

... of Orange County can  
up with the news from all  
the county by reading THE  
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...Coming up... With T. C.

son out of the way, it looks  
of Governor Kerr Scott will  
a free way in the matter of  
months. Don't be surprised if  
come in wholesale fashion.  
first on the list was Wall Ew-  
of Fayetteville, who was con-  
of beating his wife to death.  
had served four years 11  
ths, and 27 days of an 18-year  
ence. The term of Raymond  
r, also of Fayetteville, who  
ed Roy Coble at Wake Forest  
ege just before Christmas of  
9, was reduced from 25-30  
rs to 20-25 years.

text on the list—unless this ad-  
vice notice changes it—is Lin-  
d Earl Summer of Goldsboro,  
o was convicted in January of  
of conspiracy and aiding and  
ting in robbery with firearms  
the famous "hole-in-the-wall"  
bery.

JUSTICE... Friends of N.  
Ransell of Fuquay Springs are  
ing red over his being trans-  
ed from chairman of the Pro-  
Commission to the hot seat  
head of the Paroles Commis-  
sion. They want him to resign.  
erts are that his wife urged  
to quit rather than change

the Governor transferred him  
in a position where he had  
nt three years learning about  
ations—and where he had bet-  
than an even chance of re-  
aining for another four years—  
the graveyard of political ap-  
pointed.

good, honest, easy-going fel-  
low. Ransell may find orders  
ing to him difficult to follow  
the months that lie ahead. Re-  
tation may be the only solu-

COINCIDENCE... On last  
Friday evening, when Mr. and  
Mrs. Estes Kefauver were in Ra-  
th and Greensboro, an event of  
significance was also taking  
place in Washington.

## Symphony Receives More Publicity

Chapel Hill—For the fifth time  
in less than a year, the North  
Carolina Symphony Orchestra has  
received widespread favorable  
public publicity.

The latest acclaim comes in the  
form of an interesting article in  
the music section of Newsweek  
(June 9). Previously (in Febru-  
ary) Collier's Magazine carried an  
extensive article, and three net-  
works (NBC, Mutual, and CBS)  
aired nation-wide broadcasts of  
symphony programs.

The Newsweek piece is illustrat-  
ed with a picture of Dr. Benja-  
min Swalin, conductor of the  
symphony, and Mrs. Swalin, en-  
titled "Dynamo and Mother."  
pointing out that the Symphony  
last year traveled 9,000 miles to  
140 concerts in 67 towns in  
North Carolina, Virginia, Tennes-  
see and Georgia, the article calls  
the orchestra "that rare phenom-  
enon: a symphony directly sup-  
ported by state subsidy."

Founded in 1932 under Lamar  
Angfield, who directed it un-  
til 1935, the Symphony was ap-  
propriated its first state appropria-  
tion of \$2,000 in 1943. Newsweek  
states the appropriation for the past  
three years has been \$15,000 an-  
nually and that the rest of the an-  
nual budget (approximately \$107,-  
in 1951-52 comes from \$2  
in statewide subscriptions entitling  
subscriber to attend all but  
very few non-membership  
engagements.

musical regard year by year."  
The article points out that Swa-  
lin in 1935 married the former  
Maxine McMahon who narrates  
the children's concerts, "plays cel-  
esta with the Orchestra, and does  
the piano accompaniment for so-  
loists. She has "mothered the en-  
tire organization! And when asked  
once what would happen if she  
and her husband might be ill at  
the same time, she simply answer-  
ed: "We cant."

## Boy Scouts Open Camp At Durant

Nearly 200 Boy Scouts of the  
Oconee Council Camp Durant in the  
first of 8 weeks of camping plan-  
ned for their deluxe camp site  
near Raleigh. Dad's day turned out  
to be dad's day to help carry  
Johnny's gear to his camp site be-  
cause he didn't seem to mind—espe-  
cially those who can remember back  
when they were scouts.

Preparations for camp have  
been going on for some time under  
the direction of Jim Burch and  
Raymond Snow of the Camp De-  
velopment Committee and over  
thirty volunteer staff members  
under Roscoe Stevens, District Ex-  
ecutive.

**BENEFIT SALE**  
Hillsboro—There will be a rum-  
mage and white elephant sale at  
the Eno Chevrolet Co. Saturday,  
June 21, sponsored by Circle No.  
3 of the Hillsboro Presbyterian  
Church. The sale begins at 9 a.m.  
and ends at 5 p.m.

There will be clothes for all  
ages, costume jewelry, cakes,  
candy and odds and ends on sale.

# THE NEWS of Orange County

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HILLSBORO AND CHAPEL HILL, N. C., THURSDAY, June 19 1952 Price: \$2 a Year; 5c Single Copy Eight Pages This Week

## Annual Meeting Of Electric Coop Set For Saturday

Hillsboro - The members of the  
Piedmont Electric Corporation of  
Hillsboro will hold their thirteenth  
Annual Meeting, Saturday, June  
21, in the Hillsboro High School  
Auditorium starting promptly at  
1:00 o'clock P. M.

F. E. Joyner, manager of the  
Cooperative stated that they were  
making plans for an attendance of  
about 1800 members. The Co-  
operative now brings electric ser-  
vice to 4500 rural homes, churches,  
schools, and business establish-  
ments in the rural areas of Dur-  
ham, Granville, Person, Alamance  
Counties over a network of more  
than 1200 miles of distribution  
lines.

Fred S. Sloan, State Program  
Leader, of North Carolina State  
College will be the principal  
speaker. Entertainment will in-  
clude vocal and musical numbers  
by some of the best local talent.  
Refreshments will include ice  
cream for everyone. Over \$500  
worth of prizes will be given  
away to the members who have  
registered; these prizes include  
such items as an electric refrig-  
erator, dish washer, savings bond,  
irons, toasters and many other  
valuable items.

The business program will cover  
the election of nine directors,  
financial and progress reports,  
discussion of expansion plans, and  
an open forum. Every member of  
the Cooperative is urged to attend  
this important meeting.

## Shate Finishes .7 Mile New Paving In County In May

Raleigh—The State Highway  
Commission completed .7 mile of  
new paving in Orange County dur-  
ing May, Commissioner James A.  
Barnwell of Burlington reported  
yesterday.

The newly-hardsurfaced road,  
financed by the \$200,000,000 sec-  
ondary road bond program, and  
its length is Mason Farm Road  
from NC 87 south for 0.7 mile.

The Fifth Highway Division in-  
cluding Durham, Granville, Per-  
son, Alamance, Caswell, Guilford,  
Rockingham and Orange Counties  
brought a total of 96.16 miles of  
road work to completion during  
April and May, Commissioner  
Barnwell announced.

## Efland Girl Wins Better Speakers Contest

Miss Betty Jane Walters, daugh-  
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Walters  
of Route 1, Efland, was named the  
winner of Orange County's Bet-  
ter Speaker's Contest.

Betty Jane is a member of the  
Efland 4-H Club and has been an  
active club member for a number  
of years. She chose as her topic  
"The Advantages of Rural Living,"  
and will represent Orange County  
in the district contest which will  
be held in Durham June 25th.

The other contestants who par-  
ticipated in this contest were Nan-  
cy Crabtree Aycock Club, and  
Jean Wilkerson, Hillsboro Club.  
The judges for the event were  
Mr. C. V. Ferguson and Mr. A. K.  
McAdams.

## Mary Burnette District Winner In 4-H Contest

by Mrs. Bonnie B. Davis  
Negro Home Agent

Mary Burnette, daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. Sheppard Burnette of  
Carr Community was declared the  
winner in the dairy food demon-  
stration in the Western District,  
which includes 18 counties in  
Western North Carolina.  
The title of the demonstration  
is "Boiled Custard for Dessert,"  
which rated a score of 95.5 of  
the highest possible score being  
100. Her county award is a gold  
filled medal. Mary will compete  
for state championship against the  
Northeastern and Southeastern  
District winners in Greensboro  
during 4-H Club Week. The award  
for the state champion is a 17  
jewel wrist watch and a certifi-  
cate of honor which is being given  
by the Carnation Company.  
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ber for 7 years and has complet-  
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## Jury Refuses To Grant Divorce In Mitchell Case

Hillsboro—In an action rare in  
North Carolina courts, an Orange  
County jury this week refused to  
grant a divorce action brought on  
grounds of two years separation.

Mrs. Ruth P. Mitchell of Hills-  
boro contested the action brought  
by her estranged husband, Billy  
Ross Mitchell, also of a Hillsboro  
family, and the Superior Court  
jury after hearing extensive evi-  
dence by both sides answered in  
the affirmative the fourth issue  
posed for them by Judge Henry  
Grady, "Did the plaintiff wrong-  
fully abandon the defendant?"

The actual period of separation  
was not a point of contention in  
the case.

Immediately after the verdict,  
Judge Grady set aside the jury's  
action as being contrary to the  
evidence presented. Thus, the ac-  
tion had the effect of denying for  
the time being plaintiff's request  
for absolute divorce but enabled  
him to call for a new trial. A di-  
vorce had previously been sought  
by the plaintiff without success  
in the courts of the State of Flori-  
da.

Mrs. Mitchell changed in her  
testimony that her husband had  
returned her to the home of her  
parents here after they had set  
up a home in Clover, S. C. and  
had since refused without cause  
to provide a home for her. She  
blamed undue influence of the  
plaintiff's mother, Mrs. William  
Mitchell, as being largely respon-  
sible for the separation, an al-  
legation which was denied by Mrs.  
Mitchell on the stand.

In other actions during the  
session which adjourned Tuesday  
afternoon, five couples were di-  
vorced, all on grounds of two  
years separation: Mary Lucille  
Lloyd Stanley from Thomas Earl  
Stanley; Sarah Loreen Pruitt  
Thompson from Charlie Glenn  
Thompson; Dorothy Whitley Har-  
ris from William B. Harris D.  
Howard Wheeley, from Jenette C.  
Wheeley and Virginia W. Hurley  
from Carl Hurley.

Mary Bell Watson won a ver-  
dict from Imperial Life Insurance  
Company which had refused to  
pay a death claim on the life of  
Leroy Watson, who was shot to  
death several years ago under  
mysterious circumstances, which  
a coroner's report had later list-  
ed as accidental.

## 22 Enter Rotary Oat Contest

Twenty-two Orange County  
farmers have entered the Chapel  
Hill Rotary Oat Growing Con-  
test and have agreed to keep the  
weight on the oats which they will  
harvest this season.

Prizes totaling \$50.00 are being  
offered by the Club to the farm-  
ers making the highest yield of  
oats per acre on any field contain-  
ing four acres or more. The har-  
vest has already begun and pros-  
pects are that some good yields  
will be recorded.

The following Orange County  
farmers have entered this contest:  
Jack Mincey, J. W. Kirk & Sons,  
R. F. Poystress, John Cates, Jr.,  
Ed Latta, Harry Woods, Raymond  
Weaver, Banks Lloyd, John Apple,  
W. I. Suitt, Andrew Lloyd, Sam  
Nelson, R. H. Tate, Walter Lloyd,  
Charlie Teer, Tom Teer, Jim Mc-  
Iver, Wiley Perry, Clyde Roberts,  
Clyde Walker and Ollie Thomp-  
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# Courthouse Can Be Built Without Raising Tax Rate

## Final Issue Of School Bonds Signed By County

Hillsboro—County officials were  
busy this week signing \$265,000 in  
bonds sold on May 27 for the  
county by the Local Government  
Commission.

This issue was the last of the  
one million dollars in school  
building bonds voted by the peo-  
ple several years ago to improve  
school facilities for both white  
and Negro citizens throughout the  
county.

The entire issue sold this time  
was bought by the First Securi-  
ties Corporation of Durham at an  
interest rate of slightly less than  
2.17 percent, slightly more than  
the 1.9 percent rate for which the  
first \$735,000 were bought at the  
beginning of the program. The  
latest issue will mature at annual  
dates from 1954 to 1979.

Outstanding projects to be built  
with the final issue of the million  
are the proposed new Hillsboro  
and Chapel Hill elementary  
schools.

## WADING POOL OPEN

The Exchange Club announced  
this week the opening of the Com-  
munity wading pool for the sea-  
son.

The pool will be open from three  
to five each afternoon Monday  
through Fridays. Age limits are  
from 10 years old down. Some one  
will be on duty at the pool each  
day, but mothers are requested,  
if possible, to come with their  
children.

The pool is located at the Scout  
Hut behind the Methodist Church.

## Efland Man Dead After Fall In Water Basin

Mebane - A 29-year-old Efland  
father of five children lost his  
life here Tuesday night when he  
fell into an 80,000-gallon water  
basin at the Mebane Water Plant  
about 9 p. m.

The cause of the fall was not  
immediately known and an au-  
topsy was to be held in an effort  
to determine if a heart attack  
occurred.

Howard Cecil of Efland was  
visiting his brother-in-law, Gil-  
bert Scarlett, who was on duty at  
the water plant when the accident  
occurred. Cecil was with Scarlett  
who was checking the coloration  
of the water following a rain  
there.

Scarlett said that he was lead-  
ing the way with a flashlight  
when he heard a splash. Cecil had  
fallen into the 12-foot deep water  
basin, and Scarlett immediately  
turned in a fire alarm.

Morgan Lee of Mebane, volun-  
teer fireman and former Navy  
diver went into the basin but was  
unable to reach the bottom. Offi-  
cials then dived 10,000 gallons  
of water from the basin, and on  
the second attempt Lee reached  
the bottom and pulled Cecil out  
at about 9:25 o'clock.

Artificial respiration was started  
immediately, and Burlington fire-  
men arrived a few minutes later  
to continue resuscitative treat-  
ment but without results.

Funeral services will be held  
Thursday at 3 o'clock at the Ef-  
land Methodist Church.

# Governor's Road Is Not Approved

Hillsboro—If the Highway Com-  
mission paves the Orange County  
section of the road to the newly-  
acquired holdings of Governor  
Scott in this county, it will do so  
without the sanction of the Board  
of County Commissioners unless a  
special additional allotment is pro-  
vided for that purpose.

A petition from the Governor  
and three Orange County resi-  
dents requesting that the two and  
a half mile stretch of road be ap-  
proved for adding to the State  
Highway system was not among  
the 12 approved by the Board  
Monday during an all-day survey  
of roads on which petitions had  
been filed from all sections of the  
county.

There are only four land owners  
on the 2 1/2 mile road leading  
from the Widow Brown's place on  
the Efland-Cedar Grove road to  
the new King's Pond toward  
Mebane road. In addition to the  
Governor they are Clay Dorsett,  
J. B. Haith and Thomas Eaton.

In giving their approval for  
roads to be added to the State  
system, the Board of Commis-  
sioners have followed the policy of  
approving those roads serving the  
most people while adhering to the  
small allotment granted the coun-  
ty by the Highway Commission

each year.

The county Board, however ten-  
tatively agreed to approve the  
Governor-instigated request pro-  
vided the county is given an ad-  
ditional 2 1/2 mile allotment for  
that specific purpose and is pro-  
mised that the additional allot-  
ment will not be charged to the  
county at a later date.

The property recently purchas-  
ed by the Governor in this coun-  
ty is the farm known as the Old  
Hughes place.

During Monday's session, the  
Board gave its approval to 12 pe-  
titions calling for improvement of  
5.3 miles. Each of the approved  
roads were for less than a mile.  
The approved list included the  
following:

Ray Rd. from Standard Oil Bulk  
Plant Rd to Old Stage Road, 0.25  
mile.

McDade Rd. near Efland School  
(Negro), 0.76 mile.

Off .o. 622 S.W. edge of Ef-  
land, 0.50 mile.

Sis Riley Rd. South of Old No.  
10, 0.45 mile.

Fcwest Rd. N. of Fairview, 0.25  
mile.

From End of No. 5 (above) to  
U.S. 70, 0.35 mile.

Stagescoach Rd. in Greenwood-  
Chapel Hill, 0.20 mile.

Extension of Oakwood Drive-  
Chapel Hill, 0.25 mile.

Gooseneck Rd. off Morgan  
Creek Rd. South of Chapel Hill,  
0.15 mile.

Section between Knolls & Lin-  
coln High School off Merritt Mill  
Rd. near Chapel Hill, 0.65 mile.

From Neville's Chapel on Jones  
Ferry Rd. South, 0.90 mile.

From Antioch Rd. N. towards  
Mrs. Nora Brewer, 0.60 mile.

## MORE DELAY ON SCHOOL

Hillsboro—Cole and Crumparker,  
the contractors on the new Ef-  
land Negro School, this week no-  
tified Superintendent G. Paul  
Carr that the job could not be  
finished before the opening of  
school next Fall.

Contract was let last July but  
various delays which the super-  
intendent has attributed to the  
contractor have allowed the work  
to drag over many months. The  
firm blamed the latest delay on  
the heating contractor, but this  
was denied by him.

For quick, proven results, sell,  
buy, rent or get a job by using  
the classified ads on page 7 of  
THE NEWS of Orange County

Hillsboro—Definite plans to  
build the new Orange County  
Courthouse and hold the tax rate  
at its present level during the  
next fiscal year were formulated  
this week.

The Board of Education with a  
harmonious gesture of cooperation  
to the Board of County Commis-  
sioners agreed to cut its budget  
request for capital outlay by \$48,-  
000 for the forthcoming year and  
pave the way for the completion  
of the overall county building pro-  
gram within the \$1 tax rate con-  
templated when the schools and  
courthouse building program was  
presented to the people in a bond  
election campaign over two years  
ago.

Thus was written another chap-  
ter in the record of close cooper-  
ation which has characterized the  
operation of the two major coun-  
ty boards during recent years.

Previously it had been contem-  
plated that it might be necessary  
to raise the county tax rate from  
5c to 7c per \$100 valuation of the  
county was to accept the low bids  
on the new courthouse project  
when ran to \$311,000, or roughly  
\$81,000 more than was voted in  
bonds for the purpose.

Since the passage of the bond  
issues over two years ago, both  
boards have taken the position  
that school construction was the  
most important phase of the  
building program. Concentration  
on the school improvement pro-  
gram plus the rising inflation and  
war-necessitated shortages delay-  
ed the courthouse until that build-  
ing could not be built with the  
money provided by bonds.

At a joint meeting of the two  
boards, the Education forces joined  
the Commissioners in the unani-  
mous opinion that the coun-  
ty should go ahead with the  
courthouse plans and suggested  
that they take the 44 percent cut  
in their requested appropriations  
if the building could be built  
without raising taxes. \$109,000  
had previously been requested by  
the schools for capital outlay.

With this \$48,000, plus a \$7,000  
cut in the capital outlay request  
of the Chapel Hill School Board  
and other savings, the Commis-  
sioners now feel that contracts  
can be let and the courthouse  
financed within the present tax  
rate.

It is expected that the new bud-  
get will be passed on the first  
Monday in July and after a 20-  
day period of public inspection  
the new tax levy will be made  
and a formal contract with the  
building contractors can be signed.

Chairman Collier Cobb Jr., in  
commenting upon the plans for  
building the courthouse without  
increased taxes, said: "We were  
reluctant to take any action that  
might jeopardize the school pro-  
gram. The cooperation of the  
school board, therefore, in enab-  
ling us to complete the building  
program in accordance with our  
original plans is very gratifying."

County officials were notified  
yesterday that the \$250,000 bond  
anticipation note sold Tuesday in  
anticipation of the issuance of  
courthouse bonds went also to the  
First Securities Corporation of  
Durham with a bid of 1.10% in-  
terest rate.

## UNIVERSITY LAW STUDENT WINS AWARD FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Chapel Hill—Grover C. Mooney-  
ham, of Chapel Hill, who received  
LL.B. degree from the School  
of Law of the University of North  
Carolina this month, was voted by  
the law faculty as the winner of  
the "U.S. Law Week" award.

Through the generosity of the  
editors of the "United States Law  
Week," a year's subscription to  
"Law Week" is awarded annu-  
ally "to the student, who in the  
judgment of the faculty, makes  
the most satisfactory scholastic  
progress during his final school  
year."

## REVIVAL SERVICES

The public is cordially invited  
to attend the revival services to  
be held June 22-29 at the Fairview  
Baptist Mission. Rev. Aubrey T.  
Quakerbury, pastor of the Ossipee  
Baptists Church, Burlington, will  
bring the message. Services will  
be at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.  
on Sunday and at 7:30 P. M.  
during the week.