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COUNTY PORTION OF PROPOSED \$16 MILLION BOND IS \$8,260,000

Possibly as early as next spring, Robeson County voters will get an opportunity to vote on the proposed \$16 million bond issue as put forth by the six school systems in Robeson County.

More than half the proposed amount (\$8,260,000) would accrue to the county system which, among other things, proposed a new high school in the Rex Rennett area with Magnolia and Parkton Schools renovated to fill the needs of a student body up to the eighth grade only. At the present time, both Magnolia and Parkton support a high school.

Supt. Purnell Swett in a recent interview, indicated that such a high school would probably be equally divided between Indian, Black and White children with an enrollment of a projected 600.

Purnell Swett, superintendent of Robeson County Schools, said Friday his recommendation for the new high school was based purely on educational needs, not politics.

"We could have looked at what would have been politically expedient and put a few dollars at this school and a few dollars at that one," Swett said. "But as far as education goes we'd be getting nowhere."

"My concern is that every child be given the chance for a quality education," Swett said, "and that can be best done with a consolidated high school like we're proposing."

"If you build a single high school and take the staff from two high schools you can offer a more diversified curriculum that will offer solid academic programs and vocational programs."

Swett said he had met with principals

and parent advisory groups at Magnolia and Parkton high schools to discuss the proposed consolidation.

Under the proposal, Swett said, Magnolia and Parkton would be renovated for kindergarten through eighth grade, with all high school students going to Rex Rennett.

The new high school would be built on the campus of the present Rex Rennett elementary school, doubling the classroom space at the facility.

"There was some concern about busing," said Swett, "but we really don't consider that a major worry."

"For one thing, if HEW (the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare) was going to enforce busing in Robeson County it would have been done in 1970," Swett said. "Now their hands are a little tied."

Swett said he realized the new school, plus other proposals in the package now revealed, would be a shock to some county residents.

"This is the sort of proposal I don't mind talking to anyone about," Swett said, "because the aim is a better education for our children. They're the ones that suffer if the school system isn't what it should be."

AT MONDAY'S MEETING OF THE ROBESON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Robeson County Board of Commissioners Monday night on an unusual split vote agreed to call for the bond issue, but did not specify a date.

Board member Bobby Dean Locklear was the only commissioner to vote against the bond issue, saying he would

expect to begin in Dunn (on Tuesday, November 21, 1978) and wind up on the Falcon Children's Home Campus later in the day.

This is the eleventh year Mrs. Chavis has served as project director of the Harvest Train for Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church.

She is shown with her pastor, Rev. Elton Bryan who is helping her load up the approximately \$1,000 worth of food and other commodities gathered up by the church and Mrs. Chavis.

Mr. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church participates in Harvest Train

PEMBROKE-Mrs. Iuela Chavis, project director, holds up the sign heralding the goals of Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church in the Harvest Train sponsored by the Pentecostal Holiness Conference for the Falcon Children's Home, a home for children in need.

Noted Mrs. Chavis, "The home is for all children, regardless of race or creed." The Harvest Train is an annual event of the churches in the conference.

The Harvest Train this year is



This picture symbolizes what Thanksgiving is all about. We encourage Mrs. Chavis and Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church for their concern that

others here fortunate enjoy the blessings of this country. Share! That's what Thanksgiving is all about. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Odum Home Benefit Dinner Deemed a Success

More Than \$12,000 Realized



Over \$12,000 was raised by area people at a benefit dinner Saturday night at Pembroke State University to help pay for completion of the Indian Memorial Cottage at Odum Baptist Children's Home, located adjacent to the university. A total of 250 attended at a cost of \$100 per ticket, which admitted two persons. Guest speaker was Ralph Smith of Boone, who is the brother of television personality Arthur Smith. Chairman of the steering committee for the Indian Cottage is Dr. English E. Jones, chancellor of Pembroke State University.

New Marquee Donated to PSU



Carlton Hawkins (left), vice president and general manager of Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Lumberton, is shown at the official presentation of a huge marquee (background) to Pembroke State University. Dr. English E. Jones (center), PSU chancellor, accepts the sign for the school. Walter Oxendine, PSU director of resource development who helped to make the sign a reality through his contacts with Hawkins, is shown at right.

PEMBROKE-Through the generosity of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Lumberton, Pembroke State University has a handsome new marquee in front of its campus, advertising the many events that take place on campus.

The sign, which is illuminated at night, is 5 ft. by 9 ft. in size and mounted on an edifice made of stucco and steel. The sign is painted gold and black, the school colors.

The sign, counting its supply of interchangeable letters, is valued at \$2,500.

Carlton Hawkins, vice president and general manager of the Pepsi-Cola Co. in Lumberton, said at the official presentation how delighted his company is to donate the sign to Pembroke State University: "As a member of the business community, we want to do our part to promote the community itself and especially Pembroke State University because it is a community affair. We are delighted to present this sign to Pembroke State University. We hope it will be beneficial to them-and are sure it will be."

Accepting the sign on behalf of the University was Dr. English E. Jones, chancellor, who said: "Since the sign has gone up, we have received wonderful response from throughout the area relative to its effectiveness. In the past we have had many outstanding programs-not only in sports but in our Lyceum Series and by visiting artists-and the community needed to be made more aware of them. This sign does it."

The Planning Board discussed several items pertaining to the long range planning for the betterment of the town of Pembroke.

The Rev. John Robinson has been appointed to replace Mr. Samuel Kerns who resigned.

The next monthly meeting will be held December 18, 1978, 8:00 p.m. at Locklear Court Community Room.

Chairman of the Planning Board is Clinton Thomas, Jr.

Today at our administrative council meeting, it was remarked how tremendous the effectiveness of the sign has been in attracting people to our various university performances. Yesterday

"I'm grateful for it. It is something to which we have looked forward for some time. I've hesitated in the past to put a sign in front of the campus because I did not want to detract from the general appearance of the school. This sign doesn't detract, it enhances that appearance."

"Everything we know of that is important and is happening in the community we make a note of so everyone traveling the road in front of the campus will see it."

Dr. Jones expressed his deep thanks to Hawkins and Pepsi-Cola for the sign. "I'm eternally grateful to Mr. Hawkins and Pepsi-Cola for helping us to do this. I can assure him it's going to be used and be one of the greatest assets to the university," Dr. Jones said.

Much of the credit for making the marquee a reality can be attributed to Walter Oxendine, director of resource development at PSU. "Walter was probably the motivating factor behind it all," said Hawkins. "He and I have kept in touch."

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DISCO DANCE

A disco dance will be held at Sim Brook's Restaurant November 24, 1978. It will begin at 8:00. Gene Lowry will be there with his "Short Circuit" disco. Admission is \$2.00. Prizes will be given to the best dancers. Come out and be judged "Disco Queen" or "Disco King". Join the "heat" at the Disco that can't be "beat" this coming Friday night.

HUNT NAMES LOWRY TO VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Gov. Jim Hunt has named Monroe F. Lowry of Pembroke to the Veterans' Affairs Commission.

Lowry is an electrical contractor. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946 and served in the Naval Reserve the seven following years. He is a member of the Robeson County Agriculture and Industrial Commission and a former town councilman.

The Commission is composed of 11 members, all appointed by the Governor. Members serve terms of four years.

The Commission advises the Governor on matters relating to the affairs of veterans in the state.

ELECTION IN WASHINGTON STATE CUNNINGHAM LOSES, FOLEY WINS

Rep. John Cunningham, who introduced legislation to abrogate Indian treaty rights, will not be back on Capital Hill. He lost to a liberal Democrat, Mike Lowry. Tom Foley, whom Mel Tonaasket hoped to unseat, won by a narrow margin over Duane Alton. Tonaasket, running as an independent, was reported as gaining about eight percent of the vote-apparently not quite enough to achieve his goal. In other races: Sen. William Hathaway of Maine, who pushed through White House approval for an Indian land claims settlement plan that would not cost the voters of Maine one cent, found that was not enough. He lost to William Cohen, who has the distinction of being described by the Washington Star as "a poet and former college basketball star." Maine's former attorney general Joseph Brennan, who has been a steadfast opponent of most of the negotiated settlement attempts with the Indians, was elected governor. In South Dakota, another former attorney general William Janklow, not generally considered a great friend of the Indians, was elected governor. In Arizona, however, Governor Bruce Babbitt, who had won Navajo Tribal Chairman Peter MacDonal's support by pledging support of the tribe's self-determination efforts, was re-elected. Neither of the architects of the upcoming changes in Indian education required by P.L. 95-561 (formerly H.R. 15) will be back in the House. Rep. Albert Quie was elected governor of Minnesota and Rep. Michael Blouin of Iowa was defeated.

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LADY LIONS SPONSOR CHRISTMAS GIFT SALE

The Pembroke Lady Lions are sponsoring a Christmas Gift Sale Saturday, November 25 near the Piggly Wiggly store in Pembroke. All the items for sale are hand made.

WE'RE TAKING THURSDAY & FRIDAY OFF

The staff of THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE will take Thursday and Friday off in order to enjoy the Thanksgiving Season with our families. We're publishing early (Wednesday) because Thanksgiving falls on a Thursday this year.

We wish you a beautiful and peaceful Thanksgiving. God bless each of you.

The staff, THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE

See you Monday!

11th Annual Robeson Co. 'College Night'

PEMBROKE--Wednesday, Nov. 29, from 7 to 9 p.m., will be the 11th annual Robeson County "College Night" at Pembroke State University, providing high school juniors and seniors in Robeson County an opportunity to learn first hand about the colleges and universities of their choices.

Representatives of approximately 76 institutions of higher learning will visit Pembroke State University to explain the merits of their respective schools and provide brochures, etc. They will represent universities, colleges, community colleges, technical institutes, business colleges, hospitals and military.

Their being present in a group saves students and parents the expense of traveling to the schools to obtain information.

"College Night" will take place in the Auxiliary Gymnasium of Pembroke State University's Jones Health and Physical Education Center.

Questions on admissions requirements, financial aid, etc., will be answered by the representatives of the different schools. Student and parents may move at will from one college booth to another where literature will be displayed.

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All superintendents, other administrative officials and school counselors from Robeson County administrative units are invited to "College Night." The superintendents include Purnell Swett, Robeson County schools; I.J. Wicker, Red Springs; Douglas Y. Young, Maxton; Leon M. McLean, Fairmont; and Donald Kennedy, St. Pauls. And Gilbert Caroli, Lumberton.

The list of institutions which will be represented also includes:

SENIOR INSTITUTIONS (4 years)-Appalachian State, Atlantic Christian, Barber Scotts-Belmont Abbey, Campbell, CA-Texas, East Carolina, Elizabeth City State, Elon, Fayetteville State, Gardner-Webb, Greensboro, Guilford, High Point College, Johnson C. Smith,

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