



**Old Friends** — Among the House members who are returning to the General Assembly without Democratic opposition—and with prospects of weak, if any, Republican obstacles—are old friends of former governors, lieutenant governors, members of the legislature, and Democratic warhorses.

We won't attempt to name them all, but there is Noah Burfoot of Elizabeth City, who for many years was chairman of the board of county commissioners in Pasquotank; John F. White, the man with the black felt hat in Chowan, and who will be among the oldest members in the 1953 legislature—although White is still a young man; J. K. Doughton of Alleghany, sixtyish, but nevertheless a nephew of Congressman Bob and one of the most able legislators in North Carolina or elsewhere; Sam Worthington of Pitt, the rules committeeman and rules expert; Joe Branch, young but experienced, Halifax; John Umstead of Orange, brother of William B., and friend of education; Larry Moore of Wilson, who has held about every important position in the House except speaker; Ben Fountain of Edgecombe; William B. Rodman of Beaufort, who established his name in the state senate, but served with distinction in the 1951 House; David P. Dellinger of Gaston, who sometimes fills in so creditably as reading clerk and is a candidate for speaker; and R. Lee Whitmire of Hendersonville, good friend of

Harry Buchanan and anything from the mountains, and sure to be one of the powers in the 1953 General Assembly.

There are other veterans who will have smooth sailing, but these are the more prominent, interesting, or both.

**A Hot One** — One of the hottest races in the state involves Joe Curruthers of Greensboro and Arthur Kirkman of High Point. Each man is well known in Democratic circles, each is prominent statewide.

Both are interested in representing Guilford county in the State Senate next year.

If memory is not astray, Kirkman has not served in the State Senate. He is a veteran, however, on the House side. Curruthers has not only served in the Senate, he has played leading roles in outdoor dramas of statewide significance, like in 1948 when he managed Bill Umstead's race for the U. S. Senate. Kirkman filed at the last minute; and it's going to be strictly blackgum, or "blaggum"—to use the toothbrush term—against hickory from here on in.

Kirkman will have hefty support from organized labor, with some educational support, and a following from other groups in that corner of the lot. Curruthers should have the backing of big and little business, generally speaking, with solid support from the middle-of-the-road elements of the Democratic party.

**Braking** — An Umstead and an Olive supporter were having it out on a street corner here the other day. They had it back and forth for a full ten minutes, neither getting the better of it until the Umstead rooter tried to end the discussion with a beauty: "My

man isn't a conservative. And, another thing, he is not a liberal. I've always regarded Bill Umstead as being a progressive—a progressive with the brakes on."

That was too good to drop right there.

"That's exactly the way I look at Hubert Olive," said his old friend over his shoulder as they parted company.

**Fifth Column** — They had just heard William B. Umstead in one of his important speeches and, feeling good, were downstairs with the crowd which had come out to hear the candidate taking on with the potato chips, cheese crackers, and the other offerings. As one of them moved down the table, he lifted gingerly with finger and thumb from the dish a choice item. It happened to be a stuffed olive.

"Now how in the devil did those things get in here?" he inquired.

**Oil** — The remark reminded some folks present of a recent quote attributed to Governor Scott to the effect that what some of his friends needed most was olive.

**Out The Vote** — Executive secretary of the Raleigh Merchants bureau is G. Wesley Williams. Although only about 30 years of age, Williams is recognized by the National Retail Drygoods Association and the American Retail Federation as one of the leading trade association executives in the United States.

He took over the Raleigh Merchants bureau ten years ago when its office was in the rear of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce headquarters. Now it has a handsome three-room suite in the center of Raleigh's business district. Its budget this year, including the Raleigh Trade fund, will run in the neighborhood of \$50,000. This has been done with no income

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**Look Who's Here!**

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheppard of Swannanoa, a son, May 1 at St. Joseph's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hensley have a daughter born May 4 at St. Joseph's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. (Pete) Earle of Winchester, Va., announce the birth of a daughter May 1.

**SPEND WEEK END**

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wendall and Miss Maggie Lanley of Raeford, and Clarence Kendall of Laurinburg, spent the week end with Carl and Clarence's mother, Mrs. Ruth Kendall.

**MRS. TAYLOR ILL**

Mr. and Mrs. Al White, who are residing in Dallas, Ga., are spending a few days here due to the illness of Mrs. White's sister, Mrs. Onla Taylor. The Whites will return to Black Mountain in the near future to make their home.

**GUESTS**

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McDougle and Ruth had as guests during the week end Mrs. McDougle's sons and wives, Mr. and Mrs. Waddell Glasgow of Albuquerque, N. Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Glasgow of Asheville.

—George Washington did not belong to a political party.

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