

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

FLORENCE, S. C., July 31.—The sixteen auction markets of the North Carolina and South Carolina border tobacco belt will swing into action tomorrow to begin disposing of an estimated crop of 227,450,000 pounds, most of which will wind up in a year or two in the form of cigarettes. Farmers of the belt were counting on getting better prices than they did last year when the season's average of 221,950,000 pounds was 43.25 cents a pound. Their confidence rested upon two facts: First, the government ceiling was 44.5 cents a pound, one cent more than it was in 1944, and second, first week's sales on the Georgia-Florida belt, first of the flue-cured belts to open, averaged from one to five cents a pound more than they did for the same period of last year.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Warnings that American homes will be colder than ever next winter and that American industry must go on a four-day week unless the army fur-roughs coal miners, were voiced today by the solid fuels administration. Secretary of Interior Ickes, who is head of the fuels administration, told a responsive senate committee that 30,000 miners should be fur-roughed immediately to prevent a prospective deficit of 37,000,000 tons of coal next winter.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The state department revealed tonight that the Japanese government is following the diabolical policy of moving American prisoners of war and civilian internment camps into strategic areas subject to allied bombardment. Some camps already have been hit by American bombs and high casualties are certain. The policy, described as "persistent, methodical, and deliberate," was devised by the Japanese in a futile attempt to bring a stop to the relentless scourging of their home islands.

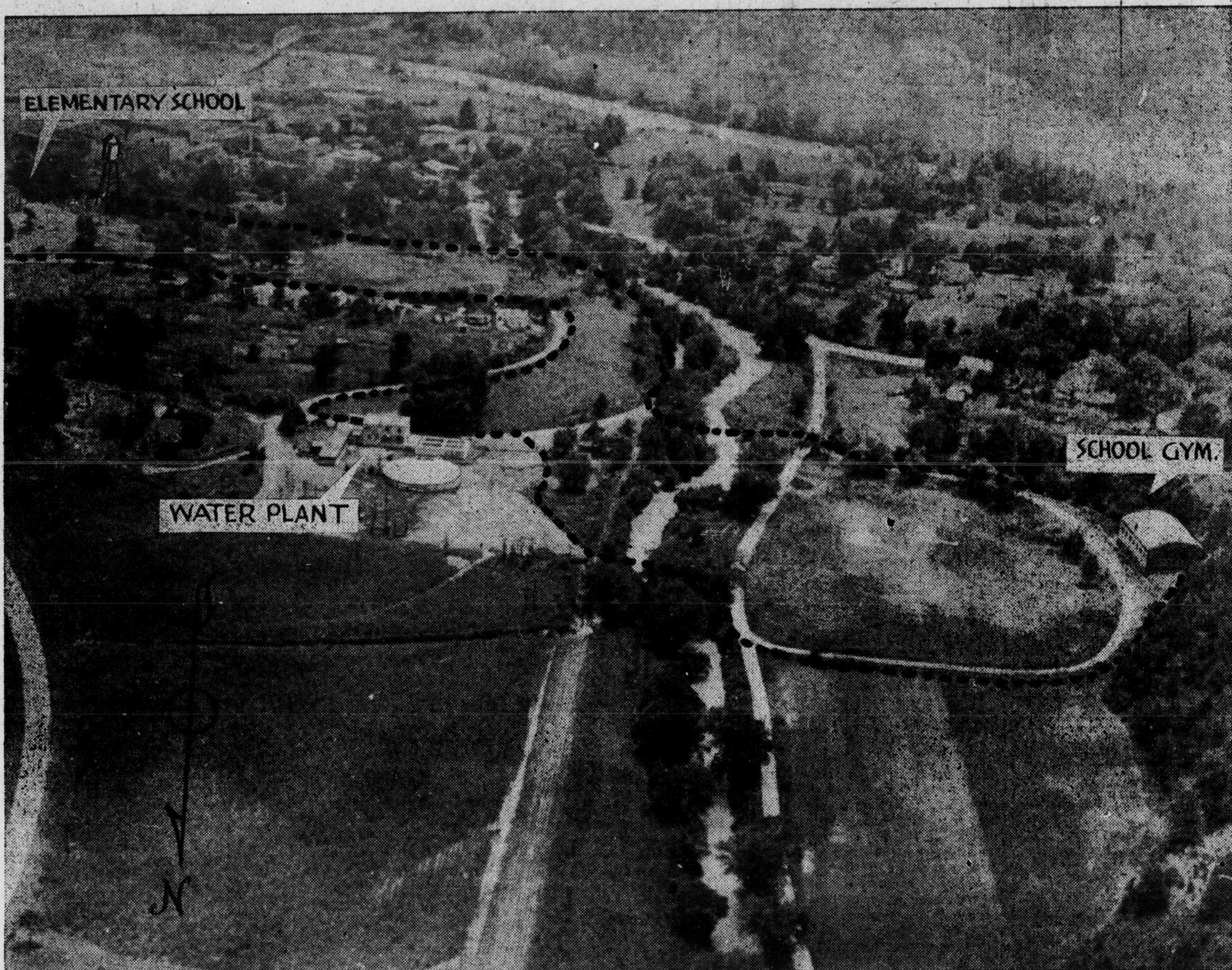
WASHINGTON, July 31.—The army lifted the curtain tonight on the world's fastest airplane, the P-80 Shooting Star, a sleek jet-propelled fighter with contours of a space ship, a speed much greater than 550 miles per hour (possible more than 10 miles a minute), and a ceiling of more than 45,000 feet. Built by Lockheed Aircraft corporation, the P-80 is the first jet-propelled plane ever accepted by the army for combat. It has not yet been in action, although some P-80's have been sent to overseas war theaters. The super-fighter, carrying six .50 calibre machine guns in the nose, is designed especially for strafing, for fast aerial reconnaissance, and for interception and attack at high altitude.

INTERNATIONAL

SALZBURG, Austria, July 31.—Pierre Laval, arch pro-Nazi collaborator and No. 2 man in the French Vichy regime, surrendered to American authorities today after being expelled from Spain and tonight was en route to Innsbruck to be handed over to French justice. Wanted as a war criminal by Gen. Charles de Gaulle, the swarthy former chief of government of the Vichy state was expected to reach Innsbruck tonight. With his wife, Laval was in the custody of Brig. Gen. John E. Copeland, assistant commanding general of the United States 65th division. The putting fugitive, who sought refuge in Spain 90 days ago, flew into Austria with his wife and two uniformed German Luftwaffe fliers this morning.

BERLIN, July 31.—An interruption of big three meetings which delayed the closing of the Berlin conference was due to the illness of Premier Josef Stalin, it was disclosed today. Stalin apparently has recovered satisfactorily, for he, President Truman and Prime Minister Clement Attlee met for 3½ hours this afternoon. It was their first meeting since Saturday. Stalin remained in his quarters Sunday and Monday by advice of his physician. It was said that he suffered a

Area In Which Proposed Elkin Memorial Park Would Be Located



The photo above, made Friday afternoon by The Tribune photographer in a plane piloted by C. C. Myers, of the local airport, and himself a member of the Elkin Postwar Planning Committee, shows the location, indicated by dotted line, of the proposed Elkin Memorial Park. The picture, looking south, shows the Elkin water tank and a corner of the elementary school building at the extreme left. At the extreme right may be seen the high school gymnasium. According to present plans the park would extend from the elementary school westward to encompass the school athletic field and gym. A bridge would be constructed across Big Elkin Creek somewhere between the area enclosed by the dotted lines. Playground equipment would be located in the area near the rear of the school building, while picnic grounds, with furnaces, etc., would probably be located adjoining the creek. However, at this stage of the project, no plans are definite.—Tribune Photo.

U-Boats Shell Jap Homeland; Fleet Is Silent

Lions To Collect Waste Fats Here Sunday At 2 P. M.

A town-wide waste fat collection will be staged Sunday beginning at 2:00 p. m., rain or shine, by the Elkin Lions Club. All members of the Lions Club who can possibly assist in this collection are asked to meet in front of Belk's prior to 2:00 p. m. Every housewife who has been saving used fat for the war effort is urged to place it in a convenient place where it may readily be seen, so that it might be picked up by the Lions. Fats are still needed for the manufacture of munitions and medicines.

Big Ships Are Under Security Radio Blackout

Guam, Aug. 1. — American land-based planes and a submarine took over the preinvasion bombardment of Japan today as the Third Fleet remained under a security black-out off the enemy coast for the second straight day. At the same time, Japanese Imperial headquarters conceded that American carrier planes and land-based bombers had caused "considerable damage" to Japanese cities, factories and shipping in attacks last month. It claimed that damage to air bases and military installations was slight, however, and said that the Japanese Army and Navy were steadily strengthening their preparations to meet an "enemy invasion."

ONE DEAD, FOUR HURT IN WRECK

Automobile Occupied By Family Of Negroes Collides With Bus At Ronda

TWO HURT CRITICALLY

As the result of a collision Tuesday night at Ronda, in which a Greyhound bus struck a passenger car containing six colored people, all members of the same family, one is dead and four others are in the Elkin hospital, two critically injured and still unconscious Wednesday afternoon. The accident was said to have occurred when the passenger car, driven by Walter Hunt, pulled from a side road into the Elkin-North Wilkesboro highway directly in front of the bus. The crash was said to have turned the passenger car completely around and thrown it over an embankment. No one on the bus was injured, but all occupants of the car were rushed to the Elkin hospital, where an infant daughter, Mary Ellen, aged 5 months, died about 6:00 o'clock Wednesday morning. Two other children, Leroy, 5, and Bobby W., 2, were said to be in a critical condition. A girl, Josephine, age 11, was described as having suffered serious, although not critical injuries. The mother, Hazel Hunt, was not badly injured. The father was not hurt enough to be admitted to the hospital. Each of the children sustained fractured legs, among other injuries. The accident occurred near the Ronda Baptist Church, where services were under way at the time. Time of the crash was said to have been about 8:30 o'clock. Spectators stated that the driver of the bus, which was en route from Winston-Salem to Morganton, made a desperate effort to avoid striking the car. The bus was not damaged, but the Hunt car was practically demolished, it was said.

NO ARRESTS IN BREAK-IN CASE

Yeggs Enter Two Offices In Courthouse At Dobson; Fail To Open Vault

No arrests had been reported Wednesday in the break-in of two offices in the court house at Dobson sometime Friday night in which vaults were mutilated, but no loot of any value stolen. County Auditor George Welch, of Mount Airy, reported the break-in to S. B. I. officers. He said the break-in was discovered by Walter Brooks, courthouse janitor, about 6:30 Saturday morning. The yeggs gained entrance by breaking down the door to the county auditor's office. They then undermined the facing of the vault door and tried to force the door itself. Using crowbars, they succeeded in springing the door sharply, but failed to get it open. Papers from the vault were dragged through the opening and scattered about the floor, but after a check-up it was announced nothing of value was missing. The yeggs entered the office of the register of deeds where they rifled filing cases, but apparently took nothing. Officers said they obviously were looking for money. Mr. Welch said no cash was in either of the two offices entered, and that it was not customary to keep cash in them, since the vaults are for the safekeeping of records rather than money. It was said that damage to the doors was so extensive it would be necessary to replace them with new doors.

LOCAL MAN'S FATHER DIES

Reuben E. Caudill Passes Tuesday In Marion, Va., Following Operation

REV. CAUDILL IS SON

Reuben E. Caudill, 76, died Tuesday in Marion, Va., following an operation. Funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock from the First Baptist church in Marion. Mrs. Nannie Roberts Caudill, his wife, survives him, and the following children: Mrs. W. T. Comer, Stony Point; Rev. O. V. Caudill, Elkin; Carl B. Caudill, Jacksonville, Fla.; Vide A. Caudill, Washington, N. C.; Mrs. B. F. Griffiths, and Mrs. Richard Young, Marion, Va.; Jack Caudill, U. S. Navy, who is in the Philippines. There are also 17 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren surviving. Rev. O. V. Caudill was called to his father's home a week ago.

Receives Fracture Of Skull In Affray

Clyde Brown, Surry county man who lives on the old Dobson highway, is in the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, said to be suffering a fractured skull, as the result of allegedly having been struck on the head with an iron pipe by Mason Miller, son of J. F. Miller, of north of Elkin. Brown's condition is said to be satisfactory.

Deputy Sheriff L. I. Wade said Wednesday morning that a warrant had been sworn out for Miller, charging assault with a deadly weapon. The warrant had not been served at the time, however. Facts concerning the cause of the affray were not learned.

Elkin Commissioners Pledge To Maintain Proposed Park

Resolution To This Effect Will Be Passed At Next Meeting Of Board

Plans for a canvass for funds for the proposed Elkin Memorial Park are now being made, and it is expected that the drive will be made sometime within the near future, The Tribune was informed Wednesday afternoon. In the meantime it was announced by D. G. Smith, chairman of the Elkin Postwar Planning Committee, that the mayor and town officials had pledged themselves, both collectively and individually, to approve the adoption of a resolution at the next regular meeting of the board of commissioners, which is scheduled to be held Monday, authorizing the town to assume and underwrite the maintenance and upkeep of the proposed park. This statement, which was put in writing and signed by Mayor Garland Johnson and Commissioners C. C. Myers, J. W. L. Benson, R. C. Freeman and J. O. Bivins, reads as follows:

"We, the undersigned Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Elkin, do hereby pledge ourselves individually and collectively to approve the adoption of a resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Elkin, authorizing the Town of Elkin to assume and underwrite the maintenance and upkeep of the proposed Memorial Park, together with playgrounds and other facilities thereon when the said Memorial Park has been established and completed. "This the 27th day of July, 1945."

It is expected that the commissioners will name a park commission at their next meeting, although whether or not they plan to do so could not definitely be learned.

ANNUAL PICNIC TO BE HELD 9TH

Masonic Event At Mocksville To Be Staged At Clement Grove

BENEFIT OF ORPHANAGE

The 66th annual Masonic picnic will be held Thursday, August 9, at Clement Grove in Mocksville. All net proceeds are donated to the Oxford Orphanage. Since the annual picnics have been held \$90,000 have been turned in to this institution as proceeds from the event. W. Kerr Scott, commissioner of agriculture, will speak at 11 a. m. At noon picnic dinner will be spread on tables in the arbor. All food is donated by the women of Davie County, who prepare the baskets. The event will also be featured by rides and amusements on the grounds owned by the Mocksville Masons, picnic sponsors. Knox Johnstone is general chairman of the picnic. He is assisted by about 100 members of the local Masonic lodge. Sam R. Latham is master of the lodge. Prominent Masonic leaders throughout the state are expected to attend, as well as Oxford Orphanage officials.

G. W. PINNIX DIES FRIDAY

Yadkin Soldier Passes Away At Kennedy General Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

FUNERAL HELD TUESDAY

Pfc. Garvey Wilson Pinnix, 23, died Friday afternoon at Kennedy General hospital, Memphis, Tenn., as the result of wounds received in action in France. He received back and leg injuries and was sent to a hospital in New York and transferred to Memphis, where he died. He was in the army in October 1943, and sent to Camp Croft, S. C., and went overseas in April 1944. He participated in three major battles and was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received. Besides this he wore a combat infantryman's badge; ETO ribbon with three stars and a sharpshooters medal for pistol, rifle, carbine and bazooka. Funeral services were held at Swan Creek Baptist church Tuesday morning, with Rev. Grady White and Rev. A. S. Mathis in charge. Burial was in the church cemetery. The body arrived at the home of his parents Sunday night. Survivors include the parents; two brothers, Odean Pinnix, Cycle and Pvt. James A. Pinnix, Camp Rucker, Ala.; one half brother, Roby Pinnix, Jonesville; one sister, Miss Athlene Pinnix, Cycle; one half sister, Mrs. Opal Holbrook, Elkin; the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Calloway, Cycle.

REDUCE POINTS ON MEAT CUTS

Beef, Lamb and Veal Are Reduced From One To Two Points For Period

SHOE STAMP IS VALID

Of special interest to housewives is the announcement by District Director of OPA, L. W. Driscoll, that nearly all cuts of beef, lamb, and veal have been reduced from one to two points during the rationing period beginning July 29. Mr. Driscoll added that "about 11 per cent" more meat will be available for over-the-counter customers in August than housewives were able to buy in July. Rationing of gas cooking and gas heating stoves ended July 31, it was announced yesterday. Oil cooking and combination oil-gas stoves, and oil conversion burners for stoves will remain on the ration lists. Airplane Stamp No. 4 in War Ration Book 3 became valid August 1. It is of particular interest to parents of school children that there is a better stock and selection of children's shoes in retail stores than at any time since shoe rationing was begun.

Cattle Breeders Are To Meet In Kinston

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Aberdeen-Angus Breeders Association will be held in Kinston, North Carolina on next Tuesday, August 7. This organization was formed in Elkin on July 19, 1944, with W. A. Neaves as president and T. F. Cooley, secretary-treasurer. A group of Aberdeen-Angus cattle enthusiasts will meet in Elkin at Mr. Neaves' home on Monday at 2 p. m. to go to the State meeting. Surry County Agent, Neill M. Smith, who was active in organizing the Association will attend the meeting with the Northwestern Carolina group.

Auction Sale To Be Staged At Fish Fry

An auction sale will be staged as a part of the fish fry to be held at Neaves Park here Friday evening by the Elkin Exchange Club, it was said Wednesday by O. K. Richardson, publicity officer. Mr. Richardson stated the fish fry will get under way at 7:30 o'clock, and urged everyone possible to attend. Proceeds from the fish fry and from the auction sale will be used in the club's underprivileged child work. YOUR COUNTRY IS STILL AT WAR—ARE YOU?

SURRY MEN GO FOR INDUCTION

Leave Dobson Last Thursday Morning, Surry Draft Board No. 2 Announces

NAMES ARE RELEASED

The following men under the jurisdiction of the Surry county draft board No. 2, at Dobson, left last Thursday morning for induction into the armed forces: Gaither Zeno Billins, Edward Roan Snyder, Jr., Arthur William Simmons, Willis Eugene Johnson, Boyd Allen Shores, Harvey Edgar Bledsoe, Herman Bruce Hinson, Ralph Samuel Marion, Braxter William Owens, Ernest William Holcomb, Elmer Paul Rogers, Fred Wilson Melton, James Preston Southard, Dan Cheek, Charles E. Matthews, Billy Jack Stanley, Joseph Houston Whitaker, Arvill White, William Harry Draughn, Turner Lee Durham, Gordon Otis Gambill, Thomas Benjamin Shinnault, Johnny Clarence Wood, Calvin Grady Bruner, Joseph Henry Coe, Leonard Montgomery Nixon, transferred to Clinton Tenn. Board; and Norris Conrad Carter, transferred to Baltimore Md., board.

Chatham Is Winner Over Independence

The Chatham baseball club was winner over Independence, Va., here Saturday afternoon by the close score of 8-7. Leading hitters for the locals were J. Brown, who got three hits for five times at bat, two doubles and one single; Dickerson, with one double, and Holcomb, pinch-hitter, one double. Chatham will meet Cooleemee there Saturday.