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RALEIGH Round-up by JAMES H. POUL BAILEY

**Subtle Influence?** Speaking delegates attending the annual convention of the Farm Bureau last week, Kerr Scott warned hearers to be wary of the "subtle influence" of chambers of commerce and similar organizations. He pointed an accusing finger at physicians, manufacturers, and the "conservative elements" of both parties, saying they want to "stop what is going on."

was referring to the fights these groups are making on the Federal spending program. It was the same old speech, the same old harangue, the same old attempt to make farmers think they are being kicked around. Most of the folks present had heard it before. The Governor not received much many cool receptions than at the hands of the 1,500 farmers gathered for the Farm Bureau meet-

**Still Young.** Dr. Ralph McDonald, who was defeated for Governor by Clyde R. Hoey 16 years ago and again by Gregg Perry eight years ago, who has survived tuberculosis and much other persecution, will on May 1 be inaugurated president of Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

Although the position may not carry the honor of being Governor, in a way it is better than being Governor. The salary is almost as good, and the length of service is much longer. Bowling Green is a large school.

McDonald had run twice for Governor of the State. He is now 48. When he came within 100 votes of defeating Hoey in 1936, he was only 32 years of age.

**MacArthur.** A large group of businessmen in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg area are keeping the fires hot these days in an effort to persuade General Douglas MacArthur to come to Charlotte on May 20, Mecklenburg's Independence Day, for a major address.

Although Eisenhower is said to be gaining strength among the rank and file Republicans of North Carolina, you may be sure that by speech made by MacArthur will follow the Taft line.

**Hot Fight.** Hardly anybody

**Cherokee.** Suppose you saw the other day how a 17-year-old artist in Vancouver, British Columbia, won high praise from a Toronto art gallery official for one of his "paintings." The lad has admitted that the fine example of abstract art was only a piece of cardboard on which commercial painters had cleaned their brushes.

This incident recalls another which occurred here three, four years ago. A young Raleigh gentleman saw that the N. C. Art Society was coming up with its annual December "Culture Week" here. He got busy, threw some daubs of paint on a canvas, and then -- just because he happened to be from Brooklyn and had never been west of Durham -- named this bit of mess "Cherokee County" and entered it in the contest. His entry won honorable mention.

**Surprise.** When William B. Umstead was a representative in Congress he voted consistently (Continued on Page 2)

## Orange Choral Group Enters Radio Contest

Raleigh -- Radio station WPTF, in cooperation with the Home Demonstration Women of North Carolina, is sponsoring the "WPTF" Choral Awards for Home Demonstration Women" and the Orange County Choral Group has already entered the contest.

The radio station will send tape recording crews to towns within 50 mile radius of Raleigh to record the programs by the clubs entered. They will be played on the air each Saturday at 6:15 p. m. When all the clubs have made recordings, a panel of judges will select first and second place winners in two categories: mixed choruses and female choruses.

Winners in both groups will be invited to come to Raleigh during Farm and Home Week, at which time \$50 awards will be made to the winners; and \$25 awards to the second place groups. The winners will make up a general Home Demonstration Chorus which regularly performs during Farm and Home Week. WPTF will carry a half-hour program featuring the combined chorus.

Already 16 County groups have been entered. Other county Home Demonstration groups interested in entering should contact their County Home Demonstration Agent.

The first broadcast during the contest will be on March 15 and will feature a Home Demonstration group from Nash County. Groups from the following counties have already been entered in the contest: Nash, Randolph, Johnston, Pitt, Orange, Wilkes, Yadkin, Surry, Pasquotank, Wayne, Lenoir, Durham, Harnett, Richmond, and Chatham.

## Services Planned For World Day Of Prayer Event

Hillsboro -- The World Day of Prayer will be observed in Hillsboro next Friday, February 29 with a joint-church service to be held at the First Baptist Church between 1 and 2 p. m.

Dr. B. G. Childs, professor of Education at Duke University, will be the principal speaker.

In an effort to secure participation by all the citizens business firms throughout the community have agreed to close during the one-hour service to encourage attendance.

The local event is a part of the world-wide observance.

## Speaking Contest

The North Carolina Bankers' Association, with the Agricultural Agencies cooperating, is again sponsoring a speaking contest on "Green Pastures, Their Use and Management," for High School Students. There will be two contests, one for the white students and one for the Negro students.

The N. C. Bankers' Association is giving the prizes for the group and State contests, with the state winner getting \$300 in savings bonds. The Chapel Hill Bank is giving the prizes for the School winners and for the County winners in both white and Negro schools. By winning all the way through an Orange student would have five dollars in cash and \$375 in savings bonds.

Miss Dorothy Parrish, Assistant Home Agent, and C. V. Ferguson, Soil Conservation Service, are working with the white schools, and M. C. Burt, negro County Agent, is working with the negro schools.

The contest for the schools is March 21, and the State Contest is April 11.

## Heart Fund Drive Opens In County Today

Chapel Hill -- The opening of a two-week county-wide fund drive for the American Heart Association was announced today by William M. Alexander, chairman of the annual campaign.

While no specific goal has been set for the drive, Alexander asked for a generous response to the appeal, noting that diseases of the heart and blood vessels now cause nearly half the deaths in North Carolina. Appeal letters and literature on the Heart Association's work are being sent out to 4,200 persons in this community.

Seventy-five cents, out of each dollar contributed will go toward maintenance of the Heart House, maintained in Durham by the Durham-Orange County Heart Association. The remainder will go directly to the American Heart Association for research in heart ailments.

Purpose of the local campaign, which is being presented on a large scale for the first time this year, is two-fold, according to Chairman Alexander. While the primary purpose is to raise funds, he pointed out an important objective is to more fully inform the public of the Heart House. About two dozen persons at a time, referred to the House by their physicians, can be thoroughly checked and instructed in taking proper precautions with the heart troubles through this institution, he explained.

The Junior Service League, under the leadership of Mrs. E. M. Adams, is assisting in carrying on the campaign. Contributions may also be turned in through the plastic containers placed in stores throughout the community Alexander noted. As other features of the drive later there will be a Tag Day and basketball game between two women's semi-professional teams from Burlington.

**Murray Files For Commission**

Hillsboro -- Another candidate entered the contest this week for a seat on the Board of County Commissioners, subject to the May 21 Democratic Primary, summarizing his political convictions in the phrase, "No Politics."

He was R. E. Bob Murray, operator of a mercantile business at Caldwell in Northern Orange. Murray joined R. J. M. Hobbs and Roland McClamroch of Chapel Hill in the race for the three seats on the county board. No other candidates have yet announced.

Also filing his notice of candidacy with Elections Board Chairman E. J. Hamlin was Representative John W. Umstead Jr., who announced last month he would be a candidate to succeed himself as a member of the lower house of the General Assembly.

Murray's announcement of candidacy was as follows:

"This is announcing to the Orange County voters of the May Democratic Primary my candidacy for nomination to the office of County Commissioner.

"I am forty-three years old, a native and life-long resident of Orange County. My parents were the late Joseph H. Murray and Della Thompson Murray of Efland Hillsboro. I have always voted the Democratic ticket.

"Since twelve, I have been connected with some form or other of the family mercantile business and for the last two years I have operated my own business in the Caldwell Community. I feel that this experience qualifies me to deal with the practical side of administering county expenditures and fiscal affairs.

"My political convictions can be summed up in the phrase "No Politics". In other words, I believe in an equal and just proportionate distribution of all county funds and benefits; and in the promotion of whatever is best for the county as a whole, regardless of geographical areas, "friendship leagues", or other biasing influences. If elected, I pledge myself always to act officially in accordance with these convictions."

## Four More Enter Chapel Hill's Beauty Pageant

Chapel Hill -- Four more young ladies have entered the annual Chapel Hill Beauty and Personality Pageant, bringing to eight the total thus far entered in the event to be held next Friday night, February 29, in the high school auditorium.

They are Miss Evelyn Matthews, Mary Haley, Louise Curlee, and Patsy Ellinger.

A gala entertainment program has been arranged for the event to be sandwiched between the two appearances of the beauties, once in evening gown and once in sports outfit. A take-off on a popular hillbilly band by the Pi Kappa Alpha entertainers, a minstrel routine by the Jaycees and the appearance of Miss Bonnie Paper, Miss Durham of last year, are among the program features.

Miss Matthews is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Matthews. The 17-year-old brunette has been chosen a class sweetheart at Chapel Hill High for the past three years. She lists art school as her ambition.

Blonde, 17-year-old Miss Haley has been active in school functions as a member of the Glee Club, Y-Teens, and copy editor of the school paper. She is the daughter of Mrs. W. M. Karabinos and lists modeling as her ambition.

Miss Curlee, 24-year-old native of Polkton, is a cosmetologist and was runner up three years ago in the Anson County Beauty pageant.

Miss Ellinger, a second year student at the Woman's College in Greensboro, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ellinger of Chapel Hill. A 1950 graduate of Chapel Hill High School, the 19-year-old coed is working toward an A. B. degree in teaching.

## United Education Forces Organize; Kenyon Leader

**Over 200 Attend Recreation Program Of 4-H Council**

Hillsboro -- Over 200 Orange County youth from all parts of the County attended the Recreation Night program held last Saturday night at Schley Grange by the Orange County 4-H Council.

One of the regular monthly recreational programs which are being held alternately in various parts of the county, Saturday night's event featured group games, folk dances, and square dancing. A varied program brought enthusiastic participation by individuals of all age groups. Members of the county 4-H Council acted as hosts for the occasion.

The recreational program, which has been well-received throughout the county, serves as a means of getting 4-H members and other rural residents together for an evening of planned entertainment and fellowship. Miss Dorothy Parrish, county 4-H leader, was instrumental in getting the program underway.

At the Schley event, Mrs. Claiborne Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Walters, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Latta, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mincey acted as chaperones.

**Sim L. Efland Named To Head Red Cross Drive**

Hillsboro -- Sim L. Efland, Efland industrialist and member of the Board of County Commissioners, has been named Chairman of the annual Red Cross Fund Campaign for Orange County, which begins March 1.

The goal for the fund this year has been set at \$2,200.

A dinner meeting of campaign leaders and workers will be held Sunday night at the Hickory House to map plans for the drive. Announcement of the appointment of the fund chairman was made by Tom E. Bivins, chairman of the Orange County chapter, who said "A major share of the 1952 funds will be spent for basic services Red Cross gives to members of the armed forces, veterans, and their families; disaster preparedness and relief; support of the organization's blood donor program in funds and volunteer services; and in a training program in the fields of first aid, water safety, home care of sick and care of babies."

"The critical world situation makes it imperative that the Red Cross be fully prepared to answer the call of people in need," he said.

"The humanitarian aims of this voluntary organization can be met only if people everywhere heed the call of their less fortunate neighbors."

Details of the campaign organization will be announced later.

Roland McClamroch, previously has been selected as fund chairman for the Chapel Hill chapter.

Hillsboro -- The United Forces for Education in Orange County came into being at a meeting held here Monday night at the high school, attended by laymen and teachers from all parts of the county.

At the organizational meeting Van Kenyon of Hillsboro was elected president, Cooper Compton of Cedar Grove was named secretary, and Mrs. Thomas Beard of the Humphrey School area, was chosen secretary-treasurer.

These officers, plus a representative of each school district yet to be named, will make up the executive council for the organization. County Superintendent G. Paul Carr served as presiding officer for the organizational meeting and representatives of all county schools were in attendance.

Purpose of the organization is to promote on the local level the State-wide program of the United Forces for Education.

In outlining the State program, Henry McFadyen, publicity director of the North Carolina Education Association, enumerated the 5-point program of the United Forces and the reasons therefor:

- "Reduce teacher load from 32 to 30. A child cannot be taught effectively in crowded classrooms."
- "Salary scale \$2600 to 4100 for Class A Certificate teachers. Children cannot be taught effectively without a supply of qualified teachers."
- "Provide attendance officers. A child cannot be taught effectively if he is not present regularly to be taught."
- "More money for supplies and materials. Our children cannot be taught effectively without an adequate supply of instructional materials."
- "Sufficient State funds to complete the building program. A child must have adequate classroom space."

Representative John W. Umstead Jr., speaking to the group, added a recommendation that teachers should be paid on a 12 months basis and promised his support for advances in the general education program.

## Mid-State Safety Council To Hold Meet At Henderson

Some 200 industrial plant and highway supervisory people from Orange and 13 nearby counties are expected to attend the meeting of the Mid-State Safety Council to be held in Henderson on Friday, February 22, it was announced today by Council Chairman William C. Creel.

Featuring an address by State Insurance Commissioner Waldo C. Cheek, the meeting will be held in the Henderson High School auditorium at 7:30 p. m. Commissioner Cheek will talk on the subject "The Effect of Accidents on Insurance Rates."

The program also will include a short motion picture on a safety subject and entertainment to be furnished by a Henderson group.

The Mid-State Safety Council is composed of members from Caswell, Person, Granville, Vance, Warren, Franklin, Johnston, Wake, Durham, Orange, Alamance, Chatham, Lee, and Harnett counties.

## PTA Variety Show Nets Fund \$945

Chapel Hill -- The Chapel Hill Parent-Teachers Association's successful Variety Show here netted \$947.75 for the group's art and recreation fund, Mrs. Clyde E. Mullis, reported yesterday.

Mrs. Mullis, chairman of the steering committee which directed the show, estimated that the attendance at the eight-act performance more than 2,000.

The project is three years old and is one of the most successful promotion programs for the active group.

## World Peace Speaking Event At High School

Hillsboro -- Seven Hillsboro High School students will compete tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in the school auditorium in the finals of the High School World Peace Study and Speaking Program, sponsored locally by the Hillsboro Lions Club.

The public is invited to attend. Speakers will include Bruce Richmond, Charles Boggs, Paul Goodwin, Norman Hathcock, Margaret Brown, Judith Fulton and Patsy Martin.

The purpose of the program which is being climaxed by the speaking event is to stimulate interest and furnish information on the problems of World Peace. The aim is to reach not only high school pupils but through them the masses of people whose collective conviction eventual World Peace must hinge.

## More Than 100 Neighborhood Leaders Named In Rural Progress Campaign

Hillsboro -- More than 100 leading farm men and women of Orange County are in the process of making a survey to encourage every farm family to take part in the state-wide Rural Progress program.

This program, adopted by all agricultural agencies and sponsored by farm, civic, and religious organizations has three objectives:

- (1) To increase the income on the farm by \$1,000 (2) to make at least one improvement in every home (3) to take part in one or more worthwhile community activity.

Twenty seven neighborhood meetings have been held throughout the county at which time men and women leaders discussed the program, and brought up to date a mailing list of all families living in that neighborhood. These leaders volunteered to contact each of these families, encourage each to take part in the program and complete a questionnaire designed to give agricultural workers a better opportunity to work with those families who want help. The following farm men and

women are volunteering their services in this cause:

Hobbs Cross Roads: Gera - P. Sykes, chmn., John Jones, Rev. J. F. Minnis, esse Wagener, Miss Clara Sykes, Mrs. Fenimore Hicks and Mrs. John Apple.

Damascus: Mrs. Paul Long, chmn., Mrs. E. P. Hiatt, Mrs. Clarence Cole, Roland Womble, N. W. Dollar, R. F. Poythress, and George Cole.

Bethel: Mrs. L. R. Cheek, chmn., L. R. Cheek, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Neville, Arthur Lloyd, Everette Cheek, and Everett Lloyd.

Murphy: John Lockhart, chmn., E. F. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Felt Paschall, Mrs. Malcolm Hicks.

New Hope: Mrs. Winston Strayhorn, chmn., Jannie Blackwood, Mrs. Sam Blackwood, Dolores Dodson, Mrs. Clyde Hogan, Luther Sharpe, and Mrs. Clarence Strayhorn.

Orange Church: L. A. Hogan, chmn., Mr. and Mrs. ack Tilson, Mrs. V. A. Hoyle, Mrs. F. C. Mad-dry, Rainey and Glenn Whitfield and Mrs. Walter Everette.

Palmer's Grove: Mrs. Phillip Hauser, chmn., Mrs. Ben Yates,

Mr. Obie Whicker, W. V. Armfield, Mrs. E. F. Waters.

Calvander: R. D. Turnage, chmn. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hogan, Mrs. Curtis Hogan, Henry Bruch, John H. Cate, Preston Hogan and Mrs. F. D. Turnage.

Union Grove: Mrs. Amick Borland, chmn., Mrs. Stanely Bejester, Mrs. Oran Dodson, Merle Dodson and Amick Borland.

Orange Grove: Clem Cheek, chmn., Manley Snipes, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Ames Snipes, Jr.

Mt. Cammel: Mrs. John Williams chmn., Bill Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Blackwood, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sparrow, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Dollar, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blackwood, Mrs. E. G. Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Best and John Williams.

White Cross: Mrs. Herrod C. Lloyd, chmn., Miss Martha Lloyd, J. F. Whitfield, Mrs. Aubrey McLennon, Mrs. James Andrews, Mrs. Charlie Teer, and Mrs. Charles Atwater.

Orange Chapel: Corin Thompson, chmn., Irvin Womble, Mr.

and Mrs. Eugene Crawford, Mrs. Sample Forbus, Mrs. Ola Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Strowd.

Cooper's Store: Wiley Perry, chmn., O. W. Bunker, Mrs. Thomas Turbyfill, L. C. Cooper, John Apple, A. H. Apple, and Wiley Perry.

Schley: Mrs. H. G. Bales, chmn., Mrs. R. L. Mohler, Mrs. C. M. Mincey, W. O. Mincey, Mrs. A. B. Latta, J. E. Latta and Floyd Wilson.

Fairfield: Mrs. Bill Dorsett, chmn.

Carr: Mrs. J. K. Woods, chmn., H. M. Compton, Marvin Rogers, Linewood Rogers, Mrs. Fred Reitzel, Mrs. Robert F. Kirby, Mrs. Draughn Rountree, Mrs. Raney Foushee.

Ridge Church: O. F. Jones, chmn., Harvey Ray, G. B. Cook, H. M. Carter, Mrs. Warren Holmes.

Efland: J. M. Dunn, chmn., D. K. Christenberry, Myrtle Brown, Mrs. M. P. Efland, Mrs. A. B. Lloyd.

Hickory: Mrs. V. C. Walters.

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**FOOD SALE FRIDAY**

Chapel Hill -- The Catholic Women's Guild of Chapel Hill will sponsor a Home-made food sale this Friday, February 22, at Fowler's Food Store starting at 9:00 A. M. Cakes, breads, cookies, candies and other home-made food such as spaghetti, etc., will be offered. Mrs. Maurice Newton and Mrs. Anthony Jenzano are Co-Chairmen and will be assisted by Mrs. C. P. Erickson, Mrs. John McLaughlin, Mrs. Dr. G. Monroe, Mrs. Lawrence F. Cooney, Mrs. John S. Keating, Mrs. Hugh Fortescue, Jr., Mrs. John Scally and Mrs. W. L. Engels.

**ATTENDING CONCLAVE**

Hillsboro -- Three Orange County educational leaders left this week for St. Louis, Mo., to attend the meeting of the American Association of School Administrators. They are County Superintendent G. Paul Carr and Dr. W. E. Rosenstengel and Dr. Allen Hurlbert of the University

**SPEAKER**

Hillsboro -- Dr. John S. Brad- way, director of the Legal Aid Clinic and professor of Law at Duke University, will be the speaker at next week's meeting of the Hillsboro Lions Club.