



Gaston Without Gas

Wilbert Garner, owner of Gaston Produce in Gaston, gestures towards one of the signs he has posted on his gas tanks at his station at NC 46 and NC 48. A few miles to the east weeds are taking over a former self-service gas station that was forced to close due to the gas shortage.

N'ampton Towns To Get \$81,391 In Powell Funds

RALEIGH — Northampton County municipalities will receive \$81,391.23 in Powell Bill funds, the state Department of Transportation announced this week.

County municipalities' share are based on the latest population estimates and on non-state street mileage in the towns.

Conway with an estimated population of 700, six more than in 1970, and 3.61 miles of non-state streets will receive \$9,251.11.

Gaston will get \$17,209.38 based on 9.83 miles of streets and a population of 1,080, some 25 less than in 1970.

The county seat will receive \$10,010 in Powell Bill funds. The allocation for Jackson is based on total street mileage of 3.87 and a population of 760, only two more than at the last census count.

Lasker with .97 miles of streets and 110 inhabitants will get \$1,731.31. Lasker's population in 1970 was 114.

Rich Square will get the highest amount of any of the county's municipalities at \$18,163. The allocation is

based on 8.41 miles of non-state streets and a population of 1,280, some 26 less than in 1970.

Seaboard will get \$8,857.13 based on a population of 610 and 4.3 miles of non-state streets. The town's 1970 population counted only one more Conway resident.

Severn will get \$5,928.87 based on a population of 360 and 2.25 miles of non-state streets. The town has grown by four persons since the last census.

A total of \$11,140.43 will be appropriated to Woodland based on the town's population of 770 and 5.37 miles of non-state streets. The town's 1970 population was 744.

The 1973 allocation of \$29.2 million more than the amount distributed statewide last year.

State law provides that one cent of the state's nine cents per gallon gasoline tax be distributed to state municipalities on a basis of population and street mileage within their boundaries, which is not part of the state system

and which is built and maintained by the municipality.

Of the total allocation, 75 per cent is proportioned among the towns on the basis of relative population and 25 per cent on the basis of relative non-state system local street mileage.

Each municipality furnishes

its own certified mileage and populations are the most recent annual estimates as certified by the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Administration.

In prior years the latest federal census figures have been used in computing Powell Bill allocations.

Jackson Bloodmobile Visit Set Wednesday

JACKSON — The Tidewater Regional Bloodmobile visit to Jackson Wednesday will honor Mildred Joyner.

The bloodmobile, sponsored by the Red Cross, has a quota goal of 80 pints. It will set up from noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday at the Jackson Lions Building.

According to Joe D. McLean, Jackson blood program chairman, Miss Joyner is one of many persons in the county who has recently received blood from the Tidewater Red Cross Blood Center in Norfolk.

A Jackson resident, Miss Joyner has worked for several years as secretary to the Home Economics Division of the Northampton County Agricultural Extension Service.

"She is well known for her devoted service, especially in the county 4-H work," McLean stated.

Miss Joyner, who has been on sick leave for a number of months, has received a number of units of blood in recent weeks and has expressed gratitude for the blood program and for blood donors who have provided blood.

"It is hoped that Jackson area residents and others will honor Mildred Joyner and help others who need blood by giving a pint of blood," the chairman stated.

He noted that persons 18-66 are eligible to donate blood and persons over 66 may do so with a doctor's permission.

Donors must weigh at least 110 and have no history of hepatitis, malaria or heart disease. There must have had no serious surgery, transfusions or pregnancy in the last six months and no exposure to hepatitis within six months.

A prospective donor should have no skin infection, serious infection or cold, he should not have had a tooth extracted in the previous three days and have taken no antibiotic drugs in the previous two weeks.

The Northampton Red Cross Chapter is a participating member of the Tidewater Red Cross Blood Program. Through the participation all blood needs in the area will be met by any hospital in the

country that accepts Red Cross blood.

There is no charge for the blood when used, but a charge

is made for drawing, processing, cross-matching and administering the blood, McLean stated.

Rep. Revelle Supports ECU Medical School

MILWAUKEE — Northampton State Rep. J. Guy Revelle this week in an interview lent full support for a four-year medical school at East Carolina University in Greenville.

His statement follows a report reviewed by the University of North Carolina Board of Trustees earlier this week which recommended no further expansion of the existing medical program at ECU.

Revelle, who stated he felt the four-year program should be implemented over a period of time, said, "This is one of the best times to raise the money for the ECU Med School." He noted that the general surplus at the end of the fiscal year will be from \$100-\$150 million.

The freshman legislator said he is concerned about the lack of general practitioners in rural sections of North Carolina. "I am looking for an answer to the problem."

"I feel if we can get the doctors to go to Greenville, chances will be better of keeping the doctors in the rural sections."

Revelle said the state has no crying need for doctors with the exception of G. P.'s.

He noted the state cannot be assured of an influx of doctors to rural sections if the school is granted to ECU, but he explained that it is at least an attempt at solving the problem of the rural doctor shortage.

Revelle also made a pitch for the B-student. "The field of A-students is well covered."

"A student has almost to be the son of a doctor to get into med school now. There is room for the average

Fourteen File

Filing Activity Picks Up In County Towns

JACKSON — Fourteen candidates have filed for election in county municipal political races in Northampton.

According to Barbara Jean Wheeler of the elections office in Jackson, Dr. John Stanley, incumbent mayor of Woodland, paid his \$5 filing fee and is again seeking the seat he has held for several years.

Incumbents W. C. Reece and John G. Outland have entered the commissioners' race.

Filing activity has been heaviest in Garysburg, which is having its first town election in the municipality's history.

Joining Stanley Davis Sr., who filed last week for commissioner, are W. N. (Smockey) Hughes and Wendell Perry.

Incumbent Mayor W. E. Conwell, who in the past has been appointed by the General Assembly, is seeking the mayoral post.

Former Jackson mayor and former county Health Department employee Floyd W. Price has filed for the top seat in Jackson.

Other election activity in the county seat saw J. D. Carver, a Jackson grocer, enter the commissioners' race with the already declared first woman candidate Jerri G. Boone.

Funeral operator Joe Gordon, who has served six years on the Rich Square town board, is seeking his fourth two-year term. No other filings were reported in the county's largest municipality.

Candidate Melvin Broadnax in Seaboard was joined in the commissioners' race by political new faces Noid V. (Nicky) Harris and Steve

L. Wilson.

No candidates had filed late Wednesday in Gaston or Sebern, which are running their elections independent of the county, as is Rich Square.

Persons wishing to file for office have until noon Oct. 12. Filing fees for mayoral and commissioner races are \$10 in Gaston and Rich Square and

\$5 in the other towns.

Registration is continuing on a fulltime basis until Oct. 8 when books will be closed in preparation for the Nov. 6 general election.

There are no county officials up for election this year; however, Northampton voters will be voicing favor or opposition to a \$300 million

school bond issue, to a multi-million dollar clean water bond issue and to liquor-by-the-drink legislation.

Prospective voters 18-years-old or older not registered may do so from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in Jackson or at registrars in the municipalities.

Conway Plant Handed Nov. Pollution Deadline

CONWAY — The Conway Georgia-Pacific plant has been given a Nov. 1 deadline on cleaning up air pollution problems that exist at the plant here.

According to Gary Fore, chief engineer of the Division of Air Quality Control of the state Office of Water and Air Resources, a conical or cone-shaped burner at the plant must be retired from service

by Nov. 1.

Fore said the company, which has in the past always complied with state pollution restriction deadlines, in constructing a quench-take facility to quench wood particle fires in the process and eliminate the conical burner.

Fore said, though not desirable, the conical burner is better than open burning of

refuse. He said 50 of the cone-like burners exist in the state now and all will eventually be phased out.

Fore stated that Georgia-Pacific is also having problems with its boiler which utilizes wood waste. The company has until Nov. 1 to reconstruct the boiler.

Fore said he had met with company officials in Conway and discussed the problems.

G'burg Store Cannot Accept Food Stamps

GARYSBURG — A store here has been taken off the food stamp participation program for a year for violation of federal regulations.

Moody's Grocery, owned by Sam P. Moody, has been disqualified as of Sept. 11 for selling ineligible items with U. S. Department of Agriculture food coupons.

The announcement was made today by USDA's Food and Nutrition Service.

Shepherd L. Schulz, in charge of the Raleigh field office of the food service, explained that the store will not be allowed to accept food stamps during its

disqualification period.

The Garysburg store is the second Northampton establishment to be removed from the program in six weeks. D. A. Clarke Grocery south of Rich Square was suspended for six months for a similar regulation violation.

Food coupons, by law, can

be used only to purchase certain food items.

The stores may reapply for food stamp qualification at the end of the penalty periods.

Disqualification from the program is not a criminal offense and no warrant will be filed against either of the Northampton stores.

Attorney Advisor Named For Region L

ROCKY MOUNT — A Tarboro lawyer has been selected as legal counsel for Northampton, Halifax, Nash, Edgecombe and Wilson County law enforcement agencies.

The announcement was made Wednesday by Bill Howell, executive director of Region L Council of Governments (COG).

T. Perry Jenkins, who holds a juris doctor from the University of South Carolina, will begin his duties as legal advisor Monday.

His office will be in the Municipal Building Annex at Rocky Mount, the seat of COG offices.

The lawyer's duties will consist primarily of assisting

and advising all sheriff and police departments in Region L in matters relating to criminal law and court procedure. He will also seek to establish and coordinate training programs to keep officers abreast of legislative changes affecting law enforcement.

According to Howell, former Northampton economic development director, most metropolitan law enforcement agencies have a fulltime legal advisor assigned to their departments. The agencies in Region L normally cannot afford a fulltime legal advisor, so the regional legal advisor approach is being implemented, Howell stated.

Outland Again Heads County Republicans

JACKSON — W. T. Outland of Woodland Saturday was elected chairman of the Northampton County Republican Party.

Outland has served as party chairman for the past 29 years.

Russell Johnson Jr., Conway attorney, was elected secretary of the county party at the annual Republican County Convention.

Outland and Johnson will represent the county at the district and state conventions.

Other Northampton GOP delegates elected Saturday, who will also represent the county at district and state conventions, are Nickey Martin and Sarah Francis Martin, both of Conway, John

Outland Jr. and Sandra Barnes of Woodland and Glenn Pritchard of Seaboard.



W. T. Outland

Lake Homes Vandalized

LAKE GASTON — Northampton County sheriff's deputies are investigating five incidents of vandalism and larceny at Lake Gaston.

Deputy O. B. Johnson of Gaston said the break-ins occurred in mid-September and a number of small appliances were stolen from lake homes and cottages.

A portable television, radio and tape player are missing from a mobile home at Indian Rock owned by Sonny Warren of Weldon.

Another portable TV was taken from the C. B. Harding cottage at Little Emporia. A trailer owned by John C.

Moody at Chestnut Hills was entered and a TV and radio were taken.

A portable TV and radio was stolen from the William Robinson cottage at Crescent Beach. Robinson is of Petersburg.

A mobile home owned by Frank Allen Jr. at Little Emporia was vandalized and two pairs of skis, two motorcycle helmets and a tape player were taken.

Deputy Johnson asks that persons with knowledge of the break-ins contact the Northampton Sheriff's Department or any law enforcement agency.



GOLDEN HONORS — Robert C. Pugh (left) of New Bern, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, presents 50-year membership certificates to Judge Ballard S. Gay and former Judge Eric Norfleet, both of Jackson, as the

Masons' wives look on. A dinner honoring the two members of the Jackson lodge was held Wednesday night at the Jackson Lions Clubhouse. Pugh was guest speaker.