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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL PROVIDE FINANCES TO BUY GRAVEL FOR ROADS

Granted Request of Road Board For An Additional Fund of \$10,000 Above Regular Monthly Income

MR. VAUGHAN THINKS DRAINING IMPORTANT

Dr. J. H. Mitchell Voted to Discount Note After Threat to Block Proposal

The Commissioners of Hertford County, by a 3 to 2 vote, have decided to secure for the county road board an additional \$10,000 above the regular monthly income of the same amount, with which to purchase gravel. This decision was made at Winton last Monday when the two boards met in joint session.

Jno. O. Askew, Jr., Harrellsville commissioner made the motion that the money be secured, and it was seconded by E. H. Eure, of Winton. E. W. Whitley, of Murfreesboro, voted with Messrs. Askew and Eure, with F. G. Taylor, of Ahsokie, and W. J. Vaughan, of St. Johns voting No. Dr. J. H. Mitchell, chairman, did not vote, although he threatened to reconsider and vote with the negative, to block the plans of the road board.

The December, 1923, payment of \$10,000 will be discounted, and funds will be available within a short time.

Road Chairman Presents Request

Dr. J. A. Powell, chairman of the road board, opened the discussion by explaining to the county commissioners the necessity of surfacing the main roads of the county with a good grade gravel. He told the commissioners that the road board was unanimous in its opinion that roads should be graveled, and the board had voted to ask aid from the commissioners in securing additional funds with which to buy gravel.

W. J. Vaughan, of Union, did not agree with Dr. Powell; he wanted the roads drained and worked up. He in his township, St. Johns, and said he had not seen that anything had been accomplished by the road force in his township. He wanted the country roads worked; the farmers passed the bond issue, he said, and they should be given good roads. He could not be convinced that the principal roads should be graveled before all the roads had been worked up and drained. "If there is any money left, after draining them all, spend it for gravel but not until then," he said.

O. P. Snipes, St. Johns road commissioner, said the road force in his township had been working and was still at it. Dr. Powell also presented the report of funds spent in St. Johns, showing that several thousand dollars had been spent on the roads there. But, still Mr. Vaughan insisted that he was right.

Free-For-All-Discussion

J. R. Garrett, Ahsokie road board member, presented some figures purporting to show that the operating expenses of the road forces could be materially reduced. He believed the roads should be graveled out of the savings he had figured out on paper. "We must get on some sound financial basis, reduce the operating expenses, and gravel the roads from the savings," he said. While he disclaimed any intention of criticizing, he expressed a belief that money had been wasted through inefficient administration.

Doctor Mitchell thought it would be wiser to stop all funds, cut out paying taxes on a huge bond issue, and help the poor man. He thought it would be a good thing if some of those who were hollering so loud for more money and higher taxes should be forced to take their coats off and go to work. Mr. Eure thought the road board knew its business and believed gravel should be bought, and he offered a motion to that effect.

Another slight hitch came when the method of securing the funds came up for consideration. Doctor Mitchell insisted that April note be discounted. If it was not, he said he would reconsider and vote against allowing any additional funds. However, he underwent a change of mind, and voted to discount the December note.

Little else except regular routine of approving bills, and the awarding of the county printing to each of the two papers in the county came up Monday.

STATE HEALTH BOARD TO ENFORCE LAW HERE

Sanitary Inspector Visits The Town and Issues Statement About Conditions

SEWAGE DISPOSAL WILL MEET STANDARD

Home owners in Ahsokie will have to immediately provide sanitary privies which comply with the plans and specifications or make an attempt to connect their homes with town sewer pipes, or the State Board of Health will check up on them and apply the penalty provided by law. After March 15, the law will take its course, and those who have not complied with its provisions will suffer a penalty, in addition to being required to install the privies or connect with the sewer.

That is the edict that has come from L. G. Whitley, chief inspector of the North Carolina State Board of Health. He was in Ahsokie last week and checked up on the homes here. Several complaints had been lodged against home owners here, and the town council was threatening to require connection with the sewer.

Mr. Whitley writes to the Herald: "While making a sanitary survey in Ahsokie last week, I found a number of residences being occupied and used without sewerage, septic tanks, approved by the North Carolina State Board of Health, or sanitary privies which comply in construction and maintenance with the requirements of the law. The State Board of Health has been marking time with the property owners in Ahsokie since the completion of their sewer and water system awaiting the connection into the sewerage system of as many homes as were convenient to it."

The nuisances which have already caused complaints to be lodged, and which the State inspector found to exist in the worst form will be abated. There is going to be no mistaking of that point, Mr. Whitley said to the HERALD that he intended applying the penalty to those who had shown no disposition to abide by the law, either in spirit or in actual accomplishment.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY CAME TO END TUESDAY AT NOON

Governor Morrison Says He Will Call Special Session on Shipping Line

The North Carolina General Assembly ended its labors at noon Tuesday after passing its 1146th piece of legislation. Practically all of the major legislation affecting state institutions and of state-wide importance was disposed of, excepting the measure affecting the Ku Klux Klan.

Neither branch of the legislature was willing to yield in its attitude towards the Ku Klux measure, the Senate passing a bill exceedingly mild in character, and the House failing to concur. The House would not accept the Senate bill, and re-enacted the Milliken bill, the Senate failing to concur. In this way no legislation was passed and enacted into law. Representative Lawrence of Hertford County consistently opposed the Milliken Bill, except when it was first brought up. He voted for it one time, but since that time always cast his vote in the negative.

The ten million dollar appropriation measure passed both branches of the legislature. Other measures passed were: prohibition enforcement measure, Mother's Aid Bill, eradication of cattle ticks, bill submitting to popular vote the question of issuing \$2,500,000 bonds for loans on homes to World War Veterans, Bill placing solicitors on salary instead of fees, three constitutional amendments (1) limitation of state debt to 7 1/2% of the assessed property valuation; (2) the inviolability of sinking funds to retire the state debt; (3) to exempt from taxation one-half farm and residential property under mortgage and one-half of such mortgage not to exceed \$5,000, raising age of consent from 14 to 16, "Lost Provinces" bill, and Machinery Act providing for the

MISS LAWRENCE IS LEADING IN CONTEST

With a lead of 101 votes over her nearest competitor, Miss Earle Lawrence looks like the winner in the "Queen" contest. Mrs. J. N. Vann, the runner up, has held the lead all this week until Wednesday night, when one of Miss Lawrence's campaign managers made returns that swamped all others. Since the middle of last week these two ladies have held the center of the stage, and both are way ahead of the next highest.

The following four candidates will remain in the race during the next three days of balloting: Miss Earle Lawrence, Mrs. J. N. Vann, Miss Blanche Holloman, and Miss Sybil Cullens. Their votes are as follows: 259, 158, 29, and 12.

The contest will close Saturday at midnight. The name of the winner will be posted in Copeland's Drug Store Sunday, and will also be sent to the contest manager of the Exposition at Wilson.

Those who have voted for either of the candidates who have been eliminated may vote the second time for one of the four remaining in the race.

Increased interest is expected during the three remaining days, and the total vote will probably reach 1,000 or better.

The votes cast to Wednesday night were as follows:

Miss Earle Lawrence	259
Mrs. J. N. Vann	158
Miss Sybil Cullens	12
Miss Nancy Howard	9
Mrs. Howard Basnight	5
Mrs. A. W. Greene	2
Miss Louise Basnight	1
Mrs. J. E. Mitchell	1
Mrs. J. S. Vinson	1

COUNTY AGENTS WORK FOR INCREASED POULTRY

Series of Meetings Have Been Scheduled For Week Beginning March 19th

(By H. L. MILLER)

Comparatively few people realize just how much a well selected flock of chickens can mean to a farm or city home. Besides being almost a necessity in one's diet poultry products can always be marketed at a profit if handled properly, and can be a constant source of income even though it may be a small one. And a daily income is particularly helpful to a the farm family who as a rule get most of their money in the fall and have to depend on this for the rest of the year.

Realizing the possibilities for real helpfulness along this line the home and farm agents have scheduled a series of meetings for the week of March 19th and at these meetings a poultry specialist will assist in practical demonstrations in culling chickens, grading and testing eggs, and go into the detail of feeding for egg production and for meat production. After these meetings a follow-up work assistance will be given in planning and building poultry houses and equipment and in securing of better chickens or eggs for hatching. Assistance will also be given in marketing poultry products, and while it is planned, if possible, to organize a county poultry association to look after the marketing end, if this cannot be done, individual assistance will be given where asked for.

Be sure to watch for the schedule of meetings to be announced in next week's paper, and attend the one held nearest you.

One good cotton for a community will make a better reputation for North Carolina cotton. There is always one best variety.

valuation of all property under the direction of the county commissioners and strengthening the power of the State Revenue Commissioner to maintain a uniform value as between counties.

Governor Morrison indicates that he is well pleased with the legislation enacted by the Assembly. He has announced that he will convene the legislature in special session to hear the report of the Shipping Commission, and take some steps toward the formation of the State shipping line.

U. D. C. PROPOSING MARKER TO WORLD WAR PARTICIPANTS

Seeking To Raise Funds To Honor Hertford County Boys Who Served in Military Forces

WILL BE UNVEILED NORTH CAROLINA DAY

Appeal Is Being Made To Schools And Other Organizations for Donations

August 23rd will be the occasion of the unveiling of a marker to Hertford County boys who did military service during the World War, if the plans of the U. D. C. chapters in the county are carried out. Mrs. R. C. Bridger, of Winton, district leader of the U. D. C., is starting a campaign for funds, and is being assisted and encouraged by the chapters of the county.

Mrs. Bridger is enthusiastic over the prospects of securing sufficient funds to purchase the marker, and is calling for co-operation from all persons, and organizations that will aid in the work. In a letter addressed to the pupils and teachers of schools, Mrs. Bridger has outlined the plans for conducting the subscription campaign, and gives other facts in her appeal.

The Letter

Winton, N. C., March 6, 1923. "The time has come when we feel that we should place on our Court House square at Winton, N. C., a marker to our heroic boys of the World War. The movement was started a year ago, and we are anxious to complete it this year. We want to unveil it August 23rd, North Carolina Day, a day set by the U. D. C. of North Carolina for work of this kind.

"Now we ask your co-operation, and here is our plan. We want every school child to give us 5c each, every teacher 25c each, every principal 50c each, County Superintendent of Schools \$1.00. We want every woman in this county to give 25c and every man \$1.00. This work is undertaken by the U. D. C. of the county, and there are three Chapters, Norfleet-Harrell Chapter, Murfreesboro, N. C., Ahsokie Chapter, Ahsokie and Hertford County Chapter, Winton, and we want the entire county to contribute. When you give your five cents it will entitle you to vote for the prettiest girl in your school. The prettiest girl in each school will be the ones to unveil the monument.

"Now put your best efforts forward and see how much you can give to the credit of your school. I want to pay each school a visit and tell you more of our plan, but in case this can't be done, act on this letter and let the heroes of Hertford County know their efforts were appreciated.

Thanking you in advance,
Very sincerely,
MRS. R. C. BRIDGER, Chairman."

SECRETARY EMPLOYED FOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Wading through a multitude of applications for the position of secretary of the Ahsokie Chamber of Commerce, and holding two personal interviews with interested parties, the Board of Directors on Tuesday night unanimously elected Mr. Frank Meadows of Rocky Mount to fill the position. Mr. Meadows met with the board for an hour and a half.

The new secretary who will assume his duties on March 15 was highly recommended to the local chamber by Mr. Norman Y. Chambliss, secretary of the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce, and president of the State Secretarial Association. He has some experience in chamber of commerce work, is a finished product in handling publicity, and is apparently a hustler.

Immediately upon his arrival here, the proposed building and loan association will be effected. Mr. Meadows spent six years in the banking business at Durham and is thoroughly familiar with the work of the association.

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CATTLE TICK WILL BE TROUBLE MAKER

New State Law Compels Counties to Appropriate Money To Carry Work On

COMMISSIONERS ARE OPPOSED TO THE LAW

If the views of Hertford County commissioners do not undergo some decided changes, the State of North Carolina will have plenty of trouble enforcing the provisions of the tick eradication bill passed by the legislature. At least three members of the board freely expressed their views about this "iniquitous" legislation during the meeting at Winton last Monday.

In fact, Dr. J. H. Mitchell, chairman of the board, said boldly that he did not expect to call any meeting to consider the proposition. Law or no law, he says, there will be no meeting, as has been requested by state authorities. Other members are opposed to the principle of the law, but realize that they have no alternative in the matter.

The 1923 legislature, like its predecessors, threshed this tick eradication business out, and oratory, argument, and hot air pervaded both branches of the legislature for several days, all about the tick. The difference between this legislature and those before it lies in the fact that it made it mandatory upon every county in North Carolina to co-operate with State and Federal authorities in exterminating the cattle tick, by the dipping vat route. The county must now appropriate money for this purpose to match the state and Federal apportionment.

Heretofore, it has been optional with each county, whether it undertake the work or not. A large majority of the counties have voluntarily carried on the work. Only about eighteen counties, in north-eastern Carolina, have not made any effort to drive out the tick, and Hertford is among that number.

This county has heard about the tick before this time. A few years ago an effort was made to have the county appropriate money for this work, but the commissioners refused to act. But, it was a different proposition at that time. The State says now the commissioners will be compelled to drive out the tick, and lift the quarantine.

The State Department has already advised the clerk of the board at Winton that he will be in this county next week, and asked that a meeting be called by the chairman for the 12th to take some action. He also stated that he was addressing the chairman asking that a meeting be called.

Doctor Mitchell said Monday he did not intend to call any meeting, law or no law, mandamus or no mandamus. Later, however, he qualified the statement by adding that he would make a decision after reading the letter addressed to him by the State Department. The inevitable signs point to some sort of action.

JURORS DRAWN FOR APRIL TERM COURT

The following were selected as jurors for the April term of Superior Court in Hertford County, which begins, Monday, April 16.

First Week—G. C. Pidot, G. W. Sumner, J. D. Lang, O. R. Outlaw, C. W. Winborne, J. C. Jenkins, Blount Ferguson, M. E. Worrell, A. L. Parker, Grant Dickerson, H. P. Brett, R. G. Thomas, L. S. Savage, W. T. Powell, T. W. Pipkin, J. J. Beale, S. E. Marsh, H. L. Morris, S. W. McKeel, J. M. Kitchen, C. H. Chitty, M. C. Matthews, R. L. Morris, M. W. Newsome, Thomas Slaughter, J. T. Worrell, L. B. Jenkins, G. W. Lowe, S. A. Lassiter, W. J. Newsome, W. P. Brewer, H. McD. Spiers, Orris L. Matthews, J. C. Eure, T. L. Leggett, W. W. Britt, J. T. Parker.

Second Week—W. M. Howell, J. H. Darden, W. H. Clark, Chas. W. Parker, H. H. Taylor, C. C. Seasons, J. W. Edwards, Luther Vinson, D. P. Eure, J. H. Hines, J. H. Valentine, A. V. Greene, J. H. Barnes, P. D. Sewell, A. D. Phelps.

Mexican Big Boll Cotton grown in North Carolina has won out over the far-famed North Georgia Cotton in recent spinning tests conducted by the Federal Department of Agriculture.

NEGRO JAILED FOB ALLEGED KILLING OF WEAKLING SON

Carey Vaughan of Murfreesboro Is Charged With Heinous Crime; Bound Over To Superior Court

BOY WAS BURIED WITHOUT A PERMIT

Angry Mob Gathers At Home When Coroner's Inquest Is Held Over The Body

Murfreesboro, March 6.—In the presence of over four hundred people white and colored, Carey Vaughan, negro, and notorious for inflicting torture on the members of his family, was arrested Sunday morning at his home a few miles from Murfreesboro. The arrest followed the post mortem examination of his son who died Friday night and was buried Saturday without either death certificate or permit and against official orders to keep the body out until an examination was made. His son, Reuben, about 17 years old, stunted, and weighing less than 75 pounds was seen to be given the most violent and brutal beating by his father prior to his death.

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock between four and five hundred people had gathered at the home of Vaughan. Dr. Gary Futrell, coroner, Dr. Futrell and Deputy sheriff Trader were the officers from Murfreesboro. The body was dug up and found to be upon examination a most horrible spectacle. It had been buried in the dirty rags in which he died. One arm was broken, shoulder blade dislocated, two toes gone, (he wore no shoes during the freezing weather) gash in his head and the body from head to foot was covered with bruises, cuts and scars both old and new.

Dr. Futrell opened his skull, took out his brain which was found to be full of blood clots. Clots were found also in the cranium. From the examination the conclusion was reached that the blow that caused his death was given against the back of his head which was badly cut in. Dr. Futrell stitched his skull back and he was again buried.

Dr. Gary and six jurors from Murfreesboro held the inquest, after which Vaughan who during the proceedings, had been in a very agitated condition, was handcuffed without resistance. In the meantime, the colored people in their rage, clamored for expression and their sentiment ran high for lynching Vaughan, had they been allowed to do so.

Vaughan was brought to Murfreesboro and the trial was held at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon. He was found guilty and sent to Winton jail where he waits trial at the April term of Superior Court.

WINTON AND EURE PLAY TIE GAME

Winton, March 6.—Last Thursday the Hall consolidated school of Eure was represented in our town by their basketball team. This was the third game our team has had with the Eure quintette.

In the first two games Eure was defeated by a very large count. It was agreed that they play one more game and that Winton should use their second team. At the end of the first half, Eure was leading and continued in the lead until the last five minutes of play, when two or three of the first team men were put in. When the final whistle sounded the score stood 14-14. Darkness prevented the extra period for a decision. The first team is getting in perfect trim during these days of sunshine. They have one game now of great importance and one which will create much interest in this community. It is the final game of the series with Ahsokie High School. Four games have been played each team winning two of them.

PLAY AT POWELLVILLE

The play entitled "Prairie Rose" will be presented in Powellville Graded School auditorium Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the new dressing rooms in this building.