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MANY ROAD SENTENCES IMPOSED

Judge Cranmer Crowds Big Amount of Work in Time Sitting, Delivers Excellent Charge To Grand Jury—Grand Jury Report Short But to the Point

"The law is the greatest thing in North Carolina," declared Judge E. H. Cranmer in his charge to the Grand Jury Monday. "It makes it possible for us to live in peace and prosperity, protects our family and our property." He called special attention to how our people are self governed, even in the making and enforcement of laws. He stated that our jury system may not be perfect, but that it is the best plan we have been able to find, that it is a great deal better than, or he would prefer it, to a number of learned judges. He spoke very strongly for our laws, particularly our organic law. He stated that all the progress we have made since 1872 has been under our present constitution. He took little time in describing the different crimes taking the position that anyone by force of fraud injuring person or property of another has committed a crime. He emphasized the fact that courts are not conducted to oppress or shield a criminal, but to protect the citizenship. He thought that men who deliberately repudiate their obligations are doing more damage to the country than the gangster. The charge was heard and enjoyed by a large number who were in attendance upon Court. The Grand Jury was selected at the opening of the regular May term of Franklin Superior Court, which convened in Louisburg on Monday morning with Hon. E. H. Cranmer, of South Port, presiding, and Hon. J. C. Little, Solicitor of Raleigh, ably representing the State. The jury was as follows: F. W. Hicks, Foreman, C. C. Cheatham, Jr., J. C. Bunn, E. T. Ball, J. O. Green, W. H. Parrish, W. H. Gupton, Arthur Strickland, W. R. Perry, J. H. Cash, G. E. Ball, P. R. Richardson, J. R. Chaves, J. E. Burnett; W. B. Colbert, A. B. Alston, H. H. Perry, A. O. Evans. H. F. Perry was selected as officer. The docket was taken up and many cases disposed of as follows: Foster King was given 3 months on roads for carrying concealed weapons. Joseph Hall, Alvin Woodlief and Elsie Davis, larceny. The jury found a verdict of guilty as to Hall and not guilty as to Woodlief and Davis. Hall was given 12 months on roads. Solomon Woodlief and Garland Mitchell pleaded guilty to larceny and Eugene Woodlief was found guilty of the same charge. Solomon Woodlief received a sentence of 9 months on roads and Eugene Woodlief and Garland Mitchell received 12 months each. W. T. Ayescu was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon and was fined \$10 and costs. R. P. Davis, embezzlement, the defendant having entered a plea of guilty and a financial settlement having been agreed upon, it is ordered that unless settlement is made by October term the defendant shall be confined in State prison for 2 years. LeRoy Bobbitt was given 2 years on roads for non support of child. C. G. Cash pleaded guilty to trespass and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. Tom Mann was given 12 months on roads for assault with deadly weapons. Ira Cash was found not guilty of violating prohibition law. Betty Murphy was found not guilty of violating prohibition law. Sol Ellington was given 8 months on roads for assault with deadly weapon. J. H. Mullen was found not guilty of larceny. O. J. Weldon was discharged on case of disposing of mortgaged property and prosecuting witness taxed with costs, as per agreement. Geo. D. Wester pleaded guilty to a bad check charge and prayer for judgment was continued. A settlement in the Roger Cannon board bill case having been shown the court, the usual entry of dismissal was ordered. Clyde Brodie pleaded guilty to driving without license, the Court having been shown that proper license had been provided, ordered that defendant be discharged upon payment of costs. Ramon Ellington pleaded guilty to forcible trespass. All other cases on the docket

Chief of Farm Job



George Peek, of Moline, Ill., for many years a mid-western farm leader, is chief administrator of the new Roosevelt farm relief program, working directly under Secretary Wallace. Mr. Peek has long been an advocate of the idea that markets abroad for American market products have not been exhausted.

Grand Jury Report

The Grand Jury completing its work on Tuesday evening submitted the following report: To the Hon. E. H. Cranmer, Judge Presiding:

We, the Grand Jury for the May term of Court, have passed on all the bills given us. We visited the Prison Highway Camp, near Louisburg, which was found to be in a good sanitary condition, fresh air, good foods and no flies. Much credit is due Capt. Baker and his efficient staff of employees.

We visited the County jail which was found to be in good sanitary condition, except the beds should be dusted out more often. We recommend that the top be inspected and repaired as it appears to have leaked very badly in the past.

The County offices were visited, records kept in an orderly way. We have visited the County Home, under the supervision of Mrs. Hedgepeth and husband. We found all inmates well cared for and apparently contented.

Respectfully submitted, F. W. HICKS, Foreman. Solicitor J. C. Little submitted the usual solicitors report on the condition of the Clerk's office, which was found in all respects well administered.

The Court came to a close for the term at the close of the Tuesday evening session.

American Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary met on Tuesday, May 16, at the home of Mrs. B. N. Williamson with Mrs. A. B. Perry, Mrs. E. C. Perry and Mrs. J. Forrest Joyner, joint hostesses.

After the usual opening procedure the President read an interesting extract from a speech about the Auxiliary constitution, made in Charlotte by the National vice-president.

A vote of thanks was given Mrs. James King for the generous help rendered the Auxiliary in arranging for the play given recently.

There was evidence of much interest being taken in the flower show to be held soon and it is hoped that everyone who can, will help make it a success.

As this is Poppy month there was a lively discussion as to the best way to conduct the sale and Mrs. D. W. Spivey, Mrs. F. M. Fuller, Mrs. H. H. Hilton, Mrs. Fred Leonard with Mrs. E. H. McFarland alternate, were appointed to make arrangements for same. It was suggested that high school girls be asked to help.

The program consisted of an article on "Poppy Day" read by Mrs. D. W. Spivey and a poem, "The Unknown Soldier" read by Mrs. H. W. Perry.

At the close of the program the hostesses served delightful refreshments after which the meeting was adjourned.

Crazy Crystals

Mrs. C. M. Vaughan has taken the agency for Crazy Crystals, an evaporated mineral water product which is highly recommended as a remedy for constipation, bad complexion, stomach disorders, colitis, rheumatism, arthritis, neuritis, high blood pressure, common colds, liver and bladder trouble and intestinal poisoning. It is said to be pleasant to take and especially effective in action, producing the greatest satisfaction. Read their advertisement in another column of this issue.

Washington Pleased With Reception Roosevelt Peace Proposal

Washington, May 17.—Friendly, but non-committal expressions from France and a cordial response from Germany were weighed by President Roosevelt tonight as he prepared to follow up his direct appeal for world-wide arms reduction with important diplomatic moves at Geneva.

At the arms conference, which re-opens there tomorrow, the United States spokesman, Norman H. Davis, has promised his country would "make very great efforts to assist in the maintenance of peace," once the determination to maintain it is evidenced by genuine steps toward disarmament.

In the meantime, the President is refraining from stating just what those steps will be. The extent to which the United States would go to aid in assuring safety against attack bears directly on the French demand for "security," without which he had hitherto refused to sacrifice her arms.

Swift Action

Swiftly-moving events in the great arms drama created by the President's unprecedented message of yesterday to 54 of his fellow rulers were these:

Gracious replies were received at the White House from the chiefs of 12 nations, including King George of Great Britain, and President Lebrun of France.

Although Germany's official reply had not yet been received to-night the President closely studied the momentous arms declaration of Chancellor Hitler, which was regarded here as conciliatory.

An official interpretation of the President's message was given at the White House, emphasizing that it does not sacrifice American freedom of action, although it conveys a willingness to consult other nations in case its proposed pledges against heavy armaments and aggression are violated; and

Definite provision was made in the administration's public works construction bill for building nav-

al vessels and naval aircrafts and mechanizing army units, subject to their suspension by the President in case of an international agreement "for the further limitation of armament."

France and Germany Because of the important positions occupied by France and Germany in any plans for arms reduction, their reactions to the President's proposal were studied with special interest.

The President of France said in his reply: "I have duly received the message which you have been good enough to send me in your capacity as head of the government of the United States. I thank you for your communication. I hasten to render homage to the lofty sentiment which has dictated it in your fervent love of peace and your sincere desire for the economic recovery of the people. The government of the French Republic will study the communication in a similar spirit and a community of aspiration."

From Paris came word that French officials seeking supplementary information as to the American stand on security had been told by Davis, on his way to Geneva, that he would explain there in more precise terms how far the United States would go in this direction.

The Nazi Chancellor of Germany, Adolf Hitler, in his armaments speech to the Reichstag, expressed his "realization that the high-minded proposal of the American President to inject the United States as the guarantor of peace in Europe would mean great tranquillization for all who desire peace."

Officials noted a generally conciliatory tone in the Hitler address and expressed hope that program would be made with the reopening to abandoning their professional long-term army. On this latter point, Hitler did not touch, although he stated that Germany had no desire for aggression and instead of re-arming wants other nations to reduce their armaments.

Town Board Holds Special Meeting

The Board of Town Commissioners met in special session on Monday, May 15th, 1933, with all members present except White. The meeting was presided over by Mayor Webb.

A motion prevailed that in the future the Chairman of the Light and Water Committee is to secure bids on standard grades of fuel oil, and to purchase same in accordance with instructions from the Light and Water Committee and that each member of the Light and Water Committee is to sign the purchase orders for fuel oil.

The Board ruled to instruct Wallace and Tiernan, Inc., to repair the Chlorinator sent to them as cheaply as possible.

The Clerk read a letter from Fairbanks, Morse and Co., relative to their sending an expert to inspect the Diesel engines at the power plant. This matter was referred to the Light and Water Committee for further consideration.

The Clerk was instructed that in settlement with Hill Yarborough as town attorney to deduct back taxes on the Bickett and Yarborough building, and that all unfinished tax suits and other legal business be turned over to J. E. Malone, Jr., immediately, and that the new attorney was to study the unfinished business and report its status to the Board at its next meeting.

The Board appointed Mrs. H. G. Perry and H. H. Johnson to serve as health officers for the town of Louisburg without pay, effective after July 1, 1933.

No other business coming before the Board adjournment was taken.

Chamber Of Commerce

The Louisburg Chamber of Commerce held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday night in the Court house. Only a small number were present, but a most interesting and enthusiastic meeting was held. With the exception of a motion instructing the President to advertise the fact that Louisburg had some tobacco warehouses for rent for the coming season, most of the business was formal and general discussions of several questions were enjoyed.

County Health Department

Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Health Officer, urges all parents, whose children need tonsil and adenoid operation, to bring them to the Health Department for registration during the week, May 22-27.

Dr. Yarborough will conduct the usual yearly typhoid, diphtheria, small-pox clinics, to be held at various points in Franklin County.

Announcement of dates will be published next week.

Statue At Century Of Progress

Carl Milles, of Stockholm, Sweden, ranked by critics as among the greatest living sculptors and by some as the greatest master of modern sculpture, has completed a statue which will be placed in the Entrance Salon of the General Motors Building at the Century of Progress Exposition opening in Chicago, May '37.

The figure which is symbolic of precision craftsmanship is sixteen feet high, stands on a pedestal, nine feet high, the whole rising twenty-five feet from the Entrance Salon floor. The figure represents the skilled workman holding an automobile engine connecting rod aloft at an angle at which he can look through the bearing aperture toward the light.

The statue was modeled by Milles at the Cranbrook Academy of Art at Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, suburb of Detroit, where he has his American studios (and temporarily is conducting a lecture course).

Among the wealth of art objects by American and foreign masters exhibited at the Chicago Fair, Milles work will be outstanding.

MISS FLEMING HOSTESS

Miss Helen Leigh Fleming was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday evening. Players included: Misses Felicia Allen, Frances Green, Frances Turner, Kate Allen, Pete Hill, Hazel Allen, Mrs. Sophia Green and Mrs. S. Williams Scoggin.

After several progressions, scores were added and filed. Miss Frances Turner assisted the hostess in serving an ice course. After winning a woman's hand, a man sometimes wishes she had no thumbs.

Roosevelt's German Guest



Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, President of the German Reichsbank, is the German envoy sent to confer with President Roosevelt on financial and economic problems and present his country's views on world readjustment.

For Federal Reserve Post



Adolph C. Miller, of California, is the westerner given most consideration for the post of Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, according to Washington reports.

Hon. Paul Grady To Speak

At Memorial Day Exercises, May 28th at Mills High School Auditorium

Hon. Paul D. Grady, of Kenley, Senator from Johnston County, has been secured to deliver the Annual Memorial Address, on May 28th, according to Hon. E. F. Griffin, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee. Senator Grady is a most entertaining and interesting speaker. Memorial Day will be observed in Franklin County by the Franklin Memorial Association on Sunday afternoon, May 28th. The central service will be held in the Mills High School Auditorium in Louisburg at 2:30 o'clock and committees will go from there to the several graves assigned them immediately after the meeting and hold a short decoration service. A most interesting program is being made up for the occasion and every individual person in Franklin County is especially invited and expected to attend and join in this great work of love.

Heavy Hail Storm

One of the heaviest hail storms that ever visited Franklin County fell on Friday night about 8 o'clock in the North-Eastern section of the County around the home of Mr. T. K. Allen, near Moulton. Hail stones were reported to be about the size of hen eggs and in large quantities. The hail, which was accompanied by heavy rain, reached almost to town, a few of the stones falling in town. Quite a lot of damage was reported from this storm to growing crops and plant beds.

Church Supper

The Methodist church will hold a Chicken Salad and Barbecue Supper at the L. P. Hicks building on the corner of Main and Nash streets on Friday night, May 26th, at 7 o'clock. A splendid menu and musical program has been arranged and everybody is invited to attend. The money derived from this sale of the supper will be used for church purposes.

Anti-Rabic Treatment

Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Franklin County Health Officer, at a recent meeting of the Board of Town Commissioners recommended that the Board pass an ordinance requiring that everyone who owns a dog should have the dog inoculated against rabies.

During the month of March two anti-rabic treatments, (consisting of forty-two injections), were given at the Franklin County Health Department, and during April thirteen anti-rabic treatments, (a total of two hundred and seventy-three injections), were completed.

CLUB ENTERTAINED

Members of the Friday Contract Club met at the Four Winds Tea Room Friday, with Miss Margaret Turner as hostess. Several progressions were played, and when scores were compiled, Miss Annie Perry Neal, holding top score, received a pair of silk hose.

Delicious sandwiches and tea were served after the game. A dispatch says music soothes German cows. Certainly not an American jazz orchestra. Everyone gets a reputation for something and a few get one for nothing.

NEW SCHOOL LEGISLATION

By SUPT. G. B. HARRIS

New school legislation has been passed by the recent legislature which will have a far reaching effect on every school in the State.

An eight month school term is guaranteed for the next biennium. This term to be operated at the same cost to the State as the six-month term state operated for the past two years. In order to work this economy measure all salaries will be reduced approximately 32 per cent. Other items of expenditure will of course be necessarily reduced.

Transportation will be radically changed—all trucks and equipment will be inventoried and delivered to the State. All matters pertaining to trucks and truck routes will be under the direct supervision of State authorities. Local school authorities will not be responsible for certain changes in transportation which will of necessity be made under a new set up.

At the present time all districts are abolished. The redistricting and establishment of school administrative units will be done by a new school commission which disberes the present Board of Equalization. At their discretion this commission will make such changes in districts as they may deem necessary in the interest of economy. The law permits this commission to allow districts, or charters, to maintain separate administration units if they have an enrollment of 1,000 pupils. The Franklin County school district has an enrollment of approximately 1,600. The commission may or may not allow the Franklin County district to maintain its charter.

The new school commission, to be selected by the Governor will have almost unlimited power in the operation of these new state schools. They will establish a salary schedule for teachers, and all school employees. They have the right to fix the teacher's load. No school in the state knows at this time how many teachers will be allotted, therefore there can be no election of teachers until both salary and number of teachers to be allotted to a school is established by the commission.

All schools must be operated on state standards unless the people in a school unit vote to supplement for such items as fuel, water-power and lights, insurance and other items. At the present the following tax relief is given under the new law; County rate 17c, special school tax (Franklin) 39c, making a total reduction of 54c. However, a district which already has an agriculture department may 'keep same without vote of people.

In the case of the Franklin County school district a 15 or 20 cent levy in addition to state support would maintain its schools on approximately present standards. It may be possible that such an election would be inadvisable at the present time. In the interest of economy and the saving of \$1.50 to \$2.00 on each \$1,000.00 worth of property to the tax payer, it might be that the school should meet the issue with lower standards. (The best it can do on state funds.

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College Spring Concert

The Spring Concert of the Louisburg College Glee Club, given on Friday evening, May 12, at 8:30 o'clock was splendid in every respect, reflecting skillful selection and careful preparation on the part of the director, Mrs. Theo Wooten McCullers, Head of the Department of Music at Louisburg College.

The program was composed of several groups of selections by the Glee Club, special selections on the violin by Mr. Robert Pearing, teacher of violin, and two quartets by Misses Dorothy Hurley, Miriam Thompson, Joyce Price, and Ruth Parker, Solo obligates by Madeline Pittman.

The members of the Glee Club taking part were: Sopranos—Miriam Thompson, Doris Strange, Myrtle Mitchell, Betty Cooper Davis, Iola Lewis, Emily Arent, Mary Elizabeth Whitaker, Ida Fuller, Madeline Pittman, Betty Valentine, Evelyn McCullers, Frances Copeland; Alto—Mable Allen, Joyce Price, Ruth Parker, Sophia Green, Lydia Person; Baritone—Bruce Culbreth, Joe Dunn, Jesse Cole, John W. Register, Brodgen Spence, Ralph Stevens, Robert West.

The Morning Prayer service at St. Paul's Episcopal church will be omitted Sunday due to the Baccalaureate services of Louisburg College being held at that hour. Services there Sunday will include only Sunday School at 10 a. m., and Y. F. S. L. at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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