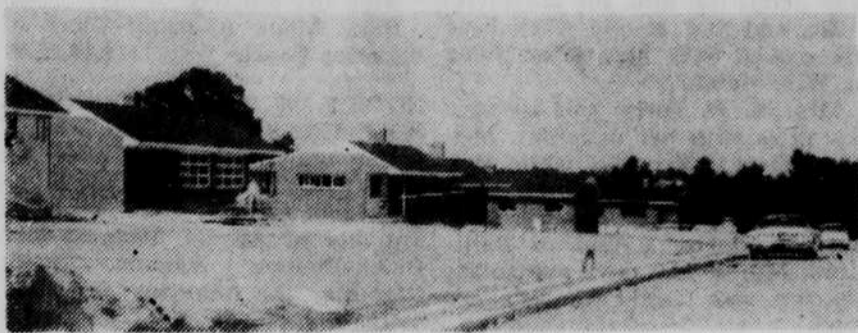


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The construction of Zebulon's white and colored low rent housing projects are progressing according to schedule, superintendent P. D. Chamblee said this week. The exteriors of the white units are completed. Underground utilities are being installed; plaster, shingling, and plumbing and electrical utilities are in progress. Chamblee said plastering will be completed this week. Tile, paneling and finish work is then to be done. On the colored site, Chamblee said the masonry is completed. Roofs are now being installed. This site is going according to schedule. Chamblee said the Wendell white and colored low rent housing projects are about as completed as the local projects.

## Zebulon Guardsman Promoted To Rank of Lieutenant Colonel

A Zebulon resident who commands the 30th Aviation Battalion of the N. C. Army National Guard was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel last week, according to orders published by the Adjutant General's Department in Raleigh. The promotion of Lt. Col. Barrie Davis came 10 days after he succeeded Col. Charles S. Manooch, Jr., of Raleigh as commander of the Army Guard's only flying unit.

Col. Davis began his military service in June 1942 when he enlisted as a private in the Army. He began flight training in January 1943, and the following August was commissioned a Second Lieutenant.

As a fighter pilot with the 12th and 15th Air Forces in Africa and Europe, he destroyed six German aircraft in aerial combat and six on the ground, gaining "Ace" status in 1944. He was released from active duty in 1945 as a captain.

In 1949 he was transferred from the Air Force Reserve to the Army National Guard to organize Battery A, 113th Field Artillery Battalion, in Zebulon. He commanded this unit for six years, during which time its strength increased from 21 to 100 and the present armory was constructed.

In June 1955 he was transferred to 30th Infantry Division headquarters in Raleigh as Public Information Officer. He received promotion to major in July 1955.

Four years later the 30th Division was reorganized as a "Pen-

toinic" unit, requiring a Combat Aviation Company. Davis was assigned commander of the new unit and given the mission of forming it from a rifle company and medical detachment at Apex, and 12 small aviation detachments located across the state.

Subsequent reorganization of the 30th Division as a "ROAD" unit in March 1963 increased the size of the aviation unit to a battalion. Davis was reassigned executive officer of the battalion, serving in this position until his recent reassignment as battalion commander.

Col. Davis is a Senior Army Aviator and holds an Army instrument rating. He graduated in 1955 from the advanced course at the Artillery and Missile School at Ft. Sill, Okla., and in 1957 from the Air-Ground School conducted by the Air Force.

He has been awarded the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with 13 clusters, Purple Heart, ETO Campaign Ribbon with five campaign stars, American Defense Medal, Reserve Forces Medal, and N. C. National Guard Ribbon with device.

The 30th Aviation Battalion has Headquarters and Headquarters Company and Company B based at Apex, and its flying and aircraft maintenance activities at Raleigh-Durham Airport. At the present time, the battalion's \$270,000 armory is nearing completion at Raleigh-Durham Airport.

## Zebulon Rotary Club Begins Project to Reduce Drop-outs

Last Friday night members of the Zebulon Rotary Club began a project to reduce the number of students who drop out of school before they graduate. The action came as a result of a talk by Aaron Fussell, assistant superintendent of Wake County Schools, who related the large percentage of students who fail to complete a high school education.

Mr. Fussell was introduced by Ferd Davis, member of the Wake County School Board.

Pointing up the large number of drop-outs in the Wake County system, Mr. Fussell said that of the students beginning school in 1949, only 50% graduated from high school. In some areas, he said, 30% of the students stopped school before the end of the 9th grade, and another 30% before completing the 11th grade.

A committee headed by Willie B. Hopkins was appointed to work with the Wakelon School superintendent to reduce the number of

drop-outs. Those appointed to serve with Chairman Hopkins are Ed Ellington, Ferd Davis, Luther Massey, Ed Hales, and Melvin Massey.

In his talk, which was interesting and informative, Mr. Fussell pointed out happenings which affected the county school system during the past year. Among them were the continued accreditation of all elementary schools with the Southern Association; approval of a 11½ million dollar bond issue for schools; a seminar of health of school children; a teacher self-evaluation program which gained national attention; legislative action to increase the number of personnel for schools; the opening of the Industrial Education Center headed by Dr. Kenneth Wold; and the increasing difficulty of operating schools.

"People want more (from their schools) and are demanding more," Mr. Fussell said. New project (Continued on Page 7)

## Majority Favors Direct Telephone Service to Raleigh

A report to Mayor Ed Hales from Southern Bell Telephone Co. officials last week revealed that Zebulon telephone subscribers favor toll-free service to Raleigh.

Hales said the report made the latter of last week showed that 911 subscribers have replied to a poll being made by the company. Of this number 720 are in favor of toll-free service, 191 against.

Wendell telephone subscribers favor the toll-free service by a vote of 706 to 124 against. A total of 830 subscribers in Wendell answered the poll.

After the survey has been completed by the telephone company, Mayor Hales said it will be approximately 18 months before the toll-free service is available to area telephone subscribers.

## Swimmers Take Win from Fuquay; Go Again Friday

Zebulon's swimming team outclassed the Clayton swimmers Monday night at the local swimming pool.

The local youngsters were too much for the Clayton team. There were a number of first places in certain divisions and several who were triple winners.

Michele Thomas was a triple winner in the eight-year-old girls' class; Tommy Liborio and Steve Vinson, triple winners in the 12-year-old boys'; Pattie Smith, triple winner in the 12-year-old girls'; and Cathy Clark, triple winner in the 14-year-old girls'.

Ben David Thomas and Mark Wilson were the winners of one and two events in the boys' 14-year-old class; Jane Hinton and Vicki Temple, winners of one and two events in the 16-year-old girls' class; and Johnny Clark and Henry Temple, winners in the one and two class for 16-year-old boys.

Pamela Vinson was the second place winner with a back stroke in the girls' six-year-old class. John Zebulon Davis, came in second with breast stroke in the boys' eight-year-old class.

Joe Hinton was the winner of one and two events in the boys' 10-year-old class; and Frances Massey and Angela Vinson came in for one and two events.

Taking first place in the relays in the 16-year-old boys' class were Johnny Clark, Timmy Kemp, Henry Temple, and Robert Lanier with the 100 yard free style. Their time was 1.36.

Winners of the 100-yard free style in 2.06 for first place were Tommy Liborio, Steven Vinson, Tim Lanier and Tommy Massey. This event was for 12-year-old boys.

Frances Massey, Angela Vinson, Frances Sawyer and Cheryl Chapman were declared first place winners in the 100-yard dash free style in 2.43. This event was for 10-year-old girls.

The 100-yard free style for 14-year-old boys was taken by Freddie Hinton, Ben David Thomas, Mark Wilson and Eddie Smith. Time for this event was 1.58.

Jane Hinton, Cathy Clark, Pattie Smith and Vicki Temple were first place winners in the 100-yard free style for the 14-year-old girls' group. Their time was 2.02.

The next meet will be against Benson Friday night beginning at six o'clock.

## Zebulon Application For Sewage Disposal Funds Are Approved

### Drowning in Pond First of Season

The area's first summer fatality from drowning occurred Monday morning about 9:30 when a Barbee Avenue Negro youth died.

Kenneth Lee High, 11-year-old son of Mrs. Ernestine High, drowned in a farm pond belonging to Preston Smith on Route 1, Zebulon.

Police Chief Willie B. Hopkins said High and four other Negro youths of about the same age were in the pond wading and swimming.

The other youths told Hopkins that their companion ventured in deep water and began calling for help. The boys, frightened, found something resembling a barrel hoop, Hopkins said, and tried to reach High. They were not successful.

It was not until about an hour later that the local police department was notified of the boy's drowning. Help was dispensed immediately.

Wendell Rescue Squad members came to the scene and assisted in the search for the youth. Grappling and tether hooks were unsuccessful, so members of the squad took to the pond. One of the members found the youth when he touched him with his foot.

The youth was dead when he was lifted from the water, Hopkins said.

Funeral services were held for High Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at Wakefield Baptist Church. The Rev. C. E. Askew officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

### Mayor Pro Tem

J. Raleigh Alford, businessman and long-time member of the town board of commissioners, has been named mayor pro tem. The appointment was made at the last board meeting.

The Town of Zebulon's application for funds for the construction of a sewage disposal plant has been approved by the N. C. State Stream Sanitation committee.

Mayor Ed Hales received a letter recently from E. C. Hubbard, director of the Division of Stream Sanitation and Hydrology, saying that the committee has approved the town's application which was submitted to the department May 8.

The funds are contingent upon Congress appropriating funds for fiscal year 1963-64, Mayor Hales said Hubbard wrote. This means that if funds are made available by Congress the application will be submitted to the Public Health Service for final approval.

Mayor Hales said Hubbard advised that the town engineer proceed with the preparation of final plans and specifications. This will place the town in position to initiate construction of the project as soon as a grant is made and authorization for the initiation of construction is received from the Public Health Service.

The town requested slightly more than \$50,000 of Federal funds for the construction of a sewage disposal plant, Mayor Hales said.

The seven-acre site for the plant was purchased three years ago. It is located adjacent to the new garbage disposal site. The site was purchased from Pittman Stell for a sum of \$200 an acre. It was one half mile east of the city limits.

Mayor Hales said the town engineer advised against using the legume type of treatment plant. He added that the type being designed to be constructed will be less likely to run into difficulties.

Mayor Hales said the new half million gallon water storage tank is about completed. The concrete foundation and walls are being poured.

The water main extending from the new plant located on the bypass into town has been laid. Now there must be some tying in to the system at three points.

The project is going according to schedule, Mayor Hales said. The project is expected to be completed in less than the 12 months time limit for completion.



Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Medlin of Aberdeen receive an explanation of the operation of the 30th Infantry Division tactical operations center from Lt. Col. Ferd Davis, division operations and training officer. Dr. Medlin, a former resident of Zebulon, and his wife visited the center during the division's summer field training last month at Fort Bragg as guests of the division commander, Major General Weston Willis, a cousin of Mrs. Medlin. From left to right are Dr. Medlin, General Willis, Capt. James Glenn, aide to General Willis, Mrs. Medlin, Lt. Col. Harper K. Sanders, intelligence officer, and Col. Davis. Dr. Medlin is brother to Mrs. Edwin Richardson and uncle of Mrs. Carsey Tippet. (Photo by Sgt. J. L. McGee)