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THE COUNTY-WIDE PLAN

The school bond election is to occur May 26. The amount to be voted on is \$750,000.00. Every cent of this amount will be needed for carrying out our present school building program. The city school system is restricted now from the lack of adequate space and facilities. There are not enough grammar schools in the city properly to take care of the number of children. The high school is crowded at present, and will be much more so within the next two years. Even if a new high school was under construction now, during the time before it would be ready for occupancy, there would very likely have to be temporary buildings constructed to meet the demand for more space.

Under the county wide system the county will assume a debt of \$7,250,000.00, which is the approximate indebtedness of High Point on buildings now standing. Of this amount only \$510,000 is bonded. If the county-wide plan fails to pass, \$215,000.00, the indebtedness that is not bonded, will have to be taken care of out of the \$725,000 bonds voted. But every cent of the \$725,000 is needed for additional school facilities, as has been previously shown.

ALUMNI BANQUET HELD

The third annual banquet of the High Point High School alumni association was held in the Friends Church Annex Tuesday evening, April 14. There were about 140 members present. The purpose of the banquet was to welcome the new members from the Senior class. Walter Crissman, president of the Association was in charge of the program. Invocation was given by

COUNTY WIDE SCHOOL PLAN

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High Point \$31,000,000.00 725,000.00 2.3%  
 Ratio of Indebtedness to Taxable Property

Whole County—1.7%

High Point—2.3%

The purpose of the county-wide eight-months school plan is to put all the property of the County back of all the present school indebtedness of the County.

At present the county schools have a special tax for the county school indebtedness, and the cities have special taxes for their school indebtedness.

Under the proposed plan the County will take over all the above indebtedness and levy a county-wide tax to take care of the interest and create a sinking fund.

Present Plan:

Annual Interest on \$725,000.00 at 5% ..... \$36,250.00  
 Annual City Tax on \$31,000.00 at 12c ..... 37,200.00

Proposed Plan:

Annual Interest on \$2,656,000.00 at 5% ..... \$132,800.00  
 Annual County-Wide Tax on \$158,000,000.00 at 9c ..... 142,200.00

A glance at the above figures will indicate that the county-wide plan of carrying the present school indebtedness will be to the financial advantage of the City of High Point.

Under the present system it costs the citizens of High Point a tax of approximately 12c on each \$100.00 valuation of property to pay the interest on its school indebtedness for permanent improvements.

Under the proposed system the County could meet the same interest requirements by levying a tax of only 9c on each \$100.00

Rev. T. A. Sykes after which the following program was given in the course of the dinner:

A song by Helen Reich followed by a welcome to the class of '25 by Thos. Turner. Later Aline Kaneer responded for the Senior class. Margaret Gurley and Dorothy Hoskins sang a duet and were encored Daniel L. Grant of the University of North Carolina gave a speech on Alumni work. Short talks were given by Principal L. R. Johnston and Supt. T. Wingate Andrews. H. G. Owens gave a humorous reading which was very enjoyable. Mrs. W. K. Dickens and Miss Pauline Ausband were elected President and secretary of the association respectively.

DEBATING AWARDS ARRIVE

The rewards for the hard work of the debaters have arrived. They are in the form of attractive little pins and will be awarded in the near future.

The "Pointer" is donor of the gifts and is proud to say it will confer honors on twelve debaters.

The pin is in circular form with High Point High School's colors in it in the blue and the purpose in the white. The name of the school it represents is in the center in attractive letters.

Those receiving awards are Joe Smoak; Semmie Herman and Claire Douglas, seniors; Henry Gurley and Garland McPherson, juniors. Robert Overman and Minnie Herman, sophomores, John Clinard and Edith Milikan, Freshmen.

BLUE TRIANGLE CABINET MEETS

The cabinet members of the Blue Triangle had a luncheon at the Y. W. C. A. last Tuesday at noon. The main purpose of the meeting was to decide on a scheme to get new members so that the next year's clubs will be larger, and to get more girls enthused with this organization. It was decided to have a sunrise hike Saturday morning. It was left to the social committee to decide on the place to go.

Jack—"What do you think of that geometry test we're going to have this morning?"

Paul—"Well—er—er— I havent thought much of it."

Jack (Turning the leaves of his geometry book) "I'll be glad when the next period is over."

Paul—"I hope it'll never come."

It is understood that "Sis" Weldon has received a number of requests from male juniors to be his escort to the junior-senior reception.