

# Editorial and Opinion

## A Building And Challenge

We oppose the purchase of the former Latta Cooperative Dairy building by the County Commissioners for quarters to be used by the Board of Education.

Such an action was recommended by the Board of Education at its last meeting and both boards made an inspection tour of the building to determine its suitability. No action was taken.

It is our understanding that the building may be had for \$15,000 and another \$5,000, at least, would be required to make it suitable for use by the Board. Strangely, our objection is not to spending the money. We think it would be a good buy in many respects. The situation is, however, that \$250,000 voted by the people for a new courthouse is precious little if we are to get the type of building everybody wants, one that will be a credit to the county for generations just as the old one has. The \$20,000 which would have to be spent for the dairy building might go a long way toward giving us the outstanding building we want, with sufficient space to handle the Board of Education, or some other agency, not now scheduled for the new building.

If we have \$20,000 to spend, let's use it to make the new building more adequate, with a beauty and utility to extend its fame to the far corners and throughout the ages.

As for the Latta building, if Long Meadow Farms can no longer operate it profitably, we suggest the Merchants Association get busy and find a purchaser. Undoubtedly there are many uses to which the building can be put which would provide a new business or industry for Hillsboro. This is sadly needed and we conceive it is the association's duty to make the most of this opportunity.

## Revive Inspection, Please

The News finds it difficult to avoid the belief that the 1949 Legislature's action in abolishing the motor vehicle inspection program was responsible in part, at least, for the death of 104 more persons in traffic accidents last year than in 1948, and the highest injury toll in the State's history.

It certainly is caused for serious reflection that at least 838 traffic fatalities occurred in 1949 as compared with 734 in the previous year, an increase of more than 14 per cent, while injuries increased 28 per cent, from 7,490 to 9,597, which was far above the previous high of 7,990 in 1937.

It is noteworthy that in 1948, when the car inspection law was in force, North Carolina won first place in the National Safety Council award contest in the South and was presented the pedestrian safety award.

Of course motor vehicle registration passed the million mark last year for the first time, and the increase in the volume of traffic would account for part of the increase in fatalities and injuries. But it must not be overlooked that the strength of the State Highway Patrol has been doubled and other safety measures taken since 1941 when the traffic toll was 1,200, the highest on record.

Compared with 1937 and 1941, North Carolina made a good showing last year, but the number of fatalities and injuries ought to have been lower than in 1948 instead of much higher.

## One Opinion

Down in Clinton there will not be cars given away, or "raffled" at a drawing, for a long, long time to come.

A group of civic leaders decided that an easy way to raise money for the Polio drive would be to "give away" a car, by selling chances at one dollar each.

The idea went over fine, and about 3,000 chances were sold, and sales were brisk, when Judge R. Hunt Parker, holding court in Sampson County, called in the chairman and advised him that the plan of awarding the car constituted a lottery in violation of a North Carolina Criminal law. Then Judge Parker cited the chairman Section 14-290, General Statutes of North Carolina.

After reading the law, the chairman immediately called off the deal, and offered a refund to all persons who wanted their money back. Some 300 people sought refunds, and the remainder kept quiet.

The plan which was being worked in Clinton is well known over all North Carolina, and there are few places but what have had the same plan operated in their community.

North Carolina saw fit to pass a law forbidding such practices, and the attorney general has issued rulings that such are a violation of the law, regardless for what purposes they are held.

As long as it is a law, then the law should be obeyed. If the people don't like the law, then it should be repealed. Until it is repealed, those who violate the law are subject to the consequences.

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### PRESS COMMENT

#### RECORD STILLS GRAHAM CRITICS

(An Editorial from The Greensboro Daily News)

Robert N. Jaynolds bases his candidacy for the United States Senate largely on the belief that he can represent the people of North Carolina more in accordance with their wishes than can the present incumbent, Frank P. Graham. Willis Smith, a possible candidate, says that a contest would offer "a great opportunity for some one who wants to represent the real viewpoint of most of the people in the State."

This raises the question of how effectively Senator Graham has been representing Tar Heel sentiment and invites, as Al Smith used to say, a look at the record.

Since Senator Graham has been in Washington he has come out against FEPC. Do most North Carolinians favor it? In his first speech he delivered an indictment of Communism in as strong a bill of particulars as we have seen. He made known his desire to see the foreign policy of the United States slanted toward the evolution of the United Nations into a world government of limited powers as the answer to the peril in which the world finds itself; in this he followed by several years the action of the North Carolina Legislature on the Humber resolution. He is also on record as favoring Federal aid to education; much may be said on both sides as to the merits of such Federal aid, but it is certain that it would relieve this State of much financial strain in its problem of educating all the people on limited funds, and it may be doubted whether a majority of the people of this State are opposed to it.

No representative can please all the people all the time—and none should—but just were does the record show that Senator Graham so far has done any considerable amount of misrepresenting?

## Legal Notices

### AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING \$30,000 WATER BONDS BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF HILLSBORO:

Section 1: That, pursuant to The Municipal Finance Act, 1921, as amended, bonds of the Town of Hillsboro, North Carolina, shall be issued in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$30,000 for the purpose of providing funds for extending and enlarging the waterworks system of said Town, including the laying of additional pipelines.

Section 2: That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually

levied and collected. Section 3. That a statement of the debt of the Town has been filed with the clerk and is open to public inspection.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect when approved by the voters of the Town at an election as provided by said Act.

The foregoing ordinance was passed on the 23rd day of February, 1950, and was first published on the 16th day of March, 1950.

Any action or proceeding questioning the validity of said ordinance must be commenced within thirty days after its first publication.

ALICE F. RHEW  
Town Clerk and Treasurer  
3-16 2 TC

### NOTICE

NORTH CAROLINA ORANGE COUNTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT BEFORE THE CLERK

BONNER D. SAWYER, Administrator of the Estate of JOHN T. JOHNSTON, Deceased, and BONNER D. SAWYER, Trustee,

—VS—

C. C. HALL, Trustee; ELIZABETH M. PATTERSON and JAMES M. JOHNSTON, Executors and Trustees under the Will of AGNES HUGHES JOHNSTON, Deceased; ELIZABETH M. PATTERSON, Individually, and husband, D. E. PATTERSON, SR.; JAMES M. JOHNSTON (Single); Individually; S. C. JOHNSTON (Single); ANNIE J. BARBOUR and husband, WILLIAM R. BARBOUR; MARGARET J. GARDINER and husband, ROBERT GARDINER; JOSEPHINE J. STEWART and husband, RICHARD K. STEWART; CHARLES W. JOHNSTON and wife, CAROLYN JOHNSTON AGNES J. PUTZELL and husband, MAX PUTZELL; HELEN J. SHUMAKER and husband; STEPHENS SHUMAKER; CHARLOTTE J. BRUNER and husband, DAVID KINCAID BRUNER.

The Defendants, David Kincaid Bruner, Charlotte J. Bruner, Stephen Shumaker, Helen J. Shumaker, James M. Johnston, Individually, James M. Johnston, Executor and Trustee under the Will of Agnes Hughes Johnston Max Putrell, Agnes J. Putzell Richard K. Stewart, Robert Gardiner, Margaret J. Gardiner William R. Barbour, and Annie J. Barbour, will take notice that an Action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Orange County, North Carolina by the Petitioner for the sale of land in which they have an interest, to create assets with which to pay debts and costs of administration; and that said Defendant will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Orange County, in the Court-house in Hillsboro, North Carolina within ten (10) days after the 31st day of March, 1950, and answer or demur to the Petition in said action, or the Petitioner will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said Petition.

This the 3rd day of March, 1950.

E. M. LYNCH,

Clerk Superior Court, Orange County.  
BONNER D. SAWYER, 3-9 4TC  
Attorney.

### NOTICE

NORTH CAROLINA ORANGE COUNTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT B. MICHAEL RIGGINS, Plaintiff —VS— Frances Troxler Riggins, Defendant

The above named defendant, Frances Troxler Riggins, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Orange County, North Carolina, by the plaintiff, to secure an absolute divorce from the defendant, upon the grounds that the plaintiff and defendant have lived separate and apart for two consecutive years immediately preceding the bringing of this action; and the defendant will take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Orange County in the courthouse in Hillsboro, North Carolina, within twenty days after the 8th day of April, 1950, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 8th day of March, 1950.

Lucius M. Cheshire, Asst. Clerk of Superior Court

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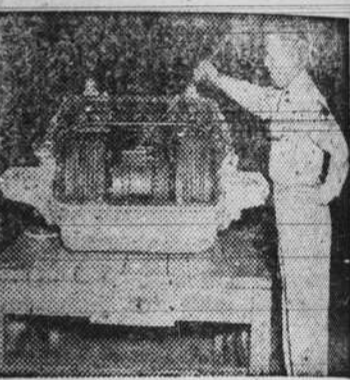
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