

\$5,000 On Hand O. J. Forman Monmouth, N.J.

# Recreation Center Building Being Pushed

on hand in ment and ans for im- of a new center are here. He emphasized that the drive is not yet over in that a number of persons who have not yet given to this fund, and who are believed to be interested in the project, are still to be solicited. The total

of cash and pledges (due by July 1) is about \$31,000, according to Mr. McClamroch. At their Monday evening meet-

ing the directors passed finally a number of revisions in the Corporation bylaws to make it an inclusive rather than an exclusive group. The most basic changes provide for a rotating and elected board of directors, set down rules for adult voting memberships in the Center's government, and state specifically that "No person shall be denied use of the

Corporation solely because of financial circumstances." Meanwhile plans for construction of the center are being pushed forward by the Building Committee, Chairman of which is John McLaughlin. An actual start on the construction is hoped for this spring. Lt. Col. Glen W. Trindler has volunteered to supervise the construction process.

felt there was enough on hand at this time to proceed with construction of the building on the seven-acre Elkin mill tract donated for the purpose by the John Umstead family.

## If You Don't Have 'em Better Get 'em Quick!

Local police and State Highway Patrolmen warn that they'll be prepared to arrest motorists who are not displaying 1958 local and state auto tags on their cars after the deadline of this Saturday, Feb. 15. The local tags must be purchased by all auto owners who live inside the town limits of Chap-

el Hill or Carrboro. They're on sale in the town halls of the two municipalities. The state tags, in addition to Chapel Hill plates, may be bought at the Carolina Motor Club outlet in Stancell Motor Co. on W. Franklin St. through noon this Saturday.

# CHAPEL HILL NEWS LEADER

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## Carrboro PTA Plans To Stage Minstrel Show

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The Carrboro School PTA will sponsor a Minstrel and Variety Show in the school auditorium Thursday and Friday, Feb. 20 and 21, at 8 p.m.

Admission to the show will be one dollar for adults and fifty cents for children. Tickets will be sold only at the door, with proceeds going for PTA projects.

Included in the all-adult cast will be Ashwell Harward, Odell Barham, Martin Ross, Wiley Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Poole, Benson Ray, Aubrey Harward, Dutch McAdams, Ed Petit, Ralph Cheek, Coy Durham, Jimmy Hearne, James Perry, Dr. N. A. Desrosiers, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Evans, Mrs. Herbert Watson, Mrs. Carlie Looney, Mrs. Ed Mann, Mrs. Ruth Settlement and Mrs. Mack Watts.

Miss Agnes Andrews will be stage manager, Mrs. Eva Blaine will be publicity chairman, Mrs. Jim Phillips will be in charge of music, and Mrs. Ruth West is director.

Mrs. West said the group wished to express its appreciation to the Chapel Hill Jaycees for the use of their minstrel scripts and costumes.

## Reactivation Of Recreation Board Is Seen

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Revival of the Chapel Hill Recreation Commission is being considered by the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen.

The seven-member group, created by the aldermen in 1938, has been inactive for the last two or three years. While it received no funds from the municipality it acted as a coordinating group between the Community Chest-supported Negro and white recreation centers and made recommendations concerning the Negro Community Center, which the town owns.

Alderman Gene Strowd, at the Board's Monday evening meeting, said he had been urged by a local citizen interested in the work of the Commission to consider the reactivation of the group. Had the district public recreation issue been approved in the local referendum last spring, a recreation commission with judicial powers would have been created.

## Improvements Started On Drive At Postoffice

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A \$10,000 job of improvements is being carried out at the Chapel Hill Postoffice to facilitate the handling of mail through the recently-inaugurated highway post-office system.

Postmaster J. Paul Cheek said that the work is being done by the L. B. Gallimore firm of Greensboro, which held the general contract for construction of the building itself 20 years ago. About 60 days will be required to complete the job, Mr. Cheek said.

It will include the laying of a new straight driveway from Rosemary St. to the rear of the post-

## Homestead Community Center Road Finished; Open House For Public To Be Held This Sunday

An open house will be staged at the newly-completed Homestead Community Center on Homestead Road near Hogan's Lake this Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5 p.m.

The general public is invited and refreshments will be served.

The one-story block construction building is the immediate result of a nine-months fund raising and construction program by members of the rural community who formed a non-profit non-stock corporation for purposes of administration.

See \$25,000 Value

Preston Hogan, President of the Homestead Community Center, Inc., estimated the value of the 2,700-square-foot building at about \$25,000—which will include some interior furnishings still to be obtained. It is located on a two-acre wood-

Bason, and located at the corner of Homestead and Hogan's Lake Roads four miles north of Chapel Hill.

Construction of a community building has been a main project for many years of the Calvander Grange and Home Demonstration Club. The corporate organization was formed last spring and soon thereafter the grange and home demonstration club turned over their treasuries to it.

Incorporators and directors of the group are Dr. Daniel Donovan, Walter B. Everett, C. Y. Tilton, A. J. Altemueller, Preston Hogan, Paul Snyder, Henry S. Hogan, W. D. Neville, J. Burroughs Hogan, Henry A. Burch, L. R. Cheek, and John Link. Other officers elected by the directors were Mr. Altemueller, Secretary-Treasurer; and Building Committee members, Henry Hogan,

and A. J. Altemueller.

### Its Purpose

Purpose of the center, as stated by President Hogan, will be "for the recreation and betterment of our community." He noted that the hall is available for rent to private organizations.

At the present time there are 35 member families in the Community Center who have pledged varying sums to pay off the indebtedness of the building. An actual expenditure of about \$10,000 has been involved and the debt is expected to be paid off in about seven years. Pledges have ranged up to \$250 per family, according to Mr. Hogan.

Citizens of the community themselves carried out almost all of the construction of the building, work-

ing almost nightly since the building was started last June. The only work contracted was the wall construction.

### Layout Of Building

The building has a main hall 30 by 70 feet, a large kitchen and serving area adjoining it, lobby, and two toilets. Heat is furnished by an automatic oil-fired furnace, but there is also an open fireplace. The only work yet to be completed is some landscaping of the grounds and purchase of some kitchen equipment and folding chairs and tables.

In the future the group hopes to build picnic grounds behind the Center, install a swimming pool, and set up planned programs of activities.

The Homestead community involves about 100 families in a general radius of two to four miles around the Center building.



HOMESTEAD CENTER WHEELHORSES — Homestead Road Community residents, who have played a major part in construction of the newly-completed community center building near Calvander stand in front of their structure—(left to right) A. J. Altemueller,

Preston Hogan, Walter Everett, Curtis Hogan, L. R. Cheek, John Cates, C. Y. Tilton, Burroughs Hogan, V. A. Hoyle, W. D. Neville, Henry S. Hogan, John Link, Henry Burch, and Bob Hogan. An open house will be held at the building this Sunday afternoon.

News Leader Photo

## Will It Be "Education" or "Enlightenment?" . . .

# Chapel Hill To Be Given 'Phone Exchange Name In Few Years As Part Of Inter-City Dialing Setup

Chapel Hill isn't falling behind in the nation-wide plan for telephone customer toll dialing, but it may be several years yet before the switch-over to the new seven-digit exchange name system of phone numbers here.

This is the general statement of

Grey Culbreth, Supervisor of Utilities for the University-owned Chapel Hill Telephone Co. While nearby communities are changing their telephone numbers to include exchange name prefixes such as "Canal" for Burlington, "Broadway" for Greensboro, "Temple" for Raleigh, and "Hemlock" for Fayetteville, Chapel Hill is continuing on the old five-digit number set-up.

Change When Convenient At a convenient time in respect to the equipment of the local system a change to the new plan for a nation-wide seven-digit numbering system will be made, Mr. Culbreth said. This may be several years hence, he noted.

While the above mentioned cities have already installed the new exchange numbering system, they are not yet equipped with the new "DDD" system—"direct distance dialing"—which is the basic principle of the seven-digit arrangement. Washington, N. C., is one exception, though, and already has this system in operation.

Under it a telephone customer can dial a number in another city direct from his own instrument. A

toll ticketing machine in the telephone exchange will record the calling number, the date, time of day, duration of the call, and the number to which the call was placed. This information on a perforated tape will be used in charging the call on the customer's monthly bill.

### Names Aren't Whimsy

Mr. Culbreth explained that the exchange names selected for different cities were not a matter of whimsy on the part of telephone officials. As an example, in the nationwide system, he explained, the initial numbers of "2-7" were designated for Greensboro.

On the alphabetized telephone

## Weather Reports

Partly cloudy today. Clearing tonight and continued quite cold. Low tonight 15-20.

	High	Low	Rainfall
Monday	34	16	.00
Tuesday	39	19	.00
Wednesday	46	22	.00

dial the "2" digit carries the letters "ABC" and the "7" carries "PRS" Several word combinations which included two of these first letters in order were submitted to Greensboro telephone officials, and the word "Broadway" was finally agreed upon.

## Racial Relations Group Is To Be Named By Board

A local bi-racial human relations committee is to be appointed by the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen next month.

Negro Alderman Hubert Robinson suggested that the group be named, and the idea met with general agreement from the rest of the Board. At the group's meeting Monday night Mayor O. K. Cornwell asked the aldermen to submit the names of possible committee members and objectives for the group at their March meeting.

Discussion of the matter indicated a seven or nine-member



'WHATCHA HIDIN'?—In pleasant anticipation of Valentine's Day tomorrow, Sandy Williams takes a photogenic peek to see the valentine her boy friend, Wyndell Merritt, is hiding from her. The two are seniors at Chapel Hill High School.

News Leader Photo by Herb Gupton

## Tax Revenue Over Budget Predictions

### Six-Months Statement Shows Funds Half-Spent

Chapel Hill's \$338,521 budget for the current fiscal year was almost exactly half-spent during the first six months of the year, a report from Town Manager Thomas D. Rose shows.

The statement turned in to the Board of Aldermen listed expenditures of \$172,324, or 50.9 per cent of the 1957-58 budget, through Dec. 31, 1957. Mr. Rose declared the situation "looks all right," noting that spending often ran over the half-way mark for the first six months when a number of lump sum payments are made.

### Revenue Over Predictions

Most significant part of the statement was on the revenue ledger, which showed the year's receipts estimate will be 14 per cent over the budget. It was predicted that the tax levy would account for \$160,034 in municipal collections. However, Tax Collector Mrs. Ruth Ward billed a total of \$179,212.

On the other hand, Town Auditor Erle Peacock told the aldermen that tax receipts during the first month after they were billed last fall were down about eight per cent over the previous year. Last year about 48 per cent of the total billing was collected during October, while this year the take was only 40.5 per cent.

The Board also discussed the possibility of obtaining a tract of state highway property at the northwest corner of the bypass-Raleigh Road intersection near Glen Lennox as a site for a new fire station. Mr. Rose said that a tentative sketch for the station, as prepared by Durham architect Archie Davis, indicated the station would fit properly on the lot. Further action on the proposal is to await an appraisal of the property.

### Sewer Line Approval

Approval was given to construction of a new sewer line, to be installed by the Muirhead Construction Co., at a cost of about \$6,000. The 400-foot line will replace a section of pipe on Strowd Hill near (See ALDERMEN, Page 6)



RED CROSS DRIVE HEAD—Ralph Howard, President of the local Kiwanis Club, has been named to head the 1958 fund drive of the Chapel Hill Chapter of the American Red Cross. Chapter Chairman Bob Varley said the \$9,400 campaign would be held March 1 to 15. Miss Cornelia Love will be in charge of the advance gifts division of the campaign, which will start next week. News Leader Photo

## Help To Band Being Planned By Sertomans

The Chapel Hill Sertoma Club has announced it will sponsor the local high school Band as its civic project. Sponsorship was formally adopted at Tuesday night's meeting. Ben Potter has been named chairman of the sponsorship committee, which will undertake raising several thousand dollars needed by the Chapel Hill High School Band for uniforms and instruments.

To raise this money, Mr. Potter said the Sertomans expect to put on a musical program around March 1, including the CHHS Band and outside talent. Tickets will be sold to the public. "Of course we don't expect to raise the total amount needed all in one year," Mr. Potter added, "but we hope we'll get enough public support for a good start."

### Altemueller Becomes Red Cross Treasurer

A. J. Altemueller has been named Treasurer of the Chapel Hill Chapter of the American Red Cross, succeeding Paul Lytle.

The appointment was announced by Chapter President Robert Varley at last Friday's Chapter Board meeting. At that time Mrs. William Noland also reported on the December fund campaign of the Junior Red Cross in the seven schools of this area, which netted \$202. Of this total \$105 is to be retained for Red Cross supplies in the schools.

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