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### Need School Bond Issue

Bills for \$200,000,000 bond issue for roads and for a \$100,000,000 bond issue for schools have been introduced in the General Assembly and there is a possibility that both issues will be submitted to the voters of the state.

While we realize that more funds for road construction are needed, and that additional highways would serve a useful purpose in the development of the state, we believe the real problem in North Carolina is not so much highway construction as it is highway maintenance. The addition of \$200,000,000 construction would only add to this problem. We believe that the answer is to be found in the addition of a penny or more to the present gasoline tax, and in the long run that it would give us ample roads at less cost than a bond issue. For this reason, we have little enthusiasm at this time for a highway bond issue.

On the other hand, we are wholeheartedly in favor of a \$100,000,000 bond issue for school construction. While we are not familiar, except in a general sense, with school needs in other counties, we think it can be correctly stated that Warren County can not catch up with its school construction needs except with either state and or federal aid. We are afraid that the average citizen has little conception of the amount of money needed to bring Warren school buildings up to date.

Warren County citizens have recently voted a \$400,000 million dollar bond issue for the construction of a consolidated Negro school in the southern part of the county, and for other capital outlay. In this bond issue there was no provision for funds for the construction of a new Negro high school building at John R. Hawkins. Yet it is imperative that this construction be carried out.

The John R. Hawkins High School building is not only crowded but is poorly heated and poorly lighted, and without adequate plumbing. The building is still heated by old type coal stoves. And, it is our understanding, that the building is in such physical condition that the installation of a central heating plant is not feasible. The need for a consolidated high school for Warren County has long been recognized, but hopes for the construction of such a school have been abandoned until the more pressing needs of the Negro schools have been met.

Warren's share of a \$100,000,000 bond issue, on a per county basis, would be a million dollars. While this sum would not meet all the construction needs of the county, it would do much to bring Warren County's schools up to date. Without such help it is hard to see how it can be done.

### Much Good Will

Rather belatedly we comment on one phase of the fire fighting in the recent forest fire on the outskirts of the town, which we feel should not go unnoted. That is the fact that when the chips were down efforts cut across racial lines and the fire fighters were good neighbors and citizens first and white men and colored men second.

During the emergency, colored men were seen riding the fire trucks of the all-white Warrenton Rural Fire Department, and they were welcome. White men were seen battling to save the homes of colored families, and colored men worked just as hard to save the homes of white families. On the fire lines when every hand was welcomed no one stopped to ask whether hoes and rakes should be

manned by white men or colored men. Working hard at one place was a 60-year-old white man, a college graduate and the scion of an old family, and beside him worked a colored man, whose schooling had been very limited.

We mention this, not only because it is noteworthy, but primarily because it shows the great reservoir of good will existing between the races in Warren County, at a time when race relations in the country have become very strained. And we feel because of this reservoir of good will that Warren County will be able to work out its race problems in justice to both races, and with a minimum of friction. Much can be accomplished with patience, mutual understanding and good will.

### Classics Again

A few weeks ago when a Raleigh Times reporter speculated on a possible deal between the Legislature and the Greater University of North Carolina over the reinstating of the Dixie Classics at Raleigh we put it down as the pipe-dream of an over-enthusiastic reporter, and commented that surely the members of the Legislature have too much sense to engage in such folly.

While, not stated quite so baldly, the suggestion was that the Greater University be blackmailed—if they wanted appropriations, let them go along with the Legislature on the restoration of the Classics.

Unfortunately, it appears that we were in error about the good sense of the members of the Legislature. Last week more than 100 members of the House signed a petition asking Greater University officials to restudy the question of restoring the Dixie Classics and report its findings to the Legislature. The members were careful to state that the inquiry had nothing to do with appropriations to the University. But the Greater University must ask the Legislature for money,

and the Legislature has placed itself in a position of wanting to know what the University is going to do about the Dixie Classics before it makes any appropriation.

From time to time Legislatures of other states, mostly in the deep South, have tried to interfere with the operation of their state's university. It has invariably resulted in damage to their schools before withdrawal of the legislative interference. The Legislature should keep its hands off the operation of the University. Almost every county at one time or another has seen its school damaged by mixing politics with the school's operation; surely, we want none of this at the state level.

Now For Step No. 2

Chicago Tribune

Several TV programs have been taken off the air. Now if we could only get them to remove some of the commercials.

Gardener: Someone who thinks what goes down must come up. —I. B. Gibson



GARDEN TIME  
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This has been a beautiful spring in Raleigh. All plants were held in a dormant state much later than usual due to the persistent cold weather during the winter months. Then all of a sudden the temperature shot up to 75 and 85 degrees which popped buds open in rapid succession.

Right now, April 8, crab-apples have shed their petals, as have also golden bell, prunifolia spirea and flowering quince. Oriental cherry and dogwood trees are still pretty.

Azaleas are in all their glorious beauty. As some earlier varieties and species fade, others will follow along to extend the color parade. Wilmington hit the festival date this year "right on the nose." And there are still springs to come in this wonderful state of ours.

I drove to Morganton last Thursday. As we drove along we could notice the difference as we gradually climbed

from an elevation of 362 feet above sea level to an elevation of 1,182 feet. Had we moved on to the Asheville-Hendersonville area we would have climbed another 1,000 feet where spring was waiting. And this is not all either. If we had continued to Boone, we would have climbed another 1,100 feet where jackets and top-coats are still in order.

Figure it out for yourself. Start at Elizabeth City which is 12 feet above sea level and drive to Newland in Avery County which is 3,598 feet in altitude and nestled under the shadows of that grand old Grandfather Mountain. I am guessing that the temperature on Grandfather this morning is close to the freezing point.

As you drive along keep this in mind. Except where special local influences are involved, activities like starting growth, the blooming of plants and the ripening dates of fruits are approximately four days later for each 400 feet of change in elevation. And so you can see in this wonderful state of ours, wonderfully blessed in climate and plant materials, that spring is springing, somewhere within our borders, from March to June.

After the azalea festival passes into memory we can still look forward to the rhododendron festivals in the mountains and the many interesting drives and places of interest we can enjoy all summer long from the surf of the Atlantic Ocean to the highest mountain peak in eastern America.

Holiday guests of Mrs. W. R. Hedgepeth were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hedgepeth and son of Richmond, Va., Miss Linda Walters of Harrisonburg, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hedgepeth of South Hill, Va.

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### Hayes Funeral Is Held At High Point

HENDERSON—C. E. Hayes, 74, of a prominent Henderson family, died at his home in High Point early Saturday after an illness of several years. He was a native of Warren County but spent his earlier years in Henderson, then removed to High Point, where he had been in the furniture business for years until failing health forced his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, five sisters, Mrs. J. M. Baily and Misses Mattie and Lucy Hayes of Henderson. Mrs. Frederick Williams of Inez, and Mrs. W. D. Lewis, Jr., of High Point; and a brother, John Willis Hayes, Jr., of Henderson. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hayes, Sr., of Henderson.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in High Point, with interment there.

### Marriage Licenses

Barbara M. Green, colored, of Richmond, Va., to Leonard Gaston, Jr., of Richmond, Va. Katherine Howland Price, white, of Clearwater Beach, Florida, to John Patrick Nolan of W. Hyattsville, Md.

Patricia Joye Panella, white, of Washington, D. C., to Robert Moylan Buckler, Jr., of Washington, D. C.

Jerlean Jackson, colored, of Littleton to George Edward Davis, Jr., of Norlina.

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### John Graham FFA To Participate In District Contest

A Parliamentary procedure team from the John Graham High School Chapter of the Future Farmers of America will represent the Vance-Warren County Federation in the district contest to be held at the South Granville High School in Creedmoor Saturday.

The John Graham team won the right to participate in the district contest by winning the Vance-Warren Federation contest held at the Norlina High School last week.

The John Graham team is composed of Al Fleming, president; Jimmy Harris, vice president; Alan Hobgood, secretary; Wayne Halthcock, treasurer; Billy Thompson, reporter; and Rickie Etheridge, sentinel.

Norman McArthur, vocational teacher at John Graham is advisor to the local chapter.

Visit Mr. Allen Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Martin, Mrs. Leonard Wilker, Mrs. H. F. Hayes, Mr. and

Mrs. E. C. Brauer, Mrs. J. V. Allen, Miss Gwen Allen, Mr. Leonard Wilker, Mrs. J. N. Wyne, Mrs. H. I. Hopkins, Mr. M. B. Hilliard, the Rev. Dan Parker, Mr. Charles Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Allen visited Mr. J. Vincent Allen in Duke Hospital Durham, on Sunday.

The Rev. Milton Mann and the Rev. William Puckett also visited Mr. Allen, who recently underwent major surgery at Duke, last week.

Mrs. Blanche Hayes of Wise visited relatives in Henderson last week.

Mrs. W. R. Hedgepeth has returned to her home after spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hedgepeth in South Hill, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hedgepeth of Richmond, Va.



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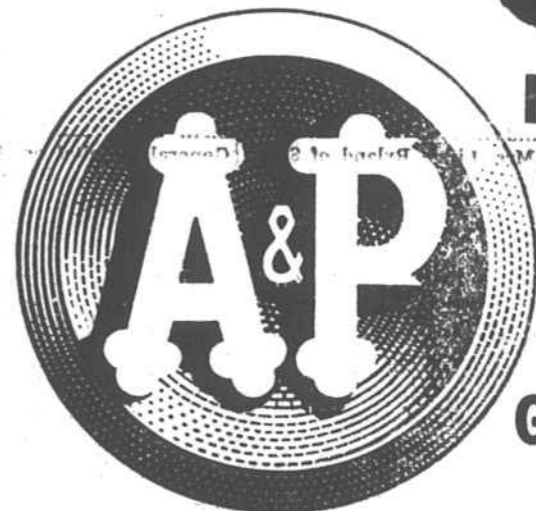
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