

COMMISSIONERS OF COUNTY MEET IN REGULAR SESSION

Adjustment of Taxes Main Issue Before The Board

The monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Martin county was held last Monday at the courthouse with the following members present, J. G. Barnhill, W. B. Harrington, T. R. Slade, Jr., and H. C. Green, Chairman. The following business was transacted:

The first thing to come before the Board was the laying out a public road in Williams township. It was ordered that this be done.

Cleo Slade was allowed two dollars per month on the account of the county poor.

Fayette Roebuck was released from the payment of poll tax in Poplar Point township for the year 1923.

It was ordered that R. G. Sexton be paid \$10.00 on coffin furnished for the poor.

It was ordered that W. C. Manning be released from payment of taxes on \$3,000 on town lots improperly listed in Williams township for the year 1923.

Whitell Slade's property was ordered not to be sold for taxes as they had been paid.

W. E. Baker was released from the payment of taxes in Poplar Point township in 1923, the taxes having been paid in another township.

J. S. Peel was released from the payment of poll taxes in Williams township, same having been listed twice.

Essex Spruill was released from the payment of poll tax in Poplar Point township, he being a non resident of that township.

It was also ordered that C. L. Cannon of Robersonville township be released from the payment of poll tax on account of physical disability.

Ben Best was released from the payment of poll tax in year 1923.

J. R. Whitfield was appointed constable of Goose Nest township to fill the unexpired term of J. L. Davenport who resigned.

The Williamston Realty and Investment company was released from the payment of \$4.90 in taxes improperly listed in Williams township.

SEVEN CASES DIS- POSED OF IN THE RECORDERS COURT

The regular session of the Recorder's court was held Tuesday with Judge J. C. Smith presiding and E. S. Peel as solicitor.

State vs Joe Whitaker and Wiley Woodard, manufacturing liquor. The defendants were discharged.

State vs T. E. Goodrich, Defendant discharged.

State vs F. M. Johnson, failing to dip cattle. This case was continued to June 24th.

State vs Horace Slade and Henry Slade, driving automobile without license. Plead guilty. Judgment suspended upon payment of the cost of the action.

State vs Settler Bazemore, carrying a concealed weapon. Bazemore pleaded not guilty to the charge, but pleaded guilty of procuring a pistol without a permit. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs.

State vs Cecil Hooker. Hooker was charged with carrying a concealed weapon. His case was not prosed.

State vs Don Johnson, failure to dip cattle was the charge, but Mr. Johnson was not present when called. Judgment rendered was Ni Si Cifa and Capias.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF THE FIRST CONGRES- SIONAL DISTRICT

I am writing this letter without the knowledge or procurement of my friend, Lindsay C. Warren.

I was intimately associated with him during two sessions of the General Assembly of North Carolina. In all his acts as a legislator, he was strong, able, clean and clear cut.

I consider him an able leader of character and integrity, and I commend him to the Democratic Voters of the First Congressional District.

F. C. HARDING.
Greenville, N. C.
June 4, 1924. (adv)

SILVER TEA

The Philanthropic class of the Baptist church gave a silver tea at the home of Mrs. B. A. Critcher on Wednesday.

Delicious refreshments of ice cream and punch were served and quite a number of ladies called during the afternoon.

MR. W. T. WARD REPLIES TO MR. WARREN; CONTROVERSY FORCED UPON HIM BY WARREN'S FRIENDS

Mr. Ayldett Possessed No Knowledge of Letter And Had Nothing Whatsoever to Do With It

Williamston, N. C.
June 5, 1924.
Lindsay Warren, Esquire,
Washington, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I have noticed in the press your letter denouncing me as a liar and your amazingly feeble defense of your activities before the North Carolina Legislature. I, being long familiar with the habits of politicians, must confess that neither have affected my previously expressed opinions and I feel constrained to point out that your so-called denial is nothing more than an admission of being a paid representative of rich men and corporations of the State which, in the common speech, is lobbying.

Your statement that Mr. Ayldett possessed any knowledge or had anything whatsoever to do with my letter to the Elizabeth City Independent was an error.

Your attempted denial of lobbying for the Southern Power Co. is indeed laughable. Mr. Warren, do you think that the people of this district will believe that Mr. Duke and the Southern Power Company, who have in their employ the ablest lawyers of the United States, would come to Washington to retain you unless it were a question of buying political influence rather than legal ability? Your denial is nothing more than an admission in substance of being the paid representative of a rich man's corporation, which is the reason, as I stated in my letter to Mr. Saunders, that I support Mr. Ayldett rather than you.

Do you think that the people be-

lieve that you were paid a large amount by the banks to go to Raleigh to correct a typographical error in a bill? This would have been done by the Department in charge of this bill without any cost to the banks of the State. It seems to me that you presume too much upon the ignorance of the people in thinking that they would believe that a typographical error, which is merely an error of the printer, would require the special services of a lawyer to correct it.

Again your explanation of your opposition on the State Water Transportation Bill is weak, inconsistent and misleading. The News and Observer of May 24, 1924, printing the report of the State Ship and Water Transportation Commission and reviewing the history of the bill states that you, leading the opposition, had made doubtful the passage of the bill in any form. I am glad, even though you have had to pursue an inconsistent course, that you now admit the Water Transportation Bill to be a splendid thing for the development of Eastern North Carolina and not the vicious bill you once represented it to be.

I am forced to remind you that this controversy was forced upon me by your friends through the Elizabeth City Independent and that my defense can in no way be construed as an eleven hour attack upon you, since my letter was written fully ten days before the primary, and if the eleven hour approach before you could frame your feeble denial, surely the fault was not mine.

Yours truly,
W. T. WARD.

AYDLETT'S REPLY TO WARREN

To The Voters of the First Congressional District

The statement of Mr. Warren that the letter of W. T. Ward, who is a brother of our Congressman, Hon. H. S. Ward, was inserted in the papers by me, is untrue. I knew nothing of the preparation of any such letter, or nothing of its publication until my attention was called to it last Saturday evening at Greenville, when I saw it in the Greenville Reflector. I had never heard of anything being done towards the preparation of any paper by Mr. Ward, or anyone else. The statement made by Mr. Warren that I was causing Mr. Ward's letter to be circulated throughout this district is absolutely false.

I have never appeared before the committee in the Legislature regarding any legislation, or in behalf of any client, or clients, except some local matters in Currituck and some in Elizabeth City.

The Independent, week after week, since the beginning of the campaign, has been attacking me, and my character as a lawyer and as a man, and the "friends of Mr. Warren," with his connivance, if not consent and approval, have been circulating extra marked copies of these issues throughout the district.

It seems that the Independent, in its eagerness to attack me, went out of its way to attack Mr. W. T. Ward, and Mr. Ward struck back, and Mr. Warren is now complaining that I am the cause of it. From what I heard of Mr. Ward, he is as honorable a gentleman as Mr. Warren or myself, and when the Independent, in its

zeal to injure me, went out of its way to attack Mr. Ward, he saw proper to retaliate. Mr. Warren probably has heard that "Chickens come home to roost," and when his friend, the Independent, goes too far in the attack upon others, he ought not to complain because they strike back. If I had desired to make any statement against Mr. Warren's record, I would have signed my own name to it. I am not conducting any campaign in the dark.

Mr. Ward is able to take care of his own matters. Mr. Ward did not confer with me, nor did he give me any intimation, that he was going to reply, or that he was going to make any answer whatsoever to the attack upon him in the Independent. Mr. Warren's special advocate.

I say this, as I have said before, that I have made no attack upon Mr. Warren, have counseled my friends not to; have not even examined his record, and don't want to know it, because my purpose is to win this nomination on my own merits, and without seeking to injure my opponent. Mr. Warren's attack upon me is unjust and untrue.

I am sorry Mr. Warren feels any one is stabbing him in the back. If he is suffering in this way, I can sympathize with him, as I have been receiving stabs in the back at the hands of his friends and supporters, with his knowledge and seeming approval, since the beginning of this campaign.

(adv.) E. F. AYDLETT.

MARTIN AGRICUL- TURAL SOCIETY HAS MEETING

The Martin County Agricultural Society held its regular monthly meeting last Monday with a good representation present.

County Agent, Brandon, outlined several phases of work that he is undertaking and a general discussion was held.

The Society is working for a hearty cooperation of all the Agricultural interests of the county as well as all business and professional interests.

Mr. Aaron S. Smith paid the Enterprise office a visit yesterday. We asked him about his nice polka China dogs and he was full of enthusiasm when he explained how fine they were.

He has one 14 month old that stands 42 inches high and weighs 500 pounds. Who can beat this?

Mrs. Charles L. Appleby and little son, Charles Jr. of St. George, South Carolina are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Brandon in the T. E. Peel apartment.

MR. ROEBUCK STATES HIS VIEW AS TO OUTCOME

Best For 3rd Aspirant for Congress to Sell Chance for Fish

Farmville, N. C.
June 4, 1924.
The Editor, The Enterprise,
Williamston, N. C.
Dear Sir:

Please permit me space in your valued paper to present to its many readers my view as to what the outcome of the Primary, which is to be held on June the 7th, should and will be.

Relative to our two distinguished candidates for Governor of North Carolina, I will say that from the platform on which Mr. Bailey is running is so clear and straight from the shoulder and so near what the majority of the people in the state need and want to see put into effect that I see no reason why he should not command the support of a comfortable majority of the votes in the primary.

As to Mr. McLean I think that the services which he is reported to have performed during the time he was a member of the War Finance Corporation was such as to amply justify the people of this state in letting him rest for a few years, at least until they get ready for some more deflation, at which time his picture on which he must be basing his hopes for the nomination will look better. I predict that Mr. Bailey will win the nomination by a small majority.

As time and space will not permit mentioning all of the honorable state officers, which is to be supplied by the many aspirants on June the 7th I will confine the remainder of what I have to say to the First Congressional District of North Carolina, in which there is to be a man nominated which is equivalent to elected to represent the first district in the House of Representatives at Washington, D. C. for this high office we have three aspirants, two of which according to the reports are so far in the lead of the other one that it would be good business of him to sell out for a bunch of fish, though he has the reputation of being a very nice man.

As to the Hon. Lindsay C. Warren of Washington, N. C. I will say that the record he has made as a State Legislator does amply justify him in asking the people of this district to promote him to the higher office which he seeks.

In voting for a man to fill the high office of Congressman of the United States or any other office the electorate should be sure that he or she is casting their vote for a man that absolutely possesses the following three special qualities. First of which is unimpeachable character, second, practical experience, third, unquestionable ability, which is principally derived from experience. I have every reason to know that Mr. Warren possesses the qualities mentioned above, therefore I am supporting him the best I can. As to Mr. E. F. Ayldett he is another one of those fellows that likes to have his picture broadcasted around in high places; which in my estimation resembles that front porch campaign that brought disaster on our Country four years ago. I predict that he will feel very small after June the 7th.

Coming down to the County of Martin in which I live and love so well I will say that politics have recently warmed up to the extent that our representative the Hon. Clayton Moore and our County Judge the Hon. J. C. Smith and our Register of Deeds and even to our sheriff all have opponents which will have to be reckoned with in the Primary of June the 7th.

Relative to the aspirants for the office of representative I feel like it is a duty that we owe to ourselves and to Mr. Moore to send him to the legislature again for the reason that his former experience and legal ability coupled with his high character and personality makes him the most appropriate man for the job at this particular time. Even though Mr. Holliday is one of the best citizens in the county which I think he is. Relative to the aspirants to the Judgeship of our court, I will say that I don't think there is a man in Martin county that is any better qualified in every respect to fill the office of recorder's court Judge than the Hon. J. C. Smith of Robersonville, N. C. And out of all due respect and high regard to that fine young lawyer and ex-service man. I think he will be best. And without any further argument, sheriff Robertson and John Sam Getzinger have their nomination and election sewed up.

Yours very truly,
L. D. ROEBUCK.

Vote for McLean for Governor. adv.

The talk of today is TEXACO. adv.

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DR. JOHN D. BIGGS
who is presiding over the North Carolina Bankers' Association in Asheville, N. C. this week.

Asheville, June 4.—Today opportunity knocks at our door for North Carolina is attracting more favorable attention than any other State in the Union." John D. Biggs of Williamston, told 500 bankers in session here today for the 28th annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, at Kenilworth Inn.

Dr. Biggs, who is president of the Association, in delivering the annual address declared that the State has prospered exceedingly despite the freight rates, and said that some relief for this may be expected in the not far distant future.

Marketing Big Problem.
Apart from the address of the President, the chief feature of the opening session of the convention today was the report of the Agricultural committee.

"The chief ailment of the farmers of North Carolina at the present time is not production but marketing," the committee declared in its report. Recommendation was made that the State Association appoint a committee to thoroughly examine existing systems of co-operative marketing with a view to acting on this problem as an organization.

Boost Rocky Mount Man.
In hopes of assuring the election of Frank F. Fagan, of Rocky Mount as third Vice President of the State organization, a large delegation from that city is here for the convention. This is the only contested office, all officers above it automatically moving up each year. Consequently in the election of officers tomorrow morning, S. A. Hubbard, of the Central Bank of Asheville, will become president for the coming year.

President Biggs, in part said:
"In agriculture last year we were surpassed only by the vast State of Texas, which has an acreage of more than five times North Carolina's. The Agricultural Committee will tell you more about this subject."

"Industrially we stand at the head of cotton goods, and today there are more spindles in actual operation in North Carolina than in any other State in the Union. In the manufacture of furniture and numerous other articles we rank high, while wood pulp manufacture and paper-making is just in its infancy in the State."

Financed at Home.
"While we welcome outside capital, the financing of this business has been done largely with local capital."

"The harnessing of our water power has been one of the mighty forces of our development, giving us not only the light of day but the power to see our accomplishments, and a vision of the marvel's yet to be."

Educationally we have possibly made greater strides than any other State in the union in the past 20 years. In 1900 the expenditure for education in North Carolina amounted to less than a million dollars. In 1923 we spent more than \$23,000,000.

"In road building we have in the past five years rapidly stepped out of sand and mud on to smooth hard-surfaced roads, and we do not hesitate to say our road building program has done more to put us on the map than any other one agency."

"Financially our growth has been truly marvelous. The Federal Census department announces that at the end of 1922 the wealth of the State was practically three times what it was ten years ago. No other State in the union has been able, so far, to reach this record of achievement."

HAMILTON TO HAVE NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING SO ON

To Be Completed By November First of This Year

A contract for the building of a new high school at Hamilton was let by the County Board of Education Monday, June 2nd. The contract was let to F. S. Lane of Nashville, N. C., the contract price being \$21,321.65.

The heating contract for the building was given to Howard C. Dixon of Rocky Mount at \$2,500. The time limit for the completion of the building is November the first.

The location of the new building will be changed from the North end of the town to the South end where a large site has been procured.

The people of Hamilton have been working for some time to secure a new building and the letting of the contract proves their earnestness in pushing the matter through. The old building is entirely inadequate since the bounds of the district have been extended. It is hoped by some that completion of the new building will be made in time for the opening of school next fall though the contract does not call for completion until November the first.

TO THE VOTERS OF MARTIN COUNTY

As the primary is almost here, I appeal to the good citizens of Martin county to cast their ballots for Mr. Sylvester Peel on June 7th.

I have known Mr. Peel from my childhood to present time. He has a steadfast Christian character, a kind and cheerful disposition and a strong and abiding faith in his Maker.

He not only believes in the best of life, but practices the things that tend to make life more happy. Some are saying that he is too old but I think that is a great mistake. That is one reason that I am writing in his behalf. He is getting too old to do hard manual labor, and I think we should honor him with the office of Register of Deeds.

As for his mental faculties, he is as strong as ever. I wish to say further that he gave the prime of life to teaching some twenty odd years for twenty-five and thirty dollars per month, and now in his older age, I believe we would not only be doing justice to him but to ourselves as well to make him our next Register of Deeds.

So let it be borne in mind by all lovers of truth that when it comes to the real, simple, spiritual and acceptable service, he is unsurpassed.

Written by his former school pupil.
GEORGE C. GRIFFIN.
Williamston, N. C., R. F. D.
(adv.)

MINISTER'S WIFE'S NEW BONNET AT FARM LIFE SCHOOL TONIGHT AT 8:15

"The Minister's Wife's New Bonnet" will be presented tonight at the Farm Life School in Griffins township. The proceeds of the play will be used for the promotion of the Williamston Baptist Aid Society.

Admission 25 and 35 cents.
Farmers, Laborers, everybody remember to vote for McLean. adv.

METHODIST RE- VIAVL PROMISES TO BE OF GREAT VALUE

Saturday Night Booster Chorus Will Give Its Programme

The meeting now in progress in the Methodist church under the leadership of the Pastor and Rev. Carolyn A. Hosford is giving every evidence of accomplishing much for the community's good during the remaining days of the campaign.

The first of the week hindered the beginning of the work because of the conflict Monday night with the political meeting and the bad rain on Tuesday night. Wednesday night was the first normal service and its attendance and interest delighted those in leadership.

Miss Hosford, song leader from Springfield, Mass. has already won the hearts of those who have heard her for she has an unusual voice, with which to lead the singing, which is supplemented by a Chorus Choir of adults and the use of the Saxophone which she so skillfully plays. A Junior Chorus also assists nicely. The music is an attractive feature of the service and much time is given in the service to it.

Saturday night is the big night of the week when the Booster Chorus of boys and girls will give their program in song for which they have been preparing during the afternoons of this week. Promptly at eight o'clock they will march in military procession to their assigned places on the platform numbering 75 voices. This will be the only time that this Booster Chorus will sing during the campaign and a very unusual and attractive service is promised.

Miss Lucille Bradshaw comes from Wilmington on Saturday to be pianist for the Booster programme and will remain through the campaign to play one of the two pianos that are being used nightly. Mrs. W. E. Warren has been playing one piano and will continue to play through the second and last week of the meeting along with Miss Bradshaw.

Sunday there will be three services—the morning and night service at which time the Pastor will bring the messages and Miss Hosford will conduct the singing. In the afternoon at three o'clock there will be a special mass meeting for women only, when Miss Hosford will speak on the subject "The New Woman." Miss Hosford is an ordained Baptist Minister and has held pastorates and been associated with Evangelism for twelve years and comes to Williamston from her southern headquarters in Conway, South Carolina.

Services will continue through next week, closing on Saturday night of the 14th. Morning prayer services are being held on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings in the parlors of the Atlantic hotel from 9:30 until 10 o'clock. Large numbers are attending and everyone is cordially invited.

EPWORTH LEAGUE TO GIVE MORALITY PAL THIS MORNING

Under the direction of Mrs. J. F. Thigpen, the Epworth League of the Methodist church will give a morality play at the school auditorium here this morning at 11 o'clock.

The play is given in order that the league might be stigmatized as such. The play is being given today so that the five delegates who will represent the local league at a meeting in Morehead City June 16th to 21st, can report it to the meeting and so that the League will be standardized. There will be no admission charged but a collection will be taken and the proceeds will go toward paying the African pledge money for missions. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The following compose the cast:
Misses. Mary C. Leggett, Christine Dodd, Myrtle Wynne, Gladys Benjamin, Josephine Sykes, Mary and Martha Leggett, Ellen Cowen, Minnie Robertson and Evelyn Harrison and Messrs. Bryant Carstarphen, Marion Cobb, Boyd Hight and Bill Harrison.

MRS. K. B. CRAWFORD UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. K. B. Crawford underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Washington Hospital on Tuesday and she is getting along very nicely now.

She was accompanied to Washington by Mr. Crawford, Mrs. F. U. Barnes and Mrs. Chloe Lanier.

Friends of Mr. Willie W. Lilley thru out the country will be glad to know that he is now improving rapidly and that he is considered out of danger.

The talk of today is TEXACO. adv.