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Doth an eternal vigil keep;

No soothing strains of Maia's son
Shall lull its hundred eyes to sleep."

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GOLDSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1909.

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JURORS DRAWN FOR APRIL COURT

Regular Monthly Meeting of
County Commissioners
Held Today.

PETITION FOR NEW ROAD

Largest Amount of Accounts so Far
This Year Audited and Paid--
Board Will Consider Petition at Next Meeting.

The board of county commissioners met in regular monthly session with Chairman W. R. Hollowell, D. H. Overman, B. A. Parks, Alex. Aycock, and J. R. Murvin present. The following business was transacted:

Petition for new road in Saulston township, beginning at No. 4 school house and running to Snow Hill-LaGrange road near A. B. Park's home. Referred to next meeting.

Jurors for April term, 1909, were drawn as follows:

First Week.
M. E. Best, J. W. Walston, W. T. Harrison, Jesse Crumpler, U. S. Pate, A. A. Miller, W. D. Penn, A. T. Uzzell, H. C. Barfield, J. R. Handy, J. R. O'Berry, C. L. Gurley, W. P. Johnson, J. E. Barnes, W. B. Lancaster, D. W. Cobb, N. D. Gurley, Reddick Bass, W. L. Hinson, J. S. Fields, W. F. Patrick, Lovet Lee, H. J. Smith, B. F. Outlaw, Mark Wells, J. W. Rose, J. E. C. Hooks, Fred I. West, J. M. Holland, J. V. Sherard, R. D. Phillips, G. W. R. Perkins, J. B. Thompson, Needham Garris, A. M. Herring, Harper Quinn.

Second Week.
R. M. Wilson, W. E. Musgrave, W. W. Johnson, J. G. Faucett, N. C. Coddell, J. F. Ange Frank Peel, J. H. Grady, W. T. Davis, J. E. May, Geo. D. Bizzell, J. A. Hooks, C. D. Hooks, R. G. Freeman, Chas. Dewey, R. Britt, Henry Stallings, F. B. Jordan.

ACCOUNTS AUDITED BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Nearly Fifty Roads Accounts Paid.
Total Amount, \$1,947.35.

March 1, 1909.

Accounts were audited and allowed to:

T. J. Tucker, burial expenses... \$20.00
C. E. Rogers... 11.64
J. L. Pearson & Son, lumber... 16.75
Andrews & Waddell, for county... 10.72
T. E. Vinson, lumber and bridge work... 6.56
W. J. Perkins & Bro., lumber and bridge work... 12.50
W. H. Sasser, lumber and bridge work... 5.12
J. R. Jennitt, lumber... 3.00
Mary Alston, burying pauper... 5.00
K. D. Perkins, road work... 50.00
N. E. Blackman, fence account... 10.00
J. W. Thompson, Treas., bank interest... 25.30
C. L. Herring, stock law account... 45.00
J. E. Stanley, coroner's inquest... 47.00
R. E. Williams, county home... 132.20
E. D. Smith, convict force... 8.00
Pauper account... 28.05

Road Account—Nathan Crawford, \$2.00; H. B. Ballance, \$2.00; Luby Deans, \$3.00; T. B. Lancaster, \$2.00; V. L. Peacock, \$2.00; H. L. Edgerton, \$2.00; George Newsome, \$2.00; J. H. Smith, \$3.00; J. Summerlin, \$2.00; U. Westbrook, \$2.00; Jos. Rollins, \$2.00; M. D. Langston, \$2.00; J. E. Hood, \$2.50; Frank Peele, \$2.00; Charley Talton, \$3.00; J. B. Bass, \$3.00; Alex. Holland, \$1.00; Ralph Aycock, \$2.00; J. R. Westbrook, \$2.00; Ira Joyner, \$4.00; A. D. Thompson, \$2.00; C. Gurley, \$3.00; A. Gurley, \$3.00; J. S. Pate, \$3.00; Herman Porter, \$3.00; R. J. Elmore, \$2.00; Robert Moore, \$2.00; A. C. Bell, \$4.00; R. M. Godwin, \$4.00; Marvin Hatch, \$3.00; G. W. Smith, \$2.00; John Hollowell, \$2.00; R. Q. Brown, \$3.00; N. A. Jennett, \$2.00; J. A. Herring, \$4.00; W. H. Best, \$2.00; Hardie West, \$4.00; Eddie Bass, \$2.00; J. W. Tadlock, \$3.00; J. F. Williams, \$4.00; D. Kornegay, \$4.00; H. J. Hood, \$1.00; B. F. Grant, \$3.00.
City of Goldsboro, account filed 28.05

J. G. Hinson, account filed...	17.54
Argus, on printing contract...	18.33
A. J. Fulghum, arrest of convict	10.00
W. G. Britt, Register account...	39.65
W. L. Sutton, road and hauling	4.50
E. D. Williams, account of commission	99.00
G. P. Britt, lumber	82.60
W. H. Singleton, bridge guard	5.00
Cash Novelty Book Store account	1.05
Sheriff E. A. Stevens, account	116.25
Yelverton Hardware Co.	76.45
A. P. Williams, account	4.00
C. S. Hinnant, lumber	2.81
Allen Edgerton, lumber	8.08
A. M. Shrago Co., for convicts	165.67
S. Bryant, pauper coffin	2.00
W. T. Bradshaw, tax error	1.17
F. Walker, account	12.00
Dr. T. L. Ginn, on contract	33.33
Bennett Stock Co., shoeing mules	4.50
Goldsboro Record	4.00
Edwards & Broughton, Register's docket	11.50
E. Peel, timber	1.50
John Slaughter Co., account	57.30
Smith Ham & Co., for county home	136.48
Light and water for February	11.70
Jesse Harris	6.00
Nash Bros, on account	26.50
Dewey Bros., for county	14.42
R. Q. Brown, lumber	1.68
N. A. Jennitt, lumber	14.06
Henry Best, nails	.50
J. H. West, wood	2.00
Goldsboro Drug Co., medicine	1.20
J. A. Smith, Brogden Fence account	42.70
J. R. Musgrave, lumber	19.21
Parker & Falkner, county home	9.25
B. B. Geanham, burying pauper	3.00
Gem Cafe, for jurors	13.35
W. P. Stevens, Pearsall bridge	20.00
W. C. Mayo, tax overcharge	.51
N. E. West, tax refunded	1.98
H. Weil & Bros., fence account	66.00
W. R. Hollowell, com.	24.00
B. A. Parks, com.	32.60
J. R. Murvin, com.	22.20
D. H. Overman, com.	17.40
Alex. Aycock, com.	28.80
J. W. Isler & Co., supplies	190.60
G. P. Britt, account	10.00
Total	\$1,947.35

RALEIGH'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Best Teachers Leaving—Early Closing of Schools the Cause.

Raleigh Evening Times.

Demands for Raleigh's best school teachers are steadily pouring in from all parts of the State.

Miss Ada V. Womble, who has been connected with the Raleigh schools for a number of years, will leave for Greensboro immediately upon the closing of the Raleigh schools on the fifth of March. She has accepted a position there for the rest of the school term. If the special tax election is carried and the schools will be run the usual length next year, she might be prevailed upon to return to the capital city.

Miss Mary Arrington, another valuable teacher, will leave for Wilson's Mills.

Oxford has made known a desire for a Raleigh teacher, and Mr. Harper has recommended Miss Emma Conn. Miss Conn is now considering the offer.

One of the gentleman teachers has been tendered a position at the A. & M. College. It is not known as yet whether he shall accept or not.

It is safe to say that should the special tax fail to pass all of Raleigh's best teachers would be forced to accept positions at other places, where the school terms are sufficiently long for them to earn a better salary than they could possibly earn in Raleigh. This is only the beginning of the outpour of teachers which are recognized as among the best of the State.

\$9,000,000 in Rebates to Gas Consumers.

New York, March 1.—The payment of \$9,000,000 in rebates to 2,500,000 consumers was begun today by the Consolidated Gas Company and its subsidiary concerns. Bunches of checks for the amounts returnable were sent out from the nine distributing offices especially organized for the purpose. United States Commissioner Shields, who acted as custodian of the \$9,000,000 since 1906, under authority of the United States Court, which appointed him special master, visited all nine of these special distributing points today, and says the checks had begun to flow through the mails.

CORN CONTEST.

Big Prizes Within Reach of Wayne County Farm Boys.

Goldsboro Offers Equal Amounts With The State For Best Result In Corn Growing In This County: Many Other Prizes Available: Tell Your Neighbor And Their Boys About This.

The Argus Will Give Twenty Five Dollars.

The State Board of Agriculture at the December, 1908, meeting offered \$100 in prizes. First prize, \$50; second prize, \$30; third prize, \$20; to be given to the three boys in the State making the greatest number of bushels of corn on one acre of land, each, in 1909, under the rules and regulations herewith set forth.

Conditions Governing Contests.

1. The contestant must be between 12 and 17 years of age, and live on the farm.
2. He must cultivate one acre in corn, doing all the work himself, except he may have help in gathering the crop.
3. The acre may be in any part of the field; but preferably by the roadside.
4. The acre must be land that would not make more than 35 bushels of corn without the use of commercial fertilizers or other manure. Though in this contest commercial fertilizers, including cotton seed and cotton-seed meal, may be used up to \$10 worth; and lot, stable manure, wood's mold, etc., without limit.
5. A record must be kept of all fertilizers used, kind and amount, work done on the acre, and everything of the kind. Also of the weather, rains, droughts, etc., and the condition of the soil when the crop is worked, the time of planting, cultivation, etc.
6. The land must be measured, the crop gathered and weighed or measured in the presence of such witnesses as the Department of Agriculture or its agent may select.
7. The crop must be gathered and the report sent to T. B. Parker, Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, before November 15, 1909.
8. The Superintendent of Public Instruction in each county will co-operate officially in these Boys' Corn Club contests, and will be the representative of the Department of Agriculture, and as such, will appoint committees, give further information, etc.

Wayne County Boys.

Under the above regulations Goldsboro offers to the Wayne county farmer boys who will compete for these State prizes equal amounts with those of the State, so that if a Wayne county boy wins the first prize offered by the State he will get \$100; and, if Wayne county boys win second and third prizes they will get \$60 and \$40 respectively.

In addition to this, The Argus will give to the Wayne county winner of the first prize an additional \$25, provided the winner is a paid-up yearly subscriber to the Weekly Argus from April 1, 1909. So that if the first prize winner of the State be a Wayne county farm boy he will get \$125.

Additional Prizes.

Furthermore, a large number of additional prizes have been offered by Goldsboro merchants, which will be scheduled and published in The Argus within the next few weeks; so that it will pay the farmer boys of the county to watch these columns diligently, and get their acre of ground in readiness for cultivation.

These Goldsboro prizes will be awarded for best competitive results in Wayne county, whether the State prizes come to Wayne county or not.

This issue of The Argus is mailed to every farm home in Wayne County—to the head of the home—and we request that it be read in the family, and that every boy between the ages of 12 and 17 years be urged to go to work and endeavor to win one of these prizes. The effort will do him good, and make him a better boy, a better citizen, a better farmer, even if he should not win the prize.

WE REQUEST every boy to be at his township meeting on the date here published for such meeting, and bring his father with him, when full explanation will be made in a public talk by Mr. E. T. Atkinson, County Superintendent of Schools, and at which meeting blanks will be given out to all applicants to sign who may decide to enter the State and county contest. Come out and hear the matter fully presented.

Mr. Atkinson will meet the people of the townships as follows, and every one is urged to come out and hear him:

- Grantham Township—Falling Creek High School, Monday, March 8, 2:30 p. m.
- Brogden Township—Woodland Academy, Tuesday, March 9, 2:30 p. m.
- Indian Springs Township—Seven Springs High School, Wednesday, March 10, 2:30 p. m.
- New Hope Township—Casey Chapel School, Thursday, March 11, 2:30 p. m.
- Four in One.
- Pikeville, Stoney Creek, Buck Swamp, and Great Swamp Townships, combined—At Pikeville High School, Friday, March 12, 2:30 p. m.
- Fork Township—Rosewood Academy, Saturday, March 13, 2:30 p. m.
- Nahantia Township—Eureka School, Monday, March 15, 2:30 p. m.
- Saulston Township—Hood Swamp School, Tuesday, March 16, 2:30 p. m.

And now the news has gone forth that the diplomatic corps in Washington is worried about what to wear at the inaugural ball. Is it possible that a diplomat hasn't a dress suit?

FORECAST OF WEEK'S NEWS.

Inauguration of New President on Thursday Is Chief Feature.

All other events of the week will be overshadowed by the inauguration at Washington of William Howard Taft, twenty-seventh President of the United States. But while Mr. Taft is the central figure of imposing ceremonies on Thursday, a considerable degree of unofficial interest must follow on that day the movements of two other men who long have challenged public attention and admiration. In the hour that President Taft graces the ball that will bring the inaugural program to a brilliant close, Mr. Roosevelt, relieved of the burdens of State, will be surrounded by his neighbors of Oyster Bay; and Mr. Bryan, guest of honor at a dollar dinner in Pittsburg, will reiterate, it is believed, the convictions upon which he contested the presidency.

If permitted to follow the plans chosen, Mr. Roosevelt will go to New York late Thursday; thence to Oyster Bay, where a home-coming demonstration has been arranged that is likely to eclipse former welcomes extended to him, both as President and citizen.

In the closing days of Congress nothing perhaps will be of greater interest than the action on Monday of the Senate committee on judiciary, which has agreed to vote that day on the report of the sub-committee which investigated the merger of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company with the United States Steel Corporation. The majority report declares that the merger appears to have been illegal and that the President was unauthorized to permit such merger. The minority report in substance finds that the legality or illegality of the absorption of the lesser company by the greater corporation is a question for the courts to decide, the committee lacking jurisdiction, and that the President in no sense "permitted" the deal. The point of interest in the committee's action Monday will be whether the retiring is to be absolved or officially blamed. In either event the matter is still to be fought out in the Senate.

With the battleship fleet broken up, the special news regarding the navy will be the naming of a successor to Rear Admiral Sperry.

The re-trial of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, for the alleged acceptance of rebates probably will reach the testimony-taking stage early in the week.

There will be a scattering of baseball games this week and enough general practice to suggest that the season of outdoor sports is fast approaching.

The foreign field, except for the Balkan situation, bids fair to be comparatively quiet during the week. The powers have come together in the matter of joint representations to Serbia and it is believed that when Serbia realizes she cannot count on support in a war with Austria-Hungary she will relinquish the demands that have been the prime cause of the disturbed condition in the Balkan peninsula.

TEACHERS WILL MEET IN THIS CITY SATURDAY

Regular Monthly Session for March Will Be Final Meeting of the Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the Teachers' Association of Wayne county will be held at the Court House in this city Saturday, March 6, beginning at 11:45 a. m.

The following program has been arranged:

A Talk, by Miss Florence Meyerberg.

"Fractions," Miss Hattie Blackman.

"The Dull Pupil," Misses Julia E. Howell, Cora M. Dixon, Bertha Edgerton.

Betterment reports.

As this is the last meeting for this school term, all teachers are urged to attend.

Shooting Affair in "Little Washington"

In an accidental shooting affair in "Little Washington" this afternoon, a young son of Walter Smith, colored was probably fatally shot by Ed. Hadley a colored boy. The latter was playing with a loaded pistol.

Hadley was arrested and lodged in jail to await the result of the wound to young Smith.

Death of Mrs. Sallie A. Waters, of LaGrange.

Mrs. Sallie A. Waters, of LaGrange, grandmother of W. H. Waters, of this city, died Friday at her home at an advanced age. She is survived by several children, who are prominent citizens of LaGrange.

The funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, Rev. J. A. Brown officiating.

Marriage License.

The first marriage license to be issued in March by Register of Deeds W. G. Britt was today secured by Mr. C. F. Parker, of Johnston county, to wed Miss Alma Hall, daughter of the late G. P. Hall, of Brogden township.

TAFT SELECTS HIS INAUGURAL BIBLE

Book To Be Used In Taking Oath of Office on Thursday.

VOLUME A CENTURY OLD

Precedent Will Be Broken Here In That He Will Not Retain This Volume.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—William H. Taft will take the oath of office as President of the United States on the century-old Bible which belongs to the Supreme Court of the United States, and by it kept in sacred custody. There is a touch of sentiment in this decision which Mr. Taft announced tonight with the statement that had he become a member of the Supreme Court his oath would have been taken on the same book.

During the past few days there have been many offers of Bibles to the prospective President. He has not declined to receive the gifts, but his answer has been that it will be impossible for him to receive them for the purpose intended. It has been the custom of past Presidents to use a new or an historic Bible in taking their oath of office, and each has retained the book thereafter. Mr. Taft will make no claim on the Bible of his choice, and it will go back to the archives of the ancient court, for which there are many evidences of reverend respect and lingering fondness on the part of Mr. Roosevelt's successor.

Precedent in another inaugural detail is to be broken next Thursday in the intention of President Roosevelt to go from the inaugural ceremonies at the Capitol direct to his train for Oyster Bay, and not return to the White House in the carriage with Mr. Taft. It is possible that Mrs. Taft may occupy this vacant seat.

From morning service at the Unitarian Church, Mr. Taft today went to the White House, where he went over with President Roosevelt that portion of his inaugural address which discusses what is to be his policy respecting the foreign relations of the country. No material changes, if any, will be made in the address as a result of the conference.

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