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MISS CHAPEL HILL APPEARS—Libby McDowell, representing Chapel Hill in this past weekend's Miss North Carolina Beauty Pageant at Morehead City, is seen during one of her several stage appearances during the three-day event.

## Beauty Entrant Praised By Local Jaycee Escort

"We couldn't have had a finer representative of Chapel Hill."  
So spoke Monk Jennings, official Jaycee escort for Libby McDowell as the local entrant in the statewide beauty pageant at Morehead City this past weekend. Several judges for the annual state finals of the Miss America selection also spoke quite highly of the Carolina coed who was representing the University community.  
Although she didn't place in the finals in the three-day pageant, Miss McDowell received an unusually fine ovation upon presenting her talent—the singing of an operatic aria. Her

mother, Mrs. Edward McDowell of Wake Forest, accompanied her at the piano in the absence of her regular accompanist.  
Chapel Hill's sixth annual entrant in the state beauty pageant also made quite a hit with the other entrants, according to Mr. Jennings. "Everybody liked her. She was so friendly and composed—and had a great deal of stage presence during her appearances," said Mr. Jennings.  
This Friday evening she will appear with other beauty queens from the area in a special event sponsored by the Durham Bulls during their game at the Durham Athletic Park.



MISS CARRBORO CUB—Nancy Woodard (standing), representing the Carrboro Cubs semi-pro baseball team, was named runner-up for the title of Miss North Carolina Semi-Pro Baseball at Saturday evening's selection of the beauty queen during the State Tournament in Roxboro. She's seen above with the winner, Margaret Wood of Fuquay Springs.  
Hiram Elam Photo

## Skinner And Lefler Are Going On Canadian Canoe Expedition

Leigh Skinner, Jr., and Tammy Lefler will leave August 18 for Canada where they will be a part of the Scout-sponsored Canadian Canoe Expedition.  
There will be 40 in the party, 36 Explorer Scouts and four Leaders. They will go by chartered bus from Raleigh to Kingston, Ontario, Canada where they will embark in 20 canoes for Smith Falls. Passing through one of the oldest and most picturesque parts of Ontario, the canoe canal trail goes through a group of lakes, rivers, islands and woodlands. The group is eagerly anticipating fine trout fishing in the Rideau and Indian Lakes, and pike, pickerel and bass in the Canberry, Whitefish Sand and Clear Lakes. They will rise 165 feet above Lake Ontario

by using Brewer's Mill, Chaffey, and Newboro Locks.  
Shipping their canoes back to Kingston, they will rejoin their chartered bus to see more of Canada. Then, they will go to Bloomington, Indiana for the national meeting of the Order of the Arrow, returning on September 1.  
Both boys are Eagle Scouts, high-ranking members of the Order of the Arrow, and members of the staff at Camp Durant. Tammy, now 16, is Senior Crew Leader of the Sea Scouts Ship 402. Leigh, now 17, is Senior Patrol Leader of Troop 39. When Leigh attained his Eagle Scout Award, five years ago, at the age of 12, he was considered to be the youngest Eagle Scout in the nation.

## English Poetry Program Is Set Thursday Night

Verse by great English poets will be sung, in operatic airs and in balladry, by a special group of singers for the 14th annual N. C. English Teachers Association here in Graham Memorial at 8 p.m. Thursday.

As a part of the three-day session, verses from Ben Jonson, Dryden, Yeats, Swinburne and Matthew Arnold will be sung. Individual, duet and other singers include Prof. Crastis D. Williams, balladeer of Boone; Mrs. Donna B. Patton, voice student at UNC; John H. Crabtree and Richard Eaton of the Department of English; Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. Nora Jane Throckmorton, and Herbert Shellans.

The program will feature: Jonson's "Have You Seen But a White Lily Grow", Dryden's "I Attempt From Love's Sickness to Fly," Swinburne's "Love Laid His Sleepless Head," Yeats' "The Sally Gardens," and Arnold's "Dover Beach."

Prof Williams, who teaches English at Appalachian State Teachers College, will sing "The Wife of Ushers Well." The musical interlude is one part of a program of lectures and discussion for about 100 English teachers, meeting at Chapel Hill and at Duke. Among speakers will be Virginius Dabney, editor of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, and Prof. Lionel Stevenson of Duke University.

A special session in science fiction will be led by Profs. J. O. Bailey and Norman Mattis of UNC.

## Swimmers Get Nine Firsts At Morganton

The Chapel Hill Swim Club grabbed nine first places and a host of second and thirds in the Carolina Junior Olympic 'short course' swim championships held in Morganton last weekend.

In the senior boys division, Ben Crutchfield and Hall of the locals took first places. Hall won the 50 and 200 yard freestyles, and Crutchfield captured the 400 yard freestyle. Hall also got a second in the 100 freestyle.

The junior girls monopolized most of the other gold medals. Lee Milner took the diving crown, Davis won the 50-yard backstroke, and both the 200 yard freestyle and medley relay teams emerged victorious.

The remaining two first places went to Minor Davis in the intermediate boys 200 yard individual medley, and the senior girls 200 medley relay squad.

No team score was kept in the meet, but girls and boys teams from Greensboro took a majority of the honors Charlotte and Columbia, S. C. also had strong teams on hand.



TO SING AT UNC—Doris Okerson, mezzo soprano, will give a recital at Hill Hall tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Miss Okerson has sung with the Philadelphia Grand Opera Company and was a member of the Saint of Blecker Street Company on its New York, Washington, and Boston runs. Her recital at UNC is free and open to the public.



JQIN HANDS FOR COURTESY—Members of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Damon Lodge No. 97 of the Knights of Pythias join hands with the mayors of Chapel Hill and Carrboro for the proclamation of Knights of Pythias Highway Courtesy Month during August, in cooperation with a nationwide campaign for pedestrian and auto traffic courtesy and safety. Left to right: Lester Foley, Vice-Chancellor of the Pythians Lodge and project vice-chairman; Chapel Hill Mayor O. K. Cornwell; James Allen, project committee member; Carrboro Mayor R. B. Todd; and R. Iph Morgan, project committee member.  
News Leader Photo

## John Umstead Explains His Support Of Pearsall Plan For Public Schools

Orange County Rep. John W. Umstead this morning issued a comprehensive statement concerning his support of the Pearsall Plan for public schools as passed by the General Assembly's special session last week.

Selections from his statement follow:  
On last Monday morning before leaving to attend the Special Session of the Legislature as Representative from Orange County I gave the local papers a statement. I stated that I intended to support the Pearsall Plan unless the hear-

ings should change my mind. I gave as my reason for taking this stand that I favored some plan whereby the solution of the problems confronting our public schools would be taken from the hands of the extremists on both sides of the question and placed in hands that would seek a reasonable solution.  
After listening to every word of the hearings for two long days and one night session I was convinced that my decision to support the Pearsall Plan was wise and for the best interests of the schools of the state.

At these hearings each and every citizen of the state was given the time that he or she requested for the presentation of their views and opinions on this question. During these hearings I heard statements made by both opponents and proponents of the plan that were almost unbelievable.  
Hypocrisy Charged  
I heard a minister of the gospel make the statement that "the first root of this whole proposal (the Pearsall Plan) is hypocrisy, because it pretends to do something and it intends to do nothing." This charge of hypocrisy was made against the Pearsall Committee, the Governor of North Carolina and any one who might support it. Mr. Pearsall, the Chairman of the Committee making this report, is a loved and esteemed citizen of Rocky Mount and is held in the highest regard by both white and Negro citizens of his home community.  
The other members signing this report are six of the outstanding citizens of our state whose characters are above reproach and whose contributions to the religious, civic and political life of the state will live for years and years to come. Not only did he charge these fine citizens with hypocrisy but he likewise, at least by indirection, leveled the same charge against our great Governor who is known throughout the state as a Christian (See UMSTEAD, Page Six)

Two summers ago, several local Negro teenagers applied for admission to the pool, and were refused. They were referred to Chancellor House, but failed to press the case. It has been rumored that some Negroes applied for tickets last summer and earlier this year, but this has not been confirmed.  
The move caught by surprise many families who were out-of-town for the first part of the summer or who were late in buying renewal tickets.  
necessary to close down the pool and do away with all the children's classes that have been going on throughout the summer.  
Upon the application of the Negroes, University Acting President Bill Friday contacted state Attorney General William Rodman for legal advice. Rodman informed the Administration that the only course open to them was to stop selling tickets because, it was reported, it would have been impossible to refuse the Negroes tickets and continue selling them to white applicants.

## Lack Of Support Causes Cubs To Abandon Home Game Card

Due to poor attendance and lack of support, the Carrboro Cubs will play no more home games this season.

According to club officials, attendance has been so poor at most games that barely enough money was cleared to pay the light bill at the Carrboro Lion's Park. In their last home game Thursday night, the Cubs dropped a 5-2 decision to the Bur-Gra Bees, and not enough money was taken in to pay the umpires.

The Cubs will take a rest this week following their elimination from the North Carolina Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament at Roxboro last week. Siler City and the Camp Lejeune Marines are tentative opponents sometime in the near future.

## Half-Dozen School Jobs Now Set

A half-dozen building projects are under way or nearly ready for starting at Chapel Hill's five schools.

Grey Culbreth, School Board Chairman, said this morning that the \$40,000 fire tower installation and renovation job at the Chapel Hill Elementary School was progressing on schedule and was expected to be ready by the time classes begin a month hence. As a part of the job a new sewer line from the street in front of the school is being laid to the new toilets that will be installed where the front stair wells were. In addition, asphalt floor tile is being laid on the top two floors of the school.

At Northside Elementary School floor tile is also being installed in one classroom wing and in toilets. Mr. Culbreth reported that working drawings are now being prepared by architect James Webb for a new six-classroom wing to be built at Northside.

Gym Plans Set  
Plans are also complete for the Chapel Hill High School gymnasium and a call for bids will probably be issued next month. At Lincoln High School another building project—the construction of a new shop building—is being readied. The School Board Chairman said it was hoped this project would be complete by the opening of school next year.

A complete outside painting job—the first since the building was built six years ago—has been done at Lincoln, and at Glenwood School the playground is being enlarged behind the new six-classroom wing.

## Joe McCauley Passes Here Friday; Was 74

Joe McCauley, 74, passed at his home in the Bethel community Friday at 9:45 a.m.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Sarah Caldwell of Chapel Hill, Mrs. Pearl Curtis of Durham, Mrs. Mayzell Jackson of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Selinia Wilie of New York; four sons, Lonnie McCauley and Joe Albert McCauley, both of Durham, and Henry McCauley and Herman McCauley, both of New York City; one brother, Lester McCauley, and 24 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. J. S. Stewart officiating, assisted by Rev. J. R. Manley and the Rev. J. H. Jones. Burial will follow in the Hickory Grove Cemetery.

## Public Invited To See Mars Through 'Scope'

Beginning next Monday night the public may view the planet Mars, the moon, the other constellations through the huge 15-inch telescope atop the Morehead Planetarium.

Viewing will be every Monday and Thursday evening during the summer by reservation only and in limited groups of 15 to 20 persons. It will be under the direction of the Chapel Hill Astronomy Club.

The mysterious planet this year is in more favorable position for observation and study than it has been since 1939.

## Weather Reports

Partly cloudy and cool tonight and tomorrow with scattered showers mostly in south tomorrow. High today, near 80; low tonight near 60. High tomorrow low 80s.

	High	Low	Rainfall
Thursday	90	62	.02
Friday	92	68	.00
Saturday	91	68	.00
Sunday	98	67	.28



LOCAL WRITERS ON CONFERENCE PANEL—About 70 writers from all over the state attended the Seventh Annual Writers Conference here this past weekend. Shown leading Saturday morning's panel discussion (left to right) are Chalmers Davidson of Davidson, Phillips Russell of Chapel Hill, Bernadette Hoyle of Smithfield, and Manty Wade Wellman of Chapel Hill.  
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