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# **Optimism Here** Is Reflected By **Business** Men

### No Wholesale Layoff Of Labor **Is Experienced**

Elkin, the site of no mushroom war industries during the boom days of the war and thus but slightly affected by the termination of war contracts at the end of hostilities which resulted in wholesale layoffs of labor in many towns and ctiles, faces the postwar era with a confidence reflected in the optimism of its leading manufacturers.

A survey made by The Tribune during the past week has disclosed that although there have been cut backs on war orders in two local industries, these moves were anticipated and prepared for and s a result labor has not been affected. Other local industries, in the face of peace-caused unemin other towns throughout the nation which have seen war contracts terminated and hundreds and thousands of employees suddenly set adrift, state that their biggest obstacle here is lack of sufficient manpower.

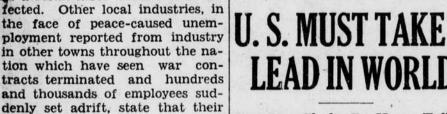
A. L. Butler, president of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, which for the past four or five years has been largely de- IS OPPOSED TO DRAFT approached for mass Allied air voted to turning out blankets and other materials for the armed forces, said Friday that the company has received cutbacks on its founded its enemies in preparing government orders, but that this

### **Meeting Called To Discuss Building Golf Course Here**

A meeting of interested citizens has been called for next Saturday afternoon at 5:30, at the lake of Dr. S. M. Beale, west of the city, on the North Wilkesboro highway.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the advisability of converting some of the property owned by Dr. Beale into a municipal golf course, and the site will be inspected at this

time. All interested citizens are urged to attend. A country ham dinner will be served to those present.

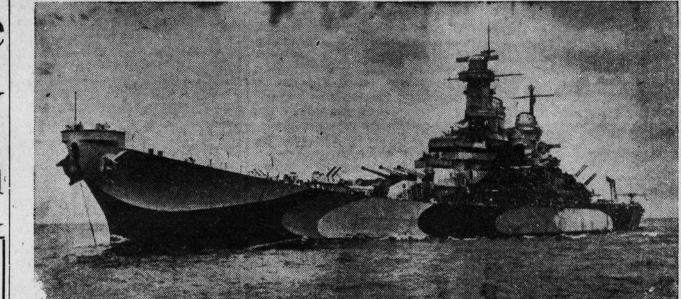


Senator Clyde R. Hoey Tells Group Here Nation

**Cannot Withdraw** Chester W. Nimitz flew to Tokyo Bay Wednesday as the zero hour

America, which has literally amazed the world and dumb-

scheduled to go ashore on three fortified islands guarding Yokofor and fighting the second world was expected and plans for the war, must now take the lead in suka Naval Base in Tokyo Bay at future had been prepared for world affairs, Senator Clyde R. 5:15 e. w. t. Wednesday. many months prior to the victory Hoey, of Shelby, told listeners at At 9:00 p. m. e. w. t. Wednesover Japan. He said that the a meeting of Elkin church and day, MacArthur was scheduled to company has ample orders on civic groups at the Gilvin Roth land with thousands of airborne hand for civilian blankets and Y. M. C. A. here last Thursday infantrymen at Atsugi Airfield,



TO BE SCENE OF JAP SURRENDER - The mighty 45,000-ton battleship Missouri, pictured above, will end her World War II career in a blaze of glory in Tokyo Bay when she serves as the scene of the historical unconditional surrender of Japan to the United Nations. Current plans call for the signing of the surrender documents Sunday. Proudly bearing the name of the home state of President Harry S. Truman, the Missouri was named by General of the Army, Douglas MacArthur, supreme allied commander, as the locale of the formal ending of the war in the Pacific. Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the U. S. Pacific fleet and Pacific ocean areas, will sign for the United States. General MacArthur will sign for the allied forces which fought in the Pacific. The Missouri, whose keel was laid January 6, 1941, at the New York Navy Yard, was launched January 29, 1944.

# Allied Forces Begin Landing

# In Japan At 5:15 Wednesday

SCHOOLS WILL **OPEN THURSDAY** Next Week Marks Beginning and he is rapidly getting ac-

day.

of School Year; Cooperation Is Asked

SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED Smith, Wilkesboro, and will work

In anticipation of the opening tion of the county agents in the of the Elkin Public Schools, Thursday morning, September 6, wishing the services of Mr. Ford at 9:00 o'clock, N. H. Carpenter, should contact their county agent superintendent, asks the coopera- and make application. tion of the parents, teachers, and follow specific directions in order boro area, it was limited in scope,

to avoid confusion on the opening largely to the marketing of farm

**Memorial Park Drive** For Funds Will Begin Here On September 6th

## **JOHN F. FORD NEW FORESTER**

Will Have Headquarters In Office of Wilkes County Farm Agent

#### TO SERVE 4 COUNTIES

John F. Ford has been appointed farm forester by the Agricultural Extension Service of State College. Mr. Ford will serve the Wilkesboro area, comprised of Alexander, Wilkes, Surry and Yadkin counties. He replaces Mackey B. Bryan, who resigned to accept an appointment with the Appalachian Forest Experiment Station.

TO HEAD DRIVE - Claude Mr. Ford is a graduate of the Farrell, above, was named at a New York State College of Formeeting held here Tuesday at estry, Syracuse, N. Y. He comes the YMCA, to serve as chairto North Carolina from Baxley, man of the drive to raise funds Ga., where he was employed for for the proposed Memorial Park. several years by the Union Bag The campaign is to get under-& Paper Co. He and Mrs. Ford arway Thursday, September 6. rived at Wilkesboro on August 16,

**CANNING PLANT** quainted with the farmers and timber operators within the area. He will make his headquarters in **RAZED BY FIRE** the office of County Agent R. D.

through and with the co-opera-

four counties. Timber owners Firm Operated By J. G. Wood At Copeland Suffers Loss Estimated At \$50,000

When the farm forestry prostudents' by requesting them to gram was started in the Wilkes- MACHINERY DESTROYED

> The Mount Airy Canning Comtimber to help in meeting the war pany, owned and operated for man; D. G. Smith, co-chairman. years by J. Grover Wood, of sion Service announces: "Now Copeland, suffered a loss estithat the war is over, the farm mated as high as \$50,000 when chairman; Miss Hazel Byrd, coforestry program is being broad- the canning plant near Copeland chairman. ened to include all phases of farm high school in southern Surry forestry work, such as forest was totally destroyed by fire about planting, timber thinning and 10 o'clock Friday night, August Harris, chairman; Fred Neaves, The war has called heavily on The fire, which had fanned to the forest resources of this area. Our forest owners need to begin rebuilding their forests. Mr. Ford was discovered, is thought to have man; Alex Biggs, co-chairman. started from the boiler in the is here to help you in developing plant. Limited fire-fighting equipthese forests and planning a sysment made it impossible to comtematic harvest to maintain a bat the flames. continuous flow of forest products The building itself represented

### **Claude Farrell Is Named Head Of Park Drive**

Plans for an organized campaign to raise funds for the proposed Memorial Park, to be located in an area running roughly west from the rear of the Elkin elementary school, were discussed at a meeting held at the Gilvin Roth YMCA Tuesday evening, at which Claude Farrell, Elkin business man, was named to head the drive, which is scheduled to get under way next Thursday, September 6.

D. G. Smith, chairman of the Elkin postwar planning board. presided over the meeting, which was attended by a number of representative Elkin citizens.

It was also announced that a dinner meeting will be held at 6:30 p. m. today (Thursday), at the YMCA of all committee chairmen and co-chairmen to map plans for the park drive. Following this meeting, a second dinner meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, for final instructions.

'The following committees have been named to head the park campaign:

Planning committee — Claude Farrell, chairman; D. G. Smith, Harvey F. Laffoon, Garland Johnson, T. C. McKnight, J. W. L. Benson, Hubert Parker, N. H. Carpenter, and Dr. Vernon Taylor. Publicity committee - Hubert Parker, chairman; Dr. Vernon

Business area solicitation com-

mittee - Garland Johnson, chair-

automobile upholstery, and that evening the future is anticipated with confidence.

Van Dillon, Sr., of the Elkin Furniture Company, also expressed the belief that business during the postwar era would be good. "Our greatest trouble at the moment," he told The Tribune, "is in securing sufficient labor and material with which to produce furniture. Expanding business conditions within the next month or so should enable the company to employ 75 or more additional men," he said.

Leaders here in the lumber industry were also optimistic over the outlook for the future, and anticipated increased labor needs. Harry Hensel, of Hensel Lumber Company, which has been practically one hundred per cent on war orders for the past two years, said that a majority of contracts were cancelled following the end of the war, but that sufficient orders for parts for prefabricated houses, to be shipped to Great head material, and will probably post-war problems. also enter the retail business, he said. Mr. Hensel stated that at

a dream.

for lumber production depends on labor is available, the lumber business should prosper.

Ira C. Yates, of the Elkin Lumber & Manufacturing Company,

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SHOULD PLACE nil, he said. LIME ORDERS 6 County Agent Says All Lime Needs Should Be Filed **Prior To Sept. 29** 

Surry farmers are urged to Agent, or at least before Septem-

asked the County Committee to close down order taking for lime on this date.

This announcement was viewed favorably by local farmers since several orders could not be delivered last year as they were placed too late.

Smith stated that Surry farmers would welcome the new ruling as some time is needed by the farmer to spread the lime after it regulations require that the lime controlling tomato diseases in the must be spread during the calen- Mountain area, says Howard 'R.

20 miles south of Tokyo, and 10,-000 marines and bluejackets will Speaking under the auspices of swarm ashore from ships at Yokothe Methodist Men's Club, which suka itself. met jointly with the Kiwanis

Tokyo area.

**MacArthur And** 

**Hand For Event** 

General Douglas MacArthur ar-

rived in Okinawa and Admiral

and sea landings in the Greater

The first sea-borne troops were

Nimitz Are On

In preparation for the post-sur-Club, Junior Chamber of Comrender invasion, the greatest air merce, Lions Club and other and sea fleets ever gathered in the local groups, Mr. Hoey discussed Pacific were making last-minute world affairs and some of the preparations at bases 1,000 miles problems that will arise in the apart. post-war period.

MacArthur and his headquar-Congress, he said, has taken a ters staff flew from Manila to number of decisive and worth- Okinawa and watched the vanwhile steps in the last three guard of the airborne troops who months, among them being the will accompany him climb into adoption of reciprocal trade pacts, their transports on Okinawa's airthe Bretton Woods Proposal, and strips.

ratification of the United Nation's Nearly 1,000 miles to the north-Charter. He said the people of east, Nimitz - MacArthur's partthe United States favor the na- ner in the conquest of Japan tion taking the lead in the fight landed on the green waters of for world peace, and expressed the Tokyo Bay of Yokosuka in a giant opinion that the United Nations Coronado seaplane escorted by Charter is a wonderful document fighters.

which should make world peace a The white-haired commander of practical possibility and not just the Pacific Fleet immediately boarded the battleship South Da-

kota, which will serve as his flag-In speaking of the President, Mr. Hoey said that Mr. Truman ship. He will represent President Britain, would run the firm into is "sensible, safe and sane," a man Truman and the United States at October. When these contracts who knows the heart of America Japan's formal surrender aboard are completed, the company is and has the people's viewpoint, a the battleship Missouri next Sunplanning to manufacture hogs- man who is coping wisely with day. MacArthur will sign the document as the Supreme Allied

Commander. Three key words for the future, Admiral William F. (Bull) Halhe said, should be "Work, Econthe present moment the prospect omy and Thrift," if this nation is souri, his flagship, into Tokyo Bay to prosper and forge ahead. He with scores of other Allied warlabor in the woods, but when this said that we must have work for ships, transports and hospital everyone, but no handouts or ships today in preparation for the WPA. Expenses must be reduced landings.

and the nation must get back to MacArthur left Manila after ina balanced budget; taxes must be viting Lieut. Gen. Jonathan M. reduced because business cannot Wainwright, his successor on Baexpand under the present heavy taan and Corregidor in the dark burden, and where there is no in- days of 1942, to be his guest at the centive prospects for business are surrender ceremony aboard the

Missouri. Wainwright accepted.

**Injured In Auto** 

MT. AIRY, AUG. 29. - Mrs.

Senator Hoey also expressed the belief that private enterprise can take care of all employment prob- One Killed, Two lems in the nation. He expressed his opposition to further draft of men for the armed services and Wreck Tuesday favors discharging men now in service as soon as possible. He

said that service pay should be made sufficiently attractive to prompt enlistments and thus keep DOBSON AAA OFFICE a sufficient force for occupation

of defeated countries. Mr. Hoey was introduced by W place their lime orders with the M. Allen, of Elkin. Among guests county AAA office in Dobson at present were Congressman John once by Neill M. Smith, County Folger, of Mount Airy, and Raymond Smith, highway commisber 29. The state AAA office has sioner of this district, also of Mount Airy.

Following the dinner those present were entertained by Miss Barbara Benson, who played a violin solo, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. W. L. Benson, and Miss Lena Sale, who sang, accom-

panied by Mrs. Van Dillon, Jr. Vern Chase, president of the Methodist Men's Club, presided.

The use of yellow cuprocide is delivered to the farm. The AAA has proved of great benefit in

dar year before the farmer has Garriss, Extension plant patholoearned his AAA practice payment. I gist at State College. ed up.

WINS DFC — Lieutenant Sam uel Atkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Atkinson, 549 West Main street, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross

for distinguishing himself by heroism and extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight. The citation accompanying the award read as follows: "The Distinguished Flying Cross has been awarded to First Lieutenant Samuel Atkinson of the Indo-China Division, A. T. C., for meritorious achievement by participation in more than 500 hours as pilot from December 19, 1944 to July 1, 1945 in operational flight in transport aircraft over the dangerous and difficult Assam-China air route, where enemy interception and attack was probable and ex- M. pected, flying at night as well as by day, at high altitude, over impassable mountain terrain, through areas characterized by extremely treacherous weather conditions, necessitating long periods of operation on instruments and oxygen, often encountering severe icing conditions and mechanical difficulties, requiring courage and superior performance of his duties to overcome." The citation was signed by Lieutenant General George E. Stratomeyer, Com-

manding Officer.



Car Crashes Into Electric Power Pole On Elk Spur Street Sunday P. M.

GUY WIRE IS BROKEN

**Casper Arlene Leftwich Jones** Five young people were carried and Elwood Marshall, of the to Hugh Chatham hospital here United States Marine Corps, Sunday afternoon, none seriously who were injured in the traffic injured, as the result of an autoaccident in which Miss Senie mobile crash on Elk Spur street Bernice Sechriest of Fancy Gap about 2:30 p. m.

Highway, was killed early yes-The accident occurred across terday morning, were reported the street from the home of J. C. resting satisfactorily at Martin Dobbins when a sedan driven by Memorial Hospital, Mount Archie Gentry, 16, son of Sneed Airy, last night. Mrs. Jones Gentry, crashed into a power suffered severe bruises but appole, shattering the pole at the parently sustained no fracbase and knocking down a heavy tures. Marshall had a fracture transformer. of both collarbones and was

Young Gentry was said to have "most uncomfortable" last lost control of the machine. Witnight, although he was considered in no serious danger. Miss nesses said he was not driving Sechriest was driving the pick- fast.

Others in the car, all of whom up truck and was headed north when her vehicle and a cattle suffered lacerations and bruises, were Lucy Boyd, 15, daughter of truck driven by Rex Goins, Negro, and owned by Kyle Beamer Boyd; Aileen Sale, 19, Todd of Galax, Va., collided. daughter of Eugene Sale, and in Wilkes county, on the third south of Roaring Gap. The pickup truck was com- Betty Sparks, 15, all of the Maple Sunday in September. pletely demolished; the lother Springs community, and James truck was less seriously smash-

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On Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock the faculty will hold its first general meeting at the high school building. All children who attended

school in Elkin last year will report to their old class rooms. All students who were in the eighth grade last year will report to the high school building. The new students who are attending high

school for the first time this year are asked to report to the office at 9:15 and the students who are entering school for the first time, in the first through the seventh to market. grades, are asked to report to the

auditorium in the elementary building. The high school students who wish to have their schedules changed should do so Monday or Tuesday at the high school from 1:00 P. M. to 3:00 P.

Students who ride the school buses should be at their respective bus stops a little earlier than usual, as the driver may arrive early until he learns his route, and the time required to make the trip.

In compliance to the North Carolina state school laws, all children entering the first grade

began their fall training Monday must be vaccinated for smallpox morning in preparation for the and whooping cough. The age of complusory attend- football season.

ance in North Carolina has been This week is being largely deraised from 14 years of age to 15 voted to physical fitness, exerand will be raised to 16 years of cises, etc., while tryouts of the age in 1946. Superintendent Car- various candidates are being conpenter urges every parent if at all ducted to determine their ability possible, to have their children at- for the various positions on the tend school this year, and that team. As proof of the interest among

they should be present on the very first day. the boys in the Elkin school's en-

"The schools belong to the pub- larged athletic program for the lic and I urge them to visit our coming year, 24 boys reported for Commerce, in line with recently and two sisters, Mrs. Grover Sis-

together as pupils, parents, teach- have never played football. Prac- funds for athletic equipment for ley Draughn, Rusk. ers, and interested citizens, we can tice lasted from 9:00 a. m. until the Elkin schools, will sponsor a make ours the best school in noon, and was resumed at 4:00 p. dance at the Elkin school gymna-North Carolina," stated Superin- m.

> pected to go out for football Music for the event will be pro-Sparks, Brady Osborne, Jack Bark, at Blowing Rock.

Parks, Bob Lawrence, Fred Rat-

spine and other injuries sustained Sam Harris, Parks Roberts, Sam when he fell 35 feet to the bottom Transou, John Atwell, Hal Stuart of a well at the home of Grady Carter, in the Cool Springs com-Joe Myers, manager, and Bill Price, assistant manager.

digging the well, was said to have fallen when a scaffold inside the Kiwanians Have

Club, their wives and friends, held . 3rd Sunday In Sept.

The annual Byrd reunion will Wednesday evening at picnic o'clock. Fries played here during be held at the home of J. M. Byrd, grounds along the scenic highway the first of the season, but the



Large Number of Boys Turn **Out Here For Fall Football** Practice

MYERS TEAM MANAGER **JAYCEES WILL** The Elks of Elkin high school

ture.

his home.

**SPONSOR DANCE** To Be Held At School Gym-

nasium Here Friday, Sep-Tember 14, 9:00 P. M.

Mr. Wood formerly maintained

an office and a small cannery in

has operated the entire business

PROCEEDS TO ATHLETICS

The Elkin Junior Chamber of buildings and classes. If we work practice Monday, some of whom announced plans to underwrite sel, High Point, and Mrs. Craw-

> sium Friday, September 14, from County-Wide Teacher A larger group of boys are ex- 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

when school starts. Those report- vided by Richard Scott and his ing this week were Bob Ratledge, all-colored orchestra, who is fea-Well, Injures Back Bob Harris, Ketchel Adams, Bob tured at Mayview Manor and the nounces a county-wide teachers'

Alonzo Garris, of Roaring River, ledge, Bobby Jones, Tommy members of the Junior Chamber. ers of the county are urged to be has been discharged from Hugh James, Sam Shugart, Dickie Og- Proceeds will go to the athletic present.



series, the first having been won Members of the Elkin Kiwanis by Chatham. Saturday afternoon here the lo an outdoor ladies' night meeting cals will meet Fries, Va., at 4:30 way. game was rained out in the fourth

This meeting, originally sched- inning with Chatham leading 3-2. All relatives and close friends uled on Wednesday following the A second game at Fries, which are invited to come and bring a surrender of Japan, was postpon- went 13 innings, saw the Virgined until yesterday. ians winners by a score of 10-9.

Residential area solicitation committee - Mrs. R. G. Smith,

Taylor, co-chairman.

Chatham Manufacturing Co. solicitation committee - R. W. co-chairman

Elkin Furniture Co. solicitation the point beyond control when it committee - M. R. Bailey, chair-

NURSES' AIDE **DIES SUDDENLY** only a small part of the loss. The bulk of the loss was in valuable

machinery and a large stock of canned kraut and other commod- Miss Minnie F. Key Stricken ities that was stored in the struc-While At Work Thursday

Night of Last Week

Mount Airy, but for several years RITES HELD SATURDAY

at the Copeland plant, which was Funeral services for Miss Minlocated only a short distance from nie F. Key, 43, who died at Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital Thursday night, were held Saturday afternoon at Mulberry Primitive Baptist church, with Rev. L. M. Cook, of Elkin, in charge. Miss Key was stricken while at work at the hospital on Thursday morning and never regained consciousness.

Miss Key was a daughter of Henderson and Eliza Nance Key and was reared in the Little Richmond community. She did practical nursing for several years before joining the hospital staff

as an advanced nurses' aide. Survivors are one brother, Charlie A. Key, Route 1, Elkin,

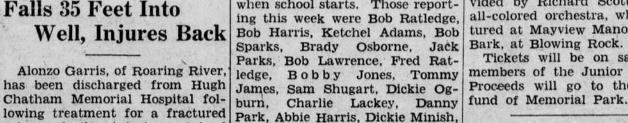
Meeting Friday P. M. John W. Comer, Surry County Superintendent of Schools, anmeeting in Dobson, Friday after-

Tickets will be on sale by all noon at 2:30 o'clock. All teach-

#### **To Erect New** School Building **At Dobson Soon**

A new 17-room school building, to replace the building destroyed by fire several years ago, is planned by county school officials at Dobson, and the necessary procedure for the erection of the school is under

The new plant will cost an estimated \$90,000 and will be thoroughly modern in every way. Work on the pr expected to begin in about five weeks.



lowing treatment for a fractured Park, Abbie Harris, Dickie Minish

munity, Monday of last week. Garris, who was in process of

well gave way under his weight.

**Byrd Family Reunion** 

tendent Carpenter.

