

## TOWN and GOWN

By PETE IVEY

A dog is one of the main characters in Betty Smith's new novel. Jello is the dog's name. Miss Smith features Jello, not only as an embodiment of man's best friend, but as a special kind of pet. In scholarly circles, Jello would be labeled with an academic frame of reference—campus dog.

"Joy in the Morning", Betty Smith's newest book, has its locale merged in three university towns in which she lived, one of them Chapel Hill.

It appears that most of the scenes are not laid in Chapel Hill and the University here, but at a Midwestern college. Yet local readers are able to recognize certain things here and there in the book about the campus of the University of North Carolina.

Without knowing Miss Smith's intention as to identities, it is my notion that Jello could be none other than a shaggy dog that used to roam around Chapel Hill in the late 1930's.

The dog's name was Rubino. He was large, bulkier than a Great Dane. His coat was curly, like a poodle. Something reminiscent of the airedale was likewise peculiar to Rubino. His black curly hair got him the name Rubino. In that decade Jack Benny radio show had "Rubino and his Violin." It was logical that a frizzle-maned campus dog should be dubbed Rubino. That's what happened in Chapel Hill.

Miss Smith's main human character, Annie Brown, adopted the campus dog, Jello. Jello hung out at her home. He followed students around, changed loyalties easily, ate whatever he was given.

Is Jello really Rubino? The relationship that connects the two is the fact that Jack Benny advertised Jello, the dessert and its delicious flavors.

So, the pieces fit into the pattern—Jack Benny, Jello, Rubino. It could be just a coincidence but it's a plausible conjecture.

It is said that a novelist, in building characterization in a work of fiction, does not always have any one single individual in mind—but a number of persons. The attributes and the idiosyncrasies of five or six people may be combined into one person as the writer makes him a literary personality.

That should be especially fitting for dogs. And, by all means, campus dogs. For Campus dogs are themselves a synthesized repository of characteristics and breeds. Most dogs you see around Chapel Hill today are mongrels, prime candidates and ready-made characters for some novelists of the future.

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## Chapel Hill Takes A Jolting Tax Cut

1962 Intangibles Tax Receipts  
Are \$5,000 Less Than Expected

The Town took a jolting cut in 1962 Intangibles Tax receipts and may, unless additional funds are found, have to cut its 1963-64 budget.

Town Manager Robert Peck said yesterday the Town had received only \$35,000 out of a projected \$40,000 dollars from the State as its share of the local Intangibles revenue. The tax, assessed by the State on all bank accounts, stocks and non-tax-exempt bonds at the rate of 10 cents per \$100 value, is redistributed in part to local governments of the areas in which it is collected.

Mr. Peck said Chapel Hill had received around \$24,000 in the taxes during 1960, \$30,000 in 1961 and \$36,000 in 1962. On the basis of past receipts Mr. Peck said the Town had figured it would receive \$40,000 from 1962 Intangibles Tax collections.

Mayor Sandy McClamroch has written to the State Commissioner of Internal Revenue asking for verification of the figure, since this year's figure is a drop from last year's. "It just looks peculiar," Mr. Peck said.

If the figure is correct, however, the Town budget will have to be pruned of \$5,000 in expenditures somewhere. "Something's got to go," Mr. Peck said. "It will mean that much less street paving or something, or maybe not provided the Town collects more local taxes than anticipated. We haven't gotten the County Tax valuation yet, and that might be larger."

Mr. Peck said there was a possibility of error in the State's figures, but only a remote one. The State is obligated to remit a fixed percentage of Intangibles Taxes to local governing units.

In other tax areas, Town Tax Collector Dave Roberts reported that collections of 1962 Town taxes stood at about 95 per cent, an unusually high figure. Properties on which taxes have not been paid were advertised for public sale beginning May 15 and sold June 10. Town auditor Erle Peacock Sr. praised the tax collection effort in Chapel Hill as one of "the best and most efficient" he had ever seen.

Mr. Roberts said pre-payment of 1963 Town taxes stood at \$46,000 as of Tuesday, an unusually high pre-payment rate. Taxpayers pre-paying during August and September will receive a one per cent discount. During October the discount is one-half of one per cent; for November and December, and for January, 1964, collections are made at par. Penalties of one per cent are assessed during February, two per cent in March, and thereafter for each month until the June deadline the penalty is raised one-half per cent.

## Fire Station Construction Said Lagging

Completion of the Town's new fire station is lagging far behind schedule, Town Manager Robert Peck said yesterday.

The station was scheduled for occupancy by the first of August. However, the contractor's latest estimate places the date of occupancy "sometime in September."

Mr. Peck said part of the delay had come about because the General Contractor, Van Thomas of Siler City, was also rushing completion of Guy B. Phillips Junior High to meet the opening of Chapel Hill Schools.

Mr. Peck said construction of the station had proceeded very slowly from the first, and probably would continue at that pace until the Junior High is completed. The contractor has promised to throw a full crew into its completion once the school has been accepted by the School Board.

"They had one man down there working on the roof today," Mr. Peck said, "but they aren't going to roof it with just him. They are also supposed to start putting on the siding this week, and that will change the appearance in a hurry."

The building's major walls are up, with exterior insulation in place. A few of the partitions in the firemen's quarters on the second floor are up, but other than concrete floors and a skeletal metal stairway, work on the ground floor is at a standstill. Weeds on the station lot virtually obscure it from view except from the Columbia Street entrance.

Fire Captain G. S. Baldwin took the long view of things. "It won't do any good to be in a hurry," he said.

Fire Chief J. S. Stewart didn't say. He had loaded up the Department's 1914 Ford Fire Engine on a trailer and carted it off to Winston-Salem for the State Fire Chiefs' and Firemen's Conventions.



**PRE-STORM CALM** — UNC Chancellor Emeritus R. B. House occasionally walks his baby granddaughter along this sylvan stretch of East Franklin Street sidewalk. The leafy branches shelter from the sun, the ivied wall burgeons with lush foliage, and the walk itself is dry. The Chancellor waves to acquaintances among the comfortably

sparse traffic, and all is peaceful and well. But soon the sheltering leaves will be underfoot, the air will chill, the ivy will shrink in upon itself, the sandy path will grow soggy, and the traffic will become harshly thick and callously fast. Enjoy it now, for we are in the gentle, nerveless calm before the student storm.

## Governor Indicates He Will Push More UNC Pay Hikes

UNC President William Friday may get a pay raise as a result of recommendations Governor Terry Sanford says he will make "very soon" on increasing Con-

solidated University officials' salaries. Governor Sanford's promise of broad recommendations followed an Advisory Budget Commission

decision last week that granted pay raises to 105 State officials, among whom were five major University officials in Chapel Hill. But the Budget Commission's action did not include President Friday. President Friday's exclusion from the list of those to get fattened paychecks caused some consternation.

President Friday now makes \$22,500 a year. The President's salary has an informal limit of \$25,000, which is what the Governor is paid. One member of the Budget Commission said President Friday's salary was not raised because it was already "near the top."

Governor Sanford said the Budget Commission's having passed over President Friday did not indicate negative action, but only that "action has yet to be considered."

In this regard, the Governor said some private institutions, several public colleges, and all leading universities "pay more for academic leadership than we do."

"Frankly, we have a serious problem to consider if we are to maintain our leadership in higher education," said the Governor. "We must provide competitive salaries for university leadership—the president, chancellors, deans, department heads, and distinguished professors."

Governor Sanford called the pay raise question "very much unfinished business." He said (Continued on Page 2)

## Race Wide Open For House Seat

Former Rep. John Umstead Jr.  
Says He Won't Be A Candidate

Former Rep. John W. Umstead Jr. will not represent Orange County in a special session of the Legislature this fall.

Mr. Umstead announced yesterday in a prepared statement that he would not be a candidate for appointment to the House during the interim session, expected to be held this fall to redistrict the State Senate. He had announced Monday that he was in the process of making up his mind whether to be a candidate for Orange County's House seat.

The seat became vacant when Rep. L. J. Phipps resigned to become North Carolina Department Commander of the American Legion. Mr. Phipps had been named to the seat by the Orange County Democratic Executive Committee early in the 1963 session of the Legislature, replacing Mr. Umstead. Mr. Umstead had resigned due to illness.

Several other persons have been mentioned as possible successors to Mr. Phipps. The County Democratic Executive Committee will meet September 3 to nominate a Representative for the special session. Gov. Terry Sanford will appoint the Committee's nominee to the seat.

Mr. Umstead's statement: "A number of my friends have suggested that I seek the appointment as Representative to the General Assembly to succeed L. J. Phipps who recently resigned.

"After due consideration I have decided that I will not be a candidate for such appointment."

Mr. Umstead did not elaborate on his decision.

With Mr. Umstead out of the ruling, the field of candidates still appeared to be pretty crowded.

Newspaper publisher Ed Hamlin, and YDC Chairman Fred Cates, both of Hillsboro, precinct chairman Bill Merritt of Chapel Hill and Hugh Wilson of Orange Grove have been reported campaigning for the seat. Others whose names have been mentioned include County Commissioner Gordon Cleveland of Chapel Hill and Orange Democratic Secretary Earle Wallace. All are members of the Executive Committee.

Judge Phipps, who will be host to the 57 Executive Committee members at a dinner meeting Sept. 3 at the General Sherman Restaurant near Hillsboro, said he was remaining neutral. The Judge has refused to comment on whether he will seek nomination to the House in the Democratic primary next spring.

County YDC Rally Set For Sept. 7

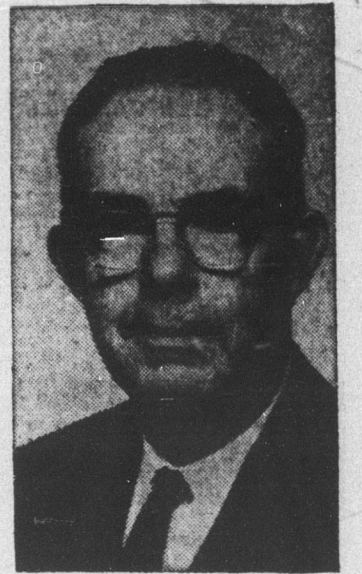
The annual Orange County YDC rally will be held September 7 at Frank Umstead's farm at the end of Umstead Drive.

All members of the YDC, their friends and relatives are cordially invited. The rally begins at 5 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 per person, and barbecue will be served.

Prospective gubernatorial candidate Thomas J. Pearsall of Rocky Mount has accepted an invitation to attend the rally. I. Beverly Lake, unsuccessful candidate for Governor in 1960, has also tentatively accepted an invitation.

Others invited to the rally include State Democratic Party Chairman Bert Bennett and Dr. Henry Jordan.

Formal speeches are not anticipated, but if possible former Orange County Rep. John Umstead will attend the rally and speak briefly.



FRANK C. MORROW

## Town Hires New Building Inspector

Frank C. Morrow has assumed duties as Chapel Hill's new building and electrical inspector. Mr. Morrow started work Monday, after being appointed to the post Aug. 1.

He will be in charge of enforcing the Town's zoning ordinances and building codes, including the Town's sign ordinance.

Mr. Morrow has lived in Chapel Hill since 1934. Until appointed to his new position he was employed by the University Service Plants as foreman of the Electric and Water Division.

A native of the Teer Community in Western Orange County, he attended Mandale High School in Alamance County and State College. He is married to the former Annie W. Tolbert and is the father of two daughters, Mrs. Frances Meade of Chapel Hill, and Mrs. James Furr of Brevard. The Morrrows are members of the University Baptist Church.

Mr. Morrow succeeds Don Archer in the position. Mr. Archer had been assistant town manager and building inspector for the past year. He will continue as assistant town manager, and also as secretary to the Board of Adjustment.

## SCENES

New York visitor to Chapel Hill, accustomed to the cramped conditions of most small Manhattan businesses, commenting on the "enormous" size of Fowler's Food Store. . . . GENE STROWD amiably resisting a customer's attempt to trade him even an electric fan for an air conditioner. . . . What appear to be stone and mortar breastworks under construction in the side yard of attorney ROY COLE's Franklin Street home. . . . Old UNC grad discovering with shock that the entrance to Hogan's Lake is now blocked by a stout cedar pole. . . . TOM SCISM pushing organizational efforts for a Good Listener's Club. . . . Young lady being towed down Franklin by a chihuahua, straining to keep him from jumping the leash and chasing a delivery truck. . . . Customers in Jeff's edging away from a lady who was complaining that she had caught fleas from her cat. . . . Still groggy customer slipping in with the bread delivery man to buy coffee at the Long Meadow dairy bar an hour before the place opened for business. . . . Two teenagers on racing bicycles pumping with smooth, effortlessly muscular grace around and around and around Davis Circle.

## New Lights Going Up On E. Franklin

Downtown Franklin Street will no longer be as dark as midnight come evening. The University is preparing to erect a series of mercury vapor lamps in the block from the Post Office to George Barclay's Service Station.

Grey Culbreth, director of the University Service Plants, said the new lights would probably be erected sometime next week. The University has received the equipment. Poles are being painted, and barring rain the old lamps should be removed and foundations laid for the new beginning this week.

Thirteen of the lights, each

mounted on a tall pole identical to ones used along West Franklin, will be staggered down East Franklin, beginning with one at George Barclay's and hop scotching back and forth across the Street to the vicinity of the cross-walk at the Post Office and Battle-Vance-Pettigrew dormitory.

Mr. Culbreth said the change had been requested by the Town about a year ago, and the equipment had been on order for about five months. Quite a bit of work will be involved in making the change. Concrete for bases will have to be poured, wiring re-directed and connected, the poles mounted and the old lamps removed.

The old lamps, Mr. Culbreth said, while picturesque, only have a capacity of 2,500 lumens, and require relatively high wattage (a lumen is a measure of light intensity). Twenty of the old lamps were needed to produce enough light to keep the street barely visible.

The thirteen new lights will eliminate a traffic hazard which has been increasing in recent months resulting from pedestrians crossing in the middle of the block. A University student and his date were run down and injured last fall as they attempted to cross Franklin in the evening.

## School Sites Being Sought

The Chapel Hill School Board is taking preliminary steps toward the sale of the West Franklin Street school property.

School Board Chairman Grey Culbreth said yesterday no concrete steps had been taken toward sale of the property other than a resolution earlier this month in which the School Board decided to offer it at public auction.

However, Mr. Culbreth continued, expressions of interest in the property had been received from "two or three" persons. "It's hard at this point to determine whether two or three are talking. It's entirely too early to tell."

Mr. Culbreth has appointed a committee from the School Board to survey sites for potential new high schools, and he said the committee is already at work. The committee, composed of Ed Tenney, the Rev. J. R. Manley and Ben Perry, will probably not submit a report until more conclusive action on the sale of the school property has been taken.

Another Board committee is at work seeking an architect to design the new school.

"We figure that it's cost nothing this far, and won't except for the time we put in on it individually," Mr. Culbreth said.

## Coming This Sunday

THE WEEKLY'S ANNUAL Back to School section tells parents everything they need to know about Chapel Hill's public schools.

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CLIFFORD ODETS, THE NOTED playwright who died last week, had Chapel Hill contacts stretching back several decades. Book Page Editor W. H. Scarborough records the reminiscences of one of his closest friends.

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A FORMER BROADWAY DANCER who now lives in Chapel Hill with her husband and three children is the subject of a profile by Weekly Women's News Editor Paquita Fine.

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All will be in this coming Sunday's issue of The Chapel Hill Weekly, along with the latest news of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community. Be sure to get a copy. Also useful as shoe trees.

## 'It's Just One Of Those Things (Ha!)

UNC Chancellor William B. Aycock makes less money than the Chancellor, despite the fact that the director of the Division of Health Affairs director Dr. Henry T. Clark, but Chancellor Aycock says philosophically that the discrepancy is "just one of those things."

Both officials got a pay raise last week, and Dr. Clark is not only still making more money than Chancellor Aycock, but he got a bigger raise. Chancellor Aycock's salary was increased from \$18,500 to \$20,000. Dr. Clark's paycheck was sweetened by a round \$2,000 to an even rounder \$22,000. Actually, Chancellor Aycock said Dr. Clark

has always made more money than the Chancellor, despite the fact that the director of the Division of Health Affairs is a member of the Chancellor's staff. "I can't fire him, any more than I can fire anyone else," said the Chancellor, "but he's responsible directly to me."

According to what most people consider the Natural Order of Things, the top man ought to make the top money. But Chancellor Aycock said this verily is not eternal in academic circles.

"A University is not like a business," he said. "For respon-

sibility, you do have to have a hierarchy," but academic organizations differ from businesses in that the scale of pay does not necessarily descend regularly from chief through vice-chiefs and assistant chiefs, and under-assistant-chiefs, and so on down to the workers.

"We have a lot of chiefs," said the Chancellor. "The faculty. It's something that's very hard to explain to the public. They just don't see it that way." He chuckled with amusement at this apparent incongruity.

When you come right down to it, he went on, Dr. Clark's pay is

relatively low for what directors of divisions of health affairs are getting these days. So are North Carolina chancellors' and presidents' salaries low, he added, compared to what similar officials are getting elsewhere in the Nation.

But as far as intra-mural salary comparisons are concerned, Chancellor Aycock said, "if we took the position that the Chancellor gets the highest salary, I'd say that about a hundred people would be gone from here."

He laughed again and repeated, "it's just one of those things, it's just the way it goes."

## Weather Report

Partly cloudy and scattered showers this evening and tomorrow.

	High	Low
Sunday	94	66
Monday	91	66
Tuesday	87	68

In another month the summer greenery will wash out and the leaves start to turn. The University campus is still a sparkling emerald, particularly in the early morning. Stop and look at it sometime.