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The man who does not get busy this year in his garden is either a lazy man or lacks common sense, because the one best way to cut down grocery bills is to grow vegetables.

In order to get ready quick an American merchant marine it has been decided to build a large number of wooden ships, not only in the ship yards, but in woodworking factories at a distance from the sea coast. These ships can be built swiftly in sections and assembled in the ship-yards. It is absolutely necessary that there be a great increase in the number of vessels for shipping, and in order to get them built at once and without too much expense this plan has been adopted.

Francis G. Caffey, Solicitor of the Department of Agriculture, has been selected as the next United States Attorney at New York, to succeed H. Snowden Marshall, whose four year term expires April 24. Mr. Caffey's selection was made at the instance of Col. E. M. House, backed by the endorsement of Secretary of Agriculture Houston.

Mr. Caffey was born in Alabama. He is a member of the law firm of Clark, Brockbridge and Caffey, of New York, and has been head of the law division of the Department of Agriculture for more than two years.

This is a world crisis, and it behooves every one to use his best energies to relieve the food shortage as much as possible. There was not only a short crop in the United States last year, but there was a shortage in other countries. There is a short crop of wheat in the Argentine Republic this year. The shortage of the grain crop alone in the United States last year was more than one fourth a quarter billion bushels, and throughout the world it was more than three and three-fourths billions bushels. The one matter of most tremendous importance is to give first importance to the growing of food stuff.

Like Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln and Cleveland, President Wilson has been censured often bitterly, but he has given no sign of having heard of it or being in the least disturbed by it. He has followed the plan adopted by most sensible public men. It must be gratifying to him indeed to realize that the country is behind him in this crisis, and that the soundness of his judgment and his superior wisdom and great ability are recognized by all. His growing responsibilities has broadened and increased his strength.

REFORMATION OF COURT PROCEDURE

The New York American calls attention to the reforming of legal procedure and notes the evils and intolerable evils that exist in some instances when respectable and responsible citizens involuntarily become witnesses in petty suits in court. Attention is called to the fact that a citizen is dragged away from his business and sits for hours in a crowded courtroom where a "cheap John" lawyer who ought to be plowing wastes time and public money in a ridiculous effort to browbeat witnesses. The American insists that arrangements should be made to telephone witnesses when needed. This would be unwise, but there is much delay in procedure which could be avoided, arrangements could, in many instances, be made to prevent the attendance of witnesses for several days waiting for a case to be called.

SOME THINGS THAT CAN BE DONE

It is greatly to be regretted to Randolph county has not a farm demonstrator and someone in charge of domestic science demonstration, for both are of great value to any community, though not an absolute necessity. The wide-awake, earnest teachers and leaders in every community will have to undertake the work which a non-progressive board of commissioners would not provide for. The selection of trees, building, grafting, does not call for long and tedious training. Start an experiment area in your community; organize tree clubs, grafting bees, budding parties. To get aid from the Department of Agriculture at Washington, or at Raleigh, cost nothing but the price of a postal card and the time it takes to write it. Organize canning clubs, tomato clubs, potato clubs, pig clubs. Have meetings and co-operate with the young people of the community. It is to be hoped that someone in every community will take hold and push these matters. Patience, industry and energy will accomplish much. All information can be obtained from the Department of Agriculture that is necessary to direct the work.

GUILFORD COUNTY ROADS TO BE KEPT UP

Guilford county has adopted a plan to divide the county into nine districts, two townships to a district, and over each district there will be a road supervisor charged with keeping all the roads in his district in good repair.

The recent legislature passed the following wise provision as to the probate of wills:

That when one or more of the subscribing witnesses to the will of a testator, resident of this state, the examination of such witnesses may be had, taken and subscribed, in the form of an affidavit, before a notary public residing in such county and state as such witness or witnesses reside; and such affidavit, so taken and subscribed shall be transmitted by such notary public, under his hand and official seal, to the clerk of the court before whom such will has been filed for probate; and if such affidavits are upon examination by such clerk, found to establish such facts as are necessary to be established before said clerk authorize the probate of such will, had the witness or witnesses appeared before him personally then it shall be the duty of, and the said clerk shall have power to order said will to probate, and record such will with the same effect as if the subscribing witnesses had appeared before him in person, and been examined under oath.

Col. Roosevelt called at the White House Tuesday of this week to congratulate the President on his great message and to assure him that he believed it would be so considered in the years to come. The President was not at the White House, but Col. Roosevelt left his card.

PLAN TO RAISE ARMY

The plan to raise the first army of half a million soldiers is based on the principal of universal liability for service. A detailed scheme has been worked out.

After married men, others with dependents and those whose service is required in industries have been exempted, others within the age limits fixed will be examined physically, and those found fit will be selected, possibly by lot, until the first 400,000 to be trained are secured.

The age limit is understood to be from 18 to 25 years.

Meeting of Board of Road Commissioners April 3, 1917

The board of road commissioners met in regular session April 3, 1917. The committee was called to order by J. B. Humble, chairman at 10 a. m. and went into the transaction of business. The board first received all bills brought in by people who had been improving and working on the county's roads. After looking and correcting all bills they were O. K. and ordered paid. On motion adjourned at 1 p. m. to meet again at 2 p. m.

Board was called together by chairman Humble at 2 p. m. and received various committees from all parts of the county on general road questions. A committee from Back Creek township came before the board asking that a road leading from Bullars siding running the course of the old Moon road by W. Z. Fowels, N. C. Farlow and others to point in the old plank road be surfaced. Board agreed that the county would grade the road providing that the subscribers along the road would raise enough money to surface same.

The board agreed that the county would pay \$1,000 on grading and surfacing a road intersecting a gravel road at J. H. McLeod's place and running by W. A. Cravens, Demsey Beans and others. This road to be built according to specifications. A petition was granted for the grading and surfacing of a road beginning at A. B. Yorks running by Abraham Wanda crossing the lands of Mrs. Julian R. Amicks, thence south by A. L. Yorks, J. U. Kirmans to a public road which passes J. Allreds.

A committee appeared before the board asking for a road leading from M. C. Ridges to Davidson county line be graded and surfaced and it was agreed that the road should be constructed provided Davidson county would grade and surface road into Denton.

Several citizens from Concord township petitioned for a road leading from Green Mc Masters place to Davidson line a distance of four miles to be graded and surfaced. This matter was deferred to a further meeting for definite action.

It was ordered that three road wheelers be purchased from H. H. Kennedy.

There being no further business to come before the board they adjourned until next regular session.

Asheboro Route 1 News

The people in the community are busy preparing corn ground.

Mrs. Clifford Himshaw, of near Central Falls, spent Sunday at Mrs. S. C. Free's.

Miss Myrtle Pugh spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Annie Vestal.

Several of our young folks attended the exhibition at Middleton Saturday.

Rev. Joel R. Trogon will preach at Browers-Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

County Farm Loan Association to Meet

The Randolph County Farm Loan Association is to have an important meeting at Asheboro on next Saturday April 7, at which a full attendance is requested in order that a name may be selected for the association and the organization completed. Each member should be present so that his application can be made in writing with two witnesses signing. Money can be borrowed at the rate of not exceeding 5 per cent, payable on easy terms, on what is known as the amortization plan so often explained in the Courier.

Proceedings of the Commissioners of Randolph County

The board of county commissioners of Randolph county met in the court house in Asheboro, N. C., April 2, 1917, in regular session. This being the first Monday in the month, and the following business was transacted:

Accounts against the county audited, allowed and ordered paid, any shown in disbursement register No. 7, on pages 31 to 33 both inclusive and under order number 422 to 472 both inclusive.

It is ordered that A. S. Callicut be refunded tax on \$2,000 assessed value account listed twice.

It is ordered that C. L. Nance, of Concord township, be exempted from payment of poll tax for year 1916.

It is ordered that Tucker and Cagle, of Richland township, from payment of tax on \$1,000, error in listing.

It is ordered that Noah R. Hall estate be released of tax on \$50.00 val. account listed twice.

It is ordered that the following be released from payment of poll tax for year 1916:

T. B. Bingham, Concord township, Farmer.

Dill Hill, Randleman township, Randleman.

Iron Brown, Union township.

B. C. Scatter, Coleridge, Coleridge.

James Lamb, Randleman township.

J. A. Coltrane, Liberty township, Liberty.

Jesse Langley, Columbia township, Staley.

It is ordered that D. H. Fogleman, of Columbia township have tax refunded on \$400 assessed valuation, account error in listing.

Petition of citizens from Tabernacle township asking that Cassinia Pierce be laid on the list of O. P.

It is ordered that Cassinia Pierce be placed on O. P. list of the county at \$1.00 per month.

By authority given by the Corporation it is hereby ordered that the assessment of \$1100.00 on the land of S. M. Caviness of Asheboro township be reduced to \$900.00.

It is ordered that W. C. Patterson, of Columbia township be released of \$3.97 tax on assessed value of \$91.90, account error in transcribing.

It is ordered that W. B. Lee be released from tax on \$300 assessed value on land in Level Cross township, account error listed by Tyson G. Trogon.

It is ordered that E. M. Hill be refunded \$2.80 poll tax.

It is ordered that Andrew Tony be added to the O. P. list of the county, at \$1.50 per month and that same be sent to E. N. Howard.

It is ordered that the board pay the expenses of the county physician to Asheville, N. C., April 16th, 1917, account North Carolina Health Officers Association.

It is ordered that Oscar Low be released from payment of poll tax for the year 1916.

It is ordered that on petition of the recipients that the quarterly allowance of J. O. Wall be sent to McPherson and Co., instead of C. R. Curtis, and the quarterly allowance of Mrs. J. A. Butler be sent to Frazier store, Co. instead of C. R. Curtis.

It is ordered that the sale of lot No. 3 of the old court house and jail property, being the lot on which the old jail buildings stand, be, and the same is hereby confirmed to W. F. Redding at the price of \$1035.00.

It is ordered that the sale of lot No. 4 of the old jail property, be, and the same is hereby confirmed to Morris and Holder at the price of \$305.00.

The following were appointed list takers to list the property for taxation in the various townships for the year 1917.

Trinity—J. P. Collett, Trinity.

Tabernacle—M. L. Wood, Fullers Route 1.

Concord—M. N. Morgan, Farmer, New Hope, J. T. Thornburg, Rachel, Union—Walter Parks, Ulah.

Richland, W. E. Bean, Seagrave Route 1.

Brower—W. S. Gardner, Spokane, Pleasant Grove—J. T. Powers, Bear Creek Route 3.

Coleridge—J. E. Stout, Moffitt, Columbia—Howard Frazier, Ramscar Route 2.

Liberty—Oscar P. Brower, Staley Route 1.

Providence—E. P. Trogon, Millboro, Franklinville—J. F. Routh, Millboro, Grant—W. E. Humble.

Asheboro—J. B. Ward, Asheboro, New Market—L. M. Russell, Sophia, Cedar Grove—W. G. Kinney.

Randleman—O. C. Marsh, Randleman.

Level Cross—G. Elwood, Stanton, Randleman Route 1.

Back Creek—N. H. Ferguson, Randleman Route 3.

The bid on lot No. 2 having been raised more than \$1090, it is ordered that the same be resold at the court house door in Asheboro, N. C., at 12 o'clock M. April 26, 1917, to the highest bidder for cash, and that this sale be final, and that said sale be advertised for four weeks in the Bulletin, beginning with the issue of April 5, 1917.

On petition from citizens of Concord township it is ordered that a special railroad bond election to be held on the 15th day of May, 1917. As is evidenced by proper resolution and notice which become apart of the proceedings of this meeting, and are filed with papers of said meeting.

On motion by A. B. Coltrane, seconded by Frank Tally, this meeting adjourned to meet at the court house in Asheboro, N. C., on April 26th, 1917.

Flag and Bible Presented by J. W. Sechrist of High Point to Charlotte School Last Week. Exhibition Saturday

The closing exercises of the Charlotte school were held Saturday. Extensive preparations had been made and the days' entertainment was a great success. Mr. J. W. Sechrist, of High Point, delivered the address, after which he presented a flag and Bible given by the J. O. U. A. M.

Four pupils were awarded attendance certificates. They were Serona, Leona and Hammer Pierce and Amos Hunt.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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CHAMP CLARK RE-ELECTED SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Champ Clark was re-elected Speaker of the House of Representatives Monday of this week, receiving 217 votes, 12 more than his opponent James R. Mann. Five Republicans refused to vote for Mann because he opposed the President in his position as to the freedom of Americans to sail on vessels of all neutral nations without let or hindrance.

Claud Kitchin is again at the head of the Ways and Means Committee. Ed Pou chairman of Rules Committee. Webb, of the Judiciary, and all the members from North Carolina have good assignments. Mr. Robinson is on three important committees, Labor, Insular Affairs and Elections.

Julian News

Miss Mary Johnson, of Liberty R. 1, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Lora Deviney.

Mr. James Brewer of Winston-Salem, spent Friday and Saturday here with his parents.

Miss Alven Lamb who has had charge of the school here this winter left Tuesday for her home in Randleman.

Miss Anna Harlin went to Greensboro Saturday to spend a few days visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson, Mr. James Brown and Miss Alven Lamb motored to Greensboro Saturday.

The Julian public school gave a play Monday night entitled "Busher's Girl."

Miss Mary Pickett who has been teaching near Asheboro has returned home for the summer.

Mr. G. L. Whitaker was a business visitor in Greensboro one day last week.

Misses Ma Burrow and Sarah Roughton, of Greensboro, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brown died March 31. Interment was made at Shiloh.

Mrs. Lora Deviney, Rev. D. D. Offman and Dr. A. C. Whitaker made a business trip to Asheboro one day last week.

Mrs. M. Brown and Miss Ada Burrow returned home Saturday from Greensboro where they had been spending a few days with their parents.

The German submarine must be driven from the sea or annihilated. The first and most important job congress has to do is to sweep the seas of the German submarines. The ocean should be combed so as to get every one of these wolves of the sea.

The plant of the United States Leather Company, at Old Fort, was completely destroyed by fire Monday night, as was also the plant of the Old Fort Extract Company, the loss to the latter company being estimated at \$1,000,000. A high wind blowing at the time carried burning embers to nearby buildings, which were with great difficulty saved from destruction. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Kinds Words for The Courier

Mrs. E. M. Marley, of Liberty Route 1, recently wrote The Courier "we are always glad to get The Courier."

Mr. Cornelius Cagle, of Seagrave Route 1, was in Asheboro Monday and said "I discontinued The Courier a few weeks ago, and my wife says she can not get along without it."

Mr. F. L. Williams, of Staley Route 2, says "you failed to stop my Courier when I asked you to discontinue it and now I want to pay for it a year in advance."

Mr. J. W. C. Craven, of Franklinville, said "The Courier is one of the essentials in our household."

In a recent communication from Mr. E. D. Lewis who is with the National Museum in Washington, he says: "The Courier is the greatest comfort that I have here in this great city among strangers, and don't think that I can afford to drop it not even at one dollar and fifty cents per year."

Mr. S. H. Spoon, of Archdale, says it seems as natural for his family to read The Courier as it is for them to read the Bible in his home.

BUSINESS BUILDERS

FOR SALE—One two-horse wagon and harness, 1 buggy and buggy harness, W. N. Bray, Randleman Route 2, N. C. m22-3t

FARM FOR SALE—73-acre farm 1/2 mile from Moffitt postoffice, 1/4 mile from gravel road, good buildings, E. O. York, Randleman, Route No. 2, N. C.

WANTED—Young women of good character over 16 years of age to work in our Cigarette Factory. Good clean work. Good wages paid. A limited number of young men also needed. W. DUKE SONS & CO., BRANCH, Durham, N. C. f15-10t.

FOR SALE—Some second hand furniture, consisting of 1 bed room suite, springs and mattresses, 2 bureaus, 1 leather couch, 1 refrigerator, good as new; 1 writing desk and book case combined, 3 tables, 2 rocking chairs, 2 straight chairs, 1 nice large Brussels drugget, and 1 crex drugget. Apply at The Courier office.

North Carolina, Randolph county, John A. Hodgin:

You will take notice that the undersigned on the first Monday in July, 1916, at a sale of land for taxes by the sheriff of Randolph county, purchased a tract of land containing 19 1/2 acres in Franklinville township, Randolph county, listed in the name of John A. Hodgin for the years of 1914 and 1915; that the amount due thereon is twenty dollars and five cents; that the time for redemption will expire on the 3rd day of July, 1917. The said John A. Hodgin will further take notice that if he fails to pay said amount and interest thereon on or before the said 3rd day of July, 1917, the undersigned will apply to the sheriff of Randolph county for a deed for said tract of land.

This 2nd day of April, 1917. J. W. C. CRAVEN.

FOR SALE—Goodman's Prolific Seed Corn—a large two-eared variety. Carefully selected in the field, \$2 per bushel. C. C. Frazier, High Point, Route No. 5, N. C.

WANTED—Old false teeth; don't matter if broken. I pay \$1 to \$10 per set. Send by parcel post and receive check by return mail. F. Terl, 403 m292t North Wolfe St., Baltimore, Md. m29-4



The Weatherproof Home - Hanna's Green Seal Paint is practically weather-proof. This paint dries with a hard gloss that is practically impervious to water. The House Painted With Hanna's Green Seal Paint

SOLD BY McCrary-Redding Hardware Co., Asheboro, N. C.

Easter Millinery Call and make your selection early. Our hats are going fast. We will sell as reasonable as the season's prices can afford to be sold. Eugenia Tysor

Community Silver Given Away at Standard Drug Company With a two dollar cash purchase we will give a piece of Community Silver. A coupon is given with each cash purchase. COMMUNITY SILVER IS GUARANTEED FOR 25 YEARS HAVE JUST RECEIVED A SHIPMENT STANDARD DRUG COMPANY Asheboro, N. C.

HORSES and MULES We will have at our stables on Saturday, March 31, one car load of horses and mules, well broke. We also have 12 medium mules and 6 horses on hand at present. Come and see us before you buy. We will have mules suitable for saw milling and road work. PRESNELL & BROWN

Our Straw and Panama Hats Peters Diamond Brand W. W. JONES' CASH STORE ASHEBORO, N. C. have arrived and they are in good style. Also our Palm Beach and Keep Kool suits. We have marked these to sell mighty close. Come in and make your selection before they are picked over.