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## ROAD BONDS DEFEATED

### Northampton Voters Reject Bond Issue And County-Wide System of Roads

The election held throughout Northampton County last Saturday to ascertain the will of the voters on the question of a bond issue to the amount of \$288,000 to build roads in the five unbonded townships—Roanoke, Kirby, Wiccacane, Seaboard and Pleasant Hill—the county to assume the payment of the outstanding bonds in the four bonded townships—Rich Square, Jackson, Occaneechee and Gaston—and to levy an annual road maintenance tax not exceeding 40 cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property, all to be controlled by a road commission of five members, was rejected by a vote of 362 for to 1449 against, according to unofficial returns received from every precinct.

Very little interest was manifested in the election and the vote was light. Only two of the nine townships gave a majority for bonds and consolidation—Seaboard and Gaston. Potocasi and Newtown precincts cast solid vote against, while Rehoboth gave only one vote for. West Gaston gave its solid vote for bonds and consolidation. Pleasant Hill township cast only two votes for, and Roanoke only 8 for, but the largest majority against bonds was given by Kirby, an unbonded township, followed by Rich Square, a bonded township, the majorities being 405 and 339 respectively.

Following is the vote by precincts:

Precinct	For	Against
W. Gaston	48	0
E. Gaston	30	5
Creeksville	6	116
Galatia	61	37
N. Kirby	16	87
Newtown	0	144
Pleasant Hill	2	58
Occaneechee	6	48
Seaboard	134	51
Rehoboth	1	60
Potocasi	0	89
Lasker	7	132
Jackson	27	60
Conway	5	193
Rich Square	8	191
Woodland	10	166
<b>Total</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>1449</b>

## CROP REPORT

With the exception of cool nights, weather conditions for growing crops have been favorable during the past week. A good rain fell Thursday night, about an inch, which was needed for corn, and cotton on stiff land.

The season for planting peanuts of all varieties is over. On an average perhaps there is not half a stand. Some farmers planted over three times and now have only about one fourth of a stand, not enough to pay to cultivate them. It is now too late to plant any but a hay crop.

Many cotton fields are spotted. The plant made good growth during the past week, but many tenant farmers are still in the grass and will hardly get their crops clean by August, the usual quitting time for cultivation of crops in this section. No blooms are reported, though the first usually appear a week earlier.

There is some good corn, but in travelling along the public roads one is apt to gain the impression that corn is the neglected crop. It evidently comes last on too many farms.

## SEABOARD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Pruden, of Conway, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pruden. Mr. and Mrs. Zell Ward and son, Edenton, were week end guests of Mrs. Ward's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ford.

Mr. Dallas Kee, Portsmouth, was the week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kee. Mr. Ellwood Ford, of Norfolk, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ford. Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Crocker spent the week end in Portsmouth, guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Plummer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Crocker and children, Garnette Leake and D. S. Jr., left the past Wednesday for Port Norfolk for an extended visit to Mrs. Crocker's mother, Mrs. Lucy Leake.

Mr. Henry Russell Harris Jr. returned home Friday from Richmond where he underwent an operation at Grace Hospital a few weeks ago. He is recuperating rapidly.

Miss Nancy Hudson Barbee spent the week end in Raleigh the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Lula Baucom.

Miss Anna Harris left Saturday for Norfolk to spend several days visiting relatives.

Miss Julia Blanchard, Woodland, spent the past week here the guest of her sister, Mrs. Julian Morgan.

Miss Sarah Alice Harris left Monday for a month's visit to her aunt, Mrs. G. F. Crocker, Wrightsville Beach.

Mrs. W. R. Vick left the past week for Keswick, Va., summer resort, to spend several weeks.

Miss Selma Bradley, who is attending summer school at E. C. T. C., Greenville, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bradley.

Miss Ruth Spivey spent the week end in Enfield visiting relatives.

Mrs. Bettie I. Pruden and daughter, Mrs. Robert L. Moore, and her children, Mildred Lee and R. L. Jr., spent Friday at Vulture, guests of Mrs. Wm. Vincent.

Mr. Ben Worrell, of Massey's Business College, Raleigh, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Worrell. Miss Emma Cox and Mr. T. J. Stephenson Jr., who are attending Wake Forest summer school, spent the week end with their respective parents.

Mrs. John Harris and children, Branchville, were guests the past week of her mother, Mrs. Georgie Harris.

Mrs. J. L. Harris is spending several days at Ahoskie at the bedside of her father, who is critically ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith and children, Portsmouth, were the week end guests of Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kee.

Mrs. E. F. Story, Portsmouth, was the week end guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster.

Miss Alice Kelly Harris left Saturday for Norfolk for a week's visit to her friend, Miss Helen Driskell.

Mr. A. K. Harris spent a few days in Norfolk the past week visiting his brother, Mr. Marvin Harris.

Mrs. Wm. Vincent and children, Barbara and Marylyn, of Vulture, were guests Saturday of her mother, Mrs. Bettie I. Pruden.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Yates and daughter spent the week end in Norfolk visiting relatives.

Mr. J. P. Harrell, Portsmouth,

## PLAYING FOR POSITION

### Gaston-Occaneechee Citizens Ask for Designation of Route 40--No Decision Made

The fight over State highways through the upper part of Northampton County was last Monday taken before the board of County Commissioners in an effort to induce that body to recommend to the Highway Commission that the State road extending from Garysburg to the Virginia line near Pleasant Hill be designated as a part of Route 40, which now extends across the State from Wilmington to Weldon, along the old Wilmington & Weldon railroad, now a part of the Atlantic Coast Line system. There was a large attendance at the hearing from Garysburg, Gaston and Roanoke Rapids.

After hearing all who desired to be heard the commissioners decided that numbering or naming State highways was a matter beyond their jurisdiction—entirely within the power of the State Highway Commission and therefore declined to take action in the matter. The decision was a dogfall, neither side winning.

At this time the State road from Garysburg to Pleasant Hill is designated as Route 481. Garysburg people claim that it is the shortest and most direct route to connect with the Virginia State road that follows the old Halifax road to Petersburg that soldiers in the armies of the Civil War period heard about and traveled over so much.

Partisans on both sides of controversy seem to think that the numbering or designation of the road is of great strategic advantage, and the fear is sometimes expressed that the State will not build and maintain two roads so near together as the proposed road from Roanoke Rapids would be to Garysburg Pleasant Hill road, hence the maneuvering for better positions.

### First Cotton Bloom Is Seen In Lincoln County July 1st

Lincolnton, July 1.—R. L. Mitchum, farmer, residing near here brought the first cotton blossom of the year in this county to town today.

Mr. Mitchum lives on the Will Costner place, famed for its cotton growing soil. He says that two years ago he made over a bale per acre. He has 16 acres in cotton this year and hopes to make at least 16 bales.

Mr. Mitchum says that his cotton is clear of grass and over knee high.—Charlotte Observer.

### Sharks to Be Capitalized

A new industry, which will depend upon the shark for its products is to be established in New Zealand. Products obtained from the shark include leather, a fertilizer, valuable oil, glue and a substance from the pancreatic gland for medicinal purposes. The aim of the promoters of the enterprise, among whom are some of the foremost men in the country, is to secure a daily catch of 1,000 sharks, which abound in New Zealand waters.

was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster.

Mrs. R. M. Maddrey and children, Crocker, Bailey and Josie, spent Sunday and Monday at Chapel Hill, guests of Miss Marguerite Maddrey.

Mr. R. L. Moore, Portsmouth, arrived Sunday and is spending this week here with his wife and children.

Mr. Charlie Johnson and Miss Lena Barnes spent Sunday and Monday at Chapel Hill, guests of Miss Carrie Barnes.

## NEWS FROM KELFORD

### Tribute to the Life of Mrs. Pulaski Tyler--P. T. Association Active--Personals

Miss Sallie Harrell Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Parker, returned from Sarah Leigh Hospital, Norfolk, last week where she underwent an operation for appendicitis several weeks ago.

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Roxobel Kelford Community gave a delightful twilight tea at the school building last Thursday evening. The occasion was liberally patronized and highly enjoyed. The next number on the program is a Negro minstrel show which will be put on in the near future. Some of the sweet eat singers and best impersonators in the community have been engaged and are hard down practicing for this delightful time. The Kelford Symphony Band will furnish the music.

The Kelford colored school building will soon be completed and will be one of the best colored school buildings in the county. It is built from plans furnished by the Rosenwald foundation and has all the comforts and conveniences that can be safely put in a wooden building. The colored people are very proud of this progressive move and will bend every energy to have one of the leading schools of the county.

Miss Sallie Livermon, Assistant Cashier of Bank of Kelford, went to Norfolk last Friday to be with her niece, Miss Agnes Cobb, during an operation for appendicitis.

The death of Mrs. Pulaski Tyler last Thursday evening at her home near Rich Square, caused deep sorrow among her kinspeople and friends at Kelford where she was reared. Mrs. Tyler was born at Kelford nearly fifty eight years ago, the eldest daughter of the late Joseph John and Eliza Beth Livermon Harrell. She was a woman deeply devoted to her home and family and highly esteemed and much loved by her friends and neighbors. Her husband and children worshipped her with a love and admiration that knew no bounds. She was a Christian woman of strong spiritual convictions, always ready to act the part of the good Samaritan wherever time and opportunity afforded. As the body lay in state in the home on the day of the funeral, loving hands covered the casket with an abundance and a profusion of flowers, which spoke in a language of love and esteem more beautiful and more eloquent than could have been uttered in words; they all loved her and paid their last tribute with a token of beauty and sweetness that could not be mistaken. In the death of Mrs. Tyler the strongest link in the family chain has been broken, yet a family so devoted to each other as is her family, will not disintegrate, the broken hearted husband and seven children will keep the grave of mother green and cherish her memory ever. Those who will feel most keenly the loss of this good woman, are her husband, Mr. Pulaski Tyler, her sons, Dr. N. B. Tyler, Herbert, Walter, Ashley and Harold, and two daughters, Miss Bettie and Miss Julia. She leaves the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. D. Mc C. Alford, Mrs. A. L. Hayse, Mr. J. C. and David Harrell, Portsmouth; Mrs. Charles Godsey, Richmond; Mrs. E. M. Wimbrow, Jackson; Mrs. Geo. T. Parker, Mrs. H. C. Stephenson, Mrs. W. H. Parker and Mr. J. R. and R. H. Harrell, Kelford.

## CAPTURE AUTOMOBILE AND BIG QUANTITY OF LIQUOR

Rosemary, July 3.—Special Deputy W. H. Massey of Pleasant Hill, located a touring car just across the river from Roanoke Rapids, which he suspected contained whisky, on Saturday morning, July 2. He came over to Roanoke Rapids and secured the help of Sheriff H. L. Bell and Policeman Gray to assist him in making the capture. The car was a short distance from the road concealed in the woods, and as they approached the car two men escaped. Upon examination of the car they found four cases of whiskey, thirty-four gallons in all. It is thought that the car was there during the night and a good deal of its load had been disposed of. The car and whiskey were seized and the license number of car taken as evidence in locating the owner. The car carried Virginia license.

## WOODLAND NEWS

Miss Marie Beaman, of Troy, is spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Griffin.

Miss Annie Futrell has returned home from Nashville, after a week's visit to her brother. Her little niece accompanied her home.

Mrs. Billings remains very ill. The entire town is in sympathy with them.

Miss Elsie Benthall spent the week end at Whitewill and Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Britton have recently moved here from Winton. They are occupying the house that they lived in several years ago, which has been remodeled. We feel that it will be a great addition to our town to have these splendid people in our midst and we extend to them a most cordial welcome.

Mrs. Tom Long and children of Roanoke Rapids, were dinner guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. S. Burgwyn.

Miss Christine Vick spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Vick.

Miss Nell Benthall attended the marriage of Miss Ruth Shaw Britton, of Colerain. From there she joined a party to tour New York and Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Whisnant and Sarah Elizabeth left Sunday for Morganton.

Mrs. L. McDaniel was home Saturday from Wake Forest summer school.

Mrs. Lillie Boyce, of Portsmouth, is visiting Mrs. Bettie Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Billings and Miss Moore visited Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Billings Sunday.

Mr. I. T. Blanchard and family and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin spent the week end in Norfolk.

## Lanier-Martin

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Martin announce the marriage of their daughter, Gertrude, to Gene Daniel Lanier, which took place Sunday. They will be at home in Conway, N. C., after July tenth.

The funeral service was held by the grave side on Friday afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. M. Von Miller, of Rich Square, assisted by the Rev. J. I. Kendrick of Lewiston. The body was laid beside that of her daughter in the family burial grounds near her home. The pall bearers were J. R. and R. H. Harrell, of Kelford, J. C. Harrell of Portsmouth, and her five sons.

## BUDGET ESTIMATES ADOPTED

### Summary Must be Published in Newspaper--People to Know Where Money Goes

Raleigh, July 4.—Now that the Board of County Commissioners has adopted the budget estimates giving the amount of money expected to be spent in the counties during the year ending next June 30, the Board must take steps to make these figures public.

The new law provides that a summary of the budget estimates, that is, the money the departments and subdivisions of the county propose to spend, be published in at least one newspaper published in the county. This statement must show at least the total appropriation recommended for each separate fund or function.

Other figures must be made public, so that the taxpayers may know what is being proposed in the way of activities and expenditures. For example, the rate of taxation for county purposes and the rate for each subdivision which will be necessary to levy in the current fiscal year must be worked out by the county accountant and published.

The publicity now required of all county affairs involving money will put a new responsibility on the county commissioners and other officials. The people will not only have an opportunity of seeing how their money is being spent, but they will be able to make comparisons between the efficiency of their officials and those of other counties.

## A Call to Duty

While our farmers have been fighting grass in the fields, weeds have been growing on streets and vacant lots in town, until Rich Square presents to friends and passers by from other parts of the world, the aspect of a ragged wayside beggar, instead of the thrifty clean shaved look of a hustling, progressive, up-to-date small town.

Our new mayor, who keeps his own grass cut, is asking that we, the citizens of the town, enter into a grass and weed cutting contest. We are to cut the grass and weeds in our own yards, and on our vacant lots, and the town will cut them along the sidewalks.

While we are doing this we should drain places of stagnant water, in order that the mosquito nuisance be abated. A few hours work will make us prouder of our town.

This is a call to the "Community Club," "Parent Teacher Association," to the "Sons of Rest" and the "Daughters of I Will Arise." Lets get busy today.

## CITIZEN.

### Missionary Federation Date Changed

The Northampton Missionary Federation will meet at Woodland Thursday, July 21st. This change in date has been made, with the approval of Woodland auxiliary and officers of the Federation, to accommodate the speakers on the program. The program will be published next week.

MRS. J. B. STEPHENSON  
Co. Chairman.

## Only One Month

Only about one month remains to plant and cultivate this year's crops. What is not done by the tenth of August to cotton, corn and peanuts, our principal crops, is hardly worth doing. Too many quit cultivation first of August. This is a month of hard work on the farms or the crop yields will be poor.