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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THE READERS OF THE PATRIOT FAR AND NEAR.

Hail and Thunder.—Greensboro was visited yesterday afternoon by two good showers of rain, accompanied by much thunder and a fall of hail.

Guilford College.—In an interesting game of baseball in this city Monday afternoon Guilford College defeated Elon College by a score of 4 to 1. The game was witnessed by about 300 people.

Charge of Abandonment.—Frank Baldwin, of Washington township, was given a hearing before Justice of the Peace Collins Monday on a charge of abandonment preferred by his wife. He was held for the Superior court under a bond of \$100.

\$6,000 For Lot.—Messrs. John A. and J. F. Hodgins yesterday sold to Mr. L. Richardson, for a consideration of \$6,000, the lot on the southeast corner of South Elm and Lee streets. The lot is 78 by 105 feet and is considered a desirable piece of property.

Cox-York Wedding.—Mr. Ernest C. York, a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. York, of this city, and Miss Alma Cox, of Durham, were married Sunday evening at the home of the bride's mother. They are at home at the residence of the groom's parents, on Gregory street.

Baseball Saturday.—The baseball teams of the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia, old-time rivals, are scheduled to play a game at the Cone Athletic park Saturday afternoon. The game is expected to attract a large crowd of spectators from this state and Virginia.

Married Last Night.—Mr. Bynum A. Lamb, who is connected with the grocery firm of Hiatt & Co., and Miss Florida Cox, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cox, were married last night at 8:30 o'clock, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Shuford Peeler at his home on West Lee street.

Died Tuesday.—Mr. R. Lee Adams, a young man of McColl, S. C., who was brought to Greensboro several weeks ago for treatment in a local sanitarium, died Tuesday. Two of his brothers were with him when the end came. He is survived by his parents, five brothers and three sisters.

Mrs. Reitzel Recovering.—Mrs. Robert R. Reitzel, of Liberty Route 2, who underwent a serious operation at St. Leo's hospital, March 22, when a tumor weighing 12 1/2 pounds was taken from her, is recovering nicely. Her physician states that she may be able to return home Saturday.

Joseph Pegram Dead.—Mr. Joseph Pegram, of Kernersville, died yesterday afternoon at St. Leo's hospital, where he had been a patient for some time. He was 41 years old and a well known citizen. The body was carried to Kernersville last night and the funeral and interment will take place today.

Warrant Dismissed.—A. M. Brittain, who is engaged in the sawmill business near Brown Summit, was before Justice of the Peace Collins Monday on a charge of selling liquor. After hearing the evidence, Justice Collins dismissed the warrant and taxed the prosecuting witness, a Mrs. Hill, with the costs.

Bus Good Property.—The Odell Hardware Company has purchased from Mr. T. M. Pichard the lot and three-story brick building adjoining the company's warehouse on South Davis street. The price paid for the property, which is in the heart of the wholesale district and considered valuable, was \$8,500.

Parents Bereaved.—William Shelton, the two and a half years old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee H. Cartland, died yesterday morning. The little fellow had never been strong and for several weeks had been seriously ill. The funeral will be held from the home this afternoon at 4 o'clock and will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Melton.

Fire Tuesday Night.—Fire about 10 o'clock Tuesday night damaged the A. & P. Tea Company's store, on South Elm street, but the blaze was extinguished before it made any serious headway. The store is situated next door to a moving picture show, which was crowded with people at the time, and there was much excitement on the part of the audience when it was ascertained that the danger was over.

A Severe Drubbing.—The Boston Braves, of the National Baseball League, and the Greensboro professional team engaged in what was called a baseball game at the Cone Athletic park Tuesday afternoon. At the end of seven and a half innings, when the game was called, the score stood 14 to 0 in favor of the Braves. The game was witnessed by 1,500 people.

Real Estate Transfers.—The transfer of the title of Mary E. Sockwell and others to part of 400 acres of land in Jefferson township to W. T. Sockwell, for \$1,500, was recorded Tuesday in the office of the register of deeds. Mary E. Sockwell and others also sold 90 acres in Jefferson to Robert Sockwell for \$2,500, the deed to this also being filed Tuesday.

At Buffalo and Midway.—Services will be conducted at Buffalo and Midway Presbyterian churches Sunday as follows: Buffalo—Sunday school at 10 A. M. and preaching at 11 by the pastor. The holy communion will be observed and new members received into the church. Midway—Young people's meeting at 2 P. M.; Sunday school at 2:30 and preaching by the pastor at 3:30.

William Sloan Dead.—Mr. William Sloan died Monday night at his home on Chestnut street, following an illness of several weeks' duration. He was about 60 years old and is survived by his widow and several children. Mr. Sloan moved to Greensboro from Farmington, Davie county, 10 or 12 years ago and for several years had been engaged as custodian of the Dixie building. The body was carried to the former home of the family in Farmington and the funeral and interment took place at the Methodist church there Tuesday afternoon.

Suit Against Dentist.—A novel lawsuit has been instituted in the Superior court of Guilford county by Mr. R. C. Prince, who is suing Dr. A. H. Johnson, a dentist of this city, for \$5,000 damages. It is alleged in the complaint that the dentist extracted a tooth for the plaintiff about three years ago, and as a result of injecting an anaesthetic with an unsanitary needle, the plaintiff's jaw was poisoned. It became necessary for Mr. Prince to submit to an operation, another dentist cutting through the cheek and removing a portion of the jaw-bone.

Home on a Visit.—Mr. Andrew Joyner, who for the past 15 months has held a position under the United States government in the customs service at Santo Domingo, in the republic of San Domingo, arrived Tuesday on a visit to his family. He has a furlough of three months and is undecided whether he will return to Santo Domingo or not. He had a very unpleasant journey home, the steamer on which he was a passenger being caught in the storm that raged along the Atlantic coast Friday and Saturday. His friends are glad to see Mr. Joyner looking the picture of health.

Wedding at Whitsett.—Mr. G. C. McKaughan, of this city, and Miss Carrie Carmon, of Whitsett, were married Tuesday morning at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Carmon. The dame of honor was Mrs. J. Frank Swift, of Greensboro, a cousin of the bride, and the best man was Mr. W. C. Jenkins, of this city. Master J. Frank Swift, Jr., was the ring-bearer. The wedding march was played by Miss Elizabeth Wheeler. Rev. R. E. Redding was the officiating minister. The home was beautifully and tastefully decorated for the happy event and the wedding was one of the prettiest that has taken place in eastern Guilford in a long while. Upon their return from their bridal trip Mr. and Mrs. McKaughan will be at home in this city.

Broke Baseball Contract.—The baseball team of the North Georgia Agricultural College, at Dahlonega, spent a portion of Monday in the city and while here engaged in some pretty warm and plain talk concerning the alleged bad faith of the Elon College team in breaking a contract to play the Georgians on Easter Monday. Elon, it appears, had guaranteed the Georgians a minimum of \$75 and their expenses from Saturday night until after the game Monday, but instead of carrying out their agreement, the Elon boys played Guilford College in Greensboro, being defeated by a score of 4 to 1. The Georgians were very sore over the treatment they had received from Elon and before leaving here Monday afternoon placed their case in the hands of an attorney.

COUNTY COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM ABOUT COMPLETE.

The program for the county school commencement, which is to be held on April 17 at the Central Carolina fair grounds, is about complete. The township preliminaries have been held and those who are to represent the townships in the various events at the county commencement selected.

The preliminary contest in recitation and declamation will be held in Greensboro on Friday afternoon or night, April 16. At this preliminary contest three boys will be selected to declaim at the county commencement and three girls will be chosen to recite. The boy who declaims best at the commencement will receive a gold medal and the girl who is best in recitation will also receive a gold medal.

Prizes will be awarded to the schools as follows: For best appearance in line of march, best percentage of attendance at commencement, best exhibit of school work, best exhibit of domestic science work, best exhibit of work in domestic art, best exhibit in manual training work. The school exhibits will be disposed in the agricultural building at the fair grounds. This building will be open on Friday, April 16, so that the schools can place their exhibits.

Prizes will be given for the following athletic events: 100-yard dash, half-mile relay race (boys), standing board jump, running high jump, potato race (girls), relay race (girls).

Certificates will be presented to all those who have completed the seventh grade and are entitled to enter the high school. The address to the seventh grade graduates will be delivered by Dr. J. L. Mann, superintendent of the city schools of Greensboro.

Notice to Committeemen.

It is desired to have every school committeeman in the county attend and participate in the county commencement exercises, and to this end Superintendent Foust has addressed the following letter to the committeemen:

"As you know, our county commencement will be held at the Central Carolina fair grounds on Saturday, April 17, and I am writing this as a special invitation for you to be present. The indications point to even a larger attendance than we had last year, and I hope to have every committeeman in the county present.

"Last year the school committees attended well and all seemed to enjoy the occasion, and we hope to have more of them present this year. The parade around the race track will begin at 10 o'clock, and we want the committeemen of the county to lead the procession. I think this fitting because of the great work which the school committeemen are doing without any compensation. We have an excellent set of men serving as school committeemen in the county, and it is but right that they should head this great educational procession.

"Please lend a helping hand toward getting a good representation also from the school of your district."

On Jury With Her Father.

Redwood, Cal., April 6.—San Mateo county claims the distinction of being the first county in the state to present a father and daughter serving on the same trial jury.

W. W. Matson, of Belmont, and his daughter, Mrs. Elmira Eichenberger, qualified yesterday to sit on the jury which is trying Felice Lombardi, charged with the murder of a man in South San Francisco last December.

Mrs. Carrie Belton Rhodes, a club woman of Burlingame, is also on the jury.

Died Suddenly.—Mr. T. A. Johnson, who had conducted a restaurant in this city for a number of years, died suddenly about 4 o'clock Monday morning in his room over Conyers' drug store, on South Elm street. Death came almost without warning. He had worked in his restaurant and appeared to be in his usual health when the place was closed at a late hour Saturday night. Mr. Johnson was about 50 years old and is survived by his widow and several children. The body was carried to his former home in Chatham county, where the funeral and interment took place Tuesday.

MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS

LIST-TAKERS AND ASSESSORS NAMED—BOND ELECTION IS UP TODAY.

On account of the press of other business, the county commissioners did not take up the question of the proposed court house bond issue at their monthly meeting Monday and Tuesday, as had been expected. The matter was deferred until today, the commissioners meeting in adjourned session at 9:30 o'clock this morning to give it consideration. It is generally believed that an election will be called to determine whether or not \$250,000 in bonds shall be issued and that it will be held in the near future.

In addition to transacting a large amount of routine business, the board drew jurors for the May civil term of Superior court and appointed list-takers and tax assessors for all the townships except Morehead, where a list-taker only was appointed, the assessor to be named later.

The estate of Lonnie Poole was granted a rebate of poll tax for 1914. Ben Massey, J. H. R. Wyrick and W. H. Long were exempted from the payment of poll taxes on account of physical infirmities. Massey and Long were granted rebates for the taxes paid in 1914.

Garland Daniel, secretary of the Central Carolina Fair Association, appeared before the board and requested that the sheriff be instructed not to license any circus to exhibit in Greensboro during the next fair, which will be held October 12-15. The board took no action in regard to the matter, but doubtless the fair will be protected against circuses.

The board made an appropriation of \$200 to the Central Carolina Fair Association, the money to be expended in premiums for agricultural exhibits.

Upon petition of patrons of the district and the recommendation of the county board of education, the commissioners ordered a special school tax election for the Whitsett district to be held at J. W. Thompson's store on Tuesday, May 11.

An appropriation of \$15 a month was made to the Greensboro Rest Cottage, a home for fallen women, with the understanding that the appropriation may be withdrawn at any time.

Salaries Fixed.

Salaries of the clerks in three of the county offices were fixed as follows:

Register of deeds—Roy H. Jones, \$100 a month; John H. McAdoo, \$75 a month; Miss Addie Crowder, \$50 a month.

Superior court clerk—R. H. Wharton, \$100 a month; Andrew Joyner, \$75 a month.

Sheriff—J. H. Shaw, \$100 a month.

A petition was filed asking for the opening of a public road in High Point township, beginning at the macadam road on the line between the Blair dairy farm and Mrs. Elder's lot, running thence southwesterly to an open street beyond the residence of E. E. Farlow, thence southwesterly and crossing the Asheboro railroad and joining the public road leading toward the brickyard and to Trinity.

The petition previously filed asking for a public road in Sumner township, running from the Greensboro and Randleman road to the Greensboro and Asheboro road, was granted.

Jurors for the two-weeks civil term of Superior court to convene the second Monday in May were drawn as follows: T. J. Busick, James F. Chrismon, B. H. Brown, C. C. Shepherd, John Q. Curtis, M. T. Humble, Eli F. Smith, C. E. Horney, C. V. Paisley, W. P. West, Robert U. Neece, William M. Smith, Robert T. Smith, T. R. Lucas, J. N. Longest, W. C. Rankin, C. C. Parker, G. O. Coble, D. E. Allred, James Lockamy, Will Donnell, J. M. Coble, W. Y. Warren, W. E. Moore, J. M. Foy, O. J. Denny, J. E. Parks, D. R. Aiken, N. S. Baxter, R. L. Weisner, J. H. McGee, T. R. Osborne, J. H. Smith, J. B. Winfrey, George L. Morris, A. C. Shaw, Robert E. Bundy, Francis Lowe, O. L. Pegram, C. E. Bolejack, Joseph Adkins, W. S. Ferguson, R. A. Strayhorn, M. L. Hayden, F. O. Sappenfield and T. Y. Hamilton.

Community Meetings.

The monthly report of Dr. W. M. Jones, the county health officer, referred to the community meetings that are being held in various parts of the county. The meetings have

aroused much interest and the attendance generally has been good.

The biggest meeting yet held was at Proximity, where 600 people were present. In addition to an address on health and sanitation by Dr. Jones, helpful talks were made by Messrs. Ceasar and Bernard Cone and Prof. Thomas R. Foust, county superintendent of schools. Other meetings have been held at Gibsonville, where about 200 people gathered; at White Oak, where the attendance was about 125; in the city before the civic department of the Woman's Club, where 20 heard the physician's talk; at Jamestown, before the Woman's Club, where the attendance was 12; at Revolution, where 250 people gathered.

Dr. Jones has planned to hold similar meetings in other sections of the county.

The report of Dr. Jones stated that there are three cases of smallpox in the county, these being on the county line. The health officer has had no trouble with smallpox this season except on the borders of the county, the disease having been brought from other counties.

List-Takers and Assessors.

The commissioners appointed list-takers and assessors for the various townships as follows, the first named in each case being the list-taker and the second the assessor:

Washington township—D. M. Chrismon and Alfred Apple.

Rock Creek—J. W. Summers and L. T. Barber.

Greene—W. G. Causey and W. M. Hanner.

Madison—S. T. Liles and A. J. Lambeth.

Jefferson—R. L. Davis and C. M. Pritchett.

Clay—D. H. Coble and Vance Garrett.

Monroe—S. G. Lomax and S. G. May.

Gilmer—H. W. Clendenin and John E. McKnight.

Fentress—H. L. Coble and C. T. Weatherly.

Center Grove—Henry Brown and Rufus McNeely.

Morehead—J. B. Webster. (Assessor to be appointed later.)

Sumner—R. C. Short and J. H. Johnson.

Bruce—J. H. Barker and R. O. Gamble.

Friendship—A. T. Millis and L. W. Smith.

Jamestown—A. F. Johnson and L. O. Willard.

Oak Ridge—William Brookbank and Frank Linville.

Deep River—J. L. Charles and H. C. Cude.

High Point—R. L. Pritchett and S. H. Mendenhall.

Miss Jeannette Knight Dead.

Miss Jeannette Knight, an aged and beloved woman of the Guilford College community, died Monday at noon at the residence of her nephew, Mr. Cornelius S. Knight, where she had made her home for several years. Death was due to the infirmities of age. She was 85 years old and had been in feeble health for quite a while.

Miss Knight was an educated and cultured woman and possessed a disposition that won for her the abiding friendship of all who came within the circle of her influence. In former years she was a well known school teacher, and there are living in Guilford county and elsewhere many people who cherish her memory as an instructor. She was a woman of retentive memory and a versatile conversationalist.

Miss Knight is survived by a sister, who resides in Indiana; three nephews and four nieces. The nephews and nieces are: Messrs. R. G. Hiatt, of this city; C. S. and N. M. Knight, of Guilford College; Mrs. James I. Fountain, Mrs. Lola Lamb, Mrs. M. Vuncanon and Mrs. Blaylock.

The funeral and interment took place at Guilford College Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. Albert Peele and Rev. W. L. Dawson.

Sulzer Acting For "Movies."

New York, April 4.—William Sulzer, former governor, is announced at the Mittenhall Film Company's studio in Yonkers, is posing there for a motion-picture drama entitled "The Governor's Boss." Pauline Hall, actress, has the leading woman's part. The play was written on "the same old bill" clash with Charles F. Murphy. G. A. Ellis, manager of the studio, said it would take fully two weeks for Sulzer to act the six reels.

DR. ALEXANDER TALKS TO GUILFORD FARMERS.

Dr. H. Q. Alexander, of Mecklenburg county, addressed a good audience of Guilford farmers at the Rocky Knoll school house, a few miles south of Greensboro, Monday. He made a very interesting talk, outlining many of the advantages of the Farmers' Union as an organization for the advancement of the farming class and stressing the importance of co-operation, crop diversification and other things for which the union stands.

Incidentally Dr. Alexander paid tribute to the progressive spirit of the people of Guilford, saying the county is one of the most prosperous of all the counties of the state. The speaker called attention to the fact that, in spite of the advancement of the past few years, Guilford county is still far behind in the production of good supplies. The county will not be what it should be and the people will not be as prosperous as they ought to be so long as they continue to import foodstuffs that could and ought to be produced at home.

Dr. Alexander is a strong advocate of the diversification of crops and spoke plainly on this question. He believes the 'only kind of farming that is successful' especially in this part of the country, is diversified farming, and he warned his hearers of the folly of depending too much upon any one crop.

"Cotton and tobacco should be raised only as money crops, attention first being paid to a sufficient production of food products to take care of the population, and especially of the individual farmer. This year, he said, must be a year of retrenchment, and he advised against the use of credit. If the farmer is not able to pay for commercial fertilizers, for instance, he should do without them. He designated credit as the great curse of the South. In this connection, he said that fertilizers to the value of \$20,000,000 were used in North Carolina last year, and census reports show that fully two-thirds of this was wasted.

The speaker called attention to the favorable conditions existing in this section for cattle and stock raising and urged his hearers to take a greater interest in this subject.

Dr. Alexander stressed especially the importance of co-operation on the part of the farmers in every way possible, especially in the matter of marketing their products. He called attention to the fact that in the past the farmer has had nothing whatever to do with fixing prices. He has purchased his supplies at the other fellow's price and has sold his products to the man who has named the price. He argued that co-operation and organization would overcome these great handicaps, and that the cause of the farmer could be advanced wonderfully if small prejudices and so-called "self interest" be forgotten in the work for individual and class betterment.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY NOW A COUNTY INSTITUTION.

Beginning today, the doors of the Carnegie library are open to all the white people of Guilford county instead of the people of Greensboro only, as has been the case in the past. This is the result of an agreement between the city and county authorities, the contract having been signed yesterday afternoon.

By the terms of the agreement, the library book fund is increased by an appropriation of \$1,250 made by the county commissioners, this being half the amount of the city's annual appropriation. Mr. E. E. Bain yesterday resigned as a member of the board of trustees and Prof. Thomas R. Foust was elected in his stead to represent the county.

It is the intention of the trustees of the library to carry this extension work still further by establishing in six localities throughout the county sub-stations for the library. These stations will be fixed within the next ten days. In the meantime the people of the county are invited to the library and will be welcome there.

It is intended to popularize the library and at the same time increase and bring up-to-date its service. According to representations to the county commissioners, the increase in the book fund will enable such purchases of new fiction, for instance, as to make the service quicker and more satisfactory to the city than it was under the old system, although the county will be using books at the same time.