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KNOW YOUR COMMISSIONER

D. A. Sorrell Responsible For Roads in 7 Counties

As Commissioner of the Fifth Highway Division, Donnie A. Sorrell of Durham directs the State's road construction and maintenance program in Durham, Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance, Wake, and Warren counties.

Last May, Governor Umstead named Sorrell along with 13 other prominent businessmen to serve a four-year term on the new 14-division State Highway Commission. The Governor appointed A. H. (Sandy) Graham chairman of the Commission.

Good Background

Sorrell's rich background in civic affairs amply qualifies him to serve his highway division well. During World War II as chairman of the Durham County Gasoline Rationing Board, he did an outstanding job and was noted for his fairness. He is a member and the past president of the Durham Rotary Club. In 1946, his worthwhile contribution to Durham's civic life was recognized; he won the Durham Chamber of Commerce Civic Honor Award.

The Commissioner is the past president of the Durham Chamber of Commerce and the Durham Y. M. C. A. He is a member of the Watts Hospital Board of Trustees.

First Six Months

In his first six months on the Commission, he has quickly grasped the responsibilities of his office. He's travelled extensively in his division and learned a great deal by observation and listening.

Sorrell is president and treasurer of Clark and Sorrell, Inc., a thriving automobile service and wholesale automobile parts concern. He is vice-president of the Erwin Oil Company, Inc., a gasoline and fuel oil distributor.

Son of Alvis W. and Electa Yates Sorrell, the Commissioner was born August 4, 1900, in Wake County. He was graduated from Durham High School and then studied at Eastman-Gaines School of Business in Poughkeepsie, New York.

Division headquarters for the Fifth are in Durham. Hunter D. Irving is division engineer.



D. A. Sorrell
Highway Commissioner

Fund Drive Ends Short of Set Goal

Zebulon fell over \$400 short of its \$5,000 goal for the United Fund, according to Solicitations Chairman Ralph Talton. Only \$4,564.00 was reported at the close of the campaign Monday, which was 92% of the goal.

Of the contributions, \$4,382.00 was cash gifts and \$182.50 was in pledges to be paid during the year.

A complete list of all members of the Zebulon United Fund who contributed \$1.00 or more is published in this issue of the Record.

As usually is the case, the business district, solicited by R. Vance Brown as captain, gave the major portion of the money. This year gifts by businesses amounted to \$2,545.50.

Employees in the business district contributed \$155.50 to the Fund.

Trucks use 8½ billion gallons of gasoline every year. Piled in one gallon cans, that much would make five stacks to the moon.

Film, Devotional Program Features For Wakelon PTA

Miss Irma Walker, guidance counsellor at Wakelon School, presented a film, "Farewell to Childhood," at the November meeting of the Wakelon Parent-Teacher Association held Monday night in the school auditorium.

The motion picture showed how parents were led to understand their teenage daughter at the same time that the daughter learned to respect the views of her parents.

Devotional Led by Rivers

The inspirational devotional was led by Hayne Rivers, student at Southeastern Theological Seminary at Wake Forest. He stressed the need for spiritual training for children, acknowledging the fact that their physical and intellectual needs are provided for.

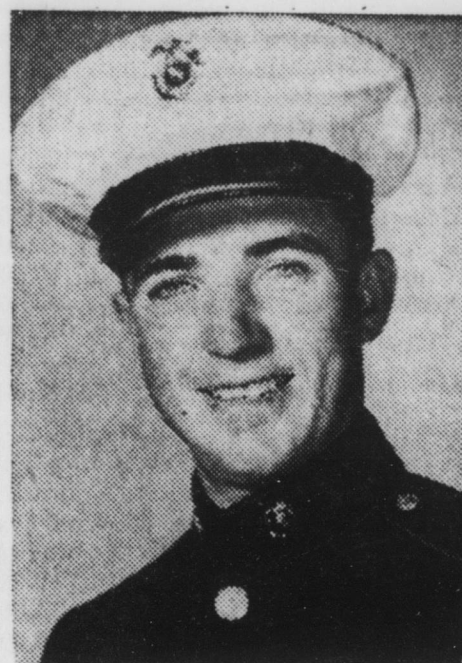
Mr. Rivers pointed out the need for parents to concentrate on the spiritual training of children, saying "the only monument parents can leave is through the lives of their children." He insisted that teachers could teach many fundamental truths and not become involved with any specific denomination.

Announces Resignation

During the business period, Mrs. Frederick Chamblee announced her resignation as president effective November 16.

The school activities bus, which has been a long-time project for the PTA, will be ordered immediately, according to the vote of the Association taken Monday night.

MARINE



Attending Food Service School at Camp Lejeune is Marine Pfc. John D. Woodlief, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Woodlief of Willow Springs.

Deputy Sheriff Not Yet Chosen

No decision has yet been made in selection of a deputy to succeed G. C. Massey in eastern Wake County, according to a telephone statement by Sheriff Robert Pleasants to the Record yesterday afternoon.

"I am trying, as nearly as possible," the sheriff declared, "to accomplish two things in selecting Mr. Massey's replacement. First, I want a man who is competent and sincere enough to do the job — and in my opinion, any one of the present applicants is qualified on this basis. Second, I want to give the people of your section of the county the man whom they want — but at this time the people appear divided as to their choice."

Sheriff Pleasants went on to point out that the deputy's position requires a man who will put the duties of his office ahead of all his other interests, and give first loyalty to the people of the county and the office he would fill.

"I do hope that the Little River folks can get together on some one person for the place, and then give him — and me — an opportunity to render service, and see how well he can do the job."

GROWING PINE



You don't hear any complaints from Mrs. Ruric Gill about the growth of those pines planted some time ago under the sponsorship of the garden club. Here's one in her yard that was head-high when the picture was taken and is still going. Others in the community who experienced success with their long-leaf pines include A. D. Antone, Mrs. J. S. Buffalo, and Ferd Davis.

Wakelon Teams Begin Practice For Cage Season

The Wakelon High School boys' basketball team began practice a week ago with 21 candidates reporting for practice.

Drills on fundamentals have been stressed primarily with emphasis on body conditioning of the arms and legs.

It is hoped by their coach Weir that more boys will report for practice in order to give the team depth.

The main weakness is lack of co-ordination and "know how" but with plenty of experience and few graduations the Wakelon team should be a power in the county within a few years.

Mayor Worth Hinton, has volunteered his services as the junior varsity coach. Boys from the 7th and 8th grades have been invited to benefit from his coaching.

Girls' Basketball

Mr. Herbert Holt will coach the girls' basketball team this year. Mr. Holt states that he has about twenty-five girls out for the team and that prospects are good. Several girls have performed exceedingly well in pre-season drills. Coach Holt says that they will work for the County trophy this year and warns the fans not to be surprised if a trophy is brought back to Wakelon this year.

WHS Basketball Schedule

Dec. 1 Louisburg College—here
Dec. 4 Wendell—there
Dec. 8 Louisburg College—there
Dec. 11 * Wake Forest—here
Dec. 15 * Wendell—here
Jan. 1 * Rolesville—there
Jan. 1 * Rolesville—there
Jan. 5 Spring Hope—there
Jan. 8 * Knightdale—here
Jan. 12 Cathedral—here
Jan. 15 * Wake Forest—there
Jan. 19 * Wendell—there
Jan. 22 Spring Hope—here
Jan. 26 * Knightdale—there
Jan. 29 Corinth Holder—here
Feb. 2 * Rolesville—here
Feb. 5 Middlesex—there
Feb. 9 Middlesex—here
Feb. 12 Apex—there

* Conference Games

950 Phones on Zebulon Exchange; Number Has Doubled Since 1950

As the nation on Wednesday observed the installation of its 50,000,000th telephone, a total of 951 telephones were in service in Zebulon, L. J. Maddox, Manager of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, revealed here. North Carolina has 690,000 of the U. S. A.'s telephones, including 395,000 Southern Bell telephones and about 295,000 operated by 57 other telephone companies in the State.

"Telephone progress here in Zebulon is symbolic of communications progress throughout the nation," Mr. Maddox said. "The number of telephones here has more than doubled since 1950, and the number continues to increase. The

heavy demand for more telephone service that we have experienced in North Carolina and Zebulon has been felt throughout the nation."

Presentation of the symbolic 50,000,000th telephone to President Eisenhower as head of the nation was made at Washington on Wednesday, November 18, by the American telephone industry, represented by Cleo Craig, President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and Warren B. Clay, President of the United States Independent Telephone Association.

Mr. Maddox pointed out that additions to North Carolina's tele- (See PHONES, Page 10)

School Man Places Partial Blame On Teachers for Failure of Pupils

One of the troubles facing the public school systems today is that teachers do not know the subjects they attempt to teach their students, H. B. Marrow, former superintendent of schools in Johnston County, told members of the Zebulon Junior Woman's Club Tuesday night.

Mr. Marrow was introduced by Mrs. Elwood Perry, chairman of the education committee of the club.

The speaker cited happenings in his home county to illustrate the points he made. He stressed the need of increased emphasis on the fundamentals in education.

As a striking example of the lack of knowledge of students, Mr. Marrow told of a county-wide ex-

amination given students in Johnston County before they were admitted to high school. A startling number of the students failed the examination.

Teachers of these students volunteered to take the same examination, Mr. Marrow said, and a surprising number of the teachers failed. As a result, the county voted a special appropriation to conduct a study, and it was found that students taught by the teachers who failed consistently scored in the lower brackets, while the teachers who passed the examination had students who ranked highest.

Colleges are putting too much emphasis on courses which could (See BLAME, Page 10)