

Enter Into Contract For New Water Tank

Low Bid On Sewer Line Extensions Is Above Estimates

Engineers Will Meet Monday In An Effort To Solve New Problem

In special session last Tuesday Williamston's town commissioners awarded a contract for the construction of a 300,000-gallon capacity water tank, and called for a further study in an effort to renegotiate the bids on sewer line extensions.

The water tank bid, falling a few thousand dollars under the estimates, was submitted by the Chicago Bridge and Iron Company at its branch office in Atlanta. The bid was submitted in the sum of \$50,390, exclusive of the concrete foundation which the town proposes to prepare itself. The next lowest bid was submitted by R. D. Cole Manufacturing Company of Newnan, Ga., in the sum of \$53,350.

Representatives of the successful bidders explained that steel would be placed on order immediately, that the tank would be complete in 360 days or less. It was explained however that the time limit is subject to government restrictions and other factors beyond the contracting firm's control.

Barnhill and Long of Tarboro submitted the lowest over-all bid on the sewer line project, but even then it was approximately \$30,000 above engineers' estimates. The Tarboro firm's over-all figure was \$149,998. Blythe Brothers of Charlotte were the next low bidders with a bid of \$116,389. The Virginia Engineering Company of Newport News was high with a bid of \$209,974.25, a figure \$60,000 higher than the low bid submitted by Barnhill and Long. There was a marked variation in the bids when limited to definite specifications. For instance, Barnhill and Long submitted a price of \$1.45 a foot for eight-inch terra cotta pipe installed. The Virginia Engineering Company wanted \$2.30 a foot for the same thing. Blythe Brothers' price was \$1.70. Blythe Brothers were low on the 15-inch sewer pipe, submitting a bid of \$4 per foot. Barnhill and Long's figure was \$4.25, while Virginia Engineering Company's bid was \$5.45 per foot. Manholes, depending upon the depth, were priced from \$127.50 to \$160.00. Concrete work was priced at about \$50 per cubic.

Two Bertie Men Killed In Wreck

Harlan O. White, 48, and Melvin Perry, 36, both prominent farmers and business men of Colerain, were killed instantly in a train-auto accident near the State fairgrounds in Raleigh about midnight Wednesday. Many White, driver of the car, was injured and is in a Raleigh hospital.

INSPECTION

Col. Foreman of the U. S. Army is scheduled to come here and inspect possible sites for locating a permanent home for the National Guard unit. Several sites are being considered, but others will be considered if the owners will contact Elbert S. Peel, Jr. not later than next Tuesday. With a favorable site, the government will build and maintain an armory which can be used as a community center. Such a center will meet a need long recognized here and it is hoped that a suitable site can be had.

BUSY MAN

Charged with multitudinous duties of office and called upon to participate in the current political campaign with invitational visits to be made in nooks and corners of the State, Governor Kerr Scott is a busy man these days. Finishing his meal at a luncheon here yesterday, the chief executive found he had just enough time to get a hair cut and shave before reporting to his parade station. Losing himself in the crowds that were already forming for the parade, the governor made it to the barbershop and then to the parade spot virtually unnoticed.

Local Boy Tells Of War Service In South Korea

Sgt. Joseph Daniel Badly Wounded; Returned Home Last Week

Returning home last week-end from the Korean War, Sgt. Joe Daniel, declared he owed his life to something more than luck. "Something mightier than man or luck was with me," he said. The local young man, his left foot and leg badly broken and torn by five machine gun bullets, is able to hobble around, his foot and leg in a cast. Mrs. Daniel of Mead, Okla., joined the sergeant here yesterday and they are spending a few days with his sister in Mackeys.

After holding to a front line position for twenty-one days, Daniel, son of the late Chief of Police and Mrs. W. Barci Daniel, said most of an entire company on September 7 was wiped out just a few yards away from him when the North Koreans staged a "Banzi" or kill or get killed attack. "Three of us moved in to help the wounded and dying," the young sergeant said. "We dragged men a short distance and were administering first aid when the enemy opened fire on us. We fell to the ground and that was when I got hit in the leg. One of the boys who went to the rescue of the wounded was killed instantly when his back was riddled by thirteen machine bullets. The other boy, struck in the head, died in a short time and all the wounded were killed there," Joe said. The sergeant explained that he remained still as long as he could, that possibly the enemy thought

Marine Display Gets Attention

Thousands inspected the special Marine Corps display in the Dunning's front yard Tuesday and yesterday. Brought here by Major Dunn, the display included a model jet engine, machine guns, rockets, aerial photographic equipment and photos along with various types of ammunition, life saving equipment and other materials. The aerial pictures of Williamston, Robersonville and Everetts were inspected carefully and with interest by the large crowds during the two-day period.

In Hospital Following Attack Here Yesterday

Suffering an attack while sitting on Attorney H. G. Horton's porch waiting for the parade to move by, Mr. W. J. Hodges, well known retired business man, collapsed yesterday. He was given first aid attention in the attorney's office and removed in a Biggs Amulance to Brown's Community Hospital where he was reported to be resting fairly well this morning. His son, Wm. P. Hodges, drove down from Washington immediately to be with him.

Says State Hasn't Gone Too Far In Social Legislation

Governor Pleads For Continuation of the State's 'Go Forward Program'

Speaking to thousands at Williamston's third annual harvest festival yesterday afternoon, Governor Kerr Scott, making his first official visit to the town, briefly outlined the State's three-point program, declared that the State had not gone too far in social legislation and pleaded for continued support of the "Go Forward Program."

Speaking from a mobile platform, corner of Main and Smithwick Streets, the governor was introduced by Congressman Herbert Bonner after Mayor Robt. Cowen made a brief talk of welcome to the thousands who came from all over Martin and from other areas for the event.

Congressman Bonner, always taking pride in welcoming officials from other areas into his district, declared he was proud of the accomplishments expressed in the parade floats, bands and other units, and expressed gratitude to a kind Providence for the current harvest. "While we are thankful for blessings at home we should also be thankful for the hope furnished by the United Nations in the world," the Congressman said. "Let us be determined to maintain a strong defense and be glad of the opportunity to pay for it," Mr. Bonner said, declaring that if he had a son he would rather have him in service to insure the peace than have him in the service for war.

In his introductory remarks, the congressman paid high tribute to Governor Scott. "He came from central Carolina to turn in some fresh air on a musty administration," he declared. "Some people did not agree with him (Scott) but the mass of the people did, and once he was governor he startled the people with new thought and advanced a progressive program for all the people. Due to his leadership, all have an opportunity to ride on improved roads and communicate with their neighbors and other friends," the congressman said, adding that he recognized the right of all men whether in the cities or in the rural areas to enjoy the blessings on this earth.

Opening his ten-minute impromptu talk, Governor Scott recalled his first visit to Williamston fourteen years ago. He was campaigning for State Agriculture Commissioner and explained that he knew only a few people. "It was unfortunate for the owner, but a building burned down and I had the good fortune to meet and shake hands with most of the people of the town at that time," he said.

It was apparent that the chief executive was impressed by the units in the parade, including the youthful musicians, the modern machines and the comparison of primitive and modern sanitation methods, for he declared it had always been his aim to support the ideals and progress found in the displays. He expressed appreciation for the people's support of the program designed to make North Carolina a greater State and its people a greater people.

After referring to the historical meeting held in his office earlier in the day when the North Carolina Home Demonstration Clubs presented the State a United Nations flag, the governor declared that the people were being misinformed about taxes. "The last legislature imposed no new taxes,"

Tobacco Sales At 9,375,208 Pounds

Tobacco sales, including those today, stand at 9,375,208 pounds on the local market, Supervisor Paul Page said shortly before noon today. The average for the season is slightly above \$57.52 per hundred pounds. No date for closing the market has been mentioned.

History Of The Church Of The Advent

By Thomas L. Hastings, Rector

(Continued from Last Issue) The Bishop consented for the Rev. Thomas B. Houghton to relinquish the charge of St. Luke's, Washington County, and Grace church, Plymouth, in 1875, and instead take charge of St. Martin's Hamilton, and Jamesville, in connection with the Church of the Advent.

In 1876 a stone font was given to the church by Miss Betty Hyman. In 1877 the melodion given the Woodville church was replaced with a cabinet organ at a cost of \$100.00, the amount being subscribed by a few of the members, and some from the citizens of the town. Through the efforts of Mrs. Dennis Simmons, the church was repaired and painted, steeple changed, new pews and chancel furniture added in 1892. A fence was also built at this time. She contributed generously towards this herself, and with contributions from friends and members of the church collected sufficient funds to complete the work."

In the long passage above we see the mention of St. Martin's Church in Hamilton. This church became the second Episcopal parish in the county. In 1868 the Rev. Mr. Houghton made this report to the Diocesan Convention: "With the consent of the Bishop, I have established a missionary station at Hamilton, a village 13 miles from Williamston. There I officiate on the third Sunday in each month. In this field I have been greatly aided in my work by a family whose devotion to the Church is known to those acquainted with this portion of the diocese. A Sunday School has been opened at this station under the care of a Christian lady. In Hamilton, I have baptized three adults and three infants, and have married one couple, which are included in the Parochial Report

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THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

Cutting their accident count by more than half as compared with the previous seven-year period, motorists on Martin County highways last week still maintained an ugly record. Three persons were painfully hurt, but no lives were sacrificed to the modern transportation rash.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend; first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

41st Week		
Accidents Inj'd	Killed	Dam'ge
1950 4	3	\$ 700
1949 8	5	2,200
Comparisons To Date		
1950 127	54	\$28,365
1949 100	42	22,025

Window Display Placed by P.-T. A.

A window display featuring the activities of the Parents-Teachers Association has been placed in the front of the Employment Office here by Mrs. C. U. Rogers, Mrs. J. C. Cooke and Mrs. J. D. Page.

In the rush to get display in before the opening of the Harvest Festival some of the items were not as well prepared as had been planned, but with the help of Hy-Edwards, a local high school artist, cards and cartoons were arranged Tuesday morning. The window will be changed from time to time during the two weeks it is being engaged through the courtesy of the office manager, Mr. Kelly Gay.

Members of the Williamston P.-T. A. are urged to take a look at the window as are parents and teachers from all over the county. Anyone having any material of any kind suitable for use in the promotion of the P.-T. A. work is invited to bring it to the Employment Office where the committee in charge of the window can find it and use it.

Estimated Fifteen Thousand See Harvest Festival Parade

Proclaim United Nations Day In Nation October 24

Whereas, October 24th has been designated by the General Assembly of the United Nations as the day to be observed throughout the world as the anniversary of the coming into force of the United Nations Charter; and Whereas, during this, the fifth year of its existence, the United Nations is on trial before the world as the champion of peace with freedom for all mankind; and Whereas, it is of the greatest importance that citizens in every community of this country give expression to their support of the United Nations:

Now therefore, I, Robert H. Cowen, Mayor of Williamston, do solemnly declare October 24th a

50-Minute Parade Rated Best Ever Seen In Section

Eight Excellent Bands And Eighty-Two Units In Long Parade

A little longer and better spaced than ever before, thanks to "Blue" Manning, official starter, a fifty-minute parade yesterday afternoon high lighted Williamston's third annual Harvest Festival and attracted an estimated fifteen thousand people. The crowds overflowed into the streets from the Central Filling Station to Watts Street and from Main Street to the warehouse area, not to mention the many who were on the streets where the parade was formed. Store tops attracted quite a few spectators seeking choice spots.

Possibly the parade had its high spots, but it was excellent from beginning to end. No better bands have ever been assembled for any occasion in this section of North Carolina than the eight in the parade, including those from Tarboro, Scotland Neck, Roper, Plymouth, Edenton, Elizabeth City and the two local high school units. And then there was the Farm Life Rhythm Band, sponsored by the Ruritan Club there and powered by a Ferguson tractor. Members of the band unit performed briefly for Governor Kerr Scott and other dignitaries in the reviewing stand at the corner of Main and Smithwick Streets.

Governor Scott, making his first official visit to Williamston, Congressman Herbert Bonner, Mayor Robt. Cowen, and assistant to the governor, Ben Roney, led the parade with police escort, followed by county and town officials.

Fourteen members of the Coastal Plain Motorcycle Club were next in line with their machines, followed by the Boy and Cub Scouts, including Troop 218, Bear Grass, and Troops 27 and 29 from Williamston and three cub patrols. Williamston's 58-piece High School Band came next, leading the local National Guard Unit, comprised of thirty-six men and officers, caterpillar tractors and mobile anti-aircraft guns, generating equipment and trucks and jeeps.

Princess Ahsokie was next in line, leading a group of the fairest

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Diesel Engine On Freight Run Here

Tested a few weeks ago, diesel engines were placed on the local freight run this week, replacing the old steam locomotives.

The latest in modern transportation, the diesel engine is attracting right much attention, especially during the late hours of the night when it makes a through run from Rocky Mount to the pulp mill.

One crew takes the train out of Rocky Mount at 6:00 o'clock each week-day morning and brings it to Williamston. Returning to Rocky Mount, the crewmen turn it over to another crew to make the night run.

"COME AND SEE"

The second meeting of the current school year for the Williamston P.-T. A. will feature a "Come and See" program at the High School building Monday night at 7:30. There will be a brief program followed by visits to the various rooms of the building to give parents of the older children a chance to see where their children attend classes and those who have children only in the grammar grades may see where their children will work in later years as they progress through the various grades.

Anna Susan Pope Died On Tuesday At Her Home Here

Funeral Service Conducted At 11:00 O'Clock This Morning

Miss Anna Susan Pope, prominent citizen and one of the town's oldest natives, died at her home here on North Houghton Street Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock after a long period of declining health. She had been an invalid following a fall in which she broke her hip last December 24. Her condition became critical last week but she rallied and was getting along about as well as usual until Monday when she suffered a relapse and little hope was held for her recovery from that time.

The daughter of the late John Edward and Elizabeth Waters Pope, she was born in Williamston 75 years ago on July 27, 1875, and spent all her life here. Following her education in the local schools she was employed by local business firms, retiring some years ago to be with her aged mother and supervise the duties of her brother's home.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church here since girlhood, and was active in its work and faithful in attendance upon its services until declining health forced her retirement.

Miss Anna never married and is survived by a brother, John E. Pope, Sr.; four nephews and three nieces. Funeral services were conducted at the home this morning at 11:00 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. E. R. Shuller, and interment was in the family plot in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Miss Jean Griffin Queen of Festival

Miss Jean Carol Griffin, Farm Life senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Griffin, was crowned queen of Williamston's third annual harvest festival last evening, the event climaxing the two-day program of activities, successfully sponsored by the Boosters. The selection, made by T. H. Patterson of Washington, Knowles Robertson of Tarboro and Judge Horner of Elizabeth City, was unanimous.

The coronation exercises were presided over by Boosters Executive Director, Al Sweatt, during the harvest festival ball in the Planters Warehouse. The queen received a Coply Creations dinner ring from Muse Jewelry Company and a Kingsdown mattress from Woolard Furniture Company. Trophies were awarded the following princesses: Hannah Early, Ahsokie; Joyce Beverly; Bethel; Hazel Leary, Edenton; Margaret Perry, Jamesville; Joyce Harrell, Oak City; Shelton Owens, Plymouth; Janie Griffin, Robersonville; Ann Douglas Lawrence, Scotland Neck; Frances Perry, Windsor, and Bessie Pearce, Williamston.

PEANUTS

Picked a few days ago, the first of the current peanut crop moved to market yesterday. Approximately 100 bags of the goobers were sold to Slade-Rhodes Company in Hamilton for a reported price of eleven and one-half cents per pound.

No direct report could be had on the quality or per acre yield, but it was said that the peanuts were produced on the Winslow farm near Gold Point.

As far as it could be learned, the peanuts were first to be harvested and marketed in the county this season.

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United Nations Day October 24

Next Tuesday, October 24, has been proclaimed by national, state and local officials as United Nations Day. Plans have been advanced in thousands of towns and cities for an elaborate observance of the organization's fifth anniversary.

Other than a proclamation issued this week by Mayor Robt. Cowen, little has been done in the way of planning an observance here. Home Demonstration Clubs in the county have made United Nations flags, but difficulty in flying them has been encountered, according to one report.

Congressman Herbert Bonner, visiting here this week, appealed for support of the United Nations as the main organization offering the best hope for peace in the world.

The North Carolina State Committee for United Nations Day asked that all bells be rung at 11:00 o'clock with the people pausing long enough . . . to say a prayer in the church, in the home, in your heart for the UN . . . our best hope for peace and freedom."

State Chairman R. Wayne Albright is urging all North Carolinians to help strengthen UN by giving it every possible support.

Record Crowd At The Street Dance

Record crowds were present for the dances held in Washington Street Tuesday night in connection with the town's third annual harvest festival. In fact the crowds were so large that they all but crowded out the dancers.

With the music furnished by Otho Willard and his band for the square dancers and that of Frank Saunders Weaver for the round dancers, the dancers and spectators seemed to have had enjoyable evening.

Observers said the crowd, estimated at more than 3,000, was larger than the one in attendance upon the dances a year ago.

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