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FRANKLIN COUNTY TOBACCO GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Met In Court House Tuesday—Mr. J. C. Anthony and Mr. W. B. Daniel Among Those Addressing the Meeting.

With possibly one hundred representative farmers present the Franklin County Tobacco Growers held its meeting Tuesday afternoon and heard the plans of the State Association stated and explained by Messrs. W. B. Daniels, President of the Vance County Tobacco Growers Association and J. C. Anthony. Each of these gentlemen were strong in their appeal for the organization and told how it was succeeding in Vance county. In their explanations they pointed out how it would help the farmer to obtain a fair price for his tobacco by making only that which will supply the demand and doing away with the surplus that the Companies sing out so strong about. Several local producers took a part in the discussion resulting in a call for another meeting on Monday, January 3rd, 1921, at which meeting every tobacco raiser in the County is urged to be present. The opinion of the people attending this meeting is that this is the only hope that is left for the tobacco Grower and he must organize. Therefore you are urged to come and hear the facts about this organization then decide whether you wish to exert a little effort to protect yourself.

At the close of the meeting quite a number signed pledges giving the final completion of the organization a good beginning. It was also announced that a Constitution and By-laws would be adopted at the next meeting.

Upon request of the members of the organization we are publishing below a copy of the Constitution and By-laws of the State organization.

CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA TOBACCO GROWERS ASSOCIATION.

Article I.

Section 1. The name of this association shall be the North Carolina Tobacco Growers Association.

Every member in good standing of any county or local tobacco growers association shall be a member of the State Association and entitled to all the privileges.

Article II.

Sec. 1. Membership in the North Carolina Tobacco Growers Association shall be limited to persons interested in the growing of flue-cured tobacco, either as land owner growers, tenant or bisset growers, or landlord receiving a share of the crop.

Sec. 2. Official representatives of the State and national Departments of Agriculture are eligible to membership on payment of $1.00 per year annual dues.

Article III.

Section 1. The North Carolina Tobacco Growers Association shall be composed of duly elected representatives from the County Tobacco Growers Association.

Sec. 2. Each county tobacco association shall be entitled to one representative from the first (100) one hundred members or less, and one from each additional one hundred (100) or majority fraction thereof.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of each county association to send at least one representative to all state meetings, but this representative may cast the entire vote of his county, provided he is duly authorized to do so.

Artice IV

Officers

Section 1. The elective officers of this association shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, an Executive Committee of Five.

Sec. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the North Carolina Tobacco Growers Association, shall appoint all standing and special committees not provided for in the constitution. He shall perform such other duties as are usual for such officer.

Sec. 3. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the event of his disability or absence or refusal to act.

Sec. 4. The Secretary-Treasurer shall perform all duties usually required of the secretary. Receive all money paid into the association and shall disburse same only on written authorization of the Executive Committee. He shall make an annual report to the State Association, and his books and accounts shall be open at all times for the inspection of the President, or any special committee appointed for that purpose. He shall be required to give Bond in such sum as the Executive Committee may determine. Premium on said Bond to be paid by the association.

Article V

Meetings

Section 1. The annual meeting of the State Association shall be held in December of each year. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or by three members of the Executive Committee, and shall be called by the President upon written request signed by one-third of the presidents of the county associations.

Article VI

Executive Committee

Section 1. The Administration of the affairs of the association shall be vested in the Executive Committee,

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IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT AND MRS. L. S. MASSEY.

One of the most interesting events in the life of our community took place on last Friday evening when Dr. L. S. Massey was inaugurated as the new President of Louisburg College at an informal reception given by the local Alumnae Association, welcoming the new President and his good wife to Louisburg. The halls and auditorium of the College, decorated with Chrysanthemums and "Real American Beauties," furnished a most fitting setting for the occasion and the entire exercises will be long remembered by the many friends of the institution who were present. The guests were met at the main entrance by members of the Alumnae and ushered into the parlors by members of the student body where Dr. and Mrs. Massey, Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Mrs. Ivey Allen, Miss Betts, Rev. and Mrs. G. F. Smith, Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Burrell, Sen. and Mrs. F. B. McKinne, were in the receiving line. Punch was served in the halls from where the guests were carried into the auditorium, where the exercises were concluded with the following program:

The Alumnae—Mrs. R. F. Yarborough.

The Faculty—Miss Betts.

The Students—Miss Mary Jenkins.

The City Schools—Prof. W. R. Mills.

The Town—Mayor L. L. Joyner.

Delivery of College Seal—Sen. F. B. McKinne.

Address—Pres. L. S. Massey.

During the reception the College Choral Club gave a most enjoyable program.

All of the addresses were full of enthusiasm and the occasion was throughly enjoyed by all present. Dr. Massey, though new in Louisburg, has already rendered great service to this State. He and his good wife are not strangers to Louisburg, he having served four years as pastor of the local Methodist Church and in that capacity he and his family endeared themselves to our people. A few years later he became Chairman of the Board of Trustee and has kept in touch with the College and its work. After serving for many years as pastor of the most important charges in the Methodist Conference he was made Editor-In-Chief of the Christian Advocate, the organ of Methodism in North Carolina and is properly regarded as one of the most generally members of the entire conference. He is splendidly fitted both mentally and morally for his new work and in his selection as President of Louisburg College, the friends of the institution feel assured of the continuation of its long history of service to the womanhood of the State. The TIMES joins in extending to Dr. Massey a most cordial welcome and pledges to him its most hearty co-operation whenever, in its humble way, it can help in promoting the interests of Louisburg College and the great cause for which it stands.

REV. F. S. LOVE LEAVES FOR WILSON.

Rev. F. S. Love left a few days ago to assumd his pastoral duties in Wilson. He came to Louisburg in June, 1917, resigning as pastor of Page Memorial Church, Aberdeen, N. C., to become president of Louisburg College. He is a scholarly man and seemed peculiarly fitted for the work. He will also be remembered for his activities in the Liberty Loan Drives and along educational lines in the county. But he is pre-eminently a preacher, and Wilson is to be congratulated.

REV. L. S. MASSEY AT METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. G. F. Smith, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist Church, announces that Presidente L. S. Massey, of the Louisburg College will preach at the usual morning hour.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

TO OBSERVE CHRISTMAS.

We are requested to state that the banks and stores in Louisburg will follow the old custom of closing for two days in order to give the proprietors and clerks time to observe Christmas. In view of the fact that Christmas comes on Saturday this year the closing custom has been interpreted to mean two days exclusive of Sunday, which means that the banks and stores will be closed on Saturday and Monday. All who may have business with them will please remember these dates in mind.

CAPTURES STILL.

Constable J. E. Thomas and Prohibition Officer H. H. Meadows captured a complete still outfit near Epsom on last Friday night, destroying about four hundred gallons of beer and about three gallons of corn whiskey. It was a number one copper distillery.

IMPORTANT

Each of our subscribers are earnestly requested to look at the label on their paper and send in their renewal before their time expires.

CONTINUE TO DO RELATIVE WORK

With Both State and Federal Governments In Building Roads and Bridges—Take Action to Relieve Tax Payers Of Penalty on Taxes Paid in January and February.

The Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County met in special session on Monday with all present except Fuller. After opening the meeting with prayer, led by Commissioner Wilder, business was disposed of as follows:

The main object of the meeting being the consideration of the proposition to build bridges in co-operation with the State Highway Commission after a full discussion Commissioner Timberlake moved, meeting seconded with Commissioner Hudson, that it be resolved that the finance committee which is composed of Commissioners Joyner and Hudson, which appeared should have appeared in the past week's Times) make arrangements to raise such funds as may be necessary to take up such notes as may be outstanding and unpaid for bridge work already done in this county, and also such aid on bridges to be built in this county in Project No. 93 of the State Highway Commission which leads through Cedar Rock and Gold Mine Townships, and the Chairman was authorized to execute and sign such note or notes as may be necessary for this purpose, said notes to be taken care of by a bond issue to be made later.

On motion of Commissioner Hudson and seconded by Timberlake it was ordered that all County vouchers issued prior to Dec. 1st, 1920 which were still in the voucher book be cancelled, and that the Clerk to the board be authorized to issue new warrants or vouchers for any so cancelled which might be claimed by he person in whose favor the original voucher was drawn.

On motion of Commissioner Hudson and seconded by Com. Timberlake the following resolution was adopted: Be it resolved that in view of the present financial condition prevailing in Franklin County and in the State of North Carolina, and in order to help and encourage the tax payers of Franklin County to pay their taxes for 1920, we waive the one per cent penalty fixed by law on taxes paid in January, 1921, and the two per cent penalty on taxes paid in February, 1921, provided the State tax commission or other proper State authority make similar waiver, and in which event, the Sheriff of Franklin County be authorized and directed to collect only the flat tax without penalty during the months of January and February, 1921.

This completing the business for which the call was issued the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PICTURES AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

The Franklin County Community Service will hold its final meeting before Christmas at the Opera House, in Louisburg. Come out and see just what a treat the Community centers have each two weeks. One of the regular programs will beused.

1. The Kangaroo.
2. The Quest.
3. Picturesque Coast of Catalonia.
4. A Deal in Bonds.
5. A Hunting Trip in Central and South America.
6. "Sophia gets Stung"

This program will be taken to the following schools on the regular schedule.

1. Monday, Dec. 13—Popes.
2. Tuesday, Dec. 14—New Hope.
3. Wednesday, Dec. 15—Youngsville
4. Thursday, Dec. 16—Mt. Grove.
5. Friday, Dec. 17—Wood.
6. Saturday, Dec. 18—Louisburg (Opera House.)

Christmas Holidays

7. Tuesday, Jan. 4th—Cedar Rock.
8. Wednesday, Jan. 5th—Seven Path
9. Thursday, Jan. 6th—Sandy Creek
10. Friday, Jan. 7th—Bunn.
11. Saturday, Jan. 8th—Ingleside.

The children are always glad to help with the programs. They sing, they play, they debate and recite. Little four year old Perry West, of Sandy Creek does not mind singing a solo for 231 people, and he does it well. Bunn and Sandy Creek are leading in attendance so far. Let each community do its best. Lets keep our county where it stands—near the head of the list, or shall we reach the top? It all depends on us, people. Lets do our part.

BRIDGE HOSTESS.

Mrs. S. P. Boddie entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club this week. An unusually pleasing and well selected program was rendered. Current Events—Mrs. W. B. Snell. Paper, "The Spirit of the Revolution"—Mrs. W. E. White.

Piano Duet—Miss Williams and Miss Lady G. Boddie.

Paper, "Leadership of Washington"—Miss Williams.

Vocal Quartette—Mesdames W. E. White and E. B. Ford, Misses Williams and Ruth Hall.

A delicious salad course was served at the conclusion of the program.

Visitors to the Club were Mesdames Georgie Boddie, J. W. Mann, G. A. Ricks, W. B. Barrow, E. L. Best and Miss Columbia Cradup.

MR. BURRELL LEFT SATURDAY FOR HIS NEW WORK IN LOUISBURG, N. C.

Rev. William R. Burrell left for his new field Saturday, accompanied by his family. Several weeks ago he was called to the Pastorate of the Louisburg Baptist church but refused to leave his Williamston congregation without sufficient notice and accepted to begin the first Sunday in December.

The local Baptist church is not alone in its regrets at the loss of its pastor for the other church people of the town and the citizens at large found in him a man of worth and sincerely regret that they will not be blessed with his fellowship and help as in the past.

Mr. Burrell has seen more of the things of life than most folks. He was born in Canada, September 1st, 1871, of English parents. He spent a few years there, therefore it is hard to say whether he is English, Canadian, or a plain American, as he has made his home in the United States most of his life, but he himself prefers to be called a Southerner. He was educated in the public schools of Toronto and in the Toronto Military Institute, was for six years in the Canadian Army, serving in the Mounted Police, which gave him wide experience in the wilds of Canada and among the Indians, enabling him to study primitive life at first hand. In 1894 he graduated from the University of Seattle and at McMaster University, Toronto, Canada, in 1900. In 1900 he was ordained to the ministry in Toronto, where he preached for three years. In 1903 he moved to Orange, New Jersey and remained there six years. In 1909 he accepted as pastor of the Fairmont Avenue Baptist church in Richmond, where he served until January, 1915. Since that time he has been Pastor of Williamston Baptist church, excepting while in the Army Y. M. C. A. In 1918 he left and went into the service, after a short period of preparation he was attached to the British Army "Y" Service and traveled extensively through England, France, Italy, Egypt, India, Mesopotania, Kurdistani, Persia, Armenia, Palestine, returning by China, Japan and the Pacific Ocean reaching home on October 16th, 1919. The trip has been the ground work of many lectures by Mr. Burrell in Virginia and New Jersey as well as many points in this state.

Mr. Burrell married Miss Edith Bowsfield of Canada and they have a family of four children, Earnest, who is married and lives in Richmond, Reginald, of Richmond and Victor and Miss Beatrice, who reside with their parents.

The sermons of Mr. Burrell are clear and clean, always stimulating and straightforward, the Louisburg people will find in him a worthy servant.—Enterprise, Williamston, N. C.

TOBACCO PRICES.

The findings of the Federal Trade Commission as to the causes of the low prices of tobacco are helpful since they give information by which the farmer may shape his course another year. The commission concludes among other things that the lessening of foreign purchases due to unfavorable exchange rates and the contraction of domestic credits resulting in unfavorable financial conditions in this country had something to do with the decline. It also finds that the increase of the quantity of low grades is also a factor while another reason is found in the purchasing methods of the large buyers. It says no one of these causes exerted a preponderating influence on the price decline. So here is expert opinion to the effect that credit contraction is not, as some claim, wholly responsible for the ills which the farmer is suffering.

For the sake of the farmer it is desirable that the evils pointed out by the commission be corrected. One of them he can correct himself as far as it is possible to be corrected. Producing a better quality of tobacco is up to him except in so far as conditions of the weather and other things over which he has no control interfere. Foreign exchange will be better if the country ever signs the peace treaty and resumes normal relations with the old world. Congress, if it carries out he suggestions of the Federal Trade Commission, can bring about an improvement in, if not a remedy of, the faulty purchasing methods of the larger buyers.

But it is safe to predict that the farmers will not be beguiled soon into planting another large tobacco crop. They have had an experience this year that will last them for some time. Home supplies will get a considerable lift in the future that they have not been getting in the last few years when cotton and tobacco were bringing such good prices.—News-Observer.

FRANKLIN COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Dr. S. P. Burt, President of Franklin County Medical Society, announces that a meeting of the Society will be held in Louisburg, on Wednesday, December 22nd, 1920, at 2 P. M. All members and prospective members are invited to be present.

Silence means consent; also that you don't know.

WAR RISK INSURANCE.

An effort is being made now to get all ex-service men to have their War Risk Insurance reinstated before Dec. 31st, 1920 for after that date it will be necessary to have a medical examination before one can reinstate and many of them will probably not be in as good health as when the insurance was allowed to lapse.

All ex-service men may re-instate their insurance now by the payment of only two monthly premiums and the insurance may then be changed to a policy similar to the ones written by all old line insurance companies. If the insured does not want to keep the whole amount in force he may reinstate for any amount from $1000 up to $10,000 by the payment of only two premiums.

The Register of Deeds has been supplied with a book for the recording of the discharges of all ex-service men. The discharge, or a copy of it certified before a Notary public is necessary before an ex-service man can get any insurance, compensation or any other help from the Government, the reason therefore for having it recorded is easily seen for in case it is lost there is a record of it in the court house and the soldier does not miss any of the benefits he may be entitled to from the Government.

Many of the ex-service men were discharged from the Army and required to send their uniforms back when they reached home but since that time a ruling has been made that any soldier who was discharged without a uniform may now obtain one by applying to the proper officer.

I have been able to assist several men in getting their uniforms and if there are any other ex-service men who do not have their uniforms I will be glad to assist them in getting them.

Through the Red Cross I have been able to help many of our ex-soldiers and if there are others who are entitled to anything from the Government I will be very glad to assist them in getting it.

JOSEPH C. JONES,
Supt. Public Welfare.

BIG HOGS.

Among those killing big hogs in Franklin County the past week the following have been reported to us:

J. B. Nowell, of Harris township, four weighing 505, 485 pounds each.

J. W. Cheves, Dunns township, one weighing 541 pounds.

C. T. Cheves, Dunns township, three weighing 625, 366, 351.

N. R. May, Harris township, killed two weighing 426, 407, from which he got 21 gallons clear lard.

Mrs. W. S. Hale, Louisburg, one weighing 315.

WATER REPORT

Sent by—Dr. J. E. Malone.
Location—Louisburg, N. C.
Surce—Spigot City Water.
Marked—Louisburg.
Collected—Dec. 7, 1920.
Received—Dec. 8, 1920.
Reported—Dec. 10, 1920.
Sediment—0.
Color—Platinum-cobalt standard—v.sl.
Turbidity—Silica standard—0.
Odor, cold—0.
Alkalinity (in terms of Calcium carbonate—15.6.
Colon bacilli in 1 c. c.—0.
Colon bacilli in 10 c. c.—0.
Total number of bacteria at 20d C. per c. c.—21.
Total number of bacteria at 88d C. per c. c.—10.
Total number of acid-producing bacteria—2.

State Laboratory of Hygiene,
By: J. W. Kellog.

SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

The services at St. Paul's Church Sunday will be administration of the Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M. Bible Class and Sunday School at 10 A. M. and Morning Prayer and sermon at 11 A. M.

A cordial welcome to all is always extended.

ENTERTAINMENT AT WHITE LEVEL.

We are requested to state that an entertainment will be given at White Level School on December 21st, at 7 o'clock, consisting of a Christmas program by the school, a fiddler's convention and an Apron party. A small admission will be charged for the benefit of the school. Everybody is invited to go out and enjoy the evening.

Y. W. A.

A most interesting meeting of the Y. W. A. was held in the home of Mrs. H. A. Kearney on the evening of Dec. 14th. Besides several visitors nearly every member was present. The topic for study was "Our Christmas Offering to China," which was of much interest to every one present.

After the program was finished the hostess served a most delightful salad course which was followed by a pleasant social hour. Our meetings become stronger and more interesting each time and we hope to attain great things in the new year.

Don't think a floating debt is necessarily a light one.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks And Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. W. H. Allen went to Raleigh yesterday.

Attorney Ben T. Holden is in Raleigh this week.

Mr. J. W. Mustian, of Manson, is a visitor to Louisburg.

Mr. W. M. Perkin was in Raleigh this week attending Court.

Mr. W. W. Webb returned home Tuesday from Kenbridge, Va.

Mr. Ben W. Wood, of Spring Hope, was in Louisburg Wednesday.

Senator F. B. McKinne paid Goldsboro a business visit the past week.

Capt. Fred A. Olds, of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

Mrs. Ivey Allen, of Oxford, is visiting relatives and friends in Louisburg.

Mrs. R. B. Thomas and Miss Gladys Vick were visitors to Raleigh yesterday.

Messrs. J. C. Anthony and W. B. Daniels, of Vance County, were visitors to Louisburg Tuesday.

Messrs. C. B. Cheatham, W. Henderson, and Oscar Gregory, of Richmond, were in Louisburg Tuesday.

Miss Elizabeth Allen, of the Selma High School Faculty, was in Louisburg to attend the Massey reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Howard, and Gary Jr., of South Hill, Va., spent the week end here with Mrs. Howard's parents.

Chairman A. J. Joyner and Auditor H. W. Perry went to Raleigh Friday in the interest of the Federal Aid bridge work.

Mr. W. W. Webb, who underwent an operation in Harris Hospital at Kenbridge, Va., last week returned home Tuesday. Her many friends will be glad to learn that she is getting along nicely.

TAKES STRYCHNINE, DIES.

Worrying Over Financial Matters, Mr. C. T. Wester Ends Own Life.

The announcement on Friday morning that Mr. C. T. Wester had ended his own life by taking a dose of strychnine caused sorrow to quite a large number of friends in Franklin County. Financial difficulties is given as his reason for the rash act.

Mr. Wester was 42 years old and leaves a wife and twelve children, besides a brother, Mr. H. D. Wester.

The funeral services were held from the home on Sunday afternoon and the interment was made in the family burying ground at Mr. Thomas Westers.

Quite a large number of friends of the family were in attendance at the funeral.

FOR VIOLATION OF COMPULSORY SCHOOL LAW.

Messrs. R. L. Delbridge, A. H. Baker, Walter Hunt, patrons of Hickory Rock School and Peyton Davis, patron of White Level School, were caused to appear before 'Squire A. W. Alston Monday and show cause why they should not be taxed with the fine and costs for violating the Compulsory school law, by keeping their children from school without the required permit. Each of the parties entered a submission, and as Supt. J. C. Jones had instructed the Magistrate that he had no desire to penalize anyone and the whole object of the prosecution was to get the proper compliance with the law, each of the defendants were allowed to pay the costs and be dismissed after giving assurance that they would conform to the requirements in the future.

MRS. F. B. McKINNE ENTERTAINS

Mrs. F. B. McKinne was hostess to the Current Literature Club on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 9th. The program based on the history of Democracy and ideals of the French Revolution, was enlivened by musical numbers given by Mrs. J. E. Malone and Miss Stanburg. Miss Mary Yarborough, in a fine paper, discussed "The Rights of Man." In a selection from A Tale of Two Cities, by Charles Dickens, Miss Mabel Davis gave a description of the sacrifices required of both the nobility and proletariat during the French Revolution, before class hatred was overcome and vengeance appeased.

Miss Key, whose delightful readings have featured the club this year, gave in conclusion a very happy selection from David Copperfield, "Barkis is Willin'."

A delicious salad course followed, served by two charming little nieces of the hostess.

Besides the members of the club there were many guests present.