

LET WIRING CONTRACT

ENDORSE FRANCHISE TO CAROLINA COACH COMPANY

To Repair Sidewalks On Spring Street; Receives Reports of Town Officials; Approves Contract For Plumbing in Armory Building

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular session Nov. 19, 1939, with all members present.

Mr. B. B. Massenburg requested the Board to repair the sidewalk on the East side of Spring Street between Noble Street and Franklin Street. The Board ordered that the necessary repairs be made in accordance with Mr. Massenburg's request.

The Clerk was instructed to secure bids on fuel and lubricating oils for the coming year.

Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved and the monthly reports of the Tax Collector, Chief of Police and Town Clerk were approved.

The Board passed a motion authorizing and instructing the Light and Water Committee to prepare and submit a WPA Project to construct all necessary improvements and extensions to the water and sewer lines.

A contract for electric lamps was renewed with the Westinghouse Electric Supply Co.

The Board passed a motion instructing the police to park the police car at the Fire House or other convenient location, and to use it only for the purpose of answering police calls.

The contract let for the plumbing in the Armory Building was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Hobart Roberson was awarded the contract to install the wiring and electric fixtures in the Armory Building for the contract price of \$875.00, he being the lowest bidder.

The Board adopted a resolution releasing a lot on Spring Street that was purchased by W. H. Spencer and wife, from a deed of trust executed by Mrs. L. R. F. Allen and husband to Charles F. Green, trustee, for the County of Franklin and the Town of Louisburg, N. C.

A resolution endorsing granting the franchise to the Carolina Coach Co., to operate main line buses on Route 59 through Louisburg.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

This will be the Sunday before Advent. There will be the early celebration of the Holy Communion at 8:00 A. M. Church School at 9:45 A. M. and Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11:00 A. M. The third in a series of sermons on the Holy Spirit will be delivered this Sunday. The special phase of this general subject will be "The Spirit of Power."

The Young People's Service League will meet Sunday evening at 6:30.

On Monday there will be a meeting of the Vestry to report on the Every Member Canvass. This meeting will take place at 7:30.

Friday there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion followed by the Woman's Auxiliary Bible Class at 10:00 o'clock.

With the formation of a new 4-H Club in the Askeville School, all schools in Bertie County have organized clubs, says Assistant Farm Agent R. D. Smith.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre beginning Saturday, Nov. 18th:

Saturday—Double Feature—Ann Sheridan and the Dead End Kids in "The Angels Wash Their Faces" and Ken Maynard and Bob Burns in "Tombstone Canyon. Also Chapter No. 5 "Dick Tracy's G-Men."

Sunday-Monday—The Dead End Kids and John Littel in "The Dead End Kids on Dress Parade." Tuesday—Basil Rathbone, Ida Lupino and Nigel Bruce in "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes." Wednesday—Lew Ayres and Lana Turner in "These Glamour Girls" with Anita Louise, Tom Brown, Richard Carlson and Jane Bryan. Also March of Time.

Thursday-Friday—Bette Davis and Errol Flynn in "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex." Also latest News.

Latest Times Today—Claudette Colbert and Henry Fonda in "Drums Along The Momawk."

ROAD SIGNS

The Norlina sign to route tourist traffic thru Louisburg is up and completed. The Raleigh sign will be built next week. Have you contributed to the expense of these signs? They are being built by contributions and Louisburg has got to meet its share. The Warren-ton folks say they have got theirs so give your part and let's get ours.

Russian Press Attacks Upon Finland Increase

Soviet Anger Mounts Against Finns; Latter Say Next Move Up To Moscow

Moscow, Thursday, Nov. 16.—Soviet Russia today made the sharpest press attack yet upon Finland, accusing Finnish ruling circles of fostering an "anti-Soviet policy."

The attack, in the form of a dispatch by Tass, official Soviet news agency, from Helsinki, Finnish capital, was almost as bitter as the press campaign which preceded the Russian march into Poland last September 17.

The dispatch, distributed for publication in this morning's newspapers, based its tirade against the Finnish government upon what it said was confiscation of an issue of the magazine Soichu. The magazine has printed articles friendly to the Russian government.

Tass charged that the Finnish army and press were instructed to "hate Russians"; that teaching in the schools was conducted along the same lines, and that "the leaders of the anti-Soviet campaign of lies are the most reactionary elements who are dreaming of spreading the boundaries of Finland all the way to the Urals (in Russia)."

"The English bourgeoisie has supported this anti-Soviet attitude," the dispatch added.

Denying that Russia had presented "impossible demands" to the Finns in the recent negotiations that were suspended by Finland, the dispatch said the Finnish government was trying to mislead world public opinion or falsely declaring it wanted an agreement with Moscow.

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Foreign observers agreed that the Tass dispatch was another threat in the Soviet campaign to force the Finns into an agreement in a short time, or else was a prelude to direct action.

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TOBACCO ADVANCES

ON LOUISBURG MARKET WEDNESDAY

Big Sales Being Had Each Day With Very Satisfactory Results To Growers

Reports from Warehouses and Buyers show that tobacco took a strong advance on the local market Wednesday, much to the gratification of growers and warehousemen alike.

Each of the warehouses have had big sales most every day the past week, and each grade seems to hold a strong demand. The prices have been recognized as good, considering the season and big crop, but took an advance Wednesday. Most growers expressed general satisfaction.

Louisburg is forging ahead this year both in pounds sold on the market and prices paid and is winning favor among the many growers visiting the market. The same friendly cooperation is in evidence that makes this the "Friendly Market" that is profitable to the farmers.

Civil Court

Franklin Superior Court for Civil cases convened Monday with His Honor Judge Frizzell, presiding.

The docket is composed mostly of smaller cases and those of minor public interest, and therefore the work of the Court has moved along slowly.

The Court was in session yesterday and may complete its docket before the end of the term which is a two week term.

Franklin County is again glad to have Judge Frizzell in our midst.

Court adjourned yesterday afternoon until Tuesday of next week. Sheriff Moore wishes all jurors to be governed by this announcement.

HOME TALENT ENTERTAINMENT

The TIMES is requested to state that Mills P. T. A. will sponsor a grand home talent play "The Louisburg Band Concert" to be given at the school auditorium on Friday evening, November 24th, at 8 o'clock. All are invited to go out and make this a great success and help the P. T. A. help the school and students.

MEETING IN PROGRESS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Services are being held at 7:45 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. at the local Baptist Church with Dr. W. W. Barnes of Southwestern Theological Seminary doing the preaching. In the mornings the messages are particularly devotional and instructive. Each evening Dr. Barnes is preaching from the Gospel of John and has requested that the Book of John be read as many times as possible during the week.

Morning services at 7:45 continue through Saturday. Week-day evening services continue through Friday. Services on Sunday are at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. This will bring to a close this series of revival services.

Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. Baptist Training Union at 6:45 P. M.

THANKFUL

The officers and men of Battery B 113th F. A. are indeed thankful to the U. S. Tobacco Co., and its representative E. G. Creasly, for 72 packages of Model Smoking Tobacco, a pack for every man in the Battery, says Captain Green, who also says the men are open to receive other favors.

FIRE SATURDAY NIGHT

The fire Saturday night was at the wood shed in the back yard of Miss Ruth Allen's residence on Sunset Avenue. The fire happened about 9 o'clock and was caused, no doubt, from a pile of burning trash in the yard. The fire department soon extricated the blaze and very little damage was done.

SINFUL AFFAIR

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 14.—An "Evil Old Man's Dinner" will be given here Thursday night by the Texas Editorial Association.

The program announced "This vile occasion is given and dedicated to sin and corruption by the friends of John N. Garner, vice president of the United States."

Specific mention of John L. Lewis, C. I. O. labor chief, will be made at the dinner, it was announced. Lewis once referred to Vice-President Garner as a "poker playing, whiskey drinking, evil old man."

We greatly appreciate the kindness and sympathy shown us during the recent sickness and death of our beloved husband and father. MRS. H. B. GRIFFIN and Family.

BATTERY "B" TO CAMP

Louisburg's Battery B, 113th F. A. has received orders to leave on Sunday for a week's encampment at Fort Bragg, for practice work.

The following letter from Capt. Chas. Green, Commanding the Battery, is of special importance and will no doubt meet with Franklin County's usual hearty cooperation.

November 15, 1939

Mr. A. F. Johnson, Editor of The Franklin Times, Louisburg, N. C. Dear Mr. Johnson:

The local battery of the North Carolina National Guard has been called for a week's encampment, at Fort Bragg, beginning Sunday, 19 November 1939 and ending Saturday, 25 November 1939.

I shall appreciate it personally if you will appeal through your paper to the business men in Louisburg and Franklin County, who employ members of the battery in private life, for their cooperation with the National Guard in this time of emergency. The citizens, and especially the business men of this town and county, have always been anxious and willing to make it convenient for their employees to be away from their jobs during the regular summer encampment, and I hope and trust that the same spirit of helpfulness will prevail during this special training period.

I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your cooperation and assistance in promoting and cooperating with the activities of Battery "B".

With best wishes and highest personal regards, I remain

Respectfully yours,
CHARLES P. GREEN,
Captain Commanding,
Battery B, 113th F. A.,
North Carolina National Guard.

Battling Halts On West Front

Rain and Fog Hold Sway as Observers Make Guesses As To German Plans

Paris, Nov. 15.—The war on the Western Front bogged down today in heavy rains and dense fogs.

Except for patrol action in "No Man's Land" and occasional spurts of intensive reconnaissance flights, a dead calm prevailed.

Patrol action was reported east and west of the Saar river, north-east of the fortress town of Bitch and on the outer limits of the Vosges sector.

The 146th French war communique today reported "clashes of patrols, and local artillery action."

In the absence of actual fighting, official circles turned to speculation as to Germany's next step. The French persist in the belief that last week's extensive reconnaissance flights in France were related to heavy troop concentrations within striking distance of the Dutch border.

Military commentators reported that Germany is fully prepared to strike from the North Sea to Switzerland. A simultaneous offensive along the entire Western Front could be ordered, it was said, or individual attacks undertaken against The Netherlands, Belgium, France or Switzerland.

Other observers professed to see three possible alternatives for the Germans. An invasion of the low countries, an attack on the French fortifications or direct action against England.

Invasion of Belgium or The Netherlands at present was considered unlikely because of the world-wide resentment stirred by the mere rumor of such a threat.

The military analyst of the semi-official Le Temps discussed the possibility of German forces crossing the Rhine to challenge the French fortifications. Such a maneuver was within the realm of probability, he believed, provided the French were taken by surprise.

The analyst reported that the Germans already have constructed big flat boats capable of transporting not only men, but a four-inch gun or tank. Protected by flame-throwers, heavy artillery and perhaps gas, the Germans might succeed in landing parties on French territory, he said, but he believed they could be repulsed easily and driven back across the river.

TO OBSERVE NEW THANKSGIVING

Postmaster T. M. Harris informs the TIMES that the local post office will observe President Roosevelt's new Thanksgiving by observing holiday hours on Thursday, of next week, November 23rd. The stamp and delivery windows will be held open from 8 to 10 A. M. and no carrier service will be in operation. There will be regular delivery of parcel post in the city.

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CONFERENCE ANNOUNCES CHANGES

Rev. J. G. Phillips Returns To Louisburg; Dr. J. H. Barnhardt Goes To Rockingham

Changes in Methodist pastorate of North Carolina were announced Monday following the "love feast" of the recently created North Carolina Conference of the church at Fayetteville.

The Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, superintendent of the Raleigh District, will go to Rockingham, replacing him by the Rev. H. I. Glass, of Front Street Church in Burlington, who was pastor of Central Church, Raleigh, about 15 years ago.

A new Methodist church, consolidating the congregations of Central and Epworth, at Raleigh, is to be built at Person and Franklin streets and named "Person Street Methodist." The Rev. M. W. Lawrence and the Rev. Kermit Wheeler, Jr., who are to preach at Epworth and Central churches for the present, were assigned to it. The Rev. E. G. Overton was transferred from Central to the Person Circuit (Roxboro).

The Rev. H. C. Rickard of Epworth, who had been temporarily in this district while studying at Duke University, has returned to Gordonsville, Va., in his home conference. Mr. Lawrence, who comes here from Roxboro, will be actual pastor of Person Street, which will continue to meet in the two buildings until the new church is erected. Mr. Wheeler, a Duke divinity student, will be in Raleigh on Sundays only.

The Rev. A. S. Barnes is to remain as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, and Mr. Russell is district missionary secretary.

The appointments were made in the Raleigh District:

H. I. Glass, district superintendent; Bailey, W. L. Loy; Benson, H. A. Chester; Cary-Apex, H. B. Bania; Clayton, P. O. Lee; Creedmoor, E. B. Craven; Dunn, D. V. Street, L. M. Hall; Erwin, I. S. Richmond; Four Oaks, J. C. Whedbee; FRANKLINTON, S. E. Mercer; Fuquay, E. C. Durham; Garner, D. D. Traynham; Granville, J. P. Pegg; Henderson, Christ Church, T. J. Whitehead; First Church, B. C. Reavis; City Road-White Memorial, J. K. Worthington, supply; Lillington, R. L. Crossno; LOUISBURG, J. G. Phillips; LOUISBURG CIRCUIT, M. H. Bloodworth; Marners, F. R. Davis; Millbrook, M. M. Waltes; Moncure, O. W. Mathison; Mt. Tizah, E. L. Hill; Newton Grove, W. B. Cotton; Oxford, O. W. Dowd; Oxford Circuit, L. C. Brothers; Princeton, J. W. Bradley; Rougemont, J. T. Greene; Selma, O. L. Hathaway; Smithfield, J. J. Boone; Stem, H. L. Rogers; TAR RIVER, J. A. Martin; Vance Circuit, J. F. Starnes; Zebulon-Wendell, B. F. Boone; District Missionary Secretary, Leon Russell; Superintendent Methodist Orphanage, A. S. Barnes; Superintendent Oxford Orphanage, C. K. Proctor; President LOUISBURG COLLEGE, Walter Patten; Missionary to Japan, J. D. Stott; Religious Director State Prison System, L. A. Watts; Superannuates: E. H. Davis, H. M. Jackson, C. P. Jerome, E. H. McWhorter, J. W. Potter, F. M. Shamburger, P. D. Woodall.

Other appointments of interest to our readers were as follows: Littleton, H. L. Davis; Littleton Circuit, D. D. Broome; Nashville, E. R. Clegg; Norlina, E. D. Dodd; Rocky Mount, First Church, E. L. Hillman, Clark Street, B. H. Black; Spring Hope, G. W. Blount; Warren, E. R. Shuler; Warrenton, J. O. Long; Weldon, B. P. Robinson; Wilson, H. B. Porter; Troy, O. P. Fitzgerald; A. S. Parker goes to Queen's Street, Kinston; D. E. Earnhardt goes to Calvary, Durham.

Demonstrations using cyanamid to control weeds in tobacco plant beds have been started with H. H. Roberson and W. M. Harrison, Martin County growers.

Philadelphias, Nov. 14.—The Franklin Institute announced its seismograph showed an earthquake of considerable intensity centered "very close to Philadelphia" at 9:54 o'clock tonight and lasted for about 10 seconds.

The earthquake was felt in at least four states—Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, and Delaware.

Reports came that the tremors were felt in Philadelphia and vicinity, at Wilmington, Del., and various communities in Maryland and Southern New Jersey. Reports gave no indication of serious property damage.

WHEREAS, the Board of Town Commissioners of Louisburg, N. C. have been informed that the Carolina Coach Company of Raleigh, N. C., a public service corporation, has filed an application with the Utilities Commission of North Carolina asking that said Commissioners grant a certificate for the public convenience and necessity for the operation of passenger buses from Raleigh through Louisburg to Warrenton and on to Roanoke Rapids and other points; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the granting of this application would place the Town of Louisburg and vicinity on a main line of the Carolina Coach Company, and would give the people of this section a direct service from Raleigh to Louisburg to Warrenton to Roanoke Rapids, and other points over nearer and more convenient route and will furnish bus service to many communities that do not have any such services; and

WHEREAS, such bus service is most urgently needed by the traveling public and the people along said proposed bus route, and would be highly beneficial to the citizenship of this section of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it further appears the said Carolina Coach Company is seeking permission to operate said route from the County Seat of Wake County through the County Seats of Franklin, Warren and Northampton and other counties, and that the County Seats of Warren and Northampton counties have no bus service whatsoever; and

WHEREAS, it appears to this Board that the granting of these applications for bus route, Carolina Coach Company would very materially improve public transportation facilities in Eastern North Carolina, and will afford to the people generally a service that it very much needs at this time; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be to the best interest of the public to have such additional transportation facilities afforded to the people of this section of North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That it is the opinion of this Board that said application of the Carolina Coach Company should be granted by the Utilities Commission of North Carolina, and that this Board does hereby approve, recommend and endorse said application and expresses the wish and desire that the Utilities Commission of North Carolina will, as soon as possible, grant the Carolina Coach Company these applications which it has applied for.

2. That the Secretary of this Board be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Utilities Commission of North Carolina, expressing this Board's views, approval and endorsement of said applications.

3. That the Mayor of the Town of Louisburg and the Members of this Board be, and they are hereby authorized to represent this Board, either in person or by some party that they may designate before the Utilities Commission of North Carolina when these applications are being considered by said Utilities Commission of North Carolina, and to

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