

# THE ZEBULON RECORD

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## HERE'S THE PROOF YOU WANTED



Some folks questioned our truthfulness last week when we gave the account of Red Horton and his owl, so we gathered the owl, Red, and Proc Hopkins together and had Wayne Privette make the photograph. Proc and Red haven't changed a word of their story as to how Red hooked the owl with his rod and reel. Proc is pictured on the left, the owl in the middle, and Red is at the right.

## \$40 Payments Made on Individual Notes Signed for School Light Fund

The twenty-one notes for \$100.00 each signed by citizens of this community in order to purchase the lighting system for the Wakelon football and softball field have been materially reduced, Cashier R. Vance Brown of Peoples Bank & Trust Co. stated yesterday. A payment of \$40.00 was made on each of the notes from proceeds realized from the Municipal Softball League games last summer, and football game receipts this fall.

When contributions to the lighting fund failed to provide sufficient money to install the lights, \$2,100 was borrowed secured by individual personal notes, which were to be paid, if possible, from gate receipts from athletic contests, but which were guaranteed by the signers.

In addition to the payment on the notes, the softball league last summer paid \$715 of the cost of

## Wakelon Reopening Set for Next Monday

Wakelon School will reopen Monday, January 2, after nearly two weeks of Christmas holidays, Principal Fred A. Smith announced yesterday. The outstanding work done by pupils at Wakelon during the past four months is expected to continue during the spring term.

Basketball practice for the boys was held during the holidays under the supervision of Coach Herb Appenzeller in preparation for the intensive schedule that begins next week. The Bulldogs showed up well in early season practice games held before Christmas.

the bleachers which were used for softball and are now installed in the gymnasium for basketball. Softball players contributed \$5.00 each to buy the bleachers, which seat 750 spectators.

With interest growing in a community softball league for the summer of 1950, it is probable that the notes will be paid in full next year. Besides teams from Zebulon and Wakefield, Pilot and Wendell have expressed a desire to field teams.

When last summer Jack Lowder, the Red Cross instructor, supervised a swimming course for the Boy Scouts, I never knew that the water I swallowed would do me any good, especially in my own home. Wednesday night I found that it takes a jack-of-all trades, including swimming, to head a household.

It happened when the wife and I were discussing where to hang a clothes line in the bathroom. I wanted to nail up three lines angled across the tub. Judy wanted one line parallel to the wall. (Any husband knows we compromised on the single line.)

I was standing in the tub stretching the line overhead, and Judy was supervising, when all Niagara Falls and half the Atlantic seemed to break loose at once in the bathroom as the lavatory dropped from the wall.

"Something happened!" Judy ex-

## Power Company Agent Cites Gains Made in State in '49

### Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Martha Finch, Eugene Willard Baker

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 4 p. m. for Mrs. Martha Glover Finch, 82, who died at the home of a son in Columbia, S. C., on Friday night. The Rev. A. D. Parrish was in charge of the services at the graveside at Watkins Chapel Baptist Church.

Surviving are one son; one daughter; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Glover Wilder and Mrs. J. W. Godwin, both of Middlesex, Route 1; four brothers, including D. W. Glover of Middlesex, Route 1; four grandsons and one granddaughter.

### Eugene Willard Baker

Funeral services for Eugene Willard Baker, 46, who died at his home on Louisburg, Route 1, early Sunday, were conducted at the graveside in the family cemetery Tuesday at 2 p. m. The Rev. E. M. Carter of Youngsville officiated.

He is survived by his father J. W. Baker of Louisburg, Route 1; one brother, J. O. Baker of Louisburg, Route 1; three sisters, Mrs. Cedric Tant and Mrs. Dumas Pearce, both of Louisburg, Route 1, and Mrs. W. A. Smith of Zebulon, Route 3.

### Zebulon Woodmen Plan Ladies' Night

Plans are being completed this week end for the Ladies Night and installation of officers to be held Wednesday night, January 11, by the Little River Camp of the Woodmen of the World, Claud Dunn, secretary of the camp, said yesterday.

A barbecue supper, either chicken or pork, will be prepared for the occasion, and a guest speaker will be invited. After the speech, the newly-elected officers for 1950 will be installed in a special ceremony.

The meeting and supper will be held in the Masonic hall.

## A Man's Got to Know Plenty to Be Undisputed Master of His House

claimed, in a marvelous bit of understatement, as she grabbed wildly at the lavatory to keep it from tumbling the last half the distance to the floor.

I took a fast look at the geyser spurting forth over the ceiling, walls, and floor and made a mad leap for the door, dragging towels, toilet paper, and a box of Babo with me. The water, I knew, needed to be cut off at the meter.

The front door stopped me, being thoroughly locked. I splashed from the living room into the bedroom searching for the key. Finally I pulled it out of my pocket, floundered back through the living room and let myself and gallons of water out of the house.

Luckily, I've never gotten around to cleaning up the yard, so the jigger which cuts off the water was right where I left it two weeks ago. It took but a minute to turn the valve.

Then I stumbled around to the rear of the house and opened the faucets there to drain the water from the lines as quickly as possible.

Back in the bathroom Judy was ankle deep in water, gamely supporting the lavatory. She kept holding it while I scrounged towels to sop up the puddles before it completed the job of turning our home into a swimming pool.

Well, to clean up this story, I finally managed to hook the lavatory back on the wall so Judy could help clean up the house. Then, with my feet propped up over the side of the tub and my head resting easily at the base of the stool, I refitted the pipes and other thingamajigs under the basin. Somehow when the water was turned back on, the fittings did not leak; so I figure that maybe I am not a plumber, but at least I'd make a good plumber's friend.

—Barrie S. Davis

### "EYE-CATCHER"



We don't know much about the new styles, so we'll have to accept the press agent's description of this Kay Whitney rayon crepe as an "eye-catcher." The price tag it carries—only \$9—is quite an eye-catching to those of us who have been playing Santa Claus!

### Local Farm Bureau Plans Officers' Meet

An important meeting of the Vice-Presidents of the Zebulon Farm Bureau will be held Friday night, Dec. 30, in Ed Ellington's office in the agriculture building at Wakelon School, President Robert Ed Horton announced yesterday.

Plans will be made for the incoming year, and the meeting is considered the most important of the year.

### Local Manager Points To Increased Emphasis On Serving Rural Areas

It was an "electrical year" for the Carolinas and for America, Ralph Talton, manager of the Zebulon office of Carolina Power and Light Company, said today in reviewing trends in the industry for 1949.

"During the year," said Mr. Talton, "total number of customers of our system reached over 240,000—largest number on record. These connections alone serve an estimated 1,000,000 persons in North Carolina and South Carolina.

Noting the increasing spread of power lines into both urban and rural regions, Mr. Talton said that latest estimates made by the Magazine "Electrical Merchandising" place the number of electrical customers of all classes in North Carolina at 861,000. "With an estimated population of 3,900,000," he said, "this indicates residential connections are serving all but about 500,000 of North Carolina population, of whom about half have electricity available but are not using it." No recent figures on South Carolina are available.

### 5,000,000 Are Served

However, he added that altogether, in the two states, over 5,000,000 persons have the benefit of electric power, and the number is steadily increasing. In the whole United States, there now are 43 million electrical customers.

There was rapid expansion otherwise in the industry last year. CP&L opened a 120,000 horsepower steam electric generating plant at Lumberton and broke ground for another large unit at Goldsboro, which with other facilities, will add 2 billion kilowatt hours of power annually to the Company's power resources.

To finance these and other improvements, over \$9,000,000 was obtained from investors by CP&L in 1949 and additional financing is anticipated in 1950.

"In the U. S.," said Mr. Talton, "the industry, in four years has invested nearly 6 billion dollars in post-war expansion, and reserve margins of generating capacity has been increased to about 12 per cent. The year also saw a record-breaking production and sale of electrical current, with 249 kilowatt hours used in America."

The increase in electrical sales in the Carolinas is attributed partly to extension of distribution lines to farms and rural areas, partly to new construction, and to the installation of more electrical appliances by residential and commercial customers. A number of new industries also have located in the two states.

The power official pointed out that both in the Carolinas and in the nation, the trend last year was toward steam electric generation.

### Masonic Installation

The Zebulon Lodge of AF&AM will install its officers for 1950 next Tuesday night, January 2.

There will be a barbecue prior to the business session. Apprentices, fellow-crafts, and master masons are invited.