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School Finance Study Unit Seeks 10-Year Budget Data

ycock Wins Trophy r Sportsmanship; rls' Team Champs

High School has receiv- wide recognition for the nship and conduct of its d student body at home uring the current basket- on.

pecial School Award, a sil- for sportsmanship, was to the Aycock team fol- he finals in the North t Basketball Tournament a Saturday night.

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ycock lassies defeated Hel- o 38 to take the first con- title in the school's his-

a Wrenn, a senior, was he "most valuable" player and Pat Compton, sopho- rward, were named mem- the All-Conference team.

Bops' team was eliminated first round of play in the

White's Led In Wage Hike For Industry

Announcement of general wage increases in several segments of the furniture industry earlier this week brought public revelation that White Furniture Company had been the first to raise wages, back on January 5..

The increases affected some 500 furniture employees at plants in Mebane and Hillsboro.

The wage increases granted by White's on January 5 brought employees to a $1.25 minimum hourly wage, and since that time, there has been a percentage raise given, with hourly wage earners receiving increases ranging from six to 11 cents an hour.. Office workers also were raised.

Legion Post 'Hut' Repairs Are Completed

The local American Legion Post 85 has completed the renovation of its "hut" on Churton Street here at a cost of over $5,000, following the extensive fire damage in December.

The renovations and improvement program included repairing all fire, heat and smoke damage to floors, ceilings, and porches, refinishing the ballroom, completely rebuilding and pine paneling of the social lounge, and repainting the building throughout, inside and out.

Use of the "hut" will be resumed this coming Saturday night with a social event for members being arranged as the opening event.

The regular monthly meeting of the Post membership will be held at the Hut next Tuesday night, March 3.

CAKE SALE

A cake sale sponsored by the Hillsboro High School newspaper staff will be held at the old post-office building this Saturday. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will continue until all the cakes are sold.

NEW OFFICERS of Eagle Lodge No. 19 A. F. & A. M. of Hillsboro are (left to right), front row: Delmar Brown, senior warden; Chandler H. Cates, master; Lawton W. Pettit, junior warden; Charles Williams, secretary. Second row: John Tolar, junior deacon; John Mangum and Harvey Gates, stewards. Top row: W. L. Smith, tyler and H. O. Bivins, treasurer. Others not pictured above are Milton Smith, senior deacon and G. A. Brown, chaplain. Officers were installed January 2.

Laws Assault Case To Jury Yesterday

The trial of Eddie D. Laws of Little River township entered its third day yesterday and a jury verdict had still not come in late yesterday morning.

Laws, young white resident of the Caldwell area, was charged with shooting James Mack, a Negro, in the eye at Caldwell Community Store last year with intent to kill, and damage to property.

Testimony alleged that the pair had had a falling out while engaged in the liquor traffic and that Laws believed Mack was gunning for him. They met and there was an exchange of shots from their respective automobiles parked just outside the store owned by Robert Murray.

A jury was selected Monday afternoon, but when one juror failed to appear Tuesday morning, a mistrial was called and another jury was selected and the case begun again. The jury retired to its deliberations about mid-morning Wednesday.

Durham Attorney "Dog" Brogden, private prosecutor, and Defense Attorney Paul Ranson engaged in frequent vitriolic exchanges which drew reprimands from the judge and added an histrionic touch to the proceedings.

The February term of Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases began Monday in Hillsboro with Judge Henry A. McKinnon of Lumberton presiding.

In early cases tried:

Victor B. Whitted was given 12 months in State Prison suspended for two years on payment of $150 and costs on the charges of manufacturing liquor, possession of equipment for manufacturing and illegal possession.

Herbert Cannada was given 30 days in the county jail for public drunkenness, suspended on payment of $10 fine and costs.

Carlos Lee Currie, escape, 12 months in State Prison to begin at expiration of sentence he is now serving, suspended for two years on condition he is of good behavior and not violate any State or Federal law during that time.

Albert Smith, Charles W. Childress and Johnnie Johnson were each given six months to be served at State Prison on charges of escape to begin at expiration date of term they are now each serving.

A true bill of indictment of arson was found by the Grand Jury against Eddie Davis for arson. He

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ABC Store, Warehouse Combined At Local Site

Plans are virtually complete for the establishment of the county's first Alcoholic Beverage Control Store and warehouse on the Cates property near the intersection of Highways 70 and 86, north of Hillsboro.

It was revealed yesterday that a satisfactory contract-lease agreement had been worked out between ABC officials and property owners and the document was being drawn by A. H. Graham, attorney for the board. Details as to rental and other matters were not revealed pending formal approval.

Tentative plans had been made to establish the warehouse and office for the board in the Dairy building on E. King St. but conferences with State ABC officials brought the conclusion that the building would be unsatisfactory from a space standpoint for that purpose.

Plans now tentatively approved call for the erection of a single building with 59 feet frontage and 77 feet depth which will house both the retail store (24' x 65') and the office-warehouse.

Construction is expected to get underway in the next few days and be completed in about six weeks.

Meanwhile, no action has been taken in connection with the hiring of a County ABC Manager and office secretary. Applications for both posts are being accepted by the acting Chairman R. J. Smith Sr. in Hillsboro.

Progress is still at a standstill on establishment of a store in the Chapel Hill area pending the recovery of Dr. D. D. Carroll, who was named by the joint appointing boards as ABC chairman.

Grand Jury Says New Jail Urgent

The Orange County Grand Jury, which for the past several years has perennially harped on the condition of plumbing in the county jail, went a giant step farther this week.

It reported to His Honor, Judge Henry A. McKinnon, judge presiding over his first term of Superior Court here, that "a new jail is an urgent need."

This conclusion followed a discussion of "less than satisfactory" conditions discovered by the jury's inspection committee when it visited the County Jail on Monday.

In dismissing the Grand Jury for the term, Judge McKinnon thanked them for their ervices but made no comment relative to contents of the report.

Wrote the jury in its report signed by W. W. Boger, foreman, of Chapel Hill:

"A committee of the Grand Jury on February 23 found the County Jail in less than satisfactory condition. It is still badly in need of painting but, except for bedding, which is very dirty, is probably as clean as it could be kept under the circumstances. It shows evidence of general neglect, hot water is apparently not available in adequate quantity, and one light switch and plate were hanging loose from the wall and the wiring exposed. A new jail is an urgent need."

The committee found the Chapel Hill jail in "excellent condition," and the facilities at the State rison Camp in this county "in good order, with cell blocks so clean as to give the appearance of regular cleanliness, beds well made, and food preparation very good in both quality and variety."

Turning to another subject the Grand Jury had a recommendation for the county's three Justices of the Peace, while finding their reports "generally in order." The jury said it "would recommend, however, that hereafter the Justices of the Peace report the charge, the amount of costs, and the fine in each case handled."

Hayman Heads Committee; Begins Study

The newly formed countywide committee named by the County Commissioners to study school financing began sifting the mass of statistical data and hearing the experts Tuesday night at its first general meeting since a preliminary organizational meeting.

At Tuesday night's meeting Donald Hayman of Chapel Hill, a member of the Institute of Government staff, was named permanent Chairman; Harry P. Breeze of Hillsboro was named vice chairman, and Mrs. Bernard Boyd of Chapel Hill was named temporary secretary.

After hearing statements from Superintendents G. Paul Carr of the Orange County administrative unit, Superintendent Joseph Johnston of Chapel Hill's administrative unit, and County Accountant Sam Gattis and receiving a mass of statistical data from the three officials, the study committee called for projected budgets from each unit based on projection of needs for the next 10 years.

Specifically the two units were asked to present a Project A Budget to show the normal increases to be expected with no increase in the level of services offered; and a Project B Budget which show what increase in services are needed.

Presented to the committee Tuesday night were copies of current budgets of both units, tables showing property valuation, the status of the building programs, valuation of buildings, average daily attendance, division of the tax dollar and other statistical data designed to enlighten the study group.

The entire citizens' study set-up is a result of the continuing tug-of-war between the two school units for a larger share of the tax dollar and for the appropriation of additional tax dollars for school purposes.

e-School ents Begin Schools

re-School Registration and Schedule has been an- by the Health Depart- th the exception of Cedar School which will be held school on the same days "Well-Baby" Clinic is held

ron Park School—Registra- y, Feb. 25 and Pre-School March 3.

Grove School — Registra- y, March 4, Pre-School March 19 and April 16.

al School — Registration arch 11, and Pre-School March 17.

d School—Registration Day, 18, and Pre-School Clinic 24.

Hillsboro School—Registra- y, March 25 and Pre-School March 31.

o c k School — Registration pril 15 and Pre-School Clin- l 21.

Local Gym Scene Of Area Tournament

By HARRY W. LLOYD

The modern new Hillsboro High School gymnasium will be the scene of the Eastern AA, District III basketball tournament next week.

Beginning March 4, eight cage teams will battle each other to decide the regional entrant to the NCHSAA tournament. At this time, the pairings for the four-day event are completely undecided, pending the results of eliminations in both the Northern and Southern divisions of the District.

Four teams from each division will compete in seven games in the single-elimination affair. The new athletic plant, with a capacity of a thousand spectators, has not been filled for a basketball game yet this season.. When the fighting for positions becomes intense between the teams, then the fans may have to struggle as equally hard to find a seat for the crucial playoff.

J. M. Kenyon Jr. Takes Soil Post In Ashe County

J. M. Kenyon Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kenyon of the Schley Community, has accepted an appointment as soil conservationist in Ashe County and began work this week.

Kenyon received his discharge from the Army in December after serving two years, part of which was spent in Germany. He and his wife are making their home in West Jefferson.

Hillsboro Merchants File Protest About Local Telephone Service

Members of the Hillsboro Merchants Association are requesting more efficient telephone service at their places of business.

Last Thursday at a luncheon meeting at the Colonial Inn the members of the Association voted to send a letter to the Roxboro office of the Morris Telephone Co. stating that "inefficient telephone service at their places of business is not only irritating and time consuming, but actually causes them to lose business." They further requested that "necessary technical steps be taken to give the service that they should reasonably expect from a business telephone."

It was pointed out that in some instances on a private line the phone can be picked up and other persons are talking. Frequently a busy signal is given before a number is even dialed and in some instances the phone does not even ring.

A copy of this letter is to be sent to the Town of Hillsboro and also to the State Utilities Commission in Raleigh.

Letters in the form of a questionaire are to be mailed to each member of the Association on their view of holding the monthly meeting. 1. As a coffee hour. 2. Should the meeting continue as they are now. 3. Would they like the luncheon to be added to the monthly dues. The results of the majority of the votes will decide the issue.

ASC Still Takes Cost-Sharing Applications

The Orange County ASC Office is still accepting requests from farmers for cost-sharing under the Agricultural Conservation Program for practices to be carried out this spring.

W. M. Snipes, Chairman of the Orange ASC County Committee, reported that an initial sign-up was held under the 1959 ACP during the month of January, however, he stated that he did not want a misunderstanding of this "Initial" sign-up to keep any eligible farmers out of the program. Although the initial sign-up is ended, applications for cost-sharing under the 1959 ACP are still being accepted on a day-to-day basis.

The County Office Manager has been authorized by the County Committee to approve requests of farmers where all requirements have been met. This means that if the practice in which a farmer is interested does not require technical approval and supervision by SCS, the farmer can, in one trip to the county office, request cost-sharing, have his request approved and if necessary obtain the purchase order, for materials or services.

Snipes stated that every time an acre of cropland is taken out of production of an allotment crop, our conservation needs are increased by that amount. Because of this reduced acreage, we have a terrific amount of conservation which needs to be carried out before we can even get back to where we were a few years ago. It isn't enough for us to just get back to where we were in the way of conservation accomplishments, we must add to these accomplishments to provide for further expanded needs in the way of production of food and fiber, he said.

Noted Negro Minister To Be Here Sunday

Dr. Vernon Johns, widely acclaimed as one of the top ten Negro ministers of the United States, will deliver the 11 o'clock sermon at Mt Bright Baptist Church Sunday morning, March 1.

A graduate of Virginia Union University, Dr. Johns also attended Virginia Theological Seminary and Oberlin University in Ohio. A past president of Virginia Theological Seminary, he is presently Dean of the School of Religion, Baltimore, Md.

The appearance of this nationally-known figure in Hillsboro is made possible through arrangements with Rev. F. J. Boddie, Jr., pastor of Mt. Bright, and other officials of the Religious Emphasis Week observance at Shaw University, Raleigh, where Dr. Johns is principal coordinator.

A holder of several honorary degrees and of many top ministerial posts, Dr. Johns preceded the famous Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama.

Leaders For Red Cross Fund Drive Named; Begins Monday

Plans are about complete for launching the 1959 Fund and Membership Campaign of the Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross, Campaign Chairman Allen Watkins announced today.

Monday, March 2 will be the kick-off date for the local chapter.

"We have a good organization," Mr. Watkins said, "and I'm sure that with the people who are leading the various Divisions we will have no trouble meeting our Chapter quota of $2,800."

The chairmen of the Various Divisions are as follows:

Jack Miller — Business Division, Mrs. Joe Reinhardt — Hillsboro Residential, James Faucette — Industry, Mrs. Irene Pender — Schools, A. L. Stanback — Colored, Mrs. John Forrest — South-west Orange, Mrs. Clair McDade — North-west, Mrs. Everett Kennedy — North-east, Mrs. Elizabeth Hodges,—West Hillsboro Resdential and Miss Betty June Hayes — South-east.

"Nearly 11,000 families are continuing to receive Red Criss help as a result of the January floods alone," Watkins points out.

"Added to these disasters are the February floods as well as the tornadoes, the worst of which destroyed a 30 block area of St. Louis. In all these disasters the Red Cross was on hand immediately with emergency food, clothing, and shelter, as well rehalibation as soon as the first emergency was eased. In all of these, the Red Cross being there means that you were there - if you are a Red Cross member. And as we would want it to be with stricken neighbors, our aid through the Red Cross was given freely, not loaned.

"When your volunteering neighbor calls on you next week with an opportunity to join the Red Cross, remember that he brings you a chance to help the victims of the next flood, fire, storm, or other disaster."

nley Post Is strict Host is Saturday

American Legion 16th Dis- pper will be held at Schley Hall this coming Saturday t 6:30 o'clock with legion- om throughout the three- district invited to attend.

American Legion State Com- , S. H. Hutchinson, is ex- to be the featured speaker. supper will be a dutch af- th a crarge of $1.50 per

day night's district meeting e Schley Post as host will last one comprising the district of Orange, Dur- nd Person counties. A re- nt of counties is scheduled place at the State conven- s summer.

n Will Address meron Park PTA

Vann, attorney of Durham esident of the North Caro- ung Democratic Club, will the Cameron Park Parents achers Association Tuesday t 7:30 o'clock in the school a.

will speak on the "New ts in Modern Education." rents and teachers are in- attend.

Umstead Sees

Little Opposition To Proposed Changes In State Election Laws

By JOHN W. UMSTEAD

The Commission to revise the State Constitution and the Commission to study plans for the election of Trustees of the Greater University both made their reports to the General Assembly during the past week. These reports were of interest to a large number of people, as well as the introduction of Bills changing the election law according to the recommendations of the State Board of Elections.

The main change in the Election Laws was the change of the date of the primary. We have been holding our primary the last Saturday in May and the Bill introduced by the Chairman of the Committee on Elections and Election Laws would change that date to the last Tuesday in June. The reason give for changing the day of voting from Saturday to Tuesday was that large numbers of voters in the state do not work on Saturday and might be away from home on week-end trips, and thus lose out in the voting. The change from May to June was due to the fact that many of those who considered the matter thought that the primary should be a bit nearer the date of the General Election in November.

Another Bill proposed as the result of the recommendations of the State Board of Elections would spell out the procedure in the case of a tie vote in the first primary and also in case of death of a candidate just before the primary was held. There appears to be little opposition to any of these proposed changes.

It was of interest to note that no Bill was introduced to abolish the absentee ballot in the General Election as was recommended by the State Board of Elections. There is no doubt about the fact that the use of absentee ballot in the General Election has been abused by both parties. If it is not to be abolished some further safeguard should be thrown around it to insure only it's legitimate use.

The Commission to make recommendations for a revised State Constitution had a rather lengthy report and one that showed there had been lots of study and consideration given both the old Constitution and recommendations by various citizens and groups as to what should be included in the new Constitution. Many of the recommendations are controversial and there will be much debate and study by members of the Legislature before a new Constitution is submitted to the people. I will discuss the several controversial

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Womanless Wedding At Aycock Tomorrow

There will be a "Womenless Wedding" tomorrow night at the Aycock School beginning at 8 o'clock under the sponsorship of the senior class.

The bride will be Will Wade and Donald McDade will be the groom.

Joe Compton will be soloist.

Others taking part will be: Charles Langston, Gordan Liner, Terry Fuqua, Jim Monk, Sherman Long, Tom Rountree, Curtis Nickles, Wilfred Phelps, Bos Anderson, John Hawkins, Bobby Hughes, Draughan Rountree, Coy Thompson Jr., Jule Allen, Oscar Thompson, Howard Thompson, Robert Isley, William Dorsett, Glen Carruthers, Gene Duke, Beau Wells, Bill Pope, Bunn Pope, Fred Cates Jr., D. J. Pope, Howard McKee, Wyatt Phelps, Carroll Pope and Knox Woods.

Clown Basketball Game Planned Here March 13 By PTA

Plans are underway for a "Clown Basketball" game to be held Friday night, March 13, at the Hillsboro High School Gym under the sponsorship of the Cameron Park PTA.

The planning committee, Mrs. K. C. Winecoff, Mrs. Hank Rhew, Joe Rosemond and Frank Frederick, announces the players will be local men. There will also be a "serious" game in addition to the main attraction.

So keep the date in mind—Friday, March 13.