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Moss Is Elected Head Bar Unit

Appoints Committees for the Coming Year. Well Attended

O. B. Moss, of Spring Hope, was elected president of the Nash County-Rocky Mount Bar association at a meeting held in the recorder's court room at Rocky Mount. A large number of lawyers from all parts of the county were gathered for the session.

Retiring President Harold D. Cooley, of Nashville, presided over the meeting until the election of Mr. Moss who took charge and conducted the remainder of the session and appointed committees for the coming year. Other officers elected were W. L. Thorpe, of Rocky Mount, first vice-president; Walter J. Bone, of Nashville, second vice-president; J. N. Sills, of Nashville, secretary, and S. L. Arrington, of Rocky Mount, treasurer. Members elected on the executive committee are L. L. Davenport and I. T. Valentine, of Nashville, and I. D. Thorpe, of Rocky Mount.

Members of the committees appointed by Mr. Moss are: membership committee, F. P. Spruill, Jr., of Rocky Mount, H. E. May, of Nashville; R. W. Jones, of Bailey; grievance committee, F. E. Winslow, of Rocky Mount, Hobart Brantley, of Spring Hope, S. F. Austin, of Nashville; calendar committee, J. P. Bunn, of Rocky Mount, Walter J. Bone, of Nashville, F. S. Spruill, Jr., of Rocky Mount, T. T. Thorne, of Rocky Mount, and W. W. Stott, of Bailey. With the exception of members of the calendar committee, the committeemen and officers were elected to serve for a term of one year.

Baptist Services Closed Sunday

Pastor Expresses Satisfaction Regarding Results of Two Weeks Revival

Dr. J. W. Kincheloe, pastor of the First Baptist church, expressed satisfaction regarding the results of the evangelistic services that came to a close Sunday night following two weeks of nightly meetings.

Dr. James Kramer, noted evangelist, who has been in charge of the revival, left today for Kinston where he will open services at the First Baptist church in that city and will continue for a period of two weeks. From there Dr. Kramer is scheduled to go to Gastonia and later will fill engagements in Roanoke, Virginia, and Washington, D. C., it was announced. He will be accompanied by Grant Sinclair, song leader who was in charge of musical features of the revival in this city.

"The local church," Dr. Kincheloe stated today, "has experienced a great spiritual uplifting and the pastor and members of the church are happy over the outlook for the future."

During the two weeks, 82 were admitted to membership in the church and it is expected that numbers of others will be added to the church roll later as a result of the services, Dr. Kincheloe said. The revival came to a close last night when Dr. Kramer preached on "Your Verdict For or Against Christ." His topic for the morning worship was "The City Beautiful." Additions to the church were made at both meetings.

The closing services were well attended yesterday despite inclement weather.

WEST SCHOOL TIMES

The Herald received a copy, this week, of the West School Times. It is a very creditable sheet and appears to be very well gotten up. We wish much success for this school paper.

State W.M.U. To Convene Here 13

Between 500 and 600 Women Expected to Attend. Local Church Making Arrangements

Baptist women from all parts of the state are expected to gather here March 13 for a three day session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary union at the Rocky Mount First Baptist church, it has been announced by members of the local unit.

Between 500 and 600 women will gather for the annual session and the missionary groups of the four local Baptist churches will act as hosts for the convention. A large group of workers drawn from the women's organization of the Arlington street, Calvary, North Rocky Mount and First Baptist churches, are making arrangements for the event.

Mrs. W. D. Joyner heads the Woman's Missionary union of the First Baptist church and a committee composed of Mrs. J. R. Chambliss and Mrs. J. A. Speight are in charge of housing the delegates.

Mrs. W. N. Jones, Raleigh, is president of the entire organization, Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Raleigh, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Elsie Hunter, Raleigh, is treasurer.

Arrangements for the convention were underway and efforts to secure homes for the delegates to assemble here were also being made. Persons wishing to entertain delegates have been asked to notify Mrs. Chambliss or Mrs. Speight.

John Henry Cuthrell Buried Here Saturday

Final Rites for Prominent Resident Held from First Presbyterian Church

Final rites for John Henry Cuthrell, prominent resident who died early Friday following a paralytic stroke, were held from the First Presbyterian church at 11 o'clock Saturday morning with Rev. Norman Johnson, the pastor, in charge.

Burial followed at Pineview cemetery.

Mr. Cuthrell had been a resident of this city for many years and was formerly engaged in the mercantile business here. At a later time he was connected with Alcock and Henry, wholesale house. Mr. Cuthrell was a former chief of the city fire department, serving in that capacity for a number of years. He was a native of Enfield.

He suffered a stroke three weeks ago and had been confined to his home in a serious condition since that time. He died at one o'clock Friday morning at his residence, No. 116 S. Franklin street.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Annie Williams, of Tayboro; two sons, J. H. Cuthrell, Jr., of this city, and Donald Cuthrell, of Richmond, Va., and three daughters, Misses Mayme and Martha Hayes Cuthrell and Mrs. Roy Stinson, all of this city.

Active pall bearers were Henry Corey, Sam Toler, Frank Wilkinson, W. G. Weeks, Jr., Charles Divine and Emmett Brewer.

Honorary pall bearers were J. D. Blount, L. B. Morris, R. W. Rawls, Frank P. Spruill, R. R. Gay, H. H. Latterell, George Wilkinson, Webb Matthews, W. T. Fuller, W. G. Weeks, Sr., Dr. A. T. Thorpe, Dr. Ivan P. Battle, T. W. Coleman, H. E. Brewer, L. F. Tillery and T. T. Thorne.

NO BAN ON MUNITIONS

London.—By a three to one vote, the House of Commons declined to prohibit the private manufacture of arms, largely because of its effect on employment and because members thought it necessary, as a matter of national defense, to keep intact the potential output of the companies.

Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—John Dillinger, notorious bank robber, who was captured with several companions in Tucson, Ariz., and taken to Indiana for trial for murder of a policeman in East Chicago. 2—Substitute post office workers from all over the country marching to the White House to petition for repeal of the government employees' pay cut. 3—Marshal Balbo, famous Italian flyer, arriving at Tripoli on his way to Libya, where he is now governor.

Child Instantly Killed By Truck

Ivy Agnes Proctor Killed on Highway—Negro Released Under \$100 Bond

Ivy Agnes Proctor, 6-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Proctor, of near Red Oak, was instantly killed today when she was struck down by a Swift and Company truck said to have been driven by George Cobb, Negro, of this city.

Cobb was released under \$100 bond to appear at Nashville for a coroner's inquest before Coroner M. C. Guley at 2:30 Saturday afternoon.

The child was run over near her home as she was preparing to board a school bus at about 8:30 this morning. The deputy said witnesses told him she started to run across the road just as the Swift and company truck, headed toward Rocky Mount, approached. The truck knocked her down and passed over her body, badly mangling it, the officer said he was told.

Cobb was taken into custody but was released under bond when it was found that witnesses could not be assembled for the inquest today.

Funeral services for the Proctor child, which was six years of age, were conducted from the home, interment following at Red Oak.

Mill School Is Gutted by Fire

Firemen Face Biting Wind and Severe Cold in Effort to Save Building

The Rocky Mount Mills school on Falls road presented a dejected looking picture today as result of an early morning fire which virtually demolished it, despite strenuous efforts of firemen, who were handicapped in their fight by a biting northeast wind and near zero temperature.

All that remained of the school, a one-story wooden building, were the walls. The interior was gutted, with the loss of much valuable equipment, and the tin roof was entirely burned off.

Hyman L. Battle, manager of Rocky Mount mills, which owned the school, said today the damage would probably amount to between \$6,000 and \$7,000. He said the loss was partially covered by insurance.

Meet Triple Handicap
Firemen met a triple handicap in their efforts to extinguish the blaze. The fire was far advanced when it was discovered, a strong (Please turn to page six)

THE LIGHT IS BREAKING

For some time questions have been asked as to why the new \$4,500 job for Mr. Harry McMullan in the Revenue Department. Recent developments give the answer. He is to be in charge of propaganda for the sales tax policy. Last Sunday the News and Observer said:

"Lately the sales tax division of the State Revenue Department has been supplying the press liberally with statements and statistics purporting to show that the sales tax not only has not driven business out of the State, but has resulted in savings to taxpayers of all but two counties."

Below we also give an editorial from the Winston-Salem Journal copied in the News and Observer a few days ago. That editorial shows how misleading are the claims being put forth by Mr. McMullan for Forsyth County. As the McMullan claims are so far from the facts in Forsyth County, they are evidently much further from them in the smaller counties.

Here is the Journal editorial:

WHO SAVES THE TAXES?

Winston-Salem Journal.

We have an interesting letter signed by Revenue Commissioner Maxwell and Harry McMullan, director of assessments and collections in the State Department of Revenue.

They inform us that "sales tax collections in Forsyth county for the first six months' period amounted to \$156,896," and add:

"You will observe that tax relief afforded by the last legislature in enactment of the sales tax and other measures adopted by them, affords property tax reduction of \$688,165 in your county and that the indicated sales tax return for the year would amount to \$313,792, which leaves a property reduction in excess of sales tax collections made and anticipated for the year of \$374,373."

In this connection, however, the people of Forsyth county should keep in mind the following facts:

The only ad valorem tax the State collected on property in this county, prior to the enactment of the sales tax, was a 15-cent levy for schools. If that tax were in force in Forsyth county at present, our people would pay into the State treasury only \$221,486.70 on their property valuation of \$147,657,843.

Granting that the sales tax estimate is correct, the people of Forsyth county are paying nearly \$100,000 a year more into the State treasury under the sales tax than they would have paid to the State under the 15-cent levy on property, if the sales tax had not been substituted for the property tax by the last Legislature.

WHAT BRAGGING MAY COST US

Dr. A. T. Allen, Superintendent of Schools, has come back from Washington where he tried to get some federal help for our schools. The News and Observer of February 24 reports the result of his trip as follows:

"Dr. Allen explained that the government was going to aid Alabama, where many schools have closed, even though teachers drew an average salary of \$84 per month for the period the schools operated. North Carolina teachers are getting an average of \$68."

That is an astounding condition. We still hope that some way may be found for our teachers to share in the federal aid if any is given other states. But why blame our Senators and Congressmen if they are unable to help? For months now the press has been filled with administration propaganda trying to show what a wonderful school system we have. The boast is that we are keeping all our schools open, and nothing is said of the sacrifices teachers are making that this may be done. In the face of that it is natural for others to believe that we ought not to share in federal aid. And the result may be that Alabama paying her teachers \$84 per month may get help, but North Carolina paying \$68 may not. That's what bragging may cost us.

In the Herald of last week we showed that Gurney P. Hood, Commissioner of Banks, has spent since he has been in office \$541,862.37 in attorney and auditing fees. That is enough money to have added more than 4 per cent to the salaries of the 23,000 teachers who are teaching our 900,000 children this year.

Water Plant Funds Assured

Specifications Being Prepared for Bids. Total Costs Will Amount to \$310,000

Word has been received here to the effect that the loan had been approved by officials of the public works administration, but apprehension was felt for fear the fund had been exhausted before the local application had been placed on the files. Mr. Aycock stated however, that he had learned by a telephone conversation with William C. Olsen, of Raleigh, consulting engineer, that the necessary fund has been "set aside and earmarked in Washington" for expenditure here.

Modern Filtering Plant

The application calls for the erection of a modern filtering plant and a million-gallon capacity upturn reservoir with accompanying mains. The total costs will amount to \$310,000. A total of 75 men will be employed on the project, which is expected to extend over a period of approximately 10 months.

The consulting engineer now is working on specifications to be submitted to contractors for bids within about 30 days, the city manager said. Work is expected to be started shortly after the bid has been accepted.

Mr. Olsen is expected in the city this week to confer with Mr. Aycock regarding the site for the plant. It had been planned to erect the plant near the present municipal power plant at the intersection of West Thomas street and Sunset avenue. It is thought that the site agreed upon will be in the vicinity of the municipal lake, probably adjoining West Haven.

Approximately one-third of the total sum will be an outright gift to the city from the federal funds. This is expected to include the labor and part of the money for the materials. The government will provide funds for the labor and approximately 30 per cent of that amount for materials, it was shown.

CWA Payroll Is Announced Here

Slash in Number of Employees Expected to Lower Amount for Current Week's Work

A payroll totalling \$4,760.30 was paid here last week to 476 CWA and civil works service employees, according to figures released by A. D. Dozier, local disbursing agent.

Federal orders to retrench and the subsequent lopping off of 125 CWA employees here during the week, however, gave indication of a much smaller payroll for the current week, it was shown.

The payroll for last week included \$4,440.45 for 433 CWA employees on various local projects, and \$319.85 for 48 CWS employees.

Meanwhile, the relief office force was busy caring for additional families that had been represented previously on the CWA projects. A long line of feed and clothing seekers was waiting before the office today.

Railroads testing electrification and air conditioning to increase traffic.

President Signs Seed Loan Bill

But He Does It Reluctantly to Avoid Abruptly Ending Plan

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Roosevelt today somewhat reluctantly signed the \$40,000,000 bill continuing seed loans for another year, but made it clear that there will be no more loans of that type after this year.

The bill as finally enacted was a compromise between administration views and bills originally introduced in Congress by Senator Smith, of South Carolina, and Representative Warren, of North Carolina.

The \$40,000,000 appropriation this year contrasts with \$90,000,000 appropriated last year, but only \$57,000,000 of the latter amount was actually loaned and it is not anticipated that all of the \$40,000,000, by any means, will be loaned this year, as the stipulation made today by the President that all applicants must first apply to production credit associations, which have been set up all over the country, with 31 in North Carolina, has already been put into effect.

The loans have been quite popular in North Carolina and the State has a far better record than the country as a whole both as to repayment and as to cost of administration.

Using figures as of December 31, the latest before him, the President today asserted that on that date only 73 per cent of the loans had been repaid. However, in North Carolina on that date where \$6,013,876 or more than 10 per cent of the total was loaned, the repayment had amounted to \$5,353,230 or 89 per cent. Substantial sums have been repaid since that time and loans for previous years have been repaid more than 100 per cent including interest collected.

However, the rate of repayment in the Western states has been very low. The President also stated that in some instances administrative costs exceeded interest collected, but this was by no means true in North Carolina.

The President announced that he approved the bill only on the theory that it was better to taper off the loans than to end them abruptly.

New Deal Farming Discussed At Bricks

Hundreds of Negro Farm Men and Women Attend Conference There

Bricks, Feb. 25.—Agriculture in its many aspects under the new deal was called to the attention of hundreds of negro farm men and women attending the Bricks' Farmers' conference last week.

The subject was clearly and effectively discussed by J. W. Mitchell, of Greensboro, state farm agent, and H. A. Hunt, assistant to the governor of farm credit administration, Washington.

One of the principal talks of the conference was given by Prof. T. S. Inboden, principal and founder of the Bricks school. He gave a brief history of the conference, beginning with the first meeting of five farmers 38 years ago. Each (Please turn to page six)

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