

# THE ZEBULON RECORD

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## Finer Carolina Progress

Committees Report

A great deal of progress has already been made and much more work will be completed on the five Finer Zebulon projects before the closing date of the Finer Carolina Contest, Steering Committee Chairman Wilbur Debnam said yesterday. The Finer Carolina Contest, sponsored by the Carolina Power and Light Company in the area it serves in North and South Carolina, ends on November 1.

In spite of the torrid weather and the tobacco harvesting, the work on nearly all the projects has continued, the chairman said.

During the past weeks much grading has been done by Thurman Pate, who contributed the services of his tractor, and the town road machine at the park.

Final clearing and grading of the park site will not be done until a landscape engineer has had an opportunity to check the park.

Gravel and sand for the base of the shelter has been unloaded at the park site, as well as field stone to be used for one of the fireplaces.

The Lions Club expects to complete its promised fireplace and benches within the next two weeks. Other clearing and cleaning of the site is continuing.

To beautify the approaches to Zebulon, uniform road signs for each of the civic organizations have been secured and will be erected on each of the highways leading into Zebulon.

### Cemetery Work

Mrs. A. S. Hinton has reported that work done by the Town of Zebulon has made the cemetery "look better than it has in ten years." She is working on a plan of continuous maintenance to be financed by cemetery lot owners.

The town ordinances, long outdated, have been re-written and the new ordinances were submitted to the Board of Commissioners on July 24.

Other projects included in the Steering Committee plans were sidewalk paving and the "white way" in the business district.

## Local Postmaster Explains Deficits In Postal Work

Postmaster M. J. Sexton of Zebulon today stated that the Postal Service, which serves faithfully every city, hamlet and rural-side community in the United States, is operating under the biggest deficit in the history of this government agency. This condition is due first, to the high costs of operation, and secondly, to the fact that the postage rates and fees have not been increased sufficiently comparable to the costs of operations.

There will be a deficit in the Postal Operations as long as postage rates and fees are inadequate to meet the costs of operation, he said.

Congress alone can determine whether the Post Office shall support itself as any other business by authorizing increases in present postage rates to meet the operating costs, or the Congress may elect to keep the Postal System a Service Institution that partially supports itself under existing laws, and then annually appropriate additional sums from the General Fund to offset deficits.

Since 1945 the fixed operating costs have increased at a rate of nearly 1.5 billion dollars on an annual basis, while additions to the revenue by increases in postage rates and fees have been increased only at the rate of \$390 million a year, a difference of over a billion dollars in expenses above the annual additional revenues.

### Deficit Estimates

Even with the new increases in postage rates, it is estimated that there will be about 669 million dollars deficit in 1953. And inasmuch as the deficit must be paid out of the general taxation, Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson is greatly concerned, and has called attention to the great increase in the cost of salaries and transportation in the current fiscal year over 1945.

Any organization that undertakes to give as much service as does the Postal System is costly, Mr. Sexton emphasized. There are varied services in every post office for every community in the United States, and there are also, many duties, obligations and opportunities for more service for the public. These services cost money.

### Financial Policies

The Post Office Department cannot set its financial policies, and does not. Departmental policies are set by direction of the Congress, the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Civil Aeronautics Board, as well as other regulatory agencies of the Federal Government.

Salaries paid postal personnel are likewise set by the Congress. However, the use of personal services are controlled through staffing patterns for each post office.

Approximately all travel rates are set by law or some regulatory agencies. Rates for transportation (See POSTAL, Page 6)

### Perfect Record

Miss Stella Marie Bunn, daughter of Mrs. Roxie L. Bunn, Route 4, Zebulon, graduated from Hardbarger's Business College, Raleigh, Friday, July 25, 1952. She completed the stenographic course, an eight-month's course, in six and one-half months and set a new record by achieving 100 on all examinations.

### PRESIDENT



Ed Hales, president of the local Chamber of Commerce for 1952-53, will preside for the first time tonight at a meeting of the directors of the organization.

## New Officer to Be Named for Guard

Bobby T. McGee and Charles L. Brantley were sworn in as members of the National Guard on Monday night, becoming the first new recruits for the Zebulon unit since its return from summer camp July 20. Both men were assigned to the firing sections immediately after being issued their uniforms and equipment.

Unit administrator Kenneth Hopkins stated that the new enlistments bring the strength of the artillery battery to five officers and 54 enlisted men.

Over half the men in Battery A are enrolled in the Army-sponsored series of correspondence courses to further their military knowledge.

### From the Ranks

Lt. Dave Finch received his commission following completion of this series. Cpl. Jack Tippett recently completed the series and Capt. Barrie Davis, unit commander, has recommended Cpl. Tippett for commission as a Second Lieutenant in the National Guard.

Efforts are being made to increase the strength of Battery A to 60 men. The expansion will make possible rapid promotion for qualified men.

## Local Man Returns To U. S. from Korea

Sgt. Joseph J. Golgan, whose wife, Barbara, lives on Route 4, Zebulon, is returning to the United States on rotation after 16 months of civil assistance work in Korea.

Sergeant Golgan arrived in the combat zone in March, 1951, with the Army's 95th Military Government Group. The unit was soon absorbed into the United Nations Civil Assistance Command, Korea, (UNCAK) and Golgan was assigned to the United Nations Civil Assistance Command team in Chungchong Pukto Province, central south Korea.

## Town Ordinances, Paved Sidewalks Near Completion

The Ordinances for the Town of Zebulon are on the way to modernization, with Attorney Frank Coiner cooperating with the Board of Commissioners in getting the work done. Some of the ordinances were submitted to the Board of Commissioners on July 24, and Coiner was authorized to complete the revisions.

The last time the ordinances were compiled and revised was 13 years ago in 1939. Many new ordinances passes since that date have never been printed except in news stories.

The Town of Zebulon was incorporated in February 1907. Since the original ordinances were drawn, others have been passed setting license fees, regulating plumbing and connections to the city sewer lines, and dealing in many matters.

When the ordinances meet the approval of the Board of Commissioners, they will be published for general distribution.

### Sidewalk Paving

Nearly 3,000 feet of sidewalks on Arendell and Gannon Avenues are being paved in the project sponsored by the Town of Zebulon and supported by the Finer Zebulon Steering Committee, according to Mayor Worth Hinton. The pavement will extend from J. A. Kemp & Son store along the west side of Arendell Avenue to Wakelon School, and from the intersection of Arendell and Gannon Avenues one block to the Methodist Church.

The paving is being financed jointly by the town and the property owners whose land adjoins the sidewalks, with the town paying half the cost.

## Zebulon Keeps Place On NGB Armory List

Not even an approximate date can be set for the construction of the proposed National Guard armory in Zebulon until appropriated Federal funds are received by the State of North Carolina, according to Lt. Col. Thomas Longest of the Adjutant General's Department in Raleigh. The armory funds, which were supposed to be available to the State of North Carolina on July 1, may take up to nine months to be transferred to the State.

At the present time the Armory Commission of North Carolina has sufficient state and federal funds to construct three armories. It is expected that the new appropriations will permit construction of at least two more.

Zebulon has been placed fifth on the priority list for armories in the state. It has held this position despite continued delays in acquiring the site necessary for the building, and will be included in the places selected for armories when the funds are received from the Fed-

## You Can Build Your Garden Easily By Adding Odd Pieces of Furniture

By Mrs. Lela B. Horton

Since it takes years to build, grow, and get all your plants, shrubs, and trees established into the natural beauty of their maturity, during this period of time one can always get thrills by adding to their garden many pieces of garden furniture, such as beautiful cast-iron tables and chairs. Then add, at least once a year, a figure or two to decorate their beds and clumps of shrubbery.

One builds a beautiful house, but he doesn't stop there. He makes it comfortable with furnishings of his liking. Then he still doesn't stop there, he decorates his windows with beautiful draperies and his walls with hand-painted pictures, his marble-top table with hand-painted lampshades. He lives in this house; therefore, it must be beautiful. Now he also lives in his garden at least one-half of the year. It, too, must be beautiful the year round because it is a valuable asset to his estate. It has been said, and I have never heard it contra-

dicted by word of mouth or by any real estate dealer, one must develop his grounds and make them most attractive to create a top value for his home.

Now, let's discuss garden decoration. First, let us get a clear and definite understanding of statues and figures. Statue is the carving in stone, metals and marble the likeness of living beings; such as the statue of George Washington. A very great hero or heroine who has, by his or her great act, created celebrity to the extent that the public wants to honor and exhalt their memory.

### Carved Statues

It is fitting and proper to have a statue carved in the likeness of these living beings. These statues are placed in public buildings, or on the grounds of such buildings, in public parks, and sometimes in the streets of cities. Richmond, Va., has such a street, called Monumental Avenue.

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## Funerals Are Held This Week

### Mrs. Caniva Finch

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the home for Mrs. Caniva Annie Liles Finch of Zebulon, Rt. 4, widow of Joseph F. Finch, who died Monday after a long illness.

The Rev. S. E. Mercer, pastor of the Zebulon Methodist Church, officiated, and burial was in the Zebulon Cemetery.

Surviving are a son, J. Graham Finch of the home; a brother, D. B. Liles of Edenton; and several half-brothers.

### Mrs. Betty Baugh

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the New Hope Baptist Church for Mrs. Betty Baugh, 72, of Raleigh Rt. 5, who died Monday afternoon after a long illness.

The Rev. Owen F. Herring officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs.

Mary D. Hines, and two sons, Ralph Baugh and Willis Baugh, all of the home; a sister, Mrs. Pearl Baugh of Raleigh; and a brother, J. S. Buffalo of Zebulon.

### Mrs. W. H. Earp

Funeral services for Mrs. W. H. Earp, 75, were held at Central Baptist Church on Poole Road Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock with the Rev. J. N. Stancil and the Rev. Joe Puckett officiating.

Mrs. Earp died at Mary Elizabeth in Raleigh Friday morning.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Ray Nowell of Wendell, Mrs. Iva Douglas of the home, and Mrs. Fred Hood of Zebulon; three sons, William M. Earp of Raleigh, Pou Earp of Wendell, R1, and Johnny Earp, who is stationed with the U. S. Air Force in England; one sister, Mrs. Sarah Honeycutt of Wendell, Route 1; and one brother, J. L. (Dock) Medlin of Wendell, Route 1.