

North Wilkesboro Man To

**Report Findings In Air-**

port Matter In June

LIST SEVERAL COUNTS

Attorney W. H. McElwee, of

North Wilkesboro, was appointed

referee in the case of Andrew

Greenwood vs. The Town of Elkin

at a hearing before Judge Frank

1940 FLOOD INUNDATES ELKIN - Photo shows a scene looking southeast from the top of the Sydnor-Spainhour building during the record flood of 1940. Such disaster will be prevented if funds are set aside by Congress for the Yadkin River Flood Control Propect. The matter is now under con--Tribune Photo sideration by the Appropriations Committee.



Seek To So Dam River That Future **Floods Will Not Plague Section** 

North

## By THOMAS WILSON

Seven years soon will have passed since the Yadkin river stormed over its banks in the worst flood of Yadkin valley history.

On the afternoon of August 13, 1940, a thunderstorm broke over the valley and, as the rains fell on into the night, telephone wires hummed with the ominous warning: "The river is rising!"

comes that the river is rising. Rains bring urgent queries for weather reports, for the swift-

stage quickly. But there is hope that one day ville at West Yadkin Monday voters. the threat of flood will be ban- night. ished. The Yadkin River Flood

oro, has worked

tory.

And in Washington, Represen-

tative John H. Folger has devoted

unceasing efforts to have the

flood control plan enacted into

law. Chiefly through his efforts,

the 79th Congress authorized an

expenditure of \$7,194,000 for the

construction of four dams on the

Yadkin above North Wilkesboro.

Appropriation of funds for the

propect would be a routine mat-

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**Rev. Ralph Ritchie** 

WILL SPEAK AT

M. Armstrong last Wednesday in Dobson. Mr. McElwee will report his findings in the case to the June term of Surry County superior court. Motion to appoint a referee was brought by Roy L. Deal, attorney for Andrew Greenwood, after Judge Armstrong had denied the plaintiff's motion for judgment on the pleadings. The defendants' objection to the appointing a referee was overruled. Mr. Greenwood filed the complaint against the town of Elkin ast fall, charging the mayor and board of commissioners with ir-Yadkin Team Also Defeats

Yadkinville At West Yadthe leasing of lands on Swan Creek road to the Blue Ridge Avikin Monday Night ation, Inc., for the construction of a municipal airport. Several TEAMS ENTERTAINED charges were listed in the complaint, among them that town of-

The Jonesville high school basketball teams won four games over orizing expenditure of funds for flowing Yadkin reaches flood the week-end, defeating Elkin at construction of the airport without Elkin Friday night and Yadkin-

The complaint also alleged that The Elkin games were marked Commissioner Carl C. Myers was Control Committee, composed of with many fouls which slowed a principal stockholder in the Blue citizens from Surry, Yadkin, both teams considerably. The Ridge Aviation, Inc., and that he Wilkes and Forsyth counties and Jonesville girls turned in their best violated a state statute which

headed by J. E. Justice, Jr., of performance of the season in win- makes it unlawful for members of Topple Over Pilot Mountain with N. H. Carpenter, Dr. Vernon Tuesday At Flat Rock By Taylor and Ab Crater to act in an

WINNER IN SPEAKING CONTEST - Alton Weaver, of Ashe

County, is shown as he was presented first prize of \$25 as winner in the semi-finals of the annual soil conservation speaking contest held in North Wilkesboro last week. Forrest Jones, left, secretary of the North Wilkesboro chamber of commerce, is making the

presentation in behalf of the Kiwanis and Lions clubs.

Number Of Business Matters Are Discussed Following **Dinner** Meeting 6 are urged to return their

**REGULAR MEET** 

**JAYCEES HOLD** 

HEAR TOURNEY REPORT STATE FINALS

The Elkin Junior Chamber of Commerce held its regular dinner meeting Monday night in the YMCA. Business matters were discussed in lieu of a program follow-**Contestants Representing 45** ing the dinner.

Stauber Flynt, in charge of disbursements for the recent Jayceesponsored basketball tournament, gave a financial report of the pro-SPONSORED BY BANKERS ject, and Dr. Vernon Taylor discussed briefly the work of the tournament committee.

counties will compete in the state President Bob Lankford apfinals of the annual soil conservapointed Sam Atkinson, Gilbert tion speaking contest to be held in the existing basis for nearly 20 Meed and Hoyle Cranford as com- the Gilvin Roth YMCA this after- years, including depression periods, mittee men for the 1948 tourney, noon (Thursday) at 1:30.

advisory capacity.

**MAN INJURED** 

## **Would Place On Commission Basis Locally**

**Deadline For** 

**City Tags Set** 

At March 1st

cording to an announcement

Attention was called to the

from the town clerk's office.

fail to display tags, even

though they purchased them,

will be subject to citation, Po-

A notice concerning city li-

**Counties To Speak Start-**

ing At 1:30

Contestants representing 45

lice Chief Wall stated.

Tribune.

The time limit for purchas-At a special meeting of the Mering city automobile license has been extended to March 1. acchants' Association in the city hall Monday afternoon, E. C. Mc-Broom, Western Union District Manager of Charlotte, discussed a proposal of his company to place fact that some car owners have purchased license but are not the Elkin Western Union office on displaying them on their cars. an agent and commission basis. After March 1, motorists who

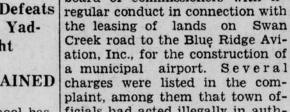
Under the plan, the office would be moved from its present location on main street and operated as a commissioned agency of the bus station, or some other business establishment. cense appears elsewhere in The

Both the Merchants' Association and the town board of commissioners have raised objections to the proposal. A letter was recently forwarded from the town commissioners to Senator Clyde R. Hoey and Representative John H. Folger, requesting that they file a protest against the proposed move with the Federal Communications Commission.

Mr. McBroom stated that no impairment of service would result from the change, which the telegraph company considers necessary because of increased operat-

ing costs Several merchants and business men expressed the opinion that the reasons given for the proposed change were insufficient inasmuch as the office has been operated on and presumably at a profit.

Winner in the contest will be At the request of Mr. Mcawarded a \$200 savings bond and Broom, Hoyle B. Cranford, presiwill receive an expense-paid trip dent of the Merchants' Associa-Dr. Taylor and Ab Crater, co- to the annual convention of the tion, drafted a letter setting forth chairmen of the tournament com- State Bankers' Association in the objections to the move, and mittee, were given a rising vote of Asheville, which will be held in recommending that the office be thanks for their work in this May. Runner-up in the contest maintained at its present locawill receive a \$100 bond and the tion. third place contestant will be A copy of Mr. Cranford's letter awarded a \$50 bond. follows:



ficials had acted illegally in auth-

submitting the question to the ELK GIRLS IN voters.

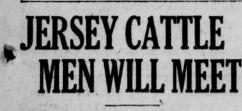
of dawn, Elkin residents watched detention dams on the upper honors in the scoring column. anxiously as the swirling river Yadkin that would hold back swept out of its channel and flood waters. reached for homes along the water's edge. Families worked frantically to move what property they could to higher ground. But by noon the rampaging river was rushing through Elkin streets, bearing the wreckage of homes and buildings on its muddy crest.

When the flood waters had receded, Elkin was an isolated community. Communication lines were washed away. Bridges were out. Railway and transportation service was halted. Water lines and power plants failed. Nine were dead along the valley and hundreds were homeless. The threat of fire and disease struck fear in the hearts of citizens.

No one knows what the flood cost. Destroyed property in Elkin alone was estimated at half a million dollars. In North Wilkesboro Dr. J. S. Hiatt And Lewis the trail of destruction was even greater. The toll in human fear and suffering was immeasurable. Today, the only evidences of the

flood are high water marks on PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH buildings that withstood the impact of the raging river.

But the threat of destruction still hovers over the people of the eleven o'clock worship services on valley. Farmers look down on February 23 and March 2, respectheir fields along the fertile river tively. banks and wonder whether the angry waters will come again to destroy their crops before the harvest season comes. Anxious faces scan the skies when storm clouds rise on the horizon. Families along the Yadkin prepare for the worst when the message



**Everyone Interested In Form**ing Cattle Club Is Invit-To Attend

IN ELKIN CITY HALL inary.

Farmers of Surry and surround- Elkin Zoning Law ing counties who are interested in forming an organization of Jersey cattle owners have been invited by County Agent Neill M. Smith and Assistant Agent G. Mark Goforth regulations of the town of Elkin to attend an organizational meet- has been enacted by the mayor

ternoon at 1:30. Speakers on the program will tion today.

include John A. Arey, head of the dairy extension office at N. C. sections of the town to the terri- chairman of the organization com-State College, and Ray Morrow tories listed in the original zoning mittee. and Harry K. Lutz, officials of the ordinance of July 17, 1939. The

ference.

of Elkin.

North Carolina Jersey Cattle Club, new areas include sections on Oakwhich is sponsoring the meeting. land Drive, Hawthorne Road and tend the rally make reservations Paul Burch, of Mountain Park. Highway Number 268. has been appointed chairman of A copy of the amendment, sign-

the group, which will consist of ed by Mayor Garland Johnson and duled for February 8, but was Jersey cattle owners from Surry, attested by City Clerk Dixie Gra- postponed because the speaker in-Wilkes, Yackin, Stokes, Forsyth, ham, appears in today's issue of vited to address the group was not Ashe and Alleghany counties. The Tribune.

ning 41-28. Fisher lead the at- a municipal giverning body to do The next day, in the early light long and hard for a plan to build tack with 22 points to take top business with themselves where public funds are involved.

The boys' game was a thrilling In answer to the complaint, the contest. The height of Jonesville's town alleged that the board of commissioners did not deem it players accounted for a 25-22 vic-

necessary to submit the question of construction to the voters, since After the games Elkin high the funds to be expended were to school staged a buffet supper in come from a treasury surplus, and the home economics department that monies collected as ad valfor both teams and coaches. Monday night the girls defeated orem taxes on real estate were not

Yadkinville 25-15 and the boys to be used in construction of the avenged an earlier defeat by airport.

emerging victorious, 20-17. At the same time Mr. Myers degiven.

M. Allen and Hoke Henderson, period.

Winner Of Medal

Folger and Folger, and Woltz and

Barber, of Mount Airy, and Milton

James Robert Martin, son of

Meet at Madison Square Garden,

He previously won a medal at

Convention Hall in Philadelphia,

Pennsylvania, also for running, on

January 29, 1947, and is now

**Basketball Tournament which** 

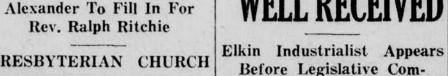
Made up of teams from

Cooper, of Elkin.

**Jonesville Boy** 

The Jonesville teams will invade nied the charge that he was a Boonville tomorrow night for a stockholder in the aviation compair of games. Boonville is the pany while also a member of the their way into the finals, playing only school to defeat Jnesville in board of commissioners. both boys' and girls' games this Listed as defendants in the com-

year and those were by very close plaint were The Town of Elkin; Mayor Garland Johnson; Com- tack for Elkin. scores. LOCAL CHURCH missioners Carl C. Myers, R. C. **CHATHAM TALK** Vestal and wife, Charity Vestal; WELL RECEIVED and Blue Ridge Aviation, Inc. Appearing for the defendants at



mittee At Hearing Dr. J. S. Hiatt and Lewis Alex-

ander will be guest speakers at that another flood would bring Elkin Presbyterian Church at the FORMER BOARD MEMBER

Raleigh, N. C., February 18 .-

No talk on behalf of the North "The Steward With Open Eyes, | Carolina Wildlife resources bill at Sam C. and Myrtle Cummings 1947," will be the topic of the the recent Legislature committee Martin of Jonesville, now attendmessage to be presented by Dr. hearings was more heartily re- ing Valley Forge Military Aca-Hiatt, general superintendent of ceived than that one made by demy at Wayne, Pennsylvania, Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospi- Thurmond Chatham, Winston- will run in the National Track tal. Dr. Hiatt is a former district Salem and Elkin manufacturer. superintendent of the Western Chatham spoke eloquently and New York City, on February 22, North Carolina Methodist Con- with a note of sincerity that mov- 1947.

ed the packed House chamber. A former member of the State De-Mr. Alexander, a local attorney. was graduated from Wake Forest | partment of Conservation and De-College and served as a lieutenant velopment commission, he could in the Navy. He is assistant sup- talk from both sides of the issue. training for the Olympics. For erintendent of the Presbyterian His experience had convinced him some time he was Physical Direc-Sunday School and is active in that complete separation of the tor at the Y.M.C.A. in Boston,

Rev. Ralph V. C. Ritchie is only salvation for the State's spending two weeks in Richmond, wildlife resources. Va., attending the Sprunt Lec-

have believed for years that there must be complete separation.'

**Young Democrats To** 

1, at 7 p. m., according to an an-

The meeting was orginally sche-

Score 35-31

**Farmers Urged** 

**For Tickets** 

**To Return Cards** 

Farmers who have received

invitations to the annual Farm-

ers' Day Program here March

cards so that tickets may be

County Agent Neill M. Smith

stated that February 25 was the

deadline for returning the cards

and that banquet tickets would

go to the first 400 farmers re-

Invitations have been limited

to 400 farmers of Surry, Wilkes

mailed for the banquet.

turning their cards.

and Yadkin counties.

HANES DEFEATED HERE

Elkin high school girls were to year's tournament. play Flat Rock at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night in the finals of **STATE ROAD** the Surry basketball tournament staged in the Flat Rock school gymnasium

> Due to the fact The Tribune went to press prior to the playing of this game results cannot be

> > the Elkin attack with a total of

In the boys' game the Elks

pushed into a quick lead and were

never headed. Ketchel Adams

**Piedmont Quartet** 

13 points.

with 6.

twin bill.

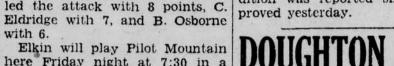
Section Of Top Of Car Driven ties. The Elkin girls defeated Pilot Through Leg When Car Mountain Tuesday night to fight **Turns Over Saturday** an exceptionally fine game and upsetting their rivals 35-31. Park-

IS IN LOCAL HOSPITAL er scored 21 points to lead the at-Flat Rock girls, who played Ray Russell Bauguess, of State

Freeman, Charlie N. Myers, J. W. Elkin in the finals, had to go two Road, suffered serious injuries dolph; and Edward Storie, Cald-L. Benson and J. O. Bivins; H. H. overtime periods before downing Saturday night when the car he well. Franklin 18-17 as M. Midkiff was driving swerved off the highdropped in a free throw to turn way between Elkin and State Road North Carolina Bankers' Associathe trick. The two teams went and turned over. A section of the tion, will preside at the program the hearing were city attorneys W. scoreless in the first overtime top of the car was driven through this afternoon. Judges in the his leg by the impact, which threw contest will be Dr. J. H. High-

Monday night Elkin captured him in the rear seat. The section smith, of the department of Pubtwo victories from Hanes, of Win- had to be cut off with a saw be- lic Instruction; Dr. Jane S. Mcston-Salem, in the local gym, the fore he could be removed from the girls winning the opener 20 to 14 wrecked car. and the boys winning a 31 to 24 Mr. Bauguess was reportedly Service; Dr. R. W. Cummings, victory. Parker and Royall led

traveling alone toward Elkin when head of the Agronomy department he lost control of the vehicle. He at N. C. State College; Gurney P. was taken to the Hugh Chatham Hood, State Commissioner of Memorial Hospital here, where he Banks; and M. G. Mann, of the is receiving treatment. His con- North Carolina Cotton Growers will benefit all parties concerned. dition was reported slightly im- Cooperative.





Clingman school Saturday night. SUCCESSORS MENTIONED February 22, at 7:30 o'clock, feat-

ing. The program is being sponsored by the W.O.W. of Cycle. Clingman school is located three

> date for re-election in 1948, ac-Daily Record this week.

the job have been mentioned, including Ed Anderson, West Jef-

er Senator Hugh Mitchell of ruary 2 to 5. Statesville; Representative Max C. and Kidd Brewer, of Boone, ad- ment to conclude the program. ministrative assistant to Senator William B. Umstead.

Alton Weaver, of Ashe county, Dear Mr. McBroom:

winner in the semi-finals of the Confirming our decision at a meeting of the board of directors contest held in North Wilkesboro last week, will represent the dis- of the Elkin Merchants Associatrict composed of Surry, Yadkin, tion and other interested parties, Wilkes, Ashe and Alleghany coun- we urge and recommend that the Western Union office be maintained at its present location. We are

Other contestants who will speak today, and their home coun- of the opinion that same has been on a paying basis for a great numties, are Bill Mitchel, Franklin; ber of years. We would like to be Leonard Dean, Granville; Francis shown that the Elkin office is be-Pressly, Iredell; Mattie Sue Caring operated at a deficit. penter, Cleveland; Boy Hopins,

If it be found absolutely neces-Stanley; Baxter Luther, Ransary and advisable to convert this office into a commissioned agency. we urge and recommend that this W. H. Neal, president of the

be located in its present office. We are of the opinion that you will experience no trouble in finding a capable agent among our business men, such as insurance agents, etc., if your plan is made known to the citizens of this com-Kimmon, retired assistant director munity. We have no objection to of the N. C. Agriculture Extension converting your service to a commissioned agent, so long as we continue to be given satisfactory and confidential telegraph service. It is our further belief that an agreement can be reached which

The contest is sponsored annually by the State Bankers' as-sociation with the cooperation of KIWANIANS TO the soil conservation extension service and vocational agricultural teachers of schools participating in the program. Garland Johnson is chairman of the association's First Place Speakers To Be agriculture committee which laid plans for the contest.

Contestants in the finals today are speakers who won elimination contests held in their respective

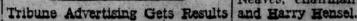
# **Copeland Bureau**

**To Meet Friday** The Copeland Community Farm

7:30 in the Copeland school audiday by F. E. Layne, president of Bankers Association and of State Miss Gaye Taylor, of Ararat,

At last week's meeting Boy Scouts of Troop 46, under the

R. W. Harris, chairman of the Kiwanis boys' and girls' work Members of the county agent's committee, appointed a building committee is made up of Lee Neaves, chairman; Ezra Shamel



Amended By Board An amendment to the zoning

becomes effective upon publica- Greensboro, on Saturday, March The amendment add three nouncement by Frank Freeman.

Mr. Freeman suggested that Young Democrats who plan to atat the hotel in advance.

nament is expected to feature some fast basketball as the best teams of the section come here to compete for the championship. Oapacity available on that date.

the religious and civic activities game and Inland fisheries division Massachusetts. from the Department was the Mr. and Mrs. Martin and Frances Swaim will accompany him to New York City this week uring a program of fun and sing-

"As a former member of the for the meet in Madison Square tures at Union Theological Sem- Conservation Board," he said, "I Garden.

Tribune Advertising Gets Results | miles south of Ronda.

Yadkin Valley Cage Hold Rally March 1

The state - wide Young Democratic Organizational Rally will be in the city hall here tomorrow af- and board of commissioners, and held at the Sedgefield Inn, near

will open Monday night in the Gilvin Roth YMCA. Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes and Alleghany counties, the tour-

**Meet Starts Monday** All is in readiness for the crowds are expected as the Yadkin Valley Conference tournament rolls along in the

large gymnasium at the Y. Among the teams to show here will be Pilot Mountain, Jonesville, West Yadkin, Elkin and other high ranking squads. Competition 'is expected to be spirited throughout the entire session.

Further details concerning the tournament will be found on page 1, section 2.

To Be At Clingman Hickory Daily Record States Veteran Congressman

### The Piedmont Quartet and May Retire Johnnie Miller, of Radio Station WSJS, Winston-Salem, will be at

schools, counties and districts. Eighty-three-year-old Robert L. Doughton, representative from

the ninth congressional district and veteran of 38 years of service in Congress, may not be a candi- Bureau will meet Friday night at cording to a story in the Hickory torium, it was announced yester-

the organization. A host of possible successors to will give the speech on soil conferson newspaper publisher; for- servation which won her third leadership of their scoutmaster, mer U. S. District Attorney Car- place in the county contest re- Fred Norman, staged a very inlyle Higgins of Sparta; Walter cently. 4-H club members will al- teresting program, beginning with Woodson, Sr., and W. D. Kiziah of so participate in the program with the various activities of scouting Salisbury; Eugene Bost of Con- a skit on health education. S. H. and ending with an impressive

cord: Tom Wolfe, former high- Atkinson, president of the Surry candlelight oath and law service, way commissioner, and Senator County Farm Bureau, will make a and the scoutmaster's benedic-Erskine Smith of Albemarle; Sen- report on the state farm bureau tion. ator John McLaughlin and form- convention held in Asheville Feb-Wilson and former highway com- staff will discuss oat production committee to engineer and push missioner V. D. Guire of Lenoir; and permanent pasture improve- to completion the scout hut. The

**Guest Of Club At This Evening's Meeting** BOY SCOUTS ARE GUESTS

The Elkin Kiwanis club will be host this evening at its regular

**HEAR WINNERS** 

6:30 meeting at the YMCA to the winning contestants of the Soil Conservation Public Speaking Contest. Each of the three win-

ners will repeat his talk. Among other guests will be officials of the North Carolina College extension service.

