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Town Officers Are Reappointed At Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill—Town officers have been reappointed by the Board of Aldermen for the coming year and standing committees of the board have been increased from four to nine to expedite its work.

Those reappointed include: Chief of Police W. T. Sloan, Town Attorney and Solicitor of Records Court C. P. Hinshaw, Clerk of Court M. W. Durham, Auditor E. E. Peacock and Town Clerk, Mrs. Louise W. Talbot.

The expanded standing committee setup now includes groups for finance, taxation and inter-governmental relations; safety; streets, sidewalks and highways;

RAY'S SUCCESSOR

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill met last night to decide what procedure it will follow in finding a successor to Town Manager Gilbert W. Ray.

It was learned that five or six letters of application and several applications for the post have been received.

health, welfare and housing; town properties and zoning regulations; parks, playgrounds and recreation; utilities and transportation; cemetery; and election, registration and records.

Committee assignments were divided among the six board members with each holding membership on several committees. The function of each standing committee is to consider questions in its particular field for recommendation to the full board for action.

A recommendation by Mayor Edwin S. Lanier for bi-monthly meetings was deferred for action until a later meeting and a proposed ordinance for regulating the platting and recording of subdivisions of land within one town and one mile adjacent was tabled indefinitely.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Gooch At Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill—Funeral services for Mrs. J. E. Gooch, widow of the late J. E. (Tommy) Gooch, were conducted at the Chapel Hill Baptist Church Tuesday morning, with the pastor, Dr. Samuel Tilden Habel, in charge. Burial was in the Chapel Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Gooch died at her home on Carr Street, Sunday afternoon after an illness of several years. She was born in Wake County January 16, 1873, daughter of the late Putney and Amelia Parrish. In 1903 she moved to Chapel Hill when her husband established the Gooch Cafe, which she has continued since his death.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. F. P. Tilley, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. M. J. Dawson, Chapel Hill; Mrs. B. L. Gunter, Durham; Mrs. D. M. St. Clair, Columbia, S. C.; and Mrs. Clarence Simmons, Chapel Hill; three sons, O. P. Gooch, Cleveland, Miss.; C. E. Gooch, Norfolk, Va.; and L. A. Gooch, Durham; 17 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Active pallbearers were H. D. Strowd, J. M. Tilley, C. L. Merritt, Henry Tilley, W. S. Hogan and Dave P. Henry.

Honorary pallbearers were Bunn Hearne, Dr. L. E. Field, A. A. Pickard, Dr. W. DeB. MacNider, Bruce Strowd, Robert Fowler, Everett Rush, R. B. Vaughn, A. C. Pickard, W. G. Field, R. D. Dawson, E. W. Lawson, H. D. Leigh, Kemp Cole and E. B. Overton.

Dana Phipps Wins Spanish Contest

Chapel Hill—Dana Phipps, daughter of Judge and Mrs. L. J. Phipps, has won first place in the state-wide Spanish language contest conducted by the University.

Third place also went to a Chapel Hill student, Connie Delancy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Delancy. Both were seniors during the past school year.

A student from Needham Broughton High in Raleigh took second place while a student from Central High in Charlotte was fourth.

Mail Delivery To Begin Soon For Mebane Folks

Mebane—The Mebane post office will soon begin delivery of mail within the city limits and street marking and house numbering is no progressing at a rapid pace.

City employees were busy last week erecting concrete street markers on the north side of the railroad. It is expected that the work on the south side of the railroad will begin within a few days.

Committees on numbering the houses have been working feverishly to complete their job by June 15 in order that the new addresses may be printed in the new issue of the telephone directory.

These committees are assigning the proper number and tacking them on the houses for 50c. They will be placed where the resident designates, but it is hoped that all persons will take into consideration the visibility of the number from the street.

The city has been divided into four sections and different committee members have been assigned to work in designated sections.

Fourth Street is the dividing line east and west while Center Street on both sides of the railroad are the dividing lines for the north and south, consequently, the numbering of the one hundred block will start from the intersection of these streets.

New Marquee Being Built For Osburn

Hillsboro—A new addition to Hillsboro's "white way" is the new marquee being erected on the front of the Osburn Theater by W. M. Chance, the owner.

The marquee, 32 feet long and eight feet wide, of reinforced steel, will contain 300 feet of neon lighting against the decorated background of blue, red, green and yellow colors. New aluminum display cases will also be installed across the front area of the building.

The marquee is being constructed by the firm of Mitchell, Barnes and McKay of Durham.

NO NEW CASES OF NEWCASTLE

Hillsboro—Poultry farmers will be glad to know that no new cases of Newcastle have been reported in the county during the week. Several farmers living close by the infected areas have vaccinated their flocks as a preventive measure.

Negro Citizens Planning Mass Trip To Butner To Obtain School Building

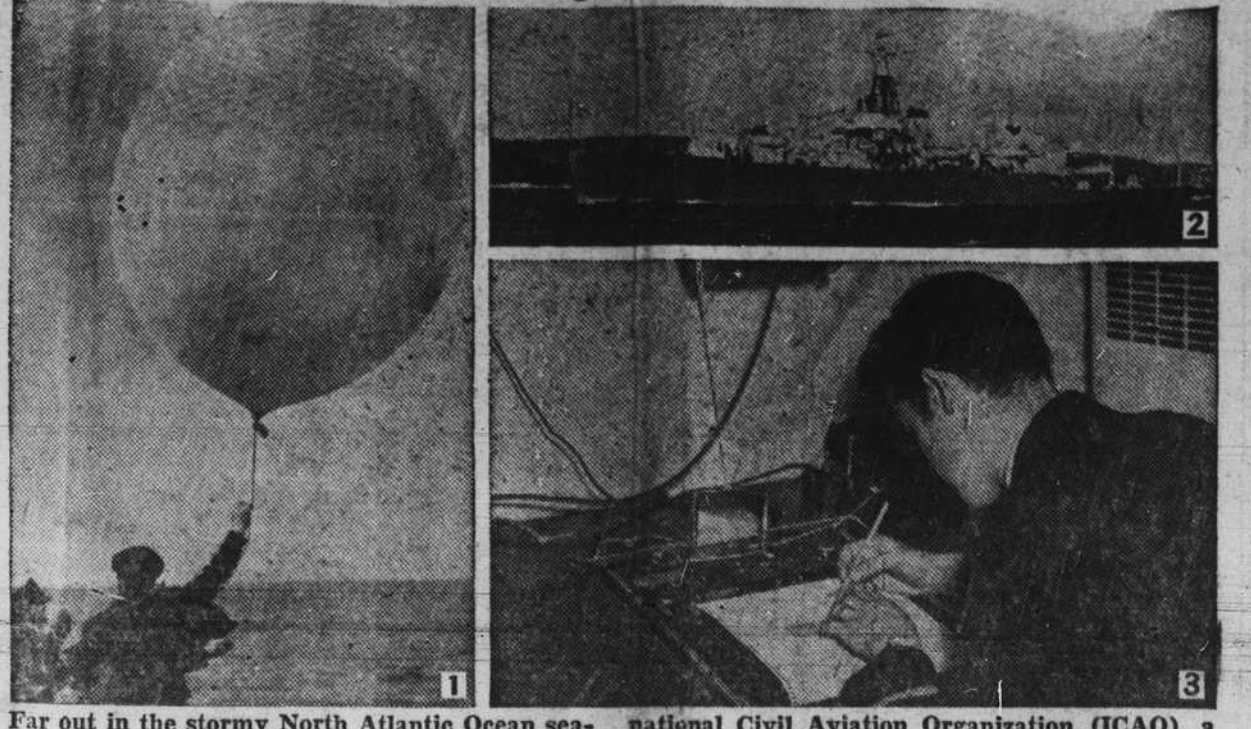
Hillsboro—Negro citizens who have long awaited the establishment of a vocational agriculture department in the high school here will have an opportunity to help realize that goal Monday when a large group goes to Camp Butner to tear down and bring back a building to be used for the recently authorized department.

A. L. Stanback, high school principal, has issued an appeal for volunteers to make the trip and assist in the work. An advisory committee including Roosevelt Warner, Arthur DeLon and Walter Hester has been named to push the project.

The building, purchased by the Board of Education, is a 25 x 120 foot Army Orderly Room type building, which will be erected on the school grounds when when it is brought here.

In a circular addressed to "The Negro Citizens of Orange County," Stanback wrote as follows: "We have been wanting a Vocational Agriculture Department at the Hillsboro school for many years. At last, it has been approved by the State and County Boards of Education. We will have this department very soon provided

Doing Something About the Weather



Far out in the stormy North Atlantic Ocean seamen (1) aboard the Canadian weather ship H.M.C.S. St. Stephen, prepare to release a radio-equipped balloon which will radio back reports on weather conditions in the upper atmosphere. The St. Stephen (2) is one of 13 weather ships, supplied by eight countries and financed by 10, which make up a network arranged by the Inter-

national Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), a specialized agency of the United Nations. The ICAO weather ships are on constant duty, ready to radio passing aircraft late weather information, and to participate in search and rescue operations. A specialist (3) maps weather data coming from a weather balloon and prepares it for broadcast to passing planes and shore-stations.

Four Local Sites Offered To V. A.

Hillsboro—Representatives of the Hillsboro Merchants Association were scheduled to confer with Veterans Administrator Carl R. Gray, Jr., late yesterday regarding the location of the proposed neuropsychopathic hospital in this area.

John P. Ballard and Norfleet Webb, who planned to see Gray in Durham, had four sites for presentation to the VA chief, who previously declined a local invitation to spend the night at the Colonial Inn on his visit to the area because of "limited time."

The four sites to be presented included the Lawrence farm on the Old Durham Road, the Antrim place east of Hillsboro between the old and new Highway 70, property owned by A. H. Graham on the St. Mary's Road, and a farm owned by Don Matheson beyond the old Faucette Place.

Local people were not discouraged over Hillsboro's chances of securing the hospital inasmuch as a recent letter from Gray's office setting forth the requirements for the site had never been received here. Frank Pierson, secretary of the Durham Merchants Association, was also quoted as not being very optimistic over the chances of this area. Representatives of Mebane, Oxford, Creedmoor and Butner were expected to confer with Gray.

Lt. Ross Parks On Active Duty

Fort McPherson, Ga.—Lt. Ross Lombard Parks, Hillsboro Highway, Carrboro, N. C., a member of the Organized Reserve Corps, began a short tour of duty in the Third Army Medical Laboratory here June 13.

Lt. Parks, who volunteered for the duty tour, will revert to an inactive status July 3.

Burton Shifted To 7th Division In Roads Shuffle

Raleigh—T. A. Burton, district highway engineer for the fifth division, will be transferred to the seventh division at Albemarle, it was announced Tuesday morning by highway commission chairman Henry W. Jordan.

Burton, who has held this position in this district for many years, will be replaced by H. E. Noell, present division engineer at the ninth division in Shelby.

It was announced by Jordan and Chief Engineer W. H. Rogers, Jr., that the changes will become effective July 1 and were approved during conferences with Governor Scott and division commissioners. Jordan stated that no other personnel changes were immediately under consideration.

The fifth division comprises the counties of Alamance, Caswell, Orange, Guilford, Rockingham, Durham, Person, and Granville, and James A. Barnwell of Burlington is the district member on the state highway commission.

The reassignments come as the Highway Commission prepares to tackle the \$200,000,000 bond issue rural road program. Since Governor Scott took office, the Commission has been given a full set of new division commissioners. Last week, Chairman Jordan began a series of conferences aimed at acquainting the new commissioners and their staffs with the requirements and obligations of the Commission in their areas.

M'Mannen's Chapel Homecoming Day Services Sunday

Homecoming will be observed at M'Mannen's Chapel Methodist Church, located on the Old Hillsboro-Durham Road, Sunday, June 19. Rev. C. D. Barclift, superintendent of the Wilmington District of the Methodist Church, will preach at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Friends of the church are encouraged to attend.

The annual revival meeting at M'Mannen's Chapel will be held beginning Monday night, June 20, and continuing through Friday night, June 25. Rev. Charles Mercer, pastor of the Sunset Park Methodist Church, will be the visiting preacher. The pastor, Rev. C. Jerome Huneycutt, will lead the congregational singing. Special music will be a feature.

Firemen Enjoy Morehead Trip

Hillsboro—Fourteen members of the Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Department were in Morehead City last weekend for the annual outing and fishing trip.

Making the trip were Arthur Crabtree, Leonard Rosemond, Hoppy Thomas, Norfleet Webb, George Gilmore, Harvey Watkins, Felix, Chuck and Mike Egrest, Marshall Cates, Jr., Alton Williams, Owen Allison, John Ballard, Buck Knight, and Cotton Nichols, cook.

Graham Plans Exams For His Service Appointees

The following announcement has been received from the office of Senator Frank P. Graham:

The office of Senator Frank P. Graham has received numerous applications for available appointments to the United States Military Academy and the United States Naval Academy. Although Senator Graham wishes that he could appoint each of the young men who seek this educational opportunity, he has available for the year 1950 only one appointment to West Point and one to Annapolis. In fairness to all of the applicants he has decided to make this appointment based upon a competitive examination.

A candidate for appointment to West Point must be at least 17 years of age at time of admission to the military academy, and not more than 22, except that those who have had one year military service in the present war, may be appointed up to the age of 24 years.

A candidate, who on April 1, 1950 is not less than 17 years of age or more than 21 is eligible to take the examination for Annapolis, except for those who have had one year military service in the present war the age requirement is 17 to 23.

These examinations will be conducted by the United States Civil Service Commission on July 11, 1949. At various post offices in North Carolina convenient to applicants. Any qualified young man who desires to compete for this appointment is asked to advise Senator Frank P. Graham, Room 345, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C., on or before June 24, 1949, in order that necessary arrangements for the examination may be made.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Cicero H. Jones announce the birth of a granddaughter, Carol Ann, born June 13 to Captain and Mrs. James T. Jones in Frankfurt, Germany.

Wells, McBroom Get 5-to-7 Years In Bowling Death

Grand Jury Hits Poor Courthouse Conditions Again

Hillsboro—The Grand Jury again reiterated its dissatisfaction with the county courthouse in its report to Judge Q. K. Nimocks, submitted during the current term of Superior Court.

"The courthouse needs much to make it suitable for carrying on the business of the county efficiently," it reported, however conceding that janitor service had improved since last term and the courthouse was much cleaner than at the time of the last inspection. It mentioned again the insufficient space and lack of privacy facilities available to the Clerk of Court and Register of Deeds. The report mentioned again the inconvenience of requiring the county accountant to vacate his offices for use of the Grand Jury and the lack of space for witnesses to await call before the jury.

The Grand Jury found the prison camp in "excellent condition, clean, airy and well arranged."

Planetarium To Change Show Next Monday

Chapel Hill—The Morehead Planetarium, which has drawn more than 17,500 persons during the first month of its operation for the performance of "Let There Be Light," will offer a new demonstration entitled "Invasion from Mars," which will be premiered next Monday night, June 20, at 8:30 o'clock, Dr. Roy K. Marshall, director of the Morehead building, announced yesterday.

As a feature of the new show, there will be presented in part the famous broadcast by Orson Wells, which terrified millions of people in the United States on Halloween eve in 1938, and only last February caused riots, deaths and the destruction of a radio station building in Quito, Ecuador, when it was repeated there.

"In our presentation," Director Marshall said, "we aim to tell the facts about the planet Mars, so that this kind of hysterical reaction could never again take hold, at least in North Carolina."

"From what we know of Mars, the conditions are far from capable of supporting intelligent life. There has been so much nonsense written about Mars by speculating non-scientists, according to Dr. Marshall, "the truth is almost unknown."

When the new show opens the schedule of performances will continue to be 8:30 every night, and, in addition, extra performances on Saturday and Sunday afternoons at 3 o'clock.

Expanded Privilege Tax Schedule Snares 20 Additional Businesses

Hillsboro—A new list of schedule B privilege taxes including 20 types of businesses not previously included has been approved by the town Board of Commissioners for the year 1949-50.

New to the list are the following types of businesses: agriculture machinery, \$10; auto service, \$27.75; bank, \$50; barber and beauty shop, \$10; coal dealer, \$10; florist, \$10; hotel, \$20; ice cream, \$2.50; ice dealer, \$110; printing, \$10; publishing news, \$10; radio, \$5; repair shop (not otherwise taxed), \$10; retail merchant (not otherwise taxed), \$10; shoe repair, \$10; shoe shine parlor, \$50 per stand; taxi cabs, \$15 per cab; contractors, \$110.

The old list, also included in the new, contained 16 types of businesses and continues in effect: auto dealer, \$20; beer, \$15; cafe, \$10; chain store, \$20; cigarette and tobacco, \$110; dry cleaner, \$12.50; express company, \$10; funeral home, \$10; laundry, \$10; market, \$15; music machines, \$5 each; peddlers, \$1 per day, \$25 per year; pool room, \$12.50 per table; soda fountain, \$5; soft drinks, \$2.50, and theater, \$12.50.

Grand Jury Hits Poor Courthouse Conditions Again

Hillsboro—Frank Wells and Robert McBroom, Negroes, drew sentences of five to seven years in the only one of five murder cases on the docket to be tried through late yesterday in Superior Court.

Charged with murder in connection with the death of Lewis Bowling, white youth, on Christmas Eve near the local Negro ball park, the pair pleaded guilty to manslaughter and the state, represented by Solicitor William B. Murdock who was assisted by Jerry B. Stone, accepted the lesser charge. The defendants were represented by Long and Ross of Graham and Bonner Sawyer of Hillsboro.

Testimony was presented to the effect that Bowling had been drinking in the Negro section during the evening, that he was found dead the following day face down along the side of the road with a red spot on the side of his head, and a coal and other property of Bowling were later found in the possession of the two boys. Wells admitted lifting Bowling's pocket-book and McBroom said he led him down the road, sat him down and left him. Both denied ever striking him.

Judge Q. K. Nimocks issued his sentence over the vigorous protest of Murdock and Stone, who asked for the maximum sentence for the "safety" of the community. Judge Nimocks disagreed, said the state had presented no evidence of murder or manslaughter. Defense attorneys stated they pled guilty to manslaughter to prevent the solicitor from taking out a warrant for robbery and keeping their clients in jail until the next term of court.

In eight other cases scheduled for trial this week, the state's attorney took a nol pro versus leave and ten cases had been continued through noon yesterday.

Lee Vernon White, charged with driving while drunk, was judged not guilty and a nol pro suit was allowed in a case against Herbert Foushee who pled not guilty to committing an assault with intent to rape. Raeford McCauley on an assault on a female charge drew a six-months road sentence which was suspended upon payment of a \$5 fine and costs and upon condition he provide for wife and children and remain of good behavior. Bill Lucas and Benjamin "Big Boy" Mason drew 12 to 18 months for breaking, entering and larceny and Curtis Hursey was sentenced to 12 months on the roads for operating a motor vehicle while drunk and given a 90-day concurrent term for being disorderly and damaging personal property. Probation previously accorded Thomas Irby was revoked and a 12-to-18 months sentence for storebreaking was tacked on to the one-year sentence to be served in the old case. Charlie Hackney on a forgery count was given 30 days on the end his present sentence.

Overall Gain Of Teachers Seen In County System

Hillsboro—The teacher allotment for the next school year, just received from the State Department of Public Instruction, allows an overall gain of one teacher in the Orange County system, but changes the lineup for four white and two Negro units.

Totals are 71 teachers for the white schools and 45 for the Negro schools. The changes are the gain of one teacher at Hillsboro High School and the gain of an elementary teacher at Carrboro. Elana and Aycock will lose an elementary teacher each.

The Negro High School at Hillsboro stands to gain both an elementary and a high school teacher and the school at Fairfield, last year with only 13 students, will be eliminated. The Hillsboro Negro High School is also slated to get an agricultural teacher but this is not counted in the state teacher allotment inasmuch as his services are provided through special federal, state and local funds.

TAX COLLECTIONS

Hillsboro—The Grand Jury reported that tax collections for the current year totaled 86 per cent of the levy to date but that collections were 1 1/2 per cent less than last year.