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## REASON FOR CAUTION



Driver of the car in the ditch failed to yield the right-of-way, even to an ambulance. He ran through a plainly visible stop sign, directly into the path of the ambulance, and was knocked across the road. Driver was killed, and a passenger was injured. Emergency vehicles always have the right-of-way—but at other times, too, it pays to be courteous at intersections. Failure to grant right-of-way ranked second as a cause of motor vehicle deaths in 1946. National Conservation Bureau advises: when in doubt, always yield the right-of-way.

## Wake County Rural Schools Will Open on September 1st

Wake County schools will open for the 1948-49 year on September 1, unless the opening is delayed by health authorities because of the polio epidemic, Principal Fred Smith announced yesterday.

No statement relative to the school opening has yet been made by Dr. A. C. Bulla, Wake health officer, although other authorities have declared the polio peak is now passed.

The largest first grade enrollment in ten years is expected, ac-

ording to a statement by Superintendent Randolph Benton of the Wake County system. 'War babies' totaling 1,030 attended the Wake County pre-school clinics, Mr. Benton said, and most of them are expected to enter the first grades. Compared with last year's 401 student graduates from the county schools, this year's total number of graduates is expected to be approximately 1,000. The total average enrollment last year was 14,323.

Wakelon School has virtually its entire teaching staff selected for the 1948-49 term, although no coaching selection has been made. Mrs. Dewey Massey, lunchroom manager, Mrs. Pattie Harris, teacherage manager, and J. W. Bowling, janitor, will all return this fall.

One new building addition, an annex to the vocational agriculture structure, has been completed during the summer.

### Sings Role of Mercedes

Mrs. Frank Kemp sang last Sunday evening at nine o'clock over WRAL as guest solosit for the Raleigh Opera and Concert Group. Mrs. Kemp will sing the role of Mercedes in the opera, Carmen, to be presented by the group in the Little Theatre, Raleigh, in early fall.

## Funeral Services Held For Mrs. O. B. Parrish

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Hales Chapel Church for Mrs. Ruby Barham Parrish and her infant son, both of whom died in Rex Hospital Tuesday. The Rev. J. N. Stancil conducted the services and burial was in the church cemetery.

Survivors besides her husband, Otis B. Parrish, include four daughters, Mrs. R. W. Watkins, of Zebulon, Rachel, Shirley, and Joyce of the home; six sons, Percy of the Army, William Earl, Gene, George, James, and Bill of the home; her mother, Mrs. W. J. Barham of Richmond, Va., two sisters, Alma and Pinkie of Richmond; two brothers, Milton Barham of Zebulon, Rt. 1, and W. T. Barham of Wendell.

## EULA NIXON GREENWOOD:

### Raleigh Roundup

**KINGS AND BEAUTY QUEENS**  
—In this land of the plunging neckline and the bare midriff, it is a lowly hamlet indeed which does not have one or more beauty queens these days.

Speaking at the Peach Festival held in Rockingham last week, J. M. Broughton, cutting a twinkling eye at the queens assembled there, reminded them that one of the first beauty contests of which we have any history occurred while King David lay on his death bed. As usual, J. Melville knew whereof he spoke. Fact is, he might have added that the serious condition of the man who had ruled with iron hand over Israel for 40 years prompted the search for a comely young woman.

David, even as his son Solomon after him, had an eye for the

beauty in words, wisdom, goodness, and the female form as well. So, as David lay dying, his advisors—see first chapter of First Kings—decided to bring in a young virgin: "and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him."

After quite a search, Abishag was brought in. Although she was very beautiful and did cherish him, David responded not in the least. Well, they knew then and there that David was a goner. Sure enough, 63 verses later "David slept with his fathers," and Solomon ascended the throne.

These modern North Carolina misses may be no great shakes as Abishags, but the response they get from the audience and from the photographers and the papers really puts the young Shunammite of King David's day in the shade.

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## Wake Health Officer Restricts Activities to Halt Poliomyelitis

### Managers of Amusement Centers Are Notified Of Plan for Prevention

By A. C. Bulla, M. D.  
Wake County Health Officer

In an effort to more adequately cope with the increased number of poliomyelitis cases occurring in Wake County, the Wake County Board of Health has adopted an over-all plan of control.

Following the action of the Raleigh City Council, July 19, in closing city swimming pools and recreational facilities, the Raleigh Ministerial Association, on this date, July 22, 1948, called a meeting and passed a resolution to suspend all church activities involving the young age group up to and including 16 years of age.

While this resolution was being passed, the managers of theaters, swimming pools, and other places of recreation were informed of the action of the Board of Health and were notified of the over-all plan of control, and were asked that beginning on Friday, July 23, at 11 o'clock to refuse the admittance of children 16 years of age and under. All who have been contacted have agreed to do so; those who have not yet been contacted will be and will be asked to follow this plan.

The Board of Health is making this action county-wide and will officially notify each manager (Continued on Page 3)

## Negro Family Nearly Trapped In Local Fire

A Negro family narrowly escaped death shortly after 11 o'clock Wednesday night when 8' women and children were nearly trapped in a bedroom of their blazing home.

Lillie Morgan, who owned the dwelling located about a half mile behind the Merry Grove Church, two miles south of Zebulon, her daughter, and six children, were asleep in a front bedroom, when they awoke to find the wallpaper afire and the ceiling smoking.

The family rushed from the room in nightclothes, and was unable to save anything from the blazing building. They were able to dress from clothing hanging on a wash line, and neighbors put them up for the night.

The cause of the fire, which is believed to have started in the kitchen, has not been determined.

## Local Man Receives Commendation of VA

W. L. Bullock of Zebulon was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation by Chief Administrator Carl R. Gray, Jr., of the Veterans Administration, for a suggestion he made regarding more efficient use of the equipment in the hospital at Fort Bragg.

The commendation stated in part that "you are to be commended for your interest in the activities of the Administration Services and for the development of the information which you submitted . . ."

Mr. Bullock's work at the Veterans Hospital is as attendant in charge of issuing equipment.

### Baptist Coed



Bessie Kay Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pink Williams, who is the first Zebulon co-ed to take her entire four years of college work at Wake Forest. A 1948 graduate of the Baptist school, Miss Williams plans to enter medical school this fall.

## Howard Beck, Jr., Is Rotary Club Singer

The Zebulon Rotary Club was treated a variety in its program last Friday night, with Howard Beck of the Club Service Committee speaking about membership, and Ralph Talton and Howard Beck, Jr., providing the entertainment.

The Rotarians were delighted with the younger Beck's singing of "Home on the Range," and "Four Leaf Clover," as he was accompanied by Ralph.

Howard, Sr., brought a very informative talk on the benefits of Rotary Fellowship and what it meant to him in the short time he has lived in Zebulon. In response to his questions, Early Mosser and Vaiden Whitley agreed the fellowship in the club today is as good if not better than it was 15 years ago.

Visitors for the meeting were Roy Liles, Occaneechee Boy Scout Executive, and Frank Horn.

## SEEN AND HEARD:

### Snow Cream in July

A few days ago when most of us were mopping the sweat off our fevered brows, Billy Bunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Bunn, went down to the Colonial Frozen Foods place of business, went to his freezer locker, and took out a container of snow cream which he had prepared last January when all of us were cussing the deep snows all over the place.

As Billy feasted on the delicious cream, which he says was as good as when new, he reasoned that there must be good in everything when the terrible snows of January bring pleasure during the terrible heat of July.

Early Sunday morning J. P. Arnold noticed a strange biplane circling Zebulon as though lost. Knowing that no one would be at the Zebulon airport at that early hour, he drove out to see

## Sunday Schools Closed As Churches Join Fight Against Dread Paralysis

Poliomyelitis caused the closing of Sunday Schools in this community to all children 16 years and under, as local churches voted to cooperate with the county and state health officials in fighting the worst epidemic of the dread disease in history. Zebulon, on the eastern boundary of the epidemic zone extending from Raleigh to Asheville, waited hopefully to see if the quarantine would end the epidemic.

The second case here struck 15-month old Bernice Swain Carroll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Carroll, who live south of Zebulon, just across the Johnston County line. She is suffering paralysis of the throat and hospital attendants reported the child's condition to be critical.

The Rev. Paul Carruth and Rev. Carlton Mitchell have announced that all church activities for children have been curtailed at the local Methodist and Baptist churches. This action followed a meeting of the Raleigh and Wake County ministers, at which time it was agreed that the best interests of the children would be served by producing a radio broadcast of the Sunday School lesson for children and discouraging any group meetings.

### Decision Is Commended

Wake County Health Officer A. C. Bulla commended the decision and announced that all other public gatherings would be closed to children, including theaters and playgrounds.

The ministers encouraged parents to teach the Sunday School lesson in the home during the period of curtailment. The Sunday School Council of the Baptist Church agreed to keep weekly records of the children in Sunday School who continue their work at home.

Worship services and other adult activities will continue as usual at the churches.

On orders of Roy Liles, Occaneechee Council Scout Executive, (Continued on Page 5)