

Orange Pealings

A GLEAMING NEW YELLOW bus was put into service for the first time yesterday by Chapel Hill Transit Co. Actually a regulation school bus, the \$9,000 vehicle will carry 66 children (44 adults) and will be used for a commercial run to carry local youngsters to Estes Hills School. The patriarchs of the line, the old blue buses, will not be fully retired, officials assured. They find it's necessary to keep one, and preferably two, spares on hand to keep one running all the time.

SMART NEW BLUE AND SILVER badges are now being worn by Chapel Hill police patrolmen. Of entirely new design and considerably larger than the previous metal emblems, they are the first actually new badges the policemen have had in many, many years. Previously they simply used hand-me-downs from the University guards for new town patrolmen. The complete set of hat shield and badge costs \$23.50 each.

A CHAPEL HILL AUTOMATIC laundry operator complained to police this week that somebody had apparently robbed his half-dollar change making machine of about \$35. An investigator was dispatched to the scene. He dropped in a coin, turned the crank—and out came five 50-cent pieces. Repeating the operation, he found that by turning the crank with just the right touch he could score five-for-one almost every time. —The operator emptied his over-generous device, hung an "out-of-order" sign on it, and waited for a service repairman.

HOUSEHOLDERS ACROSS the County were given a severe jolt at 10:04 a.m. yesterday as a jet aircraft flying overhead broke the sound barrier and caused a double sonic boom—as the twin sound waves formed by the plane's nose cone bounced along the ground. On this occasion there was little doubt as to the cause of the blast. The jet's whine was clearly audible after the big noise.

"PATRIOTS" whose names have been talked about recently for the vacancy on the County Board of Education include Reid Roberts of St. Mary's, Paul Gates of Caldwell, Roger Marshall of Eno, and retired Chapel Hill Superintendent of Schools C. W. Davis of the Union Grove community. The vacancy created by the recent resignation of Charles Walker will be filled by the Democratic Executive Committee on Oct. 22.

GOV. SANFORD HAS THIS week appointed Frank Umstead of Chapel Hill to the State Board of Mental Health — the field in which his father, former Rep. John Umstead, has been so influential for many years.

IN PREPARING A LEGAL description of the downtown Chapel Hill school property for sale at public auction next month, attorney J. Q. LeGrand was able to trace deeds to the land — involving seven parcels originally — back to the year 1855. At that time the metes and bounds were simply described as bordering the land of adjoining residents. The original Chapel Hill school property, now the West Franklin Elementary School, was purchased from Mrs. Harriet Cole in 1915.

CHAPEL HILL TAX BILLS were still not ready for mailing. More PEALINGS on Page 12.

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Airport Road citizens ask remedies to traffic hazards

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'Little Chiefs' lesson...



JUNIOR FIRE MARSHALS LEARN—Chapel Hill Fire Chief Jim Stewart talks about the rudiments of fire prevention with children at the Little Red School House in Chapel Hill yesterday as firemen and Chapel Hill Jaycees completed their fire drill rounds in their annual observance of National Fire Prevention Week.

—The bright red plastic toy firemen's helmets were passed out, compliments of the professional association

of the fire insurance underwriters. Junior fire marshals have been appointed for the home rooms of every school in the Chapel Hill system.

Later yesterday Chief Stewart took the Department's newly-re-constituted 1914 fire truck to Clinton to help promote the organization of a junior fire marshal corps there. Similar trips are planned soon to help set up these groups in Salisbury and Reidsville.

Chapel Hill doctor reports TB study hard hit by storm

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