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KIDD BREWER'S
Raleigh Roundup



THE NEW PLACQUE purchased by the Board of County Commissioners as a tribute to the farm people winning the award of "County of the Year in Rural Progress," has arrived and will be installed in the corridor of the old courthouse. Chairman R. O. Forrest and County Agent Don Matheson held the plaque in the picture above. The inscription reads: "In recognition of the farm people and agricultural workers of Orange County for winning the 1953 State Award, 'County of the Year in Rural Progress,' and for their donation of the prize money toward the beautification of the old courthouse grounds, the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County directs that this plaque be placed in the hall of this Courthouse."

Tobacco Crop Seen Best In Years At This Point

Gilmore Warns About Blasting Cap Dangers

The warning "don't touch a blasting cap" was sounded yesterday by Fire Chief George Gilmore in launching a broad safety campaign to protect children from blasting cap accidents that last year blinded or maimed over 100 children and adults.

Blasting caps are shiny, pencil sized metallic cartridges, which when inserted into sticks of dynamite and detonated by a burning fuse or electric charge, set off the explosion. Caps in themselves are dangerous since they contain a powder charge that can be set off by careless handling, shock, or heat. When this happens fragments from the cap's disintegrating metal casing can puncture an eye, sever a hand, or, in extreme cases, cause death.

Blasting caps, Chief Gilmore said, are needed to set off dynamite to mine coal, build roads and tunnels, drain swamps and clear fields, but, if carelessly handled and the caps fall into the hands of boys and girls, serious injury can result.

If you find a blasting cap, don't touch it. Call a fireman, policeman, or sheriff. They will know how to dispose of it safely.

EXCHANGE CLUB TO HOLD NAPKIN SALE

The Hillsboro Exchange Club will hold a napkin sale on Tuesday evening, June 29, with members calling on the homes.

Full packages of first quality napkins for one dollar will be offered. Everyone is urged to buy. Proceeds from this sale will go to the club's recreation fund for the benefit of the Hillsboro youth.

TOBACCO DISEASE CLINIC

HILLSBORO—Dr. H. R. Garriss from State College Extension Service will be at Chandler's Store, Cedar Grove, Thursday, July 1, from 2 until 5 o'clock for the purpose of identifying any tobacco diseases which farmers in the county have.

SCHLEY FISH FRY ON 3RD

The annual Fourth of July fish fry at Schley, an annual event for the past 30 years, will be held this year on Saturday July 3, inasmuch as the Fourth falls on Sunday. As always, the public is invited to this enjoyable affair.

Some Schools Lose Money On Lunches

Students in the Orange County school system's 11 units drank a total of 332,061 half-pints of milk during the past school year, according to a consolidated report of lunchroom activities just completed by the office of the County superintendent.

This is just one of the bits of statistical information contained in the report which shows that the lunchrooms were operated at a loss of \$57.78 during the year, but the fund still is in the black by \$7,555.31 as a result of profits accumulated in past years.

Total expenses last year in the 11 schools amounted to \$66,574.52, of which food purchases amounted to \$54,152.83 and labor \$22,920.44.

Schools which went into the red on their lunchrooms were Efland, \$1,563.50; Carrboro, \$491.48; West Hillsboro, \$172.32; Caldwell, \$20.20; and Efland Negro, \$5.98.

Largest profits were made by Hillsboro, \$1,053.54, and Central at Hillsboro, \$607.17.

Students of White Cross elementary school had the highest record of participation in the school lunchroom program—98%. Other high participation schools were Efland with 83% and Murphree with 82%, both all-elementary schools. On an average 598 students ate lunches daily at Hillsboro with 184 at Aycock for participation averages of 59% and 95%, respectively.

Milk was supplied exclusively by Long Meadow Farms at a cost of 6¢ per half-pint.

Fire Destroys Home Of Tapps Near New Hope

The two-story home of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Tapp on the New Hope-Chapel Hill road at Blackwood Station was completely destroyed by fire last Sunday shortly after 12 o'clock.

Nothing was saved from the blazing structure and the property was not insured, according to informants.

A daughter of the Tapps was the only occupant of the house when the fire broke out. She was saved by another daughter who discovered the fire upon her arrival at the home from church. Mr. Tapp was said to have been at a nearby barn when the fire was discovered.

The Orange County rural fire department answered the call to the fire but the fire was too intense upon its arrival for effective work except in the saving of outbuildings.

The local department answered two other alarms this week, both on Tuesday afternoon, at the Fryer's Stave Mills where the sawdust pile was ablaze.

PRESBYTERY TO MEET

Representatives of all Presbyterian Churches in the county will be among the attendees at the meeting of Orange Presbytery at New Hope Church today.

A report of the commissioners to the General Assembly, one of whom was Hillsboro's Clarence D. Jones, and a memorial to the late Rev. Carl Craig, a native of this county and the New Hope Community, are among the items on the agenda for the day.

Hillsboro Volunteer Women Have Contributed 1,500 Hours' Service To Hospitalized Veterans

HILLSBORO—A group of Hillsboro Women, working with the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service on a plan for community participation in the program for hospitalized veterans, will soon complete one year of service.

Up until the first of May, some 20 regular volunteer workers have contributed 1,500 hours since last September. In addition to this, volunteers from the following organizations have contributed comfort items, Christmas gifts and forms of recreation to the hospitalized veterans: Methodist Church, Presbyterian Church, Baptist Church, Schley, St. Mary's and, Cedar Grove

Granges, The Exchange and Lion's Club and the American Legion.

The American Red Cross has a trained group of "Grey Ladies," who have also received training from the Veterans Administration. The "Grey Ladies" give a regular service of three hours each week at the hospital. Mrs. Felix Forrest now heads this group. Members are: Mrs. Robert Forrest, Mrs. Curtis Scott, Mrs. J. W. Dickson, Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, Mrs. H. W. Moore, Mrs. A. I. Walker, Mrs. J. A. Whitaker, Mrs. Ben Johnston, Mrs. Marion Roberts, Mrs. Oscar Parsley, Mrs. George Gilmore, Mrs. W. V. Fryer, Mrs. Fred Grey, Mrs. Alice

Second Primary For Sheriff's Post To Be Held On Saturday

3,000 To 3,500 Vote Foreseen; Several Issues Emerge In Race

A heated contest for Sheriff's office which has generated considerable local interest, but with little prospect for a heavy vote, will be decided in the second Democratic primary to be held throughout Orange County on Saturday.

Polls will be open at the county's 19 voting precincts from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m.

The selection of a party nominee for Sheriff is the single issue to be decided in Saturday's election. Odell H. Clayton of Hillsboro, a former deputy sheriff who was the leader of a field of four in the first primary on May 29, is opposed by Frank Maddy of near Chapel Hill, a present deputy of Sheriff S. T. Latta.

Clayton led Maddy by 441 votes in the first primary and Maddy called for a runoff from his bed at home in the Orange Church section of the county, where he was still confined following a series of heart attacks which placed him in Watts Hospital on May 10. Maddy remained at Watts until May 30 and then had been confined to his bed at home until early this week when he was able to take his first ride into the county.

In repeated statements to the press from his bed, Maddy has insisted he would be physically able to handle the sheriff's job within a few months, but his physical condition nevertheless has been one of the major issues of the campaign. A continuation of the influence and policies of Sheriff Latta in the operation of the department has also become an issue because of the present sheriff's strong backing of Maddy.

In the southern part of the county, the figure of big Albert Pendergrass, a present Latta deputy and avowed supporter of Maddy, was shoved into the picture when he failed to turn in funds collected for serving papers for over a year and then crashed the headlines of Durham daily newspapers with a charge of "nasty politics" against the Clayton forces, at the same time putting himself squarely in the Maddy camp by declaring his support. Pendergrass has been with Maddy in his drive into the county this week.

In the first primary Maddy's support came largely from Chapel Hill, where he carried three precincts, Carrboro, and the rural precincts south of the Southern railroad which divides the county. Clayton, derived his greatest strength from Hillsboro and the rural precincts north of the railroad. Since the area to the south cast 13 more votes than that to the north in the first primary, the disposition of the 1,300 votes cast for Charles Johnston, the third candidate, may be the deciding factor in the second runoff. Johnston has said he will vote for Maddy.

Political leaders for the most part have declined to take active parts in the current sheriff's race, with the exception of Latta.

A vote of 3,000 to 3,500 is expected if weather conditions remain favorable.

A suit for \$52,812.50 has been filed in Durham Superior Court against Dwight Walters of Hillsboro in which Fred M. Billings alleges personal injuries as a result of having been hit over the head with a metal ash try by Walters on the night of December 31.

NAMED TO BOARD

Dr. Norman Lee Mauroner of the Hillsboro Clinic has been appointed to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Durham - Orange County Heart Association for a two year term.

Car Rolls Five Times, One Seriously Hurt

Driving back from work at the Western Electric plant in Burlington last Wednesday, Henry Copeland of White Cross struck an unusually slick place in the highway. His car left the road and turned over five times.

Mr. Copeland was seriously injured about the chest and is still in the hospital. But two others who were riding with him miraculously escaped unscathed except for minor cuts. They were Brownie Fitch of Chapel Hill and Peter Riley of White Cross.

Duke Seeks 90 Percent Drop In Tax Value

HILLSBORO—Spokesmen for Duke Power Company and the Board of County Commissioners met yesterday afternoon to discuss the power company's claim for a reduced valuation on its steam plant in Eno township.

The company, in discussions with Adolph Pell of the J. M. Clemmshaw Company, who did the re-valuation work, has requested a 90% functional depreciation allowance on the steam plant which is used as a standby plant only now.

The Clemmshaw company placed the total real and personal property valuation on the plant at \$2,324,292. Should the request of 90% be allowed, the reduction would be brought down to \$232,429. The plant and equipment had previously been valued at \$990,000.

J. C. McGowan, one of the firm's assistant general counsels from Charlotte, was scheduled to present the Duke request at yesterday's session.

Miss Crabtree Gets Award Of HD Club

Miss Peggy Jean Crabtree, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martij Crabtree of Cedar Grove, has been awarded \$50 presented by the Home Demonstration Club of Cedar Grove for being chosen the senior girl at Aycock High School showing the most outstanding abilities in the field of home economics. Miss Crabtree, salutatorian of her class, also received a second award as the most outstanding home economics student in the school and was placed on the I. Dare You honor roll sponsored by the Danforth Foundation.

CHOIR FETED AT SUPPER

The choir of the Presbyterian Church was honored with a fried chicken supper at the Colonial Inn last Thursday, given by the Men's and Women's Bible Classes for their fine service to the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hughes represented the classes. The Rev. C. H. Reckard was also present. Supper was served to the following choir members: Mrs. Scott Cates, Mrs. Fred Cates Jr., Mrs. Robert Copeland, Mrs. T. P. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jones, Mrs. Ben Johnson, Mrs. Mary Cole, Mrs. J. W. Dickson, Sidney Green, Mrs. Oliver Clayton, and Miss Knox Jones.

NINE LOCAL BOYS INDUCTED

Mrs. Gloria Cox released the following list of local boys who left for induction into the Army Tuesday, June 22: Kearney Butner Rogers, Herman Lloyd Gwatte, Eugene Freeman Preston Walker, Victor Thomas Sharpe, Sam Richard Albert, Isaiah Norris Foushee, Cleveland Gorham and Charles Wesley Tilley.

MARS HILL BAPTIST CHURCH TO CELEBRATE HOMECOMING

The Mars Hill Baptist Church will have their homecoming day this Sunday, June 27.

GROUND . . . A lot of seem to want to know more about our new United States Senator J. Ervin Jr. of Morgan County is succeeding the late H. Hoey.

ER . . . It has long been an that if you want to get any politics you must first be er. It looks as if Senator profession, experiences, om, interests, and politics into virtually everything in Western North Caro-

course, he belongs to the Bar Association, is a member North Carolina State Bar, American Bar Association, and Association of Interstate Commission-Practitioners. membership in the American-educature Society, the Gen- Alumni Association of the city of North Carolina (pres- 1947-48), American Legion, as of Foreign Wars, Dis- American Veterans, Society First Division, Army and Legion of Valor.

Ervin is a member and president of the Morganton Club, the Morganton er of Commerce, the State and Historical Association, Historical Association, Historical Association, the Society of Mayflower adants.

the lodge and Greek bus- belongs to Sigma Upsilon, Delta Phi, Junior Order, s of Pythias, Dokies, Knights ar and the Scottish Rite Ma- 2nd degree).

our other new U. S. Sena- Keff Scott, Sam Ervin is byterian and also like the iver gentleman is an elder- ily this will mark the first in history where we have had rbyterians representing us e U. S. Senate.

a joiner, then, you can see Sam J. Ervin Jr. qualifies— for any political role thrust him.

UCATION . . . The new U. S. graduated from the Uni- of North Carolina the same Kerr Scott finished at State June of 1917.

in went into the service. But ed to school after the war graduated at Harvard with a degree. He had received the A.B. at Carolina.

R RECORD . . . He served ance with the First Division ighteen months during World I. He was twice wounded in twice cited for gallantry in and was awarded the French ere, the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Silver and the Distinguished Ser- Cross.

TH . . . You heard a lot of talk about age in the recent ry, about how we needed men, men who would be long enough to achieve sen- in the U. S. Senate.

er said W. Kerr Scott, born April 17, 1896, was too old. So time came to name a suc- to Clyde R. Hoey, a man ger than Scott was chosen.

Ervin was born on Septem- 27, 1896, and thus our senior will be from April to Sep- er younger than our junior

ICES . . . How have his mem- his education, his con- nanned out through the years Sam J. Ervin Jr.?

represented Burke County in Legislatures of 1923, 1925, and e. He was chairman of the County Democratic Execu- Committee in 1924. He was ee of the Morganton Graded ols, 1927-30.

er 1930 to 1937, our new sen- was a member of the State erative Executive Committee.

Ervin was a trustee of the ersity of North Carolina, 2-25, 1945-46; Judge, Burke uly Criminal Court, 1935-37; ge, North Carolina Superior t, 1937-43.

did our mutual friend, Hu- Olive of Lexington, Sam Er-

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