

# Governor Urges County Cooperation In State's Water Planning Program

County commissioners can perform a real service to the State in its efforts to develop a program of conservation and wise use of its water resources, says Governor Luther H. Hodges.

The Governor spoke here Tuesday night at the annual meeting of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. He urged the commissioners to take a more active interest in the matter of water resources.

Legislative recommendations will be developed by the State Board of Water Commissioners, the Governor said, and tentative plans call for these to be explained at a series of public hearings at which the public will have an opportunity to express its views on water proposals.

"Intelligent consideration and cooperation at the county level is the key to the success of this vital program—and you are the key to that cooperation," he declared.

The Governor referred to a recent study by the Water Commissioners which put North Carolina's present use of water at 914 million gallons a day and predicted that this rate will double by 1975.

"We are fortunate in North Carolina that our annual supply of water is amply abundant to meet these growing requirements," he said, "but we are unfortunate in that we have neither the facilities nor the legal framework to insure the proper distribution of this water supply."

"Water users are becoming increasingly jealous of their supplies and controversies are developing

at an alarming rate. The lack of clearly defined water rights in the State is a major contributing factor to the widespread confusion. The antiquated Riparian Rights Doctrine, upon which we base most of our decisions involving water controversies, was adopted at a time when water requirements were infinitesimal compared with today's needs. This doctrine is becoming increasingly inadequate and, if continued without considerable revision, could seriously affect the future economic development of the State," he continued.

"It is interesting, though of little consolation to North Carolinians, that many other states especially those of the southeast and south where industrial expansion is making its mark are wrestling with the identical problems. There will be obvious advantages for the State that first meets the challenge effectively. I would like North Carolina to be that State.

"We are hampered in our efforts in this field by the fact that we have only recently come to appreciate the growing need for some forward looking legislative action. Only within the last two or three years have we realized the necessity for a concentrated, coordinated program of water conservation. During this relatively brief period of time it has been necessary to concentrate much of the effort to research in order to provide us with the knowledge and understanding that is essential in the development of a sound program.

"I understand now that our State Board of Water Commissioners, working closely with other State and Federal agencies, has completed the major portion of this research and is now in the process of evaluating its findings with an eye to making recommendations to the 1959 Legislature. Officials of the Board inform me that they expect to complete these recommendations and publicize them through out the State before submitting them to the Legislature for action. Tentative plans call for a series of public hearings at which the proposals will be explained and the public will be asked to voice its opinion.

"Here is where the county official can be of real service to his county and to the State of North Carolina. You can begin right now by familiarizing yourselves with the water problems in your own localities. Talk with your farmers, your city officials and your industrial leaders. Learn what their water problems are and get their suggestions for solving those problems.

Familiarize yourselves with the legal implications of the problem. "When you've done these things you will be in a position to render valuable service when the hearings are held in your area. Intelligent consideration and coopera-

tion at the county level is the key to the success of this vital program and you are the key to that cooperation. I am happy to see U. S. Senator Jordan, effectively carrying on the water campaign program which his predecessor, Kerr Scott worked at so faithfully," the Governor concluded.



C. S. JONES

C. S. Jones, Raleigh, has been promoted to assistant general manager of the Farmers Cooperative Exchange. He replaces G. D. Arndt who was elected general manager of the 190,000-member farm organization two months ago. Jones, the fifth full-time employee hired by the FCX 24 years ago, served as director of wholesale services.



MRS. JOSEPHINE RICKS

The appointment of Mrs. Josephine Ricks as registrar of Mount Olive College to succeed Mrs. Hilda Davis Sutton who resigned at the end of the past school

year, was announced recently by president W. Burkette Raper. Mrs. Ricks who joined the College staff in January, 1957, as secretary to the president is a native of Wake Forest and holds the B. A. degree from Wake Forest College. She is also a graduate of Humberg's Business College and before her marriage to Edgar Ricks of Mount Olive, was secretary to the late James E. Bryan of the Bryan Rock and Sand Company of Raleigh.

In addition to her duties as registrar, Mrs. Ricks will serve as secretary to the College dean, Michael Pett.



Mrs. T. G. Harvey Sr.

The appointment of Mrs. T. G. Harvey, Sr., of Jakin, Georgia, as dean of women and hostess of Mount Olive Junior College was disclosed today by W. Burkette Raper, president.

Mrs. Harvey, a former school teacher, will assume her duties in September.

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**New Weed Killer For Corn Cleared**  
The U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Food and Drug Administration have just granted label instructions for the use of Simazin (2-chloro-4, 6-bis (ethyl amino-s-triazin)-6-amine) for pre-emergence weed control in field, seed and sweet corn. The chemical is a product of Geigy Agricultural Chemicals and is sold as "Simazin 50W." It is now available in limited quantities.  
As a part of the research program, the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station through the Field Crops Department, N. C. State College, has tested Simazin on many crops. At rates as low as 2 active ingredient per acre (4 No. "Simazin 50W" the chemical has produced excellent pre-emergence control of annual weeds. After two seasons of work under a wide range of soils and climatic conditions no corn injury has been noted at rates considerably higher, although higher rates produced no better weed control. Most other crop plants have been injured or killed by the amount of the chemical necessary to produce satisfactory weed control. Simazin is apparently broken down in the soil before another crop would usually be planted.  
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**You Be the Judge**  
Justice means in community life, not when all suits at law are settled right—though even that would be remarkable. True justice—the mark to shoot at—will reign when human relations, including group relations, in that community, are such that law-suits will never be necessary. Such a goal is impossible? Well, yes... But so is the goal of a perfectly healthy and happy community, and a perfectly happy community, but desiring to be a happy community, is something that is out of a job, and so it is that in the best community there will be the least patch-up-work to do in homes, court-rooms, hospitals or on the reformers' benches.  
Remembering then that justice means simply right relationships between man, between group and group, let us note a few cases, and none of them imaginary. It is plain in every case that injustice exists. The problem is: From the Christian point of view—that is, in Christ's eyes—what would now be the just thing to do? And could you suggest a better just thing that perhaps might have been done if someone had thought of it in time? You be the judge.

**Case of the Seventh Church**  
There is a community barely large enough to support one church. There were six different denominational churches in it, and no member of any one of these would attend any of the others. Along came the representative of a seventh denomination to start still another congregation. When the ministers already "there" (though not one of the six lived there) protested, asking him if he didn't think the gospel was already pretty well represented, he replied with dignity: "The gospel is never really presented till we present it." Is there something wrong here, and if so, what can be done, or what could have been done, about it?

**Case of the Underpaid Cook**  
In a small southern town there was a Negro girl whose name makes no difference with the case. She worked for private families as a cook, and she was a very poor one—for five dollars a week. This was low wages but at that time it was what even the better cooks there received. The girl lived in a draughty crowded shack with her own and several other families, who, being of the race they were and living in the state they did, could afford nothing better. This girl first contracted tuberculosis and spread it around where she worked; and then she got in trouble with the law for prostitution; and finally died in an institution, after costing the state quite a bit of money. What do you think could have been done to prevent some of this, and why do you suppose it was not done?

**Case of the Embarrassed Government**  
The United States Government is hoarding enormous warehouses full of butter and many other surplus goods, which it has to dispose of at a loss. It would like to sell it all in the open market, perhaps at a profit, but as it tries to do so, it has to pay strong opposition from other countries with which our government would then be in direct competition. Is there some injustice here, and if so, what can be done about it now, and what could have been done to prevent it?

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