

# Congratulations to the Zebulon Lions

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## THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

### Boys Seek - Never Reach

Five young men from Zebulon recently decided to take the advice attributed to old Horace Greeley and "Go West, young man, go West," according to Zeke Chamblee, an engaging gentleman.

Zeke and four buddies weren't going to seek their fortune in the West. They were going where there are girls, girls, girls.

After all, they had heard, there are 10 girls out West for every man.

The five young men of Zebulon were out at Lake Mirl a few Sundays ago. Things were dull there. Nothing was going on. There was no excitement.

Finally, one of the young men proposed going to California. There was excitement there, he reasoned with his comrades. Gaily, thrills, and women. Why, he had heard there are 10 girls for every man.

The five emptied their pockets. They had \$20 between them. That was enough, though, they decided, and off they sped. They were headed for the State of California and the promised land of beautiful and exciting women.

When the group got to Raleigh, one had a change of mind. He decided that he couldn't make the trip. He got out, called on a girl friend, and later thumbed back home.

Because one of the gang changed his mind didn't deter the others. Their plans were the same. Out in California there were thrills they had never experienced in their home town.

Their car ate up the black ribbon of highway. And they were in Lexington.

When they hit Lexington, Chamblee said they got to thinking. Finishing high school took on a new attraction. They had only a few months more before they would be through. An education was the important thing. In today's world, they decided, one must have an education to make a go of it.

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### Emotional Upsets To Be Discussed By Psych Head

Dr. Harold M. Coiter, head of the psychology department at N. C. State College will address Wakelon School PTA next Monday, March 24, it has been announced by the president, Mrs. Bob Sawyer.

The PTA was postponed from its regular meeting date to Monday so that the high school's science club would be able to sponsor a scientific exhibition.

Dr. Coiter, will speak on the emotional disturbances affecting both adults and children.

The outstanding educator was in charge of the psychological testing program at Wakelon School in 1956-57.

Miss Rebekah Talbert, special education teacher, will introduce the speaker.

The annual Science Fair will be held in Wakelon School science department immediately following PTA.

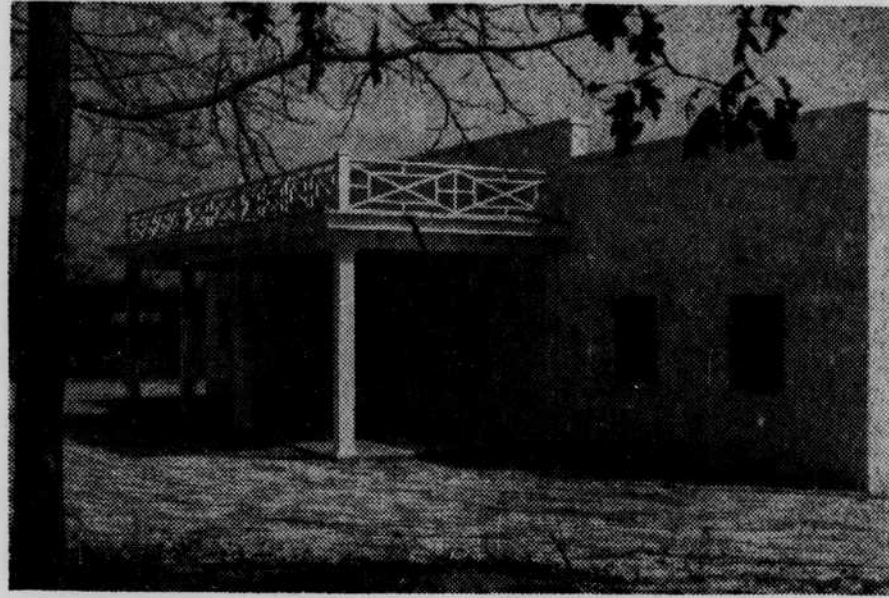
Winners in the local Fair will attend the North Central District Fair at N. C. State College on March 29. Any winners in the District Fair will attend the State Science Fair at Duke University on April 17-19.

According to Miss Irma Walker, Wakelon science instructor head, no school may enter more than six exhibits in each division, Junior (7, 8, and 9 grades) and Senior (10, 11, and 12 grades), and these should be divided evenly between biological science and physical science.

Junior projects are not eligible for the State Fair, Miss Walker said.

This science fair will be open to the parents, patrons and public who attended Wakelon School PTA.

## ZEBULON LIONS TO DEDICATE BUILDING AT CEREMONIES ON FRIDAY NIGHT



Zebulon Lions Club's \$30,000 building will be formally dedicated Friday evening, March 21, with Governor Luther H. Hodges giving the principal address. The modified colonial design building located on East Lee Street was begun March 22, 1957, and completed January 10, 1958.

### There Is To Be Dancing After Rites

Baptists aren't the only group who has hassles over the issue of dancing.

The Zebulon Lions Club had a wrang-tangle over tripping the light fantastic at the dedication of their new building to be held Friday night.

Some said it would be distasteful at dedication rites; other swore it would be the thing to do.

The trippers won the heated battle. There will be dancing following the ceremonies. The Harold Green orchestra will provide the music.

### Program To Be Used At Rites

Call to order, President Hardin Hinton.

One verse of "America," led by Lion Johnsey Arnold.

Pledge of Allegiance to Flag, led by Lion Tom Monk.

Invocation, to be given by Father Robert Wilken, pastor of Wendell's St. Eugene Catholic Church and editor of the North Carolina Catholic newspaper.

Dinner.

Calling up of Tail Twisters, Lion Hardin Hinton.

Introduction and welcoming of guests, Lion Worth Hinton.

Welcome of club presidents, Lions and Lionesses, Lion Crafton Hudson.

Solo by Nelle Kemp.

Presentation of speaker, Lion H. A. Hodge, Jr., second vice president.

Address by the Honorable Luther H. Hodges, Governor of North Carolina.

Response, Wilbur Debnam, Mayor of Zebulon.

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## Lions Club Outstanding Civic Body; Serves Town, State, and Nation Well

One of the most active organizations of Zebulon has contributed greatly to the civic life, religious life and general welfare of the town and surrounding communities.

Since its organization in 1949, the Zebulon Lions Club has become one of the outstanding civic clubs of the town and state. It has always ardently supported its birthplace, Zebulon. It has always sought to bring well deserved and favorable recognition to the town. And it has always sought to foster civic and religious interests.

The members of the club always bear in mind their obligations as citizens of their community, state and nation. They give to them unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed.

Not only do they give freely of their time, labor and means, they aid their fellowmen by giving sympathy to those in distress, help to the weak, and substance to the needy.

The one principle in their Code of Ethics they practice wholeheartedly is to build up and not destroy.

Zebulon Lions Club was chartered on Friday night, December 9, 1949. The former Governor W. Kerr Scott, now United States Senator, was the speaker at the charter night. Dr. Amos Abrams, editor of the North Carolina Edu-

cation magazine, served as toastmaster.

Serving as an inspiration in helping organize a Lions Club in Zebulon were three outstanding Lions in North Carolina. These were Norman Trueblood of Elizabeth City, Ed Hallford and Louis K. Day, both of Rocky Mount.

The local Lions revere these men and call them the daddies of the Zebulon Lions Club.

Trueblood, Hallford and Day came to Zebulon in the Fall of 1949 and contacted some of the business men, asking if they would be interested in having a Lions Club organized.

Those contacted by the three prominent North Carolina Lions were sparked with interest and they in turn set about creating an interest in other fellow citizens.

When Trublood, Hallford and Day returned for a second visit to Zebulon, enough citizens voiced enthusiasm to establish a club. This group, with the leaders, set a charter night.

According to the local members of the club, this was the largest charter night ever held in North Carolina. This record still holds. Approximately 500 persons gathered at Wakelon School gymnasium for the event.

The original officers were: M. W. Page, president; Worth Hinton, first vice president; J. C. Debnam,

second vice president; Martin L. Hagwood, third vice president; M. J. Sexton, secretary-treasurer; and Frank Kannon, Lion Tamer.

The club held their meetings, which occur on the first and third Thursday evenings each month, in the Wakelon School cafeteria prior to the building of the club house.

The infant club's second president, Worth Hinton, gave the organization a shot in the arm. It was under Hinton's leadership that the club began to grow and function with enthusiasm and efficiency.

In 1954 Zebulon Lions Club was 100 per cent at the State convention held in Raleigh. It is the only club in North Carolina that holds this record to date.

More than \$2,000 has been given for the benefit of the handicapped children in this community. At one time the club was the sole supporter of the special education department at Wakelon School. The club has also provided funds for the Shepard School handicapped.

Helping restore the blind's sight is one of the main projects of the Lions organization. They have purchased more than 186 pairs of glasses for adults and children with visual deficiencies in this community.

Besides purchasing glasses for

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### Gov. Luther Hodges To Be Principal Speaker At Banquet

Majestic without being imposing, beautiful without being ornate, and comfortable minus the fastidiousness of the elegant.

This is the new Zebulon Lions Club building.

The acquiring of a permanent home for the Lions Club is a long dream dreamed come true. Since the organization of the club in 1949, the club members have planned for and worked for this club house.

Today, that dream is a reality. The handsome structure sits on East Lee Street, just off Arendell Avenue, as evidence, serenely surveying the surrounding countenances of Nature.

The members readily agree that they had silent misgivings about embarking on such a large building program. But they wanted a club house, and with the strong cooperative will of the members they knew they would accomplish such a project.

As some of the members have said, if the loan company forecloses they cannot take the structure away from Zebulon. It will have to remain here, a sign of the club's spirit and cooperativeness.

The idea of foreclosure is farthest from the minds of the members, though. They intend to finish paying off the indebtedness of the building. And with the enthusiasm Lion members exhibit, this will be done sooner than they or the public think.

In the early part of the Fall of 1956, the club members proposed building themselves a permanent home. As the first step, they purchased an acre of land on East Lee Street from Raleigh realtor Victor Bell at a cost of \$1,000. This was on December 12.

The initial step taken, President Martin L. Hagwood appointed a building committee headed by Lion Thurman Hepler. Hepler and his associates then sought an architect. They found one, a native son, Milton Strickland. Strickland was told by the committee what type of

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## Shepard Senior Is Spelling Her Way To Honor And Fame



Virginia Melba Jones

Want to know how to spell antidisestablishmentarianism?

Then ask Virginia Melba Jones.

This young lady is the spelling queen of Shepard High School. Last week she went on to defeat the contestants from four Wake County High Schools in a spelling contest held at Fuquay Springs.

Miss Jones will meet the winners from 12 counties in April to compete for the district honor. If she wins the district contest she will enter the state contest in May.

The Shepard High School senior was presented certificates for winning a trophy for winning the county contest.

The state wide spelling contest is sponsored by the Durham Business College of Durham, N. C. Certificates, trophies and scholarships will be awaiting the district and state winners.

Miss Jones is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Atlas Jones of Zebulon.