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COMMUNITY FAIRS SHOW PROGRESS IN WEST HARNETT

Progressive Citizens of Olivia and Morris Chapel Communities Make Exhibitions Which Show That Section of Harnett County One of the Best.

Olivia and Morris Chapel do themselves credit in the excellent fairs in their respective communities on October 10th and 31st.

The school department at the Olivia fair was one of the attractive features, and Miss Cameron and Mrs. Bicker well deserve all the praise they received for this display. The children who did this work have spared no time or trouble, and have an exhibit that would be a credit at any district or State fair.

The ladies who prepared the pantry supply exhibit under the direction and co-operation of Miss Brooks, the home demonstration agent, may justly be proud of their efforts.

The farm and field crops were also present to show for themselves. One especially commendable feature of the fair was an entire farm exhibit collected by Mr. Turner. Ervin Cameron, a pig club boy, took the honors in the swine department with his registered Duroc pig.

The officers of this fair are as follows:

H. C. Cameron, president; W. J. Olive, vice president; G. T. Kearsley, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. W. J. Olive, Mrs. Kearsley, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Bicker, Miss Cameron, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Rosser and Nell Cameron were directors and committeemen who made the successful arrangements and placed the displays.

The Morris Chapel fair was well organized and showed the effects of experienced hands in fair work.

The pantry department in this fair was a special feature. To further demonstrate the ability of the good ladies of the community, a public dinner was served which every one present admitted beat anything they had been to "since the war."

The agricultural displays included everything grown on a North Carolina farm, from fine exhibits of prolific corn and long staple cotton to well-cured hams and good syrup.

One of the most attractive features of this fair was the livestock exhibits. From the fine Holstein and Jersey cows present a stranger would have thought he was in the center of a dairy community. Horses, hogs and poultry were there, and people who were there say they have never seen better.

The officers of this fair are:

T. R. Rosser, president; G. D. Groce, secretary; J. T. Ellis, J. M. Groce, J. G. Spivey, J. D. Gaster, A. C. Thomas, Winter Spivey, Mrs. A. H. Groce, Miss Bettie Graham, Miss Hilda Waddell, R. L. Thomas, W. R. B. McAulrey, A. A. Dalrymple, Mrs. L. H. Cox, Miss Alberta Rosser, Mrs. R. H. Cox, R. H. Cox, O. I. A. Graham, Guy Cox.

County Agent J. C. Anthony and Miss Fannie Brooks, county home demonstrator, were present and assisted in putting on the fair, and the co-operation of the people of the progressive communities of Olivia and Morris Chapel show that they fully appreciate these helpful departments.

SEXTON-PARRISH.

Miss Laura Parrish of Coats and Mrs. James Roger Sexton of Lillington were quietly married at the home of Dr. J. T. Ellis, pastor of Pullen Memorial Church of Raleigh, Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, the ceremony being performed by Dr. Ellis. Only a few intimate friends of the couple were present to witness the ceremony, outside of a few relatives.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barter Parrish of Coats, and is a young lady of such lovely traits of character that she has won for herself a host of friends.

The groom is a son of Mrs. Laura Sexton of Lillington, and there is no young man in this entire community who is more admired and respected. Of sterling worth, of gentle habits and promising future, there is not one who knows him but to love him.

Misses Mamie and Sudie Sexton, of Lillington, sisters of the groom, and Messrs. W. H. Parrish of Dunn, brother of the bride, and I. W. Smith of Lillington, accompanied the groom to Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Sexton will live for the present at Mrs. Laura Sexton's. They will start housekeeping soon on Mr. Sexton's farm just across the river from Lillington.

This young couple have the very best wishes of their many friends for a happy and successful voyage over life's sea.

Quite a large delegation from Lillington attended the community fair at Morris Chapel last Friday. They all report it one of the best community fairs they ever attended.

BRIGHT TOBACCO GETS HIGH PRICE

It is with great satisfaction that this paper records the high prices paid for bright leaf tobacco in this section this season. Last January these columns bespoke for those who planted the weed the best of prices, and now that the gold leaf is bringing fancy prices, it bears out this paper's prediction at that time that "greenbacks would be floating over Harnett county like lettuce."

It must be remembered that right through this particular belt of sandy loam soil is the only spot in the whole world that can raise bright leaf tobacco of the quality so much in demand for cigarettes and pipe smoking. As a consequence of the splendid prices brought by this tobacco this season, farm land in this vicinity is in great demand, and it is indeed a piece of wisdom on the part of those who buy early. This is not a land advertisement in any sense of the word. In fact, the land does not need any further advertising now, because its "rep" is secure.

Mr. G. W. Howard, the well known tobacco man, is selling some of the finest tobacco ever placed on the market. This is what the leading tobacco men say, and they know. Mr. Howard raised on land belonging to Mr. H. T. Spears just outside the corporate limits of Lillington, tobacco which averaged about a dollar a pound—to be exact, 1,100 pounds brought \$1,101. Mr. Howard is not through marketing. He has yet to put on the floor some of the "yellow-stem of the yellow."

Mr. Blalock, just outside of Lillington, marketed the other day 1-100 pounds for just as many dollars.

The story could be made a long one. There is so much activity in the tobacco land market that the tobacco market itself is being overlooked in the rush. It is a safe bet that land in Harnett county is lower now than it will ever be.

MISSION STUDY CLASS.

A union mission study class has been formed and Japan is to be the country for discussion. The purpose of this organization is to enroll every lady in Lillington into one big class and then to subdivide this into circles so as to carry the meetings within reach of all. There are four circles and each circle is to have a leader. It is the desire to cover this course in four weeks with a meeting within each circle each Thursday and at the close to have a big rally at one of the churches with a full discussion of the entire course.

Ladies, if you have not been told about this mission class, ask about it and join at once. You cannot afford to miss these interesting meetings and your interest in missions as well as all church affairs will be deepened if you will only take an active part and strive to make a success of this class.

Rev. H. G. Allen of Granite Falls, N. C., visited his sister, Mrs. J. W. McArtan, this week, on his way home from the Western North Carolina Conference.

NOTICE OF SALE

\$15,000.00 Road Bonds of Lillington Township, Harnett County, North Carolina.

Sealed bids will be received by the Lillington Township Road Commission, at Lillington, Harnett County, North Carolina, at the office of W. P. Byrd, Secretary to said Road Commission, Lillington, N. C., until Monday, November 10th, 1919, at 12 o'clock M., when and where said bids shall be publicly opened, for the purchase of \$15,000.00 of Road Bonds of Lillington Township, Harnett County, North Carolina; said bonds will bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and will be dated January 1st, 1920, and run for a period of twenty years. The principal and interest will be payable at a bank to be designated by purchaser. No bid will be received for less than par, and the purchaser will be required to pay interest on the bonds from the date of the bonds to the date he actually pays for the bonds in addition to the amount bid for the bonds, and the right is reserved to reject any and all bids; all communications or bids shall be sealed and addressed to W. P. Byrd, Lillington, N. C., clerk to said Lillington Township Road Commission, and each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, vouchered for by a local bank in Harnett County, N. C., payable to the order of the Lillington Township Road Commission, for two per cent of the amount of the bid. All communications for information relative to said bonds will designate on the outside of the envelop that information is desired, otherwise the communication will be treated as a sealed bid and will not be opened until November 10, 1919, as aforesaid. These bonds are issued and sold under and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, Public Laws of said session, and by an election duly called, held and carried.

By order of the Lillington Township Road Commission. This Oct. 7, 1919.

J. W. HALFORD,
Chairman Lillington Township Road Commission.

CHAUTAUQUA IN FULL SWING

As this paper goes to press, the Radcliffe Chautauqua in Lillington is in full swing. Starting Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 with the David Duggin Concert Company and a lecture by a prominent educator, and again at night with a change of program, the entertainment continues through Friday.

Tremendous crowds are attending, over four hundred dollars worth of tickets having been sold before the tent was erected. The teams disposing of tickets were mighty busy all last week and the early part of this week, the "Red" team captained by Miss Annie Byrd taking the prize.

The faculty of Lillington High School is taking quite an active interest in the Chautauqua and are due much praise for their aid in putting it over the top. The net proceeds from the week's entertainment will go towards helping to equip the dormitory at the school.

Large delegations of out-of-town folks are attending, and the weather is just crisp enough to make it more enjoyable.

The "J. M. S." with enterprising zeal are asking that all who find the big tent also look for the little tent, where goodies in abundance may be found.

DR. FARQUARD SMITH.

Dr. Farquard Smith died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. J. Best, in Dunn last Sunday morning at 3 o'clock in the 80th year of his age.

The death of Dr. Smith creates a void in the social and religious life of the Upper Cape Fear section of our State which will be hard to fill.

He was descended from one of the oldest and most prominent families in the Cape Fear valley. His father, Farquard Smith, Sr., was one of the most prominent farmers in our section, from whom the subject of this memoir inherited many of those qualities of head and heart which made him the successful man that he was in those fields of endeavor in which he enlisted.

Dr. Smith had fine opportunities of mental culture in his youth, and, by close application, he laid the foundation of that superior manhood which developed in him in after life. After attending the best home schools which were in existence at the time, he went to the University of the State and graduated there in 1860. On his return home he engaged in teaching until the breaking out of the Civil War in 1861 when he was one among the first to rush to the battlefield in the defense of his country's cause.

No braver soldier ever followed a flag or stood more loyally to the cause of his beloved Southland than did Dr. Smith. He was one of that Army of Northern Virginia whose valor and prowess made the fame of the Confederate soldier immortal. When the flag of the South was furled in defeat, he came home, and set to work to rebuild the shattered altars of his country and to restore what the desolating hand of war had swept away.

There were no schools at that time in all of North Carolina. At the beginning of the period of Reconstruction—that period fraught with so much of evil to our stricken land, which hung like a dark pall over the States of the South, which was calculated to discourage and depress the people even more than the shadow of war—Dr. Smith opened a private school in the Elliottville neighborhood and taught the youths of that section for several years. During this period he was assiduously pursuing his text books, preparatory to the pursuit of his chosen profession—that of medicine. He finally closed his school room and attended medical lectures at the Charleston Medical College. Upon his graduation in the medical college, he entered upon the active practice of medicine and very soon achieved high station in his chosen profession. About this time he married Miss Bettie Sanders of Johnston county. The fruits of this marriage were Mrs. Ross Best, Edwin Smith, Mrs. Daisy Young, Douglas Smith, Farquard Smith, Mrs. Jane Smith, four of whom survive him.

He moved to Johnston county and practiced medicine there until the year 1877 when he returned to Harnett county to spend the evening of his days among his own former friends and relatives. In 1902 his wife was taken away by death and the remainder of his life he spent with his children. Falling health compelled him to give up the active practice of medicine, but he continued with unabated efforts to minister to the suffering people by whom he was surrounded, without reward. Of him it can be truthfully said: "He went about doing good."

Dr. Smith was a patriot, for he loved his country and gloried in her greatness. He took an active part in every scheme and enterprise which were conducive to the refinement, culture and development of our section. Dr. Smith was not a politician or office-seeker, but he took a lively interest in everything that promised good government to his State and nation. He had no taste or patience with the wiles and tricks of the demagogue or professional politician.

Above all, Dr. Smith was a Christian, who loved and worshipped his Redeemer with an earnestness and devotion which knew no abatement, with a courage that knew no fear, with a faith that knew no doubt.

Dr. Smith was a ruler elder in the Lillington Presbyterian church, and had been since its organization. Now that he is gone his wise and conservative counsels will be sadly missed by those of the eldership who survive him.

There was no period in his long and useful life when as evening shadows gathered around him but what he could have said in the language of his beloved Savior: "Father, I have finished the work Thou gavest me to do." There was no close of a single day with him but what in the great ledger of Heaven his account with his Maker was not balanced.

As we stand around his new-made grave we feel sorrow for his passing, but glad that we knew and loved him. He has left to us the priceless inheritance of his Christian example and his Godly walk and conversation. In his intercourse with his fellow-men he was as gentle as the evening zephyr, and in his loyalty to his friends he was as fixed as the polar star. He was indeed a Christian without guile. May we all seek to follow him in those paths of righteousness which he delighted to tread until we reach the pearly portals of that Celestial City which has been prepared for those who are faithful to the end. Peace to his sacred ashes, repose to his immortal spirit! He rests now in the bosom of that Savior whom he served so loyally and whom he loved so tenderly.

D. H. McLEAN.

COUNTY FATHERS IN REGULAR MEET

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Monday with every member of the Board present. The business to come before the County Fathers was not to a large extent out of the regular routine, but the list of matters took up a whole day's consideration, the deliberations of the body extending till late in the afternoon.

The returns of school election in Back River No. 3 district showed a total of four votes in favor of tax.

The returns of school election in Anderson Creek No. 6 district showed: Registered 33, for 20, against 1.

Dr. J. W. Halford, Dr. W. P. Holt and Commissioner J. C. Byrd were appointed to select a suitable man for health officer of the county. It was ordered that the Sheriff visit the townships for collecting taxes during November instead of October on account of the fact that he received the tax books late.

The Board resolved to have State Welfare Officer Besley here on next first Monday to confer with the Board of Education, the Board of Commissioners and County Welfare Officer Gentry.

It was ordered that \$100 be paid the Harnett County Fair Association for extra police protection during the fair.

Several other affairs of a minor nature were disposed of.

Funeral of Rev. J. A. Davis.

Sanford, Nov. 5.—The funeral services of Rev. J. A. Davis, who was killed in an automobile accident in Fort Worth, Texas, last Tuesday night, was conducted Tuesday afternoon at Antioch Baptist church at Marners in the presence of a thousand or more sorrowing friends and relatives.

Mr. Davis was for several years a student at Mars Hill and Wake Forest colleges and also late pastor of the Pullen Memorial Baptist church at Raleigh and went to Fort Worth about a month ago to attend the Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary.

His roommate, Rev. Russell C. White, son of Dr. J. L. White, formerly of this State, now of Florida, accompanied the remains to the home of the deceased and conducted in a very impressive way the funeral services.

NOTICE.

The Lillington Post of the American Legion will meet at the courthouse Tuesday night, November 11, at 8 o'clock, to celebrate the first anniversary of the signing of the armistice.

All members are urged to attend and all ex-service men are invited to be present. Refreshments will be served.

DR. L. J. ARNOLD,

Temporary Chairman.

Mr. T. D. McLean of Aberdeen, the district agent Farm Extension Service, department of farm demonstration, spent a couple of days in the county this week.

Misses Allie Hill Boney and Mary Hockaday of the North Carolina College for Women, Greensboro, spent the week-end at home.

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HARNETT COTTON ASSOCIATION

The Harnett County Cotton Association is about to become a reality at last. At a county mass meeting called at Dunn Tuesday, November 4th, Mr. L. S. Tomlinson, business man, merchant and farmer of Wilton, made a strong plea on behalf of the American Cotton Association.

Other speakers for the occasion were Mr. J. R. Rives of Sanford and Mr. T. D. McLean of Aberdeen.

The county officers elected were as follows:

Owen Odum, county chairman; A. A. McDonald, secretary and treasurer; county directors were as follows: E. W. Smith, J. C. Byrd, W. T. Smith, H. A. Turlington, T. M. McKay, J. D. Barnes, Albert Surles, Ed Warren, McD. Holliday, E. M. Carren, J. M. Stewart, Dr. C. R. Elliott, D. H. Senter, D. B. Ray, J. E. Elliott.

The series of cotton meetings will be continued throughout the county. The next one to be held will be at the courthouse at Lillington Thursday, November 6, at 3 p. m.

Warehouse for Angier. At a meeting of the farmers and adjoining communities, a cotton warehouse company was organized with W. H. Stephenson as chairman and J. A. Williams secretary. Other officers and committeemen were to be appointed later.

Dr. C. R. Young presided at the meeting and W. R. Camp from Raleigh was the principal speaker. It was suggested that the capital stock be \$20,000 and the shares \$20.

J. C. ANTHONY,
County Agent.

DR. AND MRS. J. W. HALFORD AT HOME.

Friday evening, October 31st, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Halford entertained in honor of the faculty of the Lillington High School. The home was effectively decorated with ferns, cut flowers and a profusion of autumn leaves. The soft glow of many Jack-o'-lanterns and other Halloween reminders made a fitting scene for the witches and goblins who held high carnival from eight till eleven.

Miss Richard, masked and dressed in Halloween costume of effective design, made happy the hearts of those she took with her into her den and threw back the veil of the future. Mrs. John D. Johnson served refreshing punch.

At a signal from the "witch" the guests were seated in a circle on the floor. The lights were turned off and Miss Evans in her own attractive way began a ghost story so very realistic that the ghosts came forth and added horror to the already spooky scene.

A color scheme of white and yellow was most artistically carried out in the diningroom where delicious ice cream and cake were served. In the center of the table a miniature witch shook from her broom fortunes in rhyme. There was much merriment as the guests "searched high and low" for the favors. These with the place cards and bonbon boxes carried out the color scheme and Halloween idea in detail.

Next the guests were given pencil and pad and for the best witch drawn in three minutes Miss Smith was awarded first prize, while the booty went to Mr. Turner Atkins.

The guests of the evening were: Messrs. Richard, Smith, Evans, Pearce, Corpening, Harrington, Wilson, Adams, Drayner, Messames Moss, Johnson, Tugwell and Messrs. Turner Atkins, Oscar Atkins, Oker Johnson, Walter Sutton, Blum, Marvin Edwards, J. D. Johnson, Marshall Spears and Monroe.

BOY FROM ANGLIER IN JAIL IN RICHMOND

Richmond, Nov. 6.—Finney Her Jones, 20, from Angier, N. C., was held in police court today for trial November 14th on the charge of robbing two trained nurses in a boarding house at 304 West Grace street, from Mrs. L. L. Lowely it was alleged that he stole a \$15 gold ring and \$25 in currency, while Miss E. Erwin was relieved of a pearl handled revolver valued at \$10.

Jones was located last night in a downtown pool room. He admitted the theft. The ring and pistol and all but \$4 of the money was recovered. Jones seemed very repentant in court.

Mr. Marvin R. Edwards motored over to Fayetteville Monday to take

Misses Stalworth, Southerland, Hall and McArtan on their return to Flora McDonald College after spending the week-end with Mrs. William McArtan and Mrs. S. A. Boney. Mrs. McArtan and Mrs. Boney went with him as far as Fayetteville.

FO' SALE.

ABRUZZI RYE
APPLY
TUGWELL'S PHARMACY,
LILLINGTON, N. C.

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday and Thursday of last week this body of Baptists, composed for the most part of Harnett County churches, met with Holly Springs church, near Broadway.

Hon. J. C. Clifford of Dunn was re-elected moderator and Rev. J. A. Campbell as clerk.

The principal matter before this session of the Baptist throng was the Seventy-five Million Campaign. Rev. Q. C. Davis of Albemarle was present upon special invitation and delivered a most thought-provoking address upon world conditions today and how that the persecution coming from their position of thought and teaching of freedom of conscience; separation of church and state; simple New Testament Christianity is not altogether past.

"Baptists can never unite with people of other ideals except to their loss," said the speaker, "and all history shows that as soon as our numbers lose its strength the hand of the persecutor becomes active."

"We must give our money to keep our liberty or purchase our liberty again in future generations with the blood of our children and children's children," he declared.

The attendance was the largest in the forty-four years history of the association. Every pastor of the churches was present save two, and many visiting friends were welcomed. The next session will meet with the church at Coats.

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Harnett County, North Carolina, held at the courthouse at Lillington, N. C., on Monday, the 4th day of October, 1919, there being present the following commissioners: J. D. Barnes, chairman; J. C. Byrd, R. T. Johnson, W. J. McStewart, and being a majority of the members of said board, the following resolutions were adopted, to wit:

Upon motion of R. T. Johnson, duly seconded by W. J. McStewart, the following resolutions were adopted, all members voting in the affirmative:

Whereas, a petition of the Board of Education of Harnett County has this day been presented to our Board, requesting and petitioning that an election be called in Olivia High School District, in this county, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said school district the proposition of issuing bonds in the sum of \$7,500.00 to provide for building, rebuilding and repairing schoolhouses in said district and furnishing the same with suitable equipment, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 55 of the Public Laws, Session 1915;

And whereas, the petition of the Board of Education complies with the requirements of the said statute:

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Harnett County, North Carolina, that the said petition of the Board of Education be allowed, and that an election be hereby called to be held at the regular voting precinct in said Olivia High School District, in Harnett County, N. C., which voting precinct is declared to be the school house in said district, on the 12th day of November, 1919, for the purpose of voting on the proposition of issuing bonds of the said school district in the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) to run for a period of twenty years and interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and to levy a tax in the said school district not exceeding thirty cents on the hundred dollars valuation of said district on Saturday, the 15th day of October, 1919, to be used to pay interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund to pay off the same at maturity, the funds arising from said bonds to be used for the purpose of building, rebuilding and repairing schoolhouses and furnishing same with suitable equipment.

Be it further resolved, that a new registration of voters in said district is hereby ordered and H. C. Cameron is hereby designated and appointed registrar with authority to register said voters in accordance with the provisions of law, and J. A. Page and J. M. Kellam are hereby appointed and designated as pollholders to assist said registrar in holding said election. It is further resolved that said registrar shall open his registration books for said election on the 10th day of October, 1919, at 9 o'clock, a. m., and keep them open from 9 o'clock, a. m. until sunset each day, Sunday excepted, up to and including the 1st day of November, 1919; on each Saturday during the period of registration as above set forth, the registrar shall attend with his registration books at the voting place in said school district, it being the schoolhouse, for the registration of voters, and on said days, the books shall remain open between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m., and sunset, and the said Registrar shall attend with his registration books at the said voting in said school district on Saturday, the 8th day of November, 1919, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m., and 3 o'clock p. m., and keep said books open for the inspection of the electors of said school district, and for the noting of challenges, and in case of a challenge of any name that appears on said books, he shall bear the same as provided by law. On the said day of election, the polls shall be kept open from sunrise until sunset and be otherwise conducted under the laws governing general elections as near as may be. At said election, those favoring the issuance of bonds and the levying of a special tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be printed the words: "For Schoolhouse Bonds," and those who are opposed shall vote a ballot on which shall be printed the words: "Against Schoolhouse Bonds."

Be it further resolved, that a copy 16-44

REMINISCENCES OF HARNETT CO.

The Cape Fear river divides the county into two sections, and before it was spanned by bridges, was a natural barrier to communication between the two. The only way of crossing was by ferry with its inconveniences, and there were days at a time when the river was too high to cross in that way. If court week happened to be rainy, and the stream swollen, the people on the eastern side were debarred from attending on account of not being able to cross the river.

The Legislature of 1857 passed what was then called the "Enabling Act," providing an election to decide by a vote of the people the location of the courthouse, whether it should remain at Toomer (or Summerville as it is now called), or located at some other point. The election was held early in the Spring after the Legislature adjourned, and the majority in favor of removal was 212 votes.

Seven commissioners were elected at the same time whose duties, if those voting for removal were in the majority, were defined by the act. These were John Elliott, James S. Harrington, R. C. Beldon, Stephen Fearson, Eldridge Stewart, Farquard Smith and Anson Parker. They met at Summerville and decided on a point as a suitable location within the three-mile limit. The location was on a level plateau near the river and the future metropolis of the county was to be known as Lillington.

It may seem strange that the county was named after Cornelius Harnett, an American patriot in the Revolution, while the section it embraced was settled by Tories of the deepest dye; but we must remember they were Tories on account of the virtuous principles they possessed. Defeated at Culloden as rebels, before they were banished to America, they were required to take a solemn oath of allegiance to their government, and a Scotchman regarded an oath as inviolate. Many showed such open sympathy for the struggle for freedom from British rule while they were trying to keep this oath sacred they were accused of acting on both sides. It may seem stranger still that its county town should be named after Alexander Lillington, who with Richard Caswell, the first Governor of North Carolina, gave the first settlers such a warm reception at Moore's Creek. But patriotism made them Tories, and when their allegiance was transferred to the new government they were as patriotic as before.

The commissioners appointed Duncan McCormick to lay off 100 acres for the use of the county from a 500 acre tract owned by Nathaniel Jones which he bequeathed to R. C. Beldon, chairman of the county court, at the price of \$5 per acre. Plans were made for building a courthouse and bids received. The contract was awarded to A. J. Kivett for \$3,000. Col. A. C. McNeill and Beldon were authorized to let the building of the jail. Meantime arrangements were made for keeping the prisoners in the Cumberland county jail. This was no doubt inconvenient and expensive. But it may be remembered that just after the war a large part of the State sent its criminals to the Legislature in Raleigh, and they were so expensive the State repudiated the debt.

The county government was hardly removed before the storm cloud of war broke in all its fury and at the rattle of the drum and the call of the bugle all else was laid down to shoulder arms and answer to the call. The new county, like a helpless infant, at such a time was neglected while matters of greater importance demanded the attention of the people for the next few years.

of these resolutions, signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the said Board of Commissioners of Harnett County, North Carolina, be posted at the courthouse door at Lillington, N. C., and at three public places in said Olivia High School District for thirty days immediately preceding said election and for four weeks in some newspaper published in said Harnett County, as a notice of said election.

J. D. BARNES,
Chairman of Board of County Commissioners of Harnett County.
W. H. FAUCETTE,
Clerk to Board.

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BOND SALE

The Board of Education of Harnett County will offer for sale to the highest bidder at their office in Lillington at the hour of 12:40 noon on Monday, November 10th, 1919, \$15,000 of Bonds of the Lillington High School District, issued in accordance with the provisions of chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1915; said bonds to run for a period of 20 years from November 1st, 1919, and to bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and to be evidenced by coupons attached. No bid for less than par will be considered.

By order of the Board.

E. P. GENTRY,
Clerk.

Lillington, N. C., October 3, 1919.

Be it further resolved, that a copy 16-44