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## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET

Dr. J. E. Brooks Resigns as County Health Officer—Other Proceedings

The County Commissioners, with A. T. Ward, Chairman, J. W. Griffin and J. D. Willett present were in session here Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. J. E. Brooks tendered his resignation as County Health Officer to be effective as of February 1, which was accepted by the commissioners.

C. C. Poe, Register of Deeds, reported that he had received \$157.35 from fees in his office in the month of January.

Jas. L. Griffin, Clerk Superior Court, reported that the fees received in his office during the month of January amounted to \$75.55.

The following bills were approved and ordered paid:

W H Taylor, services as jailor	\$ 88 40
W L London & Son, supplies for County Home	31 71
H A Bynum, repairing tractor	3 45
J C Hammond, Jr., 4 days member Board of Elections	12 10
G W Blair, court officer, deputy help	30 00
G W Blair, summoning jurors	13 20
G W Blair, stamps and envelopes	21 20
G W Blair, salary	208 33
Siler City Grit, tax notice	17 20
Cole Printing Co, printing	31 72
H S Storr Co, office supplies	8 25
J C Lanian, supplies for Court House	6 75
W H Ferguson, car hire bringing prisoners to jail	24 00
W H Ferguson, capturing still	15 00
C H Crutchfield, capturing stills	30 00
C H Crutchfield, conveying prisoner to jail	10 00
M L Harris, lumber for bridges	272 00
F P Nooe, capturing still	20 00
H B Norwood, salary sup. public welfare	16 75
H H Cotton, conveying prisoner to jail	6 00
J E Cross, conveying prisoners to jail	17 00
Sidney Farrow, burial expenses of pauper	2 00
S B Griffin, conveying grand jurors to County Home	2 50
G M Womble, conveying grand jurors to County Home	2 50
H B Jones, lumber and road work	5 00
P Goldston, conveying prisoner to jail	24 00
J H Teague, conveying prisoner to jail	8 00
A M Webster, arrest and conviction of Jerry Harris for illicit distilling	50 00
A M Webster, arrest and conviction of Jim Dorsett for illicit distilling	50 00
A M Webster, arrest and conviction of Walker Harris for illicit distilling	50 00
A M Webster, arrest and conviction of A T Campbell for illicit distilling	50 00
R S Campbell, arrest and conviction of George Gray for illicit distilling	50 00

W H Ferguson, arrest and conviction Hume Milliken for illicit distilling	50 00
Mack Fearington, work for County Home	15 00
L C Clark, salary Supt. County Home	41 66
Josie Fearington, cooking for County Home	10 00
L N Womble, supplies for Court House	8 20
Jas L Griffin, salary etc, c s c	147 93
Tom Leach, hauling wood extra help, etc, Court House	16 00
Tom Leach, salary janitor Court House	20 00
John B Burns, wood for Court House	20 00
Miss Myrtle Siler, extra help	3 75
Miss Myrtle Siler, supplies for Sheriff's office	35 25
J L Seawell, Clerk Supreme Court, costs in M L Sykes case	19 65
J D Willett, pork for County Home	34 08
Bonlee Tel Co, telephone rent	17 20

## Jury List

The following have been drawn by the County Commissioners as jurors for the March term of the Chatham County Superior Court which will convene here March 15th for the trial of civil cases only:

Name	Township
L R Holt	Haw River
Beaman Buckner	Matthews
Thaddeus Stevens	Albright
B W Mann	Baldwin
J B Emerson	Gulf
J C Hammond	Center
A B Womble	Haw River
R R Seagroves	Oakland
Z J Johnson	Williams
R F Sturdivant	Cape Fear
W F Fuquay	Hadley
J W Williams	Cape Fear
Ira Foushee	Center
Ed Williams	Baldwin
J G Goldston	Gulf
J L Dorsett	Bear Creek
Londory Brafford	Hickory Mt
C S Harrington	Cape Fear
Joe Bray	Matthews
W J Durham	Hadley
D H Ellis	Bear Creek
A D Teague	Hickory Mt
J J Vestal	Albright
R B Burnett	New Hope

## Wizard Officers Held

Three principal officers and two directors of the Wizard Automobile Company, of Charlotte, were held for investigation by a Federal grand jury under bonds of \$5,000 each, by U. S. Commissioner J. W. Cobb, at Charlotte, Monday of last week, at the conclusion of a preliminary hearing on charges of conspiracy and fraud in the use of the mails. There are several Wizard stockholders in Pittsboro and Chatham County who have bit at the get-rich-quick scheme.

## Fill It Up

The old town pump, which stands in the middle of the Salisbury and Hillsboro streets crossing, should either be removed and the well filled up or a new pump should be placed there. As it is, it is a nuisance. If a fire was to break out in the business section the pump there would be about as useless as a dog with no head. Fill up the well or put in a new pump.

Thomas W. Allen, of Raleigh, was among the sixty new lawyers licensed by the Supreme Court last week. Mr. Allen is a nephew of Capt. J. F. Alston, of Pittsboro.

## THE GROUNDHOG UP AGAIN

Did He See His Shadow on February 2? Some Say He Did; Others Say That He Did Not

There are people in this County who DO believe in the groundhog as a weather prophet, and there are also people in this County who do NOT believe in him. The late Henry A. London, former editor of The Record, had much faith in his honor, Judge G. Hog, and when said animal did not see his shadow, he was convinced that the balance of the winter would be mild. If he did, it would be the reverse.

Some people say his worship comes out early in the morning and if he sees his shadow at any time during the day he goes back in his den; if he does not see his shadow before 12, that that settles the good weather question.

One of Pittsboro's prominent citizens, who has handled the little varmint, says that he does not come out of his hole until 11 o'clock, and that he did not see his shadow last week. In order that there may be bad weather, the sun must be shining when Mr. Hog first makes his appearance.

Other authorities say that Mr. Groundhog comes out of his hole at 12 o'clock, noon, and that, unless he sees his shadow when he comes out, he remains out, and the winter weather is over.

We confess that we do not know which of these theories is correct. But if he comes out at 11 o'clock or 12 o'clock and it is necessary for him to see his shadow just at the time he emerges from his winter abode, or before noon, then the gentleman did not see his shadow on Wednesday of last week, and according to tradition the worst of the winter weather is over. But if, on the other hand, those who claim that if the groundhog saw his shadow at any time during the day of February 2, he goes back in his hole, be correct, he did see his shadow, and we are due to have six weeks more of bad weather, for the clouds disappeared and the sun shone brightly that afternoon. Did he see his shadow or did he not? There are those who say he did and others who say he did not. We do not know which theory is the right one, and we, therefore, do not know how the rest of the winter will be. We may have mild and pleasant weather, or we may have some more rain, snow and sleet.

John Wilhelm, of Monmouth, Kansas, said he was going to get "first hand information" on whether the groundhog knows how long winter is going to last, so in order to find out whether they came out of their den or not he caught five of them last fall and hid them away in the ground and on the second he went to watch them and see whether they did or did not come out. The Record would be glad to see his statement, which he will make public.

## New County Home

The grand jury for our January term of court recommended that a new county home be built and in addition to it a county hospital.

A petition is being circulated in this part of the county this week securing many signers, which will be presented to the

county commissioners, urging them to carry out the recommendation of the grand jury to build and equip a home and hospital for our aged men and women that will make them comfortable. We owe it to the seventeen present inmates at the home and to those who shall come after them to provide such surroundings as will not only add to their comfort but their happiness. Along with other progressive movements that our county is undertaking there can be no act of the people that will place them in the forward ranks more than to see that the inmates of our county home are being well cared for.—Siler City Grit.

## Social Notes

Among the week's affairs none were more delightful than the meeting of the Woman's Club on last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Jas. L. Griffin and Miss Nellie Pilkington as hostesses at the home of Mrs. Griffin. All the rooms were attractive in their decorations of plants and flowers.

Interesting papers were read by Misses Henrietta Morgan and Nellie Pilkington, both a further study of the year's work, "Citizenship for Women."

At this meeting it was decided to send Mr. Page \$50 for European relief.

The members of the club voted to go on record assupporting the Board of Charities and Public Welfare; also the State and National Censorship of motion pictures.

At the close of the business session sandwiches and coffee were served.

Mesdames Jas. Wrenn and E. R. Hinton will be the hostesses at the March meeting of the club.

## Bynum Notes

Miss Effie Lee Lambeth visited relatives in Sanford Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whitfield, of White Cross, spent the week end with Mrs. Whitfield's mother, Mrs. F. N. Hobby.

Messrs. Cook and Miller spent a few hours in the village Sunday. Owing to the bad roads, people cannot stay in one place but a short while, as it takes most of their time going and coming.

I. W. Farrell, of near Pittsboro, spent last week here with his daughter, Mrs. R. H. Abernathy.

Roy Riggsbee spent Monday in Sanford on business.

Plato Riddle is in Carthage for a few days on business.

The Community Aid Society of Bynum will give a Valentine party at the school building Saturday evening—supper at 6:30—cream, candy and other refreshments for sale. The proceeds are to be contributed to the Chinese relief fund.

## George W. Thompson

The old friends here of our former townsman, Mr. George W. Thompson, will regret to learn of his death which occurred Tuesday morning of last week at Morehead City, where he had made his home for several years past. He leaves a widow (formerly Miss Rosa Poe) and one son, Stedman Thompson, of Raleigh. He was a gentleman of the old school and numbered his friends by his acquaintances.

Born, Monday morning to Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Allen, a son, Robert Child. The youngster weighs ten pounds.

## THE COTTON SEED SITUATION

Dr. B. W. Kilgore Gives Pertinent Facts Relative to Fertilizer Facts

Eleven hundred pounds of 7 per cent cottonseed meal with enough more to cover the cost of hauling, freight and other expenses of exchange, is a fair proposition for both farmer and the cotton seed oil mills, according to Dr. B. W. Kilgore, Director of the North Carolina Agriculture Extension Service, who has prepared the following data for the information of the public:

There have been so many inquiries in regard to the price of cotton seed meals and hulls, and the exchange of seed for meal, that the following facts will be of interest to many people:

One ton of cotton seed contains:

Nitrogen	61.7 lbs
Equivalent to ammonia	75. "
Phosphoric acid	26. "
Potash	24. "

Eleven hundred pounds cottonseed meal contains:

Nitrogen	61.7 lbs
Equivalent to ammonia	77. "
Phosphoric acid	28.6 "
Potash	19.8 "

From the above, it is seen that 1100 pounds of 7 per cent cottonseed meal has practically the same amount of fertilizer constituents as one ton of seed, and in exchanging seed for meal this amount should be obtained, and enough more, at least, to cover the cost of hauling, freight and other expenses in making the exchange, and something in addition for the oil which the mills obtain from the seed. It is more convenient to use meal for seed for fertilizer and for feed. The oil has feeding value, but not fertilizing value. Seed should, therefore, be exchanged for meal or sold at a fair price to the mills rather than used as such for fertilizer, because of the economic loss to the farming and cotton oil industry and the State when used as fertilizer. In times like the present, the farmer and the cotton oil mills should try to get together on a fair basis to prevent this loss to the State, and thus get the full value of cotton seed. Dr. Kilgore suggests that oil mills should take the leadership in trying to make this plain and possible, and the farmer with the facts in mind, should deal with the matter in like manner.

## Church Services

During Lent there will be services at the Episcopal Church every Wednesday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock, consisting of evening prayer and a short address. Bible Class every Friday night at 7:30. These services are additional to the regular scheduled services on the first and third Sundays at 11:00 a. m. and 4:15 p. m.

## Town Commissioners

The town commissioners of Pittsboro, in session Tuesday night, passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale of gasoline, oil, soft drinks or merchandise of any kind on Sunday; and also prohibiting the keeping of stores open for the sale of merchandise or public garages or for the purpose of working on cars on Sunday. Permits may be issued by the Mayor for the sale of gasoline or oil on Sunday in cases of necessity. Violators of this ordinance are subject to a fine of \$10. The town tax for 1920 was

fixed at 30c on the \$100 worth of property and 90 cents on the poll.

The ordinance as to keeping hogs in Pittsboro was amended so as to read that no person shall pen or keep any hog in town within 100 feet of any residence or well or within 50 feet of any street. The old ordinance provided that they must be 150 feet from any residence or well.

## Vital Statistics

According to the report of Mrs. R. H. Hayes, local Registrar for Pittsboro and Center township, there were 3 births for the month of January, 1921, in Pittsboro, all colored, and 2 deaths, both colored, one was a still-born.

For the same month in 1920 5 births and no deaths.

There were 11 births in Center township during January 1921, and 2 deaths; same month last year, 5 births and 1 death. Male births, white, 2; colored, 4; female, white, 2; female, colored, 3.

Only 2 deaths occurred in the township last month, both colored and from old age.

It seems that the births and deaths are not reported as they should be, and Mrs. Hayes asks The Record to state that midwives should report births to her more promptly. Probably through ignorance of the law midwives may not know that they are liable to indictment for not reporting this matter promptly. Another thing that they must be ignorant of is that they must take out a license, which they can procure, free of cost, by applying to Mr. Jas. L. Griffin, Clerk of the Court. They are liable indictment for not taking out license to practice their profession.

## Soldiers, Attention

We are requested to ask those soldiers from the Pittsboro School who were in the World war, and who have not sent in their questionnaires to Prof. E. R. Franklin to do so at once.

A tablet is to be placed in the School bearing the names of all pupils who participated in the great war, and it is necessary for all questionnaires to be sent in before this tablet can be completed. If you are a former pupil of the Pittsboro School and an ex-soldier, Prof. Franklin requests that you send in your questionnaire to him right away, if you have already not done so.

## The New County Home

Editor of The Record:  
I am in favor of a New County Home and Hospital for Chatham County. I think it would help to build up your County and help us in your school, and Chatham had just as well have a hospital as Lee, and we can if we will get busy.  
I am not living in Chatham now, but will soon. If anyone has a pair of good mules to sell, cheap, weighing 1,000 pounds, write me. W. C. GUNTER, Greensboro, Denim Branch.

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