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## School Board Refuses To Make New Commitment On Carrboro Tax Vote

The County Board of Education Monday declined to act upon a request from a Carrboro citizens' group favoring the school district merger with Chapel Hill that it go on record as agreeing not to call a supplementary tax election in the Carrboro School district within three months after May 20.

The request for the board to take a stand in the school merger controversy came from Mrs. Ruth West as spokesman for the delegation composed of Odell Barham, H. Dodson, and Pepsi Perry, all members of the group favoring the merger of Carrboro and White Cross districts with the Chapel Hill special tax district.

Members of the board, while declining to take action on the request Monday, pointed out its policy on the question had been stated previously in a resolution included in the minutes of the April 1, 1957 meeting and was unchanged. The April 1957 resolution said:

"We find only two courses open which are compatible with good government and good school planning. They are: (1) For Carrboro to remain a definite part of the county unit and participate in a county-wide supplementary tax. (2) For Carrboro to vote into the Chapel Hill Unit. Since neither of these plans is acceptable to the Carrboro Committee, no action was taken on calling a supplementary tax vote."

In other actions, the board heard a request from Cedar Grove school committee for an additional classroom and the purchase of additional playground land and took the matter under advisement.

## Cancer Drive Nets Over \$300 'n Hillsboro

Mrs. Ira Ward, chairman of the 1958 Hillsboro Cancer Drive, announces that over \$300 has been raised locally and wishes to thank all workers and who have taken a part in the town-wide house-to-house canvass.

There was no set goal of the cancer drive for Hillsboro. "Forty per cent of the funds raised here will remain in the county to help cancer victims," said Mrs. Ward and "the rest will be used for research and other purposes."

The following ladies were workers in the local drive:

Captains: Mrs. Odell Clayton, Mrs. Bob Strickland, Mrs. Harry Waldo, Mrs. Harry Breeze, Mrs. Bobby Knight and Mrs. Allen Lafta.

Other Workers: Mrs. Guy Miller, Mrs. Wallace Strayhorn, Mrs. Thurmond Head, Mrs. Charlie Williams, Mrs. Jake Forrest, Mrs. Kay Winecoff, Mrs. Garland Miller, Mrs. Paul Carr, Mrs. M. L. Cates Sr., Mrs. Joe Rhinehardt, Mrs. Malone Hall, Mrs. Leroy Hall Sr., Mrs. Julia Scott and Mrs. Joe Neems.

## Legion Post Has Equipment To Lend Ailing

American Legion Post No. 85 of Hillsboro has on hand several wheelchairs, crutches and walkettes available for loan free-of-charge to any person in need of this equipment in Orange County.

Walt Wrenn, Veterans Service Officer, has charge of the equipment and anyone desiring use of it should contact him either at the Veterans' Service Office, located near the courthouse, phone 3744, or at his home, 6345.

Following are rules and regulations regarding this equipment: The person who signs for it is held responsible for the care and maintenance of it and all damage to it will be paid for by the borrower. There is a maximum of three months loan with the privilege of Post No. 85 recalling equipment in case of emergency, but the loan period may be extended by approval of the officer in charge. The property is transferable only with the approval of the Post and cannot be moved out of Orange County without the approval of the Committee chairman.

## 782 Register For Vote

A total of 782 persons were eligible to vote in the May 20 Carrboro-White Cross school area merger referendum as of Monday morning.

During the past week a total of 590 new voters were registered in the two precinct polling places. Registration will continue this week at the registrars' homes and this Saturday for the final day, at the polling places.

Registrar Mrs. Luther Sturdivant in Carrboro said that 405 new registrants during the week and last Saturday brought the old total of 192 up to 597.

Registrar Mrs. Thomas Y. Teer at White Cross said this morning that 140 new registrants during the week and on Saturday brought her precinct total up from 45 to 185.

## Cates Elected Cameron Park PTA President

Fred Cates Jr. was installed as president of the Cameron Park Parents and Teachers Association Tuesday night and two other new officers were elected.

Other new officers are: vice-president, Mrs. O. B. Hobbs, who will serve one year to complete the term of Mrs. Robert Murphy, who resigned after one year; and Everett Kennedy, treasurer.

Harry P. Breeze, outgoing president, presided over the last meeting of this school year. During the business session it was voted to continue the music program next year.

Ted Shoaf, principal, announced a projector was bought for the school with proceeds from a magazine subscription sale conducted by the students. Shoaf told the parents there is a possibility students may be able to have art lessons next year under the direction of an art instructor. This will be conducted similar to piano lessons with the students paying for them.

Outgoing President Breeze thanked the group for their "excellent cooperation" for the past two years and said that any success the Association may have had was due to the fine group of officers and members of the Association who have given their time and effort. He also stated that if a count of attendance had been taken at each meeting he felt sure that Cameron Park would rank highest in the State for attendance at their meetings.

Mr. Shoaf's fourth grade won the attendance award for having the most parents present.

## Elon Prexy To Address Local Alumni

Dr. J. Earl Danieley, president of Elon College, will address the annual dinner meeting of the Durham-Orange Chapter of the Elon College Alumni Association which will be held in Harvey's Cafeteria at Durham at 7 o'clock tonight.

All of the large group of former Elon students in the area have been urged to attend the sessions. President of the Durham-Orange Chapter is Mrs. Lyman Wilkins, of Durham and arrangements for the banquet are in charge of C. Carl Woods Jr. also of Durham.

## Dairy Princess To Be Named As Part Of June Dairy Month

An Orange County Dairy Princess will be selected on May 23.

Nominations for the County Princess should be sent to Quentin Patterson, Soil Conservation Service, not later than May 20. The selection and crowning of the 1958 North Carolina will be a part of the observance of June Dairy Month. Local awards will be given to the Orange County Princess, who will compete in the area and state contest.

To be eligible for the contest, the nominees must meet the qualifications listed.

- She must be at least 16 years of age by June 1, 1958, and must be under 25 years of age as of June 1, 1958. She must be at least a senior in high school for the 1958-59 school year. Additional education is desirable.
- She must not be, nor have been, married.
- She must be available for personal appearances during the



WHERE'S THE OTHER END OF THIS DRAIN? That's the question a sizeable crowd of onlookers were asking at the courthouse parking lot Tuesday afternoon as Sheriff's Deputies poured 138 gallons of white liquor into the drain. The 23 cases of illicit booze and the pick-up truck on which it was loaded had been captured a few hours earlier near Elland on the Cedar Grove road where it had been left parked by the side of the road. Deputies Burch Compton and Malone Long, who drew the pour-

## Central School Bids Opening Set For May 20

Bids for the construction of a new building for the recently burned Central High School at Hillsboro will be opened in the courtroom of the old Courthouse on Tuesday, May 20, at 2 p.m.

Plans for construction of the high school building to cost in the neighborhood of \$210,000 have received approval and been distributed to contractors.

This week, the county accountant announced the receipt of \$152,000 from the State Insurance Department, which carried the fire insurance on the building, in full settlement of damages from the lost building and the county commissioners by resolution acted to purchase 6 months deposit certificates of the Durham Bank and Trust Company to earn 1 1/2% on the idle money until it is needed to pay for work on the new building.

## MUSEUM OPEN

The Orange County Historical Museum, which is located in the upstairs of the old courthouse, is open every Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock.

## LEAVE FOR ARMY

Mrs. Willie Lee Lynch, clerk of the local draft board, reports that on Tuesday four men left for induction into the armed service and 20 for physicals.

## Schools Budget Request Up 16%

With the beginning of a new fiscal year less than 60 days away, some departments of the county government began the parade of budget requests before the Board of County Commissioners at the Monday morning meeting.

The budget for the county schools, which consumes the largest segment of the tax dollar, was approved earlier the same day by the Board of Education, and later presented by that body to the Commissioners.

Dr. O. D. Garvin, district health

officer, presented the health budget request for this county's share of the Orange-Person-Chatham-Lee district operation.

The proposed school budget for the county system calls for an increase of 16.8% over last year's budget, with well over half of the increase being required for principal and interest payments on bonded indebtedness for schools, these payments being swelled this year by virtue of the first payments required on the first million dollars sold of the \$2 million bond issue approved in 1956.

The request for current expense funds totalled \$117,020, an increase of \$10,372; capital outlay \$116,906, an increase of \$12,172; and debt service \$169,049.35, an increase of \$35,489.35; making a total increase of \$58,033.35 over last year's allotment.

Last year's county school budget totalled \$344,942. The proposed budget for next year totals \$402,975.35.

Most of the current expense increases are stimulated by the con-

tinuing enlargement of school facilities while capital outlay increases are necessitated largely by the requirement for furnishings for new buildings.

Dr. Garvin for the health department requested a minimum appropriation of \$27,000 from Orange County with an appropriations goal of \$1 per capita, if it could be achieved. This would bring the Orange contribution to an excess of \$35,000 for the health operation as compared to the 1957-58 appropriation for this purpose of \$25,000.

## Modification Of Electrical Code Slated

Prospects that some of the more restricting phases of the county's new electrical code will be modified by the Board of County Commissioners appeared evident at Monday's meeting.

Considerable objection has been voiced, it is understood, to some of the requirements, especially those requiring the supervision on the premises at all times of a licensed electrician and the inclusion of farm buildings under the code.

The modifications, it can be assumed on the basis of the discussions, will probably permit minor wiring without prior permit and eliminate the requirement that all wiring be done by a licensed electrician, thus permitting the private wiring of certain farm buildings, such as chicken houses, etc., not intended as dwellings.

Following the discussion, the proposed changes were turned over to County Attorney A. H. Graham for his study and recommendations at the next board meeting.

## Excess Wheat Acreage Must Be Destroyed

Twenty six wheat producers in Orange County planted wheat in excess of their wheat allotment or 15 acres whichever was greater for the 1958 harvesting year.

Twenty four of these producers have visited the Orange County ASC Office and deposited money to have a representative of the ASC Office visit their farm and measure off the excess acreage, so it might be destroyed to avoid paying a Marketing Quota Penalty for harvesting excess wheat.

May 15th is the final date by which this excess wheat must be destroyed to avoid being charged a penalty. If this excess wheat is not destroyed prior to May 15th, the producer will be charged penalty on all the wheat acreage that exceeds the farm allotment, and not on the amount that exceeds the 15 acres of permitted wheat acreage per farm provided the producer does not want price support. The excess wheat may be destroyed by: disking, mowing or fencing off and grazing.

## 17 Boy Scouts Get Awards At Honor Court

Awards were presented to 17 Orange County Scouts at a District Court of Honor held Sunday evening at the United Church.

William R. Cherry, representing the sponsoring church group for host Troop 835, presided over the program, which included five advancements to the Second Class rank, two to Star rank, and 10 merit badge presentations.

William S. Stewart presented the Second Class badges to Ronnie King, Richard Shaw, John Graves, and Tony Ambrosio of Troop 835 and to Charles Crawford of Troop 438, Hillsboro.

The Star rank was presented by Richard Donnan to Dupree Jones of Troop 438 and to Joe Forrest of Troop 450, Effland.

Frank Umstead awarded merit badges to the following Scouts, all of Troop 438: Jimmy Strayhorn, Jack Knight, Gene Knight, Billy Lynch, Jimmy Parsley, Dupree Jones, Johnny Midgett, Kenneth Bobbitt, Charles Crawford, and Joe Eskridge.

## County Farm Agencies Enter 'Progress' Contest

The Orange County Agricultural Workers' Council voted to enter the County of the Year in Community Development contest at a meeting in Hillsboro Monday afternoon.

The contest is sponsored by the North Carolina Board of Farm Organizations and Agricultural agencies.

Three prizes are being offered. To the first place county winner in Community Development—\$500 and plaque.

To the second place County Winner in Community Development—\$300 and plaque.

To the county in which Negro communities have accomplished most—\$300 and plaque.

These awards will be offered each year through 1960.

In the discussion, members of the Agricultural Workers' Council pointed out that Orange County's 1958 Rural Progress Program fits in perfectly with the objectives of the County of the Year in Community Development contest. Even the dates, November 1, 1957 to Oct. 31, 1958 coincide.

The Rural Progress Program of Orange County is designed to



NAMED BY JAYBIRD — Expressive winner of the Chapel Hill Jaycees' fun-making Jaybird award—for the second successive year—is John Allen Cates, seen with his unique bird-in-gilded cage trophy. It was presented by Club Jaybird Paul Sexton at Friday evening's ladies' night installation banquet for the Chapel Hill Jaycees.

## Army 'Copter Lands In Area In Emergency

An Army helicopter, one of two enroute to Ft. Bragg Sunday, developed drive shaft trouble in the air near here and through quick thinking and good technique the aviator landed successfully with no damage to aircraft or personnel.

The craft, one of the Army's small two-seaters, made an emergency landing just as the shaft broke in a pasture on the farm of William T. Laws on the Faucette-Mill Road, two miles northwest of Hillsboro around 5 p.m.

The other helicopter came back and landed in the field. Around 9 o'clock a larger copter from Ft. Bragg flew repair parts in and with the help of lights from a tractor it was repaired. The three aircraft took off around 10 o'clock for the Durham Airport to refuel and go on to Fort Bragg.

## Anti-Merger Forces Not Fighting Payment Of Supplementary Tax

The Carrboro School Development Council "is fighting for a better education for Carrboro boys and girls," declared Dick Andrews at a campaign conference on Tuesday.

"And now that we have one of the best elementary school plants in North Carolina, we believe our children will be best served by home rule."

The Council is the organization opposing the merger of Carrboro and White Cross schools with those of the Chapel Hill administrative district. The matter will be decided at an election to be held on May 20. Only citizens of Carrboro and White Cross can vote in this special election; and they have to be specially registered before sunset next Saturday. The Carrboro books will be at the City Hall while the White Cross books will be at the Grange Building all day Saturday.

Mr. Andrews went on to say that the Council's fight was not against paying supplementary school taxes, which will be required if the merger passes. "As a matter of fact, the very people who started the Council have been trying to get a special Carrboro school tax for years, as the record proves," he said. "And after we have defeated this effort to turn Carrboro's new school over to Chapel Hill, we'll try again. We don't mind the tax but we do object to our school becoming the step-child of the Chapel Hill district."

During the discussion it was pointed out by Mr. Andrews that if Carr-

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## ADD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

While Charlotte Spencer Bell leads the testing legal reforms in Carolina—such as judges elected instead of elect-people—he is having troubles right on his

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EDING . . . One of the most weddings ever held in Carolina occurred a few when former Congress- Deane's daughter, Be- came the bride of Rich- Sherman, of California. natives from 17 nations at the First Baptist OUNDUP, Page 2)