

PLEDGES

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Governor Moore and I am happy, since Dick Vann could not get the post, that the Governor chose Don, Jr., who knows our district and our problems so well."

In Bertie County, where the Board of Commissioners had given an official endorsement of Matthews at their May meeting, Representative Emmett W. Burden called this a "good appointment." He said it is "one that will mean a great deal for progress in Bertie. Matthews is interested in Bertie and I think he will do a lot for us."

Hertford County's Representative Roberts Jernigan, Jr., feels that Matthews has proved himself to be a very capable man and "should be an excellent Highway Commissioner for the First District. He was very instrumental in locating the new Lewiston Bridge which is currently being built across the Roanoke River and is well aware of the many needs of the Roanoke-Chowan area."

Jernigan continued, "I am of the opinion that he should, and I believe will be, a very fine commissioner."

A fair-minded young man was the way Northampton Representative J. Raynor Woodard described the appointee. "He will make us a good commissioner and I think will be fair and impartial to the counties in the district."

He called it "a good appointment" and added, "I am somewhat proud of the appointment."

There was a natural feeling of disappointment in Gates County where Hayslett Rountree of Sunbury had been a strong candidate.

Gates Representative Phil Godwin expressed the hope "that Matthews will see the needs of the area and try to fill these needs."

"Number one need of the area," as Godwin sees it, "is a new bridge at Winton and relocation of U.S. 13 around Winton." He also said he is very interested in U.S. 158 getting proper attention.

Godwin said he is "very disappointed that Hayslett Rountree was not appointed. It was the only opportunity Gates ever had to seek a seat on the Commission."

Former Highway Commission chairman Merrill Evans could not be reached for comment but the man who served as public relations chairman for the Highway Commission during the Sanford administration was willing to add his endorsement of Matthews.

Roger R. Jackson, Jr., now serving as Executive Director of the Economic Opportunities Division of the Choanoke Area Development Association, said, "Mr. Matthews is a fine public spirited citizen and is a personal friend of mine. I believe he will be a fine attribute to our area."

Jackson continued, "I believe he will be just and fair in his recommendations for Highway Commission fund allocations."

He added that it is a compliment to the Moore Administration "that the appointments to the Highway Commission are being rotated to counties which have not in recent years had a Highway Commissioner. To my knowledge, Martin County has never had a State Highway Commissioner."

"Matthews possesses ties very close to the Roanoke - Chowan section. He is a member of the Chowan College Board of Trustees and has varied business interests in Bertie County. He was a strong supporter of the construction of the Lewiston Bridge, which was approved by the Sanford Highway Commission."

From Chowan College, where Matthews is serving his third term as a member of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Bruce Whitaker said, "My knowledge of his ability and commitment to any task he assumes would lead me to believe that he will represent the First Division on the State Highway Commission thoroughly and loyally, with fairness and good judgment."

The two candidates in the area who missed the appointment had been in contact with Governor Moore. At Sunbury, Mr. Rountree said the Governor called him Wednesday night and also sent a telegram.

Mr. Rountree expressed appreciation to all the individual people and groups who supported him as a candidate. While he does not know Mr. Matthews, he is confident "he must be a good man because Dan appointed him."

At Murfreesboro, Mr. Vann said he too had received a telegram from the Governor. "I appreciate the support I had from the area and I am sorry I was

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Jackson Native Is Head Of Virginia Bankers Assn.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — S. S. Flythe of Martinsville, Va., was installed as the new president of the Virginia Bankers Association at the conclusion of its 72nd annual convention here Saturday morning.

Flythe had served during the past year as first vice president of the statewide group.

Flythe, the new 38-year-old president of the association from Martinsville, is a native of Jackson, N. C., and attended Trinity College (now Duke University) at Durham.

He was employed in the payroll Department of Marshall Field and Co., in 1925, and was connected with the Leaksville Bank and Trust Co. in 1927-28. In 1928 he was named vice president and cashier of The Bank of Fieldale and served in that capacity until 1947 when he was named cashier and executive vice president of the First National Bank of Martinsville and Henry County. He was named president of the bank in 1954.

Other business connections include membership on the boards of directors of Fieldale Insurance Co., Inc., Martinsville Novelty Corp., Bassett-Walker Knitting Co., and Virginia Industrial Development Corp.

He has been active in civic and other activities. He was appointed a member of the State Highway Commission in 1954. He is past president of Martinsville Kiwanis Club, a trustee of Martinsville General Hospital, a director of the Martinsville Medical Center and financial vice president of the Blue Ridge Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Boy Scouts, Region 3, with headquarters in Philadelphia.

Flythe is a member of the Advisory Board of Patrick Henry College, served for 19 years on the Henry County School Board and is a member of the board of directors of Martinsville - Henry County Chamber of Commerce. He is also a past director of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce and is active in affairs of Fieldale Methodist Church, Forest Park and the Chatmoss country clubs.

Flythe is married to the former Miss Virginia White of Eden, N. C., and they have four children: Walter W. Flythe, S. S. Flythe, Jr., Margaret Teague and J. Thomas Flythe.

His parents were the late J. T. (Simon) Flythe, for many years Clerk of Court in Northampton County, and the late Acree Lassiter Flythe.

Bond Sales Were Down Last Month

WASHINGTON — Savings Bonds sales in North Carolina for the first five months of this year amounted to \$22,282,524.

Hertford, Bertie, Gates and Northampton Counties were responsible for almost \$38 thousand of this amount.

Sales in Hertford County for the month of May were \$8,218 and for the year, \$80,681; Bertie \$16,100 for May and \$66,982 for the year; Gates, \$3,425 for May and \$47,031 for the year; Northampton, \$8,160 for May and \$48,812 for the year.

Series E Bond sales for the year are slightly ahead while Series H Bond sales are substantially behind sales recorded.

During the month of May, E Bond sales showed a decline of over four per cent and H Bond sales were off 34 per cent. Their combined sales dropped over six per cent.

Hertford, Bertie, Gates and Northampton have a quota of over \$800 thousand for the year.

Enrolled At ECC Clinic

GREENVILLE — Twenty-five teachers representing school systems in 15 North Carolina counties and two Virginia communities are enrolled in the 1965 Summer Reading Clinic of East Carolina College.

To continue through July 13, the clinic is designed to give teachers experience in the teaching of remedial reading in all levels of instruction through junior high school.

Each teacher enrolled in the course gets a broad sampling of remedial techniques and is required to apply them to the teaching of a child who has difficulty in learning to read. The course carries nine quarter hours of regular college credit, at the senior or graduate level.

Again directing the reading clinic program at ECC is Dr. Keith Holmes of the ECC School of Education faculty.

Among enrollees is Helen Rebecca Bridgers of Conway, graduate assistant in ECC School of Education.

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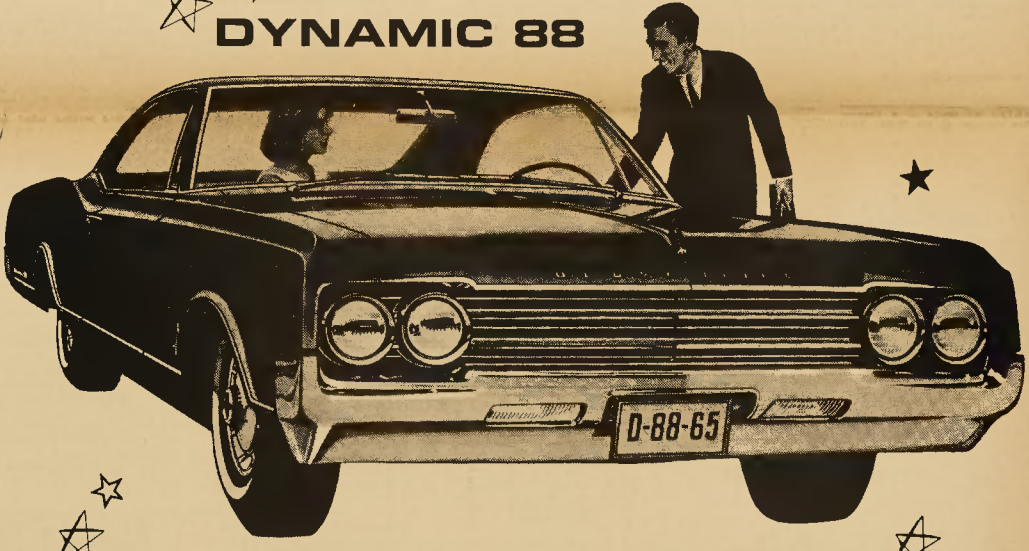
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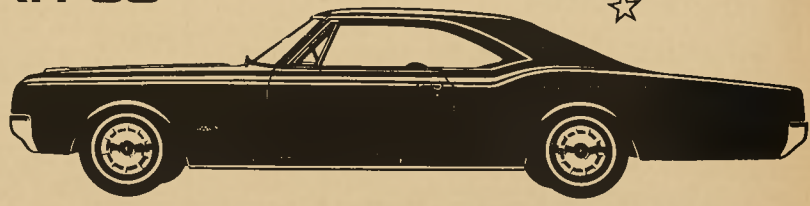


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