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# Editorials---

## IS THE AIRPORT BEING BLOCKED?

Efforts of a few persons inspired by the periodic objections voiced by the Scotland Neck Commonwealth have succeeded in bringing about a halt in the appropriations of county funds for the proposed county airport near Roanoke Rapids.

A recent editorial objecting to the airport was published in that newspaper last July 18th. Three weeks later the same newspaper published the request of a Scotland neck delegation for a 20-bed Scotland Neck hospital to be sponsored by this county.

Thus from behind the scenes now comes forth what appears to be one of the reasons for objection to the proposed county airport: Scotland Neck wants a 20-bed hospital which will cost this county between \$58,000 and \$65,000 in the first two year period, and with no guarantee as to what the county cost will be after the first two years.

This newspaper has no objection to hospitals as such. Many more are needed all over these United States. But it does appear that an effort was made to stifle a benefit to a major portion of this county in order to get a pretty big gift from the county for another portion of the county. It appears to be an opposition policy of: deny others so you will get it all yourself. Dog eat Dog.

It seems that a broader and fairer view would have been to gradually seek benefits for all parts of this county.

We quote an objection of the Commonwealth: "In the first place, in order to serve all the citizens the airport should be centrally located and not at one extreme end of the county."

Strangely, that objection fails to consider that a county sponsored hospital would not be located in Scotland Neck if it were to be "located centrally" among the residents of Halifax county who are most remote from other hospitals. By that logic it would be located much father west and north.

Few facilities of a public nature such as railroad depots, hospitals or airports are "located centrally" in county, state or countrywide areas. For example, Kansas is the center of the U.S., but would it be wise to place the largest commercial airport there because it is central? No, the best spots would be New York or Chicago. Public facilities should be placed where they are most easily available to the most people.

That principle applies if it is a Scotland Neck hospital to serve that area, or to an airport located in Roanoke Rapids.

Roanoke Rapids is the best location for a county airport. It has the greatest number of potential airport users, such as industrialists, wholesalers, businessmen and also the largest population within a close proximity.

County Commissioners are urged to reconsider this progressive county's need for a county airport - and in the location where it would serve the greatest number of possible users.

New buildings are springing up on the Roanoke Rapids-Weldon Highway, so fast, indeed, that it seems everytime a trip is made over this road, there are two or three more new structures arising. Some day the development of Tenth street will parallel that of the Weldon highway. All of this is indicative of the growth of our city.

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Olive H. Huston, executive sec retary of the National Federation will be the speaker on the pro-

### Jones-Atkins Wedding Solemnized In Halifax

Miss Ida Sue Atkins, of Roxboro and Sam L. Jones, of Roanoke Rapids, were married in Halifax Sunday morning at the home of the Baptist minister.

Miss Maude Atkins, sister of the bride, was her only attendant, with Levi Jones as best man for his brother. Only the attendants and Hubert Collins, former busiassociate of Mr. Jones, were

## **Deer Hunters**

(Continued from page 1, Sect. A) season limit 150; and squirrel, eight per day, possession limit of 16 and no limit for the season.

Turkey, one per day with possession and season limits of two; ruffed grouse, two per day, four in possession and 10 for season; Russian boar, two in one day, possession and season limits, two and rabbit, eight in one day, 16 in cossession and no season limit.

On apposium receon and for On opossum, raccoon and fox there are no limits.

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Trapping Seasons

The setting of steel traps for bear is unlawful; as is trapping within 500 yards of high water during a flood period and the tending of traps between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

There is no closed season on wildcat, weasel and skunk but but there is no open season on

Mink, muskrat, opossum and rac coon trapping season is from Dec ember first through February 15.

Two Counties Added

Two counties—Anson and Wake—were added to last year's list of 15 in which hunting for wild turkeys will be allowed. Only Male Deer

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# In Memoriam

Arriving here in 1900 when the city of Roanoke Rapids was Struggling to gain a foothold amid the pines, the sand and the mud, Clar-ence A. Wyche, whose death we mourned just a month ago, reoutstanding leaders of religious, lodge. civic, industrial, and business af-

He was fresh out of the Univer-sity of North Carolina when he came to take over at the "Juncnon" as a telegraph operator. Two years later he married a girl, Lemme Jordan, from his home town, Henderson, N. C. Follow-ing closely the added responsi-bility of taking a wife, he ac-cepted the job of secretary and treasurer of the Rosemary Manufacturing Company, recently organized then.

He remained in that position until 1913 when he was made president of the First National Bank of Roanoke Rapids, a post he held until 1925. Until the immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Jones left tor a wedding trip to Western North Carolina.

ne held until 1925. Until the disastrous economic crashes hit the nation in the late twenties and early thirties, he was

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lers plainly visible to the hunter are to be taken.

In 1937 he organized the Halifax Farmers Supply Company, one of the leading hardware firms in the leadi Farmers Supply Company, one of the leading hardware firms in the surrounding territory. He was serviing as manager of that firm at his death

Mr. Wyche was one of the ounders of the First Presbyteria. Church in Roanoke Rapids and was its oldest ruling elder. He was active in all branches of the mourned just a month ago, remained to see the crude villiage grow up to take its respected place among the cities of the state and to become one of the state and to become one of significant to be state and church's work throughout all his life. He was also a 32nd degree

He was born the son of Parry Wayne and Rebecca Southall Wyche in Henderson, North Caroma, on March 14, 1878,

Halifax County, ranking 18th in the state, had 3,806 farms in 1945, of which 2,441 or 64.1 per cent were operated by tenants. In 1940 62.6 per cent were operated by tenants.

turned from a visit to Lumberton and White Lake, she was accom panied by her daughters.

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