

investigations and check of the names and report to the Board at its meeting in April, when the matter will be taken up and disposed of carrying out this position the following motion was

A petition purporting to be signed by taxpayers and patrons of the Cedar Rock-cypress Creek School District in Franklin County request ing that a special election be called for and in said school district to the end that the qualified electors and freeholders in said district may vote upon the discontinuance of the fifty cents special school tax levy, so that said school tax levy shall be removed trom the tax payers of said district, was presented to the Board by W. H. 'arborough, and a petition purport-ing to be signed by qualified voters of said district asking that no elect'on be called, was presented by J. T. Inscoe, and a third petition was presented purporting to be signed by some of the qualified voters and taxpayers of the district who had signed the second petition requesting that the election be held and revoking any other expression there on any other petition. A motion was offered and adopted providing that a committee composed of Mr. Taylor Boone, J. H. Harris, J. T. Inscoe, Mrs. T. H. Dick-cns and E. L. Best should check over the petitions, disregarding the names appearing on any two or more of said petitions and ascertain whether or not there was a duly signed petition for the election. Mr. Yarborough, the attorney for the signers of the first petition referred to, requested that all names on the third petition be erased from the second and replaced on the first petition, and upon proper motion the said resolution of the Board was rescinded and the follow-ing resolution, duly made and secondwas adopted by the Board:

'Be it resolved that all names ap-pearing on the Third Petition be stricken from the Second Petition and after so doing that all names then appearing on the Second Petition be stricken from the First Petition and the Frist Petition then be checked by the committee teretofore named to ascertain whether or not said Tirst Petition should then conta n 50 per

while Mr. Hill Yarborough, of Louis-burg, and Mr. Swint and Miss Letton of the Louisburg College faculty are expected to render decisions for the boy's declamation contests. No admission fee will be charged and the officials of the Franklin Control High Cohered Learner have County High School League have expressed the desire to have a large

number of patrons and friends of each of the high schools help make the contest a success by their pres-In the High School League each

of these contests counts as many points toward the League Champion-ship as all of the boys basketball or all of the girls basketball contests.



Franklin Recorder's Court was the centre of attraction in Louisburg, Monday, when the Court room was packed with spectators and those in-terested in the big docket before Judge J. E. Malone. The docket was disposed of as follows: Onnie Ransdell, under a charge of distilling found to be under 16 years of age, was turned over to the Wel-fare officer. Monday, when the Court room was

S. Supman and I Supman were

found not guilty for issuing a worthless check Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of costs in the case of

assault with deadly weapon against, L. W. Parrish. Cleo Tant, was found guilty of

charge of violating prohibition law and was fined \$25 and costs. Appeal.

Eddie Bob Chappell, was found not fullty of violating prohibition law. Percy Joyner was found not guilty of a charge of violating prohibition

law. Manuel Debnam, Jr., was found Julity of assault with deadly weap-ons and was given 60 days in jail Commissioners to hire out to be charged upon payment of \$25 into court for Geo. Winston and costs. Richard Clarke plead guilty to assault with deadly weapon, and was sentenced to 3 months in jail, leave to hire out, suspended upon payment of costs and \$30 to be paid to Dr.

Perry. Eunice Perry, was found guilty of and allowed to pay Eunice Perry, was found guilty of simple assault and allowed to pay costs. Bichard Dickens and Cornelius Cliff.

the doctors of this state to prescribe whiskey to their patients who could procure it from a federal licensed druggist. It is his belief that this law, if enacted, would not work smoothly and that it would make more violators of the law by unethical usage of the law by druggists and coctors. He explained the discre-pancies, and the illegal methods of dispensing practiced in other states that have this law.

Fisher Beasley explained the Road Bill. He told the Club that Franklin County had a credit with the State Highway Commission of \$295,000. (that sum to be expended in the con-struction of roads in this county), but inat under this re-organization act we would probably lose that sum if the

Voild probably lose that sum if the people of this county did not "go af-ter" and demand that which is due us. Edwin Malone then gave a general summary of the trend of legislation. He discussed the proposed 'Short Bal-lot', explaining that this idea isn't a new one—that it was a plank in the personal platform of Governor T. W. Bickett. The Central Purchasing tan was tried by Governor T. W.

Rickett. The Central Purchasing tlan was tried by Governor Bickett, but for reasons there was too much lost motion and it was abandened. This new plan, no doubt, will have those undesirable wrinkles smoothed out and that it will save the people of this state a goodly sum of money. The special music by Mrs. Berke ly, who sang two beautiful solos, was an enjoyable feature of the program.

**Bargain Day At** Louisburg Theatre

The Louisburg Theatre have added another feature to their popular show house, which will be welcomed show house, which will be welcomed by their many patrons. From now on each Wednesday will be Bargain Day at this theatre. They announce that their prices on this day will be 10 and 20 cents. They also state that the pictures on these days will be first class in every way and not because the pictures re choose will because the prices are cheaper will they put on cheaper pictures. This is just another way to show their

Centreville some time during Mon-day night apparently from appo-plexy. His passing was not dis-covered until Tuesday morning when his little daughter went in his room and called him. Physi-tions were summoned and indica-tions were that he had been dead some hours. He was in Louisburg Monday and retired that night in apparent good health. A program of popular and 7th instead of March 24 as was formerly announced. This change is nee cesary since the annual revival will be held at the Methodist Church durapparent good health. Mr. Wood was 53 years old

of a

A program of popular and semi-classical music by the Club and sololeaves five little daughters, the old-ists has been arranged which will est of which is about 15 years of age. He was preceeded to the grave by his wife about two years "Blue Danube", by Straus; the beau-"Blue Danube", by Straus; the beau-iful "Going Home" of Anton Dvorak; ago. He was a very active and use-ful citizen in his community, havselections from Friml's light operas; ing held many places of honor and spirituals, and old English airs, trust, such as School Committee-

## man, Road Trustee, Justice of the Peace. He was a member of Red Choirs Furnish The interment was made Wed-Splendid Music nesday afternoon in the family bur-ing grounds about two miles east of

The Franklin County Welfare Association Holds Meeting-Miss Spencer Speaks.

The Franklin County Colored Welfare Association met in the Court house Sunday afternoon in its regular monthly gathering. The organization has been featuring pro-grams conducted by members of the choirs and Sunday schools of various churches in the County, and these efforts have proven interesting and instructive. At the meeting Sunday, the program was furnished by the Perry's Chapel aggregation, and their program was of a high

and their program the rendition of the Following the rendition of the program the principal speaker of the occasion was presented by the Chairman Dr. J. B. Davis, as one of the best informed ladies in North Carolina. Said he:

The speaker who I am about to introduce can talk intelligently on any subject, and it is not often that we have the opportunity to hear man, John Farrier, Wid Moore, Harry people of that type. I take pleas-ure in presenting and introducing to this audience, Miss Mary B. Spen-tification was made from prison camp

Miss Spencer has spoken often and to many organizations in the County and elsewhere, but has never

were incarcerated in the structure at the time of the fire.

The blaze was discovered shortly after 2 a. m., by Baisden and B. S. Nicholson, another guard, who were on duty at that hour. The fire, the origin of which has not been deter-mined, was discovered in the kitchon. **Baisden Saves Lives of Prisoners** 

Eye witnesses of the disaster told of the heroic efforts of Guard Baisden, who time after time risked his own life as he returned again and again into the burning building to lead forth

the trapped prisoners. Seemingly unconscious of his own danger, Baisden, perilously near the flames heaself, braved the heat and smoke to unlock cell doors and free the horrified prisoners, one by one. Screams of the dying men spurred Balsden to his task with lightning speed and little thought of his own

safety. Prayers and cries of mercy from the lips of the terrified captives stunned spectators who could but stand helplessly outside the flaming bastile while 11 of its inmates were literally roasted to death.

Ancient Structure

The stockade, the exact date of its construction unknown was built after the manner of earlier prisons in the United States and the fire hazards have always been great. It consisted of a high stake fence covered with corrugated iron which intensified the heat within its wall. It was similar to war prison stockades used by toth armies during the conflict be tween the States.

The prison, which was located about one mile from Kenansville was virtually without fire protection. **Identify Dead** 

Later in the day the dead men were identified as Wesley Bennett, Preston Hall, Robert Merritt, John James, records.

Superintendent Bennett said four guards were asleep in the stockade when the fire broke out. He added



Bud Baptist church.

A meeting of Red Cross Executives was held in Br. H. G. Perry's office Saturday to appoint Committees over the County. Among those present were Dr. H. G. Perry, chairman, Supts. E. l. Best, E. C. Perry, Dr. R. F. Yar-borough, Messrs. Hill Yarborough, W.

borough, messrs. Hin Farborough, w. P. Wilson, Mesdames M. C. Wilder, C. M. Moore, A. H. Perry, C. C. Pip-pin, W. S. Person, R. F. Yarborough. Dr. Perry urged all chairmen to proceed at once with organizing Sur-vey Committees. The following have n reported:

Harris township, Mrs. M. C. Wilder, chairman, J. L. Byron, John Morris, Richard Layton, E. W. Puryear, Mrs. Jessie Robbins, Miss Mattie Wheless. Sandy Oreek, Mrs. W. S. Person, chairman, G. B. West, M. E. Watkins, Mesdames G. C. Parrish, P. C. Perdue, M. M. Person Gold Mine, Mrs. A. H. Perry, chair-

man, H. L. Denton, Cleveland Murphy Howard Griffin, Mesdames Ben Gupton and Lelia Nelms. Cypress Creek, Mrs C. M. Moore,

cent of the qualified voters of the said Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek School District."

It was expressed as the opinion of the Board that if a proper petition signed by 50 per cent of the qualified voters of Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek Special Taxing District, requesting the election to submit the question of revoking the tax and abolishing the district was presented and the said district was not indebted in any sum whatever, then such a petition would whatever, then such a perition would be endorsed and approved. Taylor Econe, J. H. Harris, J. T. Inscoe, Mrs T. H. Dickens and E. L. Best were appointed a committee to check said petitions as set forth in the foregoing resolution last above set out and report its findings to the next regular meeting of the board of Education meeting of the board of Education and said Board at such meeting was to determine the question of the suffi-ciency of said petition and the ques-tion of indebtedness.

tion of indebtedness. Other business coming before the Board, all of the members of which being present, was as follows: The report of the Supt. of Public Welfare was received and ordered

filed.

After allowing a number of ac-counts, the Board adjourned to meet again the first Monday in April.

## **Fire at County Home**

The fire at the County Home on Thursday night of last week caused quite a bit of excitement and quick action resulted in saving quite a big damage. The fire was discovered about 7:30 o'clock under the store be-tween the flooring of the basement. The alarm was sent in town and the Fire Company responded promptly and ex-ing honors in the annual contest put on by the Franklin County High School League. Each glee club will sing two selections. No admission charge will be made. Franklin County's best high school vocal tal-ent will be on display and excellent was fully insured. The estimated damage was done. The stimuted damage was done. The stimuted damage was done. hight, March 20 to compete for sing-ing honors in the annual contest put on by the Franklin County High School League. Each glee club will sing two selectrons. No admission charge will be made. Franklin County's best high school vocal tal-ent will be on display and excellent results are expected.

Richard Dickens and Cornelius Clifton were found guilty of simple assault, and were discharged upon pay

ment of costs. Edward Clifton and Cornelius Clifton were found guilty of violating prohibition law, and were ordered dis charged upon payment of costs.

Henry Holmes drew a sentence of 8 months in jail for distilling, sus-Albert Privett was found not guilty of non-support. The following cases were contin-

ued: W. E. Williams, reckless driving.

Luke Williams, distilling. Sam Hawkins and Estelle Little john, violating prohibition law. E. A. Rogers, operating autom intoxicated,

## At Home

The Louisburg College faculty will be at home to their friends Tuesday afternoon, March seventeenth, from four to five o'clock.



other column.

News

Other appointments will be an nounced later. Louisburg College



A Students Recital was given in A Students Recital was given in the Louisburg College Music Hall on Tuesday evening, March 10. The program was as follows: Plano—Dance of the Kewpies—

A L. Ashford by (a) Mamie Davis Beam, Louisburg; (a) Hilda Peele, Rozobell.

Rozobell. Plano—The Call of Spring— Blake by (b) Martha Clarke Alex-ander, Louisburg. Plano—The Mill—Blake by (b) Rachel Hobbs Alexander, Louisburg. Voice.— Home.— MacFadyen by (b) Lydia Hartman, Battleboro. Fiano—Fingertwist — Emery by (a) Hilda Peele, Roxobell. Reading—A Minute—by (c) Lydia Hartman, Battleboro. Piano-Bagatelle in A Minor

Beethoven by (a) Frances Overton Mt. Gilead.

The seven high schools in Franklin County are to send their Gies Clubs to Epsom High School Friday night, March 20 to compete for sing-

Announcement is made that the (a); Miss Williams (b); Miss John-sten (c). Marshals—Ruth Cathey, Chief, Alberta Laughter, Lessie Hooper, Dorothy Hurley, Marina Robinson, \* See the Oxford Ornhans in Louis-\* See the Oxford Ornhans in Louis-

• See the Oxford Orphans in Louis burg, Wednesday, March 18th. gates.

Vision tests may be applied for an-tomobile drivers, but the blind pede-strain goes on unrestrained.

Some men never set converted to optimism no matter how many revi-vals of business they are.

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Messrs. W. E. Bartholomew and son Edward, have perfected arrange-ments with the Atlantic Refining Co., element in rearing the young-and in living the Christ life, declaring

whereby they will operate a gas, and oil distributing station in Louisburg and serve a greater part of Franklin County. Until other and more perma-

County. Until other and more perma-nenf arrangements are made they will use under lease two local tanks. Mr. Bartholomew, who has been with the Standard Ofl Co., in charge of their distributing plant in Louis-lurg for the past twelve years, has built up a splendid business and many friends among the retailers of gasoline, kerosene and lubricating cils, and will, no doubt, be accorded a liberal patronage.

tion.

Rev. James Thomas made a hap-py response to Miss Specer's fine speech, the collection was then ta-ken and the meeting attended by a

church.

The chairman reported the trans mission of a check for \$25.00 di-rectly to Rev. F. S. Love, the treasurer of the special fund for Louis-burg College.

THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and typreciations to all those who so generously lent their assistance in ex-ringuishing the fire at the County Home on Thursday night of last week and assisting with saving the con-turts of the home. Supt. and Mrs. John Hedgepeth.

clared that she scored heavily in vestigation of the disaster and in-her brilliantly illuminating exposithe time of the fire not to discuss de-Speaking pointedly of the home, tails with anyone.

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Senator Rivers D. Johnson of this county, arrived this morning to as-sist in the investigation of the fire.

in living the Christ life, declaring that Christ lived for others. Self-control was another element that was strongly stressed by the speak-er. Said she: "If you do not have self-control yourself, teach it to your children." "The life you live will determine your status", said the speaker, "and not the amount of money you are able to accumulate." Adde from excellent musical set

- Martin

Aside from excellent musical se-lections from the aboir of Perry's Chapel, the Timberlake's Grove Quartette performed in its usual happy style. Rev. James Thomas made a hap-py response to Miss Spencer's fine

of eleven negro convicts early sat-urday morning. Mr. Whitley was at Caledonia when he was reached by Mrs. Bost. "What would happen if fire should break out in the prison here?" said Covernor O. Max Gardner when in-formed of the Duplin tragedy. Goverformed of the Dupin trageoy. Gover-nor Gardner, who has termed State's Prison a "firetrap," has asked the General Assembly to make provision for a new central prison to be built near Cary. The Governor was shock-cd by the news.

Senator Rivers D. Johnson, of Duplin, who is attorney for Duplin Coun-ty, and Junius K. Powell, head book-beeper of State's Prison, left early

a looper of State's Prison, left early Saturday morning to investigate the Duplin holocaust. Three prisoners were burned to death about two years ago when a caged truck in which they were ris-ing caught fire from an open gaso-line tank in Sampson County.

A pessimist is anyone who is dis-appointed if disappointment doesn't come as anticipated.

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Clubs To Sing at Epsom even high schools in Frankt-nty are to send their Gias. Mt. Gilead. Voice—My, Love, He comes on a Skee—Clough-Leighter by (b) Miri-am Whedbee, Ellerbee. Pfano-Morceau Characteristique Wollenhaupt by (s) Laura Nell Students with Miss Crenshaw (a); Miss Williams (b); Miss John-nty are to send their Gilea. Mt. Gilead. Franklin County Union Mee Announcement is made that Union meeting of Franklin (c). Union Meeting very large crowd, was over until the first Sunday in April, when the program will be rendered by rep-resentatives of New Liberty Baptist



