

TOWN REDUCES TAX RATE

Gives Consent Light And Water Survey

Make Settlement With Farmers & Merchants Bank—Bonding Company Gets Copy Audit—Compiles Budget For 1930-31—Consider L. L. Allen Tax Complaint

The Board of Commissioners met in Special Session, August, 6th upon order of Mayor L. L. Joyner.

Upon roll call the following members were present: L. L. Joyner, Mayor, W. E. White, F. H. Allen, G. W. Ford, A. H. Fleming.

The purpose of the meeting as stated by Mayor, L. L. Joyner, was for the consideration of a proposal from K. L. Burton, Liquidating Agent, for the defunct Farmers & Merchants Bank.

Mr. Burton presented a Tentative Proposal for liquidation as follows:

Provided that the Town of Louisburg would agree to pay the outstanding account for auditing by G. L. King, of approximately \$343.06; Bond No. 16, for \$500.00, now held by the Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Henderson, N. C.; outstanding bond coupons with interest, approximating \$376.00; six Town of Louisburg bonds for \$1,000.00 maturing in 1934.

That the Farmers and Merchants Bank would pay all taxes due by them to the Town of Louisburg, and allow the full amount of deposit of the Town of Louisburg (\$12,363.54) to apply on the Town of Louisburg note for \$15,000.00, due the Farmers & Merchants Bank, and which is now in the possession of the State & National Bank of Richmond, Va.

The amounts herein quoted and items subject to correction and approval by the Board.

Mr. Burton's proposal was discussed in full by members of the Board, and after careful consideration, the following motion was made and carried:

"That the Board of Commissioners accept Mr. K. L. Burton's tentative proposal."

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The Board of Town Commissioners met in special session, Monday, August, 11, 1930 at 8 P. M., with the following members present: L. L. Joyner, Mayor, A. W. Person, W. E. White, F. H. Allen, M. McKinnis, A. H. Fleming.

The minutes of two previous meetings were read and approved.

Mr. L. L. Allen was before the Board in reference to his part due Taxes on the personal property listed by the Allen Machine Co.

Mr. W. E. White, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported to the Board that the Finance Committee had been unable to render a decision upon the L. L. Allen complaint. He reported that the Malone & Malone check shows that the taxes paid by this check were the taxes on the L. L. Allen Real Property as follows:

"L. L. Allen Town Tax 1926-1927 and St. Pav. Assessments"; and that J. E. Malone, Jr. advised the Board that Mr. A. W. Green had informed him that he failed to advise him that 1925 taxes on the L. L. Allen Real Property, were due for payment, and that apparently the Allen Machine Co. taxes were a separate issue.

Mr. L. L. Allen stated to the Board that it was his original idea and belief that all taxes on all property owned by him has been paid up to 1929; that this opinion is based on correspondence between A. W. Green and himself; that T. K. Allen was supposed to have paid all taxes and that he presumed that the Tax Receipts which he received from T. K. Allen, were receipts in full for all taxes due; that he requested A. W. Green to advise him if he owed any taxes to the Town of Louisburg, N. C.; that he believes that he had receipts for all taxes due, but that in moving these receipts had been lost or destroyed by some person. Mr. Allen stated that a large account against the Town of Louisburg (something over \$100.00) was due to have been credited to Taxes Due by the Allen Machine Co., and that no record of credit for this account is shown on the Tax Books.

Mr. T. K. Allen stated to the Board that he did not keep records of invoices rendered against the Town of Louisburg, and could not produce a duplicate of bills rendered.

Mr. L. L. Allen requested the Board to arrive at some decision as to what is a fair adjustment, under the circumstances.

A motion "That the Finance Committee search the Town records thoroughly from beginning to end, for all debits and credits of the Town of Louisburg and the Allen Machine Co. and render something tangible as a basis of calculation, and render a written report of their findings to the Board." This motion was carried.

Mayor L. L. Joyner introduced Mr. S. C. Harvey, representative of the United Fidelity and Guaranty Co., to the members of the Board.

Mr. Harvey requested the Board to allow him to take a copy of the Town audit completed by A. M. Pullen & Co., to his office, in order that he might study it thoroughly, before accepting the Towns claim against the U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co., under the fidelity Bond of former Town

Clerk, A. W. Green.

This request was granted.

The Board carefully reviewed the estimated expenses and revenue for the Fiscal year June, 1, 1930-May 31, 1931, which showed that an estimated budget of \$31,250.00 was necessary to be raised by taxation.

A motion prevailed "That the Tax Rate for 1930 be established at \$2.30." This represents a reduction of 10 cents from the 1929 rate of \$2.30.

RECORDER'S COURT

Only a small number of cases were before Judge J. L. Palmer, in Franklin Recorder's Court Monday. Mr. Ben T. Holden prosecuted the docket in the place of Capt. E. F. Griffin, who was in Camp at Fort Bragg. The docket was disposed of as follows:

Tom Day, manslaughter, prayer continued.

Wm. T. King and Dutch Mosley, violating prohibition law, not guilty as to King, Mosley pleads guilty fined \$25 and costs.

Sal Wright pleads guilty, resisting officer, prayer for judgment continued for 12 months upon payment of costs.

The case of assault with deadly weapon against Mattie Lee Person was continued.

Civil Court August 25th.

The regular August term of Franklin Superior Court, Civil term, will convene on Monday, August 25th, 1930 with Hon. Garland E. Medgett, of Jackson, Northampton County, presiding. In last week's TIMES, either the reporter or the linotype got the words civil and criminal mixed and announced it would be Criminal term. This was in error, it should have stated Civil term.

MRS. GARDNER HONORED

On July 27th the many friends of Mrs. J. W. Gardner gave her a very pleasant surprise at the old Coppedge Mill dam near the residence of Mr. J. W. Gardner.

About two o'clock in the afternoon her friends commenced arriving from Middlesex, Zebulon, Louisburg, Nashville, Red Oak and Rocky Mount and each one brought a well filled basket. After safely depositing the baskets on the old dam they drove up to Mr. Gardner's residence, bundled Mrs. Gardner in an automobile and carried her to the old dam. But Mrs. Gardner didn't really know what was in store for her at the old mill.

After seeing the older people comfortably seated under the old willows the younger people set out to explore and after spending several hours in swimming and kodaking they returned to the old people where each one was having a joyous time talking of olden days. But there was still more to come.

Some one suggested having a basket supper, so the cloths were spread and around from a secret nook in the rocks they commenced bringing their baskets. The Live-at-Home program was effectively carried out. Babecue, fried chicken, ham, deviled eggs, salads, picnic, sandwiches, cakes, ice cream and lemonade was served.

After everyone was well filled the younger people enjoyed another swim and then they thought it was time to take Mrs. Gardner back home. So she was accompanied by many of her friends to her home.

Mrs. Gardner is one of the most popular women of the older set and she is highly esteemed and loved by every one that know her.

CASH-PEOPLES

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Peoples announce the marriage of their daughter Gala Mae, to Mr. Jacob Hillman Cash on Saturday August 9th, 1930 at the home of Mr. E. M. Barnes, with Mr. Barnes officiating.

Miss Peoples was a graduate of Mills High School the past year, and is one of Louisburg's most popular, and attractive young ladies.

The bride wore a suit of orchard crepe de chine with accessories to match.

The groom is one of Louisburg's prominent young business men having been connected with the operation of the Union Warehouse here the past year.

They will make their home in Louisburg September 1st, 1930.

THANKS

We wish to offer our heart-felt thanks for all the help and sympathy shown us by our friends, both white and colored, during the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father, Isham Arrington.

Pollie Arrington and family.

Taking boxing lessons before seeking a quarrel is a part of wisdom.

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The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. J. V. McIver, and request him to appear before the Board, Monday night August, 18th, in reference to the J. P. Timberlake Account.

A motion carried providing "That Mr. Brice be permitted to make a survey of the Louisburg Light and Power Plant, at no cost to the Town of Louisburg, N. C." Those voting Aye: A. H. Fleming; W. E. White, A. W. Person, voting No: M. McKinnis; F. H. Allen.

The meeting was adjourned until Monday, August, 18th., at 8 P. M.

Smartest Boy



Arthur O. Williams, of Providence, R. I., winner of the annual four-year educational prize given by Thomas A. Edison. Young Williams is 17 and won the scholarship over 47 other boys.

Rifle Champion



Miss M. E. Foster, English woman who amazed everybody by out-shooting the crack shots of the British Army and winning the King's Trophy.

Boxer Now Actor



Georges Carpentier, who fought Dempsey for the heavyweight championship, returns to America, to act in the talkies.

School To Open Sept. 1st.

School will open on Monday, September 1, and each child should be there that day. The State law makes in compulsory on each parent to see that children from 7 to 14 are in school each day the school is in session, unless excused for proper cause. This law is not designed to punish parents or children, but to protect the child against the parent who is not responsive to his duty to his child.

Book list will be ready by the first of next week; get a list, look over the books you have at home; if you do not have such as your child will need, try to get them from your neighbors. If you fail in this, new copies can be purchased at the school for cash. Money is scarce with you, but just as scarce with us; we can not undertake to sell books on credit to anyone.

In this time of financial stress, there is some times a temptation to slacken our effort to educate the children; they have their lives ahead of them; they are in a large measure dependent upon us to determine how they will be equipped when they come to take our places; and that will not be many years at most. The Supt. of the Louisburg school has been a citizen of Louisburg for 25 years and to-day there are about four or five business signs over business houses that were there in 1905. The world changes rapidly; let us all with a strong pull try to get the children ready to do a better job than we have done.

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

S. L. Blanton informs the TIMES this morning that he will be here and will preach Sunday morning at the regular hour of 11 a. m.

There will be no evening services. Capt. Blanton has recently been commissioned chaplain of the 105th Medical Corps N. C. N. G. He has been encamped for the past two weeks with his regiment at Camp Jackson.

Mrs. Pittman Dead

Mrs. Florence W. Pittman, of Vaughan, died at the home of her son, Mr. J. R. Johnson, in Louisburg Saturday morning after a long period of illness. Mrs. Pittman was seventy-six years old and is survived by only one son.

The funeral services were conducted at Vaughan Saturday afternoon at five o'clock by the Rev. M. Stamps and the interment was made at the cemetery there.

Quite a number of friends and relatives of the family accompanied the body to Vaughan and attended the service. Also a large crowd attended from other places.

Curious Monument



This huge copy of an Indian arrow-head has been set up at Old Fort N. C. where an old blackhouse stood in 1730.

SAYS ROAD WILL BE TRUNK LINE

Commissioner Hill Claims Much Traffic Will Go Over Louisburg-Warrenton Road

(Warrenton Record)

The road from Warrenton to Louisburg will in the course of years be a great trunk line road running to Raleigh and for this reason great care must be used in its location, John Sprunt Hill, highway commissioner, pointed out in a letter this week to John Clay Powell, chairman of the county board of commissioners.

Mr. Hill said that the present roads were both poorly located and that in order to shorten the distance between Warrenton and Louisburg several changes would probably be necessary in the location. This matter can not be determined until figures of engineers are checked over. Engineer L. C. Cook and party completed the survey of both routes several days ago and the highway department will probably make the check of figures in the near future.

The Warrenton-Louisburg road has been added to the State system. This is quite different from taking over a road for maintenance, Mr. Hill points out.

Commissioner Hill's letter follows:

"Hon. J. C. Powell, Biltmore, N. C.

Inez, N. C.

"My dear Mr. Powell: Your letter of July 18th has been sent to me here where I have a summer cottage. The Louisburg-Henderson road has been maintained for past year by State Highway Commission and generally speaking the road is well located and every dollar spent by State is expended toward the making of a first class road. But the roads from Warrenton to some point between Kearney and Ingleside are both poorly located and any intensive maintenance by the State would be large thrown away. Until the report of the State highway engineers comes into my office I will even be unable to determine which of the two roads will be selected. It is my understanding that the survey shows that road coming directly south from Warrenton can be shortened at least two miles by new location, hence it is probable that best interest of the State and county will be served by building a new road. In course of years this road from Warrenton to Louisburg is going to be a great trunk line road running all the way to Raleigh, thereby shortening the distance from Warrenton to Raleigh by five or six miles, and serving as an alternate road to Route 50. It is necessary therefore, to use great care in the location of this road running south from Warrenton, otherwise the great value of the road to Warren county and to the State will be seriously impaired. I think therefore that it would not be good business policy for the State to take over for the present the maintenance of either of these roads from Warrenton to Louisburg-Henderson road.

You can assure your people however, that every effort will be made by me to push along the construction of the Warrenton-Louisburg road as fast as the circumstances will permit.

"Yours very truly,

JOHN SPRUNT HILL.

"P. S. You understand that last January a road from Warrenton to Louisburg was added to State system, so as to enable State to expend money on surveys and construction, but adding a road to system and taking over for maintenance are separate and different propositions, as it is shown above.

J. S. H.

AUXILIARY TO HOLD MEETING

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its regular monthly meeting with Mrs. J. Forrest Joyner, Tuesday afternoon, August 19th, at 4 o'clock. This meeting is for the election of officers and all members are earnestly requested to attend.

MRS. H. W. PERRY, Pres.

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Entertained At Birthday Dinner

M. D. Smith, Prominent Farmer Of Nash County, Honored on His 72nd Birthday, Sunday, August 10.

Rocky Mount, August 12.—The children of Mr. M. D. Smith who now resides near Rocky Mount, honored him on his 72nd birthday, Sunday, August 10, at his old home at Red Bud, near Castalia, where he was raised. He was a leader in his community, social and church affairs, a good father, and a prominent and successful farmer.

A long table, which was decorated with beautiful flowers artistically arranged was in the yard under the shady oak trees. The center piece was a large white birthday cake with 72 pink candles in rose bud holders with a mass of flowers banked around it. The table was covered with a delicious dinner, including pig barbecue, brunswick stew and all accessories for this occasion. Rev. John Walton of Wake Forest, the supply pastor of Red Bud church and guest of Mr. Smith returned thanks after which all partook of the bountiful dinner.

After which Mr. D. B. Pearce, a life long friend, and Rev. Walton gave interesting talks concerning the beautiful life Mr. Smith is living, also his nephews Mr. G. B. Smith and Mr. Louis Smith told what he had done for them and in how many ways he has been a father to them. Little Magdalene and Ella Ruth Wood, ages 5 and 6, grand daughters, very sweetly sang, "We are Little Tots." The concluding hymn, "Blest Be the Tie," was sung by the whole group during which time they all shook hands with Mr. Smith and wished him very many happy birthdays. Later in the afternoon watermelons were served before the guests began to depart.

The children include, Mrs. Iola Murphy and children, who live at the home place; Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Gupton and children of Gupton; Mrs. W. B. Dodd and children, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mrs. Mattie Lee May and children, of Cedar Rock; Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Smith and son of Castalia; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Smith and children, near Louisburg; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Smith, of Rocky Mount; Mr. J. H. Wood and children of Centerville, and Sherwood Smith of near Rocky Mount.

Hostess At Rook And Bridge

Mrs. B. N. Williamson delightfully entertained three tables of Rook and four of Bridge Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

The spacious hall and living room were lovely in their decorations of summer flowers. A color scheme of yellow and green was attractively carried out in the decorations and refreshments.

Enjoying the hospitality of Mrs. Williamson were:

Mrs. W. B. Barrow, D. F. McKinnis, W. E. White, E. S. Ford, M. C. Blessants, J. W. Mann, A. W. Person, O. Y. Yarbore, E. L. Best, W. E. Tucker, R. A. Bobbitt, W. R. Mills, E. C. Perry, W. L. Beasley, C. K. Coker, J. M. Allen, H. H. Dall, G. W. Cobb, F. J. Beasley, B. T. Holden, Al Hodges, H. H. Johnson, Annie L. Horner, Misses Lucy Allen, Lonie Meadows, Babbie Turner, Susie Meadows, Lynn Hall.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. W. B. Tucker served a delicious frozen fruit salad course.

Revival At Shiloh

Rev. A. L. Thompson, pastor, announces that the date for the revival at Shiloh has been changed. Instead of beginning on the 4th Sunday in August it will begin on Monday night August 18. There will be services each night at 8 o'clock through the 4th Sunday. On Friday there will be an all day children's service with dinner on the grounds. Everybody is invited to attend these services.

Fifty-one poultry growers of Davidson County made a trip of inspection to the leading poultry farms of the county on July 25.

COUNTY TAX RATE TO BE \$1.33

Increase Of 15 Cents Over Last Year

In Order To Meet The Estimated Budgets Commissioners Had To Boost Rate—Louisburg and Franklin School Rates Not Fixed

As will be seen from the tax levy made for 1930 by the Board of County Commissioners in session Friday the County rate this year will be \$1.33 as against \$1.18 last year. This increase was caused by increased expenses and decreased property values.

The levies as made are as follows:

COUNTY General		
General Purpose	12	
Poor fund	5	
Health fund	4	
Road and bridge	7	
Debt Service	25	
School (6 months)		
Current expense	54	
Capital outlay	2	
Debt service	24	
Total County rate	\$1.33	

Township Road

Township	Debt Ser.	Maint.
Dunns	0	42
Harris	42	48
Youngsville	0	28
Franklinton	0	15
Hayesville	16	39
Sandy Creek	15	49
Gold Sand	64	26
Cedar Rock	0	40
Cypress Creek	27	38
Louisburg	12	18

Special School Districts

Bunn	21
Epsom	25
Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek	19
Youngsville	17
Gold Sand	22
Mapleville	23
Ingleside	20

The rates for Louisburg and Franklinton were not fixed at this time.

The county levy above was made to provide funds to meet the estimated budget as follows: General fund \$73,070.96; debt service \$38,524.98; Schools \$107,083.31, roads \$87,481.92.

In order to figure the tax rate on property in any township or school district add to the County rate the special school district rate and also the township road rate. This method will give the complete rate for any property in the County. The Louisburg and Franklin rates will not be complete until the special school rate for these townships have been arranged.

As a matter of comparison we are giving below the levy and estimated budget figures for 1929:

COUNTY		
General purpose	12	
Poor fund	5	
Health	3	
Bridge	6	
Debt Service	22	
School Current expense	52	
School Capital Outlay	3	
School Debt Service	10	
Total	\$1.18	

Township Roads

Township	Debt Ser.	Maint.
Dunns	2	31
Harris	43	42
Youngsville	5	19
Franklinton	1	16
Hayesville	45	32
Sandy Creek	17	34
Gold Mine	71	27
Cedar Rock	2	32
Cypress Creek	34	25
Louisburg	10	17

Special School Districts

Bunn 22 cents.
Youngsville 40 cents.
Franklinton 39 cents.
Epsom 34 cents.
Gold Sand 28 cents.
Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek 25 cents.
Ingleside 16 cents.
Mapleville 25 cents.
Louisburg 52 cents.

The above rates were levied to produce funds for an estimated budget as follows: General purpose \$56,623.98; debt service and bridges \$41,869.11; schools \$114,817.71, roads \$87,101.76.

THARRINGTON-JONES

Announcements as follows have been received in Louisburg:

Mr. and Mrs. Algrum B. Corbett announce the marriage of their sister Frances Jones

to Mr. Leslie O. Tharrington on Friday, May the sixteenth nineteen hundred and thirty Louisburg, North Carolina.

The bride is an attractive and accomplished young lady of Bailey and is especially popular among a host of friends.

The groom is one of Louisburg's most popular young men who holds an important position with the Hodges-Green Motor Co.

They are at home to their friends, at Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McKinnis' on Sunset Avenue.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank each and every one of my many friends who did so much for me in the sickness and death of our dear baby girl.

K. K. FRASIER.