

## Industry Hunt In Racine . . . .

# Hodges Says N.C. Things On Move

RACINE, Wis.—(AP)—Things are on the move toward a favorable industrial climate in North Carolina, the state's governor, Luther H. Hodges, told a meeting of the local Chamber of Commerce last night.

"We believe there is too much talk of recession and too little work to get things done," Hodges said.

He added that he has told the people of his state repeatedly that the greatest opportunity available "is to bring our own native knowhow, initiative and capital into the establishment of new industry within our own communities."

He said that within the past two

## VOTING BOOKS TO BE OPENED

Registrars To Be On Duty From 9 A. M. Until Sunset.

With 35 precincts open, voters start registering tomorrow for the Democratic primary election.

The election comes May 31. Voters have three Saturdays in which to register.

This is not a new registration. There are 50,000 Gaston voters already on the books.

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years, 156 locally owned and sponsored manufacturing concerns had been started in North Carolina in addition to a record number of firms that moved into the state.

"This is a trend that is accelerating rapidly, particularly within the area of food processing and packaging," Hodges said. "Much of our progress has come in the last few months."

Hodges and a small party of Tar Heels planned to leave by plane today for Raleigh following an industry-seeking trip to Chicago with a side trip here.

Hodges said "The reaction to our trip has been excellent, and we expect substantial long-term benefits from the efforts of this group of public-spirited citizens who made this trip because they love North Carolina."

Hodges pointed out that some 60 North Carolinians paid their way to Chicago to meet with industrial and business leaders. The trip, he explained, was not a "raiding party" bent on taking away established industrial plants, but rather a "good will" mission to tell the North Carolina story of economic growth and opportunity.

The Tar Heel governor told the group good citizenship is good business, and good government is necessary for business to prosper.

He declared that each state government needs the active services of businessmen to build its economic future. Hodges was a retired textile executive before he entered politics.