Little, Health Officer's Opinion

"Rate constitute one of the greatest economic problems and the rodent is a problem that cannot be solved by individual effort," said Dr. J. H. Hamilton, county superintendent of health, as to the best manner in exterminating rats which have grown so numerous in parts of the city, especially along the water front, that many people consider them a menace.

"Individual co-operation is necessary if we are to stamp out the rat," continued Dr. Hamilton, "and I mean by that, organized community effort. An organized campaign is the only way to fight them successfully, and we must combat them in their breeding places. To kill the mature rat simply means you are giving the younger ones a hetter chance to develop, and to go at the matter in the right way you will have to fight them as we do the mosquitostart at the place of breeding. And that costs money," said the doctor.

Accredited statistics, Dr. Hamilton stated, estimate that there is one rat to each adult inhabitant of the United States, and the superintendent of health was confident the ration is very uneven in Wilmington, and rat-ward at that. "To show you what I mean," said Dr. Hamilton, "rats reproduce every six weeks."

The opinion was expressed that one of the most important steps in combatting the rodent would be to revise building laws so that all structures erected in the city would be of an approved rat-proof construction, and all buildings repaired or sitered would have the same safety provision made. The statements of Dr. Hamilton were

made, at the request of a reporter, after a copy of a letter written by a citigen to Secretary Louis T. Moore, of the chamber of commerce, and to the Star, had been shown. This letter called attention to a case of "rat fever" now existing in the city and resulting from a child being hitten while asleep by a rat.

#### REV. BAXTER M'LENDON NOT

tor of the Salvary Baptist church,

mington district. There will be he evening service at this church.

and Valuables, read the advertisement \$50,000,000. of the People's Savings Bank on

## ORGANIZED EFFORT IS Board of Education Winner of All WAY TO FIGHT RODENT Points in School Budget Hearing

Individual Effort Will Avail Judge Connor Orders Levying of 42-Cent Tax on Each \$100 Taxable Valuation for Six Months Term-Commissioners Must Set New Rate, Which Will Not Be Below \$1.08 on Each \$100-Text of Order by Wilson Jurist

property valuation in New Hanover yesterday when asked for an opinion a six months school term in New Hangive the schools a revenue of \$235,000 for the six months term, a sum considered as ample by the board of education, since it is equal to, if not in excess of, the amount claimed by that body in the petition for mandamus heard by Judge George W. Connor, of

Wilson, here yesterday morning. The hearing resulted in a complete victory for the board of education, although Judge Connor did not spend any great length of time in considering the instrument that has been most frequently mentioned since the controversy between the board of education and the board of county commissioners started-the budget. The commissioners, in their formal answer to the petition for mandamus, asked for approval of the \$265,000 they were willing to give for school purposes, and the board of education was insistent that \$303,000 was necessary. Both smounts, however were based on a nine-months term, whereas Judge Con- board of commissioners. nor asserted he had jurisdiction only insofar as a six-months term was con-

While the ruling of Judge Connor ficials of the board of education de- terms of 1920-1921. clared yesterday after they had won. The mandamus petition and the an

Rev. B. F. McLendon will not be in from the \$225,000 mark set by Judge were present. the city today for services at the Connor through ordering the 42 cents | The order signed by Judge Connor church. Rev. Mr. Sullivan said that no rate, by a levy of 12 cents for the ad- follows: reason was given in the wire for the ditional three months, as is permitted inability of the evangelist to be here, by a special act of 1917, and by 11 1/2 this, the 20th day of August, 1921, be-

That shows just how much of a vicmissioners contended it would have to board of education to the board of com- live an upright and honest life. be between 65 and 66 cents on a total missioners and require the board of you are interested in your Money taxable valuation of silgthly more than commissioners to adopt and approve for their generous support at all times,

Forty-two cents on each \$100 of Hanover county this year will not be under \$1.12 1-12 cents on each \$100 valuation, and it will not be held to that figure if the commissioners, after seeing that it is impossible to get along on a rate of \$1 per hundred, tion and the answer filed by the board gether expected course, the board of 8.4 cents to provide the necessary commissioners may find it advisable to building and incidental expense fund. look out for those funds and care for

them when the new tax rate is set. The board of commissioners will meet Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and will, at that time, draft a new tax rate so as to take care of the amount awarded the schools by Judge Connor. If the six months. departments, then the rate will be and decreed that the board of commispolicy of economy is continued in all about \$1.08 %, according to the hasty sioners of New Hanover county, the Chairman Addison Hewlett, of the

Judge Connor yesterday intimated that it was his conviction that there was no end to taxes until the people so willed; that there was no constitugave the board of education \$235,000 tional restriction, insofar as he had for a six-months term, only \$20,000 heard, with regard to the amount of under what the commissioners thought money the schools should have. He was sufficient for nine months, this also held, after looking over the budget does not mean that the sum of \$402,500 over which there has been so much disor half as much again as the sum of cussion, that the salaries proposed for six months, will be needed to operate the teachers seemed fair and reasonthe additional three months, the time able in view of the fact that they repthe schools are open in the county. Of- resented the level paid during the

the victory that they were satisfied swer of the commissioners were read they could operate for \$203,000, and and considered in the office of Herbert would make every effort to stay with. McClammy, chairman of the board of education, represented, officially, by At-Of each 42 cents collected, 33.6 cents torney Kenneth Burgwin. County Atwill go for teachers' salaries, and 8.4 torney Marsden Bellamy appeared for cents for buildings and incidentals. It the commissioners, and most of the TO PREACH IN CITY TODAY is generally known, of course, that New members of that body, together with the anniversary of Judge Bornemann's of laughter, mingled with some sad-Hanover county and Wilmington Maj. W. A. Graham, county superin-According to a telegram received schools are operated for a term of nine tendent of education and clerk of the 1855, on the 21st day of August. He kind offices in behalf of the woman last night by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pas- months each year, which means that board of education, and Prof. Washingthe budget will have to be enlarged ton Catlett, assistant superintendent, diately after the French-Prussian war,

said budget upon a six months basis. I beg to remain, The decision and order of Judge Con- and said cause having been heard upon (advt.) nor means that the tax rate in New said petition by the board of educa-

NEW SLOGAN EMPHASIZES DECREASE IN ILLITERACY

"Illiteracy in Wilmington de-creased 4.9 per cent in the past de-

That is the slogan adopted by the chamber of commerce for use furing this week on all correspondence sent out of the city. The new slogan makes prominent a good talking point about Wilmington, showing it is progressing along the right

The use of the slogan will boost Wilmington and all business firms, concerns and cornorations are urged to make use of it.

deems it necessary to give more of the of county commissioners, and after tax money to the general fund and hearing testimony and upon inspection the fund set aside for road building of said budget submitted by the board and maintenance. The board, it will of education, finds as a fact that in orthe general fund and the road fund the of 38.6 cents on each \$100 valuation of

"The court further finds as a fact, that the items of expense contained in pealed and the case is pending. said budget submitted by the said essary for the operation and mainte- individuals who are ever ready to exnance of said schools for a period of tend a helping hand to the unfortu-"It is therefore ordered, adjudged

to levy a tax of 33.6 cents on each levy a tax of 8.4 cents on each \$100 added interest in her case and aroused valuation on the taxable property in special sympathy. New Hanover county to provide for a

valuation of property board of county commissioners pay the his fountain pen and a tablet to write costs of the proceedings."

"JUDGE" BORNEMANN HAS A BIRTHDAY-66 YEARS OLD that you and the others have done for

"Judge Geo. W. Bornemann yesterday penned the following, which he asks the paper to publish:

came to this country in 1872, imme- who couldn't talk .and ever since that time has been located in the city of Wilmington, holding the official character of notary "This cause coming on to be heard public and justice of the peace.

mandamus filed by the board of educa- pacity of soldier for the German em-Grace Methodist church, Fourth and tory the board of education was tion of New Hanover county against peror. The Hanoverians bear a hate number of bottles in the window is Grace streets, Rev. W. A. Stanbury, awarded over the county board of compastor—Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., missioners, for at the \$203,000 mark set Hanover county to compel the board bottom of his heart that he has God L. Clendenin, superintendent, by the school board as the minimum of commissioners to levy a tax to take Almighty, and all of his friends, to Presching at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. M. for which the schools could be oper- care and provide for the budget for thank for his recovery from his recent Daniels, presiding elder of the Wil- ated, it had been estimated that 62 % school purposes for a period of six bed of sickness, and as long as the Alcents would suffice, although the com- months heretofore submitted by the mighty spares him he will endeavor to

"Yours very respectfully,
"JUDGE BORNEMANN."

# SILENCE OF FAREWELL WAS BROKEN BY LADY

Deaf Mute Audibly Expressed Appreciation for Kindness Shown Her Here

And the dumb spake. At least a well known attorney of

the city declares that she did. For more than a week court folks and folks whose humanitarian sympathies were aroused, have interested be recalled, when it set the tentative der to provide for a six months school themselves in the case of a leaf mute, tax rate of \$1, levied 32 4-12 cents on term in New Hanover county as requir- a woman, who was taken into custody each \$1 for all purposes, failing to give ed by law, it is necessary to levy a tax here because of the presence in ner amount they deemed necessary. Now, the taxable property of the county and room at a local hotel of a young man since events have taken a not alto- a teachers' salary fund, together with who was convicted of occupying a hoistered himself as a guest, and sentenced to the county roads. He ap-What to do with the deaf mut woman worried the court and numerous nates who fall into the toils of the

respondents in the above entitled ac- er's court docket for several days, by County Auditor John A. Orrell and tion, be and they hereby are, directed during which time all conversation \$100 valuation of taxable property in ing, of necessity, and a lot of paner New Hanover county to provide for the was consumed, of course. Not one teachers' salary fund of the public, time was there any intimation that the schools of said county for a period of woman could hear or speak normally. six months and in addition thereto. The fact that she was deaf and mate

law or who become victims of circum-

Finally, after much earnest conferbuilding and incidental expense fund ence about the matter, the woman was for a period of six months, making an allowed to go and transportation furaggregate levy for school purposes for nished her to Elizabeth City. She was six months of 42 cents on each \$100 carried to union station by the attorney who had represented her in the "It is further adjudged that the case, and just as he was getting out a parting message to her, she upad "Well, I want to thank you for al

> The lawyer almost keeled over. He hurried back up town and revealed his discovery to others in the case, and if

"Today, the 21st of August, 1921, is gossip be true, there has been a degree birthday. He was born in the year ness, among those who extended their

GUESSING CONTEST CLOSES Prize winners in the guessing contest of the number of bottles of Coco-Cola on display in C. W. Yates and "He came from the kingdom of Han- company's window, incident to "Made but that a letter explaining his ina- cents for the payment of interest and fore the Honorable Judge George W. over, the same name being the name in Wilmington Week," follow: First the repayment of loans, or a grand Connor, judge holding the courts of of this county, and the reason he came prize, Jack McCarley, guessing 456 bot

guessing 450 bottles.

The police got Ellen and Josh Tate. iquor at 515 North Eighth street late lation of the prohibition law. Neither offered resistance and both were locked up in default of bond to await a hearing before the recorder.

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# An Every-Day Occurrence

From The Morning Star, August 18, 1921

STEAL BONDS, SAFE AND ALL-A \$60,000 THEFT Farmer Near Lake City, S. C.,

Loses Heavily BOTTO LAKE CITY, S. C., Aug. 17.—Some time between Sunday and Monday night, during the absence of S. W Young, a farmer, whose home is about eight miles west of here, his house was THE \$30,000 and almost an equal amount in mortgages and other securities entered and the iron safe in which he that it was hauled away in a wagon. Mr. Young was apprised of the fact

upon his return to his home Tuesday

afternoon and is making every effort to apprehend the robbers.

USE SCIENTIFIC DEVICES IN TRYING TO CATCH MURDERER - WRANCISCO, Au- 17.--An "--

You may be the next victim

at his . .. ces t.\_ ty be down to work this morning. BANK'S BURGLAR ALARM IS

> TAMPA, Fla., Aug. 18 .- Burglars of unusual strength made an attempt at 1 o'clock this morning to break into the vault of the First National bank of Lake Hamilton, Polk county, about 55 miles from here. As soon as contact was made with

the door of the vault the automatic obtain alarm sounded and the burglars fled, to be leaving their outfit behind. They have not been captured. This same acetylene torch outfit was stolen from a public service garage on tive h the outskirts of Tampa early yesterday morning and the authorities here

sent out a general alarm in the belief that it would be used in an effort to resol WANTS TO KNOW IF AMERICAN .

prison SOLDIERS ARE PRISONERS

#### Porch Rockers and Hammocks ONE-THIRD OFF THE REMAINDER OF OUR STOCK OF PORCH ROCKERS AND HAMMOCKS MUST BE CLOSED OUT THIS WEEK

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