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Board Studies Water Request

Hillsboro—The Hillsboro board of commissioners took under advisement Tuesday night an appeal from a delegation representing out-of-town water customers that the proposed rate increase be lowered.

The proposed increase, set to take effect November 1, has been the subject of considerable controversy since it was announced two weeks ago and resulted in a mass meeting of out-of-town residents at West Hillsboro school last Thursday night, which time the delegation was elected.

Ralph Neighbors, acting as spokesman for the group, termed the proposed rate as "excessive" and urged that the proposed minimum be set at \$2 instead of \$2.50 and that the above-the-minimum increase of 50 percent be eliminated. Neighbors agreed the out-of-town customers should pay more than citizens of the town but not as much as has been proposed. He said his delegation was interested only in action to aid the "little consumer."

Members of the board quickly pointed out that the group's proposal was what the people wanted, however. Decision will be made at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Members of the committee other than Neighbors were Dud Walters, Herbert Cates, Alex Riley, W. L. Smith, L. L. Copeland, and Roy Crawford.

Prior to the presentation of the delegation's proposal, H. Broadwell presented the board's position, noting that \$48,000 was still owed on the original construction bonds, that additional repairs and equipment totalling \$19,000 was required to insure adequate supply for the next four years. He said water consumption here had doubled during the past five years and that the impression that the water department had made was erroneous. Currently 46 percent of the water customers live outside of town, he said, later pointing out that two out of every three towns checked by the board for comparable rates had considerably higher rates plus tap-on fees for the out-of-town customers.

Grange Hears Plans For Two Telephone Lines

The Orange County Pomona Grange met in Hillsboro Monday night with Grange representatives from all parts of the county attending.

The new officers who had been elected at the September meeting, headed by Clem Cheek as Master, were duly installed by Mr. York, Pomona Master of the Randolph county Pomona Grange. Mr. York was accompanied by Mr. Murray, also of that county.

December 6 was announced as tentative date for the formal dedication of the new Schley Grange Hall.

Don S. Matherson reported that, after much labor, plans had finally been made for the extension of two phone lines from Chapel Hill into the rural sections of White Cross and Calvander.

Robert Mohlar reminded the Grange to keep in touch with the Contractors' suit, headed by Nello Teer, to determine whether or not the recent road bond issue money could be used to buy road building equipment by the state.

Four ladies, Mrs. Reid Roberts, Mrs. Charlie Mincey, Miss Belle Crabtree, and Miss Kenion, took part in a dress review. First prizes were awarded Mrs. Roberts and Miss Crabtree, whose dresses will now be entered in the state contest.

Chief Sloan Says Grid Visitors' Behavior Fine

Chapel Hill.—"The last two football games here have been the best I have seen here in years as far as the conduct of the spectators is concerned," Chapel Hill Police Chief W. T. Sloan said early this week.

In the past, football weekends have brought on a great many arrests from drinking, disorderly conduct, and driving violations. But the last two weekends when there have been 44,000 football fans in town, have been extraordinarily quiet.

Chief Sloan said that heavy drinking at the games has been greatly reduced from years past. The only person jailed during the game was a visitor who refused to be quiet when told he could not enter the stadium. When he cussed at the officer and dared him to take him to jail, Chief Sloan said he had no other alternative.

"We'll be mighty happy if the conduct stays this good for the rest of the season," the chief said in concluding.

Sloan also announced that Herman Stone resigned from the force on Oct. 1, and C. J. Simson has been chosen to replace him. Simson is a recent graduate of the University.

Also Sloan said that the force has bought a new black Chevrolet to use as a patrol car. It has replaced the black 1956 Ford which the police had been using.

Two more patrolmen will be hired soon and the new Servi-Car has been ordered and will be here soon.

Cub Scout Pack To Be Organized Tuesday Night

Hillsboro.—Many a parent of a young boy has heard, "Gee whiz, Mom, I wish I was old enough to be a Boy Scout."

It was announced this week that plans are being made to meet the needs of these younger boys for an organized program of games, handicrafts and hobbies through the organizing of a Cub Scout Pack.

The first step necessary to provide a program of Cubbing is the full cooperation and understanding of the parents of boys 8, 9 and 10 years old. Therefore, a meeting will be held of all parents of boys eligible to become Cub Scouts at the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 p. m. on Tuesday, October 11. The Reverend Irving E. Birdseye announced the meeting and urged all parents to attend as it is essential that they take an active part in establishing the program. Birdseye stressed the hope that West Hillsboro and nearby agricultural communities would be well represented at the meeting.

Clarence Weldon, Boy Scout Executive, will be present and explain the program, it was said, and invitations will be sent to all the ministers of nearby churches.

If Clouds Hide Eclipse Tonight, Planetarium Has One As Substitute

Chapel Hill.—"The Moon and Eclipses" is the title of the new show at the Morehead Planetarium here which just started Tuesday night.

In connection with the show will be a real eclipse of the moon which will take place tonight and can be seen by everyone in the United States if the weather is clear. Dr. Roy K. Marshall, director of the planetarium said that the moon will begin to enter the Earth's shadow at 8:05 tonight.

By 9:20 the moon will be completely hidden by the shadow and will appear to be a dull and dark red color. The moon will begin to come out at 10:33 and will be completely normal again by 11:48.

In case of bad weather, Dr. Marshall said, the eclipse will be reproduced in the Planetarium at 8:30 every night and at 3 on Saturdays and Sundays as a part of the show now going on.

On each of the three Saturdays when there will be a football game here, the usual 3 o'clock matinee will be held at 11 a. m., and the building will be open to the public from 10 to noon and from 7 to 10 at night.

Board Promises Aid To Aycock

Hillsboro.—The Board of Education at its regular meeting Monday promised an Aycock delegation it would take two steps prior to the next school year in an effort to gain more students for the high school there.

It promised to urgently request the State Board of Education to allow high school students from the Prospect Hill section of Caswell County to attend the Aycock school and to seek changes in current bus routes in this county which would bring more students to the school.

The Aycock delegation included Mesdames Robert E. Hughes, J. S. Compton, Ormond Woods, Frank McDade and Mr. J. M. Hawkins, who indicated at the outset of the hearing their intention to discuss the enlargement of the Aycock school district.

In another action, the board moved to request that Alamance county stand by a 1946 agreement regarding bus routes into Western Orange, after it was reported that routes were coming deeper into Orange than provided for in the previous agreement.

The board also approved the appointment of the teaching supervisor for white schools to fill the position authorized by the last legislature. Miss Cora Bomar, present librarian in the Chapel Hill school, will receive the assignment to work with the elementary teachers of the Chapel Hill and county units and with the librarians of the high schools.

Jerry Voorhis Farmers Mutual Main Speaker



Jerry Voorhis, former Congressman of California and now executive secretary of the Cooperative League, U. S. A., will be the feature speaker at Farmers Mutual annual stockholders meeting which will be held in the Duke Gym next Thursday afternoon.

"We are very fortunate to secure a man as well qualified as Mr. Voorhis," says Tilson, "to be our main speaker. I am sure the message that he brings our stockholders will be remembered for a long time and will do us a lot of good."

Voorhis is a native of Kansas and a graduate of Yale College. In 1936, he was elected from the twelfth district of California to serve in Congress and served five terms. In January 1947, he left Congress to become the executive secretary of the Cooperative League. The famous Briarhoppers of Radio Station WBT, Charlotte, will appear on the program as the feature entertainers, announced Mark Davis today.

BTU SUPPER MEETING

Carrboro.—The Baptist Training Union of the Carrboro Baptist Church held a very interesting supper meeting on Wednesday evening of this week at the church with their leader, Miss Doris Lindsay. The officers and teachers of the Sunday School will hold their regular monthly meeting on Friday evening of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Studebaker.

HOPKINS SPEAKER

Hillsboro.—Alden Hopkins, resident landscape architect for Colonial Williamsburg, will be principal speaker for the meeting of the Eighth District of the State Garden Club, which includes Durham, Franklin, Granville, Johnson, Orange, Person, Wake, Warren, and Vance Counties, to be held in Hillsboro on Wednesday, October 26, at the Methodist Church.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a. m., and the meeting will be called to order at 10:00 o'clock by the District Director, Mrs. Roy M. Homewood of Chapel Hill.

Local chairmen for the hostess club are: Mrs. H. W. Moore, Luncheon, which will be served at the Colonial Inn; Mrs. Garland Miller, Hospitality and Flower Arrangements; Mrs. J. W. Richmond, Reservations and Registration; T. N. Webb, Historic Tour; Mrs. E. R. Dowdy is Publicity Chairman for the District.

Robbery Wave Hits Student Residences

Chapel Hill.—Burglars made three successful entries into student residences on the campus over the weekend and made away with a large amount of money, clothes and jewelry, Bill Blake, Chapel Hill policeman, reported on Monday.

The Pi-Beta Phi sorority house was entered while the members were holding a party for prospective members. Compacts, cigarette lighters and cases, and some other items were taken from the coats of the guests which were left on the porch. Then the thief made his or her way to the second floor and took money from the purses and desks of several members of the sorority. The amount taken ranged from \$8 from one girl to \$60.00 from another.

Later Friday night two stout young men driving a 1937 Ford coach got away with several hundred dollars worth of clothes from the Chi Psi fraternity. The fraternity was allowing several students from the University of Georgia stay at the house and the two burglars pretended that they were Georgia students who had decided to leave when the fraternity cook accosted them as they were leaving the house. Later it was discovered that all the clothes were missing and the theft was reported to the police.

Someone entered the room of University student J. M. Epps and got \$31 from his desk drawer sometime between 9 p. m. and 2:30 a. m. on Saturday night. Epps was not in the room during this time and discovered the loss on his return to his room.

The police have not been able to connect the three robberies but preliminary investigations have been made and they hope to have more information later.

Hillsboro Meets Asheboro Friday

Hillsboro.—Roxboro's two-man scoring combination of Connie Gravitte and Bobby Gentry smothered Hillsboro High School here Friday night, 40 to 7.

The locals battle Asheboro here under the lights tomorrow night.

Gravitte and Gentry single-handedly accounted for all of the Roxboro points. Gravitte scored two touchdowns and booted five extra points, while Gentry went over the goal line four times, one of them on a pass from Gravitte.

Hillsboro opened the scoring when Carl Swainey pitched a 30 yard pass to Billy Teer in the end zone. Bryce Newman converted.

Tubercular Hospital, Million Dollar Dormitory Boosts Building Program

Chapel Hill.—The \$12,000,000 building program for the University of North Carolina was given two big boosts last week when the state Advisory Budget Commission approved the construction of a 100-bed tubercular hospital in Chapel Hill and also decided to build one large men's dormitory costing over a million dollars rather than three separate dormitories as had been previously planned.

Following the recommendation of the board of directors of the N. C. Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis and a suggestion of the last session of the state legislature, the approval was given so that the hospital could be near the U. N. C. Medical School.

\$471,250 had been appropriated by the legislature to construct the hospital, and the University has agreed to donate five acres of land for the site.

Lack of suitable space on the already crowded campus of the University led to the commission's decision to build one large dormitory instead of the original three. The proposed site for what will be one of the largest college dormitories in the South runs from the Monogram Club on the County Club Road across from the Forest Theater to the Raleigh Road.

Spokesmen said that the large building will have as many rooms in it as had been planned for the original three.

Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church Prepares For Centennial Service

Chapel Hill.—It was announced this week by Prof. M. T. Van Hecke, chairman of the centennial committee, that one of the features of the Presbyterian Church's celebration of its first 100 years on Oct. 14-16 will be a history of the church in four parts to be presented by four narrators impersonating great personages in the church's past.

These four characters will be Governor Davis Lowry Swain who was president of the University before and after the Civil War; Mrs. Cornelia Phillips Spencer, Chapel Hill's "great lady" who sewed, taught and worked for the church; Prof. B. S. Hedrick, who was the center of the church's greatest controversy in the past; and "Parson" W. D. Moss, the Canadian minister, who inaugurated

the great movement that has resulted such a large student attendance at services that two sermons are necessary every Sunday morning.

Each character in this church drama will speak his own biography in appropriate costume at the opening part of the centennial program at the church on Friday evening, October 14.

Meantime Professor Van Hecke announces that encouraging contributions are being received in the church's effort to raise a \$10,000 centennial fund, to be used in repairing the church's decayed steeple, in preparing the building for the celebration, and in advancing the work among students which looks after the interests of the 1400 Presbyterian boys and girls on the campus.

Bond Hearing Set October 17

Heavy Damage In Train Wreck At University

University.—A spectacular train collision at Glenn, known for years as University Station, overturned a freight engine and six cars shortly after 3 o'clock Tuesday after striking three other cars left standing on the main line by a shifting engine.

Engineer R. L. Dean of Spencer was pinned in wreckage and had to be removed by a welder hurried to the scene from Hillsboro. He suffered a badly crushed leg but remained conscious during the removal operations. G. F. Holler, the fireman, sustained minor cuts and bruises.

Force of the collision literally broke apart the standing box cars and rails were bucked and twisted. The eastbound freight, No. 254 was finally stopped by a water tank which, when burst by the impact, showered water and timbers over a wide area.

Huggins Wins \$7,000 Verdict Against Streets

Hillsboro.—Civil actions brought by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Huggins against John and Helen Street of Chapel Hill as outgrowth of an automobile accident in Chapel Hill were concluded by compromise yesterday afternoon with a \$7,000 settlement in favor of the plaintiffs.

Action took place in the civil term of Superior Court here which has been in session since Monday. Street is the son of the well known author, James Street. Huggins is manager of Woollen Gymnasium in Chapel Hill.

In three divorce actions heard earlier in the week, Pennie Atwater Davis was divorced from Samuel W. Davis, Ruby L. Grogan was divorced from C. E. Grogan and Mady M. Cooke was divorced from George C. Cooke.

Myrtle Suggs Ethridge was declared owner of property contested in a suit brought against C. C. Suggs, trustee, and C. E. Ethridge, while S. A. Nathan received an \$843.97 settlement against J. B. Goldston in an action brought by the latter.

Hillsboro.—The Board of County Commissioners formally approved resolutions at its Monday meeting calling for the issuance of \$1,000,000 in school bonds and \$250,000 in courthouse construction bonds, subject to approval of the people at an election to be held November 22, and set Monday, October 17 at 10 o'clock in the morning as the date for a public hearing as required by North Carolina law.

A complete text of the bond orders may be found in another page of this edition.

Several delegations bearing petitions for road improvements appeared before the Board and received the members' assurance that due consideration would be given their requests in connection with the overall study of the county roads planned by the Commissioners. Chairman Collier Cobb Jr. announced that notification had been received from Highway Commissioner James Barnwell that he would meet with the Board prior to handing down final decisions as to which roads would be paved under the \$200,000 program to ascertain their views and recommendations.

The Board received the Collector's final settlement for 1948 taxes and approved the new levy for 1949, totalling \$280,234.12, including \$19,851.59 in special school taxes collected from Chapel Hill. The breakdown for the new levy by townships and special divisions: Hillsboro, \$42,167.15; Chapel Hill, \$144,679.38; Bingham, \$12,092.86; Cheeks, \$15,352.74; Cedar Grove, \$21,881.96; Little River, \$9,199.68; Eno, \$19,249.19; Public Service Corporations, \$15,611.16.

The collector's report indicated 94.1 per cent of the original 1948 levy had been collected, or \$230,696.73. The uncollected portion was classified as \$9,195.30 in land sales and \$4,604.26 in insolvents.

Youth Of Two Counties Plan Fall Rally Here

Hillsboro.—The Presbyterian Youth Fellowships of Alamance and Orange Counties will hold their Fall Rally at the Hillsboro Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 9, at 2:45 p. m.

Miss Patsy Teer, president of the local group announced the meeting this week. The Youth Council of Orange Presbytery, of which Miss Betsy Forrest is a member, will have charge of the program. Miss Nell Walker will be in charge of the refreshment committee, Miss Phyllis Forrest will direct registration and Miss Teer will be in charge of other arrangements. The meeting will be concluded by a basket supper in the recreation room of the church.

Tobacco Grading Meetings Held

Hillsboro.—Two tobacco grading demonstrations were conducted Monday, October 3, by John E. Jeffries, tobacco grading specialist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Tobacco Section.

Twenty-three farmers and veterans attended the meeting at the farm of Walter J. Hester, in the Jordan Grove neighborhood, at 10:00 a. m., and ten farmers and veterans attended the demonstration on the farm of Obe Pettiford, in the Harmony neighborhood, at 2:00 p. m.

J. L. Poteat, Assistant Vocational Agriculture Teacher at the Central High School at Hillsboro, assisted with the demonstrations.

CHEST X-RAY CLINIC

Hillsboro.—The regular chest x-ray clinic will be held at the Hillsboro Health Department on Monday, October 10th, between 2 and 4 p. m., according to a recent announcement by Dr. O. David Garvin, District Health Officer. This is the first clinic to be scheduled since June, as the machine has been under repair during the summer months.

LAY MEETING CANCELLED

Hillsboro.—There will be no Laymen's League meeting in October, due to a conflict in the schedule of the proposed speaker. Dr. I. G. Greer is scheduled to speak at the November meeting. Music will be furnished by the choir of the Methodist Church.

Chapel Hill Downs Graham

Graham.—The Chapel Hill high school football team led by Fenno McGinty defeated the Graham High School "Red Devils" in the opening game of the season before 2,000 fans.

The first and only score of the game which spelled defeat for the locals came in the opening minutes of the game after McGinty took the kick-off from his own 10-yard line and returned it to the 39.

On the second play from scrimmage McGinty then heaved a long pass to end Bob Mann who ran to the Graham two. On fourth down McGinty then bulled his way for the score.

After the first scoring threat neither team was able to penetrate beyond the 30 yard line. Splendid defensive play by both lines was responsible for the closeness of the score.

Ballard Offers FHA Service

Hillsboro.—John Ballard announced this week that FHA loans are now available at his office through the Pilot Life Insurance Company.

Ballard has been appointed by the company to represent the Loan Department in this area. He says that loans up to 90 percent of value are available on some types of new construction. The interest rate is 4 1-2 percent and the loans can be made with twenty years to repay. He stated that in some areas the monthly repayments have been less than monthly rent payments.

CAKE SALE

The St. Matthews Parish Guild will have a cake sale at the Farmers Dairy here Saturday at 11 o'clock in the morning.

FIRST TELEVISION

First television set was installed in immediate Hillsboro area in the home of Eddie Hines, on Chapel Hill Road, by Reliable Furniture Co., of Mebane.

Highway Patrol Reports Two Traffic Deaths In Alamance And Orange

One death each in Orange and Alamance Counties contributed to the total of 1,198 accidents in which 62 persons were killed and 193 injured investigated by the Highway Patrol during August, he North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles reported.

During the month the Patrol spent 114,166 hours on duty and traveled 1,213,919 miles. A total of 64,194 vehicles and 80,536 driver's licenses were inspected on the highway. Nine hundred and fourteen light tickets were issued, 1,275 equipment tickets and 3,187 warning tickets. Lights were corrected on 24,504 vehicles, 595 vehicles were weighed and 59 found to be overloaded. Stolen cars recovered numbered 58.

The Patrol made 5,639 arrests, 442 of which were for drunken

driving. Citations were issued to 5,459 persons. A total of 7,188 complaints were investigated. Patrolmen rendered 13,172 courtesies. First aid was administered in three cases and five fires were extinguished.

Of persons arrested by the Patrol, 5,628 were found guilty and 352 not guilty. Those convicted were sentenced to 96 years, six months and eight days.

Cars and property recovered by the Patrol and returned to owners were valued at \$48,110.36; fines collected from persons apprehended by the Patrol amounted to \$122,302.17, which was turned over to county school funds; Costs turned to county general funds in counties where cases were tried amounted to \$61,016.73; \$4,411.58 in highway revenue was collected, or a total of \$236,837.84.