

ASK AUTHORITY TO SELL COUNTY HOME

REQUIRE BANK TO GIVE \$5,000 BOND.

Several Constable Bonds Received—Accepts Reports—Arrange Meeting For Good Roads Question.

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County met in regular session on Monday with all members present except Earl. After reading and approving the minutes of the previous meeting business was disposed of as follows:

Sam Kelly was relieved of poll tax to the amount of \$3.80—non resident. W. H. Moseley was relieved of poll tax on account of having lost one leg.

Mr. F. B. McKinnis, Cashier First National Bank, depository for the School Fund, was before the Board relative to the Bond for the Bank.

Mr. J. B. Smith, Constable for Hayesville township, presented himself before the Board and took the usual oath of office.

Bridgett Malone was struck from pauper list—being dead. Bond of J. R. Parrish, Constable for Sandy Creek township, was received and filed.

Leo Wilkes was relieved of poll tax in Harris township—being afflicted. Report of J. J. Holden, Superintendent of County Home, was received and filed.

Report of Dr. J. E. Malone, County Health Officer, was received and filed. He reports County Home in good condition.

The delegates from Hayesville township asking for a road from Lou Rodgers to P. C. Smith were instructed to post notices as the law directs.

The claim of Montgomery & White for return of excess taxes was rejected by the Board.

The Board allowed 2500 feet of timber to build bridge near Wilder's in Cypress Creek township.

Mr. Matthews, of the State Highway Commission, appeared before the Board to meet with them and the Road Trustees of the County, but no Trustees being present it was deferred until the next meeting.

A resolution was passed asking Mr. W. H. Macon, Representative for Franklin County to have the General Assembly pass a bill as submitted to him giving the Board authority to sell and remove the County Home.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

Board of Education. The Board of Education of Franklin County met in regular session on Monday with all members present except Sandling. After reading and approving the minutes of the previous meeting the following business was transacted:

Mr. Herbert Boone's three children were added to the Franklin County list that are allowed to attend School at Castalla.

The Board agreed to pay one-half the cost for repairs and for a well at Seven Paths.

The appointment for 1918-19 was approved and ordered filed.

A number of accounts were allowed and the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

Mrs. Sara J. Barrow Dead. Another home was made sad when on last Saturday morning at eleven o'clock the soul of Mrs. Sara J. Barrow took its flight from earth to heaven.

She was in her seventy-ninth year, and had been a patient sufferer from Bright's disease for a good many years which was the direct cause of her death.

Mrs. Barrow was a Miss Pace, of Montgomery, Texas, and was married in 1854 to Mr. John L. Barrow of Louisburg, N. C. After living here about ten years returned to her old home in Texas, there she lived until after his death, returning here several years ago with Mr. Young and family.

While quite young she united with the Methodist church, of which she was a devoted advocate, always active in church and missionary work at her old home, never happier than when she could attend church regular or assist in the work to be done for others.

After returning here with health failing she would try to attend services as often as she could, not seeming to realize her condition, still wanted to work as of old, a devout Christian, and devoted mother, kind and thoughtful of others needs, never caring for self.

Mrs. Barrow had made many friends here and would often mention the acts of kindness they did for her. She leaves an only daughter, Mrs. R. H. Young, to mourn her loss. Her body was laid to rest Sunday afternoon at the city cemetery, there to await the resurrection morn.

And from the throne of her redeemer, A light fell with a softening beam That lighted her path through the valley.

Of death's dark and narrow stream." Subscribe to The Franklin Times Only \$1.50 per year in advance

CORP. JESSE J. JOYNER

Another home is left today With a vacant chair; Many hearts are filled with pain For one who is not there.

Another hero marched away Never to return, For he joined the ranks above. And in memory we hold dear The boy in khaki

Who knew not fear." On September 29th, 1918, Corp. Jesse J. Joyner, age 25 years, made the supreme sacrifice on the battlefield of Europe.

He was a member of Company D and left Camp Sevier for active service in



Corp. Jesse J. Joyner.

France in May, 1918. He was the son of the late William Joyner, of near Louisburg, N. C. and one of Franklin County's best boys. He is survived by a mother, Mrs. Lucy Joyner, a sister, Mrs. Ernest Griffin and three brothers, Messrs. Robert, Karmiliaus and John Lawrence Joyner. He has many relatives and friends to mourn his death and we sympathize with the bereaved ones.

LETTER FROM GERMANY.

Jan. 4th, 1919.

E Truck Co., 4th Corps

Artillery Park.

A. P. O. 776—A. E. F.

My dear Mother:— Well mother every time I get a letter from home, it says, why don't you write.

Listen, you know I write home most every week, and it sure does look like you would get my letters. I don't know what goes with all the mail.

Most all the boys say that their people don't hear from them much too. Well I guess it's so far and the most of the mail gets lost, don't you?

I guess the last letter you received from me made you feel a little funny, saying that I was in the hospital. I have been in there for the last ten days, but I'm going back to my company tomorrow. I had an awfully bad cold and the Dr. sent me to the hospital. I feel just fine now. I believe I feel better than I ever did and I'm just as fat as a pig. I think I will weigh 170 pounds, that does very well for me, don't you think?

Well you say Cade is liking Louisburg all right. I am glad he does for it is so much better when anybody likes their job. Tell him to write to me some times and tell me all the news around Louisburg, and find me a good looking girl around there.

Tell papa that I wrote to him the other day but I don't reckon he will ever get it.

And tell Glenn I wrote to him too. Mother you know he has been awfully nice to me since I have been in the army and I sure do thank him for it. I never will forget the people who have been so true and faithful.

Well, it seems that we are away from everybody over here. But I am glad to say that God is over here with us to watch and to take care of all our boys. Those who love and put their trust in him.

It is now most dinner time and I guess I had better stop for this time. Well I have been in Germany a month and I've been all over France. I'm in town called Cologne near the Rhine river, it is not a very large river.

The Germans look mighty mean, but they treat us real nice, so when I come home I will have a lot to tell.

I'm glad my little horse is getting on all right, so when I get home I will be the man that can drive her.

Tell Middle Lou I haven't seen any of the boys around home yet. I think that is something don't you?

I wish I could tell you when I can come home but I don't know I guess it will be two or three months yet.

Well goodbye. PRIVATE W. H. PARRISH.

Pestilence Caused More Deaths Than War. New York, Feb. 5.—Pestilence caused more deaths than war during the year 1918, according to the annual report of the New York Life Insurance Company made public here today.

While the death losses by the company in 1918 exceeded those of the previous year by \$5,000,000, it was stated that the actual number of deaths was five per cent less than the expected mortality.

Franklin County Club.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 29, 1919. The Franklin Times, Louisburg, N. C. Dear Sir:—

I am taking this opportunity to write you concerning the students of Franklin County and what they are doing in the way of keeping Franklin on the map at Carolina. All the men from Franklin County met the other evening and organized The Franklin County Club, a club in which the men from the county can get together and talk over the problems that come up in the county and in which the club and the University may be able to help solve.

At this meeting the following officers were elected: Wm. W. Neal, president; J. S. Massenbur, secretary; F. M. Cralle, treasurer; W. H. Ruffin, manager.

In our last meeting the Graham Memorial proposition was discussed and the club decided to aid, with all its influence, in the Graham Memorial campaign, which is going to be launched on the 10th of February.

The Memorial Fund is to be used in the erection of a building in the memory of Dr. E. K. Graham, the former president of the University. The plan of this building is as follows: It will be a Student Activity building in which will be located the Y. M. C. A., D. I. and Phi. societies, the headquarters of all the college publications which are the Tar Heel, Magazine, Yackety Yack, etc., a place where returning alumni may meet, a reception room where the relatives of the students may gather and a regular place where all the students may get together. There will also be located in this building a place where the Athletic Association can meet, and also the Dramatic and Music Clubs. The building will provide the university with an auditorium large enough to take care of the great number of people who visit here on many occasions. This is especially needed. The growth of the university in the past years has been great and the buildings here, which were erected when the student body numbered only 400, are inadequate for a student body which now numbers 1200. The student body and itself in a very cramped position and the purpose of this Memorial will be to give to boys of Carolina a better, bigger and brighter home in which they may transact their learning and research for the higher things in life.

The Franklin County Club is going to exert all the influence and power to get Franklin county people interested in this campaign in memory of one of its greatest educators, Dr. E. K. Graham, a man who has done more for the up-building of the university than any man in the state. Not only do we want every alumnus to subscribe to this fund, but every man and woman in the county. We do not want to limit any one from giving to this fund.

erecting this building. Dr. Graham was the people's teacher as well as the alumni of the county. He did more for the widespread of education throughout the whole state than any man in the last 10 years and we are calling on the whole of the people to contribute to this great cause in which the whole state is being benefited.

This university is the people's and it is they who pay taxes to keep it going and it is they who from all parts of the state and in all the counties, that are called on to subscribe to this Fund, which will go in erecting a building which will be daily used throughout the whole year, both for the interest of the people and also for the large student body which is increasing each year.

The amount which is going to be raised is \$150,000 and this club is asking you as the editor of the county paper to do all you can towards getting the news to the people of the county, to write an article urging the people to support the campaign and to make known to all the county that the University is their institution and that it not only renders a great service to our county but to all the state. Let the people also know that the University is ready at all times to serve the people and the state.

I am going to count on you to publish this news and to do what you can to get "pep" and keep that "pep" up until "old Franklin" does her share in the Graham Memorial Fund.

Very respectfully yours, J. S. MASSENBURG.

Immediate Action Necessary. We are requested to call the attention of our readers to the fact that it is urgently requested that all persons who made pledges to the United War Work campaign to pay same at once, as the work of this organization is still going on and will be necessary to continue until after all the boys have returned home and all the war work closed. The expressions from the boys overseas will make it a pleasure for all the subscribers to pay up their pledges as the movements are doing such a great amount of good for the boys.

Those in charge want to make a clean up of this campaign in the month of February and ask you to see your township representative or the County Chairman and hand him the amount of your pledge at once that the relief of the boys may be properly attended to.

Representative W. Henry Macon, came over from Raleigh and spent Sunday at home.

GOVERNOR CALLS COTTON CONFERENCE

Meeting Will be Held February 11th to Discuss Present Staple Conditions—Others Join Governor in Call For Meeting—Want to Secure Cost of Production and Reasonable Profit on Unsold Old Crop.

Headed by the signature of Gov. T. W. Bickett, a call is being sent out to business men and farmers of North Carolina to attend the meeting at Raleigh, Tuesday, February 11, to discuss the present cotton situation. In addition to the signature of Gov. Bickett, this call also is signed by Maj. Graham Commissioner of Agriculture; Hon. Jds. A. Gray, president of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, and Mr. W. G. Clark, president of the North Carolina Seaboard Time Merchants' Association.

The meeting will be held either in the Wake county courthouse, or in the State Capitol building, and will have for its purpose the planning of a safe, sane and patriotic method of securing the cost of production, plus a reasonable profit, for the unsold portion of the past crops, and the one which is about to be planted.

Only interested invited. Only those thoroughly interested in the cotton situation are asked to be present, as the meeting will be held for the purpose of planning a definite program for meeting the present situation, and there is no idea of those in charge to allow any unlimited oratory over the matter.

It is expected that the members of the General Assembly will attend this meeting, as well as the county agents of the Agricultural Extension Service, who will be in conference on that date.

An effort will be made to secure the co-operation of the banks in tiding the farmers over their present difficulties, with the understanding that the acreage planted to cotton will be materially reduced during the coming season. The time merchants also will be asked to assist in this matter by urging those farmers who buy supplies from them that a reduction in cotton acreage is absolutely essential to secure a just price for such cotton as is grown under the existing high prices for labor and fertilizer.

AMERICAN FIGHTING STRENGTH AT PEAK. Total of 3,703,273 Officers and Men; Allied Superiority.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The total strength of the United States army on November 11, when the armistice was signed and when the American effort was at its peak, was 3,703,273 officers and men, including the Marine Corps on duty with the army in Europe. A statistical table made public today by the war department gives these figures.

Included in the table is a comparative statement of the strength of allied and German forces on the western front by months, beginning April 1, 1918, showing that on July 1 for the first time the "rifle strength" exceeded that of the Germans.

In rifle strength, which means men standing in the trenches ready to go over the top with the bayonet, the allied total on July 1 was 1,556,000, compared with 1,412,000 for the Germans.

On November 1, when the enemy's reserves had been exhausted and his front line strength reduced by about half, the allies had rifle strength of 1,485,000, representing odds of upwards of two to one.

From July 1, as the Americans continued to arrive, the allied superiority showed continued increase over the Germans, who had dropped on November 1 to a strength of 866,000.

When the great German drive was launched in the spring of 1918 the enemy had a definite superiority of approximately twenty per cent, the figures for April 1, showing an allied rifle strength of 1,245,000 and a German total of 1,569,000. The Germans reached their maximum June 1, with 1,639,000, while the allies reached their maximum on September 1, with 1,682,000.

The meaning of the rifle strength upon which the table is based is made by the fact that an American division with a total strength of approximately 27,000 fighting men is rated as 12,250 rifles.

The department's table shows that the rush of American troops to Europe when the German great drive was launched not only succeeded in making good all allied losses from a month at the front, but steadily increased the strength of the allied armies actually engaged. Figures on the hundred of thousands of Americans who were in training behind the lines are not given.

The table prepared by General Pershing's staff, showing the comparative strength of the armies for the eight months covered follows:

Table with columns: Month, Allies, German. Rows: April 1 (1,245,000 vs 1,569,000), May 1 (1,343,000 vs 1,600,000), June 1 (1,496,000 vs 1,639,000), July 1 (1,556,000 vs 1,412,000), August 1 (1,672,000 vs 1,395,000), September 1 (1,672,000 vs 1,339,000), October 1 (1,594,000 vs 1,223,000), November 1 (1,485,000 vs 866,000).

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PRIVATE ARCHIE B. PEARCE.

Private Archie B. Pearce, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pearce, of Youngsville Franklin county, N. C., who gave his life in France October 11, 1918.

Private Arch Pearce was born in Franklin county near Youngsville, Oct. 14, 1893 and lived there with his parents until he was called to the colors. Archie was a man of unusual ambition, he was industrious and a farmer of great success for his age. He lived a quiet, sober life and his daily walk was that of a true gentleman. He was a useful man in his community. He united with the church Sept. 5th, 1909 and there his hands found some-

thing to do. Whenever his church needed him he was always ready to perform any duty. And in July 1918 he was elected Superintendent of the Sunday School and he served his Sunday School until Sept. 19, 1917, when he had another call, this one to serve his country. And there he was not found wanting. He nobly answered the call and went to Camp Jackson, S. C. for training. After training there he was transferred to Camp Forest, where he completed his training for overseas duty and in April, 1918 he sailed for France where he went in regular service. He was in several hard battles, went over the top several times and was gassed one time. He was a brave soldier and he died on the battle field in action Oct. 11, 1918. His death was a great loss to his home and his country. He leaves a father and mother, five sisters, three brothers and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

All who knew him loved him and feel he is now resting in that great and unknown place of rest where all who are worthy go.

BY FRIENDS.



Private Archie B. Pearce.

Auto Accident. A head on collision between a Ford five passenger car driven by Mr. Hervey Kemp and a Republic truck driven by Wm. Holland, colored which occurred at the intersection of Main and Court Streets Friday afternoon came near being serious. It seems that Mr. Kemp was on his way home going down Court Street, while the truck was going down Main Street on its way to the G. D. Taylor Tobacco Co.'s warehouse and as each made the turn at the intersection the impact came. From what we could learn neither party was observing the traffic rules of driving to the right. Aside from bent fenders, lights broken and a radiator burst no particular damage was done.

WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES PAYABLE ONLY TO FIRST OWNERS. Postmasters Directed Not to Pay War Savings Stamps Except to Original Owners. War Stamps Not Transferable.

That war savings certificates are payable only to the first owners and that stamps are not to be offered or accepted in trade, is a recent notice given by Secretary Glass of the Treasury Department.

In pursuance of this notice, postmasters have been directed by the Post Office Department not to cash war savings certificates on which the names of the owners have not been entered or have been erased or changed except in case of death or disability. Postmasters have been further instructed not to pay war savings certificates presented by persons or firms known to be buying or publicly offering to buy war savings stamps from the owners, unless positive evidence is submitted that the certificates were originally issued to the person or firms presenting them for payment. This is in keeping with the law that makes war savings stamps non-transferable.

The Treasury Department calls the attention of the public to the law that provides for the redemption of war savings certificates on giving a ten days' written notice at the post office. This provides against any loss that may be met in trading war savings stamps and, furthermore, avoids a violation of the law.

Mr. Marion Rich, of Columbia, S. C., State Agent for the Missouri Life Insurance Co., was a visitor to Louisburg the past week.

RUSSIA NOT TO BE FORCED INTO ACTION

MILITARY INTERVENTION ON A LARGE SCALE UNTHINKABLE, BALFOUR SAYS.

Peace Conference Is Getting Along Well, the British Foreign Secretary Thinks.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Military intervention in Russia on a large scale is not to be thought of, declared Arthur J. Balfour, the British Foreign Secretary in closing an interview which he granted the newspaper correspondents here last night. The great powers were doing everything they considered could be done, he said, in dealing with what he characterized as "a most disquieting situation."

As to the general work of the peace conference, the foreign secretary declared the peace making body was making all possible haste to settle upon peace terms. He was led to this statement by a question from one of the interviewers, who said:

"There is much talk in the peace conference about various problems, such as the society of nations. Do you not think your real task is, before everything else, to impose peace conditions upon Germany?"

After a moment's reflection, Secretary Balfour replied:

"One can evidently criticize without limit the methods of work we have adopted, but rather than answer criticisms, I rather tell you that the fact that the problem of the society of nations has been taken up before that of peace, properly so-called, in no way signifies that the settlement of our accounts with the enemy will only come afterward. The mechanism of the commissions we have instituted permits the concurrent study of several questions."

"Let public opinion be reassured. The delegates to the peace conference have no intention of employing dilatory methods. They are using all their energy and skill to attain as soon as possible the just peace to which the whole world aspires. That is their one aim, their sole ambition."

As the interview was closing one of the correspondents asked regarding the Russian question:

"It is a most disquieting situation," replied Mr. Balfour. "We are doing all that can be done. As to military intervention on a large scale, it is not to be thought of."

LIQUOR FOUND IN UPSET AUTO-MOBILE. Driver Ran His Car Into Telephone Pole and Was Injured; Drawing Big Crowd.

Washington, N. C., Feb. 5.—Millard Wright, a well-known young man who resides a short distance outside of Washington, drove into town Tuesday morning in a Ford car, ran the car accidentally into a lamp-pole and caused the machine to turn turtle.

Wright was hurled from the car and sustained severe injuries. He was immediately removed to the hospital. The police, happening to arrive at the scene of the accident a few minutes later, found three gallons of monkey-um, the jugs having been unbroken when the car turned turtle. The jugs were taken to jail and Wright probably will have to make a little explanation when he is able to leave the hospital.

No evangelist who ever has been in Washington has drawn larger crowds than Rev. Baxter McLendon, who is now conducting a revival here. "Cyclone Mack," as he is generally known is causing a big sensation. He began his series of meetings last Sunday and the church was crowded. Monday night scores of persons had to be turned away, there being no room for them inside the edifice.

Mrs. Sarah M. Snoble died Monday morning in the 76th year of her age. She is survived by her husband, Jacob Snoble, of Dayton, O.; four children, George, Edward, and Samuel Snoble, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. R. F. Butler, of this city, eleven grandchildren, two brothers, and two sisters.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Butler. Mrs. Snoble was an honored and respected citizen of Washington and leaves many friends to mourn their loss.

An unknown negro, aged about 40 years, was found dead by employees of the Atlantic Coast Line Tuesday morning on the railroad tracks near Vandenberg. A quart bottle, half filled with moonshine liquor, was found by his side. An inquest was held at Aurora and the coroner's jury decided that the man had drunk himself into a stupor and had died as a result of the liquor after exposure.

The police, after having raided Liney Johnson's house (colored) over a score of times, without finding any liquor, made another search Tuesday morning and discovered a neatly dug pit underneath the house in which over a gallon of monkey-um was discovered. Liney is now in jail awaiting trial.

Mrs. W. H. Macon returned the past week from a trip to Linden, where she attended the funeral of her grandson, John Henry, son of Mr. E. J. Macon.