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CONSIDERING NEW RATES

TOWN COMMISSIONERS HAVE
ACTIVE MEETING

Town Tax Collector Instructed To Follow State Law in Regard To Penalties For Delinquent Taxes—Other Matters Disposed Of.

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular monthly session, Monday, February 2nd, at 7:30 P. M.

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

Mr. F. N. Spivey petitioned the Board to authorize the extension of the Water and sewer lines to his lot which is about 500 feet beyond the Town Limits on North Main St.

A motion by A. H. Fleming prevailed, "That this matter be referred to the Light & Water Committee, and that Mr. O. C. Hill measure the distance of the proposed extension and furnish an estimate of the costs of same."

Renewal of Fire Insurance policies on the Opera House Building and Fixtures, was authorized for three years duration, to P. S. Allen, Jr., and M. S. Davis, respectively.

Mr. G. M. Beam, Atty., representing the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co., advised the Board that the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co., was ready to pay all taxes on the Spot Cash Co. building on So. Main Street, provided the Board would segregate this real property from the real and personal property listed by The Spot Cash Co. Upon the advice of the Town Attorney, the Board did not make this segregation.

Mr. Beam advised the Board that the Virginia Trust Co., would pay all taxes due the Town of Louisburg, upon the Storage House located on the S. A. L. Railway side track, listed in the name of McKinne Bros., provided that this storage house and lot would be segregated from all other property, real and personal, listed by McKinne Bros. This proposal was accepted and disposed of by the following motion.

"That the McKinne Bros. Storage House be segregated from all other property listed for Town Taxes by McKinne Bros."

Dr. R. F. Yarborough presented a complaint from R. G. Person, against the dumping of trash near the R. G. Person Ice Plant. The Board instructed Dr. Yarborough to investigate this matter and make recommendations to the Board, in regards to same.

An overcharge in Taxes against Dr. R. F. Yarborough, who has paid taxes for several years past on 1-2 of the White & Malone Office Bldg., whereas he owns only 1-3 of the building, was disposed of as follows:

"That the Tax Collector refund the amount of taxes overpaid by Dr. Yarborough on the White & Malone Office Bldg., this refund being the difference between the taxes on 1-2 of the building and 1-3 of it."

The Monthly Reports of the Chief of Police, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk, were read and approved.

The Clerk was instructed to pay C. H. Yarborough \$125.00 the balance due him on a \$250.00 attorney's fee, for his services in the suit of the Town of Louisburg, N. C. vs. The United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., whenever the Town of Louisburg has received settlement in full of their claims under the above suit.

The Tax Collector was instructed to confer with the Town Attorney in reference to pending Tax Sales under Tax Sales Certificates, and to report in detail to the Board, regarding the status of these cases.

The Clerk was instructed to have Attorney W. L. Lumpkin to return all uncollected bad checks, which were given to him for collection.

The Tax Collector was instructed to follow the State laws in regards to penalties on 1930 taxes, which provides a penalty of 1 per cent per month beginning with Feb. 1st, 1931 and extending to time of sale, 12 per cent per year for the first year after date of sale, and 5 per cent per year for each year thereafter.

Mr. C. H. Yarborough discussed several provisions of the Town Charter and suggested some changes in same. The Board instructed Mr. Yarborough to compile his suggested changes to the Town Charter in detail and present them to the Board at a future meeting.

The time for the regular monthly meetings was changed from the Friday evening before the first Monday to the Tuesday evening after the first Monday.

Mr. F. H. Allen, Chairman of the Light & Water Committee, presented a proposed schedule of Light and Water rates, compiled by his committee. This schedule was constructed to decrease the present rates. The schedule was discussed in full by the Board, and sent back to the Light & Water Committee for a few changes, before its final acceptance and adoption by the Board.

Bills payable were read by the Clerk and approved for payment by

Reports Needs of Drought Victims



Will Rogers, cowboy humorist and philosopher, starting with famous flyer Captain Frank Hawks, to visit the Arkansas region where the Red Cross is feeding and clothing 550,000 persons. "It's the worst need I ever saw," Will Rogers telegraphs from Pine Bluff.

Lieut.-Gov. Fowler Speaks

Last Friday night the Louisburg Kiwanis Club enjoyed a very timely and instructive talk by Lieutenant Gov. Marion Fowler of the 5th Carolina Kiwanis District. Lieutenant Fowler came from the Durham Club and was accompanied by Tom Rogers, Treasurer of the Durham Club, E. C. Council, Director and President and Gayet Baldwin of the Durham Club.

Mr. Fowler's subject was, "Kiwanis the Confidence Builder." With this subject the speaker discussed the five objectives of Kiwanis; first, help the helpless; second, build civic consciousness among our members; third, build confidence by being better business men; fourth, be friends to the farm folks; to dispel the feeling of superiority and encourage cooperation; fifth, give Vocational Guidance, help the young folks make a decision for a vocation in life. To build this confidence is expected of each Kiwanian. "This is, after all, the bed rock of American Civilization," said Mr. Fowler.

Mr. Fowler covered his subject well and it was enjoyed by all who heard him.

Dwelling Burns On South Main Street

The residence on South Main Street belonging to Mr. R. E. Cash was totally destroyed Thursday night of last week with a loss of approximately \$2,000 fully insured. The residence was occupied by Messrs. Burnice and Pete Cash, who lost practically all their belongings that were in the house together with what furnishings were in the dwelling.

The origin of the fire is unknown. The young men left the house about midnight, it is said, and returned in time to see it enveloped in flames. The fire department responded promptly, but as the fire had a good headway before it was discovered it was impossible to put it out when the truck arrived.

Small Docket Last Monday

Only three cases were finally disposed of Monday in Franklin Recorder's Court and three others continued by Judge J. E. Malone. The docket was as follows:

Sexton Alston, was found guilty of distilling and given 3 months in jail, Commissioners to hire out.

George Mason, abandonment, prayer for judgment continued.

A nol proes was taken in the case of E. L. Wheeler for abandonment.

The following cases were continued:

Waddell Alston, assault.

F. A. Rogers, operating automobile intoxicated.

Ervin Glenn, operating automobile intoxicated.

The Board. The Town Clerk was authorized to make purchase of supplies for the Town, not to exceed \$25.00, and all town employees were instructed to secure purchasing orders for all purchases from the Purchasing Agent or Town Clerk.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Board of Education Meets

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday with A. F. Johnson, Mrs. T. H. Dickens, J. H. Joyner, E. L. Green and W. A. Mullein present. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Superintendent of Public Welfare was made and ordered filed.

The superintendent was instructed to use the material in the Royal School building in the construction of a one-room building for the colored people in this community.

The Board of Education acknowledged the receipt of the recommendation of the recent Grand Jury that "the school truck go one mile further down the highway in Gold Mine Township below Wood's Store to the Sturges home to accommodate eight children in that section". The Board commends the Grand Jury on its wide spread investigations and interest in the welfare of the public's affairs.

This recommendation representing a case one of fifty or more of a similar nature in the county, the Board of Education does not wish to take the responsibility of providing this special service to the families involved unless it could also provide the same service in the other cases, many of which are even more meritorious.

Therefore the Board directs its superintendent and attorney to appear before the Judge of Franklin Superior Court to be held on the 15th of February and explain in full our system of transportation, including the incorporation of the State's requirement of two and one-half miles for compulsory attendance as a basis for transportation facilities, acquaint him with the other cases of as much importance in the county and the fact that if the Board would adopt the distances as would apply should the suggestion of the Grand Jury be adopted, the number of trucks in the county would have to be practically doubled and the cost to the tax payers would be increased approximately \$50,000 and to request his advice under these circumstances.

The Board of Education will be delighted to send a truck to every person's home in the county if the tax payers are willing to bear the expense.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned.

Captures Large Quantity of Beer

Constable J. A. Dennis reports having captured 800 gallons of beer near June Lancaster's home in Gold Mine Township, 400 gallons near Sid Collins' and 400 near Haywood Ball's in Cedar Rock Township on Thursday of last week. He was assisted by Spence Gilliam, K. E. Joyner, and E. S. Gupton.

Fiddler's Convention

An "Old Time Fiddler's Convention" is to be held at the Norlina High School, at Norlina, on Friday night, February 27, at 8 o'clock, to which all players of string music is invited. Group and individual prizes are being offered. Every effort is being made to make this event entertaining and joyous to both participants and listeners.

RÉCITAL AT COLLEGE

There will be a recital in the Social Hall of Main Building of Louisburg College, next Tuesday evening, February 10th, at 8 o'clock. The friends and patrons of the College are cordially invited.

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J. R. CONYERS GETS BRIDGE CONTRACT

County Commissioners Hold Full Meeting Monday; And Transact Much Business.

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

G. M. Beam requested the Board in behalf of Virginia Trust Co., that the property of C. W. Edwards in Louisburg township listed to McKinne Brothers in 1926 be segregated from all personal property or other property of McKinne Brothers. A motion prevailed instructing Auditor Cooke to make such segregation.

Dr. Harris, of Henderson, was before the Board and asked that the County rebate him on rent on two-tenths acres of land for five years as same was owned and listed by Montgomery Lumber Co. in Gold Mine township. A motion prevailed instructing the County Attorney to make investigation.

T. S. Dean filed report for Superintendent of Public Welfare.

W. T. Moss, reported that he had visited the County Home and found things in good shape. He reports 30 inmates now at the home. He also filed report for Dr. R. F. Yarborough, County Health officer, both of which were received and filed.

W. T. Matthews was relieved of poll tax, on account of affliction.

A. W. Sandling made his bridge report, stating that he had visited all bridges and found same in good condition.

H. J. Thorn was allowed \$7.00 for turkeys killed by dog, as recommended by Committee.

Mrs. Ida Bailey was allowed \$3.00 for turkey killed by dog, upon recommendation.

The proposition of Dr. D. T. Smithwick that the County take back the County Home property bought by him, as he was not able to take care of it and no deeds having been passed was accepted upon condition that he pay all back taxes.

Upon motion Z. R. Horton was allowed \$7.00 for turkeys killed by dog.

J. C. Conyers was awarded the contract for the bridge work.

Mrs. A. J. P. Harris was relieved of taxes on 123 acres of land listed by J. W. Young and A. J. P. Harris in Harris township for years 1923-4-5-6 and draw back issued according to law.

The contract for the lease of the garage to C. H. Murphy was accepted.

W. A. Jones reported that he has rented the part of the County land formerly owned by R. L. Peoples for \$40 rent.

Upon recommendation of E. G. Perry, Superintendent of Public Welfare, Mrs. Lizzie Wheeler was placed on Mothers Aid at \$10 per month also Mrs. Lillian Farris at \$15.00 per month.

Upon motion Geo. L. Cooke auditor was instructed to segregate the N. T. Speed Hotel and Home property. Also the land of M. C. Pearce be segregated.

Upon motion G. L. Cooke was authorized to purchase all necessary books for listing and working up taxes for 1931.

G. L. Cooke was directed to make application to State Advisory Commission for permission to borrow \$3000 from Sinking Fund for bridge work.

The Board decided to renew the tax anticipation rates for \$230,000.

The County Attorney was directed to investigate and draft bill, to relieve the County from the burden of paying for sheep, turkeys, etc., killed by dogs.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned.

Upon motion, the Board passed the following resolution:

That the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County respectfully request the representative in the Legislature from Franklin County to exert his best efforts to have enacted into laws for the better and more efficient government of Franklin County, the following recommendations:

1. That there be created for Franklin County the office of tax collector, with full authority in the Board of Commissioners to employ or to discharge the man occupying such office; that the salary of the sheriff be fixed at a figure substantially below the present salary, taking into consideration the fact that there are fees allowed to the sheriff for the execution of the papers placed in his hands, and that the sheriff be allowed a suitable sum for the employment of an office deputy; that the salary of the tax collector be fixed at a figure which will enable him to adequately exercise the duties of his office in the collection of his taxes, the tax collector to employ his own assistants and clerks; that the County furnish and equip an office for the tax collector; that the tax collector shall give a bond with sufficient sureties in a sum acceptable and approved by the same.

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Dawes' Successor?



Charles Francis Adams, Secretary of the Navy, whose grandfather was Minister to England during the Civil War, his great-grandfather and great-great-grandfather Presidents of the United States, who may succeed General Dawes as Ambassador to Great Britain.

Creamery Is Re-organized

The Farmers Creamery, Inc., of Louisburg, N. C., was sold under bankruptcy proceeding on January 24th, 1931, and purchased by the Pine State Creamery, of Raleigh, N. C. Smith Brothers, dairymen of Franklin County, secured an option upon the plant and have since purchased the same from the Pine State Creamery.

The plant will re-open and operate at the same location under the sole ownership of F. G. Smith, M. G. Smith and B. G. Bailey. The owners will incorporate under the name of Franklin Creamery, Inc., and have engaged the services of Mr. L. L. Godfrey who states that he will maintain the standard and high quality of the "Pride of Franklin."

The Creamery will begin receiving cream on Monday, February 9th and milk routes will be established and announced at an early date.

County Basket Ball Standing

FRANKLINTON GIRLS DEFEAT YOUNGVILLE

Gold Sand and Youngville Still Leading in Franklin County High School League Basket Ball

Well, it happened at last. Youngville girls lost a basket ball game. This team has defeated each girls team in the County at least once, but in the second contest with Franklinton lost by a wide margin.

Gold Sand boys continued their winning streak and are holding their place at the head of the column. Interest in the games is still on the increase and indications point toward close contests to be held in the tournament games of the Franklin County High School League. The last contest of the pre-tournament games was held February 4th. The tournament schedule and names of teams will be published in the TIMES next week. All tournament games are to be played either in Louisburg or Franklinton. Pick your favorite for the tournament.

Now The Teams Stand				
School	BOYS			P. C.
	Games	W.	L.	
Gold Sand	7	5	2	714
Youngville	6	4	2	666
Bunn	7	4	3	671
Louisburg	7	4	3	671
Edward Best	8	4	4	500
Epsom	3	3	5	375
Franklinton	9	2	7	222

School	GIRLS			P. C.
	Games	W.	L.	
Youngville	6	5	1	833
Franklinton	9	7	2	777
Epsom	8	5	3	625
Bunn	7	3	4	428
Louisburg	7	3	4	428
Edward Best	8	3	5	375
Gold Sand	6	0	6	000

INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

Representatives of the U. S. Internal Revenue Department will be at the following places on the dates given to assist taxpayers in filing Federal Income Tax Returns. Inquire at Post Office, if you have received blanks by mail bring same with you:

Franklinton, Feb. 10th.

Henderson, March 2nd to 5th.

Louisburg, Feb. 13th.

Nashville, Feb. 11th.

Warrenton, Feb. 11th-12th.

FARMERS MUST LIVE-AT-HOME

RELIEF ORGANIZATION FORMED SATURDAY

R. W. Henninger, Executive Secretary, Mrs. Eric Milliken, G. L. Winchester and Hill Yarborough Speak—Many Attend Meeting.

The Franklin County Relief Association was organized and began its work at a meeting held in the County Court house in Louisburg last Saturday, January 31, at 2:30 o'clock, at which time the citizens of the County were addressed by Mr. R. W. Henninger, Executive Secretary of the Governor's Council on Unemployment and Relief, who explained clearly and briefly in what way State aid may be obtained and who also assisted in perfecting the County Relief Organization. Mr. Henninger, at first, stressed with great emphasis the fact that there are no large pots of gold floating around any where that the State or any other organization can dip their hands down into. He said that the local organizations would have to work out their own salvation in their own way receiving assistance and guidance from the State insofar as they were able to give. The State is to be the coordinating agency for bringing in outside aid.

Mr. Henninger stated that one of the greatest needs of Franklin County is the actual carrying out of the Live-at-Home program, which he said, should be required not only for the financial status of the farmer but for the health also, and too, that acreage reduction should and would be required in the relief administration. He emphasized to the farmers that they should follow an intellectual agricultural program and should make every endeavor to give good products for that was what they would have to do if they expected the North Carolina Manufacturers to buy their products.

The problem facing the people now, according to Mr. Henninger, is that of support from now to the time the cash from the crop comes in. He said that the relief organizations throughout the State would have to be worked out with all the people in unison regardless of the party affiliations in politics. Also he reminded that in order for the farmer to receive relief he should first show that he deserves aid and assistance. A suggestion which he made was that for every three days' service or aid one day's work should be required of the able bodied men of the families for the County or town. Lastly, he stated that all local funds and resources were to be used before outside aid or relief should be called.

Following Mr. Henninger's talk, Mrs. Eric Milliken, Red Cross Representative, spoke of the relief work the Red Cross would do in the County, which would only be in the drought section. She spoke of the Red Cross and how that organization would function in this relief work. She stated that their work in the County would first go to the drought sufferers and that the work would be carried on through a local chapter. She stressed greatly that only relief would be given, no losses would be cared for and also that no money would be given only relief or food.

G. L. Winchester, of Franklinton, who is connected with the local organization functioning under the Federal Farm Relief in Franklin County, explained to the farmers the operation of this organization and the requirements made of the farmer that he may participate in the relief given. The requirements made are that the farmer must have farmed last year, must have suffered from the drought, and has no credit elsewhere. After the loan is granted, which is made in different payments, the receiver is required to have a home garden, a certain amount of acreage of feed to furnish enough to supply his live stock. The loan must be paid back and security is secured by the government by requiring a first crop lien. These loans are made only for seed, feed and fertilizer, and borrowers are warned to borrow as little as possible.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Hill Yarborough, Chairman of the Franklin County Welfare Board, who gave a plan of the organization in the County and arranged meetings to be held in the various townships for organizing and beginning work.

Since the meeting was held on Saturday it has been decided to change the plan of organization, from a Township Plan to a High School District Plan, and to have organizations in each of the seven high school districts of Franklin County. The reasons for this change are that the County is already well organized throughout the high school districts, all meetings will be held in high school buildings for it is much easier to spread information through the schools.

District meetings were arranged as follows: Bunn, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, under the direction of Mrs. H. H. Hobbard, Mrs. B. O. Johnson, Mrs. K. R. White and

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