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## REV. STAMPS PRESIDENT FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Election Held Saturday and Work Begun to Make This a Most Successful Fair.

The directors formerly elected by the stockholders of the Franklin county Association held their first meeting last Saturday afternoon in the rooms of the Board of Education and made the election of officers for the coming year.

The temporary organization was made by calling Rev. M. Stamps to preside and Dr. A. H. Fleming to act as secretary.

Nominations being in order the name of Rev. M. Stamps as President was placed before the Board and his election made unanimous with opposition.

Mr. A. O. Dickens was elected secretary and Mr. M. S. Clifton treasurer. An executive committee composed of Messrs. J. A. Turner, W. H. Allen, B. N. Williamson, J. A. Boone and Dr. A. H. Fleming were elected. A motion prevailed that the Association should have ten Vice-Presidents one from each township and their nomination was left to the Executive committee. A committee to draft the constitution and By-Laws of the Association was appointed by the President and was composed of Messrs. J. A. Boone, P. S. Allen and J. C. Jones.

Arrangements are beginning to take form to put through a most successful Fair this fall and many reports have been received where a great many are already preparing exhibits.

The horse racing gives promise of being a big feature as we have already heard of about twelve nice horses in the county being put through a training process to be ready for the occasion. The Executive committee informs us they will see that there will be plenty amusements and of such a nature that there will be no room for criticisms. The agricultural display will be the biggest feature no doubt and big efforts are being put forth to make this the best of all local Fairs.

The Executive Committee is now busy formulating the details in connection with the plans and we hope to be able to give them in full next week, at present there is no plan sufficiently advanced to give any definite information concerning.

### Joyful Times at Camp Joy.

On Monday morning July 12th, a party of ten good sports including the chaperone, Mrs. C. H. Blacknell, of Kittrell, N. C., who was the best ever, arrived at Camp Joy. The camping party were met by the most important "Dan the Cook," with a greeting of "Hi! Captain!"

The first night quite a musical concert rendered by the Mosquito and Frogs, was enjoyed by the entire crowd, and at daybreak next morning imitations of barn-yard melodies were rendered by the boys.

The girls then speedily donned their kakhki suits and announced themselves in readiness for most everything, such as swimming, high diving, fishing horse back riding, dancing, automobile and many other amusements that camp life affords. The biggest feature of the swimming pool was Julia and Liza's original "High Dive."

Three times a day the dining table was heavily laden with everything that was calculated to tempt the appetite of a camping crowd, and served in a way peculiar to "Dan our Cook." Between midnight and one a. m., the dining table was then converted into a vaudeville stage, and many enjoyable and amusing "Stunts" were pulled off, among which "Prof. Lotto," and his "Dusky Southern Damsels" were easily the stars.

Thursday night screams from the girls apartments were heard and cries of "Buddie!" "William!" The first to arrive on the scene was Ben carrying a lantern and an empty pistol, with the sad remains of an old sheet wrapped around him, but on this occasion Ben lost the opportunity of his life to become a hero, because of the briars which had no mercy on his bare feet—thus the "Hant" escaped. Then it happened that William and George had to spend the balance of the night on ground, sleeping like "Old Brer Rabbit" in "Uncle Remus" with one eye open. While these exciting times were going on in camp, two pigs were lying in state, one donated by our devoted friend a councillor in times of sickness, Dr. "Dick" Yarborough, this pig it will be well to say was brought into camp in the arms of Sterling Brickell, for ten days picnic.

Between ten and one o'clock the next day, it being Friday, numerous automobiles and other conveniences, such as Ox Carts, were brought into use and by two o'clock the appointed hour for serving the barbecue, were about forty friends from Louisburg and adjoining towns to enjoy this delightful occasion.

On Saturday exactly at midnight out of the darkness shot a white streak, alarming the camp with many blood curdling whoops and yells. At first we were undecided whether it was a tribe of Indians or a herd of Buffaloes; but if proved to be nothing more harmful than Dr. Fleming and Sterling Brickell in the "Mocking Bird." There was no more rest in the boys tent that night, because of the arrival of these merry makers. The girls slumbers were also pleasantly disturbed by the merry laughter of Sterling. Early Sunday morning to a dismay of the whole camp the engine of the "Mocking Bird" was heard leaving; but soon after it was heard returning and on the arrival was found to be

loaded down with cantelopes, oranges and many other things which were warmly welcomed.

I wish to take this opportunity in behalf of the whole Camping Party to thank our numerous friends for the many gifts of good things to eat, and judging from the size of the baskets and other receptacles which were brought into camp by these kind givers, we could not believe that there was such a thing as a war going on anywhere on earth, but it seems as though the authorities had stricken out the words "Hard Times" from the English Vocabulary.

When Tuesday morning came and the beginning of the hauling down of the tents and packing up, there was an overflow of tears equal to the rain, which had fallen the night before. Soon after everything was in readiness for the departure and Dan with the "goods, wares and merchandise" was sent on ahead to warn the "Town Folks" that the party of campers from Camp Joy were on their way returning.

Those spending the entire time were: Mrs. C. H. Blacknell, chaperone, of Kittrell, N. C.; Misses Evelyn Graham, of Machpelah, N. C.; Eliza Moore, of Greenville, N. C.; Allen Webb, of Roxboro, N. C.; Mary Belle Macon, of Lynne Hall and Julia Barrow, of Louisburg, N. C. The others under certain conditions who are sometimes called stags, but in this case, were: Messrs. Edwin Speed, of Franklinton, N. C.; George F. Walker, Ben A. Sumner, better known in Camp as "Prof. Lotto," and Wm. B. Barrow, of Louisburg, N. C. Among the many visitors were Miss Mary Moore and Mr. W. L. Nobles, of Greenville, N. C.

The site and grounds were tendered to the party by the generous and hospitable Mr. G. W. Ford, of Louisburg, N. C., to whom the Camping Party is largely indebted for their happy time. A MEMBER.

### LAST WEEK MOST ENJOYABLE

Picnics in Many Sections—Children's Day and Tackety Party. Saturday was a day of picnics and therefore much enjoyment for the older as well as the younger people in Franklin county.

At Mapleville a most enjoyable day was had and a large crowd heard a most interesting address from Rev. G. M. Duke. It was primarily a Children's Day and under the auspices of the Betterment Association.

Supt. E. L. Best went up to Pope's where he reports one of the finest occasions he has ever witnessed. It was the occasion of a joint picnic of the Sunday school and the Farmers' Union, Mr. G. W. Whitaker, of Franklinton was master of ceremonies and handled the occasion with much ease.

Supt. E. L. Best addressed the audience in behalf of the Sunday school and made a most forceful argument, which was both interesting and instructive. The address for the Farmers' Union was made by Dr. Templeton, Vice-President of the State organization who did his subject and himself much credit. Quite a large crowd was in attendance and a most bountiful and enjoyable dinner was served on the grounds.

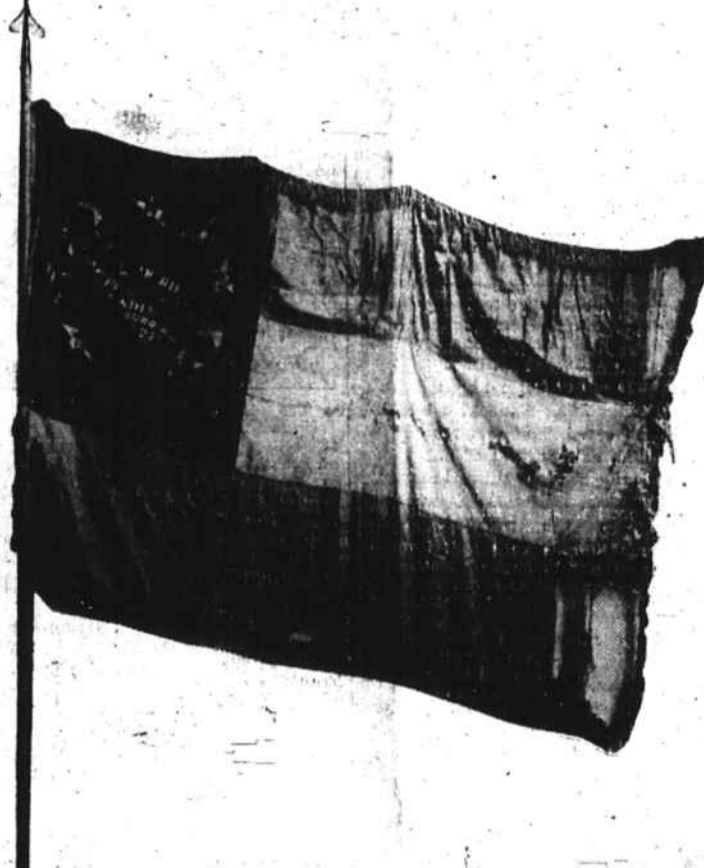
At Epsom Hon. T. W. Bickett, Attorney-General and our next Governor, was the orator of the day at a most enjoyable little picnic. Quite a good number were present and enjoyed one of Mr. Bickett's most excellent heart to heart talks, which can't help but make everyone in its hearing feel better for having heard it. Dinner was also served here on the grounds and greatly enjoyed.

At Cedar Rock at night a most enjoyable Tackety Party was given by the Betterment Association and was largely attended and enjoyed. Special music was given by the Mandolin, guitar, violin, banjo and auto harp players of the community. Not out of their sphere in such a gathering the players presented themselves in gaudy attire to match those who pranced the rostrum in competition for prizes. Mr. Melvin Robinson, called upon by Mr. T. H. Sledge who conducted the party in a tacky and humorous style delivered the prizes to Mr. Everett Inasco and Mrs. E. S. Fulghum. The proceedings were tacky and in the language of Mr. Ollie Sledge, one of the judges, "The ancients, could they have witnessed the occasion, would have blushed to see our generation out class them in art." After the intended was all over refreshments were served for the benefit of the school and the delightful evening polished by Miss Hobgood, of Mapleville, in two joy maker readings.

Sunday at Piney Grove Children's Day was observed. The occasion was an enjoyable one as the little ones who had parts did much credit to themselves and certainly must have caused a proud feeling to be realized by their parents. Supt. E. L. Best delivered an most enthusiastic and soul inspiring address in the morning and Mr. W. W. Holmes entertained the audience with one of his fine speeches that afternoon. A bountiful repast was served on the grounds.

At Ransdell Chapel on Sunday a Sunday school picnic was the order of the day and quite a large number were present and enjoyed it. The addresses by Rev. W. M. Gilmore and Mr. W. G. Ransdell on different places of Sunday school work were greatly enjoyed, and are calculated to be of untold benefit to this section. The dinner which was served on the ground was no small part of the day as it consisted of everything good to eat. The children enjoyed in any amusements and spent a most pleasant day.

## THE SILENT WITNESS



During the summer of 1914, Miss Jessica R. Smith spent sometime in Louisburg collecting proofs of her Father's claim of being the designer of the Stars and Bars. She was first told by Miss Mattie Brown, formerly of Louisburg, but now Warrenton, of a flag that had been copied from Major Smith's and presented by the Ladies of our town to the Franklin Rifles, a Volunteer Company, which was organized here at least a month before North Carolina passed the ordinance of secession. Up to last summer the old flag had been sacredly treasured as a relic of the hallowed past, but no special significance had been attached to its design. When it was lifted from its wrappings, however, and tenderly unfolded, it mutely but eloquently pleaded for the establishment of Major Smith's claim, for it was in truth a perfect Stars and Bars.

Other witnesses, besides Miss Brown, testified to the Flag's having been copied directly from Major Smith's, so we may justly feel that it is one of the strongest links in his chain of evidence. It was made in Petersburg, Va., under the direction of Mrs. Claiborne, wife of Dr. John Herbert Claiborne, of that city. Mrs. Claiborne's life, since early infancy, had been spent in Louisburg, and she was especially interested in carrying out the wishes of her friends here.

It is said that Miss Ella Noble gave a silk dress for its field of blue. If so, it could not have been from a scarcity of silk at that period, but simply that she wished something of hers to go into the making of the flag. On one side of the field is North Carolina's Coat-of-Arms, now almost obliterated; on the other, in gilt letters as clear and distinct as if painted yesterday, is this inscription, "Our Lives to Liberty, Our Souls to God. Franklin Rifles, presented by the ladies of Louisburg, N. C., April 27th, 1861." The exercises took place in the College Chapel, and Miss Ella Noble was chosen to make the address of presentation. Capt. W. F. Green received the Flag and gave it into the hands of the Ensign, W. K. Barham, both of these gentlemen making eloquent and patriotic speeches. The first Lieutenant was A. S. Perry; Second, W. H. Yarborough and Third, W. S. Harris. This Company was drilled and prepared for service here in our town, but ere their departure for the front, our Mother State with her characteristic deliberation had moved to her place among her sister states, and shouted aloud her cry "To Arms!" and no hearts responded with a truer devotion no hands were raised to register a more undying allegiance, and no feet went forth more bravely and willingly to do her bidding than those of our beloved Franklin Rifles. The night before they left many of our citizens met in the Methodist church for prayer to Him who alone could save in danger's hour, but He only who never slumbers could know of the other virgins of that night, of the agonizing supplications in the darkened chambers of our saddened homes.

When the morning of June first came, our streets were thronged by those who had come to say good-bye to the "Boys in Grey." As the soldiers formed in ranks and marched down Main street, they halted in front of an office which stood near where Dr. Yarborough's office now stands, and were eloquently addressed by W. K. Barham, and others. Cheer after cheer rent the air, and all was enthusiasm and excitement. After this had in some degree subsided, they again formed in line and came up the street a short distance, then turning, went down in single file past the crowds of ladies who stood on the sidewalk in front

of the old Shaw place to say farewell, to clasp the hands and kiss the lips of those they knew and loved and to bid God-speed to each and all. At last, beneath the silken folds of this old Flag, they passed beyond the reach of clinging arms, and the vision of tear-dimmed eyes, but none can tell of the desolation of the hearts that were left to wait in silence the issues of the distant future.

Of those who went forth that day, some came back to us, with heart-ache and disappointment, it is true, but with unstained honor and proven valor, and "unfraid and unshamed" they faced the dark days of Reconstruction, and lived among us brave and useful lives. Others, alas! were brought in a bullet-hole through his breast and his boyish face upturned to the moon.

This old Flag, which we value beyond measure, was sent back to Louisburg before the close of the war, and entrusted to Miss Noble for safekeeping. After her marriage to Capt. Charles Hill Thomas, she left to make her home in Tennessee; but before leaving, sent the Flag to her aunt, Mrs. Jones Fuller. Since 1890, Mrs. J. E. Malone has been its custodian, and she hopes to prove that it is really the first "Stars and Bars" that was presented to any military organization. So far, none has been found to ante-date, this old and valued relic.

Louisburg, N. C., July 21st, 1915.  
A. F. Johnson, Editor,  
Franklin Times,  
Louisburg, N. C.

Dear Sir:  
At a recent meeting of the Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, a committee was appointed to draft suitable resolutions, thanking you for the many favors extended our organization, through your valuable paper.

I have the honor to hand you herewith a copy of the resolutions adopted and we will thank you to publish same. The public knows of your service to our Chapter and we desire that the public shall be apprised also of our sincere appreciation of this service.

Very respectfully,  
Mrs. J. W. Mann Secretary.  
Resolutions of thanks to the Editor of the Franklin Times.

Whereas, The Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy is deeply grateful to the editor of the Franklin Times for his generous support in carrying out its ideals and for the many courtesies extended during the entire period of its organization, and whereas, The said organization desires to express its appreciation of the kindness above mentioned:  
Be it resolved: That the sincere thanks of the Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy is hereby extended to Mr. A. F. Johnson, the editor of The Franklin Times for the kind and generous courtesies extended to our organization. Be it resolved further: That a copy of these resolutions be published in The Franklin Times.  
Mrs. S. J. Parham,  
Mrs. W. E. White,  
Mrs. J. W. Mann, Com.

An Appreciation.  
To the above I wish to add a personal word of thanks for the unvary-

ing kindness and courtesies shown me by the Editor of The Times, and his staff, for the five years during which I served as Secretary of the Joseph J. Davis Chapter and this past year during which I have had the honor of serving as its President. It's a pleasant memory to carry with me always.  
Mrs. Robt. H. Davis.

Franklin County War History.  
I have been requested to obtain all the information possible relative to the military history of Franklin county during the period of 1861-1865. I will be very grateful for any help given along this line.

I would like to know the number of companies that went from this county, and if possible, to procure rosters of these companies. If any interesting incidents of personal history can be given me, I will greatly appreciate the kindness.  
Mrs. J. E. Malone, Historian,  
J. J. Davis Chapter U. D. C.

Resolutions by Camp McKinne U. C. V.  
Camp McKinne No. 1527 United Confederate Veterans, in regular session assembled at the courthouse in Louisburg, Franklin county, North Carolina, July 27th, 1915, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved by Camp McKinne, No. 1527 United Confederate Veterans:  
First. That this Camp composed of Franklin county Veterans, who have had opportunity to know the real facts about the designing of the Stars and Bars and the raising of the flag on the Court Square in Louisburg, N. C.  
Second. That we are firmly persuaded that the claim of our comrade Orren Randolph Smith, that he was the designer of the Stars and Bars is founded in indisputable facts and that in the decision of the Confederate Veterans at Richmond, truth has prevailed.

Third. That we feel that the truth so established deserves to be perpetuated in some imperishable form and to that end, we urge the United Daughters of the Confederacy, who have done so much to defend our cause and preserve our history, to take steps to have erected on the Court Square in Louisburg, North Carolina, a suitable monument in honor of the Stars and Bars and the brave soldier who designed it.  
Fourth. That this meeting that each one of us commit himself to the enthusiastic and active support of this object and that the representatives of this Camp who may be appointed to the next State Reunion shall bring this subject to the attention of such reunion and request endorsement and support to aid in the accomplishment of this object.

P. G. ALSTON Act'g. Com.  
A. S. STROTHER Secy.

U. D. C.  
The Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the U. D. C. will meet with Mrs. M. S. Davis at the College, on Tuesday the 3rd of August, at 5:00 o'clock.  
Mrs. R. H. Davis, Pres.  
Mrs. J. W. Mann, Sec.

Weekly Weather Forecast.  
Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C. for the week beginning Wednesday, July 28, 1915.  
For South Atlantic and Gulf States: Generally fair weather and normal temperatures possible during the week except that scattered showers will likely occur in Florida and along the south Atlantic coast.

Franklin County Union.  
The Franklin Union of the Tar River Association will meet with the Maple Springs Baptist church the fifth Sunday in August, and the Saturday before. The program will be published later.

8 Pints of Booze Seized.  
Chief of Police High and night Policeman E. C. Perry made a raid on the house occupied by Elbert Harris back of Ford's plainer on the South side of the river and seized eight pints of booze Thursday night. They got "in the wind" of its presence the day before and waited until that night expecting to get both the booze and the owner, but he was absent and of course has failed to come forward and claim his booze.

Main Street Defeats Church Street.  
In a very interesting game of ball played at Williamson Park between Main and Church street Friday morning, Main street defeated Church street by the score of 3 to 0 the features of the game being the pitching of Alston and the hitting of Beasley for Main street.

Score by innings—  
Main Street 2 0 1 0 0 3 6 1  
Church Street 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 4  
Batteries for Main street, Alston and Egerton; for Church street, Smith and Egerton.

Louisburg Baptist Church.  
Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m., conducted by Rev. Baylus Cade, a former pastor. Pastor Gilmore and family have gone to Sanford for a ten day visit to his mother. Sunday school at 9:45, and B. Y. P. U. Monday 8:15 p. m.

Rev. L. W. Swope, of Shelby is visiting friends in Louisburg.

## AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. J. A. Turner left Wednesday for Fayetteville.

Miss Onnie Tucker returned from Black Mountain Friday.

Mr. T. H. Dickens returned Monday from a trip to Ocean View.

Mr. Sterling Brickell visited his people at Halifax this past week.

Mrs. F. A. Riff returned this week from a visit to Scotland Neck.

Mr. J. D. Boushall, of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. J. A. Coppedge, of Greensboro, is a visitor to Louisburg this week.

Mr. Wilson Green, of Sumter, S. C., is visiting his people here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pleasant spent Sunday at Buffalo-Lithia Springs, Va.

Miss Elizabeth Alston is on a visit to Miss Mary Page Wilder at Aberdeen.

Mr. F. C. Toepeman, of Henderson, was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

Messrs. F. N. Egerton and B. G. Hicks visited Seven Springs the past week.

Misses Lucy Pridden and Mamie Davis, of Creek, are visiting at the College.

Mr. J. S. Strickland left Monday to visit his uncle, Mr. George Conway, at Canton.

Mrs. C. M. Wilson and Mrs. J. T. Holt, of Wilson's Mill, are visiting Mrs. Lella Williamson.

Misses Jessica R. Smith and Lillian High left Wednesday for Wadesboro to visit Mrs. Eugene Little.

Mr. J. C. Massenburt left Tuesday for Fairmont, on a business trip for the American Tobacco Co.

Misses Ruth Hall, Florence Egerton and Ruth Hall left Saturday for a visit to Aurelian Springs.

Mr. J. S. Williams, wife and children and Miss Mollie Strickland returned Tuesday from a visit to Ocean View.

Rev. W. M. Gilmore, wife and little son Walter left Wednesday for Sanford to spend his vacation with his parents.

Messrs. B. T. Holden, F. J. Beasley, B. N. Williamson, and J. E. Thomas spent the week-end at Ocean View.

Mr. Frank Roth left Monday for the northern markets to purchase the fall and winter stock for the I. J. Deltz Co.

Misses Annie Davis Crudup and Lillie Crudup, of Wake Forest are visiting their sister, Mrs. R. P. Taylor.

Mrs. P. O. Petway, and children who have been visiting at the home of Mr. W. B. Cooke, left Tuesday for her home at Enfield.

Mr. M. C. Pleasants, Misses Sallie and Helen Pleasants and Miss Myrtle Renn, of Oxford, visited Buffalo Springs, Va., Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Allen and Mr. William Allen, of Goldsboro, and Miss Mabel Davis, of Jackson, are visitors at the College this week.

Misses Evelyn Graham, of Machpelah; Eliza Moore, of Greenville, and Messrs. Edwin Speed, of Franklinton spent the week end at the home of Mr. J. J. Barrow.

LOUISBURG TOACCO MARKET  
Promises to be Best Year in Many.

The several warehousemen in Louisburg are getting down to business in getting everything in readiness for the opening which will take place some where about September 1st. From what we can learn they are expecting this season to be the best and most interesting in many years and are going to put forth every effort to make the farmer see that it will be to his advantage to sell on this market. We understand some person or persons are circulating the report that there will be no market here this year. This is not true. There will be at least three warehouses to run here. The Farmers Union, The Farmers' and the Riverside, and each one is getting together strong forces. From present indications all the companies will be represented as heretofore. Look out for the announcements of the opening sales.

Let Off With the Costs.  
Gus Gouvas, the proprietor of the New York Quick Lunch on Court street was let off with the costs and a promise to not again violate the town's Sunday ordinance, by Mayor Joyner Monday. The officers gave notice last week that this law would be enforced and on Sunday everything was closed up in so far as cold drinks, cigars, cigarettes etc., were concerned except the Cafe which was caught in the act. The officers had several cases so we understand, against Gus, but having a desire to break up the practice rather than prosecute the offender, did not call him to account for but one as he agreed to observe the law in the future.

In this particular instance a most commendable spirit prevailed in the compliance with the law as no one else seemed to show any disposition to hinder its action.

Play at Bobbitt.  
We are requested to state that a play will be given for the benefit of the new church at Corbett by the young ladies of the Independent community at Bobbitt on next Tuesday night. The public is invited to come out and enjoy the afternoon.