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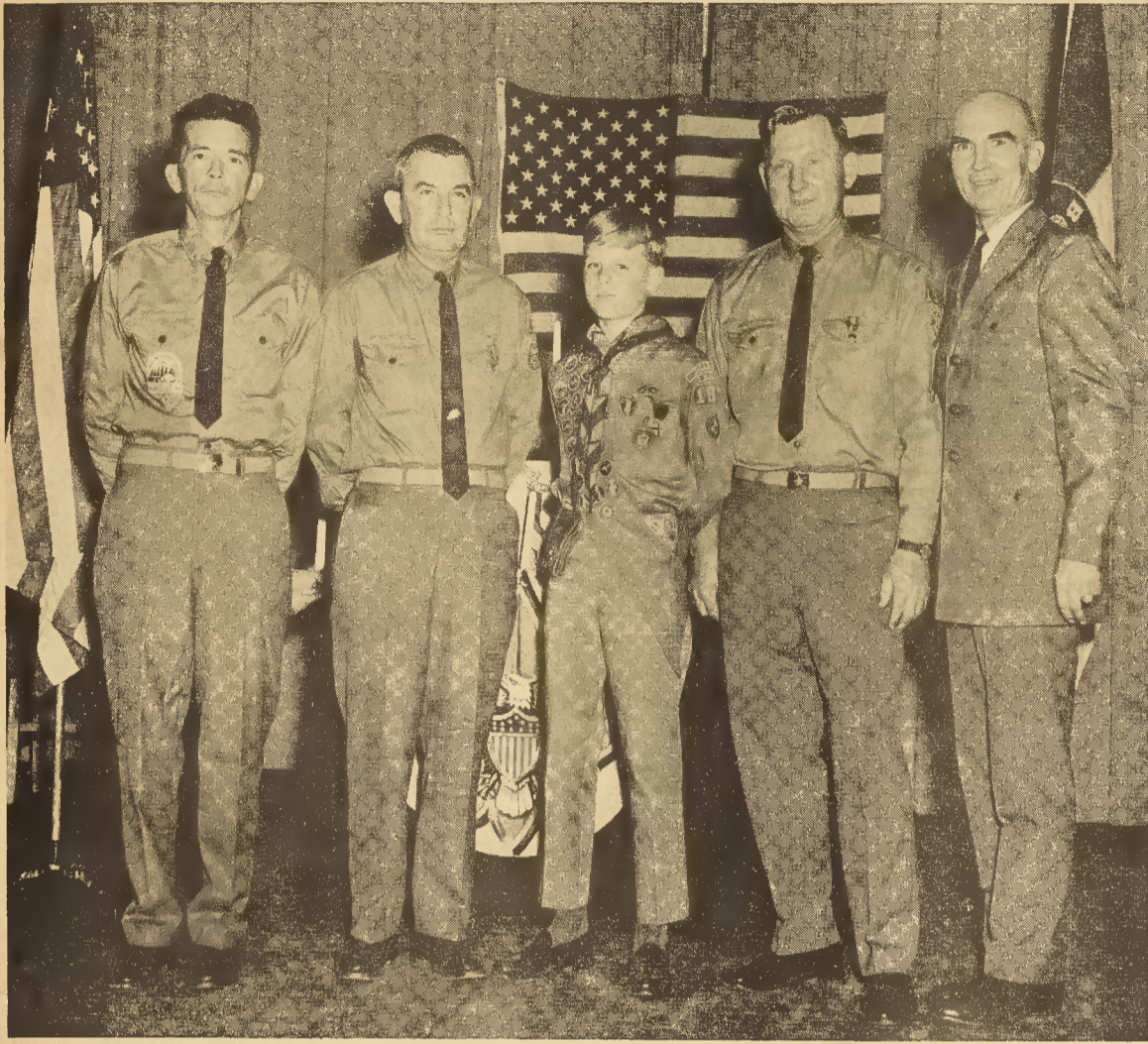
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SCOUTMASTER HOSTS — Scoutmasters of Boy Scout Troop 196 of Jackson were hosts to the Maratock Boy Scout District's Court of Honor, held at the Jackson School auditorium Sunday at 3 p.m. Presiding official for the court of honor was Chairman Wiley Connell of Roa-

noke Rapids. Pictures above are (left to right): "Tit" Grant, Jasper Eley, David Eley, Tommy Stephenson and Joe Brown, Maratock District executive. Not shown is assistant Scoutmaster "Teenie" Martin.

Roanoke-Chowan Scout District Honors Leaders At Awards Dinner

AHOSKIE — Over 150 scout leaders and their wives attended the Roanoke-Chowan District Recognition Dinner at Trader's Steak House on Wednesday night, March 8.

District chairman, Dr. W. H. Wynns of Powellsville, told the leaders that they were the lifeblood of scouting and welcomed them to what is to be an annual event.

District Commissioner John Stallings presented certificates to those Scouters of the Roanoke-Chowan District who were cited for exceptional service.

Stallings said, "In every organization there are those persons who work behind the scenes and make a tremendous contribution to the success of their under-

taking. We have many such people in the Scouting organization and tonight we want to publicly recognize a few of them who have made many contributions to the Roanoke-Chowan District of the East Carolina Council, Boy Scouts of America."

Dr. George Clark of Conway; Dr. Clark has been registered with the Troop in Conway and has

Preliminary Plans For School Projects Approved By Board

JACKSON — Architect William J. Boney of Wilmington presented and discussed drawings of proposed school building projects in Gaston, Gumberry, Garysburg and Willis Hare Schools at the Monday meeting of the Northampton County Board of Education.

Board members approved preliminary plans on the buildings, subject to their final approval and the approval of the Division of School Planning.

Proposed projects include lunchroom and administrative space at Willis Hare, construction of a new lunchroom at Gumberry and conversion of the present lunchroom into a library, and

additions and up-grading at the Gaston High School and at Garysburg School.

In other action, the contracts of Catherine L. Colbert and Richard L. Reid to teach at Garysburg School were approved. Approval also was granted to John W. Richardson to teach at the W. S. Creecy School.

A low bid of \$2,423, submitted by Seegars Hardware and Supply Co. of Greensboro to supply and deliver a chain link fence for installation around the Gaston High School athletic field, was approved by the board.

Board members also passed a resolution requesting the Board of County Commissioners to raise Code 667 Lunchrooms by \$75,000. According to Superintendent of Schools R. F. Lowry, this is the amount by which federal funds expected to be received will exceed the amount estimated when the budget was prepared last spring.

Lowry says no county funds are involved in the request.

The board approved the 1967-68 Local Plan for Vocational Education as presented by principals of the county's high schools.

Members also approved a request from Willie Chamblee, representing the N.C. State Highway Commission, granting an easement to widen and straighten the road in front of the Jonesboro School campus.



DRAWING THE JURY—Ellen Faye Reardon reaches into the jury box to draw the names of persons to serve on the jury for the March 27 term of Superior Court as Sheriff Frank Outland looks on. Ellen Faye is the daughter of Mrs. Phyllis Reardon, a clerk in the county auditor's office.

given help toward obtaining a meeting place for the troop. He is institutional representative for the Troop and has for the past two years conducted the finance drive in Conway.

Richard W. Baker Jr. of Harrellsville; Mr. Baker is the institutional representative for the Scout unit in Harrellsville and has been the finance drive chairman in Harrellsville for the past two years.

John Paige Revelle of Murfreesboro; John Paige is the institutional representative for Troop 125 in Murfreesboro and has been very active in the Scouting program in Murfreesboro for the past few years. This past year he was the finance drive

chairman for Murfreesboro. Harry T. Jones of Rich Square; Mr. Jones has been registered with the Rich Square Troop for many years as a committeeman and then as the institutional representative. For the past two years he has headed the finance campaign in Rich Square.

Charles B. Griffin Jr. of Lewiston and Woodville; Mr. Griffin has been active in the Scouting program primarily with the Lewiston Troop #198. He has helped recruit Scoutmasters for the Troop and has also been the finance drive chairman for Lewiston for several years. This past year he was the chairman of the East Carolina Council (See DINNER, Page 10)

JURY PANEL FOR MARCH TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT

JACKSON — Jurors for the March 27 term of Northampton Superior Court are as follows:

First Week

GASTON — S. M. Copeland, Johnnie Lee Jr., Willie Porch, Robert L. Shaw, Marjorie Jordan, John B. Whitley, W. W. Grant, Ernest Dunlow and B. L. Cannon.

SEABOARD — Wilkins T. Barrett, M. R. Howell, E. T. Glover, Lloyd F. Maddrey Sr.

WICCACANEE — Wilson C. Ricks, Douglas Ray Garriss, H. C. Martin, Rommie Floyd Davis, W. E. Vaughan and C. R. Parks.

ROANOKE — J. K. Barnes, J. R. Daughtry, S. L. Daughtry

and Mrs. Grady Collier. **OCCONEECHIEE** — O. J. Stephenson and Floyd Kee.

JACKSON — Willard Jenkins, Goldie DeLoatch and H. A. Britton.

KIRBY — E. E. Parker, Stafford Ricks, Bobby R. Warren, Otis Spence, Margaret Vann, Euclid Britt, Stanley Parker and R. C. Ricks.

PLEASANT HILL — Elmo Falson.

Second Week

KIRBY — Charlie Lee Johnson, Judson Lassiter, Iris F. Liverman, Wayland E. Long, Shirley W. Woodard, Laurie

Commissioners Vote To Join Regional Library

JACKSON — Northampton County's library facilities will be integrated into the Albemarle Regional Library as soon as the present three member counties approve its application and the merger is approved by the regional library board.

County Commissioners Monday authorized application by the county library to join the regional group on a split three-two vote.

Commission Chairman J. Guy Revelle told library board members attending the meeting he wanted the committee that recommended the merger to bear "full responsibility — loss or gain" for the action.

Revelle, who broke a tie vote on the issue, said he cast his vote to join the regional "with

Independents Club Meeting Is Set Mar. 13

JACKSON — The Northampton County Independents Club will meet Monday, March 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Jackson Fire House, according to J. R. Pruden, president.

All members are urged to attend.

Industrial Development, ABC Issues Are Postponed

JACKSON — Northampton County Commissioners Monday failed to vote on recommendations that "crown tax" funds be used for industrial development purposes and a proposal to ask legislation to increase the percentage of ABC funds earmarked for law enforcement.

The proposal to use "crown tax" money (beer sales returns to the county) for industrial development purposes, was introduced by S. J. Motzno, chairman of the County's Industrial Development Committee.

Motzno told commissioners he believed the people of the county would authorize expenditure of the funds for development if it was made clear there would be no additional tax hike.

Motzno said much progress has

been made in forming community committees for industrial development and he believed the people of the county were willing to work to get industry.

Commissioners took the matter under advisement.

In other action, Bart Burgwyn, chairman of the Northampton County Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board, asked commissioners to adopt a resolution asking that Northampton

County be excluded from a "blanket" law requiring ABC boards to limit expenditures for law enforcement to 10 per cent.

Burgwyn said the original legislation was passed without consideration of the fact that some of the state's smaller counties would not be able to raise enough money to employ a qualified agent with 10 per cent of its funds.

He said the county now realizes a profit of \$30,000 from

ABC sales. At 10 per cent, this would authorize only \$3,000 for law enforcement, he said.

Burgwyn indicated that profits would be larger in the future when the initial cost of setting up the stores has been absorbed, but a prospective employee couldn't be expected to work unless he was sure money was available to pay him.

Burgwyn said an increase in (See INDUSTRIAL, Page 9)

Commissioners: No Authority To Abolish 'Rich Square Tax'

\$5,500 Bid Submitted On County Home

JACKSON — County Attorney Angus McKellar reported Monday a high bid of \$5,500 was submitted by P. E. Kees at a public auction conducted at the County Courthouse in Jackson for the former Northampton County Home.

McKellar said Kees' bid would remain open for 10 days and could be raised during that time. Sale of the building is subject to acceptance of the bid by Northampton Commissioners.

Property sold included the county home building and 215 by 650 foot lot on Highway 305 north of Jackson.

cial referendum in 1947 by the people of Rich Square.

Superintendent of Schools, R. F. Lowry, explained the original lottery for teachers in the eighth grade school was seven. "The special tax was to pay the additional teacher," he said.

County Manager Melvin Holmes said the mistake was due to the fact that no checks had been marked to come out of the special account and the extra teacher had been paid from the regular school

current expense budget. Holmes said his office had no way of knowing what account the salary was supposed to come out of unless it was specifically marked.

He said the mistake could be corrected by drawing the funds from the special account to cover expenditures since last April and transferring them to the current expense account.

Opponents of the tax, who have been circulating petitions in Rich Square, did not have a representative at the meeting.

Stephenson described a "furore" in his home town of Rich Square over the tax and said rumors were being circulated in the town which were "inaccurate."

In a telephone conversation last week, Stephenson told a "Your Home Newspaper" reporter reports of a mistake made in bookkeeping regarding the tax were being exaggerated.

He said a mistake was made, but the mistake was made in the county office, not by him.

Investigation showed that no withdrawals had been made from the special account in The Farmer's Bank of Woodland since April of the previous year although monthly withdrawals were supposed to have been made to pay the salary of an extra teacher in the Rich Square school.

The tax was approved in a spe-

Edmond Smith of Garysburg received three six-month suspended sentences in Northampton Recorder's Court Wednesday after being found guilty of interfering with an officer in performance of his duty, resisting arrest and assault on an officer.

Officers E. W. Ingram and Andrew Lee Coleman testified that Smith interfered when they were attempting to make an arrest in Gaston Saturday night, according to Sheriff Frank Outland.

Smith received \$25 fines on each conviction.

In other action, the following persons were tried for speeding: Mae Francis Joyner, Newport News, \$10 and costs; Earl Ira Sopher, Charlotte, \$10 and costs; Ronald Everett James, Robertsonville, costs; Joseph W. Lancaster, Rocky Mount, \$15 and costs; Robert Dean Campbell, Bradenton, Fla., \$10 and costs; Troy Odell Hughes, Portsmouth, \$10 and costs; Bennie Cary, Rich Square, costs; Joseph H. Perry, Hampton, \$10 and costs; and Sherwood Ray Walker, Rich Square, \$10 and costs.

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Business And Professional Celebration Set

WOODLAND — A golden anniversary business and professional celebration will be held at Woodland Graded School Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m., according to P. C. DeLoatch of Woodland, sponsor.

According to DeLoatch, the meeting is being sponsored to develop a "spirit of friendship connecting our business relations with our customs."

DeLoatch, who is celebrating his 50th year in business in the community, says donations to help sponsor a luncheon are being solicited.

The luncheon is to be held in the school's lunchroom immediately following the celebration.

The public is cordially invited, he says.

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NO, YOU'RE NOT SEEING THINGS — Several farmers in Northampton County have been taking good advantage of the recent mild weather to get their "scrap" cotton out of the fields. This photo was taken Wednesday on the Lester Neil farm between Jackson and Rich Square.