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"If It Concerns Harnett, It's In THE NEWS"

Harnett Democrats Roll Up Big Majority

In and Out of Lillington

IT'S ALONG ABOUT THAT TIME! Fall o' the year is time for a lot of things. And as fall moves along toward holiday season it's time for lots of folks to begin thinking about those little remembrances that hold friendships together.

IT'S THE FOURTH THURSDAY Folks have become confused, and understandably so, about the correct date for Thanksgiving.

ABOUT THE EASTER DATE Many people are also confused about the date on which Easter falls each year. You can always know if you remember this:

WIDE VARIETY OF FABRICS Burlington Mills, which will establish a plant here, produces a wide variety of fabrics, ranging from pantscloth to passementerie.

IT TAKES MONEY— The old saying, "It takes money to make the mare go," equally applies to the donkey—Democratic donkey, that is.

LOOKS LIKE A GOVERNOR When Secretary of State Thad Eure came down to Lillington to deliver Harnett's only campaign speech on Monday night of last week, the folks attending the rally fell in love with him.

DIDN'T SAY HE WASN'T— The Newsman, chatting with Thad Eure at the Democratic rally, said to him: "We don't like your denying you are a candidate for Governor come (See IN AND OUT, page 2)

Burlington Mills to Have Plant Here

COMPANY BUYS SALMON'S TRACT OF 325 ACRES

Site Is Admirably Suited For Large Industrial Enterprise

Completion of negotiations here last Wednesday resulted in the purchase of 325 acres of Sheriff W. E. Salmon's tract of land in Neill's Creek township lying along Highway 15-A and the Norfolk-Southern Railroad on the north and west and extending to the Cape Fear River on the south.

The site is admirably suited for the location of an industrial site, as was recognized sometime ago when an official of the Burlington company looked it over.

Negotiations for the purchase of the tract began nearly a couple of months ago when an option was taken by the Lillington Chamber of Commerce after contact had been made with officials of the Chamber by representatives of the Burlington company, the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development, the Norfolk-Southern Railroad and others interested in seeing the deal go through.

Through Sheriff Salmon fixed a price of \$70,000 for the tract, but the company was willing to pay only \$50,000. Then the officials of the Chamber of Commerce contacted various business and professional people and other individuals, with the result that a total collection of \$27,415 was subscribed to make up the difference in the disagreement between Sheriff Salmon and the Burlington company.

Tender of this supplementary purchase money was refused, however, and the deal continued to hang in the balance. November 1 was set as the expiration date on the option granted by Sheriff Salmon to the Chamber of Commerce.

Last Wednesday, the date of expiration of the option, saw the principals in the transaction come together and complete the sale.

Although the exact purchase price paid by the company, along with any concessions or terms that may have been included, have not been made public, it is thought that the sale contract contains the provision that Sheriff Salmon will retain his allotment of tobacco acreage and that the actual purchase price was \$50,000, as offered by the owner.

J. P. Dalton, director of industrial and agricultural development for the Norfolk-Southern Railroad, and A. E. Rogers, its commercial agent, talked with The News immediately following the completion of the transaction and said that it was their impression that the intention (See BURLINGTON, page 2)

Weatherman Hit It!

Quit that talk about the Weatherman being a punk prophet! The prognosticator said it would frost last Sunday night, but few around these parts felt inclined to believe he knew what he was talking about. Hadn't it been summertime for days and days?

METHODISTS SEND MINISTERS BACK TO HARNETT

County's Pastors Retain Their Posts After Conference

Appointments made at the close of the Eastern North Carolina Methodist Conference last Sunday showed that pastors of Harnett county churches were returned to their posts for another year.

Harnett pastors are in the Raleigh District, and the following appointments were made: Dunn, Divine Street, J. V. Early. Erwin, D. A. Petty. Kipling, F. R. Dall. Lillington, W. L. Loy. Marners, H. H. Cash.

Of former pastors in Lillington, H. L. Hendricks was returned to Tarboro and W. A. Tew was returned to Rowland.

Register of Deeds Reports for October

Twenty-four marriage licenses were issued by the Register of Deeds office during the month of October, according to the monthly report of Mrs. Inez Harrington, the county's lady Register of Deeds.

COMMISSIONERS APPROVE MASON SUPERINTENDENT

Pass On 6 Roads; Refuse To Pay Bill On Equipment

The County Board of Commissioners had a fairly quiet time of it when they met Monday for their last executive meeting before the new board members come into office.

John Mason, who was appointed as superintendent of the County Home to replace Mr. J. P. Parker who died early in September, was officially made the superintendent in the minute book of the board meeting. A copy of the minutes taken at a meeting of the commissioners on October 23 were read, and Commissioner John Aaron Senter stated that it was a true copy of the minutes made at the meeting.

ROAD PETITIONS APPROVED

Six road petitions received the approval of the board and were ordered to be forwarded to the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

1. To be made all weather; that road in Barbecue Township that begins at Benhaven School and runs in a southeasterly direction approximately 1.5 miles to an intersection with Highway No. 87. The road runs by the home of W. A. Graham, W. G. Cox, and others.

2. To be surfaced; that road in Johnsonville Township that runs from Olivia to Murphisons Chapel at the Lee County line, known as the (See COMMISSIONERS, page 2)

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Lillington PTA Elects Its New Official Staff for Current Term

In the absence of President W. A. Johnson, Principal H. H. Hamilton presided at the regular meeting of the Lillington Parent-Teacher Association last Thursday night.

OCTOBER TAX COLLECTIONS AHEAD OF 1949

Over Half of 1950 Taxes Paid After First Fiscal Quarter

According to the monthly report for October by Tax Collector D. P. Ray, a total of \$359,944.34 of the 1950 taxes has been collected so far this fiscal year by his office.

Current taxes \$104,052.75; delinquent taxes \$7,069.72; total tax collections \$111,122.47.

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Hamilton accepted the flag dedicating the school's services anew in trying to teach boys and girls the meaning and appreciation of the United Nations Flag.

HARNETT MEDICS JOIN WITH ADA IN GIVING FREE TESTS

To Give Free Tests For Diabetes During Detection Week

At a meeting of the Harnett County Medical Society on Wednesday evening, November 1, it was decided that the local society would join with the American Diabetes Association in the observance of Diabetes Week from November 13 to November 18.

Dr. W. B. Hunter, Harnett County Health Officer, calls attention to the fact that there are three groups of people who are particularly liable to have diabetes, and these should take the test:

1. People who have a diabetic relative—that is, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, uncle or aunt. 2. People who are overweight. 3. People over forty years of age.

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GOP STRENGTH MUCH WEAKER THAN EXPECTED

Democratic Activity Is Credited With Bringing Out Voters

TOTALS Following are the totals on the Harnett County ticket:

Table listing candidates and their vote counts for various offices including Sheriff, County Commissioners, and State Representatives.

Returns that came trickling in within a couple of hours after the polls closed at 6:30 Tuesday night showed clearly that Harnett's candidates on the Democratic side of the ballot were elected overwhelmingly.

In all precincts there was "scratching" of the ballot, but it failed utterly to tally up to any real significance.

TO CLEAN UP SPRING HILL CEMETERY

Those who have friends or relatives buried at Spring Hill Methodist Church will please come out and help clean up the cemetery and the church grounds on Saturday, Nov. 11, at 8 a. m.

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