

## New Auto Tags to Go on Sale Jan. 2

Again Chapel Hill and Orange County motorists will be forced to go to Durham for their 1957 North Carolina automobile license plates, because the Carolina Motor Club and N. C. Department of Motor Vehicles look with disfavor upon a proposed outlet in Chapel Hill.

### Tobacco Farmers To Study Varieties

With the black listing of some of the most popular tobacco varieties, farmers are making every effort to learn all there is to know about the different available varieties, according to County Agent Don Matheson.

This information will be given at a tobacco meeting to be held at Aycock School in Cedar Grove next Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. Representatives from State College, the Oxford Experiment Station and the Stabilization Cooperative will lead the discussion.

### Christmas Story to End on Monday

While now playing to almost capacity audiences at every performance, "Star of Bethlehem" will not be extended beyond its closing date of December 31 at the Morehead Planetarium, according to Manager A. F. Jenzano.

"In past years we have extended the Christmas show in order that every group which evidenced a desire to see it might be accommodated," Mr. Jenzano said. "But along with other planetaria in the nation, the Morehead Planetarium is committed this year to the Boy Scouts of America for a special demonstration in January.

"The Boy Scout project for January is 'Look Skyward,' and in cooperation with them we must open our 'Celestial Preview of 1957' on the first day of January. Therefore, it will be impossible to run 'Star of Bethlehem' beyond December 31."

Performances of the Christmas story were resumed Wednesday of this week at 8:30 o'clock and will be presented nightly at that time through December 31. The last six matinees will be held at 11 a.m., 3 and 4 p.m. Saturday and at 2, 3, and 4 p.m. Sunday.

### Mrs. Whitefield on Clinic Committee

Mrs. Jane Whitefield, executive secretary of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Merchants Association, has been appointed a member of the planning committee for the annual Retailers Activities Clinic to be held here February 24-25.

Her appointment came from R. W. Wilkinson, president of the N. C. Merchants Association. Serving with Mrs. Whitefield on the committee are 16 members and officers of the state association. They will hold a meeting and luncheon here Monday to plan the clinic.

### Claude M. Kirk, 72, Orange Native, Dies

Claude M. Kirk, 72, died at his home on Rt. 1, Mebane, Wednesday night after a serious illness of three weeks.

A native of Orange County, he was a member of Mebane's First Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma King Kirk; two daughters, Mrs. Thurman Dugger of Greensboro and Mrs. Gilbert Smith of Mebane; one son, Joseph Graham Kirk of Mebane; two sisters, Mrs. Newman Sykes and Mrs. Fletcher Terrell, both of Mebane; three brothers, John and Lonnie of Rt. 3, Hillsboro, and Ralph Kirk of Durham; and 12 grandchildren.

### M.D. Bright, Brother Of Local Man, Dies

Madison Donald Bright, 83-year-old retired Durham clothier, died in a Durham hospital Wednesday after several years of declining health. He was one of the founders of Pritchard-Bright Clothing Co.

Funeral services were held yesterday and burial was in Maplewood Cemetery. Among his survivors is a brother, M. J. Bright of Chapel Hill.

Sale of the license plates will begin next Wednesday, January 2. At the same time Town of Chapel Hill plates will be made available.

During the past year several efforts were made by local automobile and tire men to obtain a state automobile license selling outlet in Chapel Hill to accommodate the vast number of motorists in Orange County. Each time they were turned down. So, back to Durham one must go.

The new tags, black with yellow numbers, must be displayed on all motor vehicles not later than midnight Feb. 15.

State plates will be sold at the Carolina Motor Club offices at Holloway and Roxboro Streets in Durham.

Town of Chapel Hill plates will be available at the Chapel Hill Town Hall.

No special license tag numbers will be reserved for anyone, the State Motor Vehicles Department in Raleigh has ruled.

The new state tags will be the standard six by 12 inches in size. As in 1956, the numbering system will include one or two letters of the alphabet as prefixes for passenger cars and suffixes for commercial vehicles. The numbers will not have more than four digits.

State license plates sold from the Durham Carolina Motor Club office for passenger cars will bear prefix letters, HX, HY, HZ, K and KA.

This year's starting time for the sale of the state license plates is the same as last year. Prior to last year, the state plates went on sale each year on Dec. 1.

Car owners who have not received their application from the Department of Motor Vehicles in Raleigh after Jan. 1, may obtain their new license by showing the title of ownership of the car, and in some cases by showing their previous year's registration cards, Carolina Motor Club officials explained. A total of 1,600,000 applications will be mailed to registered car owners.

Motor club officials appealed to car owners in the Durham area to obtain their new license plates as early as possible to avoid the inevitable last-minute rush.

### Lutherans to Hear Rev. Bernard Boyd

The Rev. Bernard Boyd, chairman of the University's Department of Religion and James A. Gray professor of religion, will be the guest minister at the 11 o'clock worship service this Sunday morning at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

The church's pastor, the Rev. Wade F. Hook, will be serving as guest minister that day at St. John's Lutheran Church in Beaufort, S. C.

### L. C. Check Becomes Charlotte Engineer

L. C. Check Jr., of Chapel Hill and Raleigh, will become Charlotte's new city engineer today (Friday).

Mr. Check, who lives in Chapel Hill and is employed by the firm of W. C. Olsen & Associates of Raleigh, was succeeded several weeks ago to succeed Loyd G. Richey who resigned to accept a post with Blythe Bros. Construction Co.

At the Presbyterian Church There will be only one worship service this Sunday at the Presbyterian Church. It will be at 11 o'clock. Double services, one at 9:45 and one at 11, will be resumed Sunday, January 6.



## Church Pays Off Last of \$127,500

This picture was taken in the church of about \$127,500 for the new First Baptist Church at the mortgage burning ceremony held recently by the congregation. It shows the leaders and special workers in the drive for the five men who spearheaded the drive, they are (l. to r.) Humoney that enabled the church to pay off its entire indebtedness Board of Trustees; Willis Ba-

## Driver Education Course in Schools to Be Advanced by North Carolina Jaycees

The North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor legislation in the 1957 General Assembly to provide for a driver education course in every public high school, according to State Jaycee President Bob Cox of Chapel Hill.

The proposed legislation already has the endorsement of Governor Hodges, the Highway Users Association, the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee; the N. C. Congress of Parents and Teachers, the N. C. Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, and the State Departments of Education and Motor Vehicles.

Mr. Cox said driver education has not been a part of the teaching curriculum in the past, because teacher allotments do not provide sufficient personnel to permit school officials to assign teachers that function.

One of the tasks facing the state Jaycees, according to Mr. Cox, is "finding the method of financing which would be least unpopular with the people and the legislators."

"To adequately finance the program the state would have to appropriate \$1,500,000 annually," Mr. Cox said. "But it would pay for itself, actually. A survey run all over the country showed that students who had taken the course had fewer accidents than those who didn't."

Mr. Cox suggested increasing the motor vehicle registration fee in the state from \$10 to \$11. "This would be easy to collect and would provide the state with an annual, stable source of revenue," he said.

"An additional annual fee of a dollar on the 1,600,000 registered motor vehicles in North Carolina would provide sufficient funds to operate a functional program of driver education for the state," he said.

Mr. Cox pointed out that the state could get funds "by raising the cost of driver licenses, but this would be a bigger fee and several years would pass before the program could be started," or the state "could take court fines as they do in California but you couldn't count on enough money being available every year."

## March of Dimes Quota of \$10,000 Fixed For Annual Drive Commencing Next Week

The annual March of Dimes campaign in Orange County will begin January 3, County Chairman E. Carrington Smith announced yesterday.

The veteran chairman, who has headed the campaign each year since its inception, said the 1957 quota is \$10,000.

"That is \$1,000 under last year, but by no means does that hint or indicate that the need for funds to combat polio is lessening," Mr. Smith said. "We had three cases in Orange County this year, and we still have bedridden victims, all of whom must be cared for. Too, the funds are needed to continue the Salk vaccine shots and for further research into means of preventing infantile paralysis. In other words, not until polio is licked will there be no need for the March of Dimes."

## CHAPEL HILL CHAFF

By Joe Jones

A young matron who has promised to shoot me if I use her name was recently dealt a staggering thrust at Memorial Hospital. It happened after she had been called on to rush to the hospital with a neighbor's child who had been hurt in an accident in the home. She sat in a waiting room while the child was in a doctor's office. After the little patient had been attended to a nurse brought him to the waiting room, handed him over, and said, "You'll be all right now. I know you're glad to be back with your grandmother."

The "grandmother," who was a college coed less than 15 years ago, felt as if she had been struck a mortal blow. She hasn't recovered yet and is not sure she ever will.

If Chapel Hill dogs could talk and were asked to name their best friend they would have to pick Mrs. A. M. Jordan. As far back as most people can remember she has been endeavoring to make life better for all dogs in the community. Many is the stray dog she has caught with her own hands so it could be delivered to somebody who would give it a home. She has always been dog division chairman of the local Humane Society and in this capacity has often threatened to bring the law on people who were cruel to dogs if they didn't mend their ways. She is unflinchingly sympathetic with those

Standing in front are deacons, trustees, and others who were active workers in the drive. Members of the choir are seen in the background. The campaign to raise money for the new church was begun by Mr. Manley when he became pastor ten years ago in September of 1946 when he was still a theology student at Shaw University in Raleigh. Under his leadership the congregation has grown steadily until now it has 550 members. It had only 173 when he became its pastor in 1946.

Mr. Manley and several members of his congregation are prominent civic leaders in the community. One of them, Hubert Robinson, is a member of the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen.

## Blue Ribbon Farm-Home Groups Elected

Four Orange County communities already have elected advisory committees to direct the Farm and Home Blue Ribbon Program through 1957, it was announced this week by Farm Agent Don Matheson.

The committees elected to date are: St. Mary Community—Wallace Bacon, Mrs. Douglas Hill, Reid Roberts, Dupree Smith, Mrs. Harry Walker, Mrs. Mary Clayton, Mrs. Henry Walker, Bill Crabtree, Ted Martin, Mrs. Clyde Roberts, Helen Gates and Bratcher Evans.

New Hope—B. F. Spencer, Dave Patterson, John Lockhart, Ernest Mauer, Elvin Cates, Bob Strayhorn, Arthur Minnis, Mrs. John Wilson, Miss Jamie Blackwood, Mrs. Will Nunn, Mrs. Clarence Blackwood, Mrs. Edgar T. Campbell, and Mrs. Mitchell Lloyd.

Buckhorn—Merritt Kirk, Evelyn Patterson, Mrs. Pattye Stanley.

## Farmers Here May Plant New Coker Leaf

In response to our request the Coker Pedigreed Seed Company sent us the following information on the new Coker 187 variety of tobacco. They suggest that since this variety does not make outstandingly high yields that a farmer not plant his whole crop to this new variety. It has been yielding from five to ten per cent higher than Hicks, or about like Golden Harvest and 402, but about the same as Golden Harvest and 402. This has been fairly constant wherever we have tested this tobacco. It produces a darker cured leaf with a moderately high nicotine content. In general, it can be expected to cure out to a high orange color. This variety should not be over fertilized, especially on medium heavy or heavy soils, since it tends to grow with a dark green color anyway, and produces only average to above average yields. Next to Coker 139, it produces the fewest suckers of varieties that we have had under test.

Ease of Curing This tobacco should be harvested when ripe and cured somewhat faster than most other standard varieties. We have experienced no difficulty, however, in curing this tobacco. Under average conditions it can be expected to produce a leaf of high quality with a darker color than do some varieties.

## Tax Listing Will Begin Next Week

Between 500 and 600 new real and personal property owners will be required to list their holdings for taxes by the Town of Chapel Hill for the first time, beginning next Wednesday.

They are some of the people who were voted into the town in the city limits extension referendum this year, and next Wednesday will be January 2—the first work day after the New Year holiday.

At the same time throughout Orange County the county listers will begin sitting to list property for taxes.

The listing will take place throughout January, and every voter and owner of real and personal property is required to list regardless of length of residence in the county. The fact that he is in Orange County and Chapel Hill on January 1 requires him to list. Failure to list during January makes one liable for court action as well as a late listing penalty of 10 per cent.

Mrs. Ruth Ward will be the list taker for Chapel Hill and L. R. Cheek will be the list taker for Chapel Hill township. Mrs. Ward will be on duty at the Town Hall here from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 9 to 12 on Saturdays. The county taxes may be listed at the same time.

At Carrboro the list taker will be on hand at the Town Hall on January 10 and 11 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with an hour out for lunch beginning at noon.

The list takers will also be at the Hollow Rock Service Station on January 4, Blackwood Station on the seventh, and Midway Service Station on the eighth.

Jeter Lloyd is the list taker for Bingham Township. He will be at the following places all day unless otherwise specified: White Cross, January 4; Manley Snipes' Store, January 8; Joe McCauley's place, January 10, 1 to 4 p.m.; Harden Johnson's Store, January 12; Tom Andrews' Store, January 14; Stroup's Store, January 16, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Lewis Allen's Store, January 18; Glen Lloyd's Store, January 22; and White Cross, January 26.

On all other days in January, he will list at his home near Antioch Church.

## Lester Foley Cited for Contribution to Community and Exchange Club This Year

Lester Foley, a salesman for Crowell Little Motor Co., is the Chapel Hill "Exchangeite of 1956."

The selection of Mr. Foley was announced at the annual Christmas party and ladies night of the Chapel Hill Exchange Club last Saturday night, and he was presented the coveted award by Herb Holland, who has been club president this year and was "Exchangeite of 1955."

The award is made annually by the club to the member who his associates feel has contributed most to the community and the club during the year.

Dr. Duncan M. Getsinger was installed as president for 1957 by J. Frank Ray of Hillsboro, vice-president of the State Exchange Clubs. Other officers installed were: Bill Blake, vice-president; Dr. Bill Poe, treasurer; Doug

## Long Illness Fatal To Hiller C. Kiger

Hiller C. Kiger, 60, of Little River community, died at his home Wednesday morning after a long illness.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Callie Carden Kiger; two sons, Melvin and Clifton Kiger of Rt. 2, Rougemont; one daughter, Mrs. William McBroom of Rt. 5, Durham; one brother, Jess Kiger, and one sister, Mrs. Barul Newsome, both of Kings; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2:30 p.m. from Little River Presbyterian Church by the Rev. C. H. Reckard and the Rev. Lawton W. Pettit. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

## Party for Blind Among Many Holiday Activities at Negro Community Center

A number of holiday activities have been going on at the Negro Community Center on Graham Street. One of these was a Christmas party for the 13 members of the Blind Star Club on December 21. Presents for the club members, who are blind, were donated by the Carrboro Lions Club and were presented by K. B. Cole, chairman of the Lions Club's project for aid for the blind. Fruit punch for the party was donated by Long Meadow Dairy, and cookies were bought with money given by friends of the Blind Star Club. Music was by the Men's Chorus of the St. Paul's A.M.E. Church.

Another activity sponsored by the Community Center was the singing of Christmas carols throughout the community on Christmas morning. The singing was by the Community Center.

## Party Is Given by Charles Camerons

Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Cameron and their children, Lynn and Charles III, entertained last Sunday afternoon with an open house for about sixty guests. Their home was beautifully decorated in the Christmas motif for the occasion.

Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. Hughes Bryan, Mrs. E. G. McGavran, and Mrs. W. W. Cort assisted Mrs. Cameron in serving punch and coffee.

## Carolina Inn's Buffet Supper

The Carolina Inn held its annual Christmas buffet supper on Christmas evening for all guests at the Inn plus a number of special guests. The cafeteria was closed for that meal so that the employees of the Inn's food department had the afternoon