

## YMCA DRIVE IS PLANNED HERE MONDAY NIGHT

Workers Meet To Hear Address By J. Wilson Smith  
Plans Are Outlined  
Adults And Business Men Urged By Mayor To Take Leading Membership For Greater Service

Workers for the Y. M. C. A. membership drive, which is in progress this week, met Monday night in a dinner session at the Y, preparatory to launching the drive which will end Tuesday of next week.

Fred Neaves, chairman of the membership campaign, welcomed the large group of enthusiastic workers present and urged that a sincere effort be made to secure YMCA memberships for the ensuing year of 1946.

General Secretary of Elkin's YMCA, T. C. McKnight, outlined briefly the forthcoming program of the local organization by saying that the very best program possible — one that was well rounded and well supervised — would be offered to the youth of this city through the membership plan. Mr. McKnight added that, according to the present plans, groups would be allowed to use the club rooms as in the past and would be privileged to use the small kitchenettes, although meals would not be prepared by the Y staff as has been done in the past.

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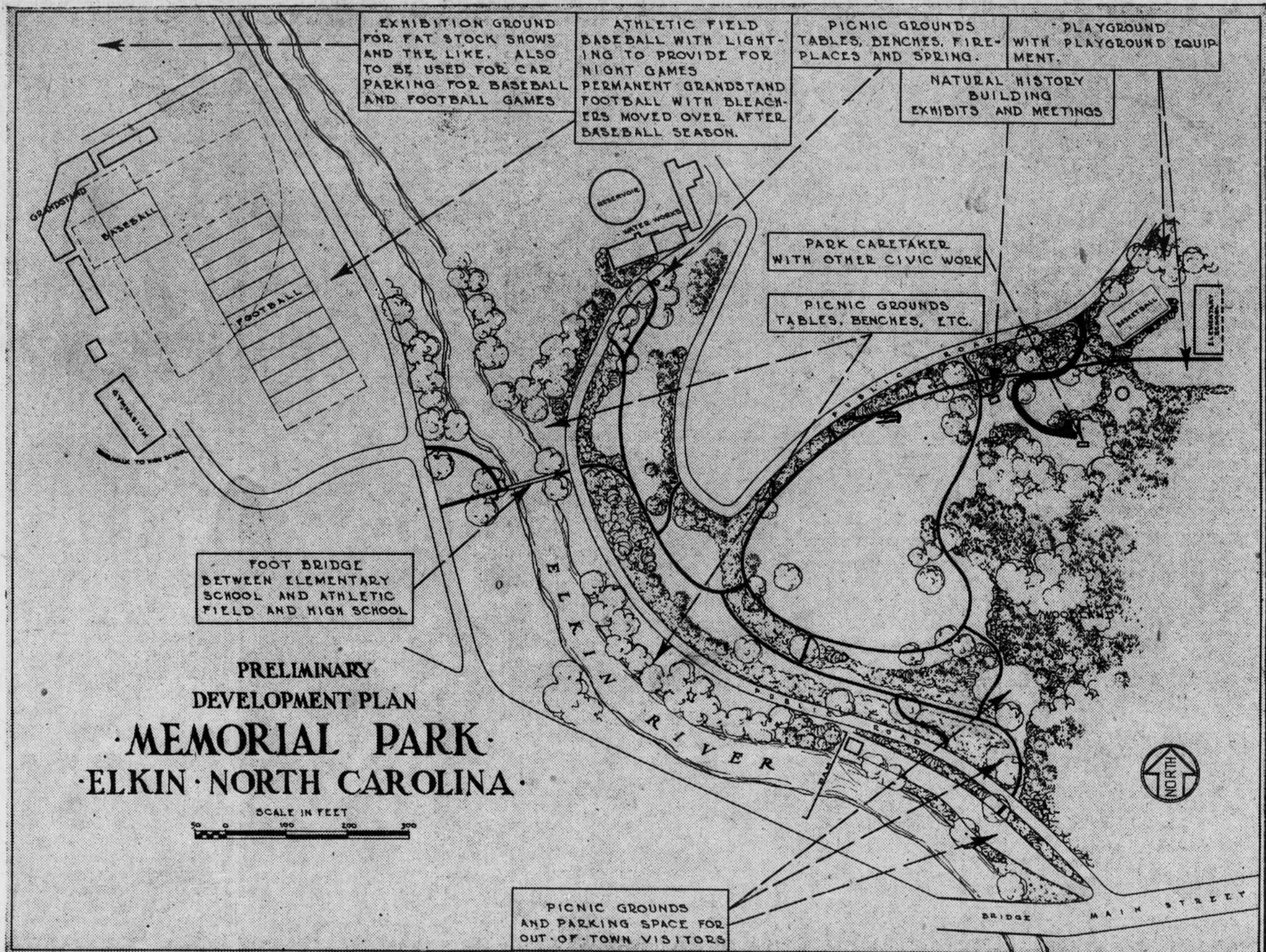
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## Landscape Architect's Sketch of Memorial Park



Above is a reproduction of the sketch of Elkin's proposed Memorial Park, which was made recently by Robert G. Campbell, landscape architect, of Philadelphia. Mr. Campbell, who has returned to Philadelphia, is expected to arrive in Elkin early this month and will bring with him Mr. Shoemaker, also of Philadelphia, who will superintend the work on the park when it begins in January. Claude H. Farrell, chairman of the park committee, has asked that any citizen who might have been overlooked in the recent park solicitation campaign who would like to contribute to the fund, do so with the assurance that his donation will be sincerely appreciated as sufficient money has not yet been raised to complete the entire project.

## E-Bonds Slow As Drive Hits Final Period

### Lions Planning Fats Drive On January 6th

At the meeting Tuesday evening of the Elkin Lions Club, plans were worked out for a town-wide fats drive on Sunday, January 6, 1946, with proceeds from the sale of the fats to go to the laboratory fund of Elkin High School.

It was pointed out that although the war is over, waste fats are still badly needed for the manufacture of many essential items. All citizens were asked to save waste fats and greases during the remainder of this month and have it ready for collection on the day of the drive.

Rev. Howard J. Ford, pastor of the First Baptist Church, was guest speaker at the meeting. President W. J. Graham presided.

### Overall Quota In County Has Been Topped

With the Victory bond drive in its final stages, the "E" bond purchase is lagging, although the over-all sales for Surry county have exceeded its assigned quota.

Miss Mattie Mae Powell, chairman of the local drive, reports a total of \$104,119.75 "E" bonds having been sold in the Elkin district since the beginning of the drive on November 12.

The Merchants Association, working with the officials of the drive by offering a prize of a \$25 bond to the clerk selling the most bonds, has announced that Marlow C. Gentry, of Mountain Park, employee of F. A. Brendle's, was awarded the prize.

According to J. F. Yokley, of Mount Airy, Surry county's chairman, the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond reports bond sales for Surry county, as of December 1, as follows: Overall sales, \$1,055,796.25, which over subscribes our quota of \$1,045,000.00. "E" Bond sales, for the county, are reported at \$159,731.25. This total of "E" Bonds is short approximately \$300,000.00 of the quota of \$454,000.00, or a little more than 35%, according to the sales to date.

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## SEVERAL HURT IN CAR CRASH

Four Automobiles Pile Up In Accident Near Elkin City Limits

### TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

An ex-serviceman, of Elkin, Buck Lyons, 25, suffered a broken leg and severe lacerations of the face in a four-car crash in the western part of Elkin late Saturday night when an automobile operated by Mickey Miller, in which he was riding, crashed head-on into a car operated by William Fenton Myers, 22, of Benham.

Cyde Brown, 22, of Benham, who was riding with Mr. Myers, suffered flesh lacerations. Brown, member of the U. S. Navy, is at home on leave.

Before the two cars were moved, a taxicab operated by Leo Money ran into the wrecked automobiles, and a fourth car operated by Wayne Sprinkle, crashed into the taxicab. Due to the scrambled condition of the four cars, officers were unable to attribute the blame.

A. R. Adams, of Boonville, earlier in the afternoon, sustained cuts and bruises, and Mrs. Adams received a broken arm when their car was sideswiped and forced off the highway near Boonville. Walter Shoaf, 47, of Winston-Salem, was arrested later by Corporal W. S. McKinney, of the State Highway Patrol, and was charged with hit-and-run, reckless driving. He furnished bond and denied having figured in the wreck.

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## Yadkin Youth Killed In Crash On Bridge

### Dies Instantly As Car Strikes Steel Girder

Homer Castevens, 20, was instantly killed Tuesday night shortly after midnight when the car in which he was riding crashed at high speed into a steel girder on the Hugh Chatham Bridge.

Grady Hunter, 19, of Boonville, also in the car, was only slightly injured in the accident.

Castevens, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Castevens, of near Oak Grove in Yadkin county, was evidently thrown from the car with terrific force. Although no one witnessed the crash, it is believed his head struck a girder, crushing it horribly. His body was lying with the lower part in the street and the upper portion across the curb on the sidewalk when found.

Corporal Pat McKinney, of the Highway Patrol, who is making an investigation of the accident, said Wednesday that the car belonged to Hunter, but that Hunter claimed Castevens was driving at the time of the accident. Hunter claimed, the patrolman said, that he had had several drinks and was not under the wheel.

The two young men had stopped by a filling station several hundred yards south of the bridge just prior to the accident. Spectators said they left the station and that the car was traveling at fast speed as it disappeared down the road. The badly warped girder on the bridge was mute evidence that it had been struck with terrific force, the impact tearing the motor from the chassis and hurling it 30 yards from the car. Small fragments of the battery case were strewn for fifty feet along the bridge, as were several other parts. The front end of the car, a 1941 Ford V-8, was completely demolished.

Hunter was carried to the Elkin hospital following the accident, but he was expecting to be released sometime Wednesday afternoon. Castevens' body was taken by ambulance to the Hayes & Speas funeral home.

No charge has been preferred in the accident awaiting outcome of the investigation as to who was driving.

### Elkin Has First Snow Of Winter: Inch Falls Here

King Winter rode into Elkin Tuesday in the teeth of a storm which brought high winds, rain, sleet and snow.

Wednesday morning Elkin residents awoke to find the ground covered with an inch of snow which began to fall sometime after midnight as the rain which had fallen all day Tuesday first turned to sleet and then to fast-falling flakes.

Although local streets were slippery, especially during the early morning hours, no accidents of any consequence were reported as caused by the snow. By afternoon Wednesday most of the snow in the streets had melted or had changed into slush.

**LATE NEWS IN BRIEF**

From the State and Nation

**NATIONAL**

A HOWLING winter storm that brought snow as far south as the Mississippi delta swept across the deep south yesterday and moved northeastward up the south Atlantic seaboard. The weather bureau at Atlanta forecast the disturbance would head seaward off the North Carolina coast early Wednesday. Storm warnings were raised from Cape Hatteras, to Eastport, Me. The storm brought snow to Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, but only a deluge of rain as it moved eastward. Snow, wind and cold were forecast for New England Thursday. The New England area as well as western New York is already

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## ARE URGED TO SELECT GIFTS

Will Go To Servicemen In North Carolina Hospitals This Christmas

Don't stop Christmas shopping now. You've forgotten someone! That someone is a serviceman in a North Carolina hospital and he needs your gift to make his first peacetime Christmas in many years, a really merry one.

The camp and hospital committee of the American Red Cross, under the direction of Mrs. George Royall is collecting these gifts for distribution in the hospital at Camp Butner, Durham, on Christmas Day.

You can do your part by buying a gift that costs not less than fifty cents nor more than a dollar. Don't buy food of any kind, razor blades, needles, knives or matches. All of these are prohibited.

Buy your gift today! The deadline is Monday. Presents should be wrapped in Christmas paper and taken to boxes provided for gifts at Belk-Doughton Company, Synchron-Spahnour Company and Turner Drug Company.

## Farell Named Head Of Elkin Merchants Ass'n



CLAUDE H. FARRELL

At a meeting of the directors of the Elkin Merchants Association, held in the City Hall on Tuesday, Claude H. Farrell was elected president for 1946, to succeed Gaston L. Hill who served two years in that capacity.

Other officers of the association who were named are: H. B. Cranford, vice-president; L. F. Walker, treasurer; and Mrs. Beauford Stanley, secretary.

Directors of the association for the ensuing year are: David Brendle, Garland Johnson, L. F. Walker, Glenn Peele, H. B. Cranford, George Royall, Abe Harris, and George Isenhour.

A committee was appointed at this meeting to make plans for the annual employer-employee banquet which is held each year at the Y. M. C. A.

## ARE TO HOLD BINGO PARTY

Chatham Unity Club Will Stage Annual Event At YMCA Next Tuesday

**FOR WELFARE FUND**

The fifth annual Christmas bingo party of the Thurmond Chatham Unity club will be held on Tuesday night of next week at 8:00 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium.

Tickets are now on sale and can be secured from members of the T. C. U. club or can be bought in the gym on Tuesday night. The proceeds will go into the welfare fund.

According to C. J. Hyslop, advisor for the club, many useful and attractive prizes have been donated by the local merchants, and due to the large space available in the gymnasium, profitable fun is assured for the big crowd that is expected to attend.

Montreal, with a population of 903,307 is the largest city in the Dominion of Canada.

## Elkin Senior Winner Of Newspaper Contest

Miss Maxine Ludwig, of this city, a senior at Elkin high school, has been selected by judges in The Tribune essay contest as first prize winner, and will be awarded a \$25.00 Victory Bond.

Miss Winnie Luffman, member of the 9th grade of Elkin high school was winner of second prize, \$5.00 in cash.

Miss Ludwig's prize-winning essay will be forwarded to Dr. C. Sylvester Green, chairman of the state-wide newspaper essay contest, at Durham, to compete for state honors. First prize in the state contest will be a hundred dollar Victory Bond. Second prize will be a fifty dollar Victory Bond.

The state-wide contest is sponsored by the North Carolina Press Association, on the subject: "The Newspaper — Serving the Community."

The contest was judged by out-of-county judges. The Tribune wishes to thank all who entered the contest for their interest and regrets that it was not possible to award more than two prizes.

The winning essay follows:

**THE NEWSPAPER SERVING THE COMMUNITY**

Many exciting dramas and stories have been written about big city newspapers and the heroic struggles of their reporters, photographers, and managing editors.

What about the facts and conditions making such stories possible and believable? What about the small-town newspapers? Stories have been written about these, too, but they usually seem a little "far-fetched" to most of us because we think to ourselves as we read, "This could never happen in our town or paper!" Actually, few really exciting events ever take place in a small town. Only an occasional fire or acci-

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## ASSIST'NT FARM AGENT ARRIVES

Hugh D. Barton Arrives In Dobson As Aide To Neill M. Smith

### IS EXPERIENCED MAN

Hugh D. Barden, of Henderson, has arrived in Dobson to assume his duties as assistant agent of Surry county, according to an announcement by Neill M. Smith, county agent.

Mr. Barden has had successful experience in extension work in Vance county where he served two years as assistant county agent before receiving the Surry appointment by the extension service officials in Raleigh, with the approval and co-operation of the Surry board of county commissioners.

O. F. McCrary, district agent of extension service, states that Mr. Barden's work in Vance county has been excellent in 4-H club activities, including projects in dairying, swine, and corn production. His experiences in other lines of public service have been that of teacher of vocational agriculture for two years in Granville county, immediately following his graduation from N. C. State college in 1938, with a B. S. degree in Vocational Agriculture, and serving as Farm Security supervisor in Vance and Granville counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Barden and their young son are making their home in Dobson.

## Majority Will Close Half-Day Starting Jan. 2

A majority of Elkin stores and business firms will close each Wednesday afternoon at 12:00 o'clock beginning Wednesday, January 2, 1945.

This decision was reached at a recent meeting of the Elkin Merchants Association. Employers stated they were of the opinion that a half holiday each week would be beneficial for their employees by giving them time for needed rest and recreation.

**Proclamation**  
BY HIS MAJESTY  
Santa Claus

**only 3 weeks until Christmas**

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