

THE NEWS of Orange County

Your Home Newspaper Serving Orange County and Its Citizens Since 1893

HILLSBORO AND CHAPEL HILL, N. C., THURSDAY, October 16, 1952

Price: \$2 a Year; 5c Single Copy

Eight Pages This Week

4-Hers Win District Championship For Electrical Projects

Orange County won the District Championship award in 4-H farm and home electric at the 4-H recognition day in Greensboro, October 11th.

This award was given for outstanding work on the part of the 4-H Clubs in Orange County in Farm and Home Electric.

During the past year the Piedmont Membership Co-operation has been most helpful and cooperative. One of their representatives gave a rural electrification demonstration at each of the 4-H Clubs for a monthly demonstration. Also this program on a more advanced level was given at county council meeting.

To strengthen this program, two floats were prepared for the Durham Fat Stock Show parade. Both of these floats were designed and prepared by the 4-H clubs sponsoring them. Efland 4-H Club had a rural electrification workshop on their float, and the boys and girls who made lamps were sitting around a central table holding their lamps. At the table, James Hauser, county winner in farm and home electric last year was seated working on one of his many electric projects. Efland Club was the only one in the county last year to establish an electric workshop which met once every two weeks. Vance Martin helped establish this workshop and instructed the boys and girls in many helpful and worthwhile projects.

Hillsboro Senior Club constructed the other float and their conveyed the motto "Proper Lighting Saves Eye Strain". This was in the form of a desk on either side of a wall one with proper lighting equipment and one with improper lighting equipment. Students were studying at each desk to give the spectators an idea of how easy or hard it was to see by the lighting presented.

Another phase in this program was carried on at 4-H Camp at New Hope this summer. Representatives from Duke Power Co. gave several interesting and educational demonstrations on the use and care of small electrical equipment. They also explained and demonstrated the construction of a lamp from a special lamp kit, and gave the address so that club members interested in this project could order their own.

Heaviest First-Day Registration Noted As Election Interest Rises

Plans Are Made For Chapel Hill UN Day Program

Chapel Hill—John D. Riebel, assistant secretary of the University YMCA, has been appointed official chairman of Chapel Hill's observance of United Nations day this month by Mayor Edwin S. Lanier.

The celebration will be held on Oct. 24 in cooperation with similar observances over the country. A preliminary planning meeting for the day was held last night in the Town Hall, attended by representatives of various local civic groups.

Riebel announced another planning would be held this coming Tuesday night at 9 o'clock in the Town Hall for the planning group as well as representatives of any other interested civic groups in the community. The main feature of the UNC Day celebration will be a ceremony to be held on the campus at noon. Other plans for the observance are to be announced at Tuesday's meeting.

Members of the planning group at present are: Mrs. Jane Fouts, secretary, and Mrs. Rose Scroggs, representing the American Association on the University Women; Miss Frances KoKinnon and Mrs. William Geer, League of Women Voters; J. C. Fox, J. H. Koon, and Bill Sloan, Junior Chamber of Commerce; Hubert Robinson, Negro Civic Club; Edward G. Danziger, Rotary Club; and John Lineweaver, Chapel Hill schools.

NEW COURT HOUSE IN PROGRESS

Excavation for the new Orange County court house was begun last week. The completion of the excavation and progress may be blocked by a steel shortage, but the contractor has stated that he is confident that the steel will come through by the end of the year and that the concrete can be poured and construction should continue from there with little interference.

Orange Health Department Wins Merit Award For Record Achievement

The North Carolina Public Health Association conferred its 1952 Merit Award upon the staff of the Orange County division of the Orange-Person-Chatham-Lee District Health Department at the close of its recent convention, October 9, 10, and 11 in Asheville, N. C. The award is given each year to the local health department which has carried on the most outstanding public health activity during the past year.

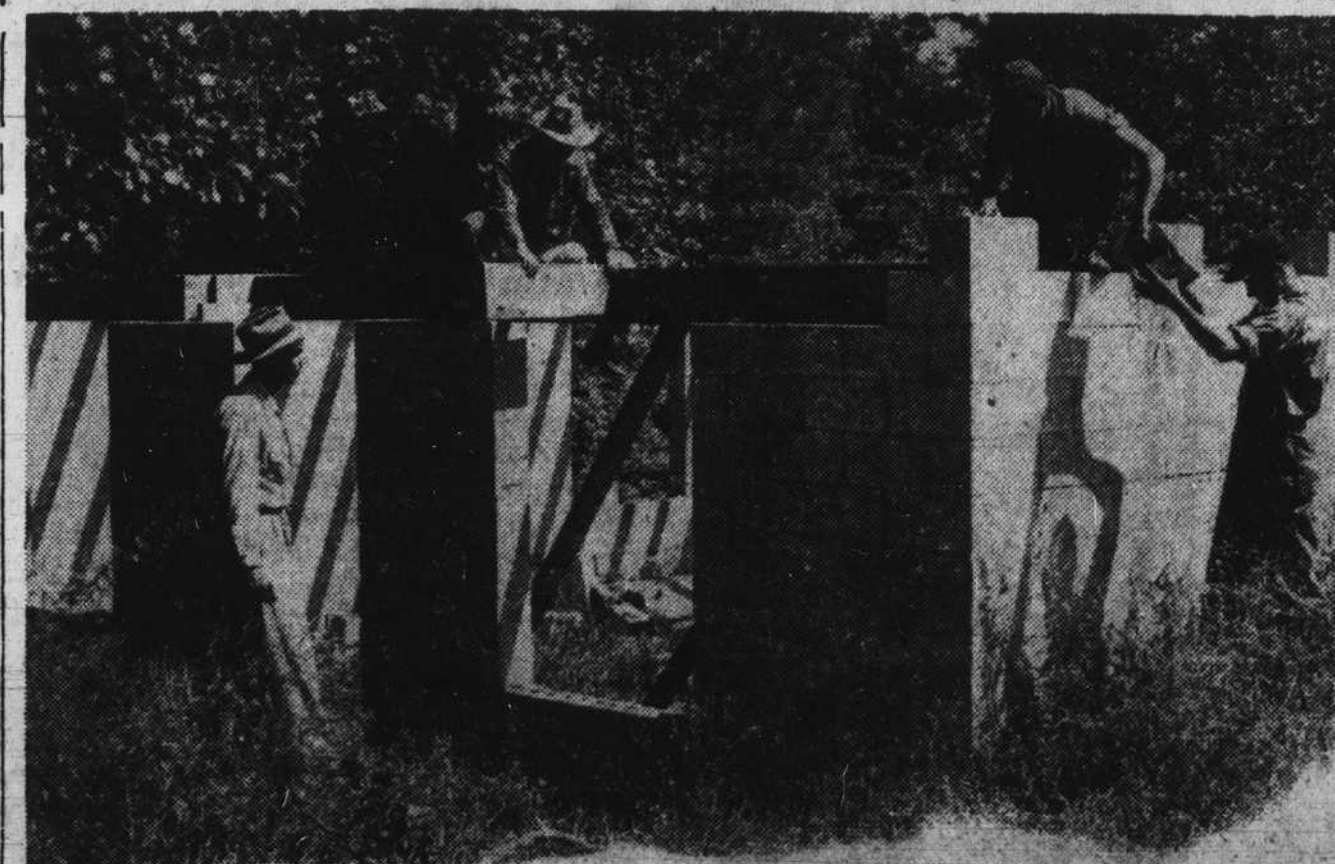
The Orange County division received the award for its achievement in the development of a system of simplified records which reduces from thirty-eight to six the number of forms for recording medicinal nursing, and related

services of the local health department. According to the citation, information and copies of these simplified forms have already been made available upon request to workers in twelve other states, in two national agencies, and in eight foreign countries, "a response which makes clear the fact that through this achievement the department has made a far reaching and much needed contribution to the development of public health records.

In the absence of Dr. O. David Garvin, District Health Officer, who did not attend the convention because of illness, the award was presented to Mrs. Edith Brooker, District Supervisor of Nurses.

Rural Progress Report Number Eleven

Another Rural Community Building Goes Up In Orange



Another tangible evidence of Orange County's Rural Progress Program can be found in the White Cross community in Southern Orange where members of the Grange, Home Demonstration Club and other organizations have begun the erection of a community building. Construction got underway a few months ago, but slowed down as folks in the community turned to their own harvesting. Leaders hope to get the work started again soon and finish up by Christmas. All work is being done by members on a gratis basis. Suppers and other community projects are being used to raise money for the project.

Umstead Plays Ike; Calls For Adlai Vote

Hillsboro—Political oratory the way Orange County Democrats like it best from their favorite party spokesman featured an enthusiastic opening of the Fall campaign at Schley Grange Monday night.

Following a bountiful barbecue supper which the YDC provided all the party faithful for \$1 a plate, gubernatorial nominee William B. Umstead issued a ringing endorsement of Adlai Stevenson for president and lauded the record of the Democratic party in the nation and in North Carolina, winking up with a closing tongue-in-cheek afterthought, "I hope you will not forget to vote for your Democratic nominee for Governor."

In unmistakable terms, Umstead dispelled any doubt that he might be lukewarm for the national ticket, citing Stevenson's great record as governor, his training for civilian leadership as opposed to his opponent's, and his course in speaking forthrightly on the issues in resistance to pressures.

He said at their convention, Republicans agreed on only two things, "They were out. They wanted to get in."

Speaking of the "Great Crusade of General Eisenhower," Umstead said it began and ended with Senator Taft, pointing out that it began when he opposed Taft in the convention campaign, pledging to fight against those things for which Taft had stood, and ended with the breakfast in New York when the Senator announced that the two were now in agreement.

Decrying a tendency to split town and rural residents in North Carolina, he appealed to all to help in the task of building this state in the nation's greatest.

He said a strong campaign symbol could be forged in North Carolina by allowing an Eastern North Carolina family to hitch his 1932 Hoover car to his 1952 Cadillac and drive from Manteo to Murphy with the following inscriptions placed on them: "This was Republicanism in 1932" and "This was Democracy in 1952."

The gubernatorial nominee got a standing ovation from the crowd both at the start and finish of his 35-minute stump speech. He declared Ike was "disqualified" for the presidency on his own record, and even sang a Teapot Dome parody making light of the GOP.

Speaking of his own party, Umstead declared several times that he didn't at all condone the corruption that has been uncovered. He added he felt the Democrats in the present national administration were cleaning up dishonesty in Washington as fast as they could find it. "But I don't think it's right to denounce the Democratic party for the few who have betrayed their trusts. Numerically they're

very few."

Reviewing Gen. Eisenhower's selection as the Republican nominee, Umstead noted the GOP couldn't select one of its own members and had to go out and get "a man enamored of glamor" who had "never voted a Republican ticket and hadn't even revealed what party he belonged to until last year." All of this wasn't meant to be a dig at Eisenhower who served as a great military leader, and deserved the commendation of everyone for it, Umstead stressed. "But since the age of 18 he's been on the Federal payroll in the Army, studying military science. That fact not only doesn't qualify him for the office, but it also disqualifies him."

On the other hand, Democratic candidate Stevenson, "a brilliant governor of the state of Illinois," according to Umstead, had spent a lifetime studying politics and the job of government. He lauded as "refreshing" Stevenson's recent statement to the American Legion that he would resist pressure from that and any group which was "not in the public interest."

"Do a little work for your party," Umstead appealed. "It's done enough for you."

The one-hour program was chaired by YDC President Donald Stanford of Bingham Township. He turned the meeting over to his mother, County Democratic Chairman Mrs. C. W. Stanford who introduced the precinct co-chairman and noted that the special five-dollar Stevenson campaign contribution certificates were on sale now through them.

Among the other party nominees introduced to the assemblage were Umstead's older brother John of Chapel Hill, who's seeking re-election as Orange Representative to the General Assembly, and Ralph Scott, nominee for a new term as State Senator from the Orange-Alamance District.

MIDGETS SHOW

NOTABLE RECORD

The Hillsboro Boys Club Midget Football Team has shown a remarkable record thus far in the season. In six games the Midgets have scored 146 points. Their opponents have been unable to score on them and only 10 first downs (three resulting from penalties) have been made against them. The results of last night's game have not been reported.

Sisters Stage Hair Pulling, Name Calling Affray Over Father's Grave

Hillsboro—Two sisters who engaged in a knock-down, hair-pulling fiasco over the grave of their late father in Hillsboro cemetery brought their troubles into Orange County court this week, while the estate's administrator sat in solemn judgment.

Mrs. Minnie Often and Mrs. Laura Lane were the sisters and Judge L. J. Phipps was on the bench in as bizarre a case as any heard here in a long time.

The testimony went something like this: Three families, descendants of the late Robert Ashley who ran a small store in West Hillsboro prior to his death last June, all gathered apparently by chance at the cemetery lot on a recent Saturday afternoon to put flowers on the grave. The were Mrs. Lane, her husband children, Mrs. Often and her husband, Frank, and Jury Ashley, brother of the battling sisters, and his wife, Rosa.

Mrs. Often, so the testimony went, then asked her sister how she liked the tombstone she had bought and placed at her father's grave. Mrs. Lane offered some suggestion for changing the stone's resting place; one word led to another; she called her sister a dirty name and the fighting and hair pulling ensued as the sisters rolled across graveside turf. There was conflicting testimony about who used milk bottles and whether glasses were broken or just lost in the general melee, but Judge Phipps didn't seem to think this phase of the evidence too material anyway.

Further indication that interest in the forthcoming General Election is gradually reaching fever pitch in Orange County, as well as the rest of the nation, came this week as registrars in several large precincts made their reports of first day registration.

Books were opened for the first time last Saturday for pre-election and new registrants placed on the books exceeded any other first day registration on record.

At Chapel Hill's north precinct, Mrs. Harold Walters, registrar, said 200 new names were placed on the books while Mrs. Irene Scroggs at the Chapel Hill south precinct took on 140 new voters.

Registrar H. G. Coleman Jr. at Hillsboro said 34 new names were added on Saturday.

Traditionally, the first day the books are open is a slow one as citizens often delay their appearance at the registration place until nearer the end of the period in which the books are open.

Registration books will be open at the polling places again this Saturday and the following Saturday, October 25, and persons may register at anytime during the interim by contacting the registrar at his home.

Saturday, November 1 will be challenge day.

Request for absentee ballots from citizens who will be out of the county on election day, November 4 continue heavy. These are obtained by making application to the chairman of the County Board of Elections.

Walker Learns Of Korean Mud

WITH THE 7TH INFANTRY DIV. IN KOREA — Army Pvt. Donald M. Walker, Hillsboro, has found in his combat experience that it's true what they say about mud and grime in Korea.

But he has also learned that while it is a rugged and dirty job at his gun position, many days in Korea can be like Saturday night at home. As far as bathing is concerned, set up behind his artillery positions is a mobile quartermaster shower unit operating seven days a week.

When the Communists offer the 7th Division Artillery respite from battle, the artillerymen make ample use of the field shower unit.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Walker and his wife live in Hillsboro. She is the former Miss Dorothy Lloyd.

ROY KENNEDY DIES

Hillsboro—Roy Kennedy, well known Orange County farmer, died Tuesday night at Watts Hospital after suffering a heart attack at his home on Highway 86. He will be buried at 3 o'clock this afternoon at Cedar Grove Methodist Church.

Sisters Stage Hair Pulling, Name Calling Affray Over Father's Grave

Hillsboro—Two sisters who engaged in a knock-down, hair-pulling fiasco over the grave of their late father in Hillsboro cemetery brought their troubles into Orange County court this week, while the estate's administrator sat in solemn judgment.

Mrs. Minnie Often and Mrs. Laura Lane were the sisters and Judge L. J. Phipps was on the bench in as bizarre a case as any heard here in a long time.

The testimony went something like this: Three families, descendants of the late Robert Ashley who ran a small store in West Hillsboro prior to his death last June, all gathered apparently by chance at the cemetery lot on a recent Saturday afternoon to put flowers on the grave. The were Mrs. Lane, her husband children, Mrs. Often and her husband, Frank, and Jury Ashley, brother of the battling sisters, and his wife, Rosa.

Mrs. Often, so the testimony went, then asked her sister how she liked the tombstone she had bought and placed at her father's grave. Mrs. Lane offered some suggestion for changing the stone's resting place; one word led to another; she called her sister a dirty name and the fighting and hair pulling ensued as the sisters rolled across graveside turf. There was conflicting testimony about who used milk bottles and whether glasses were broken or just lost in the general melee, but Judge Phipps didn't seem to think this phase of the evidence too material anyway.

Orange County can
up with the news from all
the county by reading THE
OF ORANGE COUNTY
me 59 No. 42 (Published Weekly)

RALEIGH Round-up

ANTA CLAUS'S DRAWERS
A large percentage of those
prosperous brackets—those
"never had it so good" now—
were in high school or col-
lege in 1931-35, during the depths
of the depression. Communism is
one of the latter day things,
according to Beaufort's Robert
Claus. He observes that it was
much in the saddle at the
University of North Carolina, but
he tells it in one of his recent
essays: "In answer to all the
idiotic Marxians who scream
they grew up at a time when
communism presented a certain
clarity of mind and a subtle at-
traction as the savior of the world,
I went to the University of North Carolina
from 1931 to 1935. That was the
best broad period of desper-
ation. That was the period
in which Communism as a fad
in this country thrived most heart-
ily. That was strictly a bum time.
No time was I tempted to be
a communist, although U.N.C.
preacher than Santa Claus's
preacher. Very few people I knew
were campus—especially the ones
with shaves and clean shirts—
faced Communism, or any off-
shoot of same. Some, a few, dab-
bled. They mostly dropped it fast.
The majority scorned mass
of anything, and are suitably
satisfied with mortgages and sub-
urban homes today.

This was the period of great
justification, and of great justifica-
tion for straying. This was when
communism looked better and
cleaner than ever before.
But the majority of the
young, dumb, unsophisticated
country kids—spurned it. And
the face of organized blandish-
ness, too.

Brother Ruark had to say
at the University in 1931-35
was true. However, we must
remember that we have heard less
of Communism at the Univer-
sity since Gordon Gray has been
as president than at any time
in the past 20 years.

IGHWAY SIGNS . . . If you
wonder why the cost of
road work is so high, you might
consider for a minute "one little
thing" the \$250,000 your State pays
each year to repair, rebuild, and
replace highway signs damaged and
blown away by our fine citizens.

According to Traffic Engineer
E. A. Burch of the State
Highway Commission, we are
spending "no less than a quarter
million dollars a year" to keep
sign boards in operation.
You have seen examples like
40 miles to Charlotte changed
to lead 10 miles to Charlotte by
spinning away part of the 4. Then
there are cases where the signs
turned completely around,
causing mistakes, and wrecks
which have no doubt resulted in
death.

It may be "fun" for the young
folks, but it costs the taxpayers
a lot of money—and sometimes
death or injury to the motorist.

NEW YORK . . . Last Friday
morning, only a few hours after
returning from his Congressional
work in Europe, U.S. Senator
Cliff Smith was notified he had
died in New York on Monday and
Tuesday, October 13 and 14, to
attend to charges that 50 odd
American employees of United
Nations are card-carrying Com-
munists.

He left Raleigh for his New
York assignment last Sunday af-
ternoon.
Information is that the FBI has
completed its investigation. The
case was completed last week
by the grand jury. Senator Smith
is there as the important man
in the Senate's Internal Security
Commission.

SCARED . . . They may deny
it, but there is a great deal of be-
hind-the-door fear in the Demo-
cratic Headquarters here that the
state may swing to Eisenhower on
November 4. This fear stems from
the general lack of interest on the
part of the "good" Democrats,
those Democrats out in the coun-
ties who usually get out and work
distinguished from the regular
urban variety who toil not, neither
do they spin. They just vote.
This could be a false fear in the
face of drumming up enthusiasm
for the Democratic cause; or it
could be the real thing. To us it
seems more like the latter.

COUNTIES . . . The Democrat-
ic leaders in some of the doubtful

areas are doing a bit of grousing,
saying: "We should do more work
in the sections where we know we
straying all over the State, visit-
ing and speaking and singing
songs in areas where we have no
doubts whatever."

Well, it is hard to please every-
body—particularly this year.
Right now the Democratic knees
are rattling in New Hanover,
Mecklenburg, and in Guilford. In
Brunswick, it looks even-steven.
In Forsyth and Durham, there is
little doubt the Democrats will
win handsily.

Wake is on the doubtful list with
many of the Democrats. There is
a lot of Eisenhower strength here,
but Stevenson will take it without
too much difficulty.
We get evidence that the Rep-
ublicans, for the first time in
several years, are doing some
grassroots work out in the rural
areas. This applies particularly in
the eastern counties. Our reports
say the GOP is spreading a lot of
talk among the home-loving farm-
ers in the east about Stevenson's
divorce.

Could be. But good tobacco land
in that section now runs upward
of \$400 an acre. Fifteen years ago
it was being sold for taxes.
FROM BOTH SIDES . . . What
did the Republicans and the Dem-
ocrats think of U.S. Senator Wil-
lis Smith's statement last Friday
afternoon that he planned to vote
the Democratic ticket, but he has
no enthusiasm for it.
Administrative Assistant Jess
Helms says that the Senator re-
ceived no "flood" of messages re-
lating to his remarks, but that the
response has been good—upwards
of 50-75 wires and letters so far—
with about four to one favoring
his stand. We know it did not set
well with certain influential farm
leaders for Smith in 1950.

Those Republicans who did not
like his position said, of course,
that he ought to be four-footedly
for Eisenhower. They probably
forgot that Willis Smith was on the
Platform Committee at the Demo-
cratic National Committee, was
elected by the Democratic Party,
and has always voted the Demo-
cratic ticket.

Those Democrats who are rapidly
for the "chlorophyll candidate,"
Adlai Stevenson, are chiding Sen-
ator Smith for not being all-out-
for Adlai.

Of course these messages have
little effect on Senator Smith. He
generally moves in the direction
his conscience dictates whether
the party boys, be they Republi-
can or Democrat, like it or not.
Since we are not used to such
stolidity in this State, it sometimes
goes hard with us.