

Historical commission sets initial meeting October 12

State Department of Archives and History Director Christopher C. Crittenden of Raleigh and James Gray of Winston-Salem, President of Old Salem, Inc., will be speakers at the organizational meeting of the Historic Hillsborough Commission on Saturday, Oct. 12.

The meeting in the Orange County Courthouse will be followed by a luncheon at St. Matthews Episcopal Church Parish House, through the

courtesy of the Hillsborough Historical Society. The 27 members of the Commission, established by the General Assembly last spring, were recently appointed by Gov. Terry Sanford. Dr. Robert J. Murphy of Hillsboro was named Chairman.

The meeting will open at 10 a.m. with a welcome by Dr. Murphy and the invocation by the Rev. Edward F. Smith of the Hillsborough Methodist Church. Dr. Crittenden will

speak on "Launching a New Commission" and W. S. Tarlton, State Superintendent of Historic Sites, on "Hillsborough—an Historic Area." "Basic Research on Historic Hillsborough" will be presented by Mrs. A. G. Engstrom of Hillsborough.

The Commission will be entertained at a social hour in the Murphys' home prior to the 1:30 p.m. luncheon. Speaker for this occasion will be Mr. Gray. At the 3 p.m. afternoon session, also is the Parish House, Dr. Murphy will speak on "Chief Restoration Problems in Hillsboro" and brief meetings of committees of the Commission will be held.

Police check leads on robbery wave around Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill police detectives said they were working on new leads yesterday morning towards the solving of a wave of burglary and break-ins, which have totalled eight to date this month.

Sgt. Howard Pendergraph said that in most of the robberies objects that could be easily sold or pawned—such as watches, guns a radio—were stolen. In every

instance the buildings were entered while all occupants were gone. Most entries were in the day-time, Sgt. Pendergraph said.

The most recent one occurred at 402 Whitaker St., the home of Fannie Snipes, who discovered her home had been burglarized when she returned from working on Tuesday. Missing from her home was a shotgun, watch, and radio. The padlocked front door was forcibly entered by wrenching the hinges loose.

Three rental cottages on the first block of North St. were entered and various small objects stolen during the Carolina-Virginia football game last Saturday. Early on the evening of Sept. 15 the Clyde Eubanks home on W. Cameron Ave. was entered while the Eubanks were out to dinner. Four shotguns were taken.

On Sept. 18, Jack Green told investigating officers, his home on Fritchard Ave. Extension was broken into while he was at work and a radio, movie camera, and some film taken. Prof. E. C. Markham reported that his home on Hillcrest Circle was entered while he was out of town between Sept. 8 and 10, and a camera, field glasses, and two suits taken. Principal C. A. McDougle found his office at Lincoln High School had been ransacked when he arrived on Monday morning though nothing apparent was missing. Means of entering the building was not established.

Ask review of action

Citizens flay hiring policy by the town

The personnel hiring practices of the Town of Chapel Hill were sharply challenged by Dr. and Mrs. T. Franklin Williams at the Board of Aldermen's meeting night before last.

Representing several signers of a letter of protest, they asked that reconsideration of applications be given for the part-time job of Assistant Director of the Roberson St. Recreation Center. They also sought a general review of the town's personnel hiring policies.

In a half-hour discussion of the matter the aldermen let the decision of Town Manager Bob Peck and Recreation Director Compton Shelton stand with regard to the woman hired for the recreation post. The Williams said they did not feel the job had been filled according to "generally accepted personnel practices," especially in that one unsuccessful applicant allegedly was refused an interview with Recreation Director Shelton.

The Town Manager declared that he felt the best person had been hired for the particular job, but agreed that all applicants should have been interviewed and their references checked. Dr. Williams declared that this incident brought the municipality's general hiring practices under

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By Hillsboro Merchants' Association . . .

Industry of the year to be cited at banquet

Officers for the coming year will be announced and installed and the local "Industry of the Year" honored at the annual membership banquet of the Hillsboro Merchants Association and Chamber of Commerce next Wednesday.

More than 100 businessmen and their guests are expected for the 7 p.m. affair in the Colonial Inn, according to Executive Secretary Mrs. William Dornoff.

Speaker for the occasion will be Judge Coleman Cates of Burlington. The program is being planned by the House Committee, composed of Mrs. Marshall Cates Jr., and Mrs. Remus Smith Jr. Piedmont Packing Co. will be honored as the Industry of the Year in a ceremony to be arranged by Dalton Loftin, Chairman of the Association's Industrial Appreciation Committee.

President Remus Smith Jr. will make a report on the past

year's activities before turning over the leadership of the group to the newly-elected President, John M. Roberts of Gravelly Tractor Co. The program chairman noted that door prizes will be given out during the evening and a special surprise feature staged.

Bank merger to become effective after tomorrow

Merger of The Bank of Chapel Hill into North Carolina National Bank has been approved by the U. S. Comptroller of Currency, effective as of the close of business tomorrow (Friday).

In granting approval, Comptroller James J. Saxon said, " . . . this merger is in the public interest."

Consummation of the merger will make Chapel Hill the 12th North Carolina city in which NCNB operates. It will bring the bank's total number of offices to 65. According to June 30 figures of the two institutions, the combined deposits will be \$545,915,000 with total resources of \$638,080,000.

STUDENT WIVES TO MEET

The UNC Student Wives Club will meet Tuesday at 8 p. m. in Graham Memorial's Roland Parker Lounge. All interested student wives were invited to attend this first business meeting of the new year.

School buses in smash-up; driver relieved

A Chapel Hill school bus driver was relieved of his duties immediately following a rear-end collision with another bus last Monday afternoon.

R. D. Smith, supervisor of Chapel Hill school buses, took this action against William Scott, 17, driver of School Bus No. 68, which was loaded with about 30 children when it struck the rear end of Bus No. 19. The accident occurred about 3:45 p.m. on Airport Rd. at Clark Rd.

Both buses were headed north, going from Chapel Hill High School to Phillips Junior High School to pick up homeward-bound pupils. The lead bus (No. 19), driven by Jerry Sparrow, had stopped to allow a vehicle in front of it, driven by garageman Willie Johnson, to turn left into his place of business.

Mr. Smith said about \$700 damage was sustained by the second bus when it ran into the first one. The driver and one girl were taken to Memorial Hospital for checking, then released. The bus supervisor said that Scott, a substitute driver last year, was relieved of his duties immediately, and was also charged by Chapel Hill police with following another vehicle too closely. There was very little damage to the lead bus.



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