

EDITORIAL

Without Adequate Water, Cost of Urban Living Would Be Prohibitive

Town officials are currently urging expansion of our water system. To bring about such a program, it will be necessary for the citizens of the town of Wake Forest to pass a bond issue on Saturday, June 24.

Here, reprinted from *What Price Water?*, published by the American Water Works Assn., is some food for thought:

Water is beyond price, yet at intervals, you get a water bill.

Water is free, yet someone has fixed a dollar and cents value on nature's unpriceable gift.

By what right? Go out into the country and you'll find the farmer getting all the water he wants, merely for the effort of digging a well and working a pump. He gets no water bill.

Go up into the unspoiled mountains, dip your cup in a bubbling spring and drink your fill. Bring home a few barrels full. No one will impose any charge for what you take.

Go down to the nearest river bank. Fill as many buckets as you can haul away. You won't have to pay a cent for their contents.

Or the next time it rains, put out tubs and basins. Or do as they do in Bermuda: Make your entire roof a collecting system leading to a cistern. No meter will register payments due.

But ask the farmer what it cost to dig his well and how much energy is consumed in operating it. Figure the expense of your trip to the mountains, not forgetting the price of the barrels.

Compute the value of the time consumed in hauling river water, adding the doctor's bills in case you fail to boil it before using. And compare the amount of water you obtain with the cost of installing and maintaining one of those Bermuda-type roof collection systems.

Water is free to all. But it isn't always available where people want it in a condition safe for them to use.

It's the water works' job to take over the task of collecting water, transporting water and making sure that the water delivered is safe for human consumption and suitable for human use, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

And that's what you pay for when you pay for your water bill.

Granted that water is free; granted that you are paying only to have water gathered, safeguarded and distributed; just what is it costing you?

What, for example, does it cost to get enough water delivered to wash your face — just to fill the basin? Less than five one-hundredths of a cent, or less than five cents a month, assuming you're satisfied to clean up three times a day.

You can get all the water you require for a bath, poured right into the tub for approximately a penny, and a shower will cost you even less. The bill for flushing a toilet runs about two-tenths of a

cent. Go out and water your garden. Give it a good soaking. Then count the cost. It may set you back a dime.

Add all these costs up: Allow for the water used for drinking and coffee making and cooking, include laundry and household cleaning requirements, and then consider how you'd go about meeting your water needs if you didn't have a public supply system.

Suppose you want to keep that garden verdant and blooming.

You've been pouring some 300 gallons an hour on it at a cost of ten cents or so. Pumping and carrying the same amount of water would take at least six hours. Even if you get one of the neighbors' youngsters to work for fifty cents an hour (in itself quite unlikely these days), you would have to spend ninety dollars a month for the service.

Compute any of your other water uses on the same basis and try to think of any other commodity which is delivered to you, guaranteed ready to consume or employ, at a comparable price!

The important thing about your water bill is not the charges it records, but the savings it doesn't mention!

Look at your water bill; then look behind it. Consider some items which might well appear, but don't.

There's no reference to medical service, yet the health of your community, of your family and of yourself is protected by the vigilance of the men who check and treat and recheck water to make sure it's safe.

There's no fee for securing reduced fire insurance rates, yet the whole schedule of these rates is substantially reduced if an adequate public water supply — so necessary to an effective defense against fire — is available.

There's no contribution levied for community development, yet key industries can produce goods and provide employment only because a dependable water supply is available.

Without a continuing flow of water, sewers could not be properly flushed or streets kept clean.

You could conceivably obtain water through your own efforts to satisfy your thirst, clean your body, and water your garden. But only through an organized system of collection, storage, distribution and treatment can water resources be mobilized to produce the broader benefits which you, as a citizen, now enjoy.

The price which you and all consumers pay for the water you use helps to meet the costs of making these benefits available to all.

Without a water works system, the cost of urban living would be prohibitive!

As you can see, the value of water is beyond price. Don't let our town be without adequate water. Vote YES on the bond issue on June 24.

This And That

By Martha Sandusky
Summer school started at Broughton High School Monday morning. Classes last from 8 till 1 and will end July 21. The following are going from Wake Forest: Gall Short, Gloria Pearce, Wanda Haynes, Pat Hastings, Bruce Garner, Kathy Stertz, Fredie Daniel, Diane Tarn, Steve Faircloth, Linda Stroud, Bob Benfield, Donna Parker, Tommy Faircloth, Evelyn Tarn, William Glover, Mike Harding, and Martha Sandusky.

Billy Hastings and John Sandusky go to Daniels High School. The Class Editors and Activities Staff of the Annual Staff visited Edward and Broughton Publishing Co. of Raleigh Monday and Tuesday to look at annuals. Those going were Stannie Farish, Marilyn Mangum, Sharon Fuller, Mary Fuller, Kathy McDonald, Cindy Goldston, Betsy Poerschke, Debbie Scraggs, Paula Miller, Vann Wall, and Margaret Bobo.

Quite a few teenagers have been helping in the Vacation Bible Schools in their churches. Recently the annual SEVENTEEN Beauty Workshop concluded at Belk's in Raleigh. These girls received diplomas: Nancy Norris, Glenn Ann Bobo, Joy Copeland, Margaret Bobo, and Martha Sandusky. The Vandals played at Teenage Club Saturday night.

Next year's Varsity Cheerleaders, Betsy Poerschke, Kathy Wishon, Nancy Davis, Sharon Fuller, Pam Alford, Connie Dean, Diane Perry, Margaret Bobo, and Kathy McDonald, are baking and selling homemade cakes to raise money for new uniforms.

Red Cross Volunteers met at the Hospital Tuesday morning to set up summer work schedules.

Summer band started Monday. The High School Library will be open this summer on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 12:00 until 3:00. This is a good time to read for next year's book reports.

Three Initiated Into Order of Arrow

Mark Woodlief and Glenn Evans of Youngsville Troop 588 and Assistant Scoutmaster Rudy Evans took the ordeal for membership into the Order of the Arrow Friday and Saturday at Camp Durant. They had been tapped for membership at the Spring Camporee, in April. After completing the Ordeal they were inducted into the Order Saturday night.

Makes Honor Roll

Linda Rollins, a rising sophomore at East Carolina College, made the Honor Roll there for the spring quarter. Linda, a Nursing major, has made Honor Roll every quarter of her freshman year.

Sr. Missionary Circle

The Senior Missionary Circle of Friendship Chapel Church of Forestville is having a program Sunday night at 7:30. The guest speaker will be Rev. Vick Alston and his choirs from Pilot, Macedonia, and Providence. All missionary circles in the surrounding churches are invited.

Alligator Patrol Walk-in Camp-out

The Alligator Patrol of Troop 588 went on a walk-in overnight camping trip. The purpose of the camp-out was to pass off second class cooking and first class camping.

Boys attending were Jimmy Moss, Glenn Evans, Tim Wiggins, Randy Hailey, Ricky Riddick, Mike Barber and Gordon Conyers. Rudy Evans and Morris Hailey were with them.

Views And Reviews

By Jean Bond McCainy

One of the most outstanding exhibits in the Arts and Crafts Sale at North Hills last Sunday was the collection of guns by Turner Ray, Jr., of Wake Forest. This local craftsman showed three of his handmade guns: A Kentucky Rifle (left-handed), A Kentucky Pistol, and a Percussion Rifle. The stocks are maple and the fittings are silver and brass. The barrel and trigger guard on the Kentucky Rifle were salvaged from a rifle made by Tryon of Philadelphia between 1810 and 1825. All of the guns will shoot, and powder horns, a loading block and a hunting pouch, also hand-crafted, were included in the display.

There was a fine collection of paintings for sale, ranging in price from \$6.00 to \$175.00. Betty Gallup's watercolors were beautiful and reasonably priced, and the unusual work of Bruce Lemerise (a 15 year old artist whose work is usually sold through a New York Gallery) was a real eye-catcher. His delightfully whimsical watercolors, and mellow barn-wall plaques are practically irresistible.

There was also sculpture, wood work, mosaic tables, jewelry, pottery, hand-woven towels, crewel pillows, and dolls offered for sale, with prices starting at \$1.00.

There are two more summer shows planned, with a wider va-

Carolina Footprints

YELLOW JACK

By Carolyn Ritchie

In June of 1862 the blockade-running steamer "Kate," bound from Nassau with supplies for the Confederacy, slipped into the port of Wilmington. A crew member died and others with whom he had been in contact soon became ill.

On September 15, when it was announced that yellow fever had invaded Wilmington, a dark cloud of fear and despair settled over the town. Many people wisely closed their homes and vacated the area. Doors were barred, stores closed, business halted. Physicians, druggists, and sanitation committees labored tirelessly in an effort to curb the disease, but during the hot, humid days of summer and early autumn, the virulent attacker raged through the town, mercilessly striking young and old, rich and poor. By early November, out of a population of about ten thousand, nearly eleven hundred persons had died. At times the death toll was so great that large trenches had to be dug for

burial.

Neighboring areas came to rescue. Gifts of food and money poured into the community. Some included a family doctor, a Baptist minister, an Episcopalian and a Catholic priest, their own lives while in the needs of the people.

Finally the epidemic waned and the November of the WILMINGTON, thankfully proclaimed, splendid frost on Saturday nights. General York is no more. He has done mischief in his power, finally yielded. We must hard, the fate of a single Wilmington gradually to life, bravely struggling cover from one of the W dies ever to strike a N lina town.

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This the 15th day of June, 1967.
William H. Wall Jr.
Rt. 2, Wake Forest, N. C.
June 15, 22, 29; J1 6

LETTER TO EDITOR:

Congratulates Grads

Editor Wake Weekly:

I think what pleased me most in your issue of June 2 was your first article, "51 graduate at DuBois." Not even the larger number graduating from the white school pleased me quite as much — 82. Thankful and proud of both, I think it just reasonable and fitting in a democracy for us to feel special rejoicing when we see a people struggling to rise against great odds, even since slavery days.

In this matter my own thinking has undergone a great change in my 95 years. I remember distinctly when I was sure the black race was inferior to the white — no doubt about it. That belief is gone from me forever. And I feel happier for it.

For my changed attitude I owe

a debt to the eminent seer and saint Dr. W. R. Cullom. He and I were true pals in his last several years. We appealed jointly to the librarian of our university at Chapel Hill. "Please select and send us three of the most scholarly and authoritative books on anthropology and race." Dr. Cullom and I read them together, sure we were reading the highest authorities on the most acute and dangerous subject before the world, a subject vitally related to world peace. The white man's boast of racial superiority has, indeed, been bitterly resented by peoples of other colors, even to fomenting strife and war.

With these high authorities clearly in mind, Dr. Cullom said to me, his mind crystal-clear, just a few days before his death,

"Write one more article with my endorsement, saying, 'Science gives no support to the white man's boast of racial superiority: any superiority of the white man is due, not to race, but to the white man's superior cultural and social advantages.'"

I rejoice that each one of these 51 Negro graduates from DuBois will be a new center radiating culture and intelligence. That's also a mighty gift to our democracy.

S. L. MORGAN, 95½
Baptist Home, Hamilton

In Mediterranean

(J0715) USS AMBERJACK (SS-522) (FHTNC) May 22 — Interior Communications Electrician Third Class Eaton W. Sutton, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Sutton of Route 1, Youngsville, N. C., is serving aboard the submarine USS Amberjack, a unit of the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean. The Amberjack is homeported in Charleston, S. C.

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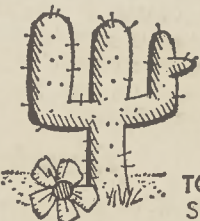
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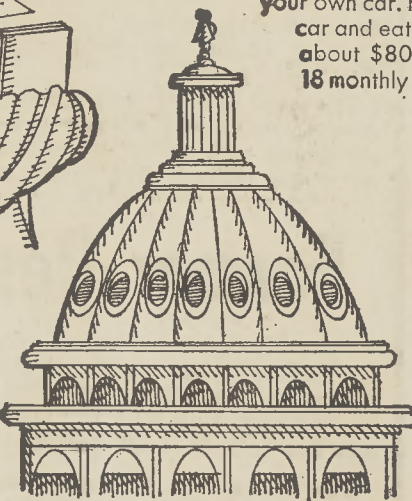
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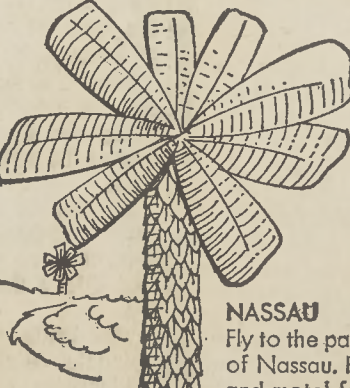
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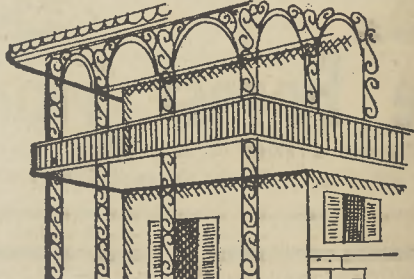
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