

Size and value of farms increase as numbers drop, census reveals

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Orange
Pealings

GROUNDHOG DAY FINDS
Orange weary of winter, but with almost seven calendar weeks remaining before the seasonal change. Turning to The Old Farmer's Almanac for solace we find under the Feb. 2 heading nothing more than the bleak blank verse:

If clear
don't cheer.

CARRBORO REALTOR Gordon Fisher (see cover photo) is passing out baby blue pasteboard show tickets for his family birth announcements. Name of the production—"It's a Boy." Producers—Shirley and Gordon Fisher; starring Carl Hunter Fisher. Directed by Dr. Thomas Stokes. The ticket's good for a bedside seat at 311 Weaver St., Carrboro. "The management reserves the right to cancel any performance when the star is sleeping."

CLEANING THE HARD-CAKED sleet and ice off the parking area of downtown Chapel Hill streets took more than two days on the part of a crew of six men. Packed onto the pavement with dust, sand, and assorted litter, the accumulation resisted the blade of hand tools, a bull dozer, and a motor grader. Most effective was a fire hydrant hose. Snow is easy to clean up, town officials report. But the ice is like a new layer of cement.

NEIGHBORS IN THE CAL-vander neighborhood pitched in this week in a community effort to build back James Cheek's big dairy barn that burned down on Monday. They were putting the roof on yesterday. (Story of the fire on Page 3, Sec. II.)

PHILLIPS 66 OIL COMPANY, Kenan Oil Company of Durham the franchiser in this area, moved into the Hillsboro scene this week with the reported purchase of two local-oil distributorships. Phillips is a big operator in nearby Durham and Chapel Hill but heretofore had not had representation in the Hillsboro sector. A. J. Snipes Jr. confirmed that his company, an Esso distributor, had been bought by Kenan and that a large active installation would be established at his location on Highway 70 with him as distributor. Frank Walker, Cities Service dealer, denied that a sale for his company had taken place yet but indicated there might be a switch of brands soon. Meanwhile, rumors persist that both companies will eventually be a part of the Kenan operation. Service stations served by the two companies are expected to be switched to the Phillips 66 brand.

A TWO STORY STORAGE house belonging to Gary Lloyd located in the back of the A. J. Snipes Sr. home on W. King Street in Hillsboro was destroyed by fire Monday. It was located a **PEALINGS** continued, P. 12

Postmaster scramble seen; Kornegay explains his vote

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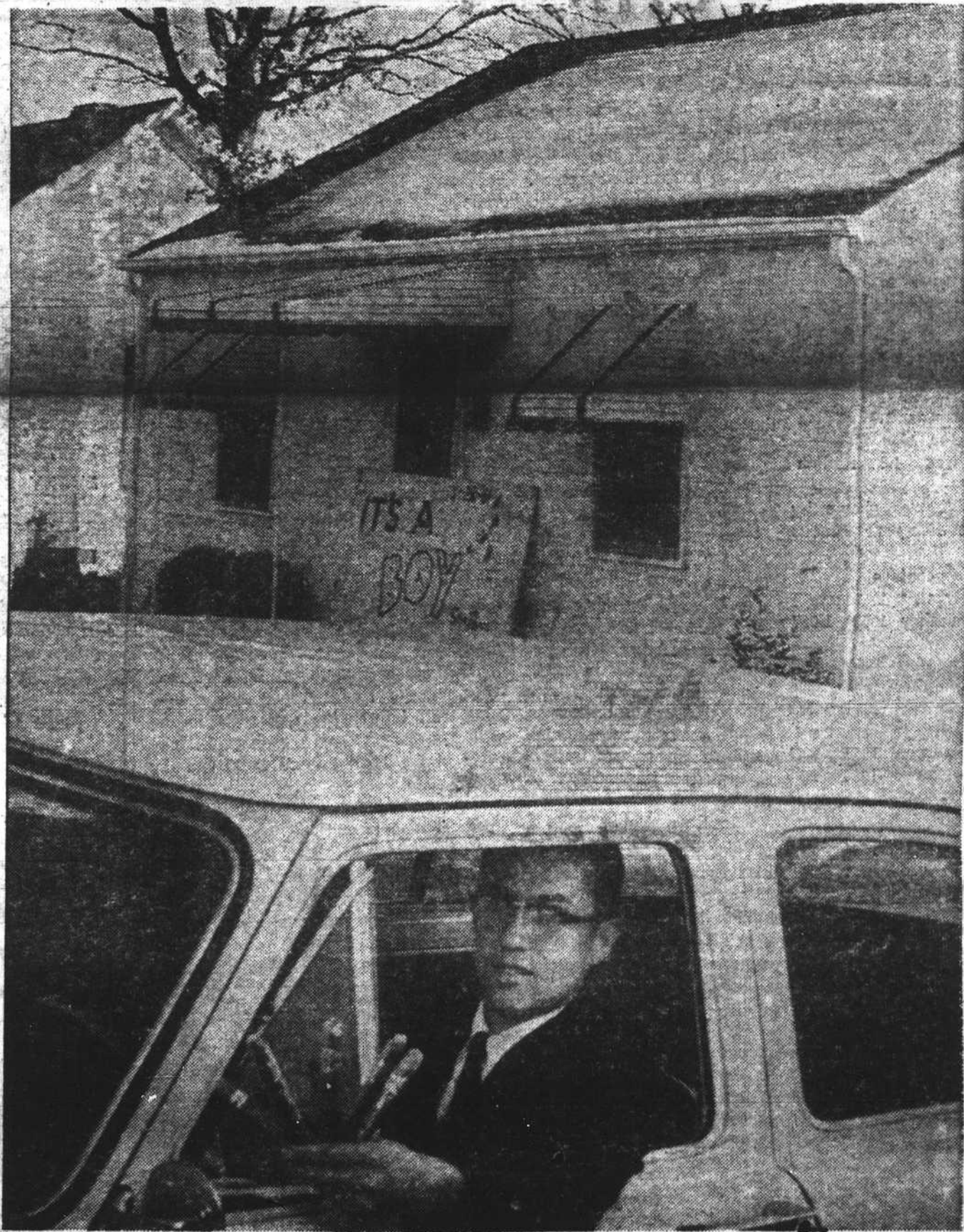
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'Fishers of men!...'



'IT'S A BOY!'—The big sign in front of the house tells the story of the week at 311 W. Weaver St. in Carrboro where the Gordon Fishers proudly announce their firstborn—a five-pound-plus boy, born at Watts Hospital last Saturday. Above, dad's primed for the occasion with a handful of cigars proclaiming the blessed event.

Picketing of movies is to be started on nightly schedule next Monday

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