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KIDD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

...LLING THE PROGRAM
opinion is that State Maga-
did a fine thing in naming
Hodges of Asheville as
Carolina's Man of the Year
1956. He deserved it.
Other North Carolina govern-
mental groups in recent years work-
ed hard—and as earnestly—as
Tax Study Commission which
has ran as chairman.
You have not seen one: you
order from the Tax Re-
ch Department here in the
Building a free copy of
big report issued just before
Thanksgiving.
The recommendations are more
reaching than you realize.
Governor Hodges believes the
"constitutes the first compre-
hensive, over-all, objective
ever to be made on our tax
structure." Yes, and the first big
recommended in 25 years.
I have talked to some of the
who prepared the study—and
have had reports from them
indicating it. What impresses us
their enthusiasm for the tax
program they are presenting to
1957 Legislature. Several mem-
bers of the committee—probably
of them by now—have made
addresses on the study
are going all-out to sell the
program.

Virtually every
of life was represented on
committee drawing up the re-
destined to be the big news-
in North Carolina within
next four months. You have
don Maddy on it. Gordon is
merchant and a farmer. Then
is Frank Daniels of Raleigh,
runs the business life of the
and Observer. Representing
insurance companies and big
business in general we would say
Howard Holderness of Greens-
boro, president of Jefferson Stand-
ard. J. Y. Jordan, Asheville bach-
ter, lawyer, and member of the
General Assembly; W. F. Kemp,
furniture manufacturer
a member of the General As-
sembly; Ed O'Herron, Charlotte,
Card Drug Co. official; Sen.
James M. Poyer, Raleigh attorney
Cameron Village; and former
Grady Rankin, Gastonia,
tile manufacturer.

A friend of ours
back from New York tells
out going to a show in one of
the fine old theatres converted
years ago into a movie
place.

Trying to make his dollars
count as far as possible, he and
collegiate friend bought bal-
cony seats. They were escorted by
usher who marched them up
the ramp, to the top bal-
cony level, where he stopped and
led upward toward more seats,
climbing into the blackness.
"You'll find a seat up there
nowhere. This is as far as I
above this level, my nose
peeks."

You folks who at-
tended the Dixie Classic—some-
times referred to as the Dixie Clas-
—two weeks ago will be
interested in knowing that St.
Paul and San Francisco, two of
the top quintets in this or any other
country, have already been issued
invitations to take part in the 1957
festival coming up in about 12
months.

On January 23, Wake
Forest's fabulous Bill Barnes will
be honored by a big banquet. Get
touch with Bill Brown of Lan-
caster, you Deacon supporters, if you
want to attend.
I wouldn't turn my hand over in
difference of the Duke, Wake
Forest, and State teams this bas-
ketball year. It seems to be most-
ly a matter of where they hap-
pen to be playing... as witness
Wake's victory over State Satur-
day night in Durham.

With
domestic help costs in North Caro-
lina climbing to \$25 and \$35 per
week in some sections, many a
housewife in this State saw in
the Hungarian refugee problem a
shot opportunity to help out
and get good household help at
the same time.
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FIRST TRAFFIC FATALITY—Inevitably as it must happen each year, Orange County's first traffic death of the new year occurred early Saturday morning when a Hamlet man died in the crash of his auto along the Hillsboro Highway at the edge of Chapel Hill. Above, the demolished '56 convertible Buick is seen after being righted, while investigating the smashup are Policeman Graham Creel and Highway Patrolman Tom Winborne (right). Photo By Giduz

County's First 1957 Auto Fatality Occurs Early Saturday Morning

Orange County's first traffic death of 1957, occurred near Chapel Hill this past weekend in the fifth day of the new year.

A Hamlet man, James Nelson Mangum Jr., 39, died of a broken neck, according to Assistant Coroner George Cannady, in a single automobile crash on a single automobile crash on the Hillsboro Road hill in the pre-dawn hours of Saturday morning.

Investigating Highway Patrolman Tom Winborne said there were apparently no witnesses to the tragedy. It was discovered by Richard Gunter of Chapel Hill, about 2 a.m., as he was driving home from a friend's house. He said he noticed the headlights of the auto shining from a ravine in the woods and immediately notified local police.

Patrolman Graham Creel came to the scene and found the victim hanging from his upturned 1956 Buick convertible which was lodged between two trees a few feet from the highway.

Tire tracks leading up to the wrecked car showed that it was headed south out of Chapel Hill on the Hillsboro Highway and swerved sharply to the left after rounding the first curve on the hill above Chase Ave. The car traveled a short distance on the muddy shoulder of the road and careened into the gully, coming to rest on its side.

It was understood that Mr. Mangum had been visiting friends in Chapel Hill and was returning home.

CHANGE IN JUDGE
Judge J. B. Craven Jr. of Morriston has been assigned to preside at the January 21 civil term of Superior Court in Orange County, according to notification received by Clerk E. M. Lynch from the office of state's Chief Justice, Judge Q. K. Nimocks, was the regularly scheduled judge for this town.

At Cedar Grove Meeting

Orange Farmers Urged To Grow Darker, Heavier Quality Leaf

The need for tobacco growers here to strive to produce a higher quality of tobacco and a darker grade of leaf was emphasized to Orange County tobacco growers last week. "Get your tobacco planted early," a tobacco expert advised more than 50 Orange County tobacco farmers who attended a meeting in the A-cock School last Thursday night. The expert, S. N. Hawks, extension tobacco specialist from State College, said "the man wants heavier tobacco, and planting beds early will help you get it." However, Hawks cautioned against planting before the cold weather is gone, and said "just work toward the early part of the season."

Claude Sharpe Retires, Sells Local Firm To Son



CLAUDE W. SHARPE

Delegation Urges Action On New Gym

A delegation of nine persons attended the Board of Education meeting on Monday requesting "something definite" on a new gymnasium for Hillsboro School. The group included Ed Barnes as spokesman, James Freeland, Ira Ward, Glenn Auman, Mrs. Mildred Kennedy, Marvin Ray, Reid Roberts, Mrs. Clyde Roberts and G. A. Brown, principal. In speaking to the Board, Barnes stated that the hope of the Citizens Committee was "that some"

Recreation Decision Postponed

A decision on the setting of the boundaries of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Recreation District, as well as the date for the election, was postponed by the County Commissioners in Hillsboro last Monday in the face of opposite stands on the issue taken by the Town Board and School Committee and a number of citizens' representatives.

Development Group Reappointed By Board

Members of the Orange County Agricultural and Industrial Commission were reappointed for a new two-year term on Monday by the county commissioners and then handed a new job on a project which apparently could have far-reaching effect on the county's future. No changes were made in the 28-member group (four from each township) which was set up in May of 1955. The new terms expire December 31, 1958. The new job given the Com-

Meeting Is Called For Friday To Study Tax Supplement

Is Considered In Lieu Of Carrboro Vote

A meeting has been called by the Orange County Board of Education for tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock at its offices for a study of the proposed county-wide tax supplement for schools. Invited to attend are all principals of the administrative unit, district committeemen and PTA presidents. Much recent discussion has centered around the calling of a county-wide vote on a school supplement because of complications which would arise from such a vote in the Carrboro District alone. A request for a vote on a supplement in its district has come previously from the Carrboro District Committee.

The Orange County board of education on Monday approved plans of the Architects, Croft and Hammond, for the new Carrboro School and set February 21 as the day for opening the bids on the project.

Jack Croft and Clyde Dorsett of the Asheville firm of architects presented the finished plans to the board.

In other actions the board appointed D. C. Clayton of Route 2, Rottomont to the Caldwell School committee to fill out the unexpired term of Lacy Tilley, deceased.

An allotment of \$300 was made to the Hillsboro school from the current budget for instructional supplies, which with other funds will finance the school's band program.

The board took under advisement a report from Mrs. Lois Blalock, principal of the Caldwell School, that an Aycove School bus was being routed into the Caldwell School District to pick up the children of Sam Cates. No action was taken pending investigation.

Approval was given for the borrowing of funds necessary to complete the purchase of a Central School activities bus for \$4,367. Balance due above funds already raised by the school and its patrons is \$1,800.

Needs More Time For Writing

Dr. Charles Maddy Resigns Pastorate At Baptist Church



DR. CHARLES E. MADDY, WITH MRS. MADDY

"The Good Circle ..."

Undoubtedly, that friend of so many, Dr. Charles Maddy, deserves his second retirement in "the good circle of a good life" which has been his. We like hundreds of others of his neighbors, hope it will be spent in the comfortable brick house with the green blinds on St. Mary's Road.

As we learned of the decision which he announced to his congregation Sunday, we marked again the fine tribute published by The News & Observer when he returned to Hillsboro in 1951 for the second tenure now concluding. We would like to make it ours also in appreciation of one of Orange County's greatest sons.

"Not many men are given either the wisdom or the chance to round out their lives in such service and satisfaction as that which lies before Dr. Charles E. Maddy, great elder statesman of the Baptist denomination.

"Other able men, after long, active and eminent careers have politely declined to grow dusty in dignity on any shelf no matter how highly elevated and venerated. Indeed, in retirement Dr. Maddy has worked at his writing with a steady energy surpassing that of many younger men. Even such labors, however, seemed a 'loafing' in life and service to a man who had not only served large churches in several states but, as executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, had gone to every mission field of his denomination every part of the world. The dangers and excitements of such service perhaps came to its climax when Dr. Maddy's mission brought him to Hawaii at the time when the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor.

"Such a man was entitled to rest as age caught up with his labors. And to give Dr. Maddy credit for an attempt at conformity, he tried it. His writings prove, however, that he tried such rest very restlessly. If the calendar counted his years, it could not measure his continuing eagerness to be of service still. Now in an almost miraculous closing of the good circle of a good life, he goes back in age to become the permanent pastor of the church in Hillsboro where he began his ministry while still a student, and almost a boy.

"One well known North Carolinian once wrote a great novel called 'You Can't Go Home Again.' A man, he suggested, cannot hope to go back to the old places and his youth in them. Dr. Maddy knows better. In his age he knows that there can be no better place to serve at last than where he sought with young eagerness to serve first. He goes in demonstration that the best old age is not an unrelenting but a wholeness. He goes back after a career as wide as the world to a task which seemed only as big as a small church in a little town. It takes some time for a man to realize that this village parsonage contains the world, and the world can never be greater in its challenge to a good man than the spiritual needs of a few people within the walls of a small church.

"Dr. Maddy's loafing is ended if it ever began. His first church will provide the benediction of his last years. The small church will be blessed, too, in the discovery that it deserves the concern of a minister and a gentleman whose pastorate not long ago was the whole wide world."

Dr. Charles E. Maddy, often termed the great elder statesman of the Baptist denomination, last Sunday resigned his pastorate at Hillsboro's First Baptist Church, effective April 10th, his 81st birthday.

"The fellowship of the church restored and its people now in harmony," Dr. Charlie, as he is affectionately known by a great many people here, said he had completed what he had set out to do six years ago and thought the church now needed a younger man. In addition to restoring the harmony of the church, he has found time to lead his congregation in the construction and dedication of a large educational building addition to the historic sanctuary in which he served his first pastorate 55 years ago.

Writing Two Books

Dr. Maddy said also he is "in the midst" of writing two more books and he needs more time in order to complete them. One is "The History of the Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention," an organization which he served as secretary for 13 years, while the other is "The Life of Shabael Stearnes," a biography of the man he considers the founder of all Baptist work in piedmont North Carolina. Stearnes organized the first Baptist Association in the State.

Dr. Maddy is already the author of an autobiography and other works in the religious field. He was born in Orange County a few miles north of Chapel Hill.

Dr. Maddy began his first pastorate here January 1, 1902 serving for two years and nine months. At the same time he served as pastor of four other churches in the county, acted as county superintendent, and was a senior at the University of North Carolina. Other churches in Hillsboro which he served at that time were Mrs. Hill, Ebenezer, Henry's Grove and Mt. Ada.

Foreign Service

He went to the Seminary at Louisville, Ky. from here and after that for 25 years served different pastorates in Kentucky, North Carolina and Texas. The next 25 years were spent as a Missions Secretary, 12 years as Secretary of North Carolina Baptist Convention and 13 years as Executive Secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, which took him into every part of the world.

Cheshire Case Is Continued In Court Here

The trial of William Polk "Bill" Cheshire in the first test of the state's new cross-burning law was continued on Monday for two weeks.

The request for delay was filed by the attorney for the University of North Carolina student, Cheshire's attorney, R. P. Reade of Durham, asked for the delay to permit him to attend the current session of Durham County Superior Court.

Cheshire's hearing is scheduled in Recorder's Court.

Orange County authorities and State Bureau of Investigation agents said Cheshire admitted burning a cross in the yard of Mrs. Cheshire-Webb where former University President Frank P. Graham was an overnight guest in the home of his sister-in-law. Cheshire said he fired the cross "as a prank."

The law under which Cheshire was charged was written in the state's crackdown on the Ku Klux Klan. It prohibits anyone from burning a cross on private property without the owner's permission.