

200 WORKERS LAUNCH YMCA MEMBER DRIVE

Carolinas' YMCA Executive
Addresses Kickoff Dinner

SPEAKS ON PATRIOTISM

McKnight Urges Non-Parti-
cipants To Support
Annual Campaign

CITES HELP TO YOUTH

The annual YMCA membership
drive was officially launched here
Tuesday night at a banquet which
approximately 200 workers at-
tended.

J. Wilson Smith, secretary of
the YMCA's of the two Carolinas,
spoke to the group on patriotism.
"If I were to choose a topic to
talk on," he said, "it would be
The America I Almost Forgot."

Five things were listed under
this topic upon which Mr. Smith
expounded: Unbroken homes, the
judiciary system, America—land
of opportunity, churches and fi-
nally, the love and devotion given
to our young people.

T. C. McKnight, secretary of
the Gilvin Roth YMCA, told the
group why the campaign was
sponsored.

He said that some hesitate to
give to the program because they
do not participate in the YMCA.
"Donors should not take this
attitude," he declared, pointing
out that the YMCA in Elkin spon-
sors, in addition to the facilities
offered in the building, more than
1,000 in club programs supported
by money given to the campaign.
In this way underprivileged chil-
dren are given recreation and
health that would ordinarily not
be afforded.

The drive is headed by E. S.
Spainhour as general chairman of
the membership committee, which
is made up of George E. Royall,
D. G. Smith, Garland Johnson.

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SOLDIER RITES TO BE SUNDAY

Funeral To Be Held At Fair-
view Baptist Church For
Sgt. Farris L. White

WAS NATIVE OF SURRY

Funeral service for Sgt. Farris
L. White of Dobson, Route 2, who
was killed in action in Italy, Sep-
tember 15, 1944, will be held at
Fairview Baptist church at 2 p. m.
Sunday.

Sgt. White was born in Surry
county on November 5, 1923, the
son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. White.
He entered service October 18,
1943, received basic training at
Camp Wheeler, Ga. At the time of
his death, he was serving with
the 34th "Red Bull" division of
the Fifth Army.

In addition to his parents, he
survived by his wife, the former
Miss Marie Hinson, two
daughters, Patricia Anne and
Nancy Carroll, of this city; three
sisters, Mrs. Victoria Nixon, Mrs.
Vallie White and Miss Vera White;
two brothers, Fox and Fred White,
all of Dobson, Route 2, and his
grandmother, Mrs. Ella Key of
Dobson, Route 2.

Rev. J. W. Calloway, Rev.
Grover Tilley and Rev. Cecil
Hooper will have charge of the
service. Burial, with full military
honors by the William F. Jones
Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars,
will be in the church cemetery.

Auto Stolen Tuesday From Elkin Resident

A 1946 Plymouth, belonging to
Jim Dobbins, was stolen Tuesday
night from his driveway on Gwyn
Avenue. A passerby reported that
he saw the car being driven out
of the yard about 7 or 7:30 p. m.,
but thought the owner or some
member of the family was operat-
ing the vehicle.

Police Chief Corbett Wall said
that the automobile bore the
license, 507726-NC.

2 Hurt Last Week In Auto-Tractor Wreck

J. D. Money and Dwight Pardue
were treated last Monday at the
Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital
for injuries received in an acci-
dent involving an automobile and
a farm tractor.

Money, who was driving a 1940
coach ran into the rear of a tractor
driven by Pardue on Highway
421, near Cycle. Both vehicles were
damaged considerably.

Stores To Close For Holidays, December 25-27

Elkin merchants will observe
Christmas holidays Saturday,
December 25, through Monday,
December 27, Mrs. Beauford
Stanley, secretary of the Mer-
chants Association, announced
yesterday.

The decision was made at a
meeting of merchants Tuesday.
During Christmas shopping
season the stores will maintain
their regular hours of 8:30 a.
m. to 5:30 p. m.
Wednesday afternoon clos-
ings will begin January 5, 1949,
and will continue through Sep-
tember 14, 1949.

CARTER SPEAKS TO CROP GROUP

Sunday, Dec. 12, Set As C. R.
O. P. Day For Churches
In Association

SHIPPING PLANS MADE

The Rev. Robert Carter of Dob-
son, spoke at a meeting of the
Elkin-Jonesville Ministerial As-
sociation, Monday, in connection
with the CROP program in Surry
county.

The Ministerial Association set
Sunday, December 12, as CROP
Day in the churches of Elkin and
Jonesville. On that day, food and
money will be collected as our
communities' contribution to the
North Carolina Friendship Train.

It is understood that the Elkin
CROP committee, headed by May-
or Garland Johnson, is making
arrangements for a local depot
where the food is to be gathered
and then for transporting the food
to Mount Airy, where the Surry
county box car will be waiting.

Staples that may be given in-
clude all non-perishable foods,
such as whole grains, beans, nuts,
dried fruit and canned meat. Also
raw wool and cotton as well as
money.

The money will be used to buy
foodstuffs wholesale and also to
help in transporting and distribu-
tion of the food from here to Eu-
rope.

CROP distribution will be han-
dled by the European churches.
In this country every national de-
nomination has at least one rep-
resentative on the CROP board of
directors.

ACA ELECTION TO BE TODAY

Committeemen To Be Nom-
inated And Elected For
Surry County

VOTING PLACES LISTED

Nomination and election of
committeemen to administer the
1949 Agricultural Conservation
Agency, acreage allotments and
quotas, price support and loan
programs, will begin today
(Thursday) at 9 a. m.

Delegates will be named to at-
tend the county convention Fri-
day to elect a county committee.
Only three committeemen will
be elected for each township. For-
ty-two will now serve in the coun-
ty.

Articles of the association per-
mit owners, operators, tenants, or
share croppers to vote in town-
ship elections, provided they are
participating or cooperating in
any of the programs administered
by the county committee.

Hal E. Collins, secretary of the
Surry County A. C. A. said that
the committee would be res-
ponsible for measures to make
tobacco adjustments for 1949 and
new cropland changes for 1949.

Voting places for the county
are as follows:

Bryan, Mountain Park; Dobson,
Court House; Eldora, Eldora
School; Elkin, North Elkin School;
Franklin, general voting place
(near Caleb L. Matthews'); Long
Hill, Needham's Service Station;
Marsh, Little Richmond School;
Mount Airy, City Hall; Pilot, Pilot
Mountain School; Rockford, Cope-
land School; Shoals, Shoals
School; Siloam, Siloam School;
Stewarts Creek, Pine Ridge; and
Westfield, Woodville.

Hi-Y Makes Tour Of Chatham Plant

The Elkin Hi-Y Club made a
tour of the Chatham Manufac-
turing Company Tuesday on one of
their club projects.

They were led by Paul Royall,
Sam Gray and Buck Hines, boys
work secretary and club leader.

FARM GROUP MEMBERSHIP OVER 1,700

Deadline For Minimum Quota
Finds Surry Over Top

CAMP A I G N CONTINUES

Farm Bureau Directors Meet
Monday To Make Other
Goal Plans

ATKINSON WINS PRIZE

The Surry County Farm Bureau
membership drive soared over the
1700 mark Tuesday at the dead-
line was reached for the minimum
quota. Minimum quota was 1600.

The board of directors of the
Surry Farm Bureau will meet
Monday at 2 p. m., to make plans
for reaching community goals and
to select a delegate to attend the
American Farm Bureau conven-
tion in Atlantic City, N. J.

At a state-wide meeting in
Raleigh last Saturday, S. H. At-
kinson was named winner in the
Edward A. O'Neal contest. He was
awarded \$100 on his expenses to
the national convention.

Neill M. Smith, county agent,
said this week that if Mr. Atkin-
son attended the convention, he
will represent the eight counties
comprising the seventh district
of the Farm Bureau organization.
Second and third alternates
were Paul S. Newman, White
Plains, and J. H. Hunter, West-
field.

The board of directors will
select a delegate to the conven-
tion as a result of having reached
the minimum quota up to Novem-
ber 30.

The county agent said that the

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TB CAMPAIGN AT \$1,449.70

Drive Chairman Says 400 Ac-
tive Cases Of Disease
Now In Surry

ELKIN GETTING SHARE

Miss Louise Bailey, chairman of
the Surry County Tuberculosis
Seal drive, reported yesterday
that \$1449.70 of the \$6,000 quota
for the county had been reached
up to noon Tuesday.

"We are progressing about even-
ly with what should be turned in
to reach the quota," Miss Bailey
said, "but have only four weeks
of the drive left until Christmas."
"It may be of interest to those
who are thinking about giving to
the drive, that in Surry County
there are now 400 cases of Tubercu-
losis in all stages of the disease.
In order to find these cases and
keep them from spreading into
your homes, we must have funds
with which to work.

"Many donors do not realize
that 75 per cent of funds raised
stays right in Surry County to
fight the disease on the spot.
Twenty per cent to the National
Tuberculosis Association for edu-
cation and research," she added.

Miss Bailey pointed out that
three-fourths of the counties in
North Carolina have lower death
rates from tuberculosis than does
Surry County. "Our donations may
bring us into a more healthy cat-
egory," she observed.

Statistics for the county show
that Elkin and Chatham Manu-
facturing company have received
more than half of the X-rays
given free in the county. In 1948,
Elkin received 3,105; Chatham,
2,343; Dobson, 810; and Pilot
Mountain, 698.

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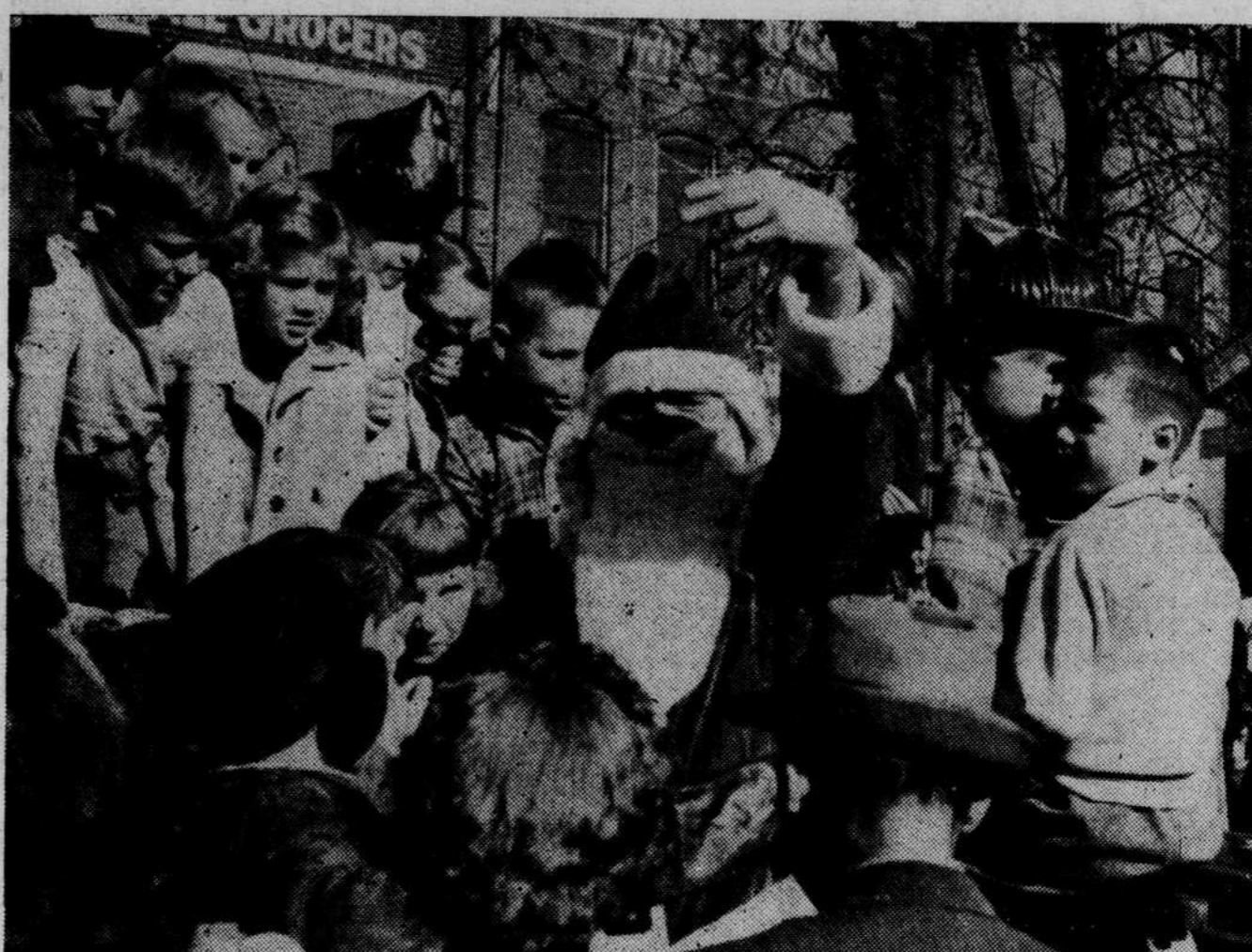
Contributions Are Badly Needed To Aid Less Fortunate Families

The joy of Christmas is not
complete without the light in the
eyes of a child on Christmas morn-
ing the smile and good tidings the
memory of the Yuletide brings.

In the interest of happier holi-
days, the Christian Charity Com-
mittee in our town is striving to
make this Christmas a joyful one
for all underprivileged children in
this area . . . and to extend a
helping hand for those families
in need, granting a warmth of
friendship from us, who are more
fortunate.

Families in our very own midst
are in need of help . . . lives of
some of them actually are depend-
ent on the help of their neigh-
bors.

For instance . . . one pastor re-



SANTA COMES TO TOWN — Santa Claus arrived in town Saturday morning on the Southern Rail-
way passenger train to officially open the Christmas shopping season, and to pay his annual visit to
the children of this and neighboring communities. Top photo shows Mr. Claus surrounded by as
many children as could get near him as he mounted the Elkin fire truck to ride to the State Theatre
for a Christmas party. Lower photo, made from the train upon which Santa arrived, shows the hun-
dreds who were at the depot to greet him.

NOMINATE TWO FOR COMMITTEE

Vote On Surry County Com-
mitteeman To Be Held Mon-
day Through Saturday

THORE NOW HOLDS POST

Claude W. Thore, farmer of the
Dobson township, and Claude W.
Ramey, farmer and instructor of
farmer veterans in Stewart's Creek
township, have been nominated
for the office of county commit-
teeman to serve on the Tri-Creek
District soil conservation group.

Voting will be held Monday
through Saturday next week. Elec-
tion will be by ballot, and all
qualified voters in the regular
popular elections will be eligible.
Elections will be by counties rath-
er than by districts.

Mr. Thore will be running to
succeed himself. Mr. Ramey served
for five years as conservation aid
for the Soil Conservation Ser-
vice and was assigned to the Tri-
Creek District program in Surry
County.

At the first meeting following
election, the three committeemen
will reorganize to elect a chair-
man, vice chairman, and Secre-
tary. The man elected as chair-
man will be designated as District
Supervisor from Surry County,
and will attend District meetings
outside the county, and for this

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Hundreds Of Children Greet Santa Saturday

Hundreds of little Elkinites
greeted Santa Claus Saturday
on his pre-season appearance in
this section.

The old gentleman arrived at
10:45 a. m., by way of train and
drew a tremendous ovation as
he stepped down from his spec-
ial car into the arms of his
cheering admirers.

Saint Nick passed slowly
through the crowd, stopping to
embrace bright-eyed, eager tots,
getting a mental list of what
some of them want for Christ-
mas.

On Bridge Street, near the
crossing, a fire truck stood load-
ed with tousel heads, some of
them wearing firemen's head-
gear—all cheering madly.

Santa made his way to the
truck, climbed aboard, and with
a trail of little ones following,
was taken up Main Street and

to the State Theatre where he
and the kiddies sang and enjoy-
ed animated cartoons. Here Mr.
Claus gave candy to his little
friends.

Admirers ranged in size from
babes in arms to 10 or 11 years
of age. Some of them had no
front teeth, but toys were the
principal items in their Christ-
mas stocking wishes.

Santa made his arrival a bit
late but children waited. And
when he stepped from the train,
the little ones had to compete
with grownups for the first
glimpse of the old boy.

One little girl who rested in
her mother's arms, expressed the
tense excitement in all of them
when Santa asked what she
wanted for Christmas. Said she
"I just forgot!"

Legion To Sponsor Dance, December 17

The American Legion will spon-
sor a Christmas Dance at the
Legion Hut Friday, Dec. 17, from
9 to 12 p. m.

"Geechee" Robinson, trombone
and trumpet specialist, and his
orchestra, which has just com-
pleted a Northern tour, will play
for the occasion.

LICENSE PLATE SALE IS BEGUN

Will Be Sold At Butner-Mc-
Leod Motor Company In
Elkin Vicinity

BLACK ON ORANGE TAGS

Distribution of 1949 license
plates for North Carolina began
yesterday (Wednesday) at the
Butner-McLeod Motor Company
here for vehicle owners in this
area.

Office hours will be from 9 a.
m. to 4 p. m., and Saturdays, 9
to 12 noon.

For the second straight year,
two license plates will be required
for each vehicle in North Car-
olina.

Coleman W. Roberts, Carolina
Motor Club president, said this
week that the '49 plates will have
black letters on an orange back-
ground—a reverse of 1948. Last
year North and South Carolina
had the same color scheme which
proved confusing, but this year
South Carolina has switched to
new colors—silver and black.

The new license fee law which
provides for basic price instead
of a different rate for every pas-
senger car of different weight will
be in effect for the second year.
The three basic figures to be used

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Surry's First Draftees Leave For Army Service

Surry County's first draftees
in the new Army conscription,
left Dobson Monday morning
to be inducted into the Armed
service.

Vestal Haynes and William
C. Edwards, of Mount Airy,
and Willie A. Phillips, Jr., of
Elkin, began their Army life at
High Point, taking the oath for
21 months service in the new
United States Army.

They left by train Monday
night to Fort Jackson, S. C.,
where they will undergo basic
training under the armed forces'
new program of tempered
discipline. Four months of "sat-
isfactory" service and the new
men will advance from the
rank of "recruit" to "private."

COUNTY HEALTH MEET SATURDAY

Teachers Select And Will Par-
ticipate In Group
Conferences

TO BE HELD AT DOBSON

A county-wide meeting of Surry
teachers will be held at 9 a. m.,
Saturday at the Dobson High
School to plan a health program
for the year.

Teachers have selected and will
participate in group conferences
on the phases of "Social and
Emotional Growth," by A. F. Gra-
ham, Copeland School, chairman,
"School Environment and Teach-
er Screening," Rebecca Allen, Beu-
lah School, chairman; "Nutrition,"
Virginia Coltrane, Franklin School,
chairman; "Safety," Glen R. Brid-
ges, Dobson School, chairman;
and Physical Education, James C.
Hiatt, Franklin School, chairman.

Consultants who will meet with
the various groups are: Mrs. Ann
Cain, Hugh Chatham Memorial
Hospital; Miss Bernice Harris,
Public Health Nurse, Surry Coun-
ty Health Department; Mrs. Eun-
ice Scott, Nutritionist of the State
Board of Health; Mrs. Laura
Lowe, Health Educator, Greens-
boro City Health Department;

Basile Marion, superintendent of
Public Welfare in Surry; Hubert
Willis, Soil Conservation Service,
Elkin; Mrs. Grace Pope Brown,
Home Demonstration Agent for
Surry; Neill M. Smith, Farm
Agent; Mazie Jones, Health Edu-
cator; R. B. Blackwelder, Super-
visor of Driver Education; David
Hatcher, Supervisor of Safety
Education; John W. Comer, Su-
perintendent of Surry Schools; and
Mrs. J. S. Gentry, Supervisor of
Surry County Schools.

\$5,000 BLAZE MONDAY NIGHT

Most Damage On Andrew
Greenwood Apartments Is
Caused By Water

PENNY IN FUSE BOX

The Andrew Greenwood Apart-
ments of East Main Street were
damaged to the extent of about
\$5,000 Monday night mostly from
water used in extinguishing a fire.

Fire Chief Ted Brown said yes-
terday that the fire was appar-
ently caused by the use of a penny
in the place of a burned out fuse.

The building, owned by Andrew
Greenwood, housed business firms
on the first floor, and three resi-
dential apartments on the second
floor.

The apartments were occupied
by Miss Annie Mae Haynes, Mrs.
Thelma Seagraves and Mrs. Mary
Byrd. Miss Haynes and Mrs. Sea-
graves were working on the even-
ing shift at Chatham Manufac-
turing Company, and were not
home at the time.

Tuttle Is On Group To Select Scholars

Rev. R. G. Tuttle, pastor of the
First Methodist Church, has been
chosen a member of the Regional
Committee which will select can-
didates from North Carolina for
the six Angier B. Duke Scholar-
ships to Duke University.

The West Central Region Com-
mittee for men will meet February
21-26 to select five candidates in
their region for the prizes. At
Duke University the candidates
will be chosen through a process
of testing, evaluation of records
and personal interviews.

Prizes amount to \$3,000 if the
student remains eligible for the
four year period or \$750 per year.

YADKIN COUNTY SAFE BURGLARS STILL HUNTED

Unable To Locate Safe Taken
From Jonesville Firm

STILL INVESTIGATING

Three Men Arrested In Con-
nection With Burglaries
In Yadkin County

RELEASED UNDER BOND

Law enforcement officers were
still searching in Yadkin County
this week for a safe taken from
the Yadkin Valley Packer's Com-
pany, Jonesville, two weeks ago,
containing \$41,000 in bonds and
nearly \$1,000 in cash.

Sheriff Bill Moxley said three
men, Ernest Brown, 30, of near
Boonville, Hickman Norman, 33,
Crutchfield garage operator, and
Jesse Garfield Patton, farmer liv-
ing between Boonville and Jones-
ville, had been arrested in connec-
tion with the thefts.

Patton, described as a partner
of Ernest Brown, who had pre-
viously been arrested, was booked
on two charges of breaking, en-
tering, larceny and receiving.
Sheriff Moxley said the man was
charged with entering Roby Wag-
ner's Store, on Highway 67 be-
tween Boonville and Elkin, Oct.
31 and taking seven tires, two
cameras, cigars, and 300 pounds
of sugar; and Mack Ashley's Gar-
age Nov. 13 and taking a weld-
ing tank and equipment.

Patton was scheduled for trial
at the last Yadkin Superior Court
term on charges of assault on a
female, non-support and reckless
driving, but did not appear. Sher-
iff Moxley said the man was also
wanted in Winston-Salem on
charges of reckless driving and
damaging property. His bond has
not been set, but the sheriff said
it would probably be \$8,000 to \$10,-
000.

Brown, a farmer living between
Boonville and Crutchfield, faced
the same two larceny counts, and
in addition a charge of stealing

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FRIENDS HOLD YOUTH MEETING

Harmony Grove Church Host
For Fellowship
Conference

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

A three-day session of the
Friends Youth Fellowship Con-
ference was held Friday through
Sunday at Harmony Grove Friends
church to mark the third session
for the group.

The conference featured several
addresses and discussions by Yad-
kin County members of the Friends
churches, as well as by visitors
from other sections, as a part of
the Yadkin Valley Quarterly Meet-
ing.

New officers were elected at the
end of the session. They are Roy
Steelman, Deep Creek Church,
president; L. W. Sharpe, Winthrop,
Vice-President; Cassie Lou
Williams, East Bend, Secretary;
and Nell Warden, Pilot View,
Treasurer.

Discussion Friday evening in-
cluded "Early Historic Testimony
of Friends on War and Peace," by
Arthur Mackie, Harmony Grove;
"Present day Trends in Friends-
Testimony On War and Peace,"
Cassie Williams, East Bend; "Spiri-
tual Basis of Friends Peace Testi-
mony," Wilma Sloan, Hunting
Creek; "Friends Peace Testimony
at Work," Arthur Bryant, Deep
Creek.

The group heard an address on
"Christian Youth and Conscription"
by Mirian Levering, and "Organi-
zing for World Peace," by Samuel
Levering.

Dr. Edward F. Burrows, head of
the history department of Gull-
ford College, gave the conference
message Sunday morning.

J. W. L. Benson On Safety Group

J. W. L. Benson has been named
safety representative for the Chat-
ham Manufacturing Company in a
county-wide organization for
safety, sponsored by the National
Safety Council.

The meeting was held at Mount
Airy.

The purpose of the council is
to promote traffic safety through
educational activities over the
radio and through the press, and
to make surveys and studies that
will aid each community in the
county in promoting accident pre-
vention.