

MRS. AB BROWN RECEIVES CHECK FOR \$10,000.00

Is Bequeathed To Jonesville Woman By New Yorker
NOTIFIED RECENTLY
Was Patient of Mrs. Brown's In Florida Hospital Back In Year 1926

MADE OTHER BEQUESTS

Mrs. Ab Brown, of Jonesville, who prior to her marriage was Miss Julia Abrams, registered nurse, little thought, as she nursed a pneumonia victim to health back in 1926 in a St. Petersburg, Fla., hospital, that her attentive care would, like bread on the water, return to her manifold, but that's just what happened Thursday of last week.

The patient in the Florida hospital was George W. Hough, of Courtland, N. Y., and Miss Abrams was with him on special duty. When he had recovered, he went back north and Miss Abrams continued her nursing career, finally coming to Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital here where she was employed until her marriage to Mr. Brown.

Mrs. Brown had not forgotten her former Florida patient, because each year she received a Christmas card from him. But this year, no Christmas card arrived. This year came a message from a New York law firm informing Mrs. Brown that Mr. Hough had passed away and had bequeathed to her the sum of \$10,000 in cash.

That was the day after Thanksgiving. Following the message was a certain amount of legal red tape, and then, last Thursday, the check for \$10,000 arrived.

NAME WILKES CORN WINNER

Yield Checked By Contest Committee Shows 124.2 Bushels Per Acre

SPONSORED BY C. OF C.

Odell Whittington of Reddies River is the winner of the 1948 Wilkes County Corn growing contest. Mr. Whittington planted white hybrid corn Tenn. 10 on four acres of land with the rows spaced 38 inches apart, 12 inches apart in row. His yield as checked by the farm agents and other members of the contest committee was 124.2 bushels per acre.

The corn contest was sponsored by the Agricultural Committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce which W. K. Sturdivant is chairman. Realizing that the average corn yield in Wilkes County is less than 30 bushels per acre, the Chamber of Commerce saw the value of encouraging the farmers to plant the 28 thousand acres of corn land in improved varieties and to fertilize and cultivate according to the most advanced methods.

The Chamber of Commerce is giving the following prizes totaling \$105.00: 1st Prize \$35.00; 2nd Prize \$25.00; 3rd Prize \$20.00; 4th Prize \$15.00 and 5th Prize \$10.00. Fifteen farmers who entered this contest produced 100 bushels per acre or more. Thirteen farmers produced 75 bushels per acre or more. All but two of these contestants planted hybrid corn.

Other winners in the contest are as follows: 2nd Prize — Daniel Luther, Wilbar, on H. C. Colvard's farm, 118.2 bushels, planted Dixie 17; 3rd Prize — Theodore Fairchild, Purlair, 113.2 bushels, planted N. C. 26; 4th Prize — John W. Hurt, Ronda, 109.5 bushels, planted Dixie 17; 5th Prize — A. J. West, owner, Arvil Johnson, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro, 106.7 bushels, planted U. S. 282.

Reckless Driving Charge Is Lodged

One motorist is charged with reckless driving as a result of an automobile wreck at Lightning Cross, near Booneville, last Saturday.

Sheriff Bill Moxley said William Bolton, Negro, former Jonesville man now living in Washington, D. C., collided with an automobile driven by Clinton Poindexter, of Winston-Salem.

A hearing on the accident has been set for January 17.

Town License Plates Now On Sale In Elkin

The 1949 Elkin town automobile license plates arrived here this week at the office of Dixie Graham, city clerk, and are now on sale at \$1 each.

The tags, orange with black numerals, are of the same design as state license tags which are on sale at the Butner-McLeod Motor Company. Deadline for the purchase of state licenses is February 1.

PLANS FOR CUB PACK ARE TOLD

Class For Mothers of Prospective Cubs To Be Taught January 3, 4 and 5

SPONSORED BY CHURCH

A Cub Scout pack, Pack number 1, will be sponsored early in the year by the Elkin Presbyterian Church for all boys in Elkin and Jonesville from the ages of 9 through 11.

Since a training course for mothers of prospective Cubs is required, such a class will be taught by James Crow, January 3, 4 and 5 at 7 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Harry H. Hensel, 335 North Bridge Street, who will be host to the group.

The course is designed to prepare mothers to work with the boys in their weekly meetings according to the National Cub Scout program.

Joe Gwyn Bivins will serve as cub master for the Pack number 1. The troop committee is composed of Linville Hendren, chairman, T. C. McKnight, Hoke F. Henderson, and the Rev. Ralph Ritchie.

"It is hoped that because of this type of sponsoring, that the cubs will enjoy a year-round program," Mr. Ritchie said. All mothers who would like for their boys to be Cubs have been requested to get in touch with Mr. Ritchie at Elkin telephone 464 in order that an estimate of the number of dens to make up a pack can be made.

ELKIN ON NEW HIGHWAY MAIL

Operation Of Two New Road Post Offices Go Into Effect February 4 and 5

GREENSBORO TERMINAL

Elkin will be included on the operation of one of the two highway postoffices which will use Greensboro as a terminus, J. B. McGee, district superintendent for the Railway Mail Service, announced this week.

The two routes, the Greensboro-Boone route and the Greensboro-Warsaw route, will begin operations February 4 and 5. Elkin will be on the Boone route.

The highway post office run from Greensboro to Boone will include stops at Guilford, Kernersville, Winston-Salem, Yadkinville, Booneville, Elkin, Ronda, Roaring River, North Wilkesboro, Halls Mills, McGrady, Laurel Springs, Transou, Wagoner, Jefferson, West Jefferson and Todd.

The motorized post office will begin its run at 3:30 a. m. each day except Sunday. The conveyance will arrive in Boone at 10:45 a. m. It will leave Boone at 1:45 p. m., and arrive in Greensboro at 9 p. m.

WAC Recruiter To Be Here Jan. 3 and 4

Cpl. Hazel Conrad, WAC, non-commissioned recruiting officer for the High Point District, will be at the Elkin Post Office from 1 p. m., January 3, to 12 noon, January 4 to interview women for the Army or Air Forces.

Corporal Conrad will explain the advantages offered to women by the Army and Air Forces, and the technical schools available, which include dental technician, laboratory technician, control tower operator, administrative and others.

Women must be a high school graduate or its equivalent, between the ages of 18 and 35, single and with no dependents.

ELKIN CHARITY DRIVE TOTALS \$449.50 CASH

Few Volunteers Help As Citizens Give Generously
MUCH CLOTHING, FOOD

George Farah, Committee Chairman Takes Lead In Work For Ministers

RECIPIENTS THANKFUL

Donations in Elkin's Community Christian Charity drive amounted to a total of \$449.50, much clothing and food as the needy in this area were helped to a joyful Christmas.

Tribune staff members expressed thanks to volunteer workers who helped Mr. Farah in the rush period of distribution. The few who helped abandoned shopping and other usual pre-Christmas tasks to spend much of their day in the basement of the Tribune building assorting the material.

It is commendable that Elkin's response to the drive amounted to a value of more than 20 cents per person for the town's population when clothing and food donations are estimated with cash contributions.

Funds received were not exhausted during the Yule season but will be used for the continued aid of needy throughout the coming year.

The Rev. George Farah, chairman of the Charity Committee, took the lead among the group of pastors selected by the ministerial association to handle the work. The Rev. R. G. Wells, Jonesville, helped in the assorting and distribution of food baskets along with other volunteers, Mrs. Joe Gwyn Bivins, Mrs. William T. Roth, secretary and treasurer of the committee, Grace Laffoon, of the Tribune, and Mrs. Charles Dixon.

Recipients of the charity aid appeared grateful for the gifts. Some thanked the distributors profusely. Said one, "God sends good things by good people."

The Cash and Carry Grocery sold food wholesale as did the

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CHATHAM ASKS FOR HOUSE JOB

New Congressman Says He Has No Plans For Originating Legislation Yet

GOES TO CAPITOL SOON

Thurmond Chatham, the Fifth District's new congressman, said last week he had requested membership on the House Armed Services Committee during the session beginning next month.

Mr. Chatham, who is chairman of the board of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, has maintained a continuing interest in the nation's armed services since he joined the navy in World War I. During World War II, he served in the navy again, being released after a long tour of duty in the Pacific.

He said he has no plans yet for originating legislation. "I'll be a freshman up there," he said, "learning my way around."

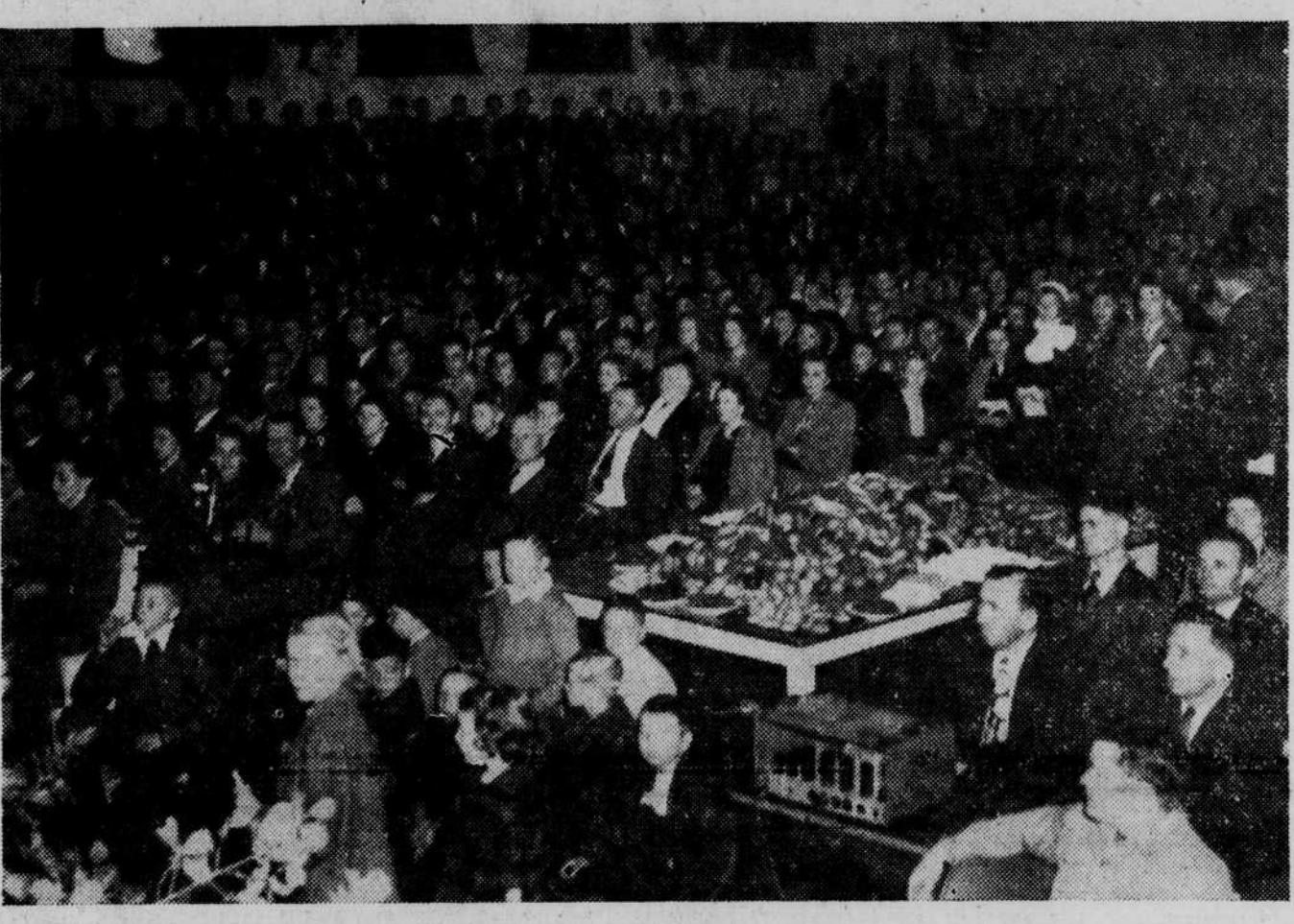
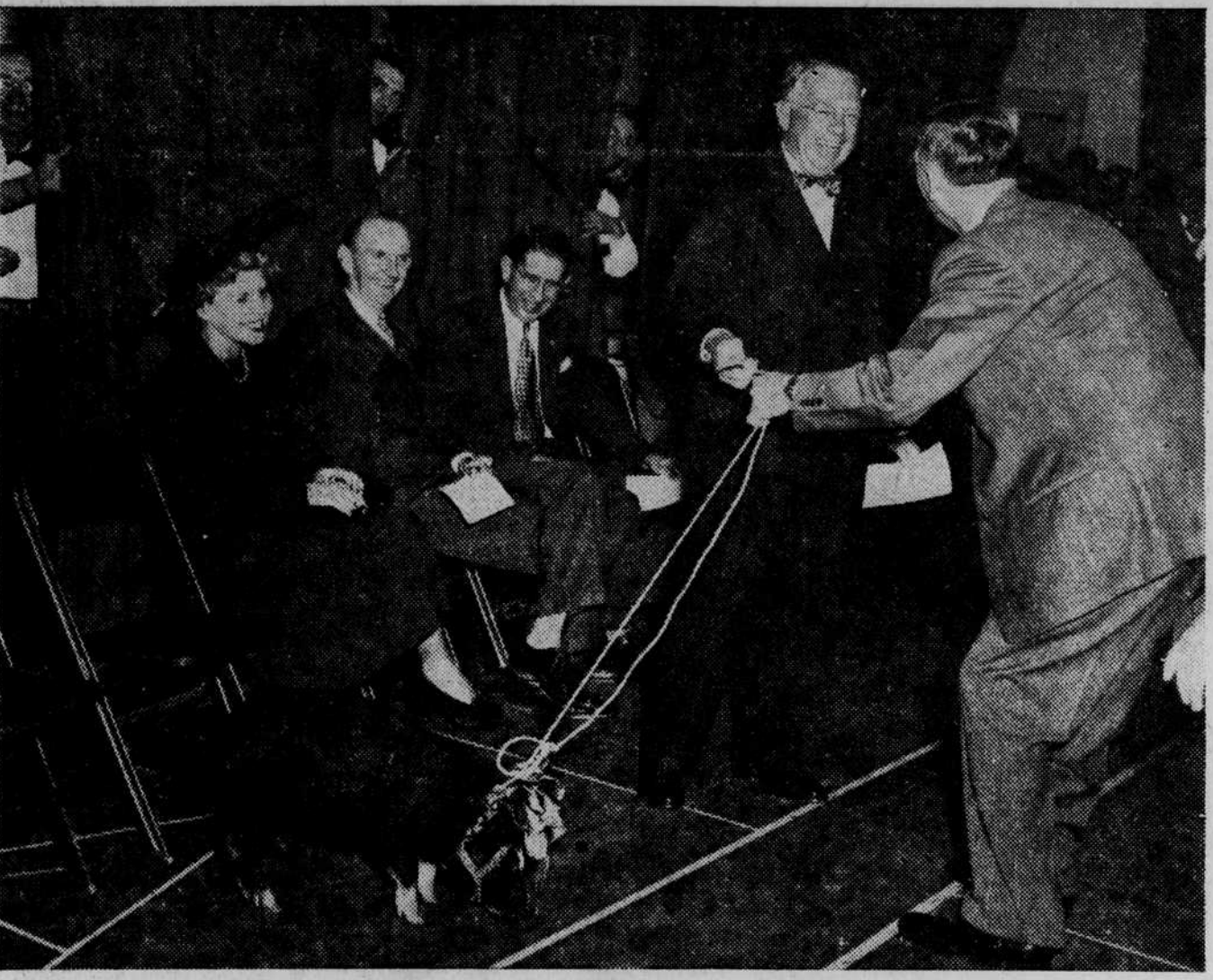
Representative Chatham said he and Mrs. Chatham and their son, Dick Chatham, a recent graduate of the University of North Carolina, would take an apartment in Washington. They will go to the nation's capital after the holiday season.

Gwyn Service Held At North Wilkesboro

Funeral service for R. W. Gwyn, of North Wilkesboro, was held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the First Methodist Church of North Wilkesboro. Dr. Gilbert Combs, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Mount Lawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Gwyn local industrial and civic leader, died at his home Christmas Eve. He suffered a cerebral hemorrhage December 10, from which he never regained consciousness.

He had been connected with the North Wilkesboro bank for more than 50 years.



THURMOND CHATHAM WINS PORKER AT CHRISTMAS PARTY — Each year the Chatham Manufacturing Company entertains its 2,500 employees at a Christmas party staged in the gymnasium of the YMCA, and this year was no exception as bonus checks were distributed to workers and a fine little pig to Thurmond Chatham, chairman of the board of directors of the company, and congressman-elect from the 5th district, (top photo), who is pictured above turning the custody of the little critter over to T. C. McKnight (back to camera). Others shown in photo are, sitting, left to right, Mrs. Chatham, President Albert L. Butler, and General Superintendent R. W. Harris. Interested spectators peep from behind the stage curtains. Bottom photo is a partial view of the huge throng which crowded the auditorium to be entertained by the Briarhoppers, of WBT, Charlotte, and the Chatham Ramblers. One of the many huge table of fruit is pictured in foreground.

LEAF PER ACRE RECORD IS SET

Volume Actually Smaller But Cut In Acreage Makes Way For New Mark

EXPECT EQUAL TO LINT

Raleigh. — North Carolina produced more flue-cured tobacco per acre this year than at any previous time in its history and is expected to equal the all-time record in cotton production, the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service said today.

The flue-cured tobacco crop totaled 746,300,000 pounds, actually 17.8 per cent below 1947, but the government had reduced acreage by 27.52 per cent. So the crop averaged 1,236 pounds, bettering by 91 pounds the previous record of 1,145 pounds set in 1947.

This was the final report for the tobacco crop, but complete figures are not yet available on the cotton crop. The crop reporting service forecast, however, that production will total 680,000 bales of 500 pounds each, an average of 454 pounds per acre, which equals the record set in 1944. This is 10,000 bales below the November forecast.

The service also reported that peanut production this year hit 350,000,000 pounds in North Carolina, averaging 1,225 pounds to the acre, or 185 pounds better than last year. The corn crop fell below earlier estimates and averaged only 31 bushels to the acre, falling to reach an expected 33 bushels or to equal the record of 31.5 bushels set last year. In all, the corn crop amounted to 69,006,000 bushels.

Irish potato production amounted to 10,508,000 bushels, the fourth highest production on record; the sweet potato crop of 5,635,000 bushels is up 2 per cent over last year; and the small grain crop is down 28.6 per cent, the crop reporting service said.

Year's Receipts, Yule Rush Set Post Office Mark

The heaviest Christmas mail ever in Elkin climaxed what Postmaster J. F. Moseley described as the "biggest year in history" for the local post office.

Approximately 20,000 pieces of mail per day were estimated for the volume during the Christmas season.

Postal receipts for 1948 were between \$45,000 and \$50,000, Mr. Moseley declared. "We are looking to an even greater year in 1949," he added.

Six carriers and clerks were taken on to the post office staff for the rush which included a big parcel post increase, making it also the largest on record for the post office.

"To the contrary of popular belief, our task during the Yule season was enjoyable," he concluded. "We were glad to have been able to play a part in spreading the Christmas joy."

Still And Two Men Taken By Officers

Two Yadkin men, Clyde and Clarence Robbins, of Buck Shoals Township, were arrested Thursday when they were caught at a still raided by the sheriff's office.

New Deputy Named For Knobs Section

A new Deputy Sheriff has been appointed to serve in Knobs Township, Sheriff Bill Moxley said yesterday.

He is W. P. Ingram, who was sworn in as a Deputy about two weeks ago.

PROPERTY LIST MUST BE MADE

Tax Supervisor Names Holdings Subject To Taxation Beginning January 1

PENALTY FOR FAILING

Real and personal property listings of possessions held January 1, must be listed during the coming month for the purpose of taxation, J. Pate Fulk, tax supervisor for Surry County, said yesterday.

Returns of all real estate, buildings, and improvements, machinery, fixtures, merchandise in stocks, and goods in process of manufacture are required, Mr. Fulk said.

Also such items as farm machinery, household furniture, office furniture, office equipment, jewelry, automobiles, aeroplanes and livestock, should be listed along with all dogs for special as well as ad valorem taxation.

Penalty for failure to list before the tax-listing period ends shall be 10 per cent of tax levied, Mr. Fulk declared. Failure to list is a misdemeanor by law.

Tax lists and places of listings may be found in an ad on page two, section two of this newspaper.

Surry Man Posts Bond In Criminal Assault

William J. Thomas, 33, was released from the Mount Airy jail this week after posting a \$300 bond on a charge of criminally assaulting a 12-year-old Surry County girl.

The alleged assault against Mary Ruth Chappel occurred Sunday, November 28.

Local power systems financed by REA added between 475,000 and 495,000 new consumers during 1948. This is by far the largest total ever connected in one year by REA borrowers.

Yule Season Is Observed Quietly Here

Elkin Livestock Market Reopens Thursday, Jan. 6

The Elkin Livestock Market, now under new management, will have its formal opening, Thursday, Jan. 6, at 3 p. m. Sales will be held each Thursday at 3 p. m., thereafter, under Bub Price, yard manager, and Paul J. Brown, office manager.

Town Renews Work In Hum Of Industry

Christmas was observed quietly in Elkin.

The rush of pre-Christmas settled down this week to the blue aftermath which usually follows the Yule season.

Stock inventories began a post-Christmas sales went on in many of the downtown stores. The hum of industry resumed and Chatham's 2,500 employees returned to work today (Thursday).

Elkin Furniture Company, the town's second largest industry, will resume operations Monday.

The Elkin Merchants Association announced yesterday that stores here would commence closing January 5 on Wednesday afternoons and would continue closing the same time each week until September 4.

The Bank of Elkin will be closed all day Saturday, New Year's Day.

All other business firms, State offices, and the Bank of Elkin went back into business Tuesday.

Traffic during the few shopping days left before Christmas was probably the heaviest ever here for any extended period, but Police Chief Corbett Wall said yesterday, "It was the quietest season I've seen in 11 years here."

Snow pelted down during Christmas eve and Christmas, but not to the extent that one could term a "White Christmas."

Some snow and sleet began falling about the time most Elkinites were having their coffee on the morning of the 24th. Continued light downfall remained until early afternoon, followed by cold rains and more sleet during the night. On Christmas morning a heavy snowfall visited the section, followed by a clearing which then turned into extreme coldness.

Chatham entertained its employees with an annual Christmas party Thursday and paid the highest bonus in the history of the company.

And children celebrated the season in Elkin as all over the United States in much the same spirit as is depicted in books and movies. With an exceptional good wage-earning year, parents were able to afford a better Santa Claus than usual.

And speaking of Santa, the old boy had a rough time here and everywhere.

In Seattle, a little boy who wanted to make sure he would get the things he so desired, scolded Santa for not bringing his scratch pad along. "I won't forget," the

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YOUTH CENTER TO OPEN SOON

Jonesville And Elkin Hi-Y And Tri-Hi-Y Clubs Sponsor Recreation Room

AT GILVIN ROTH YMCA

The Youth Center being completed downstairs at the Gilvin Roth YMCA will be open soon and a definite schedule will be assigned for those eligible to use the room.

The Center is sponsored by the Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y clubs of Jonesville and Elkin for members of the high schools of each town.

Different groups will be assigned nights for participation in recreation and the Center will be open every week-day night.

Mary Ellen Harvell, director of girls work at the "Y" said yesterday that a record player and a piano is being sought by the YMCA for use in the Center and if anyone is interested in donating or lending either to the project, the service would be appreciated.

If anyone is interested in giving either or permitting the use of either, they should get in touch with T. C. McKnight, general secretary of the YMCA, she said.

BODIES OF 75 COMING HOME

Remains of North Carolina Heroes Being Returned Aboard Transport

SIX FROM THIS AREA

Remains of 74 North Carolina World War II dead, who were originally interred in temporary military cemeteries in France, Belgium, Holland, and Luxembourg, are being returned to the United States aboard the U. S. Army transport "Barney Kirschbaum."

After arrival of the "Barney Kirschbaum" at the New York Port of Embarkation, from two to five weeks will elapse before the Atlanta distribution center will be able to advise the next of kin when they may expect to receive the remains of their loved ones.

Each next of kin will be notified in advance of the arrival of the "Barney Kirschbaum" in New York, and again after arrival of the remains at the Atlanta distribution center of the American Graves Registration Service.

Six, whose next of kin live in Surry, Yadkin and Wilkes counties, will be brought home on the transport. They are as follows:

Pvt. Isaac L. Edwards, Mount Airy; Pfc. Ira A. Nelson, Jonesville; T/Sgt. James R. Church, North Wilkesboro; Pvt. Fred O. Davis, North Wilkesboro; Pvt. Aubrey C. Diamond, Wilkesboro; and Pfc. Roy F. McCollum, Yadkinville.

T. B. Fund Drive Still Continuing

Dr. William Wood of Yadkinville said yesterday he was still seeking contributions for the Yadkin County Tuberculosis fund.

Response to the annual drive which includes the sale of Christmas Seals has been good, Dr. Wood stated, but has not yet reached the goal set for the county.

The drive will close next week.

WEDDING TRIP ENDS IN DEATH

Miss Bettie Sue Hall, 16, Dies of Injuries Received In Auto Wreck

ON WAY TO BE MARRIED

The holiday wedding trip of Miss Bettie Sue Hall, 16, of Halls Mills, Wilkes County, ended in death Saturday night at Staunton, Va., from injuries received in an auto accident near there Christmas morning.

Her fiancée, Burton Edwards of Whitehead, Alleghany County, was critically hurt and in the hospital at Staunton.

Ernest Cleary of Sparta, driver of the car which carried the wedding party, was slightly injured. The car skidded on icy pavement, hit another car and overturned.

Others in the car were Cleary's wife, her twin sister, Miss Elsie Edwards of Whitehead, who was also critically hurt and is in a Staunton hospital.

J. W. Hall, father of the accident victim, said that they had with them a marriage license for the State of Maryland. They had intended to be married in Maryland and visit relatives in Washington, D. C., it was said.