CAPITAL CLIPBOARD

Food Tax Fight Failed To Develop; What To Call "State" Main Issue

By EULA N. GREENWOOD | somebody (?) rattled the pitch-|driver. "Son", he said, "I guess

NEVER KNOW . . . A year ago everybody was saying that the BIG FIGHT in the 1963 General Assembly would be over the recently enacted food tax. It was easy to make such a prediction, for the item touches the pulse and pocketbook of every living person in North

But on the food tax there is no fight whatever. Instead, there is an all-out battle over what to call N. C. State College and so far this is the hottest item to hit the solons this year. Not food, but words.

Truly, as Fats Waller used to say, "One never know, do one?" Or to go from the ridiculous to the sublime: Man does not live by bread alone-.

THE WORD . . . The Sanford administration was haunted by the word "university"
... not "victuals." Everywhere
it turned, it seemed, "thine
ears shall hear a word behind

Yes, and to the front of thee! administration may be able to muster the strength to keep N. C. State College from being renamed "N. C. State University". But, in winning

AHEAD ... New car sales in North Carolina and in the nation are running ahead of last year, In March, new autos in this State totaled 13,734 as against 12,331 for the same nonth in 1962.

Although Ford is gaining fast on Chevrolet, it is still in second place, followed by Pon-tiac, Buick, Oldsmobile, and Falcon-in that order.

NOW 36 . . . In answer to a recent question, we are glad to report that this column is now being printed in 36 good news-papers. Our latest addition: Wallace Enterprise, in Duplin County. Total column circula-

SIGNS . . . Now that the legislators have their own indivi-dual private offices, one is able to get glimpses of their per-sonalities through photos, spec-ial books, mementos, and max-

One will have a picture of his son in the Air Corps. At least one member has a big beautiful painting of an ancestor on his wall. Then there are family

A sign on one office wall reads as follows: "A year ago I could not even spell lejislater. Now I are one.'

Another: "It's getting hard-er and harder to support the Government in the style to which it has become accustom-

BIBLICAL DEACS . . . One reason the Wake Forest base-ball team is again leading the Atlantic Coast Conference:

team have these names: Norell, Israel, and Scripture.

All of which recalls some old saw about a Biblical baseball game to the efefct that "Eve stole first, Adam stole second,

er, and the prodigal son made a home run."

SOMEBODY ELSE . . . Who gets the most mail in North Carolina? Now before you have even read this far, you should know the answer. It's the N. C. Revenue Department, of course, those champion wool-gatherers.

In fact, they get so much mail that—if there is any doubt in the post office about where a letter should go-it winds up in the State tax office.

This may come as a surprise to you, but it's true: The N. C. Revenue Department receives so much mail-particularly in April—that many of its em-ployes have at their elbow a stamp which reads: "NOT FOR N. C. REVENUE DEPT." Saves

NOW AND THEN . Speaking of taxes, we saw the other day that in 1939 a married man with two children and a gross income of \$25,000 paid the Federal Government about \$1,700 in income and social security taxes. Today, this same man would have to gross over \$78,000 to have the equivalent

purchasing power.

Taxes would take \$28,000 of this \$78,000—and dollar depreciation would take another \$27,000. Also, a worker with a gross income of \$3,000 in 1939 rould have to earn \$7,300 in 1963 to maintain his 1939 purchasing power.

But, off the record, we still much prefer 1963 over

HOLD IT! . . . One afternoon last week this State College boy roared his as-long-as-fromhere-to-the-front - door convertible into this Raleigh service

station and yelled: "Filler up!" The attendant put the hose into the tank and stood loking at the meter as the gas flooded into the tank. After a little while of this, he slowly made his way around the car to the

Oakland, Calif.-When three taxi drivers saw a man break the window of a jewelry store, they started the motors, trapped the man against a wall, and yelled for the police.

The arresting patroln charged Glen Adams with attempted burglary when he found several items missing from the store in his pockets.



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Know The Weather

By E. H. SIMS

In summer, what can you learn by noting the height of

The height of summer cumu-lus clouds gives you an import-ant weather clue. In the coming mer months you might want NOTES . . . Although George to take advantage of this wea Uzzell of Rowan County and Jim Vogler of Mecklenburg ther omen in making the day's

have served more terms in the House, Speaker Clifton Blue of Moore County holds the record If the morning's early clouds are low, that means there is a considerable amount of moisture in the air, because the day's updrafts or thermals are not rising very high before We would say that Sen. Perry Martin of Rich Square, young-est man in the State Senate, is they turn into visible moisture droplets.

Chances of rain are better (from thundershowers) than if clouds form at a great height, which will be an indication that there is not as much moisture in the air-since condensation is not taking place as

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will. . . Legislators are sick,

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