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## THE MEETING OF THE COVERNORS

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is hardly aware of the vital importance of all intelligent people voting.

In all parts of our country, especially

here in our own mountain counties,

are plenty of the best folks in the

who are indifferent to the poli-

ae and mind their own business,

as they think, and allow the other

folks to vote and control the country.

Get this in your mind once and for

all: The vicious men in politics see

to it that every ignorant and deprav-

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our own country has a perfect net-work of good roads makes the lack of roads in the Virginia section all the more deplorable.

There is every reason now for thinking that the coming of the governor of Virginia and the other high tical welfare of the land and stay at officials of that state will hasten the day when good roads will open up this part of Virginia as is being done for other section of that great commonwealth.

#### Court at Dobson.

ed character in the whole land marches up to the polls and votes. These modern scheming politicians are successful in their political schemes by virtue of their ability to control the ignorant voter. They are able to get by with it only for the reason that so many good people stay away from the polls. If we recall the facts correctly, there are twice as many people in the State of North Carolina who are entitled to vote as do vote. We sus-pect that a very large percent of these citizens who take no part in our elections are among the finest

these citizens who take no part in our elections are among the finest citizens in the whole land. Every year there must be a per-sistent effort on the part of party workers to get the voters registered. Plenty of good and substantial people would not register unless some one of their neighbors urged them to go to the trouble to get in line to vote. We suspect that here in Surry where so much is being said about high taxes and waste of the public money, if our voters who have not been voting would line up and vote we would be able to put the manage-ment of our county finances in the "protect" this powerful country from the weak countries of Europe. To the Democrat it was hard to see the necessity of such a wall of protection thrown around so powerful a country. ment of our county finances in the hands of men who have had sufficient business experience to take care of

voters who stay at shome if they Masons to Lay Corner Stone

Ten thousands years from now people may develop into a higher state where the rights of each other will

cities and the great industrial centers and the mining regions, where the lords of capital hold sway, and conditions are very much as they are in Europe.

The millionaire capitalist of our country is almost an exact type of citizen to the nobleman of Europe. That is, he undertakes to control the country through the laws and get the lion's share of all wealth for his own

There is no getting away from the fact that the capital class of this country has been trying for years to get what it wants by the aid of the

Republican party. The Republican party of this country is almost an exact duplicate of the Royalist party of Germany and other such countries of Europe. The methods of the noblemen of Europe to control country are almost exactly the methods of the multi-millionaires of this country.

The average man here in our own land pays a tax to the capitalist class every time he makes a purchase at a store. In this way fortunes have been built up here that are exactly a duplicate of what has been filched from the people of Europe by the noblemen of that country.

One of the most interesting points in all this is that the capitalists of this country are able to keep in power, and do the things they do, by virtue of their ability to control the ignorant vote of the country with the very large campaign funds they use at election times. They collect from the capitalist class as much money as they think it will take to get the vote they want. And by reason of the low mental condition of many of our own people and much of the

to control the country. Many people see all this and take a

# OUE LAWS FOR THE RICH ELECTION NEAR AT HAND In a few days the people of this county will meet at the pells and

select officials who will man public affairs of the county for the next two years.

When Surry county was largely a forest and only a few people lived within its border, which was the case not so many years ago, it was of small importance who should hold the offices, for there was but little

In the past ten years there h awept over the county a wave of dissatisfaction with the old order and now we have almost suddenly been ushered into a life entirely different from the old customs of only ten years ago. Now every neighborhood is in touch with the outside world by means of a good road. Almost every established home in the county owns an automobile, even to the colored

people. The county now has one of the largest and most expensive court houses in the state, and the numer-

their farms that will pay their taxes. Citizens are known to borrow money

with which to meet the tax man. Back in the old days of low taxes and select officers for the county, being careful to give each section of being careful to give each section of

the county an officer so that no part of the county would feel slighted. It was the fale to award these offices. especially the office of county commissioner, to some substantial farmer who stood well with his neighbors, and the office was more in the nature of an honor conferred than what of a public trust. But little was expected of a commissioner and but little was the given him for his services.

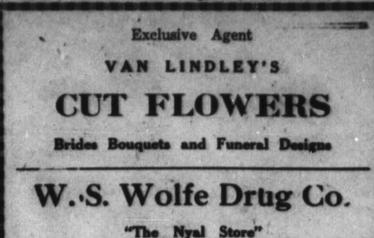
Now all has changed. Today the men who are at the head of the county affairs do business on about às large

a scale as any manufacturer in the county. But we have held on to the custom of the generation ago in selecting men from the party for the enthusiasm they show for the party, and with but little regard for their fitness for the office.

> People have commenced to see the folly of all this, and they see it especially when they look at a tax receipt. It is a fact that stands out undisputed that the county of Surry is paying a tax on real and personal property far in advance of that paid by many other counties.

The Democrats of this county see all this and would remedy it by placing in office tried and true business men who are able to handle the large volume of business in a way to lower the taxes, or to keep them as low as foreign born element, they are able is consistent with good business

This year they are asking the people to support as fine a set of busi-At a recent meeting of Granite positive stand against it, but many ness men for the county officers as the



votefs who entrust them with their the finances of the county are

people. The county now has one of the largest and most expensive court houses in the state, and the numer-ous streams of the country are all bridged in a number of places each. With the coming of all these im-provements there has also come an expense account that must be met by the public in the way of taxes on real and personal property. There is no way to get by without paying this tax, and it is here to the amount of more than a quarter of a million dollars. And everywhere men of property are protesting against the size of their tax receipt. It is getting to be a

burden to them, they contend, and the voter. The Democratic party has many farmers frankly say that they selected men who are known to be of are hardly able to make a surplus on ability to fill well the offices, and To

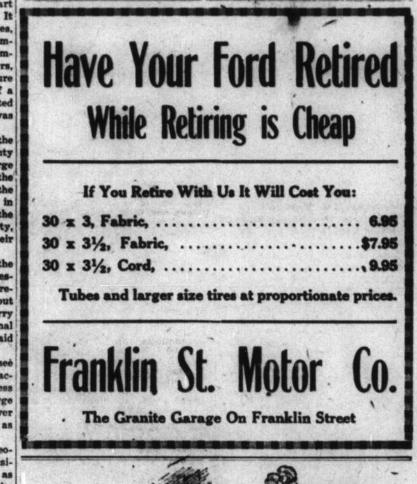
do this will place the county affairs in the hands of men who will so manage the public business as to and mud roads, it was the custom for make the taxes as low as possible the citizens to meet in convention and relieve the public mind of the

private business and take their ad-vice on private matters. the voters.

### Odd Fellow Picture At Victory

A film furnished by the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows will be shown af the Victory theatre Saturday and Monday nights in addition to their regular pictures. The fickets will be sold on the streets for 25c each. Buy your tickets from the Odd Fel-hous a to see carnt of all tickets sold lows as a per cent of all tickets by them will be turned over to Odd Fellows Children's Home Goldsboro. The picture features Grand Lodge at Winston and Children's Home at Goldsboro.

The school boy or girl who makes an average of 75 per cent on attendance for the nine month school term is in school only 1-10 of his time for the year. Where is he and what is



tax receipt. It is getting to be a public. It is a matter of choice with

you are asked to support them.

would not vote to place accounts that run up in the hundred thousand dollars of hard cash in the hands of men who never had a thousand dol-lars of their own at one time in their lives. It is a joke on our people the counts lives. It is a joke on our people the way they place men of no business experience in office where they must do business on a large scale and pass on business problems that involve thousands of dollars of the people's money. No wonder we have so much complaint about high taxes, for how could we expect it to be otherwise. All this can be corrected only by all the people taking an intelligent and active part in the management of our public affairs.

We suspect that "many of these

could be induced to come to the polls

the people's interests.

#### S. P. GRAVES

S. P. GRAVES This town and district is fortunate in having a man of the ability of S. P. Graves for solicitor. This year he stands for reelection to this most of the courts to keep busy all the time, and thus the solicitor is not able to get out and work for himself among the voters as is the case with other candidates. He is kept busy is that he courts to keep busy all the is robable that he died while asleep. There is no doubt about the election this year of Mr. Graves if his friends do their duty by him, as they will do this. The only danger that is every reason for thinking they will do this. The only danger that may be in the minds of the people as to the certainty of his election. The is the the is the over confidences that may be in the minds of the people as to the certainty of his election. The is the there is any room for over con-fidence on the part of Democrats.

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Who will donate a mirror, couch or ross to the teachers rest room in the Rockford street building?

city more Memorial Baptist Church. The invitation was accepted and a com-mittee sppointed by the Master, H. M. Foy, to work out the details of the ceremony of laying the stone. It is planned to have these services on the afternoon of Thanksgiving on day.

#### A. W. Fogleman Dies Suddenly

In the night, while he slept, the death angel called the spirit of Al-fred W. Fogleman to rest and his family waking on Sunday morning found that he had joined the in-numerable caravan on the other side.

The mothers are invited to pla orders, or await the dressed doll bazaar, to be given by the Philathea class of Central Methodist church, to supply their Christmas needs.

are unable to see the facts in light we are here stating them. The result is that we have the two extremes of society here, just as they

There is no more reason why we should have laws here that make every man pay a tax to the big manufacturer every time an article of his make is bought, than there is why a ruler of one of the little countries of

Europe should be paid a salary of twenty million dollars a year. Some day our people will see it in this light.

Mount Airy Boy Foot Ball Star have. He is a man of ability, the

The Durham daily papers recently son of the late Rev. J. H. Lewellyn carried an extended account of the and a brother of the late Jim Lewel-splendid work of the Trinity college lyn. He has before been called upon foot ball team in their game against William and Mary last Saturday. A Mount Airy boy, Howard Hatcher, son of Policeman Hatcher, was given special mention for his courage and splendid work during the game. We quote from one of the accounts as as follows:

as follows: "One of the most remarkable dis-plays of nerve ever seen on a local field was given by Hatcher, left tackle of Trinity. Carried from the field by his teammates with a dis-located shoulder, Hatcher was turned over to two doctors for surgical at-tention. He was placed under ether and the dislocation reduced. Within 20 minutes he was back in the game and proved to be a tower of strength during the final quarter."

Trinity will play Davidson at Greensboro Saturday and several Mount Airy fans are planning to go down and cheer young Hatcher on to victory.

Shall the school board permit dancing and card playing in the school building? If you have strong convictions for or against these things express your views to the members of the board.

can be selected from our citizenship. For sheriff of the county you are asked to support C. H. Haynes who is well known to all our people. Beyond question he is a man of natural ability, trained and tried in places of public trust, a man who knows the needs of the people and who will unquestionably meet every public trust in a way that will be both a credit to himself and to the people.

For clerk of the court you asked to vote for Frank Lewellyn who has lived his entire life here in the county and is known to be one of the most substantial citizens we

lyn. He has before been called upon to run for office on the ticket of his party, and has long been known as a man of ability that well qualifies him for any office of public trust

For register of deeds you are ask-ed to vote for S. Gilmer Dobbins who is known to most of the farmers of the county by reason of his connection with the warehouses where has has served as a bookkeeper. He is a man who will render the highest service

to the people. For the legislature you are asked to vote for Dr. T. J. Smith who is known in the county as one of the most worthy citizens we have. He is in touch with all progressive measures and will make a representative of the county who will be able to se-cure legislation that is needed.

For county commissioners the party has named W. J. Byerly and Alex Chatham, two of the men of the county who serve the people in the largest capacity of any citizens we have. They have more to do with the general welfare of more citizens than any two other men. They are both popular with a large number of



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