

Orange Pealings

"DUKE BY TWO, OR THIS I do." That's the rash statement that brought Carrboro Methodist Minister Jim White to sing "Hark, The Sound" from the top of a sycamore tree beside his church entrance at precisely 11:59 p.m. last Saturday night. The tree-climbing preacher, a loyal Duke alumnus, assured some of his flock that the Blue Devils would win the annual football classic last Saturday. If they didn't he avered, he'd stand on his head atop the church. Instead he gave a more versatile performance, to the delight of about two dozen Carolina Methodists assembled below him. "He sang real loud—and it sounded sincere," commented one. To pay off some of the victors who didn't show up for the occasion, Mr. White telephoned 'em anonymously some time after midnight and sang the Tar Heel alma mater on command performance for 'em.

NOW THAT THE COURTHOUSE has a central air-conditioning system, the noble forces of the Civic Betterment League are re-grouping to push a campaign for a public address system in the courthouse. There is something in the acoustics of the high-chandeliered hall that verily soaks up sound before it reaches the human ear. During the Frank Rinaldi trial even the Judge sitting beside the witness stand quite often had to ask those testifying to speak louder so that he and the jurors could hear.

TAXPAYERS OF CHAPEL Hill may take some solace that the total tax levy this year is expected to bring in about \$8,000 more than was budgeted. This came about when Town officials estimated the total property valuation at \$39 million. When the figures were received from the County, they totaled almost \$40 million — about 33.4 million in real estate and 6.4 million in personal property. The total tax bill for the municipality, including sewer assessments, poll and dog taxes is now an official \$553,767.22.

SLOT RACING—A NEW HOBBY for the sedentary sportsman—bids fair to become the greatest thing in a national pastime since night baseball, according to early reports from Billy Arthur's Eastgate store. Billy recently installed an eight-lane 88-foot rally-type track on which eight individually-controlled electric racing cars can run at a time. A skillful "driver" with his electric hand "throttle" can mush his vehicle up to a scale mileage of about 300 miles an hour without running off the track. The track, largest of its kind in the state, has been mobbed with racers and rubberneckerers most of the time since Billy set it up two weeks ago.

THE WESTERN UNION OFFICE in the Carl Smith Building on N. Columbia St. in Chapel Hill is scheduled to be moved next week to new quarters in Gardner Motor Co. around the corner on W. Franklin. Bill Olsen Jr., and Mrs. William Olsen Sr. are setting up a new real estate operation in the building. Doug Powell will also set up a new real estate office in the Smith Building, too.

New ABC store asked for west side of town by group of officials

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'Education fills the horn of plenty'...



SCHOOL PUPILS SHARE THEIR BOUNTY—With every one of the more than 700 pupils at Estes Hills School in Chapel Hill bringing one article of food yesterday, 24 heaping baskets of food were prepared for giving to needy families through the Junior

Service League-sponsored Christmas House. Above, hoisting a box of groceries for Miss Elizabeth Seawell's sixth grade home room, are Kathy Yeager and Jerry Turner.

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New industry reveals plans to move; cites space need

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