

JUDGE RULES IN FAVOR TAX

County-Wide Measure Valid Says Judge Harding

PLAINTIFFS APPEALED

D. Grant Coble, Contesting Validity of School Measure, Through Attorneys Appeals Case to Supreme Court

The first phase of the battle over the question of the validity of the special school tax, voted by citizens of Guilford, exclusive of the city of Greensboro, and the township of High Point, last April, has been won by the county school administration, Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte, having declared the measure valid in Guilford Superior court Tuesday.

On the other hand, the commissioners, through their attorney, John N. Wilson, declared the act conforming to the law, complying in every respect with the constitutional requirements. The election, they contended, was held under specific and definite authority given by the North Carolina General Assembly in Chapter 121, Public Local Laws of 1921. They also argued the idea of "due and proper regard for the substance of the law and the accomplishment of results," emphasizing the laudable purpose of the act.

Nurses of State In Annual Convention

The 20th annual convention of the North Carolina State Nurses' association, which began in this city Tuesday, will close tonight, the final session to be held in the Guilford county courthouse. The program has been unusually interesting.

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High Point, Sept. 6.—Tom Walker, negro, alleged to be the slayer of Bud White, another negro, in Durham last Thanksgiving day, was arrested here about 4 o'clock this morning following receipt yesterday by local police of a notice from Durham officials of the presence of the slayer in the city jail awaiting the arrival of officers from Durham.

STATE NEWS BRIEFS

Trains Again Moving Asheville, Sept. 5.—Freight and passenger trains are moving out of Asheville on schedule time today following rearrangement of guards at the Southern depot yesterday, satisfaction of the railway switchmen and firemen who walked out Saturday night because of the appearance of the guards on the railway property and to the shopmen who quit the work house because of the temporary removal of guards to appease the strikers. The shopmen had refused to work without the protection of guards.

To Open On September 11

Raleigh, Sept. 6.—The Tobacco Growers' Co-operative association will open its new warehouse in Raleigh on September 11, on the same date as Durham, Oxford, Henderson Eastern and far Western belts of the North Carolina, according to announcement of T. C. Watkins, Jr., manager of warehouses for the association.

Co-operative In Winston

Winston-Salem, Sept. 5.—The Co-operative Marketing association is to have a large warehouse for the storage of leaf tobacco and also a modern redrying plant here. They will be located near the Methodist Children's Home, in the western part of the city, and efforts will be made to have them ready for service by the first of October. Contracts have been awarded for both structures.

Modern Moonshiner

Hickory, Sept. 4.—Reversing the principle by which a South Mountain youth is reported to have manufactured fuel for his automobile, John Stillwell, a Hickory township moonshiner, set up a gasoline engine and with the heat and motive power obtained from it was busily engaged in making corn liquor when officers took possession of the operator and outfit and brought the whole works to Hickory.

Painfully Mistaken Identity

Charlotte, Sept. 5.—Connelly Robinson, of the local law firm of Newell and Robinson, and L. A. Whitener, Hickory lawyer, and son of J. A. Whitener, had the unusual experience of being mistaken for prohibition enforcement officers Saturday night three miles this side of Blowing Rock where they had gone to spend the week-end, and were the objects of a volley of shots, none of which took effect.

Sees 10,000 Bats

Goldboro, Sept. 6.—Ten thousand bull bats sweeping the sky before the storm like swallows, in groups of twos and threes as far as the eye could see, was what L. T. Hennant, a young white man of New Hope township said he saw Saturday, and automatically he thought of the armies of ants read of in stories of South Africa, with their trillions and trillions that swept everything in their line of march.

FERGUSON IS GIVEN THREE YEARS IN PEN

Pleads Guilty to Robbery of Bank of Randleman and Is Ordered to State Penitentiary

Ashboro, Sept. 6.—Grady Ferguson, of Randolph county, today admitted his guilt on a charge of robbing the Bank of Randleman of several hundred dollars last May, and Judge W. B. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, presiding over Randolph Superior court, sentenced the young man to a term of three years in the state penitentiary.

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Sloop Is Fined For Assaulting Preacher

Salisbury, Sept. 6.—The Sloop Jimison episode that came near causing a riot here some days ago was reviewed in county court today when John Sloop submitted to the charge of simple assault on the preacher and was fined \$50. Sloop claimed that he did not knock the preacher down, but that he threw him down and handled him in such a way as to keep him under control until officers could arrive and take from the preacher a knife which he had seen him place in his pocket. The knife incident was satisfactorily explained by Mr. Jimison at the time.

TO CONSTRUCT UNDERPASSES

Southern Wouldn't Act, But County Does

MAY BE TEST LATER

Commissioners Authorize Two Underpasses On Gibsonville Road. Hear Views of Pleasant Garden People

Following numerous unsuccessful efforts to induce the Southern railway to co-operate with the county in the elimination of two dangerous grade crossings, the county commissioners prepared on Monday afternoon their own plans, authorizing State Highway Engineer, to proceed with construction of two underpasses, thus relegating the crossings to a past that is neither dim nor forgettable.

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WILL FARRIS KILLS THREE

Clover Man Wounds Three Other Persons

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Became Enraged When Children Quarreled and Shot Up Whole Taylor Family Except Parents At Clover Mill

Gastonia, Sept. 6.—Angered because the children of a neighbor and some of his children, William Farris, 55 years old, ran amuck at his home in the mill village at Clover, 12 miles south of Gastonia, this afternoon, killed three persons and wounded three others, one of them probably fatally.

Another Explosion Reported

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 5.—A second attempt within 10 days to dynamite the Atlantic Coast Line's bridge over Fishweir's creek on the southern outskirts of the city was reported to the sheriff's office shortly after 10 o'clock tonight.

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Winston-Salem, Sept. 6.—At the conclusion tonight of the preliminary trial of C. M. Sawyer, business man of this city, for alleged connection with the burning of the Nissen building here on the morning of August 30, a quarter-million dollar fire, he was bound over to Forsyth Superior court under \$20,000 bond.

Trains On Southern Are Being Annulled

Announcement of the annulment of a number of passenger trains was made Tuesday by the Southern railway. Nos. 15 and 16, between Salisbury and Asheville, were taken off, effective at midnight last night. Other trains being annulled by the Southern in this section are Nos. 18 and 13, between Greensboro and Goldsboro; Nos. 45 and 46, between Danville and Charlotte; Nos. 135 and 10, between Washington and Danville; Nos. 3 and 4, between Asheville and Columbia; and Nos. 21 and 22, between Asheville and Waynesville.

Band C. E. ROGERS OVER TO SUPERIOR COURT HERE

C. E. Rogers, charged with embezzlement of certain sums of money from the Indian Refining company, was arraigned before Judge D. H. Collins in Municipal court here Tuesday. Probable cause was the finding and the defendant was bound over to Guilford Superior court, bond being fixed at \$1,000. Ten separate charges were preferred against Rogers.

NEWS OF THE NATION

Bishop Brown Elected

Portland, Ore., Sept. 6.—Bishop William Cabell Brown, of Virginia, was elected chairman of the house of bishops, succeeding Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, of Tennessee, when the 47th triennial convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States formally convened today. Bishop Gailor had served six years. Rev. Alexander Mann, of Trinity church, Boston, was unanimously elected president of the house of deputies.

Mrs. Candler Aids Husband

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 5.—Mrs. Marion Candler, wife of Walter T. Candler, wealthy resident of Atlanta, Ga., arrived here today on the oceanic liner Ventura from Honolulu and left tonight for Atlanta to aid her husband in combating a \$100,000 damage suit brought against him by Clyde K. Byfield. Byfield made sensational charges involving an alleged attack by Candler on Mrs. Byfield aboard a trans-Atlantic steamship.

Negro Kills Another

Spantunburg, S. C., Sept. 6.—When Will Jeter, a negro night watchman, went home Monday night to give his wife a watermelon he reached into a closet to get a knife with which to cut it and found John Anderson, a negro, secreted therein. In the shooting that followed Anderson was killed by Jeter. The latter is in the county jail.

Would Suspend Cotton Planting

Washington, Sept. 5.—The proposal for a one-year suspension of cotton planting in the United States as a means of eliminating the boll weevil was suggested in the senate today by Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, who predicted wholesale abandonment of cotton farms throughout the South unless governmental action were taken to aid in destruction of the parasite.

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Record-Breaking Enrollment Certain With Unusually Large Number of High School Students. More Trucks

Next Monday will witness the opening of a number of the long-term schools in Guilford county, according to announcement by Thomas R. Foust, county superintendent of education, and there is every indication that the enrollment figures will be of record-breaking proportions.

The Springfield school opened last Monday. Next Monday the following county schools will open their doors for the new scholastic year: Pomona, Jamestown, Guilford College, Gibsonville, Whitesett, Bessemer, and Summerfield. Monticello school will begin work Monday, September 18, and the Pleasant Garden school opening is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20.

The short term schools in the county will open about the first of October.

Final plans for the opening of the long term schools are being perfected and an exceptionally successful year is generally anticipated. One of the most notable improvements in prospect is the substantial enlargement of the number of high school students. Boys and girls of Guilford county are becoming increasingly appreciative of the vast possibilities afforded by pursuit of the regular high school course.

In this connection it is learned that between 60 and 70 boys and girls of the Proximity, White Oak and Revolution mill villages, northern suburbs of Greensboro, will enter Bessemer high school. They will be transported to and from school by motor truck.

Three trucks have been added to the transportation facilities since the close of the last scholastic year, the number of trucks now being 13. In the consolidation of schools the automobile truck is proving an indispensable factor.

Although a number of new school buildings are being constructed and some additions to the physical plants are being made, this work will not be completed until early in 1923.

Negro Assailant Is Taken From Officers

Goldboro, Sept. 6.—Joe Pender, age 35, negro, of Fremont, is missing under circumstances which indicate he has been visited with summary punishment. Deputy Sheriff Walston, of Fremont, and Nathan Sellers arrested Pender Saturday evening after he had beaten Frank Hooks, aged 60, wealthy farmer and late county commissioner of Wayne county, unconscious in his field with a club, according to information from Fremont tonight.

Sheriff Walston says that after he had made the arrest and, was on the way to Fremont from the negro's home, four miles out, he was halted by 25 masked men and forced to give up his prisoner. From that hour nothing has been heard of Pender.

Assailant of Girl Is Given 15 Years

Ashboro, Sept. 6.—Will Davis, young negro man, pleaded guilty today in Randolph county Superior court to an attempt at criminal assault upon Miss Florence Reddick, aged 13, on last June 5. He was sentenced by Judge T. B. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, to 15 years in the state penitentiary at hard labor.

At the time of the attack a great deal of feeling was aroused. It occurred near the Guilford county line and the assailant of the young woman was hunted for two days by possees, being carried to Greensboro for safekeeping and from there to the penitentiary at Raleigh.

Miss Reddick, who is the daughter of F. Reddick, well known farmer, identified the negro as her assailant.

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