



Frank Kemp

## Frank Kemp New Deputy District Governor for Lions

Zebulon Lions Club has produced its first Deputy District Governor of 31 G.

Frank Oliver Kemp has been named Deputy District Governor of 31 G and will be installed in official ceremonies August 4 at the YMCA Building in Raleigh.

Kemp, one of the most active Lions in the State, said this is the highest honor yet bestowed upon him since he has been a member of the organization.

"Of course, I am very proud and thrilled," he said.

He has been a member of the Zebulon Lions Club since the club was organized in 1949. Charter night here was the largest ever held in North Carolina, and this still holds true.

His first office in the new club was that of tailtwister.

"The duty of a tailtwister," Kemp said, "is to create good humor and fellowship among the club members. A good tailtwister changes a member's attitude and frame of mind after he has had a hard day at the office or with his business."

He served in this capacity for several years, and only recently relinquished the position because of the demands which he will have with his new job.

In 1956 Kemp was made president of the local Lions Club. One of the major projects of his tenure of office was the purchase of band uniforms for Wakelon High School Band.

"The Lions saw the need for outfitting the band members with uniforms," Kemp said, "and they

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### Give Us the Facts

By Eloise Potter

Recently I had a happy reunion with a former teacher of mine whom I greatly admire. For those of you who have lived in Zebulon more than nine years I shall describe her as a Bessie Farmer Davis with a Ph. D. For the rest of you I shall describe her as a brilliant, well-educated woman with a generous amount of good common sense.

Naturally I wanted to discuss with my dear teacher the most important subject on my mind at the moment, school consolidation. Although she would not express an opinion pro or con, she did give me a guide to organizing my own thoughts.

First step: Admit to yourself that the views you now hold may be wrong. Admit to yourself that a big school is not necessarily a good school. Any school, regardless of the buildings and enrollment, is what the students, parents, and faculty make it.

Second step: Examine your own motives. What do you hope to gain by having a bigger high school? Better curriculum? Better teach-

ers? Better library facilities? Or do you favor a bigger school because it can field a winning football team and send an impressive band to parades? Do you hold a grudge against the leaders of any faction?

Third step: Examine other people's motives. This is very difficult because people rarely give their true reasons for choosing their course of action, and often they do not admit their real reasons even to themselves. What do the leaders of each faction hope to gain? Financial profit? Gratification of personal ambitions? Higher status in the community? Do the leaders of any faction hold grudges against the leaders of any other faction?

Fourth step: Forget personalities and examine the facts. Once you have made up your mind on the basis of facts and facts alone, you will know what to do to improve the educational opportunities for your children.

Examine the facts... What are the facts?

If the case for the consolidation of Zebulon, Wendell, Knightdale and Rolesville high schools is as strong as some supporters have indicated they believe it to be, why have the people of Zebulon not been fully informed at PTA meetings and in newspaper articles? A manufacturer does not try to sell his product by keeping its good qualities secret. Neither should county school officials expect to win support for consolidation without letting parents and taxpayers know what advantages the proposed school will offer the students.

## Little League

The Lions Little Leaguers continue their winning streak and are top men on the totem pole. They are losers of only one game out of five played.

League	Won	Lost
Lions	4	1
WETC	2	2
Piggly Wiggly	1	2
Ruritans	0	2

# The ZEBULON RECORD

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## Explorer Scouts Navigate Neuse Aboard Home-Built 'River Rat'

Ten Explorer Scouts assembled a handmade raft on Neuse River Tuesday morning, July 4, and set sail for Morehead.

The 10 Explorers, Fred Flowers, Roger Currin, Willard Currin, Charles Hood, Howard Beck, Jr., Joe Green, Jack Phillips, George Byrd, Vincent Rountree and Tommy Kimball, under the direction of Explorer leaders Milton Bryant and Oren Massey, assembled the raft and loaded their gear and provisions and got the craft, "The River Rat," underway at 10:45 on the Neuse at Goldsboro.

A hundred yards downstream the raft ran into a pile of snags, but the crew quickly learned how to handle the situation. Then they continued to drift slowly down the stream to Cliffs of Neuse State Park without too much trouble.

The crew had trouble docking at the Park because of the swift current. It was a peaceful night, though, with the crew taking one and one-half hour watch shifts.

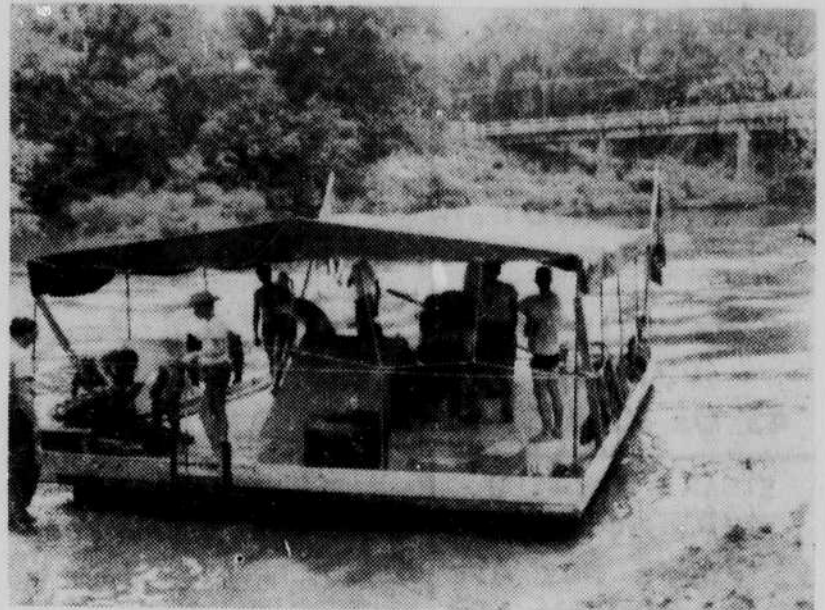
When "The River Rat" tried to get underway the next morning, Wednesday, the boys had trouble because during the night the water had dropped one and one-half feet, and there was trouble getting the raft off shore.

When they arrived at Seven Springs, to get ice and gas, the raft bumped into a bridge and lost half of a bumper (an old tire). The storekeeper, from whom they got the provisions, gave them an old broom with which to sweep the deck of the raft.

It was rough traveling to Kinston. The water was swift and the river was crooked, making the raft hard to handle. They arrived in Kinston at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

"The River Rat" was docked at Kinston, after hitting the Queen Street Bridge. There, the boys went up town for more groceries. A few of them called home. Some of them heard the history of the Battleship Neuse and its sinking.

The Battleship Neuse was built in Smithfield. It was on its way



"The River Rat" and Her Crew

to New Bern during the Civil War when the Rebels blew it up in Kinston to keep it from being captured by the Northern armies.

In Kinston some of the boys visited the fire station and rescue squad and police station. Then they took their turns with the watches again. It wasn't hard to stay awake for the watches, for they had to battle the mosquitoes.

After breakfast the craft was put into motion again. This time things were easier. The river was much wider and straighter, and the current had slowed down.

As they arrived in Pitch Kettle, a storm was brewing. The raft tossed and rolled. The boys had to fight the current going back up stream to dock at the town of Pitch Kettle.

Provisions were purchased at Pitch Kettle and the boys settled down for the night. The rain came in sheets and the canvas topped raft leaked. There was not a dry thread on anybody aboard. And the mosquitoes came like marauders.

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## Quick to Speak At Virginia Meet

The Zebulon Methodist Church minister, the Rev. Bill Quick, will be speaker for a city-wide Youth Activities Week in Arlington, Va., July 23-28. The youth week is being sponsored by the five Methodist churches of greater Arlington: Calvary, Cherrydale, Del Ray, Washington Street and Arlington.

The week opened Sunday night at 8 o'clock and thereafter each evening at 6:30 with a fellowship supper.

Activity each evening will center around the worship service, quest period and recreation. The Rev. Mr. Quick will be the inspirational speaker each evening.

Theme for the week's activities will be "The Path Ahead." The nightly topic centering around the theme will be: Sunday: "The Christ Who Converts Us"; Monday: "The Book That Commands Us"; Tuesday: "The Church That Confronts Us"; Wednesday: "The Faith That Compels Us"; Thursday: "The Frontier That Calls Us"; and Friday: "The Gamble That Challenges Us".

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the five Arlington churches is the sponsor of the week.

## Radar Specialist

PFC Michael C. Pate was graduated from U. S. Army Signal Corps School in Fort Monmouth, N. J. last month. He graduated as an electronic technician, specializing in radar. This course carries the equivalent of three years of electrical engineering in college.

While at Fort Monmouth, Pfc. Pate was chosen "Soldier of the Week," an honor which no other soldier in his platoon had achieved during his term there. He was also a member of the ceremonial unit.

Pate is now stationed at McCoy Air Force Base in Orlando, Fla., where he will attend school at Martin Missile School. This is a private school in advanced electronics and is government classified.

Pate is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Pate of Zebulon.

## Willie Bullock Is Named Little River Township JP

Little River Township has a new justice of the peace. He is Willie Luther Bullock, 53, of Zebulon.

Bullock, who since March has held a position as postal clerk with

the Zebulon Post Office, was appointed Little River Township justice of the peace July 10. The appointment was made by William Y. Bickett, resident judge of Superior Court of the Tenth Judicial District.

The new justice of the peace is a member of Union Chapel Baptist Church where he is assistant superintendent of the Sunday School, a member of the Zebulon Masonic Lodge, and is Worthy Patron of the Wakefield-Zebulon Order of the Eastern Star, 133.

He has nine years active duty with the U. S. Army and seven years with the Army Reserve. He is associated with 396 General Hospital, USAR, in Durham where he is chief ward man.

He is also a practical licensed nurse.

Bullock is married to the former Dixie Brantley, and they are the parents of three children, Gilbert of Zebulon, Joel of the U. S. Navy, and Gloria of the home. There are also two grandchildren. The family resides on West Horton Street.



Willie L. Bullock