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## Ray Leaves 19 Years Of Work With County Behind Him As He Accepts Chapel Hill Job

When Gilbert Ray, county auditor and tax supervisor, leaves employment of the county on September 1 to accept the position of city manager of Chapel Hill, he will have completed 19 years of service to the county.

Ray came into the employment of the county in 1928 shortly after graduating from the University of North Carolina school of commerce in 1927 and has administered the county's fiscal policy ever since.

During his tenure of office the county's tax rate has dropped considerably and the county has been placed under a more sound and secure fiscal policy.

The county board of commissioners formally accepted his resignation at its regular meeting Monday with "regrets and appreciation" for the work and service which has rendered the county during his employment.

His resignation is effective August 31 and he is scheduled to leave over the office of city manager of Chapel Hill on September 1.

The action of the Chapel Hill board of commissioners was taken Wednesday afternoon after considering more than a dozen applications for the position following the resignation of T. E. Hinson, who came city manager of High Point.

Ray will receive an annual salary of \$4,800 plus his automobile expenses from Hillsboro to Chapel Hill. His salary from the county this year raised to \$4,500.

## Border Belt Markets Open On August 7

Prices during the second week of sales on the Georgia-Florida flue-cured tobacco markets were generally stronger on medium to better quality grades. The United States Department of Agriculture reports increases for fair and good leaf, cutters, and fair to fine lungs ranging from \$1 to \$7 per hundred. Most gains were around \$2 to \$3.

Although good cutters averaged a high of \$55, an occasional basket sold for \$58 which was tops for the week. A few lower leaf, and priming grades dropped 10 cents to \$7.50 but had little bearing on the market as the volume on these was limited. The bulk of sales ranged from \$40 to \$53.

The chant of the tobacco auctioneer will get underway on North and South Carolina's Border Belt tobacco markets Thursday, August 7. This year's Border Belt crop is of excellent smoking quality according to reports from the area. Tobacco marketing specialists with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture are predicting price averages of from \$47 to \$52 per hundred as compared with last year's \$51.05 average.

As a result of the better demand the average on most of the cigarette type grades went over the Commodity Credit Corporation support level. The receipts of the flue-cured Stabilization Corporation declined accordingly. These deliveries were estimated to be 10 per cent of sales as compared with around 17 per cent last week.

## Men Cook Food, Serve The Ladies At New Hope

The men of New Hope Grange honored ladies of the organization with a hamburger supper Wednesday, July 30.

The menu and food for this meal was planned, prepared, and served by the men, with chief cooks for the occasion being Will Nunn, Bob Strayhorn, Johnny Lockhart and Howard Cox.

Approximately 40 people enjoyed the hamburgers with all trimmings, ice cream, cake, and assorted drinks.

## New Car Is Offered In Sealed Bid

Want a new car? Then read the advertisement of the American Legion on the back page of this week's issue of THE NEWS.

Hillsboro Post No. 85—long before the Ahoskie Kiwanis club failed to honor the winning ticket of a Negro—had planned to raffle off a new 1947 Ford this month.

Came all the difficulties about the Ahoskie Kiwanis lottery and the repercussions felt in Smithfield and Greensboro, and the local legionnaires decided that perhaps they had better adopt some other plan for getting the car off their hands and also make a few dollars to add to the Legion memorial hut fund.

So they decided upon the sealed bid idea which you will see described on the pack page.

Remember that you are bidding for a car the profits on which will go to the Legion to help build and repair the Hines Harris property which will sit in Hillsboro as a memorial to those who served in both world wars.

## Orange County Recorder's Court

John Lewis Wagoner, motor vehicle ordered returned after court found no evidence of his having been involved in handling liquor for the past three years;

Cecil Miller, Haywood Satterfield, Felton Terrell, Pete M. Reagon, Jimmie Merser Rouse, S. G. Douglas, J. D. Burnette, James McGhee and Roman Alger Wiley, continued;

Victor Whitted, no driver's license, 30 days suspended and costs, ordered to obtain license;

Alybert Owens, public drunkenness, \$20 and costs;

Thomas (Fuller) Oldham, Roscoe Fuller and Charlie Fuller, disturbing religious worship, costs each;

M. Butler Sparrow, engaging in an affray, \$5 and costs; George L. Allison, disorderly conduct and engaging in an affray, not guilty;

Banks Hicks, two charges of disorderly conduct and engaging in an affray, total of 90 days in both cases;

Homer Phillips, drunk, disorderly and engaging in an affray, \$10 and costs;

Joe Long, alias Joe Kirkland, public drunkenness, \$10 and costs;

Willie Ashley, public drunkenness, \$5 and costs;

Lacy Mitchell, assault, \$10 and costs;

Owen R. Parrish, no driver's license, 30 days suspended on payment of \$5 fine and costs and obtain driver's license.

## International Lions President



Fred W. Smith, Ventura, Calif., (above) is the president of the International Association of Lions Clubs. He was advanced by unanimous vote from the first vice-presidency at the 30th annual convention of the association which closed in San Francisco today. Smith succeeds Clifford D. Pierce of Memphis, Tenn.

## THE NEWS Asks . . .

How do you like the new fashion of longer skirts?

Mrs. Frances Poythress, Chapel Hill: "They are simply terrible, as they are not flattering. I do hope all women will agree with me on this."

Herman L. Stone, Chapel Hill: "Legs are one of the best features of a woman—why hide them behind a long skirt?"

Mrs. James Williams, Route 2, Hillsboro: "I wish that all women would refuse to make their skirts longer. All of them seem to dislike the new fashion just as much as I do."

J. W. Thompson, Chapel Hill: "I think it's a waste of material to make longer skirts."

R. K. Pickett, Route 2, Chapel Hill: "From a husband's viewpoint the shorter skirt has two advantages—first, it requires less cloth and is therefore cheaper; second, the wife looks more effeminate in the shorter dress."

## Man Injured When Hit By Train Here

Curtis Hursey of West Hillsboro was painfully injured Friday night about 7:47 when he was hit by the Southern passenger train going west.

Reports said that Hursey was standing on the tracks and neglected to hear the warnings shouted at him by witnesses to the accident.

The train at the time was slowing for a stop at the West Hillsboro station, but was unable to come to a complete stop before hitting Hursey.

Hersey suffered a cut on the left side of his face and was rushed to a Durham hospital by a Walker Funeral Home ambulance.

An investigation revealed, however, he was not seriously injured and was expected to be brought home this week.

## Around Orange WITH THE HOME AGENT

By Mrs. Kathryn Hamrick

Last Tuesday Miss Lorna Langley, extension specialist in home management and house furnishings, conducted a special interest demonstration on "Refinishing Old Furniture." This meeting was held in the private dining room of the Colonial Inn in Hillsboro.

Miss Langley showed how to remove different kinds of finishes from old furniture, how the wood should be prepared for another finish, and the application of the various types of finishes.

Extension bulletins giving directions for the refinishing of furniture may be obtained from the home agent's office.

Those attending the special interest meeting were: Mrs. Eugene Andrews, Mrs. T. B. Creel, Mrs. H. E. Creel, Nancy Ann Cheek, Mrs. L. R. Cheek, Mrs. Clyde Rzew, Mrs. Phillip Hauser, Mrs. Luther Yates, Mrs. R. Cooper Compton, Mrs. J. W. Tolar, Mrs. Zeb Burton, Mrs. James Compton, Mrs. T. O. Fender, Mrs. M. P. Efland, Mrs. J. L. Efland, Miss Annie Jordan, Mrs. W. E. Berry, Mrs. Norman Hobby, Mrs. Fred Walker, Mrs. Clarence Sharpe, Mrs. V. C. Walters, Mrs. H. M. Perry, Miss Mae Crawford.

## ATTEND PICNIC

Forty-five people in the Smith Level community attended a very successful picnic held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crabtree last Friday night. The wonderful picnic supper was spread on a table on the lawn. After supper, recreation was led by Mrs. Paul Long, club president. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

## Roy McMillan Speaks Here At Legion Meeting Tuesday

Roy L. McMillan, past national vice commander and past department commander of North Carolina, will be the principal speaker at a called meeting of the Hillsboro American Legion Post No. 85 on next Tuesday night, August 12, at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium.

Plans for the meeting were announced at the meeting of the post in the Memorial Hut Tuesday night.

The purpose of the meeting, as stated to the members of the Legion, will be to acquaint "you and all veterans of the great wars with the many worthwhile features, programs and activities of the American Legion as they re-

late to you, your country and your community."

The Hillsboro Post of the American Legion, through the Memorial Hut, Inc., is seeking to improve and better the Legion property, known as the Hines Harris place, which it recently purchased.

Already part of the yard has been cleaned and the house painted. At present, plans are underway for changing the interior to conform to the needs of the Legion.

In its program the Legion is seeking to interest all the veterans of both world wars in becoming members of the post and helping in the program of building a memorial hut, here in honor of the men of both wars.

## Union Bible School Being Held By Hillsboro Churches

The union Bible school, sponsored by the Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Hillsboro, opened Monday, August 4, with an enrollment of 47. It is expected that this enrollment will be greatly increased before the end of the week.

The Bible school meets each morning at nine in the Methodist service. After the devotional service the intermediate department goes to the Presbyterian church for the day's work. The intermediate department, with an enrollment of five, is taught by the Rev. Charles S. Hubbard, Miss Katherine Ray and Miss Joyce Brown. The junior department, with an enrollment of 11, is taught by Miss Rebecca Linder and Miss Eleanor Parker. The primary department, with an enrollment of 12, is taught by Mrs. E. Wilson Cole and Miss Nell Walker. The beginner depart-

ment, with an enrollment of 19, is taught by Miss Helen Beard, Miss Jeannette Miller, Miss Agnes Smith and Miss Nancy Cox. Mrs. Allen Lloyd is the pianist, and Mrs. C. D. Jones and Miss Grace Bivins are in charge of the music and the program for Sunday morning.

The Bible school will meet Saturday morning to practice for Sunday's program, after which refreshments will be served.

On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the Bible school commencement will be held in the Methodist church. The congregations of both churches, as well as the parents and friends of the Bible school pupils, will gather to hear the songs and recitations and participate in the worship service to be held at that time. The people of the community are cordially invited to attend.

## Robin Gilmore One Of 3,000 Chosen For Naval Training

## See Your Friends Ride Donkey

Are you interested in seeing your next door neighbor ride a donkey?

You'll get your chance next Wednesday night when the Hillsboro Post No. 85 of the American Legion will sponsor a donkey baseball game at the Eno ball park starting at 8 p. m.

Donkey baseball is played by the same rules that govern the regular game except that the players are astride the burros. When the batter makes a hit, he jumps on his donkey and attempts to circle the bases.

Each burro is specially trained for donkey baseball.

Special lighting will be installed in the ball park for the game.

Anyone interested in playing in the game should see Alfred Snipes, Fuller Johns and Elmer Dowdy.

## New Hope

By Miss Elizabeth Kirkland

The time for the joint meeting of the two circles of the New Hope Presbyterian church has been changed to August 12 at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Henry Tapp.

Dr. Henry Patterson of Greensboro spent part of last week in the community having lumber sawed and land cleared for buildings for the camp. The men of the church helped with the work and the women served dinner and supper at the church.

The fourth Sunday in August will be homcoming day at the New Hope Presbyterian church.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Kirkland of St. Augustine, Fla., are visiting his sister, Mrs. H. N. Blackwood.

Sharpe Pittard of Alabama is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pittard.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blackwood of Durham visited at Winder Bishop's last Sunday.

## County Tax Rate Set At 85 Cents

## 7th Grade Back To Murphy School

Recommendation was made Monday by the Orange county school board that the seventh grade be returned to the Murphy school.

The recommendation was made in carrying out a promise the school board made three years ago to the patrons of the Murphy school that the seventh grade would be returned if the attendance to the school dropped below the point to allow the school three teachers.

Other business transacted at the regular board meeting Monday was of a routine nature.

## Jury Drawn For Civil Term Court

Forty jurors were chosen by the Orange county board of commissioners at its meeting Monday for the one week civil term of superior court starting on August 18. Judge Walter Bone of Nashville will be on the bench for the term.

From Little River township were Harold Berry, Harvey Gates, John A. Woods, J. G. Berry.

From Chapel Hill township: G. G. Dodson, Robert H. Cheek, Edward A. Cameron, Cleveland Atwater, J. E. Yeagan, A. H. Shepard, Paul Green, Paul H. Robertson, E. B. Giduz, J. J. Dark, Philip W. Sparrow, E. S. Sparrow, Cecil Johnson, E. S. Dawson, Ben F. Crabtree, Clarence Heer, Lewis G. Webb.

From Cedar Grove township: Sidney T. Overby, Frank P. McDade, O. K. Blalock, Hal McDade, A. C. Sumner, W. E. Pope.

From Hillsboro township: J. Everett Forrest, John W. Powell, Charles W. Chance.

From Cheeks township: William Allison, W. R. Burgess, J. W. Johnson, R. A. Dodson, James E. Crutchfield, J. F. Jones.

From Bingham township: A. T. McCauley, T. D. Lloyd, O. T. Farrington, Duncan Morris.

## 10,000 Years Labor Need To Harvest Tobacco

If one man harvested, cured, and sold North Carolina's 821,000 acres of flue-cured and burley tobacco which will be produced this year he would be employed for more than 10,000 years.

This may sound like a startling figure, but according to H. Brooks James in charge of extension farm management at State college, it is estimated that the labor required for harvesting and desliming the crop amounts to over 21 million hours. Figured at 40 cents an hour, this labor would be valued at approximately eight and one-half million dollars, he said.

"Yes, dad, mother, and all the children will be busy for a while," he said, "since the major portion of the labor will be provided by farmers and their families, and more than half of the labor is required for burning and curing which must be done within a few weeks time." Grading and selling may be spread over a longer period, he added, but this still means plenty of hard work.

## State Alumni Meet Tonight

A special meeting of the N. C. State alumni will be held Thursday night, August 7, at 8 o'clock in the Hillsboro high school agricultural building, Elmer Dowdy, president of the group, announced this week.

Dowdy's announcement to the group said: "Pop Taylor and Allen Nelms will attend the meeting. There will be movies of a last year's football game. This will not be a supper meeting. Plans will be further discussed concerning our meeting on September 18 which will be ladies night."

Mr. Advertiser, make certain that your message reaches the people in their homes where their buying habits are determined. Your message in The News of Orange County will influence their decisions.

Orange county's 1947-48 tax rate was officially set at 85 cents on the \$100 valuation when the county board of commissioners adopted the new budget for the next fiscal year at its regular monthly meeting Monday.

The new tax rate is three cents less on the \$100 valuation than last year's rate of 88 cents and represents a continual pattern in the county's board of commissioners in decreasing the tax rate.

Although the rate is down, most taxpayers in the county will pay a larger tax during the coming year because of an increase in the county's taxable property valuations.

The commissioners also received several road petitions and acted on one tax matter before adjourning to spend the afternoon investigating property on which complaints had been received regarding the valuation.

## HDC Women Leave Today To See Play

Twenty-five home demonstration club women are leaving Thursday morning for a two-day tour to visit the Lost Colony at Manteo.

The group will leave Hillsboro at 8 a. m. and will reside at the Carolina hotel at Nags Head during its stay at Nags Head.

Included in the group making the trip will be Mrs. Elva Woods, Annie Durham, Mrs. F. J. Eubanks, Mary E. Efland, Mary Miller, Ella Lloyd, Mrs. Glenn Lloyd, Mrs. Tom Bradshaw, Martha Lloyd, Mary Lloyd, Pearl McLennon.

Nellie McLennon, Mrs. J. D. Graham, Ruth Collier, Mrs. C. W. Hogan, Mrs. J. L. Efland, Mrs. John Kirk, Mrs. J. W. Cheek, Mrs. Octavia Ward, Mrs. Floy Ward, Mrs. E. S. Taylor, Mrs. W. C. Freeland, Rosa Cole, and Mrs. William Hamrick.

## Royall To Be Main Speaker At Farm Week

Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royall has accepted an invitation to appear on the program of the fifteenth annual state 4-H club week at State college, August 18-23, according to an announcement this week from L. R. Harrill, state club leader for the State college extension service.

The first Tar Heel member of the cabinet since Josephus Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer, was Secretary of Navy in World War I, Secretary Royall is scheduled to address the more than 1,000 4-H club boys and girls who are expected to attend their special week.

Present arrangements call for distinguished North Carolinian to speak at the evening session Friday, August 22, in Riddick stadium. Time has been set at 8 o'clock, and radio station WPTF will broadcast the speech on a state-wide network of principal stations.

Delegates from the state's 1,955 4-H clubs will spend five days and nights on the State college campus, participating in conferences, study, demonstrations, recreation, contests, and special events. Friday night's program will be built around Secretary Royall's address, singing, recreation, evening vespers, and the dramatic candlelighting ceremony.

The new Secretary of War saw service in both World Wars, was a member of the North Carolina State Senate in 1927, and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina.

In April, 1945, he became special assistant to the Secretary of War, and on November 9, 1945, took the oath of office as Under Secretary of War. On July 18, Mr. Royall was appointed Secretary of War by President Truman. Following confirmation of his nomination, he took oath of office July 24.