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LONG WAY FROM LEBANON

Antones Find Zebulon is Ideal In Many, Many Ways

It is a long way from Lebanon to Zebulon. And although Lebanon was their birthplace and their home for part of their teenage years, Betty and A. D. Antone have taken Zebulon to their hearts and likewise has the town and countryside taken the Antones to their hearts.

"I love the United States. I love the town of Zebulon. I love everybody in and around Zebulon," Mrs. Antone said.

And you can believe here, for the words spill from a heart full of sincerity and gratitude and love.

"The people here have been good to us," the Antones said. "And we hope we have been good to them. There is nothing that we wouldn't do for them if we could."

A. D. landed in New York City August 15, 1900. It was a strange and overpowering city to a boy of 18 who had come from a tiny town near Beirut.

"I felt so small," Antone said. "I couldn't speak a word of English. It was like being on some other planet."

Antone did not stay in New York long, however. Just for one day and night. Then he sailed from New York on the Old Dominion Line to Norfolk and entrained at Norfolk for Raleigh.

He had a brother, Ferris, in the capital city who had already come

to this country and had established a business here.

"I stayed with my brother for three months," Antone said. "He had a five-year-old son who was a (See ANTONES, Page 5)

Creature is Still Roaming About

Reports have reached this paper that the strange woman who was apprehended a few weeks ago near Zebulon for vagrancy has been seen outside the city limits.

This strange creature, who had no name and who officers could not find from whence she came, has been reportedly causing some concern in a near-by community.

It has been reported that this creature has been loitering near and outside homes just a short distance from the city. Some reports say she has entered various homes.

Officers said they have not received any report of the woman being within the city limits of Zebulon.

Town officials advise home owners to lock their homes while away, or while at home; and to report to them immediately of any seemingly strange person around their premises.

Dry Cleaning Plant Now Ultra Modern

A completely new method of dry cleaning clothes which required installation of all-new equipment and use of PerClene, a DuPont synthetic cleaner, has been installed by Zebulon Dry Cleaners, according to Worth Hinton, proprietor.

The local cleaner is one of the first Eastern Carolina concerns to install the equipment, which guarantees "better, safer, and faster cleaning" for all clothes.

Customers will note the improved cleaning methods in their clothes, Mr. Hinton said, because, "clothes look and feel like new" for many cleanings.

Clothes, after being checked, are placed in the new washer and cleaned with a 4% soap and synthetic solvent solution. After being washed, they are rinsed with freshly distilled solvent to remove all traces of soap.

"This is superior to the much-publicized Sanitone method," Hinton reports, "because the Sanitone method uses a 2% soap solution and does not have the rinse cycle. Soap used in cleaning remains in the clothes."

After the rinse cycle, clothes are placed in a controlled temperature tumbler to remove all traces of the solvent. Here, as in the washer, the temperature is maintained at 85 degrees to prevent shrinkage and fading.

Then the clothes are taken to the new presses, which are especially equipped for pressing wool, silk, nylon, cotton, dacron, orlon, acetate, and all other synthetic fibers.

By using compressed air to dry the clothes as soon as the steam from the press has touched them, the shine frequently seen on dry-cleaned clothes is prevented. "There'll be no more 'dry-cleaned' look to your new dress or suit," the proprietor said.

The PreClene fluid used in the new Butler-built dry cleaning plant costs over 10 times the fluid formerly used in Zebulon Dry Cleaners. The old fluid is in general use in better cleaning plants.

Only the superior reclamation features of the Butler plant make possible use of the costly PreClene solvent. Very little fluid is lost during the cleaning cycles.

Though he still speaks with wonder at the cost of the new plant, Mr. Hinton happily looks forward to his new fire insurance rate. "It will be lower," he says, "because there's no fire hazard in our new (See PLANT, Page 5)

Planning Committee Discussed Sites for Local Clinic Monday

Seeking to avoid the prolonged agitation and discussions leading to selection of the site for the Wake County general hospital while achieving as desirable a result, two committees from Zebulon and Wendell met last week to discuss sites for the proposed clinic in eastern Wake County.

Presiding at the meeting, held last Monday at the cabin of Dr. J. R. Hester, mayor of Wendell, were J. H. Parish of Wendell and T. E. Hales of Zebulon. Other Zebulon residents at the meeting included Mayor Wilbur Debnam, J. Raleigh Alford, and Ferd Davis.

Persons who have property, aggregating four to five acres and located on paved roads, suitable for a clinic site are requested to notify co-Chairman Hales or Parish by August 17. Non-site owners who wish to seek local support for any particular site are also requested to contact Parish or Hales.

The clinic, which will be administered by the Raleigh hospital, is designed for 20 beds, and will cost approximately a quarter of a million dollars. It will probably be constructed following the completion of the main hospital which will be located on the Rogers property on Highway 64 east of Raleigh.

Hopkins WMS Meeting Tonight

The Hopkins Chapel WMS will meet tonight with Mrs. Austin Perry. The meeting is scheduled to get underway at 7:45 o'clock.

Joseph Creech will be in charge of the program, speaking on the topic "Ye Christian Heralds, Go Proclaim."

All members are urged to attend and visitors are welcome.

Half-Crazed Woman Enters Wakefield Homes

A Raleigh Negro woman caused some undue anxiety among some Negro homes of Wakefield last week.

Maybelle McKay, 35, of 1308 East Lane Street was apprehended after entering several Negro homes in the Wakefield section.

Arresting officer James Richardson said the woman seemed to be in a highly nervous state. He quoted the woman as saying she entered the homes to get some food.

When her husband was notified he came for the woman and explained to Constable Richardson that at certain times of the month his wife became very irritable, moody and nervous and she would leave home.

The woman told the officer she had walked from Raleigh, and that she was very hungry and wanted a place to sleep.

She was released in custody of her husband. No preliminary date for her hearing has been set.

Funds for Plant

Congress has approved funds to construct a storage plant for a national seed storage laboratory at Fort Collins, Colo.

Listen My Children; Here's Your Principal

Wake County Superintendent of Schools Fred A. Smith has announced that John J. Hicks will succeed Franklin R. Jones as principal of Wakelon High School for the 1956-57 school year.

Hicks, who is 35 years old, is a graduate of Atlantic Christian College in Wilson with an A.B. degree. He received his master of arts degree in school administration from East Carolina College in Greenville.

During his school years at Atlantic Christian Hicks was an outstanding athlete and a three-letter man in the sports department.

Hicks has been principal of Moss

High School for nine years. This school is located approximately 11 miles from Kinston in Lenoir County.

Superintendent Smith said that Hicks comes very highly recommended and he feels that Hicks will be a most satisfactory and capable principal for Wakelon.

Hicks is married and is the father of one child, 18-months-old. He is a native of Pennsylvania but has lived in North Carolina for the past 17 years.

The new principal and his family will move to Zebulon as soon as suitable housing facilities can be arranged.

Alaskan Bound School Teachers



Mrs. John Gordon



Mr. John Gordon

Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon will leave August 10 for Coopers Bay, Alaska, where they will teach in the schools of the Alaskan city for the next year.

Both John and Wilma said they are looking forward to teaching in "The Land of the Midnight Sun." They are expecting it to be "quite a treat, filled with many, many experiences."

John is the son of Mrs. W. O. Gordon and the late Mr. Gordon. He is a graduate of Appalachian Teachers College, and was awarded his master of arts degree only a few weeks ago from that same institution. For the past year he was on the faculty of Highlands High School, serving in the foreign language and social science de-cleaning solvent. We could use it (See TEACHERS, Page 8)