

## Merchants Vote Hands-off Policy On Bank Proposal

Chapel Hill — The Chapel Hill Carrboro Merchants Association Monday night joined the Junior Chamber of Commerce in refusing to take any action on the proposed branch of the Durham Bank and Trust Co., Chapel Hill.

The officials of the Durham Bank went before the two civic groups this past week and asked them to approve a resolution and send it to the State Banking Commission favoring the additional banking facilities. Both groups voted to adopt a "hands off" attitude toward the proposition after hearing officials from the two banks.

The Bank of Chapel Hill officials had expressed the opinion at both meetings that the controversy did not by rights belong in the business of the constituted groups, and the groups obviously agreed with them.

Although there is sentiment for and against the proposed branch bank, most of the merchants felt that support or opposition to the plan should come from individuals not civic groups.

The Durham Bank and Trust Company has sent out questionnaires to local citizens about the proposed bank and has filed a formal application with the State Banking Commission. Present plans call for a public hearing on the matter early in September, after which the commission will vote on the application.

The statements made by officials of both banks ran along the same lines at both meetings. The Chapel Hill officials stressed the belief that the town lacks enough wealth to support two banks and added that they felt the bank was serving the community adequately. They also emphasized the fact that their directors are local men and pointed out that the directors for the Durham Bank's other branches are all Durham men except one.

The Durham Bank took the stand that competition in banking would be healthy and they stated that the town is large enough for additional banking services. They also pointed out that the Durham Bank has the youngest group of officers of any bank in the state.

## Swine Sale Average High

Hillsboro — Farmers and breeders throughout this section bought 31-breeding animals at the second purebred Spotted Poland China sale held at the Farmers' Mutual Livestock Market in Hillsboro on last Thursday night for an average price of \$55.00 per head.

The sale consisted of 17 bred gilts, most of which were due to farrow in September, 9 open gilts, and 6 boars. The top price of \$80.00 was paid for two top gilts — one consigned \$65 to \$75 per head. The open gilts weighed from 175 to 200 lbs. and averaged about \$45.00 per head with the boars slightly under \$40.00.

All of these animals were of good type and breeding quality. Twenty-six of the thirty-one animals were purchased by farmers and breeders here in Orange County. A third show and sale has been planned for February.

## BAPTIST HOLD REVIVAL

Hillsboro — The West Hillsboro Free Will Baptist Church will hold a revival beginning Sunday, August 20, and continuing through the week.

Rev. Mr. O. D. Foster, Nashville, Tenn., will conduct the services with Rev. Mr. L. S. Joyner, pastor of the church, assisting him. The meetings will be held at 7:30 in the church, which is opposite the Belle Vue Mfg. Co.

## POLIO REPORT

One case of polio has been reported in Northern Orange. The case of Curtis Riley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Riley of the Schley community was diagnosed Sunday as polio. Meanwhile, in Chapel Hill and the southern part of the county all pools have been closed and other precautionary measures have been taken to prevent spread of the dreaded disease, after a number of cases were reported.

## Auxiliary Observes Prayer Day

Hillsboro — The American Legion Auxiliary has set aside Sunday, August 20, as a day of prayer in behalf of the state, the nation and the world — especially the American soldiers who are fighting in the Korean Theater of war. In cooperation with the Legion, the Baptist and Presbyterian Churches here will observe a special service on that Sunday.

## Smith Settles Court Argument; Thomas Apologizes

Chapel Hill — The Chapel Hill Recorders' Court and Highway Patrolman R. R. Thomas are back in business at the same old stand, apparently by order of Colonel James R. Smith, the patrol's commander.

In a hot letter, the contents of which were revealed by this newspaper last week, Judge John T. Manning had accused Thomas of failing to cooperate with his court by citing all of his cases to the Hillsboro.

Colonel Smith advised THE NEWS that he had ordered Captain W. F. Bailey, the area troop commander to investigate the matter and later stated in connection with the incident:

"I have investigated the circumstances of the recent occurrence in Chapel Hill involving the relations between Patrolman R. R. Thomas and the Chapel Hill Recorder's Court. The Highway Patrol has always followed a state-wide policy of cooperation with the Courts of the State, including a rule that all cases originating within the territorial jurisdiction of a particular court must be tried in that court unless there is an established local policy to the contrary. Our investigations reveal that Patrolman Thomas' action in taking all his cases to the Orange County Court in Hillsboro have been at variance with this state-wide policy. Patrolman Thomas has apologized to the Chapel Hill Court for this variance and for the other misunderstandings and has assured the Court that it will receive his complete cooperation. I have talked with Judge Manning of the Chapel Hill Court and he assured me that Patrolman Thomas' expression of his complete cooperation make him confident that he will receive this cooperation fully and completely."

## NO CLUES

Hillsboro — There have been no clues yet as to the reason or identity of the person who first fired a bullet through the car windshield of a Durham man travelling on Highway 70 near Hillsboro Sunday night.

E. H. Lovette, Durham appliance store operator, said the bullet missed him by inches as it came through the windshield and went into the open window of the right side. He could offer no explanation for the incident.

## WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Chapel Hill — Alvin Ward Peacock, recent graduate of the University, has just been awarded a regional scholarship at Harvard University's Graduate School of Business Administration.

Forty-nine such scholarships were awarded to members of the entering class of the school this fall.

## Mayor Blasts Chapel Hill Critics In "White Paper" On Communists

Chapel Hill — As widely quoted in the North Carolina daily press, Mayor Edwin S. Lanier has issued a verbal "white paper" on Communism at Chapel Hill, addressed to the people of the State and declaring the town was being constantly and unjustly branded as a center of leftist activities.

"Because two of them (Communists) happen to get their mail through the Chapel Hill Post Office, although they do not live in the town and are rarely seen there," he told the Durham Kwanis Club in a luncheon address. "We are branded throughout this State for breeding circulators of the Stockholm Peace Petition."

Junius Seales, Carolinas District

## Restraining Order Continued In Legion Row

Hillsboro — The restraining order issued by Judge Leo Carr on July 27 prohibiting officers of the Hillsboro Legion Memorial Hut, Inc. from proceeding with plans for selling the Legion Hut here was continued in full force and effect by Judge Walter J. Bone in Alamance Superior Court Monday.

Judge Bone's order stipulated that certain questions of law raised by the complaint must be heard in the county of the defendant's principal office and continued the old order until 2:30 p. m. on October 2 then to be heard in Hillsboro before Judge Henry L. Stevens, or such other judge as may be presiding over the October term of Orange Superior Court.

No representatives of the defendant corporation appeared at Monday's hearing.

The civil action was brought against the present officers of the hut corporation by Post No. 85, American Legion Department of North Carolina, Clarence Rosemond, O. S. Robertson and A. Max Browning; individually and on behalf of other stockholders in the hut corporation.

## TO CONDUCT SERVICES

Hillsboro — Rev. C. C. Smith, retired Baptist minister from Durham, will conduct the morning services Sunday, August 20, at the First Baptist Church here. The pastor of the church, Rev. Paul T. Deaton, is on vacation.

## Merchants Of Chapel Hill, Carrboro Oppose Move To Alter NC 15 Route

Chapel Hill — The Chapel Hill Carrboro Merchants Association Monday night unanimously approved a resolution to oppose any change in the routing of NC 15.

There has been a movement on foot in Raleigh to change NC 15 which now runs through Durham, Chapel Hill, Sanford, and Pinehurst to NC 15A, making the highway run straight south from Raleigh, along the present NC 15A.

The merchants received notice earlier in this week that the Sanford Chamber of Commerce had already sent a similar resolution to the State Department of Highways in Raleigh.

The resolution passed Monday night stated that the towns affected had worked to build up their tourist areas and that a change in the Highway 15 would work a hardship on them and would keep the tourists out of many of the most scenic sights in North Carolina.

## Nobody's Hoarding, Just Buying Stuff To Keep Hoarders From Getting It

By Scott Summers  
Nobody's hoarding these days, they're just buying up stuff to keep the hoarders from getting it."

A quick check around Raleigh brought this picture:  
Restaurants — Operators being told by their state organization to "raise prices or go broke." Their food costs are jumping — up 15 to 20 per cent in the last month and a half. One said he wished OPA would come back. "If they don't do that, or stop the wholesale price boosting, I'll have to go out of business." This same man said the better restaurants are keeping the same quality food, but are raising prices. If the prices on the menu are the same as they were a couple of months ago, he said, you can be sure that quality of the food has suffered.

Office supplies — One salesman said folks are buying "enough stuff to run them for a couple of years."

Groceries — From all over the State it's the same story, folks are loading up on sugar, canned goods, processed meats. One clerk here said folks who never bought more than two to five pounds of sugar a week now are staggering out of his store with 50 or more pounds of the sweet stuff. "Makes you ashamed of being a human," he said.

Florists supplies — Wholesalers are being swamped. One Piedmont North Carolina florist — usually a few-dollar-at-a-time buyer recently sent in an order that included \$250 worth of ribbon. Incidentally, the cost of ribbon is going up. It's made in North Carolina, sent to New York and given a new name, then sent back at twice the cost.

Flattensnake Communist and few of his loud-mouthed, moronic sympathizers."

"Percentage wise, what town in North Carolina of 20,000 or more people can guarantee that it has less Communists than a Chapel Hill?" he challenged.

"The people of Chapel Hill despise a Communist and his fellow travelers just as much as you do," the Mayor continued. "But we are not Klu Kluxers and we will not take the law — or lack of law — into our own hands."

"We will continue to plead to Congress and the Supreme Court to declare Communists to be what they actually are, and to strip them naked of the protection of our Constitution which they hide behind while they fanatically seek

## Sheriff Hints Pruning Of Welfare Lists In Order

Hillsboro — Commenting on the Welfare Board's request for redoubled efforts to apprehend seven Orange County deserters whose families have cost the taxpayers \$8,821, Sheriff S. T. Latta this week hinted the Welfare Department itself might take some part in curbing its own expenditures.

Looking over the list of August recipients of Welfare funds, he pointed out that the family of Redell McClinton was receiving an allotment of \$81 per month. McClinton, who received three to four years in connection with the murder of Pete Jones, has been back from the roads for two months. As of the August payment, the McClintons were still on the public welfare rolls.

Also cited was the case of Otis K. Conklin who has been nipping the Welfare fund for \$45 per month since he was released from prison some time back. Although he continues in and out of court, his welfare check is issued with regularity, some of it finding its way back into the public coffers in court fines and costs. The latest incident was last month when he paid a fine of \$25 and costs for operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

Typical of the difficulties encountered in apprehending deserters and others who fail to support their families was the case of one James W. Isley, whose wife took out a warrant to bring him back. Learning that Isley was in Guilford County, the Sheriff turned the warrant over to that County whose Sheriff wrote back: "Unable to locate one James W. Isley. It seems his wife wired him and let him know that she had taken out a warrant for him."

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## Traffic Cases Again Dominate Weekly Court

Hillsboro — Traffic cases again dominated the heavy docket of the County Recorder's Court Monday with Judge L. J. Phipps presiding, and Jerry B. Stone, prosecuting attorney.

A large number of the traffic cases called failed to appear and capias had to be ordered. Most of the other cases were public drunkenness.

The cases tried are as follows: Thaddeus C. Doss, reckless driving, on the left side of the road, personal property damage, nol pros with leave; Gilbert H. Godfrey, same charge, nol pros with leave; Hubert Oakley, Jr., no license, capias ordered; Charles Douglas Davis, no license, capias ordered; Fletcher Wright, assault on a female, costs; Dallas Onell Thompson, no license, capias ordered; O. C. Henderson, no license, capias ordered; Elihue Hamlet, reckless driving, \$25 and costs; George A. Burton, driving drunk, no license, called and failed; James G. Hill, public drunkenness, costs and 30 days suspended; Clarence Cates, illegal possession of non-tax paid whiskey, \$15 and costs; Richard Lee Kearns, no license, \$25 and costs; John Austin, Jr., no license, \$25 and costs.

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The traffic situation, especially as it pertains to King Street, the main artery of traffic between Hillsboro and West Hillsboro, was brought to the Board's attention by Commissioner H. Broadwell, who charged that the present speed limit was being flagrantly abused by trucks, taxis and private conveyances and these speeding vehicles constituted a serious hazard to children and other pedestrians along this main thoroughfare.

He cited numerous complaints and received concurrence of other board members and the Mayor, all of whom either live or have businesses on this street.

As a corrective measure, he moved to erect a stop light at the corner of King and Hazel Streets, which would serve as a deterrent to speed at the most hazardous intersection, and to lower the speed limit in residential sections all over town from 35 to 25 miles per hour. Both of these motions were unanimously approved and the Mayor was authorized to proceed with the purchase of necessary speed signs to erect on each street.

Other business handled at its Tuesday night meeting included the approval of a resolution establishing the Town of Hillsboro as a Bird Sanctuary, in accordance with a request from the Garden Club, the approval of a \$23,164.75 budget for 1950-51 and adoption of a tax rate of \$1.25 per hundred dollar valuation for the next fiscal year.

The Commissioners in approving the tax rate of \$1.25 followed a custom of some 14 years, it having been that long that the same rate has been held despite continued increases in many other towns.

The approved budget calls for expenditures closely approximating those of the past year and includes \$4,315 for administration, \$4,700 for police service, \$12,490 for street and cemetery work, \$800 for the fire department and \$859.75 for miscellaneous expenses, including library contribution, insurance and bonds.

## Calvander Grange Agenda Shows Varied Program

The Calvander Grange has had interesting programs for the summer months. In June, a skit, "A Typical College Day" was given by several young ladies of the community home from college, with the help of the Grange Lecturer, Everett Cheek. At the meeting in July, E. G. Hogan, Grange Chaplin, talked on the Korean War. Professor Hoyle Presided in the absence of the Grange Master, Floyd D. Turnage.

In August, pictures taken by Davis Turnage on a trip through the western states with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Turnage, were shown. The pictures were in color. At this meeting, the charter for the newly organized Calvander Grange was presented by the State Grange Master, Harry B. Caldwell.

## Vets Leave Pay Dates Extended

Charles A. Beddingfield, District Service Officer, North Carolina Veterans Commission, Oxford, announces that the deadline on Terminal Leave Pay has been extended to June 30, 1950.

World War II veterans who were separated from Service before September 3, 1946 who failed to file an application for their Terminal Leave Pay may do so now.

Claims for mentally disabled veterans may be filed by the guardian or by the person upon whom the veteran is dependent for his chief support.

Eligible veterans that desire to make application may contact Mr. Walter G. Wren, Veterans Service Officer of Orange County at the Hillsboro American Legion Hut.