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Support for Municipal Building Is Increasing; Plans Shown to Citizens

Supporters of the proposed municipal building for the Town of Zebulon this week were optimistic about the chances of the bond issue to pass. No organized opposition to the ordinance has been evidenced, while many private citizens were helping the Town Board of Commissioners to acquaint the rest of the town with the benefits which may be realized of the building.

The Board of Commissioners has pointed out, in a statement to the citizens of Zebulon, that the town will be required to build a new jail and fire station next year. The Commissioners estimate the cost of such a structure at \$25,000.

In the statement, which is published on this page, the Commissioners state that the \$50,000 bond issue can be paid off in seventeen years without a raise in the present tax rate.

In addition to town offices, a jail, and a fire station, the new building will provide public toilets for white and colored men and women. Public toilets have been needed badly for many years.

Floor plans are being mailed to voters of Zebulon this week to acquaint them with the proposed municipal building. The floor plans picture on the first floor the cells for men and women, police office, general office, clerk's office, bedroom, heater room, and public toilets for white and colored men and women, and the fire station.

On the second floor are the large court room, jury room, consultation room, and judge's office.

The site selected for the municipal building is the lot behind the Peoples Bank and Trust Company on Vance Street.

The building is large enough to take care of the town for years, the Board of Commissioners stated.

A Message from the Zebulon Board of Commissioners

Dear Fellow Citizens:

Pictured above is the Architect's drawing of our needed Municipal Building. This modern, two-story, fire-proof structure will adequately provide space for the New City Jail, the Police and Fire Department, a spacious Courtroom, and General Office spaces including the Clerk's Office, as well as Public Toilet facilities for both white and colored. This building will be serviceable for years to come and will cost approximately \$55,000.

In order to promote this project, a Bond Issue will be necessary which can only be accomplished through the combined efforts of the Citizens of Zebulon. Since the Town will be required to build a new Jail and Fire Department Building next year at a cost of approximately \$25,000, which must be paid from one year's special tax levy if the Bond Issue fails; we feel that it is the duty of every citizen to vote for the Bond Issue at the Election to be held on January 16, 1951. The \$50,000 Bond Issue can be paid off in seventeen years without a raise in the present tax rate.

Zebulon Town Board of Commissioners
R. H. Bridgers, Mayor

Wakelon Loses Twin-Bill To Wendell White Rams; Play Two Games Tonight

The Wendell White Rams enjoyed a good night last Friday when they roundly trounced both the Wakelon girls and boys in a basketball double-header played on the Wendell court. The Wendell boys won over the Bulldogs, 51-41, while the Wendell girls won, 45-36.

Rebecca Nowell with 27 points led the winners. Juana Joy Mitchell with 18 and Joellen Gill with 14 were the Wakelon girl leaders. Kay Baker and Shirley Chamblee were best on defense.

This was the second game and the first conference contest which the Wakelon girls have lost this year. Previously they lost to Franklinton.

The loss by the Bulldogs broke a long string of victories over Wendell by Coach Herb Appenzeller's crew. It was the first loss any team coached by him has dropped to Wendell since he first came to Wakelon.

Reuben McSwain and Henry Kitchings with 18 and 16 points were the scoring leaders for Wakelon, but their efforts went to naught as the White Rams got off (Continued on Page 4)

Bureau Meeting Date To Be Announced

On Friday night the officers and directors of the Zebulon Farm Bureau met to decide on a date and speaker for our next regular farm bureau meeting. The previously scheduled meeting for January 8th, conflicted with something else and had to be postponed. Notices will be mailed to each member — watch for yours, and try to get out for this important meeting.

We will have a good speaker — probably Mr. A. C. Edwards, president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau; and also a member of the North Carolina Legislature.

Several important matters will be taken up at our next regular meeting. Such as the election of officers and directors for another year, a vote on whether to raise Farm Bureau membership dues in order to receive increased services in legislation and education, Farm Bureau Insurance, etc. Be sure to attend.

Dogs Poisoned

Several dogs have been killed recently in Zebulon by some powerful poison, including two last week belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bunn. The source of the poison is not known.

Home owners who have put out rat poison are requested to advise their neighbors so that dogs may be confined while the poison is in the open.

Definite Goals Necessary In Troubled Times, Says Speaker at Lions Club

The Reverend Carlton Mitchell spoke at the regular meeting of the Lions Club last Thursday. Mr. Mitchell outlined a program that individuals and communities should follow in such troubled times as exist in the world today. Mr. Mitchell explained that even in the state of uncertainty as now exists, people should have definite goals and strive to achieve these goals.

Mr. Mitchell stated that there are two institutions which are necessary in every community if the people are to enjoy freedom. These institutions are first, the Church, and second, good government.

We should deal with our fellowmen according to Christian principles. People must be educated in the principles of Democracy and accept their responsibilities which go along with a Democracy. One of our main responsibilities is to vote and elect the political leaders which are the most capable of carrying out the (Continued on Page 4)

Hobert P. Corbett Enlists in Marines

Hobert P. Corbett, 25, today became the first Marine from Zebulon to enlist in 1951.

A purple-heart veteran of the Iwo Jima campaign — under General Keller E. Rockey, Corbett has been appointed to the rank of Corporal and assigned to duty at the Marine Barracks, Camp Lejeune, N. C. He also holds the Presidential Unit Citation for his 5th Marine Division service.

Prior to re-enlisting in the Marines, Corbett worked for a local service station. He is married to Delores Corbett of Zebulon.

Celery Harvest

A harvest of 5,000 bunches of celery from one-fifth of an acre was obtained this year by a Catawba County farmer, Poly McRee of the Mt. Olive section.



The road-building contractors are claiming they've been insulted — that they don't try to dictate to the Highway Commission in its policy and operation.

Then why is it that they're using every pressure trick they can think of to get the commission to lower the specifications for a 24.4-mile strip of U. S. Highway 301, for which the contract for resurfacing and widening will be let December 19.

It seems that the boys think the standards are too high. They'd like to see them lowered, because then they could make a bigger profit. And they're doing everything short of bribery to have their way.

Incidentally, the strip in question is from Whitakers to Weldon, via Enfield and Halifax. And 301 has become the most widely used north-south route in the State, particularly for the New York-Florida traffic. If there ever was a highway that needed to be top grade, that's it.

One contractor got caught try-

ing to put down a road that didn't meet specifications recently. He was resurfacing a strip on one of the more widely-traveled east-west highways. He didn't see fit to put as thick a coating on it as he was supposed to, but a sharp-eyed Highway Department inspector caught him. He had to go back and put down another layer. Es- (Continued on Page 4)

Joseph C. Pearce Serving with Navy

Joseph O. Pearce, boatswain's mate, third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pearce of Route 3, Zebulon, is a member of the crew serving aboard the fleet oiler USS Mispillion, the floating "oasis" for the ships of the Seventh Fleet.

The Mispillion recently moored at an U. S. Naval Base in southern Japan to refill her tanks with fuel oil, diesel oil and aviation gasoline after returning from refueling run to North Korea, where she replenished the thirsty tanks of the Navy's combat ships.

Ballot — MAN OF THE YEAR — Ballot

My vote for the man who has done most for this community during the year 1950 is:

NAME _____

Mail to Man of the Year, the Zebulon Record
Zebulon, North Carolina