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The indications point to the present peace Conference as a failure and may be preceded by war.

The action of the old Board of Commissioners in arranging for the ditch along the line of their jail property to be filled up and opening a street will add greatly to the value of the property.

Judge Daniels let W. T. Jones off with a severe lecture in Nashville Monday. It appeared that Jones had not willfully violated the Courts order. In the lecture the Judge held that no member could allow a minor son sell any tobacco on the outside.

THE OLD BOARD

Monday noon marked the end of a two years term for the Old Board of County Commissioners, who have labored faithfully in their way for the interests of Franklin County as they saw it. Their's was not an easy term, coming as it did in the reconstruction when it was not expected that any one could so manipulate public matters as to give satisfaction. Not even the individual could accomplish this with his own private affairs. It was a time of unrest that time alone could ease. But with all of their problems they have done well. Not without errors as some see some things they did, but with the personal satisfaction of believing they had done the best they could.

They have given well of their time for which their greatest compensation was criticism.

THE NEW OFFICERS

Franklin County's new officers took hold of its affairs on Monday and from the smoothness of the movements with which everything continued to move there is no doubt but that the county is still in good hands. The new Board, composed of Messrs. Arthur Strickland, J. R. Jones, H. P. Speed, T. S. Dean and R. S.

Face are men of good judgment, a high sense of honor and enjoy the respect and esteem of their entire communities. Their intimate knowledge of the conditions of the farmer and their business experience should make them especially fit.

Mr. J. J. Young, the new Clerk of the Superior Court is a man of fine qualities, and a broad insight. He is especially well qualified and we are sure he will make an exceptional official. Mr. W. H. Allen, Jr., the new deputy clerk, is a most excellent young man well fitted for the responsibilities imposed upon him.

Mr. Geo. W. Brown, the new Auditor, is well known to our people, as a Courthouse necessity, he having possibly the most extensive knowledge of all branches of the county government of any one person in the county. He will make a most efficient and acceptable official.

Sheriff H. A. Kearney, is and is not a new official. He has already proven himself to be one of the best officials in the State and his re-election is sufficient endorsement for his ability.

With this personnel the people of the county should have no worry over the public affairs of the County.

THE KU KLUX

Since many of the big papers are discussing the Ku Klux it might not be amiss for us to contribute a little space to the free advertising campaign, voluntarily donated to this "worse than all" orders as the New York World, the Charlotte Observer, the Greensboro News and even the Raleigh Times would have you believe it is. It is our failing to be in sympathy with the "under dog" therefore, with such weight as enumerated above on top we can't help but follow our natural inclination. We are very much amazed to think that we have such a terrible monster among us as some would picture it and yet our government continues to function, our Courts continue to hold, and people can walk about in the day time, and even at night, without being molested or strung up to trees. Assuming it is as Dr. Johnson, of Charity and Children, says in regard to there being so many good and brave men therein, which he does not seem to doubt, that "they have been misled." Isn't it reasonable to suppose that if there is such good and brave men in the order and the order is as bad as it is pictured that these men would sever their membership? We believe they would. And we think these great dailies and the greater weeklies, believe they would do so too.

It is a matter of record that there is a case in North Carolina wherein a man employed men to impersonate the Ku Klux and do away with a woman. It was the real Ku Klux who got hold of this information and exposed it with the result that some one or ones are serving prison sentences. We have heard of several instances within this section of the State, where

the Ku Klux have made violations for the purpose of making corrections but we have heard of no case where any of them were robed. Comparing this with the Winston-Salem incident it seems that it is the impostor who disguises himself in the robes of the Ku Klux to do his dirty work, while the real Ku Klux uses his robe for parade or charitable purposes only. We call to mind an article we read in a magazine sometime ago, discussing the Ku Klux by a person claiming to be a Klansman, in which he pointed out the fact that the Klansman's oath of allegiance to the United States, his State and every branch of the government was stronger and more binding, if possible, than that of a citizen when he qualifies to use his franchise.

It is evident on the face of the criticisms that the authors of the many articles are entirely ignorant of the real actions and purposes of the subject of their wrath, which to our mind shows a greater weakness than the faults complained of on the part of the one criticized.

From the information we have been able to gather the present day Ku Klux is not a repetition of the old order for the purpose of carrying on control that necessity at that time forced upon them, but is only commemorating a spirit that all who know anything about the times and conditions of its existence admire and respect.

Don't miss Cherry Blossom, Dec. 9th at Star Theatre!

MRS. CATLETT DEAD

Mrs. S. C. Catlett died Dec. 4, 9:00 p. m. at the home of her son, George Catlett, of Apex.

Her husband died Feb. 27, 1921 at his home near Wendell. After her husband's death she has made her home with her son at Apex.

The heart broken but submissive daughters are: Mrs. W. R. Beasley, of Louisburg; Mrs. P. M. Bennett, of near Louisburg; Mrs. Nowell, of Wendell, and Mrs. W. D. Weathers, of Apex.

The pall bearers, her grandsons, were: Ben Nowel and Bud Catlett, of Wendell, Raymond and Herman Catlett, of Apex, James Bennett, Elias Paul, and Matthew Beasley, of Louisburg.

The interment was at Prospect Methodist Church, four miles south of Louisburg at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. A. McIver, of the Louisburg Baptist Church.

See Kokemo in "Cherry Blossom". The scream of the evening.

CEDAR ROCK HIGH SCHOOL
 News Of Interest To Teachers, Pupils and The Public Generally
 By School Correspondent

The Junior Class play, "Mr. Bob" was rendered Wednesday evening before a large audience and was quite a success from entertaining, social and financial standpoints.

The Sophomore Class play, "Unacquainted with Work" will be given on Thursday night, Dec. 21st.

The faculty of C. R. H. S. attended the Teachers Assembly in Raleigh last week. They report a good time and record breaking attendance.

Messrs. Joe Medlin, Ralph Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Jennings and Mrs. R. A. Jennings spent last week end in Petersburg.

Misses Stallings and Lenter of the Cedar Rock faculty spent last week end with friends in Youngsville.

The annual Thanksgiving service was held in the Cedar Rock Baptist church last Thursday morning. Rev. Cantrell of Henderson, preached a very appropriate sermon.

The Cedar Rock B. Y. P. U. will hold its quarterly social next Saturday night in the high school building.

Miss Whiteside, teaching supervisor from East Carolina Teachers College, was a welcomed visitor in our school Monday.

Rev. W. B. Harrell of Wake Forest College, was a visitor at the dormitory Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Wilson Dean and Miss Annie Culpepper were united in happy wedlock Sunday afternoon by Rev. Wallace, the pastor of the Cedar Rock church. We wish them a long and happy life, and may the happiness of the wedlock be not marred by the troubles of life.

Listen for the wedding bells for Christmas is approaching.

The True Meaning of Christmas (Students Editorial—by Elizabeth Long, 9th Grade.)

Let us first of all ask ourselves: "What is the true meaning of Christmas?" Of course the answer will be that it is a day set apart to celebrate the birth of Christ, a day on which we worship and honor the Savior of men, a day on which we, like the wise men of old, bring our gifts to the Christ Child.

But—What does Christmas mean to you and to me? To many of us it means a day of feasting, drinking and joy making. It is usually celebrated more like the fourth of July than the birthday of the Most High.

People if this is your idea of Christmas you are far wrong. How can you and I help to make Christmas more Christian? By being more Christlike and by not celebrating it merely as a day of feasting or ministering to our own wants and selfishness. If we celebrate Christmas like we should, we will do it by helping the poor and needy and thus lay our white Gifts at the feet of the Master.

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Coming! A Japanese Operetta, full of comedy. At the Star Theatre, Dec. 19th.

His Royal Nibs Logo, will appear in "Cherry Blossom" Dec. 19th at Star Theatre.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
 On April 1st, 1922 I sold a lot of pigs. Those who bought these pigs are hereby notified to get the weights of their hogs published together with their ages, not later than December 22nd issue of the Franklin Times in order for me to determine who wins the \$10 which will be given to the lucky party on the 23rd.
 J. A. MUNFORD,
 R 2, Louisburg, N. C.

AT ROYAL
 Parcel Post packages for sale for benefit of Royal School, Thursday night, December 14th.

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POSSIBLY the most elaborate and satisfactory line that we have ever carried was purchased some time ago and is now on display. In it you will find a most pleasing variety and exceptionally satisfactory prices. We want you to come in and let us help you make your selection. Possibly we can help you decide on something that will be both inexpensive and very acceptable.

MR. W. DALTON LEONARD, of Salisbury, a brother of myself, an experienced and expert jeweler, having been associated in the jewelry business with my father, who is recognized a leading jeweler of the State, is with me and will have charge of the jewelry department and will be glad to serve you at all times. After January 1st, 1923 we will be ready to do all kinds of jewelry repairing.

THANKING each of you for your patronage in the past, I extend each of you a CORDIAL INVITATION to visit our store and see the many pretty things we have for holiday gifts.

MRS. FRED A. RIFF
 COURT STREET
 LOUISBURG, N. C.