

# The News of Orange County

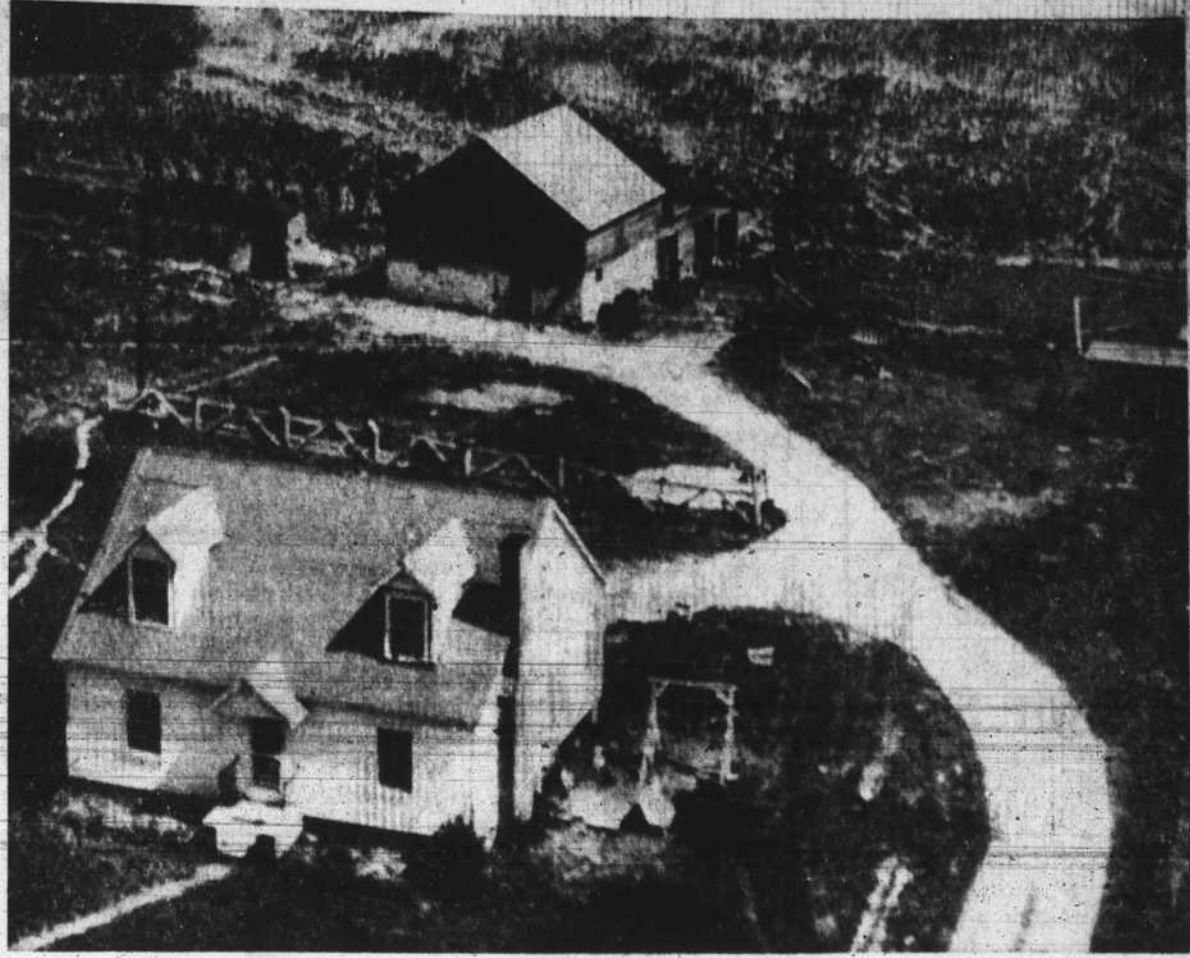
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EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK

## Mystery Farm Of The Week — No. 1

### New Feature Presents Aerial Photos Of Orange County Farming Country



Can you recognize your farm from the air? If you live on the farm pictured above, stop at the office of the News of Orange County and tell them about it. They will give you with compliments of Durham Bank and Trust Co. a beautifully mounted photo of your farm. Watch for a new "Mystery Farm" every week. The next one might be yours.

### New Carrboro Baptist Pastor Moves To Town

The Rev. Henry Brown Stokes, who was called last June to the Carrboro Baptist Church, will assume his duties as pastor of the church here on September 1. He moved last week into the Baptist parsonage here on Main Street. The Rev. Mr. Stokes and his family are spending this week in Winston-Salem. He is the former pastor of the Baptist Church of Hartsville, Tenn. A native of Winston-Salem he went to college at Wake Forest and the University of North Carolina, graduating in 1938. He is a veteran of World War II, and graduated several years ago from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

The Rev. Troy E. Jones, former pastor of the church here, resigned last December 1 to accept the pastorate of the Four Oaks Baptist Church. Since that time Dr. O. T. Binkley of Wake Forest served the church here for several months. Several other eminent ministers have supplied the church with excellent services. The Rev. J. O. Cahsler will preach his last sermon on next Sunday evening. Everyone is cordially invited to all services.

### GE Dealers Go To Beach

General Electric appliance dealers in Hillsboro and Chapel Hill and their wives have recently returned from an all-expense-paid trip to Virginia Beach, where they were shown the 1955 line of GE appliances and presented a four-day entertainment and sight-seeing program.

Attending from this area were Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Smith Sr. of Hillsboro and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Strowd of Chapel Hill.

The respective firms represented by Messrs. Smith and Strowd were awarded the vacation trips to the Cavalier Hotel at Virginia Beach by achieving a sales quota on appliances.

### PASSES MAGIC MILESTONE

In recognition of the association having passed the 1 1/2 million dollar mark in total assets, members of the board of directors and officers of the Hillsboro Building & Loan Association held an informal dinner at Colonial Inn Tuesday night.

Wives of the directors and a number of friends of the association were invited guests.

A new feature, the Orange County Mystery Farm of the Week, begins this week in your local family newspaper. This department featuring aerial photos of individual farms located throughout the whole area of Orange County, a free-prize each week for the first to correctly identify each farm, and final presentation of the beautiful mounted aerial photo to the farm owner upon his call by the newspaper office to confirm the identification and provide necessary identifying information.

Sponsors of the mystery farm feature and donors of the farm photos are the Durham Bank and Trust Company, Hillsboro Branch, and this newspaper. When identified, the mystery farm's identity will appear the week following first publication. The interest and cooperation of all readers is earnestly solicited.

The photos were taken by pilots of the Zekan-Robbins aerial photo company who described the area as "beautiful farming country."

Nobody knows whose farms the photographers snapped with their big aerial cameras. It is up to the readers to let the NEWS know whose farms are published each week. The publishers do not know whose farms will be printed — even the photographers do not know.

However, the pilot did plan his course so that farms in all parts of the Orange County area are included.

As soon as a farm photo appears in the newspaper, the operator of the farm will receive a beautiful enlargement of the original photo free, but he will have to call at the newspaper and identify the farm first.

Everyone recognizing the farm is asked to let the newspaper know, so that the identity can be published next week. The names of the first ones to call or write, will be published. The first to correctly identify the farm will receive a year's free subscription to the News of Orange County. Recognizing farms from aerial photos is tricky business requiring a good knowledge of the building layout and a keen sense of observation.

In taking the "mystery farm" photos, the photographer flew nearly 300 miles back and forth across the area served by this newspaper. Farms were selected at random.

The Zekan - Robbins company of Harlan, Iowa, is composed of men who learned their trade in the U. S. Navy and Army during World War II. Zekan and Robbins used cameras similar to the ones they now use, when they were flying from an aircraft carrier in the Pacific.

Farming today is big business. Big investments in land, livestock, building and machinery are shown in the series of aerial photos, and the picture series is a tribute to agriculture here.

### More Homes For Boarding Aged Needed

More and more the Orange County Department of Public Welfare is turning to licensed boarding homes as a resource for meeting the needs of older people.

Changes in recent years in housing, in customs, and in living habits have been reflected in the growing need for the development of licensed boarding homes for the aged and infirm.

The trend toward smaller homes and apartment living has resulted in fewer households with spare bedrooms and fewer three-generation households. In many homes, both parents are working, some having the children provided for in licensed day care centers.

For most older people, the family pattern has changed materially since the living arrangements were established in the middle years of life. Many people need to change their living arrangements in their later years, not only because their family and economic circumstances are different, but also because their own needs have changed.

In North Carolina we now have a total of 250 licensed boarding homes for the aged and infirm. Of these homes, 75 per cent are for white persons and 25 per cent for Negroes. Licensing requirements set up by the State Board of Public Welfare, in accordance with state law, include satisfactory standards of health, sanitation, fire safety, and general welfare.

In Orange County there is no licensed boarding home for the care of adults. There is need for at least one licensed home for white and one for Negro to care for the needs of older people. Anyone who is interested in giving this kind of service is invited to contact the welfare department for further information.

By helping to provide these homes and encouraging their construction to the needs of older people, citizens of the community may meet at least a part of their responsibility to this rapidly growing segment of our citizenry.

### CONTRACT AWARDED

The R. A. Sapp Plumbing and Heating Company of Durham has been awarded the contract for heating the basement of the new county courthouse, now being built under general contract awarded to the Delta Construction Company. The heating bid was accepted for \$2,988 at openings held by the Board of Commissioners, last Thursday.

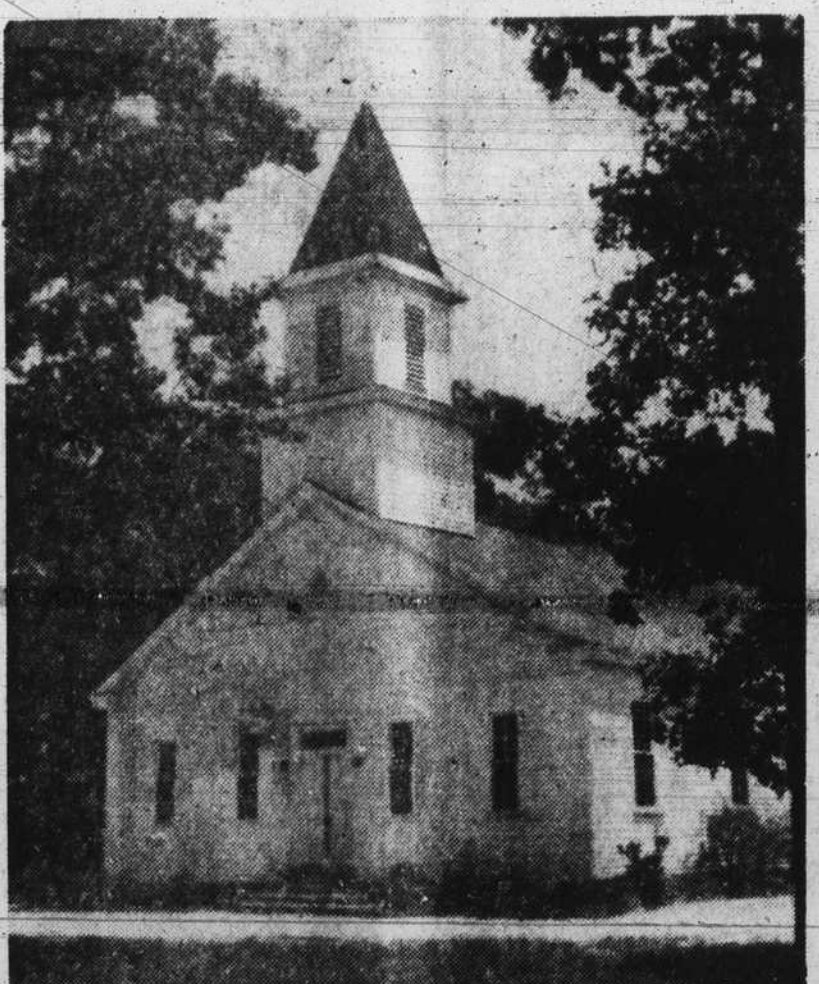
### School Board Studies Plans On New School

The Orange County Board of Education met last night to study plans for the new Cameron Park School in Hillsboro.

Architect Archie R. Davis and Engineer Hunter Jones of Durham met with the commissioners to go over the plans and discuss complications that have arisen in connection with sewerage disposal from the proposed school.

Superintendent G. Paul Carr reported prior to last night's meeting that the plans were virtually complete and that the project now be pushed as fast as possible to get construction underway. A total of \$235,000 has been set aside for the school.

### Yearly New Hope Homecoming Sunday; Patterson To Speak



New Hope Presbyterian Church, one of the county's oldest churches, will observe its annual Homecoming Day Sunday, August 29.

Dr. T. Henry Patterson of Greensboro, executive secretary of Orange Presbytery, has been named Homecoming Day speaker

for the 11 o'clock service, which as in former years will be attended by a host of visitors and friends of the historic church and community.

Dinner will follow on the grounds of the camp which is operated by the Presbytery adjacent to the church.

## Welfare Board Names New Superintendent

### Children Seek To Set Aside Will Of Late Clay Dorsett

A caveat seeking to set aside the will of the late Clay Dorsett of Efland, Route 1, on the grounds that the provisions and signature was obtained by the principal beneficiary and others through "undue and improper influence and duress" has been filed with the Clerk of Orange County Superior Court.

Principal beneficiary of the estate, which included a 200-acre farm, was John Smith of Route 1, Efland, who was described in the will already probated and now being administered by John L. Efland Jr. as Administrator C.T.A. as the deceased's "friend and constant companion."

Those filing the action were the four children of Mr. Dorsett, a son, Bill Dorsett of Route 1, Efland, and three daughters, Lizzie Dorsett Long of Route 2, Hillsboro, Mae Dorsett Ward of Route 3, Thomasville, and Janie Dorsett Teachey, of Pleasant Garden.

"At the time of the purported execution of the paper writing," according to the caveat, "the said Clay Dorsett by reason of old age, disease and both mental and

physical weakness and infirmity was not capable of executing a last will and testament." This will was made on April 6 this year, and death came to Mr. Dorsett on June 18.

In his will now being contested, Mr. Dorsett left \$100 each to his four children and to John Smith, his "friend and constant companion," he left "all remaining property of every kind and description including the farm of 200 acres, livestock, chickens, hogs, cattle, farming tools, machinery and equipment and all personal property both tangible and intangible."

Mr. Dorsett, under the terms of the will, explained his bequest as follows: "I make the above disposition of the bulk of my property for the reason that for many years John Smith has worked for me with little or no pay and had it not been for his efforts in my behalf I would not now have the farm and machinery which I own, and in view of the services rendered to me by John Smith I think it right and proper that I give and devise to him the bulk of my property as part payment of his great service to me."

### Two-Hour Parking Limitation Starts Sept. 1 In Hillsboro

Enforcement of two-hour parking limitation in downtown Hillsboro will begin on September 1, according to an announcement this week by Mayor Ben Johnston.

Installation of the new two-hour parking signs has just been completed throughout the business section, in accordance with action of the Board of Town Commissioners several months ago. Petition for

restriction originally came from members of the Merchants Association, who pointed out that local office and store employees parking on the streets throughout the day were depriving visitors from day of town and rural customers of needed parking space.

Although enforcement of the restrictions have not yet gone into effect, noticeable increase in available on-street parking area has been evident already.

With the opening of the parking facilities at the new county courthouse, still more off-street parking will be available to relieve the congestion on streets in Hillsboro.

### Court Term Starts Monday

Judge Clifton L. Moore of Burghaw will be the presiding jurist at a term of Superior Court to be held in Hillsboro next week for the trial of civil cases.

Next week's term may be the last to be held in the historic old courthouse, inasmuch as the next term beginning on October 4 is expected to be held in the new courthouse.

A total of 25 cases has been set for trial, with a number of others on the motion docket including an appeal by the plaintiff in the Christopher J. Thomas action against the trustees and officials of Catawba College to obtain a long list of documents held to be vital to the case but denied them in a hearing held before Clerk E. M. Lynch.

### Gordons Buy Local Firm

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Gordon Jr. have purchased the Hillsboro Sundry here on Churton Street from Carey-Lowe.

They will continue to operate the bus station franchise which has been located there, and have extensive plans for enlarging and re-stocking the gift department with a larger and more complete line of gifts, stationery and toiletries.

### 1954 Farm Census Shows Effect Of Drought On County Economy

The 1954 farm census for Orange County, just released by the N. C. and U. S. Departments of Agriculture, reflected very definitely the effect of last year's drought on harvested crop acre-

ated acreage, corn 28%, oats 12%, tobacco 11%, wheat 10% and others 9%.

A total of 8,045 tons of commercial fertilizers were used. The harvested acres of major crops was as follows during the

past year: corn 11,943; cotton 150; tobacco 4,115; peanuts 2; wheat for grain 4,240; soybeans for beans 533; lespedza for seed 383; soybeans and cowpeas for hay 1,206; small grains for hay 818; lespedza for hay 7,531; alfalfa for hay 660; all other hays 2,188; Irish potatoes 84; sweet potatoes 90; other vegetable mostly for sale 134.

Orange County farmers owned the following livestock, according to the census: sows and gilts for farrowing 425; cows and heifers over two years old kept mainly for milk 4,582; kept mainly for beef 2,195; hens and pullets of laying age 126,838.

A total of 10,675 Orange County folks lived on farm tracts in 1953 as compared to 11,370 in 1952.

### Mrs. Parker Will Succeed Annie Strowd

Mrs. Jane Parker of Chapel Hill, a child welfare worker in this county since 1950, has been named Superintendent of the Orange County Welfare Department.

She will succeed Miss Annie Strowd, who resigned recently because of a desire for less arduous duties than those demanded by the superintendency. She will resume duties as a child welfare worker in the post now held by Mrs. Parker. The change will be effective September 15.

Mrs. Parker's appointment was made by the Orange County Welfare Board Monday. The post is subject to provisions of the state merit system and approval of the State Department of Welfare. The new appointee met yesterday afternoon with the Orange County Board of Commissioners to discuss general welfare policies and philosophies.

A spokesman said there were several other applicants for the job, all of them from outside present department personnel.

Mrs. Parker is a native of Massachusetts, having moved to Orange County in 1946 with her husband, John A. Parker, head of the Department of City and Regional Planning at the University of North Carolina. They have two children.

Mrs. Parker received her A.B. degree from the University in 1949 and the following year did graduate work in the University's School of Social Work. In the Welfare Department which maintains offices in Hillsboro and Chapel Hill, she will supervise the work of two case workers, two child welfare workers and three secretaries.

In commenting upon the appointment yesterday, Mrs. Parker expressed the opinion that some phases of the welfare program need strengthening and some re-thinking may be required on the overall program. She expressed gratification for the board's action.

### E. C. Smith Calls For New Funds

"The shortage is serious," E. Carrington Smith, Orange County Emergency March of Dimes director, said today. "We must have more money to pay for a double load—record polio patient care and the polio prevention program with its thrilling hope for the future."

Today 51 polio chapters in North Carolina are in debt to the Central Carolina Convalescent (Polio) Hospital in Greensboro more than \$100,000.00 and cannot pay until the people give the money in this Emergency March of Dimes. We know that we appeal at a difficult time of the year, when many people are on vacation. But polio takes no vacation. Patients need help now. (The prevention program must not be halted.)

Mr. Smith explained why polio funds for 1954 are so short. The 1954 March of Dimes drive, he said, raised \$55,000,000, but this was \$20,000,000 short of the \$75,000,000 known to be needed last January for all programs including new polio prevention efforts such as the vaccine trials and the increased supplies of gamma globulin. High national polio incidence now indicates that even \$75,000,000 may not be enough.

The largest single amount expended in the polio program last year was for care of patients: \$29,734,000. This item could total \$33,500,000 in 1954 if incidence remains high.

### NEVILLE IN KOREA

7TH DIV., Korea—Army Pvt. Jack W. Neville, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Neville, Carrboro, is now serving in Korea with the 7th Infantry Division.

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KIDD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

If Adlai Stevenson could become the next President of the United States, don't be surprised if North Carolina's Kerr Scott of Haw River is named to one of the important positions or is made a speaker at the White House. It is the opinion of some key men in North Carolina who will both Good Democrats and Scott. They say although Stevenson careful-ly followed the campaign closely and was happy that Kerr Scott was the winner. Stevenson and his sister, Mrs. Stevenson, have a high regard for Adlai first became acquainted with him when they were governors of their respective states. Mrs. Stevenson has known him for a number of years. They find the man a gentleman interesting in business, down-to-earth way, and like the way he is swinging for labor and industry. Stevenson ever get into the White House—and believe me, Mrs. Stevenson look brighter every day. Mrs. Stevenson is going to be calling on Kerr Scott for assistance. If she can be of more help in the State that's where he will stay. She will also be a likely prospect for Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture.

Luther Hodges, as elected two years ago shortly after being nominated for Lt. Gov., is the road again visiting the State with whom he will serve in the State Senate next spring. He will also be about three of the members of this august body are members of the Democratic faith, as known since back in the days when the leaders will be in his words, he doesn't have to see what the makeup of the body will be. He is seeking personal views of the senators on important questions of the day. He wants to know what the general opinion of the Senate will be. He wants to become better acquainted with the members and let them know his views on important questions. He is making the rounds in a casual, nonchalant, casual way, and by the time the General Assembly convenes, Lt. Gov. Hodges should be able to tell you, if needs be, an interesting document entitled: "The N. C. State Senate, 1955, Its Likes, Dislikes, and General Political Philosophy." Mr. E. Barnhardt of Concord is the president pro tem of the Senate. The succeeding Edwin Pate of Hillsboro. Mr. Ray Byerly of Sanford is the principal clerk of the Senate again if he wishes.

ALSO FACED. Although the General Assembly is faced with a number of important issues—such as the question of whether to re-approve or increase taxes—many of the work will be in the hands of new members. Many of the new members will be those who will comprise the next session of the General Assembly. A number of the senators and representatives have never been in the Legislature—in '53 or at other times.

ALSO FACED. Unless some unforeseen at this time, the Speaker of the House: Annie Cooper, Raleigh RFD, and Carl Goerch, Hillsboro, will be the principal clerk.

BANK ROBBERIES. Some of the bank robberies sweeping the State is an indication of unemployment. In other words, the thugs have had plenty of money and are used to having their jobs and are now out looking for a job.

ILLINOIS. While the State is here at home are preparing for a skirmish with the Democrats in the mountains and Piedmont, they are also looking an eye on Illinois.

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