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## Mayor Organizes Committee for a Study of Housing

Writing to Cornwell and Other Citizens, Madry Emphasizes Need for Living Quarters

Mayor Robert W. Madry is organizing a Citizens Housing Committee to study the problem of the shortage of living quarters in Chapel Hill.

He has asked Oliver K. Cornwell to be the chairman. The other citizens whom Mr. Madry has asked to serve on the committee are Collier Cobb, Jr., Vic Hugings, Grady Pritchard, D. J. Smith, Wilbur Kutz, Harry Comer, Roy Parker, E. L. Mackie, Brack Creel, and P. L. Burch.

These citizens will work in close cooperation with University officials concerned with housing. Harry Comer's being a member of the citizens' body will be specially helpful because he is chairman of the University housing committee and has been giving attention to the housing situation for some time.

In a letter to the citizens whom he is asking to compose the committee Mr. Madry says:

"Chapel Hill has been facing an acute housing shortage for some time, and indications are that the situation will grow worse until more houses or apartments, or both, are provided.

"You will recall the overcrowded conditions in Chapel Hill following the first World War, and I see no reason for not believing that history will repeat itself.

"Many returning veterans desiring to enroll in the University are married and are being forced to go elsewhere because of lack of living quarters here."

For many months now there have been from 75 to 100 families on a waiting list for houses and apartments. Some of these are Navy people who have been forced to do the best they can with cramped quarters. Some of the others are war veteran students and their wives.

## Invitation Given to Speakers of French

French speaking visitors are welcome at the French House, 216 East Rosemary lane (next to the T. J. Wilson house, one block over from the Episcopal church) between 7:30 and 8:30 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings.

This is a social hour when the teachers (Hugo Giduz, the director; Mrs. Charlotte Huse, and Madame Lalanne from the Ashley Hall in Charleston) and their students are hosts. Anybody who wants to speak French is welcome.

The French cadets in the Navy Pre-Flight are frequent visitors. Mrs. Huse, Madame Lalanne, and the students (most of whom are teachers) live at French House, and they have their meals together. Only French is spoken. Classes are conducted through the morning, and there are various forms of recreation in the afternoon and evening.

## Hill Shine Going to Europe

Hill Shine has a leave of absence from Maryville College in Tennessee and is going to Europe to take part in the Army's educational program. It is the same sort of mission as E. T. Brownie's, but they may not be in the same country. Mr. and Mrs. Shine and their children have been here this week visiting Mr. Shine's mother and sister.

## Unhurt as Gunner on Bombing Planes, Clyde Burch Comes Back Home to Get Arm Crushed in an Automobile Wreck

After going unhurt through four missions over Germany as a gunner in a big bombing plane, Sergeant Clyde Burch, 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Burch, came back home to be run into a ditch on the Durham road, pinned under a car, and have his arm so badly crushed that it had to be put in a cast. The doctors say that the arm is temporarily paralyzed. They give the hope that the paralysis may be gone soon.

Though he had written them that he was all right when the war in Europe ended, after that Sergeant Burch's parents were without a letter for so long that they began to wonder what had become of him. Then, about two weeks ago, a taxi stopped in front of their home on Mallett street and Clyde stepped out. As soon as the greetings were over he informed them unexcitedly that he had got a 30-day furlough and had caught a plane ride across the Atlantic Ocean to Canada.

He started over to Durham in his father's car about 4 o'clock

Monday afternoon. When he was rolling along the mile-long straightaway just this side of the half-way bridge, an ice truck suddenly came out of a side road in front of him. He had to make the choice of crashing into the truck or taking to the ditch. He took to the ditch. The car turned over, and he was pinned under it.

Between Chapel Hill and the scene of the accident he had picked up two hitch-hikers, a

### War Movies at Legion Meeting Tonight

The Chapel Hill post of the American Legion will have a meeting at 8 o'clock this (Friday) evening in the Hut.

Commander E. B. Patterson announces that after the business session two official war movies will be shown, "The Battle of Midway" and "Our Enemy, the Jap."

The post welcomes to its meetings, and into its membership, all veterans coming home from the war.

## Memorial to Chapel Hill Men Who Have Died in War to Be Created by "Americans United"

The Chapel Hill chapter of Americans United is sponsoring the establishing of a lectureship as a memorial to men from Chapel Hill and its neighborhood who have died in the World War. This was announced by Maurice Whittinghill, president of the organization, at the meeting in Memorial hall, night before last, that was addressed by ex-Governor Broughton.

The men whom Mr. Whittinghill named as having lost their lives in the war (saying that the list might be incomplete and he wanted to know of any more names that should be in the list), were:

Arnold Breckenridge, Bynum Crabtree, Reid Cheek, Alexander F. Farrar, Ralph Felton, Lawrence Flinn, Carl Hogan, William B. Poythress, Fenly Spear, John W. Umstead, 3rd, and Henry M. Wagstaff.

The proposal was made by the parents of one of these men.

"This would be a living memorial," said Mr. Whittinghill, "in that the income from a permanent fund would be used to bring to the community at least once a year a lecturer on some phase of world organization and lasting peace. Two pledges have already been made to this fund."

A motion pending in the board of aldermen, introduced by Edwin S. Lanier, for a War Me-

### Cercle Francais Meetings

The Cercle Francais of the University will have its first 1945 summer gathering at 2 o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at French House, 216 East Rosemary lane, and there will be other meetings on subsequent Saturdays. A celebration is being planned for July 14, the French holiday that corresponds to our Fourth of July.

### Legion Auxiliary Meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in the Legion Hut on Rosemary lane.

### Ben Lane in the Pacific

Ben Lane, Jr., has gone to the Pacific for service with the Army Engineer Corps. His wife has come to Chapel Hill to be with relatives while he is gone.

## Chapel Hill Chaff

A major in the U. S. Army served recently as a house-to-house deliverer for this newspaper. Here is how it came about:

When more than one copy of a paper are mailed to a town they are wrapped together in a package; the name of the town is put on the outside; the package is opened in the post office in that town; and on each copy of the paper appears a little label with the name and address of a subscriber. It happened recently that a piece of paper a little too long was cut from the mailing-machine strip, so that the package for Alexandria, Va., instead of bearing simply the name of the town, bore, in addition, the name and address of Major Walter Creech of the Army's intelligence division. So, the entire package was delivered to him.

He opened it, read the individual address labels, and saw the names of several old-time acquaintances. On his way into Washington from the Army post where he lives he went up and down the streets of Alexandria and delivered the *Weekly*. One home he went to was that of the Dougald MacMillans; another was that of Mrs. William Harris, 2nd (the former Miss Closs Peace).

"I was really glad to get the package," Major Creech said when he was here a few days ago. "Those labels gave me addresses that I had been wanting to know for some time."

What former Governor Broughton said about the San Francisco Charter night before last in Memorial hall was of too important a nature to be put into a column headed Chaff, and it has been well celebrated in the daily papers. What I am moved

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## Aldermen, at Special Meeting, Approve Tentative Budget for Operating Expenses, \$67,500

### Two Concerts Sunday

Two concerts will be given day after tomorrow (Sunday). The All-State High School Band (90 pieces) will play at 4:30 in the Forest Theatre, and the All-State High School Orchestra (30 pieces) will play at 8 in the Hill Music hall.

Earl Slocum will be in command as director at both concerts. He will be assisted in the afternoon by the directors of public school music from three cities: Herbert Hazelman (Greensboro), W. T. Hearne (Henderson), and Donald Smith (New Bern). He will be assisted at the orchestra concert in the evening by Mrs. Frances Simmons.

The band concert Sunday afternoon will be the fourth in an outdoor series given by the high school musicians now studying here. They will give the fifth the following Sunday, July 15. The final band concert will take place Friday evening, July 20, in the Hill Music hall. That will make the completion of the boys' and girls' six-weeks training course.

### Swimming Classes for Children in Mornings

Beginning Monday, swimming classes for children will be held from 11:15 to 12:15 five mornings a week (Monday through Friday) in the indoor pool at the Woollen gym. Any child is big enough to attend who can stand up at the shallow end of pool with his mouth above water, and the age range goes up through the high school.

Henry House, in command of the program, announces that there will be instructors for all ages.

Any child not already holding a ticket must get one in the basement of the South building. Fee, \$2 for 6 weeks. A physician's certificate is required.

The recreation periods in the outdoor pool are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 5 to 7 o'clock; Wednesday, 3:40 to 7; Saturday, 9 to 12 and 2 to 10; Sunday, 2 to 6.

### Freshmen from Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill boys and girls who entered the University this week were Hilda Sharkey, Pat Hole, Sam Summerlin, Bill Cobb, Collier Cobb 3rd, Harold Cheek, Harold Cannon, and Jimmie Worth.

### Mrs. McCall in Greenville, S. C.

Mrs. Fred McCall has gone to teach a two-weeks course in music given by Winthrop College in Greenville, S. C. Mr. McCall is visiting friends and relatives in Charlotte.

### Hartzell Enters the Army

Earl Hartzell, Jr., went to Fort Bragg yesterday for induction into the Army. He is to go on from there to the Army Air Forces base at Keesler Field, Mississippi.

### Koch Teaching in This State

Frederick H. Koch, Jr., of Miami, Fla. is teaching this summer in the Huckleberry Writers Colony near Hendersonville.

### At Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mrs. George W. Griner, Jr., has gone to Okmulgee, Oklahoma, for her parents' golden wedding anniversary.

### \$28,500 Revenue to Be Deducted, Leaving \$39,000 to Be Raised by Ad Valorem Tax

The town's tentative budget for operating expenses for the year 1945-46, approved by the aldermen at a special meeting, amounts to \$67,500. This is an increase of about \$5,000 from last year's budget.

To be deducted from this is revenue of \$28,500. Thus the net budget—the amount to be raised by ad valorem tax—is \$39,000.

The revenue to be deducted from the gross budget is made up of contributions from the University for various services (police, fire, health, incinerator, sewage disposal); "rights and privileges" (motor licenses, business licenses, dog licenses, etc); recorder's court costs; tax penalties; sewer rentals; and garbage fees.

Under the state's municipal government law, the tentative budget is open for public inspection at the Town Hall. The aldermen will adopt the permanent budget and fix the tax rate by August 1.

The amount of the contribution from the University is determined by negotiation. Town officials and University officials meet in conferences, and examine the town budget, and come to an agreement upon how much is to be chipped in by the University to help meet the town's operating expenses. Last year the University contributed \$15,900. What the amount will be this year is not yet settled. This is a factor that will enter into the determination of the permanent budget.

A committee of the University trustees is studying the question of whether or not income-bearing properties of the University, now exempt, should be made sub-

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## "Tiger Cat" Fighter Flies over Village

The latest fighter plane—the Tiger Cat, made by the Grumman Aircraft Manufacturing Company for the U. S. Navy—was over Chapel Hill Monday morning. It is supposed to have come from the Marine air base at Cherry Point.

Only a few days ago the Navy Department made public the existence of the Tiger Cat. It is a two-place, twin-engine fighter, with a 50-foot wing spread. Capable of a speed of 400 miles an hour, it is expected to be of great value in protecting both ships and bombing planes against Japanese fighting planes.

### Alfred Hamiltons Are Coming

Major Alfred Hamilton of the Army Medical Corps has come back from Europe. He and his wife and his son are expected to arrive in Chapel Hill within the next day or so.

### Greens Have Hollywood Home

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Green have bought a home in Hollywood. Mr. Green is under a long-term writing contract with M.G.M.

### Mrs. Clark with Sorority

Mrs. Gilbert W. Clark has come from Charlotte to be the chaperone for the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

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## Buy Bonds Today in Order to Make Up Quota!

The 7th War Loan campaign has been extended, for E bonds, to this extent: all E bonds bought today (Friday) or tomorrow will count on the quota that the county is now making an effort to raise.

Of the \$458,000 of E bonds, about \$60,000, or 13 per cent, are still unsold. Five organizations (the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs, the Merchants Association, and the American Legion Post of Chapel Hill, and the Lions Club of Carrboro) are working hard to fill out the quota, by their own purchases and by sales to citizens.

Everybody who can possibly buy another E bond is urged to do so today or tomorrow. The five organizations are in a spirited competition, and every buyer can mark on a tally sheet, at bank or post office, to which of the five he wants his purchase to be credited.

### Navy Cadets Make Good Collection of Waste Paper

Fourteen cadets in the Navy Pre-Flight School, did the Chapel Hill community a splendid service Tuesday by going around the town and getting waste paper from homes. Energetic, spirited, and good-humored, some of them told citizens that they were glad of the opportunity that this job gave them to see parts of Chapel Hill that they would probably never have seen otherwise. They took several truckloads to the storage shed back of the old power house.

### Postmaster to Receive Bids on Station at Pre-Flight School

Postmaster Hogan announces that bids will be received in his office until 3 P.M. next Tuesday, July 10, for the conduct of a contract station at the Navy Pre-Flight School. Application blanks and full information as to requirements can be obtained at his office.

### Poultry Brought Orange Farmers \$336,000 Last Year

Don S. Matheson, county farm agent, reports that, according to the preliminary farm census, the revenue to Orange county farmers from poultry products last year was \$336,000, more than 2 1/2 times the revenue of 1930. Egg production, says Mr. Matheson, is the most profitable poultry venture. Poultry income in Orange is now six times that of cotton income.

### British Broadcasting Company Official on Visit Here

Robert Barnes, an official of the British Broadcasting Company who is now touring in the U. S., was in Chapel Hill this week. He is making a special study of America's educational radio programs.