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COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR SESSION

The Board of Commissioners of Martin County met yesterday with all members present: John L. Hassell, Chairman, Henry C. Green, Joshua L. Coitran, Henry D. Peel and Dr. B. L. Long.

Ordered that Levin Ange be allowed to remove the lumber around the vat at his home, provided that Mr. Ange would fill the vat up.

Ordered that Mariah Whitaker be allowed \$2.00 per month. The same to be entrusted to Sam Barnhill of Robertsonville.

Ordered that Venus Ballard be allowed \$2.00 per month.

Ordered that petitions from the poor for help from the county shall be signed by three or more signers who know the applicant.

Ordered that Doctor Long and Long of Hamilton be paid \$90.58 for typhoid vaccinations.

Ordered that the county of Martin pay round trip railroad fares of all Confederate veterans from this county who attend the Old Soldiers Reunion in Chattanooga, Tenn., on October 25, 1921.

On motion made by Henry D. Peel and seconded by H. C. Green the Board voted unanimously to endorse the road from Williamston to Halifax as outlined in the petition of the Halifax-Williamston Highway Association.

Ordered that George Bowers be admitted to the County Home.

Ordered that S. R. Birge, Drug Co. be paid the sum of \$28.50 on burial expense of a stranger who died at Thomas' Boarding House on September 21st, 1921.

THE WAR ON TUBERCULOSIS

The North Carolina Tuberculosis Association has prepared some figures showing the results of activities in the State as directed against tuberculosis. Since 1915 when active measures for the control of tuberculosis were commenced in the state 2,297 lives have been saved. About seventeen thousand infections have been prevented according to the estimates of the association.

The funds that have been used in accomplishing these results have amounted to a million dollars. The amount includes not only all State appropriations for tuberculosis work but all funds expended by patients taking treatment at the State Sanatorium and all funds raised throughout the State by the sale of Christmas seals.

Could a million dollars have been more wisely invested? The economic saving to the State has been estimated at sixty eight millions dollars, but there is no estimating the value of the happiness that has existed in the homes where the deadly disease might have appeared and died, or where death from it might have occurred and a life.

The money the state puts in battling disease is money that brings beautiful returns. Dr. McBrayer, managing director of the association, says that with an appropriation of two dollars per capita for a decade tuberculosis in North Carolina can be practically eliminated. That would mean fifty million dollars for the ten years—a vast amount but then the result would be incalculably in value.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED IN SEPTEMBER

- White
- William Moore Laughlinhouse, 29
 - Inez Stokes, 19
 - Carl A. Strawbridge, 21—Martha Bennett, 15
 - Clinton Dunning, 19—Mollie Marie Brown, 18
 - Clyde E. Silverthorn, 23—Bessie Knox, 18
 - Redden L. Leggett, 21—Roberta K. Robertson, 19
- Colored
- Marcus Sherrod, 22—Emma Green, 18
 - John Terry, 21—Lena Latham, 19
 - Roy Harrell, 21—Eliza Worsley, 19
 - John A. Griffin, 21—Piccola Duggins, 21
 - James Shields, 21—Augusta Jones, 20
 - Essex Purvis, 21—Hannah Everett, 22
 - Ben Purvis, 21—Maggie Evans, 20
 - Lewis Highsmith, 60—Rhoda Everett, 45
 - Cesar Purvis, 23—Lucy Manson, 20

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all my neighbors and friends who kindly assisted me when I lost my stock house by fire, also those who helped me rebuild it. I am reminded that the splendid spirit so long cherished by the people of our Southland and which always helps a friend in distress is still much alive in the hearts of my neighbors and I fully appreciate it.

Respectfully,
N. R. MANNING.

The army of the disabled keeps growing



In Hospitals under Government care

The Red Cross is spending Ten Million Dollars a Year to help the ex-soldier and his family

Annual Roll Call Nov. 11-24, 1921

To bring before the country in visual form the vast problem it is helping to solve, the American Red Cross has prepared for its Annual Roll Call, Nov. 11 to 24, a poster showing how rather than diminishing the total of World War veterans entitled to Federal aid continues to grow. Red Cross Service to these men is costing \$10,000,000 a year.

North Carolina Setting the Pace for Her Sister States

Gentlemen, you will take all you can get to North Carolina, as one of the most astonishing states in the country, county of ours. Her population of 1,000,000 and promise of the future are almost unbelievable.

North Carolina is an historic old state. The Revolutionary battlefield of Guilford Court House, which made possible the defeat and surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, lies within its borders, near Greensboro, and the state was prominent in the Civil War. At the close of that conflict, North Carolina, in common with the remainder of the old South, was prostrate. The flower of her youth has perished. Her fields were untilled. Her currency was worthless. The accumulations of years of prosperity had been swept away by the ravages of war. Her entire economic and labor system had been shattered overnight.

There was a real tragedy, which has had no counterpart, even in the stricken provinces of France and Belgium today. It has taken two generations to accomplish the miracle but North Carolina has caught her stride and is rapidly distancing her sister states.

Agriculture? The soil and climate are farmers of North Carolina produce more new wealth in 1921 than the entire gold production of California since the stampede of 1849. She was the fourth agricultural state in the Union, according to Government reports, surpassed only by Texas, Virginia, Iowa and Illinois, in the order named.

Manufacturing? Even before the great development of the war period North Carolina was operating as many cotton spindles as Massachusetts. Put that in your pipe and smoke it, you hide-bound Yankees. Cheap labor, cheap power and the proximity of raw cotton have worked the marvel. The Southern Power Company having harnessed the streams of the Blue Ridge Mountains, open thousands miles of transmission lines in the two Carolinas and turns the wheels of three-hundred cotton mills. Three out of every four men in overalls, throughout the United States, are wearing denim manufactured in a single North Carolina factory, at Greensboro—a mill four city blocks long and two and three stories high. Manufacturers can buy electric power for about half what it would cost to operate with steam. Among the great furniture and tobacco manufacturing centers in the country are High Point and Winston-Salem, respectively.

Could the total value of North Carolina's farm, forest, water and manufacturing product since 1919 have been converted into dollar bills, according to one statistical enthusiast, the entire export of California Fruit could have been wrapped in North Carolina money; her hay and grain covered with North Carolina money and still there would have been enough money left with which to bag all the gold dust ever mined or coined in the Golden State.

Incomes? The average income tax

Local News and Personal Mention

Miss Essie Peel left this morning for Tarboro, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Polk McCraw for some time.

Messes, Jay Griffin, Howard Herriek and Francis M. Manning left yesterday for Chapel Hill where they will attend the University during the coming months.

Mr. J. K. Hoyt, one of our Washington progressive merchants has an advertisement in this paper offering a fine opportunity for ladies to buy furs on Friday, October 22nd, and a special line of ladies wearing apparel for Monday, October 10th.

Mr. Fred Shute returned to his work in Durham yesterday after visiting Mr. Shute a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Brown.

Mr. Jack Baker spent the weekend in Wilson with his father, Mr. J. P. Baker.

Messes, Fred Outland and Fred Moore of Washington were business visitors in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Watts, Jr., has returned from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wadsworth at Cove City.

Messes, Frank and Irving Mangold attended the Jewish New Year celebration in Norfolk Monday.

Miss Carrie Bell White left this morning for Rocky Mount, where she will have her tonsils removed at Park View Hospital.

Mr. Luke Lamb of Raleigh spent the weekend in town.

Mr. W. B. Watts of Norfolk spent Sunday in town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Watts.

Messes, Theodore Roberson and John Browning and Sheriff Roberson, are in Richmond this week on business.

Mrs. Asa T. Crawford and Carrie Biggs Williams are in Rocky Mount today shopping.

Miss Della Smithwick and Mrs. Holaday of Jamesville were in town yesterday shopping.

Mr. Albert Perry went to Richmond Sunday on business.

STRAIGHT ROAD TO BETHEL

Messes, G. C. Walker, of Goodwater Ala., A. D. Morgan, of Greensboro and M. C. Moffitt, of Tennessee have just completed the survey for the highway from Bethel to the Roanoke Bridge. This section of the highway will be known as project No. 692 in the State road building system. The road will cross to the south side of the railroad about two miles east of Robertsonville, running along the south side of the railroad all the way to Williamston. This means that very little of the old road will be used and that the new road will be used and it is the new road will be practically straight all the way to Bethel.

Education? With all the support an dural illiteracy of the mountain whites, North Carolina has less illiteracy today than New Hampshire. In expenditures per capita for education she stands first among the states in proportion to her per capita wealth. Two hundred public school buildings were erected in the state in 1920.

HELP FIND A HOME FOR THESE ORPHANS

Editor Enterprise: Sometime back we asked you to assist us in finding homes for 20 boys. The publicity you gave this appeal furnished us homes for over 60 boys and girls.

Winter is coming on and we have in sight for October, November and December, 60 boys who are now in distress and for whom we are seeking homes.

We know you delight in co-operating with our Society in this great work of saving innocent children who are not responsible for their condition.

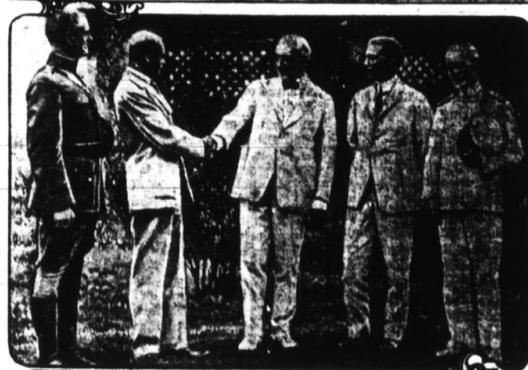
Let the good people within your field know that this service is before them. There are hundreds of childless homes in North Carolina if they could only be located. Publicity is the means. If we were a commercial enterprise we would gladly buy space in your paper and thus reach the people. But we operate entirely by voluntary contributions and scarcely collect enough funds to feed and clothe these unfortunate children while they are in our receiving home.

Help us all you can. We have the following boys ready for placement during the coming ninety days:

- 5 boys, six months to 15 months of age.
- 15 boys 2 years to 5 years of age.
- 10 boys 6 years to 8 years of age.
- 20 boys 10 years of age.
- 10 boys 12 to 14 years of age.

Respectfully,
JOHN J. PHOENIX,
State Superintendent, Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Inc.

President Harding Now Heads Red Cross



Succeeding former President Wilson, President Harding was recently elected president of the American Red Cross. He is here seen accepting the office. From left to right: Maj. Gen. Merritte W. Ireland, Surgeon General, U. S. A.; Dr. Livingston Farrand, chairman Central Committee of the Red Cross; the President; Asst. Secretary of the Treasury Elliot Wadsworth; Rear Admiral Edward R. Stitt, Surgeon General, U. S. N.

Two Views of Whiskey by Two Prominent Characters

Col. Robert Ingersoll was not a hard drinker, but he liked the warming influence of some good whiskey when he could get it. He was making a lecture tour through the state of Kentucky one time, and while down here he found a whole barrel of real ripe old whiskey that just suited his taste, and he had it shipped home to himself, and when he got home he said, "Bob, this is too much whiskey for any one man to have, so send some of it to some of your friends." So Bob sat down and made a list of friends to whom he might send some of his choice whiskey. Among the list was Dr. Buckley, a Methodist minister, an old school friend. Bob thought he might like some of that good whiskey, so he sent Dr. Buckley a gallon jug and wrote a letter.

My Dear Buckley,

I send you some of the most wonderful whiskey that ever drove a skeleton from a feast or pained land scrapes in the brain of man.

It is the mingled souls of wheat and corn.

In it you will find the sunshine and the shadow that chased each other over billowy fields. The breath of June, the dew of summer and autumn's rich content all goldenly imprisoned light.

Drink it and you shall hear the voices of men and maidens singing "The Harvest Home," mingled with the laughter of children. Drink it deep and you will feel within your veins the beautiful starry dawn, the dreamy, tawny slugs of perfect days.

For 40 years this liquid joy has been confined in staves of oak, lying to kiss the lips of man.

Your friend,

ROBERT G. INGERSOLL

Dr. Buckley got his jug of whiskey looked it over, and without even removing the cork to see what a beautiful bunch of joy he had, shipped it back with the following letter:

My Dear Bob:

I return to you some of the most beautiful whiskey that ever brought a skeleton into the closet or painted scenes of lust and bloodshed in the brain of man.

It is the ghosts of wheat and corn.

LINDAMOOD—WOODHOUSE

Sunday morning at the home of her grandfather, Mr. James D. Waters, Mrs. Elizabeth Woodhouse, daughter of Mrs. Charles Woodhouse, wife of the bride of Mr. Ralph Leland Lindamood, Rev. L. C. Larkin of the Methodist Episcopal church and pastor of both the bride and groom officiated. Only the immediate family of the bride were present and Mr. and Mrs. Lindamood left shortly after the ceremony by motor for Hobgood where they took the train for Norfolk and Washington. Upon their return they will be at home with Mr. and Mrs. Larkin.

Mrs. Lindamood was reared in Williamston and is a young woman of unusual charm and talent. She was educated at Carolina College in Maxton and specialized in piano and voice, both there and elsewhere. Mr. Lindamood, son of Mr. George E. Lindamood, of Lebanon, Ohio, came to Williamston three years ago, a student from Marietta College in Marietta, Ohio, and in that time he has made a large number of friends here. He is at present associated with Mr. W. H. Gurkin, as owner of the Ideal Cleaning Works.

A GOOD WORK

Mr. Roy M. Brown, field agent of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare was in town today looking after the interests of dependent, delinquent and defective children, the poverty stricken, all persons on parole from prisons, asylums or other institutions, all persons in any form of distress. All such persons are under the direction of the State Board of Charities and the County Superintendent of Schools. No branch of our State Government is reaching a more needy class of people than this. The people who from causes over which they have no control and some who deliberate yielded are being helped in many ways.

CLOSING A DISGRACEFUL CHAPTER

The Stillman divorce scandal seems to be coming to a close and it looks now like Mrs. Stillman is getting the best of the settlement. It is but another case where people had more money than honor and virtue, they have damaged it very much.

WINTER IS COMING

If you don't thoroughly understand the use of your cut-offs on any job, installed by Alphin-Dunn Plumbing Co., if you will call our office we will send a man, gratis, to explain their use to prevent freezing.

ALPHIN-DUNN PLUMBING CO.

RAILROADS RESIST TAX ASSESSMENTS

Raleigh, Oct. 4.—Former Supreme Court Justice George H. Brown of Beaufort, and Ex-Judge W. P. Bynum, of Greensboro, counsel named by the governor to assist the attorney general in the action taken by the Southern, the A. C. L. railway, and the Atlantic and Yadkin railway, to resist the tax assessment by the state in the U. S. Court, have been here preparing the defense for the hearing at Greensboro the latter part of the week.

Motion to dismiss on grounds of jurisdiction will be the first defensive step taken by the state in answering the petition for an injunction against tax administration officials to restrain the collection of taxes levied against them when the cases come to be heard some time later in the month.

In the event of the failure of the motion to prevail, the state will proceed with the defense of its position on the grounds that values assessed against the property of the complainants are true values, and justify reductions ordered in some counties real property on the grounds that under the Revaluation Act these values were raised from 200 to 1,000 per cent, whereas the assessment of the property of the complainants was advanced only 100 per cent.

Rough drafts of the plans for the defense of the action brought against the state was worked out at a conference of attorneys named by the governor and attorney general James S. Manning. Attending were George H. Brown, former associate justice of the state supreme court; Judge W. P. Bynum, of Greensboro and the attorney general. Further details of the state's answer will be worked out this week.

Extension of the time set for a return in the action will be asked by the state, and no answer to the complaint served here last Wednesday will be made on October 6. The three cases will be combined and heard jointly in Greensboro before Judge H. G. Connor, Judge James E. Hoyt, and Justice Waddill of the United States circuit court of appeals some time about the end of the month.

Confidence in the ability of the state to secure the dismissal of the action was expressed by the attorney general and his associates. Judge Manning thinks that the motion to dismiss the case will receive the favorable action of the court, but will be prepared to continue the fight along the lines laid out in the complaint in the event that the motion to dismiss is overruled.

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB MEETING

The Twentieth Century Club met last Wednesday with the Misses Andrews. The following program was rendered:

Paper—"Our Nature Writers," by Mrs. John W. Manning.

Reading—"Fuss and Feathers," selected from John Burroughs, by Mrs. Harrell.

Current Events—Mrs. Clayton Moore.

The Club adjourned to meet October 12th with Mrs. Frank U. Barnes. The work for the coming winter for the Club is outlined by the North Carolina Board of Woman's Clubs and promises to be the utmost pleasure as well as instruction to those enjoying its benefit.

SIGN UP!

Mr. J. F. May and Mr. D. M. McMillan of Jones county are working in Martin county this week under the direction of the Tobacco and Cotton Cooperative Associations. Every farmer in the county should join the association. We must remember that the present good prices for tobacco and cotton are the results of the weather giving us short crops and the Tobacco companies and Cotton agencies aren't entitled to the credit for it. When the farmers organize they will get fair prices every year. Don't fail to see either Mr. May or Mr. McMillan and sign up.

NOTICE

Last examinations for teacher's certificates will be held at the Court House in Williamston on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 11th and 12th beginning at 9:30 A. M. All teachers who have not already procured certificates must take this examination and those who wish to raise the grade of their certificates may also take this examination.

A. J. MANNING,
County Supt.

I have taken up two Jersey yearlings. One a large black with white flanks, spot in forehead, marked S. M. right ear swallow forked, left ear two small crops. Smaller beast not marked. Owner please call for them at once and pay expenses. J. W. Gurganus, B. B. Watts old place.