

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Road Matters Passed on—Several New Roads to be Established.

The county commissioners, in session Monday, transacted the following business:

Petitioners were granted a road in Burnt Swamp township, the same to be paid for by petitioners. The road will be a mile long connecting Eureka and Lumberton roads.

A road was ordered established and opened in Thompson's township.

A public road, running from Rennett to the Carthage road was ordered laid out and established.

D. S. Carlyle was appointed road supervisor for Saddle Tree township and Dave Prevatt of Red Springs township, succeeding W. W. Strickland, declined.

A petition was filed by E. J. Biggs and others for a public road from Chicken road, near Saddle Tree church, to the Rennett public road at a point at the west corner of the great desert. The new road will be about three miles long and will shorten distance from Saddle Tree to Rennett about three miles. It will also be the most direct route from Lumber Bridge to Lumberton, being three or four miles nearer.

The report of Superintendent Allen was received and ordered filed.

Mrs. Bettie V. Trawick was admitted to the county home.

Ordered that the names of Ancil Austin, Sallie Townsend, E. Baker, Eliza Revels and Sam Stackhouse be taken from the pauper list because they have not called for their money in twelve months.

Ordered that the board borrow money as follows: \$200 from First National Bank, for road work in Britts township; \$500 from Bank of Maxton, for road work in Maxton township.

Ordered that the several townships of the county appropriate \$500 to the general road fund.

Ordered that Parkton and St. Pauls townships each pay \$100 and the general county fund \$150 for a bridge across Gauberry swamp on Parkton and Willis Creek road, said amounts to be paid on completion and acceptance of work.

Ordered that the reports from the following townships be accepted and filed: White House, Britts, St. Pauls, Alfordville, Lumberton, Parkton, Burnt Swamp, Back Swamp, Howellsville, Blue Springs, Saddle Tree, Maxton, Raft Swamp, Wisharts.

It was ordered that the certificate issued to the county for the sale of Frank Purvis' taxes for 1905 be cancelled.

In the matter of laying out roads over lands of F. A. Prevatt and W. M. Ellis, wherein the jury found that they were not entitled to any damages, exception is made to the findings and Prevatt and Ellis appeal to the Superior Court.

The following claims were passed:

D. W. Bullock, \$2.38 for road notices and postage; W. H. Bullock \$11, Dan Meares \$5.41, Oliver Meares \$3.75, Troy Meares \$1.66, Joe Edwards \$1.50, Joe Bryant \$3.12, Harvey Todd \$3.75, Jas. Locklear \$1.85, all for work on bridge on Big Swamp; W. G. Allen, superintendent, \$141.67 for salary for May; R. Williamson, \$7 for lumber (charged to Britts township); Breece & McCormick, \$8.75 for lumber for Harpers Ferry bridge; J. H. Powers, R. E. Lewis, J. D. Powell and C. F. Lowrey, \$1 each, for services as jurors assessing damages in Saddle Tree township; J. W. Carter, \$1.79 for tools, tiling, etc., for Maxton roads (charge Maxton road fund); W. A. Yost, \$20 for work on road reports.

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Floral College, N. C., June 13th.

HOMICIDE NEAR RED SPRINGS.

Frank McKenzie Kills Andrew David and is Exonerated by Coroner's Jury.

At McLeod's Cross Roads' about four miles from Red Springs, Tuesday morning, Frank McKenzie, white, shot and killed Andrew David, colored.

Both parties lived on Mr. Daniel McLeod's place, David moving there from South Carolina in January. They had helped each other on their farms. Tuesday morning at work time, McKenzie started from his home to his work. He carried his shot gun, as he frequently did. Near the house he met David, who had a hoe. McKenzie told David to come on and let's go to work. Using an opprobrious epithet, David replied that he was not going to work for him (McKenzie) nor none of his people 'should. He declared he was going to kill McKenzie.

David was ordered to leave the place. McKenzie started on, following behind the wagon. David followed and continued to curse and swear destruction to McKenzie. When they reached the Carthage road David seized the gun. In the mix up the weapon was discharged. The load entered under David's chin and made its way to the brain.

After the shooting McKenzie started to Lumberton to surrender. He met Deputy Sheriff Barker near Lumberton and was taken into custody by the officer, where he remained until the coroner's jury exonerated him, finding justifiable homicide.

Appreciated.

The Greensboro Telegram states that Mr. C. A. Hines has resigned the editorship of The Lumberton Robesonian and is succeeded by Mr. Pogram A. Bryant, who went to The Robesonian some weeks ago as business manager. Mr. Bryant had his newspaper training under Mr. R. R. Clark, editor of The Statesville Landmark, than whom there is certainly no more capable newspaper man in the State. With this education he should do well with The Robesonian, and The Observer earnestly hopes he will.—Charlotte Observer.

Mr. P. A. Bryant, formerly with The Landmark, who recently went to Lumberton to become business manager of the Robesonian, has succeeded to the editorship of that paper, Mr. C. A. Hines, who has been editing the paper, having resigned. Mr. Bryant has the very best wishes of The Landmark and of numerous other Statesville friends in his new position. He has fine newspaper talent and we feel assured that he will make a success of the Robesonian.—Statesville Landmark.

Floral College News Letter.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Graham, of Alma, visited friends and relatives here last week.

A very destructive hail storm passed over this section last Friday, doing much damage to the cotton and corn crops of Messrs. Neill Alford, D. V. Walker and A. A. Cobb. In some places the corn was completely stripped, but not so badly damaged as to necessitate a second planting.

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AUTOMOBILE FOR ASHPOLE.

Ice Cream Supper—Children's Day Exercises.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

A pleasant social occasion was the ice cream supper given by the Baptist Parsonage Aid Society Monday night. They realized a nice sum of money also.

D. W. Galloway spent a few days at home last week.

The Children's Day exercises at the Methodist church Sunday was very much enjoyed by all the children's friends.

A. L. Jones, Esq., has ordered an automobile. Who says Ashpole is in the backwoods?

Messrs. Foster and Glenn Ashley, of Boardman, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. George Abell, of Columbia, S. C., visited Mr. Abell's sister, Mrs. Galloway, last week.

Work has begun on the graded school building for which we are devoutly thankful.

Prof. G. E. Lineberry, of Winterville, was greeting many former friends here a day last week.

O. I. Floyd attended the judicial convention at Fayetteville last week, going from there to Cary to bring home his wife, who has been off on a delightful trip.

Mrs. Rose Pitman is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Townsend, of McDonald.

Mr. Marvin Floyd, son of G. D. Floyd, Esq., has returned from Chipley, Fla., to visit home folks for awhile.

Ashpole, N. C., June 13th.

Under the Southern Cross.

The entertainment to be given here at the opera house to-morrow night was given at Hamlet Saturday night. In his report to The Observer the Hamlet correspondent says:

"Under the Southern Cross" was presented at the Academy Hall last night by the Laurinburg Dramatic Association, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church. The play was well rendered and those present pronounce it the best entertainment presented to a Hamlet audience in a long time.

The following composed the cast: "General Deering," Mr. F. L. Bundy; "Gordon Beverly," Thomas Covington; "Jack Warrington," Mac Cameron; "Lieutenant Forest," G. F. Areinger; "George Stone," Dr. J. L. Gibson; "Capt Porter," J. P. Myers; "Mrs. Washington," Mrs. T. T. Covington; "Marion Warrington," Miss Roberta Coble; "Kate Conyers," Miss Mamie Bizzell; "Ned," Dr. C. W. Regan; "Mam Elsie," Jasper T. Gibson.

The Pastor's Conference.

The Pastor's Conference of the Robeson Baptist Association, which convened here Tuesday evening, closed with today's session.

Very disagreeable weather during the session limited the attendance at some of the meetings.

Rev. Dr. J. J. Hall, of Fayetteville, preached Tuesday evening. Rev. Dr. R. J. Willingham, of Richmond, Va., secretary and treasurer of the mission board, was present and made a splendid address Wednesday morning.

On last Tuesday, at the home of the bride's father, Rev. J. J. Scott of Orrum, Miss Elya Scott and Mr. Emerson McDuffie were quietly married, in the presence of only a few relatives and friends. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Humphrey, a former pastor of the Baptist church of Marion. Immediately after the marriage the bridal couple left for Marion. Mr. McDuffie, who is sole proprietor of the Marion Iron Works, is one of the most successful business men in Marion. The bride has many friends in Marion who are glad to welcome her among us.—Marion (S. C.) Star.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

D. P. Shaw, commissioner, to A. E. White, eight acres of land half mile west of Lumberton; consideration, \$450.

A. E. White and wife to A. W. McLean, land near Lumberton; consideration, \$225.

Jas. A. McNeill and wife to Geo. Currie, land in Lumber Bridge township; consideration, \$36.

J. N. Buie, et al to Bill Jones, land in Red Springs township; consideration, \$25.

B. F. McLean and wife to W. G. McLean, land in Smith's township; consideration, \$20.

Geo. S. McNeill to J. D. Regan et al, lands in Back Swamp township; consideration, \$1,400.

Estate of Mrs. H. McI. McLean to W. F. and J. G. Williams, lands in Blue Springs township; consideration, \$900.

Red Springs Briefs.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. J. E. Thompson, of Rowland, is the delegate of the Rowland Pythian Lodge at the meeting of the Grand Lodge in session at Greensboro.

The brick work of stores of Messrs. Huggins, Cook, Garrett and McNeill, Red Springs Drug Company and also the postoffice is finished.

Bricklaying on the walls of the central building at the college is progressing.

Rev. D. N. McLaughlin, D. D., preached in Fayetteville last Sunday for Rev. W. M. Fairley.

Rev. A. R. Moore is almost fully well again.

Mr. L. M. Cook also attended the great Eastern Star meeting in Greensboro and was honored by election to its highest office.

An excellent citizen of another State, with five daughters to educate, will go to Red Springs to look for a home.

Mr. J. W. Graham went up to Greensboro on business Monday.

Red Springs has been quite well represented in Greensboro last week and this. The occasion last week was the Eastern Star meeting and this the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias.

Red Springs, N. C., June 13th.

Suit for Damages Against L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co.

Francis Gray, administratrix of Wm. Gray, through her attorneys, Messrs. McIntyre & Lawrence, has instituted suit against the L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co., asking \$10,000 damages for killing of Wm. Gray.

Wm. Gray was a guard of the chain gang force, which was hired by the commissioners of the county to the L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co. The complaint alleges that while in the discharge of his duties guarding the convicts as they were being transported over a tram road by the defendant company to their place of work, the engineer suddenly and without proper warning started the train. Gray was thrown under the wheels of the train and was instantly killed.

Messrs. McLean, McLean & McCormick represent the defendants.

Mount Eliam Items.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

A tree fell on Mr. J. M. Sellers a few days ago. He is a son of W. T. Sellers, who was killed by a tree last fall.

Miss Lucy Britt has returned from a visit to her sister at Cerro Gorda.

The quarterly meeting which was held here last Sunday was a great success, although many did not attend on account of the rain.

We are sorry to report Mrs. N. H. Ward on the sick list.

Mr. Henry Britt, of Kingsdale, was through here Sunday.

People are up with their work in this section and crops are looking fine.

We all like The Robesonian.

Mount Eliam, N. C., June 11th.

THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Mr. W. J. Prevatt Elected Chief of Fire Department—Mr. R. C. Lawrence Town Attorney.

The town commissioners, at their regular meeting elected Mr. W. J. Prevatt chief of the fire department, with Messrs. Geo. M. Whitfield and Q. T. Williams as assistant chiefs. The board ordered that the officers and members of the fire department, the number not to exceed thirty, be exempted from payment of town poll-tax.

Mr. R. C. Lawrence was unanimously elected town attorney.

In consideration of the fact that Mr. L. H. Hamilton displays weather flags, the board exempts him from paying town taxes.

J. V. Martin and Geo. W. Smith were given \$5 each rebate on privilege taxes.

On motion the board ordered that the town borrow \$1,500 from the First National Bank and that the mayor and town clerk and treasurer execute a note in the name of the town for said sum, \$1,000 of the amount being for purpose of raising money to pay current and necessary expenses of town government, and \$500 to pay note formerly issued for same purpose.

The town constable was instructed to collect all privilege taxes now due.

Excursionist and His Booze.

An interesting story is being told around town on a citizen of the country who went to Wilmington on the excursion Saturday. Those who know him know that he exercises the right to take on some of the ardent whenever he cares to. While in Wilmington he provided himself with a supply—the boys say ten gallons.

That morning he had driven from some distance in the country to Lumberton, where he left his cart until his return that night. Arriving here he transferred his ardent to his cart and started home. He hadn't gone far until he overtook three fellows, one of whom was apparently very much tanked. The other two asked the man with the ten gallons to let the supposed-to-be drunk one ride. He consented very readily and transferred himself from the cart seat and straddled the mule's back, putting the man in the cart. They had progressed some distance when the man in the cart made a break for the woods with four gallons of his host's liquor. While trying to capture him, the remainder of the booze was carried off.

The victim of the cruel joke found some consolation in comparing the perpetrators with a snake: Take a snake when he is thoroughly frozen and thaw him and he tries to bite everybody in the house.

Candidates for County Offices.

So far there are two avowed candidates for clerk of court. Mr. A. Nash announced himself for this office several days ago. The present incumbent, Mr. W. H. Humphrey, comes out in a card in this issue for re-nomination. Mr. D. P. Shaw has been mentioned as a prospective candidate. Rumor has it there are one or two others who have aspirations in this direction.

For treasurer, Mr. W. D. McCallum has announced himself. Mr. McKenzie, the present treasurer, is in the race.

Since the above was written and put in type, Mr. George L. Thompson brought in his card for treasurer, which appears with other announcements.

Messrs. J. A. Barker and E. C. McNeill are candidates for the sheriff's office.

As far as we know, Mr. D. W. Bullock, register of deeds, has no opposition.

Baltimore was visited by a \$1,000,000 fire yesterday morning. Three lives were lost.

STATE NEWS.

Rev. Harvey M. North, of Elizabeth City, has been elected to succeed Prof. J. A. Bivins, resigned, as headmaster of Trinity Park High School, Durham.

Mrs. Geo. H. Atkinson, of Monroe, national secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Association, died suddenly of heart trouble at the Kenilworth Inn, Asheville, a few days ago. She had delivered the opening address before the Y. M. C. A. Convention the night before.

Squire D. G. Maxwell, a well-known citizen of Charlotte, died at his home there early Monday morning, aged 66 years.

Fire, the origin of which is unknown, Wednesday afternoon destroyed three of the main resorts of the Standard Turpentine Co., Wilmington. The loss is estimated at \$5,000.

The Elkin Enterprise is the name of a new weekly paper to be established at Elkin by Mr. T. J. Robertson, of North Wilkesboro.

MATTERS OF NEWS.

Chas. L. Tucker was electrocuted at Boston, Mass., Tuesday morning at 12:12 o'clock for the murder of Mabel Page at Weston, March 3, 1904. Three applications of the current were made and Tucker was pronounced dead seven minutes later.

Fanny Lomax, familiarly known as "Aunt Fanny," died Monday at her home in Rosslyn, Va., aged 105. "Aunt Fanny" was a celebrated negro character. She was born in January 180, and up to the time of her death recalled with remarkable vividness the early history of the country. Her oldest child is still living at the age of 84, and she had 59 grandchildren.

Receiver for Commercial Building Co.

At Chambers before Judge Walter H. Neal at Laurinburg Tuesday, the Bank of Sanford asked that a receiver be appointed for the Commercial Building Co., of Sanford. Messrs. W. J. Edwards, president of the company, and his son objected to the receivership. After hearing argument, Judge Neal appointed Dr. W. A. Munroe, of Sanford, receiver.

Mr. S. A. Edmund, of Lumberton, one of the stockholders of the company, and Mr. J. G. McCormick, attorney in the case, were at the hearing in Laurinburg Tuesday.

Meeting of State Horticultural Society.

By direction of President J. Van Lindley, the State Horticultural Society is called to meet at Aberdeen, N. C., on Friday June 29th at ten o'clock a. m. This is an important meeting; an effort is to be made to broaden the influence and increase the scope of the work of the Society. All members are urged to attend.

The local members of the society and others interested in fruit growing are requested and will, no doubt, provide an excellent display of fruits, all members are urged to forward or bring at least one basket of all fruit ripe at the time. Such shipments should be prepaid, and made in time to reach Aberdeen by the night of the 27th so as to be displayed on the 29th, and addressed to the president or secretary.

K. of P. Elects Officers.

At a very enthusiastic meeting of the Knights of Pythias Monday night, the following officers were elected:

Ira B. Townsend, chancellor commander; D. P. Shaw, vice chancellor; Geo. M. Whitfield, prelate; H. C. Freeman, master of arms; F. H. Roberts, inner guard; A. E. Spivey, outer guard.

This lodge is growing rapidly. Scarcely a meeting night passes that work is not done in one of the three degrees.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING.

The Marriage of Miss Eula Rives Davis, Sister of Miss Mary Davis, of Lumberton, and Mr. Robert H. Dye at Raleigh.

The following notice of the marriage is from The News and Observer of Wednesday:

There was a lovely home wedding yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sears on New Bern avenue, when Mrs. Sears' sister, Miss Eula Rives Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Davis, became the bride of Mr. Robert Hardie Dye, prominent young lawyer of Fayetteville. There were present a large number of friends and relatives of the young couple.

The wedding was celebrated in the large drawing room on the left of the hall, the improvised altar being surrounded by a wealth of tropical plants, upon it being many lighted wax candles in silver candelabra. Paralled white ribbons looped in bouquets of white carnations marked the aisle. At the piano was Mr. Wade R. Brown and he rendered the wedding march from Lohengrin as a processional, and Mendelssohn's wedding march after the ceremony. While the sacred vows were being taken softly the "Song of the Evening Star," Tanhauser, was rendered.

The bridal party was preceded by little Misses Evie and Francis Sears, nieces of the bride. The quaint little maids, dressed in white with pink sashes and white carnations, bore the white ribbons forming the aisle to the altar. The maids of honor were Miss Mary George Davis, sister of the bride, and Miss Ebie Roberts. They wore flowered mulls with white hats and carried white carnations. The groom was attended by his brother, Dr. John C. Dye, of Fayetteville, as his best man. The lovely bride was accompanied by Mr. A. L. Sears, her brother-in-law, who gave her away. Her gown was a creation of white net, over white silk, with renaissance trimmings and white picture hat. She carried a shower bouquet of brides roses. The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. McK. Pitinger, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Dye left for Norfolk, where they will take the Old Dominion and spend a while at points on the Hudson before going to Fayetteville, their future home. The brides going-away gown was of Alice blue voile.

Mr. and Mrs. Dye are both young people well known in this city and Fayetteville and have the highest esteem of a host of friends in both cities. Mr. Dye is a member of the law firm of Sinclair & Dye, of Fayetteville.

The out-of-town guests present were Miss Harriet L. Wright, of Newark, N. J.; Dr. and Mrs. John C. Dye, of Fayetteville; Mr. James Star Dye, of Baltimore, and Capt. James D. McNeill, of Fayetteville.

Grand Lodge K. of P.

The State Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, in session in Greensboro this week, selected Elizabeth City as next place for meeting. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Grand Chancellor, W. W. Wilson, of Raleigh; Grand Vice Chancellor, W. C. Grist, of Winston; Grand Prelate, W. R. Coppedge, of Rockingham; Grand Master Exchequer, John Mills, of Rutherfordton; Grand Master Record and Seals, W. T. Hollowell, of Goldsboro; Grand Master at Arms, McBrady Holt, of Graham; Grand Inner Guard, O. C. Brute, of Mt. Gilead; Grand Outer Guard, E. J. Jones, of Concord.

The principle contest, which was very spirited, was over the election of the Grand Vice Chancellor. For this C. W. Grist received ninety votes and C. C. McLean, of Greensboro, forty-five.