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Duplin County Public School Plan

The Duplin County Board of Education, under order of the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Wilmington Division submitted the following plan for desegregating the Public Schools of Duplin County. The plan was sent to Judge Algernon Butler on July 26, 1969, with an understanding that unless the plan was upset within seven days, it would become official.

SCHOOLS	GRADES
C. W. Dobbins	1-3
Wallace	K, 4-7
Rose Hill I	4-7
Rose Hill II	K-3
Charity	8-9
Wallace-Rose Hill	10-12
Warsaw Elementary & Douglass	1-8 (Housed at Douglass)
Warsaw Primary	K
Kenansville	K-6
Magnolia & P. E. Williams	K-6 (Housed at Magnolia)
E. E. Smith	7-9
James Kenan	10-12
Calypso	K-3
P. W. Moore	4-6
Faison	7-8
North Duplin	9-12
B. F. Grady & Branch	K-3 (Housed at B. F. Grady)
Beulaville Elementary	K-3
Chinquapin I	K, 4-6
Chinquapin II	1-3
East Duplin	9-12

In addition to the above organization the following stipulations were included in the proposed plan:

1. No students shall be segregated or discriminated against on account of race or color in any services, facilities, activities or programs (including transportation, athletics, clubs, social events and other extra-curricular activities) that may be conducted or sponsored by or affiliated with the school system. All school bus and school sponsored use of athletic fields, meeting rooms and all other school related services, facilities, activities and programs shall be open to persons other than enrolled students shall be open to all persons regardless of race. All special educational programs conducted by the Board shall be conducted without regard to race.

2. With respect to faculty desegregation, the Board will employ qualified faculty without regard to race, color or national origin and the hiring, assignment, reassignment, promotion, demotion, and dismissal of teachers and other professional staff members, including student teachers, except that race may be taken into account for the purpose of assigning and reassigning teachers and other staff members to eliminate past patterns. In any instance where a teacher or staff member is displaced because of re-organization and desegregation of the Duplin County Schools, such teachers or staff members shall be given a preference of re-employment in the field of his or her certification over any new applicant for employment.

3. If, as a result of the desegregation of the faculty and professional staff, there is to be a reduction in the total number of teachers and professional staff, all teachers and professional staff now employed within the system will be evaluated according to the following objective criteria:

- a. Certification
- b. Earned professional degrees
- c. Experience
- d. Scholastic record
- e. Past performance

4. All faculty will move with the students to the respective schools that are being transferred beginning with the school year 1969-70, in line with paragraphs 5 and 6 above. If there is a surplus of teaching personnel, teachers will be transferred to another suitable school.

5. Any new school construction or any addition to the existing facilities to the extent of the proper operation of the school system as a whole shall be carried out with a view towards eliminating the effects of past segregation and the vestiges of a dual school system.

6. The above plan will bring about total desegregation of the Duplin County Public Schools beginning with the year 1969-70.

7. All schools in Duplin County will be paired or zoned on a map setting forth a geographic attendance area for each school.

Transportation

The Duplin County Board of Education is making every effort to provide a dual school bus system. The system will serve the lower grades - the ones who transport larger numbers. Following is the proposed transportation program:

Wallace	10-12	James Kenan	10-12
Rose Hill I	4-7	B. F. Grady	4-7
Rose Hill II	4-7	Beulaville	4-7
Charity	8-9	Chinquapin I	8-9
Wallace-Rose Hill	10-12	Chinquapin II	10-12
Warsaw Elementary & Douglass	1-8	East Duplin	10-12
Warsaw Primary	K	North Duplin	9-12
Kenansville	K-6	Calypso	K-3
Magnolia & P. E. Williams	K-6	P. W. Moore	4-6
E. E. Smith	7-9	Faison	7-8
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Briefs

Harless Speaks To Rotary

Warsaw Rotary Club held its regular dinner meeting at the Country Squire on Thursday, July 31st, with president Rufus Freeman presiding. Guest of the club were: Connie Schwartz, Wilmington; John Henderson, Goldsboro; Joe Costin, Warsaw; and C. W. Harless of James Sprunt Institute. Carl Price, Dean of General Education at James Sprunt Institute introduced C. W. Harless, Drafting Instructor at JSI. Harless covered the launching of Apollo II at Cape Kennedy and made a most impressive talk to the club. He also showed pictures of the launching.

Baker Joins TEMA

A former employee of Four County Electric Membership Corporation of Burgaw has been hired by its state association as industrial development specialist to help promote industrial growth in rural communities. The executive manager of Tarheel Electric Membership Association, announced Ronald D. Baker, 35, a North Carolina native, has joined the TEMA staff in Raleigh as director of industrial services.

McPhail Reunion

The annual reunion of the McPhail Clan will be held on Sunday, August 17, 1969, at Herrings' School in Sampson County with the descendants of Duncan Campbell McPhail as hosts. It will be the 60th observance of this meeting, and we would like for friends and relatives to put forth a special effort by making plans now to be there on time and bring a well-filled basket. We hope to see you there by 11:00 a.m. for the program in the school auditorium.

Rose Hill Jaycee's Sponsor Poultry Jubilee

The Rose Hill Jaycees have sponsored the Rose Hill Poultry Jubilee for 8 years with the growth of the poultry industry in the Rose Hill area, as well as all of North Carolina, the Jaycees have seen the need for a STATE-WIDE JUBILEE. This year the expansion of the Jubilee is in Progress. The first North Carolina Poultry Jubilee will be October 2nd - 5th in Rose Hill.

North Carolina is one of the major poultry producing states in the nation. In 1966 the gross income for North Carolina's poultry and eggs was over \$274 million. The Rose Hill area (Duplin County) ranked 4th in broilers, 4th in commercial eggs, and 5th in hatchlings.

NREDC Meeting

Thirty-three business and professional leaders from Duplin County attended a planning session with the House River Regional Planning and Economic Development Commission in Kenansville Wednesday, July 23. The purpose of this meeting was to get the ideas and opinions in order to develop basic projects that will contribute to the economic growth of our county. The meeting was sponsored by NREDC. P. B. Ralford, County Commissioner, led NREDC opened the meeting and welcomed the

Commissioners Note

The Board of County Commissioners voted Monday that all Duplin County offices will be closed Monday, September 1, in observance of Labor Day. The commissioners will meet on Tuesday, September 2.

Warsaw's ABC store reported a show of net profit of \$34,275.95 for the year ending June 30, 1969. The county's share of this amount going to the general fund is \$11,988.59 and \$3,427.59 will go to drainage control. Kenansville's ABC store reported a net profit of \$12,765.82 with the county general fund getting \$4,468.04 of this amount and \$1,276.58 going to drainage control. The tax collectors settlement for fiscal year 1968-1969 was approved and accepted by the board. Taxes reported collected for the month of July were \$23,695.44.

Poultry Fund Raising Banquet

RALEIGH, N. C. - Dennis Ramsey, President of the North Carolina Poultry Federation has announced plans for the second annual North Carolina Poultry Federation's Fund raising banquet. The banquet is to be held at the White House Inn in Charlotte, October 3, 1969, and is expected to attract over 1,000 poultry businessmen and their wives from throughout North Carolina and a number of southern states. Tickets for the fund raising affair are \$50 per person.

The fund raising banquet, sponsored by the Poultry Federation is an annual meeting to raise funds for the operation of the Federation headquarters in Raleigh, N.C. The Federation represents broiler growers, egg producers and handlers, hatcherymen, turkey growers, feed manufacturers and dealers, poultry processors, and people in the allied fields of the poultry industry.

Beulaville Church Host To Presbytery

Beulaville Presbyterian Church, Beulaville, was host to the 242nd Stated Meeting of the Wilmington Presbytery, on July 30, 1969, with Dr. R. T. Sinclair, Jr., moderator and James B. Tubbs, clerk.

A one-hour period of group prayer meetings for reconciliation was observed. The Presbytery examined, received and appointed a Commission to ordain and install Robert N. Clark, Associate Pastor, St. Andrews Covenant, on September 7th, 1969; and to install Rev. Daniel E. Norman, pastor of Shalotte, September 7th, 1969.

In further action the Presbytery authorized the trustees to borrow \$150,000, for the new Windemere Church, adopted a proposed 1970 budget of \$233,500, apportioned to all churches; recommended that Sessions inform their congregation of changes made in Presbyterian Survey dealing more with facts and less with opinions; and encouraged all churches to meet the critical needs of the

Mount Olive Sale Event This Week

The Mount Olive Merchants Association has announced that one of its series of cooperative sales events, "Bargain Round-Up Days," will be staged Friday and Saturday of this week. An advertisement in this week's Duplin Times-Progress Sentinel calls attention to the two days of special sales put on by members of the association. This event is one of several such city-wide promotions among association members each year. The sales are held on a seasonal basis throughout the year. Advertising for the sale is done cooperatively and individually through newspapers and radio, as well as through a Merchants Association circular distributed to all nearby communities. Merchants Association officials state that they are gratified with the growing success of these cooperative sales, which have been staged regularly now for several years. Response from customers, they said, indicate that they look forward to the buying opportunities afforded through this type of city-wide merchandising event.

Small Vote Watershed Carries



J. W. Newkirk Christian School Headmaster

By a strong majority of the light votes cast in the special referendum Saturday, August 2, Duplin county voted more than three-to-one FOR The Watershed Improvement Tax. An unofficial return showed 1,459 votes cast with 1,135 voting for the improvement tax and only 324 against.

Three precincts, Warsaw Magnolia, and Calypso rejected the proposal which is expected to provide the northeastern part of Duplin County with a 5,600 acre lake which would serve recreational purposes. The lake would contain sufficient water storage to furnish up to ten million gallons of water per day for town, industrial, and agricultural usage. The project also involves a 100 foot channel along the lower part of the Northeast River to increase the runoff of flood waters. Major streams in the county will also be cleared for improved watershed to prevent flooding particularly in the lower part of the county.

DUPLIN COUNTY SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION "WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT TAX"

PRECINCT	FOR	AGAINST
WARSAW	62	65
FAISON	50	4
CALYPSO	12	20
WOLFSCRAPE	27	8
GLISSON	85	15
ALBERTSON	106	9
SMITH	55	5
CABIN	79	3
HALLSVILLE	32	9
BEULAVILLE	83	16
CEDAR FORK	22	7
CYPRESS CREEK	26	22
CHINQUAPIN	43	6
LOCKLIN	54	7
CHARITY	38	8
WALLACE	206	27
ROCKFISH	17	7
ROSE HILL	46	14
MAGNOLIA	9	32
KENANSVILLE	83	40
TOTALS	1135	324

THE ABOVE REPRESENTS PRELIMINARY RETURNS. Claude L. Hepler Chairman, DUPLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Real Property Reappraised

Duplin County Tax Supervisor J. B. Wallace has announced that pursuant to the Machinery Act real property in Duplin has been reappraised effective January 1, 1970 with the contemplated assessment ratio of fifty percent. Persons feeling that their assessment is not in line with present market values and similar valuations will be given an opportunity for a hearing to discuss same with a representative of the appraisal company.

Duplin Leaders Discuss Projects To Develop Economic Growth

Two major county projects for NREDC: 1-Provide adequate water, sewer and drainage systems to allow the creation of Food processing and storage facilities in order to increase the income of farmers and others. 2-Promote better education facilities and curriculums (both student and adult) to develop the human resources of the county (job skills) also to include youth programs. Next the group suggested several regional projects: 1-Super highway system in eastern North Carolina (4 Lanes) East and West; North and South. 2-Regional processing facilities with adequate transportation services. 3-Regional Medical Center. 4-General highway improvements (access roads) with commercial vehicles and cars having same speed limits. The meeting was then turned to P. B. Ralford who expressed his appreciation for everyone's participation and ideas. He