

UNUSUAL IMPRESSIVE SERVICE

SEN. RIVERS D. JOHNSON DELIVERS STRONG ADDRESS

Franklin County Memorial Association Services Sunday Largely Attended And Unusually Interesting And Impressive—Many Visitors—All Graves Decorated.

The Franklin County Memorial Association which was organized in 1918 to receive the returning bodies of the sons of Franklin who had made the supreme sacrifice in France for the freedom of people, held another of its famous Memorial Services in commemoration of the War Buddies in Mills High School Auditorium, Louisburg, on Sunday May 1st, at 2:30 in the afternoon. The services were under the supervision of A. F. Johnson, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee of the organization.

The services were opened very appropriately with two verses of "America", sung by the audience. Rev. A. L. Thompson, pastor of the Louisville Methodist Church gave the invocation which was followed by the roll call of the Deceased Soldiers of Franklin County which was read by Maj. S. E. Winston, of Youngsville.

F. U. Wolfe, Vocational professor at Gold Sand High School recited very impressively and spiritedly the poem "Rouge Bouquet", at certain intervals appropriate during which time, Al. Hodges, Jr. sounded "Taps".

A quartet composed of Mrs. S. B. Berkeley, Mrs. A. D. Wilcox, Dr. H. H. Johnson, Mr. M. McKinnis sang "Rest Ye in Peace, Ye Flander's Dead".

Hon. W. L. Lumpkin, Franklin County Representative to the North Carolina General Assembly, in introducing to the audience the address for the occasion, stated that there were many fitting monuments and shrines erected and poems and songs written honoring our War Dead, but that the living tribute that Franklin County through its Memorial organization and Memorial services pays its sons is the greatest tribute, shrine or monument of all. And, also, he said that nothing could be more fitting than that the message that was to be delivered at this occasion to spur on and arouse the spirit of appreciation and devotion for those commemorated should be delivered by a North Carolina statesman that should be and is held in high esteem by North Carolinians but better still by a Buddy to those memorialized by the manifestations of these services held in their honor.

Hon. Rivers D. Johnson, Senator from Duplin County, in beginning his address complimented Franklin County on its largest Memorial Association in North Carolina, which sponsors the largest memorial celebration in the State and is looked forward to as such by the many Legionnaires and people.

Senator Johnson's main message was made on "Faith is The Victory That Overcomes the World". He told of the numerous manifestations of faith through victory beginning with the biblical story of Moses and continuing through the many historical periods that revealed faith in the victories and success to the great time the result of which caused the organization to which he was speaking. Tribute of untold sincerity and beautifulness was paid those who had offered themselves at the altar for their nation as a sacrifice to obtain freedom and peace at the point of strife and battle. But, he said, memorial services are not for the dead alone, but for the living also. It is to bring back to the living the example of those so faithful that fought.

"To die nobly is heroic. To live nobly is magnificent", was a statement of Senator Johnson preceding his closing plea that everyone be determined to make a better and greater effort in future life, for he said, no one knows when the end may come, hence everyone should live in the faith of Those Boys everyday.

Mrs. S. B. Berkeley, Mrs. A. D. Wilcox, Dr. H. H. Johnson and Mr. M. McKinnis rendered most beautifully "Sleep Comrades Sleep" being accompanied at the piano by Mrs. O. Y. Yarboro.

Maj. S. P. Boddie, as representative from the James Post American Legion of Louisburg presented in behalf of the Post to the winner, the winning school and the second winner the medal, cup and Gold awards offered by the local Post to the winners and the winning school in an annual essay contest it puts on through out Franklin County. The Cup was accepted by Supt. J. A. Woodward for Epsom High School; the Medal by Miss Sadie Pace of Epsom High School; and the gold by Miss Camilla Greene of Franklinton High School.

Mr. A. F. Johnson, who presided over the services announced the township committees and the graves of

TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEET

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular monthly session, June 2, at 8 P. M.

In the absence of Mayor L. L. Joyner, Mayor Pro-tem A. W. Person, presided.

Upon roll call the following members were present: A. W. Person, W. E. White, F. H. Allen, R. W. Smithwick, W. J. Cooper, M. C. Murphy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected. The Monthly Reports of the Town Clerk, Tax Collector, and Chief of Police, were read and approved by the Board.

A motion prevailed authorizing P. S. Allen, Jr., to renew the Fidelity Bond of T. K. Stockard, for the sum of \$5,000.00.

The Board authorized the Tax Collector to refund M. S. Clifton for his poll taxes for the years 1927, 1928, and 1929, which were charged in error.

A motion prevailed "That the Board authorize the acceptance of the check in amount of \$1993.32 which was given in full payment of all taxes due on the Spot Cash Company real estate, and that the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, the party making this payment, be relinquished from all responsibility for personal property taxes due the Town of Louisburg, N. C., by the Spot Cash Company." A motion prevailed "That the Finance Committee arrange immediately for the proper, legal security, of all Town of Louisburg funds, that are deposited in the First National Bank, Louisburg, N. C."

A motion prevailed authorizing the Town Clerk to purchase 5,000 stamp envelopes, to be used for the purpose of mailing Light & Water statements and receipts.

A motion prevailed "That the Finance Committee be authorized to instruct the Town Clerk, to pay any invoices that carry cash discounts, without such invoices having to be held over for regular meetings of the Board for payment approvals."

Town Attorney, Hill Yarborough, reported the results of his efforts to collect the bad checks, given to him for collection by the Board. The Board instructed Mr. Yarborough to continue his efforts to collect these checks.

A number of accounts were approved for payment by the Board. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Woman's Missionary Societies Meet

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the Methodist church of the Raleigh District held a most successful District meeting at the Louisville Methodist church, Louisburg, June 2nd, with about one hundred or more members present.

Splendid reports were made and many good and interesting speeches were made.

All of the women in attendance were entertained at lunch at Louisville College after which they were shown about the dormitories and campus of the College by the College authorities.

A Womanless Wedding

The American Legion Auxiliary, it has been stated to THE TIMES, will present a Womanless Wedding soon. This will be looked forward to with much delight by the people of Louisburg.

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my most sincere thanks and appreciation to all who so kindly remembered me and my son Darrel in our recent illness. I sincerely appreciate every token of interest and sympathy extended to us, and am happy to state that we are very much improved. The memories of the many tokens of sympathy extended to us will be a source of distinct pleasure in the future, and we will be happy to return these favors if the occasion should arise.

I will be sufficiently recovered to return to active practice by June 9th, 1931.

HERBERT G. PERRY, M. D.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE METHODIST CHURCH
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the soldiers that they were to decorate. Through this system every soldier's grave was decorated after the services with a short service conducted at the grave.

The services, attended by nearly a thousand of more people of Franklin and many guests from places in the State, were closed with one verse of "Star Spangled Banner" sung in unison by the audience.

\$3,684.70 DUE THE COUNTY

FROM REGISTER OF DEEDS HOLDEN

Figures Are Approximate And Include Up To May 29th, 1931—Report Covers Only One Office And Is Received By Commissioners.

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners held in the Court room on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock the report of R. L. Steele and Co., auditors in charge of the audit of the books of Franklin County now in progress, on the office of Register of Deeds, Mr. S. C. Holden, showing an alleged amount due the County of approximately \$3,684.70 was made for the Company by Mr. R. L. Steele and accepted by the Board of County Commissioners.

The report showed an approximate balance due the County by Mr. Holden on March 31st, 1931 of \$4,030.10, with fees accrued from March 31 to May 29th, 1931, of \$1,200.00, making a total of \$5,230.10. During the period from March 31st to May 29th payments approximating \$1,545.40 were made leaving an approximate balance on May 29th, 1931 of \$3,684.70 due the County.

The meeting was held in the Court room upon a motion before the Board at the request of W. W. Neal, Chairman of the Franklin County Tax Relief Association, and the meeting was largely attended. Mr. Neal made a speech during which he offered a lot of resolutions which failed to receive a vote either for or against as the questions were called.

The Board then returned to their office and a resolution was passed instructing the County Attorney to call upon Mr. Holden and his bondsmen for the alleged shortage.

It is generally understood that the alleged deficit is due to accommodations extended in the interest of farmers and others in the recording of papers providing necessary relief and can be offset greatly by collections.

THE TIMES representative called upon Mr. Holden, who explained his position substantially as follows: "I do not feel that the County and the auditor have done me fair. I have not been given a chance to give my side of this question to the public. The unusual and unnecessary publicity given Monday with my office singled out for attack was very unfair and calculated to do me a great injustice which I am sure, when the public understands fully the real facts connected with the audit and the alleged shortages they will see the question from an entirely different viewpoint and their condemnation of myself will be tempered with justice and charity. Unfair advantages of some of my acts to give assistance to the farmers of Franklin County to assist them to make a crop this year and to maintain their families is being used to crucify me on the altar of public opinion."

New Firm

Harry L. Freeman, of Oxford, has opened a clothing and Ladies furnishings business in the store room on Main Street next to Fuller & Macon.

Give Comedy Drama

The Concert Class from the Odd Fellows Orphanage at Goldsboro will present a comedy drama, entitled "Poor Father", at Wood School next Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited.

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To Use Convicts

The convicts, he said, would be used largely in the heavier types of maintenance work, such as topsoiling. Base camps will be maintained at strategic points. The prisoners will be worked from these camps in groups of from 25 to 50, which will be kept in portable camps situated near the work.

Men are now in the field inspecting county camps. Counties, Mr. Jefferson said, are displaying splendid co-operation and many have offered their camps free of charge. The State will likely take over some of these as base camps.

Organization work is progressing nicely, the chairman explained, adding that the machinery would be ready to put in motion July 1.

Exactly 56 per cent of the total population of North Carolina, or 1,141,129 people, who are ten years of age, or over, are gainfully employed.

FIRE AT POWER HOUSE

Quick action of the employees and the firemen prevented what might have been a disastrous and costly fire to Louisburg on Friday afternoon when a lot of waste oil was ignited near the south side of the power house presumably from a spark from one of the engines or from spontaneous combustion. Aside from burning of the oil a storage room attached to the building was badly damaged as well as the sides and roof of the main building. A lot of small repair supplies was damaged and one of the engines flooded with water. The total damaged was estimated at \$450.00 and is covered by insurance.

The heavy black smoke seen from up-street, looked as if the entire plant was gone and created much excitement and drew a big crowd. The fire occurred about 3 o'clock.

Memorial Service At Prospect

Rev. A. L. Thompson, pastor, announces that there will be a Memorial service at Prospect next Sunday, June 7, held in memory of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Davis. Rev. A. D. Wilcox will preach the Memorial Sermon at 11 A. M. There will be a picnic dinner at the church. Everybody is invited to come and bring a basket. At 2:30 P. M. the revival meeting will begin and continue through the week with services each night at 8 P. M.

Curb Market

The Federation of Woman's Clubs of Franklin County will open their Curb Market in Louisburg, Saturday morning from eight to ten o'clock in the Allen Building next to the Postoffice. At this time the women of the Federation will have for sale for the convenience of the people of Louisburg products as cherries, beets, peas, cakes, dressed chicken, eggs and strawberries.

Road Board To Utilize Convicts

A prison supervisor and a prison department under the State Highway Commission are included in tentative plans of organization for highway work after July 1, when the State takes over more than 45,000 miles of county roads and 3,000 county convicts, Chairman El. B. Jeffress, of the Commission, said Wednesday.

Appointment of the supervisor, who will have charge of the prison department, will probably be made at the next meeting of the prison department, which has been called June 21. Other appointments will likely be confirmed and organization plans will probably be passed on at that meeting, Mr. Jeffress said.

Discussing the organization plans, he explained that the State would be divided into five maintenance groups over which would be placed a supervisor who will direct maintenance of both county and state roads in his district. The first divisions will be sub-divided into 25 other districts, each including about 2,000 miles with a sub-supervisor in charge of each of the smaller divisions. County lines will be forgotten, he said.

Recorder's Court

Only a few cases were before Judge J. E. Malone in Franklin Recorders Court Monday and were disposed of as follows:

The case of Luke Willimas, distilling, transferred to Superior Court. Jack Wright was found guilty of assault, 90 days on roads.

Jack Wright violating prohibition law, 60 days on roads to run concurrently.

George S. Jones plead guilty to carrying concealed weapons, fined \$50 and costs, found guilty as to assault with deadly weapon, to be discharged upon payment of costs including Dr. Perry's medical fee.

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Civil Service Examination

Announcement has been made that a Civil Service examination has been ordered to fill a vacancy in rural carrier service at Louisburg. The examination will be held at Louisburg and will close on June 12th, 1931. The rate of pay is \$1800 for a 24 mile route with \$30 per annum per mile additional, and allowances for maintenance of equipment.

Application for this examination must be made on application form 1341, which together with information in regard to the examination may be secured from the Secretary of the local examining board or the postmaster at Louisburg, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Entertained

The County Federation of Women's Club of Franklin County entertained at a tea in the Professional Building, in the Home Agent's office on June 2nd, from four to six o'clock, preparatory to the opening of their Curb Market in Louisburg.

The guests were received by Mesdames C. G. Pippin, P. D. Dean and Wm. Person, officers of the Franklin County Federation, assisted by Miss Anne Benson Priest, Home Agent of the County, and Mrs. G. L. Wincheater.

Punch was served by Mesdames Oliver Perry and H. B. Harris and the register was presided over by Mrs. J. D. White.

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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, W. A. Mullen and E. L. Green present. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The new school law and budgets for 1931-32 were discussed.

Upon motion of Mrs. T. H. Dickens and seconded by W. A. Mullen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Be it resolved that the resolution heretofore adopted on the 7th day of April, 1931, directing the endorsement of the petition for election in Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek Special Taxing School District, subject to the legality of such action be and the same is hereby rescinded and:

Be it further resolved that the majority report of the committee appointed on the 1st Monday in March to canvass the petition for said proposed election in Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek Special Taxing School District be accepted and adopted and the minority report of said committee be rejected and:

Be it further resolved that this Board being of the opinion that the petition filed with this Board for said election in the Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek Special Taxing School District not being in proper form and not containing one-half of the qualified voters in said Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek Special Taxing School District and said district or a portion thereof being in debt the endorsement of said petition for an election in said district is hereby denied, this Board being of the opinion that it is without legal authority to endorse said petition.

Action on the petition asking for the transfer of certain property in the Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek School District to the Bunn School District, and action on the report of the committee making recommendations for transportation facilities in the southwestern corner of the Cedar Rock-Cypress Creek School District were deferred until the first Monday in July.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to meet again the first Monday in July.

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COUNTY HELP WITH MOTHERS AID

ATTORNEY AND AUDITOR INSTRUCTED TO PURCHASE BONDS

Sale of Land For Taxes Postponed To October 1931—Many Reports Made—To Close Up Tax Foreclosures—Sell Copper To Smith Brothers.

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

P. M. Sykes was appointed Comptroller of Gold Mine township.

H. P. Speed filed report for Home Agent.

W. T. Moss reported that he has visited the County Home and found everything in good shape, and finds thirty inmates now at the County Home. He also filed report of John Hedgepeth, Superintendent of the County Home and Dr. R. F. Yarbrough, of the Health Department.

Jessie Murray was relieved of poll tax on account of loss of leg.

Upon motion Geo. L. Cooke, County Auditor, and Hill Yarbrough, County Attorney were authorized and instructed to purchase any outstanding bonds for the various Township Road Bonds where they have money in sinking funds to take care of them.

Advertising land for sale for taxes was postponed till October 1st, 1931.

Upon motion the County Attorney was instructed to check bill of B. E. Perry, a Justice of the Peace, and see if same is correct, and the Clerk is hereby instructed to pay for what is found to be correct, according to law.

P. M. Sykes was given the oath of office after his bond had been accepted.

Upon motion the County agreed to appropriate funds for Mother's Aid and Supt. E. C. Perry the State authorities.

Upon motion it was ordered that all copper in jail be sold to Smith Brothers for dairy purposes.

Upon motion the two store building in Franklinton belonging to Mrs. E. W. McGhee was reduced to \$2,750.00 and the two belonging to J. H. Harris reduced to \$3250.

Upon motion R. G. Bailey was reimbursed \$9.62 in costs in the bankruptcy proceedings of F. A. Roth.

The County Accountant was instructed to distribute all funds he might have or back taxes that might come in to each fund according to 2:30 values.

W. R. Perry was instructed to insure the Griffin and Beasley property on Court Street for one year at \$2,000.

Upon motion G. M. Beam was instructed to make deeds to all tax sales now in judgments. After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to meet again on call of Chairman.

Miss Boddie Entertains Club

Miss Lucie Clifton Boddie delightfully entertained her Club on Friday afternoon at her home on Main Street. Contract bridge was played at three tables. After three interesting progressions, the hostess served lovely refreshments.

Miss Boddie's guests were as follows: Misses Annie Perry Neal, Louise Joyner, Elizabeth Timberlake, Margaret Turner, Anna Fuller Parkman, Max Allen, Lucy Burt, and Mesdames Conrad Sturgess, of Henderson, P. S. Allen, O'Neill, and F. N. Egerton.

At The Louisburg Theatre Next Week

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, June 6th:

Saturday, June 6th—Buck Jones in "The Fighting Sheriff," also Our Gang in "Geography Lessons" and Serial.

Monday and Tuesday, June 8-9th—Ruth Chatterton in "Unfaithful," with Paul Lucas.

Wednesday, June 10th—Bargain Day—Dorothy Lee in "Laugh and Get Rich," also comedy and serial "Heroes of The Flames."

Thursday and Friday, June 11th-12th—Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey in "Cracked Nuts," their latest fun riot.

Saturday, June 13th—Wallace Beery in "The Secret Six," also comedy and serial "The Indians Are Coming."