

**ELKIN AIRPORT
IS LEASED TO
EAST BEND MAN**

Grey M. Brown To Operate
Field, Board Announces

IN INTEREST OF TOWN

Paving Begun On Reeves
Lane and Spring Streets;
Repair Work Under Way

PLAN CLEAN-UP DRIVE

Announcement was made in the Town Council meeting Monday night of the lease of Airport Elkin to Grey M. Brown of East Bend, who, according to agreement, will operate the field in the interest of the Town of Elkin.

The airport commission, composed of J. W. L. Benson, Dr. Vernon W. Taylor, H. P. Graham, Clyde Cothren and George Royall reported after an extensive investigation that Mr. Brown was found to be in good character and of dependable responsibility. Recommendations were presented from prominent Elkin and Yadkin county citizens.

Provisions of the lease make it clear that Airport Elkin will be operated so as the public will have access to the field without charge and so that planes may land and take off without charge.

Mr. Brown has agreed to pay \$40 monthly to the Town of Elkin and two and one-half cents per gallon of gasoline sold by him in a month over and above the first 1,000 gallons sold in each month. He will assume full control of the premises and full responsibility of maintenance and upkeep of the field.

Town Attorney Lewis Alexander pointed out yesterday that the town will be held harmless of any claim or demand growing out of negligence of the part of anyone at the airport. Mr. Brown has agreed to pay all taxes.

Other provisions include: Mr. Brown has an option to terminate the lease at the end of each year, but the town does not have the option to terminate the lease.

The airport will be kept open and available for the public without discrimination and without charge of landing or taking off on the field.

Mr. Brown is to establish reasonable regulations compatible with the Civil Aeronautics Administration. He is to sell petroleum products sold at reasonable prices not inconsistent with other airports in North Carolina.

He has agreed to charge no excessive fees, but to operate the field in the interest of the public's use.

Also, at Monday night's meeting it was announced that paving had begun on Reeves Lane and Spring Streets and repair work is being done on Westover Heights and other streets.

Mayor Richard T. Atkinson re-emphasized his drive on speeding and reckless driving and placed special attention to school zones. Signs will be placed around schools soon and careful check on speeders around these areas will be made, it was declared.

Also, the town will undergo an immediate clean-up campaign. All trash cans will be painted, considerable mowing of unsightly growth will be made and street washing will be emphasized.

**BAPTIST PLAN
MEET FRIDAY**

Seventy-First Annual Session
To Be Held At Mineral
Springs Baptist

WYATT TO BE SPEAKER

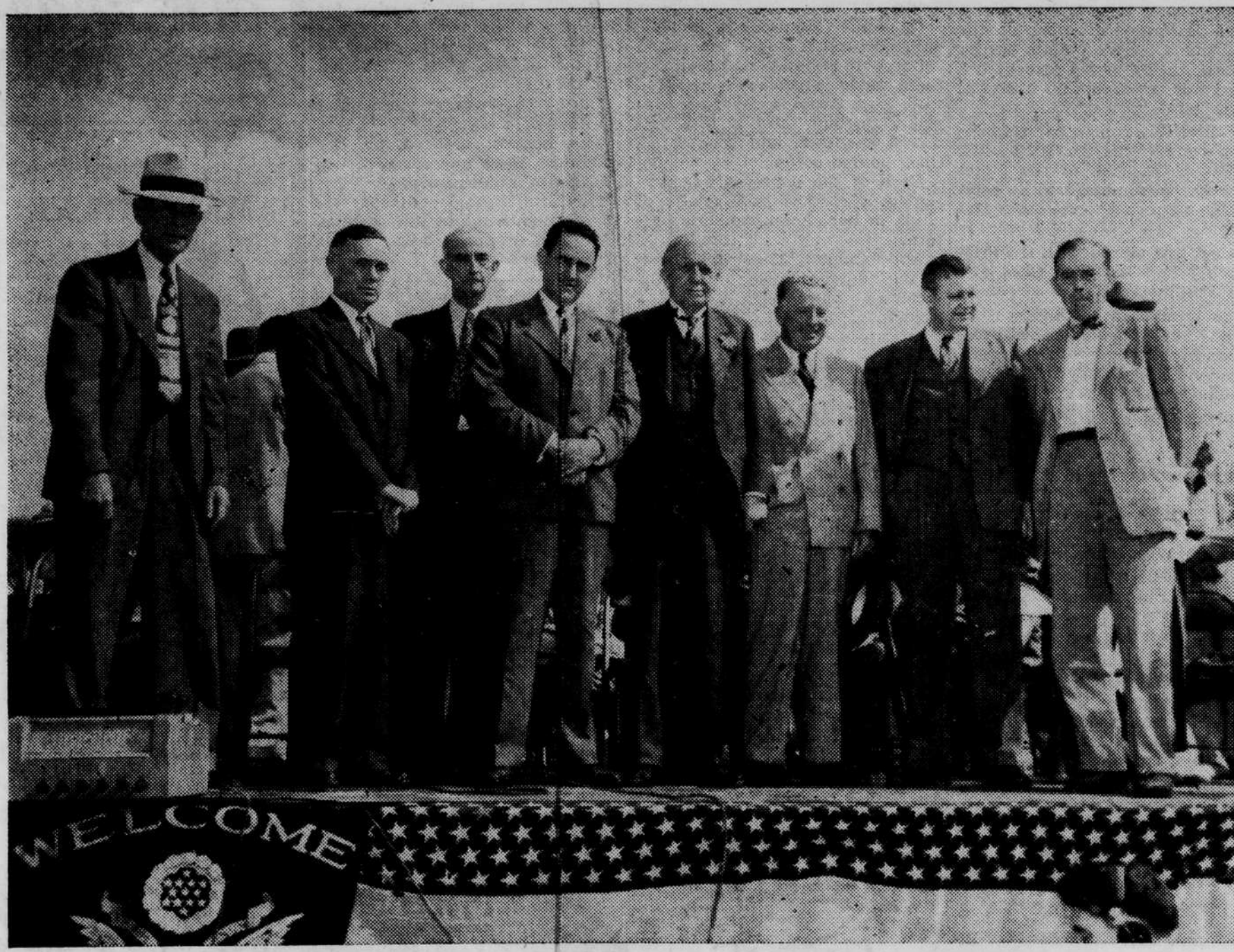
The seventy-first annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association will meet Friday, September 30 at 10 a. m. at the Mineral Springs Baptist Church in Jonesville.

The all day event will be opened with a devotional led by Rev. Clifford Vestal, followed by a business session.

Rev. J. C. Gwaltney will speak on "Christian Education" followed by the association sermon to be delivered by Rev. J. C. Wyatt.

In the afternoon reports will be heard from various committees. Those making reports and committees are Rev. David W. Day, temperance; Mrs. L. H. Petree, hospital; Mrs. Earl C. James, orphanage; Mrs. Eugene Pettyjohn, minister's relief; Mrs. C. N. Myers, periodicals; Rev. Howard J. Ford, American Bible Society; Mrs. J. D. Wyatt, W.M.U.; Rev. Clifford Vestal, Missions and L. F. Walker, Sunday School.

Rev. J. L. Powers is moderator of the Association and Atty. Livingston Williams is clerk.



DIGNITARIES AT MOUNT AIRY FARMERS DAY — Pictured above are leading dignitaries who took part in the program at the Mount Airy Farmers Meeting held last week. They are, left to right: Mark Goforth, district highway commissioner, of Lenoir; Mayor Frank Carter, of Mount Airy; Former Congressman John H. Folger of Mount Airy; Governor Kerr Scott, Senator Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, Congressman Thurmond Chatham, of Elkin and Winston-Salem; Brady Cole, of Radio Station WBT, Charlotte, and Dr. Henry Jordan, Chairman of the State Highway Commission.

**X-RAY SLATE
IS RELEASED**

To Be At Dobson Sept. 19-23;
At Chatham Manufacturing
Plant Sept. 26-30

OCTOBER 3-8 IN ELKIN

The Surry County Health Department states that chest X-rays will be available at the Courthouse in Dobson from September 19 through September 23. The X-raying will be done between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 4:00 p. m.

The X-ray survey will be carried on at the Chatham Manufacturing Co. from September 26 through September 30. The week following, from October 3 through October 8, X-rays will be available at the Health Department in Elkin.

Dr. Franklin, Health Officer, advises a chest X-ray once a year for persons over fifteen years of age. Early tuberculosis may be discovered by chest X-ray before any symptoms appear.

Dr. Franklin states that sixty new cases of tuberculosis have been reported in the county from January to September 1. Eight new cases of tuberculosis were discovered when twenty-five hundred employees in the Mount Airy industries were X-rayed during the summer.

Chest X-rays will not be available at the Mount Airy Health Office until October 14.

**Original McCain
Reunion Sept. 25**

The original McCain reunion will be held September 25 at the Grassy Creek Methodist Church. R. R. McCain and S. M. Burman are chairmen for the event. All relatives and friends are invited and requested to bring a picnic basket.

**35 Counts Tried Here
Wednesday By Recorder**

Thirty-five cases went on trial here Wednesday before Judge H. H. Llewellyn in the Recorder's Court.

Among the heavier sentences, Robert Sprinkle, Jr., was sentenced to 12 months on the roads for entering and stealing. The case arose from an entrance into Brendle's grocery recently.

Other cases ranged from non-support, public drunkenness to traffic violations, including operating a car under the influence of intoxicants.

Robert Dale Carter, public drunkenness, cost.

James Clyde Harrell, o.c.i., four months on roads, sentence suspended if defendant surrender his license.

James Clyde Harrell, operating



CONFERENCE SPEAKER — William J. Bird of Washington, D. C., will be the featured speaker at an area conference on national affairs to be held at Hotel Hickory, Hickory, ext Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. Mr. Bird is national affairs advisor of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

**ARE TO STRESS
ECONOMY NED**

Local Delegation Will Attend
Regional Conference
At Hickory

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 1st

The need for economy in government spending will be aim at a regional conference on national affairs to be held in Hickory on Wednesday, September 21. Reports of the Hoover Commission recommending these economies will be the basis for discussion of this subject. C. V. Cline, chairman of the Hickory Chamber of Commerce national affairs committee said.

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**STATE LEAF
CROP HIGHER**

1949 Flue-Cured Tobacco Estimated At 747,000,000
By Field Reports

SLIGHTLY ABOVE 1948

North Carolina's 1949 flue-cured tobacco crop was estimated at 747,000,000 pounds based on September 1 field reports.

The forecast is slightly higher than the 739,000,000 pounds produced last year and about 11 per cent above the 1938-47 average. However, it is considerably lower than a forecast made a month previously.

Unfavorable weather conditions during August caused a sharp decline in the crop's prospects, according to a federal crop report released today.

On the Old and Middle Belts, where harvesting is in full swing, prospective production as of September 1 dropped 17,000,000 pounds below the forecast a month earlier. The 1949 crop on these belts had been put at 269,000,000 pounds.

On the Eastern Belt, prospective yields declined 50 pounds per acre under the August 1 forecast of 1,290 pounds. As of September 1, production on this belt was estimated at 384,400,000 pounds. This is three per cent above last year's production and 11 per cent above the 10-year average.

On the Border Belt, the forecast of 93,000,000 pounds was the same as the estimate a month earlier. This indication is four per cent above production last year and 16 per cent above average.

The total indicated acreage for all flue-cured tobacco is placed at 630,000 acres—six per cent above the 594,000 acres harvested last year. It is about four per cent under the 10-year average.

Prospects for the burley crop declined from 17,100,000 pounds as of August 1 to 16,500,000 pounds as of September 1. Wet weather was blamed for the decline in prospective yields.

**Patrolmen Seeking
Hit-and-Run Driver**

Highway patrolmen were on the lookout today for a hit-and-run driver who struck an automobile driven by Glenn Thomas Click of Jonesville on the Swan Creek Highway.

Patrolman D. J. Caudle said that the accident occurred about 11:30 p. m. Tuesday on a curve just outside Jonesville. Click was proceeding toward town. The other car was going in the opposite direction.

Patrolman Caudle said information leading to the apprehension of the hit-and-run driver would be appreciated.

When you save and turn back the channels of trade your waste paper, your copper waste and your scrap iron in small or large quantities you are helping our country.

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**Wednesday P. M.
Closing Ended
By Elkin Firms**

Elkin stores will remain open on Wednesday afternoons beginning next week, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley, secretary of the Merchants Association.

**P. T. A. MEETING
WILL BE HELD**

Elkin Elementary Parent-Teachers Now In Process
Of 1949-50 Organizing

SOME GROUPS NAMED

The Elkin Elementary School Parent-Teachers Association which began this week to organize for the coming year, will hold a social meeting at 7:30 p. m., Sept. 27, at the Elementary School.

Claude Farrell, president of the group, explained that the first meeting is designed to acquaint the parents and teachers. Teachers will hold open house in their various rooms, Mr. Farrell added. Organization is not yet complete, Mr. Farrell said, but will be finished in the near future.

Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday evening in each month. So far, various committee chairmen have been selected as follows: Budget—finance, Mr. and Mrs. James Booher; program, Mr. and Mrs. Van Dillon, Jr.; membership, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dixon; publicity and attendance, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Redmon; hospitality, Mr. and Mrs. John Sagar; health and safety, Mr. and Mrs. Denver Holcomb.

**Tri-County Leaf Growers Receive
About Same Prices As Last Year**

Tobacco growers of the Tri-County section of Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes this week received the same to slightly higher prices for their leaf at Mount Airy and Winston-Salem markets.

The Mount Airy mart sold 109,540 pounds Tuesday at an average price of \$50.25 per hundred. The offerings consisted principally of tips and non-descript tobacco, Marshall C. Fowler, sales supervisor, said yesterday.

At the end of its first two days of the current selling season, the Winston-Salem Tobacco Market still boasted a slightly higher average price than for its first two days last year.

Sales were off in both quality and quantity of tobacco offered Tuesday, however. Total figures

**Monthly Road Meetings
To Be Moved To Elkin;
Benham Event Planned**

**Road Leader
To Speak At
Wilkes Meet**

A meeting to discuss rural roads will be held next Wednesday at Benham school for farmers of the Traphill area, it was announced here yesterday by Claude Farrell. The event will be sponsored by the Elkin Merchants Association.

William Snider, of the State Highway department publicity service, will attend with Mark Goforth, Eighth District highway commissioner, who will speak.

The speaking, which will begin at 2:30 p. m., will be followed by audience participation. Refreshments will be served on the grounds.

The meeting is another in a series of meetings designed to acquaint rural residents of the recently-launched \$200,000,000 road improvement for rural areas initiated by Governor W. Kerr Scott and approved by a vote of North Carolina voters.

Similar meetings have already been held in Mountain Park, West Yadkin and other sections of Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes counties.

**LIONS PLAN
CANE SALES**

White Cane Canvass of Sales
Start Here Monday For
Blind Benefit

The Elkin Lions Club will conduct a white cane sale beginning Monday in support of the North Carolina Association of the Blind which will attempt to raise \$25,000 for needy blind in the State.

Clyde Carroll has been named chairman of the drive which will continue until Saturday.

For several years Lions of North Carolina have endorsed the activities of the Association for the Blind. The organization has for its main purpose, aid to the blind in those areas where there is no organized work for them, co-operation with existing organizations in the State working for the blind, and conservation of eyesight and prevention of blindness.

The association conducts its white cane sale annually. Buttons or bangles on which appears a white cane are sold. Blind persons carry such canes to warn motorists that they are blind. A membership enrollment campaign also is conducted every year in conjunction with Lions clubs of the State. The major activity of Lions is work for the blind.

**Truck Turns Over,
Driver Is Unhurt**

Lawrence Gene Carroll of Dry Branch, W. Va., escaped injury Monday when a 2-ton truck he was driving overturned on Highway 268.

Patrolman D. J. Caudle, who investigated the accident, said little damage was done to the vehicle but that lumber was broken and scattered, probably amounting to sizable damage.



NEW ASSISTANT — Henry O. Dunbar has been named an assistant County Agent for Surry County under Neill M. Smith. He succeeds Ophus M. Fulcher, who is entering the University of Georgia Veterinary School. He assumes duties tomorrow.

**DUNBAR NAMED
TO AID SMITH**

Veteran Is Appointed Assistant County Agent To Succeed Fulcher

IS GRADUATE OF STATE

Henry O. Dunbar, veteran of World War II of the Army Air Forces, 1949 State College graduate in animal husbandry, and a native of Wenona, has been appointed assistant county agent in Surry County to replace Ophus M. Fulcher, resigning assistant county agent, Neill M. Smith, Surry County Agent, announced today.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar and their two children, arrived in Dobson on August 15, and he has been in training since that time, preparing to assume his duties Friday, the effective resignation date of Mr. Fulcher.

Mr. Dunbar has had practical farm experience on his father's farm in Eastern North Carolina before and while attending State College. He also attended McCook Junior College, McCook, Neb., for two years and observed livestock and dairy production in that area.

**To Begin Two New
Rural Routes Here**

Effective tomorrow (Friday), RFD routes will be extended by the Elkin Postoffice to include two new sections of RFD routes 1 and 2.

On RFD 1, extension will include Hawthorne Road to Highway 268 and will circle the last block on the East side of Hawthorne Road. RFD 2 will be extended to serve GI Hill section, consisting of Oakland Drive and Neaves Lane and also to serve Westover Heights.

To obtain the RFD service, post-office officials explain that boxes must be installed on the highway and a list furnished the postoffice of all persons who are to be served through that box.

**Gatherings
Moved From
Wilkesboro**

Elkin will be the new meeting place for District Eight's highway road conferences beginning next month, it was announced yesterday by Commissioner Mark Goforth of Lenoir.

Meetings, which were formerly held at Wilkesboro, will be moved to Elkin because it is believed that here will be a more central point for rural people to attend and voice their desires as to improved roads.

Representatives of counties making up the Eighth District of Surry, Yadkin, Alleghany and Wilkes counties, have held meetings monthly since last May.

Meetings will open around 9 a. m. each second Wednesday of each month at the Gilvin Roth YMCA, Mr. Goforth said.

Arrangements for the Elkin meeting have been brought about largely through the efforts of Garland Johnson, Elkin banker and former mayor, and Claude Farrell, Elkin businessman and member of the State Board of Education.

Mr. Goforth pointed out that meetings will be open to the public and he urged that farmers from every section of the counties comprising District Eight attend the meetings. Petitions and road improvement discussions will be conducted at each session.

Speaking with Mr. Goforth at the meetings will be Division Engineer J. C. Walker, District Engineer C. G. Ashby and Assistant District Engineer J. H. Council.

**DEBT ON HUT IS
PAID BY LEGION**

Local Post Retires Obligation
And Continues Drive
For New Members

CHANGE MEETING DATES

The Elkin American Legion Post last week cleared their debt on the Legion Hut and continued their drive for new members, Secretary Gene Aldridge, announced yesterday.

Meeting dates of the post were changed to the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The first Tuesday of each month will be a business meeting and the third will be ladies night. Socials will be held at each gathering.

A winter square dancing program will begin September 24. Mr. Aldridge said. Jack Robinson will be in charge.

Mr. Aldridge also pointed out that those members and new members getting their dues in before the first of October will save 50 cents as Legion dues all over the country will go to \$3.50 after that time.

**Surry Court Is To
Convene Next Week**

A two-week criminal session of Surry County Criminal Court, with 139 cases on the docket, will begin Monday under Judge J. H. Clement.

Several cases of interest in the Elkin community will be tried, but the bulk of trials will come from Mount Airy.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS	
Killed Sept. 10 through Sept. 12	7
Injured Sept. 10 through Sept. 12	79
Killed through Sept. 12 this year	560
Killed through Sept. 12, 1948	473
Injured through Sept. 12 this year	6,318
Injured through Sept. 12, 1948	4,979