

## as Been Accomplished

# Oil Program's 20th Anniversary Yesterday



ACP shared in the cost of establishing pines in this area of scrub hardwood. Donald Roberts, ASC Office Manager, one of the new seedlings.



N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission provides the District assistance in pond management as well as wildlife planting

W. C. Carnes, Fisheries Investigator, poisons a farm pond to control its over-population of stunted fish in preparation for



In the first to know about a woods fire, the N. C. Forest Service was first on the scene with the fire control equipment and



Assistant Farm Agent Cyrus Green examines one of the grass sods that carpet many Orange County Slopes.

# Hillsboro Approves Franchise For Gas

Action was taken by the Town Board recently in an ordinance granting a franchise to provide with natural gas service. The ordinance was passed after the third reading. The franchise adopted is similar in force in other areas of the county. Public Service Commission conducted a hearing in Hillsboro on application by Public Service for authority to extend its natural gas service into a large section of North Carolina.

Yesterday was a kind of birthday. Twenty years ago yesterday, February 18, 1939, Orange County held a referendum and voted to join in the organization of the proposed Neuse River Soil Conservation District.

"We hope to make a little more of this anniversary before the year is out," Henry Hogan, who was one of the original District Supervisors elected soon after that referendum and who served continuously since then, points out.

It was not until August 9, 1939 that the program and work plan of the District was completed and the District began operations.

"There has been a lot of accomplishment in soil and water since that time," Mr. Hogan says. "In those twenty years we have come to the point where not only the irreplaceable soil is the object of our conservation efforts but water, too, in spite of our abundant rainfall, is a serious concern."

**Cooperative Effort**  
"That progress has been made is due to the whole-hearted, cooperative efforts of the many different agencies and people helping in the conservation of our natural resources."

The progress of the District over the twenty years is illustrated, according to Mr. Hogan, by a summary of the activities involved in 1958.

In the Orange County school system, for instance, seven classes studied a unit on soil and water conservation. This reading and writing about conservation, spelling conservation words, working arithmetic problems about conservation, studying history and geography as related to soil and water resources, being introduced to biology, geology, physics, and other sciences, and field trips and the making of exhibits brought a new concept of their country to a considerable number of future citizens. Several other classes studied conservation in briefer phases.

Orange County's 1958 Rural Program contributed significantly to conservation, 242 of the families reporting said they had improved the use and protection of (See ANNIVERSARY, Page 3)

# Heart Again Leads Orange Death Causes

The diseases of the heart and blood vessels were again the leading cause of death in 1957. Milton E. Hogan Jr., president of the Durham-Orange County Heart Association, announced here today.

They exceeded the combined total of deaths from all causes, he pointed out.

There were 136 deaths in Orange County due to cardiovascular diseases out of a total of 261 deaths from all causes during 1957. Deaths from heart and blood vessel diseases thus accounted for 52.4 percent of the total during 1957. The official figures were compiled by the North Carolina State Board of Health, Public Health Statistics Section.

The local annual Heart Fund campaign under the leadership of Mrs. Don Matheson has been underway throughout the month of February and will be climaxed with a final house-to-house canvass this Sunday, designated Heart Sunday.

The figures closely parallel those for the nation as a whole during 1957, the latest year for which complete vital statistics are available. In that 12-month period, cardiovascular deaths for the nation accounted for 53.62 percent of the total.

"Science has made great medical progress by controlling the infectious diseases in recent years. Some diseases, such as smallpox, diphtheria and typhoid fever, have been practically eliminated. As a result, life expectancy, which was 48 years in 1900, is 70 years today. More of us, therefore, are surviving — or are spared — the diseases that were formerly fatal, and are living to the ages in which heart diseases take their greatest toll," the local Heart Association president explained.

# Tentative Sites For First Orange ABC Store, Warehouse Are Selected

## High Court Opens Week's Term Monday

A one-week term of Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases is scheduled to get underway at the courthouse in Hillsboro Monday.

Some 115 cases have been docketed for trial, including the usual variety of assaults, breaking and entering, drunken driving, liquor cases and other violations.

The docket includes a murder case, two manslaughter cases, four cases of assault with intent to kill or commit rape, one arson case, and four defendants charged with crimes against nature.

Judge Henry McKinnon on Lumberton is the assigned jurist.

## School Board Goes As Body To Convention

The entire Orange County Board of Education, accompanied by the county superintendent and the school architect for most of the recent construction, has been on a convention junket to Atlantic City this week.

The party left last Friday morning in the Board's automobile to attend the sessions of the School Board Association and the American Association of School Administrators. It is the first time the entire membership of the Board has attended such meetings as a group. Funds for attendance of a representative have annually been included in the school budget for many years.

Making the trip were Chairman C. W. Stanford, Members John Hawkins and Ross Porter, Superintendent G. P. Carr and Architect Archie Royal Davis.

## A. H. Graham, Ranson Firm Is Dissolved

The partnership in the Hillsboro legal firm of Graham and Ranson has been dissolved, effective the first of this month.

A. H. Graham, the former State Highway Commission chairman, who serves as county attorney, said he had no plans for forming a new partnership.

Paul Ranson, who became associated with Mr. Graham in practice here while the latter was in Raleigh and continued after his retirement from the highway post, has obtained office space in the quarters of the Cheshire Insurance Agency in the Cole Building.

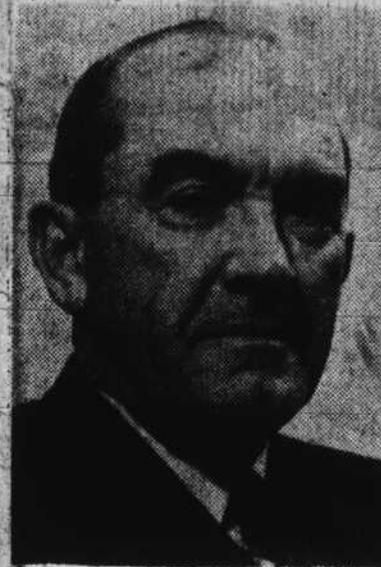
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# Many Disappointments In Governor's Budget

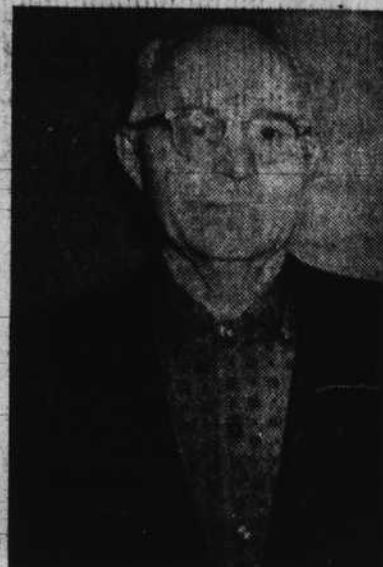
By JOHN W. UMSTEAD  
On Monday night of last week Governor Hodges delivered his Budget message. Naturally it dealt in generalities but was ably presented. At the same session the Finance and Appropriation Bills were presented, together with all detailed information in regard to the whole budget.

It was not until the members of the Assembly had the opportunity to look at the details of the various Budget items that they could express their opinions about the Budget in general and certain items in particular. After they had taken a look at the entire Budget there were many disappointments among the various State agencies and institutions.

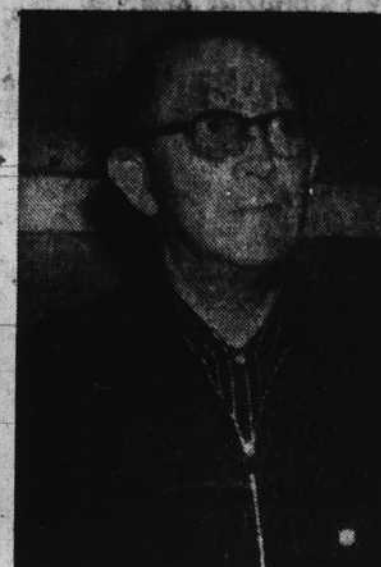
The difference of opinion among the membership was greatest in regard to the withholding tax proposed as a means of giving us a balanced budget. The tax proposed would have withholding be-



DUDLEY D. CARROLL



REMUS J. SMITH SR.



GILES M. LONG

# Hillsboro Precinct Will Be Divided

Decision has been made to divide the large Hillsboro voting precinct prior to the next election.

The Orange County Board of Elections at its recent meeting held in connection with the canvassing of the special ABC election voted to establish an undetermined number of new polling places to relieve the congestion and the heavy burden on registrars and judges which have characterized voting in Hillsboro for several years.

Chairman S. T. Latta confirmed this week that the decision to split the precinct had been made but said board members wished to consult political leaders of the community before deciding the number of precincts and their boundaries.

The one precinct in Hillsboro has covered the entire township and is more than twice the size of any other in the county, probably with 2,700 or more registrants on the book. Votes of over 1,300 in elections have not been too unusual in recent years, increasing the task of counting, etc.

Members of the Board in addition to Latta are Clyde C. Carter of Chapel Hill, secretary, and M. L. Cates Jr., Republican member.

# Hunt Sets Town Tag Deadline

Chief George Hunt announces, this week is the last to purchase town tags.

Town tags may be purchased at the Mayor's Office.

Beginning next week citations will be given to persons failing to comply.

# Faye Webster Wins District Oratory Test

Faye Webster of Hillsboro High School was the winner of the District 16 American Legion oratorical contest held Tuesday night at the Legion Hut in Durham.

Miss Webster will enter in the Division 3 contest which will be held at Liberty High School Feb. 25.

Willie Lou Lynn of Southern High School was second.



JOHN D. LARKINS JR.

# John Larkins Will Address Cancer Group

John D. Larkins, Jr. will address a meeting of the board of directors of the Orange County Unit of the American Cancer Society at the Courthouse in Hillsboro next Monday, February 23.

Mr. Larkins is honorary vice president of the North Carolina Division of the American Cancer Society, a member of the board of trustees of the University and a Democratic national committeeman.

He has long been active in the American Cancer Society, having held numerous positions in the North Carolina division and several with the national organization.

It was announced that the meeting is open to anyone who wishes to attend. It will start at 8 o'clock.

The Orange County Unit board of directors is composed of representatives of all towns and rural areas in Orange County, with a number of the members from Chapel Hill.

# Orange County Rabies Clinics Begin Monday

Orange County's dog clinics for rabies vaccinations will begin Monday, February 23, and continue through May 1, Dog Warden Cashe Boggs announced today.

A schedule of vaccination clinics will be held each day from Monday until May 11. This schedule may be found on another page of this newspaper.

In his announcement of the clinics, Boggs requested that any persons knowing of stray or undesirable dogs report them or bring them to any of the vaccination clinics for his disposition in accordance with the law.

State law requires all dog owners to have their dogs vaccinated each year, and provides penalties for those who fail to comply. All citizens are urged to cooperate in this control program designed for the benefit and protection of all.

# Smith, Long Carroll Named On New Board

Events leading toward the early establishment of Alcoholic Beverage Control stores in Orange County have occurred in rapid-fire order this week since the selection of an ABC board last Thursday night.

Named to the Board by the combined Boards of Commissioners and Education were:

Dudley D. Carroll of Chapel Hill, the aging (he is 73) former dean of the UNC Commerce School, now retired, who was in the hospital at the time of his appointment, as chairman for a three-year term;

Remus J. Smith Sr., Hillsboro furniture dealer and civic leader, who led the pre-election campaign for establishment of the stores; and

Giles M. Long, Cedar Grove township merchant.

Shortly after their appointment, Smith and Long met with Dr. Carroll in his hospital room and the latter immediately named Smith acting chairman, pending his recovery, and gave his blessing to the other members' proceeding with necessary activities leading to early establishment of a store, office and warehouse facilities in Hillsboro.

First Store  
Tentative decision was then made to establish the first store on a site just east of the intersection of Highways 70 and 86 on the northern outskirts of Hillsboro, on the south side of Highway 70, on land owned by Fred Cates, who began grading the proposed site Tuesday to construct the 24' x 65' structure, which will be air-conditioned, and situated with ample parking space surrounding.

The former dairy building on E. King St. in Hillsboro was selected tentatively for use as an office and warehouse. A formal agreement, minor alterations and equipping are expected to be completed soon.

Applications are being sought from persons interested in the positions of secretary and county manager for the ABC setup and application blanks are in the hands of the Acting Chairman. These jobs will be filled fairly soon, according to Mr. Smith, but there is no hurry in the selection of other personnel.

Plans for establishing stores in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro area have been held in abeyance pending the recovery of Dr. Carroll but sentiment seems to be building up strongly in favor of locating the first store in the new shopping center area being established on the by-pass at Chapel Hill's entrance to the Durham boulevard.

Board Members Smith and Long have visited the ABC setups in Greensboro and Caswell County to (See ABC, Page 8)

# Out-Of-State Farm Tour Being Planned

Plans are being set up to provide Orange County people an opportunity to make an out-of-state farm tour early this summer.

Many counties have had these tours during past years and have found them to be enjoyable and educational, especially from the standpoint of getting new ideas. These trips are usually made by chartered bus and vary in length from five to seven days. They include numerous stops at outstanding farms, several scenic and historical stops, and usually a visit to some of our larger cities. These tours generally cost from \$75 to \$100 per person including all transportation, lodging, etc.

County Extension workers are making preliminary plans to hold a tour of this kind during the latter part of June. With this purpose

in mind, a meeting has been arranged for the night of March 3rd in the county courthouse in Hillsboro, at 7:30 o'clock. C. R. Weathers, of the Farm Management staff at State College, will be on hand to outline tentative routes, costs, etc. It is hoped that a large number of farm people, business and professional men will be interested enough to come out and hear this discussion. If there seems to be sufficient interest in the tour, then further plans will be made.

## MERCHANTS MEETING

A luncheon meeting of the Hillsboro Merchants Association will be held today at 1 o'clock in the Colonial Inn.

All merchants are urged to attend.