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Showdown Seen On School Bill In Legislature

RALEIGH (P) — A showdown shaped up in the legislature today on a dispute over school consolidation while in a softer vein legislators considered how to make the state's school children more music conscious.

A bill introduced last week by Rep. J. A. Speight of Bertie County was scheduled for consideration by the House Education Committee.

At least one member hinted of a possible public hearing on the little local bill following protests by State Education Department officials that it might wreck the state's school consolidation program.

Speight's bill is aimed at reopening two small Bertie County high schools last year by a consolidation. Speight said he would support other counties who want to protect their smaller schools from being wiped out.

Rep. Tom Allen of Granville County meanwhile announced he plans to introduce another bill on consolidation—one to require the State Board of Education to make a detailed survey of population and growth in a community before closing a school in a consolidation move.

FORBIDS CLOSING Speight's bill would forbid closing a school with an enrollment of 50 or more pupils, or in a case where 10 per cent of the pupils would have to ride 15 miles or more a day.

Allen's bill would allow the school to be closed if the survey showed the population would not support "68 or 70 pupils" at the next term.

Meanwhile state officials warned that a music bill introduced in the House may bring into question the historic separation of church and state.

The bill introduced by Reps. C. G. Maddrey of Hertford and A. C. Edwards of Greene proposed hiring six music supervisors to develop a program of music education in schools, churches and other community organizations.

The Joint Appropriations Committee, renewing their hearing on supplementary budget requests, heard an appeal by Director Benjamin Swain of the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra to approve an annual outlay of \$50,000 for the orchestra. The advisory budget commission recommended only \$15,000.

The committee today considered new requests by state departments and agencies for funds totaling \$6,245,446—swelling the total of supplementary budget requests thus far to \$13,204,009.

ASR 6 MILLION The biggest request came from (Continued On Page Five)

Gets Off Roads, Is Back In Jail Before Nightfall

Bill Hall of Erwin, who got off the roads on Monday morning decided to celebrate his freedom with liquid refreshments. By nightfall he was back in jail in Lillington.

On Tuesday Hall was in recorder's court charged with public drunkenness, the same offense for which he had just served four months. And to it was added the accusation he destroyed county property, namely a glass window pane in the jail.

Hall entering a guilty plea was told by Judge M. O. Lee, "Well, Hall, it seems we have tried the jail and the roads without success. I know this is your second offense within six months, but I am going to give you a break.

You will have 12 months on the road, suspended 12 months on condition you remain sober and pay the costs."

Hall, who said he has a job promised him, was given 30 days to pay. Jailer Ken Matthews also agreed that if conditions were met he'd forget about the broken window pane.

"If I knew who sold you that liquor, I'd send him to jail," Judge Lee said. Hall wasn't talking, but he thought it must have been "expensive" stuff. His wallet of \$50 or \$60 dollars was missing.

Legislature Today

Both houses convene 12 noon. House Committees on Counties, Cities and Towns 9:30 a. m. House Education Committee 10:30 a. m. House Committee on Local Government 9:30 a. m. Senate Public Welfare Committee 9:30 a. m. Senate Education Committee 10 a. m. Senate Appropriations Committee 2 p. m. Senate Finance Committee 2 p. m.



WILLARD NIXON MYRES TILGHMAN

Dunn Business Men Urged To Enter Race

Myres W. Tilghman, prominent Dunn business, civic and church leader, insisted today that he won't be a candidate for Mayor, but hundreds of citizens urging him to toss his hat into the ring still refuse to take "no" for a final answer.

The more that Tilghman said "no" today, the harder his supporters worked on him in an effort to persuade him to take the office.

Mr. Tilghman told reporters this morning that he greatly appreciated the compliments made him and the offers of support, but that he simply couldn't.

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It was learned today that two of the town's leading business men have told Tilghman they'll run for the two council positions if he'll agree to run for Mayor.

"We want a strong man to head the ticket," one of them told reporters. He asked that his name (Continued On Page Five)

City Manager Offers Parking Suggestions

Four alternative suggestions regarding parking on North Wilson Avenue between Edgerton and Harnett Street will be outlined for the members of the town board at their next meeting by City Manager A. B. Uzzie, Jr.

Mr. Uzzie has made an exhaustive study of the situation, and has interviewed the residents of the block for additional suggestions. His findings are embodied in sketches which he has used his

engineering skill to draw up for the board.

The first proposal, to leave the block as it is, would do nothing to improve the parking situation. At present, with the parking on the west side only, the block provides for only 16 cars.

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Olive's state campaign manager, former highway division commissioner R. E. Earp, and SBI agents also were scheduled to testify.

Warrants against former State Burial Commissioner John I. Barnes, former state Rep. Ronald Hocutt of Johnston County and Percy and Jimmy Flowers of Clayton were signed by attorney Jesse Jones of Kingston.

The warrants charged that the unsigned handbills contained statements known by the defendants to be "false or in reckless disregard of the truth" and calculated to "adversely affect" the Olive campaign.

A witness testified today that a campaign worker for Gov. William B. Umstead in last May's Democratic primary admitted making arrangements to circulate handbills alleging that Umstead's opponent would appoint a Negro as state parole commissioner.

The witness, public relations counselor Robert Redwine of Raleigh, testified that former State Burial Commissioner John I. Barnes of Johnston County told him that he was in charge of "wholesale distribution" of the handbills.

NOT UMSTEAD "Mr. Umstead had nothing to do (Continued on page two)

Ball Tickets On Sale Today

Tickets went on sale here today for the Roosevelt Birthday Ball to be held Friday night in the Dunn Armory to raise funds for the March of Dimes polio campaign.

Chairman Hubert Peay of the Jaycees' dance committee said tickets would be available at Dunn drug stores, at the office of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce and also be obtained from members of the Jaycees and the Junior Woman's Club.

Music for the ball, both round (Continued on page two)

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The Rev. Waldo Early has resigned as pastor of the Mt. Elam Baptist Church near Dunn to accept the pastorate of Falling Creek Baptist Church, near Goldsboro, it was announced today.

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Only a few minutes previously, Charles E. Wilson, former GM president, was sworn in as secretary of defense. He won Senate confirmation after a dispute settled to establish the pattern followed by Kyes.

The nomination of Kyes, former GM vice-president, now goes to the full Senate for confirmation expected Thursday.

Kyes asked the committee for its "full confidence; otherwise I'll be of very little value" in Washington. He said he would "much prefer to go home" if the confidence is not forthcoming.

TO SELL STOCK Kyes told the committee that if confirmed he will sell his 2,840 shares of GM stock plus 1,150 shares due him under a bonus arrangement. Furthermore, he said that he also would sell holdings in several other corporations.

Mr. Eisenhower's cabinet became a functioning team today with the swearing in of the last member, Wilson, in a ceremony at the White House, the President told Wilson. "Now, sir, I have a secretary of defense and I am very proud of you."

Mutual Security Administrator Harold E. Stassen also was sworn in, and the President commented, "Now I have you, too; things are shaping up."

Later, Mr. Eisenhower issued this formal statement: "I am glad to have Mr. Charles E. Wilson as my secretary of defense." (Continued on Page Two)

Industry Group Meets Wednesday

The Industrial Development Committee of the Dunn Chamber of Commerce will hold its first meeting tomorrow at 1:00 p. m. at Johnson's Restaurant, it was announced today by C. E. McLamb, chairman.

The group will work closely with the newly formed Industrial Development Commission, in an effort to attract new industries to Dunn. Plans toward this end will be discussed at the meeting.

Other members of the committee are: Lofton Tart, O. W. Godwin, Sr., M. M. Jernigan, Al Willenwaber, Earl McD. Westbrook, Henry M. Tyler, Emmett Edgerton, Clarence Lee Tart, Dr. W. W. Stanfield, Alfred Blalock, Louis Baer, Sam Baer, R. R. Raynor, Charles Hutt, Johnny Wellons, Johnny Purdie, Nathan Johnson Jr., I. R. Williams, Earl Mahone, Ralph Hanna and A. B. Uzzie, Jr.

Finch To Open New Gas Station Here

The Harnett Service Station, newest station of the Harnett Oil Company, will hold its opening here tomorrow, Thursday, January 29th.

Keith Finch, manager of the newly-formed Harnett Oil Co., extended the public a cordial invitation to attend the opening of the new station, located at Warren's Trading Post beside Temple Motor Company.

Locke Campbell will continue operation of Warren's Trading Post. Donald Barefoot, who formerly held a position with Safeway Suburban Bus Lines, will manage the new station for Harnett Oil Co.

Harnett Service Station will feature Mobilgas products, and will offer the finest of service.

On the opening day, each customer will receive a free gift. And any person guessing the amount of gas it takes to fill his tank will be given the gas free.

Harnett Oil Company was formed here last November when Mr. Finch and his associates purchased Joe Norris' fuel business.

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BULLETINS

HOLLYWOOD (P) — Howard Hughes, head of RKO, planned a "concerted effort" today to have Charlie Chaplin's latest picture "Limelight" banned from RKO theaters.

Hughes, in response to an American Legion request said through a spokesman that he intended to contact Sol Schwartz, chief executive of RKO theaters, to enforce the ban. He pointed out that his picture making corporation is divorced from the RKO Theater Corp. by government order and that he could take no direct action himself to have the picture banned from RKO theaters.

DETROIT (P) — Kaiser-Frazer Corp. today announced plans for volume production of an American sports car to be made of plastic reinforced with fiberglass. K-F will become the first American manufacturer to undertake mass production of a sports model in recent years when the assembly lines begin rolling in July. Edgar F. Kaiser, K-F president, said the sports model will be designated the DKF (Continued on page two)

MARKETS

HOGS RALEIGH (P) — Hog markets: Smithfield: Slightly weaker on good and choice 180-240 lb barrows and gilts at 18.75-19.00.

Mount Olive, Dunn, Goldsboro, Wilson: Slightly weaker at 18.50. Washington, Wilmington, Rocky Mount, Fayetteville, Florence, Rich Square: Steady at 18.50. New Bern, Jacksonville, Tarboro, Siler City, Kinston, Lumberton, (Continued on page two)

Name Westbrook Planning Head

Earl McD. Westbrook was named Chairman of the Dunn Planning Board and City Manager A. B. Uzzie, Jr., was named secretary, at their first meeting held last night.

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