

Editorial And Opinion

Town Should Begin Work On Anti-Pollution Program

Under the State's stream sanitation law, the Town of Hillsboro almost of a certainty will have to face the problem of sewage disposal within the next year or two. We believe it highly important that the Town Fathers begin making studies, plans and financial preparations at once in order to solve this problem with the least discomfort and before legal requirements or some bitter court battle precipitates it.

We have been told that classification and public hearings in connection with the Eno River under the pollution abatement program of the State Board of Health may be expected next year under the present timetable. The town of Hillsboro which empties raw sewage into the stream below its own water supply is the area's worst offender.

A spokesman for the State Board of Health recently in our midst made this significant statement: "With our present knowledge, there is little excuse or justification for dumping raw sewage into any stream today." We agree and believe that the majority of Town Board members and citizens alike do also.

During the last month of the session Congress passed and the President signed a bill to continue on a permanent basis federal encouragement to fight against river and stream pollution. The act sets up a fund of \$50,000,000 to aid, on a matching basis, municipalities in constructing water-waste treatment plants.

We think it is not a bit too early for the town board to begin drafting definite plans for such a disposal plant, to be investigating and learning the procedure for obtaining these funds from the federal government, and to be setting up a sinking fund out of which such a plant could be constructed at a definite time in the future.

We urge, further, that the board take the people of the community into its confidence and let them know what plans they are making in this very important field. For the pollution abatement problem is one of the most serious facing this community, as it is the country as a whole. When the town faces up to its responsibility, we are confident that local industry and private citizens will follow suit.

Don't Forget To Register

The registration books for the special election on September 8th will be open next Saturday for the last time and only those persons who are duly registered will be permitted to cast a ballot.

On September 8th, Orange citizens will join with the rest of the voters in North Carolina in determining the fate of the school system in this state when they ballot on the proposed constitutional amendments.

In adopting the Pearsall plan, and calling a special election, the General Assembly has deemed it the wisest move to allow John Q. Public to chart North Carolina's future course in this important issue.

On what will Orange voters ballot on September 8th? On September 8th they will decide whether they want to authorize the General Assembly to provide education expense grants for private education.

They will also decide whether they want the closing of any schools decided by the people on a local level.

It is important to remember that the September 8th vote will not be directly concerned with closing the schools. The voters will be balloting on an amendment that will give them the right to vote on the closing of schools within a specific district where a situation arises that is said to be intolerable by those persons living in that district. Their vote will not affect schools throughout the remainder of the state.

We believe in democracy and letting the people speak. We consider an election of this kind vitally important to everyone interested in the future of North Carolina. If you are not registered, please do so in order that you will have the privilege, along with other North Carolinians, to go to the polls, September 8th, and express your opinion.

Polio On The Run

The most tragic aspect of Chicago's polio outbreak, noted in this part of the country because of the focus on the Democratic Convention, is that it came at a time when the long fight against the crippling disease was almost won. The scientific genius of Dr. Jonas Salk and other researchers, coupled with the tremendous production effort of the nation's pharmaceutical manufacturers, have at long last given mankind an inexpensive, plentiful vaccine that promises to end for all time the ravages of paralytic poliomyelitis.

Whether mankind will take advantage of this golden opportunity remains to be seen. The Chicago Board of Health reported that no one who received the full three-shot series of Salk inoculations contracted paralytic polio during the outbreak. Yet at the same time, it deplored the fact that "lethargic and indifferent parents" were not seeing to it that their children received their second and third shots of the vaccine.

The lesson to be drawn from this seems clear: the noble labors of Dr. Salk, plus the dedicated effort behind the production of over 80 million doses of vaccine by the nation's pharmaceutical houses in the last 16 months, as reported by the Health News Institute, will have gone for naught unless all those who need the vaccine's protection get it. In the Salk vaccine, mankind has a powerful weapon that may insure final victory over paralytic polio. But the weapon must be used if the battle is to be won.



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preme Court justices and officials of the Attorney General's staff are in desperate need of assistance.

The Attorney General's department, according to reports we get, could do with a general reorganization — with definite duties assigned to the assistants — and more assistants.

Our justices are overworked, being forced to spend too much time in petty research. Information we get is that they would like to have six to eight young attorneys as research assistants. In 1957, it will be 20 years since we turned the legislative microscope on the Justice Department. It is due again.

GOOD STROKE . . . Between Bill Horner and Bob Mason, the Sanford Herald is coming up these days with some mighty good reading. This one is about stirring mash.

Anybody who has been to Wake Forest College knows about the Hurricane section of Wake County — a pretty rough area about three miles west of Wake Forest toward Durham. Be that as it may, many a story has been told about the Hurricane and its people, none of whom — to our knowledge — went to Wake. But all good Baptists, nevertheless.

They had this fellow up before the congregation for making liquor. They were going to church him — or kick him out. But he said he didn't make no liquor, didn't sell none, didn't drink none.

"But", he sang out, "there's someholler — 'n— those people that does meener, and makes their living less honest, and raises their children worse than a man who feeds and clothes his family from the sweat of his brow — stirring of the mash."

And, as he became excited with his talk, he placed one fist over the other and described a wide circle — as if pulling a dogwood pole through a vat.

At this point, the chairman of the board of deacons, sitting up front, leaned over to the clerk and whispered in an admiring voice that could be heard at the rear of the room, "He's got a right good stroke, hain't he?"

NOTES . . . Be sure to read how we are killing our ministers in the current issue of Life Magazine. . . Aren't the newspapers running more "private school" advertisements this year? . . . The Great Smoky Mountains National Park traffic survey showed as of July 24 that 25.8 per cent of the travelers were from Tennessee, with North Carolina in third place — behind Ohio — with 6.9 per cent and just ahead of Florida with 6.5 per cent. . . 52,000 people interviewed in 15,000 cars. . . Although they are doing it for free, a lot of school principals find themselves working harder this summer — getting teachers, or trying to get them — than last January when school was in full swing. . . The Democrats had about 100 delegates, alternates, correspondents, and hangers-on at the Chicago convention. . . In San Francisco this week, N. C. Republicans have 32, not bad, considering the distance. . . One of the finest, most interesting, and most attractive books we've seen recently is "An Empire at a Crossroads", the story of Eastern North Carolina by William D. Poe, associate editor of the Progressive Farmer. . . Adlai Stevenson's grandfather, also named Adlai, was nominated for the vice presidency in the Democratic National Convention held in Chicago in 1892. . . N. C. was one of those seconding the nomination. . . as was the case last week with the younger Adlai. . . and Grandfather Adlai was elected and served as President Cleveland's vice president.

A month from now, September 22, football opens up again in N. C. . . We hear there is an unusually heavy demand for State-UNC tickets. . . WF is expecting sellouts for home games with Maryland on September 29. . . Clemson. . . State. . . and Duke. . . all in Winston-Salem. The vice presidents like North Carolina. . . Two weeks ago it was Nixon at Ridgeway. . . and this week it is Kefauver at Blowing Rock. . . Adlai Stevenson's great grandfather lived in Iredell

"Mirror, Mirror, Name Of Hall, Who Is Fairest Of Us All?"



Hugh G. Haynie in The Smithfield Herald

Bill Crowell

FREE WHEELING

THANKS UP THERE . . . Say a prayer if you got through last month without suffering auto accident hurts. Motor Vehicles Department records show 83 persons killed in July traffic and the worst is yet to come. Same records for last year show ascending statistics, from August through December. Like this: August 82 fatalities, September 98, October 137, November 112 and December 134.

STOPPING TIP . . . A good rule of the thumb for quickly estimating safe stopping distance is to paste the figure "5" over your speedometer. Then multiply any driving speed by five and the result will be the approximate number of feet it will take to stop safely.

NERVOUS NAGS . . . Fifty years ago the approach of "one of them infernal horseless carriages" sent Grandpa into a tizzy. And with good cause for his team was sure to take fright and bolt, a contingency the State of North Carolina recognizes to this very day. Even though Old Dobbin figuratively succumbed to the auto-age years ago he still can stop traffic dead. The law is heavily one-sided in his favor as evidenced by an obscure passage in the Motor Vehicle Manual.

Putting it roughly, the book says any person mounted or leading a horse has only to raise his hand and cars must stop. period. And if the animal is badly frightened the motorist is further directed to shut off the engine and if bidden to assist the

Garden Time

Robert Schmidt

In the flower garden this is a good time to plant seed of spring and early summer blooming perennials.

If these seeds are planted now in flats, coldframes, or well-prepared seed beds, and transplanted as soon as large enough to handle, they will bloom next year. If you plant the seeds in the spring most of these plants will not bloom until the following year.

August and September are good months to plant seed of pansies and winter annuals such as annual larkspur, annual phlox, shirley poppies and cornflower. Pansies should be transplanted but the other may be left as seeded. They are all hardy to winter temperatures. All are early spring bloomers.

We have received requests of information about peonies — will they grow here? Should they be divided? When should they be moved? When and how should new plantings be made?

Peonies are more easily grown in the piedmont and mountain sections of North Carolina, but they can also be grown in coastal plan areas with better care. The time for making new plantings, or for moving or dividing old plants would be October and November in eastern North Carolina and September and October for the Western and mountain sections of the state. Don't move them unless there is good reason to do so. Peonies do not like to be disturbed. If you have a clump doing well and producing good blooms, let it alone. Loss of roots in digging will be harmful. It is not necessary to divide and move peonies every two or three years as we do iris and daffodils. If a plant is not blooming satisfactorily then it may be advisable to move it to a better location, or perhaps it has been planted too deep and should be taken up and replanted.

under the railroad retirement program, funds for vocational rehabilitation, research in cancer, heart disease and other ailments, broadened the water pollution control act, and increased the penalties for trafficking in narcotics, just to mention a few of the bills.

Minimum Wage . . . One of the big items of the first session of the 84th Congress was the passage of a bill to increase the minimum wage from seventy-five cents to one dollar per hour. This law became effective earlier this year.

Highway Bill . . . Perhaps the most important domestic legislation this session was the multi-billion dollar highway bill. It is a 13-year program to build 41,000 miles of interstate superhighways; increased taxes on gas, tires, etc. will help pay for the program. This program will serve as a powerful stimulus to the economic health of the country.

For The People . . . Other bills for the people adopted by Congress were such as the Federal flood insurance act, extension of the polio-vaccination program, broadened and extended the school milk program, a three-year \$90 million program of building non-Federal facilities for research in crippling diseases, increased benefit payments

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS

WASHINGTON — Among the 2878 bills passed by the 84th Congress were acts which fall in the field of social legislation.

Social Security . . . A major step was taken by the Congress when it passed a bill broadly revising the Social Security program. It marked the final piece of major legislation promoted by Senator George of Georgia. Among other things, it gives women the optional privilege of retiring at 62 rather than

65, and makes disabled persons eligible for full benefits at age 50, and increases the tax on both employer and employee to 2 1/2 per cent starting next January. The tax now is 2 per cent. Of special interest to North Carolina was the amendment to the Social Security bill which permits policemen and firemen to voluntarily be covered by Social Security for retirement purposes. No action was taken on the President's request for a health insurance program.

County, near Harmony, around 1830-34. . . moving from there to the Kentucky-Illinois area. Although he is not a log-cabin product, what presidential candidate could have a better hometown name than Libertyville? . . . The average salary of engineering graduates of N. C. State going into private employment this summer is \$421.84 per month — as compared with last year's \$386.

Tar Heel PEOPLE & ISSUES

By Cliff Blue

NOTABLE WEEK . . . For the writer last week's Democratic National Convention held in Chicago will be a week long to be remembered. For more than 20 years we have attended county and state conventions of the Democratic party but this was our first attendance at a national political convention.

We went to the convention as one of the delegates from the 8th North Carolina congressional district committed to the support of Adlai Stevenson. Despite a flurry of opposition led by former President Truman, Stevenson won by a landslide as we had expected since his victory over Kefauver in California a few weeks ago.

VICE PRESIDENT . . . While the nomination for the presidency was the big apple of the convention, the high mark so far as excitement came during the balloting for the vice presidency. The victory of Estes Kefauver over Senator John F. Kennedy was a photo finish after the youthful senator from Massachusetts came within 20-odd votes of victory, then in the course of minutes see one of the most dramatic swings in political history to the slow-talking Tennessee Senator who through his tremendous hand-shaking campaigns is often referred to as "The Hand."

It was almost like dozzling a stick of red candy in front of a three years old child and then hand it to his elder brother. Kennedy was probably as surprised as most others at his large vote. He thought the nomination was as good as won but before he could make the trip from the Stock Yards Restaurant to the scene of the convention hall, a two to five minute expedition, the tide had turned and Estes was walking away with the stick of candy. To appreciate the excitement which surrounds such a victory you must be present in person.

TRUMAN . . . Former President and Mrs. Truman had a box in the balcony just to the left in front of the Tar Heel delegation throughout the convention. It was our privilege to observe him and note his expressions from time to time. While the delegates absolutely declined to follow his recommendation and vote for Harriman, he was nevertheless quite

Publicity And Then Some

The fellow we heard talking the other day about amount of publicity that comes out of Chapel Hill is adept at carpentry work but he sure "hit the nail" on the head when he said:

"I believe over there at Chapel Hill that even the voters have their own publicity men!" — *Roxboro Courier-Tribune*

And Satan trembles when he sees
The weakest saint upon his knees.

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