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Cole Named County Aide To Murdock

Hobbs Gets New Term As County Chairman Of Commissioners

The Orange County Board of Commissioners has appointed county prosecutor Roy Cole of Chapel Hill as Assistant Solicitor for Orange County Superior Court.

At Monday's meeting also, the commissioners reelected Chapel Hill's R. J. M. Hobbs to the Chairmanship of the Board for the coming year. It marked the beginning of his fourth year as chairman and his sixth as a member of the Board.

For the additional duty of assisting the District Solicitor, Cole will be paid \$100 for each Superior Court term between now and next July (3) when the matter will come up for further discussion and setting of a salary. He began work immediately on Monday.

Before the current one-week criminal term of Superior Court opened Monday Fifth District Solicitor William Murdock of Durham appeared before the Board to ask it to consider the appointment of an assistant to him for this County.

County Can Appoint

There is no provision in State law for the District doing this, he explained, but an act of the General Assembly permits a county to make such an appointment, and provides that the Prosecuting Attorney of the County Court may also hold the District post.

Mr. Murdock recommended Mr. Cole, who was last year named Solicitor of the County Recorder's Court, for this post. It was noted that Mr. Cole is already excluded from engaging in criminal law practice, since he holds the County Court post, and that the appointment of any lawyer other than one in his situation would also exclude that person from criminal practice.

Would Help County

Mr. Murdock said that "My reasons for asking this are not entirely personal. I believe this will help the County, and could conceivably cut the length of court terms and save the County some money."

In the five-county Fifth Judicial District, which includes Person, Durham, Orange, Granville, and Alamance Counties, there are 53 weeks of court a year to which Mr. Murdock is assigned. He said he has 47 continuous weeks in court on the present set-up.

The only County where he has an assistant on the basis he proposed for Orange in Durham where Blackwell Brogden is his assistant. The Solicitor said that because of the present press of his duties he was unable to make investigations and advance preparations that were often necessary for his job. With help from an assistant, he pointed out, he could save time in court.

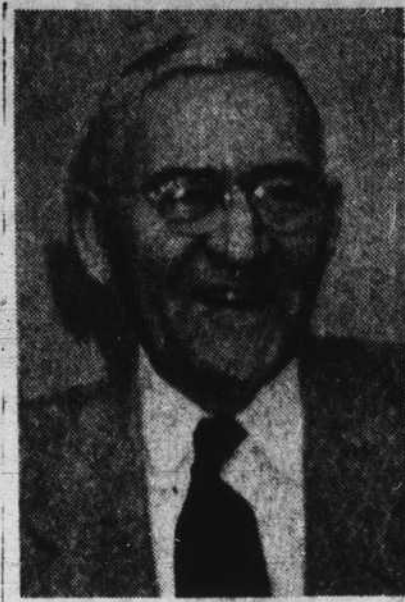
Tax Listers Named, Holidays Set By Board Of Commissioners

The County Commissioners reappointed experienced tax listers in each of the seven townships Monday in preparation for the January duty and approved the use of the Yates Motor Co. showroom on W. Franklin St. as the public listing place for taxpayers of Chapel Hill township.

Named as listers were L. R. Cheek, Chapel Hill; Jeter Lloyd, Bingham; Mrs. J. D. Griffin, Eno; R. J. Smith Jr., Hillsboro; Henry R. Heath, Cheeks; A. E. Wilson, Little River; and R. C. Compton, Cedar Grove.

Other matters, the commissioners: Set December 24, 25, 26, and Jan. 1 as holidays for county employees during the coming season.

Heard but made no decision on a complaint on the tax valuation on lots in Estes-Hills, Chapel Hill subdivision. Collier Cobb Jr., president



R. J. M. HOBBS



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720 Families Using Welfare Services

A summary of assistance and services rendered by the Orange County Welfare Department during the past month was presented to the Board of Commissioners Monday by Superintendent Jane Parker.

It was noted that assistance was rendered to:

252 Old Age Assistance recipients; 93 aid to the permanently and totally disabled; 446 individuals in 112 families—Aid to dependent children, 23 blind aid recipients; 28 general or emergency assistance reported to the County Welfare Department.

It is responsible for 17 adults in rest homes. There are eight persons now on parole who are supervised by the department.

There are 25 children in foster homes and 13 children in the process of being adopted.

Seven boys have appeared before the Juvenile Court and at present there are 15 children on probation.

The schools in the county have referred 32 children for unlawful absence from school. The Welfare Department acts as truant officer in Orange County.

Of the 720 families who have used the service of the Welfare Department approximately two-thirds have had some financial assistance. The others have been helped through the services program and of these the greatest number have used one or more of the many child Welfare Services.

The department has done 10 social histories for patients admitted to mental hospitals.

TAX REPORT

The County tax collector reported to the Grand Jury this week that only 39.19 percent of the 1957 tax levy had been collected by December 1, as compared to 46.58 percent of the 1956 levy and 50.77 percent of the 1955 levy collected by the same date of those years.

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ments of the jail facilities, replacement of the fixtures is expected to run into an estimated \$3,000 or more.

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Trio Guilty Of Receiving Stolen Goods

Pete Stevens, Jesse Dorritt and Lonnie Sloan were convicted of receiving stolen property during the second day of this week's term of Superior Court but sentences had not been passed by Judge Clawson Williams yesterday morning.

The court session, with a heavy backlog of cases, got off to a slow start Monday, convening after 12 o'clock upon the arrival of Judge Williams two hours after the scheduled opening.

James Atwater of Chapel Hill got 7 to 10 years for theft of a truck near the Chapel Hill police station in the only sentence meted out during Tuesday's term.

Five escapees from the Orange County Prison Camp were given additional sentences of six months each Monday.

The five men are Paul W. McGhee, Manfred Oszorne, Harold D. Coble, Andrew T. Bryant and Lewis Holt.

Other cases heard Monday in this one week criminal term of court were:

Gales Andrews, public drunkenness, 30 days; Woodrow Durham, two counts of public drunkenness, 30 days on each count; Henry Sellers, two counts of public drunkenness, 30 days on each count and

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MEET TODAY
The Hillsboro Merchants Association will have a luncheon meeting today at the Hillsboro Lunch at 1 o'clock. All merchants are urged to attend.

C. W. Stanford Is Reelected To Soil Post

C. W. Stanford, White Cross dairy farmer, has been re-elected as an Orange County Supervisor of the Neuse River Soil Conservation District. Secretary Reid Roberts announced Monday.

The election is for a three year term, one new member being elected each year.

The Neuse River Soil Conservation District is composed of five counties on the upper watershed of the Neuse River, Orange, Durham, Wake, Johnston, and Wilson. The District was organized and chartered as a governmental sub-division of the state in 1939, and began work later that year to slow the soil erosion that was depleting the productive strength of the farms within the District.

Work Unit office of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service was established in Hillsboro and assigned the task of providing technical assistance to the District in planning and applying soil and water conservation.

Since that time 1460 farmers in Orange county have signed agreements with the District's governing board—agreements for the use and treatment of their land according to capabilities and needs for sustained production.

The District makes available to cooperating farmers surveys and maps of the slopes, soil, and past erosion conditions that determine the capabilities of their various parts of their farms. It is upon this information that sound soil and water conservation systems are based.

Other Orange County Supervisors of the Neuse River Soil Conservation District are Henry S. Hogan, Chapel Hill, and Reid Roberts, Hillsboro.

Empty Stocking Still Not Full; Cash Needed

The Empty Stocking Fund is in great need of cash donations. The Junior Service League must provide for every unadopted family. Cash will be accepted through Saturday. There is a booth manned by the women of local churches for collection of money this week. The booth will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Saturday. Or you may send your check to the Empty Stocking Fund, Box 374, Chapel Hill.

Boxes for adopted families are to be delivered to the bus garages behind the Sinclair Service Station in Glen Lennox from 1-5 p.m., December 9-14.

Boxes may be picked up by the adopted families in Chapel Hill and Hillsboro December 17-19.

122 Families To Get Blue Ribbon Awards

Another Electrical Ordinance Offered

The County Commissioners took under consideration another new electrical ordinance Monday, this one proposed by the county electrical inspectors, Leonard Rosemond of Hillsboro and Frank Morrow of Chapel Hill.

The proposed code was presented as a substitute for one patterned after the Durham county ordinance which was drafted by County Attorney Sandy Graham and presented to the commissioner two months ago.

The new proposal requires prior permits for electrical wiring and installation before the beginning of work.

The new ordinance is simpler in that it eliminates reference to many requirements in the National Electrical Code, already adopted by State Law and thus are in

effect without specific reference in a local ordinance. Supplemental requirements are included pertaining to water heaters, which will require No. 10 wire conductor and grounded to present water system; temporary service for power saws and trailers; poultry house wiring; domestic oil burners; sales areas in stores; and residences. Pertaining to the latter, it requires that all residences or apartments of five or more rooms shall have a six or more circuit main switch with service conductors not smaller than No. 4; service wires shall enter through rigid conduit or electric metallic tubing of a size not less than specified in the N. E. Code for given size wire; and all service or entrance switches shall be of the dead front type.

Traditional Carol Service Is Scheduled Sunday

The traditional Candlelight Carol Service, presented annually by the choir of the Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, will be held December 15 at 5:00 o'clock.

The service is a narrative in song of the Nativity and includes works by prominent composers and masters in the field of religious music. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. C. D. Jones, accompanied by Mrs. R. F. Warren at the organ will present numbers variously featuring the full choir and soloists. A candlelighting service in which the congregation will participate further enhances the beauty and solemnity of the occasion.

The Hillsboro Presbyterian Church has extended a cordial invitation to the public to attend the service.

Members of the choir are: Mrs. F. S. Cates, Jr., Mrs. Scott Cates, Mrs. Oliver Clayton, Mrs. R. D. Copeland, Mrs. J. W. Dickson, Mrs. Ben Johnston, Knox Jones, Mrs. J. L. Miller, Mrs. T. P. Smith, D. H. Baird, S. Green, C. D. Jones, and J. L. Miller.

R. J. Smith Jr. New Officer In Red Cross

Remus J. Smith, Jr., Hillsboro furniture dealer, was elected Vice-Chairman of the Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors, Chapter Chairman John W. Dickson announced yesterday.

He succeeds Fred Rogers former Cameron Park school principal, who has moved from the community.

Officers of the local Red Cross Chapter are: John W. Dickson, Chairman; Remus J. Smith, Jr., Vice-Chairman; and Miss Alma Andrews, Secretary-treasurer.

Cedar Grove Community Choir Plans Two Christmas Concerts

The Cedar Grove Community Choir will give two concerts during the season. The first concert to be presented under the direction of Mrs. Allan Graham of Burlington, accompanied by Ralph Cooper Compton, will be at the Walnut Grove Methodist Church this Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The program will consist of anthems and tableaux depicting the Christmas-Story as follows: Prelude by Ralph C. Compton Jr.; Processional, "Joy to the World"; Invocation, the Rev. Clark Porter; Scripture: Cherubim Song—Bortmansky; "There Were Shepherds"; soloist—Mrs. Robert Ferrell; "The First Noel," traditional; Scripture; "Angels We Have



Mrs. Woods Will Be 94 On Monday

Mrs. Myra Annetta Cates Woods will celebrate her 94th birthday Monday, December 16, quietly in the home of her daughter, Mrs. McKenzie Walker, here in Hillsboro.

Mrs. Woods, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Cates of the Orange Grove Community was born Dec. 16, 1863. In 1886 she was married to William Derious Woods and they had ten children of which eight are still living. They are: Willie Woods, Claude Woods, Mrs. McKenzie Walker, Mrs. T. O. Summey, Mrs. George Tapp, Mrs. Royal Robinson, Fred Woods, all of Hillsboro and Mrs. Jack Granger of Fair Bluff, N. C. She has 24 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Woods' sister, Mrs. J. B. Dodson of the Orange Grove Community, is 82.

Lack Of Funds Closes Draft Board Week

Mrs. Willie Lee Lynch, clerk of the local draft board, announces that the local office will be closed Dec. 16-20.

The Selective Service Board throughout North Carolina will be closed at that time because of insufficient funds. There will be approximately 163 employees affected by the shutdown in North Carolina.

Mrs. Lynch stated there is a call for two men from Orange County for induction into the armed service for January.

She also reminded 18-year-old youths that they are required to register with their local draft board on the day they are 18 or within five days thereafter. Registrants are requested to keep the Local Draft Board informed of their status such as correct mailing address, marriage and birth of babies, etc.

Inducted into the service on December 4 were: Joe Patterson Jr., Barney Wess Pittman, Jesse Forrest Berry, Nabethan Brooks, James P. Petrakis, Tyson Junior Allison, Thomas Vincent Jr., David Perale Coble and Willie Erwin Walker.

Program Tonight Climax Of Annual Challenge Effort; Weaver Talks

A list of 122 Blue Ribbon families on the 1957 Orange County Blue Ribbon Farm and Home Program, who will receive certificates of awards tonight for completing 18 or more of the 25 recommended practices, was announced this morning by the farm and home agents.

Tonight's program climaxing the county's own challenge program for rural families will begin at the county courthouse at 7:30 o'clock. State Extension Director Dr. David S. Weaver of State College will be the featured speaker.

Dr. Weaver will be introduced by Henry Hogan, C. Dupree Smith will be master of ceremonies, Miss Jessie Trowbridge will recognize guests, Ed Barnes will award the certificates, I. C. Yagel will conduct a drawing for prizes, Don S. Matheson will reveal the 1958 program and the Rev. C. H. Reckard will give the invocation.

The list of Blue Ribbon families: White Cross: Lacy Neville, Walter Lloyd, A. W. Womble, Aubrey McLennon, Ralph Neville, Myron Lloyd, Horace Ward, Shelton Ray, Melvin Whitfield, W. W. Lloyd, Mrs. Nellie D. & Roy Lloyd, C. E. Teer, Joseph Eubanks.

New Hope: F. S. Tapp, H. M. son, E. W. Strayhorn, L. W. Bishop, Bob Strayhorn, John Cates, Jr. Schley: M. W. Allison, N. V. Ray, J. D. Mincey, E. L. Whitlow, J. E. Latta, Earl Bradsher, Phillip Johnson, A. E. Wilson, Joe Dickey, W. L. Miller, G. E. Miller, J. M. Kenyon, Parker Roland, Frank Perry.

Calvander: John H. Cate, Sr., H. S. Hogan, Arthur Lloyd, Thomas Stroud, W. D. Neville. St. Mary's: Richard Roberts, Reid Roberts, Clyde Roberts, Thomas W. Simmons, H. S. Walker, E. J. Blackley, J. H. Martin, M. O. Walker, S. S. Kirkland, Dick Hollis, Raymond Weaver, C. D. Smith, Wallace Bacon, J. J. Garrard, W. A. Crabtree, T. F. Crabtree.

Aycock: B. M. Dixon, J. E. Hawkins, C. B. Pope, Jr., D. L. Wells, Mrs. C. B. Pope, J. H. Pope, Frank McDade, R. B. Ward, Coy Compton, Jr., W. L. Phelps, R. R. Compton, Bill Dorsett and William Dorsett, V. C. Walters, J. L. Roberts, William P. Roberts, J. L. Phelps, R. L. Pope, W. E. Pope H. W. Phelps, R. Cooper Compton, Hassell Wrenn, Z. C. Burton, J. T. Rountree. Buehlers: W. B. Shambley, Henry Webster, J. W. Wagoner, G. P. Sykes, Vernon Sykes, Harvey Ray, Wiley Perry, Joe Perry, Merritt Kirk, Arnold Kirk, Harvey Durham, James Bradshaw, C. V. Bradshaw, J. H. Apple.

Caldwell: Bob R. Moore, John T. See AWARDS, Page 2