

**Rocky Hock 4-H Club Meets At School**

The February meeting of the Rocky Hock 4-H Club was held in the Rocky Hock School Tuesday morning of last week at 8:45 o'clock. The president called the meeting to order and the secretary called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting.

During the meeting Mrs. Elton Boswell spoke about the fashion show which was held Monday night of this week in the Chowan High School auditorium and some of the girls in the club were asked to participate. She also said there would be a vegetable dish demonstration

and dairy food demonstration in the near future.

The program was then turned over to the program committee with the following taking part: Loretta Bunch, Esther Layton and a song by Loretta Bunch and Becky Harrell.

The club members expressed their appreciation for the nine 4-H calendars distributed by Robert Kennan of the Kennan & Corey Plumbing Company.

Mrs. Boswell also explained how members can make and save money, handing out some literature on making and spending money. The club adjourned by repeating the 4-H Club pledge.



**SAME OLD CORN IS NO JOKE**—W. R. Olney, 80, of Rochester, N. Y., canned the corn he's being fed by granddaughter Susan Olney, 13, while working as a cannery hand in Rome, N. Y., 63 years ago. Still perfectly preserved, the vegetable was sealed in a hole-and-cap container, forerunner of the modern metal can.

administration alone ought to induce the National Park Service to abandon its plan to impose and collect the toll. There are approximately 500 different entrances of one kind or another to the Skyline Drive and the Blue Ridge Parkway. As a consequence, the National Park Service proposes to establish 30 different stations for the collection of the toll. If these stations are placed at equal distances along the 325 miles of Parkway now completed, the motorist will have his view of the beauties of nature obscured by the revenue collecting agencies of the Federal Government.

In conclusion, it is worthy to note that the National Park Service maintains several other roadways in other parts of the country and does not propose to impose any fee for their use.

The lawyer is a gentleman who rescues your estate from your enemies, and keeps it to himself.

—Lord Broughman.

**Commissioners' Proceedings**

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday, February 7, 1955, with all members present as follows: W. W. Byrum, Chairman; J. A. Webb, J. R. Peele, C. J. Hollowell, W. E. Bond, C. W. Overman, M. G. Brown, Jr., J. R. Shadrick, J. R. Elliott, care of Court House grounds, \$10.00; John Jones, Jr., bill, \$15.00; Edette Nixon, salary as janitress, \$50.00; Coastal Office Equipment Co., bill, \$151.31; Jimmie L. Bateman, trimming vines and cleaning gutters at Court House, \$5.00; Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, federal income tax withheld county employees, \$267.32; Nathan H. Yelton, Social Security payments Chowan County employees for fourth quarter, 1954, \$232.98; Nathan H. Yelton, Social Security administrative expense, \$30.00; E. W. Staines, Treasurer - Jury Fund, \$500.00; Herbert Small, January rent, \$50.00; Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., January service, \$9.70; Mrs. Carolyn C. McMullan, travel, \$45.92; Chowan Herald, office supplies, \$33.50; Mrs. Lois H. Ashley, postage for Welfare Department, \$10.00; Janitress service for Welfare Department, \$9.00; Eastern North Carolina Sanatorium, hospital care January 1 to January 31 included, \$18.60; January 1 to January 31 included, \$18.60; Belk-Tyler Co., bill, \$36.33; J. E. Ashley, groceries for indigent family, \$10.00; Byrum Grocery, bill for indigent families, \$18.93; Cuthrell's Department Store, bill for clothing for indigent families, \$66.08; Chowan Hospital, Inc., payment on account of Ida T. White, \$9.00; Colonial Store, food for indigent family, \$10.00; Carolina Coach Co., bill, \$6.77; H. R. Peele, bill for groceries for indigent patients, \$43.00; Charlton's Funeral Home, bill, \$25.00; Herman White, care of prisoners, \$286.53; Mrs. Emma W. Perkins, bill, \$5.90; Barkhead-DeVane Printing Co., bill, \$103.38; Frank E. Twiddy, bill for tax office signs, \$6.00; Coastal Office Equipment Co., \$10.00; The Chowan Herald, bill, \$129.60; Edenton Office Supply, bill, \$42.55; The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., tax office installation fees and service, \$17.93; Mrs. Marguerite W. Jones, work in tax office, \$230.68; Mrs. Gene B. Cullipher, work in tax office, \$229.43; Mrs. Sadie H. Hoskins, work in tax office, \$123.75; W. P. Jones, tax supervisor, bill office supplies, \$22.06; M. L. Bunch, bills and services, \$118.50; The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., bill for services Clerk Superior Court of Edenton, \$9.95; The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., bill for services at Register of Deeds office, \$7.25; Byrum Hardware Co., bill, \$8.82; Hattie Singletary, telephone service for home agent's office, \$5.75; Town of Edenton, E. & W. Department bill, \$55.12; Coastal Office Equipment Co., bill, \$14.45; Commercial Printing Co., bill, \$127.89; Edenton Office Supply Co., bill, \$6.40; Quinn Furniture Co., bill, \$25.00; Dr. Martin Wiseley, bill, \$5.00; Herbert S. Small, bill for printing office for Deputy Collector, N. C. Department of revenue for January, \$22.50; Walter B. Jones, bill, \$169.60; Barkhead-DeVane Printing Co., bill, \$12.50; C. W. Overman, county agent, telephone service, \$13.70; The Office Supply Co., bill, \$3.01; J. A. Bunch, sheriff, \$402.40; Edwards & Broughton Co., bill, \$115.47; Edenton Office Equipment Co., bill, \$6.78; Kennan & Corey Plumbing Co., bill, \$29.29; The National Association of County Officials, \$20.00; E. W. Spires, salary and bills, \$439.72; The Chowan Herald, bill, \$102.40; The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., bill for J. B. Small, county agent's office, \$5.80.

By motion of J. R. Peele, seconded by J. A. Webb, that card be sent to all delinquent tax lists that if they do not list by April 1st, 1955, the names will be turned over to Grand Jury at April term of Court.

By motion of W. E. Bond, duly seconded by C. J. Hollowell that William S. Privott be appointed as chairman of civil defense for Chowan County.

By motion of J. A. Webb, seconded by J. R. Peele that chairman be authorized to pay bonds and coupons due March 1st in the amount of \$2,129.51; bonds and coupons due March 15, 1955, \$7,480.68.

The following reports were accepted and ordered filed: C. W. Overman, county agent; R. S. Marsh, assistant county agent; Hattie Singletary, home agent; Clara M. Boswell, assistant home agent; J. B. Small, county agent; Annie S. Charlton, home agent; sheriff, and treasurer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

M. L. BUNCH, Clerk to Board.

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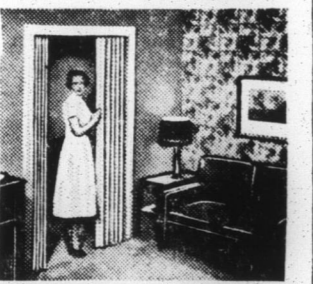
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**SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS**

Washington—The National Park Service has announced its purpose to charge a fee for the use of the Blue Ridge Parkway by automobiles beginning on May 1, 1955. In common with the entire North Carolina delegation in the Congress, I am strongly opposed to converting the Blue Ridge Parkway into a toll road.

**Opposed to Tolls**

As a matter of principle, I am opposed to the Federal Government raising revenue by charging people for the privilege of gazing upon the handiwork of Almighty God. Despite all protestations to the contrary, the plan of the National Park Service is a revenue raising measure for all tolls collected are to be "paid into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts." And even apart from the matter of principle, the plan is indefensible in that it is, in substance, an endeavor to collect revenue upon a gift made to the Federal Government by private individuals and foundations and the States of North Carolina and Tennessee.

The Blue Ridge Parkway and its counterpart in Virginia, the Skyline Drive, connect the Shenandoah National Park on the north and the Smoky National Park on the south.

**A Difference**

When the Yellowstone National Park and the other National Parks of the west were established, they were created out of landed areas already owned by the Federal Government. The lands embraced in the Smoky National Park were purchased by private individuals and foundations and the States of Tennessee and North Carolina at a cost of approximately 10 million dollars and donated to the Federal Government for the enjoyment of all the people. I am advised by those active in the acquisition and donation of these lands that it was never contemplated that any toll would be imposed on those visiting the Smoky National Park. Moreover, all of the right-of-way of the Blue Ridge Parkway other than that situated within the National Forests was acquired by the State of North Carolina at a cost of approximately \$2,260,000 and conveyed without charge by the State of North Carolina to the Federal Government. Since the State of North Carolina has steadfastly refused to exact a toll of any person for the

use of its bridges and highways, I am satisfied that the State of North Carolina would never have made these valuable gifts to the Federal Government if it had known that the Federal Government would pervert its gift to the raising of revenue.

The National Park Service attempts to justify the imposition of the proposed toll on the ground that the toll is intended to defray the cost of maintaining the Shenandoah National Park, the Skyline Drive, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and the Smoky National Park, which totals \$546,000 annually. As I have already pointed out, all tolls are to be covered into the general treasury.

**Popular Parkway**

During the past year, 1,500,000 automobiles used the Blue Ridge Parkway. If such use continues in the future, and the National Park Service collects the minimum proposed fee, i. e., the "15-day" \$1.00 fee, from each automobile, it will collect three times the maintenance cost. When I called this significant fact to the attention of the National Park Service, I received the astounding reply that only enough motorists would be compelled to pay the fee to raise the cost of maintenance, and that all other motorists would be permitted to use the Parkway without charge. This would be, indeed, a queer practice in a country which believes in "equal justice under law."

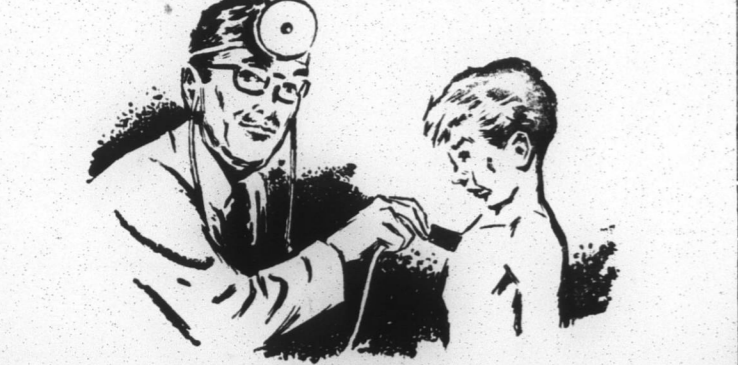
It is to be remembered that the Federal Government already collects two cents on each gallon of gasoline consumed by automobiles using the Parkway, and that it would be just as logical to impose a toll on other highways constructed in part with Federal funds as it is to impose a toll on the Blue Ridge Parkway. The argument that the toll is justified for the Blue Ridge Parkway because it is used for recreational purposes lacks validity. All other highways are used in large measure for recreational purposes.

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