

LOCAL POLITICS SLOW IN TAKING DEFINITE FORM

Candidacies for Number of County Offices Expected To Be Filed Soon

BUT LITTLE INTEREST

Pot Expected To Begin Boiling Within Next Week; Several Aspirants For Sheriff's Office

Now that the county board of elections has been named, politics in the county are expected to take on a more definite form and give chance for some of the rumors to become actualities. At the present time, politics in the county have been in a dark state; that is, no candidacies have been officially announced, and all happenings will have to develop from now on.

A three-cornered race is expected to result in the run for sheriff. The present sheriff, A. L. Roebuck, while he has not filed his candidacy, will do so within the next few days, it was reported from his office yesterday. The two probable candidates stated they were not in a position to say definitely just what they would do, that they would file with the county board of elections within a short time now, should they decide to enter the race.

J. Sam Getsinger, register of deeds, stated yesterday that he would file his candidacy within the next few days. So far as it is known, Mr. Getsinger will be unopposed on the Democratic ticket.

"As it now stands, I will not run again for the recordership," Judge J. W. Bailey stated yesterday while speaking of the forthcoming primary. The salary of the office is not at all attractive, the judge stated in giving his reasons for not running for the job again this year. Solicitor Hugh G. Horton stated yesterday that he would not be a candidate for the solicitorship this year, but offered no reason for not entering the race. It has been pointed out that the work of the two offices requires a great deal of time, and that the salaries, \$75 and \$60, are not to be considered in running for the jobs.

Just how the land lies with the commissioners and their jobs could not be learned yesterday.

Jamesville-Everetts To Play Here Tomorrow

Basketball in Martin county will have a marked closing here tomorrow night at 7:45 when Everetts and Jamesville meet in a final game to decide the champions of the county. One of the largest crowds ever to witness a basketball game here is expected tomorrow night. Several of the players are playing their last time as high school students, and it will be a long time before two teams can be developed that will be more evenly matched than those of Jamesville and Everetts.

Both the Everetts and Jamesville boys are continuing their practice preparatory to the big event tomorrow night. A close game is expected. The game was scheduled for tonight, but was called off by the Jamesville and Everetts coaches so as to avoid a conflict with the high school play to be presented by the seniors of the local school here tonight.

Pitches No-Hit Game, But Loses on Errors

The baseball season in the county was opened yesterday afternoon when Robersonville defeated Jamesville 4 to 3 in a well-played game at Robersonville. Brown, pitching for Jamesville, turned in a no-hit game, but his team lost on errors. Buck James, Robersonville's moundman, twirled a splendid game and allowed only five hits. Brown besides his excellent work in the box made two of his team's five hits.

Next Friday, Robersonville goes to Jamesville.

ANOTHER POULTRY CAR HERE TOMORROW



This picture was taken when the first poultry car of the season was loaded here on February 29th, and shows a part of the crowd that was gathered around the car all day. Over 14,000 pounds of poultry were loaded, which brought the producers around \$3,000. The second car will be here tomorrow, arriving either tonight or in the morning and remaining all day.

High School Senior Play Tonight, 8:15

The first of the commencement exercises of the local school will be held tonight when members of the senior class appear in their play, "The End of the Lane." The cast has been thoroughly trained, and a creditable production is assured.

The play will be staged in the school auditorium and begins at 8:15.

BIBLE SCHOOL FACULTY NAMED

School To Be Held At Baptist Church Beginning Sunday

The pastor of the local Baptist church said today that the faculty had been selected for the Bible school which that church is to begin next Sunday morning and close on Easter Sunday morning.

The school will be graded as much as is possible. There will be six classes, as follows:

The Sunday school class taught by Mrs. Cone and Mrs. Oscar Anderson will be taught by Mrs. C. H. Dickey.

The Sunday school class taught by Mrs. A. T. Crawford will have as its teacher, Mrs. C. A. Harrison.

The two Sunday school classes as taught by Mr. Hugh Holloman and Mrs. John Biggs will be consolidated into one class and will be taught by Mrs. John Biggs.

The Sunday school classes taught by Mr. B. S. Courtney, Mr. H. S. Grimes, and Mrs. Anna Harrison will be consolidated into one class and taught by Miss Lora E. Sleeper.

The young people's class, made up of young men and young women from the classes of Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Mrs. W. S. Roberson, and Prof. Davis will be taught by Mr. Hugh Horton.

The adults, men and women, will be taught by the pastor of the church.

Next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the Sunday school and church congregation will assemble in the church auditorium at 11 o'clock, where a short devotional service will be held. Then the congregation will break up into these six classes, where, for short periods of time, they will study the life of Jesus. The second session will be held Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Then there will be an evening session on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. And the closing period will be Easter morning at 10 o'clock.

The pastor has 1,500 pictures for the children of the school. In other words, on every class period each pupil will have from one to three pictures illustrating the particular lesson under consideration. And since the school is graded, everybody will be taken in from four years old and up.

The pastor of the church announces that the class of adults will be open to the general public. That the men and women from the town, and from other churches, are invited to come with us if they wish, and when they are not engaged in religious services of their own.

Remembering the noble success of the school of missions held by this church one year ago, the congregation is expecting that this pre-Easter Bible school will likewise be a success.

Ask Consideration In Use of Main Streets

In their general discussion last night, the town commissioners passed an order, asking the merchants of the town to be considerate in using the sidewalks in displaying their wares. In the order, it was stated that it was not the purpose of the board to prevent the display of goods, but in it the commissioners suggested that bulky goods be kept from in front of the stores.

TO BUILD NEW THEATER HERE

J. W. Watts, Jr., Gets Permit To Erect \$25,000 Building

A building permit for the erection of a \$25,000 theatre was issued this morning to Mr. J. W. Watts, Jr., local theatre man.

Mr. Watts recently purchased one of the lots in the Hassell property from Mr. C. D. Carstaphen and announced this morning that he would start building operations within the next few weeks. If possible, Mr. Watts plans to open the new theatre some time in the early fall.

The building will be modernly equipped and will have a seating capacity on the lower floor of 750.

Mr. Watts has considered the erection of a modern theatre here for some time, and the announcement of his plans is being well received by people of the town and community.

THIRD OF TAXES REMAIN UNPAID

\$171,692.77 Have Been Collected by Sheriff Up To Present Time

A fraction over two thirds, or \$171,692.77, of Martin County's tax assessments have been paid to Sheriff Roebuck, county tax collector, according to a statement made yesterday by Deputy S. H. Grimes.

For the past several weeks, collections have been small, but with the time for advertising the list of delinquents so near at hand, many of the property owners are settling their accounts with the sheriff. The sheriff is making a last drive for the funds now past due, and while he knows there will be many pieces of real estate advertised it is his opinion that the majority of the unpaid taxes will be received by April 31, the last day of grace. After complying with the laws governing the collection of taxes, the collector will drop the hammer.

Plane Here Few Weeks Ago Crashes in Rocky Mt.

The airplane which was here about three weeks ago taking up passengers fell at Rocky Mount Sunday and was totally wrecked. The pilot and two passengers were in the plane at the time of the accident, but suffered only a scratch or two.

As the machine was taking off the controls failed when it was about on a line with the tops of trees, and the plane plunged into a tree and cut the top out, causing it to nose downward and strike another tree about 15 feet from the ground; it then went on down and wound up by standing on its nose at the root of the tree.

The pilot suffered a small scratch on the nose and one of the passengers had a small piece of skin knocked off his leg. The plane belonged to the Eagle Rock Air Co.

Royal Arch Masons' Meeting Postponed

The meeting of Concho Chapter, No. 12, R. A. M., appointed to be held Thursday, March 29th, has been continued until Thursday night of next week, April 5, at which time all members of the chapter are especially requested to attend.

N. K. HARRISON, Recorder.

No Dance At Woman's Club Monday Night

There will be no dance at the Woman's club next Monday night, according to an announcement made by Mrs. Louis P. Martin, president. The dance was called off on account of church services here that night.

Announcements of the next dance will appear later.

RUFUS T. TAYLOR DIED SATURDAY

Was One of County's Most Popular Men; Lived in Robersonville

Rufus T. Taylor, one of the county's most popular citizens, died at the home of his son in Robersonville early Saturday morning after an illness of three and one-half weeks. He would have been 73 old, had he lived until August 23, his birthday.

Mr. Taylor was born and reared near the present town of Gold Point. Coming up in a day when educational opportunities were rare, he had only the chance of a few weeks each year in the little country school. He never accumulated very much wealth, the bigness of his heart made him give in a trade rather than take when dealing with his fellows. He was full of sympathy and always showed a willingness to help his fellowman. He was a great Bible reader and was able to quote a large portion of the New Testament.

When a young man he married Miss Susan V. Andrews, of this county. She died about 20 years ago.

Two daughters and five sons survive. They are, Mrs. W. A. James, of this place, Mrs. J. W. Taylor, Willie, Cleveland and Clarence Taylor, of Robersonville, Elliott Taylor of Richmond and Dallas Taylor, of Roxboro.

The funeral was held at the residence of his son, Willie Taylor, Sunday afternoon by Rev. C. B. Mashburn. The burial was at the old home farm near Gold Point. The attendance at both the funeral and burial was very large and the floral tribute was beautiful.

Arbor Day Program At Woman's Club Friday

Friday afternoon, the Woman's club will make a special attempt to beautify its grounds and add to the attractiveness of its building. If any of the members have cuttings of shrubs or plants that would add to the attractiveness of the club yard, they are asked to bring them. Several ladies will be at the club to receive them and assist in the planting and setting.

If there should be any persons trimming shrubs at any time in the next few days or weeks and they cannot get cuttings that they might give to the club, notify Mrs. Clayton Moore and some member of the Civic committee will call for them.

Cold Hurts Tobacco Beds Very Little

Injury to tobacco plant beds in this section during the cold weather the early part of this month has turned out to be not serious, and it is the opinion of farmers that the supply will be plentiful when transplanting is started the latter part of next month. In some communities the damage by cold to the plants has proved fatal, but as a whole the injury has been slight.

Farmers reporting on the condition of the plant beds state that the plants range in size from a dime to a nickel.

Duco Demonstrator At Courtney's Saturday

There will be a free demonstration given by a Duco decorator at the store of B. S. Courtney next Saturday, March 31.

If there are any finishing touches needed to make your home attractive, the decorator will give you ideas and tell you how to fix things and should you want any small article painted and decorated, you are invited to bring it along and it will be done over for you free of charge.

Colored Schools To Have Field Day Exercises 30th

The colored schools of the county will hold their field day exercises next Friday, March 30, at 10:30 a. m. at the Williams Lower school, near Wintz Siding.

Mary Gray, county supervisor of colored schools, says it is necessary that every colored school in the county be represented.

Woodman Lecturer To Be Here Tomorrow

The national lecturer of the Modern Woodmen of America, Mr. Renner, and the State lecturer, Mr. M. L. Tremaine, will address the Woodmen of Martin County at the courthouse tomorrow, Wednesday, night, at 8 o'clock. This will be a public meeting, and the Woodmen extend a cordial welcome to both ladies and gentlemen to attend the meeting.

An excellent program has been prepared and several good speakers are scheduled to make talks. There will also be music by a quartet.

The Woodmen expect to have a packed house.

WRITES OF TRIP TO MEETING OF STATE TEACHERS

Jamesville Principal Gives Brief Resume of Proceedings

1,500 ATTEND SESSIONS

All-State Orchestra Was Feature of The Gathering; Several Make Splendid Addresses

By J. L. JONES

Having had the privilege of attending the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, I would be glad of the opportunity to give to the people of this county some idea of the proceedings. It was a great treat to be there and mingle with those who are leading the young lives of this great old State and to hear those splendid men, who are connected with the larger colleges and universities of our land.

Thursday evening, at 7:30, some 1,500 teachers gathered in the auditorium of the Hugh Morson High School and, to the great delight of all, there were about 100 young musicians seated on the stage, and they gave us some of the finest music that we had ever heard from such a source. These boys and girls were selected from all over the State, and they did credit to the schools from which they came.

After the concert by the orchestra, the assembly went to the discussions of the evening. It was a treat to sit and listen to the masterful address of the president of the assembly, Mr. T. Wingate Andrews, of the High Point school. His address was a distinct challenge to the people of North Carolina to see to it that every child in the country, whether rich or poor, or it matters not what, should have the same opportunity of an eight-months school term.

Friday morning, at 9:30, the assembly gathered again, and after the business session we heard Dr. L. T. Liles, who spoke on having the right kind of playground equipment for the children. He told us that one of the necessary things of the school was to guide the boys and girls in the right kind of play.

Friday afternoon there were 30 group meetings held in the different rooms of the school building. I was in the group of high-school principals and teachers. We had several interesting papers read, and then Dr. Judd, from the University of Chicago, spoke. He gave a very helpful and inspiring speech to that group.

Friday evening, at 7:30, the assembly gathered again in the auditorium and after another splendid concert by the all-State orchestra, President Andrews introduced Dr. Dennis of Pennsylvania, who spoke of the guidance of the child in the home community, and in school. It is a greater task than many teachers think. There is more to be done than to just teach boys and girls books. They have to be guided in the selection of the vocation of their life. So many people think that a child after he or she passes through school is ready for life. If, however, a child is not guided, he may be an absolute misfit in the vocation which he chooses. It is up to the parents, home influence, and the school to really see that the child is really guided in the selection of his vocation.

On Saturday morning, the assembly met for the last meeting of the convention. After the business was transacted, President Andrews introduced Dr. Frank P. Gaines to the assembly, and he made one of the outstanding speeches of the convention on "The Ethical Character in Education." Dr. Gaines forcefully pointed out the great task of the teacher. He said that the student's life was molded a great deal by the attitude of the teacher. First, he said that the teacher should direct the social life of the students. So many times a child is a misfit in the social life of the community for the very reason that he has been misdirected, or not directed at all, by the teacher. Second the teacher should give the student some happy experience from real life, trying not to give them all the learning from books. So many teachers go into the school room with ugly moods. The child will soon be attracted to the very mood in which the teacher is. It is a great thing to be able to look upon each child as an individual possibility.

County Board of Elections Was Named Last Week

Messrs. Sylvester Peel, Williamston; B. R. Jenkins, Robersonville; and C. B. Fagan, Dardens, will serve on the Martin County Board of Elections this year, according to an announcement made by the State Board of Elections. The appointment by the State body was made last week.

These men name their own chairman and secretary and appoint election officers for the various precincts in the county. There are 11 precincts in the county, making 33 appointments necessary. While it has not been announced, it is thought that the county board will meet for its first session here next Monday.

Little Prospect of Getting New Streets

Poultry Car To Be Here Wednesday

The second poultry car of the season will be loaded here tomorrow by County Agent T. B. Brandon, cooperating with the Division of Markets. The car will be brought here on an early train in the morning and will be here all day.

Prices announced for the offerings tomorrow are about the same as those paid for poultry when the first car was loaded. In some instances the price is a little higher and in others it is lower. There were 15,000 pounds, loaded in the first car, and approximately \$3,000 was paid to the farmers.

MASONS PLAN BIG MEETING

To Be Held Here Friday Night; Many Expected To Attend

The regular communication of Skewarke Lodge, No. 90, A. F. and A. M., will be held tonight at 7:45. In addition to the regular meeting this week there will be a special gathering on Friday night, at which time there will be work in the Master Mason's degree. All members are urged to attend these meetings, particularly the one on Friday night. After the latter meeting the lodge will adjourn to the Woman's Club rooms, where refreshments will be served. A large attendance of Masons is expected at this meeting. Visiting Masons are invited to attend both communications.

MEETINGS HELD BY HOME AGENT

Parmele and Gold Point Clubs Met Yesterday; Jamesville Friday

By LORA E. SLEEPER

County Home Demonstration Agent The girls of Gold Point held their regular meeting Monday, March 26, with all members present. The girls in this club are doing good work. They have been given a room in the school-house, and they are very capable little housekeepers. One girl in the club thought the members should meet some day soon to wash the floor. The girls had cleaned up the room before the agent arrived for their meeting. With such ambition, any club is bound to be successful and will only be of more credit to the school.

The girls of Parmele held their regular club meeting Monday afternoon, with only one member absent and that one because of sickness in the home. Mr. W. J. Smith, superintendent, reported that the club members gave a very good program at the society meeting on Friday of last week, and the teachers were much pleased, since they had not given them help in any way. The girls in this club are deserving of very much credit for their good work and the number of garments made thus far. Nearly all of the members have completed two garments worthy of exhibition, and many are working upon their third garment. The teachers have cooperated splendidly in this club, and no doubt much of the good work of the club is due to the capable teachers of this school. One girl in the club during the meeting said, "You know, Miss Sleeper, Mr. Smith will not allow one of us to drop out of the club." With such cooperation there should be a few 100 per cent clubs in Martin County this year. Such a club is a credit to any school and the county, because it is the highest achievement possible. By such a club, an explanation may be necessary, the same number complete the work of the year that enroll for the work at the beginning.

The agents' schedule for the rest of the week will be as follows: Tuesday, Farm Life and Holly Springs; Wednesday in Williamston helping with the loading of poultry; Thursday, Williams junior girls' club and Poplar Point women's club; Friday, Hamilton girls and women.

The two girls' clubs of Jamesville held their regular meeting Friday. Very few were absent at this meeting, and only one girl of the junior group had stopped. The girls have done creditable work in the club. Many have completed their first garment and begun the second. The women held their regular meeting in the afternoon, and the home demonstration agent discussed the food value of eggs as meat substitutes, cooking eggs in two different ways. The women of this club have learned two nutrition songs and are working upon a poster showing the sources of the energy-giving foods.

OWNERS WANT \$14,700 FOR LAND

Property Owners and Commissioners Hold Meeting Last Night

TO DECIDE MONDAY

Street From Main To Church Would Cost \$5,700; From Main to Warren Owners Want \$9,000

At a joint meeting of the town commissioners and several citizens of the town, a valuation of \$14,700 was placed on the property over which two streets have been proposed to be run by the town. The price placed on their property by the owners was generally considered high by the members of the board, but the matter was deferred until next Monday night, the time for the regular monthly meeting. The high price, it is understood, will likely cause the attempt to open the streets to fall through. Especially is that true in the case of the street proposed to be run across the Hassell property east of the post office. It is generally believed that no further attempts will be made to run a street from Main to Church west of the Tar Heel apartments because a street at the place would be too near Haughton. However, final disposition of the project, calling for a street across the same block but east of the post office will be made next Monday night when definite action will be taken in the matter of opening up a street from Main to Warren street.

The question of opening the street from Main to Warren was considered first, and it was learned that it would require approximately nine thousand dollars to buy the property for the street. A. K. Dunning, representing the owner of the property where the H. W. Stubbs office now stands, asked \$3,000 for the "twenty-six and one-half feet there. Mr. L. B. Harrison, representing Harrison Brothers and Company, stated he would sell their property, a private driveway, in proportion to what Mr. Dunning charged for that which he was representing. For their property other than that facing Main street and which runs all the way to the railroad, Mr. Harrison stated that it was worth three or four thousand dollars to them. He explained why the property was valued so highly, when he stated that the proposed street would practically eliminate his company's railroad siding and would interfere with their warehousing facilities. According to the figures offered by Messrs. Dunning and Harrison, it would cost the town \$5,000 for the property from Main street to the railroad.

From the railroad to Warren street, one thousand dollars was mentioned as an approximate cost for the property that the street would run across. Mr. J. G. Staton said he would donate that part of land next to the Union Storage Company which would be used should the street be constructed. Mr. Joe Cherry, who owns property next in line, was not present and the price he would want for his property could not be learned last night. Mr. J. G. Godard mentioned \$500 as a fair price, in his estimation, for the one hundred and thirty-five yards of his property that would be used in case the street was put through. Mr. James A. Leggett stated that he was sure his father, the owner of the last strip of property that would be needed in running the street, would agree to anything that was reasonable. Valuing his property upon the same basis as that of the Godard property, it would add \$400 more to the cost, bringing it to approximately \$9,000.

The property that would be necessary for the street from Main to Church would cost around \$5,700, Mr. Staton saying that he would sell at \$94 a front foot for the property facing Main street and \$20 a front foot for that facing Church street.

These prices along with the cost of construction and other work necessary to the construction of the streets, will be considered and passed upon next Monday night by the commissioners.

Commissioners Order Water Tower Painted

After recording the prices of property that would be used should two proposed streets be built, the commissioners in their special session last night ordered the painting of the water tower at the town's municipal plant. The job was given to Beamon Painting Co., of Suffolk, and is to cost \$217.75.

The contract demands that the tower be scraped and other work done before the paint is put on.

STRAND THEATRE

WEDNESDAY

BUFFALO BILL JUNIOR in DEUCE HIGH

Also

2-REEL COMEDY And Serial "Heroes of the Wild" and FREE TICKET FOR SHOW FRIDAY

Theatre Well Heated