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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET

Make Provision For Employment of County Farm Agent—Pay for Turkeys and Bring Suit

The Commissioners met in regular session Monday and were called to order by the Chairman.

Upon roll call the following answered present: C. L. McGhee Chairman, T. W. Watson, J. Z. Terrell, C. L. Barham.

The Chairman designated T. W. Watson to handle the work of J. B. Sturdivant who is ill.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

T. W. Watson reported that he had inspected the court house and jail and found it to be in fine shape.

He also filed the report of Miss Daisy Caldwell, Home Demonstration Agent and after reading same, it was received and the Board went on record as heartily commending Miss Caldwell's activities for the month of January.

The report of Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Health Officer was also filed by Mr. Watson.

J. Z. Terrell reported that he had visited the welfare officer and found the work to be progressing satisfactorily. He filed report of E. C. Perry Welfare Officer.

C. B. Barham reported seven prisoners in jail, five awaiting trial and two under sentence.

The Chairman reported twenty inmates at the county home at present.

The report of the county accountant was filed and accepted by the commissioners, showing the collection of taxes for the month of January to be \$49,653.54—the amounts collected from each township being as follows: Dunns \$2678.75, Harris \$3435.07, Youngsville \$7570.03, Franklinton \$14962.99, Hayesville \$2344.18, Sandy Creek \$2060.37, Goldmine \$2548.46, Cedar Rock \$1807.11, Cypress Creek \$1464.43, Louisburg \$10781.15.

The total amount of taxes collected to January 31st being \$119,139.89 out of a levy of \$289,429.21. It appears that the ratio of tax collections is about in line with previous years.

A. W. Sandling made his bridge report. He reported a bridge in Cedar Rock Township that needed attention, also two in Franklinton Township.

Upon report of committee composed of F. D. Driver, J. T. Mann and Vance Frazier to investigate the turkeys of Bud Floyd killed by dogs it was ordered that check be made to Bud Floyd for \$18.00 as recommended by the committee, and that the county attorney be instructed to bring suit against Lee Baker whose dogs were found to have done the killing.

The committee composed of J. M. Stallings et al, who were appointed to investigate the killing of turkeys belonging to C. E. Pearce by dogs, recommended that \$18.00 be paid Mr. Pearce, which was done.

In the matter of the R. A. Bobbitt turkeys killed by dogs, the committee previously appointed having refused to serve, the following were appointed to act in their stead: A. S. Sherrod, Chairman, A. S. Moore, W. E. Strange.

The county accountant was instructed to confer with J. P. Timberlake and Mrs. E. A. Kemp relative to necessary electrical safe guarding devised for the protection of the lines owned jointly by the county and the above named parties, and to make the necessary investigations relative to prices etc. for having same installed.

On motion it is ordered that \$333.33 be transferred from the emergency fund to be used in securing the services of an agricultural expert for the establishment of new farm industries in Franklin County for the period of March 1st to July 1st.

On motion the deed tendered by J. E. Malone, Jr. Commissioner to Franklin County was accepted.

On motion it was ordered that drawback be issued Georgiana Braswell of \$300.00 worth of property being ten acres of land in Goldmine Township listed for 1927, 1928 and 1929 same being erroneously listed.

On motion it was ordered that drawback be issued W. R. Rogers on property erroneously listed to the amount of \$800.00.

The Chairman directed the county accountant to check the bonds held by the county given by the various depositories, for all money deposited in said depositories by the county or any of its sub-divisions. The county accountant is further instructed to require from the depositories bonds of approved collateral to the extent of one and one half times the amount of the actual deposits in said depositories.

The term for the road trustees in Sandy Creek Township having expired, on motion the following trustees are hereby appointed for the following terms: G. B. West one year, June Harris two years and J. E. Collins three years.

Motions were duly made and seconded by passing resolutions for the issuance of \$12,500 bonds and \$120,000 bonds.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

Only Woman Senator Dies



Mrs. Rebecca Latimer Felton, the only woman who ever sat as a Senator at Washington, died at her home at Cartersville, Ga., at the age of 94. She was appointed Senator in 1922.

"Commoner's" Widow



Mrs. Mary Baird Bryan, widow of the late William Jennings Bryan, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Grace Hargreaves, in Hollywood, Cal. Mrs. Bryan was almost as widely known as her famous husband, in whose work she took an active part for many years.

TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

The birthday of Franklin County will be commemorated on its 151 Anniversary, Feb. 12, by all the high schools of the county giving short programs dealing with the history of the county. The program being presented at Mills High School at 11:20 Wednesday morning will be given for the entire public, at which time Supt. E. L. Best and Miss Loula Jarman will give talks. Every one in the county is invited to attend these programs and join in celebrating the county's birthday.

W. J. BALLARD DEAD

Mr. W. J. Ballard died a his home in Franklinton early yesterday morning in his fifty second year of his age. He was the son of the late Hon. Ren. W. Ballard and is survived by his mother, Miss Nena Ballard, of Raleigh, and Mrs. Dr. Yarborough, of Louisburg.

Mr. Ballard was one of Franklinton's most popular citizens and will be greatly missed by a large number of friends.

At the time the information of his death was received in Louisburg funeral arrangements had not been made.

WOOD P. T. A.

The Parent-Teacher's Association of Wood Elementary school will meet in the school auditorium on Tuesday night, Feb. 11th, at 7:30 o'clock. All members and school patrons are urged to attend as a special "Live at Home" program has been arranged.

- 1. The Importance of Daily Foods for the family by Miss Lucy Wolfe.
- 2. The Importance of the Cow, the Hog, the Poultry for the Family by Mr. Fred Wolfe.
- 3. The Importance of a Garden by W. O. Reed.

A special musical feature will also be given.

The community will benefit by this program and it is hoped our citizens will "listen in."

BOY SCOUTS TO CELEBRATE

The Boy Scouts of Troop No. 2 of Louisburg will render a program Thursday night Feb. 13, in celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Boy Scout organization. The Boy Scout movement reached America from England in 1910, where it was started by General Robert S. S. Baden-Powell. 600,000 Scouts will celebrate Anniversary Week, which is Feb. 7 to 13.

The Scouts of the Louisburg Troop will give the following program:

- Play—"Mac Decides".
- Song—"America".
- Demonstrations of Scoutcraft.
- Investiture Ceremony.
- Song—"Star Spangled Banner".
- Address—Rev. S. L. Blanton.

The public is cordially invited to be present. The program will be rendered in the Auditorium of the Mills High School at seven-thirty o'clock.

J. B. Trogdon, Asst. Scoutmaster.

Seed-Corn Queen



Ruth Thomas is only thirteen, but she won over scores of men and boys in the "best seed-corn" contest recently held at Sedalia, Missouri. Corn of her personal selection and planting being adjudged the best shown.

RECORDER'S COURT

Judge J. L. Palmer disposed of quite a few cases in Franklin Recorder's Court Monday, as will be seen from the following docket:

H. R. Phelps plead guilty to a charge of bad check and prayer for judgment was continued.

Anron Kearney was found guilty of violating prohibition law and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs.

Willie Thomas was found guilty of violating prohibition law and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs.

Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs, upon Chas. Perry for larceny.

E. F. Perry, removing crops, continued.

Patsy Holden was given four months in jail, commissioners to hire out, for larceny.

John Champion was fined \$25 and costs for reckless driving. Champion appealed.

L. W. Jeans plead guilty to a charge of bad check, and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs.

The case of violating the automobile law against Jimmie Young, was continued.

Matthew Jeffreys, was found guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey and was fined \$25 and costs. Appeal.

Clinton Gupton, was found not guilty of assault with deadly weapon and the prosecuting witness was taxed with the costs.

Hugh Smith was foundnot guilty of assault with deadly weapon. Bidie Strother was found guilty of carrying concealed weapon and assault with deadly weapons, and was given 9 months on roads, appeal. Johnnie George was found guilty of assault with deadly weapons and given 4 months on roads.

Tom Davis plead guilty to unlawful possession of whiskey for sale, and was given 6 months on roads.

W. M. Tharrington, violating prohibition law, continued.

MRS. BARROW EMBURNS U. D. C.

The Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the U. D. C. met with Mrs. W. B. Barrow on Tuesday, February 4th.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. J. W. Mann, and Mrs. Barrow acted as Secretary in the absence of Mrs. C. K. Cooke. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Grady Harris was welcomed as a new member of the Chapter.

A note of thanks which had been received from the widow of a Confederate veteran was read. Also a letter from the N. C. Director of the Norman B. Randolph Relief Fund asking for a donation to that cause.

Upon a request by the President, Mrs. W. E. White presented the Budget for the year as follows:

- Taxes \$34.00
- Norman B. Randolph Fund 5.00
- Sinking Fund 1.00
- Fourth Fisher 25.00
- Special Education 5.00
- Eessie Reid Bed 3.50
- J. Davis Historical Fund 5.00
- Division Historical Fund 2.00
- J. Davis Highway 5.00
- Owen Randolph Smith Fund 5.00
- Cemetery Memorial 5.00

To take care of this budget, it was found necessary to make annual dues for this year \$25 per member. A motion to this effect was made and carried.

The following program was rendered:

A reading from Alexander H. Stephens, "The Seat of Paramount Sovereignty," in which he explained the right of the Confederate States to secede, was read by Mrs. J. W. Mann.

Miss Sallie Betts read an interesting sketch of the life of Sidney Lanier and a selection from one of his best known poems, "Marshes of Clynn."

The hostess, assisted by Martha Grey King and Joe Barrow, served delicious refreshments.

The next meeting will be held at the college with Miss Betts on the first Tuesday in March.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

Young people don't forget the banner that we are giving in this department. The banner is already here and it is worth working for. The classes that are competing for the banner are Mrs. Harris, Wells, Eilton, Shearin, Uzzell, Wheelless, Miss Bessie Hale, Miss Fisher, Mr. Wayland Lykes, Mr. Medlin. Be sure and be there Sunday.

The world is more interested in what you do than what you say you will do.

The seeds of discontent never raise a profitable crop.

Scientists say Mars has two moons. Now, if it were back in the old days, we might be inclined to doubt it.

History may be bunk and all that, but it provides a lot of good material for after-dinner addresses.

"Hands Up"



Nothing to worry about in this hold up. It's only Speaker "Nick" Longworth with the revolver which was used by the famous bandit Jesse James. Senator Hawes, of Missouri gave the pistol to the Speaker.

JULE B. WARREN SPEAKS TO TEACHERS

Jule B. Warren, Secretary to the North Carolina Education Association, addressed the teachers of Franklin County in a meeting at Mills High School, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, the main theme of his address being that if the school forces can get the public to see where the money appropriated for schools is going and being used for, they will have solved probably their biggest problem and that if this is not done educational conditions in North Carolina will grow steadily worse.

He said that probably the biggest trouble now is the lack of information or even misinformation about schools on the part of the patrons. The thing the public needs is information. It needs to see and understand the difference between the old school with its few conveniences and poorly trained teachers, and the new school with modern conveniences and well trained teachers, that they may see for themselves why the cost of running schools has increased.

Handbooks containing such information are being prepared for distribution. These emphasize such facts as the amount of money used for supporting schools with that used for suppressing crime, the high cost of re-teaching children, etc.

Following Secretary Warren's address the various Supervising Principals of the county, Supt. W. R. Mills, of Louisburg, and Supt. C. B. Harris, Franklinton, offered suggestions in regard to bettering the present conditions.

Mr. Warren was presented by Superintendent E. L. Best who spoke to the teachers and principals explaining what Franklin County is going to do in helping to carry on the campaign put on by the State "To Interpret the School System to the Public". He explained that the teachers biggest part in this is to cooperate with the local committees and to do everything in their power to bring about and maintain a friendly and sympathetic relationship between the schools and the patrons. Material was given out to the various principals for use in carrying-on the campaign.

The meeting opened with Franklin's Sesqui-Centennial Hymn, "Ode to Franklin", following which Professor T. H. Sledge offered prayer.

Dr. D. T. Smithwick, County Historian, announced that on the night of February 12th, program commemorating Franklin County's 151 Anniversary will be given over Radio Station W. P. T. F., Raleigh, at which time "Franklin", the county song, written by Mr. Fred U. Wolfe, Professor of Agriculture at Gold Sand High School and recently adopted, will be sung for the first time over radio.

TWENTIETH CENTURY BOOK CLUB

On Saturday P. M. Feb. 1, 1930, the Twentieth Century Book Club was entertained by Miss Mae Fisher at her apartment. It was a most enjoyable afternoon.

The topic of study was, "Interesting Women of the Bible." A paper "Two Tragic Heroines—Hagar and Jeptah's Daughter", very interesting in its portrayal of the life of each of these women, was read by Mrs. F. W. Wheelless.

"Two Romances of the Bible—Ruth and Esther," a paper, by Mrs. R. W. Alston was very pleasing and as always these two women found a quick response in the hearts of all.

The club was glad to have as guests: Miss Elizabeth Wilson, Mrs. R. R. Harris, Miss Loula Jarman and Mrs. — Winchester of Charlotte.

Very appetizing refreshments in two courses were served in green china and green glass. The first course consisted of chicken short-cake, cranberry jelly, stuffed celery, saltines, pickle and coffee. Then a most delicious fruit-jello topped with whipped cream and cherry with raisin and nut cake was served.

Those assisting Miss Fisher in serving were: Miss Nancy Hayes, Miss Josephine Perry, and Miss Marguerite Rouse.

There seems to be more prize than fight in the present-day prize fights.

TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEET

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular monthly session, on Friday night.

On roll call there were present, Mayor Joyner and Commissioners Person, White, McKinne, Fleming and Allen.

A representative citizenry of South Main Street were before the Board asking for a night police. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee to be reported at the next meeting of the Board.

O. Y. Yarboro was before the Board with reference to land sales. The clerk was instructed to make a settlement with Mr. Yarboro without costs added on account of error in advertising.

J. S. Howell, Chief of the Fire department presented his report which indicated a very excellent showing for the fire department. The report is as follows:

"I beg leave to report on fire conditions for the year ending Dec. 31st 1929. Loss on buildings—\$2,737.25; Loss on Contents—\$1,163.50; Total—\$3,900.75.

"In behalf of the Fire Department and every member of same, I wish to thank you and all the officials of the town for the hearty support you have given the Fire Department.

"It is our purpose to merit the confidence which has been imposed upon us and we want you to know that we are always ready to answer the first call to every one of our duties."

The report was accepted with thanks to the Fire Department.

Dr. Fleming called attention to the hazardous condition of a building on the north side of East Nash Street. The Chief of the Fire Department was instructed to confer with owners of the building and get the matter adjusted.

The report of the Auditor was read and approved.

The report of the Chief of Police was read and approved.

Mr. W. C. Webb was appointed to collect back taxes on a percentage basis.

Reported Taxes collected show an increase of 65 per cent over same period compared with last year.

WEATHER FACTS FOR JANUARY 1930 AND 1929

The following facts about the weather as recorded by Mr. B. B. Bobbitt, in charge of the local weather Station of the United States weather service will no doubt be interesting to the many readers of the Franklin Times, especially the comparisons between 1929 and 1930.

The average high temperature for January 1930 was 54.49 and the average low was 32.03, as compared with the same period of 1929 high average 54.41, and average low 31.06.

The lowest temperature in January 1930 was 11, on the 31st, while in January 1929 it was 16.

The total rainfall for January 1930 was 2.72 inches while in January 1929 it was 2.95 inches. January 1930 gave us 4 1-2 inches of snow while in 1929 it gave nothing.

There were 16 clear, 4 partly cloudy and 11 cloudy days in January 1930 as compared with 14 clear, 8 partly cloudy and 9 cloudy in the same period of 1929.

LITTLE GIRL BADLY BURNED

Mary Gray Ransdell, colored, little 4 year old daughter of Lizzie Ransdell, who lives in the yard near the home of Mr. G. W. Murphy on east Nash Street, was seriously burned about 7 o'clock while its mother was busy with her duties, as cook for Mr. Murphy. It seems that the little girl, who was alone in the house, save for a very small baby, was playing with a heating stove which contained a fire during which its clothing caught with the result mentioned.

EPWORTH JUNIORS MEET

The Epworth Juniors of M. E. Church met Wednesday afternoon Feb. 5th at 3:30 with a very interesting program, and good attendance.

Song—By Juniors.  
Prayer—by Juniors.  
Bible reading—Mrs. Barrow.  
How to worship—Joe Beasley.  
Our Church Study—William Lee Beasley.

Our Interest in Others—Jane Fuller.  
Discussion—Mrs. W. B. Barrow.  
Story—by Eleanor Beasley.  
Story—Split Milk, Edith Harris.  
Song—by Juniors.  
Benediction.

REUBEN KISSELL, Sec'y.

MANY LIKE THIS

The following is one of many like it the Franklin Times receives along with items each week, and which tells the story of why the articles are not printed:

2-2-1930  
Dear Editor:  
This is my first item to the Franklin Times and I would thank you so much if you will print this in the Franklin Times and not put it in the trash basket.

"Thank."