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NORTH CAROLINA HAIL INSURANCE CO.

WITH A CAPITAL STOCK OF
\$25,000.00.

Is a New Enterprise For Louisburg—
To do a General Hail and Storm
Insurance Business For Crops.

What will prove to be one of the most beneficial organizations for the farmers' that has ever been established in this section will no doubt be the North Carolina Hail Insurance Company, which has been organized in Louisburg with a capital stock of \$25,000.00, to do a general hail and storm insurance business for the benefit of the farmers. This company was promoted by Mayor James A. Turner, who is widely known in the insurance business throughout the State, and is thoroughly capable of engineering plans that will make a successful enterprise, both to the policy holders and to the stockholders. It will be unlike the former mutual hail insurance companies as there will be no assessments or no conditions that the policy will be paid if all members "pay in." On the contrary this will be what might be termed a straight contract company as it will write only policies that will carry positive benefits such as the present day fire insurance policies. A premium will be placed upon each policy determined by the risk in question and after that it is paid, you will have a stated protection, which will be paid upon the compliance with the plans of settlement. The Company will have its head offices in Louisburg and will operate branch offices in a number of adjoining counties, especially in Wake, Nash, Wilson and Lenoir.

The organization of this Company will fill a long felt need among the farmers' in this section and in the State. There is no reason why a company of this kind should not be of as much if not more, importance than insurance companies in other lines of business. The farmer risks not only his capital, but his whole year's work in the making of a crop, and the loss from hail being so complete in reality needs protection and we believe they will soon learn to appreciate the value of such when substantial Companies begin to write policies on a fair and safe basis to the farmer as well as the Company. From what we can learn this Company is going to take the lead in putting out a policy that will look a great deal to the real protection of the farmers' and our farmers' as a whole should very seriously consider the value of protection and the policy the North Carolina Hail Insurance Co., puts out.

From time to time as the organization becomes more perfected we will inform our readers, and in the meantime let us wish for it a big success, both to the Company and the farmers' who partake of its benefits.

Co. F. Passes Good Inspection.

Franklin, Feb. 9.—The annual inspection of Co. F, the local military company, took place last Monday morning, the inspectors being for the U. S. A. Capt. R. C. Langdon and for the State, Col. Thos. Stringfield. The Company made an exceptional fine showing, best for several years and was complimented very highly on attendance, drill and nonloss of property. Although the weather was cold 60 men and two officers met the inspectors at the station in line. The property loss was nothing, all property being in the armory, and Sergt. C. C. Kearney was warmly praised for the neat manner in which it is being kept. The Captain was in receipt of a phone message Monday night from General L. W. Young, who said he was highly pleased with the showing the company made and asking that Capt. Kearney extend his personal thanks to each man who took part in the inspection. The company is an organization of which the town and county should be proud.

Capt. Finitator to Main Line.

On account of the decrease in traffic the Seaboard Air Line has made a change in force on the Louisburg branch. Capt. J. H. Finitator has been transferred to the Main Line and conductor Byrum, whose former run between Henderson and Durham has been discontinued, has been given this position.

Capt. Finitator will move his family to Franklin and we understand Mr. C. C. Hudson will occupy his residence on Church street. He and his good wife have many friends in Louisburg, who will regret to know that they will leave.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

You are cordially invited to worship with this congregation Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. At the morning hour the pastor will speak on "The Ministry of the Spirit," a most important as well as highly interesting theme. At night the subject will be, "Searching for the Goodliest of the Pearls of Life." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. B. Y. F. U., Sunday night at 8:45. Do not wait for the bell to ring. This will be the final meeting of the new president, Mr. A. O. Dickens. All the young people are urged to be present promptly.

Paying the income tax is distinction few of us crave.

EDITOR WENDELL TIMES ASSAULTED.

Set Upon By Three Men On Account of An Editorial in Paper.

Mr. F. H. May, editor of the Wendell Times, was assaulted on the streets of Wendell at 8:30 today by three men because of an article he printed in his paper regarding the moral innocence of an unnamed church deacon who kept liquor in his house and the responsibility of a fellow who stole it, got drunk and sobbered up in the town jail. The trial was to be heard this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Amos Dean, Mr. C. S. Hobgood, his son-in-law, and Mr. Carroll Dean, a son, were the assailants. Mr. May was going to his office with a bundle of papers under one arm and a pail of milk under the other when he was set upon by the trio, knocked down, and otherwise badly handled. He had on his glasses, and was not given time to remove them, he said. As soon as he appeared to be getting on even terms with one of his assailants, another would enter, and as a result, he has a bruised face, a rather large knot on his head and a few tender places.

Mr. Amos Dean, it appears, is the deacon who had liquor in his possession.—Raleigh Times.

This to our minds, is only a case of where the deacon wanted Editor May to jump on the "other fellow" and rub him up and down the back for fooling with whiskey, but as for him Oh, no! He was a deacon in the church and whatever his short comings might be, must be covered up. Editor May was right in the position he took and the good people of Wendell should be open and free with their endorsements of his action.

Missionary Institute in Louisburg

Beginning Tuesday morning, February 23rd, and continuing through the day, there will be held in the Louisburg Baptist meeting house a Missionary Institute, which will be an exceedingly important meeting for the Baptist churches of the Tar River Association in this county. It is greatly desired that from one to a dozen or more of the leading men in each of these churches be present, so that they can carry back to their churches the suggestions and enthusiasm received at the Institute. It is not necessary for you to be formally sent by your church. Let as many as possible can come. The meeting will be worth while. The Louisburg church will be glad to entertain all who attend.

This is one of a series of Institutes that will be held the same week in Henderson, Nolina, Littleton, and Warrenton. Besides the fine array of talent from the Tar River Association on the program, Rev. W. E. Crocker, a returned missionary from China, who was educated at Wake Forest College, will add much interest to the meeting. Mr. Crocker has been in China for a number of years, and he has a message to tell which he can do in a most interesting way. The following is the program:

- #### Tuesday Morning.
- 10:00 a. m.—"Devotional meeting"—J. F. Mitchiner.
 - 10:30 a. m.—"Statistical study of the minutes of the Tar River Association"—W. B. Morton.
 - 11:00 a. m.—"Can conditions be improved and by whom"—S. L. Morgan Henderson.
 - 11:30 a. m.—"Methods of Missionary Education in the local churches and Woman's Work"—Wallace Hartsell, Bunn.
 - 12:00 a. m.—"How to Organize a church to take care of its finances"—W. M. Gilmore.
 - 12:30 p. m.—"Spirituality Basal to Missions"—G. M. Duke, Mapleville.
- #### Afternoon Session.
- 2:30 p. m.—"Proportionate, systematic, Weekly Giving and Every Member Canvass"—E. R. Nelson, Henderson.
 - 3:00 p. m.—"Missionary Day in the Sunday Schools"—Ivey Allen.
 - 3:30 p. m.—"The Present Urgency of Home and Foreign Missions"—T. J. Taylor, Warrenton.
- #### Night Session.
- 7:30 p. m.—Address by Rev. W. E. Crocker, China.

Marriage Licenses.

Register of Deeds Yarbrough, issued marriage licenses to the following couples during the month of January:

White—Sanford White and Addie Long, Lang Young and Sue Wheeler, Sam Thompson and Cora Thomas, Maltus Privett and Novie Frasier, W. N. Inscow and Claude E. Pearce, P. P. Barnett and Mary Wilkes, Calum Lancaster and Benjie Smith, W. T. Walters and Essie Henderson, Kenneth Powell and Cassie Loyd, Gentle McGhee and Minnie Nowell, A. E. Spivey and Eva Moore, Joe Davis Medlin and Ollie Geans.

Colored—Earnest Eaton and Bessie Davis, Earnest Moore and Ella Harris, Frank Maeon and Alice Egerton, Dennis Foster and Della Alston, Walter Johnson and Sallie M. Wilder, Joe Bryan Brown and Mary Debnam, Henry Williams and Anna Alston, Will Harris and Lucy Moore, Fred Nicholas and Maggie Littlejohn, G. V. Cheek and Lula Doston, Fred Perry and Fannie Green, Baldy Williams and Sarena Johnson.

Strange Rockefeller hasn't fished about the hard times!

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMENCEMENT

TO BE HELD IN LOUISBURG WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31ST.

Big Preparations Are Being Made to Make This the Biggest Occasion of its Kind in the State—Much Amusement for Young and Old—Come, Your Friends Will Be Here.

We are publishing below the programme announced by Supt. E. L. Best for the County Commencement Exercises to be held in Louisburg, March 31st, 1915. Everything possible will be done to make the day pleasant for all and it is hoped that every child, parent and citizen of the County will be present on that day. Familiarize yourself with the programme and come and be with us. The programme follows:

- #### Exercises for the Morning.
- The teachers and their pupils will please be in their respective places in the grove of the Louisburg Graded school, by 10:30. There will be Marshalls to conduct each school to its allotted places. Each school may choose its own banner, and if possible have two of your Committeemen, or Trustees to lead your procession. The parade will be formed in the following order:
- Dunns Township—Pearce, Pine Ridge, Pilot, Dunn.
 - Harris Township—Royal, New Hope, Rock Springs, Riley, Prospect.
 - Youngsville Township—Graded School, Oak Level, Roberts, Flat Rock.
 - Franklinton Township—Pope's, Mt. Olivet, Graded School, Mitchiner, Katesville.
 - Hayesville Township—Winn, Whitakers, Balance Rock, Epson.
 - Sandy Creek Township—Laurel, Moulton, Kearneys, Mountain Grove, Alston.
 - Gold Mine Township—Centerville, Woods, Sandy Creek, Pearce.
 - Cedar Rock Township—Wilder, Cedar Rock, Red Bud, White Level.
 - Cypress Creek Township—Oak Ridge, Justice, Seven Paths.
 - Louisburg Township—Graded School, Mapleville, Hickory Rock, Hayes, Ingleside.

In this order the parade, led by the Board of Education and a Brass band will proceed down Main street, circle the Court square and return to the Graded School grove, where the exercises will be taken up in the following order.

- 11:15—Song, "Carolina".
- Invocation.
- 11:30—Annual address by Supt. J. Y. Joyner.
- 12:30—Presentation of diplomas to the Seventh Grade Graduates, and the reading circle certificates to the teachers of the County.
- 1:00—Basket picnic.

- #### Exercises For the Afternoon.
- Athletics for boys over 12 years of age.
- Basket-ball game, championship of County.
- 100 Yard Race.
 - 220 Yard Race.
 - 440 Yard Race.
 - One Mile Relay Race.
 - High Jump.
 - Broad Jump.
 - Athletics for boys 12 years of age and under.
 - 100 Yard Race.
 - High Jump.
 - Broad Jump.
- Place and time: Louisburg Athletic Park 2:30.
- Declamation contest for the boys below the eighth grade. (Limit six minutes.)
- Recitation contest for the girls below the eleventh grade. (Limit six minutes.)
- Dramatization contest, for the boys and girls below the eleventh grade.—Place and time, Graded School grounds, 2:30.

Exhibit contest—In the hall of the Board of Education, there will be reserved a small space for each school in the County to place on exhibit, any work done by the pupils during the year. Be sure to get the exhibits in by the 12th of March.

For the Basket-ball, Declamation, Recitation, and Dramatization contests, there will be two preliminary contests, the first will decide to championship of the School, and will be under the supervision of the teacher, the second will decide the championship of the Township, and will be under the supervision of a representative from your Township. This will be held on the 12th of March.

- #### Prizes.
- To the School having the largest per cent on its enrollment in the parade.
 - To the boy having the best declamation.
 - To the School having the best dramatized story.
 - To the girl having the best recitation.
- There will also be a prize offered for each of the Athletic feats.
- Any further information will be gladly furnished by your Township representative or your County Superintendent.

Missionary Society.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church met in a devotional meeting with Mrs. E. C. Allen on Monday afternoon at 8 o'clock. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Wingate Underhill, with scripture lesson and prayer.

The lesson for the afternoon was taken from the class magazine. "In Royal Service." The topics for the afternoon's discussion were "Local Work" and "How to Carry on a Missionary meeting."

Plans for a great Missionary rally to be held two weeks later were made. Large crowds and a very instructive and enjoyable time is expected then.

Be hopeful! A wave of prosperity is on the way, and the ground hog couldn't see his shadow.

D. WARD KING'S HOME STATE

Will Drag 7,000 Miles of Highway. Governor Major Signed The Bill April 18, And It Became The Law At Once.

Governor Major approved the bill to use \$225,000 of the State's money to drag the roads connecting all county seats.

It is to be borne in mind that both these bills distributed the State's money practically equally among the counties. But the bill which he rightly vetoed apportioned the money in 115 equal parts with no specific provision for its expenditure, and with the almost certain results that it be frittered away by county politicians.

By the good bill, which the governor approved, the counties will get the money, but it will be applied to dragging roads to and from the county seats—roads selected with the advice of the state highway department. The result will be a system of 7,000 miles of connected, good earth roads. The roads will be excellent in themselves. They will be excellent, also, in furnishing an incentive to macadam highways and providing the system to be macadamized.—Kansas City (Mo.) Star.

Farmers' Institutes.

The Farmers' Institute held under the auspices of the State Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the Farmers' Institute Committee of Franklin County, will be held at Louisburg, Wednesday, March 3rd, beginning at 10:30 o'clock.

Discussions on farm operations, crops, Live Stock, marketing etc., by T. B. Parker, director of Farmers' Institute, R. L. Sloan, Assistant director Farmers' Institute, and others.

There will be held at the same time and place a Woman's Institute conducted by Mrs. Carrie Huggins-Garner, of the State Department of Agriculture, to which women are invited to come and join in the discussion of subjects pertaining to Household Economics, Home Conveniences, Health in the Home, and Education of our Children, and other topics of interest to Mothers and Home-makers.

Three premiums will be given to women and girls living on the farm as follows:

A year's subscription to a woman's magazine will be given to the woman over 20 years of age, living on the farm, who bakes and exhibits the highest scoring loaf of bread. A year's subscription to a magazine will also be given to the girl under 20 years of age, who lives on the farm, exhibiting the highest scoring loaf of bread. Only one of the above prizes to a family. A premium will also be given to the girl from the farm and exhibiting the best pone of corn bread.

For full particulars concerning these premiums, the rules and regulations concerning them, write to the Director of Farmers' Institute, Raleigh, N. C. They will also be published in the county newspapers.

Everyone is invited to bring lunch and come prepared to spend the day. A question box will be opened and the questions answered in a round table discussion in the afternoon. Bring a notebook and pencil.

Raleigh Minstrels to Play Here.

The theatre-goers of this city will no doubt be glad to learn that the Raleigh Minstrels are to play in Louisburg Friday night, February 12th. The Raleigh Minstrels need no introduction to the readers of this paper, as they played here several years ago and pleased all who were present. The company is under the direction of the Hiker Bros., who have enlarged it a great deal. They have been highly praised in the cities where they have played this season.

The first part introduces Ray Ewing, Emil Hiker, Wm. Woodall, and Lonnie Adams, black faced comedians, featuring the latest minstrel songs, new jokes and dances. Among the soloists are: Tommie Alford, tenor, Frank Cates, tenor, and Wm. Norwood, baritone, assisted by a large chorus.

The second part consists of five big vaudeville acts as follows: "Ray Ewing's Monologue." Mr. Ewing is a well known comedian, having been connected with some of the leading minstrels of the country. "Hiker, Bros. Dancing Marvels," eccentric, soft shoe, buck and wing dancing. "Adams, Jones and Adams acrobats and Contortionists." "Trans-Atlantic Quartette." And concluding with a black face entitled "The Long Distance Telephone."

The members of the troupe are to come over in automobiles, and they guarantee two hours of solid fun.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club.

Mrs. E. S. Ford entertained Tuesday afternoon in a delightful way the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club. All members were present and the club was glad to have with them as guests: Mrs. Walter Gilmore, Mrs. Ivey Allen, Miss Mildred Brown, of New York, Mrs. Bennett Perry and Mrs. Felix Allen.

"France was the subject for study, and Mrs. J. A. Turner gave an excellent outline of its past and present history. A reading, "The Confession," was given by Mrs. S. J. Parham, and Miss Sallie Williams as is her wont charmed the club with her beautiful music.

At the completion of this most delightful program, delightful refreshments were served and the club adjourned to meet two weeks later with Mrs. Emory G. Hicks.

BANQUET AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

GIVEN BY THE LADIES MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Of the Methodist Church Upon the Completion of the Sunday School Annex—A Most Enjoyable Evening.

What proved to be one of the most enjoyable social events of the season was the "get-together banquet" given on last Monday night by the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Methodist Church in the new and handsome Sunday school annex to the men of the Church and a number of invited guests. About a hundred covers were laid and as the merry number faced each other around the banquet tables, with Rev. Mr. Wilcox, pastor of the Church as Master of ceremonies, a bounteous seven course dinner was served by the ladies of these Societies. At the same time the guests were enjoying this elegant supper, beautiful music was being rendered by Misses House of Thelma and Ailes of Louisburg College and the following toasts were given.

"Woman and Woman's Work," by E. H. Malone, which was responded to in a rich and graceful manner, by Mrs. Jas. A. Turner, representative from the missionary societies, whose toast was so highly complimented that we give it here in full.

"Possibly like all good little children you were taught that man was made and after him woman, and that she should go on her way satisfied with this arrangement; but I am here this evening to tell you that in Louisburg the tables have turned, and our men come willingly and gladly after the women. We were not driven to suffrage to bring about such a condition either, and not one of us went to Raleigh to have Dr. Anna Howard Shaw show us how to manage the men. Our mothers taught us this as a necessary part of every well trained girl's education.

"Ask who it was that 15 years ago said "we must tear down and build larger, and if each brick in our well loved church does not represent a labor of love and self sacrifice from some noble hearted woman."

"As a missionary society have we not labored with you for this beautiful new room, and stood with funds ready, even at such a critical time in this financial crisis, to finish it ready for occupancy?"

This evening we are here in large numbers to feed you, we have tried to do it well, because we know that on this ground above all other we shall stand or fall in the estimation of the men.

"As a representative of the Woman's Missionary Society, it gives me pleasure to thank our gifted townsman and co-laborer in this great Sunday school work in Louisburg for the kind words he has said of us this evening. Shall I say that we have been rated too high? No, a thousand times, no! For we believe that while the Sunday school stands as the great strong right arm of the church, the Woman's Missionary Society stands as its trusted left, and is moved and controlled by impulses straight from the heart of as noble, consecrated a society of women as can be found in the Old North State.

"We have branches of work not alone for adults but that reach out with love and minister to the children and young people of our church. We have committees to whom the sick and destitute in our community have learned to come, for by experience they know that here they will find sympathy and help in time of trouble. Others see that boxes of clothing and things dear to the child's heart are sent to our fatherless ones at the Orphanage in Raleigh, and often boxes and money are sent our Methodist preachers serving the hard fields of work in North Carolina.

"We have a publicity bureau, and are striving through the religious and secular press to put our work and need before the world. Our work is great, our needs far greater. I must say to our honored guests and townsman present that, were it not for the men of the Methodist Church, I should not stand here tonight because there would not be a Missionary Society to represent. It is through their efforts and sympathy "we are what we are." God bless the men with backbone in the Louisburg Methodist Church."

"The Spirit of Fraternity Between the Louisburg Churches," by Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, of the Baptist church.

"Some Reminiscences of the Louisburg Methodist Church," by F. N. Egerton.

"Men and Bible Study," by Wiley M. Person.

"The Official Life, or Place of Leadership in the Church," by presiding elder, M. T. Plyer, of Raleigh.

"A Bigger and a Better Sunday School," by Sunday school secretary, M. W. Bramham, of Durham.

F. B. McKinnis, the progressive Sunday school Superintendent of the Louisburg Methodist church, to whom as well as to the pastor, much credit is due for the forward movement of the church, presented E. Joseph Cheatham, a prominent Sunday school worker from Franklin, who spoke most interestingly of his Sunday school in that town.

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