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## Campaign Starts October 14 For Orange County Scouts

The Oconeechee council, Boy Scouts of America, which includes 11 counties in central North Carolina, is asking for \$38,000 for its work in the coming year. A quota of approximately \$1600 has been set for Orange county which now has six active Boy Scout troops. The district Boy Scout committee has appointed E. Carrington Smith of Chapel Hill as Orange county chairman to raise this fund, and F. O. Bowman for Chapel Hill and James Webb for Hillsboro have been named town chairmen. Each of the town chairmen have appointed a number of people to help with solicitation. The campaign will get under way in Orange county on or about October 14 and it is hoped to complete it within two or three days. In Hillsboro, in addition to raising our part of the above Council fund, it is proposed to raise the remaining \$800 needed to complete the Hillsboro Youth Center building. Mr. Webb announced the appointment of the following committee to call upon people in Hillsboro for contributions to this cause: Mrs. J. A. Whitaker, Mrs. D. E. Forrest, C. D. Jones, R. O. Forrest, J. M. Bliden, F. E. Joyner, Coy Andrews, Rhelidue Scarlett, Mrs. H. H. Moore, D. B. Sawyer, Dr. H. W. Brown, C. J. James, G. W. Ray, C. C. Culbreth, A. R. Young, A. L. Stanback.

## Better Weed Ups Prices On Old Belt

High average prices for better qualities and much lower prices for inferior grades plus considerable improvement in quality over opening week last year characterized the first week of sales on the Old Belt flue-cured tobacco markets. According to the United States, North Carolina and Virginia departments of agriculture, cutters were up from \$13 to \$20 per hundred and good to choice qualities in other groups from \$5 to \$19. Good and fair lemon cutters and choice orange lugs showed the greatest gains. Losses for poorer grades ranged from \$3 to \$24.75. The greatest decreases occurred for inferior leaf and nondescript, with common green (orange side) leaf and best crude nondescript leading the declines. Growers were jubilant over returns for their better grades, but great disappointment was expressed over prices for lower qualities. Numerous rejections were observed on most markets and in a few instances some farmers carried their tobacco back home.

## YDC To Meet Here Friday

A meeting of the Young Democratic Club of Orange county will be held in the court house Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the convention to be held October 11 and 12 in Asheville. Dumont Eskridge, president of the club, in announcing the meeting requested that all members attend.

## Good Health Group Lists Six Points

Durham—The North Carolina Good Health Association which was recently granted a charter to promote a six-point program designed to provide more hospital facilities and medical care personnel for the state, has opened headquarters in the Snow Building here. President I. G. Greer, of Thomasville, announced plans for the health movement following a meeting of incorporators. The Good Health Association was launched six months ago at a meeting held in Thomasville and attended by more than 200 state leaders. North Carolina's low position in hospital beds and doctors was stressed by Dr. Greer. "In 1941 North Carolina, the 11th largest state and the 5th most rapidly growing, stood in 42nd place, tied with South Carolina, in the number of general hospital beds per thousand population," it was pointed out, "and in a comparable position in the number of doctors." Objectives of the Good Health Association cover a six-point program; 1. for State assistance in the care of indigent sick; 2. for State assistance in building or enlarging local hospitals and establishing and equipping rural health centers; 3. for a medical-education loan fund to help worthy North Carolina young men and women who pledge themselves to practice in a rural community for four years; 4. for the expansion of the two-year medical school of the University of North Carolina into a standard four-year school with a central teaching hospital; 5. for special study and provision for the medical education of Negroes; and 6. for the promotion of voluntary group insurance plans.

## Union Grove Church History Given In Talk By C. W. Davis

Following the speech delivered by C. W. Davis of Chapel Hill at the Union Grove church Sunday on the occasion of the 100th anniversary celebration and the laying of a cornerstone for a new church. We have assembled here to celebrate two birthdays: the birthday of a mother church that was 100 years old last Monday, the 23rd of September, and the birthday of the child whose cornerstone we expect to lay today. It is appropriate on an occasion of this kind to give some thought to what this church has meant to this community. To do this, it will be necessary to recite some of its history. Union Grove Church was organized September 23, 1846. A school house near this site served as the place of worship from 1846 to 1871. During this period the church did not have a regular pastor, but was under the supervision of the pastor of the Orange circuit. Revival meetings were held intermittently by visiting Methodist Protestant preachers. The names of Alson Gray, James Deans, Arrington Gray and J. M. Kennett appear in the records. The first record of membership was listed by Rev. R. R. Michaux in 1869. The members at that time were Thomas Hayes, Lemuel Carroll, Calvin Bishop, Nathaniel King, Baxter Davies, Sarah Hayes, Martha Currie, Margaret Long and Margaret Bishop. George C. Hunt was pastor of the church when the present building was erected in 1881. The list of contributors included Thomas Long, Henry Cate, J. W. Cate, William Cate, Baxter Davies, John Dodson, Murphy Smith, Wayne Garrett, Melvin Bishop, Willis Smith and J. H. Jones. The land for the church was given by Thomas and Nancy Long. It was deeded to five trustees. They were Nathaniel King, Baxter Davies, Thomas Long, Thomas Pratt and Joseph Durham. The first members received after the church was erected were James Williams, father of Rev. J. D. Williams, and Christian Bolland. Union Grove Church has never had a very large membership. It is especially proud, however, of the ministers that worshipped here during their boyhood days. Such men as J. D. Williams, R. C. Stubbs, O. B. Williams and Jesse Frank Minnis will be long remembered in this community and their influence will be felt in generations yet to come. There is ample evidence that the founders of this church and those that mothered it through the trying Civil War days and into the early nineties were motivated by seriousness of purpose. It would be well for us to remember them with thankful hearts, because they have passed on to us a priceless heritage. I'm not thinking so much about the building, though it holds fond memories. I am thinking about an organization of loyal people united in spirit and purpose. There is no way for us to evaluate the influence that this church has had on this community. I'm quite sure it would have been a different community had it not been for the church. I expect some of us would not have cared to live here had it not been for the church. I doubt if there is a person here who has attended this church over a period of years that has not had experiences here that shaped the trend of his or her life. No doubt many of you could recite incidents that would prove this. You have certain scenes and occasions in your minds which you like to recall and think over again. In your mind's eye you can see certain people as they worshiped in this church. You know just where they sat. You can hear and see them enjoying some of the old hymns as they sang them over and over again. You can see some of them moving about in the congregation doing personal work during revival services. You can see them as they were carried to their final resting place in the local cemetery. These memories are dear to us, and as we grow older we seem to understand and appreciate them more. This spot is sacred to all of us. When we think about it seriously—what it has meant to our fathers and mothers, to us and to those who may come after us—it makes us want to acclaim it Holy Ground. Civilization marches forward on the shoulders of each succeeding generation. It's a fine sign when you see a people who want to pass along their inheritance to the next generation in just a little better condition than it was when they received it. I think we should feel that obligation. A person who inherits a farm should not try to deplete it of its fertility and resources, but should strive to improve it and pass it on to the next generation in better condition than it was when he received it. This is what you are attempting to do in case of this church. An improved building is being erected; membership is being increased—the strength and influence of the church is being extended. Five score years ago our fathers organized in this community a new church conceived in faith and dedicated to the worship of the living God. We've met here today to celebrate the founding of that church and to lay the cornerstone of a new building. We are not only honoring those that made this occasion possible but are reaffirming our faith in their God. This community will not long remember what we say here today and it will not soon forget what they did here 100 years ago. May we pledge ourselves to carry on in a nobler way the cause to which they were so much devoted, so that their efforts may not perish from the earth but that this church may experience a new birth.

## 100th Anniversary, Cornerstone Laying Bring 300 To Church

### Efland Man Dies From Gas Fumes

Nazor Wright, 60-year-old Negro of Efland, died as a result of being overcome by gas fumes while cleaning a well at the home of Wilson Efland in Efland on Thursday morning, Sept. 26. Wilson Austin, Negro, approximately 40, who was helping the clean the well, was also overcome when he went into the well to rescue Wright. John Efland, Jr., 30, cousin of Wilson Efland, entered the well and brought Austin out. Both Efland and Austin were in serious condition and were hospitalized at Duke hospital. Wright was finally brought out by Nord Tinnin, Negro, after having been in the well about one hour. He died shortly afterwards. Wright is survived by his wife and five children.

Nearly 300 friends, members and past members of the Union Grove Methodist church gathered at the church Sunday for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the church and the laying of new cornerstone. Dinner was served on the grounds following the morning program. A rain storm, which threatened to halt the proceedings, circled the area surrounding the church, but fell in Hillsboro, seven and one-half miles from the church. Ceremonies surrounding the laying of the cornerstone were conducted by Dr. H. C. Smith, superintendent of the Durham district. C. W. Davis, superintendent of the Chapel Hill school system, made the principal address—which is printed on this page—in which he told of the history of the church. Davis is a native of the Union Grove community and is a former member of the church. Pastors who were present for the occasion—which was called the first occasion in Orange county at which the 100th anniversary of the church and the laying of a cornerstone for the construction of a new church were celebrated at the same time—included Dr. A. G. Dixon of High Point, the Rev. R. C. Stubbs of High Point, the Rev. O. B. Williams of Claremont, Dr. J. D. Williams of High Point, Dr. S. B. Turrentine of Greensboro, the Rev. E. F. Cude of Cedar Grove and the Rev. Charles S. Hubbard of Hillsboro. The afternoon program consisted of talks by many of the ministers attending the function and by J. G. Rogers of Burlington, a layman. A. K. McAdams of Hillsboro made the Layman's talk at the morning program. A collection amounting to \$670.56 was taken to be applied on the construction of the church. Efland church contributed \$113; Hebron church, \$75; Lebanon church, \$35, and Chestnut Ridge, \$30. The remaining amount was contributed by the people attending the meeting Sunday.

## News Of Our Neighboring Communities

### News of Eno

By Mrs. S. H. Strayhorn  
Lois King returned home Sunday from the hospital after having her tonsils removed.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harris and Mary Jo spent the weekend in Sanford as guests of Mrs. Harris' mother, Mrs. D. D. Hinson.  
Elmo, Floyd, John, Grover and Giles Clayton attended the Duke-State football game in Riddick stadium in Raleigh Saturday.  
L. B. Halthcock, G. D., Kenneth and Giles Compton and W. L. King, Jr., and Duncan King attended the motorcycle races in Durham Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Strayhorn and girls attended the all-day service at Union Grove Church Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Truesdale, J. M. Harris, J. E. Ballenger, W. B. Halthcock, John Salman and Royal Roberson attended a meeting of the Mutual Benefit Insurance, in Salisbury Thursday. Representatives from each of the Duke Power plants were present and enjoyed a barbecue dinner after the business meeting.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Halthcock and E. C., Jr., came Friday night and spent the weekend with Mrs. Halthcock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Truesdale. Mr. Halthcock went to Macon Saturday and spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Talley and Carolyn Jean of Durham visited Mrs. Talley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Truesdale, Sunday.

### New Hope

By Miss Elizabeth Kirkland  
Virginia Nunn, Elvin, Christine and Jane Cates, Betty Lou and Helen Tapp attended the young people's rally in Burlington last Sunday.  
An interesting program has been planned by the young people for rally day, Sunday, October 6.  
World-wide Communion Sunday will be observed at New Hope next Sunday when Christians the world over will partake of this sacred element in their own churches.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tapp attended the funeral of Richard Cannon's father near Rocky Mount last week.  
Dr. S. B. Turrentine of Greensboro visited his sister, Mrs. M. C. Blackwood, over the weekend.  
Many New Hope people enjoyed the hospitality of the Union Grove people in commemorating their 100th anniversary and cornerstone laying of the new church Sunday, September 29. A joint celebration of this kind has never been held in Orange county before. Five ministers and several lay workers had a part in the program music was rendered by Frank Bennett from Durham and quartets from Cedar Grove and Hebron.  
Circle No. 2 will meet with Elizabeth Tuesday, October 8, at 2:30 p.m.  
New Hope Auxiliary was represented at the meeting of district No. 3 in the Chapel Hill Presbyterian church Tuesday, October 1.

### Cedar Grove

A number of the young people from the Methodist and Presbyterian churches here attended the Youth Rally at Long's Chapel Christian Church Sunday evening. Those who attended the anniversary services at Union Grove Methodist Church from Cedar Grove Sunday included J. S. Compton, R. C. Compton, Ralph Cooper Compton, E. F. Cude and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pender. The picture show on "Creation" was presented at Fairfield Presbyterian Church Monday evening. E. P. Barnes, assistant county farm agent, and Mrs. Kathryn Hamrick, county home agent, were at Aycock school last week and organized the junior and senior 4-H clubs. A large number of students joined the clubs and much interest is being manifested in that work this year. Several people from Cedar Grove attended the Duke-State football game in Raleigh Saturday, including G. A. Munn, J. W. Tolar, E. F. Cude and J. S. Compton. Eugene Laws of Hillsboro visited his mother, Mrs. Martha Laws, and sister, Mrs. Lula Finley, Monday. Mrs. T. L. Oliver visited her mother, Mrs. C. B. Crisp, near Prospect Hill last Thursday.

### Palmers Grove

By Mrs. W. V. Armfield  
Sunday, October 6, being world-wide Communion Service Day, Palmers Grove Methodist Church will have a communion service at 3 p.m.; Sunday school at 2 p.m.  
Miss Frances Yates, who has been under a doctor's care for some time, is much better.  
Miss Betty Canada of Chapel Hill was a guest for the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Yates.  
Miss Betty Dalehite, a freshman at Elon College, was home for a brief visit Sunday afternoon.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Friends of Miss Nonnie Yates helped celebrate her 16th birthday with a party Saturday night. Games and dancing were enjoyed by all present. Later in the evening delicious refreshments were served to all who helped make this a gala occasion.

### Legion Membership Reaches 146 Total

Total membership in the Hillsboro Post No. 85 of the American Legion was reported as being 146 at a meeting of the Post Tuesday night in the Masonic hall. A goal of 300 has been set with the deadline being November 1. H. G. Coleman, Sr., membership chairman, said in reporting the present membership.

### CALDWELL JOINS STAFF

Washington, D. C.—Resignation of Harry B. Caldwell as secretary-treasurer of the American Plant Food Council, Inc., to accept a position as Executive Secretary of the newly formed North Carolina Good Health Association, with offices in Durham, has been announced by Clifton A. Woodrum, president of the council. Caldwell, a well-known North Carolina farm leader, joined the council's staff in September, 1945, after serving as master of the North Carolina State Grange for four two-year terms. "We are reluctant to lose Mr. Caldwell's services, but we share with him the great concern for the health of the nation and have some consolation in the fact that both the plant food industry and the North Carolina Good Health Association are united in the belief that the prosperity of our nation depends upon the health and vigor of its citizens," Woodrum said. A successor to Caldwell has not been named. "My decision to resign from the staff of the American Plant Food Council was most difficult, inasmuch as I assisted in the formation of its policies and subscribe wholeheartedly to its objectives," Caldwell said. "I am grateful to the officers and members of the American Plant Food Council in accepting my resignation and I shall continue to be interested in their efforts and have perfect confidence in their continued success."

### Kiwanis Club Calf Show Is Next Wednesday

Dr. R. H. Ruffner, dean of the Animal Husbandry department at N. C. State College, will be the judge for the Kiwanis Dairy Calf show to be sponsored by the Chapel Hill Kiwanis club October 9. The show will be held at the White Cross school, 10 miles from Chapel Hill on the Greensboro road. Agricultural committee of the Kiwanis club which is sponsoring the show is composed of John Umstead, Frank Umstead, Bill Latham and W. S. Hogan, chairman. Prizes will be \$4 for blue ribbon winners, \$3 for red ribbon winners and \$2 for white winners.

### Florida Out

But after some thought, Mrs. Simpson definitely decided that Florida was out. She did not relish the idea of re-establishing a home every time the weather changed. It would be better to choose a section where there would be mild weather the year round. The Simpsons had spent previous vacations touring the South, and felt that the Carolinas would most nearly meet this requirement.

### Rural Area Wanted

The next question was which section of the Carolinas to choose. For themselves, Mr. and Mrs. Simpson wanted a rural section with conditions suitable for raising vegetables and flowers. Gardening has always been one of their hobbies. For Natalie, they wanted an education center, as she will, in a few years, be ready for college. She is entering high school this year. After visiting several college campuses, Natalie was most impressed by the University's in Chapel Hill, and immediately de-

### House Near Hillsboro

The Simpsons were fortunate in finding a house for sale about four miles east of Hillsboro, so, on returning to Oil City, they sold their house and returned to Orange county in June and have spent the summer getting established. Mr. Simpson is well pleased with the yield of his vegetable garden, and especially proud of his okra, which, to him, is a new vegetable. Mrs. Simpson has learned that the yellow squash is better if cooked while it is young. Back home they don't cook it until it is quite large. On her pantry shelves are 300 quarts of vegetables canned from the garden. Mr. Simpson is busy now, conditioning the ground for next year's garden. Mrs. Simpson says that back in Oil City she had to pay 75 cents for a small honeysuckle or trumpet vine. She has enjoyed writing back to the folks about how they grow here. Natalie, who always lived only a block from her school, is getting much pleasure from the novelty of riding the school bus. She says that she is crazy about Hillsboro high school. The Simpsons did not have to be questioned about the proverbial Southern Hospitality. They quickly stated that they have found the South to be just as hospitable and just as lovely as the novelists have presented it. Orange county welcomes the Simpsons. We feel extremely fortunate to have them join us, and sincerely hope that they will never have reason to regret their decision to make Orange their county too.

## A Spot In Orange County . . . Walter L. Simpsons Choose Site In Orange To Make Home

By Mae V. Lark

With all the Southland from which to choose, Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Simpson and their daughter, Natalie, of Oil City, Pa., have selected a little spot of Orange county on which to establish their home. Last Spring, Mr. Simpson retired from his position as Clerk for Southern Group Pipe Lines, transporters of oil, after 45 years of service, and he and the family decided to move South to escape the bad winters of the North. As is customary, their first consideration was Florida. Florida Out

### Community Club Begins Work

Chapel Hill.—The Chapel Hill Community club will begin its work of the fall season Friday afternoon at a meeting scheduled for 3:30 o'clock at the Episcopal parish house. Newcomers to Chapel Hill are particularly urged to come to the meeting. Club departments open to the women who belong to the Community club the American home, art, literature, health and welfare, education on citizenship, and music. The local club is a member organization of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

### One Man Sent On Draft Call

One man was required for the most recent draft call met by the Orange county draft board, it was announced from the draft board office this week. The reason only one man was required for the call was because Orange county received credit for all the men from the county who enlisted in either the Army, Navy or Marine corps during the period. Enlistees during the period were: Walter D. Keeter, Marine corps; John Fletcher McAdams, Army; and William Scott Totten, Marine corps. Dallas Miles Emory was sent as a draftee.

## 60 Attend Ladies Night

Carrboro.—A dinner party was enjoyed by more than 60 guests in the Carrboro cafeteria last Thursday evening when the Carrboro Lions club observed ladies night. Upon entering, the ladies were presented corsages of pink or white carnations and a number for a lucky prize. The winners in the drawing proved to be Mrs. I. F. Hardee and Mrs. Leonard Collins. R. B. Studebaker, president of the club, extended greetings to the guests and visitors. M. M. Watts led the group singing. Lloyd Senter, program chairman, presented the prizes to the ladies. L. H. Barbour of Durham was guest speaker and provided much fun and merriment with his humorous short stories and observations.

## Work Started On Cemetery

Carrboro.—Work was begun on the new cemetery for Carrboro last week. Roy Homewood is in charge of the work. The nine acres of land purchased by the town of Carrboro lies between the Weaver road and the Jones Ferry road. The connecting link is the Davis road. Work is being done at present on driveways and walk ways. The entire nine acres will be laid off in plots.

## Dr. Riggsbee Opens Office In Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill. Dr. J. B. Riggsbee has entered the practice of medicine in Chapel Hill, following service with the Navy medical corps in the Mediterranean and in the Pacific. Dr. Riggsbee is now living on Carr street. He is planning to open his office in a building now under construction at 312 West Franklin street by about the middle of October. Dr. Riggsbee was formerly an undergraduate student at the University, winning his A.B. degree here, and his M.D. at Vanderbilt University in Nashville. During the registration period at the University, Dr. Riggsbee has been assisting at the infirmary in giving physical examinations to students entering the University.

## Lee To Speak At League

The Rev. W. T. Lee, pastor of the Mars Hill Baptist church, will be the speaker at the Laymen's League meeting Sunday night in the Methodist church in Hillsboro at 8 p.m. Special music will be furnished by the Junior choir made up of singers from four churches in Hillsboro.

## Girl Scouts To Sell Cards

Hillsboro Girl Scouts have taken the project of selling Christmas cards during the fall season, it was announced this week. Anyone desiring to purchase Christmas cards from the scouts is asked to telephone either Mrs. H. H. Brown or Mrs. D. E. Forrest. Scout leaders announced that a total of \$160 was realized in the rummage sale held Saturday in the Eno Chevrolet garage.

## NICKS ABSENT

The Rev. S. F. Nicks, former pastor of the church and regarded as the father of the new church, was unable to be present for the occasion. He was admitted to Watts hospital in Durham last week for treatment.

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