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PUNISHING IN SCHOOL.

Most men who have had experience as teachers in schools believe firmly in the use of the switch at times. If there is a better way it has not yet been made popular.

All this is made prominent by a boy being punished in our own city schools a few days ago. This boy was marked by the hickory used and the marks stirred up the resentment of the father of the boy.

The late Phillip Johnson, a professional teacher for many years and known to many of the older people about here, once said to the writer that it was his experience that it was always risky to punish a child in school and send it home with marks on its person.

The late R. L. Patton, one of the most noted teachers in this state, had a way of making the big boys in school dig up stumps. When a fellow went wrong he had to get out at play time and dig on a stump until it was out of the ground.

As we now recall it, the trouble that teachers have had with parents in punishing children has been due to the marks that the child could show when it went home. It most always enrages the parent and often leads to the courts.

It may be all wrong to whip in school, but the world has yet to find a better way. It would be in the line of "safety first" for a teacher to administer punishment in some way to not stir up the wrath of parents.

THE WINTER SUPPLIES

Along now is time to think about storing away the supplies for winter. It is astonishing how few families have any suitable place for winter storage. In a country like Surry county where there are steep banks about almost every home it is the easiest matter at all to dig a hole back in the bank for winter supplies.

Here in our own town the rats are so numerous that it is now a problem to protect vegetables from them. But iron and cement is too much for them, and if one really wants to get rid of them it is an easy task, but a costly one.

W. E. Merritt has returned from Baltimore where he placed his daughter, Miss Elizabeth, under the care of a specialist; Mrs. D. O. Sunderland, who accompanied them as trained nurse, has also returned.

WHO PAYS THE FREIGHT

Now that the port bill is dead, it is up to the folks who killed it to find a way to get reasonable freight rates. All the discussion about the port bill brought to light the undisputed fact that freight rates are too high in this part of the country.

The man who wears the clothes, the farmer who uses the machine, or the wife who cooks up the provisions, is the one who pays the freight. If freight rates are too high in this state, if they are not just and fair to all the people, then it is the duty of the man in power to find a way to make them what they should be.

As it is, there are now too many prominent men who are carrying passes in their pockets in this state. Too many men are in one way and another under obligations to the railroads and for favor or fear are not willing to antagonize them in any way. This army of railroad supporters are able to defeat almost any measure that is not in favor with the railroads.

TOM P. JIMISON

Now that the election is over we recall that Tom Jimison, late of Mount Airy, but for three years Methodist minister stationed at Spencer, N. C., was put out of the Methodist ministry as the result of his part in the election. This may not be putting it as some would, but his part in the campaign no doubt caused the friction between himself and his church.

There is no greater power for good than the Methodist church, and one source of its power is that it is an organization that has power behind it. Men who line up with this church must take orders. They must be willing to listen to those in authority. They must go where they are sent and stay as long as they are told to stay.

The plain truth is Mr. Jimison was out of his place in the Methodist church. He is not a man who can take orders. He is a man to give rather than take orders. While here in Surry when he had preached against liquor, he was ready to get on his horse and go out in the brush and hunt down the blockade still and destroy it.

It is to be hoped that he will find a field for usefulness, for few men have a finer spirit or a more earnest desire to serve his day and generation.

HIGH POINT TAX RATE IS NOW \$1.40 ON \$100

High Point, Nov. 8.—City councilmen met in special session here today and passed on its second and final reading an ordinance fixing the city tax rate at \$1.40 on the \$100 property valuation. This represents an increase of 15 cents over the tax rate for 1923.

"DICK" LEWELLIN

Richard J. Lewellin died suddenly at the home of his brother, F. T. Lewellin, near Dobson, on Wednesday morning, Oct. 30th. His death was a shock to his family and friends as he was in his usual health and had helped do some clerical work in clerk's office at Dobson the day before.

Material For Pilot Road

The contractors, Zeigler & Dulon, who have the job of concreting the road from this city to Pilot Mountain are now placing the material along the roadside preparatory to pouring the cement. The stone is being furnished by the North Carolina Granite Corporation.

Double Daily Mail Service To Lowgap

Postmaster J. B. Sparger, of this city, informs The News that the double daily mail service from this city to Dobson and Lowgap will go into effect next Monday. This will give White Plains, Dobson and Lowgap mail service from this city both morning and afternoon.

In The Recorder's Court

The Recorder's court held a session Monday morning and found a large docket had accumulated during election week and the weeks before when sessions were not held on account of court at Dobson.

Diana James, charged with larceny failed to appear and forfeited a bond of \$50.00.

J. P. Linville paid the cost in his action for using abusive language.

A. J. Vignon was fined \$10 and the cost for being drunk. During fair week the officers caught Pancho Nichols with a quart of liquor on his person for which he paid \$50 and the cost in three cases.

Joe Taylor paid the cost of the court action for operating a car in a reckless manner.

Otis Massey plead guilty to driving a car while under the influence of liquor and paid a fine of \$75 and the cost in two cases. A six months road sentence is to take effect if he is found drinking within the next 12 months.

Wilcher Ferguson, colored, parked his car too far out in the street and was required to pay the court cost.

Susie Isom, for vagrancy, was allowed to leave the state and remain away two years. If she comes back a six months jail sentence will go into effect.

C. S. Dalton paid \$50 and the cost for possession of an unlawful amount of liquor.

\$25 and the cost is the price Ruby Edwards paid for getting on a drunk.

The officers left Tuesday for Durham with Troy Byrd where he will serve a sentence of six months for the larceny of a car. It seems he rented a car from the Hennis Jitney Co., of this city, for an hour or so, and did not come back. He was found across the mountain and the charge of larceny was lodged against him.

Sam Taylor, a youth, paid \$50 and the cost for larceny of goods from the store of Phillip Warshaw. He must go to work and pay his father, who paid his fine.

Nathan Thomas plead guilty to being drunk and was fined \$25 and the cost.

Floyd Harris paid \$10 and the cost for reckless driving.

A. W. George Seeks New Trial Before Supreme Court

J. H. Folger is this week attending the Supreme Court in Raleigh before which he appeared in behalf of A. W. George, of Elkin. Mr. George was convicted at Dobson Superior Court last April for making false entries on the books of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Elkin, thereby causing its failure and loss of money to its depositors and stockholders.

The opinion of the Supreme Court is supposed to be handed down in about ten days which will decide the fate at this time of the defendant. Should the opinion be adverse the only recourse he would have would be before the Governor for a commutation of the sentence.

Dr. R. E. L. Flippin III

One of the county's best known physicians, Dr. R. E. L. Flippin, of Pilot Mountain, was brought to Martin Memorial hospital, this city, last Saturday for treatment. The doctor has been very ill but his case is yielding to treatment and he is expected to be out again within a short time.

Judge Says Spanking Baby Is An Offense Against Law

Cleveland, Nov. 8.—Spanking a nine months' old baby is nothing less than assault and battery. Police Judge Samuel Silbert ruled today in sentencing John O'Boyle, 22, to the workhouse for 60 days.

O'Boyle was arrested on complaint of his wife, who stated that while she prepared breakfast her husband was delegated to care for their nine months' old daughter. While she was absent from the room O'Boyle spanked the baby, she told the court.

P. R. Masten 3rd Celebrates Birthday

A dozen little folks gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Masten, Jr. Saturday morning to celebrate the birthday of their little son. Games suitable for little folks and delicious eats made it a very happy occasion.

Advertisement for W. S. Wolfe Drug Co. featuring an illustration of a woman in a dress and text: 'Bring us your prescriptions and have them filled right by our reliable and experienced registered pharmacist. Our drugs are the highest quality obtainable and always fresh. W. S. Wolfe Drug Co. Agent for Van Lindley Florists.'

Local news items: 'Large Feed Barn Lost By Fire' (W. T. Haynes, on Lebanon street, was destroyed by fire last Friday night with a loss of about \$6,000), 'Stanley County Votes Down Proposals For Free Books' (Albemarle, Nov. 8.—The recent election in Stanley county showed the county unfavorable to sending a preacher to the legislature and that the county was unfavorable to the port terminals proposition), 'You can get an early copy of The News at Creed's Book Store every week. Placed on sale there immediately after coming from the press.'

Large advertisement for HALE'S DEPARTMENT STORE. Features: 'Bargain Basement' with a list of items and prices (1000 Yards of 36 in. Domestic 10 cents, 500 Yards of 36 in. Cretonne 10 cents, 500 Yards of Counterpane Checks 10 cents, 400 Yards of Chambray Suiting 10 cents, 500 Yds. of best 27 in. Apron Gingham 12 1/2 cents, 500 Yds. of best 27 in. Dress Gingham 12 1/2 cents, 500 Yds. 27 in. Outings 15 cents, 500 Yds. 32 in. Gingham & Chambray 15 cents), 'Millinery and Ready-to-Wear Department' (Just received this week, 150 brand new Ladies' Hats, New Coats and Dresses), 'New Goods Arriving on Every Express For Our Store', and 'HALE'S DEPARTMENT STORE S. M. HALE, Proprietor'. Includes illustrations of a man and a woman.