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There's no reason to break the agreement

Above we discussed the necessity for enforcing local zoning laws if land use restrictions are to be meaningful at all.

Now comes before the Chapel Hill aldermen another test of whether the law is to be the law.

Some months ago a Durham boulevard property owner, anxious to develop his residentially-zoned land for business purposes, asked the Town Board to re-zone it. He proposed an agreement binding him to the terms of a then-proposed highly restrictive regional business zone in developing his land. The Board, in an attempt to be cooperative, approved the pact as desired by the land owner.

Now the land owner through his attorney admits that it will be impossible for him to develop the land as he wishes—specifically, to build a service station on it—in keeping with the terms of this agreement. So he asks to be relieved from the very agreement which he proposed and secured acceptance of only a few weeks ago.

In seeking to accommodate the land owner by accepting his proposal the Board went far more than "the first mile" toward helping him. Actually the aldermen dipped into the realm of the District Planning Board by assuming subsequent recommendation and passage of the new regional business zone. (It has now been recommended but is yet to be passed.)

Certainly the aldermen cannot now in the public interest acquiesce to the breaking of an agreement that they made at the request of a person who now wants to erect a structure that will not meet the high standards called for by this agreement.

The suburban commercial rezoning in this instance was granted by the aldermen with the assumption that it would enable the property owner to more quickly move ahead with a high-type business development in compliance with the then-proposed zoning amendment.

For either or both parties to now violate this agreement will violate a public trust.

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volved in hard labor over most of a summer, building a dam under direction of Freddie Utley on a tiny trickle of a branch that dribbled down the draw into the Stadium bottom.

The resulting four-foot-high dam and swimming hole was a thing of beauty a joy for several summers to the youthful constructors. The new geology building that will soon rise on this site will recall to a few local citizens yet left of this hardy band of young engineers the man-made geological wonder that previously occupied the site.

PRESENTS PAPER AT LONDON

Professor James G. Ingram of the University Department of Economics just returned from a 10-day Conference on the Economic Development of Asia held at London's School of Oriental and Asian Studies, London, England where he presented a paper entitled "Thailand's Rice Trade and the Allocation of Resources."

POLITICAL SCIENTIST IS APPOINTED

James Warren Prothro, visiting professor in the University Department of Political Science, has been appointed a professor in the political science department.



New Morehead Planetarium show to feature moon-shot project and what to expect

Now comes the Morehead Planetarium with its own theories why the Carolina moon is prettier and shines brighter than the moon of Missouri, on the Wash and over Miami.

In the show "Carolina Moon," now being presented at the Morehead Planetarium, it is pointed out:

1. "If we were located much farther north than North or South Carolina, the full moon would be so low in our skies as to be disguised by haze or hidden by buildings and trees to a much greater extent."

2. "If we were located much farther south, the full moon would not attract attention so often."

"Carolina Moon," a new program to run through Oct. 9, opened at the Morehead Planetarium last Friday night.

The demonstration highlights research and work being done to successfully place a man on the moon, what he should expect when he lands there and the current aspects of a moon space shot.

"This achievement," according to Planetarium Director Anthony F. Jenzano, "will probably be made sooner than anyone had imagined a few years ago, probably within the next ten years."

The program also touches on the prominence of the moon of Carolina, its phases, superstitions and eclipses.

Numerous effects and first-time-shown charts, date and maps will enable Planetarium patrons to appreciate the research, planning and labor that so far have contributed and will contribute to a successful moon shot.

They include the latest moon maps made by a U.S. Geological Survey team for the U.S. Army

Corps of Engineers.

Official current data on landing, movement and the relative ease of building structures on the moon also are given. Charts classifying areas of the moon scape likewise are presented though it is admitted that "man has to go there to get the actual facts."

Near the close of the program the audience suddenly finds itself imaginatively on the moon, a feeling made realistic by a beautiful panorama more than 200 feet in circumference. That leads to a discussion of the satellite's physical environment and of instruments needed to send to the moon in advance of man's trip.

"Carolina Moon" will be presented every evening at 8:30 and at matinees on Saturdays at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The school version of the program, recommended for children in grades 7 through 12, will be

given at 11 a.m., 1 and 4 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays. Advance reservations are necessary for the school programs only.

LYLE JONES IN DENMARK

Dr. Lyle V. Jones, Professor of Psychology at the University and Director of its Psychometric Laboratory, is, currently in Europe, where he was scheduled to arrive in Copenhagen on August 11. There he attended the XIVth International Congress of Applied Psychology, at which he presented a paper on psychological studies of aphasia. His itinerary included Warsaw, where he is visiting psychologists of the Polish Academy of Sciences, and the psychological laboratories of the University of Stockholm.

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