

## Surplus Rooms Search Made

Chapel Hill.—A house survey is being made in Chapel Hill in an effort to uncover all vacant rooms that might still be rentable to the University's overflowing enrollment of 4,430 students.

Headed by Clarence Oakley, president of the Kiwanis club, two meetings have been held recently by the community council to determine if there are additional rooms for students. Representatives have been appointed to question village families and report back to the council.

A trailer camp has been started on the site formerly occupied by the Chapel Hill high school. A number of prefabricated government houses are being planned and five dormitories are to be constructed as soon as materials are available. This is expected to alleviate the situation but Mayor Madry believes that some rooms may be made available in town now which will carry the student influx burden until this new construction is completed.

Mayor Madry stressed the view that rental prices must be kept within reasonable limits despite the demand. "There have been complaints that excessive rental rates are being charged and as a result we are faced with possible rent control," he said.

## Rosenau, 77, Dies in Chapel Hill Tuesday

Chapel Hill.—Dr. Milton Joseph Rosenau, world renowned authority in public health and director since 1935 of the University school of public health, which serves as a training center for the whole southeast, died at his home here Tuesday morning at 1:15 following a serious heart illness for the last several weeks. He was 77 last January 1.

Long regarded in many circles as the foremost authority on preventive medicine, disinfectants, hygiene and the science of public health, Dr. Rosenau founded at Harvard University in 1900 the first school of public health in the world which he headed until 1935. During the same period he also directed public health schools at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and at Lowell Institute.

He organized in 1935 at the University of North Carolina its first public health school which has become the government-sponsored training center for the southeast.

He served as president of the American Public Health Association in 1944.

No funeral arrangements had been made yesterday pending the arrival here of close relatives from Boston and Philadelphia and advice from doctors regarding the condition of Mrs. Rosenau who underwent an operation in New York Monday. The body will be cremated and it is probable that funeral services will be deferred.

Dr. Rosenau is survived by his wife, the former Miss Maude H. Tenner of New York, whom he married in 1934; a son and a daughter by his former wife, Milton J. Rosenau Jr. of Framingham, Mass., and Mrs. Max Ilfeld of Taos, N. M.; a brother, Simon Rosenau, and a sister, Mrs. Perry Frankel, both of Philadelphia, and five grandchildren.

Dr. Rosenau received his M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1889 and did post-graduate work in Berlin, Paris, and Vienna and was awarded an honorary degree from Harvard University in 1914.

## Rabies Clinic For Orange To Begin

The Orange county health department announces that rabies clinics will be held at the following places at the times given. This is the first of two clinics that will be held for the benefit of Orange county dog owners. The second will be held on the same day and time the following week.

- April 13—Chapel Hill School, 1-3 p.m.; Carrboro school, 3-5 p.m.
- April 16—White Cross School, 1-2 p.m.; Orange Grove school, 2:30-4 p.m.
- April 17—Efland school, 1-2 p.m.; Aycock school, 2:30-4 p.m.
- April 18—West Hillsboro, 1-2 p.m.; Hillsboro (colored), 2-3 p.m.; Johns' store, 3-4 p.m.
- April 19—Orange County Training School, 1-2 p.m.; Calvander, 2-3 p.m.; Mid-Way Service Station, 3-4 p.m.

**COPELAND LEAVES INDIA**  
Staff Sergeant Rodney V. Copeland, son of Mrs. W. V. Copeland, Rt. 1, Chapel Hill, left India March 31 for the United States. He has had twenty months of overseas service.

## 4-H Clubs Urged To Join Clean-Up Drive

An urgent appeal to join in the Spring Clean-up campaign, currently being observed, was addressed to 4-H clubs yesterday by the National Fire Protection Association and the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Pointing out that farm and rural losses in 1945 reached the alarming total of \$185,000,000, more than one-third of the U. S. fire loss, Percy Bugbee, general manager of the NFPA, stated that 4-H clubs have an opportunity to play a vital role in reducing this devastating and tragic toll.

"Few seem to appreciate," Mr. Bugbee said, "that most farm and rural fires are due to a mere handful of causes, most of which can readily be eradicated if the job of spring clean-up is tackled intelligently and enthusiastically. Farms won't burn at the rate of one every 15 minutes, and 3,500 lives won't be lost this year if club members will help to rid farms and rural communities of the simple hazards which account for 85 to 90 per cent of all fires."

Questioned as to the relationship of spring cleaning and fire prevention, Mr. Bugbee remarked that the old adage, "A clean house seldom burns" is completely verified by statistics, and is equally applicable to the farm and rural community as to the home. "Spring cleaning for fire prevention demands more than merely washing the curtains and cleaning the closets," Mr. Bugbee continued. "There is an essential task for every member of the family."

Beginning with the farm home, the NFPA asks 4-H club members to:

Collect old papers and magazines, rags and old clothing, and discarded furniture from attics, closets and the basement and turn them in for salvage. Such materials often are the source of spontaneous ignition and provide perfect tinder for any spark or flame.

Help clean the heating plant from fire pot to chimney top. An efficient chimney sweep can be made by wrapping a brick or two in burlap, tying it to a rope, and lowering it up and down the chimney several times. Dirty chimneys reduce the efficiency of the heating plant, and are apt to spew sparks. If the roof is not protected by a fire-resistant material, such as asphalt shingles or a similar fire-resistant material, it may burst into flames. A dirty and defective heating system, plus a flammable roof, accounts for almost one-third of all home fires.

See that the lightning rod connections are properly grounded. Make sure gasoline and kerosene are not stored in the home. If any is found, suggest storing it elsewhere, preferably underground, and not in or near main buildings. Look at the labels on containers of cleaning fluids. If marked "flammable" or "inflammable" get rid of them. Good, non-explosive cleaning fluids are available which are safe to use.

Check all electrical equipment. Don't use it if it is not operating properly. Replace frayed extension cords. Clean dust and cobwebs away from fuse boxes.

When the house is in order, the NFPA urges similar treatment of the barn and other buildings. Make sure they are clean. Then, look at fields and fence rows. Will dead plant growth roar into flame if a match is carelessly dropped or a farm machine backfires? Cut down dead weeds and rake up dried leaves. Burn them on days when there is no wind, the NFPA cautions.

Every 4-H club member can be the leader in the Clean-Up campaign at home, and collectively they can be an important factor in ridding the community of similar hazards to life and property.

Concluding the plea to 4-H Clubs, the NFPA asks members to remind their parents of the importance of fire-resistant construction when remodeling or planning new buildings. For example, the NFPA reports that more than 600 cities and towns have building codes prohibiting flammable wood shingle roofs but many farmers continue to use this material though farms are normally far removed from organized fire protection and the hazard, therefore, is proportionately greater.

## Ice Plant Will Be Built At Carrboro

Carrboro.—An ice factory to be erected at an estimated cost of \$30,000 to \$35,000, including land, equipment and buildings, is in prospect for Carrboro, according to announcement made Tuesday afternoon.

The Colonial Ice Company of Greensboro bought from Kemp Cole and Joe Buck Dawson a site for the new factory, located on Brewer lane. No announcement has been made about when the factory will be constructed, but it is reported that work will begin as soon as priorities can be secured for materials and equipment.

## County Board Holds Special Meeting Here

The county board of commissioners which met Monday for consideration of several petitions that have been filed for new roads or improvements to old roads was unable to visit the sites mentioned in the petitions because highway officials called the visits off due to the rain.

The board did grant a reduction of \$1,147 to the taxpayers who asked for a reduction in their assessments when the board sat in review of tax evaluations earlier this year.

The board approved the licensing of H. L. Green to sell beer. Green operates a place about 1 1/4 miles west of Efland.

Another special meeting of the commissioners will be held April 22 at which time the road petitions will be taken up.

## Kiwanis Club Backs Easter Seal Drive

Chapel Hill.—Actively sponsored by the Chapel Hill Kiwanis club, the eleventh annual drive for funds for the North Carolina League for Crippled Children was launched last week and more than 3000 letters containing Easter seals each are being mailed out to residents of Orange county.

These seals are offered for sale at one cent each but all persons are asked to give all they can toward the drive.

In promoting the current drive, members of the Kiwanis club pointed out that not only the children minus limbs are catalogued as cripples, but that cardiac cases, blindness, deafness and emotionally unstable children as well profit by funds collected by this organization.

The program last year was greatly extended despite the difficulties encountered during war and specialized care and treatment to insure the best possible physical correction was exercised.

Members of the Orange county executive committee include: W. T. Mattox, G. A. Brown, R. H. Claytor, Harry Comer, E. R. Dowdy, A. H. Graham, E. T. Campbell, Mrs. Lelia Morrison, Mrs. John W. Umstead Jr., W. T. Huntley Jr., J. Roy Parker, E. F. Cude, G. N. Harward, Mrs. L. R. Sturdivant, Mrs. J. M. Harris and Maurice Whittinghill. Mr. Whittinghill is Orange county treasurer and contributions are to be mailed to him.

## Eagle Scout Brooks Wins The Gold Palm



The recipient of the highest honor awarded by the Hillsboro court of honor at its meeting in the courthouse last week was Robert L. Brooks, Chapel Hill youth who received the Gold Palm scouting award.

Brooks, member of Troop 39, Chapel Hill, won this high honor by completing the work necessary for 31 merit badges, ten above the number needed to become an Eagle Scout.

Brooks also was given a Civic Service citation for 175 hours of work in various civic drives.

## Postal Receipts

Chapel Hill.—Postal receipts here for January-March were \$33,713, an increase of \$1,271 over the first three months of 1945. Last year's first-quarter receipts totaled \$32,442. This fact is significant in comparison with all other post offices in this area, which reported decreased revenues this year, Postmaster W. S. Hogan said.

## Dog Owners Warned Of Rabies Danger

As a dog owner, it is vitally important that you protect your pet against rabies. Dr. O. David Garvin, District Health Officer, announces that a rabies vaccination clinic will be conducted by Dr. George Chrisman, veterinarian. On April 13, the clinic will be held at the school in Chapel Hill from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and at the school in Carrboro from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. A fee of one dollar will be charged for each vaccination and seven-fifty cents will be deducted from the dog license fee.

Rabies is one of the most deadly diseases known. Once the symptoms appear in dog or man, nothing can save him from death. Because there is no known cure, the only way to fight the disease is to prevent it.

Prevention of rabies in a person who has been bitten involves a painful and costly series of treatments. To prevent it in dogs the law requires one vaccination each year. So to protect your dog and your family from rabies bring your dog to the vaccination clinic. Any dog who has not been vaccinated should be reported to the sheriff.

## Hill Merchants Association Backs Cleanup

Chapel Hill.—Dr. O. David Garvin, district health officer, in speaking against the existing unsanitary conditions of the streets of Chapel Hill during a business meeting of the Chapel Hill Merchants Association last Thursday night, helped to bring about a decision by the merchants to keep their own sidewalks clean and free from refuse provided that city officials will take action toward a more thorough cleaning-up of other parts of the town.

E. Carrington Smith, head of the Merchants Association, appointed F. O. Bowman, local lawyer and member of the association to appear before the town board of aldermen at the board's next meeting to ask for the city's cooperation in this new resolution toward a thorough clean-up campaign. A number of new trash cans have been ordered for placement along the sidewalks of Franklin street, and an appeal has been made to the citizens of the town and to college students to be more careful in disposing of trash, paper cups, candy wrappers, and other unsightly litter.

Other matters brought before the merchants were demands by local grocers for fresher vegetables and a request for O.P.A. modification. The Association went on record for the modification of Office of Price Administration rules, and a wire was sent to the district congressional representative, requesting that legislative action be taken to this effect.

Vote was taken during the meeting to determine the dates of the summer closing of all stores on Wednesday afternoons. A decision was reached to have the period of closing go into effect from June 5 through August 28, inclusive. Also, it was agreed that stores close on Easter Monday of this month and on the Fourth of July as usual, with a half-holiday on the Wednesday preceding the Thursday on which Independence Day falls.

## Fowl Play Reported

There was evidence of "fowl" play on the Chapel Hill main street last week—a pigeon was killed by an automobile as easily as thousands of pedestrians meet death each year.

But there is more to a story of an auto killing a pigeon than that. Pigeons are notorious for their nonchalance in city streets throughout the nation, notably Chicago where they are constantly in the path of automobiles but forever miraculously escape being run down. It is all but impossible to run over the tiny fowl with an automobile and some cities have published articles declaring that a pigeon can not be run down by one or any group of autos.

Seeing the pigeon in the street thus excited an investigation. There was the evidence of something awry. The little fowl's right foot had been amputated many months ago and only a stump remained. Some lad's air rifle, sling shot or well trained throwing arm had once disabled the bird and thus prompted its unorthodox death—a unique death for a pigeon.

## Colonial Inn Is Sold To Col. Henderson

Historical Colonial Inn, one of Hillsboro's oldest links with colonial days, was purchased by Colonel Paul Henderson of lower Orange county at an auction that was held last week for the disposal of the famous landmark.

The Inn, much the worse from wear and looking every one of its history filled years, has been the cause of a great deal of anxiety among local folks who hated to see it pass into the land of memories.

Reports circulating through the crowd after auction, seem heartening to those who would hate to see the Inn torn down. Colonel Henderson, a student and lover of colonial architecture and history, is reported to be considering a complete restoration of the famous old hostel.

The property, which includes the vacant lots west of the Inn, was knocked down to Colonel Henderson for \$11,800.

## Youth Center Foundation is Now Finished

The foundation for the new Youth Center which is being contributed to the children of Hillsboro by public subscription has been completed. Leaders in the drive for funds feel that the building will be ready for use early in the summer.

Complete reports for the house-to-house drive for funds that was held recently are not in, but J. M. Bleden, local merchant, who is organizer of the \$50 club, reports that he has 33 members pledged so far for this, which would represent nearly half of the \$4,000 goal that has been set.

Any one who has not been contacted by the solicitors for this fund is urged to make some contribution. Those on the fund raising committee are Mrs. H. H. Brown, Mrs. D. E. Forrest, Dr. H. W. Moore, Rev. Charles S. Hubbard, Bonner D. Sawyer, Rev. W. W. Abernethy and Tom Brown.

## Pre-School Clinic For Hillsboro On The 18th And 25th

Dr. O. David Garvin announced yesterday that the Health Department in cooperation with the school and the Parent Teacher Association is holding a series of pre-school clinics to determine the physical condition of children who are to enter school next fall, and to discover those conditions which need attention before that time. The clinic will be held on April 18 at 9 a.m. in the Hillsboro high school, and on April 25 at 9 a.m. in the West Hillsboro school.

Any children who have not received their smallpox vaccination, and their diphtheria, and whooping cough immunizations will receive these in the clinic. Recent state law requires that all children receive these immunizations before they start to school. Dr. Garvin encourages all parents to bring their children to this clinic if they are to start to school in September.

## Carrboro Vets Welcomed With Barbecue

Carrboro.—Veterans of Carrboro and vicinity were treated to barbecue and chicken stew Wednesday night at the firemen's cabin just north of town.

Andrews and Riggsbee, local merchants were sponsors of the feed.

Mayor West made a short speech welcoming the boys home and thanking them for the swell job they had all done.

The dining room of the cabin was attractively decorated with spring flowers and variations of the red-white and blue color scheme.

After everyone had his fill of barbecue and chicken the tables were cleared from the room and all the young folks, including "Uncle Miles" Andrews tripped the light fantastic to the tune of the latest boogie rhythms.

About 100 veterans and their "commanding officers" attended the dinner. Dr. Brack Lloyd, ever on the alert for the well being of all Carrboro was in attendance with plenty of "Penn-icillin."

## School Repair Planned During Summer Recess

### Hillsboro Vet Joins The News Staff Monday



The NEWS is proud to announce the addition of Seth Thomas to its staff. Thomas, a Hillsboro born, bred and married product, began work with the NEWS on Monday of this week and will be largely concerned with helping Harry Large print Orange county's best newspaper.

Seth, son of Mrs. O. L. Thomas, is the husband of the former Betty Rebecca Andrews. They have one daughter, Patricia Jean—3 years old in June.

Thomas was discharged from the Army on November 17 after 18 months service in the European theater, where he served with the 786th Base Depot company and was later attached to SHAEF, Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces.

Our new printer is a member of the American Legion and the Hillsboro fire department.

## St. Mary's Grange Holds Meeting And Eats Pies

St. Mary's Grange met April 4 with 40 officers, members and visitors present. G. O. Rietzel, county deputy, spoke briefly on ways in which subordinate Granges may be improved. Edwin C. Barnes, assistant county agent, made announcement of plans for the Baby Beef Show to be held in Durham on April 24. Several 4-H members from Orange will have animals to exhibit at this show. Grange members Doris Cheek and Polly Roberts each gave a musical selection as part of the program.

Discussion followed about several things of interest to Grangers. One result was a decision to order the Grange regalia for the officers. Another was plans for a membership drive during April to culminate in a barbecue supper early in May at which both old and new members are to be entertained.

Pies for the better-pies contest were brought in by nine women and girls. The judges, Edwin Barnes, Mrs. G. O. Rietzel and Mrs. Fred Rietzel considered the pies while the others played "High Heel Boots" in the adjoining room. After considerable deliberation, the judges awarded prizes to the following: first place, Peggy Woods; second place, Mrs. Henry Walker; third place, Mrs. L. H. Cox. After the judging was over, everybody enjoyed helping eat the pies.

Present as visitors were Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Rietzel and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rietzel of Schley Grange. St. Mary's Grangers were glad to welcome as new members Edwin Barnes and Miss Ollie Mae Crabtree.

## Brown Baby Born on Same Date As Sister

The birth of J. L. Brown III in Watts hospital, Durham, last Wednesday was not only a blessed event in the lives of the Brown family, but it was a rare and happy coincidence for April 3 is the birthday of the new Brown heir's sister, Barbara.

Father of the latest addition to the Hillsboro Browns, J. L. Brown Jr., reports that Mrs. Brown and the new boy are getting along fine and to expect some news on Sunday.

The county board of education announced following its last meeting that all principals of schools in the county had been asked to turn in detailed lists of the equipment and repairs needed in their schools. This report is to be in before the first Monday in May so the board will have time to include them in the budget which will be presented to the county commissioners at their June meeting.

The board states that it is in full knowledge of the conditions reported by the grand jury in its recent report to Judge Paul Frizelle and, in fact better informed than the grand jury for the school board has been hearing these complaints for some time, largely from the principals of the various schools. County superintendent of schools Claytor says that it is the policy of the school board to do everything in their power to make the buildings now in use as comfortable as possible, but, he adds, it has been impossible to get materials and nearly as hard to get labor for the past five years. Claytor points out that the present intention of the board is to get the list of repairs from the different schools in, and use all the available material toward the correction of the worst cases while the schools are closed this summer.

The Hillsboro high school gymnasium will be repaired in time for the fall term if it is all possible to get the necessary material, Claytor said.

According to Claytor all of the schools will be finished with this year's work by June 7 in spite of the time that was lost this winter due to the bad roads.

## Farm Bureau Holds Meeting At White Cross

Membership in the Orange County Farm Bureau went up to 233 following a group meeting of farmers in the White Cross school Monday night. Eight new members were enrolled and plans made for a communitywide meeting in the school. Tentative date for the meeting was Monday, April 29.

Joe Williams, long-time member of the state bureau office personnel at Greensboro and editor of the Farm Bureau News, official monthly publication of the bureau, gave an outline of the plan of organization, the objects for which it was organized, its purposes and future plans, and a resume of the accomplishments of organization.

Presiding at the conference was E. P. Barnes, assistant county agent, and assisting in the conduct of the meeting was County Agent Don S. Matheson. The two farm agents gave their endorsement to the bureau and urged farmers of the county to become members. Each explained that the Bureau and the Grange had the same general purpose—to raise the level of rural life—but that each had its distinct job to do. It was pointed out several times during the discussions that there was no conflict between the two organizations. White Cross has a strong Grange organization.

Four of the Monday night joiners will carry the message of the Farm Bureau to their neighbors between now and the general community meeting. They agreed to seek other members in that section during the next three weeks.

J. E. Hawkins, Cedar Grove farmer, was on hand to give his personal opinion of the Bureau and to review some of the plans that had already been carried out in his section of the county. He also read minutes of the recent countywide meeting that was held in the courthouse in Hillsboro. Mr. Hawkins had personally accounted for the sign-up of more than 50 of the members in his section, and he went about the same job Monday night, accounting for exactly half of the eight new White Cross members.

Agents Matheson and Barnes also called attention to the corn production contest in the county this year and asked for more entries in the White Cross area. It was pointed out that this county produces an average of 20 bushels of corn per acre—higher than the state level, but "not high enough," both agents agreed. The contests is one of the stimulants being used to try for an increase in corn production.

The Bank of Chapel Hill has offered a first prize of a \$100 government bond, and other prizes, \$25; third prize, \$10.