

Call Special County-Wide Farm Meeting

Are To Discuss Flue-Cured Leaf Stabilization

A county-wide meeting of all farm leaders and all farmers who can find it convenient to attend has been called for Thursday, September 19, County Agent Neill M. Smith has announced. The gathering will be held at the courthouse in Dobson at 7:30 p. m., and the topic of discussion is to be the flue-cured tobacco stabilization corporation.

R. Flake Shaw, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, is to be on hand to explain the operating plan of the stabilization corporation, Smith said. The meeting has been called by Claude W. Thore, chairman of the AAA, Hal E. Collins, secretary of the marketing and production agency and the county agent.

The recently instigated stabilization program is considered by farm leaders to be one of the most important marketing developments to come about since the war. Main object of the corporation, according to Smith, is to provide a medium through which farmers can receive loans through the commodity credit corporation when tobacco does not bring 90 per cent of the parity price when sold on the auction market.

The flue-cured tobacco stabilization corporation was organized this summer due to the influence and under the sponsorship of the N. C. Farm Bureau. Plans have been worked out, Smith stated, between directors of the tobacco warehousemen's association, whereby funds can be paid on the warehouse floor by the warehousemen themselves when tobacco does not sell for established government loan rates.

Warehousemen in Surry county are to cooperate with the program, the county agent said.

"For the first time in the history of tobacco production," Smith asserted, "growers will have an opportunity to learn the real market price for their tobacco. The tobacco will be graded by government graders without cost to the farmer, and the farmer will be informed as to the market value of each basket sold according to government grading."

Any farmer can cooperate with the program of the stabilization corporation by simply buying one share of common stock, at five dollars per share. This entitles the grower to participate in the loan system which is made available under the stabilization plan. In Surry, Smith revealed, P. N. Taylor, secretary of the farm bureau; S. H. Holder, of the county AAA commission; S. H. Atkin-

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ELK GRIDDERS SHOW PROMISE

Local Squad Is Fast Shaping
Up As Drills Continue;
War Vets Return

FIRST HOME GAME 20TH

With two weeks of practice behind them, the Elkin high school football squad is fast getting into shape for the coming season.

A wealth of material for the lineup this season is available, stacking up as follows: Guards—Ben Gross, 155 pounds; Ketchel Adams, 145; Graham Johnson, 155, and Bob James, 156. Tackles—Jack Park, 145 pounds; Sam Shugart, 165; Gilmer Phillips, 148; Ray Ratledge, 135. Center—Paul Blackburn, 177 pounds; Tom James, 215 pounds. Ends—Bob Harris, 182 pounds; Bob Lawrence, 182; Fred Hemric, 140, and Alvin Eldridge, 156 pounds.

The backfield is shaping up good this year with lots of power apparent which should increase as the drills go forward. Fullback material includes Claude Eldridge, 167 pounder, Bradie Osborne, 179 pounds, and Sam Adams, 180 pounds. Halfbacks—Fred Ratledge, 130 pounds and Bob Ratledge, 145 pounds.

All the returning war veterans are from the navy. They have already received their heavy equipment and will probably see action when Elkin meets Draper here in the first home game of the season on September 20.

Team of Mules Stung To Death By Swarm of Bees

After trampling three bee colonies, a team of four- and five-year-old mules, belonging to Boss Blackburn of Roaring River, were stung to death last Friday.

Mr. Blackburn and his son, Brady, were also badly stung when they rushed to the aid of the mules and attempted to extricate the animals from the swarming bees. Both were treated at the Wilkes hospital.

The unusual accident occurred while the team was pulling a mowing machine operated by Mr. Blackburn and his son. The mules suddenly veered from their course and stepped into the colonies, which overturned. The swarming bees immediately attacked the mules.

One of the mules died at 2 p. m. some four hours after receiving the stings. The other animal died a short time later.

Kiwanians Are To Entertain Teachers

The Elkin Kiwanis Club will be host to the teachers of the Elkin, North Elkin, Jonesville and Pleasant Hill schools at their meeting at the Gilvin Roth YMCA this evening at 6:30 p. m.

Dr. W. H. Frazer, former president of Queen's College, will be guest speaker for the occasion, and is expected to deliver one of the humorous talks for which he is famous.

Entertaining of the teachers of local schools is an annual custom of the Kiwanians.

AUTO STOLEN AND STRIPPED

Car Belonging To Virginia
Lawrence Is Found Minus
Tires, Wheels, Radio

\$50.00 REWARD OFFERED

An automobile belonging to Miss Virginia Lawrence, of 327 Gwyn Avenue, was taken from in front of its owner's residence sometime the early part of Wednesday morning. The car was later recovered about four miles from the city, where it was found abandoned and stripped of tires, wheels, and a recently installed radio.

Several boys in the vicinity west of Little Elkin Creek found the car early Wednesday morning and reported it to authorities. The car was a 1941 model Chevrolet reported to have been in exceptionally good condition.

Mrs. Ed Lawrence, Miss Lawrence's mother, told police officers that she heard a car door slam at about 4 a. m. yesterday, and that she believes that the theft probably occurred at that time.

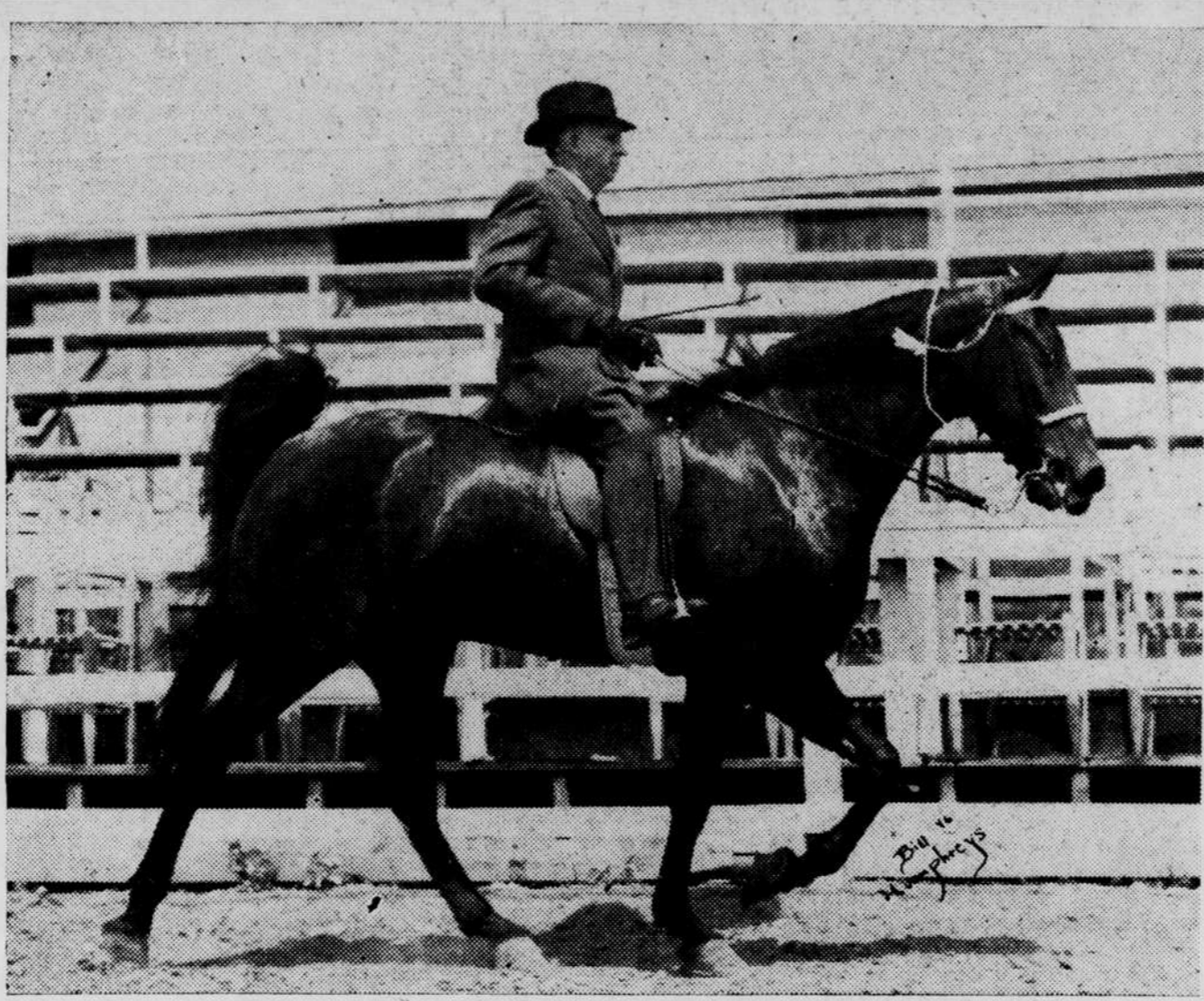
Mrs. Lawrence has offered a reward of \$50 for information leading to the apprehension of the persons responsible for the theft of her daughter's car and a reward for the return of the parts stripped from the machine.

Local police expressed the opinion that the latest theft is not connected with a recent series of auto disappearances which have plagued car owners here for the past two months. In the other cases cars were found intact and undamaged and usually in the State Road - Thurmond area rather than in Wilkes county.

Martin And Phillips Released On Bond

Paul Martin and Seck Phillips were given a hearing before Judge Wilson Warlick at Newton Wednesday night on a writ of Habeas Corpus, in an effort to reduce their bonds from \$7,500, after they were bound over to court on the charges of crime against nature. The bonds were reduced to \$4,000 by Judge Warlick. Phillips gave bond Friday and Martin Sunday.

These boys, who live near Friendship Baptist church in Fall Creek township, had been in jail several days after they were arrested. The bonds are returnable to the February term of Yadkin court.



CHAMPION TO BE SHOWN HERE — Pictured above is Dr. Moir S. Martin astride his trophy winning mount, Wilson's Merry Boy, probably the most outstanding walking horse in the entire state. Wilson's Merry Boy won last month alone the junior walking horse first prize and the champion walking horse stake and the Challenge trophy at Tazewell, Va. This was the second year that the horse took the Challenge trophy and a win next year gives his owner permanent possession of the award. Other wins were at Charlotte, where he took the amateur walking stake and the championship walking award; at Raleigh the amateur walking horse stake, the championship award, and in the junior class, the blue ribbon; and at Galax, Va., Wilson's Merry Boy recently won the open walking horse contest and again the championship walking horse stake. The high-stepper will be shown here at the Lions Club horse show Saturday. Dr. Martin is head of the Martin Memorial Hospital, Mount Airy.

FREEMAN HEADS SURRY CO. CLUB

Succeeds Archie Carter, Of
Mt. Airy, As President
Of Young Democrats

FOWLER IS V.-PRESIDENT

At a reorganization meeting of the Surry County Young Democrats Club, held Friday night of last week at Dobson, Frank Freeman, Dobson attorney, was elected president of the organization to succeed Archie Carter of Mount Airy.

Principal speaker of the evening was Hathaway Cross, state commissioner of paroles. Mr. Cross praised the policies of the late President Roosevelt and the manner in which President Truman was adhering to the same ideals.

Other officers elected were Joe Fowler of Mount Airy, vice-president, and Oscar Smith of Pilot Mountain, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Carter presided at the meeting and William Johnson was appointed temporary secretary.

Delegates appointed to attend the state convention, to be held next month, were as follows: Archie Carter, chairman; William Johnson, Milton Cooper, Miss Hallie Dockery, Mrs. Nevis Smith, Miss Joyce Marion, Mrs. Franklin Folger, Frank Freeman, Oscar Smith and Robert Cleve Folger.

The catalog lists a total of 36 horses to be shown, many of them winners in previous events. In addition 14 more entries have been made since the catalog was published, bringing the grand total to 50 hunters and jumpers, gaited and walking horses.

Several of the jumpers and gaited horses to be shown here are to be entered in November in the Madison Square Garden event at New York City, which is considered by many to be the "world series" of show horses.

It has also been announced that the City Transit Company will provide transportation to and from the show grounds, with busses leaving from the corner of Main and Bridge streets every 15 minutes between the hours of 1:00 and 3:00 o'clock during the afternoon and 7 and 8:30 during the evening.

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Blanketeers Win Semi-Pro Championship

The Chatham Blanketeers Wednesday night of last week played errorless baseball behind the pitching of Wooddy Lawrence to win the Piedmont Semi-Pro League championship for 1946 by defeating Lucas Industries at Asheboro 8 to 1.

The locals, led by Hines in a 11-hit attack, were masters of the situation all the way. Hines played havoc with Lucas mound work by getting three hits for four times at bat, while Hampton indicated the trend of things to come by missing a home run by only a few feet in the first inning of the game.

Victory over Lucas for the championship climaxed a season in which Chatham emerged in fourth place. In the playoff Chatham defeated Hanes Knitters twice in a three game series and then engaged Lucas for the championship. In the first game the Blanketeers were winners 7 to 5 behind the 4-hit pitching of Lawrence. In the second game they lost 6 to 4. The final game of the series saw Chatham play superb baseball to take the championship.

Lions Horse Show To Be Staged Saturday

Entries Are Expected From North
Carolina, Virginia And Georgia

The first Elkin Lions Club Horse Show is to be held here Saturday at the Ludwig Stable and Show Grounds, with entries from all over North Carolina and others representing Virginia and Georgia listed in the recently published catalog.

The Ludwig show ground is located about two miles outside the city on the Elkin-Winston-Salem highway. The afternoon program is scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock and the night performance follows at 8 o'clock.

H. Glenn York, of this city, will be ringmaster, and judges will be for hunters and jumpers, Delmar Twyman, of Rougemont; and for gaited and walking horses, John H. Marr, of Paris, Ky. The show will be managed by John L. Bowler, of Black Mountain, and Master of ceremonies will be read Wilson, of Asheville. Dr. C. E. Nicks and Turner Martin will serve as veterinarian and blacksmith, respectively.

Ribbon marshals include Mrs. George Stockton, Miss Maxine Aldridge, Miss Lorna Smith, and Miss Peggy Lineberry.

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Elkin Officials Are Charged With Acting Contrary To The Law

WORK ON GOLF COURSE BEGUN

Clearing Of Land Gets Under-
way At Proposed Cedar-
brook Club This Week

STOCK SELLING WELL

Work is now in progress on the site of the proposed Cedarbrook Country Club golf course, according to Dr. Vernon Taylor, president of the club.

Clearing of the land for the nine-hole course began early this week, Dr. Taylor said. It is expected that the course will be ready for play by next spring, barring complications.

Dr. Taylor also reported that the sale of stock in the club is progressing exceedingly well. A large share of the quota designated by club organizers at the beginning has already been sold, he said, and he warns that other interested persons who have not yet made a purchase of the stock had better do so in the near future while shares are still available. Either Dr. Taylor or Jim Amburn, of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, are authorized to make sales.

ARE SURFACING SURRY HIGHWAY

Three Miles of Road From
Dobson To Mountain Park
Getting Treatment

1 MILE WEST OF DOBSON

The State highway commission this week began to hardsurface the section of the Dobson-Mountain Park highway, starting one mile west of Dobson and extending as far as Salem Fork.

It is understood that a petition has been circulated among the residents of the Mountain Park community, requesting that the road be surfaced all the way to Mountain Park and Zephyr. The part now under construction is three miles in length.

The highway commission has also announced that work will soon begin on the surfacing of the Siloam-Level Cross road, a distance of about seven miles.

The Surry Farm Bureau about two years ago recommended to the State highway commission that these two projects be accomplished as soon as conditions made it feasible.

Peru, S. A., was the first country in the Western Hemisphere to grow olives.

Wednesday, 18th, To Mark End Of Half Holidays

Wednesday, September 18, will be the last day upon which local merchants will observe the summertime custom of closing shop for an half day in the middle of the week, according to Mrs. Beauford Stanley, secretary of the merchants association.

After next week stores will observe a full time schedule, remaining open a full six days, Mondays through Saturdays.

2 JONESVILLE WOMEN JAILED

Mrs. Evon Taylor Swaim and
Mable Dancy Bound Over
On Immorality Charge

WILKES MAN TAKEN

Two Jonesville women and a young North Wilkesboro man were caught Wednesday night after midnight in a raid at the old Minnie Sprinkle home in Jonesville and were lodged in jail at Yadkinville.

Mrs. Evon Taylor Swaim, 30, who occupied the home according to officers, was charged with operating a house of ill repute, and Miss Mable Dancy, 16, was an occupant of the house when officers arrived. King Key, of North Wilkesboro and Mrs. Swaim were said to be occupying the same bed room and when surprised by the officers both were partly undressed.

Mrs. Swaim and Miss Dancy were given a hearing before Magistrate J. E. Shew in Yadkinville Friday afternoon and bound over to February term of court under \$500.00 bonds. No hearing has been held for Key, as he gave bond to February court.

Mrs. Swaim gave a \$500.00 bond which was signed by Boss Davis, a Jonesville Negro, and was released. Others are still in jail. It all started when Deputy Fred Vestal and Jonesville Policeman Robert Hoti arrested Miss Dancy for public drunkenness and carried her before Mayor Bent Martin of Jonesville. After questioning her she revealed conditions at the place she lived. The officers then called Sheriff A. L. Inscore to map plans for cleaning up the whole matter. Deputy Ed Wishon also assisted.

Pretty soon the sheriff had Mrs. Swaim, King Key, and with the Dancy girl was on the way to jail. A three-year-old son of Mrs. Swaim was turned over to the welfare department and sent to the county home. Duke Ward, a negro who was found drunk and asleep in a car outside the home, was arrested for good measure and put in jail. Duke paid the costs for taking on too much kikee-poo joy juice.

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Complaint Filed By Greenwood In Airport Matter

A complaint alleging irregular conduct on the part of the Elkin mayor and the board of town commission in connection with an agreement entered into with the Blue Ridge Aviation, Inc., last February was filed at the office of the clerk of court at Dobson, the latter part of last week.

The complaint, listing Andrew Greenwood as plaintiff, charges that Mayor Garland Johnson, the five members of the board, the Blue Ridge Aviation, Inc., and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Vestal, owners of the property leased by the town and later subleased to the aviation concern, all acted contrary to law in making an agreement to provide the city with an airport without properly notifying and gaining consent of the taxpayers.

Specifically, the document asks that the defendants be restrained from expending any public funds for the construction or operation of the airport, and that all funds already so expended, either to Mr. and Mrs. Vestal under the terms of the lease or to Blue Ridge Aviation in accordance with the agreement, be recovered and returned to the city treasury.

The board has 30 days in which to answer the complaint.

At a meeting of the board of town commissioners on February 4 of this year, records show that a resolution was adopted to be put into immediate effect to provide the city with an airport.

In effect, the resolution called for the lands, located in the Swan Creek area and leased from Mr. and Mrs. Vestal in November of 1945, be subleased to the Blue Ridge Aviation, Inc., and that a sum of \$10,000 be expended from city funds to construct the site of the air field. In return the aviation concern had previously agreed to spend \$6,000 in the construction of hangars, office buildings, and other necessary structures, which sum was to go as payment of rentals required.

At the time the resolution was drawn up, Mayor Johnson stated that such an agreement would provide the city with an airport at a considerable saving of public funds. He pointed out that cities of comparable size in the state had been forced to spend upwards of \$300,000 for similar purposes, and that Elkin was thus enabled to keep its expenditure down to about \$17,000.

In his complaint, Mr. Green-

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POULTRY SALE PLANNED HERE

4-H Club Event Is To Be Held
Sept. 19 Under Sponsorship
Lions Club

CASH PRIZES OFFERED

Under the sponsorship of the Elkin Lions Club a 4-H club poultry sale will be conducted here Thursday, September 19, at the livestock market, according to County Agent Neill M. Smith. Sales are to get underway at 1:30 p. m.

Ten 4-H club members from Surry county and 10 from Yadkin county will offer for sale a total of 240 six-month-old pullets, each member offering a dozen of the young chickens. In addition, Claude Farrell, on behalf of the Elkin Hatchery, has announced that 72 chicks from Elkin, North Elkin, and Mountain Park 4-H clubs will be put on the stand. Sales will be made by auction.

The boys selling pullets this year are all cooperators in the Sears-Roebuck Company agriculture foundation. They received chickens which developed into present flocks with the understanding that at the end of the year the 12 chicks would be sold. Proceeds go to start new flocks for next year's 4-H poultry projects. Proceeds from the Elkin Hatchery's sales will also go toward establishing flocks for club members.

Cash prizes amounting to \$180 will be donated to club members by the hatchery and by Sears-Roebuck foundation. Sales are to be under the supervision of county farm and home agents.

ENROLLMENT AT SCHOOLS 1,070

Is Increase Of 65 Over Be-
ginning Enrollment Last
Year, Records Show

Elkin city schools got off to a good start here last Thursday morning, according to a statement by superintendent N. H. Carpenter, with a general increase in enrollment throughout the system. Enrollment from the four schools included, Elkin elementary, North Elkin elementary, Elkin high school, and Elkin colored, totaling 1,070, or an increase of approximately 65 over the beginning enrollment of last year's term.

All four schools boast a full faculty, though it is hoped that an additional teacher can be gained due to the crowded condition that exists in some of the class rooms. Mr. Carpenter stated.

Classes started operating on regular schedule Monday, with school opening in the morning at 8:45 and being dismissed at 3:15. A promising sports world is in evidence both in football and basketball for the local schools, with the first football game scheduled to be played the 20th of this month with Draper high school.

— Photo by Bell