

Supt. Johnston Reveals Students' Makeup Days

Supt. Joseph Johnston of the Chapel Hill School district has announced four makeup days for students who enjoyed a "holiday" from classes before Christmas. Dr. Johnston told the local school board this week that the days of Jan. 31, March 21, April 4 and June 6—the last day of school—have been selected.

Students missed a total of five days in mid-December because of a crippling snowstorm. A bomb threat hoax on Dec. 10 also added to the dilemma.

On other school news, the board was told that distributive education students at the high school, under the direction of E. Y. Janes, had earned \$8,462 in wages since the program was inaugurated in September. Some 25 students have earned over \$350 a piece on the average, and should the earnings continue throughout the school year, some \$20,000 in wages will be realized.

"These figures are impressive," Dr. Johnston said, "but let me emphasize that the main benefit from this program is the experience.

Most of these youngsters are going to continue in the same type jobs."

Three new faculty members were officially hired by the board. Mrs. Edith Elliott was engaged as supervisor of the new cafeteria; Mrs. Marian Butler Goff was named to replace Mrs. Bobbie Redding as librarian at Glenwood School; and Charles Hardman was named part-time art instructor for the high school.

Approved was an appropriation from local capital outlay funds of changes at Northside School. Informal bids had been received for \$3,287.35 for recommended fire the project.



Cloudy and cool with occasional rain today and tonight. Rain ending by noon tomorrow. High today, 48-52. Low tonight in the 30's.

High	Low	Rainfall
40	13	.00

Orange School Finance Studies Getting Attention Of Boards

School financing received wide discussion at Monday's regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education.

There were two focal points: (1) Appointment of a county-wide committee to study overall school financing in this county, a development which has received support of both Orange County and Chapel Hill school boards since it was first discussed during budget hearings last June.

(2) Discussion of a State-wide School study report made by a Governor's study commission, which will come before the legislature next month. This study includes an incentive plan providing additional financing for local schools from a \$10 million equalization fund to counties on the basis of a formula taking into consideration what the local groups are doing for themselves.

These decisions were made: (1) The county commissioners called a meeting of the two school boards for next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the courthouse to make a decision on the composition of the county study group.

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and school professional personnel to discuss the report of the Governor's Committee on School Finance either on January 22 or 29, depending on when a competent authority can be obtained as speaker.

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CHANGEITE OF THE YEAR—Chapel Hill Chief of Police Bill Blake, seated, Tuesday night was a plaque as "Exchangeite of the Year" by the local club. Helping inspect the plaque are George left, newly-installed president of the organization, and Coy Durham, right, new vice president. rd goes to the most outstanding member of the club during the past year. Chief Blake served as during 1958.

General Meeting Is Set For Community Council

Members of the Chapel Hill Community Council will come to grips with the many problems of the expanding Chapel Hill-Carrboro area in a general meeting Jan. 28.

Mrs. Earl Wynn, president of the council, said the effects of four growth factors will be discussed under the general theme, "Focus on the Future in Chapel Hill Growth."

The meeting will be held in the large room of Morehead Planetarium starting at 8 p.m. Some 60 organizations are members of the council, and invitations are being sent to all club presidents.

Specifically, Mrs. Wynn said, the council will discuss the effects of (1)—Chapel Hill and Carrboro industrial growth; (2)—Physical expansion of the University; (3)—the District Planning Board program for meeting expansion; and (4)—the growth of the Research Triangle.

Four panelists and a moderator, experienced in the field, will lead the discussion.

Mrs. Emil Chanlett is heading a committee making plans for the general meeting. Others on the group include Mrs. Clifton Krepps, Mrs. Richmond Bond, Whid Powell and Walter Baucom.

Work Underway Here On Franklin St. Building

Work has started on renovation of a building at the corner of Columbia and Franklin Sts. It is understood that the building will house two businesses, including a branch office of the University National Bank.

The building was formerly occupied by several automobile companies. It is understood that a variety store will also occupy the premises. The building is handled by J. B. Johns Realty Co. of Asheville.

TRASH FIRE QUELLED

Carrboro firemen were called to Main St. yesterday about 3 p.m. to put out a trash fire. They said the fire was discovered in the backyard of Mr. Jones. No extensive damage was reported.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, Jan. 8
Basketball, UNC vs. Forest, Woolen Gym.
Friday, Jan. 9
Community Club meet-
ing, speaker, Pharoah.
Sunday, Jan. 11
Chapel Hill Country
club supper, Clubhouse.

Page And Sloan Will Direct Trade Promotions Group

Mr. Page has been owner of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Mer-jewelry store for 11 years. He is a native of Chapel Hill and a graduate of the University. Mr. Page has been manager of Ledbetter-Pickard and attended the University.

Mr. Page is also president of the Chapel Hill Athletic Club. Both men have previously served on the committee. Other committee appointments will be announced later. Installation of the club's officers will be held Monday night at Brady's.



FULL SPEED AHEAD—Construction of Chapel Hill's new Amity Methodist Church is pushing full speed ahead with a volunteer labor force. Shown working on the church roof are Burnice Sparrow, Donald Sparrow, Howard Stewart, Dallas Durham, Herman Greene and Floyd Brockwell.



WORK PROGRESS—Shown above is the dining section of Chapel Hill High School's new cafeteria, which is scheduled to be completed within two weeks. When the picture was taken, workmen were watering and cleaning the tile floor. The kitchen of the cafeteria is to the right of the picture.

Opening Of Cafeteria Expected In Two Weeks

The long-deferred opening of Chapel Hill High School's new cafeteria is still two weeks away. The town board of education was

told at its monthly meeting Monday night of the delay. Originally, it had been scheduled for opening on Monday.

Even then, Supt. Joseph Johnston said, some painting and wall cleaning will have to wait until summer.

Planning Board Studies Changes In Zoning Laws

The District Planning Board Tuesday night began what promises to be lengthy discussion on a recommendation for an amendment to town zoning laws establishing special use features.

The planners discussed at some length original provisions of a preliminary draft and particularly centered their attention on how fraternity and sorority zoning should be handled.

The heart of this discussion seemed to center on whether it is more desirable to have fraternity and sorority housing in specified, grouped "court" areas or to examine each individual application on the basis of selected lots and on environmental factors.

It was tentatively agreed that in a area development, at least three housing units be included.

The long discussion almost pre-empted discussion on other matters on the business agenda. It will continue to undergo study.

It was revealed at the meeting that only one letter has been received from residents on Rosemary St. who are in a fraternity zone classification. An area from the telephone exchange to the Betty Smith residence are in the classification and the board asked them for letters to indicate whether they desired to keep the classification or be classified as residential.

The only reply came from owner Jess Bennett, who said he wanted the zoning of his property to remain the same.

Registration For ABC Vote Open Saturday

Registration for the special ABC election to be held in Orange County Feb. 3 will begin Saturday.

Election officials point out that only those voters who were not registered for the general election last November need register. Registration for the general election will remain valid for the liquor referendum.

Registration polls will be open from 9 a.m. to sunset on the Saturdays of Jan. 10, Jan. 17 and Jan. 24. Challenge Day will be Jan. 31, when polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Meanwhile, pro- and anti-ABC forces apparently are gathering forces for the showdown. Neil Clark of Chapel Hill, who dis-

counted one rumor that his group was about to disband, said a meeting of "dry" forces will probably be held early next week.

And it was learned that forces backing the ABC stores planned a strategy meeting later this week.

Assignment Argument Ends In Agreement

The Orange County Board of Education has acceded to the demands of its counterpart in Person County and about a dozen students of Aycock School, the center of controversy between the two boards, will be reassigned to Person County at mid-term, January 30.

This agreement was made Monday afternoon in Roxboro as the two boards met, amid an atmosphere of "sweetness and light," after a four months stalemate during which the Person board threatened to bring suit unless the students were returned to that county for schooling.

The assignment agreement between the two boards followed

quickly after the advent of new member Ross Porter to the Orange Board, succeeding Hillsboro's Clarence D. Jones. Jones and John Hawkins of Cedar Grove of the three-man board adamantly opposed requiring the children to return to Person when the issue came up in September. Porter expressed his interest in such an agreement prior to taking office. State law gives original assignment jurisdiction to the board in whose district the children reside.

The pupils in question are residents of Person County who live along the Orange County line. They have been attending the Orange County school because it was nearer

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