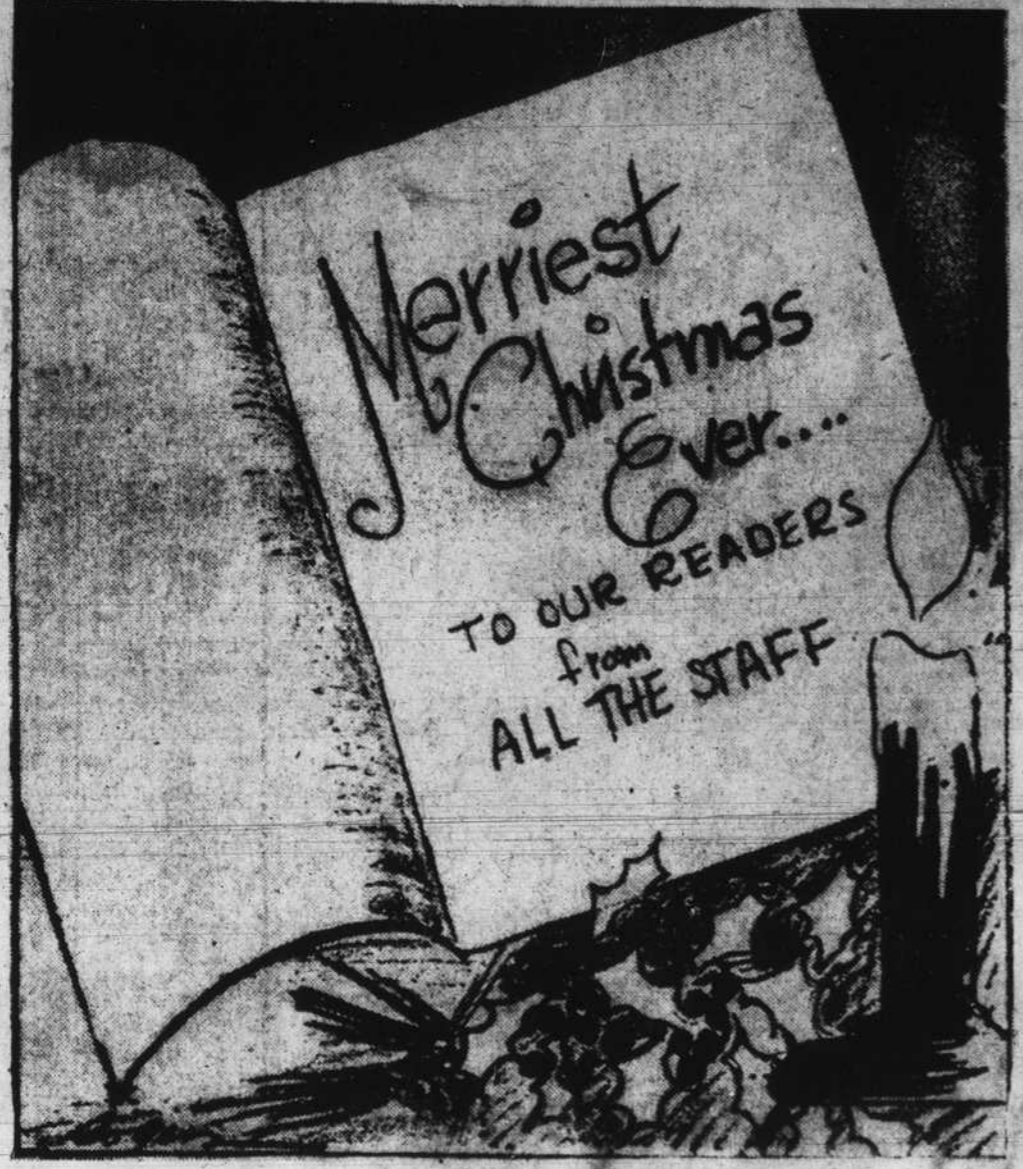


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ALONG WITH THE MANY HEARTY WISHES of a Happy Holiday given by your friends and ours upon the following pages, please accept our own. At this season, the News family, is especially mindful of the contributions of a host of people to whatever success the News has enjoyed. Subscribers, advertisers, correspondents, subscription solicitors, carrier boys, postal workers—all have helped to make possible the work of the News staff in giving Orange County people coverage of news and opinion. The merriest Christmas to everybody!

County Tax Listing Begins Next Week

January is tax listing time by law in North Carolina. By virtue of this requirement list takers in each of the seven Orange County townships begin work Jan. 2 in an effort to get all taxable property on the books during the remainder of the month. A schedule of appointments in various parts of their areas may be found on another page of this edition. This has been set up by the list takers to more conveniently serve the taxpayers and facilitate the listing program.

Martin Farrell Stricken Today By Heart Attack

Martin Ferrell, middle-aged Carrboro man, died at his home in Carrboro Monday morning. His older brother, Tink Ferrell, with whom he lived, said that he apparently suffered an attack about 7 a.m. The two bachelors live off Barnes St. just outside Carrboro. Tink Ferrell said his brother was dead by the time a doctor arrived at the house. Orange County Coroner Allen Walker attributed the death to a heart attack. According to information given Deputy Sheriff W. E. Clark Jr., Martin Ferrell arose shortly before 7 a.m. and walked into the front room of the house to smoke a cigarette. Tink Ferrell said that his brother got back in bed and without ever saying a word gave a low gasp, stretched his neck, and apparently died. Recently, his brother said, Martin had an attack in which he showed somewhat similar symptoms. The brothers are natives of Chatham County and have lived here for a number of years. Martin Ferrell, partially disabled, worked part-time as an income tax consultant.

Each list taker has already been furnished by Tax Supervisor Sam Gattis special books, showing the values of the various automotive vehicles and farm equipment as well as schedules of valuation of a number of other types of property. The tax listers will meet at the courthouse Friday, December 27, with Gattis for final instruction regarding listing and to pick up the necessary forms and data. Little change has been made this year in schedule of values for personal property and livestock. Taxpayers throughout the county are urged to list their taxes early during the month to avoid the last minute rush that always develops toward the end of the month. Chapel Hill township taxpayers especially were reminded of the new listing place which has been designated for that township, necessitated by the crowded conditions at City Hall. The new listing place is the Yates Motor Company showroom on W. Franklin St. All real estate and personal property is required to be listed for taxes and all male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 are required to list polls during the same time. In connection with the listing farm owners or tenants are required to furnish facts about farms which is for information only and is not used for tax purposes. For instance, the tax lister must be informed the acreage of each crop harvested during the calendar year 1957. The number of cows, sows and hens on a farm January, 1957, must be reported, as well as the number of people living on the farm on January 1, 1958. All of the information is confidential but is needed in making up various agricultural reports for the counties in the state. This year, as in the year past, dog owners will be given a county dog license when the dog is listed and wearing of the tag received from the tax lister is mandatory at all times.

Secretary Ira Ward said the dividends to stockholders of record as of December 31 will total \$43,775 for the six months period now ending. These payments on earnings will bring to \$86,290.24 the amount which will be paid to stockholders of the institution this year, on the basis of a 3 1/2 per cent rate. The total of earnings in 1956 was \$75,573.13.

COLEMAN AT EVANSVILLE
Alonzo B. Coleman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo B. Coleman, Sr., Hillsboro, has enrolled at Evansville College for the winter quarter.

WALKER REUNION
The W. Y. Walker family Reunion will be held Dec. 29 at the Pleasant Green Community House. All members of the family and friends are invited to attend and bring a picnic lunch.

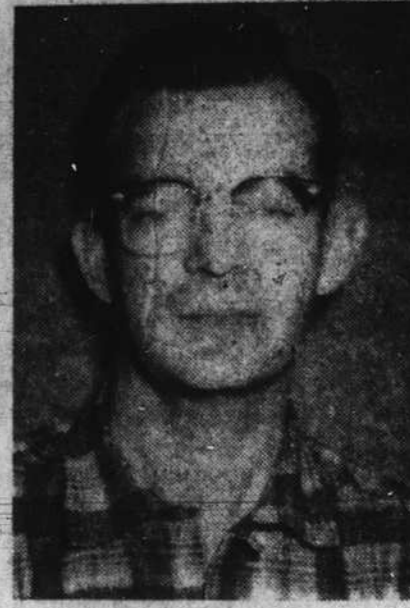
Christmas Activities Occupy County As Holiday Begins

No Change In Soil Bank For Spring

General provisions of the Soil Bank's Acreage Reserve Program for 1958 spring-planted crops are the same as were announced this fall for the 1958-crop winter wheat, W. M. Snipes, Chairman of the Orange County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, announced today. The Acreage Reserve is the part of the Soil Bank under which farmers agree to reduce their current year's acreage of "base" crops of upland cotton, corn, wheat, rice, and tobacco below their established acreage allotments, the chairman explained. In return, growers earn payments which maintain net income for the land put in the program. For 1958, the per-acre payment rates for "allotment" land put in the 1958 Acreage Reserve are somewhat higher for most crops than the rates which were in effect for 1957. Compared with 1957, the national average payment rates per acre for 1958 are: Wheat, \$20.88 and \$20.04; cotton, \$58.95 and \$54.15; corn, \$44.46 and \$42.66; and tobacco, flue-cured \$235.42 and \$235.42; Burley \$295.74 and \$295.74. Changes in the 1958 national average per-acre rates are due to adjustments because of trends in crop yields, Mr. Snipes explained. Per-acre rates for the individual farm will be determined from the county average figure, according to the relative productivity of the farmland. Farmers who took part in the 1957 Acreage Reserve will be paid a 10 percent premium above the 1958 compensation rate set for their farms if they put the identical land in the 1958 program. The sign-up period for the 1958 Acreage Reserve will open on January 13 and close March 7, Chairman Snipes urges farmers who want to take part in the program to visit the county ASC office at an early date, and to bring along records of the farm acreage of each crop. (See SOIL BANK, Page 7)



H. G. COLEMAN JR.



JOE COLEMAN

Colemans Buy Orange Farm Equipment Firm

H. G. Coleman Jr. and Joe Coleman, members of a family long active in the farm equipment field in Orange County, have purchased and assumed active management of the Orange Farm Equipment Company of Hillsboro. The International Harvester dealership located in the Webb building on Churton street in Hillsboro was formerly Coleman-Laws Co., Inc. for many years prior to its purchase about two years ago by Charles Lowndes, H. G. Coleman Sr., who operated the business at that time, will be associated with his sons in the current operation and other present members of the Orange Farm Equipment staff, other than Mr. Lowndes, will continue in their same capacities. H. G. Coleman Jr., now associated with Christian Printing Company in Durham, will return to Hillsboro within the next few weeks to assume the administrative phases of the business management. Joe Coleman will handle sales and outside promotion. Both men were associated for many years in the Coleman-Laws operation and are experienced in the field. The firm name of Orange Farm Equipment Company will not be changed but merchandise lines will be expanded.

Man Appeals 18 Months Term; Gets 15 Years

A man who appealed an 18 months sentence from the Orange County Recorder's Court is now serving a 15-year term as a result of a Superior Court re-hearing of his case. Elbert Lee Fuller was charged with assault with intent to commit rape as a result of an alleged attack on a Route Three, Chapel Hill woman, last summer. In the County Recorder's Court he offered to plead to charges of assault on a female, which charge was accepted by the state, and Judge L. J. Phipps sentenced him to 18 months on the roads. Later Fuller appealed this judgment, and was given a trial on both the intent to commit rape and assault on a female charge in the December term of Superior Court. He pleaded not guilty to both charges, but a jury convicted him on the two counts. Then Judge Clawson Williams sentenced him to a straight 15 years!

Midnight Service
A Christmas Eve midnight service will be held at the Hillsboro Presbyterian Church under the auspices of the Senior High Fellowship. This service, which will begin at 11:30 o'clock, is provided for the people of the community, the youth groups of other churches, and vacationing college students and service men. The service will end at the midnight hour with the ringing in of Christmas Day.

Road Workers Get Shorter Work Week
Beginning on January 1, State highway maintenance employees in Orange County will have a shorter work week according to a directive issued today to Division and District Engineers. Director of Highways W. F. Babcock announced the reduced work week on a trial basis. Heretofore, maintenance forces throughout the State have worked 50 hours per week. After January 1, this work week will be reduced to 45. In addition the regular work day of 10 hours will be reduced to 9 hours. In explaining the shorter work week, Director Babcock said, "a study has indicated that maintenance operations on North Carolina's highways can be carried on with the same effectiveness and efficiency while, at the same time, bringing the maintenance work week more in line with other Departments of the State Highway Commission."

Andrews Home Is Destroyed In Fire Here
Last Thursday morning around 11:15 o'clock the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Andrews of West Hillsboro was completely destroyed by fire. The home was too far gone when the Hillsboro fire truck arrived, and the firemen had quite a time keeping the blaze from spreading to the houses on each side of the Dallas home, which is located on Horse Shoe Drive in West Hillsboro. Andrews, who has been unable to work for around a year due to bad health, was lighting a stove when it reportedly blew up in his face, severely burning it and also his left hand. It was believed that he would lose the sight of his left eye, but it is reported he will not. Mrs. Andrews is an employee of Eno Mills. They have five children: Bennie, 8 years old; Richard, 10 years of age; Priscilla, 11; Jesse, 16; and Harold, 18. The Andrews family wishes to thank everyone who has helped them.

ONLY \$10 SHORT
Only \$10 is still needed to finish paying for the Hillsboro Christmas lights, according to an announcement by W. C. Brewer, president of the Hillsboro Merchants Association. Merchants who have made donations and not listed in last week's paper are Mary's Shop, City Amoco Service, Hillsboro Manufacturing Co., and Bait's Radio and TV.

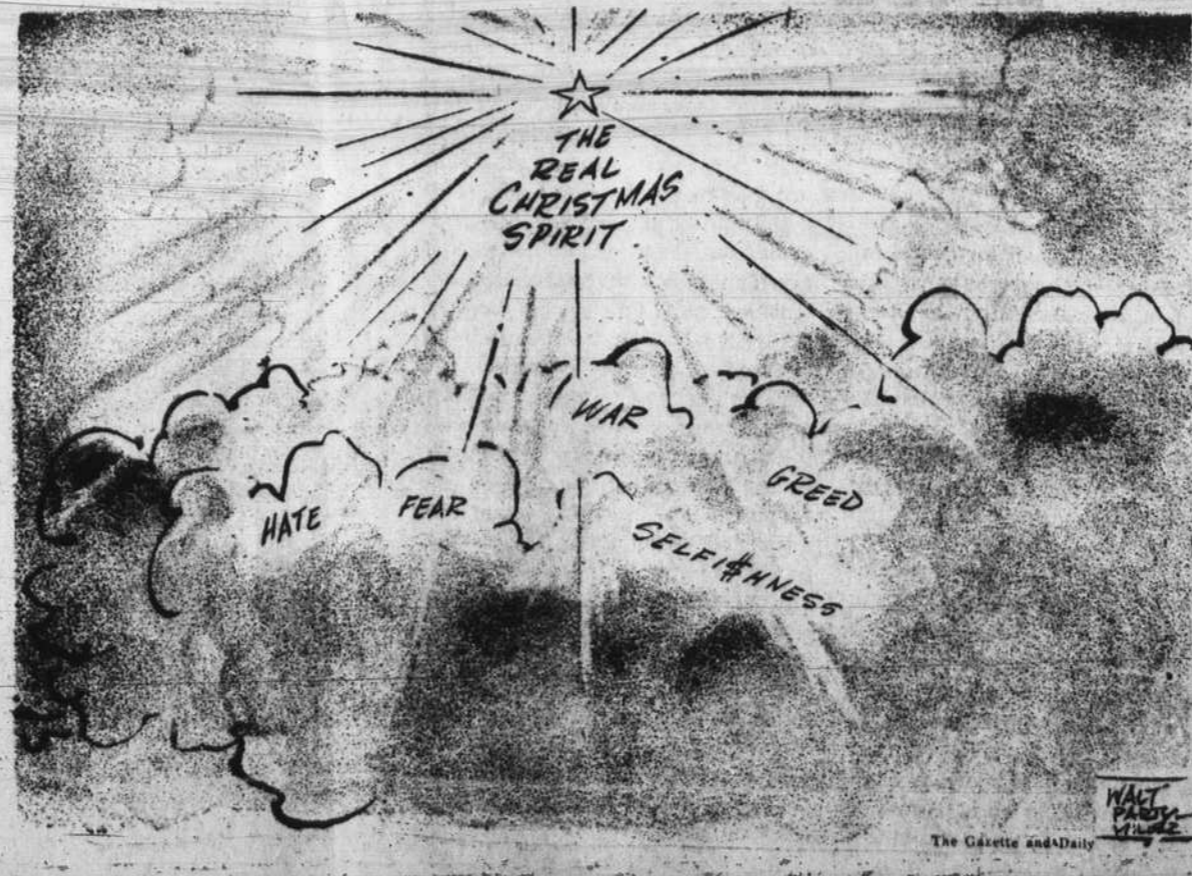
Next S & L Dividend Is Biggest

The directors of the Hillsboro Savings and Loan Association have declared the institution's largest dividend in its 44-year history and distribution checks will go out next week.

West Hillsboro PO Branch Being Renovated

The branch postoffice at West Hillsboro is being renovated and modernized and will be completed about January 15, according to Fred Cates Jr., who leases the quarters. The floor area is being enlarged, a modern front constructed and the entire structure air conditioned for comfort and convenience of patrons and workers, he said.

This Is The True Spirit Of Christmas



Orange County with the news of the county by NEWS of

D BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

PIECE... Now Day is almost here, the risk of appearance to some people a little statement written by Phillips

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