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THE APPLE OF BILL UMSTEAD'S EYE—The young lady playing the piano is the apple of Bill Umstead's eye—his nine-year-old daughter Merle. When Umstead comes in from a hard day of campaigning for Governor, he and his wife like to relax and hear Merle play the newest piece of music she has mastered.

## Proposed 22 Percent Welfare Fund Hike 'Shocking' To Commissioners

### Aldermen Face Many Decisions At Next Meeting

Chapel Hill—The Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen, despite it being a no-meeting week, faces a busy schedule and probably important decisions at next Monday's session.

The Safety Committee, headed by P. L. Burch, will meet with a committee of the Negro Civic Club and other citizens at the site of a proposed stop light on West Franklin Street on the curve at Merritt Mill Road, an item which has previously been turned down. The Negro group recently told the Board that there are 344 individual children crossing the street at this point en route to school each day and asked again that safeguards be provided.

The Safety Committee also will consider the passage of proposed regulations on awnings and signs recently presented by a committee of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Merchants Association in order to recommend action at next Monday's meeting.

Another active committee this week is the Utilities Committee headed by Robert Fowler, which is meeting to study the Carolina Cab Company's request for a reconsideration of the taxicab rate structure which calls for 35c in town. This is an outgrowth of recent reported refusals of some cab operators to go into the newly annexed areas of Chapel Hill at the regular fare approved by the Board of Aldermen.

Monday's meeting, the Zoning Commission will again throw the controversial zoning proposal back to the Aldermen following a review and slight revision. The Aldermen will then decide whether to call for another public hearing to lead to a final decision.

Only a few changes have been made in the bill since it was originally drawn up last winter, according to the chairman. These were changes in the actual layout of zones rather than in the structure of the ordinance. The aldermen held a public hearing on the measure in March, after which they sent it back to the Commission for further consideration due to heavy rural opposition to its enactment.

### THE ONLY ONE WHO GIVES HOOT

### Candidate Jordan Makes Town Limits Of Hillsboro, Mebane And Efland Gubernatorial Campaign Plank

The only candidate for Governor of North Carolina with a platform calling for the extension of the town limits of Mebane and Hillsboro and the incorporation of Efland is back on the road again.

William Henry Jordan, one-time publisher and the one identifiable member of the Golden Rule Temperance Party, was back in Hillsboro this week after an unexplained absence of many months, busy campaigning for himself as Governor and Billy Graham as president. He sees the election of those two as the one salvation of the nation.

His campaign literature, which is strongly anti-liquor, except with the state operating the stills for medical uses and profit, anti-war, and pro-government-ownership of railroads, coal mines and oil wells, gets down to fundamentals in the final paragraph with these words:

"There are steps being taken to extend Hillsboro corporate limits from Berry's Creek on the east to Eno River on the west and the same distance north and south and steps are being made to incorporate Efland and make its east limits Eno River and its west line Mid-Way Store and about the same distance north and south. Mebane's limits are to be extended from Mid-Way Store on the East to midway between Mebane and Haw River and Haw River to be incorporated. These and many other improvements will soon be made. Hillsboro has less population than it had 200 years ago and Efland has too much population not to be incorporated. Mebane is growing but needs more room to grow and Haw River has never

### SCHOOL BOARD ACCEPTS THREE SCHOOL PROJECTS



John A. Simpson of Hillsboro Tuesday night was elected Commander of Post No. 85, the American Legion, succeeding Jim Cheshire. Others elected were Arnold Hastings, Lucius Cheshire, Carlton McKee, and Fred Seagraves, Vice-commanders; Kay Winecoff, sergeant at arms; Walter Wreenn, service officer; Ed Kenion, historian; Winfield Baldwin Jr., chaplain.

### J. G. Goodwin Jr. To Be Ordained Here Sunday

Hillsboro—Next Sunday will be an important day for the congregation of the First Baptist Church of Hillsboro.

The Rev. J. G. Goodwin Jr., a native of Hillsboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Goodwin, will be set apart by the church for the gospel ministry.

It will be Homecoming Day for all the former members of the church who have moved away.

Five of the former pastors of the church will take part in the services of the day. At the 11 o'clock hour, a former pastor, the Rev. W. W. Abernathy will preach.

The ordination service will be held in the afternoon with the ordaining council consisting of W. W. Abernathy, A. K. Cheek, S. W. Oldham, J. R. Green, J. C. Rittenhouse, Sr., J. C. Rittenhouse Jr., H. D. Booth, W. L. Pearson and Charles E. Maddry.

There will be a picnic dinner on the church grounds and all the former members and friends of the church are invited to come and partake of the hospitality of the church.

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Hillsboro—The Board of Education put their final stamp of approval on three new school projects Monday following an inspection of the facilities and set Monday, May 19, as the day for formal approval of actions of local school committees on the election of principals and teachers for the next year.

The Board, minus Member Harry P. Breeze who did not attend, visited the West Hillsboro lunchroom, the Carrboro auditorium and the White Cross lunchroom and gave their approval of these projects for final payment to the builders.

It approved the sale of three abandoned Negro schools—the Morris Grove School for \$1,700 and the Hickory Grove School for \$2,010, both to James R. Farlow, and the Poplar Grove School to Ethel Mack for \$770.

A tentative budget for next year presented by the County Superintendent was approved by the Board and then presented to the County Commissioners.

The County Superintendent was directed to prepare and present to Highway Engineer L. H. Gunter at the May 19th meeting plans for improving the entrances to schools that are located on paved roads. Gunter had previously agreed to meet with the Board at that time.

### HILLSBORO SENIORS PLAY TOMORROW

Hillsboro—The Seniors of Hillsboro U. Ch. are in their final rehearsals for "The Life of the Party" which will be given at the school auditorium—promptly at 8 p.m. Friday night.

Due to a substitution, the final list of characters follows: James Horn; Bob Strayhorn; Giovanni Micol; Edwrad Scarlet; Larry Williams; Walter Johnson; Charles Boggs; Janet Riley; Becky Hayes; Betty Lou Reinhardt; Nellie Ruth Lloyd; Margaret Brown; Priscilla Lloyd; Peggy Joyce Walker; Alice Holloway; Helen Mohler; Jan Mitchell.

This production is an outstanding one, and one can be assured a pleasant evening full of wholesome wit and fun. Tickets may be secured at James Pharmacy.

Hillsboro—The Board of County Commissioners got a preliminary taste of next month's budget problems at their regular meeting this week and left the conference table "shocked," to use the language of Chairman Collier Cobb Jr.

Miss Annie Strowd, county welfare superintendent, presented her department's preliminary budget requests Monday and tossed the Commissioners a document proposing expenditures approximately 22 per cent higher than a year ago despite the loss of at least 65 recipients of Old Age Assistance by way of the last legislature's lien law.

The proposed budget would establish the county's share of the total county welfare budget at \$57,790 or approximately \$10,000 more than this year's budget. Proposed increases in the payments for Old Age recipients and a new form of welfare, Aid to the Total and Permanently Disabled, made up most of the increase.

The Commissioners were frank to admit that the increase proposal came as a surprise in view of the reduction in Old Age Assistance rolls and declined to take any action on the request pending a conference on the situation to be held tonight at 8 o'clock. They plan a joint session with the County Welfare Board, which had previously approved the requested increase.

The Commissioners also received a tentative budget request from the Board of Education calling for increased expenditures of \$24,432.50, part of this coming from increased debt service as result of the school building program. The increase totalled approximately 12 per cent of last year's figure.

The Board took formal action to sell the remaining \$265,000 school building bonds and an anticipation note for \$250,000 to build the courthouse by approving appropriate resolutions.

Additional funds were transferred in this year's budget to provide the Welfare Department additional funds for hospitalization and the Clerk of Court more money for supplies and operating expenses for the county court and his office necessitated by the increase in court activity.

### WOMEN VOTERS LEAGUE FORUM

#### Wednesday Night

Chapel Hill—Citizens of Chapel Hill and Orange County get their opportunity to see the candidates for office from the same platform prior to the May 31st Primary next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock when the Chapel Hill League of Women Voters holds its "Candidates Meeting."

All candidates subject to the primary who are seeking county or district offices have been invited to attend and there are indications that virtually all will be present.

These include the five Democratic candidates for the Board of County Commissioners, the five candidates for the School Board vacancy, the candidates for Congress from the Sixth Congressional District and the two candidates for the State Senate from the Orange-Alamance district. The candidates for the latter office come from Alamance County this year under the rotation agreement between the Democratic Party Executive Committees of the two counties.

A number of questions have been prepared in advance and presented to the candidates to guide the discussion during the meeting.

### WOMEN VOTERS ISSUE HANDBOOK FOR CITIZENS

Chapel Hill—"Local Government," a handbook for citizens of Chapel Hill and Orange County, has just come off the press and is available for sale.

Originator and sponsor for this attractive 28-page booklet is the League of Women Voters of Chapel Hill. The books will soon go on sale at various places throughout the county for 35c.

The volume contains a wealth of vital statistics on the operation of county and municipal governments and quasi-governmental organizations in Orange County, including charts of organization and voting places.

**RALEIGH Round-up**  
JAMES & JOU BAILEY

**OLD FRIENDS . . .** Among the housemembers who are returning to the General Assembly without Democratic opposition—and with prospects of weak, if any, Republican obstacles—are old friends of former Governors, Lieutenant Governors, members of the Legislature, and Democratic warhorses.

We won't attempt to name them all, but there is Noah Burfoot, of Elizabeth City, who for many years was chairman of the board of county commissioners in Pasquotank; John F. White, the man with the black felt hat in Chowan, and who will be among the oldest members in the 1953 Legislature—although White is still a young man; J. K. Doughton of Alleghany, sixtyish, but nevertheless a nephew of Congressman Bob and one of the most able legislators in North Carolina or elsewhere; Sam Worthington of Pitt, the rules committee man and rules expert; Joe Branch, young but experienced, Halifax; John Umstead of Orange, brother of William B., and friend of education; Larry More of Wilson, who has held about every important position in the House except Speaker; Ben Fountain of Edgecombe; William B. Rodman of Beaufort, who established his name in the State Senate, but served with distinction in the 1951 House; David P. Delinger of Gaston, who sometimes fills in so creditably as reading clerk and is a candidate for Speaker; and R. Lee Whitmire of Hendersonville, good friend of Harry Buchanan and anything from the mountains, and sure to be one of the powers in the 1953 General Assembly.

There are other veterans who will have smooth sailing, but these are the more prominent, interesting, or both.

**A HOT ONE . . .** One of the hottest races in the State involves Joe Curruthers of Greensboro and Arthur Kirkman of High Point. Each man is well known in Democratic circles, each is prominent Statewide.

Both are interested in representing Guilford County in the State Senate next year.

If memory is not astray, Kirkman has not served in the State Senate. He is a veteran, however, on the House side. Curruthers has not only served in the Senate, he has played leading roles in outdoor dramas of Statewide significance, like in 1948 when he managed Bill Umstead's race for the U. S. Senate. Kirkman filed at the last minute, and it's going to be strictly blackgum or "blaggum"—to use the toothbrush term—against hick-

ory from here on in. Kirkman will have hefty support from organized labor, with some educational support, and a following from other groups in that corner of the lot. Curruthers should have the backing of big and little business, generally speaking, with solid support from the middle-of-the-road elements of the Democratic party.

**BRAKING . . .** An Umstead and an Olive supporter were having it out on a street corner here the other day. They had it back and forth for a full ten minutes, neither getting the better of it until the Umstead rooter tried to end the discussion with a beauty: "My man isn't a conservative. And, another thing, he is not a liberal. I've always regarded Bill Umstead as being a progressive—a progressive with the brakes on."

That was too good to drop right there.

"That's exactly the way I look at Hubert Olive," said his old friend over his shoulder as they parted company.

**FIFTH COLUMN . . .** They had just heard William B. Umstead in one of his important speeches and, feeling good, were downstairs with the crowd which had come out to hear the candidate taking on with the potato chips, cheese crackers, and the other offerings. As one of them moved down the table, he lifted gingerly with finger and thumb from the dish a choice item. It happened to be a stuffed olive. "Now how in the devil did those things get in here?" he inquired.

**OIL . . .** The remark reminded some folks present of a recent quote attributed to Governor Scott to the effect that what some of his friends needed most was olive.

**OUT THE VOTE . . .** Executive Secretary of the Raleigh Merchants Bureau is G. Wesley Williams. Although only about 30 years of age, Williams is recognized by the National Retail Drygoods Association and the American Retail Federation as one of the leading trade association executives in the United States.

He took over the Raleigh Merchants Bureau ten years ago when its office was in the rear of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce headquarters. Now it has a handsome three-room suite in the center of Raleigh's business district. Its budget this year, including the Raleigh Trade Fund, will

### Farm Bureau Plans Tobacco Mass Meeting

Farm Bureau President Jack Phelps has announced that a tobacco mass meeting of both men and women interested in tobacco production in Orange County will be held at Aycock School Building Thursday night, May 15, at 8 o'clock.

L. T. Weeks, general manager of Flue Cured Tobacco Stabilization Corporation, will make the principal address. Mr. Phelps states that this meeting is a development of the meeting attended by Mr. Jule Allen, Mr. Don S. Matheson and himself last week in Raleigh at which time important information was given about the Stabilization Corporation, Tobacco Associates, and the referendum which is to be held this summer. A discussion of the prospects for tobacco prices this year and the need for cutting the acreage in 1953 will be entered into.

Mr. Phelps and the directors of the Orange County Farm Bureau urge a large attendance at this meeting.

### May Festival At Aycock Friday

Cedar Grove—A May Festival will be held at Aycock School Friday, May 9, at 9:30 a.m.

Queen Bobby Grinstead and King Joe Compton will be crowned.

Members of the queen's court will be Raynell Daniels, Lois Liner, Nancy Hawkins, Janette Parker, Priscilla Wilkerson, Louise Wagner, Peggy Pope, Betty Joyce Woods, Betsy Beam Parker, Joreen Cates, Janie Lee Dunn, Ann Long, Elaine Horner, Betsy Ross Scott, Jane Wells, Oscar Compton, Bruce Long, Harry Compton, Zeb Terry, Robert Vaughn, Charles Hughes, Joel Long, Vernon Rogers, James Wesley Jordan, Jim Compton, Howard Pope, Fred Hawkins, Don Hartley, William Tate and Bill Allen.

Games or a drill will be presented by the students of each elementary grade.

### GUEST MINISTER

Hillsboro—The Rev. Roy T. Sherrad, Jr. will preach at the Presbyterian Church next Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Sherrad is pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Austin, Texas, and the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Beard of Hillsboro. He is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., and also holds a Th.M. degree from that institution. Part of his training included work at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. Sherrad will preach on "Happiness Is a Habit."