

LEAGUE FORMED AT MEET HELD HERE LAST NIGHT

Organization of Four-Club League Is Finally Perfected

NAMED 'BRIGHT BELT'

Schedule Is Made Up and By-Laws Adopted Last Night; To Begin Playing June 17

Completing the organization of a four-county baseball league, "The Bright Belt League", at a meeting held in Mr. L. T. Fowden's office here last night, representatives from Washington, Windsor, Ahoskie and this county mapped a schedule of play and by-laws were drawn. The play officially opens Monday, the 17th of this month, Williamston playing Ahoskie at Ahoskie that day. A complete schedule will be announced within the next day or two.

Mr. C. A. Harrison, of this place, was made the league's president at the last meeting when rules of play were formulated and by-laws adopted. The meeting last night practically assured the success of the undertaking and a good season is forecast.

This afternoon the county boys appear in an exhibition game with Au-lander there. With twenty out for the game in this county, it is understood that the following line-up will start this afternoon: Cherry, pitcher; V. J. Spivey, catcher; Hood, first base; Ralph Taylor, second base; Carroll Brown, third base; Jimmie Brown, shortstop; Whitehurst, right field; Eli Taylor, center field; and Arch Roebuck, left field. While that line-up will start the game, there are several other players who will take part in the play as follows: Jesse Harrell, Clinton House, Jim Johnson, Paul Johnson, Pete Bunting, Pete Taylor, Saunders, "Peck" Roberson, Barnhill and Cook. Next Tuesday afternoon, Au-lander comes here to play the county boys in a return game.

Tonight at 8:00 o'clock, a meeting of county fans will be held in the city hall here, every baseball fan in the county being urged to attend. The organization of the county team will be placed before the meeting and other important business will come up for discussion.

BEGIN AUDITING BOOKS OF TOWN

Will Be Complete Within Next 10 Days; Tax Rate Depends on Outcome

An audit of the town's books was started yesterday afternoon by B. E. Perkins, of the Geo. R. Dobie Co., auditors, of Rocky Mount. At the regular meeting of the town commissioners last Monday night the task was let and Mr. Perkins started, upon his arrival here yesterday, to check the financial activities carried on during the past two years.

It is believed that the tax rate for the coming year will be largely determined upon the findings of the administration's operations during the past two years.

According to Mr. Perkins, the audit will be completed within 10 days, and a financial report rendered within two weeks.

Rev. Harrington to Have 3 Services Over Week End

Rev. W. B. Harrington will conduct three services during the week end, beginning Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock, at Piney Grove. Sunday morning, at 11, the minister will preach at Farm Life, and that afternoon at 3 o'clock he will preach at the Riddick's Grove Church. The public is invited to hear him at each of these services.

Rev. Harrington is attending a meeting of Baptist ministers in Raleigh this week, but will be home in ample time to meeting his appointments.

STOLEN AUTO IS ABANDONED

Car of Oscar Peel Left on Hill Near Here When Gas Gives Out

Automobile thieves successfully removed Mr. Oscar Peel's Ford from his garage between here and Washington last Tuesday morning, but their failure to check the gasoline supply caused them to later desert the machine on the Roanoke River fill near the big bridge. Mr. Peel stated that he heard his dog bark several times about 3 o'clock that morning, and he believes the thieves were pushing the car from its shelter at that time. At 4:30, upon arising, Mr. Peel found the shelter empty and started a search.

Remembering that there was very little gasoline left in the car, the owner inquired after the missing car at several filling stations, but found no trace of it until he reached Station No. 30, operated by George Harris, at the river here. Mr. Harris stated that two white men had called for gasoline at 4:10 that morning, they informing him that their gas supply gave out on them just across the river. The filling station operator had no container, the two men then stating that they would go push the machine back, as it was only a short distance away. They failed to make a second appearance, and it is believed that they became frightened after they had turned the car around and immediately left it in the middle of the road. Mr. Harris stated that both of the men wore caps, and while he was not sure as to the dress of one of the men, one of them wore a brown suit.

Mr. Peel found his car about 6 o'clock that morning. Earlier in the night, thieves attempted to run off the truck at Mr. Ben Ward's home, just the other side of Mr. Peel's, but they failed to start the engine. It is thought that the same parties attempting to drive the Ward truck off ran off the Peel car. The switch keys from both machines were missing, indicating that the thieves are interested in stealing cars, knowing that their chances are slightly better when they have proper keys.

The night session was held in the Junior Order hall, which afforded more room than the Masonic Hall. Short reports were made by some officer of each lodge present.

SCHOOL BOARD MAKING PLANS

Organization Perfected at Recent Meeting; Are Now Considering Contracts

Effecting an organization of the local school board at a meeting held recently, the members are busily engaged in formulating plans for the operation of the district's schools during the coming year. At the recent meeting, Mr. C. A. Harrison was appointed chairman of the board and Mr. J. D. Woodard was made secretary.

A number of applications for the office of principal has been filed with the committee here, but no definite action has been taken in the signing of contracts at this time, it was learned yesterday. At a meeting to be held in the near future, probably tonight, the board will further study the applications that have been filed by prospective teachers and will consider contracts, it is understood.

While no contracts have been signed it is understood that a number of the teachers of last term will return.

Burglars Enter Store of W. D. Ambers Today

Entering the store of W. D. Ambers here early this morning, a burglar or burglars, apparently failed to make away with any of the contents, according to the owner who found the lock on the front door broken off. Mr. Ambers stated this morning that he could assign only two reasons for the forced entrance. The thief entered to steal, but was frightened away, or it might have been some drunk who, seeing a light burning in the store's rear, thought the place was open for business.

Presbyterian Services For Sunday Announced

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Departmental classes.

Worship services, 11 a. m. Subject: "The Ever-Present Christ."

The fact that a Christian may have Jesus Christ for a daily companion is sometimes denied, frequently ignored, and seldom fully appreciated. Some people believed Jesus to be dead, others look upon Him as a far-off distant Saviour; many believe that He is present in the world, but few have experienced the joy of having Him as a constant, ever-present, daily companion. It is possible to have Christ as a daily companion. If so, how may this be realized? If you are interested, hear the message to be delivered at the Presbyterian Church Sunday, June 9th, at 11 a. m. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Riddick left this afternoon for Portsmouth where they will attend the funeral and burial of Mrs. W. B. Bowen, Mrs. Riddick's niece.

276 Pounds of Sturgeon



Two hundred and seventy-six pound sturgeon caught from the Roanoke at Jamesville by the Fleming seines recently. The fish, one of the few caught in the stream, measured exactly nine feet and was valued at \$90.

MASONS MEET IN ROBERSONVILLE

Large Crowd Attends District Meeting There Wednesday

Masons of the Eighteenth District met with Stonewall Lodge, at Robersonville, Wednesday night. All the lodges in the district were represented at the gathering, except one.

A preliminary meeting was held at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the officers of the subordinate lodges were given instruction by Grand Master Phlox and Grand Secretary Anderson.

Following this meeting all the Masons were invited to the Woman's Club Room, where a nice supper was served by the Robersonville lodge, assisted by a committee of ladies.

The night session was held in the Junior Order hall, which afforded more room than the Masonic Hall. Short reports were made by some officer of each lodge present.

Grand Secretary John H. Anderson was presented and made a fine talk on the fundamentals of Masonry. The Grand Master followed with a very fine talk, reciting some of the things Masonry in North Carolina has done, especially in the charitable and educational field. He told of some of the work of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, which is the oldest institution of its kind in the State and which has sent out thousands of well-trained young men and women for the tasks of life, who, without charity of some kind, would have been doomed to rags and ignorance.

He also brought out the fact that the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, at Greensboro, for the care of old people, is doing a splendid service in caring for many men and women who have lived useful and honorable lives but who have reached old age and been crushed under the wheels of misfortune, without kinspeople to give them care. They are now receiving the blessings which all people appreciate and need, food, clothing, and, above all, the love of their fellow men.

He also emphasized the fact that the Masonic bodies of the State have created a revolving loan fund for 32 colleges in North Carolina, by which hundreds of young men and women of the State may find a way to attend college.

Several short talks were made by others. A fine spirit prevailed and the members present seemed to catch a new inspiration and were greatly strengthened in their zeal for Masonry.

Local Masonic Lodge to Elect Officers Tuesday

At the next regular communication of Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, A. F. & A. M., to be held Tuesday night, at 8 o'clock p. m., officers for the ensuing year will be elected. The annual election usually brings out a good crowd of Masons, and the meeting on next Tuesday is expected to be largely attended. Cards will be sent out to all the members of the local lodge the first of the week reminding them of the meeting, and the officers are urging all members to attend.

Hoyt's To Stage Big Price-Cutting Sale

J. K. Hoyt, of Washington's leading store, will stage one of the largest price-cutting sales in its history beginning next Wednesday, June 12th. In this issue of The Enterprise you will find only a few examples of the great reductions on standard articles that will be of great benefit to the shopper. This store has long been popular with Williamston people, and a great many will probably visit this sale.

LOCAL CHURCH'S REVIVAL CLOSSES

10-Day Meeting at Methodist Church Has Been Largely Attended

The ten-day revival in the local Methodist church was brought to a successful close last evening, when the evangelist, Rev. B. Duke Critcher, delivered a forceful sermon based on the second chapter, third verse, Hebrews, "How Shall We Escape, If We Neglect so Great a Salvation?"

The services have been well attended throughout the meeting, and while few connected themselves with the Church, the revival has had a marked spiritual effect on the town.

In his sermon last evening, Rev. Mr. Critcher upheld the Gospel as a saving power or a condemning force, that no man can escape as everyone must come under its power according to the good or bad one has done.

The minister clearly pictured the destruction resulting from neglect, which was described as the greatest sin. One's failure to do good is equal in as bad as the actual committing of some of the sinful things, the preacher declared. "The man who fails to lay hold of the life line, the gospel of salvation, will go over the precipice along with the man who actually performs evil deeds."

RECORDER HAS BUT FIVE CASES

Last Two Sessions of Court Had Only Few Minor Cases for Trial

The number of cases showing only a small increase over the ones on the docket the session before, the Recorder's court had another day of little business here last Tuesday. Five cases were called for trial, Judge Bailey clearing the docket.

George Lendon Hardison was fined \$25 and taxed with the costs on an assault with a deadly weapon charge.

Columbus Ayers was found not guilty in the case charging him with assault.

Gladis Jones was fined \$50 and had a four-months suspended sentence given him when he was found guilty of carrying a concealed weapon and acting disorderly.

Colen Perry was found not guilty in a trespass charge, and judgment was suspended upon the payment of costs by Dennis Barber in the case charging him with trespass.

Charged with assault, Wiley Phelps entered a plea of guilty to disorderly conduct, the court accepting the plea and fining him \$5 with the costs attached.

FRUIT FLY IS NEW MENACE

Horticulturist Says Industry Throughout South Threatened

With the spread of the Mediterranean fruit fly in Florida, the horticultural industry throughout the South is threatened, according to Dr. R. W. Leiby, State entomologist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

"You have heard of the European Corn Borer, the Japanese Beetle, the Mexican Bean Beetle, and the Cotton Boll Weevil, and all of them have proven to be quite serious and destructive pests to crops," said Dr. Leiby. "Yet the destruction caused by all of these put together would not be equal that of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly, in my opinion, if this newly introduced pest now in Florida, were to invade the southeastern states and California."

The spread of the fly, which Dr. Leiby described as "the most serious that man has ever had to contend with," would be a matter of only a few years, Dr. Leiby said. The peach industry in the Bermuda Islands was completely wiped out by the fly, while the Hawaiian Islands can ship no fruits and vegetables in this country except green pineapples on account of the rigid quarantines the United States maintains against the fly.

"The fly has been in Florida, perhaps six months,—perhaps 18 months—certainly no longer. It is certain that infested vegetables, grapefruit, and oranges have come into the southern states and into North Carolina during the winter and spring. And this is especially true of bulk grapefruit and oranges—the kinds that are moved by auto truck and in bulk car lots, for these kinds are of ten second grade stock, and therefore more likely to be infested than the boxed fruits."

"Entomologists know that the fly maggots leave the slightly decayed fruits, that they infested when they are fully grown,—then go into the soil where they transform to flies. And when they are fully grown flies they work their way out of the soil and fly around to search for other fruits in which they lay their eggs. The eggs produce tiny maggots and these feed in the fruit or vegetable and cause it to decay."

Paving Contract Let At Meeting Tuesday

TOTAL COST OF PROGRAM TO TOWN \$42,199.50

J. G. Clark & Co., of Greenville, Are Successful Bidders.

BEGIN WORK AT ONCE

Contract Calls for Paving of 17,000 Square Yards of Sidewalks, 6,000 Of Streets; Prices Very Low

Opening bids on the town's paving and street improvement program last Monday afternoon, the town commissioners completed an investigation of the low bids and let the contract at a special meeting Tuesday afternoon, J. G. Clark & Co., contractors, of Greenville, N. C., being the successful bidders. The entire project, the paving of 17,000 square yards of sidewalks, 6,000 square yards of streets, and the widening of Main Street, was accepted at \$42,199.50.

Signing the contract here last Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Clark stated that work would be started within the next few days, adding that arrangements to have machinery and other equipment here Monday of next week would be made at once. The contract calls for the completion of the work within 60 working days, but it is the opinion of those acquainted with the improvement program that the work will be completed before the 60 days are gone.

Items, showing the proportionate costs for each phase of the work, follow:

- Cost in Detail
- 6,000 square yards cement concrete 6 inches thick, 1-2-4 mixture (for streets), per square yard, \$1.67; total, \$10,020.
- 17,000 square yards of concrete sidewalks, 4 inches thick, one course mixture, 1-2-4, per square yard, \$1.20; total, \$20,400.
- 6,000 lineal feet combined curb and gutter concrete, 1-2-4 mixture, per foot, 73 cents; total \$4,380.
- 250 lineal feet combination curb corners, 12 feet radius at street intersections, for the sum of 75c per lineal foot, total, \$187.50.
- 600 lineal feet combination drive way curbs, 3 feet radius, for the sum of 75c per lineal foot, total \$450.
- 2,000 square yards private driveways concrete, 1-2-4 mixture, per square yard, \$1.67; total, \$3,340.
- 8,000 cubic yards excavation, 3,000 feet free haul, per cubic yard, 28 cents; total, \$2,240.
- 250 feet 10-inch V. C. D. S. pipe, 6 feet cut and under, 70c per foot, total, \$175.
- 300 feet 12-inch vitrified clay D. S. pipe, 6 feet cut and under, 85c per foot, total, \$255.
- 200 feet 15-inch V. C. D. S. pipe, 6 feet cut and under, \$1.20 per foot, total, \$240.
- 12 catch basins complete, each \$32; total, \$384.
- 4 manholes, complete, each \$32; total, \$128.
- Widening Main Street

It is seen from a review of the items set forth that only \$6,380 will be spent for new paved streets, \$3,340 of the \$10,820 being used for widening Main Street. Excavation and removal costs are entered primarily on the street widening project, and the building of curb and gutter on that thoroughfare will come in for a majority of this particular work. The present curb and gutter will be torn up and hauled away, engineers stating that it is not advisable to use the material a second time.

Owners of the two hotels have been requested to remove the sheds from the fronts of their buildings within the next two weeks so that the work will not be delayed. It is understood that sidewalk construction will be put under way as soon as the equipment is placed on the ground here.

The contract prepared last Tuesday afternoon makes it possible for all property owners desiring private walks or additional driveways laid to have the work done at the regular price of \$1.20 per square yard. It is the opinion of the officials here that the contract price is the most advantageous one that can be had, and that there will be no better time, to have the extra work done than at the present. Property owners are asked to consider at this time additional paving where needed, that the work might be carried along with that included in the regular program.

Sidewalks To Be Paved

The following list gives in detail the particular walks to be paved and the width of each:

Main Street: From the west corner of Robert Gurganus' lot to the intersection of Harrell Street on both sides. The sidewalks to be five feet wide except in the business section from the intersection of Houghton Street to the intersection of Watts Street, which shall be the full width of the sidewalks, which are approximately 9 feet 6 inches wide.

Washington Street: From the intersection of Main Street to the intersection of Houghton Street, the full width on each side, which is approximately 7 feet.

Houghton Street: From the intersection of Simmons Avenue to the A. C. L. Railroad, on both sides, 5 feet wide.

Haughton Street: Four feet on the south side only, from the A. C. L. Railroad to the intersection of Williams Street.

Simmons Avenue: On the north side only, four feet wide, from the intersection of Smithwick Street.

Smithwick Street: Four feet on both sides from the intersection of Simmons Avenue to the intersection of Church Street.

Smithwick Street: Five feet on both sides from the intersection of Church Street to the A. C. L. Railroad.

T. JONES TAYLOR DIED THURSDAY; FUNERAL TODAY

Died at Home of Daughter, Mrs. W. H. Gray, in Robersonville

ILL ONLY TWO WEEKS

Death Due to Cerebral Hemorrhage; Had Long Been Prominent in Affairs of Two Counties

Thomas Jones Taylor died at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gray, in Robersonville, early yesterday morning, after an illness of about two weeks. He was stricken with cerebral hemorrhages several days ago and was immediately taken to a Richmond hospital, but nothing could be done for him there. He was returned to the home of his daughter in Robersonville, where he lingered only a few days before death came.

Mr. Taylor was born in Edgecombe County, near the Martin County line, October 18, 1857, the only child of Thomas and Marina Taylor.

He was an earnest student with a bright mind. Although his schooling was limited, he attained a high grade of scholarship in many branches. When only 16 years old he had obtained a fair knowledge of surveying and was then a successful and capable surveyor.

He moved to Hassell, in Martin County, when a young man and married a Miss Purvis. While living in this county he took an active part in its affairs, serving several terms as county surveyor.

About 15 years ago he returned to his home farm, where he lived until he was taken ill. He represented Edgecombe County in the legislature for one term and was prominent in the affairs of that county. He especially took great interest in all matters up-biting to agriculture. He continued as a diligent student and read extensively, and was doubtless the best historian to be found throughout this section. He was especially bright on local matters of historical interest, particularly those covering a portion of the reconstruction period.

He leaves a widow, four sons, Purvis and Andrew Taylor, engineers with the highway commission, now located at Roper; T. Jones, Jr., and Jacob, who live at the old home with the family and operate the farm, and one daughter, Mrs. William H. Gray, of Robersonville.

The funeral was held at the home of his daughter this afternoon by Rev. C. B. Mashburn, of the Christian Church, of which he had been a member for a number of years.

Interment was made in the Robersonville cemetery.

Baptists Resume Regular Schedule of Services

The Methodist revival services having closed, the local Baptist Church will resume Sunday, its regular schedule of services.

Beginning with the Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock Sunday morning, the church will assemble as usual at the 11 o'clock hour for the morning worship period. At this time the pastor will have for his theme, "Faith's End."

At 8 o'clock in the evening the pastor will preach upon the text, "That Wordly Name." To this service the young people are especially invited. The doors of the church will be opened for the reception of any members.

The regular mid-week service will be held in the church Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

This church is glad to have home its young people who have been away to the various colleges and places of learning.

Christian Church to Observe Sunday as Children's Day

Sunday, June 9th will be Children's Day at the Christian church. It is the church's custom to get aside one day a year to be devoted to the children. Every service will center about child life, here and abroad. In this connection it is the purpose of the church to get the children interested in their playmates of other countries. The service Sunday night will be given over to a play, "The Children of the Forest," a story of the African boys and girls. The teachers of the school have this in charge and are working hard to have the boys and girls ready for the performance.

The morning sermon will be the life of Jesus in story form, stressing his early life. "Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services as we do homage to the child life of the world," the pastor stated this morning.

Bible school convenes at 9:45, church services at 11 in the morning and 8:00 in the evening.

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