

Orange Pealings

HOW'S THIS FOR A SATURDAY morning reveille? An Apex, Route Three, man told police he ran out of gas about half-way down the Pittsboro Rd. hill below Merritt's Service Station in Chapel Hill at 4:30 am. last Saturday. That's why he honked his horn for a half-hour. When he told it to the judge in court the repy was \$10 and costs for public drunkenness.

ALL ORANGE COUNTY LAW enforcement officers and their wives were guests at a Christmas party Tuesday evening in the Carrboro Lions Clubhouse, courtesy of the Carrboro police. Carrboro merchants donated the turkey dinner, which was cooked by Red McBane.—Some of the boys scarcely recognized each other out of uniform.

RECALLING THE TAR HEEL industry junket to Europe during his talk before the University Faculty Club on Tuesday, Gov. Hodges noted he'd received calls that morning from the states of Ohio and Nebraska, both of which were planning similar-type trips to South America. "Both of 'em wanted to know what we did on our trip, but I didn't tell 'em," quipped the Governor.

THE COUNTY'S NEW ABC LAW enforcement unit is off to a fast start. In their first week on the job officers Burch Compton and Charles Talbert have cut a good-sized still in Cedar Grove Township and a smaller submarine-type job near Duke Forest in Chapel Hill Township.

IT ISN'T THE SIZE OF THE community, but the equipment in its telephone exchan that will necessitate three se... exchanges for the con... only small community of Ch... when it becomes part of the nation-wide direct-distance-dialing set-up in 1961, according to the explanation of 'phone company officials. While metropolitan Charlotte, with EDison, is only a one-exchange burg, tiny Chapel Hill is designated as a three-exchanger—Windsor, Warwick, and Yorktown.

THE PRE-DUKE GAME FES-tivities were wound up in Chapel Hill Recorder's Court Tuesday as a UNC student, Thomas Barrie, paid \$10 and costs after pleading nolo contendere to illegal use of a mask. He was nabbed by police for being an "agitator," wearing a handkerchief over his face, during a "panty raid" two weeks ago. And five Duke students paid \$5 and costs each for littering the streets. Specifically, two night before the big game, local police saw them tossing dozens of empty beer cans out of a car window as they sped through the campus.

MOST OF THE SEVEN-ACRE tract on Airport Rd. where Ted Danziger plans a new shopping center has been graded off by a tractor. The developer said this was necessary to get a better idea of how the building sites are to be laid out. However, the entire project is planned to take seven years construction time.

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16 FROM ORANGE AT W. C. A report from the Woman's College in Greensboro shows that 16 of the 2,641 students currently enrolled there are from Orange County. In 1953 there were 20 from Orange, in 1957, 26, and last year, 18.

Campaign for fluoridation of Hillsboro water supply carried to town board

"Fluoridation of municipal water supplies has been proved over and over again to be an inexpensive and completely safe means of preventing 60 per cent of dental decay.

"Its beneficial effects have been proved, re-proved and attested throughout the world."

These statements, in essence, sum up the remarks of Dr. E. A. Pearson Jr., director of the Division of Oral Hygiene, North Carolina State Board of Health, in appearances Tuesday night before the Lions Club of Hillsboro and the Town Board of Commissioners.

Launch campaign
Dr. Pearson's talks to the two

groups launched the club's campaign, planned several weeks ago, to secure the fluoridation of the town's water supply.

Accompanying Dr. Pearson and speaking to the two groups on engineering aspects of the fluoridation process was W. J. Stevens of the Division of Sanitary Engineering, State Board of Health.

Describing the widespread prevalence of tooth decay as one of the major health problems, Dr. Pearson described fluoridation as "simply restoring to water a naturally occurring and nutritionally necessary element which, through soil erosion and other abuses, has become unevenly distributed . . ."

Double decay rate cited

Pointing out that approximately 750,000 North Carolinians live in municipalities which now have fluoridation, he displayed a graph chart showing that the average number of "decayed, missing, or

filled" teeth per child between the ages of six and 12 in Hillsboro and Chapel Hill (based upon results of a recent Board of Health examination) was twice the rate for children in the community of Dunn, which has fluoridated its water for the past five years.

Mr. Stevens told the Town Board and water department officials that equipment and laboratory materials for fluoridating Hillsboro's water supply would cost approximately \$1,500 and that the maximum costs of (See FLUORIDATION, Page 2)

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10-Year school needs shown

Pupil enrollment of 5,576 seen in Chapel Hill by 1970

Ninety-nine additional classrooms will be needed to house an estimated Chapel Hill public-school enrollment of 5,576 in 1970, according to the estimate of the Superintendent of Schools Joseph Johnston.

In a survey of the school population for the past decade, projected 10 years into the future, Superintendent Johnston foresaw an increase of 2,146 pupils over the current year's total of 3,430. The figures were presented in tables drawn up for the Chapel Hill School Board.

The Superintendent also laid out a rough plan as to how the additional pupils could be housed through potential construction estimated to cost \$3,030,000. The seven schools now in the system have 116 classrooms. Estimated need for 1970-71 is 181 rooms. Thirty-four existing classrooms are sub-standard and need to be replaced, the Superintendent noted.

Johnston set down the following as a possible construction program to accommodate the growing school population. He emphasized that this program had not been adopted, but merely represented a potential plan.

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| * Eight-room addition, Glenwood School | \$ 150,000 |
| * Eight-room addition, Estes Hills School | \$ 150,000 |
| * 20-room elementary school | \$ 500,000 |
| * 12-room elementary school | \$ 500,000 |
| * 14-room addition to high school | \$ 275,000 |
| * 15-room junior high school | \$1,000,000 |
| * Six-room addition, junior-senior high | \$ 130,000 |
| * School sites | \$ 75,000 |
| * Administration building | \$ 50,000 |
| * Equipment | \$ 250,000 |
| * Major renovations | \$ 150,000 |
| Total | \$3,030,000 |

During the decade since 1949-50 the over-all Chapel Hill school population increased 83 per cent from a starting total of 1,546 in the present 3,430. Greatest pick-up was noted in the first to sixth grades of the white schools, where the population rose 139 per cent.

An enrollment projection table prepared by the Institute for Research in Social Science showed a total school population of 5,936 for the year 1975-76—4,627 white pupils and 1,308 Negro.

In county school system . . .

85 pupil annual growth noted

Orange County System public schools have been growing at an average rate of 85 pupils a year during the 1950s, according to a study of enrollment figures for this period.

This was brought out in a table presented to the County School Board by Superintendent of Schools G. Paul Carr. The Board, at its Monday meeting, also discussed future enrollment expectations.

Three more teachers annually During the current decade the growth has necessitated an average of three more teachers a year. Increase in the white schools has averaged 45 pupils annually, and the Negro schools, 40. For the current year the 10 white schools have an enrollment of 2,546, and the four Negro schools, 1,834.

The Board discussed with Central High School Principal

Carrboro surveys annexable areas

A detailed study of possible areas for annexation to the Town of Carrboro has been presented to the Town Commissioners.

The comprehensive survey of the financial feasibility of potential north and west-side annexations covers four specific areas totalling 375 acres, 300 persons, and a property valuation of \$1,300,000.

The present boundaries of the rectangular square mile and one-half municipality have remained unchanged since its incorporation 50 years ago.

Receive report

At the meeting of the Town Board night before last the commissioners received the report from Warren J. Wicker, an assistant Director of the Institute of Government, who prepared it with the help of University law student William Holdford.

Almost four miles of streets—85 per cent unpaved—are in this area. Total paving cost is estimated at \$37,600.

To provide water and sewer service to the entire sector would cost \$98,000 for about six miles of water lines and \$179,000 for more than seven miles of sewer lines.

Through bond financing the necessary improvements could be made in all areas surveyed at

annual budget increase of \$48,000.

One 'break-even' area

The annexations would bring no "profits" to the town, and only one could be brought in on a "break-even" basis. This is the Pine-Oak St. residential area between Greensboro St. and Hillsboro Rd.—an 89-acre neighborhood with an \$823,155 valuation.

The other areas surveyed are: Plantation Acres area, between Hillsboro Rd. and Highway 54, 71 acres with a valuation of \$244,332; the Weaver Rd. sector between Highway 54 and Weaver (See ANNEXATION, Page 2)

Town's don't annex to make a profit, survey declares

In a statement at the conclusion of his study, "citing reasons for annexation, the surveyors noted "Cities and towns to not annex territory to make a profit. They do annex territory when annexation is necessary to the health growth and development of both the municipality and the territory.

"Annexation should take place when the Town and the area under consideration are both integral parts of the same community and when annexation is necessary to the sound development of the entire community."

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