

## Orange Pealings

**IT WAS NECESSARY TO WAIT** until the highway widening job on Raleigh Road was completed before the sidewalk could be torn up again to install underground telephone cables. It was necessary, we are informed, because the highway project was a federal job . . . and the contractor didn't dare vary a jot or tittle from orders. Now University Service Plant crews are laying an 1,818-pair duct of wires underground for 6,000 feet eastward to Glen Lennox from the Institute of Government. Weight is the determining factor in putting such cables underground. A cable of this size weighs five pounds to the foot—and is too heavy to be strung overhead.

**SKUNKS WILL EAT JUST** about anything that is digestible. This intelligence is passed on by bona fide owners of a pet skunk—the Charles Hubbard family. (See story, page 12 this issue). Furthermore, it is reported, the skunk likes to be petted, dislikes being handled, and has sharp teeth to endorse his dislikes. Young Tim Hubbard got a fine squirt of skunk odor in capturing the baby animal in his native habitat of the N. C. mountains last summer; has since had him deskunked.

**A BRUSH FIRE IN THE** woods behind Brady's on Durham Road caused right much concern early Tuesday night. A sudden squall of winds blew the flames up to more serious proportion and enveloped the congested Durham Road area in murky smoke. The district fire truck was called to the scene and the flames were soon extinguished after burning over about an acre.

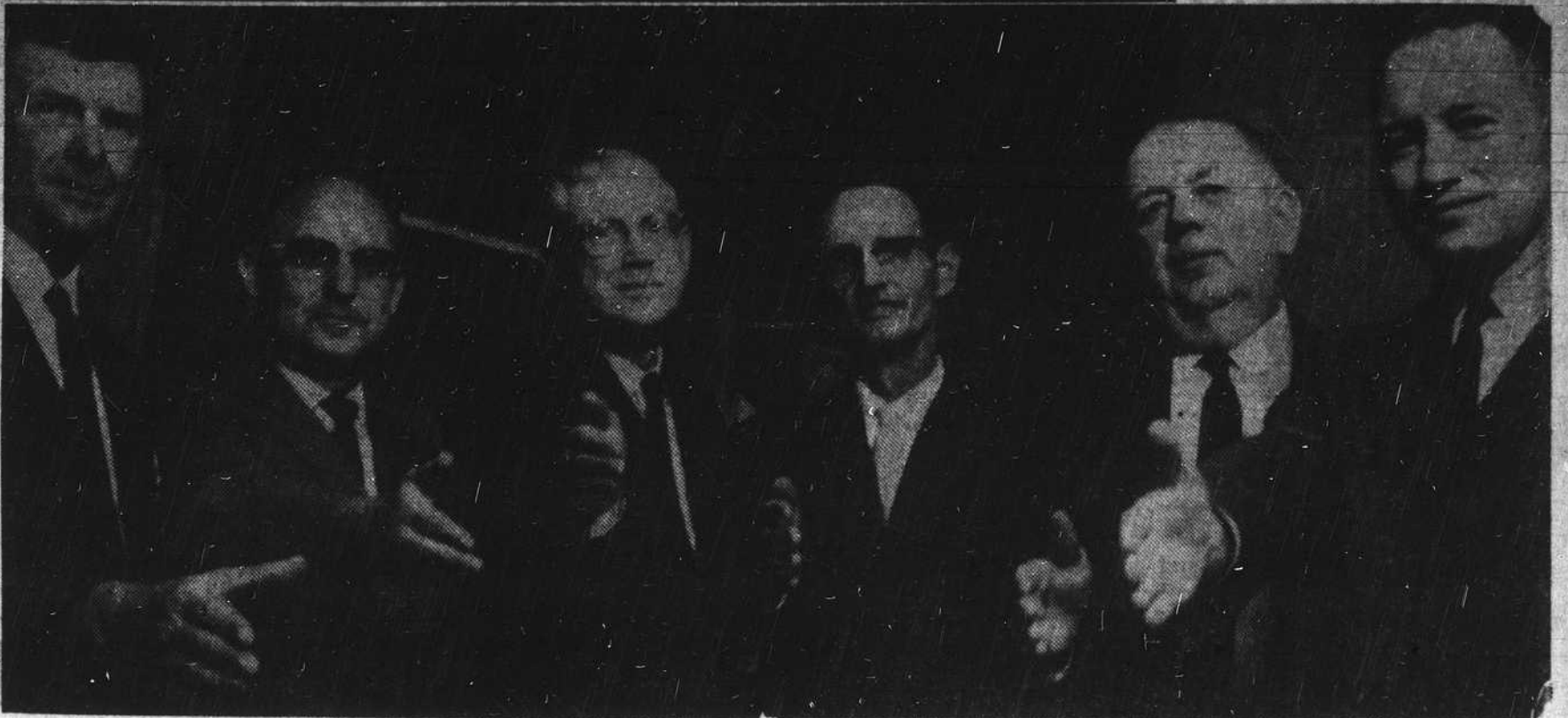
**IT IS RELIABLY REPORTED** that the directors of the Merchants Association in Chapel Hill are just about settled on the hiring of a new executive secretary. The decision was almost finally made this week after interviewing applicants from places as far away as Seattle.

**A CLOSED-DOOR CONFERENCE** of about 70 student leaders from nearly a dozen states was held in Chapel Hill last weekend. The group, composed of youths who had been "freedom riders" and active workers in de-segregation campaigns, heard an appeal to "move from moral protest to direct political participation in our society." It was announced that the press was barred from the session "to allow free and open discussion of all relevant topics."

**QUESTION WAS RAISED IN** the county commissioners meeting Monday about oral contraceptives allegedly getting into the hands of teen-age girls. This was implied as a possibility at the recent parents meeting on teen-age matters in Chapel Hill. Welfare Superintendent James Wight said the extent of the County's involvement was to screen certain welfare aid recipients and to recommend them to the District Health Department. That agency in turn refers some to the UNC Medical School where Dr. Charles Flowers is doing some research testing of oral contraceptives.

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## Big hands across Orange...



**THEY WANT YOU!!**—Outstretched hands of the six Democratic candidates for three county commissionerships are looking for shakers all across Orange this month. Left to right are Donald McDade, Carl Smith, Clarence Jones, Henry Walker, Lee Kennedy, and Gordon Cleveland. News Photo

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### In Chapel Hill Township . . .

## Registration light, deadline Saturday

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### ★ ★ ★ Sprightly sidewalk scene



**PRETTY PICTURE**—UNC graduate student Robert Roberts, wife, and baby, make a fetching picture themselves as they peruse the paintings set up in the downtown Chapel Hill Sidewalk Art Show last Sunday afternoon.

### Gone! — but really!



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## District sanitarian warns of subdivision health hazard

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