

RALEIGH ROUND-UP

By James H. Fox Bailey

The Writers

John Park, publisher of the Raleigh Times and no doubt one of the traveling newspapermen in the South, is out West visiting "places of interest," as they say in the social column.

Holt McPherson of the Shelby Daily Star is on a tour of Europe and Palestine.

Hoke Norris, formerly with the Associated Press and the Winston-Salem Journal, is on a Neiman Fellowship. One of his books is now in the hands of the publisher. He is in the process of completing another.

Burke Davis, former sports editor and, later, editor of the Charlotte News, is moving deeply into the book-writing business. He is now

with the Greensboro Daily News. For years Oscar Cozza of the University of North Carolina and others begged and pleaded with Tom Bost to write a book on Raleigh doings of the past. He could have written several, but just never got around to them. Bost was doing a volume on the late W. L. Poter, at one time president of Wake Forest College, at the time of his death.

Lynn Nibbet, Raleigh correspondent for the afternoon newspapers, scooped everybody on the Paroles Commissioner T. C. Johnson-Elwood Weaver thing last week. It had been kicking around for two or three weeks, however, but apparently nobody had sufficient goods to go to press with it.

Frying

There are two or three other matters of similar import on the griddle, but it may require several days yet before they are ready for publication. These "scandals" are difficult to handle. Frequently the stories are so much less than rumors. No reporter wants to stick his neck out unless he has the correct dope. Reports are plentiful. They are not a little like the cotton candy you get at the county fair in that they often look big but actually have little substance.

With The Students

Much to their surprise, State College finds that it has a few more students enrolled this year than last. There has been a rather sharp drop at the University of North Carolina. Wake Forest College, which had anticipated an enrollment decrease of 25 to 40 per cent, has 1,700 students, or an enrollment drop of about 12 per cent. Duke seems to be holding its own.

Fresh

Speaking of students, here is a story on one that was moving around Raleigh last week. It may not be new, but is being told as something fresh.

A freshman over at Wake Forest passed by a colored janitor who was burning off a weedy plot preparatory to sowing winter grass. The boy stood and looked at the fire a moment while the janitor busily raked the leaves and the burning weeds. Finally he said, "Uncle John, pretty soon this little section of the campus will be nearly as black as you are."

"You're right, son," replied the janitor continuing his raking, "but about three weeks from now it will be just as green as you are."

Sounds like an oldie, but it was new to us and is certainly rather appropriate at this time of year.

The Best

While outstanding footballers will march in bold headlines across the sports pages of the papers this fall, there will be hundreds of college students whose names you will not see, whose unglamorous exploits in the classrooms will go with scant notice except from the instructors.

An instance of this occurred here in Raleigh last week. The law firm of Harris and Poe announced they had a new associate. Harris is the son of Superior Court Judge W. C. Harris. Poe is a grandson of Gov. Charles B. Aycock and son of Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer. This new associate is one Cecil L. Porter, a recent graduate of Wake Forest Law School. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Porter of North Wilkesboro. He has mild and unpretentious kinfolks up and down the Yadkin Valley between Elkin and the Wilkesboros. Some of them work in mills, others on the farm, and others are in business.

And how did the Yadkin River's Mr. Porter, who received his undergraduate training at Vanderbilt and Mars Hill, come to be associated with such fast company? The answer is simple. Messrs Harris and Poe wanted the best. They contacted the Wake Forest Law School and found that Porter was at the top in his unglamorous studies. They asked him to come with them. He accepted.

And where is Bill Gregg, that hard-running back? And where is Hub Smith, who could rip holes in the opposing line? And where are the others who tripped the light fantastic? Your guess is as good as ours.

Another example: Jim Dorsett was a law student at the University of North Carolina. He was tops in his studies. Doesn't the word "studies" sound old-fashioned? That's why we use it here. An attorney here, a Duke alumnus, wanted a young University man in his law office. He chose Dorsett because he was the best.

The man? Sen. Willis Smith. The associate, James K. Dorsett, Jr., not only came with Smith as partner but last fall married Smith's daughter.

Seriously Considering

Hubert Olive of Lexington and the Governor were in a little conference here last week. Afterward, Olive let the press know that he is "seriously considering" running to succeed the Haw River gentleman.

Around here they are saying that Scott is hoping that Brandon Hodges will make the race. He figures that Hodges will take strength away from Bill Umstead, thus permitting Highwayman Henry Jordan or Hubert Olive to make the grade.

In Person

After pussyfooting around with the idea for several months, Conservation and Development Director George Ross last Friday handled his problem like a man, boldly walked into State Forester W. K. Beicher's office and left a note telling him to move out by October 15. The firings and voluntary shifts in personnel around here lately have been terrific.

RALEIGH MUSIC ASSOCIATION PLANS ATTRACTIVE CONCERT SERIES

The Raleigh Civic Music Association is holding its 21st annual membership campaign during this present week. All music lovers in the Raleigh area are invited to take advantage of the campaign Saturday, September 24. After that date no members will be accepted.

Dues for membership in Civic Music are \$6.00 (tax included) for adults. The fee entitles a member to attend six outstanding concerts by world famous artists.

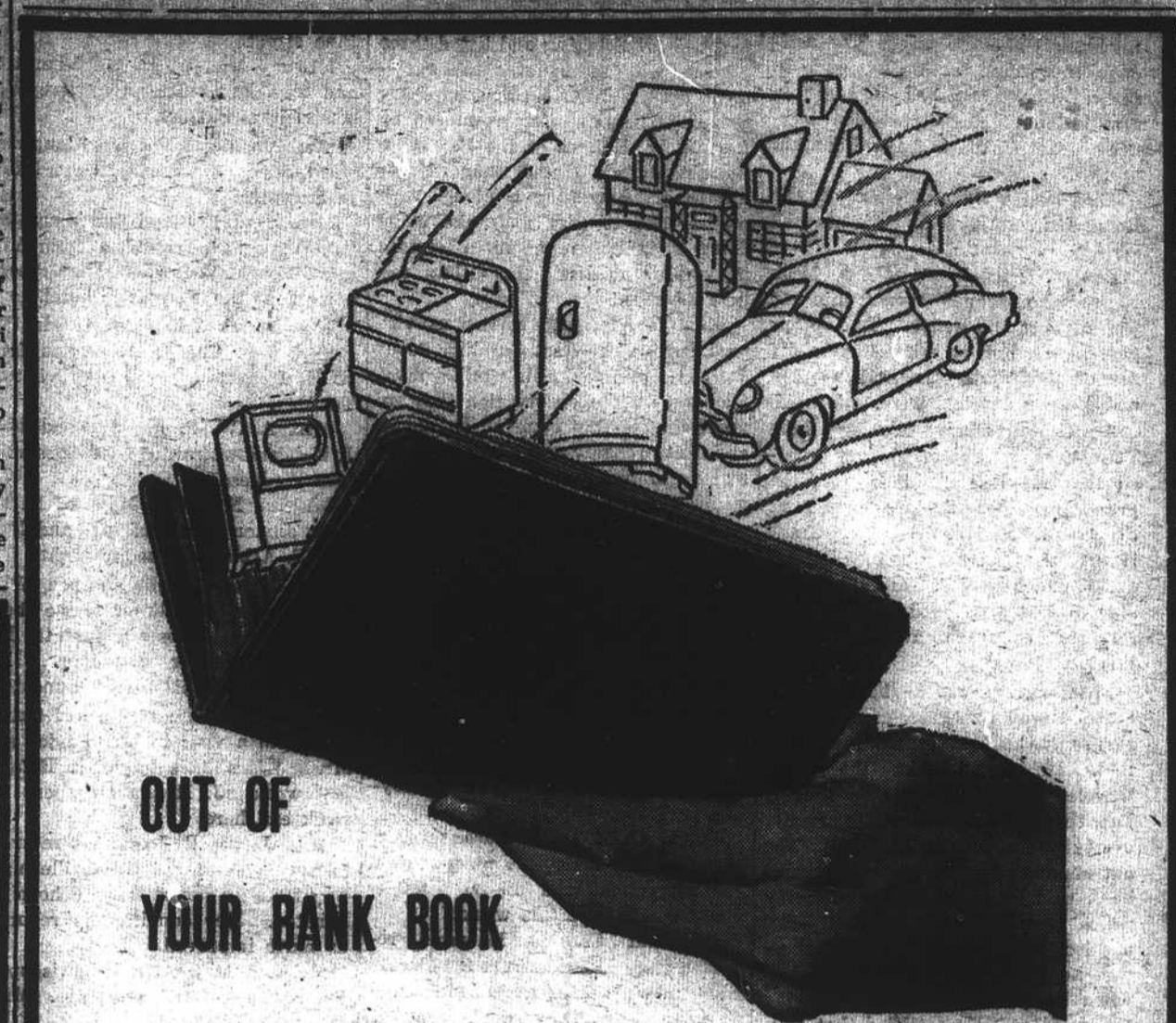
A. C. Hall, president of the Association, has announced the following series for this season: "Die Fledermaus," a brilliant production in English of the popular Strauss opera starring members of the Metropolitan Opera, New York City Center Theater and Broadway; Gina Bachauer, European pianist whose concert in New York last year was described by the New York Times as "the outstanding recital of the season"; Kirsten Flagstad, returning to Raleigh in response to popular demand; Ruggero Ricci, internationally known violinist who ranks at the very top of the artistic scale; Leonard Warren, the leading baritone of the Metropolitan Opera; and Thor Johnson conducting the Cincinnati Symphony. Mr. Johnson is North Carolina's own outstanding conductor, directing one of the five top orchestras in America.

Raleigh Civic Music Association has for many years had a capacity membership, and pre-campaign returns indicate another fine year. Due to the limited seating capacity of the

auditorium the number of members must of necessity be limited; so memberships have to be accepted on a "first come, first served" basis. There are no single admissions sold. Civic Music has become a vital part of the cultural life of the Raleigh area. A survey shows that members come from 55 towns in the district, some from as far distant as 150 miles. The person enrolling members for Civic Music in the Farmville area is Miss Elizabeth Davis, 400 W. Church Street, Farmville. Checks for membership dues may be sent directly to Raleigh Civic Music Association, Room 22, Hotel Sir Walter, Raleigh.

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