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County Meeting of Farmers' Union.

The Union met in the court house at Louisburg on Thursday, December 7th, having a very good delegation present from the respective locals.

The regular routine of business was dispatched rapidly and in nice order by the retiring president, H. D. Egerton, who has made a very efficient officer.

It being the proper time for the election of officers for the ensuing year, the election showed the following result: A. B. Wester, president; T. J. Harris, vice president; T. H. Sledge, secretary-treasurer; Rev. D. T. Bunn, chaplain; E. S. Fulghum, door-keeper; T. L. Gooch, conductor. H. D. Egerton, J. O. Beasley and Peter F. Evans, executive committee.

Delegates were appointed to attend the State meeting which convenes in Wilson on the 13th and 15th instant, viz: Rev. G. M. Duke, T. J. Harris, J. B. Fulghum and J. O. Sledge.

The Union is having a steady, healthy growth, and is striving to accomplish results "Pro humanitate."

Mullen Sykes.

We acknowledge receipt of the following invitation:

Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Sykes request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mary White, to Mr. Calhoun H. Mullen, on Thursday afternoon, December twenty-first, nineteen hundred and eleven, at three o'clock, Poplar Springs Baptist Church, Franklin County, North Carolina.

The above is one of Franklin's most prominent and popular young couples. The bride is the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. Peyton Sykes, a successful farmer of the Bunn section, and has a host of friends. The groom is a son of Mr. W. A. Mullen, Sr., one of Bunn's most successful and popular citizens. He is a most popular young man and possesses an exceptional business ability. He is a member of the firm of Mullen Bros. at Bunn and has filled the position as clerk to the Register of Deeds of Franklin county the past year, in which position he made many friends, who wish for him and his bride a long and happy life.

Army Captain Advises Boy Scouts as to Drinking Water.

Captain Albert E. Love, Medical Corps, United States Army, has written to the Boy Scouts of America giving instructions in regard to drinking water when in camp or on hikes. The aim is to prevent the boys from becoming infected with typhoid fever or other diseases. Captain Love says boys should follow the same rules that are applied in the army. He explains it is the custom of the medical department to consider all surface waters, such as rivers, creeks, lakes, springs and shallow wells as infected unless the geographical situation shows that the water cannot be contaminated. He says: "It would undoubtedly be safer when out on hiking parties or camping trips, when drinking water cannot be carried, to either boil or otherwise sterilize all water for drinking purposes that is not above suspicion."

Too Much of a Good Thing.

A little nonsense now and then is relieved by the best of men, women and children, and if you don't want to miss the treat of the occasion don't fail to come to Cedar Rock Academy, Friday evening, December 22 at 7:30 o'clock, where the faculty of Cedar Rock Academy under the direction of Miss Oza Taylor, will present the side-splitting comedy, "Too much of a good thing." Miss Lillie Glasgow as Mrs. Perkins and Mr. Taylor Bartholomew, as the "Country Cousin," will not fail to delight and entertain, so come and let your sense of the ridiculous be aroused by "Tom with his weak gulluses, and Mrs. Perkins and her smelling salts." Friday night, Dec. 22, 7:30. Admission adults 15 cents, children 10. For benefit of Academy.

Leg Broken.

While operating a stump puller on the good roads a negro convict, named Cooley, had his leg broken on Saturday morning. It seems that he was behind the lever while the mules were pulling and the chain that fastened the double-tree to the lever broke, causing the lever to fly back. He was brought to town and Drs. Burt and Newell rendered the necessary medical attention.

Close for Christmas.

The Banks of Louisburg will close on Monday and Tuesday, December 25th and 26th to observe Christmas holidays. Those having business with them will bear this in mind.

In keeping with the former customs,

the merchants will close their stores on Monday and Tuesday, December 25th and 26th, to observe the Christmas holidays. Get your several supplies beforehand, that you may not be inconvenienced.

Box Party at Hickory Rock.

There will be a box party at Hickory Rock Academy Friday night, December 15th, for the benefit of the school. Public is cordially invited.

Pensions.

The pension warrants have been received by Clerk of Court J. J. Barrow and are requested to state that he is now ready to deliver them to all entitled to same at his office in Louisburg. If you are entitled to a pension call on him at once and receive your money.

Good For One Day.

On Tuesday, so we are informed, Mr. H. H. May went out for a little sport and caught ten horsefish out of Tar river that weighed 24 pounds. He also killed a wild turkey that dressed 23 pounds. Besides a lot of fine sport, we consider this a fine day's work.

Date Postponed.

We are requested to state that the date for opening the warehouses on the tobacco market here after the Christmas holidays has been changed to Thursday January 4th, instead of Tuesday January 2nd, as stated last week. Those who patronize the market will bear this in mind.

Concert.

The concert at Cedar Rock, Saturday night December 16th, promises to be a real musical feast. All lovers of music are respectfully invited to be present. Come boys and bring your best girl.

Admission for grown people 25 cents children 15 cents.

Trinity Glee Club.

The Trinity College Glee Club played here on Tuesday night to a large and enthusiastic house. The programme rendered was exceedingly interesting and was composed of high class music, reading and splendid singing. It was an occasion much enjoyed by everyone of the large audience in attendance and a neat sum was realized, which was divided between Louisburg Female College and Trinity College.

Elect Officers.

At a regular meeting of the Louisburg Camp, No. 214, W. O. I. W., held in its Forest on Tuesday night, December 12th, 1911, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: S. P. Boddie, Consul Commander. J. S. Lancaster, Adviser Lieutenant. R. E. L. Lancaster, Clerk. S. B. Nash, Banker. H. H. Jones, Escort. W. E. Bartholomew, Watchman. C. H. Clay, Sentry.

Big Hogs.

The following killing of big hogs the past week has been reported: R. G. Chappell, of Youngsville township, three pigs weighing 915 pounds. L. R. Cottrell, of Louisburg township, three weighing, 407, 360, 350. F. M. Baker, Harris township, killed four weighing 154, 172, 189, 415. W. L. Daniel, Cedar Rock township, two weighing 301, 299. J. T. Fisher, Cedar Rock township, one weighing 373. A. C. Fisher, Cedar Rock township, one weighing 297.

Oyster Supper.

On last Monday night District Deputy Grand Master J. B. Owens, of Henderson, visited Louisburg Lodge, No. 413, A. F. & A. M.

After the inspection he, at the request of the lodge, gave some instructions in the workings that was interesting and much appreciated. After the communication was closed the members present were invited to the hotel, where an oyster supper had been prepared by Messrs. J. S. Lancaster and P. B. Griffin in honor of District Deputy Owens. The occasion was greatly enjoyed and a vote of appreciation was extended the hosts.

Honor Roll.

In order to foster good scholarship in the Popes school, the "Honor Roll" system has been adopted. To get on the roll a student must make an average of as much as ninety on daily recitation and one hundred on department.

The following are those making the required grades for the first month end-

ing December 1st.

First grade—Walter Conyers. Second grade—Tillman Moore. Fourth grade—Hobson Moore. Fifth grade—Otto Holden. Seventh grade—Norma Moore, Zelma Holmes, Sarah Conyers, Haywood Conyers. Irene Purgerson.

MISS MAMIE DICKENS, Teacher.

Elects Officers.

At a meeting of the Home Mission Society held in the Methodist church on last Monday evening, the following officers were elected:

Mrs. J. A. Turner, president. Miss Mabel Davis, 1st vice-president. Mrs. D. T. Smithwick, 2nd vice-president.

Mrs. P. G. Alston, 3rd vice-president. Mrs. W. E. White, 4th vice-president. Mrs. R. Z. Egerton, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. A. F. Johnson, recording secretary.

Mrs. Georgia T. Boddie, treasurer. Mrs. J. E. Malone, superintendent of press work.

Ayscue-Collins

A very pretty marriage was solemnized on Wednesday morning November 29th 1911 at 12 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Harriette Collins when her daughter Miss Daisy Mae was married to Mr. Herbert Lee Ayscue. The home was prettily decorated with evergreens and chrysanthemums, where their attendance and friends were gathered to witness the ceremony which was impressively performed by Rev. L. W. Swope of Shelby, N. C.

Messrs. Charlie D. Macon Peter S. Foster acting as ushers led the bridal party into the tastily arranged hall followed by Miss Lillian Bledsoe with Mr. Frank Mitchell and Miss Ruby Collins with Mr. Clyde Grissom. Then came the groom with his best man Mr. Greenwood Hill followed by the bride and her maid of honor Miss Ethel Williams. The bride was dressed in a gray traveling suit with hat and gloves to match, and maid of honor wore a suit of blue with black picture hat. The marriage ceremony was unusually impressive as the deep voice of the minister spoke the words which made them man and wife mingled with the soft strains of "Hearts and Flowers" rendered on the organ by Mrs. W. L. Beasley and Miss Mary Louise Foster. The bridal party entered by the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march. Miss Collins is one of Ingleside's fairest daughters, and is admired for her amiable disposition and charming manners. Mr. Ayscue has been the efficient clerk in the large mercantile establishment of Mr. O. S. Macon of Ingleside, N. C., for the past three years, during which time by his honesty and integrity he has ingratiated himself into the favor of his many friends. They were the recipients of many handsome and useful presents.

Immediately after the ceremony 'mid showers of rice the bridal party left for the home of the groom's parents in Warren county, where a reception was tendered them. The many friends of this young couple wish them a long and happy life.

Christmas Jingles.

In sending a Christmas gift, it is often doubly welcome if accompanied by an appropriate and happy verse or couplet. It gives a touch of originality to the gift and makes it much more personal. For instance, on the Christmas card accompanying an umbrella write this jingle:

Open me and raise me high,
And in damp weather keep me dry.
Or, even when the sun shines bright
It'll keep its rays from you all right.

Within the folds of a handkerchief might be tucked a little eard, reading thus:

Within your dresser find a place
For this small gift of lawn and lace:
It brings you all good wishes, dear,
For Christmas joy and Christmas cheer.

A dainty little bow for a girl's neck will be twice as Christmas if accompanied by this little verse:
Although this bow is not the kind
That many girls have in their mind,
I hope that it will please you, dear,
And fill your Christmas with good cheer.

A box of stationery will be doubly appreciated if with it the following jingle is sent:
When far away from home and me,
A letter, dear, I fain would see;
So keep this box within your sight
For letters are my chief delight.

And what could be more appropriate to send with a belt than this clever couplet:
When this is where my arms should be,
I hope that you will think of me.
You will be surprised to find how simple it is to write these little jingles when you once start.

Personal.

Judge C. M. Cooke is at home for a few days.

Wm. Bailey spent Wednesday in Raleigh on business.

Mrs. W. M. Boone left yesterday for Richmond.

R. L. Bernhard, of Salisbury, is visiting in Louisburg.

Sheriff W. M. Boone went to Richmond the past week.

Gilmer Allen, of Sumter, S. C., is at home to spend Christmas.

J. C. Matthews, of Springhope, was a visitor to our town this week.

Henry May, of Lynchburg Va., was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

Mr. B. G. Alford, of Nashville, visited his father, Mr. T. P. Alford, Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Hawkins, of Pittsboro, is visiting friends and relatives in Louisburg.

Miss Gertrude Batchelor, of Nash county, is visiting her cousin, Ruby Lancaster.

Mrs. William Montgomery Person, of Birmingham, Ala, is visiting Mrs. S. P. Boddie.

P. A. Reavis and wife accompanied by Mrs. J. B. Thomas, spent Thursday in Raleigh.

W. D. Egerton, C. C. Hudson, V. P. Godfrey and G. B. Cooper spent Sunday afternoon at Wilson.

W. M. Person returned Wednesday from Johnston county where he had been attending court.

Miss Nellie Sledge passed through Louisburg the past week for Littleton where she will teach school.

Geo. Holder, a former typo on the TIMES, and now of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

J. R. Perry left Tuesday for Washington, D. C. to take up his duties in the National Capital after having spent a holiday at home.

Cotton.

Quite a number of bales of the fleecy staple were placed on sale here the past week. The price has been steady and not much changed. The buyers were paying eight and five-eighths cents here yesterday. The receipts, however, have been small for the time of year.

Tobacco.

The condition on the Louisburg market the past week has been especially pleasing in the fact that pretty good sales have been made each day and the prices have been good. Especially has the prices advanced on the medium and common grades, but at the same time the better grades have been holding good. The farmers who are patronizing the market now are congratulating themselves upon their choice.

Real Estate.

J. A. Turner has purchased the R. D. Pinnell property on the corner of Main and Franklin streets, upon which stands the Bobbitt hotel. He informs us that a movement is on foot to build a nice, modern brick hotel of twenty or more rooms upon same, in which case the present building would be moved to face Franklin street and two small, nice residences built upon the corner.

J. M. and W. H. Allen have purchased the farm property of the Louisburg Wagon Company.

J. A. Turner purchased a piece of real estate at Bunn the past week from J. H. Ballentine.

W. H. Allen, according to information received yesterday, has purchased all the farm property in Franklin county belonging to W. F. Beasley.

Plans for Improvements.

Washington, December 14.—President Finley, of the Southern Railway, announced today the inauguration by the Company of several important improvements. Mr. Finley said:

"Work has already been commenced on the installation of an automatic electric block signal system on the line from Monroe, Va., through Lynchburg, Va., to Montview, a distance of twelve miles, and work on the installation of a similar automatic electric block signal system will be commenced at once on the line between Denim, N. C., the first station north of Greensboro, and Charlotte, N. C., a distance of approximately 96 miles. The system is to be installed in the type known as the 'Three Position Signal'—one position indicating 'stop,' another indicating 'proceed with caution,' and the third indicating 'proceed.' Although the Company is now operating a very efficient manual block signal system on a lot of its lines on which the traffic is at all heavy, it has been determined to replace this system with the three-position auto-

matic block signals on all double-track lines of the Company and on all lines which may hereafter be double-tracked.

"The increase in the volume of business handled at the shops and yard at Spencer, N. C., is such as to make necessary important improvements at that point, including the immediate construction of an oil house, wash and locker rooms, new cinder pits, a new coaling plant, and the construction of new and enlarged stock pens. In connection with these improvements, grading will be done for the erection of a new power house and a 27-stall round-house.

"Growing out of the fact that the Company's terminals at Columbia, S. C., have heretofore consisted mainly of the various yards of the Company's lines at that point which were formerly separately operated railways, business must at present be handled in several disjointed yards. This condition is to be remedied by the construction of one general receiving, dispatching and classification yard on property owned by the Company at Boyster, just outside of Columbia.

"To provide for renewals and also for new construction, arrangements are being made for the purchase of 27,100 tons of Southern Railway standard steel rail for the Southern Railway System."

Demonstration.

The farming with dynamite demonstration held at E. L. Harris' Tuesday was largely attended by the farmers and citizens generally of this section. It was easily proven that dynamite is almost an absolute necessity on the farm and it was shown that the danger in its use was small. Many of our farmers are going to begin the use of this new plan of subsoiling with dynamite as well as the many other uses to which its economy puts it in the front rank.

Vacant Houses.

In conversation with some of our leading real estate men here, the past week we learned with pleasure that at present there was not a vacant residence in Louisburg to be had. He says that there is a strong demand for houses to rent. These conditions show that Louisburg is more on the improve than it is ordinarily given credit.

It also looks as if those who own property could make a splendid investment in nice residences for rent. This would not only help the town in the sense of the income from property, but would add population, and that would necessarily increase business. If you have a piece of property lying idle, put a house upon it that it may be ready to accommodate some one who may want to move to Louisburg.

Riley Items.

Every thing is very dull around here and the farmers are about through with their crops.

W. W. Perry is on the sick list yet but improving.

We are sorry to learn that one of our young men, Grover Pulley, while employed at a lumber camp on Buffalo near Archer, N. C., on last Friday was cut very badly, by a broken belt, just above the right knee it is an ugly cut about four inches and struck the left ankle cutting about two inches. He was hurried to Dr. Strickland's office where his wounds were dressed. He is now at home getting on fine and we hope to see him out very soon.

Success to the TIMES
Blue Eyes.

Obituary of Mrs. Underhill.

Mrs. Emma Eliza Underhill, wife of A. J. Underhill, of Franklin county, N. C., passed away from earth to heaven, October 18th, 1911.

Sister Underhill was born near Bunn, Franklin county, December 29th, 1835, and was seventy-five years, nine months and twenty days old at the time of her death, and was the daughter of Raeford and Elizabeth Hamble. She was baptized into Hephzibah church, Wake county, by Rev. Green Todd, at the age twenty-seven, and was married to A. J. Underhill, August 7th, 1851.

Later they moved into Franklin county and united with Rock Springs Baptist church, where she held her membership at the time of her death.

This good woman, faithful, devoted wife, loving and affectionate mother, leaves a husband and seven children who keenly realize their irreparable loss, besides a host of friends who mourn her absence. As her pastor for eleven consecutive years, I wish to say that sister Underhill was one of the best Christian women I ever knew. She will not only be sadly and painfully missed in her home by her faithful and devoted husband, obedient and loving children, but by the entire community in which she lived. But she had finished the work assigned her here on earth and her faithfulness to Christ and his cause has secured for her a higher and

more glorious mission at the right hand of God, clothed in a spotless robe of Christ.

"Be Robed and Ready when the Bridegroom Cometh," was one of her favorite old hymns, and was sung at her funeral.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day." 2nd Tim. 4:7-8.

A FRIEND.

Suggestive Questions.

Dec. 24th, 1911.
CHRISTMAS LESSON.

Jesus Born in Bethlehem Matt. ii: 1-12: Golden Text—Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord Matt. ii: 11.

(1.) Verses 1-2—Did God directly plan that Jesus should be born in a manger at Bethlehem? Why or why not?

(2.) How did the wise men from the East know of the place and birth of Jesus?

(3.) Who were these men?

(4.) What reason is there to suppose that God revealed himself in those days to the wise and devout men of other nations, as well as to those of the Jews?

(5.) Who was this Herod and how long had he been king of Judea?

(6.) What does the lowly birth of Jesus signify to the world?

(7.) What did it presage that the wise men, scholars, philosophers, astronomers, of a Gentile country, were the first great men to greet the new born Saviour?

(8.) God revealed the birth of Jesus by an angel to the shepherds and by a star to the wise men; would this indicate that the shepherds had the keener sense of the unseen? Why?

(9.) Does God reveal Himself to any, other than by natural methods? Give your reasons.

(10.) Verse 3—Why had God not advised the wise men, the prophets and priests of Jerusalem of the birth of Jesus?

(11.) Why were Herod and "all Jerusalem" troubled, when they heard of the birth of Jesus?

(12.) If people are troubled when they stand in the presence of the supernatural, or the unusual, is that any indication that their consciences are not right with God. Why?

(13.) Verses 4-6—From what book did the priests and scribes quote? (See Mic. vi: 2 et seq.)

(14.) What evidence is there that the prophet Micah had the birth of Jesus in mind, when he penned his prophecy as quoted by these priests and scribes?

(15.) How much practical use do even the leaders in religious thought make of scripture prophecies, that are not yet fulfilled?

(16.) Verses 7-8—What reason is there to think bad men generally hide their fears and jealousies, when they seek to ruin the objects of their envy?

(17.) What cases, besides this, can you cite where great wickedness has been concealed under a mask of great piety?

(18.) Verses 9-12—Is there any reason to think that Joseph, before his relationship to Christ, ever had converse with angels?

(19.) Does close relationship to Christ always give the ability to see and hear God? Give your reasons.

(20.) May we always have warning from God of impending danger to us or ours? Why?

(21.) How may we know when it is our duty to face danger, or to fly from it?

(22.) Was this holy family had to face such serious trouble, what does that indicate for the rest of us, and why is it?

(23.) Is it absolutely safe for us to follow the leadings of God as Joseph did?

(24.) When and how did God recall this holy family from Egypt? Lesson for Sunday, Dec. 31st 1911.

—Who would take away the faith that a child has in this mysterious personage, Santa Claus, myth though he be, and who would take from weak and frail humanity that larger, sweeter trust in the eternal goodness? There are other unions and reunions, all of them pleasant and helpful, but there is hardly any such joy to a youth in this world as that of getting back to the fireside where he was reared. There is a rest there for him, a perfection of peace such as that, no matter how prosperous he may be in his pursuits, never come to him any place else. Greatly to be pitied is he for whom no door of the early home is open on Christmas, or against whom it is blown shut by the pitiless storms that have beset him.

—Many of our people are arranging for a fine hunting season during the Christmas holidays.