

## CHATHAM ANNOUNCES \$1,000,000 EXPANSION

### Drive For Memorial Park Fund To Start Today Postwar Program To Enlarge Plant Here Revealed By Butler

#### Those To Take Part Hold Meet At Y Tuesday

A meeting of the canvassers to solicit contributions for the construction of the proposed Memorial Park here was held at the Gilvin Roth YMCA Tuesday evening and the organization perfected to start solicitation of the public today (Thursday). It is planned to complete the canvass in one week.

T. C. McKnight, general secretary of the YMCA, and N. D. Carpenter, superintendent of the Elkin schools, spoke very convincingly of the great benefit to the youth of the community which would be realized from the proposed project as it develops.

It was pointed out that such a park will be a fitting tribute to the men and women of Elkin and vicinity who have served their homes and country so well in time of war, and will serve as a reminder to generations to come of the debt to those men and women for preserving American liberties.

The ultimate aim is for the Memorial Park to serve the greatest possible number of people by combining public school recreational facilities with a municipal park system which will be administered by the Town of Elkin through a Park Commission appointed by the Town Commissioners. There are three major phases:

Improvement of the Elementary School playground area, and construction of a bridge across Elkin Creek to connect the Elementary School with the High School athletic field. This phase will provide badly needed additional playground facilities for the children in Elementary School and make it possible to make use of the Athletic field in physical development programs for the Elementary children. It will also provide a route for children in both schools to walk from one school to the other or to their homes without passing through traffic congested areas downtown.

Development of the High School athletic field into a modern and complete municipal recreation field. This phase calls for improving grades and drainage of the existing field, installation of stands and bleachers, lighting the field for night athletic contests or other outdoor activity, and fencing in the area. Many purposes will be served by this unit. It will be used by the High School students for their athletic and physical development activities; by other groups for athletic activity or any other activity that doesn't conflict with the school program. Horse shows, cattle shows, band concerts, outdoor pageants or any other community activity can be staged on this field, and suitable accommodations for spectators and participants would be available. It is believed that sufficient revenue would be realized from this phase to carry on a large part of the current operating expense of the park system and provide funds for athletic and physical development programs in the schools.

Development of the connecting areas into a scenic and recreational park. This phase calls for general beautification of the grounds, terracing, landscaping, planting of trees, shrubs and flowers, construction of picnic areas with small furnaces and tables, gradual development of tennis courts, handball courts, horse shoe pitches, and such facilities for public recreation as is indicated from time to time by the desires and demands of the public.

A competent park engineer will be engaged to draw up detailed plans as to how the area can be developed most economically and advantageously.

Actual development will proceed as funds become available and along the lines of the greatest indicated public need.

#### Elkin Soldier Is Decorated For Gallantry



PFC. CHARLES WINDSOR

Pfc. Charles Windsor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Windsor, of Elkin, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in the European theatre.

Pfc. Windsor, one of four sons who have seen service in the war, is now stationed in Austria, but the action in which he won the decoration took place in France close to the German border, when the battalion to which he was attached was called upon to rescue another battalion which was cut off by the Germans.

According to a letter received by Windsor's parents, "we went up a big mountain and down the other side until we ran into three German pillboxes. I had a Browning automatic rifle. When we hit the pillboxes the Krauts opened up with everything they had and our scouts were pinned down. The Krauts could see them but they couldn't see the Krauts, so every time they moved they were fired at. Then we got an order to get our scouts out by laying down a line of fire so they could pull back up the hill. When we started firing we started getting shells from all sides and did I sweat that one out! I was lying out in the open with shells hitting all around me and in the trees nearby, but I kept firing the B. A. R. so our Scouts could get out. We got all of them out but one and I guess he was killed. I almost forget to tell you this—while I was firing I felt something tug at my rifle belt but I was so busy I didn't look to see what it was. After it was all over and I was sitting in a nice safe hole, I took my canteen out for a drink of water and my hair stood straight up! There were eight holes in my canteen and one piece of shrapnel in my shovel which I had on my belt."

Pfc. Windsor mailed the medal to his parents here. He is at present attached to the Third Army.

#### NEW EQUIPMENT ISSUED MONDAY

#### Elkin High School Football Team Is Provided With The Best

Following two weeks of drills and fundamental training the Elks of Elkin High School are rounding into shape for their first football game of the season with Mineral Springs. The game will be played here on September 28.

Heavy equipment was issued Monday morning, and according to the boys on the squad, it is as good as can be boasted by any high school in the state. Jack Park, member of the squad, said Tuesday that this year is quite different from any in the past. "We have all the things we haven't had in the past, and we also have one of the best coaching staffs that can be found," he said. "Coach Carpenter and Coach Abernathy are doing a swell job in making ball players out of us. Such things as getting a physical check-up from a doctor at the first of the season is an important factor. We have fine protection made possible by the people of Elkin, and the one way we can express our appreciation is by trying our hardest to be the team the people expect of us."

#### Announce Plans For Building Of \$50,000 Airport For Elkin

#### To Be Modern And Adequate To Serve Needs

A new airport for Elkin and this section, chartered under the name of Carolina Air Motive Corporation, which will be constructed at an ultimate cost within the next two years of \$50,000, is now under construction on the south side of the Elkin-Winston-Salem highway, just west and south of The Rendezvous, it was learned Monday.

Ed Church, of Elkin, will be the principal stockholder and permanent president and general manager.

The new airport, it was said, will be thoroughly modern in every way, and entirely adequate to serve Elkin and this area. It will have two runways, the main runway to be 2,700 feet long, and 200 feet wide. Such a runway will be sufficient for the landing of an airliner if need be. The second runway will be 1,400 feet in length.

When completed, the company will have the franchise for local sales and service of Piper Cubs, Stinson and Fairchild airplanes. Two new Cub trainers and one new Cub Cruiser have already been purchased. A two-motor plane, which will carry six passengers and be equipped for night and blind flying, with a range of a thousand miles without refueling, will also be maintained at the field for charter trips, Mr. Church said.

According to present plans, the new field will be ready for flying within the next 60 days. The field will be provided with hangars for private planes as well as for the planes owned by the company, and parts and repairs will be made available. Modern restrooms for the public will be provided, as well as a snack bar.

The property upon which the field will be located was purchased by Mr. Church, and fronts the highway. Runways will take the form of a large "V."

When ready for operation a full-time government licensed instructor will be on hand at all times to instruct student fliers. The field is less than one mile from Elkin.

#### YADKIN SCHOOL SYSTEM OPENS

Reports From Some Units Show An Increased Attendance Over Last Year

#### EXPECTING NEW BUSES

All Yadkin county schools opened Tuesday, and reports from some of them indicate an increased attendance over 1944 opening, according to Fred C. Hobson, superintendent.

From three schools we learn the figures for the two openings were as follows: Yadkinville 1944, 588; 1945, 611; Courtney 1944, 396; 1945, 417; West Yadkin 1944, 628; 1945, 678.

All this week and next school will begin each morning at 8:30 and close at 12:30, during the farm emergency.

Mr. Hobson announces that they expect several new buses about Nov. 10. At present they are using several 1935-36 wooden body buses. All later models have steel bodies.

#### To Seek Bids For New Dobson School

All plans are in readiness to offer contractors for bids for the construction of the new Dobson school, it was learned following the meeting Monday of the Surry county board of commissioners.

#### Board Names Saylor City Supervisor



JOE SAYLOR

Joe Saylor, superintendent of the Elkin Water Department for the past several months, has been named by the Elkin board of commissioners as city supervisor, Garland Johnson, mayor, announced following the meeting of the board Monday night.

Mr. Saylor will continue to head the water department and will also be in charge of the garbage collecting and street departments. He will maintain his office at the city water plant.

Mr. Johnson stated that Mr. Saylor was well qualified to serve as city supervisor, being thoroughly experienced in the type of work which faces him in his new job. For 12 years he was with the Kester Machine Company, as superintendent of construction work, and has had much experience in installing water plants, hydro-electric stations, power plants, etc. For 10 years, prior to coming to Elkin, he was superintendent of the R. J. Reynolds estate near Devotion, and superintended all construction work there.

Mayor Johnson said that all suggestions and complaints as to municipal affairs should be directed to Mr. Saylor.

#### CHATHAM WILL HEAD MAGAZINE

Will Publish National Weekly Journal For Army And Navy Forces

#### OF NATIONAL SCOPE

Among those now planning establishment of the Army and Navy Bulletin, new national weekly journal for the armed forces designed particularly for reserve officers and veterans of the present war, is Commander Thurmond Chatham, of Elkin.

Mr. Chatham, it was said, is head of the Bulletin Company and among those who saw the need for a new, aggressive and hard-hitting journal.

The Bulletin will serve all the armed forces and will draw no line between reservist and regular, its sponsors say, but the reserve officer of today and the reserve officer veteran of tomorrow will be able to look on the Bulletin as one greatly interested in their problems and welfare. The publication will advocate strong and adequate national defense at all times.

Lieut. Robt. A. Erwin, USNR, of Washington and Raleigh, now awaiting medical discharge from the navy, will be managing editor. The first issue of the new publication is expected to appear about the middle of this month.

#### YMCA Pool Open Each Day 2:30-7

The swimming pool at the Gilvin Roth YMCA is now open each day from 2:30 to 7:00 p. m., it has been announced.

The pool will remain open daily except Sunday until September 15, if the weather permits, YMCA officials said Wednesday.

#### Gospel Trio Will Sing At New Hope

The High Point Gospel Trio will be at the New Hope church Sunday morning at the regular morning hour of worship. Rev. Clifford Vestal will bring the message at this time.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

#### QUALIFY FOR SAFETY AWARD

Secretary of Labor Informs Rep. Folger Chatham Again Wins Award

#### HAS EXCELLENT RECORD

Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach has notified the office of Rep. John H. Folger, in Washington, that the Chatham Manufacturing Company here "has again qualified for a certificate of safety achievement," during the first six months of the year.

The Chatham Company has been awarded this certificate several times during the past few years.

The Secretary of Labor wrote Mr. Folger that the Elkin company had an "accident frequency rate for the first six months of the year of 65.2 per cent below the first half of 1944.

The minimum reduction necessary for qualification for the safety award, the labor secretary said, is 40 per cent, which the local plant topped by more than 25 per cent.

#### NEW CAR PRICE SAME AS 1942

Price Administrator Bowles Says Price Increase Is Very Unlikely

The new automobile prices will be approximately the same as in 1942, the OPA announced Monday night.

Price Administrator Chester Bowles, announcing the long awaited "pricing principles" for new cars soon to roll from the assembly lines, said a price increase was "most unlikely."

Each manufacturer will figure his own ceiling, using a pricing formula laid down by OPA. Some makes may cost more than in 1942, when reports are in, but OPA saw no general increase in prospects, and emphasized that prices on individual cars have not yet been settled.

It is "a fair assumption," said Bowles, that the public is unlikely to pay more for 1945 models than the present price on 1942 models — less the amount tacked on to reimburse dealers for storing the 1942 cars throughout rationing.

That would restore prices to about those of 1942, because it knocks off a 27 per cent increase since 1942. The increases met the dealers' costs of storing, cleaning, maintaining and checking the vehicles.

Bowles said the formula for pricing the new cars was handed to manufacturers in Detroit last week. When the companies come back with their prices, they must still get OPA approval to put them into effect.

Under OPA's reconversion pricing formula, ceiling price adjustments are based on costs in the last period of normal increases in basic pay schedules and in material costs plus a normal peacetime profit margin.

The pricing rule for automobiles is based on 1941 models. The profit factor will be either the manufacturer's own 1936-39 margin or one-half the industry average of that period, whichever is higher.

#### To Hire Expert To Inspect Golf Site

About 50 local citizens attended a meeting held at the lake of Dr. S. M. Beale Saturday evening to discuss the advisability of converting some of the property owned by Dr. Beale into a municipal golf course.

#### Will Modernize And Streamline With New Buildings And Machinery

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The Elkin company, Mr. Butler said, will be further modernized and streamlined with new buildings and machinery to continue the policy of keeping Chatham the most modern woolen mill in the world.

A new addition on the south side of the present factory will be constructed as soon as materials are available. New machinery of the most efficient type will be added and the employees may look forward to a finer plant in which to make better goods for the markets of the world, it was said.

By continually keeping abreast of every modern invention and improvement, the Chatham Company has increased ten fold in the past 20 years. The management will spare nothing to retain its record of steady employment and better quality of its product — a happy combination of success.

President Butler, in announcing the expansion program, made it plain that he has every confidence that Chatham employees will join with him and the citizens of this community in helping build a better and bigger company. He emphasized the fact that through wholehearted cooperation, Elkin has become a leading factor in the woolen industry. The confidence in the future of Elkin is best expressed by this decision to enlarge and expand the company's operations.

Attending the meeting, in addition to local officials, were Commander Thurmond Chatham, T. J. Sheehy, vice-president in charge of sales; C. W. Poor and G. Martin Coffey, of the New York office; J. D. Clark, Western sales manager; R. C. Getzinger, of Detroit, head of the automotive fabrics division, and Lt. Hugh G. Chatham, from the Naval Air Station, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

#### YADKIN MEN GO TO FORT BRAGG

Fourteen Leave Yadkinville Last Thursday For Induction Into Service

#### SMALLEST CALL YET

Fourteen young men left Yadkinville last Thursday for Fort Bragg to be inducted into the armed forces. They had previously been examined physically and passed. This is the smallest number yet sent for induction, and board members think the calls will be smaller.

One boy, Howard McKinley Shore, did not come as he was notified because he was sick. He sent a physician's certificate.

Those who left were: Levi Tulbert, Charlie Clarence Myers, Floyd Emanuel StJohn, Byron George McCormick, Lawrence Edward Lane, Walter Monroe Gillespie, James Edwin Teague, Sam Ray, Chester Jackson Foster, Jr., Calvin Green Willard, Matthew Bobby Poindexter, Leroy Clarence Miller, William Howard Shaffner, Billy Cass Calloway.

#### Father of Local Man Passes Away

Funeral services for L. B. Hyslop, of Richmond, were held Sunday, August 26, from the Barton Heights Methodist Church in Richmond, Va.

Mr. Hyslop passed away after a brief illness August 24, in Richmond, where he was connected with Miller & Rhoads as a buyer. He had often visited Elkin in connection with his business, and had numerous friends here.

He is survived by, in addition to his son here, his widow and another son, L. L. Hyslop, of Richmond.

The drumstick of an ostrich weighs about 37 lbs.

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#### SURRY SCHOOLS TO OPEN TODAY

Principals of Various School Units Hold Meeting In Dobson

#### ARE STILL VACANCIES

The Surry county schools in rural and smaller town areas will open their 1945-46 terms today, (Thursday) according to plans announced from the office of Supt. John W. Comer at Dobson. The schools will operate on a short daily schedule until farmers have completed the harvesting of their crops.

The principals of the various school units in the Surry county school met at Dobson last Thursday to formulate plans for the year's work, that meeting featuring a discussion of curriculum, school bus operation and other problems that confront the schools this year.

The county school principals and some of the teachers also attended a joint meeting at Mount Airy high school on Tuesday morning of last week, which was also attended by the Stokes county principals and the faculties of the Mount Airy city schools. Dr. J. H. Highsmith, well known state school official from Raleigh, was the principal speaker.

The line-up of principals for the Surry county schools was completed when H. L. Nichols, of Durham, was signed to head the Shoals high school. However, there are still quite a number of teaching vacancies in the various units of the county system.

#### Kiwanians To Hear Highway Official

Raymond Smith, of Mount Airy, state highway commissioner for the Eighth District, will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at the Gilvin Roth YMCA this evening (Thursday), at 6:30 o'clock.

Last week's meeting featured a picnic atop the Blue Ridge along the scenic highway. About 40 Kiwanians and their wives attended.

#### INTERNATIONAL

PEARL HARBOR, Sept. 4.—Japan's war lords "are not half licked yet" and are going to "take a lot more killing in the future," Vice Adm. John Sidney McCain, colorful commander of the famous task force 38, said today. "I don't like to look in their eyes," the peppery, ex-

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