slated to start at the high school gym at 4:30. The queen also will be featured in the parade riding in a convertible furnished by the Tri-Hi-Y organization.

The parade will proceed from the high school to the YMCA while three judges, Max Cooke of the YMCA staff, the Rev. R. V. C. Ritchie, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and a representative of The Tribune select the best float.

The winning float will be presented at the halftime of the game along with the queen, who will be crowned by the co-captains of the 1949 Elkin team.

Following the game, the students of Elkin High, all alumni, and guests from Booneville are invited to a dance at the Elkin High School featuring the music of Red Emde and his orchestra.

This event is being sponsored by the student council at the high school and will become a regular feature of the fall semester and football season.

The band will lead the parade followed in order by floats sponsored by the student council, the home rooms of Miss Emma Cooke, Mrs. A. F. Miles, Donald Lambeth, Neil Melvin, Miss Mary Holland, Miss Ethel Whitley, Miss Helen Guthrie, the 4-H Club, Miss Virginia Royall's home room, the Tri-Hi-Y club, Joseph Austell's home room, the Beta Club, and the home rooms of Miss Doris Cline, Mrs. Thelma Nixon and J. G. Hollingsworth.

SHERIFF NABS LIQUOR LOAD

Two Men Caught Carrying Thirty-Six Gallons of White Whiskey

TRAVELING IN PACKARD

Sheriff Bill Moxley seized a 1941 Packard five passenger coupe Saturday afternoon five miles east of Yadkinville on highway 421, which was carrying 36 gallons of white liquor and two white men, Harvey N. Creed and Thomas J. Musten.

The car came through Yadkinville at break-neck speed, blowing all other cars out of their paths, cutting corners, and what-not. Sheriff Moxley spotted them by their hurried actions and gave chase. When overtaken they stopped nicely, and the sheriff asked them why their big hurry.

"We have a schedule to make," the driver replied.

"Well," said the sheriff, "this is one time you are going to be late."

They landed in Russell's cooler, the liquor poured out, and the car confiscated. Later the two men gave \$500 bond each by a bonding company, and were released until next term of Yadkin court in February.

Musten was driving the car which belonged to him. He is from Greensboro. Creed was the passenger, and is a native of East Bend. He had been tried in Winston-Salem city court only that morning for violation of the prohibition law, fined \$10 and costs and given a 30 day suspended sentence.

At the age of sixteen years John D. Rockefeller became a clerk in a mercantile establishment.



AT THE CURB MARKET — Members of the Fellowship and the Junior Woman's Clubs sold handmade gifts and baby clothes at the Elkin Curb Market on Friday. Shown looking at the handwork of the Fellowship Club are, left to right, Miss Pauline Reavis of Pleasant Hill, Miss Sue Anna Crouse of this city and Miss Carrie Hinshaw of Arlington. Behind the display of the Junior Woman's Club is Mrs. M. H. Terrell of this city. Mrs. Folger Cockerham of Mountain Park and Mrs. Eugene Mottinger, president of the Junior Woman's Club, (back to camera). The Elkin Curb Market is open each Friday from 9:30 until noon, and in addition to the baked goods and produce brought to the market, handmade articles will be sold by persons who wish to profits by their leisure time handiwork. (TRIBUNE PHOTO)