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ALAMANCE COUNTY HAS BORROWED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS.

To pay the running expenses from the first Monday in February to the first Monday in March. All of this gigantic sum within 30 days. At this rate how much more will they have to borrow before the time comes to turn them out. Where are they spending this money. The taxes have been increased, there has been no work done upon the roads, and where has this money gone. Of course all the county officials are honest men, because they are all democrats, and of course no democrat is dishonest. Therefore will not some of our brethren of the county democratic press turn on the light. THERE IS A LEAK SOMEWHERE. Point it out to the tax payers, and lets take a look at the books. Has the Auditor been around lately, what has become of that law anyway. In order that some democratic partisan cannot say that this is a campaign lie, we give the amounts borrowed. Who from, and when borrowed. Can you get around this.

The first Monday in Feb. the minutes show that the board borrowed from C. F. Neese \$1200.00
Mary J. Evans 1000.00
And the first Monday in March the minutes show that the board borrowed from C. A. Webb & Co. \$15000.00
Your assessment has been increased, and therefore your taxes are more. How much longer will you vote the democratic ticket?

The President Is Winning in the Enemy's Country.

Washington, March 24.—The climax of the Republican pre-convention campaign will soon be reached. Developments of this week will leave the opposition to President Taft's renomination scattered. Results in New York, Indiana, Colorado, Mississippi and elsewhere will make the situation clear. The week just ended brought President Taft's convention strength to 143. This week will see it materially increased, and by Saturday he will have passed the 250 mark. Indiana's action is foreshadowed by the primaries, which turn the state convention over to the President's supporters and give him a majority of the districts. New York also has given so many preliminary evidences of her purpose—the New York City Republican Club's unanimous endorsement of the President being the most recent—that a favorable outcome is conceded even by the opposition.

Only eight delegates were elected last week, exclusive of the 10 in North Dakota, which Sena to La Follette easily won at the primaries in a contest with Colonel Roosevelt. Colonel Roosevelt's North Dakota managers are dissatisfied with the results, charging participation of Democrats and Socialists in the primaries, a condition against which President Taft had warned in his discussion of primaries not properly safeguarded by law. Of the eight delegates chosen, six were instructed for President Taft, with a contest promised in the case of two, and two are pledged to him. The total strength of the candidates is now recorded as follows:

Taft, 143; Roosevelt, 15; La Follette, 10; Cummins, 2.

Reports from Iowa continue to show the popular favor and approval, county after county falling in line and assuring President Taft of the delegates at large, four of the five district conventions thus far held having already instructed for him. Reports from Michigan, Missouri, Colorado, and West Virginia show one county after another going on record for the President by instructing delegates to state and district conventions. In Michigan Governor Osborn lost not only his home county, but his city and ward as well, and Taft delegates from the Tenth and Twelfth districts are now assured. In Missouri the change in favor of the President has come with sufficient force and conviction to wrest from Governor Hadley the announcement that any ambition he may have had to be the vice presidential candidate of a ticket with other than President Taft

as its head has been abandoned. Kentucky went on record, through its State Central Committee, which endorsed the candidacy of President Taft. In Montana, Senator Dixon's vote, of the State Committee, by a vote of 27 to 10, on Saturday declared for Mr. Taft's renomination. Two Idaho counties—Kootenai and Clear Water—have chosen Taft delegates to the coming state convention.

And Ohio, the President's state, to which the opposition has been pleased to point as a hotbed of anti-Taft sentiment, put a quietus on that declaration through the action of its 88 county chairmen. All but 13 of these at a recent meeting went on record in praise of the Taft administration and in enthusiastic support of his renomination.

Senator Joseph M. Dixon, of Montana, chairman of the national Roosevelt executive committee, suffered a crushing defeat in his own home state last Saturday night, when the State Committee, composed of one member from each county in the state, at a meeting at Helena, endorsed the Taft administration and President Taft for renomination by a vote of 27 to 12. The State Committee of Montana is chosen by the delegates to the county conventions, which are, in turn, chosen by a primary vote. According to the information received here today, several members of the committee voted against the President's endorsement out of regard for Senator Dixon's official position in the Roosevelt camp, while, at the same time, admitting that they were not reflecting the actual sentiment in their counties doing so.

At a banquet after the meeting the following toasts were responded to:

"President Taft, a worthy successor to Lincoln," and "An independent judiciary the safeguard of free government."

The action of the State Committee of Montana merely reflects the actual sentiment among the voters of the state as it has been known to exist to the Taft managers for some time. There never has been any question but that Montana's eight votes in the Republican National Convention would be cast for the renomination of President Taft. Last Wednesday night a Taft club was organized among the business men of Helena, which includes in its membership representatives of most of the substantial business interests of the state capital city. Similar organizations are now operating in practically all the cities of the state.

The basis for the strong Taft sentiment in Montana is the recognition of the Taft is the real

revisionist of the tariff on a protective principle. Senator Dixon himself was among those who voted for the Payne Tariff Law, not item by item, but for the law itself. He was not among those Republican Insurgents who opposed the law, and he voted as he did at the behest of the unanimous sentiment among the Republicans of his state.

Rural Carriers Examination

There will be a rural carriers examination, held in Burlington Saturday the 30th. The examination will be conducted by Post Master Waller. The examination will be held in one of the Graded school buildings, and Professor Singletary has been requested to be present to witness the examination, any other person who may be interested in this class of education is invited to be present. It is expected that a large class will be present. The examination will commence promptly at 9:30 a. m. and continue until finished. All applicants will bring their admission card, and such other material mentioned upon the cards of admission. There will also be an examination of the same kind held upon the same day at Graham. Those whose admission card says Graham will apply there, and those which say Burlington will apply here. This is done to divide the class, to put them all in one class would be too much for one examiner. The public should take a great interest in these examinations, and the young men should make an earnest effort to do their very best. This branch of the Government service is becoming more and more attractive to those who like outdoor work.

Dixie Construction Co. being Organized

An effort is being made to organize a Construction Co. for Burlington to be known as The Dixie Construction Co. Authorized capital \$50,000.00 and more than half has already been subscribed, some of the leading business men of our city taking stock. The company is being promoted by Messrs W. N. Thompson Abee Bros and Hart all of whom are experts in their line. The promoters hope to secure the remainder of stock within a few days when the company will be organized and a charter secured, this is a big enterprise for the city, and any one interested would do well to have a talk with the promoters. They already have their eye upon a quarter of million dollar contract with our parent county of Orange, and should they be successful this alone would give them a two years job to start with. Those who are looking for a profitable investment for their money, this would seem their opportunity.

Hear Hon. A. M. Scales and Sec. Martin Sunday Night.

Mr. T. D. Dupey of Greensboro was in town Wednesday arranging with the various churches of our town for the holding of a Men's and Religious Forward Movement meeting at the Front Street Methodist Church Sunday night at 7:30. Hon. A. M. Scales and Mr. A. C. Martin, Secretary of the Greensboro Y. M. C. A. will be present and address the audience. Both are speakers of reputation and will interest you. Almost all the churches of the town will postpone services Sunday night for this service. Everybody is invited, ladies as well as gentlemen. The five branches of the modern organization for men will be thoroughly discussed. If you fail to hear these gentlemen we predict you will miss a treat.

Episcopal Church Notice.

The Church of the Holy Comforter, The Reverend John Benner Gibble, Rector.
Services: The Sunday next before Easter, (Palm Sunday), as follows:
Holy Communion, 7:30 A. M. Sunday School, 9:30 A. M. Morning Prayer and Ante Communion, 11:00.
Evening Prayer, 7:30.
Week days: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 5:00 P. M. Wednesday, 8:00 P. M. Friday, 10:30 A. M.
Public cordially invited. Pews free. Polite ushers. Vested choir. Questions relative to the Church gladly answered at any time, by the Rector.

Death of Rose Huffines

Rose Wade Huffines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Huffines died at the home of his parents near Elmira Mills March 18th 1912, aged about 26 years. He had been sick for quite a while with Lung trouble. About a month ago he went to Mt. Rose Sanatorium for treatment, but his case was so far advanced that the managers refused to take him. On the 27th of Sept. 1908 he joined the Burlington Reformed Church, but was not able to attend regularly. Rose was of a bright, cheerful disposition and was everybody's friend. He aspired to do the best he could with his talents. After he became too weak to work in the mill he took a correspondence course and was preparing himself to be a sign painter. He was a member of the Holt Guards and was buried with military honors, his funeral being conducted by his pastor Rev. J. D. Andrew assisted by Rev. A. B. Kendall of the Christian Church. He was buried in Pine Hill Cemetery.

Services at the Christian Church.

At the Christian church Sunday at 11 a. m. the pastor will begin a series of sermons on "The Kingdom of Christ as revealed in His parables in the thirteenth chapter of Matthew. The following themes will be considered on the following dates.
Mar. 31st. "Sowing the Seed of the Kingdom."
April 7th. Messages from the open tomb.
April 14th. The admixture of the good and the bad in the visible Kingdom.
April 21st. The Outward Growth of the Kingdom.
May 5th. The Inner Growth of the Kingdom.
May 12th. The unspeakable Value of the Kingdom.
May 19th. The Glory of the Kingdom.
May 26th. The Final Purity of the Kingdom.
These sermons will be preached at the 11 o'clock hour in the morning.
Everybody is Welcome to these services.

Millinery Opening at Graham.

The cleverest artistic talent has resulted in surprisingly beautiful creations of the milliner's art in the hats and other artistic effects that were on exhibition at the millinery opening of Misses A. & L. Freeland at Graham Friday evening. Their store was thronged with visitors who came to see the beautiful new styles. The event was interesting to all the ladies, and a unique feature was the added pleasure the visitors enjoyed by the musical entertainment given by Mrs. W. A. Rich whose skilful playing on the piano was a revelation to many. No more attractive event of this kind has ever been seen in Graham.

High Water

From all over the country and state comes the same report that the recent rain, which fell last Friday has caused the waters to be higher than for a number of years. The loss to this county as well as the other counties is hard to estimate since the damage to bridges across almost all of the streams have either been washed away or damaged. At Alamance Mills the bridge was damaged and unsafe to cross for a number of days. The water was over the machinery in the weaving room which necessitated the stand of the mill for several days to dry and oil the machinery. At the Burch bridge the stream was above high water mark and the fills on either side of the bridge washed out making crossing impossible. Haw River was higher than it has for a number of years, and was visited Friday, Saturday and Sunday by large crowds.

Why Sayest Thou Fool.

Mr. Editor:
Pardon me for presuming upon your patience, and valuable space of your paper to answer, or rather reply to an article appearing in the Durham Sun of March 21st. This article was a feeble attempt to condone the action of the Durham ministers in endorsing newspapers who carry advertisements of the destructive and deadly cigarette. The Editor of the Sun says that the ministers as well as the Sun agrees with the old Flabbergaster that cigarettes is an evil, but that it is not against the law to sell them. That when the state of North Carolina makes it unlawful to sell them, the Sun will cut out the advertisement. The State of North Carolina recognizing the cigarette evil, has already made it against the law to sell cigarettes to minors, punishable by a heavy fine, and yet this spokesman and mouth piece of the Durham ministers says that it is not against the law to sell cigarettes. When the Editor of the Sun run a newspaper in Burlington, he frequently had long editorials decrying the sale of cigarettes to minors, and threatening dire vengeance upon those guilty of such practices. But no sooner than he moves over to Durham, where the very air is surcharged with the fumes of the devil's weed he changes tactics, right about faces so to speak, and becomes the ardent champion of the cigarette fiend. And calls those who differ with him, fools and Flabbergasters. The Good Book says, "He that calls his brother a fool, is in danger of hell fire." And if the good men who wrote it were here today writing an edition to the Good Book, they would add, "He that champions the sale of cigarettes is already damned. It has not been so very long ago, that it was not unlawful to sell whiskey and all other known alcoholic concoctions. Would the Editor of the Sun allow whiskey advertisement in his paper, if the prohibition law was repealed? Are we to understand that the columns of the Sun are open to advertisers of any and all articles that the laws of North Carolina do not prohibit, no matter by whom offered or for what purpose? The Editor of the Sun says that cigarettes do not make men kill one another or to become inhuman in their nature, granted that they do not directly, yet they do indirectly. Cigarettes the first step, then as the nerves become weakened and the will power broken, the next step is a stronger nerve. Whiskey, then more and more whiskey, until the victim becomes debauched to the extent that to get whiskey he will commit any

crime, that his appetite may become appeased. These facts are known of all men, even fools and flabbergasters. It should be known to the Editor of the Sun, and to the Ministers of the Bull City. I venture a guess that before the ministers of Durham again endorse the Sun's attitude upon any stand, or public question agitating the minds of the people that they will inspect its advertising columns more closely before rushing in where angels ought to fear to tread. In closing I would remind the ministers of Durham and also the Sun of the old Proverb, "Oh what a web we always weave, when first we practice to deceive?"

An Humble Layman, A Fool, and Old Flabbergaster.

Names of Those Who Have Entered the Dispatch Contest.

NAME	NO. VOTES
Aurelia Ellington,	16000
Mebane, R. No. 4,	15000
Addie Ray	14200
W. J. Brooks	14200
Bertha May Horne	12400
Lizzie Cheek	8100
Bettie Lyde M y	8000
Mary Lee Coble, R.No.1	10400
Waller Workman	5600
W. I. Braxton, Snow Camp,	3700
Mrs. B. L. Shoffner, R. 10,	3000
May Carr Hall	1000
Margie Cheek	1000
Doyle Heritage,	1000
Carrie Albright,	2000
Haw River,	
T. F. Matkins,	2000
Gibsonville,	
J. R. King,	1100
Greensboro,	

Baraca-Philathea Address.

Miss Flossie A. Byrd, General Secretary of Baraca-Philathea work of the state, located at Greensboro, was at the Baptist Church Sunday night and addressed a large audience on "Doing Things in the Class." In this address the speaker pointed out the duty of the President of the class, who is one of the most important officers who has the supervision of the committees of the class. The Secretary of the class should keep a set of books legible and neat and should keep in touch with the fellow who moves from one town to another, making a bit of interesting history for the class. The map and button method was suggested to keep trace of the one who moves.

A suggestion was thrown out that the organization of a city union would be beneficial.

A beautiful mixed quartette was rendered by Misses Ella Robinson, Byrd Daily and Messrs. Shoffner and Bullard. The meeting was opened by prayer by Mr. E. S. W. Dameron, the speaker being introducing by Mr. J. H. Vernon.

Your City Taxes Must Be Paid or Your Property Sold!

This will notify all who have not paid their city Taxes for 1910 and previous years that their property will be advertised for sale in May and their names will appear in the papers next week as further notice.

A. A. Russell, Tax Collector.

Masonic Lecturer Here

Lecturer J. W. Patton of Elon College is lecturing to the members of Bula Lodge No. 409, A. F. and A. M. every day from 9: to 12: o'clock a. m. and at 3: to 5: and 7:30 to 9: o'clock p. M. This is a great opportunity to masons in Burlington. All visiting brethren are invited to attend.
J. H. Vernon, W. M.
E. W. Atwater, Secretary.