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## WALSTONBURG CITIZENS PROTEST PROPOSAL TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR HIGH SCHOOL WITH SNOW HILL

The proposal to consolidate all the white high schools in Greene county with the Snow Hill high school has drawn organized opposition from citizens of the Walstonburg district who held a mass meeting Wednesday night and drafted petitions requesting the Board of Education not to carry out the consolidation program that was recommended in December after a group from the Department of Public Instruction had made a survey of the county's educational system.

The petitions will be presented to the county board at its meeting on the first Monday in April.

It is stated that county officials are postponing definite action until all sections of the county have been given an opportunity to express their views and opinions on the proposal which, if carried out, would leave only one high school, at Snow Hill, and would reduce Walstonburg, as well as other high schools in the county, to an elementary school.

Opponents of the recommendations based their stand on the ground that increasing the size of a high school does not guarantee a more efficient school and they further argue that moving the high school would deprive the community of many cultural and economic advantages to which patrons of the school are entitled.

The proposals, if carried out, will be largely financed with money the county is to receive from the school bonds voted last summer. Citizens of the Walstonburg district point out that they gave the bond issue the largest majority of any district in the county, that they expected to benefit from it and certainly did not expect to find themselves disadvantaged because of the stand they had taken.

## Census Takers To Receive Instruction In Local School

Thirty three enumerators who have been appointed to serve as census takers in Falkland, Bethel, Fountain, Belvoir, Farmville, Winterville and Ayden sections of Pitt county will attend a school here next week and receive instruction in the census which will begin on a nation-wide basis next Saturday, April 1.

The school will be taught by Curtis Flanagan of Farmville and T. K. Fountain of Falkland, crew leaders.

Pitt county has a total of 73 enumerators. This county is the largest in the 14-county First District and, consequently, has the largest number of enumerators, but the work is being organized to the extent that officials anticipate the mammoth job can be completed during the month of April.

The importance of the census cannot be over-emphasized, since the totals will be used to apportion congressional representation and other equally important matters.

All information given the census takers is confidential.

## State Dentist Works In Greene Schools

Dr. James E. Etheridge, working in collaboration with the North Carolina Department of Health, the public schools of Greene county and the Greene health department, has just completed a six-week period of dental work in the white schools of the county. Dr. Etheridge inspected 1502 children in the first six grades, who had previously been screened by their teachers. During the course of the six weeks, he cleaned the teeth of 605 pupils, filled 309 teeth, extracted 566 teeth and gave 1522 silver nitrate treatments. In addition, he gave 47 lectures on oral hygiene.

The dental clinic is one of the services offered to the school children as part of the program administered jointly by the schools of Greene county and the health department.

## SCOUTS TO PRESENT MUSICAL COMEDY BOON

The Girls Scouts of Troop 4, assisted by some of the other troops and Brownies, are holding rehearsals for their musical show, "Hawaii-Do," which will be presented in the high school auditorium on April 14. This will be a benefit show with proceeds going to the Girl Scout Hut fund.

Mrs. W. R. Darr, who taught at the school, is the leader of the group.

## At The Rotary Club

Arch Flanagan, in charge of the program Tuesday night, very graciously relinquished his time to a session devoted to the matter of business. Arch said his program had something to do with "Science" and promised to preserve it until a later date. The club was then invited to adjourn to the projection room to attend a potato meeting.

Three members were absent. Randolph Eagles of the Tarboro club was a visitor and Leslie Rucker, representing the management division of the Rural Electrification Administration, of Washington, D. C., was the guest of Cleveland Paylor.

R. O. Lang, Jr., the holder of Ticket No. 2024, received the attendance prize, and Bobby Rouse the fellowship prize. On Monday, April 3rd, the Rotarians will meet with the Kiwanis club in a joint meeting to hear Fred Royster of Henderson, member of the General Assembly and an official of the Tobacco Warehouse association. On Tuesday, April 18, the club is looking forward to a visit from Charlie Justice.

LeRoy Rollins will have charge of the program next Tuesday.

Vice President Walter Jones presided in the absence of Charlie Fitzgerald, club president.

## Organizer of Musical Groups Faces Busy Week In Greene Co.

Marion S. Egbert, a representative of the American Music Conference of Chicago, will have a very busy time in Greene county next week. Mr. Egbert will have a conference with the county superintendent and the principals of white schools on Monday afternoon, he will speak to the Farmville Kiwanis club Monday night and will visit various Greene county schools on Tuesday. He will meet with members of various church and civic organizations in the Snow Hill school library at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and will speak to the Walstonburg Men's club on Tuesday night. On Wednesday he will continue his visits to the county schools and will address the Greene County Educational Advisory Organization at its meeting with the Maury school. The public is invited to hear his address in the school auditorium at 7:30.

Mr. Egbert will conduct a workshop on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 for white teachers of the county. Thursday evening he will meet with the Snow Hill Rotary club.

Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock he is to have his second meeting with representatives of various church and civic organizations of the county.

Mr. Egbert is well known as a director of music activities in schools and communities of the West Coast. He has organized bands, orchestras and choral groups in Washington, Oregon and California. He attended the University of Washington and the University of California at Los Angeles, and is a graduate of Bradley university, holding degrees in both music and business. He is a first graduate of the new music business administration course which is presented at Bradley.

As a violinist, he has presented many solo recitals and he has been a member of many ensemble groups for stage and radio.

Just after the war, Mr. Egbert was appointed director of music activities for occupation personnel in Korea. Of particular note was his chorus of officers and enlisted men, civilian personnel and outstanding Korean singers who presented many concerts throughout the area for Korean audiences as well as American.

## CHARGE MEETING OF WSCS HELD AT WESLEY CHURCH

Wesley Community church was hostess last Wednesday afternoon to a charge meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. D. Lester Latham of Wharton church near Washington, who is leader of the Central zone, led the discussion. Assisting her were Mrs. J. B. Friebe of Maury, district supply secretary, and Mrs. Harry Taylor of Hookston, vice president of the New Bern district.

## ATTEND RECEPTION FOR DEAN UNC DENTAL SCHOOL

Dr. Paul E. Jones and Dr. Frank Harris attended a reception yesterday in Chapel Hill given to welcome Dr. J. J. Rouse, dean of the new dental school at the University of North Carolina.

## Legion Auxiliary Given Talk On Belgium And War Experience

Filling an engagement which she had been prevented from filling three times, Mrs. W. E. Bailey of Kinston, the former Stella Smith, spoke Thursday afternoon to the American Legion auxiliary on her native Belgium, where she spent her youth. Mrs. Bailey lived in America until she was two and a half and returned in December, 1945, when she was 18. The intervening years were spent in Belgium.

One of the narrow escapes she described was during the time the Germans were sending V-1 bombs into Brussels. She and a girl friend were playing table tennis in the basement and decided to crawl under the oak table when they heard the alarm. The nine people upstairs were killed and searchers thought no one was alive in the building, until a dog, also in the basement crawled to a hole for air.

Mrs. Bailey, who is a niece of Mrs. E. F. Gaynor, Mrs. L. E. Jones and Mrs. Lila Shirley, traced the history of Belgium from 1830.

She was introduced by Miss Mamie Davis.

In the business session, over which Mrs. J. C. Brock, Sr., presided, Mrs. E. C. Carr was welcomed as a new member, notes from men at Otten evening, appreciation for money were read, the 1950 convention was announced for Charlotte and the district meeting for Wilson March 31 at 10:30 a. m. and a donation of \$5 was made to the Red Cross.

Miss Davis stated that the auxiliary did not admit members but that a member could be reinstated by paying back dues or by returning as a new member.

Mrs. J. Frank Harper read a sermonette, "Holy Ground and Holy Task," by Rev. J. W. Holland, who practiced on week days what he preached on Sundays.

The hostesses were Mrs. J. P. Jones, in whose home the meeting was held, Mrs. Brock and Mrs. C. H. Loring. Refreshments consisted of lime ice, ice cream and cake, carrying the St. Patrick's day colors. Daffodils, wandering jew and potted plants were decorations.

## RED CROSS COLLECTIONS TOTAL OVER \$1,200.00

Co-chairmen R. D. Rouse, Jr., and Mrs. J. M. Gibbs report that \$1,219.81 has been turned in for the Red Cross drive which opened last Monday. Originally scheduled to last a week, the drive was extended and collectors are still at work.

Final reports have been made by the special gifts committee, the four residential captains, one country district chairman and heads of two business districts.

The co-chairmen are pleased with results of the drive, which got off to a slow start, and expect to reach the goal of \$1,500.00.

## Activities Of Local Church Organizations

The Women's auxiliary met Monday afternoon with Mrs. J. H. Darden as hostess and with Mrs. G. Alex Rouse presiding.

Mrs. John D. Dixon, chaplain, conducted the devotional period, based on the theme, "The Holiness, Fearfulness and Love of God."

The R. S. Scott and Charles S. Edwards families were appointed to act as luncheon hosts for the minister in April; Mrs. J. C. Gibbs and Mrs. W. T. Twiford as caretakers of the church and Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Gibbs as auxiliary hostesses.

Mrs. Rouse read a note of thanks from Frank Williams, Jr., crucifer, for the gift of a chaise cross from this group. Plans were laid for the pooling of talents in an effort to raise money for the Lenten fund, which will be used for furnishings in the new Sunday School rooms. The auxiliary voted to dispense with refreshments at all meetings for the period of a year and put money donated by the hostesses in the Sunday School project.

Continuing the study of "Exploring the Bible," Mrs. Dixon discussed the section, "Makeup of the Book," in the light of a complete library.

Mrs. J. H. Darden, United Thank offering custodian, assisted by Mrs. F. A. Williams, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. T. S. Ryan, presented the fields covered by this fund and announced that Sunday, April 2, would be U. T. O. Sunday.

## Methodist

Mrs. R. L. Joyner was hostess to Circle 6 Monday afternoon. Mrs. B. M. Allen presided and conducted the devotional from Psalm 42. The group packed a box for Korean relief.

After the business session, in which Mrs. J. C. Brock, Jr., was welcomed as a new member, the hostess invited the guests to the dining room where the table was centered with Jonquills flanked by three-branched candelabra holding yellow candles.

Mrs. Allen poured Russian tea. Cookies, sandwiches and nuts were passed.

Jonquills and potted plants were used throughout the house.

## Baptist

Mrs. W. C. Holliman was hostess to the Mary Lee Ernest circle Monday afternoon. For the devotional, Mrs. Lang Davis read scripture from Luke and used the 67th Psalm as a prayer for the enlargement of God's kingdom.

Mrs. W. J. Beahery reviewed the third chapter of "Buried Living," which tells the story of a minister and his wife. She emphasized the first sermon this minister preached to his rural congregation.

Lime fruit salad, pickles, potato chips and hot coffee were served by the hostess, Mrs. E. W. Holmes met with the group. Visitors were Mrs. Wyatt Tucker, Jr., Mrs. W. R. Darr and Mrs. Joney Taylor.

## Businessmen Asked To Meet In Greenville Next Tuesday Night

A countywide meeting of merchants and other businessmen will be held in the Greenville city hall Tuesday night at 8 o'clock to discuss free enterprise and the proposed Chair of Retailing at the University of North Carolina, it has been announced by D. J. Whickard, president of the Greenville Merchants Association, sponsors of the meeting.

Speakers will include Dr. I. G. Greer, executive vice president of the Business Foundation of the University at Chapel Hill, and Thompson Greenwood of Raleigh, recently elected executive secretary of the North Carolina Merchants Association.

Charles B. Blissett, past president of the Greenville group and chairman of arrangements for the meeting, expressed a desire that every businessman in the county would attend the meeting.

Judson H. Blount, former president of the state association and at present one of the directors, has also emphasized the importance of the meeting.

## PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC

Beginners day will be held in Farmville school Wednesday, April 5, according to an announcement by Sam D. Bundy. All children who will be six years old on or before October 1, 1950, are asked to come to the clinic.

A public health nurse will screen the children and they will be sent to their family physicians for the regular checkup.

Scripture found in the first four verses of James 5. The main thought was that money, rather than Christ, is the deepest concern of many. A true Christian cannot withhold his money. He always finds it is more blessed to give than to receive. Prayer closed the devotional.

The hostess, Mrs. S. A. Redwood, invited the circle into the dining room where she seated them at a beautifully-appointed table and served a salad plate and hot coffee.

## Walstonburg PTA Hears Discussion On Consolidation Plan

The advantages and disadvantages of consolidation were discussed at the Walstonburg Parent-Teacher association on Wednesday, March 9, by E. S. Davis, superintendent of Greene county schools.

The meeting opened with an invocation by Rev. J. H. Darden, pastor of the First Baptist church. The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. J. M. Gibbs.

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## JAYCEES PRESENT TOWN'S FIRST DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD AT ANNUAL BANQUET AND DANCE

### At The Kiwanis Club

B. J. Holleman of Jacksonville, lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis seventh division, had charge of the program Monday night at the Kiwanis club and devoted most of the time to a discussion of the convention to be held in May in Miami, Fla.

Lieutenant Governor Holleman also awarded a certificate which will be given to the club's 1949 president, John Council Parker.

Guests of the club were Clarence Joyner and Randolph Allen, Key club members.

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### Two Local Groups Get Top Rating In County Music Festival

Farmville received top ratings in two divisions at the district music festival in Greenville Friday. The Girls Glee club, directed by Miss Alma Whitley, public school music teacher, and the girls' trio, coached by Mrs. Bernice Turnage, were given superior ratings. The mixed chorus was rated excellent, the same score as it received last year.

One judge noted that the Girls Glee club used nice flowing phrases and the selections were quite artistically done. Some of the comments on the mixed chorus indicated the judges thought the chorus needed more basses but added that there were real touches of artistry and good dynamics. "The trio was described as excellent and one judge wrote, "Good work was done on it (the song)."

Schools are charged for the festival according to the number of pupils entered in the high school. Farmville, with an enrollment of 245 in its own C but will advance to Class B next year.

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## Farmville's 1st Citizen Presenting 1st Distinguished Service Award



Chester Outland (left) is shown receiving Farmville's first distinguished service award from Mayor Walter B. Jones. The presentation was made Friday night at the annual banquet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Outland was selected for the award for his work in securing veteran housing for the town and for his other activities.

### Rev. Clegg to Conduct Revival at Monk Memorial

Rev. E. R. Clegg of Siler City, a former pastor of the Farmville Methodist church, will conduct a revival at Monk Memorial church beginning Sunday night. Services will be held each evening, Sunday through Friday, at 7:30.

### Ell Joyner Re-named To Elections Board

T. E. Joyner, Jr. of Farmville has been re-appointed to serve as a member of the county Board of Elections. Other members of the board are J. H. Harrell of Greenville and H. E. Mumford, Joyner and Harrell are the Democratic members of the board and Mumford is a Republican.

The board is scheduled to meet tomorrow morning to organize itself and to make preparations for the forthcoming primaries.

### Fountain Streets Being Improved

Mayor J. L. Peels of Fountain announces that the town board has accepted the bid of Clark Construction company of Greenville to curb and gutter the section of Blount street between Eason street and the Fountain school, and Lynch street from the school house to Wilson street. The work was started Monday and will be rushed to completion.

### CHIROPRACTOR OPENS OFFICE

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He is a graduate of Murray high school, Kentucky, and was attending Murray State Teachers college when he entered the armed services during World War II. Upon separation, he entered Lincoln Chiropractic college and graduated in September, 1949.

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### 4 Towns Dropped And 2 Added To Baseball League

The Bright Leaf semi-professional baseball league will be organized again this summer and play will begin on Saturday, April 8. The league this year will have six teams instead of eight and games will be played at Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

Guests included representatives of the other civic clubs, Marvin Hinson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Petteway, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gibbs.

Dr. Frank Harris was in charge of the committee which planned the highly successful evening.

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Charles F. Bancorn will be song leader.

The church bus will be used each evening to furnish transportation for those desiring to attend.