

PROPOSED COUNTY WIDE REORGANIZATION

Continued from Page One. Person County are inefficient because they are too small to provide for the variety of educational work which should be provided for all pupils, and because it costs much more to conduct small schools than to conduct the same work in larger schools.

HIGH SCHOOLS. Person County should in five years have no schools of fewer than six rooms and an auditorium. It should be possible for any child in the county to attend a standard high school at public expense. Courses in cooking, sewing, nursing, home-making, textiles, agriculture, business, practical mechanics, carpentry, and the like, should be available to any child of high school age. Such a program of work is financially prohibitive, except in a large school. The only way a large school can be established in Person County is by cooperation and by pooling of resources.

The logical place for a large high school offering various types of vocational training is at the center of the county, Roxboro. The high schools at Bethel Hill and at Helena have gained the approval of the State Department of Education as college preparatory schools and should be continued on their present levels. It would be financially and educationally impossible, however, to encourage the other high schools in the county to look forward to becoming standard four-year high schools in the near future. They should continue to offer the first two years of college preparatory work, but their third and fourth year pupils should be transported to one of the county's three standard high schools, where the advanced work can be offered at a reasonable cost.

A new eight-room school must be provided for the pupils in Mt. Tirzah Township, a similar building must be constructed in the Hurdle Mills neighborhood, a building of even larger size may be required for the elementary school children around Roxboro, and perhaps a six-room building should be constructed for the pupils of North Carolina and Virginia on the north side of the Hico River. In addition to these buildings, a county high school building of approximately sixteen rooms is necessary at once, while additions and repairs should soon be made at some of the present high school buildings.

ORGANIZATION. Ultimately all the educational work in the county should be placed under the direction of one thoroughly trained Superintendent of Schools and one Board of Education. For the present it may be advisable for the city schools to retain their independence but to cooperate with the county in maintaining schools for county and city children in buildings to be constructed by the county board of education. As soon as possible the entire burden of education in the county should be placed on one board and one supervisory organization.

I shall be pleased to receive by mail all the suggestions anyone can give as to economical methods of cooperation in this enterprise. We must study all sides of the question impartially and fully before action is taken. Let's all get together on this problem and work it out so that the children will all have a "square deal."

Yours sincerely, M. R. Trabue, Professor of Educational Administration.

FORMER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND BROTHER FREED IN BANK COLLAPSE.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 16.—After a little over an hour's deliberation, the jury in the case of Lieut. Governor W. B. Cooper and his brother, Thomas E. Cooper, charged with conspiracy in connection with the failure of the Commercial National Bank here, returned a verdict of not guilty late this afternoon.

The brothers were charged with conspiring to defraud the now defunct Commercial National Bank out of more than \$70,000.

Immediately after the verdict was rendered, Judge Connor thanked the jurymen for the "very close" attention they had given the case and stated that had he been a member of the jury he would have rendered a like verdict. Outside of the various members of the defendant's families not more than 25 people were in the room. The trial consumed exactly two weeks time.

There is one other indictment pending against Lieutenant Governor Cooper, and several more against Thomas E. Cooper. The general opinion in court circles tonight seem to be, however, that it is doubtful about the other cases being brought to trial.

Sanitation in the hog lot means that the pigs are more thrifty and healthier, say extension workers of the State College.

MISS FLORENCE BOATWRIGHT BRIDE OF ROBERT H. SANFORD

Danville, Va., Feb. 16.—The marriage of Miss Florence Boatwright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee Boatwright, of this city, to Robert Hawley Sanford, of Chicago, Ill., was solemnized at 9 o'clock tonight at the home of the bride. It was a largely attended and picturesque event as was the reception tendered at the home at the conclusion of the ceremony. More than 300 invitations were sent, a large company of out of town guests being in attendance.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was attended by her oldest sister, Miss Alice Boatwright, maid of honor Miss Frances Dail, of Greenville, S. C., was maid of honor and Miss Marlon Boatwright, Mrs. Kenneth Royal, of Goldsboro, N. C., and Miss Nell Cotten, of New York, being her bridesmaids. John Van Dyke Tweedy, of Milwaukee, Wis., was best man and Rev. James M. Shelburne, pastor of the First Baptist church, was the celebrant.

The ground floor of the Boatwright home was thrown en suite for the wedding ceremony and was elaborately decorated with amilax, roses and spring flowers. The ceremony was performed in the parlor, the windows being blotted out by a bank of verdure, cathedral candles shedding soft luminance on the wedding scene. The bridal couple and their attendants were grouped about the floral altar on and about which Easter lilies, asters and tall palms had been effectively used.

The bride wore a bouffant style gown of princess satin embroidered in seed pearls and crystal, trimmed with rose point lace. The bridal veil was caught with a wreath of orange blossoms and fell over the court train of Venetian point lace. She carried sweetheart roses showered with lilies.

DR. FRANK HOBGOOD, DEAD IN RICHMOND.

Oxford, Feb. 16.—Dr. Franklin P. Hobgood, president of Oxford college, died at St. Lukes hospital, Richmond, Saturday night at 10:15. He went to St. Lukes hospital some weeks ago for a major operation which he underwent and was apparently recovering when he was stricken with paralysis last Tuesday from which he never revived. His son, Col. F. E. Hobgood, Jr., was with him when the end came.

The remains will be brought to Oxford Sunday afternoon and the funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Dr. Hobgood is survived by two sons, Col. Frank P. Hobgood, Jr., attorney of Greensboro; the second (Royal) died at the age of 21; and the third, Dr. J. Edward Hobgood of Thomasville, is physician of the orphanage. He is also survived by two daughters all residents of Oxford: Mrs. Frank W. Hancock, and Mrs. Beverly S. Royster, and Miss Carrie Hobgood; died last December. Surviving are eleven grand-children and 17 great grand-children.

In the remarkable rebuilding of North Carolina and of the South during the past fifty years, a most honorable and important part has been taken by the men and women of the school room. Prominent and useful in this field as promoter and participant was Dr. Franklin P. Hobgood, of Oxford college, N. C. His career is worthy of record and should be an inspiration to the youth of today and tomorrow.

IN MEMORY OF MARY ELEN WATSON.

On February the 3rd, 1924, God sent one of his angels for Mrs. Watson to come home to the sweet place he had prepared for her.

She had been a great sufferer for a little more than 5 months.

She bore her suffering well with out one word said, she was ready to go at the time God called her.

All was done for her that doctors and loving hands could do, but God knew best, so he called her home where she would be free from pain. She leaves to mourn her loss one son and one daughter, M. T. Watson and Virginia Watson, both of Semora, N. C.

She was a member of Concord M. E. Church. She had been a member there about 30 years. She was 64 years of age at the time of her death. A precious one from us has gone, a voice we love is still, a place is vacant in our home which never can be filled.

Mrs. M. T. Watson.

CARD OF THANKS.

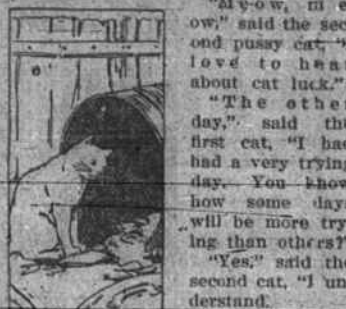
We wish to thank all of our kind friends, neighbors and relatives for their untiring kindness and helpfulness during the sickness and death of our dear father, Joseph N. Lunsford.

The Family.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale by Mary Graham Bonner

THE LUCKY CAT

"Me-ow, me-ow," said the pussy cat, "I am, indeed, a lucky cat."



"Oh, so dull," said the second pussy cat, "I love to hear about cat luck."

"The other day," said the first cat, "I had had a very trying day. You know how some days will be more trying than others?"

"Yes," said the second cat, "I understand."

"Why, some days," the second cat continued after a few minutes, "I have no end of trying, nerve-racking things to put up with."

"Yesterday, for example, I was chased for quite a few blocks and I couldn't find any place in which to hide for the longest time."

"It was very annoying," said the other day I had no luck at all in finding food. The garbage tins were so dull, oh, so dull. And that was very hard on my poor nerves. Oh, yes, pussy, indeed I do know what a trying, trying day means."

"Well," said the first cat, "as I said I had had a trying day. I had eaten, but not of the best."

"I had caught a mouse but it had been hard work and somehow I was annoyed with myself at being so slow. I was fearful lest I might be growing old."

"But I was made quite happy and encouraged again by the kindness of a little girl named Edith."

"Edith was having tea. Edith is a great person for tea. I could tell that from the conversation I overheard. She was telling every one that she loved cambric tea and that she loved to have a tea party."

"She said it was the kind of a party which really interested her because there was always toast and jam at tea—at least there usually was toast and jam at tea and she was very fond of toast and jam."

"Then there were cookies and cake at the tea, too. Well, I was surprised when I looked at Edith and saw she was not a big fat person."

"No, she was what people called slender. And she was very graceful and moved about most beautifully. I tried to copy her as I walked along the window ledge outside of the city apartment where she lived."

"Yes, I tried to move in just the same graceful fashion. You will wonder how I know her name? I heard her other little friends who were there calling her Edith."

"And she answered to that name every time."

"Her name must have been Edith, then," said the second cat. "Pray go on with your story. I did not mean to interrupt."

"Well," the first cat continued, "I was walking about as prettily as I could, putting my paws down just so and moving my body just so when I heard Edith say:

"Come pussy, come pussy, come pussy."

"I thought, of course, she had a cat in the apartment and I said to myself:

"A cat doesn't know the excitement and hardships of a life such as I lead."

"But it seems she did not have a cat. I discovered that in a short time."

"She really was talking to me, for in no time at all she was at the window and I heard her say:

"Come pussy, come pussy."

"Slowly I made my way toward her. I did not want her to think I was beside myself with joy at her attention. I did not want her to think that it was the first time I had been noticed in just such a way."

"So I did not appear hurried, nor did I appear flustered. My fur remained smooth and unruined—that is, it remained as smooth and unruined as it was: it is never exactly perfect."

"And as I made my way toward her I saw that she had her hand out of the window and under a railing which was along her window ledge."

"She lived on the ground floor of the apartment house, I might add."

"And there she was holding a spoon filled with cream and it was for me. And then I had another spoonful and yet another with good rich cream."

"Ah, yes, I had cat luck today. Really real cat luck!"

"Country in Wrong Place. Margaret, aged four, upon her return from a visit to her grandparents in the country, was asked how she enjoyed her visit."

"Oh, pretty well," she replied, "but I'd like the country much better if it was here in town."

IN MEMORY OF MOTHER, MRS. BELL BROOKS.

One year ago, Feb. 18th, on the peaceful Sabbath morning just at the dawn of day God sent His angel down and whispered "Come up higher." We realize mother can not come to us again, yet we long to hear that gentle voice and see that sweet face and withered hands.

"Oh, how we miss her in her room, in her old arm chair—we miss her everywhere. The vacancy can never be filled, how sweet the memory of mother.—One Who Loved Her."

DEATH OF DAVID ROLAND.

On July 6, 1921, David Roland came to bless and brighten the home of his parents J. Frank and Juliette R. Timberlake. For two years and six months, his happy little face brought joy to his family and others who knew him, and the sorrow was great when, on January 15, 1924, God saw fit to take him away. He had been sick only a few days with diphtheria when in spite of the love and care of parents and physicians he passed away. His body was placed at Mt. Zion Methodist Cemetery, Rev. B. O. Merritt in charge of the services.

We know it was so hard to give him up and our hearts go out in sympathy to the bereaved parents but we are happy with them that they had the joy of Roland's presence for even a short time.

E. I. H.

A NOTED SINGER!

Don't miss an enjoyable evening in the comfortable, steam-heated Auditorium of Bethel Hill High School on next Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock when Mrs. Franceska Lawson, a noted soprano, will delight you with her charming voice.

Work with tobacco was a new feature of extension activity by agricultural workers of the State College last year. At least 36 demonstrations in growing better tobacco were staged by the tobacco specialist working with the county agents.

Smilin' Charlie Says



These dark blue reformers are mighty good folks alright but didja ever notice how much more popular th' cheerful sinner is?

CARD OF THANKS.

I take this method of thanking my friends and neighbors for their many deeds of kindness shown to me during the sickness and death of my mother.

W. T. Watson.

IN MEMORY.

On Tuesday afternoon February 6th while many loved ones were waiting watching the death angel visited the home of Mr. Joseph N. Lunsford and claimed for his victim the head of the house. Mr. Lunsford had been sick for some time with pneumonia, but seemed to be getting along nicely until the day before his death.

Mr. Lunsford was a kind neighbor, a generous friend, and a loving father and husband. He leaves a family and many friends and relatives to mourn his loss. Contributed.

TEANKS.

We wish to thank each member of the Ladies Bible Class at Brooksdale for the many nice gifts we received some time ago.

Susie Mangum, Laura Bobbitt, Anne Mangum.

D. D. JONES ACQUITTED.

Last Thursday 10 A. M. was set for the trial of D. D. Jones for unmercifully whipping a school boy. The hour came and the magistrate called the case, but not a single person or witness could be found to offer the slightest testimony against said Jones. Hence, the prosecution hopelessly surrendered the matter leaving Jones absolved from the false charges made against him, and now he is commended to the people whom he serves as pastor and teacher.—B.

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