

APPROVE BUDGET

Town Commissioners Hold Meeting Friday Night; Several Minor Matters Attended To

The Board of Town Commissioners met in regular session, July 6th, 1940 at 8 P. M., with all members present.

Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

The monthly reports of the Chief of Police, Superintendent of Light & Water Departments, Tax Collector and Town Clerk were read and approved by the Board.

Dr. R. F. Yarborough reported to the Board regarding the work that is being done in the Town of Lousburg, by the Franklin County Health Department.

Mr. Stuart Davis reported to the Board regarding the work on the Armory Building.

The Board instructed the Street Committee to make an estimate of the cost of repairing Tan Street so that the surface water will drain to Nash Street, and to remedy the drainage problem on Cedar Street in front of the tenant house belonging to Mr. S. T. Wilder.

The Clerk was instructed to pay Webb Loy five dollars for a desk.

A motion was passed instructing the Town Attorney to draw an Ordinance prohibiting the building of any gasoline, or oil service station or distributing plant, within the corporate limits of Lousburg, N. C., without securing a special permit for such construction from the Board of Town Commissioners.

The Board instructed Mr. J. C. Harkins to attend the oncoming State College Electrical School at the expense of the Town.

The Board adopted a temporary "Budget Estimate" for the Fiscal Year 1940-1941, providing for a total of \$82,202.50.

A number of invoices were approved and adjournment was taken.

EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

Zurich, July 10.—In a stormy session of the French Parliament at Vichy today, the defenders of France's doomed democratic rule forced the Petain government, in their last defiant stand, to agree that the nation's new totalitarian dictatorship will be placed before the people in a national plebiscite.

As result of the stormy session and the casting of 80 negative votes, which the German radio called "catastrophic" for the French, there were reports that Marshal Petain might be replaced as premier.

Former Premier Pierre Etienne Flandin, a rightist, was mentioned in Nazi quarters as a possible successor of Petain.

Flandin was said to have violently attacked various leaders during the session, accusing them of "responsibility for France's war policy."

The 70-year-old Third Republic, born of the French Revolution on the wreckage of Napoleon III's empire, passed out of existence when the two houses of parliament convened in the Vichy Casino voted 569 to 80 for dictatorial regime and the end of parliamentary rule.

A resolution—the death warrant of democratic France—was introduced by Vice Premier Pierre Laval on behalf of 84-year-old Premier Henri Philippe Petain.

Stubborn Opposition

But the opposition was so stubborn that the resolution had to be altered to provide for ratification of the new totalitarian constitution—built on Fascist lines—in a national plebiscite.

Only about two-thirds of the members of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate voted and there were loud boos and cat-calls from the floor and the galleries of the Casino's theater when Jules Jeanneney, president of the senate, read out the names of those who had asked to be "excused" from voting or had fled to North Africa.

The names included former Premier Edouard Daladier, Minister of Interior Georges Mandel and others reported to have fled aboard the steamer Massilla for Casablanca where, according to some reports, they are held virtual prisoners aboard the ship.

Edouard Herriot, former premier and president of the Chamber who is being assailed bitterly by the Nazis and some sections of French leadership, jumped to his feet and defended the wartime efforts of the Daladier government, dispatches from Vichy said.

The official German DNB agency reported tonight from Geneva that a reorganization of the Petain government by the week-end is anticipated as an outgrowth of today's developments at Vichy.

The DNB added that demands still are being pressed in Vichy for punishment on "criminal charges" of former French leaders "responsible for the instigation and continuation of the war" against Germany, including former Premier Daladier and Paul Reynaud and General Maurice Gamelin, former Allied generalissimo.

London, July 11.—(Thursday)

Britain was warned that Nazi invasion may be sprung today—perhaps in the dawn—and speculated anxiously as to whether this statement from a War Office official was the authorized first word that the zero hour for England was near.

Members of parliament studied closely the "attack" warning in which Sir Edward Grigg, Undersecretary of State for War, told Britons last night:

"Tonight thousands of our soldiers will be on the alert, waiting for and attack which may come in several places at dawn."

He spoke while the thunder of bombs and the rattle of machine-gun fire still signaled the greatest attack which Sir Edward said might be only a prelude to the worst.

British battle planes and coastal guns drove the Germans off late in the day after shooting down or disabling 37 of the raiders.

Some members of Parliament took the Undersecretary's statement as implying only the need for increased watchfulness hour by hour along the coastal No-Man's-Land where the next blow is expected—soon.

Nazi Losses

Acknowledging the loss of two British planes, the Air Ministry

EDWARD BEST LAID TO REST

Funeral Held at Methodist Church, Conducted by Rev. J. G. Phillips And Dr. C. C. Weaver --- Large Crowds Attend --- Interment at Oakwood Cemetery.



EDWARD LEIGH BEST

"We bring back to you, though sadly, the same loyal, honest and loved citizen, who came to us from you some five years ago, to assume one of the most difficult positions in the State, but he did it grandly, in such an easy manner that he won the love, respect, support and cooperation of our people as no other in his day," was the substance of Dr. C. C. Weaver's introduction in conducting the funeral of Edward L. Best at the Methodist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Following the beautiful tribute to a life so full of service and sacrifice for the good not only of the school children which he represented, but his church, which he loved, and his community to which he gave much of his time and ability.

The remains of Supt. Best, who died in Charlotte on Friday morning about 7 o'clock were brought to his father's home on Saturday afternoon, to rest in the surroundings of his childhood, at his request. On Sunday morning the funeral party left the country home of his boyhood and the services were held at the church he had served so well while in Lousburg, by the pastor, Rev. J. G. Phillips of the Lousburg Methodist Church, and Rev. C. C. Weaver, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Charlotte, his adopted home. During the services a special choir, composed of Mrs. R. T. Mills, Mrs. E. S. Ford, Sr., Miss Jane Fuller, Malcolm McKinnis and I. D. Moon sang several selections and Mrs. R. T. Mills, of Southern Pines, softly and sweetly sang his favorite, "Going Home," by Anton Dvorak. The interment was made in Oakwood cemetery, where the casket and grave was covered with beautiful flowers gifts of relatives and friends speaking a love and respect deeper than words. A large number were present to witness the last rites and bid adieu to a friend. Among them were many colored people to whom he had shown great favors.

The pallbearers were: Frank Jackson, of Danville, Va., James Brickell, of Charlotte, T. M. Harris, C. K. Cooke, Jr., J. B. King, W. R. Mills, Harvel Harris and A. F. Johnson.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family and friends.

reported that in incessant dog-fights throughout the day, 14 German bombers and their guardian fighting craft, sprung at England from closer bases in France and the low countries, were shot out of the sky. Another 23 were reported "so severely damaged that they were unlikely to reach home."

The raiders concentrated on breaking down coastal defenses and smashing shipping out of the narrow Straits of Dover.

The British said "a few persons" were killed by high explosives inland.

At times at least 150 planes battled simultaneously along the coast—the Germans trying for hits on ships and attempting to break through British defenses for inland attacks.

Unlike raids of weeks ago when the bombers came a few at a time without fighter escort, today's raiders brought white flights of fast, light, fighting planes to ward off the British Spitfires and Hurricanes.

One squadron of nine big bombers was guarded by 50 lighter warplanes. The bombers were guarded within two full circles of Messerschmitts.

Approves Bond Issue

The Board of County Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday morning with all members present to consider the advisability of authorizing a bond issue to "erect a school" building for Negroes at Perry's School in Gold Mine township and putting in heat and water facilities in the Pilot School and for refunding some indebtedness, relieving a condition brought about by the tightness of money making tax collecting slow.

The school bonds approved amounted to \$16,000.00 and the refunding bonds amounted to \$10,000.00.

The Board of Education accompanied by Mr. Credie of the State Department of Education was before the Board sponsoring the school bond issue.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION!

War Summary

London—British and German planes in biggest air battle of war over Britain's English channel coast; British claim 14 Nazi planes shot down; admiralty says Italian fleet put to flight in Mediterranean.

Berlin—Germans claim 20 British planes shot down in past 24 hours; German planes sink British cruiser and four merchant ships in Dover straits, and damage another cruiser and three other vessels; Hitler confers with Italian and Hungarian leaders—planning "new order" in Balkans and peaceful settlement of Rumania's quarrel with Hungary and Bulgaria.

Rome—Italian high command says Italian fleet sinks two British warships and heavily damage several others in clash in Ionian sea, sending the British fleeing; Italians admit losing a destroyer and a submarine.

Bucharest—Rumania withdraws from the League of Nations.

Zurich—France votes out democratic rule, but the nation will determine by plebiscite whether the nation is to have a new totalitarian dictatorship.

LOUISBURG WINS OVER WARRENTON

After losing to the strong Wake Forest golf team on Wednesday of last week in a match played on the Wake Forest course, the Lousburg golfers came back strong on Wednesday afternoon of this week and lived up to their reputation for being one of the best balanced golf clubs in this section of the state, when they defeated Warrenton by the score of 35 to 10 in a match played on the local links.

Eight of the Lousburg golfers made scores in the 70's, which is sufficient proof that the local team has a long list of good players. Every member of the local team won 1/2, or more points. Ed Owens won the medal score with a par 70. Arch Wilson, Buddy Bean and Tom Burton, of Warrenton, tied for runner-up, with scores of 74 each.

Next Wednesday afternoon, the Lousburg golfers will go to Oxford in an effort to redeem themselves from an early defeat administered them by the Oxford club at the beginning of the season. The Tournament Committee requests that every golfer make a special effort to go with the team next Wednesday, as the only hope of victory lies in having the full strength of the team playing.

Those making points for Lousburg against Warrenton were: Owens, 3; Collier, 2; F. Wheeler, 1/2; Huggins, 2 1/2; Bagby, 3; Buddy Benn, 3; Joe Barrow, 3; Thomas, 3; Williamson, 1; Dr. Wheeler, 2 1/2; Arch Wilson, 3; Dr. Bill Perry, 2; Henderson, 2 1/2; Cox, 1; Purnell, 3.

JOSEPH WILEY WINSTON

Funeral services for Joseph Wiley Winston, 66, who died in a Raleigh hospital Tuesday, were held at the home in Youngsville, Wednesday at 3 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. S. E. Madren, pastor of the Oak Level Christian Church, of which Mr. Winston was a member. The Rev. E. M. Carter, pastor of Youngsville Christian Church assisted in the services. Burial was in Oak Level cemetery.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Lucy Taylor Winston; two daughters, Mrs. Amanda Winston Holden and Mrs. C. F. Talley, both of Youngsville; and a son, J. A. Winston, of Raleigh.

Mr. Winston was one of Youngsville's outstanding citizens having been identified with the mercantile life of the town for many years. He was a member of the Board of Town Commissioners for several terms and served Franklin County as a member of the Board of County Commissioners for several terms.

Joe was a useful and substantial citizen who had made many friends in his business experience. His health failed a few years ago, however, and he was forced to give up active work.

Large numbers of relatives and friends attended the services and the floral tribute was especially pretty.

ANNIVERSARY SERMON NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. E. H. Davis will give the sermon at the Lousburg Methodist Church next Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. The entire program as planned for last Sunday will be carried out on next Sunday morning. A picture will be made of the Men's Bible Class, which Brother Davis has taught for a number of years, and the class will attend the church service in a body, with reserved seats.

The women of the Green Hill Bible Class have a special invitation, and all members of the Sunday School are urged to attend. The special occasion is recognition of the eightieth birthday anniversary of Brother Davis, together with recognition of 54 years of service in the Methodist ministry. He was admitted into the North Carolina Annual Conference in 1886 at Reidsville. There are only six other members of the conference who were admitted as early as 1886. None of the other six are blessed with the strength to carry on such an active program of service in the Kingdom as Mr. Davis.

The public is cordially invited to this special service.

UNION SERVICE SUNDAY NIGHT

Dr. A. Paul Bagby, of the Baptist Church, will preach in the Union Sunday night service at the Methodist Church. The hour is eight. There was a very fine attendance at the Union service last Sunday night at the Baptist Church and the same is expected for this occasion.

Held Under \$5,000 Bond

Cleveland Bell, living near Cedar Creek bridge in Franklinton township, was arrested here last week and taken to Rocky Mount for investigation in connection with the purse snatching from Miss Sallie Thorpe on the streets there on Monday morning, July 1st. The purse contained a lot of money and checks belonging to Belk-Tyler Department Store. Information comes back to Lousburg that the investigation developed evidence sufficient to hold Bell under a \$5,000 bond.

In addition the officers uncovered evidence sufficient to issue a warrant for Earl R. Richardson, also of Franklin County, as a party to and in this crime. Richardson had not been arrested Wednesday and the officers say they believe he has left the state.

J. B. PERRY DEAD

One of County's Leading Business Men and Youngsville's Substantial Citizens

J. Berry Perry, about 85, died at his home in Youngsville at 5 a. m. Monday. He was one of Franklin County's most substantial and highly respected citizens and until his health failed him a few years ago was one of the County's most important business men, being the senior member of the firm of Perry & Patterson, of Youngsville.

He was active in both civic, social and religious activities and was an official of the town of Youngsville for many years. He enjoyed the confidence and esteem of a wide circle of friends and citizens.

The funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the cemetery in Youngsville, conducted by Dr. W. R. Cullom, and Rev. C. L. Dowell, of Wake Forest. The pallbearers were: S. E. Winston, B. H. Patterson, J. C. Freeman, Chas. P. Green, S. C. Eaves, W. T. Moss.

Quite a large number were present to pay a last sad respect to the deceased. The floral tribute was especially large and pretty.

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

There was no eleven o'clock service held at the Baptist Church on last Sunday morning.

Rev. J. G. Phillips preached the first sermon of the combined Baptist-Methodist services of the summer, at the Baptist Church at 8 o'clock.

On next Sunday at eleven o'clock, Dr. Bagby will give the second sermon, "The Heroic Still Left" in the series, "The Heroic In Christianity."

On Sunday evening Dr. Bagby will preach at the Methodist Church at 8 o'clock, using the subject: "Gain in Wastefulness and Prigidity in Stinginess."

Sunday School at 9:45.

GEO. P. INSCOE

Funeral services for Geo. P. Inscoe, who died on Wednesday of last week were held from the Methodist Church in Lousburg on Thursday afternoon, following, at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. G. Phillips, pastor, and interment was made in Trinity church cemetery beside the grave of his wife who preceded him many years. Quite a large number attended the services and the floral tribute was especially pretty.

The pallbearers were: W. D. Egerton, N. L. Moseley, G. H. Murphy, W. E. Beasley, C. M. Howard, H. P. Cranford.

The bereaved children have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends.

ROANOKE RAPIDS OWLS DEFEAT LOUISBURG, 7-5

Roanoke Rapids, July 19.—Roanoke Rapids Owls turned in a 7-5 victory over the Lousburg All-Stars here today in a baseball game between semi-pro contestants. Lousburg outhit the Owls, 10-9, and also led in errors, 5-3.

Leaders in the Owls' attack were Hudson, with a double and a triple, and Brown, with a single and a double. Lousburg's leaders were Stone, Brantley, and Lassiter.

Score: R.H.E. All Stars... 020 002 010—5 10 5 Owls... 130 210 009—7 9 3 Johnson, Earp and Griffin, Boyd; Boseman and Outland.

LOUISBURG LOSES VALUABLE CITIZENS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Burgess and daughter, Miss Jane, moved to Roanoke Rapids on Tuesday of this week, where Mr. Burgess will again engage in the lumber industry. It will be recalled that he sold his local plant some months ago.

The TIMES is informed that the Burgess have also bought a home in Roanoke Rapids. While Lousburg is naturally reluctant to give up the Burgess, who have been in our midst for around 20 years, or more, Roanoke Rapids is to be congratulated upon adopting these fine citizens.

Bound Over

P. B. Wilson, of Lousburg, and Miss Zelma Britt, of Franklinton, who were given a preliminary hearing in Warrenton on Monday in connection with the automobile accident death of George P. Inscoe, were bound over to the Warren Superior Court in bonds of \$100 each, according to information reaching here this week.

MORE COTTON BLOOMS

Since our last report cotton blooms have been sent in by the following:

C. J. Wynn, of near Ingleside, a red bloom on Thursday of last week.

R. A. Foster, of Lousburg R 3, a white bloom on Thursday of last week.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Lousburg Theatre beginning Saturday, July 13th:

Saturday—Double feature—Bill Elliott in "Taming of the West" and Florence Rice in "The Girl in 313." Also chapter No. 12 "Drums of La Mancha."

Sunday—Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland, Lewis Stone, Cecelia Parker and Fay Holden in "Andy Hardy Meets Debutante"

Tuesday—Chester Morris, Anita Louise, Ona Munson and Gabby Hayes in "Wagons Westward"

Wednesday—Baby Sandy, Tom Brown, Nan Gray and Eugene Pallette in "Sandy is a Lady."

Thursday—Irene Dunne Cary Grant, Randolph Scott and Gail Patrick in "My Favorite Wife."