

School Bus Drivers Allowed Protection Under Motor Law

State Sets Up \$100,000 To Guarantee Finan- cial Responsibility

School bus drivers need have no fear that they will lose their driving licenses because of lack of established financial responsibility if they have an accident with a school bus while in line of duty.

This assurance was received this week by Superintendent W. J. Taylor from the State Board of Education. The statement from the State Board of Education is as follows:

"Briefly, the arrangements are these: The State Board of Education will deposit a sum of \$100,000 with the State Treasurer to guarantee proof of financial responsibility whenever school bus drivers have an accident causing property damage, death or personal injury.

"This action in effect provides a bond for the school bus driver pending the settlement of any claim, which will, as in the past be paid under the provisions of the Tort Claims Act when the driver, in line of duty, is responsible for the accident.

"You may, therefore, assure all school bus drivers that they have the same financial protection from the State under the Tort Claims Act that they have had in the past and that they should have no fear of losing their driving license because of lack of established financial responsibility should they have an accident with a school bus while in line of duty."

NOTED CREDIT EXPERT SLATED TO ADDRESS STATE'S BANKERS

A native Tar Heel who has achieved national prominence in the field of instalment lending will address a statewide meeting of bankers in Raleigh on February 15.

William A. Spough, Winston-Salem native, is now chairman of the Consumer Credit Advisory Board, Fifth Federal Reserve District of The American Bankers Association. He is vice-president of American Security and Trust Company in Washington, D. C. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina.

Spough will address the annual Instalment Credit Conference sponsored by the N. C. Bankers Association. Announcement of Spough's visit to North Carolina was made by James K. Paul, vice-president of the First National Bank of Winston-Salem, and chairman of the Association's Instalment Credit Committee.

Sharing the leading speaking role with Spough will be Philip Woolcott, president of the Bank of Asheville. Woolcott, like Spough, is recognized in national banking circles as an authority on instalment credit.

At least 200 bankers are expected

COTTON CANDY



The feminine look is going to be the thing in next summer's swim suits. Here, complete with lampshade shirring and a ruffled top is a new swim suit by Brilliant in Everglaze printed cotton. The torso is as fitted as a corselet of the gay nineties, but this cotton suit is definitely 1954!

to attend the conference in Raleigh, which will be a one-day affair. It will begin at 10 A. M., and will be concluded in late afternoon.

Robert Lee Completes Round World Cruise

The destroyers USS Smalley and Cotten returned to Newport, R. I., in January completing a "round the world" cruise and a six-month tour of Korean duty.

Among those who returned aboard the USS Smalley was Robert E. Lee, yeoman, USN, son of Mrs. Minnie L. Lee, 204 First Street, Edenton.

The destroyers operated as units of Destroyer Division 302 and operated with fast carrier Task Force 77 and the Blockade and Escort Force.

The Smalley rescued two downed pilots and participated in Operation Kite—the transfer of Indian troops to the True Zone from Inchon.

The Cotten took part in the last heavy bombardment of Wonsan harbor and the North Korean lines before the truce.

MEDALS

Two hundred seventy Army chaplains won 332 decorations for service during the Korea war.

Commissioners' Proceedings

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday, February 1, 1954, with all members present as follows: W. W. Byrum, Chairman, J. A. Webb, J. R. Peele, W. E. Bond and C. J. Hollowell.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and the

following bills ordered paid:

Owen G. Dunn, bill, \$8.64; Herman White, bills care of prisoners, \$105.48; Herbert Small, January rent, \$50.00; Mrs. Carolyn C. McMullan, travel, \$44.66; Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., service of welfare department, \$7.01; Colonial Store, bill, \$2.18; J. M. Thompson Co., Norfolk, Va., soundscaper, \$409.00; Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., tax office, \$15.97; J. G. Perry, bill, 1 desk, \$37.50; Shadrick Elliott, labor on Court House grounds, \$5.00; Brown-Carver Library, \$100.00; Edythe Nixon, salary of janitress, Court House, \$50.00; William T. Alexander, labor cleaning welfare office, \$4.13; J. L. Chestnutt, postmaster for 1,000 envelopes, \$40.08; Nathan N. Yelton, Director N. C. Public Employees' Social Security, \$172.31; Shepard-Pruden Library, \$200.00; Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, \$288.13; The Harrison Co., bill, \$12.50; Mitchell Printing Co., bill, \$16.14; Ralph E. Parrish, bill, \$7.50; M. L. Bunch, bill and services, \$119.05; Edenton Ice Co., bill, \$102.15; J. A. Bunch, sheriff bill and salary, \$464.60; Harrell & Leary, bill, \$7.65; The Bank of Edenton, exchange due on \$11,610.00, \$14.51; Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., J. B. Small's office, \$4.89; Town of Edenton, for J. B. Small's office, \$1.20; Twiddy Insurance & Real Estate Co., Inc., rent for February for G. B. Germain, Department Collector State Revenue Department, \$15.00; State Commission for the Blind, \$85.00; William P. Jones, salary as tax supervisor, January and bills, \$128.40; Shepard-Pruden Library, appropriation for fiscal year 1953-1954 book mobile general, \$1,000.00; Annie W. McMullan, salary tax lister, January, 1954, \$159.60; Marguerite W. Jones, salary tax lister, January, 1954, \$107.80; Eloise B. Jordan, salary tax lister, January, 1954, \$163.28; The Office Supply Store, bill, \$25.00; E. W. Spires, bills and salary, \$265.10; State of North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development, \$77.90; The Chowan Herald, bill, \$111.80; Miss Lizzie Jordan, general assistance for George Jordan, \$15.00; Wilford Good, RFD 3, Edenton, N. C., food orders for welfare department, \$24.00; The Eastern N. C. Sanatorium for Lloyd Moring, \$12.67; Charlton's Funeral Home, complete funeral expenses for Tahleah Baker, \$95.00; Cuthrell's Department Store, bill, \$3.58; Edenton Ice Co., bill, \$11.60; Imogene Cochrane, Home Agent, telephone bill, \$6.00; C. W. Overman, County Agent office, \$13.75; Town of Edenton, bill, \$40.96; Edenton Ice Co., bill, \$102.36.

By motion of W. E. Bond, seconded by J. R. Peele that the County Commissioners grant the Veterans of Foreign Wars permission to have a carnival during the month of April on the property of the American Legion free from tax.

By motion of J. A. Webb, seconded by J. R. Peele that the County Commissioners approve the beer license application for Lillian V. Roberts for Cavalier Grill, 413 South Broad St., Edenton, N. C.

By motion of W. E. Bond, seconded by J. R. Peele, that Herman White's jailer fees be increased \$50.00 per month beginning January 1, 1954.

On motion of C. J. Hollowell, seconded by J. A. Webb and duly carried, a new roof be installed on the Court House. The committee to be W. W. Byrum, W. E. Bond and J. R. Peele, to investigate the material and price for said roof and purchase the best suitable for the roof.

The following reports were accepted and ordered filed: Sheriff; Treasurer; C. W. Overman, County Agent; R. S. Marsh, Assistant County Agent; Superintendent Public Welfare; Imogene Cochrane, Home Demonstration Agent; Onnie S. Charlton, Negro Home Demonstration Agent.

There being no further business the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.

L. BUNCH, Clerk to Board.

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