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LOUISBURG OBSERVES MEMORIAL DAY

REV. B. F. BLACK, CHAPTAIN, MAKES ADDRESS

Good Number in Attendance—Committees Visit Graves of Deceased Soldiers—Most Impressive Occasion.

The Memorial Services held in the Courthouse in Louisburg Monday to the memory of the World War Heroes was a most successful and impressive service and largely attended in view of the weather indications.

In the presence of many citizens from all parts of the County and with the bar of the Court room filled with beautiful flowers Mr. W. H. Ruffin, Chairman of the Committee on arrangements called the first memorial services on Monday, May 30th, to do honor to our World War dead. He read the roster of the dead heroes which was as follows:

Killed in Action

Norman Wilder, Castalia, R. 1; Albert G. Ayescue, Alert; Sidney Burnett, Alert; Herbert Cates, Louisburg, R. 3; Charles D. Ellington, Louisburg, R. 3; James E. Henley, Franklinton, R. 2; Alex E. Holmes, Franklinton; Thomas G. Hunt, Alert, R. 1; Jessie J. Joyner, Louisburg, R. 2; Willie G. Macdon, Louisburg, R. 5; Archie B. Pearce, Youngsville, R. 2; Henry G. Rawles, Franklinton; Henry N. Strickland, Mt. Airy, N. C.

Died of Wounds.

Paul A. Wilson, Louisburg, R. 5; Sher. Cooke, Franklinton; Frank Mitchell, Kittrell, R. 1.

Died of Disease, Domestic.

Dr. F. O. Swindell, Louisburg; Donald F. Cheatham, Franklinton; Wade H. Hight, Franklinton; James I. Innes, Louisburg; Lewis W. Nowell, Youngsville; John H. Pinnell, Alert; Herbert Enoch Tharrington, Alert; Lewis Winston, Franklinton; Davis L. Foster, at Dave Wilder's.

Died of Disease, Foreign.

Dr. John Neal, Louisburg. Colored—Died of Disease, A. E. F.

Frank Davis, Louisburg, R. 5; Mann Foster, Louisburg, R. 1; Charlie Peppers, Bunin; Nathaniel Brodie, Franklinton; Ed Thrower, Franklinton, R. 3.

Died of Disease, Domestic.

Phil Alston, Alert, R. 1; Amos Perry, Louisburg, R. 3; Len Powell, Mapleville; Joe Webb, Mapleville; James Wright, Franklinton.

Following the reading of the roster the program was taken up in order beginning with "America" sang by those present. Rev. C. L. Dowell, pastor of the Franklinton Baptist church, offered invocation.

The address of the day which was made by Rev. B. F. Black, pastor of the Christian church, of Franklinton, and who served as Chaplain in the United States Army in France, was one filled with the greatest appreciation for the great sacrifice the boys had made and the opportunity to join in perpetuating their memory. "It makes me feel like singing praises to all" said the speaker in referring to this day of the beginning of the Memorial to the World War heroes. In paying tribute to the glorious valor of the boys in France and the wonderful and unselfish responses to the calls at home the speaker said the Stars and Stripes are known the world over for the heroic deeds of the boys who held it high in battle and now all nations will think well and think twice before disturbing us. "I came with all my heart to lay a wreath of flowers on that mound" said the speaker in his tribute to the beautiful spirit, that prompted all present to take a part in this service. He paid a beautiful tribute to the large army of women who crossed the sea and who served at home and in cantonments, "which" he said "we too often forget." "If you want to be big associate with big ideas and big things. If you want to be small associate with yourself and tell all others to do the same. The busy paths of life are those that lead to the tombs of the great heroes." To illustrate these thoughts he told how he had visited many places abroad and in America where one would naturally expect to find the greatest movement of people, in the halls of the greatest art galleries, science and places of amusement but the places that he found the multitudes of the greater people were at the tombs of the great heroes, like Napoleon, Washington and others. "If we forget the past I can see nothing but that the future will forget us." He stated that there is an inspiration that comes to us from association which we should encourage. In conclusion the speaker said "the grave is not the end, the hero that falls on the battlefield has not lost all, his life is just beginning. To die is to gain."

His address was greatly enjoyed by the many present and on behalf of the Franklin County Memorial Association and all present Mr. W. H. Ruffin expressed appreciations for the excellent talk that Mr. Black had made for the occasion.

Following the address "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. F. Smith, of the Louisburg Methodist Church.

Methodist Church.

Just before the benediction Mr. Ruffin read the roster of the Committees who would go to the several graves and place the decorations as follows:

Committee No. 1.

1st. To Mt. Gilead Church—grave of Nat Strickland. 2nd. Turning to right to Oliver Innes' grave of Jas. Iver Innes. 3rd. Back by Sukey Young's Cross Roads to Jesse Joyner's grave. 4th. To Laurel, by Hugh Egerton's to Alert, to Richard Burnette's—grave of Sidney Burnette. 5th. Then to grave of Herbert Enoch Tharrington, near Alert. 6th. Then to grave of John H. Pinnell, near Bell's store.

Committee No. 2.

1st. Louisburg Cemetery, graves of (a) Dr. F. O. Swindell. (b) Lt. John Neal. 2nd. To Trinity, graves of (a) Willie Glenn Macon, Monument. (b) Perry Ashley Wilson, Monument. 3rd. To Dave Weldon's near Epsom, grave of David L. Foster.

Committee No. 3.

1st. Franklinton, grave of Wade H. Hight. 2nd. Franklinton, grave of David F. Cheatham. 3rd. Franklinton R. 3, grave of Lewis Winston. 4th. By Spruill's Cross Roads towards Oak Level, grave of Lewis H. Nowell. 5th. Oak Level Church, grave of Archibald B. Pearce, Monument. 6th. Flat Rock Church, grave of Herbert Cates.

With the return of the Committees who had decorated the several graves one of the most impressive services held in Louisburg in many years was completed. The day was a great success in that so many of Franklin County's people responded and did a service so great in such a noble and unselfish way that it can only bespeak a perpetuation of this great and noble work—doing honor unto those to whom honor is due.

TO BORROW MONEY FROM STATE BANKS

New Program Will Be Financed By Loan To Be Made Thursday.

Definite action toward the financing of the State's program of improvement including roads and institutions, will be undertaken at the meeting of the Council of State Thursday, it became known yesterday and it is understood that a large loan will be secured from State banks.

A number of bankers of the State, it was learned yesterday, will make the State a tangible proposition on approximately \$10,000,000 at 6 per cent. It is likely that this will entail a condition that a part of this money be left on deposit. A similar loan from the State Trust Company carried the stipulation that money on deposit should draw 3 per cent interest.

"There never has been any difficulty about getting money for the State of North Carolina to finance its projects," Governor Morrison reiterated yesterday as he left for Hamlet where he spoke last night.

"Why the banks of the State are prepared to loan the State \$25,000,000 if it were needed," added Lieutenant Governor W. B. Cooper, of Wilmington, himself a banker.

Whether the State will borrow \$10,000,000, more or less, is a matter which the Council of State alone knows and the council, according to Governor Morrison pending the return of two of its members is not willing to undertake definite action. Those who discussed the matter yesterday, it seems, were in accord. Newspaper men who interviewed the Governor and others were given to understand that definite action will be taken Thursday.—News-Observer.

Col. Fred A. Olds With The Community Service.

Here's the next treat for Community Service centers! Col. Fred A. Olds of Raleigh is to spend a whole week in Franklin County, and there are some jolly good times in store for all who attend the meetings next week, June 6th to 10th.

If you know Col. Olds you'll not miss this opportunity of hearing him again. If you do not you are cordially invited to get acquainted with him and spend one of the most pleasant evenings of your lives at a Community Service meeting.

Col. Olds has not forgotten that he was once a boy so he wants to meet all the children and young folks at 4:30 for "stunts and stories." He will have with him his Dolls of the World which will be interesting to all. He can be just as entertaining to the old folks as well.

And the pictures! Well I'm just going to let you guess what they are. The program is good and in itself worth more than three times the price of admission. Don't fail to attend at least one of these meetings.

Schedule for this week:

Monday, May 30—Popes.

Tuesday, May 31—New Hope.

Wednesday, June 1—Youngsville.

Thursday, June 2—Mt. Grove.

Friday, June 3—Wood.

Saturday, June 4—Laurel.

Schedule for next week:

Col. Olds will be with us except on Saturday night.

Monday, June 6—Pearce.

Tuesday, June 7—Cedar Rock.

Wednesday, June 8—Seven Paths.

Thursday, June 9—Sandy Creek.

Friday, June 10—Hann.

Saturday, June 11—Ingleside.

\$30,000 FIRE TUESDAY MORNING

TWO STORAGE HOUSES BURNED NEAR RAILROAD.

Buildings and Contents Which Included Cotton and Merchandise, Owned By Allen Bros. Co., Freeman & Co. And R. F. Fuller.

Quite a large number of Louisburg's population were called from their slumbers on Tuesday morning at about 1 o'clock to answer to the call of fire, when the storage house of Allen Bros. Co., located on the railroad near the Texas Oil Co., plant was soon reduced to ashes with the contents, which included about one hundred bales of cotton besides the many items of merchandise, with a loss of approximately \$20,000 and the building representing a loss of about \$4,000. This however was insured as follows: Stock \$14,000, building \$2,000. The flames which were driven by the wind soon spread to the adjoining storage house belonging to Freeman & Co., and R. F. Fuller, destroying that building and its contents, including a lot of merchandise valued at about \$2,500. The building was valued at about \$3,500 and carried \$1,500 insurance. The firemen arrived promptly and did splendid work, but the flames spread so fast it was a wonderful job to save the many adjoining buildings.

Among the losses was about \$500 damage to the passenger coach of the Louisburg train and the railroad track. Franklinton Church Starts With a Dug Out.

Possibly as a concession to the pastor, Rev. B. F. Black, who served as a chaplain in the A. E. F. during the war, the congregation of Franklinton Christian Church, having only \$8,000 in subscriptions and \$3,000 in cash toward the new church building, conceived the idea of starting with a dug-out.

A well equipped basement of concrete construction, which has been roofed over was used for the first time Sunday and the other stories will be added later, continuing the building of the church.

Dr. J. W. Harper, president of Elon College, spoke at the church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and again Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The church was organized about three years ago by Rev. G. J. Green and there are now about sixteen members. The mission board has supplemented the \$8,000 subscription of the members with \$2,500 toward the building fund.—Raleigh Times.

Miss Williams Hostess.

Miss Sallie Williams delightfully entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club at the Graded School Friday evening from 8:30 to 10:30 o'clock. The Auditorium stage was artistically decorated with quantities of sweet peas, daisies and ferns.

Miss Williams greeted more than a hundred guests with charming hospitality and for a half an hour or more before the program began informally and a good time was participated in by all.

Mrs. Parham, President of the Club then called the meeting to order. Mrs. R. F. Yarborough read the minutes of the last meeting. Miss Jewell Bryant delighted her audience with her violin selection "Adoration" by Felix Gorowski. Miss Henninger gave a charming reading from Mark Twain. Mrs. E. S. Ford, Miss Williams and Mrs. W. E. White sang "My Heart At Thy Sweet Voice" from Saint Saen's Sampson and Delilah. Mrs. O. Y. Yarboro, accompanying them on the piano. There was unanimous expression of delight of the classic so beautifully rendered.

Dr. Burrell then delivered a beautiful address on "The Spirit of America in the War."

The program concluded delicious ice cream, cake and salted nuts were served.

Little Frank Stainback Newton Dies At Home at Epsom.

Little Frank Stainback Newton, aged 20 months, son of J. Oille and Lou Duke Newton, died at 1:30 p. m. May 28th after an illness of two weeks. The funeral services were held at New Bethel Baptist church at 4 p. m. Sunday conducted by the pastor, Rev. John Mitchiner, assisted by Rev. Frank Woodard.

Music was rendered by a special choir composed of Mrs. Walter Alston, Mrs. Ransom Duke, Mrs. Willie Ayescue, Messrs. Carl Whitaker, E. J. O'Brien and E. E. Stainback. The pallbearers were Walter Alston, Marcus Curran, Nat Newton and Ransom Duke. Beautiful floral offerings entirely covered the little mound. Such children what a load of love and care.

Their coming brings, But oh, the grief when God doth stoop To give them wings.

—AUNT ZOLA.

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LOUISBURG DEFEATS SCHOOL BONDS

277 Votes Cast For Against A Registration of 725—191 Ballots Cast Against Schools.

In one of the strongest contested elections on a local matter ever held in Louisburg the question of issuing \$60,000 school bonds for better schools was defeated in a vote of 277 For Bonds, against a total registration of 725, with an actual voting strength of 191 cast at the box against the bonds.

Both those favorable and opposed to the bonds exerted their every effort to carry their point, but in view of possibly the heaviest registration ever experienced in this district and the indifference of something over two hundred registered voters in not going out to the polls and casting their vote brought about the defeat of one of the most important measures that has ever been proposed in Louisburg. The defeat is one of those things that brings about hardships upon the children, who, under our laws, were not allowed to defend themselves.

It is to be hoped that the parents of the Louisburg School district, especially those responsible for the defeat of the bonds may soon awake to the reality of the gravity of their action and provide the necessary facilities before it is too late to benefit the coming generation.

The best of feelings prevailed all through the day and everything passed off good naturedly.

NO SALE MADE.

Candler-Crowell Co. To Continue Business And Give Their Customers The Benefit.

Quite a crowd gathered at the store of Candler-Crowell Co., Wednesday afternoon to witness the sale at auction of their stock of goods and fixtures, but owing to the tightness of money the bid offered being nothing like the value of the stock Mr. H. L. Candler, proprietor of the Candler-Crowell Co., informs the TIMES man that he will reopen his place of business and give his customers the benefit of any loss that might be sustained instead of giving it to some individual speculator.

In another column will be found an announcement setting forth the future policy of this firm and your attention is directed thereto.

On discussing the matter with Mr. Candler, who is at the head of the chain of U-Tote-Em stores in North Carolina now operating several stores, informed us that his only reason for selling out his stock of merchandise was because of the fact that the U-Tote-Em business was demanding so much of his time that he felt that it would be to his interest and to the interest of his customers for him to confine his efforts to one line, but that he did not consider the demand so strong that it would justify him in losing a large portion of his life's earnings to accomplish that end.

Mr. Candler has demonstrated to our people that he is an exceptional good business man and his many friends in Franklin County will be glad to learn that he has decided to remain with us.

AMONG THE VISITORS

Mr. W. M. Person is in Nashville attending Court.

Mr. F. A. Roth visited Henderson Tuesday night.

Sheriff H. A. Kearney visited Raleigh Wednesday.

Mr. T. W. Ruffin attended Federal Court in Raleigh this week.

Mr. Ben T. Holden attended Federal Court at Raleigh this week.

Messrs. J. W. Mann and S. S. Meadows, visited Raleigh yesterday.

Mrs. E. E. Detter, of Laurinburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. H. Meadows.

Mayor L. L. Joyner, Cheatham Alston and Charlie Ford visited Raleigh Wednesday.

Mr. T. P. Alford and son, Mr. B. G. Alford, of Nashville, were visitors to Louisburg Tuesday.

Miss Columbia Crudup, of Fort Montgomery, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. P. Taylor.

Mrs. T. W. Bickett, of Raleigh, was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Yarborough Wednesday and Thursday.

Dr. S. P. Burt and Mrs. W. H. Allen accompanied Little Sam Allen to a hospital in Richmond the past week.

Dr. S. P. Burt and Miss Columbia Crudup accompanied Mrs. K. K. Allen to Richmond Tuesday, where she will receive treatment at a hospital.

Mr. W. H. Yarborough went over to Raleigh Tuesday to meet his daughter, Miss Eleanor, who has been attending school at Hendersonville.

LABOR BOARD CUTS \$400,000,000 FROM PAY RAILWAY MEN

AN AVERAGE OF 12 PER CENT REDUCTION TO BE EFFECTIVE ON JULY 1ST

Order Affects Members of 31 Labor Organizations—Section Men Hit Hard—Cut In Their Wages Is In Per Cent; Shop Crafts From 5 to 8 Cents—Dispatchers Cut 8 Cents—While Passenger and Freight Engineers Are Cut 6 and 8 Cents an Hour Respectively—Office Boys Cut Ten Cents.

Chicago, May 31.—An estimated \$400,000,000 will be slashed from the nation's railway wage bill when an order cutting wages an average of 12 per cent to be handed down tomorrow by the United States Railroad labor board becomes effective July 1. The order affects members of 31 labor organizations, employed on 104 railroads.

While the decrease is specifically applied only to the roads whose cases have been heard by the board, the decision says it may later be applied to any other road asking a hearing under the provisions of the Esch-Cummings transportation act.

Percentages of reductions computed by members of the board, gave the average of 12 per cent and the same source estimated the annual reduction in wages at approximately \$400,000,000.

The railroad labor board recently reclassified the various employees in connection with railway operations, and this, it was pointed out, may have some effect on labor costs.

The board also a few weeks ago, ordered abrogation of the national work-agreements to become effective July 1. At the hearing on the petition for abrogation of these agreements, railroad witnesses estimated savings in labor costs as high as \$300,000,000 annually. This would be in addition to the savings possible through the current wage reduction decision.

The decision grants reductions varying from 5 to 13 cents an hour or from 5 to 13 per cent, and in the case of section laborers, completely wipes out the increase granted that class of employees by the \$600,000,000 wage award of July 20, 1920. For section men the reduction was approximately 18 per cent. Switchmen and shop crafts were given a nine per cent reduction while the train service men were cut approximately seven per cent. Car repairs were cut about 10 per cent.

Common Labor Cuts.

Common labor pay, over which the railroads made their hardest fight, is to be reduced 6 to 8 1-2 cents an hour, cutting freight truckers average monthly wages to \$97.19 and truck laborers to \$77.11. This new schedule gives section men an average daily wage of \$3.92 for an eight day hour, although considerable testimony offered by the roads, particularly in the south, showed common labor wages as low as \$1.50 for a 10 hour day.

Shop crafts employees and train engine service men, except those in passenger service, are reduced eight cents an hour. Construction and section foremen are reduced ten cents an hour.

Passenger and freight engineers who were given increases of 10 and 13 cents an hour by the 1920 award are to be cut 6 and 8 cents an hour respectively. Passenger and freight conductors, who received increases of 12 1-2 and 13 cents in 1920 and cut 7 1-2 and 8 cents respectively by the new schedule.

Train dispatchers and yardmasters whose monthly earnings at present average \$260 to \$270 are cut eight cents an hour.

Office Boys Cut Least.

The smallest reduction will apply to office boys and other employees under 18 years of age, who will receive 5 cents an hour less after July 1.

Clerks are reclassified so that entering clerks, usually young men and women of 18 to 20 years of age will receive a monthly salary of \$67.50 for the first six months and \$77.50 for the second six months of service. Clerks with less than one year's experience, now receive \$120.

A new monthly schedule for floating equipment employees on ferries, tugs and steam lighters gives captains \$290; engineers \$190; firemen and oilers \$140. On lighters and barges, captains will receive \$120 to \$150; engineers \$140 to \$160 and mates \$100.

The attitude of the railway unions toward the decreases ordered remains to be determined. The big brotherhoods are expected to meet here July 1 to consider the board's decision which is effective on that date.

Claiming they were hard hit by the winter slump in business, railroad managements have been clamoring for several months for lower wages, and the decision tomorrow will mark the first relief granted by the board since it set the advanced scale more than ten months ago.

A Good Kind.

"Er—what brand is this?" asked the man, looking at the gift bottle. "Contraband."—Los Angeles Record

Helpful Hints.

Jones—I want to do something big and clean before I die. Bones—Wash an elephant.

INTERESTING TRIP IS DESCRIBED BY CITIZEN

J. H. Kirkman, of Smithfield, Tells About Recent Conference at Louisburg.

The following article by James H. Kirkman, of this city, appeared in a recent copy of The Christian Advocate. A copy with an attached postscript was sent The Smithfield Observer, and we take pleasure in publishing it.

On Wednesday morning, the 4th inst., we left Smithfield promptly at 9 o'clock via Raleigh and Wake Forest for Louisburg, and arrived there just as the clock was striking 12. As we entered the church we were met at the door by one of the committee on entertainment, Mr. F. B. McKinnon, who ushered us into a comfortable seat, making us feel quite at home in the beginning.

After hearing a very fine address by Rev. Harry North, on Christian Education, we were invited into the large Sunday school room in the rear of the church, for dinner, and such a bountiful spread to behold! Barbecue, chicken, turkey, ham, cakes and pies galore.

During the repast we met for the first time in 25 years two of the best and dearest old friends we have—Dr. and Mrs. D. T. Smithwick, who lived in our town at one time. Dr. Smithwick practiced dentistry here in 1891. Nothing would satisfy them but for us to go home with them for the night, which we were of course very glad to do. It was a mutual delight to sit and talk of other days, the good times spent in old Smithfield, also of its people and progress since our friends left us.

They now have three girls and four boys; two of the boys are with them. One of them is holding a responsible position in Philadelphia and the other one is a director and active member of the Dupont Powder company, of Wilmington, Del.

The next service was conducted by Rev. W. W. Peele, who was born and reared in Robeson county. He is now pastor of Edenton Street church in Raleigh; and, by the way, the people of Raleigh say he can't be beat as pastor and preacher, and we think he measures up to that reputation as a preacher. We felt on retiring that night that it had been a day well-spent feasting on good things for soul and body.

The next morning after family prayer, we enjoyed the nice breakfast prepared by our hostess and daughter, then we were taken in their automobile to see a house built of Johnston county long leaf pine timber, which was hauled to Louisburg by mule and wagon a long time before there were any railroads going that way.

From this place we went about a mile in the country to see what is known as the "Green Hill home," which is somewhere near 200 years old. In this building there are records which show that the first Methodist conference ever held in North Carolina was held there about 1780, a little more than 140 years ago. In the rear of this historical building (which is still in good shape and being occupied) we saw the grave of the poet who wrote "The Angels in the Sky."

On our return we were shown the Louisburg graded school, which is an imposing structure, also Louisburg Female college and the beautiful homes of three old Johnston county friends Messrs. F. B. David and Malcolm McKinnon, who are now leaders in the church where we enjoyed another fine sermon on "The Times of Today" by Rev. A. D. Wilcox, of Durham. After the sermon another fine dinner awaited us in the Sunday school room, which the good ladies of the church had prepared.

Bidding goodbye to our old friends, and new acquaintances we departed for home over the route known as the "Lafayette" road to Raleigh.

This is the road that was traveled by Lafayette from the coast to Charlotte. A few miles out from Louisburg we stopped to see the grave of a noted man of Revolutionary fame, who was buried in the center of a very large rock by the side of the road.

This credit for this delightful trip is due to the kindness of our good friends Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Spiers.

Probably within the next 30 days work will have begun on the Lafayette highway, extending from Raleigh to Fayetteville and running through Harnett county via the county seat. Commissioner Page is ready to let the contract, and this step will likely be taken in the next few days.

The road is to be built with a foundation that will support concrete but the hard surface will not be laid at the present time. A gravel surface will be laid now. Later on, if it is deemed wise and desirable, a concrete surface may be put on by simply smoothing the gravel surface.

The construction of the Lafayette highway will mean much to Harnett county in that it will open up territory hitherto inaccessible, via any state highway. For the section through which it traverses the road will furnish an artery for automobile traffic and truck freight hauling that will lift the burden of inadequate railroad facilities between the state capital and Cumberland's county seat.