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Episcopalians' Steeple Is to Be Taken Down

Foundation, Made of Timbers Laid on Top of Tower, Has Been Rotted by Exposure

SOME BELIEVE CHANGE WILL NOT MAR CHURCH

The Episcopal church is going to lose its steeple.

The reason the steeple is going to be taken down is that its foundation has rotted. The foundation consists of several 8-by-12-inch timbers laid in the form of an octagon on top of the square tower. They were not adequately protected from the weather, and seventeen years of exposure has done for them. The structure of the steeple itself is wood; the only metal about it is the copper sheathing.

The demolition, which is expected to begin within a week or so, has to begin at the top and proceed downward. It calls for expert work by men who are used to doing jobs at dizzy heights, and it is going to cost the parish a good bit of money.

As far as the appearance of the church is concerned, many members of the congregation and many other people who see the edifice day after day, are not sorry to see the steeple go. The original plan of the architect, Hobart Upjohn, did not include a steeple. Then somebody made the point that a steeple would impart to the whole layout—the big new church, the little old church, and the central colonnaded court—an atmosphere of unity.

The new church was the gift of the late William A. Erwin, the cotton textile manufacturer of Durham. When it became known that he would like the church to have a steeple, the steeple was added. This did not require any change in the plans for the church; the steeple was simply superimposed upon the tower.

Raid Signals Tomorrow

Between 1 and 2 O'clock; Blasts on Siren, and Power House Whistle

Air raid signals will be tested tomorrow (Saturday) between 1 and 2 o'clock. The test has been arranged by the Local Civilian Defense Air Raid Section, of which R. H. Wettach is chief.

The siren will sound 35 times; then there will be an interval of half a minute; then the siren will sound 35 times more. The power house whistle will blow while the siren is sounding.

After a long interval there will be the all-clear signal—one long blast.

The test calls for the aid of citizens. The important question is: Will the signals be heard? If you do NOT hear them, please inform the Control Center, telephone F-3111.

Dr. McCoy Lectures Here

Dr. George W. McCoy, formerly medical director of the National Institute of Health, and now professor of preventive medicine at Louisiana State University, has been here this week giving a series of lectures on tularemia and leprosy for students in the University's school of public health.

Freshman Basketball Tonight

The University's freshman basketball team will play Lees-McRae College here at 8 o'clock this (Friday) evening in the Woolen gymnasium.

The Conference Swimming Meet

The annual Southern Conference swimming meet will be held here March 6 and 7.

The Town's Aldermen Are Responsible For the Enforcement of Traffic Laws

When I was coming up Henderson street toward the post office one day this week, I saw an automobile flash by on Franklin street. It was bound west, which means that it was entering the town's crowded business block where the legal limit is 20 miles an hour. That car could not have been going less than 40 miles an hour, and I believe it was going faster than that. On a recent night I saw two students get into a car in front of the post office, give a blast of the horn, and roar up the block at what anybody would have called high speed even out in the open country.

This is a familiar sight—cars going at illegal and dangerous speeds along the town's most congested stretch of pavement. Everybody is talking about it and wondering why it is permitted.

Who is responsible for this contemptuous and constant violation of the law? Primarily the responsibility is with the police, but the ultimate responsibility is with these men who constitute the board of aldermen:

F. O. Bowman R. B. Fitch

P. L. Burch R. J. M. Hobbs
Ooie Davis R. W. Madry
Add the mayor, John M. Foushee. He does not have a vote on questions that come before the board, except in case of a tie, but he presides at the meetings and exerts influence in the conduct of the town government.

The town manager is not concerned with enforcing the traffic laws. It is a police function. In other communities the town manager has jurisdiction over the police, but in Chapel Hill that is not the case. Here the police department is directly under the aldermen. The aldermen have appointed P. L. Burch a committee of one to represent them in supervising the police, so that he is, in effect, a police commissioner.

Here I have mentioned high speed as a frequent violation of the law. It is the worst violation, because it is the most dangerous, but there are many others. The whole traffic problem in Chapel Hill calls for serious attention. It is a situation in which the aldermen should recognize, and fulfill, their responsibility.—L.G.

Salvage Trucks to Make Circuit Tomorrow; All Householders Are Asked to Cooperate

Tomorrow — Saturday, the 21st — will be the day for the second February house-to-house collection of waste material by the salvage section of the local Civilian Defense.

"We expect to make this collection more systematic and thorough than any one in the past," said Ove F. Jensen, chief of the salvage section, yesterday. "We request the cooperation of all householders."

There will certainly be two town trucks in service, and probably a third one from the University. They will start at 8 o'clock and will complete the circuit by early afternoon.

It is very important that the waste materials for collection be placed either out on the sidewalk or on a porch where they will be easily visible. Paper should be tied in bundles, or boxed, or in case of newspapers and magazines, laid flat. It will help a great deal for everybody to be as careful as possible about that.

If for any reason the material you put out is not taken away, telephone the Civilian Defense Control Center, F-3111, and it will be called for. Along with

Gardeners to Hear Lanford

J. C. Lanford of Greensboro, field representative of Swift & Co., will give a lecture, illustrated with color pictures, on "Vegetable and Ornamental Gardens, and the Proper Use of Fertilizer in the Garden," at 7:30 next Thursday evening in room 206, Phillips hall. All members of the Horticultural Garden Club and of the Chapel Hill Garden Club, and other persons interested in gardening, are invited.

Billy Mackie on the Radio

Billy Mackie of Chapel Hill will play the role of Ted Malloy as a boy in the play, "One Ted Malloy," to be broadcast by the Carolina Playmakers of the Air at 3:32 tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon over the Mutual Broadcasting System's national network. Billy made his first radio appearance last week when he played the part of an English Boy Scout in "Scouts for Defense," which was broadcast by the members of the Chapel Hill Boy Scout Troop 9.

paper, put in the pile any metals or rubber that you are ready to discard.

The Boy Scouts who are to go around with the trucks are Carl Durham, Jr., F. O. Bowman, Jr., Collier Cobb, 3rd, William Cobb, Lee Wiley, Sam Summerlin, Lindon Hobbs, and Ward Peacock. John Young, University student, will be in general command as Scout Leader.

Proposed, for Sake of Country Children, That School Be Opened 45 Minutes Later

At its meeting night before last the Rotary Club adopted a resolution asking that the opening hour at the high school be 45 minutes later—that is, that it be changed from 8:30 A. M. to 9:15 A. M.

The reason for this proposal is that, since the introduction of War Time, many of the children who come in from the country have to start before light. Some of them have to walk long distances to catch the school bus.

"The early opening hour here is a real hardship on children living out in the country," said an officer of the Rotary Club yesterday. "This will not be the case later on, when sunrise is earlier,

Washington's Birthday at P.O.

Washington's Birthday, which falls on Sunday this year, will be observed Monday, the 23rd, at the Chapel Hill post office. The general delivery, stamp, and parcel post windows will be open from 10 A.M. to 12 noon. The money order, registered mail, and postal savings windows will not be open at all. There will be only the morning delivery by carrier. There will be no rural delivery.

Red Cross Quota Unfilled

About \$2,330 of Chapel Hill's Red Cross war fund quota of \$3,000 has now been raised. This amount includes about \$300 which has been collected in a student campaign on the campus. More contributions are needed. They may be turned in to Mr. Fambrough at the bank.

Basketball in Maryland

The University's basketball team will play Maryland there tonight.

Chapel Hill Chaff

The rationing of tires and the ban on the sales of automobiles put such a big dent in Bruce Strowd's revenue that he decided recently to go out of business. He says the reason he reversed the decision was that he got to thinking about a certain question Mrs. Clyde Eubanks had asked her husband:

Mr. Eubanks had had a good offer for his drug business, and he told his wife he was going to accept it. He was getting along in years, he had worked hard, and it was about time to quit and take things easy.

Mrs. Eubanks's comment was in the form of a question:

"When you haven't got the drugstore any more, what will you do after breakfast?"

Mr. Eubanks didn't answer at once, because he wanted time to think it over. He thought and thought, and still he couldn't think of any answer except "Nothing." The more he pondered upon the matter, the more bleak and dreary seemed a future with nothing to do after one meal but wait for the next. So he kept his drugstore, and is still on the job there several hours a day, and is continuing to enjoy life.

"Mr. Eubanks told me about Mrs. Eubanks's question at the time," said Mr. Strowd when he was in my office day before yesterday. "I forgot all about it till the other day when I had about made up my mind to liquidate. The outlook for the business looked mighty blue. Then that question popped into my head, and I asked myself the same thing: 'What will you do after breakfast?' That made going out of business look bluer than staying in. So I'm staying in."

Registration for Draft Here, Including Students, Is 1,168; Total for the County, 2,075

Shepperd Strudwick in Movie Play Here



Shepperd Strudwick — native of Hillsboro and former member of the Carolina Playmakers here in the University—will be seen in "Remember the Day" on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week at the Carolina theatre. But he is not booked under his real name. The Hollywood moguls made him change his name—for no good reason that anybody here can see—to John Shepperd, and it is as John Shepperd that he appears on the billboards and in the advertisements.

Professors May Use Horses, as of Yore

It has been said that history moves in cycles. Another way of putting it is that "history repeats itself." I do not know whether or not this is a truth of cosmic proportions, but it seems about to become true in a small way in Chapel Hill.

When I was a boy here, many members of the faculty used horses to get about the village and the campus. Automobiles came in, and horses went out. Now the war may keep people from having cars, and this may bring horses back again.

The other day Urban T. Holmes, who lives out in Forest Hills, a mile or more from his teaching quarters, told me that he was thinking of getting a horse.

"I am running a car now," he said, "but before long I may not be. I have plenty of ground and could have a barn and enough space for the horse to run around in."

I asked Mr. Holmes how about the cost. He said he was making some researches into that and would tell me more about it the next time he saw me.—L.G.

Colonel Pratt Getting Around

The latest letter about Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, who is at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, says that he has gained strength enough to be walking about his room, and by this time he has probably advanced to the porch-visiting stage. On his 72nd birthday, a few days ago, some of the nurses gave him a party with a cake and candles and felicitations. Mrs. Pratt and Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Jr., are with him. Recently James Peters, Mrs. Pratt's son, came from an Army Air Corps training field in Missouri for a five-day furlough in Rochester.

Choral Club Rehearsals

The Chapel Hill Choral Club will meet at 7:30 Monday evening at the Hill Music hall to begin rehearsals of "Elijah," the oratorio they will give in June at the University Commencement.

Robert W. Madry and Bad-Eye Atwater Barely in Time to Beat 9 O'clock Deadline

TWO FATHER-AND-SON COUPLES ARE ON LIST

A total of 1,168 men were registered here last Monday in the third draft registration provided for by Congress. The total for the county was 2,075.

The biggest surprise was that 720 were enrolled at the student

registration place (Memorial hall) on the University campus. S. W. J. Welch, who was in command there, had expected that about half that many students would be eligible to register and had prepared accordingly.

As a consequence, he and his 25 assistants were swamped. They didn't have time to catch their breath between 9 A. M. and 4:30 P. M. During part of this time about 150 students were standing in line awaiting their turn. The supply of registration cards was exhausted, and more had to be hurried over from Raleigh by bus. Pending their arrival, cards were borrowed from one of the town registration places.

The students are included in the Chapel Hill and Orange county totals given above.

The number registered in the village was 448. Of these, 254 were white and 194 were negroes. They were divided as follows: 93 at the elementary school, where L. J. Phipps was in command; and 195 at the Town Hall and 160 at the negro registration place at O'Kelly's dry-cleaning place on West Franklin street.

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Dutch Envoy Here

A Large Crowd Hears and Applauds Loudon in Memorial Hall

A large crowd turned out to hear Alexander Loudon, minister of the Netherlands to the United States, when he spoke Wednesday afternoon in Memorial Hall and gave him thunders of applause when he declared that the Dutch in the Far East would fight Japan to the limit of their strength.

Part of his speech was devoted to a review of the history of German aggression. It was a mistake, he said, to think of this war as a war against Adolf Schickelgruber. It was a war against Germany. The Germans' doctrine had always been to take what they wanted of other people's possessions.

In talking of the war in the Pacific, Mr. Loudon laid emphasis upon the time element.

"The problem is to get equipment—planes and ships," he said. "We can only hope and pray that we will get them in time to stop the Japanese."

Mr. Loudon came here on the invitation of the University's International Relations Club.

Services for Children in Lent

Day before yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. A children's service, with singing by a junior choir, will be held in the Episcopal church at 5:15 every Wednesday between now and Easter.

Boxing Here Tomorrow

The University's boxing team will meet Maryland here at 8:30 tomorrow (Saturday) evening in the Woolen gymnasium. The meet will be preceded at 7 o'clock by a meet between the University's freshman team and the Augusta Military Academy.