

THE NEWS of Orange County

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W. Hill Man Dies In Road Accident

Charlie Moore, Jr., 29, of West Hillsboro was killed instantly Sunday morning about 3:30 when struck by a Carolina Trailways bus as he was walking along highway about half a mile west of Dud's Tavern.

Coroner H. J. Walker and Patrolman T. P. Hofler termed the accident unavoidable upon investigation. No charges have been made against the driver of the bus. Passengers on the bus stated that Moore walked onto the highway in the pathway of the bus. The driver was unable to dodge him, reports said.

Moore was employed at Eno Mills. He is survived by his wife, four children, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Moore, Sr., of Blacksburg, S. C.

The body was removed from Walker's Funeral Home in Hillsboro to Blacksburg, S. C., where funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30.

Man Halted In Attempt To Escape

Leroy White, 18-year-old white youth serving from three to five years for robbery, was foiled in his attempt to escape from the state prison camp near Hillsboro Sunday afternoon when an alert guard fired upon him, injuring him enough to prevent his escape.

According to reports from the camp, White attempted to scale the fence at 5:10, was hit by a blast from a guard's gun and fell to the ground approximately 200 yards from the point where he left the stockade.

The prisoner was not seriously injured. He had been sentenced from High Point.

Two Men Are Under Bond For Affray

John Medlin and Dick Riddle of West Hillsboro, both employees of Eno Cotton Mill, are free under bonds of \$100 and \$50 respectively following an affray in West Hillsboro Sunday afternoon.

Buddy Medlin, a third member engaged in the affray, according to Sheriff Sam Latta, has not been found since Sunday afternoon. Richard Lane, a fourth man engaged in the incident, has had no charges filed against him, Sheriff Latta said.

A hearing is scheduled Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock before Justice of Peace Cicero Jones on the charges.

The affray allegedly occurred, according to Sheriff Latta, during a drinking session on the mountain side south of the river.



The picture above shows Peggy Sue Gattis, chairman of FHA social committee, serving punch to Mrs. Mitchell Lloyd, president of PTA and mother of an FHA girl, during FHA open house.

FHA Girls Show Handicraft Work To 100 At Open House

Elizabeth Coleman



Miss Elizabeth Coleman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Coleman of Hillsboro, is shown in the above picture. Miss Coleman, a former member of the Lee county nursing staff, died in Rex hospital in Raleigh January 18 following an illness of 12 weeks. She was a popular member of the 1941 graduating class at Hillsboro high school and was well known among a wide group of acquaintances.

Legion Buys Property Here

Deed has been filed in the office of Orange county register of deeds transferring the Hines Harris property on Caution street in Hillsboro to the Hillsboro Post No. 85 American Legion Hut, Inc.

The Hillsboro post plans to re-

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Endorse Entire Good Health Plan



Unqualified endorsement of the Medical Care Commission's Good Health Plan has been expressed by these political, religious, farm, nursing, and woman's club leaders of North Carolina. In statements presented to the Good Health Association, all evidenced an active interest in the health movement and pledged to work toward its success. Supporters shown are, top row, left to right: U. S. Senator William B. Umstead of Durham; Miss J. Virginia Miles, R.N., Raleigh, educational director for schools of nursing in North Carolina; E. B. Crawford, Chapel Hill, executive vice-president of Hospital Saving Association, Inc.; Mrs. Maris B. Neill, R.N., Raleigh, executive secretary, N. C. Nurses' Association; and E. C. Daniel, Zebulon, president, N. C. Pharmaceutical Association. Bottom, same order: Bishop Clarence Purcell, Charlotte, the Methodist church; Miss Mabel L. Bacon, Charlotte, president, N. C. Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs; James G. K. McClure, Asheville, president, North Carolina Farmers Federation; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh, president, Woman's Society of Christian Service, and R. Flake Shaw, Greensboro, president, N. C. Farm Bureau.

Negro Held In Death Of Neighbor

Ed Wright, Negro, of the Cheek's Crossing community near Efland, is being held in the Orange county jail at Hillsboro after allegedly admitting that he shot and killed his neighbor, Charlie Vaughn, Negro, at the latter's home late last Sunday afternoon.

According to Wright's statement given to investigating officers, he was visiting Vaughn early Sunday afternoon when they became involved in an argument. Wright left the house with the alleged promise that he would be back with his gun to kill Vaughn "before sundown."

When he returned, according to officers' statements, in the late afternoon he did not enter the house, but looked through the window to find Vaughn sitting before the fire. On bended knee, officers said, he placed the gun against the window pane and fired. Vaughn died a few minutes later.

Wright reported the shooting to authorities in Mebane, from where he was brought to the jail in Hillsboro. He is being held in the Orange county jail for grand jury action at the next session of the superior court.

—Photo Courtesy of Durham Morning Herald

THE NEWS Asks . . .

Which role do you prefer, that of host or that of guest?

Betty Johnson, Hillsboro: "I prefer the role of guest because there is much less work in it than in that of hostess."

Rebecca Rice, Hillsboro: "I would rather be a guest, because she can relax and enjoy the party."

Steve Allison, Hillsboro: "I prefer the role of host, because I like to entertain better than to be entertained. I like to have my friends in my home."

Claiborne Carr, Hillsboro: "I'd rather be the guest and watch the host perform."

Jake Forrest: "I would rather be a guest, so I can be the life of the party."

Roy Thomas: "The host always has to clean up after the party. I prefer to be a guest."

—Photo Courtesy of Durham Morning Herald

THE NEWS Wins First Place In 1946 General Excellence Competition Among Weeklies



Harry D. Hollingsworth, managing editor of THE NEWS, is here being congratulated by Governor R. Gregg Cherry as he presented a war bond and a certificate to THE NEWS at a banquet held Friday night at Duke University.

—Photo Courtesy of Durham Morning Herald

Receiving its first statewide recognition under its new owners and operators, THE NEWS of Orange County, which during January started its fourth year of operation in Hillsboro, was accorded first place in General Excellence among the Class A weeklies (up to 10 pages per week) in North Carolina at the Duke University banquet concluding the Mid-Winter Press Institute last Friday night.

Selection of THE NEWS as the outstanding weekly newspaper in its class for 1946 was made by an impartial judge of the Virginia Press Association.

All Sections Considered

All sections of a newspaper are considered, according to the report of the judge, in making his selection of the newspaper awarded first place for general excellence. The paper's editorial content, appearance, layout, coverage of news, advertising and variety of news subjects are a few of the many points considered by the judges in making the selection.

Harry S. Large, who came to Hillsboro in January 1944 while still a student at the University of North Carolina as editor and manager of THE NEWS, is the only member of the staff in Hills-

GOVERNOR'S CONGRATULATIONS

In a letter of congratulation to THE NEWS this week, Governor R. Gregg Cherry commended the newspaper on its public service.

Governor's letter follows:

"Please permit me to extend to you my personal and official congratulations in connection with the presentation to your newspaper of the North Carolina Press Association award for General Excellence.

"You are rendering the Orange County area a genuine public service and I wish for you many years of continued service and 'general excellence.'

Cordially yours,
R. Gregg Cherry,
Governor of North Carolina

boro now who was on the scene at the time publication was started under the new owners. J. Roy Parker of Ahoskie and Chapel Hill was owner of THE NEWS at that time and is now president of The News, Inc., publishers.

From that beginning THE NEWS has grown to the point where it has a large county-wide circulation, reaching into every section of Orange county, a staff of correspondents furnishing THE NEWS with weekly information about the activities of the citizens and residents in the rural communities and a staff of seven producing THE NEWS, handling its office work, advertising and circulation from its office in Hillsboro.

Selected second in the General Excellence division was the Plymouth Beacon of Plymouth and third the Caswell Messenger of Yanceyville. Jack Booker is editor and publisher of the Beacon and Erwin Stephens editor and publisher of the Messenger.

Other awards made to weekly newspapers were:

Class 2—Weeklies and semi-weeklies averaging 10 or more pages per week. First place and war bond award, to Transylvania Times, Brevard (Ed Anderson, publisher). Second place and certificate of merit, to Forest City Courier; Forest City (Clarence Griffin, editor and manager). Third place, Waynesville Mountaineer, Waynesville (W. Curtis Russ, editor and publisher). Honorable mention, Elkin Tribune, Elkin (Harvey Lafoon, editor and pub-

600 Expected Here Saturday For 8th Annual REA Meeting

Home Demonstration Clubs Hold Quarterly Meet Here

Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs held its first quarterly Council meeting Wednesday, January 29, in the Home Agent's office at the Agricultural building in Hillsboro. Mrs. Victor Walters, county president, presided. Other county officers are: Mrs. T. O. Pender, Gravely Hill Club, vice-president; Mrs. Henry Hogan, Calvander Club, secretary.

There were many beautiful vanity sets, head and neck scarfs.

Much interest was shown in the demonstration of the use of the textile paints by Nancy Lloyd and Faye Daehite. Other students were on hand to explain and present all the exhibits.

As the guests passed through the dining room they were served punch and cookies made by the first year FHA girls.

In spite of the bad weather, 38 of the 43 FHA students were present as follows: Catherine Douglas, Mildred Dorrit, Mary Lou Frank.

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Report Shows Five Injured By Fireworks

The Hospital Care Association, Inc., recently sent letters of inquiry to North Carolina physicians to determine the number of persons injured by fireworks from December 10, 1946 to January 10, 1947. Two Hillsboro physicians reported a total of five patients treated during the period. There were no cases listed by Chapel Hill physicians.

In addition to the five cases treated, one death occurred in Orange county resulting indirectly from a fire cracker. Kenneth Ray, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. June Ray of route 1, Chapel Hill, died on Christmas day of injuries received when he was struck by an automobile early that morning.

Kenneth and a playmate lit a fire cracker on the shoulder of the road and then ran away before it exploded. Kenneth ran onto the road in the path of an approaching car. The driver was unable to dodge the child, according to the report.

The Orange county board of commissioners has requested representatives in the General Assembly to introduce a bill outlawing fireworks in Orange county. Both James Webb, senator, and John W. Umstead, representative, have indicated they favor a statewide law against fireworks.

The Hospital Care Association, Inc., sends out from its administrative office in Durham, the following report on its survey:

Blackwood-New Hope, Miss Janie Blackwood, Mrs. W. S. Nun, Mrs. H. M. Lloyd.

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Approximately 600 members are expected to attend the eighth annual Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation's meeting in the Hillsboro high school Saturday, February 1, when the Honorable Thad Eure, secretary of state of North Carolina, will be the principal speaker.

Following the business session in the morning, barbecue and Brunswick stew will be served to the members and their guests at noon. The afternoon program will include a drawing for a number of valuable prizes donated by the merchants and businessmen of Hillsboro and REA suppliers as follows:

Maxwell's Department store, ladies blouse; Smith Ready-to-Wear store, photograph album; Farmers' Mutual Exchange, bag of flour; J. E. Floyd, electric iron; Floyd Ray, electric toaster; Col. Motor Company, oil change; Chance Tire Company, auto cushion; Graybar Electric Company, Durham, two-burner hot plate; Smith's Furniture, merchandise; Western Auto Supply Store, merchandise; Forrest Brothers Grocery, merchandise; R. C. Minns' grocery, 1 pound coffee; Eugene Laws, Watkins Representative, bottle vanilla extract; Gordon's Grocery, groceries.

The News of Orange County, two one-year subscriptions to The News; J. L. Brown and Sons, hot plate; Walker Milling Co., two 25-pound bags Tip-Top flour; Hillsboro Dry Cleaners, \$5.00 dry cleaning; Mitchell Hardware Company, Little Giant seed sower; Coleman-Laws Company, table lamp; General Electric Supply Corp., Raleigh, electric clock, pressure cooker, table lamp; Westinghouse Electric Supply Company, Raleigh, table model radio;

Mill-Power Supply Company, Charlotte electric heater; Line Material Company, Milwaukee, Wis., automatic electric iron; Bruce's 5¢ to \$1.00 store, metal bread box; Young Men's Shop, men's leather pocket book; Eno Chevrolet Company, set fender guards; James Pharmacy, men's set, ladies set.

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Committee Plans Court Measure

J. Dumont Eskridge, chairman of a special committee appointed by the Orange county board of commissioners to draw up an act establishing a county court in Orange county, said this week that the committee had met and that its recommendations would be submitted to the board at its regular meeting on February 3.

After getting the approval of the board, the act will be turned over to Orange county's representatives in the General Assembly where it will be introduced and acted upon.