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Holiday

JACKSON — Throughout Northampton folks will celebrate the Fourth of July holiday, which falls on Sunday this year.

All county offices will be closed on Monday, July 5, to give the county employees the holiday. The county commissioners will meet on Tuesday morning.

Banks in the county will be closed on Monday as will many business places.

In Rich Square employees of Mylecraft Manufacturing Company will have their annual week-long vacation next week.

Employees at Talon, Inc., in Woodland will also begin their annual week's vacation.

Post offices in the county will also observe the holiday. There will be no rural deliveries on Monday, but special delivery and perishable matter will be handled as usual.

First Bloom

JACKSON — The W. P. Morris farm near here yielded the first cotton bloom reported to the Times-News this season. Tom Barrow, who farms on the Morris land, found the bloom on Monday morning, June 28.

Barrow will receive the traditional one-year free subscription to the Times-News for reporting the first cotton bloom.

This year's bloom was reported four days later than 1964's first. It was on June 24 last year that Henry Bennett discovered a first bloom on his farm near Rich Square.

Barrow also reported the first bloom of 1963. He found that one on July 1.

County Tax Rate Stays At \$1.60

JACKSON — The board of county commissioners took a "holistic" view and cut enough of the departmental budget requests so that they could reset the tax rate at \$1.60 per hundred valuation and maintain last year's tax rate. They finished their consideration of the requests at a meeting on Friday, June 25, at the courthouse.

The board asked the board of education to cut \$10,000 from

their budget so that the nearly two million increase in county valuation would produce enough tax money to cover wage increases and new programs. They declined to tell the school board where they thought they should pare.

The school board will meet next Wednesday after the commissioners' monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 6, to reconsider the commissioners' request.

The school budget called for \$361,372 but was granted \$351,372 from county funds. Included in the school's capital requests were the plans for building a proposed lunchroom and two classrooms that had been designed for previous building programs but deferred in previous budgets.

Other new programs that were improved include a 10 per cent wage increase for county employees with more than one

year's service, \$4,400 as the county's share of the three county mental health program, \$10,000 for proposed changes to the county agricultural offices, and an increase of \$5,789 for attaching funds in the welfare department's budget for medical aid to the aged.

The county budget totals \$797,154.90 and this is \$35,000 more than last year. Seven hundred thirty-four thousand, five hundred five dollars and forty-seven cents comes from sources other than the county, such as state and federal funds.

County Manager Melvin Holmes pointed out that the county comes next to 50 per cent of the estimated real value of personal property listings and that this is extremely high for any county in North Carolina.

Wage increases are still being compiled and the detailed breakdown will be published by the county manager next week after the board of education has met. The increases in county listing of real property increased in all categories. Some of the increases were: AMPAC, \$100,000; VEPACO, \$100,000; many new homes; storage facilities and farm machinery.

The tax rate is broken down into the following general areas: General fund, 20 cents; special purposes, 16 1/2 cents; health fund, 1 1/2 cents; welfare, 3 1/2 cents; county debt service, 25 1/2 cents; welfare, 21 1/2 cents; school current expense, 32 cents; and capital outlay (schools), 31 1/2 cents.

Total budget requirements, including tax funds, assistance from state and federal sources and non-tax sources come to \$1,531,662.56. An estimate of uncollectable taxes and discounts amounts to \$79,715.41 and total amount of tax levy is \$876,869.50.



AT STATE HOUSE—Conway 4-H Club members recently visited the State House in Raleigh where Grady Ricks, Jr., is shown seated beside Representative J. Raynor Woodard with Wallace Long and Joanne Warren seated behind him. Left to right, standing in the front row are: Mrs. Marion Lassiter, Judy Lassiter, Linda Woodard, Joyce Flythe and J. E. Flythe.

Conway 4-H Group Visits State House

CONWAY — The members of the Conway 4-H Club with their adult leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lassiter, were given a guided tour of the State House where they were recognized from the gallery, on a recent trip to the state's capital.

The group visited Raleigh on

the day before the Legislature adjourned and through the efforts of Northampton County's representative, J. Raynor Woodard, and Mrs. Woodard of Conway, their visit to the State House was made possible.

While in Raleigh the group also visited Andrew Johnson's home, Pullen Park, the Museum of Natural Science, the Archives Building, and State University, where they ate a picnic lunch on the campus.

On the way home the group stopped in Rocky Mount for supper and a visit to Tarrytown.

Mrs. Sylvia Lassiter, associate home economics agent, and

Zackie Harrell, assistant agricultural extension agent, also accompanied the group. Assisting with driving was Mrs. Junius Flythe.

The trip was financed by proceeds derived from the club's selling subscriptions to the Times-News.

The club also contributed \$30 of their subscription proceeds to the 4-H Development Fund and \$7 was donated to the Conway Baptist Church to be used to purchase shrubbery or to be used on a worthy cause. The club presented shrubbery to the Conway Methodist Church in the fall of 1964.

Prominent Seaboard Man, W. D. Barbee, Dies At 76

SEABOARD — Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 p.m. for Walter Dorsey Barbee, 76, who died Sunday.

Final rites were conducted at the Seaboard Baptist Church by the Rev. J. L. Walter Moore, pastor, and the Rev. Robert M. Bird, pastor of the Grace Episcopal Church in Weldon. Burial was in Seaboard Cemetery.

Mr. Barbee was the son of the late Rufus and Anna Hudson Barbee and was born and raised in Wake County. He had been Seaboard member since 1913, participating in farming and business interests.

Mr. Barbee was a University of North Carolina graduate, class

of 1912 and a 50-year member of the Seaboard Masonic Lodge 378 AF & AM. He also was a Woodman of the World member, second vice president and director of the Farmers Bank of Seaboard; former Seaboard School principal; former University of North Carolina Board of Trustees member; a trustee of Campbell College; former member of the State General Assembly, serving in the 1935-37 sessions; past district deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina; member Seaboard Baptist Church, where he held many offices.

In July 1916, he married the former Miss Lottie Stephenson, who died on August 5, 1956. He married his second wife, Katherine Plinner, in 1957.

Survivors include his wife, Katherine, of Seaboard; one daughter by his first wife, Mrs. William H. Crawford, Jr., of Roanoke Rapids; and five grandchildren.

Court Docket Is Varied

JACKSON — A variety of cases were heard in last week's session of Recorder's Court and one active road sentence was given by Judge Ballard S. Gay.

James Branch of Jackson received the road sentence on charges of assault and larceny. He received six months on the road on each charge.

Other cases heard were: Joseph John Jones, 18, of Scotland Neck, speeding, \$10 and costs.

Robert Louis Carey, 21, of Rich Square, speeding, \$10 and costs.

Tommie Jones, 22, of Roanoke Rapids, having on his brass knuckles, \$10 and costs.

Mildred Little Pettway, 44, of Pleasant Hill, no valid operator's license, \$25 and costs.

James B. Hardin, 22, of Pembroke, speeding, \$15 and costs.

Ronald Lee Peters, 30, of Fayetteville, speeding, \$10 and costs.

Troy Edwards, 18, of Creeksville, riotous and disorderly conduct and destruction of personal property, costs.

Roy Edwards, 18, of Creeksville, riotous and disorderly conduct and destruction of personal property, costs.

Otis Deloatch, 22, of Creeksville, assault with a deadly weapon and destruction of personal property, costs.

James Earl Deloatch, 25, of Creeksville, riotous and disorderly conduct and destruction of personal property, costs.

David Deloatch, 17, of Creeksville, riotous and disorderly conduct and destruction of personal property, costs.

Sedrick R. Britt, 18, of Con-

way, failure to decrease speed to avoid accident, not guilty.

Billie Love Robinson, 48, of Murfreesboro, speeding, \$10 and costs.

Dossie Lee Ransom, 21, of Jackson, willful speed competition and driving without due caution, not guilty as to former charge, \$25 and costs as to the latter.

Napoleon Robinson, 26, of Garysburg, speeding and willful speed competition, \$10 and costs as to the former charge and not guilty as to speed competition.

Ella Parker Stokes, 59, of Seavern, speeding, \$10 and costs.

Jim Jackson Collier, 60, of Rocky Mount, speeding, \$10 and costs.

George R. Bain, III, 17, of Jackson, speeding, \$15 and costs.

Leroy Barber of Seaboard, assault on a female, costs.

Van Robert Floyd, 21, of Charlotte, driving without chauffeur's license, costs.

Donnell Artis, 18, of Woodland, exceeding a safe speed, costs.

Robert J. Arnold, 16, of Rich Square, larceny, six months roads suspended upon payment of costs and restitution.

George Roger Patton of Gaston, nonsupport, not prosecuted.

Jerry Franklin Bennett, 19, of Ahoskie, speeding, prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs.

Thomas L. Wilkins of Star Route, Roanoke Rapids, nonsupport, costs.

Daniel Conrad King, 16, of Rich Square, lending another person a learner's permit issued to him, costs.

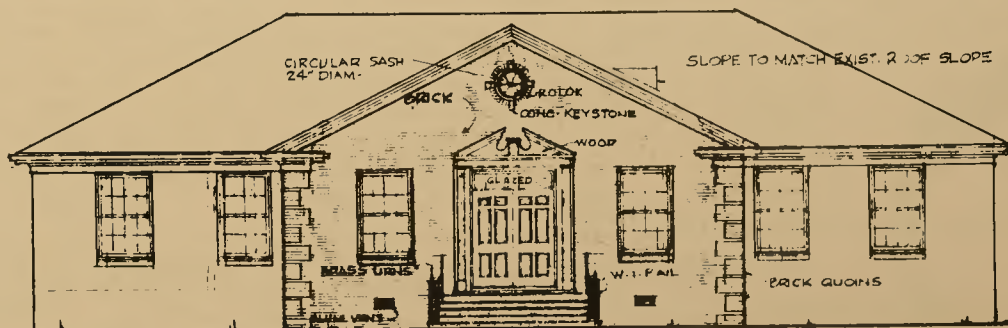
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS—Included in the funds for the 1965-66 budget were additions to the farm agent's building that would allow the consolidation of county services. The front elevation shown would include an 18 foot extension 33 feet wide that would add two new offices and an entry way. These offices would hold

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ONCE WAS ENOUGH
Mrs. Briggs: "Did you catch your husband flirting?"
Mrs. Jiggs: "Yes, just once."
Mrs. Briggs: "What did you do to him?"
Mrs. Jiggs: "Married him."

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the county extension chairman and his secretary. One additional office would be added behind the current home economics office and the internal office arrangement would be reassigned. The new entrance way would be of matching brick and include a flagstone terrace.

50% Of Taxes Already Paid

JACKSON — County Manager Melvin Holmes reported that he has already received over 50 per cent of the county's tax for the year of 1965-66 with the payment of over \$100,000 plus the checks for VEPACO's tax on Gaston and Roanoke Rapids Dam in the amount of \$362,082.00.

Virginia Electric & Power Co. has presented real estate and personal property tax checks totaling \$898,708 to county, city, and town tax collectors in Vepco's Albemarle and Roanoke districts.

Most of the money was paid in the Roanoke District where tax collectors received \$725,058.

The largest check, \$362,082 went to Northampton County. Halifax received \$192,193; Bertie, \$20,290; Hertford, \$22,337; and Warren, \$5,686.

The City of Roanoke Rapids received \$35,715 and the Roanoke Rapids School District and the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District received \$24,416 and \$21,898.

The largest town check of \$5,056 went to Ahoskie. Other towns receiving checks were Weldon, \$2,748; Murfreesboro, \$2,074; Woodland, \$1,639; Rich Square, \$1,392; Ahoskie, \$1,261; and Gaston, \$1,077. A check for \$5,154 will be presented during August to Nash County.

Tax collectors in Vepco's Albemarle District received checks totaling \$173,650. The largest, \$38,983, went to Martin County. Other counties receiving checks were Currituck, \$20,109; Washington, \$13,470; Edgecombe, \$10,647; Dare, \$9,743; Perquimans, \$9,692; Chowan, \$7,651; Gates, \$6,710; Beaufort, \$6,518; Tyrrell, \$5,111; and Camden, \$4,266. Checks for Pasquotank and Pitt counties of \$11,578 and \$8,463, will be presented during July.

The largest town check of \$11,499 went to Williamston. Other towns receiving checks were Plymouth, \$4,567; Nags Head, \$1,688; and Greenville, \$1,626. A check for \$1,239 will be presented during September to Bethel.

Vepco's total real estate and personal property tax bill for all localities in North Carolina in which the company operates is over \$912,600 for 1965 as compared to \$898,900 in 1964.

Vepco also paid North Carolina state taxes of \$1,044 million during 1964. The total federal, state and local taxes paid by Vepco in 1964 amounted to \$45,449 million, or 21.4 cents of every dollar of income that Vepco collected during the year.

represented at the school when the first student body assembly in September to attend this first state-supported school of the performing arts in the United States.

The School of the Arts is located on the site of the former James A. Gray High School in Winston-Salem. The original high school building and gymnasium are being completely renovated and two new dormitories are nearing completion on the 20-acre campus.

High school classes will begin September 7 and college orientation will begin September 20. Many of the students have ap-

plied for scholarships and will not be able to attend the school without aid. The North Carolina School of the Arts Foundation, Inc., designed to receive tax-deductible gifts for the school, is now trying to raise scholarship funds for these students.

A graduate of Rich Square High School, Baughman was a member of the 1964-65 freshman class at N. C. State University in Raleigh where he studied design. While a student at State, he was a member of the Frank Thompson Theater group and worked in the Actor's Workshop.

At the School of Arts, he will take courses in acting, design and writing, but will mainly be instructed in visual art of the theater.

In 1963 he attended the Governor's School in Winston-Salem. He was chosen for that school, a summer program for gifted high school students, for his talents in art and music.



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County Educators At Desegregation School

WINSTON-SALEM — Northampton County educators, James Carson Ezemore and Genevieve Hodgins Gay, were among the 94 North Carolina public school personnel registering for courses at a Special Training Institute on Problems of School Desegregation which opened this week. The Institute is sponsored jointly by the University of North Carolina and the Learning Institute of North Carolina, and is directed by Dwight Rhyne, Associate Director of the Extension Division at UNC.

A suitable location was found for the Institute at the North Carolina Advancement School in Winston-Salem, which is an experimental residential school for eighth grade boys of average potential or above who are not doing as well in school as they should. The student body and faculty are both integrated. The eight-week Institute will be coordinated with the summer session at the Advancement School.

The Institute, which is supported by the United States Office of Education Equal Educational Opportunities Program, is one of 43 throughout the nation designed to deal with the problems of desegregation. The timing is particularly appropriate since many schools in North Carolina will be integrated for the first time this year. Rulings under the Civil Rights Act which may cause withdrawal of federal funds from schools practicing desegregation have greatly speeded the integration process.

The enrollees, who are 7th, 8th, and 9th grade teachers, counselors, supervisors and principals in North Carolina Public Schools, were selected from over 300 applicants and reflect the various racial and cultural groups in the State. Forty-nine counties and fifty-eight school districts are represented.

Each participant will take a basic course in sociology and a second course in the curriculum fields of language arts, math, science or social studies, with stress being given to the under-achieving student lacking academic skills and motivation. College credit is offered for the two courses. Special emphasis will be given to the situation of the deprived child entering a desegregated school. In addition participants will assist in teaching at the Advancement School, take part in extracurricular activities, and will have the experience of living in an integrated environment.

The first week has been one of registration, testing and preparation. The full schedule will begin on Monday.

Science School

PETERSBURG, Va. — Two teachers from Rich Square are enrolled in the eight-week National Science Foundation Summer Institute for high school teachers of general science at Virginia State College, Petersburg, Va.

They are Thelma Shoulters of Route 1, Woodland, Woodland Graded School, and Elsie B. Winfree, Rich Square, W. S. Creevy School.

Night Mail Dispatch To Be Earlier

RICH SQUARE — Postmaster Edna L. Womble has announced that due to the implementation of the Sectional Center concept of mail handling to be instituted today, July 1, the last day of daily delivery of mail will leave a 6:20 p.m. instead of 7:25 p.m. as in the past.

Under this plan trucks will pick up mail and carry it to Rocky Mount where it will be distributed to other trucks for transporting to other sectional centers and/or its destination.

Womble stated that the earlier time was necessary for the truck to make proper connections at Rocky Mount. "So, beginning July 1, for mail to be sure of making this last dispatch it must be put in post office drop boxes no later than 6:05 p.m. or 15 minutes before time of dispatch at 6:20 p.m.," Postmaster Womble said.

Mail deposited in the box in front of the post office must be no later than 6 p.m. to assure its delivery.

The first morning dispatch will be at 9:45 a.m., except the one from Rich Square to Woodville at 7:30 a.m. as in the past, Womble stated.

After the implementation of the sectional center concept, mail making the last dispatch of the day will, in most cases, get next day delivery anywhere in the state, the postmaster said.

At the present time this is the only certain change to be made under the new setup, the postmaster said. He also urged all persons to use Zip Code numbers on their mail.

Gaston Man Charged With Shooting Wife

JACKSON — A 44-year-old Gaston man is in jail here charged with allegedly shooting his wife Sunday afternoon.

Charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill is Robert L. Alexander.

Alexander was arrested in Raleigh last night and returned to Northampton County by Gaston Police Chief Charlie Ball and County Sheriff's deputy Ed Ingram.

According to Ball, the shooting incident occurred Sunday around 6:30 p.m. at the home of Alexander's mother-in-law on Bay Street in Gaston.

Alexander's wife, Jean Alexander, was released from Roanoke Rapids Hospital after being treated for a wound caused by a .22 caliber pistol bullet that creased her skull.