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Bond Issue Proved Profitable

For a long time people will be talking about how fortunate Warrenton is that the huge damage from last week's fire was no greater, recounting the help of firemen, the fact that no wind was blowing, and that the brick wall on the East of the Dameron building was solid and without windows, recognizing that had the Dameron building burned a great portion of the business district would have probably gone with it.

But there is another thing not so often mentioned that has made possible the routine operation of business here after the town had lost its water tank as a result of the warehouse fire. That is, that Warrenton citizens had the good sense to go to Fishing Creek a few years ago as the result of a bond issue for an ample water supply. Under the surface water system, the pumps can maintain pressure in the water mains without an elevated tank. With the old well system this would have been impossible.

Of course, the maintenance of pressure by pumps is but a makeshift and an elevated tank, serving both to maintain pressure and to store a water supply for emergen-

cies is necessary, and thus the loss of the tank is a real financial blow to the town. But it should be remembered that without a water supply the town would soon become uninhabitable, and that without the modern pumps provided by the bond issue that there would be no water supply.

It is regrettable, in the light of what has transpired, that the citizens defeated a bond issue here several years ago in which provision was made for a 150,000-gallon tank located at a site without the business district, but happily the commissioners have decided to erect a 150,000-gallon tank at another site from that of the destroyed tank. The failure of the bond issue in question does demonstrate that sometimes in trying to save at the spigot we lose at the bung.

In order to erect another tank a bond issue will be required, but since the cost of the larger tank is not much greater than one of the size of the destroyed tanks, and since the necessity for another tank is obvious, there should be little difficulty in the passage of the necessary bond issue.

Town Officials To Be Congratulated

The Board of Town Commissioners are to be congratulated upon their decision at a called meeting Monday night to erect a 150,000 gallon tank to replace the 75,000 gallon tank destroyed by fire on Tuesday night of last week and to locate the tank in the northern section of town where pressure may be obtained from both the pumps at the filter plant and from the proposed tank.

The commissioners, Mayor Miles and Town Manager J. Ed Rooker are also to be congratulated upon the diligence with which they have been working to make quickly available a temporary water pressure system for the town and for planning

for the erection of a permanent tank here. They have been in called session in two or more occasions and have spent many hours working for the benefit of the town.

In addition to consulting with government officials in the hope of obtaining a grant for a new water tank and with engineers in planning both emergency and permanent water supplies, the town officials have also shown considerable ingenuity in completing temporary plans to keep a normal flow of water in the mains and to prepare for the emergency of fire.

The governing body of the town is doing a good job and deserve the thanks of all our citizens.

Dr. Nathan P. Fitts

On another page we are publishing the final article by Dr. Nathan Fitts on "Legendary Figures" of Warren County. Shortly after the article was put into type on Tuesday morning, we received word that Dr. Fitts had died in his sleep at Veterans Hospital on Tuesday morning.

It seems appropriate that we run the article as Dr. Fitts wrote it, because it is indicative of the natural kindness of the man who loved his town, his county, his relatives, and was quick to point out those things that added to their luster. It is also indicative of life, for on the morning's mail we had received a letter from Dr. Fitts telling of his plans for future articles about Warren County people and people whose lives were partly shaped by the county. Looking forward to life, he calmly left it, as if a door had been opened and a good friend walked through it, to be seen no more.

We had been privileged in the past few months to know Dr. Fitts rather well and to see him quite often, so the news of his death came as a personal loss. We were impressed with his natural kindness, with his sense of civic responsibility, his loyalty to his kin and his country, and with his sense of compassion for the unfortunate. We are also deeply grateful for his kind words of encouragement so often written or spoken when support was needed.

In the death of Dr. Fitts Warrenton and Warren County have lost a good citizen, and we have lost a good friend.

Sets An Example

The Milwaukee Journal

The Maldives, smallest member of the United Nations with only 97,000 citizens, has its own broadcast service. And this cluster of little islands in the Indian Ocean must rank as one of the most permissive societies existing. The Associated Press reported recently on a series of broadcasts in Male, capital of the country.

First there was a period of American music. Then Radio Moscow gave a news program. The Voice of America followed, trailed by the British Broadcasting system and All-India Radio. U. A. Khaleel, deputy foreign minister, explains that "we like to be friends with everybody who likes to be friends with us."

Small as it is, the Maldives would do the world a service if it could get that policy adopted in the UN.

Quotes

Fun is like life insurance; the older you get, the more it costs.—Kin Hubbard.

We should be content with what we have but never with what we are.—Channing Pollock.

Those who dream by day are cognizant of many things which escape those who dream only by night.—Edgar Allan Poe.

There is not much comfort in life until one is old enough to have the courage of his cussedness.—Don Herold.

With reasonable care the human body will last a lifetime.—Arnold Glasow.

Legendary Figures

BUCK AND BOB

(Dr. Graham, former President of UNC, former Senator from North Carolina and now of the United Nations, was called Buck by his classmates. House was called Bob by Dr. Frank, also by other intimate friends. Bob House is Chancellor Emeritus of UNC. Hence I chose the title of Buck and Bob.)

These two men, Buck and Bob, were educational and spiritual twins. Their twinning extended into other areas of endeavor. I'll mention some of these twinships as follows:

They were both prepared for college in Warrenton, N. C.

Both of them were Latin scholars under the tutelage of John Graham, Dr. Frank Graham's uncle and a famous Latin teacher.

Each served in World War I. Dr. Frank (as he was affectionately called by his students) was a Lieutenant in the Marines in WWI. Bob House was a Lieutenant in Infantry in WWI 1917-1918.

They were both Greek scholars at UNC.

Both of them became masters of the dicta and scripta of English prose.

And, of course, they were both cultured gentlemen of the first water.

The first time I saw and heard Dr. Frank Graham was at a political rally in Warrenton. He was running against Lawyer Smith of Raleigh, N. C. Lunsford Long introduced him to us in the Warren County courthouse. His presence brought rapt attention the minute he began to speak. This most articulate man defined the issues sharply, using his fingers to illustrate his points, pointing not at you but upward. His voice was not heavy, but it was in the clear tones of a calm and self-contained speaker.

The next and last time I saw, and first time I spoke to him was at the Airport in Alexandria, Va. He was walking down the corridor in a meditative mood. I was drawn to him immediately. I introduced myself and also a lady of high degree whose husband was a close friend of mine. She was to pick up her husband in Washington that night after dropping me at the airport. It was shortly before his appointment to the Senate in 1949. I assumed that his flight was to the Orient, having read of his great work in Indonesia. I was to take a plane to New Orleans in order to sign on the transport General McCrae as Ships Surgeon and make sail for Naples, Italy, so as to bring back to Brazil a load of refugees. The ship was a government transport under the franchise of the Export Lines.

I told Dr. Frank that I know Dean House and was under his deanship while taking a course in Public Health and that the great Milton Roseman was my professor in 1937. His face brightened into such a smile that would tell anyone that his first love was the University of North Carolina. Our conversation was animated but short, for his plane was about ready to take flight. I could have talked to Dr. Frank all night without be-

coming tired.

Dr. Graham was too great to be just a Senator. He was too strong to be a slave to an unpredictable and capricious constituency. He was a statesman before entering the Senate.

While he was in the Senate, he doubtless influenced a number of his colleagues to strive from political expediency toward the stellar regions of statesmanship.

Chancellor Emeritus Bob sent me a pamphlet of the presentation ceremonies of his portrait. In his speech, Dr. Frank said of Chancellor House:

"As I see him here, comrade of many enterprises, I am reminded that Presidents come and presidents go, but Bob House, 'like old man river, he just keeps rolling on.' They tell me, Bob, that in a year or so, the Mississippi will reach New Orleans. When you reach the freer and wider waters, and return to your first love of teaching, whether it be Greek, Latin or English, it will be with mastery and happiness. You will through any of them teach your own authentic home spun philosophy."

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NATHAN P. FITTS, M. D.

Tickets

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Coach Jon Burwell said that with most of his boys returning to the basketball court he looked for a good season in all three sports.

Principal Bartholomew expressed his appreciation to the Boosters for the support that they have given the athletic program in particular and the school in general over the years.

B. G. White and M. D. Hilliard, in charge of the ticket sales, distributed tickets to a number of the Boosters for sale. White said the goal last year was 250

and that 240 tickets were sold. He said that he hoped this year that the goal of 250 may be reached.

President Nat White spoke briefly about the value of a good athletic program to students and school, before declaring the meeting adjourned.

Robinson Funeral

To Be Held Saturday

Funeral services for John Robinson, 43, of Warrenton, who died on Aug. 19, will be conducted Saturday at 3:30 p. m. at Spring Green Baptist Church by the Rev. I. C. Cooper, Jr., pastor of the Oak Chapel A. M. E. Church in Warrenton. The body will be carried to Wadesboro for burial Sunday.

Mr. Robinson was a native of Wadesboro but for the past 20 years, had worked and made his home in Warren and Nash Counties where he was affiliated with Green's Funeral Home in Warrenton and Richardson Funeral Home in Nashville as funeral director and embalmer. He had been in retirement since November of last year and had been in declining health for the past two or three years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Virginia Robinson, and two sons of Englewood, N. J.; six sisters, three brothers and his step-mother, all of Wadesboro.

Mrs. Hawkins Observes Her Hundredth Birthday

Mrs. Sarah Hawkins celebrated her 100th birthday at her home in the Snow Hill Community Sunday, August 20, at 3:30 p. m. This event was especially significant, being that five generations were together as follows:

Mrs. Hawkins; her daughter, Miss Annie Mae Hawkins; her granddaughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams; her great granddaughter, Mrs. Rosa W.

Inez News

Miss Debbie Paschall of Hampton, Va., is spending some time with Miss Jennifer Taylor.

Mr. R. J. Harmon and granddaughter, Mary Ann Davis, have returned from a visit with relatives in Western North Carolina.

Masters Glenn and Victor Coleman spent several days at Atlantic Beach with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Whitford.

Mrs. L. A. Fowler has returned home after a visit with her mother at Mt. Lookout, West Virginia.

Mrs. Rue Coleman and Mrs. Glenn Coleman, Sr., visited in Rocky Mount, Friday.



MRS. HAWKINS

Green, and her great-great-granddaughter, Miss Wanda Faye Green. Miss Gussie Y. Williams, another great granddaughter, Misses Angeline and Patricia Green, great-great-granddaughters and Delton Green, great-great-grandson, were also present, along with many other relatives and friends.

Refreshments, consisting of a beautiful birthday cake and several other cakes, ice cream, peanuts, mints and punch, were served.

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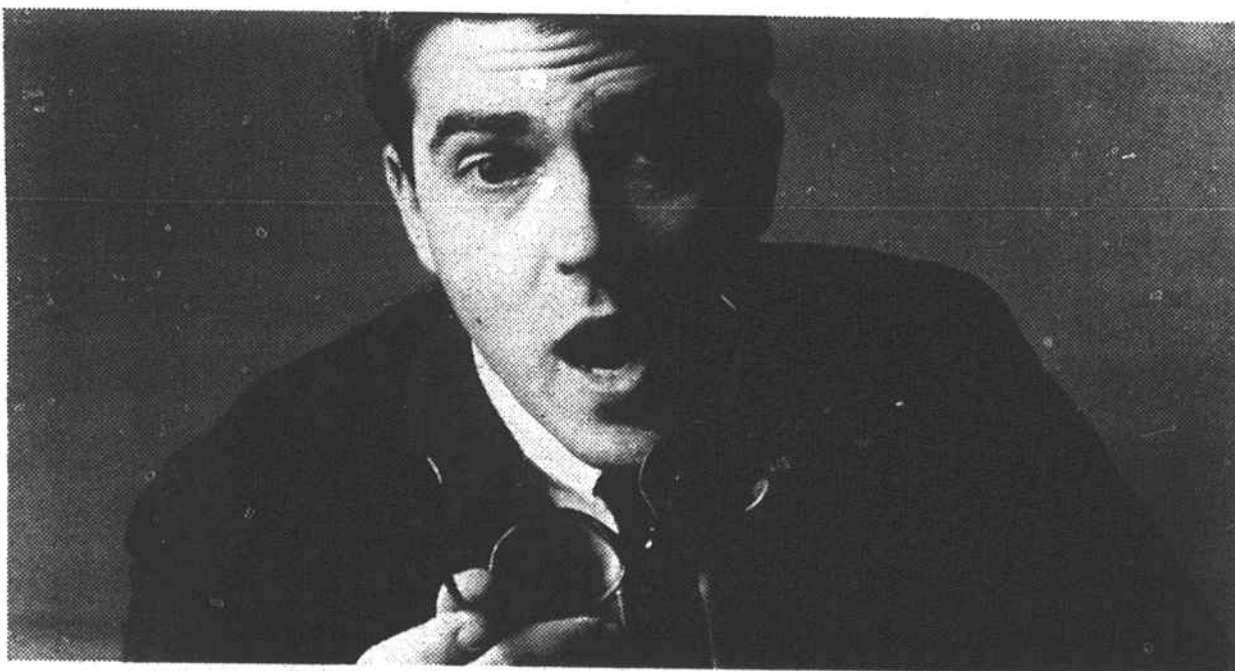
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