



The Elk Trail

Seen Along...
Numerous sleds of all sizes in numerous Elkin stores, leading to the belief that local merchants expect lots of snow this winter.

Walter Hanks telling customer in barber chair that doleful strains of "Mule Train" coming from radio "sounds like Alan Browning singing in the choir."

The Rev. J. W. Braxton always seen each morning about 9:00 o'clock walking west on Main Street.

Small tot in drug store, hidden by small height, vainly attempting to attract attention of soda fountain clerk behind counter.

R. L. Lovelace always accompanied by small white dog.

Sign on door of local business establishment—"Please Open Before Christmas."

E. W. McDaniel telling friend proper treatment of steer afflicted with pneumonia.

Local woman audibly dreading buying and addressing Christmas cards, but admits she likes to receive them.

Miss Mattie Mae Powell asking drug store clerk during lunch hour "what's good today?"

Two young mothers comparing virtues of their respective offspring and each trying to outdo the other.

Mrs. George Royall making homemade mints for Charlie (Choo Choo) Justice.

Clara Mae Nixon Ratledge standing posed like a Vogue model for her photo to be made for the High School Annual as "The Best Dressed Girl."

Resident of West Main Street trying vainly to catch a ride downtown Wednesday morning when the fire truck and all the cars were going the opposite direction to answer a fire call.

Elderly, white haired lady asking several persons on the street where to go to get her pictures made, and getting different answers. Standing more undecided than ever after several returns.

Fuller Moseley, postmaster, standing back of the window in the postoffice and beaming congenially as person approaches window with large armful of packages and mail.

Millard Royall displaying three-pound sweet potato grown by Mrs. Ames Goodin of Iredell County. The potato bearing a remarkable resemblance to a turtle. Arranged in a bed of moss, magnolia leaves, trailing arbutus and nandina berries.

YADKIN ROAD PROGRAM SET

Rural Improvements Are Slat-
ed For County System,
Work Already Begun

Yadkin county's rural road program is now underway, and surveying has been almost completed on the sandelay road east from Arlington to Bryant's Service Station on highway 67.

State engineer Atwell is in charge of the surveying which is now underway. Grading and paving of the roadway will follow as quickly as possible, it was understood. A bulldozer and other equipment was moved to the location Tuesday.

According to information learned yesterday, the paving will be done to the Fall Creek church and Shady Grove church, and thence north to highway 67, coming out at Bryant's Service Station. The stretch on east to Center will be completed at a later date.

This is the first section of roadway to be started as a result of the two hundred million dollar road bonds approved by state voters last June 4. Yadkin county's allotment under this road program is scheduled to be 62.8 miles.

The State Highway Commission stated several weeks ago that the maintenance of the present roads would be concentrated on until next spring.

Criticism On Yadkin's County Home Answered

Board Members Deny Conditions Are As Charged In News Articles

Newspaper articles deploring conditions at the Yadkin County Home were declared false by the Yadkin County Commissioners at an official meeting this week.

A resolution was passed changing visiting rules at the Home and the Commissioners called attention to other reports on the conditions there.

A month ago, the Commissioners, a ladies' group requested certain improvements be made at the Home. Nineteen of the 22 items in the requested list have already been effected, it was declared.

The Commissioners also said they could not understand the criticisms being made, now that they have complied with the improvements desired.

The commissioners also called attention of the public to the report of the last two grand juries in Yadkin county, in February and September. These two reports are

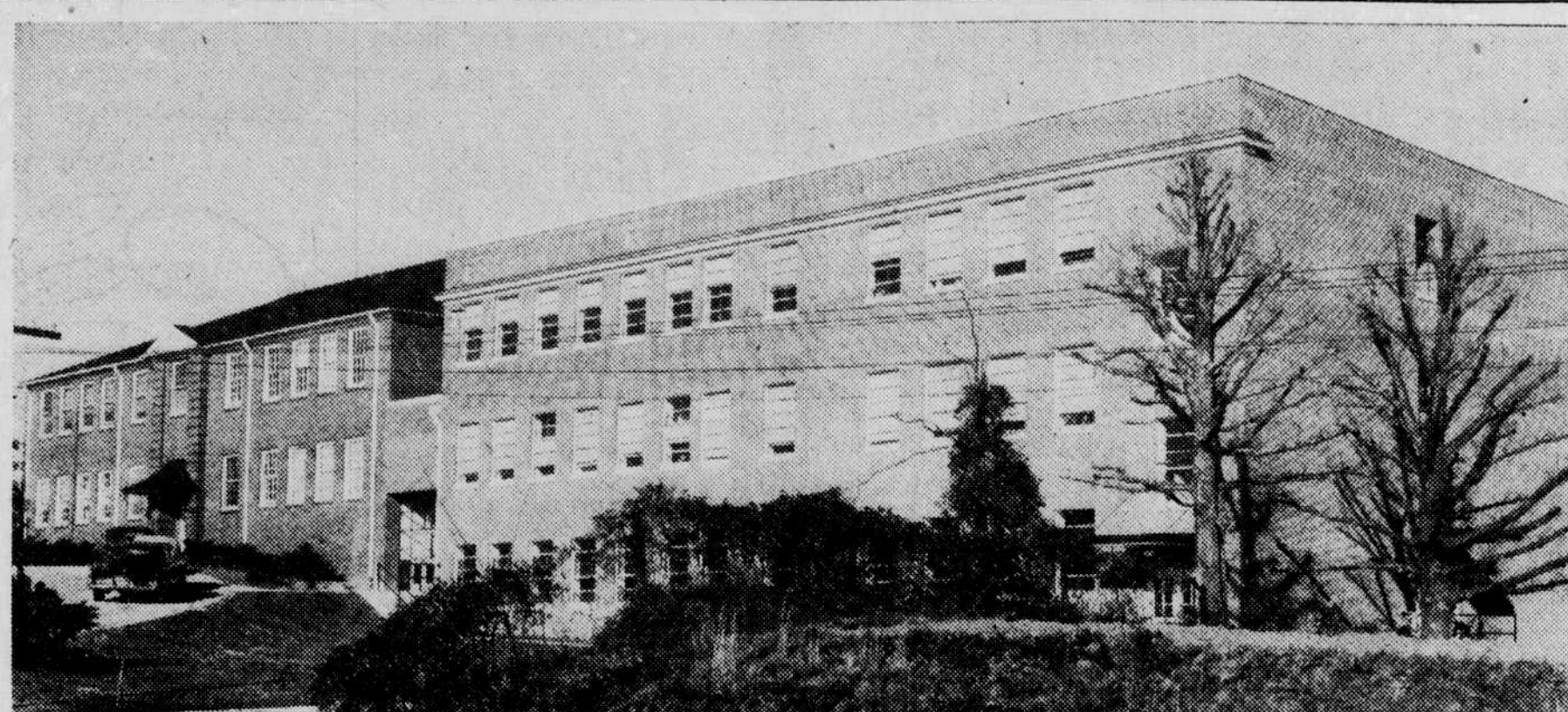
as follows, as shown by court records:

"A committee of six visited the County Home and Prison Camp. At the County Home we found 14 inmates, all being well cared for. The keeper reported there were no repairs needed at this time. We found that a new feed barn has been built, and a water system is now being installed."

The September 1949, grand jury reported as follows:

"The County Home was visited by a committee of four of our body, and the following recommendations are made: that all rooms inside be painted; that a new porch floor be laid on the North side of the home; that the well floor be repaired at the keeper's home; we found eight men and seven women at the home, all of whom reported that they were well cared for."

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NEW BUILDING — The new wing of the building at Elkin High School shows its progress, along with the acceptance of the school into the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The new building was first put into use at the opening of the fall semester.

(PHOTO BY BELL)

Council Appoints Brady Woodruff To School Board

Brady Woodruff of Elkin was appointed to a position on the Elkin City Schools' Administrative board to replace the late C. S. Foster.

The appointment came at a meeting of the Town Council Monday night.

Other business of the council included the rejection of bids on the sale of a truck to the town. New bids will be advertised in order to buy a 1950 truck.

Education Association Accredits Elkin School

Elkin High Graduates May Enter Any College On Basis of Records

Elkin High School has been admitted to the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, it was announced this week.

Entrance to this association, which is primarily an accrediting one, means that a graduate of Elkin High can enter any college in the nation on the basis of his high school records and the recommendation of local school officials.

Superintendent of the schools N. H. Carpenter disclosed that he was notified Monday of the acceptance of Elkin's application filed last year. Since the time of application, the school has been under the surveillance of the committee on admissions.

This step forward is one that will keep the school's standards high and will keep everyone in the system "on his toes," according to Mr. Carpenter.

Membership in the association is restricted and a school must conform to association standards as regards facilities, instructors, and curriculum. For some time, members of the membership committee visited the school, examined the facilities, sat in on the classes, and studied the records and reports of the school.

One of the more important factors in the selection of member schools is the teacher-pupil ratio of the applicant. Requirements say that no teacher can carry a heavier load than 750 pupil hours per week.

Boiling that down, it means that a teacher can have no more than five classes per day with 30 students per class.

Now after passing these tests for entrance, Elkin will receive the benefits of membership.

Membership in the association means that the school will have to maintain the progressive conditions which warranted their acceptance. Association officials will frequently visit the school unan-

Surry's Seal Campaign Now At \$2,597.81

Surry County's Christmas Seal proceeds had mounted to \$2,597.81 this morning and was ahead of last year's comparative progress toward the Tuberculosis Association's goal.

Miss Louise Bailey, chairman of the drive, said that the goal of \$6,000 was expected to be reached when the campaign ends Christmas.

L. I. WADE, 77, DIES SUDDENLY

Clerk of Recorder's Court Passes Away At Home Of Heart Attack

Luther Irwin Wade, 77, a native of Texas and former resident of Lincolnton, died unexpectedly Tuesday night at his home at 628 Elk Spur Street of a heart attack.

He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Wade of Texas and moved to Elkin with his family in 1927. For a number of years he was a representative of Winchester Arms Company; he is a former Deputy Sheriff of Surry County and at the time of his death was clerk of Elkin Recorder's Court, tax lister for the city and Justice of the Peace. He was a member of Galloway Memorial Episcopal Church.

Mr. Wade's hobby was the breeding of beagle dogs. He was a nationally known authority on this breed; president of the Yadkin Valley Beagle Club and honorary president of the Carolina Beagle Club, both of which he helped to organize. He maintained a pack of registered beagles at his home.

In 1903 he was married to the former Miss Rose Jordan of Boydton, Va., who survives. Other survivors include two children, Dr. L. I. Wade, Jr., of Baton Rouge, La., and Mrs. Enzo Gemma of Rome, Italy; six grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Jack McKinney and Mrs. Zeno Cox of Nacogdoches, Texas, and Mrs. Lloyd Dozittle of Kansas City, Mo; one brother, Edgar Wade of Dallas, Texas.

Funeral service was conducted this afternoon at Hayes-Speas Funeral Chapel by the Rev. Thomas Rodman. Burial was in Hollywood Cemetery.

Services Are Planned For The Rev. Talbirt

Funeral service for The Rev. J. F. Talbirt, 65, will be held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at Elkin Pilgrim Church. The Rev. William H. Neff, of Greensboro, District Superintendent of North Carolina Pilgrim Churches, assisted by The Reverends George Farah, pastor, H. B. Barger, Assistant Superintendent of North Carolina Pilgrim Churches and W. A. Key of Winston-Salem. Interment will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

The Rev. Mr. Talbirt was born April 2, 1884 and died this morning at 5:15 o'clock at his home in the Pleasant Hill community, following a long illness. He was a well-known minister of this vicinity, having served for a number of years as pastor of the Pilgrim Church. He was also in the jewelry business for sometime.

He is survived by his wife, the former Louise Deaton; four sisters, Mrs. W. B. Catoe, Mrs. C. D. Catoe and Mrs. Walter Threatt of Lancaster, S. C., and Mrs. V. B. McManus of Chester, S. C., and a number of nieces and nephews.

DECEMBER 18 GIFTS SUNDAY

\$131 Toward \$1,000 Goal Contributed To Community Christian Charity

Churches of the community will observe Sunday, Dec. 18, as a day of offering of food, clothing and money to the Community Christian Charity fund.

In a response to a request by the Rev. George Farah, chairman of the fund committee, members of the Elkin Ministerial Association agreed to hold a day of offering.

So far, the drive has proceeded slowly toward its goal of \$1,000. Through this morning, \$131 and some clothing had been turned in to the receiving station at The Tribune office.

In addition to the amount turned in, a donation of a room for storage of articles the year around was made by Hugh A. Royall. Fund committeemen expressed satisfaction in receiving the storage since the dispensation of food, clothing and other staples is made throughout the year.

Others contributing to the fund since Monday were as follows: Mrs. Lily Dunn, clothing, Friends, \$10.

A. L. Butler, \$25. Miss Gay Taylor, clothing, Friends, \$25.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. McNeer, clothing.

Chairman Farah reported today that already the committee had the names of 30 needy families in dire need of help. Assistance to only 22 families was necessitated during the entire past year.

With Christmas only 17 days away, Mr. Farah pointed out that the drive was almost \$900 behind its goal. However, he expects a boost in contributions on and after December 18, the day set aside for church donations.

BAPTISTS PLAN CHOIR PROGRAM

Christmas Music Will Be Given, Sunday, December 18, At 7:30 P. M.

The First Baptist Church Christmas program will be held Sunday, December 18, at 7:30 p. m., it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Howard J. Ford, director.

Approximately 50 persons will take part in the program which will feature the solo voices of Mrs. James Eldson, Miss Jacquelyn Brown, Miss Ann Carter, Miss Mildred Freeman, George Littman, Jack Walker and Dr. Vernon Taylor.

Miss Effie Carter will assist as organist and Mrs. Livingston Williams will be the violinist.

Farmers Discuss Rural Telephones

Rural telephones will be discussed at the regular community meetings of the Surry County Farm Bureau tomorrow night.

All members wanting telephones should attend these meetings to make applications and plans.

The meeting places and leaders are as follows: Pilot Mountain School auditorium, Smith and Dunbar, leaders; Siloam School, Allen and Halsey, leaders; Lowgap School, Walter R. Parham, leader.



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Rockford Organizes Farm Bureau Group

Rockford farmers organized the 26th Farm Bureau community organization in Surry County Friday night and elected Moir Whitaker as president.

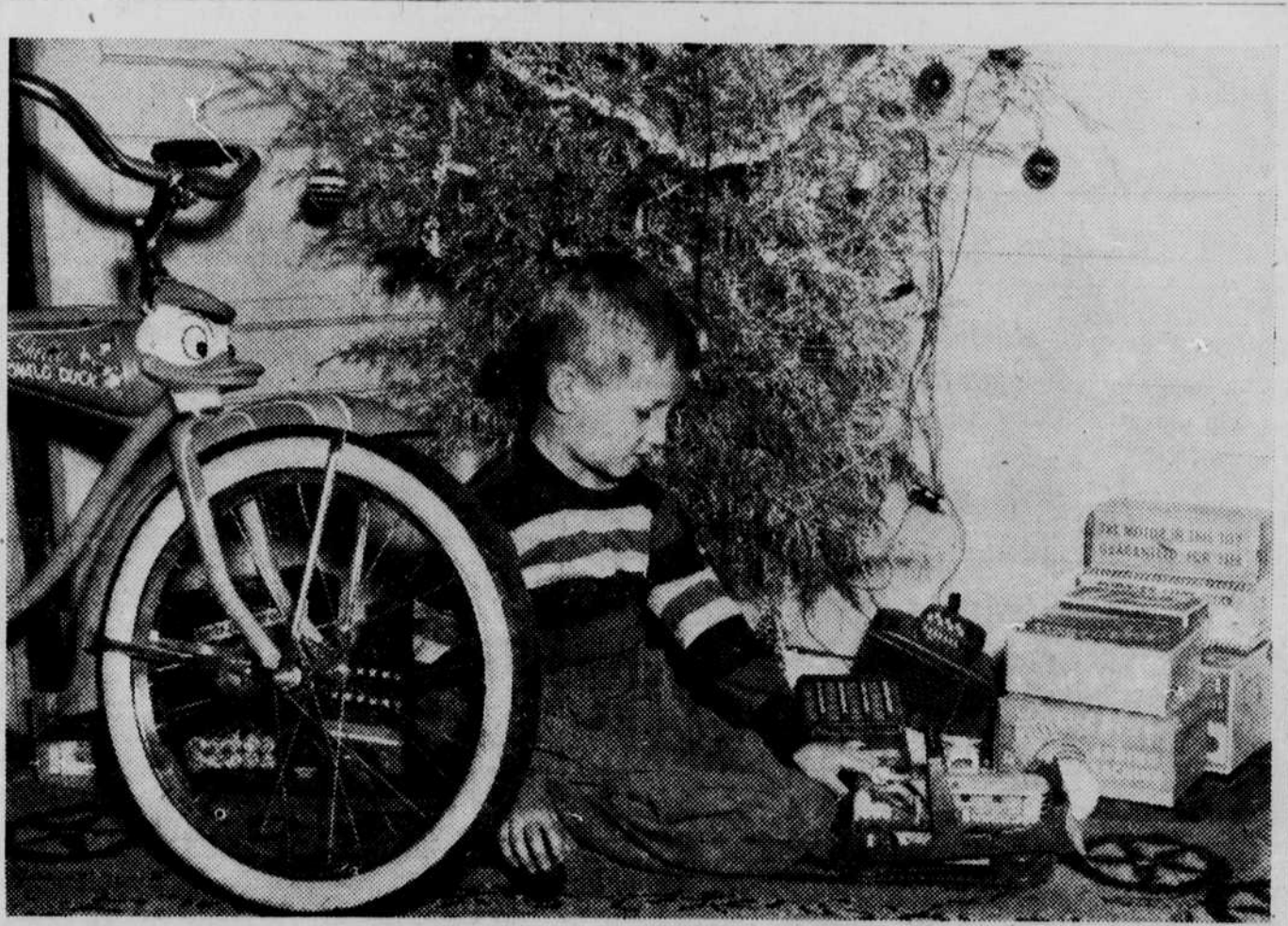
Neill M. Smith, county agent, who assisted in the organizing, said that the establishment of the Rockford group would give Southern Surry another director in the county-wide organization.

Twenty-nine members make up the charter of the new organization.

Ralph McCormick was named vice-president, A. Anthony, secretary, and J. R. Martin, director.

Miss Norman Named Surry Case Worker

Miss Ann Norman of Leaksville has been added to the staff of the Surry County Welfare Department, it was announced this week.



OFF TO TAMPA — Little David Watkins, who had his Christmas and visit from Santa Claus early this year, is leaving tomorrow afternoon for Tampa, Fla., and a treatment from Dr. Julian Baldor, who says he thinks he can help the case of leukemia, which has been threatening David's life. The people of Elkin have contributed almost \$500 to the trip and expenses of the treatment. His case was first made known in The Tribune Monday and the drive for funds was taken up by Radio Station WIFM Tuesday. The Downtown Cab Co. of Elkin contributed their cabs to pick up all of the gifts and The Rev. Lloyd Pardue played an important part in the drive, working with the radio station. David will be taken to Charlotte tomorrow afternoon and from there will be sent to Tampa, arriving there Saturday morning. The treatment is expected to take a week or ten days. (PHOTO BY BELL)

ANNUAL AWARD DAY FOR CLUBS SLATED MONDAY

4-H Achievement Day To Be Observed In Dobson

MEDALS, CERTIFICATES

Miss Carolyn Smith of Andrews To Tell of Summer Experience In Norway

TALKS BY TWO OTHERS

Surry County's annual 4-H Club Achievement Day will be held Monday at 10 a. m. in the Court-house at Dobson. Miss Carolyn Smith of Andrews will be the featured speaker.

Awards of medals and certificates will be made to both clubs and individuals of Surry clubs, and Miss Smith, who traveled to Norway during the past summer as an exchange student, will speak on her tour of that country.

Also featured will be talks by Miss Anna Jean Holbrook of Elkin and Miss Evelyn Waugh of White Plains on their trip to Chicago to the National 4-H Congress recently.

The Beulah 4-H Club will be awarded by Mrs. Grace Pope Brown, Surry Home Demonstration Agent, as the best club in the county. The Beulah club recently was named the best in the State.

Mrs. Hugh Atkinson, vice-president of the Surry Home Demonstration Club, will present awards to the second and third best clubs.

Making awards of medals and certificates among the girls will be Miss Leslie Johnson, Donald Halsey and Henry Dunbar, assistants to the county agent, will present the boys' awards.

YADKIN CENSUS WORKERS GIVEN

List-Takers and Farm Enumerators Are Appointed By County Commissioners

WORK BEGINS ON JAN. 1

The Yadkin County Commissioners in session in Yadkinville Monday appointed list-takers and farm census enumerators for the various townships of the county. The farm census enumerators will take a farm census under a law passed by the last legislature, and they will work with the list-takers at their various appointments in the townships.

Those appointed Monday for the eight townships of the county are as follows: the first name being the list-taker and the second the farm census enumerator: Boonville, Arnie Moxley, Howard Speer.

Knobs, Mrs. Sam Martin, H. Evans.

Buck Shoals, Lon Cheek, Rufus Shore.

Deep Creek, Henry Wishon, Gilbert Stinson.

Liberty, Brady A. Badgett, Early Zachary.

Forbush, Bill Dinkins, (to be supplied).

East Bend, Eli H. Hutchens, Roy Wilhelm.

Fall Creek, Fred Williard, Troy Davis.

The County Supervisor of Farm Enumerators will be Dwight Brendle of Boonville, and all work will begin January 1.

PTA To Hold Open House Wednesday

Open house will be held following the regular meeting of the West Yadkin Parent-Teachers Association, Wednesday evening at the school.

The meeting will convene at 7 p. m. and afterwards parents and friends will be shown through the school and the new addition recently completed.

Floyd Davis, president of the P-T-A., has urged all parents and friends of the school to attend the meeting and open house.

A social hour will be held during which refreshments will be served in the school lunchroom.

