

## Orange Pealings

"FOREST SERVICE GREEN has gone to war." To revive the old cigarette commercial slogan is to summarize the action of the District office of the N. C. Forest Service in Chapel Hill, which has lately fixed up a 200-gallon pumper fire truck from an Army surplus weapons carrier. Forest service trucks are traditionally painted a forest green. But nobody gives the right-of-way to a green fire truck, or so the Forest Service crew here reasoned. So, they painted it a bright traditional fire engine red. It's the first such departure from the pure flat of tradition in the Service.

CHAPEL HILL SCHOOL Board members, heeding the suggestion of a News reader as published in this column recently, have fixed up a handy map of the local school district outlining the five elementary school attendance areas. It is available free at the office of the Superintendent of Schools, is posted in the offices of school principals, and was published in the Chapel Hill Weekly last Sunday.

'PAPA D' EDWARD DANZIGER is completely painting and redecorating his downtown place in Chapel Hill for the first time since Danziger's Candy Kitchen was opened here in 1939. It was a mammoth job clearing out the place to the bare walls for painters this week. All of the hundreds of framed photos that cover the walls had to be numbered and the numbers set down on a chart so that they could be put back up in the same jig saw puzzle order.

THAT WAS A MIGHTY INTERESTING story in the Sunday papers this week about Pete Mullis, gatekeeper extraordinaire for the past quarter-century at Kenan Stadium home football games. Prof. Mullis of the UNC physical education faculty is in charge of the 300 game-time employees who work at the grid contests. The story by sports publicist Bob Quincy didn't mention one true fable that Pete tells about that fabulous UNC - Texas game here in 1948. About the ticket taker who actually turned down a \$500 cash bribe from a Texas fan to let him into the game, Pete jokingly says he directed the gatekeeper when he told him about it, "You just call for me next time that happens!"

THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HAS rejected a bid of \$5.99 by a Raleigh man as his purchase offer for a four - room house on the N. Columbia St. site of the proposed municipal center. That house and several others on town property that were offered for sale on sealed bids will have to be removed from their present locations. Town Manager Bob Peck said he'd seek more proposals, probably on the purchase and removal of all dwellings concerned.

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# Six road projects dropped after right-of-way troubles

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## All set for smoke searching . . .



FOREST FIRE TOWER READIED — County Forester John Harris of Chapel Hill sights down the Pelorus located in the cabin atop the 80-foot county forest fire tower on Occoneechee Mountain at Hillsboro. The Eno plant of Cone Mills in Hillsboro may be seen in the background. Preparations to re-open the tower for the coming forest fire season are being completed. Joe Waters, who lives on Occoneechee Mountain, will

again man the tower. Forest service crews say that at least half the forest fires in Orange County are sighted from this vantage point. During the past year there were over 50 fires in the County, and they burned more than 250 acres. Persons who wish to turn in forest fire alarms may call the tower direct—3751 Hillsboro — or the District Forest Service office in Chapel Hill.

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