



UMSTEAD

Veteran legislator steps down...

# Phipps for Umstead? Democrats to meet on successor Friday

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PHIPPS

## Orange Pealings

HON. JIM PHIPPS WILL GO to the Legislature (assuming the overwhelming probability) this time the easy way. In the early '30s he ran for Orange County Representative against the late Sam Gattis of Hillsboro and lost by about 400 votes. In 1937 he ran against the Rev. B. J. Howard of Chapel Hill and lost by 25 votes. Speaking informally before his fellow members of the Chapel Hill Rotary Club last night, Phipps noted he'd told Rep. Umstead that if he were chosen he'd try to carry out all commitments the latter had made on mental health and University legislation.

REP. UMSTEAD HIMSELF said yesterday he'd hoped to have his name attached to a Mental Institutions Committee bill calling for re-organization of the Board of Mental Health before he resigned, but that he was confident the bill would still be introduced and passed all right. As Chairman of the Democratic Committee of East Franklin Precinct he'll be summoned to Hillsboro tomorrow for the County Committee's meeting to recommend his successor.

THERE IS PLENTY OF scrambling going on backstage for various offices that will become vacant as a result of the Umstead-Phipps shift. More than a few "patriots" are looking to the future, too. Some have noted that they understand that Mr. Phipps would not stand for reelection to the Assembly, thus throwing the race wide open in next year's primary. State law, incidentally, requires the Governor to make his appointment of a successor from the party of the legislator whose vacancy is being filled. Thus there's no way for a Republican to step into the picture before next year's primary.

THE CHAPEL HILL ALDERMEN could not help noticing the bright new Carolina blue ash trays that graced the courtroom table Monday night, bearing the Hospital Saving Association shield. As some had mused jokingly, they were the gift of HSA's public relations exec, J. S. Nagelschmidt. He'd found the scene tray-less at the public recreation forum in the same room several days before, and subsequently offered 'em to Town Manager Bob Peck. Gim-

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## Riding 'shotgun' for Jayne...



'WAVE AT THE TREE PEOPLE' - Sheriff's Deputies Will Gilmore (front seat) and Arery Maddry (right) betray their pleasure with their duties as bodyguards for movie star Jayne Mansfield as they ride with her in the pace car to start off the 150-mile stock car race at Orange Speedway

last Sunday. As they passed the crowds of non-paying spectators in nature's grandstands on the back stretch (above) Miss Mansfield told husband Mickey Hargitay and four-year-old Mickey Jr., to "Wave at the tree people." Driver for the pace car is racing publicist Hank Schoolfield. (See story on Page Two.)

# School board finally approves county schools' consolidation

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