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## A Public-Spirited Citizen Is . . .

The obligation of a public-spirited citizen to his own town or county should certainly be considered by an individual when he considers donation of his money to a cause or his support of any suggested improvement in the town which may result in the betterment of the community.

That obligation should be one which would result in the town, county or community in which he makes his living, pays his taxes and buys his food being improved, by his support of the cause or his donation of a sum of money to carry out the suggested plan.

All of which brings to mind the many causes to which Orange county citizens are now being asked to contribute. From both Chapel Hill and Hillsboro requests are being made for a sum of money to support the Boy Scout movement in the county. Hillsboro citizens have only recently subscribed over \$1,000 for the purchase of football uniforms for the high school team. The Hillsboro high school band needs uniforms. The Red Cross will be seeking money in the future to carry on its work in the county.

All of those organizations play an important part in the life of the citizens in Orange county, Chapel Hill and Hillsboro. All are important for us to consider supporting to the extent of contributing what we can to making the drives a success. In the football uniform drive for the local high school team the support and contributions were enough to secure the uniforms. We hope that the citizens will display the same attitude in the drive for the funds to carry on the Boy Scout movement in the county.

Coupled with the Boy Scout drive in Hillsboro will be a campaign to raise the necessary amount of money to finish paying for the Youth Center which was recently formally opened. Approximately \$800 is still needed to complete the building and pay off the debt.

Recently a request was made for \$3,000 for funds to buy the property on which the Nash-Kollock building is now rotting and falling apart, not only proving to be an eye-sore to the town but also a fire hazard.

The money requested would be used to buy only the property. There wouldn't be enough left, according to the request when it was presented to the Hillsboro Merchants Association, to start the necessary work—which in our estimation would consist of building the structure from the ground up.

Still advocates of the plan have continued to spread propaganda of the wonderful thing it would be for Hillsboro and Orange county to contribute money for the restoration of the building. These advocates would have this money spent on a building which would serve only as a tourist attraction—and we question the tourist attraction value of the building—at a time when the county schools are crowded with students, the county offices are cramped for space, the scouts need funds. As an example of the school situation—there is a Negro school near Chapel Hill to which county officials could not recently drive. A school official was forced to walk about two miles to reach the school.

We were recently accused of not being public spirited citizens when we voiced our disapproval of the Nash-Kollock project. In the light of so many more things that need doing in the county, we wonder if the shoe wouldn't fit better on the accuser's foot.

## BY THE NEWS . . .

By MAE V. LARK

Every season has its charms, and as you see those of Autumn on full display throughout Orange county, you might well wonder if She shouldn't be crowned Queen of the Seasons.

If you are one of those persons lucky enough to have saved the annual vacation for fall, don't get out your road maps or consult your tourist guides. Don't even think of leaving Orange county. Now that you don't have to rush off to work with your eyes still half closed and that last sip of coffee still burning your tongue, just go out and make a tour of Orange, and look at the beauty you've been missing.

Of course, the first things you will notice will be the cheerful crispness of the air, the sparkle of the dew, the

rich color of the leaves and the goldenrod.

But there are many more charms that you must not miss. If you'll visit the homes of a few of your Orange county neighbors you will find them. Out on Route 3, Hillsboro, you will find a most pleasant atmosphere in the kitchen of Mrs. W. D. Dalchite, as she and Mrs. Gibbs, who lives next door, can turnip greens.

You might ask the J. V. Yateses to show you the giant size pumpkin on their back porch. Many delicious pies will be turned out from that pumpkin. The sharp, clear sound of the wood-cutting at the C. T. Franklins is pleasant to the ear; and the little trail of smoke from the chimney over at the Walshes looks friendly and inviting. The Walshes, who recently moved from Durham to become Orange countians, are busy making repairs on their house. Although Mr. Walsh still holds his position at the Washington Duke hotel, here's hoping that he and Mrs. Walsh will enjoy living in Orange county.

On Route 2, Hillsboro, you might ask Charlie Coleman to show you those nice big sweet potatoes his has been digging. If you will stop by the Watkins' place, you'll find the family in the barn grading tobacco. You will note how carefully they inspect each leaf, and even if you don't smoke, you will enjoy the pleasant aroma of the tobacco.

In every home and on every acre of land you will find Autumn's beauty. Along the roadsides throughout the county are the children, fresh as the dew in their bright new sweaters, waiting for the school buses. On Saturday afternoons there are the long lines of cars carrying optimistic fans to the football games.

As you look at Orange county you'll be glad you didn't get out your road maps or consult your guides. You will know that you have made the best choice.

## Vets Queries And Answers

Q. Is it possible for a veteran to complete his elementary school education under the G. I. Bill?

A. Yes.

Q. Are there any charges for guaranteeing or insuring a loan to a veteran?

A. No. Commission, brokerage or similar charges may not be made legally against a veteran for securing a government-guaranteed loan. Of course, appraisal, title examination fees and other costs and expenses incident to them may be charged against the veteran by the lender, the same as against all purchasers.

Q. Is there any restriction on the use of the money a veteran obtains from a government-guaranteed loan?

A. Yes. The proceeds of the loan must be used for the specific purpose for which it was obtained. Loans may be obtained for purchase of home, and for ordinary business and farming purposes.

Q. How long can I wait before I take advantage of the educational benefits of the G. I. Bill of Rights?

A. A veteran must begin his course not later than four years after either the date of his discharge or the termination of the war, whichever is the latter, and no such education or training will be given beyond nine years after the termination of the war.

Q. I am going to school under the G. I. Bill. Can I get special medical care in case I get sick?

A. Veterans pursuing a course of education or training under Public Law 346 (G. I. Bill) are entitled only to such medical treatment as they would otherwise be entitled to by virtue of their military service or through the regulations of the institution or establishment where enrolled.

Q. Will transportation paid by veteran to effect admission for hospital treatment be refunded? If a relative transports the veteran, will he be reimbursed for travel expenses?

A. Yes, reimbursement may be made for actual travel expenses, if travel was authorized by the Veterans Administration in advance of the beginning of travel.

Q. How soon after discharge should I pay my premium on my National Service Life Insurance? Where should I send payments?

A. Make remittance to Collection Division, Veterans Administration, 346 Broadway, New York 13, New York, within 31 days from discharge, if allotment for premiums was not cancelled prior to discharge.

Q. Is a cash down payment in the purchase of a home under the G. I. Bill necessary, and if so how much will constitute a reasonable down payment?

A. In many cases a loan can be made to cover the entire purchase price. However, a 100 per cent loan may place too heavy a burden on the veteran. Any down payment will reduce the monthly carrying charge. The lender and the veteran must determine just what arrangements would be the most advantageous to the veteran's economic position.

Q. Does it make any difference to the veteran whether the lender procures insurance or guarantee on his G. I. loan?

A. Yes. Only 15 per cent of the obligation is charged against the entitlement of the veteran if the obligation is handled by the lender under the insurance provisions, whereas the charge may be as much as 50 per cent of the obligation if guaranteed. The result is that more of the entitlement is used up in the loan transaction by guaranty ordinarily, and so less remains available for future transactions.

Q. May any disabled veteran apply for benefits under Public Law

16 (vocational rehabilitation act)? juries received in service?

A. Applications under this law are accepted only from veterans having 10 per cent or more pensionable disability. However, any veteran not eligible under Public Law 16 may apply for education or training benefits under the G. I. Bill (Public Law 346) if he served 90 days or more and was discharged or released from service under conditions other than dishonorable.

Q. How long after discharge from service are readjustment allowances available to the veteran?

A. Readjustment allowances are available to an eligible veteran at any time after his discharge until two years after the date of the discharge or two years after the termination of the war, whichever is later. However, no allowance will be paid for any week which begins more than five years after the termination of the war.

Q. Can an officer on terminal leave enter training under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act?

A. Yes. An officer on terminal leave or a serviceman who is hospitalized pending discharge may enroll in training or educational courses under either the readjustment act or the rehabilitation act for disabled veterans. However, no subsistence allowance will be paid.

Q. Is the widow of a veteran eligible for a pension of her husband's death was not due to in-

A. A widow of World War I veteran who died of a non-service-connected ailment is eligible for a pension provided her income does not exceed certain figures—\$1,000 annually if she has no children or \$2,500 annually if she does have children. A widow of a veteran of World War II is eligible

only if her husband had a service-connected disability of at least 10 per cent. His death need not have been caused by that disability, however.

Burke County Farmers have found that pulling fodder and cutting tops of corn are poor practices, says County Agent R. L. Sloan.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

## Going Fishing? Here's How!

To hear Willie Wells and Basil Strube arguing about trout fishing, you'd think it was more important than the atom bomb.

Willie favors dry flies, Basil pooh-poos anything but wet flies. Willie swears by a Royal Coachman; Basil won't hear of anything but a Silver Doctor. And by the time it comes to steel rods versus bamboo rods... #IX&\*!!

But on Saturday, each got back from Seward's creek with a catch that couldn't have differed by more than several ounces!

Each had used his favorite kind of fly, his favorite rod and his favorite place to cast. So over a friendly glass of beer, they allowed as how maybe they were both right... which is how so many arguments should end.

From where I sit, if we all respected one another's different opinions—whether about trout flies, or drinking beer, or voting, life would be a whole lot pleasanter.

Joe Marsh

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