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FARMVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTERS SHOW LITTLE INTEREST IN SPECIAL BOND ELECTION

Judging from the few who have registered for the special school bond election since the books were opened three weeks ago, Registrar C. M. Paylor's office in the Municipal building isn't the most popular place in town.

Registration books for the election, which will be held October 18 and determine whether or not Farmville district will issue \$200,000 in bonds and levy an additional 15 cents for making additional improvements, are now open at the Town Hall.

Since Saturday marks the closing of the registration period, those who fail to place their names on the book before sunset tomorrow will be denied the privilege of voting in the election.

Up to yesterday morning, only 102 persons had registered, an alarmingly small percentage of the qualified voters in Farmville district.

With the \$200,000 from the sale of bonds, the school board plans to construct a new colored school and use the remainder, possibly \$50,000, for making improvements to the white school. The colored pupils, 778 of them, are attending school in a frame building, constructed from sections of the old white school torn down years ago. The need for a new building is acute.

With the funds made available annually by the 15-cent levy, the board will provide improvements to make the Farmville school an "above standard" school. These include a commercial teacher, public school music teacher, band leader, full-time coach, and other activities which mean the difference between a good school and a superior school.

Members of the school board have expressed a desire that the registration and vote be as large as possible and that an accurate picture of the wishes of Farmville voters be obtained. The members favor the proposals but at the same time they have let it be known that they are not in favor of proceeding if the sentiment, as expressed at the ballot box, is in opposition to the issues.

Thumb-Nail Sketches Of Farmville Folks

MRS. I. D. KIRKLIN

The difference in the way tobacco is grown in her native state of Tennessee and the manner in which Eastern Carolinians raise and cure it has greatly impressed Mrs. Isaac Dennis Kirklm, who came to Farmville in the summer. After buying fertilizer and fuel and paying for extra helpers to put it in, she wonders that the farmers in this section make a profit.

Around Gallatin, Tenn., her hometown, the farmers cultivate burley tobacco without, as a rule, fertilizing the land prior to planting time except by crop rotation, cut the whole stalk when it has reached maturity and hang the stalks in barns where the leaves dry without use of artificial heat. Women, she says, have little part in harvesting the crop. Their job comes when it is time to grade and tie the tobacco for market.

The Kirklms—Mr. and Mrs. and their two year old son, Bill—moved here from Warsaw after Mr. Kirklm was appointed superintendent of the Pitt-Greene R. E. A. Before residing in Warsaw they lived in Wilmington for five years. There she taught a class of Intermediate girls at St. Andrews Covenant for a year and was active in the Young Married Women's circle.

During the war years Wilmington was a cosmopolitan city where people with a variety of names were found, relates Mrs. Kirklm, who says that she ran across a Californian stationed there with the same surname before marriage—Baber. She is the former Mary Baber.

Mrs. Kirklm is a graduate of Nashville Business college, Nashville, Tenn., and worked as a stenographer in Gallatin prior to her marriage in 1940. Tennis, swimming and motor boating along with reading are activities which she enjoys.

Since coming to Farmville she has joined Circle 2 of the Presbyterian church.

LEGION MEETS TONIGHT

The Farmville Post, American Legion will hold its regular meeting tonight (Friday) at 7 o'clock in the lunch room at the high school.

Members planning to attend are requested to get Arthur P. Joyner, chairman of the Post committee, in time to make possible to place names accordingly.

Charles Edwards in the chapter will be special guests. Ray Sings and his band will furnish music during the supper hour.

At The Kiwanis Club

John B. Lewis, chairman of the Farmville school board, explained the issues to be voted on in the election of October 18 and urged that citizens register before books close tomorrow (Saturday), in his talk Monday night at the Kiwanis club. Mr. Lewis was introduced by Supt. Sam D. Bundy.

Bernice Turnage, in charge of the program, then presented an interesting sound picture, on wild life, from the Winchester company's library. The school's new projector was used for the program.

At an early date, the club will have tobacco buyers, graders and others prominently associated with the local market, as its special guests.

Bill Garner will have charge of the program Monday night.

Presbyterian Laymen Launch Campaign For Home Missions

(Greenville Daily Reflector)

The largest church gathering of Presbyterian laymen and women ever held in Albemarle Presbytery was convened here Sunday afternoon by Dr. Harold J. Dudley, chairman of the Home Missions Committee of the Presbytery. More than 300 representative men and women attended from all sections of the Presbytery.

The object of the meeting was for the lay members of the church to discuss the Home Mission Building needs of the Presbytery, and to determine what action should be taken regarding the proposed campaign to raise \$200,000 required to meet these needs.

On call by Dr. Dudley for the election of a presiding officer and secretary, Henry A. Walker of Kinston was elected chairman and Willard T. Kyzzer of Greenville, as secretary.

Dr. E. E. Gillespie of Greensboro, superintendent of Home Missions for the Synod of North Carolina, in addressing the gathering said: "The kind of campaign you propose here today, if successful, would advance the cause of Home Missions in your Presbytery in a tremendous way, and that for Albemarle, next to the smallest in the State, to do such a thing, would not only challenge the entire North Carolina Synod, but the church as a whole. In my opinion, the success of this campaign would be the means of raising more than a million dollars for the cause of Home Missions for our church."

A motion was made by Hunter B. Keck of Greenville to approve a campaign beginning November 2, 1947, to raise the \$200,000 for building purposes of the Presbytery. The motion was unanimously adopted, thus launching "The Laymen's Movement for Home Missions in Albemarle Presbytery," with the following officers and district chairmen by districts:

Henry A. Walker of Kinston, general chairman; James S. Ficklen of Greenville, treasurer, and J. Nat Harrison of Greenville as campaign director.

Chairmen by districts are: No. 1, Dr. Corbett E. Howard and W. F. Algray of Goldsboro; No. 2, R. E. Sheppard and John H. Carter of Kinston; No. 3, H. B. Smith and W. L. Hand of New Bern; No. 4, A. P. Thorpe, Jr., and F. M. Pridden of Rocky Mount; No. 5, Judge Herbert R. Taylor, Jr., and Samuel A. McConeky of Tarboro; No. 6, Colon W. McKean of Washington and H. B. Mayo of Chowhity; No. 7, E. B. Crow, Jr., and D. W. Woodard of Washington; No. 8, J. H. Moye and Guy V. Smith of Greenville; No. 9, A. W. Houtz of Elizabeth City and Johnnie Mitchell of Ahoskie; No. 10, G. Henry Pittman of Falkland and John B. Lewis of Farmville; No. 11, S. B. Kittrell of Pinetops and N. F. Lovelace of Macclesfield; No. 12, M. C. House and Marion Cobb of W. Hamston.

D. A. R.

The Major Benjamin May chapter, D. A. R., will resume its activities after adjournment for the summer with a meeting this afternoon at 4:30 at the chapter house with Mrs. T. C. Turnage, regent, Mrs. W. C. Holston, Mrs. G. A. Rouse and Mrs. E. B. Heasley of Fountain as hostesses.

In development of the year's program, "Your Community and Mine," Editor James B. Hockaday of the "Farmville Enterprise" will speak on "The Community Newspaper."

The business session will deal with the chapter home dedication scheduled for November.

The late afternoon meeting will be followed by a supper at which husbands and other interested friends of the chapter will be special guests. Ray Sings and his band will furnish music during the supper hour.

Farm News From County of Greene

J. Paul Frizzelle, Jr., Snow Hill, is erecting an up-right metal silo on his farm in Shine township. This silo, 32 feet high and 14 feet in diameter, will hold 100 tons of silage. Mr. Frizzelle has 86 acres of sorghum that he plans to put in this silo for winter feeding of his herd of 100 beef cattle.

W. F. Welfare, R-2, Snow Hill, from a 2 acre field seeded to alfalfa in the fall of 1946, has harvested in four cuttings this year, 166 bales of alfalfa hay. Mr. Welfare has seeded this week an additional three acres of alfalfa.

An estimated crowd of 1300 Farm Bureau members attended a barbecue supper at the Snow Hill high school on Friday, Sept. 26. No meeting was held as this was the supper planned for a previous meeting when due to unavoidable circumstances, no supper was served. There has been some argument as to the number fed, however, we do know that the following was consumed by the crowd: 935 pounds of barbecue; 5000 pieces of corn bread; 500 pounds of slaw, and 1700 soft drinks. This is a lot of food for a lot of people.

Memberships turned in by workers at this meeting, plus the ones turned in at the previous meeting are as follows: Bullhead township, 161; Carra, 69; Hookerton, 456; Jason, 109; Olds, 225; Ormonds, 325; Shine, 98; Snow Hill, 184; Speight's Bridge, 251. Total membership now is 1877.

October 1 To 8 Set Aside As National Newspaper Week

It is altogether fitting that several thousand communities across the nation should set aside a little time from October 1-8 to appraise and pay tribute to the local newspaper.

Editors and publishers want the public to realize what the local newspaper means to a community, as a service unit unexcelled.

Some people might think that newspapers don't need a special week or don't need a special program in the light of the fact that 51,000,000 persons in this country buy a newspaper every day, and 18,000,000 buy one each week.

One trouble is that too many of these readers do not stop to think about what is back of the newspaper they read. Visitors to newspaper plants marvel at the way a paper is compiled and prepared for distribution. They marvel at the way their papers keep them informed with the weeklies putting emphasis on home news, only, and the larger papers covering home and world-wide affairs.

Too Early Withdrawal From Japan?

American occupation authorities in Tokyo have been quoted as expressing serious concern over the possibility that an early peace treaty may result in a premature ending to Japan's lessons in democracy.

Most American officials in Japan, and notably Gen. Douglas MacArthur himself, have been strong advocates of an early treaty as a means of bringing an end to uncertainties which might hinder Japan's economic rehabilitation.

But with an early treaty now much more of a certainty, there is some apprehension felt over the possibility that it will signal the termination of the occupation machinery as presently constituted.

A few months ago such apprehension was rarely voiced. It was a fairly well-accepted conclusion that the new peace treaty would usher in a new phase of occupation, probably to be handled by an international control commission.

An international commission consisting of representatives of the 11 Allied nations might set up headquarters in Japan. Or as an alternative suggestion, the job of international control might be exercised by the heads of the diplomatic missions which are at present resident in Tokyo.

Earlier acceptance of such an evolution, however, has now undergone a noticeable change. The change is not voiced officially. But if an informal poll of key occupation personnel on operating levels were to be taken at this time, it would disclose a distinct objection to turning Japan over to an international control body in anything less than 18 months to 2 years.

A small amount of this objection might be attributed to the zeal or personal interest of authorities who want to "see through" the job they are performing. But for the most part it is based upon a realistic recognition of two things:

1. An international control commission, in view of present big power relations, would be severely handicapped in reaching agreement on problems relative to Japan demilitarization.

2. The job of providing a framework for Japan's political, economic, and social reform has not been com-

Miss Marjorie Beal, State Librarian, Will Speak Here

Miss Marjorie Beal, chairman of the state library commission in Raleigh, will be guest speaker at the covered dish supper given by the Woman's club next Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Miss Annie Perkins and Mrs. J. M. Hogwood will be hostesses in the home of the latter.

Members of the Junior Woman's, Literary, Garden and Merry Matrons clubs are invited to attend.

Farmville Pastor Addresses Snow Hill Chapter D.A.R.

Rev. Z. B. T. Cox, pastor of the Farmville Christian church, brought a timely message on "World Peace and How It Can Be Brought About" to members of the Col. Alexander McAllister chapter, D. A. R., of Snow Hill, which met with Mrs. Fred Darden at her country home near Farmville, Saturday afternoon. Dahlias and other fall flowers were used in pleasing arrangements.

Mrs. H. A. Taylor, vice regent, led the pledge of allegiance and the Americans' creed after which Miss Payne Siger, chaplain, presented a devotional on how a person should live in order to have peace that passeth all understanding.

During the business session the chapter voted to invite the district meeting to be held with them in 1948. Miss Adelaide Darden was chosen as the page for the district meeting which was held in Wilson Wednesday.

The regent, Mrs. J. W. Parker, made an announcement relative to members bringing old clothes to the meeting at the home of Mrs. J. I. Morgan to be sent to Crossmore, well-known Mrs. Earline Frase of Greenville who transferred her membership to the chapter and expressed regret at the death of Miss Ida Cowan of Durham who joined the group a short time before her untimely death.

Mrs. Harry Taylor read a message from the president-general.

Mrs. Clay Stroud, Jr., and Mrs. Robert Booth of Ayden, who were presented by the hostess, sang "Cielito Lindo" and "Autumn Lullaby," accompanied by Mrs. J. H. Coward of Ayden. Assisted by her daughter, Miss Adelaide Darden, and by Mrs. Sidney Carr, the hostess served chicken salad potato chips, cheese straws, sweet pickle peaches, olives, cucumber pickles, crax and hot coffee. Special guests were Mrs. Preston M. Murphrey, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Coward, Mrs. Stroud and Rev. Cox.

October 5-11 Is Fire Prevention Week

WHEREAS, destructive fires took more lives and destroyed greater values in natural and created resources during 1947 than ever before; and

WHEREAS, the President's Conference on Fire Prevention which met in Washington last May developed a truly national approach to the fire problem in which public authorities and private agencies have been united behind a constructive Action Program; and

WHEREAS, our citizens by exercising greater care and caution may help to prevent the vast majority of fires; and

WHEREAS, there is always the possibility of some such tragedy striking one of our schools, reaching the fingers of death into many homes, stopping the processes of education in a single community for many weeks in this period of building material shortages and man power shortage; and

WHEREAS, each unit of our civilization strives to do its share in building in all ways a happier tomorrow, it is the duty of all private citizens as well as constituted authorities to do their utmost to stop any needless sacrifice of human lives and waste of our vital resources; and

WHEREAS, fire drills have been scheduled in the schools of our state and should be carried out with a universal response;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. W. Joyner, in virtue of the authority invested in me as Mayor of the Town of Farmville, invite every man, woman and child to assume his individual responsibility in this emergency, in order that lives and property in our nation may be conserved. I ask the local Police Department, Fire Department, business and local organizations, the churches and schools, civic groups, and the press, throughout the Town to cooperate fully in the observance of Fire Prevention Week, October 5-11, and I direct that these groups assist in arousing the public to the growing threat of fires.

J. W. JOYNER, Mayor Town of Farmville.

REVIVAL MEETING

A revival meeting is now in progress at the Pentecostal Holiness church, North Waverly street, with Mrs. J. Paul Jones delivering the message each evening at 7:30. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be a special song fest with singers from Wilson, Tarboro and Greenville participating.

Mrs. Jones is a graduate of Dr. Holmes Bible college, Greenville, S. C.

LOCAL MARKET HITS HIGHEST PEAK OF SEASON AS BETTER QUALITY TOBACCO IS SOLD

At The Rotary Club

John Stasili was in charge of the Rotary club program Tuesday night and presented as his guest, Mrs. Cherry Easley, who spoke on the problems of the youth of today. She stated that their behavior, after they have gone into other sections, largely depends on the proper home training. Mothers and fathers, she explained, are sometimes too busy to give the boy and girl the understanding and time in their care and training to make the best citizens. They must be taught love and devotion for each other, as well as respect for high standards of living.

Rudolph Eagles of Tarboro was a visitor.

Methodist Women To Have Harvest Day

The October meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service to be held Monday afternoon has been designated as Harvest Day. At this time Methodist women will make a contribution to the local treasury, a fund which was realized in former years from the annual church bazaars.

Mrs. J. H. Harris will conduct a devotional and Mrs. W. M. Willis, program leader, will present Miss Edna Boone, who will develop the missionary topic.

Mrs. A. W. Bobbitt, president, will receive the harvest offering after which Mrs. Wesley R. Willis will offer the dedicatory prayer.

Following the meeting members of Circle 5 will entertain at an informal social hour in the basement of the church.

BAPTISTS TO HEAR MISSIONARY TUESDAY

Miss Vivian Nowell of Wendell, returned missionary from Orobomoso, Nigeria, Africa, will talk to the young people of the Baptist church at 3:30, Tuesday afternoon, about her work and interesting facts about that continent. At 7:45 that evening she will speak to the adults and other interested people. Both meetings are to be held in the church. Slides and pictures will be shown in connection with her talk.

A ladies' circle of the local church honored Miss Nowell when it was formed several years ago by naming the circle for her. Since the disbanding of the circle last year, the Junior Girls' auxiliary has been named in her honor.

A graduate of the Baptist Training school in Louisville, Ky., Miss Nowell did religious work in Raleigh before entering the foreign field, where she has been secretary to Dr. Green in Orobomoso and has done part time Sunday School teaching. The Annie Perkins circle and the Woman's Missionary society will attend Miss Nowell's talk in lieu of the regular meetings in October.

F. T. A.

A discussion led by Sam D. Bundy, superintendent, relative to employing a public school music teacher, was held Thursday afternoon at the Parent-Teacher Association's first meeting of the new school year.

Members voted to leave the decision of whether or not to secure a teacher to the executive committee and the school board.

Miss Anne L. Jones and Mrs. W. E. Joyner's sixth grades presented a musical program portraying the history of our nation. Teddy Allen also gave the speaking parts.

The staging of "America" opened the meeting, after which Rev. E. W. Holmes, Baptist minister, based his devotional on National Safety Week, bringing out the need for carefulness for one's self as well as for others. He closed with prayer.

Mrs. Cherry Easley made a talk in behalf of the Parent Teacher magazine, saying that teachers and parents have much to do with molding character and that the magazine can be helpful in teaching them how to do it.

Mrs. R. T. Williams, president, announced that the annual membership drive would start this week. Dr. J. M. Mewborn, chairman of the grounds committee, was authorized by a vote of the members to buy and plant rye grass on the school grounds.

John B. Lewis, chairman of the school board, talked about the school bond election and urged the members to register and vote.

Miss Marjorie Freeman's fourth grade won the room roll call. Punch and cookies were served by the social committee, of which Miss Ruth Parke is chairman, after adjournment. Several home economics girls assisted in serving.

With the appearance of the better grades of good smoking tobacco on Farmville warehouse floors this week, prices have been upped considerably and faces of many growers have been wreathed in smiles for the first time this year. Total sales through Tuesday, Sept. 30, amounted to 13,202,778 pounds, for a dollar value of \$5,800,477.86, giving an average for the season of \$40.15.

Sales for this week have averaged \$45.00.

It is interesting to note that the average for the local market is above the average for Eastern belt.

The amount sold to date on the local warehouse floors represents a 40 per cent of the 33 million pounds sold last year.

Oscar P. Hoffman, sales supervisor, announced today that on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week there will be broadcasts from the warehouse floors. Broadcasts will be at 9:15. On Monday it will originate at Farmers 1, on Tuesday at Monk's 1, and on Wednesday from Bell's. W. G. T. C., Greenville, will carry the broadcasts.

Main purpose of these broadcasts is to let farmers see for themselves that Farmville does live up to its reputation as being the steadiest market in the friendliest town.

Activities Of Local Church Organizations

Christian

Fourteen members attended the meeting of Group 1 at the home of Mrs. A. C. Turnage Monday night and were led in a discussion of "Hidden Answers" from the "World Call" by Mrs. Flave Darden. Mrs. Lloyd Smith was in charge of the devotional period, speaking about "The Divine Pattern of Christian Self-Control." Writings, words, careless gossip, unruly tempers and hasty judgments are things which must be guarded against, she stated. Her scriptural references were Psalms 141:3-4, Proverbs 16, and John 7:24.

After a discussion of the sale of Christmas cards, the hostesses served cookies and homemade ice cream. Mrs. C. E. Maaburn, Sr., was a guest.

Group 3 met with Mrs. John Barrett Tuesday evening. "The World's Need of Christianity" was used as the devotional topic by Mrs. Blanche Paschall. Mrs. J. O. Pollard led the discussion of "Hidden Answers." Hot tea and sandwiches were passed by the hostess.

Miss Minnie Mae Moore was devotional leader at Group 4 which met with Mrs. Robert Lee Smith Tuesday evening. Mrs. Ted Albritton had charge of the "Hidden Answers."

After a short business session, jello topped with whipped cream, homemade chocolate cake and salted nuts were served. Pyranantha berries and potted plants were used in the home of the hostess.

Episcopal

An apron sale to be held October 15 was planned by Altar Guild members Tuesday evening at their semi-monthly meeting held with Mrs. Frank Williams. Stanley products were distributed and notes of thanks were read. A prayer followed by the creed opened the meeting.

Refreshments were served at the close of the program after dismissal by prayer.

Methodist

A candlelight service at which new officers of the Methodist Youth Fellowship are to be installed will take the place of the regular evening worship hour at the Methodist church Sunday. Those who will be installed are: Doris Mae Barrett, president; Jackie Williford, vice president; Barbara Geece, secretary; John Russell Joyner, treasurer; committee chairman, Jess Carraway, recreation and leisure; Robert Rollins, worship; Mary Frances Allen, world fellowship; Bob Morgan, community service; Carolyn Roebuck, music.

Miss Edna Boone will be in charge of the service.

Presbyterian

Semi-annual reports were given by officers of the Presbyterian auxiliary at the meeting Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. C. F. Bacon. It was announced that Mrs. Robert Hough of Tarboro would conduct a Bible study in November.

Mrs. E. S. Coates gave the devotional and the program, "Have You Your Mind?"

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McKinney of Dublin, Ga., spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs. Herbert E. Hart. Mrs. Hart and son, Bert, returned with them for a visit.