

# THE ZEBULON RECORD

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## TOWN ATTORNEY

### Files for School Board Seat

Ferd Davis, local attorney, filed last Friday as candidate for the Wake County Board of Education to succeed C. V. Whitley, retiring board chairman, as a member from eastern Wake County.

While the members of the county group are voted on at large, one place has customarily gone to the area east of Raleigh.

The local man, who graduated from Wakelon High School, is a former member of the local school committee. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College, receiving his B.S. degree in physics and the LL.B. degree there. He has also attended Mars Hill College, Miami University, the Infantry School at Fort



Benning, Ga., the Army Command & General Staff College, and the National War College at Washington, D. C.

The Zebulon lawyer is married to the former Selma Ann Harris of Wake Forest, present president of the Wakelon P-TA. They have four children, three in school here and one, Leary, a student at Wake Forest College, now on active duty as a second lieutenant at Fort Rucker, Alabama.

Davis has practiced law here since 1953, and was editor of *The Zebulon Record* from 1946 to 1950. He was a World War II aviator, and is now an infantry officer in the National Guard. He has served as town attorney here for several years, and is a former member of the N. C. Board of Conservation & Development, a past Rotary district governor and international counselor, and former president of the Zebulon Chamber of Commerce.

## Justice Dealt Out to Defendants In Zebulon Recorder's Court Session

The following cases were tried in the Zebulon Recorder's Court Wednesday, February 28:

John Albert Jones, no valid operator's license, failing to stop for stop sign, improper brakes, six months on roads.

Andrew Bridges, under the influence of alcoholic beverages, without operator's license, hit and run, six months on roads suspended on payment of \$125 fine and remain on good behavior for two years and not operate a motor vehicle for two years.

James T. Richardson, assault on his mother-in-law, six months on roads, suspended on payment of costs. A second charge of operating on wrong side of road, \$15 fine and costs. A third charge of public drunkenness brought him 30 days on roads suspended on payment of \$10 fine and costs.

Alfonza Jones, public drunkenness, 30 days in Wake County Jail suspended on payment of \$10 fine and costs. A second charge of public drunkenness brought about a verdict of 60 days on roads suspended on payment of \$50 fine and costs.

Calvin Monroe Richardson, driving while his license was revoked and driving in a careless and reckless manner, found not guilty.

Andrew Harris, operating motor vehicle under the influence of liquor or narcotic drug, four months in jail suspended on payment of costs and placed under probation for one year.

Stephen Edward, improper muffler, 30 days on roads suspended on payment of \$21 fine and costs.

James Arthur Barnes, improper muffler, \$10 fine and costs.

Garland Field, failing to transfer title and no insurance, \$25 fine and costs.

Roy West, Jr., speeding, \$15 fine and costs.

Barbara Bethea Price, improper brakes, \$15 fine and costs.

McClellan Pierce, improper brakes, \$15 fine and costs.

Ronald Edward Driver, Care-

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## Colored Order of Eastern Star Installs Officers for Coming Year

Officers for the coming year to serve Mt. Pisgah Top OES, Chapter 112, Zebulon, were installed at a public installation Sunday, February 25, at Wakefield Baptist Church.

Mrs. Lucille Parks is the new Worthy Matron. Serving under her are Mrs. Ada Perry, Associate Matron; Rev. C. H. Heath, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Lizzie B. Askew, Secretary; Mrs. Hallie Dunn, Treasurer; Mrs. Ruth Morgan, Conductress;

Mrs. Margaret Taylor, Associate

Conductress; Mrs. Lona Richardson, Warden; Mrs. Merter Privett, Sentinel; Mrs. Ora M. Webb, music; and Mrs. Bernice Dunn, Chaplain.

Star Points for the coming year are: Mrs. Francis Montague, Adah; Mrs. Rochelle H. Malone, Ruth; Mrs. Ora M. Webb, Esther; Mrs. Bernice Dunn, Martha; and Mrs. Eura Lee Jones, Electra.

Mrs. Parks succeeds Mrs. R. H. Malone. Installing was done by the Rev. C. H. Heath, who is pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church in Rolesville.

## Whitley Not to Be a Candidate For Wake School Board Post

### Bad Health Is Given as Reason

Bad health during the past year influenced C. V. Whitley not to seek reelection to the Wake County School Board. Whitley's decision came last week.

The veteran board chairman only recently returned from a Virginia hospital where he underwent myriads of tests. Prior to that he was hospitalized at Wendell-Zebulon Hospital and Duke Hospital.

Whitley, who served as chairman of the board for the past year, has been a proponent of the consolidated school now under consideration for the eastern Wake communities of Wendell, Zebulon, Knightdale and Rolesville.

The Zebulon businessman indicated that he feels it is time for a younger man to be added to the board. His term expires this year.

Candidates for the school board are nominated by political parties and must pay a \$5 filing fee to run in the primaries. Democratic and Republican nominees are submitted to the General Assembly with final appointments made by that body. At its discretion, the Assembly may give two, four or six-year terms to new board members.

By custom, but not by law, board members represent various areas of Wake County in an arrangement similar to that of County Commissioners. Largely because board members are responsible for nominating district school committeemen in their respective sections of Wake, the area representation system prevails, but it is theoretically possible for all five board members to be selected from one town or area. In past years, representation has not always been equally spread out.

At present, members of the Wake Board represent the following areas: Whitley, Wendell-Zebulon-Knightdale; W. M. Satterwhite of Wake Forest, Wake Forest - Millbrook - Rolesville; Mrs. John Q. Adams of Fuquay, Fuquay-Varina-Garner; H. R. Adams of Cary, Cary-Apex-Morrisville; and Harry Stewart, Raleigh area. Two Zebulon citizens and a community resident quelled rumors this week that they would be candidates for commissioner from Eastern Wake County.

Attorney Foster Finch, businessman J. Raleigh Alford and farmer Billy K. Hopkins all denied plans to file for the race for commissioner.

The race was opened Monday, March 5, when Carey Robertson of Knightdale announced he would not be a candidate for reelection. He has held the post of commissioner for Eastern Wake County (Continued on page 6)

## School Principal To Speak at Club

Tuesday night, March 20, at 8 o'clock, the Jr. Woman's Club will have a reception honoring the local teachers and prospective members. Mr. C. V. Tart, principal of Wakelon School, will be the guest speaker. All members are urged to attend.

## VERNON KING

### Enters Alabama Politics

Alabama is feeling the political effects of a Zebulon community native who is seeking public office there.

Vernon D. King, a resident of Birmingham for the last 10 years, is making his bid for one of the seven seats vacant in the Alabama Legislature. It is his first try for public office.

One of his main political fights concerns the merging of two nearby Birmingham suburbs, Mountain Brook and Homewood. King feels that these two suburbs should be annexed by legislative act to the city of Birmingham.

King said the merger issue will be the number one issue facing the next Jefferson legislative delegation. He is supporting education, health care for the aged and indigent, and progressive inducement for getting more and diversi-

fied industry.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. King of Route 4, Zebulon, he is a graduate of Wakelon High School, and a 1956 graduate of Howard College with a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy.

He is a Korean War veteran, serving as a medic with the Navy. Immediately upon graduation he became a drug salesman for Merck, Sharpe and Dohm. He has never practiced the profession of pharmacy.

Presently he is president of Thera-Medic, Inc., in the Birmingham suburb of Homewood. This wholesale drug house was organized by himself and others.

King, 31, is married to the former Betty Davidson of Birmingham, a commercial artist. They are the parents of two children, Donna, 6½; and Dixon, 17 months.

## Rotarians Plan Horse Show For Zebulon in Early Fall

Zebulon Rotarians decided Friday night to change the proposed date of a horse show from Easter Monday to an early fall date. The date was changed on the advice of an experienced horse show director, who suggested too little time is available to produce a good show by Easter Monday.

Dr. Lee Sedwitz made the report on progress toward the horse show, and stated that more than \$1,000 should be cleared by a good show.

It has been suggested that net receipts from the show be used for the Wendell-Zebulon Hospital.

Rotary President Pat Farmer announced the District Conference to be in Rocky Mount March 25-26. He urged full attendance by the local club.

Mrs. Stanley Seago, Wakelon high school teacher, presented Celia Hales and Lewis Liles, first and second place winners in the World Peace Speaking Contest

sponsored by the Zebulon Rotarians.

The students were chosen from five finalists who wrote speeches on the subject of world peace and the United Nations.

## Hospital Notes

The following were patients at Wendell-Zebulon Hospital Wednesday morning.

### White

Harold Alford, Nancy Turlington, Willard King, Martha Whitley, Katherine May, Clifton Perry, Doris Medlin, Lorenzo Bunn, William Quick, Oma Pearl Medlin, Ann Scott, Frank Blackley and Willie Brannan.

### Colored

Josephine Rogers.

## Wendell Citizens Plan to Battle Plan to Cut Rail Freight Service

Wendell citizens don't intend standing by and letting the State Utilities Commission close down their railway freight station.

Wendell civic and business leaders contend that the station's business has doubled or tripled in the past few years, and promises that if the station continues to stay hardest fight over the station than any issue raised in their town in most active stations of any small town in North Carolina.

"Many businesses in Wendell use the railroad now and there are other industries coming to the town to oppose town and community which will have great need for the use of the present station," a leading citizen said.

The Town Board of Commissioners has instructed Town Attorney Clarence M. Kirk to oppose the closing of the freight station with every legal means. Plans are for the station to remain open only two hours a day, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Norfolk Southern Railroad Co. has filed application for approval with the station agent for about 15 years.