

State Bond Referendum

Two committees have been appointed on this issue by Governor Sanford.

1. A Steering Committee to promote the referendum, and our Mr. John R. Larkins of the State Welfare Department is on this committee. Mr. John H. Wheeler, Durham banker, is also a member.
2. A Citizens' Committee for a Better North Carolina and our President, Mrs. E. M. Spellman, was named to this committee. She attended the organization dinner meeting of this committee September 28, 1961, at State College Student Union. This committee will work to aid in gaining support for balloting November 7, 1961. The sample Ballot is here for your study:—

Annual Convention

EXCERPTS FROM MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF N. C. FEDERATION OF NEGRO WOMEN'S CLUBS June 1-3, 1961—Shelby, N. C.

The sessions were held in the Cleveland High School.

At 6:30 P. M. Thursday, June 1st, a dinner meeting of the Executive Board was held in the school cafeteria. All delegates were pleasantly greeted by a gracious hostess and registration committee upon arrival.

The first General Assembly opened Friday with devotions lead by Mrs. Beulah Perrin, Chaplain; music was by Sertette of Cleveland High School.

Vice President Donahu presided over the morning business session which consisted mainly of reports from district presidents, Standing Committee chairmen and State organizers. Each president gave excellent information on her district work, which showed signs of increased interest and growth.

The report of the Journal covered the expenses and number published of the fall and spring issues during the past twelve months.

Braille Magazine Committee chairman expressed appreciation of funds received to support the magazine and encouraged continued help.

The Scholarship Committee stated the need for more and better club support for this fund, that we may continue to help our girls enter college and to encourage their needs for college training.

Following impressive devotions, the afternoon session was used for study.

Miss Ione B. Henderson presented plans and directions for three Workshop groups:

1. Improving Behavior in Public Places
2. Improving Conditions of Homes
3. Mental Health

A summary of these discussions are found at end of this record.

A special committee was named during the morning session to draw up a letter to be wired to Governor

Sanford, asking that steps be taken to place a Negro on the State Board of Corrections of North Carolina. A request had been made earlier by letter, but the answer came from an "Aid" to the Governor who avoided a direct answer as to what would be done. This committee read a very timely arranged letter that was approved and wired at once.

The 7:45 P. M. session arranged by the Local Committee was most heart warming. The school Glee Club and the local greetings made all present feel sure that we had chosen the right place at the right time for this convention.

It was indeed a treat and challenge to have Mrs. Rosa L. Gragg of Detroit, President of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs attend our Convention. She addressed the Friday night public session on "The Role of Women in our Community."

1. Women fit beautifully into the New Frontier Program — Women will remake the world.

2. "The world needs planning, thinking and the influence of women," said Pearl Buck.

3. She pointed to the many outstanding jobs held by women today, as:—White House Physician, Treasurer of U. S., Cabinet Post, Judges and others.

4. She referred to the New Nations emerging upon Washington, D. C. and their women are with them, especially African Nations. There are some twenty-seven women dignitaries taking their places in our National Capitol.

5. Mrs. Gragg's appeal was for more educated women, more Moral Leaders among women, and more women with economic standing. "A woman is a Grand, Glorious and Exciting thing" she said.

6. She feels that much Talent is wasting among women because they are not pursuing their talents with force. She predicts the possibility of a woman on the Supreme Court Bench and Vice President of the United States.

The National President ended her message by outlining the Association's five point program:—

1. The paying of out-standing debts.

SAMPLE BALLOT STATE BOND ELECTION NOVEMBER 7, 1961

INSTRUCTIONS

1. To vote "FOR" any issue of bonds make a cross mark in the square to the left of the word "FOR".
2. To vote "AGAINST" any issue of bonds make a cross mark in the square to the left of the word "AGAINST".

FOR AGAINST

1. the issuance of two million eight hundred fifty-eight thousand dollars (\$2,858,000.00) Capitol Area Building Bonds of the State of North Carolina for construction of needed buildings for State purposes in the Capitol area.

FOR AGAINST

2. the issuance of one million one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$1,110,000.00) State Training Schools Capital Improvement Bonds of the State of North Carolina for needed Capital Improvements at the State's correctional schools.

FOR AGAINST

3. the issuance of thirty-one million eight thousand dollars (\$31,008,000.00) State Educational Institutions Capital Improvement Bonds of the State of North Carolina for needed Capital Improvements at the State's educational institutions.

FOR AGAINST

4. the issuance of one million four hundred eighty-three thousand dollars (\$1,483,000.00) Community College Capital Improvement Bonds of the State of North Carolina for grants-in-aid for community college Capital Improvements.

FOR AGAINST

5. the issuance of two million five hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$2,560,000.00) Archives and History and State Library Building Bonds of the State of North Carolina for construction of a building to house the Department of Archives and History and the State Library.

FOR AGAINST

6. the issuance of thirteen million five hundred thousand dollars (\$13,500,000.00) State Ports Bonds of the State of North Carolina for the construction, acquisition and improvement of State Ports facilities.

FOR AGAINST

7. the issuance of seven million three hundred ninety-six thousand dollars (\$7,396,000.00) State Mental Institutions Capital Improvement Bonds of the State of North Carolina for the construction of needed Capital Improvements at the State's mental institutions.

FOR AGAINST

8. the issuance of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) Hospital Capital Improvement Bonds of the State of North Carolina for the purpose of providing funds for participation by the State through the Medical Care Commission in local hospital construction.

FOR AGAINST

9. the issuance of nine hundred sixty-one thousand dollars (\$961,000.00) Natural Resources Conservation and Development Bonds of the State of North Carolina for Capital Improvements in the conservation and development of natural resources of the State.

FOR AGAINST

10. the issuance of two hundred eighty-nine thousand dollars (\$289,000.00) State Agriculture Capital Improvement Bonds of the State of North Carolina for Capital Improvements at the State's agricultural research stations.

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Chairman State Board of Elections

2. Health and Nutrition Center—D. C.
3. Restoration of Douglas Home—D. C.
4. Development of Archives Department.
5. Increase Circulation of National Notes.

She asked for a North Carolina representative in each of these areas.

In short she gave us to know that there is a job to be done by club women and other women.

The ladies of Shelby gave us a
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