

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The First National Bank

At Louisburg, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business on December 31, 1923.

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LIABILITIES

Table with 2 columns: Liability description and amount. Includes items like Capital stock paid in, Undivided profits, Reserved for interest and taxes, etc.

State of North Carolina, County of Franklin, ss: I, F. J. Beasley, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: D. F. McKINNE, MALCOLM MCKINNE, WM. H. RUFFIN, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of Jan., 1924. C. W. EDWARDS, Notary Public. My Commission expires Jan. 16, 1925.

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LIABILITIES

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State of North Carolina, County of Franklin, ss: I, H. M. Stovall, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: J. M. ALLEN, K. K. ALLEN, P. B. GRIFFIN, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of Jan., 1924. WM. D. JACKSON, Notary Public. My Commission expires March 17, 1924.

FRANKLIN COUNTY IN EARLY HISTORY

We are indebted to Col. Fred A. Olds, of Raleigh, for the following letter which gives much of Franklin County's Early History.

2196 Ambleside Drive, Cleveland, Ohio, October 18, 1923.

Dear Col. Olds: I was greatly interested in your recent sketch of the History of Franklin County, North Carolina. Col. Benjamin Seawell mentioned in your article was my great grandfather; and Col. Green Hill, Dr. John King and Seth Mabry each married sisters of his in Brunswick County, Va., and were all, at one time, residents of Franklin County, and devoted friends.

These men were strong, virile forces in those stirring times for National Independence, and for the establishment of law, order, education and religion in the state.

North Carolina had played a great part in America's struggle for Independence; by 1789 she had ratified the Constitution. William says, in his History of North Carolina, "By the year 1791 North Carolina had become the FOURTH state in the Union!"

Virginia leading with almost 750,000 inhabitants; New York falling to the fifth place with less than 350,000; while North Carolina's number had climbed almost to 400,000.

Emigrants still crowded the trails into the state; some to become residents, many to move on into the wilderness. Indians had almost disappeared. Little saw mills had sprung up on the water courses all over the state, to supply lumber for the new homes. There were "over forty on Cape Fear River alone."

When men build homes and gather into settlements and towns, community interest demands organized government, schools, churches, good laws, courts, and all the aids to civic and state development. It was Col. Seawell's activities along these lines that especially give one pleasure; and that seem to me so much more valuable to his state, than his long and honorable, military service. You kindly cited several incidents in his career during the years of his residence in Franklin County, so I hope you and other North Carolinians, may be interested in hearing more about him.

Col. Seawell's forebears were among the earliest emigrants to Virginia; settling in Gloucester County about 1638. They were English and of distinguished lineage. His grandparents, Joseph and Elizabeth Seawell, migrated to Brunswick County, Virginia. Here his father, Benjamin Seawell, Sr. (born 1694), and his wife Lucy Hicks, acquired a large estate in land and negroes; and here Col. Benjamin and his eight brothers and sisters were born and reared.

His brother Joseph married Martha, the sister of Nathaniel Macop, and Benjamin married Miss Mary Booker, a young girl of great charm and culture, and moved to Bute County, North Carolina. His public life began at the Provincial Congress at Halifax, May 2nd, 1776, when he was appointed in the Committee for procuring firearms for the State's defence. Next, at the Provincial meeting of the Council of Safety at Wilmington, June 5th, 1776, when he was appointed "Captain of the Halifax Brigade, No. 6, Bute County," under Brigadier-General Ashe. Again at the Provincial Constitutional Congress at Halifax, November 12th, 1778, when he was present as one of that able body of men, who, as Wheeler says, "Were not only to make laws, but also to form a Constitution, which was to be the corner-stone of all law; and as it was well or ill ordered, would tend to the happiness or misery of the State."

You kindly say he was the first State Senator from Franklin County (1779); but he had represented old Bute County, through these Provincial Congresses, and later in the General Assembly since 1776. You also speak of his long service as a Councilor of State; these and his military activities constitute a record of varied and devoted service to North Carolina. In his zeal for independence, he served to the close of the war. He not only fought the British; but he was sent "with success against the marauding bands of home Tories, who were devastating the State." When there was urgent need for more troops he was dispatched as a recruiting officer and filled the ranks.

He was not only "a good officer" (as his General reported); but better still, he was an ardently alive citizen; accepting the full responsibility of citizenship, by his active interest for the public good.

He was a trustee with Dr. John King and others of the Franklin Academy and of the one erected in Granville County. You speak of the "first Court in Franklin County being held in his house"; in 1778 he was also one of the commissioners for "erecting a prison in Franklin County." He was a Justice of the Peace, and a Lawyer. We still have his old half-bound volumes of Blackstone's Commentaries that he used right there in Franklin County. He presented the first bill to the General Assembly for "fixing the Seat of Government in the State, and purchasing the land needed for the erection of the necessary public buildings." He wanted it established "in the most convenient and central part of the State; and the buildings should comprise a State House, Treasurers' Office, Land Office and Secretaries' Office." He long worked with energy to bring this important matter to a conclusion of reality.

Some of his other commissions from the General Assembly were to examine and report on the Gun Factories and the guns; and to purchase those needed. To examine the salt works and settle the accounts with the Commissioners. To "hear all grievances and claims; to pass upon them and make report." To "amend the bill for levying tax by assessment," and

later "to take charge of the new levies."

He voted in the General Assembly against confiscating the property of Tories in the State, and of all such persons, as shall not within a certain time therein mentioned, appear and submit to the State, whether they shall be received as citizens thereof (1777). He was appointed to act with a committee from the House of Commons on certain important resolutions of the Continental Congress, etc.

You speak of Captain Harris' Company of Franklin County, 1780, being in Colonel Exum's regiment. Colonel Exum's regiment, Colonel Jarvis's and Colonel Seawell's all belonged to General Jethro Sumners Brigade; and when the two former regiments claimed their time of service had expired, the Brigade "was broke," according to the records, and Colonel Seawell's regiment transferred to a new Brigade.

After the death of his wife, and some years after the close of the war, Colonel Seawell, Colonel Green Hill and Seth Mabry, moved to the "New Country."

He settled about twenty-five miles from Nashville, in what is now Wilson County, Tennessee. Here he acquired a large tract of land, built a handsome home, remarried and lived a long, happy and useful life; and here he died July 16, 1821. This home, built about 1795-6, still stands. It was a large two story house, and though now in sad neglect, still shows how well and strongly men built in those days. Its construction was of enormous hand squared logs, morticed and wooden pegged; these in turn weatherboarded. Big stone chimneys added to the appearance of the house. From the front door, there was a wide brick walk, through an avenue of cedars, to the far away gate. This paved inlet is only a dim shadow in the grass now; and of the avenue of cedars, only a few weather torn giants remain.

On October 26th, 1779 Wilson County, Tennessee was created from old Sumner; and on that day the 3rd General Assembly of Tennessee appointed Colonel Benjamin Seawell its Solicitor. "If, as has been said, 'Our Solicitors are the frail barriers erected between civilization and the jungle,' then it is well that he was honored; for always he stood for law, order, education and righteousness. His name is inscribed upon the monument on the Capitol Grounds at Nashville; erected to the memory of those Revolutionary Officers who died in Tennessee.

The D. A. R.'s and S. A. R.'s of Tennessee are to honor his grave with their markers next July; and there will gather his great, and great, great grand children, and kin, from many states; many of whom are living testimonies of the truth of the modern biological theory, "that inheritance is the greatest force in human life."

Very sincerely, NANNIE S. BOYD. (Mrs. I. S. Boyd.)

A Rat Breeds 6 to 10 Times a Year, Averaging Ten Young to a Litter. Remember this act as soon as you see the first rat. Get a pkg. of RAT-SNAP. It's a sure rat and mice destroyer. It's convenient, comes in cake form, no mixing. Mummified rat after killing—leaves no smell. Cats or dogs won't touch it. Three sizes, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by CASH GROCERY & MARKET.

COTTON REPORT The tabulation of the card reports shows that there were 20,973 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales ginned in Franklin County, from the crop of 1923 prior to December 13, 1923, as compared with 13,690 bales ginned to December 13, 1922.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF FARM LANDS By virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust made by Dave C. Evans to W. H. Pernel, Trustee, and recorded in Franklin Registry in Book 234, page 244, dated March 29, 1921, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and demand for foreclosure having been made on said trustee by the holder of the debt so secured; and upon a sale thereof on Monday, Jan. 7, 1924, an advance bid having been made on such sale and an order of re-sale having been made by the Superior Court of Franklin County, the undersigned will on

MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 1924 at about the hour of noon at the court house door in Louisburg, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash that tract of land situated in Sandy Creek township, in said deed of trust conveyed, and there described as follows: Joining the lands of C. P. Thorne, W. S. Faulkner, Sam Solomon, and others, beginning at a stone in the C. P. Thorne's line (7) 1-2 W 4.16 chains to an oak; thence S 4 3-4 W 7.45 chains to a stone; thence S 8 W 15.12 chains to a stone; thence S 87 1-2 W 17.64 chains to an iron stake; thence N 5 1-2 W 16.25 chains to an iron stake; thence N 62 1-2 W 4.70 chains to beginning, containing fifty-two and one-half (52 1-2) acres, more or less.

This January 11, 1924. W. H. PERNEL, Trustee. Wm. H. & Thos. W. Ruffin, Attorneys. 1-11-24

Borax, Salt Petre and Pepper for meat curing 1-11-24 at L. P. HICKS.

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FORECLOSURE SALE By virtue of the power contained in a D. ed in Trust executed by W. M. Journigan and Minnie Journigan his wife, January 26th, 1921, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin County in Book 241, at page 238, default having been made in the payment of the debt therein secured, on request of the holder of the same, I shall sell for cash, by public auction at the courthouse door in Louisburg, N. C., to the highest bidder, on the 21st DAY OF JANUARY, 1924 the following described property: A tract of land containing 35 acres in Hayesville Township, bounded by the lands of J. T. Tharrington on the North, Simon Duke's heirs on the West, M. R. Journigan on the South and E. M. Newmand on the East. This 17th of December, 1923. 12-21-24 T. T. HICKS, Trustee.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDS Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that Deed of Trust executed to Ben T. Holden, Trustee, by O. J. Coppedge and wife, and duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin County in book 234 page 148. Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness, thereby secured, and demand made upon me to foreclose, I will on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1924, at 12:00 noon at the courthouse door of Franklin County sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, that tract of land situated in Cypress Creek township, Franklin County, North Carolina, bounded as follows, viz: On the North by the lands of W. I. Stallings, on the South by the R. N. Strickland estate, on the East by the lands of John Privette and B. S. Rice, on the West by the lands O. T. Moses and W. F. Moses, containing 189 acres more or less.

There are two prior liens against the said lands one in the sum of \$2,750.00, with interest, to R. S. Coppedge and the other in the sum of \$700.00 to Mrs. Geneva Upchurch, which liens will be paid out of the proceeds of the sale first, so as to convey a Fee Simple title to the purchaser. This the 29th day of Dec., 1923. 1-4-24 BEN T. HOLDEN, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE J. R. Bergeron, Adm'r.

Rowland Hagwood, Kelley Hagwood, Et Ala. Under and by virtue of an order of re-sale of the Superior Court of Franklin County made in the Special proceedings entitled J. R. Bergeron Adm'r. Vs. Rowland Hagwood, Kelley Hagwood, et als, the undersigned Commissioner will sell on

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 1924, at or about the hour of Noon at the Courthouse door in Louisburg, N. C. to the highest bidder for cash those certain tracts and interest in and to the following lands: Five-eighths of a certain tract of land containing 70 acres, bounded on the North by G. A. Hagwood, on the East by lands of H. B. Hagwood, on the West by J. T. Alford and on the south by the lands of the Dennis Simmons Lumber Company.

2nd Tract—A tract containing 28 acres bounded on the North by J. W. Stallings, on the East by H. C. Hopkins, on the South by H. B. Hagwood and on the West by G. A. Hagwood. Both tracts being in Dunns Township, Franklin County, N. C. This Dec. 7th, 1923. W. M. PERSON, Commissioner.

The above sale was continued by the Commissioner to Monday, January 14th, 1924. This Jan. 7, 1924. W. M. PERSON, Commissioner.

NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE By virtue of power of sale contained in a mortgage executed to W. A. Weathersby by J. R. Weathersby, which mortgage is duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin County, in Book 225, at page 538, and by reason of default in the payment of the note secured by said mortgage, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in Louisburg, North Carolina, on FRIDAY, THE 1st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1924, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12 M. AND 1:00 P. M., the following tract or parcel of land, lying and being situate in Dunn township, Franklin County, State of North Carolina, described as follows:

Adjoining the lands of Etta Brantley, I. B. Gardner, B. S. Pace, and others, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in the old Raleigh Road and runs S across the National Highway 90 to Contentnea Creek, cornering at an ash in G. W. Pace's corner; thence E to I. B. Gardner's line; thence N along Gardner's line to the National Highway 90 and across NATIONAL Highway to Hillsboro and Tarboro road; thence along the Hillsboro-Tarboro road to a fork of the Raleigh Road, thence along the Raleigh Road to the iron stake, the beginning, containing 100 acres, more or less, known as the Home Place of J. R. Weathersby.

This the 2nd day of January, 1924. Date of Sale: February 1, 1924. Terms of Sale: Cash. W. A. WEATHERSBY, Mortgagee. M. S. Strickland, Attorney. 1-11-24

FARM FOR RENT I have a good farm for rent for 1924 for the fourth. Adapted to tobacco or cotton, good dwellings and outhouses, on good roads, near good school and church. W. R. YOUNG, R. L. LOUISBURG, N. C. 1-11-24

The Quinine that does not affect the Head. Having of its long and extensive use. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GIBSON'S signature on box. 1-11-24

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SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE Under and by virtue of the authority contained in the Deed of Trust executed and delivered by L. L. Whitaker to G. M. Beam, Trustee, dated April 7, 1920, and recorded in Franklin County Registry in Book 236 at page 504, and default having been made in the payment of the notes thereby secured, and upon demand and request of the holder of said notes described therein, the undersigned Trustee will on

MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 1924, at or about the hour of 12 o'clock noon at the court house door in Louisburg, N. C., Franklin County, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract or parcel of land situate in Louisburg township, Franklin County, State of North Carolina, described as follows, viz: "An undivided one-half interest in and to the following property, to-wit: A certain tract or parcel situated in the County of Franklin, State of North Carolina, and in the Town of Louisburg, lying on both sides of Tar River and bounded as follows: On the North by the lands of D. F. McKinne, L. P. Hicks and F. N. Egerton; on the East by Main Street in said Town of Louisburg; on the South by the lands of J. M. and W. H. Allen and G. W. Ford; on the West by the lands of G. W. Ford and F. N. Egerton and containing seventeen (17) acres, more or less, known as the Louisburg Mill Property and including the Blacksmith shop, Mill building, Grist mills, Cotton Gin, Scales and all machinery of every description used in connection with Grist Mills and Cotton Gin; also, the mill dam, and all easements, water powers and water rights, privileges, powers and rights of every kind and description belonging to or granted to the owner or owners of said above-described property in a certain agreement recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin County in book 34, page 232. The undivided half interest in the above-described property being the same which W. H. Allen and wife conveyed to L. L. Whitaker by deed dated April 7, 1920."

This the 11th day of December, 1923. 12-14-24 G. M. BEAM, Trustee

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LANDS IN NASH COUNTY By virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust made by J. L. Culpepper, Z. N. Culpepper, D. L. Culpepper and wife, and Mrs. Nannie T. Sykes, Doweress, to Wm. H. Ruffin, Trustee, dated December 23, 1921, and recorded in Nash County Registry, Book 271, page 253, and in Franklin County Registry, Book 244, pages 112-14, default having been made in the payment of the debt thereby secured, and demand for foreclosure having been made by the holder of debt so secured on said trustee and default having been made in the payment of the said debt according to the terms of the decree of the Superior Court of Nash Co in that action entitled Mrs. Nannie T. Sykes, et al vs. Wm. H. Ruffin, Trustee, et al, and pursuant to the decree of said court made in said action; and by virtue of an order of resale made by the Superior Court of Nash County upon advance bids on the sale of December 15th, 1923, the undersigned will on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 1924 at or about the hour of noon in Nash County, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash those certain tracts or lots of land situate in Nash County, in said deed of trust conveyed and further described as follows:

TRACT (a). Beginning at a stake in Breddlove's corner in Wm. B. Williams line; thence S 87 E 148 1-2 poles to a pine stump; thence S 4 W 86 poles to a Blackgum; thence S 88 E 40 poles to a stake; thence N 4 E 113 poles to a Blackjock on the road; thence along said road to Geo. Powell's rock corner; thence N 4 E 153 poles to a stake near Cedar; thence N 88 W 157 poles to a Red Oak; thence S 152 1-2 poles to the beginning, containing one hundred seventy-three and one eighth (173 1-8) acres, more or less.

TRACT (b). A tract or parcel of land conveyed to the late B. N. Culpepper by J. T. Webb and wife, by deed recorded in Book 73, page 52, and following in Nash Co Registry, to which reference is hereby made for further description, said tract containing seventeen and three eighths (17 3-8) acres.

TRACT (c). A tract or parcel of land conveyed to the late B. N. Culpepper by J. T. Webb and wife, containing thirty-six (36) acres more or less, by deed recorded in Nash Registry, Book 73, page 76, and following to which reference is hereby made for further description.

Out of the foregoing tracts (a), (b), (c), one hundred (100) acres has been conveyed to J. B. Jeffreys by deed recorded in Nash County Registry, Book 109, page 91 and following leaving lands now conveyed, one hundred twenty-six and one half (126 1-2) acres, more or less.

Terms of Sale—Cash, and a deposit of 25 per cent of each bid will be required immediately at the conclusion of the bidding, and if deposit is not satisfactory to the trustee, bidding will be immediately re-opened and another sale made.

This January 3, 1924. 1-4-24 WM. H. RUFFIN, Trustee.

NOTICE I wish to thank my many friends, both white and colored, of Louisburg and Franklin County for their patronage during the year of 1923. May the year of 1924 be a prosperous one to each one of you. And when you want a good meal to eat call at Hayes Cafe, or Phone 234. You will always find him on the job. Plenty to eat and quick service is our motto. HAYES CAFE Julius Hayes, Prop.

1-4-24