

School And Your Child

Who says public education is free? Check these sample median fees charged to students, rich and poor alike, in the schools of our state:

Textbook rental--\$4.50; typing--\$11.50; home economics--\$14; band--\$16.

Extracurricular activities costs are even higher: Cheerleading--\$23; baseball--\$22; chorus--\$11.50; senior class--\$10.

Many items are optional, but students undergo strong social pressures to buy:

Cap and gown (rental)--\$11.50; publications (school newspaper, yearbook)--\$4; class ring--\$17.45; insurance--\$2; locker (rental)--\$1 (50c refunded on return of key); towels and soap for showers after physical education classes--\$2.50.

A survey shows that a total of 33 fees are charged in North Carolina's elementary schools and 40 in high schools. The survey was conducted by State Department of Instruction under the direction of its superintendent, Dr. Charles Carroll.

The fees vary considerably among schools and are higher in some states than in others. Rural schools are higher than city ones. Patrons of city schools usually pay higher taxes, though. But the fees add up painfully. Could it be there are too many?

If so, the blame doesn't necessarily lie with the schools. In many instances schools favor students by providing services and supplies at far less cost than the pupils would pay if they bought them individually.

How about the schools that provide, for \$2.50 a year, a clean towel and soap each day for students in physical education classes? What youngster would want to bring his own at that price? Fees probably are not excessively burdensome for most students. For others, however, the charges may contribute to dropping out of school. At least they discourage some students from taking certain high-fee courses.

One parent complained in a letter to a newspaper editor that a neighbor of modest means paid over \$70 in school fees this year for his four children.

Welfare agencies help families completely overwhelmed by cost-of-living burdens, of course. But there are many proud families living on marginal incomes who will never let their predicament be known. It is this group that school fees hurt most.

Public education should be as nearly free as possible. No qualified youngster should be denied taking a course because he cannot pay, much less be discouraged to the point of quitting school.

One Tar Heel newspaper editorialized to this effect:

Free public education is founded on the principle that the "child of the dull mother in the hovel" should have the same educational opportunity at the rich man's son, because "each may be equally bright and each may make an equal contribution to the state."

The editor concluded that every school board should study thoroughly the things for which fees are charged. Those essential to the educational process should be paid for out of tax funds. Non-essentials ought to be abolished. "No youngster should be priced out of school."

AGRICULTURE IN ACTION



By WALLACE PARKER, N. C. Farm Bureau Federation

The president of the State's largest general farm organization is urging farmers to "get out and express their opinions" in the 1963 Wheat Referendum set for May 21.

"A great deal of emphasis has been placed on this referendum," said N. C. Farm Bureau President B. C. Mangum. "It is imperative that eligible North Carolina wheat farmers make their views known."

Mangum noted that wheat producers growing less than fifteen acres are eligible this year for the first time to cast a vote. An advance registration was required for those in this category, however. Referendum rules provided that they must sign up in advance to participate in the program if adopted. North Carolina has 42,094 farmers growing less than fifteen acres and only 1,523 producing over fifteen acres.

If two-thirds of those voting go in favor of the proposed program, marketing certificates, acreage limitations, and two levels of support will be placed into effect on wheat. Eighty per cent of a farmer's normal output will be supported at two dollars for food use and some exports, and the re-

Bishop Finishes Recruit Training

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. (FHTNC) James D. Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Bishop of 2900 Parkdale Circle, Kings Mountain, N. C., completed recruit training, May 3, at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif.

The nine-week training period covered seamanship, basic military law, physical fitness, first aid, swimming and survival and military drill.

Each recruit receives tests and interviews which determine his future training and assignments.

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The Veterans Corner

Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families:

Q—What is the best source of current information on veterans programs and facts about the VA?

A—The Annual Report of the Administrator of Veterans Affairs, available at the Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., for \$1.25 per copy.

Q—I'm going to college under the War Orphans Educational

program administered by VA. I want to get married. Can I continue with my schooling?

A—Yes. Marriage does not affect eligibility.

Q—I am planning to take advantage of GI Bill vocational rehabilitation. Is there some new regulation about disabled Korean Conflict veterans eligibility?

A—Part of a law passed by the last Congress eliminated the general deadline for vocational rehabilitation for disabled Korean Conflict veterans. The veteran who falls under this classification now has nine years after his discharge to complete his training. Prior to this deadline for completion of such training was January 31, 1964.

Thank You
For Your Votes and Support
During the Election
AVERY MURRAY

EXECUTORS NOTICE
Having qualified as executor for the Estate of Roxanna Sheppard, all persons having claims against her estate will please file same with the undersigned on or before the 25th day of October, 1963, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please pay same promptly to the undersigned.

This is the 13th day of April, 1963.

J. D. Sheppard, Executor
Davis and White, Attorneys
4:25-5:15

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP
Notice is hereby given that the partnership composed of J. W. Rayfield and William Mauney has been dissolved as of May 1, 1963 and neither partner shall be liable for any indebtedness incurred by or on behalf of said partnership after said date.

This is the 1st day of May, 1963.

J. W. Rayfield
5:2-2:23 pd.

EXECUTORS NOTICE
Having qualified as executor for the Estate of Annie B. McSwain, all persons having claims against her estate will please file same with the undersigned on or before the 25th day of October, 1963, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please pay same promptly to the undersigned or J. R. Davis.

This is the 19th day of April, 1963.

Thomas Clyde McSwain
5:2-2:23 pd.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as executor for the estate of E. Lee McDaniell, deceased, all persons having claims against his estate will please file same with the undersigned on or before the 25th day of October, 1963, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 24th day of April, 1963.

F. L. Yarbro and
J. W. Blalock, Administrators for the Estate of Thomas Dixon Blalock, deceased
Davis and White, Attorneys
4:25 - 5:16

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as executor for the estate of Lawson G. Blalock, deceased, all persons having claims against his estate will please file same with the undersigned on or before the 16th day of November, 1963, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 10th day of May, 1963.

George Blalock
Herman W. Blalock
Administrators
Estate of
Lawson G. Blalock,
deceased
5:16 - 6:6

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
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NOTICE OF SALE
I will sell at public auction on Saturday, June 15, 1963, at 12 noon at Ross's Garage located at 1165 Shelby Road, Kings Mountain, N. C., to satisfy a mechanic's lien for labor and parts and for storage one 1958 4-door Pontiac, Motor No. W858E-2264, License Plate North Carolina No. HY 4494 year of issue 1962, name of person authorizing repairs Ola Mae Sipe, General Delivery, Kings Mountain, N. C., represented to me as being the owner of the aforesaid vehicle, and the said Ola Mae Sipe defaulted in making payments in the amounts of \$78.65 for labor, \$132.80 for parts, and for storage on said vehicle of \$53.50.

This the 9th day of May 1963.

ROSS'S GARAGE
By L. E. Ross,
Owner
5:16; 5:29; 6:6

NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF CLEVELAND
Mrs. Edna Ware Hord, Executrix for the Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Mae C. Neal, deceased, and Dorothy Neal, Petitioners, Ex Parte Under and by virtue of an order made by J. W. Osborne, Clerk of Superior Court for Cleveland County in the above entitled proceeding, I will sell for cash at public auction, on the premises of the hereinafter described real estate, in the City of Kings Mountain, N. C. on Saturday, June 8, 1963, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. or within legal hours, the following described real estate:

At that certain lot, tract, or parcel of land, lying and being in the Town of Kings Mountain, No. 4 Township, County of Cleveland, State of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows: Situated on the East side of Gaston Street in the Town of Kings Mountain, North Carolina, and BEGINNING at a stake in the edge of the sidewalk, which is North 47 1/2 feet from the intersection of Gaston and Mountain Streets and runs thence along Gaston Street, N. 62 1/2 feet to a stake, R. C. Baker's corner; thence with Baker's line E. 160 feet to a stake in C. B. Falls' line, a new corner; thence with line S. 110 feet to a stake in Mountain Street; thence W. 10 feet along Mountain street, Mrs. Bessie Gantt's corner; thence with Mrs. Bessie Gantt's line N. 47 1/2 feet to Mrs. Bessie Gantt's Northeast corner; thence West 150 feet with Mrs. Bessie Gantt's line to the BEGINNING. Being the same land conveyed by L. J. Cloninger and wife, to F. G. Neal and wife, by deed dated 17th of October, 1945 as will appear on record in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Cleveland County in Book 5-0 at page 68.

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Commissioner
Davis and White,
Attorneys
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The undersigned, having qualified as executrix of the estate of William D. Weaver, deceased, late of Cleveland, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 9th day of November, 1963, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 9th day of May, 1963.

Mrs. W. F. McGill
Executrix of the estate of William D. Weaver
George B. Thomasson
Attorney at Law
5:9-6:6

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