

LYNN NISBET:

Around Capitol Square

CAPITOL — Every citizen of North Carolina is proud of the State capitol building. Visitors from other states are charmed by its atmosphere of graceful dignity. Present day architects and contractors study its construction as a model of near perfection in obtaining strength without loss of beauty. Any proposal to change its architectural lines or add to the building meets violent protest. It is a thing of beauty, an inspiration to strive for the ideal, a visible symbol of the permanent stability of State Government. But—for practical purposes of the executive and legislative departments of that government it is entirely outmoded. It met the needs of the state when more than 110 years ago and when the population was three quarters of a million. It is utterly inadequate to serve more than four million people.

JAMMED — The first floor is occupied by executive offices of the Governor, the Secretary of State, the State Auditor and the State Treasurer. Each of these departments have auxiliary offices scattered among half a dozen other office buildings, and even with that overflow provision the capitol offices are jammed so that assistants and clerks cannot do most efficient work. The legislative halls upstairs are scarcely large enough and House of Representatives, much for seating members of the Senate less provide for working room for clerks and stenographers, or for citizens of the state who come to Raleigh to see the General Assembly in action. Most serious handicap now is in facilities for newspaper, radio, television and camera reporters. Numerous conferences with the powers that be have obtained nothing more than the promise that effort will be made to take care of newsmen during the next session in half the space assigned them for several years past—which was entirely inadequate for decent news coverage, so that people of the state might know what their legislators are doing.

NEW BUILDING — It seems inevitable that before many years a new building must be erected for the General Assembly and its auxiliary agencies. The assemblies of the past have appropriated money to provide adequate space—adequate at the time provided, at least, though in many instances now outgrown—for the Supreme Court and the Departments of Agriculture, Education, Highways, Justice and Revenue. Educational institutions have been accorded liberal treatment. But the Legislature from year to year has been reluctant to take care of itself. The matter cannot be much longer neglected without serious detriment to efficient operation.

CHAMPION — The Proposal for a new legislative and administrative building has a strong champion in the person of Senator R. E. Little of Anson. He will not be in the senate next time because of rotation in his district, but while in Raleigh over the weekend sponsoring one of the debutantes, he took occasion to talk to several people about the idea of a new building. He thinks that would be a highly appropriate place to put some of the much vaunted "surplus" money accumulated in the general fund account. A building with decent working space for the General Assembly, including committee meetings and offices for presiding officers, and which also furnish quarters for top executive officers other than the Governor, could be built at a cost ranging from two to five million dollars. Senator Little is of the opinion that amount might easily be saved in one session of a General Assembly dealing in biennial budgets rapidly approaching the billion dollar level, by providing adequate surroundings in which to consider the legislation.

UNTOUCHABLE — The Anson legislator is not brash enough to think the people of the State will tolerate much monkeying with the idea of leaving it as it is, maintaining the present assembly rooms as historic memorials. That idea does not contemplate cluttering up the place with historical exhibits. Let the halls as they are and have been remain, not as place for exhibits, but as themselves constituting the "exhibit".

REGISTRATION — There is only one requirement for eligibility to vote in North Carolina in the upcoming general election on November 4. That is to have your name properly entered on a precinct registration book. All the statutes about having to be 21 or over, have to live in the state or precinct for a specified time, being able to read and write, and all the other stuff about qualifications for voting, really have to do with eligibility to register. A citizen may have all of those qualifications and more, but unless his or her name is properly on the registration book there is no chance to vote. If the name is properly on the precinct book and is not challenged, the voter has nothing to worry about on election day except to decide how to mark the ballot.

DATES — Point is, that while November 4 is the great day of decision for the people of the United States, it is not so significant for North Carolinians as the dates beginning at nine o'clock on the morning of October 11 and ending at sundown on October 25. On the

three Saturdays—October 11, 18, and 25—the registrar is required to be at the designated voting place with the registration book from 9 o'clock till sundown. Other times the prospective voter must seek out the registrar at home or business place. When the sun goes down on October 25 the jig is up for everybody not properly registered.

WARNING — From the voter's standpoint emphasis is on the word "properly." Every election year there are thousands of disappointed citizens who find they are not "properly" registered, although they may have been voting for years. Registration and voting in a municipal election, or a special election on ABC stores or beer and wine or for a special tax levy or bond issue, does not mean "proper" registration for the general election. Neither does long time voting in precincts which have had complete new registrations ordered within the past few years do any good this time. Only safe thing is for every citizen to check with his or her precinct registrar during the period the books are open and make sure about "proper" registration.

Mansion Regained By Showman Rose

NEW YORK, (AP)—Showman Billy Rose claimed victory today in his latest battle with his estranged wife, swimmer Eleanor Holm. He has recaptured the Beekman Place mansion. The bantam Barnum had been yearning to reenter his town house since last October, when Miss Holm changed the lock on the door.

VIA BASEMENT — Rose slipped into the mansion via the basement Saturday night while Miss Holm, from whom he is legally separated, was out of town. He said he was dismayed because someone had taken his collection of antique silver. Miss Holm flew in from Miami Sunday night and tried to enter about "proper" registration.

the mansion. The key wouldn't fit the lock in the front door.

"This is my home and I intend to enter it," she told three private eyes hired by Rose to guard the door.

"Let her try it," Sidney Struble, one of Rose's attorney's, said.

"The locks have all been changed." "This is another example of my husband's usual gallantry," Miss Holm said.

Walter Beck, an attorney who accompanied Miss Rose to the mansion, said there wasn't a "damn thing" to Rose's charge that someone took his antique silver.

After Miss Holm drove away, Struble reentered the mansion for a conference with Rose. About 20

minutes later, one of Rose's spokesman gave newsmen this statement: "Mrs. Rose arrived at 10 p. m. sharp and by a strange coincidence there were 50 photographers and reporters on hand to greet her. She arrived empty handed. Had she driven up in a moving van

with the 625 valuable items of art that vanished so mysteriously from my house, I probably would have admitted her."

TARBORO. — E. B. Draughan, Route 1, Whitakers, is using sulfa drugs to bring late lambs out of

their usual slump, according to Edward M. Jones, assistant Edgecombe County agent for the State College Extension Service.

Draughan treated three lambs and left four untreated as a check. He reports the treated lambs are a little more lively.



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