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WINNER. W. H. Baucom, left, manager of the Raleigh District for the Chevrolet Motor Division of the Charlotte Zone, is shown making a presentation of \$1,000 war bond to Joris R. Bell, Jr. Bell, a Universal Chevrolet Company salesman of Wendell, was given the prize for selling the most cars during the contest period.

Wendell Auto Salesman Winner of \$1,000 War Bond

A Universal Chevrolet Company salesman of Wendell won top prize of a \$1,000 war bond in the Charlotte Zone of the Chevrolet Motor Division's sales contest recently completed.

W. H. Baucom, manager of the Raleigh District for the Chevrolet Motor Division of the Charlotte Zone, made the prize presentation to Joris R. Bell, Jr. of Wendell Friday, July 5.

What is Bell going to do with the \$1,000?

"I've stashed it away and will just let it grow old," he said.

Bell, who is well-known through the eastern Wake area, also won distinction last year with his sales ability in the Chevrolet Zone by becoming a member of the "100 Car Sales Club."

The \$1,000 war bond was given to the salesman in the fourteen district zone who sold the most cars during the contest period.

Baucom commended Bell for his prize winning sales' talent and also praised the Wendell Chevrolet firm's proprietor, Wallace W. White, for an "outstanding performance."

Bell has been affiliated with Universal Chevrolet Company for the past two years.

Bell's parents were natives of

Wakefield. He is married to the former Eleanor Whitley of Wendell. They have two teen-age children, Florence and Ricky Bell.

They make their home in the Bethany Community.

RATING

Parrish Grocery and Market was rated 93.0 by the Wake County Health Department for the quarter ending June 30.

This rating was inadvertently omitted when the ratings for the local meat markets were given in the last issue of this paper.

Woman Convicted of Shooting Arm Off Friend Appeals Sentence Given For Possession of Illegal Liquor

here last Wednesday, but she decided not to run the risk of getting caught with liquor again and appealed Judge Gill's judgment. The Negro woman, who operates a juke box joint on Roy Weathers' farm in the Pleasant Hill section, was found guilty of possession of non-tax paid liquor for the purpose of sale. She was sentenced to one year in prison, but the judge offered to suspend the sentence on condition that she pay the costs and not violate any ABC law for three years.

Attorney Thomas Ruffin, who defended the Sherrod woman, gave notice of appeal to Superior Court after consulting with her. Appeal bond was set at \$300.

Cases heard here July 24 included: 6125. Josephine Sherrod, judgment as above. 6138. Robert Thomas Mangum, improper parking, 30 days suspended on payment of \$50 fine and costs. 6127. Bobbie Wayne Crowder, speeding 50 mph in a 35-mph

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Suicide Victim's Body Taken From Rock Quarry Pond

The body of a well-known Rt. 2, Wendell farmer and produce salesman was found around 10:10 Friday night in the Rock Quarry Pond near Wendell.

Officers disclosed that Reuben Batten, 69-years-old, was apparently a victim of suicide.

His body was found about 30 minutes after dragging operations were undertaken by rescue squads.

Batten had been missing from his home since Tuesday, July 23.

The family sought police help Wednesday after Batten failed to come home and they could find no trace of him.

Wendell Police Chief Alec Wall said Batten's billfold and straw hat were found on the bank of the quarry about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon.

Chief Wall said Batten reportedly told his wife that "you won't be bothered with me any more," when he left home Tuesday night.

It was reported that members of Batten's family had been "watching him carefully" since he had threatened suicide several times in the past few weeks.

Police Chief Wall said the pond, located about three-quarters of a mile east of Wendell, is 50 to 100 feet deep. The position of Batten's hat and wallet indicated that he jumped from the deepest part.

Members of the Johnston County Rescue Squad from Smithfield and the Louisa Fire Department Rescue Squad conducted the risky dragging operations.

Batten is the second victim of the pond in the last two years. A 30-year-old man was killed a couple of years ago when he dived into the pond and broke his neck.

Survivors of Batten include his wife and six children. Funeral services for him were held at Tabernacle Baptist Church Sunday with the Rev. A. D. Parrish officiating, assisted by the Rev. Dale Davis.

Ok Given for Purchase Of Site for Hospital

Preliminary Sketches of Building in Progress

Vice Chairman of the Wake County Hospital Authority Foster D. Finch has revealed that the Hospital Authority passed a resolution at their July 25 meeting recommending to the County Commissioners that 5.49 acres of land be purchased from H. Wayne Whitley of Rocky Mount for the construction of the Zebulon-Wendell hospital.

The site for the proposed hospital extends from Highway 64 to the Zebulon-Wendell by-pass. The price set is \$2,000 per acre.

The site selection committee, composed of Ed Hales, Raleigh Alford and Ferd Davis, all of Zebulon, and J. H. Parish, Leo Britt, Willard White and Jake May, all of Wendell, found the Whitley tract the most suitable site for the hospital.

Finch said preliminary sketches of the proposed hospital are already being made. He said he feels that it will not be long before the final drawings are submitted for approval.

Holloway and Reeves, an architectural firm of Raleigh, have been engaged to do the drawings.

"We are going to try to plan the hospital to fit the needs of the locality," Finch said.

Finch said the hospital is to serve the extreme eastern section of Wake County, which includes the Hopkins community, County Line, and the Mitchell's Mill section.

It will also be available to serve the Middlesex area, Pilot section and northern Johnston County territory.

The vice chairman said he believes those persons who need hospitalization west of Wendell will in all probability take advantage of the general hospital to be built near Raleigh.

The Town of Zebulon has agreed to extend the water and sewer systems to the site.

The property owners surrounding the hospital site — Whitley and the Broughton heirs — have agreed to give 40 feet for the construction of streets.

Finch said if ever the hospital and hospital property is incorporated into the town, use of the Powell Bill Fund may be used for the construction of streets and sidewalks.

Upon the purchase of the property, Whitley has agreed to remove all buildings from the premises.

The hospital will be a 20 to 30 bed affair. It is to be staffed by doctors and nurses from the Zebulon-Wendell area.

Finch said they are to be called hospitals and not clinics. They will give the full benefits and have the same facilities as the general hospital.

Other hospitals are to be located at Apex, Fuquay Springs and Wake Forest.

Local Teacher's Father Passes

The father of Mrs. Chad Rogers died Monday, July 2, in High Point of a cerebral hemorrhage. Funeral services and interment were Wednesday, July 24. Mrs. Rogers is a second grade teacher at Wake-lon School and resides at 1112 Johnson Street, High Point, in the summer.

Books Audited

The Town of Zebulon and Recorder's Court books have been audited by R. L. Steele Co. of Raleigh. The audit, requiring a week and finished last Friday, was from July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957.

Kenneth Hopkins revealed that the books were in all proper order.

A report by the auditing company will be made within several weeks.

Barbecue Supper Nets \$110; Dance Friday Night

The second dance of the summer recreation program sponsored by the Zebulon Recreation Commission will be held tomorrow (Friday) night at the National Guard Armory.

Like the first dance, also sponsored by the Commission, there will be no admission charge to the public. The first dance was held July 4 and was one of the most successful dances ever held in Zebulon.

The music for the dance will be furnished by the Harold Green orchestra. Dancing will be from 8 until 12 o'clock.

Miss Gayle Privette, summer recreation director, said plans are being made for a floor show sometime during the evening.

The theme for this dance will be "Summertime — When The Livin' Is Easy."

At the Commission's meeting July 23, it was revealed that approximately \$110 was cleared from the benefit barbecue supper held July 19.

Members of the commission, Pete Bryant, Fred Beck, the Rev. Troy Barrett, John J. Hicks, George R. Massey, Jr. and Miss Ruby Dawson, voiced opinions that they were "well pleased" with the out-come of the supper.

Tentative plans have been made by the Commission to open the summer program next year with a barbecue supper.

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Scout Officials Meet and Evaluate Past Activities

Scout Leaders and Committees of the Explorers, Boy Scouts and Cubs held their regular monthly meeting Thursday, July 25 at Hilliard's Restaurant. They divided into groups to evaluate activities in the past and discuss plans for future events. They came together for a general meeting.

Rodney McNabb, Chairman of the Cub Scouts, reported the following: (1) The Cubs and their Dads will be guests for a wiener roast given by the Methodist men, their sponsoring group, at Zebulon

Park, Tuesday, July 30 at 7:00 p. m. (3) The Cub Scouts will meet with the Explorers Monday, August 5, to learn how to make "buddy-burners" and how to use them. (3) These "Buddy-burners" will be used on Tuesday evening, August 13, when Cubs and their Dads will "camp-out" at Zebulon Park. Cubs will use their hammocks. Other Committeemen present included Eldred Rountree, Cubmaster; Albert Pulley, Wilbur Debnam, Rev. Troy J. Barrett.

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