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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Thou shalt not raise a false report.—
Exodus 23:1.
Slander is a vice that strikes a double
blow, wounding both him that commits
and him against whom it is committed.—
Saurin.
Fill our hearts, O God, with love and
kindness toward all men.

A DECISION TO BE MADE

Your help is needed to make the second
big decision to face this community
in some time. On December 21, 1967,
the people went to the polling places and
decided by a greater than eight to one
majority to approve a one million dollar
bond issue to construct a new, 60-bed
hospital. Obviously the majority felt
very strongly that a modern hospital was
worthy of sacrifice on their individual
part, else the bond issue would not have
passed.

For 12 months following the bond
election, a tremendous amount of re-
search, development, and planning took
place. Approvals were received from
all the certifying agencies and grants
were made by the state and federal gov-
ernment, anticipating sufficient money
to guarantee building our new hospital.

When the bids were opened on March
6, 1969, everyone concerned found it
difficult to understand and almost im-
possible to accept the fact the bids ex-
ceeded the available money by over
\$320,000. Much has been said about
the causes for the building costs to have
exceeded estimates. Many ideas have
been proffered and all have been ex-
plored. It is a foregone conclusion that
had the first bond issue been passed,
we would not have the problem we do
today. What good is it to look at the
past? How can it help today or to-
morrow?

Some people have expressed the
thought that it is all over — that there
will be no new hospital — that we can-
not expect the community to do any
more than they already have. This
need not be true.

The goal of approximately \$85,000
seems now to be within reach. Time is
short. We must be able to assure The
Duke Endowment we have attained this
goal by April 8, 1969. Now it is time
for a decision to be made by the com-
munity. To make a wise decision, each
reader of this article should have some
of the facts:

1. Two foundations have been con-
tacted. Both have indicated a desire
to be of assistance — one quite sub-
stantially.
2. The Medical Staff committed their
support and have substantiated this with
their personal pledges in a most gener-
ous manner.
3. The Belk Tyler Company made a
\$1,000 contribution.
4. A fund raising committee is con-
tacting industries and other interested
parties.
5. The County Commissioners have
pledged their full support for the project
to the hospital Board of Trustees and
the community. They have agreed to
"put their money where their mouth is."
They would like for you, the citizens of
this community, to have a piece of the
action.

The Executive Director of one of the
foundations contacted made the follow-
ing statement: "We are interested in
your project and we plan to assist you,
but it is necessary that your community
be further involved and all local re-
sources be called upon to make your
drive successful."

In making your decision to contribute
and to decide the amount of your con-
tribution, you must consider if we need
and want a modern medical complex that
will include the following:

1. A post-operative recovery room
 2. An Intensive and coronary care
unit
 3. More adequate operating suite
 4. More adequate labor and delivery
suite
 5. More adequate X-ray department
 6. More adequate laboratory facility
 7. An emergency suite
 8. More patient room facilities to pre-
vent over-crowding
 9. Two-way voice communications be-
tween the nurse and patient
 10. More adequate parking facilities.
- These are but a few of the facts for

Heard & Seen

"By Buff"

Well, what for awhile appeared to be
very little interest in the municipal elec-
tion on Tuesday, May 6, has developed into
real competition, especially so far as Town
Council seats to be filled is concerned.
Aside from the Board of Public Works,
there will be a contest for all the other po-
sitions to be filled. As the slate developed
following the deadline to file, the contests
include: George Alma Byrum, Roy Harrell
and Henry G. Quinn vying for the office
of Mayor. Then for Councilman-at-large
there are four candidates, Pete Dail, Alton
Elmore, Richard Satterfield and Bill Collins.
In the Fourth Ward Luther Parks was pre-
sured to again throw his hat in the ring and
is opposed by O. F. Blair. In the Third Ward
David White is seeking re-election and Ed
Taylor is his opponent. The other office to
be filled is Treasurer, in which James Bond
is seeking re-election and has Mrs. Carolyn
Ricks as his opponent. Well, there they
are, folks. Look 'em over and then vote
for the ones you think are best qualified
for the position. Having served on Town
Council ever since John Mitchener was the
Mayor, here's one who salutes him for the
magnificent job he has done in steering the
town since he was Mayor. He has made a
lot of sacrifices in time and money for the
town's welfare and just about the most pro-
gress the town has made in recent years
has been made during his administration.
He's leaving office and here's one who's
saying that his shoes will be very diffi-
cult to fill.

The Methodist Men's Club will sponsor
their pickled herring breakfast Saturday
morning from 7 to 9 o'clock. The "cooks"
and "waitresses" will be ready to see to it
that all who attend will get plenty to eat.

It was very evident Monday that Dr.
Richard Hardin doesn't hang around the
Court House very much when court is in
session. But he was a witness in a case
Monday and on several occasions addressed
Solicitor Herbert Small as "Mr. Cohoon."
Well, Walter Cohoon was in that same po-
sition before being elevated to judge.

And speaking about court, here's one who
is among the group of jurors. It's one time
I'm being punctual about being on duty,
for if a fellow is late when his name is
called, the judge will have "something" to
say. However, Judge Joseph Parker was
rather late in convening court Monday, but
nary a person would ask him "why come?"
But I'll forgive him, for he was kind and
considerate enough to excuse me from jury
duty Tuesday afternoon and all day Wed-
nesday in order for me to do my little bit
in getting out The Herald.

I hardly know what this world is coming
to. It seems that men want to be girls and
girls want to be men. I can hardly stom-
ach the long hair and bushy faces of a lot
of men, and now I've seen some girls wear-
ing side burns just like men. Maybe a lot
of us were born about 50 years too soon.

The secret has leaked out. I've often
wondered why Preacher Earnhardt thumbs
back and forth in the Bible when he wants
to read the Scripture lesson. The reason is
that the chapters in his Bible are Roman
numerals, and how many of us can read
the "bloomin'" things when they go beyond
about XX?

COUNCIL STEADFAST

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Returning to the 1963 talks, Durham
added: "A commitment was made by
some of the gentlemen still here and
has not been lived up to."

Mayor Mitchener then said: "Time
and ballots have eliminated all but Mr.
Parks (Luther C.) and myself." He
defended the intent of the letter.

Parks said the council has fulfilled
its obligation.

W. B. Gardner, town administrator,
said when the annexation was devised,
it was the intent to be fair with every-
one. "It is an ambitious program but
one which should have been done piece
meal."

He said although annexation would
be effective July 1, 1969, no taxes would
be due on this property until 1970. He
said the combined tax rate of Edenton
and Chowan County ranks 68th lowest
in the state.

Quinn said things have changed in
the past few years requiring another
look at annexation.

Thomas Byrum of Byrum Implement
Company said: "I'm not ready to come
in." He added that only when property
north of his location is adequately de-
veloped should it be annexed.

Byrum, a member of the Board of
Public Works, admitted this board has
encouraged the council over the years to
extend the city limits.

N. J. George, whose residence is to
be annexed, said he offered no objec-
tion.

In other business, councilmen approv-
ed beer permits for Colonial Motor
Court and Jim Quain and set April 15
as the date to meet with representatives
of Morgan Park concerning annexation.

you to consider. The decision is yours.
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White, building and fund raising com-
mittee chairman; Jesse L. Harrell, presi-
dent, board of trustees; or go to the
hospital to the administrator's office.

Public Parade

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community.
It is now time to tie the knot on
these two questions. They are big hur-
dles and ones which in the years to come
will have proven vital to the town and
county's race for a better spot in his-
tory.

Other hurdles loom in the distance.
Let's get over these and look anxiously
to new ones.

From Behind The Bar

Several interesting, unusual and hum-
orous things transpired during the open-
ing day of "big court" along the Public
Parade this week. The calendar was
lengthy and historic old Chowan County
Court House needed a balcony to accom-
modate all who came out of necessity or
curiosity.

The tension was first broken when a
defendant was called by Solicitor Her-
bert Small. When no answer came back,
the solicitor asked Carter Jones of Aho-
skie if he didn't represent the defendant.
"I represented him in lower court but
he forgot me," the attorney replied.
There is nothing that makes a lawyer
talk like money.

Only moments later another defendant
failed to answer to the solicitor's call.
Mrs. Lena M. Leary, court clerk, ad-
vised Judge Joseph Parker that the
defendant was among nine new grand
jury members chosen moments earlier
to serve for 12 months on the panel.

Judge Parker called for the grand
jury. Having second thoughts, he cal-
led Deputy Troy Toppin back. "I don't
guess he will participate in voting on
that bill (of indictment)," the jurist
said of the defendant.

DEFENDANT JAILED

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ing any alcoholic beverage. Judge Park-
er instructed Deputy Sheriff Troy Top-
pin to render an opinion.

The jurist himself moved closer to
Lamb and again accused him of having
an odor of alcoholic beverage on his
breath. Lamb steadfastly denied drink-
ing anything.

Judge Parker dictated an order find-
ing Lamb in contempt of court for ap-
pearing for trial in such a condition.
He ordered Lamb to serve a 10-day jail
sentence.

The speeding case was continued until
the next term of court.

GRAND OPENING

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The local sales force has been expand-
ed to accommodate the customers, he
added.

The store will observe extended hours
during the grand opening event. This
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since that time.

POLITICAL POT BOILS

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political office, is employed at Peoples
Bank & Trust Company, and is active
in the BPW and is immediate past presi-
dent of Edenton Jaycettes.

Satterfield is band director at D. F.
Walker School. He is a native of Eden-
ton and received degrees at the Boston
Conservatory of Music and St. August-
ine's College. He is a veteran and
member of Providence Baptist Church.
He is married and the father of one
daughter.

Collins is employed by J. H. Conger &
Son, Inc. Like Satterfield, this is his
first bid for public office.

COX IS SENTENCED

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counsel, Merrill Evans, Jr., had handled
his case.

Tuesday the request was granted and
John F. White appointed to represent
Prince. The cases were continued for
the term.

At press time a jury was considering
the case where John Henry Allsbrook
was charged with drunk driving and pos-
session of untaxed liquor.

Action taken in other cases called by
Solicitor Herbert Small included:
Herbert Wilber Modlin, drunk driving,
found not guilty by a jury.

Thomas Scott Gilliam, drunk driving,
reduced to reckless driving, prayer for
judgment continued upon payment of
\$150 fine and costs; carrying a conceal-
ed weapon, nol pros.

Joseph Vann Holley, taking indecent
liberties with a minor, prayer for judg-
ment continued on condition that the
defendant be admitted to Cherry Hospi-
tal for treatment and not leave until
properly released.

Clarence Walker, three charges of
worthless check, prayer for judgment
continued upon payment of costs.

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