

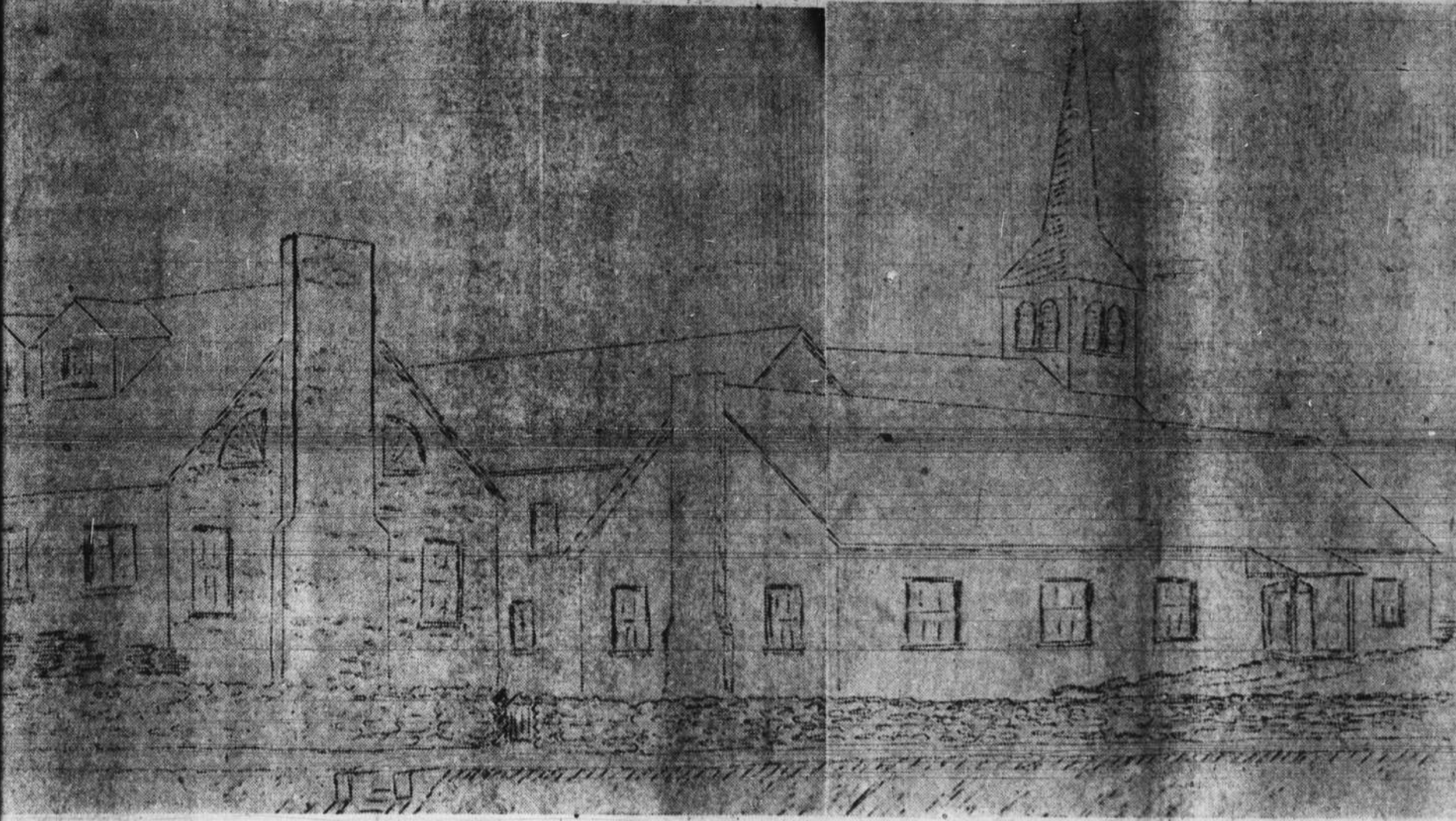
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SKETCH of the proposed new building of the Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, to be built to the north of the present sanctuary and old Sunday School building. The new structure, as can be seen, will be located to the rear of the Confederate Memorial Library building shown at the left and will in no way obstruct the view of that building from the street.

## Police Force Hiked For Weekend Duty

### Bullard Is Named To Succeed Roberts After Retirement

The town board of Hillsboro Tuesday night selected a "helper" for night police work with the tentative understanding he will succeed Policeman D. T. Roberts next May or June when the latter retires.

Mr. Roberts, Mayor Ben Johnston said, will be able to retire under social security after state law enforcement officers vote to bring their retirement system under the federal program sometime in April.

Selected for the job was Leon Bullard, a retired warrant officer of the armed forces, who has seen military service in many places throughout the world, including service in the military police.

Mr. Bullard has returned to Hillsboro to make his home with his family after retiring several months ago.

Decision to hire a "helper" for work on Friday and Saturday nights apparently was made at an unscheduled and informal meeting of board members last week and most of the discussion Tuesday night centered around the selection of the officer from among the four candidates who had applied for the job orally. No public call for applications was made but the Mayor said word of the impending hiring had gone out on the "grapevine."

Lynn Smith, J. D. Ray and Richard Bateman were the other applicants.

As was their usual custom, the board neither read nor approved minutes of any previous meetings, and the town clerk did not attend. (See POLICE, Page 8)

## All Streets Set For Re-Surfacing

The town board of Hillsboro Tuesday night authorized the re-surfacing and sealing this Spring of all paved streets, except a few blocks that do not show need.

The work will be done under contract with the State Highway and Public Works Commission with the use of Powell Bill funds and under the highway department's code maintenance provisions.

The board, at the suggestion of Mayor Ben Johnston, requested that the Highway Commission use plant mix for a smooth surface on areas such as from the lower end of Churton Street to Tryon.

from the Agriculture Building to the Wake Street intersection on King with other streets under code maintenance to be drag sealed.

## County To Sell \$862,000 In Bonds Soon

The Board of Education has determined it will need \$862,000 of the two million dollar bond issue of last year during the coming year and called upon the county to sell at least that amount in bonds to follow their construction timetable.

The three large projects are all expected to be underway in the next two months and will require \$196,000 at Carrboro, \$170,000 on the Hillsboro gymnasium, and \$250,000 at the Central Negro School.

The first \$199,000 of the Carrboro construction will come from funds allotted the county under the last State-wide school bond issue.

The smaller projects which will go on simultaneously with the larger projects during the coming year are at Aycock, \$63,000 (virtually complete), Efland-Cheeks \$98,000, Efland \$40,000, Cedar Grove \$30,000 and Hillsboro High School (renovation) \$15,000.

## Break-In Probe Takes Sheriff To Rhode Island

James Leon McCauley, 20, Hillsboro native, now stationed at Quonset Point Naval Air Station and currently charged with ransacking two city hall offices at Central Falls, Rhode Island, is a prime suspect in the recent break-in of 13 local business firms and offices.

Sheriff Odell Clayton, Deputy Buck Knight and an S.B.I. officer left early yesterday by car for the Rhode Island town to interrogate McCauley and attempt to close the investigation. Sheriff Clayton said he had established McCauley was here on leave during the weekend of the break-ins, but did not reveal other evidence he might have to implicate McCauley.

McCauley pled guilty in district court to the Rhode Island offense and was held in \$1,000 bail for the grand jury. He with an accomplice was surprised by an officer walking out of the City Treasurer's office carrying a crowbar and screw driver which had been used to pry open the office safe. Similar tools were used in all the robberies here.

## Development Body Leaders Are Re-elected

All incumbent officers of the Orange County Agricultural and Industrial Commission were re-elected at the first meeting of the body at the courthouse last Thursday night.

They are Don Matheson, chairman, Bernice Ward, vice chairman, R. O. Forrest, secretary, Zeb C. Burton, chairman of the Agricultural division and Forrest, chairman of the Industrial division.

A committee of Chapel Hill area members was named to form a Chapel Hill-Carrboro industrial development committee to handle industrial matters for that area.

## Plans For \$170,000 Gym Are Approved

The Orange County Board of Education has approved original plans and drawings for the new Hillsboro High School gymnasium, which estimates now indicate will cost in the neighborhood of \$170,000.

The board hopes to advertise for bids on the brick and steel, 29,000 square foot structure next month and then let construction contracts the following month.

The proposed gymnasium will be a two-story building.

The ground floor will consist of dressing rooms, shower and drying rooms for boys and girls teams, a 30' x 50' game room and recreation center for table games, gym classes, athletics and social gatherings, two normal size classrooms for physical education, a 20-foot front lobby, ticket booth, and concession stand.

The second floor will be entered by wide steps from the front and will be at the same level as the present football field, with three doors on the north side which empty out onto that field. It will consist of two cross courts for practice and one 30 x 84 foot playing court, and seats for 1,000 spectators. There will be two circular staircases at the rear of the building for entrance to the dressing rooms.

A main town water line which crosses the school property and the site of the proposed building on the west side of the high school will have to be moved at a cost of approximately \$2,000.

The architect was instructed to bring in preliminary drawings next month for a two classroom, lunch room-auditorium, office addition to the Efland-Cheeks Negro school.

The resignation of Roland Taylor as school committeeman for Efland District was accepted by the Board. He was moved from the county. No successor has been selected.

## County Board Declines To Act On Anti-Racing Endorsement

The Board of County Commissioners on Monday declined to take any action on an Orange County ministerial association request for endorsement of proposed local anti-racing legislation.

Petitions seeking a ban on automobile racing in Orange County which would affect two tracks operating in the Hillsboro area have already been presented to Orange County members of the General Assembly by officials of an anti-racing association formed to fight the tracks last summer shortly after the opening of the second track off the Orange Grove road.

Dr. Charles Maddry, the Rev. William Sewell and the Rev. William Smith, appearing before the Commissioners, said Representative Umstead had indicated a desire for sentiment from the County Commissioners on the matter and called upon the board to approve the anti-racing bill and write to Mr. Umstead. Dr. Maddry acted as spokesman for the ministers, calling the races a "desecration of the Sabbath" and "endangering life."

The present membership of the board, it was indicated by the discussion which followed the ministers' appearance, does not feel the racing question is one now within the purview of the Board of Commissioners. The present Senator, Edwin S. Lanier, took a strong position against the races as a member of the Board last summer.

The Commissioners forwarded to Umstead and Lanier a transcript of their action last February in which they endorsed an action of the county Democratic Executive Committee recommending an anti-racing bill.

(See ANTI-RACING, Page 8)

## World Day Of Prayer Tomorrow

The World Day of Prayer will be observed at the Hillsboro Methodist Church tomorrow afternoon at 3:45 o'clock sponsored by the churches of Hillsboro.

On this day, the town of Hillsboro will join 20,000 other communities all over America in Christian fellowship.

Mrs. S. F. Nicks is chairman of the general planning committee for the local observance. Mrs. Lawton Pettit is leader of the program.

The following leaders represent the churches in Hillsboro: Baptist, Mrs. Leonard Mitchell; Episcopal, Mrs. Don Matheson; Presbyterian, Mrs. Glenn Auman and Methodist, Mrs. Marshall Cates.

The Rev. W. A. Seawell, pastor of the Methodist Church will speak.

## Presbyterians Plan Addition To Building

The congregation of Hillsboro Presbyterian Church is proceeding with plans for early construction of additional Sunday School facilities at the church.

The congregational approval constituting the go-ahead signal came last Sunday morning at a congregational meeting which approved tentative plans of the church's planning committee and a Durham architect for a new Sunday School assembly building and kitchen facilities in a single story building to be constructed to the north of present building and joined to the North end of the present Sunday School building. The planned construction is expected to cost about \$16,500.

The present Sunday School building, which also houses a kitchen, will be altered to create additional classrooms in lieu of the present building.

This followed a meeting last Friday night between the County Board and the Carrboro committee in which the county unit, which (See TAX VOTE, Page 8)

## Carrboro Body Opposes County-Wide Tax Vote

The Carrboro District School Committee, which is pressing hard for a school tax supplement election in its district alone, continues to oppose a proposed county-wide supplement vote now favored by the County Board of Education.

As a result, progress toward calling any election has come to a standstill and expected action on this matter at last Monday's meeting did not come.

Carrboro Chairman Carl Ellington formally notified Superintendent G. Paul Carr Monday morning that "All members of the Carrboro Board have expressed opposition to calling a county-wide supplementary tax vote."

(See TAX VOTE, Page 8)

## More Units Begin Work For Red Cross

"Join and Serve" became the word throughout Orange County last Saturday as the Hillsboro Residential, Rural, Efland, School, and Colored Divisions joined the divisions already at work in the Orange County Chapter's 1957 Fund and Membership Campaign of the American Red Cross.

Mrs. G. C. McBane and Mrs. Ira Ward are co-chairmen of the Hillsboro Residential Division.

Captains of the Hillsboro Residential Division are: Messers J. W. Dickson, R. H. Clayton, Charlie Forrest, Curtis Scott, W. C. Brewer, C. W. Sharpe, Lucius Cheshire, L. E. Beard, Mann Norris, David Baird, Evelyn Parsley, Dor Matheson, Guy Miller, C. D. Knight, Reid Roberts, Ralph Neighbors, James

(See RED CROSS, Page 8)

## After 6-Hour Marathon

## Preachers Get Old 'Heave-Ho'; Hunt Decides 'nuff's Enough

Street corner preachers who came to Hillsboro from Burlington "to save souls" Saturday afternoon seemed to be doing all right until Chief George Hunt, decided the town had had about enough.

After a six hour marathon during which a corps of five bombarded all ears within range of court square and buttonholed all who would stay long enough within reach, the Chief said he thought the "disturbance" had gone on long enough. The preaching got underway about 2:30 p.m. and the Chief reached his decision about 8:30, he said.

He told them he thought it was about time for them to be on their way. They protested at first, said they had "saved seven souls" already, but the Chief stood firm. A demand for a peek at their driver's licenses seemed to be a clincher, but some thought it might have been a second look at vigorous, grim-faced Deputy Rainey Roberts at the Chief's shoulder that did the trick.

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RED CROSS LEADERS of the North East rural division are shown above: Seated left to right—Mrs. A. L. Hamlin, Mrs. W. A. Crabtree, Mrs. Clyde Roberts, Mrs. Bun Pope, Mrs. C. T. Roberts. Standing left to right—Mrs. R. L. McKee, Mrs. G. R. McKee, Mrs. L. D. Kirkland, Miss Margaret Cates, Mrs. Milton Latta, Mrs. Otis Mincey, Mrs. C. B. Nichols, Mrs. Allen Latta, Allen Latta.

## Museum Plan Meeting Today

Dr. C. C. Crittenden, head of the Department of Archives and History of North Carolina and Mrs. Joye E. Jordan, Director of the State Museum, will be guest speakers this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock on establishing an Orange County Museum at a meeting to be held in the courtroom of the old courthouse.

Civic groups, Home Demonstration Clubs, County and Town commissioners, Granges and all interested Orange County residents have been extended an invitation to attend this meeting being sponsored by the Hillsboro Garden Club.

Mrs. Clarence D. Jones is chairman of the club's museum committee with Mrs. Ben Johnson, Mrs. Robert Forrest, Mrs. Sam Gattis Sr. and Mrs. Marion Roberts serving with her.

KIDD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

### WELCOME EVERYBODY

The various groups supporting Governor Luther Hodges in the State Department of Labor efforts to have the State minimum wage law in the State Legislative Council. Council is composed of members of various organizations. It is the most ardent supporter of the State Federation of Labor Unions. The women are pushing again for the minimum wage law and in the current issue of excellent little periodical, "Women" that "there is too great a differential between the per hour minimum wage for the estate workers under the minimum wage law and wages for estate workers who have no protection."

women, as usual, are and we admire their But their interest in the aid should begin literally at home. We would say, knowing for sure—but needless—feeling certain we are correct that: these women employ in some are more in need of minimum wage law than any group of workers, in the North.

N-AGE CODE They do not realize it, but what to various aspects of the workers' activities in our state is claiming the attention of the 1957 Legislature.

problem came up last as Committee on Highway debated whether to make racing on the highway by thus depriving some of his citizenship for and placing a black mark on his name for life. It will up again in about two in the matter of extending jurisdiction of juvenile to sixteen-year-old first.

average holds, approximately 1,500 North Carolina under the age of sixteen marry during the year of this is four per cent of the number of Tarheel women will go to the altar during the next twelve months.

about 100 boys under can be expected to marry year. Even though the law written parental consent the law is regarded as too loose. So, look for the Assembly to be request-strengthen the marriage by requiring a birth certificate or birth card as proof of

recently came into possession of a teen-ager's code written by a teen-ager. Here it is: (See ROUNDUP, Page 2)