

Guidelines To Chapel Hill's Future

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buildings, an industrial park containing carefully selected light industries and a mammoth University using land from which the bell in South Building cannot be heard.

Terrifying? No, say the planners, if a comprehensive plan and the necessary control machinery are followed in the development. The best of the Old and an excellent New should make it one of the finest places to live and work in the country.

The second volume of the Commission's recently published reports contains a general inventory of features and factors now present in Chapel Hill. They are a necessary basis for foreseeing the growth to come. Actually the volume contains two development plans, the first being an "interim 1970" plan. No doubt by 1970 the planners will be well at work on the shape of things to come in 1990 and 2000. What was once left to good intentions and an unwritten body of tradition has become quite a vital science.

At present, although to a lesser extent than ten years ago, Chapel Hill is a highly specialized community which draws primarily on the University of North Carolina for its employment resources. For other matters and needs, it is to some extent dependent on surrounding communities — for general merchandising, automotive needs, construction, and a number of diversified services. Essentially the Town today feeds, clothes and educates its inhabitants, and provides residence for University faculty, students and persons who work in surrounding communities.

One fundamental question being asked about Chapel Hill right now is whether it shall continue as this sort of Town or diversity. The answer here as everywhere seems to be diversification and relative municipal independence. No more will the University be the Town's one source of employment — its one industry. The one-crop concept is finished.

This is particularly necessary to growth, since one of the Town's present deficiencies is broader employment with consequently higher wages and a greater tax base from which to draw the money to do the planning and developing. In the past local planning and zoning have tended to be restrictive in nature and function. This will no longer be completely true. High property values will to an extent guarantee selective use, but in order for all the parts to mesh, the Town will have to provide and enforce a general blueprint which also leaves room for individual initiative and imagination.

But to take a quick look at the Town seven years hence: Thirty-seven thousand, eight-hundred people will probably live here by then, students included. The University will have an enrollment of 14,000.

This will mean that residential land needs in and around Town will have swollen to a total of 7,500 non-student households, with 2,117 new households projected; 2,502 new homes will be required.

Many of these new households will be living in apartments. Apartments mean radical changes in the pattern of the Town, and their construction will have to be taken into account in the planning of schools, traffic parking, recreation areas. By 1970, to an extent, and certainly by 1990, the downtown area will begin to see construction of apartments — possibly high-rise with internal parking. Public transit, a negligible factor today, may well be a headache to be faced, although planners now see the automobile still carrying the bulk of the load. At the same time, single-family areas must be safeguarded from increased traffic, and the pedestrian cannot be overlooked.

Centrally located residential areas — in other words apartments — mean that more thought will have to be given to walkways. In a way the walkway system is an essential companion to the Major Thoroughfare Plan, most of the features of which are now set.

Such walkways might follow the spirit, if not the exact specification of the University walkways at the boundary of the campus with the business district. Many variations are possible within that spirit. Specifically, improved walks will be

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spite severe competition with the downtown area and each other. Eighty or ninety acres of the Planning Area will have been given over to industrial use, if the industries which can use locally trained manpower can be found.

A number of planner-ideas have been proposed as part of the over-all plan for 1980, and they may or may not see the light of day. One of them has already run slam-bang into conflicting plans and wishes — the mile-long lake on Bolin Creek.

Other proposals: a community lake on Wilson Creek, south of Town, near Highway 15-501. Apartment towers close to the Central Business District. "It would be a very healthy thing for downtown Chapel Hill to have a larger population within walking distance. A solution providing just such an element would be a number of tower apartments, perhaps six to eight floors in height, and providing at their base not only adequate off-street parking, but also additional landscaped grounds. Such a concentration within walking distance of the University, other major employers, and the business district would also tend to reduce the parking problem downtown and on the campus, and to reduce traffic on major radials."

An industrial park in the community. Specifically for pure and applied research, and perhaps for instrument production. Community use of a 55-acre tract near Tenney Circle above Bolin Creek, possibly for apartments, parks, schools, community centers, mansions or town houses.

Elimination of Horace Williams Airport as an airport and its use as an area for possible recreation or other purposes requiring a large open area. Of course all this planning is going to have to be implemented. There can be many a slip twixt the cup and the lip. The plan is going to have to be hashed over thoroughly and examined for soundness of proposal and concept. Approval depends on "study, review, and favorable public opinion. Implementation, the next step, can continue using both negative and positive tools."

Rehabilitation Program (Continued from Page 1)

The County ABC is authorized to spend on its rehabilitation programs. Five per cent of total yearly revenues may be spent toward the effort, and ABC revenues last year were over \$200,000. Up to \$10,000 was available. "We're not making any deliberate attempt to save money on the program," Mr. Burch said, "but it's cheaper to treat an alcoholic than to send him to jail. Costs could go up as the program is improved, but not much. It's much more than fulfilled our expectations. I don't like to compare our setup now with the old setup, that would be unfair. Let's just say they are coming to us for help."

The Rehabilitation Committee has also in a number of cases found jobs for alcoholics in need. "We're not an employment agency, but we do work in finding people jobs."

Individual members of the committee have undertaken full-scale rehabilitation with five patients at Memorial Hospital on several occasions, and have, at the request of patients, also made two calls to Unstead Hospital, one call to Veterans Hospital. One welfare referral has also been treated.

Mr. Burch told the Board that the Rehabilitation Committee's visiting program in hospitals was possible through permission of attending doctors and requests of the patients themselves. The Committee is not otherwise authorized to work with patients in hospitals.

Forty-seven of the Committee's 54 cases appealed directly for help. The Committee is working with friends and families of the other seven.

Mr. Burch said a second phase of the rehabilitation program, under the Board's Education Committee, has also gotten well off

across the Pacific, and over Japan. Hawaii doesn't get to see any eclipse.

A solar eclipse occurs only when the moon passes directly between the earth and the sun. Sometimes the sun is completely covered, and birds roost early for what turns out to be a very short night. Sometimes the moon is too far away from the earth for its shadow to completely obscure the moon. In these cases a ring of sun is visible around the moon even at the eclipse's maximum point. Two to five solar eclipses occur every year, but from any one place on earth a total eclipse is visible only about three times in 1,000 years. Thirteen total eclipses cross or touch part of North America in this century. The next one will be on March 7, 1970.

The Morehead Planetarium has added a special ten-minute section on eclipses to its current program, "Millions of Moons." The special section is shown at the beginning of all regular performances of the program, through Sunday.

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COMING AND GOING Commander and Mrs. Hampton Hubbard and their six children, of Kensington, Maryland, will be guests at the home of Professor and Mrs. U. T. Holmes from July 22 to August 5. Professor and Mrs. Holmes will leave Chapel Hill July 23 for eight weeks in Europe. Mrs. Hubbard is the daughter of Professor and Mrs. Holmes.

Short Shrift

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tended to take them as far as the juncture of the Bypass and the Pittsboro Road. But they said they were headed for Route 1, and the professor was torn: he wanted to help them, but Route 1 is in Sanford, forty miles away. His daughter was hungry and beginning to cry, and he was expecting company he knew he couldn't get home in time to greet if he went to Sanford. He reached the fork of the Bypass and the Pittsboro Road, and somehow he didn't stop. He just kept on going. That sign on the suitcase stuck in his mind.

They were nice people, the hitchhiker and his family. They talked freely, but without whining. The man said he was going to Miami because he had a job down there. The man's wife said she had a brother in Miami they would stay with. The man did not say what kind of job was waiting for him. The professor didn't ask what kind of job, and he didn't think to look at the man's hands.

"He looked like the kind of man who has had malnutrition in his family for generations," the professor said later. "Kind of a caricature of the refugee. They just didn't have any other way to get there."

They had started hitchhiking Saturday night from a small town in New Jersey 450 miles away. When the professor picked them up at Eastgate it was last Monday afternoon. They hadn't been making very good time, but then what motorist would pick up a man and a woman and a baby and four suitcases?

A sailor had picked them up

in Virginia and had said he would take them to Raleigh. This was fine, but north of Raleigh the sailor turned off on the road to Durham. Politely, the man said perhaps they had better get off and stay on Route 1. The sailor said no. The man gently insisted that they wanted to stay on Route 1. The sailor said no, he knew the roads in the area, and where he was going it was much better. The man gave in and they had ridden on. The sailor dropped them in the center of Durham.

The man and his wife had walked out of Durham carrying the four suitcases and the baby, and had gotten a ride as far as Eastgate, where they had waited about half an hour before the professor found them. They said they had been staying in motels all the way down. The baby was beautiful, but the parents looked tired.

The professor dropped them on Route 1 outside of Sanford. "It was a great place for hitchhiking," he said. "About six hundred yards of visibility, and only a slight rise, and not into traffic. They didn't say anything much on the way down. Just chit-chatted all the way. But they didn't sound like, 'Why should you have a car when we don't have one?' 'Car wasn't like that.'"

The professor never did find out what kind of job the man had come from — if it wasn't relief — or what kind of job he was going to, or what the family's name was. He just left them anonymously beside Route 1 with the woman sitting on a suitcase holding the baby and the man standing calmly at the pavement with his thumb out, and the suitcase with the sign on it facing toward the rushing traffic.

University hasn't changed. "Just at the same time I came into the job this period of growth began. From 1956 to 1957 the enrollment only increased by 38 students. Ever since then the average yearly growth has been 514. This year the growth will be far greater than that. You talk to a member of the class of 1964, and he'll tell you that back then the enrollment was just what it ought to be — about 500. A man who graduated in the thirties would say his enrollment was just right, two or three thousand. In twenty-five years, when the class of 1964 has its twenty-fifth anniversary, they'll come back here and say that ten thousand students is about right."

The reasons why size, in the Chancellor's view, has no effect on the quality of the University are various. Enlargements and expansions continue, but so does the education. "We have to train students to be flexible." But growth takes time. "You can only lay brick and find teachers so fast." Sometimes, when discussing growth, the Chancellor mentions "moving forward" and words like "frontiers."

The Chancellor has always enjoyed talking about growth — the increase in enrollment, the expansion of facilities, the acquisition of new equipment, the development of new resources. At the moment he is somewhat reticent about teaching law.

"I'm not thinking about teaching right now. I have other things to do this coming year, and after I get them done then I can start thinking about teaching. I'm not sure what I'm going to teach. It's up to the curriculum committee. In the years I was teaching I taught several different courses, and I would hope the committee would start me off with courses that I know, so I can catch up. I taught wills and the administration of estates, and real and personal property, and a course in federal courts, and military law, and others. They only assign you four courses to teach in a year. I'd like to get into some new courses, but I would hope only one at a time."

"The difference between teaching and administration is that how good a job you do teaching is pretty much under your own control. If you don't do a very good job one day, if you just didn't reach those students, there are a lot of hours in which you can do something about it before the next day, find out why you didn't do such a good job of reaching the students."

"But when you're administering, the problems that come to you have already been worked on by someone else, you just deal with them in whatever posture they're already in. You don't have much to do with it until then. I like to get up early and do a day's work. That's my best time, the morning. But I don't feel I'd like to be committed every night. My family . . ."

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