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And For 70 Dual Lane Allocated Or South Route Yet Determined

Highway 70 through Orange County received a nice slice of a million allocation of federal state funds for 17 projects of State's 717-mile part of the Interstate Highway System today.

Highway Chairman A. H. Graham said the sum of \$2,100,000 for grading, right of way and structures from a point east of Eno to the vicinity of Eno Station dual lane and another \$2,500,000 for grading and structures for paving the second from Efland to Greensboro.

Decided in Raleigh yesterday, Graham said the determination had not been made yet whether highway 70 ultimately will go to north or south of Hillsboro. Surveys were nearing completion.

The committee of the Highway Commission has already decided Highway 70 will be limited to two lanes. To be determined now is whether it will be more practical to build a second lane along the present route with limited access to ways or follow an entirely new route dual lane to the west of Hillsboro.

Highway 70 is one of the main arteries of the interstate system in North Carolina.

Graham said that the \$28.2 million allocation was the largest for highway funds ever made at one time in the history of the State.

The 1956-57 Interstate highway program was made available by the national highway bill together with State funds. Under the new bill, North Carolina received an additional \$25.5 million for the year on its portion of the Interstate system. Congress authorized construction funds for the year's program.

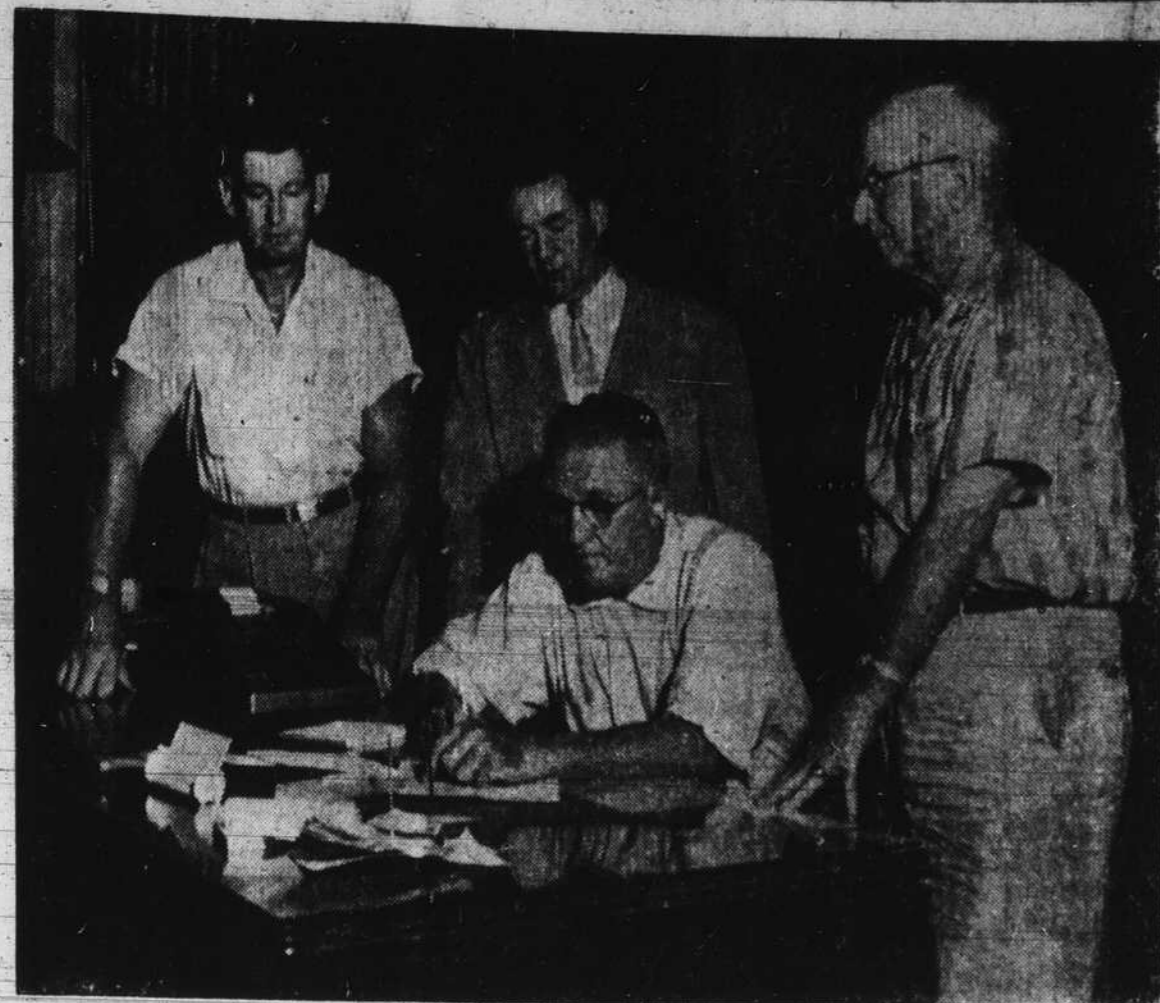
Far Reaching Effect

Graham said the effect of pouring dollars in road funds on the economic life stream of North Carolina would have far-reaching effects on every phase of economic life in the State. The big program will furnish employment for thousands of men in construction and materials handling field. It will require labor of many men during the year construction program. Tens of big road-building machines, and tons of materials—a scope never before imagined.

During the second and third years of the new road program, North Carolina will receive a total of \$44.3 million in federal construction funds for the Interstate within its borders.

The new construction specifications call for the highest engineering standards for safety, traffic capacity, easy grades, wide shoulders, and straight alignments. The superhighways will be "limited access", a 300-foot right of way, a 36-foot wide riding strip separating the two foot wide one-way paved traffic lanes, wide overpass bridges, shaded shoulders on the right side of each main traffic lane, and low slopes and banks. Enough right of way will be provided for future expansion from four to six lanes.

"In other words," said Graham, "new highways will be designed and built like turnpikes—without the tolls."



Leaders in the Hillsboro chapter, Knights of Pythias, look on as Mayor Ben Johnston signs a proclamation setting the month of August as Knights of Pythias Highway Courtesy Month. Standing left to right are: A. J. Snipes Jr., Jimmy Mangum and Eugene Laws.

Mayor Backs Safety Drive Of Pythians

The month of August has been proclaimed the Knights of Pythias Highway Courtesy Month by Mayor Ben G. Johnston of Hillsboro.

The Mayor's proclamation was made at the behest of the local chapter of the national fraternal order which has had traffic safety as one of its major projects for the past three years.

A number of activities are being planned.

(See Proclamation, Page 3)

Miss Roberts Is Competing For 4-H Title

Catherine Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Roberts, will represent Orange County in the State Dress Revue in Raleigh during State 4-H Club Week which is this week. She will compete with winners from North Carolina's 100 counties for the title of State 4-H Dress Revue winner. She also competes for the trip to National 4-H Club Congress which is held the last of November, in Chicago.

Janice Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ward, and a member of the Efland 4-H Club, participated in the State 4-H Club Week activities also. As an outstanding district fair winner, she was selected to appear on the Tuesday morning assembly program. She entertained the delegates attending State Club Week with a ballet dance.



MISS CATHERINE ROBERTS

Sales Event Planned Here For Aug. 9-10-11

A three-day sales event, town-wide in scope, was scheduled by members of the Hillsboro Merchants Association for the weekend of August 9, 10, and 11, last Thursday at the Colonial Inn.

Marshall Cates, president, read letters received from Mrs. B. P. Gordon Jr., thanking the Association for its interest in selecting a business student to be presented a watch each year.

Charles Walker Jr., chairman of the committee appointed to study the membership joining the State Association, reported there were some who were in favor and some not. It was decided that the Hillsboro Association would pay the charter fee of \$25 which would entitle all members to receive benefits of a watch.

After then members desiring to continue in it would pay a fee of \$5 per year. Lucius Brown was elected as representative to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Merchants Meetings.

Again the Hillsboro Post Office was brought up. Several months ago Tom Bivins, postmaster, asked the opinion of the Association on closing the postoffice on Wednesday afternoons as is the custom in several other postoffices. The reaction was it would not help the employees any. They would still have the same amount of work to do and receive less for it.

Kay Perry Heads New Oak Grove Club

Kay Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Perry, was elected president of the newly organized Oak Grove 4-H Club. Peggy Apple, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Arthur Apple, was elected secretary.

The Oak Grove Club, which will meet only during the summer months, was organized by Mrs. Wiley Perry, 4-H Leader of Bethlehem Home Demonstration Club, and Mrs. Vernon Sykes.

Mrs. Wiley Perry gave the demonstration on "The Use and Care of the Pressure Canner."

The next meeting has been planned for August 8 with Mrs. Vernon Sykes who will conduct the demonstration then.

REUNION

The Cooper-Compton Clan will hold its annual reunion on Sunday at the Prospect Hill American Legion Hut. All relatives and friends are cordially invited to come and bring baskets of food.

BAKE SALE

A Bake Sale will be held this Saturday morning starting at 9 o'clock in the Herring-Conners Chevrolet building, with the Women of the First Baptist Church sponsoring.

In State's Stream Sanitation Program

Classification Of Eno River Is Not Expected Before '57

Classification and public hearing in connection with the Eno under the State's Stream Sanitation law are not expected before next year when the entire Neuse River basin is completed.

This information was revealed here Tuesday night by W. E. Long Jr., chief engineer of the State Stream Sanitation Committee, which is charged with administering the laws and the program of pollution abatement of the State Board of Health.

Long spoke on the background and program of the committee to the Hillsboro Lions Club on a program arranged by Dr. Robert J. Murphy, Mayor Ben Johnston and Town Commissioner J. W. Dickson were present at the meeting.

Long said much sampling activity had already been done on the Eno above and below Hillsboro. He explained the thorough program which is followed in determining the type of water in a given stream and the highest uses which may be made of it.

Upon completion of a survey of an entire river basin (there are 16 major river basins in North Carolina) a public hearing is held and all interested parties, industries, municipalities, are given a chance to testify regarding the recommended classification which the Stream Sanitation proposes to place on the waters involved.

Enforcement and pollution abatement begins following the classification.

"With our present knowledge, there is little excuse or justification for dumping raw sewage in any stream today," said Long.

"Progress in stream pollution abatement will come only when the people are educated to the needs," he continued.

Vaccinations Needed By 100 Pre-Schoolers

At least 25 percent of pre-school children in Orange County who are scheduled to enter school next September have not completed their required immunizations, according to an announcement by Superintendent G. P. Carr yesterday.

In addition to the 100 on which the Health Department has incomplete immunization records, there are 58 whose records are incomplete as far as required physical examinations are concerned. Some 415 are registered for beginning school next year.

Mr. Carr urged that parents cooperate with the Health Department in completing the immunizations and the physical examinations required before the child can enroll in school.

The Health Department offers free vaccinations and physical examinations for beginners each Tuesday afternoon from 1 until 4 o'clock and there are only five more Tuesdays before school starts. Mr. Carr explained. Vaccinations for smallpox and diphtheria are required by law.

The tabulation by school of those who have registered but not completed immunization or physicals is as follows: (first figure indicates vaccination, the second physicals).

Cedar Grove, 11, 12; Central 18, 10; Efland White, 8; Efland Negro, 10, 3; West Hillsboro, 4; Aycock, 4, 1; Caldwell, 3, 1; Hillsboro, 42, 31.

First Aromatic Tobacco Being Harvested In County This Week

Aromatic tobacco is being harvested in Orange County this week.

All of the growers of Aromatic tobacco are pulling their first priming from the small stalk of the Aromatic or Turkish tobacco. This operation, delayed at least three to four weeks by the very unseasonable weather, is in full swing on all farms where it was planted.

These leaves are pulled from the stalk very much like the blue-cured type. They are strung on wire sticks and carried to a "willing" or "yellowing" shed. After about three days the yellowing is accomplished and the leaves are then placed in a curing barn where a constant temperature of about 95 to 100 degrees is maintained throughout the curing period which is approximately one week. All of the curing barns have had specially adapted curers and air circulators installed.

The following Orange County farmers are producing Aromatic tobacco this year: C. T. Pope and Knox; and Jack Walker. Negro farmers producing the Aromatic leaf are Brice Potest, M. C. Burtin Jr., and John and Ham Potest.

800 Out-Of-State Visitors Will Tour Orange County On Tuesday

Rural North Carolina will become a tourist's playground for 3,000 farm cooperative members this week. The tourists, from every state, will be enroute to Raleigh and the national meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation.

On Tuesday afternoon, July 31st, about 800 young people attending

FFA HONORED

The Hillsboro Chapter of the Future Farmers of America under the leadership of Clyde Erwin, local vocational agriculture teacher, has been invited as one of six state chapters to represent the FFA program at the national meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation being held next week at State College.

Five local members and Erwin will attend with all expenses paid to participate in the program. Cooperative activities form one of the major studies of the FFA and the IOC sponsors one of the FFA programs.

The convention at North Carolina State College will visit Orange County.

The twenty busses will be met by members of St. Mary's Grange at the intersection of Highway 70 and St. Marys Road, Individual Grange members will be assigned to each bus. They will welcome the group and call attention to things of interest as the caravan moves through the St. Marys

Mystery Farm Of The Week

Who Owns This Mystery Farm?



Can you identify this "Mystery Farm?" If you can, you will receive a free year's subscription to The News of Orange County, provided you are the first to notify the office of the correct identity. Last week's first call came from Harold Walker of Cedar Grove, followed by a call from Gordon Limer identifying it as the Dewey Pope Farm, located around 10 miles from Hillsboro and 1/2 mile from Cedar Grove between Highway 86 and Cedar Grove. The owners of each farm published in the paper is asked to come by the office and receive a beautifully mounted picture of their place as it appears, courtesy of this newspaper.

Umstead Backs Governor's Program For Schools

Orange County Rep. John Umstead, Jr., came out publicly on Monday in support of the Governor's proposed school legislation, backed up by the General Assembly in special session last week.

Previously, the veteran legislator—one of the most powerful voices in the Assembly

had withheld his views on the proposals drawn up by the State Advisory Committee on Education, except to say he would oppose any move to eliminate the compulsory school attendance law.

Rep. Umstead was a member of House Education Committee which presented the comprehensive school bill passed by the last General Assembly.

"Take Decision From Extremists" Before leaving for the session

which convened on Monday, Mr. Umstead made public his views on the program that will face the Assembly this week. "I'm going to support it (the Governor's proposal), he said, "because in my opinion this legislation takes the decisions on our public schools out of the hands of extremists on both sides."

However, noting that the proposals might be greatly amended before being passed, he reserved his support of them to be only as they now stood. "Even though I support this program I am not certain it is the solution to our problems," said Mr. Umstead. "But it seems to be the best solution offered yet."

The comprehensive program that was presented to the Assembly Monday by Gov. Hodges, will, Mr. Umstead predicted, be approved, though he foresaw the likelihood of

a great deal of debate on it.

While this program does include the possibility of eliminating compulsory school attendance under the most extreme circumstances, the Orange County Assemblyman voiced the feeling that this was one of the most significant features of the proposals. Though he did not support this particular point of the bills, he indicated he would not oppose the whole program because of it.