

# THE ZEBULON RECORD

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## Governor Umstead to Speak At Dedication of New Armory

Governor William B. Umstead and Major General John Hall Manning will be the featured speakers at the dedication of the new Zebulon National Guard armory. The ceremonies will be held Tuesday, February 9, with an open house at three in the afternoon and continuing through a dance beginning at nine o'clock in the evening.

Plans for the event were announced yesterday by Captain Barrie Davis, commander of Battery A, Zebulon's Guard unit.

### Named Davis Armory

The Zebulon armory has been designated as The Davis Armory by the North Carolina Armory Commission, in honor of First Lieutenant Eric F. Davis, who was killed in action on January 4, 1942, in Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lt. Davis was the first Zebulon soldier killed in action in World War II, and was the son of the Rev. Theo.

B. Davis and the late Mrs. Davis. Governor Umstead will make a brief address at four o'clock during the dedication ceremony, to which the public is invited.

### Supper for Guardsmen

A supper will be given for members of the Battery and their guests at 6:30 in the armory. General Manning, the Adjutant General of the State of North Carolina, will speak following the supper, and recognition will be paid those who have assisted in the work of the local National Guard unit and in obtaining the armory.

Following the supper, the famed 94th Army Band of Raleigh, commanded by CWO Millard Burt, will be presented in concert. The entire community is invited to attend the concert. The 94th Army Band appeared in Zebulon last fall at the Farmer's Day.

A dance, open to the public, will be held following the concert. May-

or Worth Hinton has volunteered to head a committee to obtain a small orchestra to play for the dance.

According to Captain Robert E. Sheldon, inspector for the North Carolina National Guard, the Zebulon armory is the "best built under the current program in North Carolina."

The armory is equipped with an indoor rifle range, offices, classrooms, supply rooms, locker, kitchen, and a large auditorium. It has 13,600 square feet of floor space and is heated by an oil-fired hot water system.

### Organized in 1949

Battery A was organized in 1949 as part of the 113th Field Artillery Battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Edward Yarborough of Louisburg. Other units of the battalion are located at Louisburg, Youngsville, Roxboro and Dunn.

At the present time the battery is using the rear of the old water plant for an armory. It plans to move into the new armory about February 1, according to Unit Administrator Johnsey P. Arnold.

### Increased Enlistments

The construction of the new armory has resulted in greatly increased enlistments in the battery here.

Men who have enlisted since December 1 include Grady L. Driver, Cortex M. Lewis, Willie K. Price, Douglas P. Ray, Clinton R. Carlyle, and John L. Strickland.

Lt. June E. Routh, Lt. Amos G. Hensen, and Lt. Max I. Lloyd have joined the unit as officers. All are graduates of the Ft. Sill, Okla., artillery school.

### Eligible to Join

Men 17 to 18½ years of age are eligible to join the battery. Men older than 18½ with prior military service are eligible to enlist in grade if qualified.

## SPEAKERS FOR ARMORY DEDICATION



Major General John Hall Manning (left), Adjutant General of the State of North Carolina, and Governor William B. Umstead (right) will be the featured speakers for the dedication of Zebulon's National Guard armory on Tuesday, February 9. Governor Umstead will speak at the dedication exercises in the afternoon, and General Manning will speak at a supper for National Guardsmen and their guests.

## Garment Factory Assured For Zebulon Community

Grading on the site of the new garment manufacturing plant to be erected here will begin in the immediate future, according to Louis Rosenstock, president of the Southern Enterprise, Inc., affiliated with General Sportswear Company of Ellenville, New York, and Rosenstock unit.

The brick building, which will contain 34,000 square feet of space, will be erected on Highway 264 at the eastern edge of Zebulon on land purchased from Avon Privett.

The Zebulon plant will be the third that Rosenstock and his associates operate in this part of North Carolina. Plants already are in operation in Wendell and Spring Hope.

### Final Arrangements

Final financial arrangements were made this week for the building. Zebulon citizens contributed over \$10,000 toward the cost of the factory, and notes were signed for an additional \$20,000 by people of the community.

C. V. Whitley, who headed the local group working to bring the manufacturing plant here, said that "just about every merchant of Zebulon and a number of other citizens provided material help in obtaining this new industry for our town and all are to be congratulated."

Other committee members who worked on the project are H. C. Wade and Thomas Monk. Both were working on the Community Building project of the Finer Carolina contest when the opportunity for the manufacturing plant presented itself.

It is expected that the Zebulon plant will employ at least 250 people. Officials hope to have it in operation by late summer.

## Bev Asbury Named Head Of Finer Carolina Group

Bev. A. Asbury, popular pastor of the Zebulon Baptist Church, will lead the community during 1954 in its effort to capture some of the \$6,750.00 prize money offered by Carolina Power and Light Company in its Finer Carolina Contest. He was elected chairman of the Finer Carolina Steering Committee during a special meeting held Tuesday night in the Woman's Club.

### Succeeds Ed Hales

The new chairman succeeds Ed Hales, who gave a report on the work completed during the year he headed the steering committee.

Ralph Talton, manager of the Zebulon district office of Carolina Power and Light Company, opened the meeting with an explanation of the Finer Carolina Contest. He said that his company's motive was "selfish" in that more power could be sold to progressive towns and communities, and the Finer Carolina Contest is developing more progressive places to live.

In addition to the prizes offered towns, farmers can compete for \$2,800.00 in cash prizes for work in soil and water conservation on their farms.

Prize winners in the 1953 will be announced next month, Talton said. The purchase of a rural fire

## \$100 Gift Is Made By Bureau Auxiliary

The Zebulon Farm Bureau Auxiliary gave \$100.00 this week to the Zebulon Rural Fire Department, Inc., to help pay off the notes on the truck. This contribution is in addition to a \$400.00 contribution already made by the Zebulon Farm Bureau.

The meeting of the Farm Bureau and Auxiliary planned for last Monday night was postponed because of the dangerous road conditions resulting from the sleet and snow. The date for the meeting will be announced later, according to Robert Ed Horton.

truck by the Zebulon community should place the town high in the running for a prize this year, he added.

A discussion on the worth of the Finer Carolina Contest showed that those present believed a great deal of good has been derived during the past two years. C. V. Whitley said that he believed both the community park and the new factory building would have been established here without the Finer Carolina Contest, but the organization and prizes initiated by the contest have been the cause of other important accomplishments here.

Others nominated as candidates of the Steering Committee were

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## DR. W. AMOS ABRAMS TO SPEAK

## Fathers' Influence Middlesex PTA Subject

The often ignored or glossed-over influence of the father on his offspring will be the subject of an address by Dr. W. Amos Abrams, noted Tar Heel educator, speaker to the Middlesex Parent-Teachers' Association Monday evening, January 18.

Using as his title, "The Father's Influence on His Child," Dr. Abrams, who is editor of the N. C. Education, organ of the N. C. Education Association, will stress the importance of the relationship between the father and both his sons and daughters, a subject often neglected, and whose role, Dr. Abrams will state, is much more important than is often recognized in the life of his children.

"A child must feel that he is loved by his father," asserted Dr. Abrams, "and yet it is sometimes difficult to convey this affection to the child."

"The child is influenced more than he realizes, however—and this influence, though having no immediate demonstration, frequently expresses itself when a

parent least expects it," Dr. Abrams said.

The educator said that through his subject he hopes to also remind fathers of some of their obligations to their children, and also he intends to use his address as a vehicle to present his ideas concerning some of the most pressing problems facing the school world today.

Dr. Abrams became editor of the professional education magazine in 1946, coming to this post from Appalachian State Teachers' College where he had been chairman of the Department of English since 1942.

A native of Edgecombe County, Dr. Abrams is a graduate of both

Duke University and Cornell University. He received his Doctorate degree in education at Cornell after receiving his bachelor's degree at Duke.

Before he went to Appalachian he taught in the public schools of this State for three years. His work at the Teachers' College at Boone and his reputation both as an educator and writer were largely influential in his being chosen to edit the state teachers' magazine.

### Active Lions Member

While at Boone Dr. Abrams was very active in the Lions Club of that city, being a charter member of it. After serving as secretary and president of the Boone club, he moved up to become zone chairman, deputy district governor, and district governor.

He also has served for two years as president of the N. C. Folklore Society and of the N. C. English Teachers Association for one year. He is a Mason, member of Phi Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa, and he now lives in Raleigh with his wife and one child.

