

Lockharts Lose 300

7 Arrested For Stealing Turkeys

At least seven men have been arrested in connection with a widespread turkey-stealing operation against the Lockhart Turkey Farm in Chapel Hill township. Sheriff Odell Clayton and his deputies have been investigating the case for several weeks. During several leads in the Durham area, one man was arrested during the weekend and information gained from questioning him and dozens of others led to the mass arrests.

John Lockhart, who with his father, S. P. Lockhart, operates the huge turkey farm which has won wide acclaim for the quality of its products, including a State Fair award, estimated that well over 300 of the choice birds were stolen for a total value of about \$2,500.

Commissioners Take Action On Legislation

In a session largely devoted to discussion of proposed legislation being presented to the General Assembly, the Board of County Commissioners endorsed eight proposals approved by the State association of County Commissioners.

The board also asked its attorneys to check with the State Welfare Department regarding legislation to change the method of distributing welfare equalization fund.

In other actions the board took a dim view and refused to approve a proposal from the C. M. Guest Construction Company, development engineering firm of Greensboro, that this county grant tax exemptions to firms which might be interested in establishing laboratories in the Durham-Raleigh-Chapel Hill triangle. The matter was presented likewise to county boards of Durham and Wake. No specific developments were mentioned by firm.

Cognizance was taken of the current campaign to change the coroner system in North Carolina and the board recommended that Representative Umstead and Senator Scott give "serious consideration" to these propositions before casting their votes.

The eight proposals endorsed by the board include the following: (1) Staggered terms; (2) allowing the board to designate its own clerk; (3) requiring open meetings; (4) allowing the board to purchase liability and accident insurance; (5) requiring JP's to use numbered warrants and requiring receipts to be audited annually; (6) changing the board of welfare term of office from April 1 to July 1; (7) waiving the requirement that the superintendent of welfare and the welfare board chairman sign checks on administration expenses; (8) creating a pooled fund for hospitalization and public assistance recipients.

Benefit Set At Caldwell This Saturday

A benefit chicken supper and oyster supper will be on sale in the Caldwell School lunchroom this coming Saturday, January 22.

Serving will commence at 5:30 p.m. and continue until later in the evening. Pie, cake, coffee, and cold drinks in addition to the dinners. Proceeds from this affair which is sponsored by the Caldwell Educational Association and the Caldwell Home Demonstration Club - will go to the Caldwell Community house building fund.

Members of the committee soliciting donations for the dinners are: Mesdames Sam Riley, Hassie Miller, Clair Berry, Amy Taylor, Blanche Clayton, Wilma Berry, and S. J. Parker, Sr.

Those comprising the cooking and serving committee are: Mesdames Ida Erskin Parker, Ida Durward Parker, Fred Mangum, Sadie Carey, Geraldine McKee, Billie McKee, Olive McKee, Nellie Rhew, Mable Harris, Nola Miller, Frances Hawkins, Luna Wilkerson, Polly Laws, Polly McKee, Lois Blalock, and Mary Ruth Walker.

The publicity committee for this affair are: Misses Marjorie Carey and Vergilene Berry, and Mrs. Elizabeth Murray.

New Taxes Seen Need By Solon

By John W. Umstead Jr., Representative, General Assembly. The second week of the 1955 session of the General Assembly was used almost entirely by the Budget Bureau and the Revenue Department in explaining to both the Senate and the House the recommendations of the Advisory Budget Commission in regard to taxes and appropriations. This procedure is being tried for the first time and it seems to be working well. It is especially beneficial to the members of both bodies who have never served in the legislature.

The proposed new taxes have been given much publicity in the press of the state. For this reason I will not go into them other than to say that all of them will meet some opposition from those affected. The strongest opposition will be to the proposed tax on bottled drinks and tobacco. It is too early in the session to say what the outcome will be in regard to any of the proposed taxes but there is a feeling that some new revenue must be raised and no doubt much of the proposed tax program will ultimately be adopted.

Must Get Money
The reason for making the statement at the close of the last paragraph is that a large number of the members know that the people of the state will not stand for curtailing necessary services and they know that we must get the money from some source. There are those who say that we must curtail spending. When you ask them where they would start you never get a direct reply. Some say that you could cut the number of employees of agencies and institutions in Raleigh. When you tell them if we cut out all employees in Raleigh that would mean only a drop in the bucket, then they begin to hedge and end up with no definite place that we can cut services.

For a minute let us analyze the situation and we will see that there is little chance to cut expenses very much. Take the item of public schools. Seventy cents of each tax dollar is spent on schools. Everyone knows that we cannot dispense with janitorial service and heating. Everyone knows that we cannot dispense with our school bus services to those who live long distances from their schools. Everyone knows that we cannot afford to cut teachers' salaries in the face of the current shortage of teachers in our state as well as the country at large.

We need to increase salaries to induce our boys and girls to go into the teaching profession. More than 30,000 more school children entered our schools in September than had ever entered before. This registration of six-year-olds requires a minimum of year-olds requires a minimum of (See NEW TAXES, page 7)

Forestry Meet Next Tuesday

According to Don S. Matheson, county agent, John Gray, North Carolina State College Extension Forester, will hold two forestry demonstrations Tuesday, January 25.

The first will be at McDuffy Memorial Church, Airport Road, Chapel Hill, in the forests of C. O. L. A. and P. K. Hogan. Thinning and pulpwood will be the subject of this meeting.

In the afternoon at 1:30 o'clock there will be a meeting at Gary Sykes' farm 4 miles south of Hillsboro on the Orange Grove Road. Sykes has, since 1940, thinned his 100-acre farm woodland, and periodically has sold over 200,000 ft. of timber and his stand of timber now is better than it was when he began his timber thinning program. All interested woodland owners in Orange County are invited to attend these demonstrations.

PARKER SELLS OUT

Randolph Parker, who for many years has operated the only shoe shop in Hillsboro, sold his business this week to Martin C. Irons of Tom's River, N. J.

Mr. Irons assumed control of the business on Monday. He and Mrs. Irons are residing on Wake street in Hillsboro.

Mystery Farm of the Week—No. 22



Identify this "Mystery Farm" first and you will receive a free subscription to The News of Orange County. Miss Josephine Pendergraft, of Route 3, Chapel Hill was the first to call last week identifying that farm as belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cheek Sr., Farrington Road, Route 3. The owner has received a beautifully mounted photo of his farm.

Town Board Expects To Get Water Survey Report Today

Report Of Steady Progress In 1954 Heard By Local B&L Stockholders

Another report of steady growth featured the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Hillsboro Building and Loan Association Tuesday night.

Secretary-Treasurer Ira A. Ward told the group that total resources of the association experienced a growth of over a quarter of a million dollars during 1954, which he said was one of its best years though not the biggest in growth.

"We have grown steadily, if not spectacularly, during the past year," Ward said, "and our area, town and community are growing along with us."

Total assets of the association which has close to 2,000 savers and borrowers in this immediate area, increased by \$258,035 during 1954, according to Ward's report, which he illustrated freely with charts.

Other highlights of the report showed: 245 new loans were made during the past year, amounting to a total of \$615,225.

These included 68 for new homes, 46 for purchase of real property, primarily homes, and 131 for other uses primarily repairs, etc.

Ward described this record as "something in which we as stockholders and citizens can take pride." Earnings of the association during the year amounted to \$85,000, 46.8% of this amount being paid to members as dividends.

All directors and officers of the association were reelected including W. John Clayton, president, B. S. Carr, vice president, Ira A. Ward, secretary-treasurer, Bonner D. Sawyer, attorney, and W. H. Walker, W. T. Murray, R. T. Taylor, C. Scott Cates and J. H. McAdams, directors.

Total assets in the local association now total \$1,655, 387.58.

Meeting Set For 2:30 p.m. With Engineer

Hillsboro's town board will hear details at 2:30 this afternoon of a survey which has been underway for several months to determine the municipality's proper course to assure an adequate water supply.

Town Manager Thomas D. Rose of Chapel Hill, the consulting engineer, has scheduled a meeting with the Board to present the results of his survey.

The survey report is expected to include plans for construction of a dam on the Eno River near the old Dimock's Mill dam site which was washed away several years ago, estimated costs, and other factors upon which the Town Commissioners can base their decision for future action.

Personnel of the board, it is understood, have been in contact with representatives of the property owners and no difficulty is expected in securing whatever land may be necessary.

Hillsboro existed on a dangerously short water supply for several months in late Summer and early Fall last year and drastic conservation measures had to be instituted to get the community through the shortage. Rainfall has been relatively light since that time and many wells still are dry, altogether making a situation dangerous to the future welfare of the community and early remedial action necessary.

1954 Receipts At Postoffice Drop Slightly

Postal receipts at the Hillsboro Postoffice showed a slight increase for the final quarter of 1954 as compared to the final quarter of the previous year, but total receipts for the year dropped from the record of 1953.

Total postal receipts at the local office were \$24,230.87 in 1954 as compared to \$25,616.99 the previous year.

Prior to the past year, gross receipts had experienced a steady growth since 1948.

Total receipts for previous years since 1948 were as follows: 1948—\$14,873.82; 1949—\$15,898.85; 1950—\$18,898.35; 1951—\$20,779.49; 1952—\$24,274.61.

Receipts for a postoffice are obtained through the sale of stamps, second class postage, box rents, and other types of paid postage. Receipts do not show the amount of money order business, nor do they show the amount of postal savings business.

MERCHANTS LUNCHEON

The Hillsboro Merchants Association will hold its regular January meeting at luncheon today at Colonial Inn at 1 o'clock.

Dentist Joins Health Staff Next Month

Dr. John T. Hughes, Pittsboro dentist, will become a full-time dentist with the Orange-Person-Chatham-Lee health department on February 28.

Dr. O. David Garvin, district health officer, said this is the first time a dentist has been assigned permanently to a single district. He expressed gratification at this additional assignment and the opportunity which it affords for service in the schools.

Dr. Hughes will be in charge of oral hygiene in all schools in the four counties, and it will be his job to inspect all school children and to correct defects of the underprivileged children.

When Dr. Hughes takes over the District Health post on March 1st, he will discontinue his private practice of dentistry in Pittsboro. He said this week that he will make every effort to bring another dentist to Pittsboro to take his place. Dr. Hughes and his family will continue to make their home in Pittsboro.

Dr. Hughes said that the people of Pittsboro and Chatham County have been extremely nice to him during his eight years here, and that this kindness is greatly appreciated by him.

A native of Seema, Dr. Hughes attended Wake Forest College and the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, University of Maryland Dental School. He served in the Army from 1942 to 1944, and set up an office in Pittsboro for the practice of dentistry in August, 1947. His wife is the former Miss Elizabeth Disney of Baltimore, Maryland, and they have two children.

\$50 PLATES AVAILABLE

Orange County Democrats have given an allotment of six places at the annual Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner to be held in Raleigh on February 6. Price of the tickets are \$50 each, the county's quota being \$300. Chairman R. O. Forrest says that any Democrat has the privilege of purchasing one of the tickets for \$50 if he desires. In accordance with the usual practice, if the dinner plates are not sold, a solicitation to raise the county's quota will be made among party members through the county. The Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner is the annual fund-raising event of the party.

Excavations Begin For New School

Excavations for the construction of the new Cameron Park Elementary School in Hillsboro were begun Tuesday.

Contracts for the general construction and the sub-contracts were signed earlier this week by school officials.

The Charles C. Haynes Construction company has the general contract. Hunt Plumbing Company the plumbing contract, Arrow Plumbing and Heating Company the heating contract and Mace Electric Company the electrical contract, all totaling in the neighborhood of \$235,000 since the elimination of a number of minor items from the original specifications to bring the total within the money available.

It is planned to have the building completed by early Fall. Archie R. Davis is the architect.

ATTRACTS 300

Over 300 people attended the open house of the board of education at the new school administrative offices in the old court house Tuesday night.

NEW LOCATION

Botsford Radio & TV Service will open in its new location, the building formerly occupied by Dell Mar Shop, on Church on Saturday.

School Personnel Begin Evaluation Program In Orange County Units

The school personnel of Orange County's white schools, feeling a need to study our public schools, have begun a program of school evaluation under the leadership of Mrs. Irene Fender, supervisor of schools, with the approval of superintendent, G. P. Carr.

As the study progresses the basic elements of a good school will be considered. Some of these elements are: To develop needed skills in teaching pupils. To teach moral and spiritual values. To meet needs and broaden interests of pupils. To foster personal and community principles for good citizenship. To continue to improve our schools. To provide adequate instructional materials. To have good equipment and grounds. To provide adequate and safe transportation. To provide guidance for children. To realize value in teaching in small groups of classes. To encourage teachers to study for improved teaching methods. To have interested and cooperative parents.

Each school will conduct its individual evaluation. The supervisor has provided questionnaires or check lists from the State Department of Public Instruction which will be the basis of the evaluation. The teacher will evaluate her own classroom and teaching procedures and from time to time conferences will be held with the supervisor, principal and teachers participating in the study of the school's needs.

Finally a summary of the evaluation will be drawn by a committee appointed by the principal and the results will be submitted to the Superintendent, G. P. Carr.

and the Orange County Board of Education for further study.

It is necessary that schools be evaluated continuously in order to provide for better growth and development. It is important to know the failures as well as accomplishments and there is no better way to learn the facts than through evaluation.

Teachers need to evaluate their techniques and to study the individual pupil to provide for learning. Principals need to continuously evaluate their schools from the standpoints of administration, school personnel, pupil transportation, public relations, community relationships and other phases of work of the principal.

The supervisor needs to have information concerning the school. (See "EVALUATION," page 5)

KIDD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

UNDERGROUND . . . One afternoon last week I was driving down Elkin and Winston-Salem when an approaching car with red lights at me. I checked if my lights were on. They were. The next car did the same thing. I checked the lights and waved and I waved.

When I got to the Yadkin River I was not surprised to find a whammy set up by the way patrol. From that point car in front of me flashed lights at every car he passed. We got to Winston-Salem. It was an interesting experience in psychology. Apparently out of every five people cooperating to defeat the whammy. The one may have taken for that the others had been.

One thing impressed me. The whammy didn't cause the arrest anybody who had any sense. Observation who was traveling between Elkin and Winston-Salem that afternoon. And yet it really accomplished its purpose. I had never seen a more orderly line of traffic on any highway. Everyone was within speed limit and waving, smiling and cooperating with his fellow travelers.

One thought occurred that if a person is traveling and observing the flow of traffic is exiting the speed limit that he would be doing his fellow traveler and himself a favor if he flash his lights, smile and regardless of whether a whammy is ahead or not. One should be and at least it will be the speed laws to be observed for the next ten miles before one might be a life just it may be your own.

REAL FRIENDLY . . . There many freshman members of legislature in Raleigh, and there has been a lot of "getting acquainted" going on. They are reliable lot, and easy to get along with or else they wouldn't have been elected back home. There are also a lot of fresh or new lobbyists on the scene this year and they are busy getting acquainted with the legislators as fast as they can, and they are a friendly lot and "fellow well-meet" or else they would never have been chosen for the work they are sent to do.

Recently I saw two of these lobbyists dining together in a high restaurant, and they were both laughing so hard they were as to the cause of their merriment. They are from different parts of the state and by some chance had never met. They had picked up an acquaintance in the lobby of the Sir Walter Hotel, had gone across the street to

wh thought the other one was a member of the legislature. Both were doing their best to make a good impression, and conversation had gone something like this: "I hope to get better acquainted with you during the next three months, and if there is anything I can do for you please depend that it will be a pleasure for me to do so." "Well, sir, that is most kind of you, and let me hasten to assure you that I am at your service and eager to return any favor."

One went on for awhile until the other was convinced that he had made a new friend and secured a new vote for his employer.

Finally one said, "Tell me, I would know, but are you a member of the house or the senate?" "Neither," was the reply. "I am a lobbyist." "Shake," said the other one. "So am I," and with that they both saw the humor of the situation and were still laughing when I came by.

CLUB-DE-DUB . . . Speaking (See ROUNDUP, Page 2)