

# THE FRANKLIN TIMES

A. F. JOHNSON, Editor and Manager

One Year ..... \$1.50  
 Eight Months ..... 1.00  
 Six Months ..... .75  
 Four Months ..... .50

Foreign Advertising Representative THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

Entered at the Post Office at Louisburg, N. C., as second class matter.

Criminal Court begins Monday.

The tobacco men are advising stripping and selling your tobacco as soon as possible.

Franklin Superior Court will convene next Monday with His Honor George W. Connor, Judge Presiding.

When you visit Louisburg next week or any week you are welcomed to make the FRANKLIN TIMES office your office.

Every reader of the FRANKLIN TIMES is urged to look at the label on his paper and if the date is out request to bring in their renewal next week. Money is tight with us the same as with you, so a lot of small amounts added together will assist us considerably, and not trouble you any.

The Street Committee of Louisburg should have the buttments of the bridge across the river repaired. In their present condition they are not only detrimental to traffic, but are in reality doing damage to the foundation work, besides being an eyesore to the public and a blackeye to the town with strangers. It is really a pity to have such nice streets barred by such an ugly place when it can be repaired so cheaply.

We are with the member of the Legislature who introduced a bill to limit the holding of a State office to eight years, only that we think it would be best to propose a constitutional amendment making the term of all elective offices four years (both State and county) limit the time in office to only one term to each individual. This works fine in the Governors office, although it is practiced from a custom and not a law. Lets try it all around.

It has been suggested that the present Legislature so amend the present law governing the Louisburg Graded School Trustees, that it will eliminate its perpetuating itself. There is no doubt but that this would be a popular move. However, it should be safely guarded to keep it as far as possible from politics. There is no reason why the Legislature couldn't appoint to fill vacancies and we believe, besides it being more Democratic, it would be more satisfactory to the district as a whole. In fact, from our way of seeing things no body should be given power to perpetuate itself.

It has been suggested that a bill has been drawn by a few individuals and sent to the legislature, seeking to increase the salaries of the public officials of Franklin County. We won't attempt to say that the salaries are too large or too small, but what we will remind the legislators of is the fact that Franklin County officers were placed on salary, with the salary specified in the act, by a vote of the people and that the people are at least entitled to vote on any change that might be made. A Democratic government is a government of the people. Lets encourage confidence in our government by giving the people a chance to say what they want in connection with their public affairs.

We notice that a bill has been introduced in the Senate looking towards stopping lynchings. This is valuable time lost. No law passed by anybody can prevent a number of good citizens from enforcing law on a dirty criminal when they feel that their proper tribunal will not do it. The fact is the author of the bill can come nearer getting the desired results if he will introduce a bill that will do away with technicalities of law and bring about a more speedy trial of justice. The average person, and this takes in many of our best citizens, has lost all confidence in our legal system as a matter of justice and only looks on it as a means of political or other system to prosecute some selfish ends. This may seem an extreme and possibly is to an extent but nothing like as much as it seems.

In compliance with a request of the Democratic Executive Committee of Franklin County early in the Spring of 1920, Mr. E. H. Malone, its Chairman, has drawn a bill, and delivered to Franklin County's representative laying Franklin County off into five districts from each of which in the future a Commissioner will be selected and voted on by the whole County in the regular election and from which in their turn a member of the Board of Education will be appointed as the positions expire. This question has been largely discussed and has met universal approval. The districts, as approved by the Committee to draft the bill are as follows: No. 1—Dunns and Harris; No. 2—Youngsville and Franklinton; No. 3—Hayesville and Sandy Creek; No. 4—Gold Mine and Cedar Rock; No. 5—Cypress Creek and Louisburg.

In the event that Congress passes a bill increasing the membership of the National House, the present General Assembly of North Carolina should immediately redistrict the State. The idea expressed by some to elect two Congressmen-at-large is an exceedingly unfair system and should not be considered. The system would not only be cumbersome, unsatisfac-

tory (except possibly to a few) but would be unwise in the fact that the interests of the two Congressmen so elected would be too general and would relieve the direct responsibility such a position should carry. Lets continue our government in the idea in which it was first conceived—a direct representation of the people with responsibilities directly answerable to the people. The only way to do this and be fair to the people and offer equal opportunities to all is to so district the State that each congressman will be elected from some particular district.

With the introduction of a bill to repeal the primary law in the General Assembly, the question of its fairness has again been opened up. There is no doubt but that any law or system that is bad should be repealed. But it is unfair to repeal any law without first giving it opportunity to prove its worth. The primary law needs perfecting. It has been abused. The proper thing to do is to amend it and try it further. If some means cannot be adopted to stop members of one party from entering primary of another party then it should be repealed. Democratic voters should not be allowed to help select the candidates for the republican party, nor should republicans be allowed to assist in selecting candidates for Democrats, as has been the case in Franklin County as well, no doubt, as in others. It might be well to do away with the power of the Board of Elections to declare a nominee and force each party into a primary, or not allow the party failing to enter to contest in the election. This is the best way out we can see. But as the result is what is wanted any method that will bring it about will be acceptable.

One of the biggest questions to come before the present General Assembly is that of Education. Many ideas will be suggested and many organized plans will be pushed. None of them, however, will reduce the size and importance of the question. On the contrary these will be conceded by all. So the biggest question that will present itself to the individual legislator will be which is right or which will do the most good at the least cost. And there is no man who can successfully give this answer with any assurance of his position. However, we like many others, have our idea. We don't claim to be right but think we are. To our mind the State of North Carolina should divert its funds from a few institutions to a system of higher education in each county. Although the State of North Carolina appropriates hundreds of thousands of dollars annually to the State institutions of learning the fact remains that tuition and entrance in private institutions of a like kind are equally as advantageous as in any of the State Schools. Another fact is that a large percentage of the boys and girls in North Carolina have no opportunity to get beyond the high school, although they are worthy and intelligent, and the State expends sufficient funds to better their opportunities. It seems to us that the wisest and certainly the most generous way to handle the situation would be to take the funds now used and those that may be provided later and divert them to the several counties. By this means several schools teaching collegiate courses could be placed in each county within riding distance of practically every home in the State. It would be the means of the majority of the boys and girls getting a higher education and would not handicap those who do attend College because of the fact that private colleges offer equal opportunity at equal rates, and a large percentage of those who attend college are more able, even, to pay an advance than are those who cannot attend, to us without the higher education. It is very clear to us that it is a great deal wiser to attempt to carry education within reach of all the children than to attempt to equip and maintain higher colleges and take the children to them. At least we feel that the idea is worth careful investigation of the General Assembly.

### WANTED INFORMATION.

As Mr. Smith was looking through the paper he was astounded to find an announcement of his own death. He went to the telephone and called up his friend Brown. Have you seen the announcement of my death in this morning's paper? he asked. Yes, his friend replied, where are you speaking from?

### MICKIE SAYS



### A WARNING TO THOSE WHO BUY LICENSES.

The following letter will explain itself and should be a warning to those who are so accommodating that they swear to marriage licenses for parties unknown to them: Louisburg, N. C., Jan. 11, 1921.

To the Register of Deeds: Be careful about a child's age. Don't take a travelers name for license. You failed to give when Turner Matthews asked for to marry my little 15 year old child, Esther May Moore. He went over to Henderson and got a traveler to swear to her age which he gave twenty one. I have supported you in every election and I expect to do the same in the future. He says he never saw him before. I am going to try find him out some way. They were married at Will Dukes, of Epsom Sunday night. He said he knew that I would not give her up, so they made their escape. I went to Turner's fathers for them Monday evening they came and spent the night. O mothers and fathers when you have done all for your children you can do and they put your love and care under their feet its awful. I have seen parents see trouble over their children, but this was at home, no one knows but experienced ones. My friends came to me and talked to me. I took advice. O friends at a time like this you have my sympathy. Some have seen dark hours of life, but not like this. To my good old neighbors and friends, this may come to you some day, I hope not. Its all over now except trouble at the home. They did no more than you or I would have done. Crops were doing bad enough but not like this. When you walk the floors and yard at the midnight hours you child gone then you'll know the meaning of this. May this not mean your home, I hope not.

Children nobody loves you as your mother and father. Don't tramp them under your feet. You know they will give their lives for you. Turner treated me nice after he saw me, his parents did the same. Friends at a time like this remember us. May God bless the couple, may they do well. Your neighbor and friend, T. V. MOORE.

### TOBACCO

The Golden Leaf Crowns North Carolina And She Leads The United States.

Tobacco is king in North Carolina, and it entitles her to first rank among all states for this crop in acreage and value. Kentucky has long held the first place, but the 1920 crop has put her in second rank, by \$27,000,000 below that held by North Carolina. Our total of 582,000 acres, produced a \$97,182,000 tobacco crop. The acreage in the state was increased 11 per cent, the production 11.8 per cent, and the total value decreased 44 per cent since 1919.

The quality was poor, it being papery or devoid of wax, quite spotted and irregular in color, with much evidence of unripe curing. The color was variable but fair. The Alamanca and Caswell counties area produced the best and about the only good tobacco in the state. Quite a slump in prices occurred late in November and December, excepting with the best qualities. The United States crop was increased four per cent in production and yielded sixty-five per cent less in value. The national average for this crop was 796 pounds, valued at \$168 per acre at 21 cents per pound. The state's tobacco crop averaged \$167 per acre, while the average of all crops was \$45.00. This means that the tobacco value is equal to about thirty per cent of the total value of all crops, while it had but twelve per cent of the acreage. For the Piedmont area the average yield was 580 pounds per acre, at 23c per pound. Franklin County had 22,260 acres, or six per cent increase, averaging 762 pounds per acre and 20.95 cents per pound.

### IN MEMORIAM.

On the 31st of December, the death angel entered the home of Mr. J. E. Collins and took from him his devoted wife. All that skilled physicians and loving hands could do was done, but God knew best and took her to her heavenly home where she can continue to serve Him through the endless ages. We cannot understand why this beautiful character was taken at this time, but we do know that, God is too wise to make a mistake and too good to do wrong and "Sometime, somewhere we'll understand." We love to think of death as only transition and that our loved one lives on in that celestial home prepared for those who have fought a good fight and finished the course. Mrs. Collins was twenty-nine years of age, and the daughter of our esteemed friends, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Williams. The christian influence of this godly home was shown in her whole character and may the memory of such a life inspire us to accomplish more in church, kingdom and meet our loved one in a better land where happiness is not marred by sorrow, sickness nor tears. Mrs. Collins united with Trinity church in early life and was a consistent member until her death. The burial was conducted by Rev. G. F. Smith and the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Trinity church. Mrs. Collins is survived by one sister, Mrs. Edward Merritt. We extend to the grief stricken husband, sister, father and mother and other relatives and friends our sincere sympathy and commend them to God, the great comforter. J. D. N.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine" E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 20c.

We Will Soon Stage the Greatest Sacrifice Sale Ever Attempted in Louisburg. Watch for It

**L. KLINE & CO.**

We will Soon Deliver the Greatest Telling Blow on Prices Ever Attempted You Know our Motto: More Goods for Same Money. Wait for It

Meanwhile Take Advantage of the Wonderful Bargains Offered in Louisburg's Bargain Spot—Come—Do Your Trading Here—Save Money.

**Serge and Middy Suits**

**\$8.98**

Mothers! Here's a Great Value. Buy one or more of these pretty Middy Suits for daughter's school wear. Really the bargain is unthinkable. PRICED \$8.98

**WINTER SHOES**

For Men, Women and Children The Prices are unbelievable. Come and buy the families needs now. You need the shoes—we need the money, Let's Trade.

Childrens Shoes ..... 98c up  
 Women's Shoes ..... \$1.98 up  
 Boys' Shoes ..... \$2.45 up  
 Men's Shoes ..... \$3.98 up

Back to Ye Olden Days Prices of Ye Olden Days

**DRESS GINGHAMS 10c yd.**

**Suits, Coats, Dresses**

Will You Buy a COAT Wonderful Winter SUITS

Here's a big headliner. Women's Winter Coats slaughtered. You can select from many styles, many materials, all sizes. Priced at \$9.98

It's a relief from high prices to buy such suits as these. Suits for Women and Misses and the makes are stylish. Priced at \$11.98

Levely Winter DRESSES WINTER SKIRTS

Letter dresses than these can't be found at such low prices. They are all wool materials. Come and see. Priced at \$12.45

Serge Skirts in Navy and Black. Big bargains at triple the price. Priced at \$1.98

**MEN'S and BOYS' Suits and Overcoats**

Here's Values That Back Them All Off the Board!

Men's Suits, Big Value Hurry men! They can't last long ..... \$14.95

Men's Overcoats Just a few left ..... \$11.95

Boys' Suits Snappy Styles ..... \$7.95

Union Suits One lot ..... \$3.25

**GOODYEAR**

AUTHORIZED

**Service Station**

Fabric and Cord Casings Heavy Tourist Tubes

Tube Repair Kits Tire Gauges Blowout Patches Valve Insides Tire Reliners Tire Plasters Motorcycle Tires and Tubes Pneumatic and Solid Truck Tires

We believe that Goodyear Tires will give more miles per dollar than any other make.

**ALLEN MACHINE CO. GARAGE**

LOUISBURG, N. C.

Day Phone 295-J Night Phone 1400

All Tires and Tubes Sold by Us Applied FREE.