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ROAD COMMISSIONERS IN MONTHLY SESSION

County to Build Bridge Over Haw River Above Pace Mill.

The board met Monday, October 13, and transacted only routine business as follows:

C. B. Pitts to settle Wright, pay roll, \$225.

L. J. Womble, for 864 feet of lumber, \$14.68.

Chatham Motor Company, balance on auto \$350.00.

Carl H. Strowd, labor on road, \$35.20.

Birch Phillips, salary for September, \$75.00.

Floyd Sizemore, \$75.

E. M. Phillips, salary, lumber and gas, \$80.25.

J. L. Scott, salary September, \$75.

C. R. Lambert, 2 days labor, \$4.

Billie Brown 11 days labor, \$22.

C. S. Goodwin, work on road, \$300.

Colonel Smith, work on road, \$19.

J. B. Hester, 8 hours with team, \$3.20.

T. F. Goins, shop work on road, \$245.

Colon Dixon, 1000 feet lumber, \$28.00.

W. H. Ward, 3300 feet of lumber, \$100.77.

J. W. Harmon, pay roll for September, \$544.23.

J. W. Harmon, bills paid T. J. Ekins and Jack Goins, \$602.

J. W. Harmon, salary for September, \$125.

D. T. Brooks, for shoes blankets, etc., \$54.80.

R. G. Beckwith, salary, \$75.

R. A. Wilson, 4 days extra labor, \$9.00.

R. A. Wilson, salary, \$75.

J. C. Luther, gas, oil, \$96.75.

Goldston Hardware, dynamite and etc., \$27.53.

Goldston Garage, gas, oil, grease, \$32.40.

W. D. Tillman, balance on Haywood road, \$50.00.

H. M. Gee, 5681 feet lumber, \$170.43.

Alfred Johnson, pay roll, \$334.75.

Frank Gattis, salary for September, \$75.00.

William Norwood, salary, \$75.

Goldston Motor Co., gas and oil, \$40.50.

L. D. Johnson, salary, extra labor, shop work, Vance Crews, \$121.65.

F. W. Knight, oil, gas, \$5.00.

Fave Jones, salary Sept. \$75.

Brodie Johnson, 13 days work, 2.25.

Beaver Creek Lumber Co., \$331.33.

Bennett Hardware Co., hardware, \$13.25.

Standard Oil Co., (statement) \$317.

H. M. Moffit, work on truck, \$10.50.

Thomas C. Hunt, statement balance, \$5.14.

George W. Perry, for gas, \$20.25.

E. E. Wilson, 4 days service, 186 miles \$29.30.

Mann's Garage, \$38.65.

Mills Brothers, bolts and labor, \$1.

W. B. Harper, shop work, \$47.25.

Chatham Hardware, gas, oil, hardware, etc., \$159.40.

R. P. Embanks, 8 hours work, \$3.20.

Murry Taylor, 2 1-2 days work, \$5.00.

W. F. Crutchfield, shop work, \$1.00.

Dr. W. B. Chapin, professional services, \$6.00.

Connell and Johnson, supplies, to Alfred Johnson, \$697.17.

Connell and Johnson, supplies, to convict camp, \$578.13.

C. C. Hamlet, 5 days service, 2 months, service as clerk cash paid freight and express, \$59.23.

J. K. Crisman, supplies to convict camp, \$7.15.

The board passed an order to give contract to build a bridge over Haw River, two miles above the old Pace Mill. The bridge at this point was destroyed by a wind storm in the early spring, and was also in the mill building. The farmers living on each side of the river will open up and build the road without any expense to the county, the bridge only being built by the county.

GIVEN BIRTHDAY DINNER

Our Young Mr. Robert Burns Passes Into His 90th Year.

The hands of time move around daily, but slowly and surely point to the end of another year. Sunday was the 89th birthday of our venerable young friend, Mr. Robert M. Burns, one of Pittsboro's oldest citizens. And the event was celebrated with a birthday dinner with two fine opponents, nicely cooked, thrown in for good measure.

For several years past Mr. Burns has enjoyed these birthday dinners, and there has never been one when a big fat "possum" did not grace the table and Sunday's dinner was no exception.

Flowers in profusion and candles decorated the table, which was filled with the choicest of viands—boiled ham, fried chicken, pies, cakes—but, why say more?

All of Mr. and Mrs. Burns' children were present, as also a few invited guests. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Goodwin and two children, of Roxboro; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burns, and two children, of Whiteville; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Winchester and four children, of Monroe; Mrs. Herbert E. Norris, of Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Frank May, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hatch and Mrs. Annie Chapin, of Pittsboro.

Many beautiful flowers that adorned the table were sent from Raleigh by Mrs. R. N. Simms, an old friend of the family.

MR. MONT T. WILKIE.

A Sketch and an Appreciation of His Life.

The community and many citizens of Chatham county and the state were shocked last Sunday morning when the news came that Mr. Mont T. Wilkie, the rural carrier on route two, was dead. He died October 12th of heart trouble at 1:20 p.m. Although Mr. Wilkie had not been feeling well for some time he did his daily duties. He had a bad spell about the middle of July, and took a month's vacation. After being under the doctor, he felt so much better that he commenced carrying the mail again and carried it up to and through last Thursday. When he entered the postoffice Thursday morning he stated that he was feeling very badly and he lacked to have died that morning.

He felt that death was near, for he stated that he would not live long, but he said that he prayed that he might not die alone, so he took his little daughter Lois with him Thursday, the last day he was able to go on his route.

He had been carrier on route two for seventeen years, and he faithfully performed his work daily, accommodating everybody gladly and willingly. He understood the post-office work thoroughly and he was always glad to give any information to any question that you might ask him about. He had lived in this neighborhood all of his life and he knew almost everybody, and even if a stranger should come to town, he would soon know Mr. Wilkie and find him a kind friend.

He was fifty-seven years of age and had been married twenty-eight years. He married Miss Florence Poe, and they were eight children, two of whom are dead. Of the six children living, Rudolph, Beatrice and Lois are in school; Worth Wilkie, the oldest, has a position as bookkeeper at Winston-Salem, Raymond has a position in the warehouse at Phoenix Utility Company, and Hilda is teacher in the school at Brickhaven. He leaves a devoted wife, who labored daily to help him rear the family. He was a fond father and a loving companion.

He was a faithful member of the Baptist church. The Baptist church in Moncure has been built twelve years and during that time he had missed Sunday school but twice. One of those times he had the "flu" and another time he went to see a sick relative. This is a fine record. He loved his children, his home, his church, and his God. He had much faith.

He was a member and counselor of the Junior Order. He was present at every meeting. He was a member and promoter of everything that was good for the community and for humanity. He loved his neighbors, his town, and would rejoice as Moncure was showing great progress.

He was buried by the Junior Order and Masons. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jesse Blalock, of Aberdeen, his pastor, assisted by Rev. R. R. Gordon of Pittsboro, his former pastor. Mr. Blalock stated that the last words of Mr. Wilkie were, "I am ready to go and I am not afraid to die."

Nearly every patron on his route was present at the funeral, showing their appreciation of his services. There was a large crowd present at the funeral, so many that all could not be seated in the church, many standing. The altar of the church was laden with beautiful flowers of all designs presented by his loved ones and friends, which were carried to and from the church by the ladies. The following relatives were present: Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Poe and Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Poe of Durham, N. C.; Mr. D. W. Poe of Danville, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poe of Pittsboro; Mrs. Alice Redden and daughter, Miss Catherine Brown, of Brook Creek, Mrs. Otis Bridges of Sanford, and Mrs. G. H. Wilkie, of Moncure, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wilkie, of Moncure, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thomas, of Sanford, N. C.; Mrs. Bailey of Goldsboro, N. C.; Miss Lillie Mae Wilkie of Raleigh, Miss Irene Wilkie of Moncure, and Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Wilkie of Moncure.

The corpse was taken to Haywood cemetery for interment and laid to rest beside many of his relatives, who have gone on before, and beneath the lovely floral tributes, which show the high esteem he was held in the community.

Mr. Wilkie made a good father, a good companion, a good father, a good rural carrier, a good church member, a good christian, a good Junior order member, a good worker, and a good citizen. His services were appreciated and he made the world better by having lived in it. He will be missed much in the community. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family and loved ones.

HELD FOR RAPE.

Archie Overby, a colored youth of seventeen years, is held in jail here for a criminal assault upon Love Clark, a seven year old colored girl in Williams township. The boy was arrested Sunday night. Attorney A. C. Ray for the defendant waived preliminary trial before Justice J. R. Blair and the boy was remanded to jail. It is probable the case will be tried at this term of court. A physician's examination revealed injury to the child.

SEE YOUR LABEL

A NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT

Boxing, Wrestling Exhibition and Halloween Carnival at Pittsboro, October 31.

Friday night, October 31, at 7:00 o'clock, there will be a boxing and wrestling exhibition at the Pittsboro High School auditorium. Some of the best athletes at the University of North Carolina will be present and participate in the performances. Those boxing, will be:

Versus Jones vs "Kid" Gallagher. Harman vs Matthews. The wrestlers will be: Zack Waters vs C. C. Poindexter. Pittsboro High School boys who have been training hard for the past six weeks will show some real stuff. Venus Jones is a member of Carolina's boxing team and one of the best boxers in any college.

"Kid" Gallagher is the champion lightweight of North Carolina. Harman and Matthews are members of the University boxing squad. Zack Waters is captain of the 1924 U.N.C. wrestling team. For two years he has been an outstanding leader among Southern wrestlers. Against such teams as the University of Virginia, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Virginia Military Institute, and Washington and Lee he has wrestled and has never been thrown.

C. C. Poindexter has played on the University football team four years. He was a member of the 1922 Southern Championship team. For several years he has been chosen All-Southern guard. He is ex-captain of the wrestling team and an all-round athlete.

S. Waters is also, an ex-captain of Carolina's wrestling team. Bill Cox, manager of the University boxing team, will referee the boxing and wrestling. He has promoted several big exhibitions.

The Parent-Teacher Association will stage a Halloween Carnival on the campus in connection with the athletic program. The booths will be open at an early hour and eandy cake, hot dogs, sandwiches, hot and cold drinks and Halloween fun will be there in abundance.

Fortune tellers, ghosts and witches have arranged to attend. Come with the Halloween spirit and a good time is assured you.

Admission to the bouts will be fifty cents. The proceeds will be used by the athletic association for the promotion of athletics in the school.

The Parent-Teacher Association will use the proceeds of the carnival for three beautifying of the campus.

CHARLIE JACKSON KNIGHT.

Charlie Jackson Knight, of Chatham county, and of Chatham Methodist church, passed from the natural life of the realm of these spiritual, on June the 8th 1924. He was born in Chatham county, July 15, 1861.

On November 17, 1889 he married Miss Emily Eliza Clegg. To this union were born eleven children. Brother Knight has two living sisters, Mrs. Thomas and Miss Emma Knight, who share in the grief and sorrow of this home with his widow and children.

Brother Knight joined the church early in life and remained a member until death. He died with a childish faith in Christ, and said shortly before death that there was no known barrier between him and God.

He was devoted to his wife and was rightly proud of his noble family of children.

May the Lord bless the memory of his faith and virtues to the good of his family, and to the enrichment of the body of Christ.

J. J. BOONE, Pastor.

MR. L. W. DURHAM CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Saturday, the 18th, was a most enjoyable day at the home of Mr. Isaac W. Durham, who lives in the Brown's Chapel community, when all of his brothers and sisters, with one exception, many other relatives and a large number of friends met to celebrate Mr. Durham's 70th birthday.

About 12 o'clock a long table, loaded down with every thing good to eat, was set and in the center was a printed card, "Isaac," and the figures 70 placed on the cake, sent by his daughter, Mrs. I. N. Ray, of Carrboro.

INFORMATION FOR VOTERS.

A List of The Various Ballots to be Voted on November Election.

At the election to be held on November the 4th each voter is entitled to cast the following ballots, viz:

FIRST: National ballot upon which will appear the names of party nominees for electors for president and Vice President of the United States.

SECOND: State Ballot upon which will appear the names of the party nominees for Governor, U. S. Senator and other state officers.

THIRD: Congressional ballot upon which will appear the name of the party nominee for Representative in Congress for the 4th District.

FOURTH: County Ballot upon which will appear the party nominees for State Senators, Member of the House of Representatives, Sheriff, Register of Deeds and other County officers.

FIFTH: County ballot upon which will appear the party nominees for Justice of the Peace and Constable.

SIXTH: Official Referendum ballot authorizing and empowering the State to issue bonds for War Veterans' Loan Fund.

SEVENTH: Official Referendum ballot for the Establishment of Port Terminals and Water Transportation and approving the issuance of eight and one half million dollars in bonds to be used in the construction of port terminals and the purchase of ships.

EIGHTH: Constitutional Amendment ballot for increase of pay for the Legislators from \$4 to \$10.

NINTH: Constitutional Amendment providing for exemption from taxation of Homes and Homestead notes.

ELEVENTH: Constitutional Amendment regarding the maintenance of a State Sinking Fund.

Not only should every voter be alert to see that he votes for candidates for every officer from President to Constable, but he should inform himself as to the Constitutional Amendments that are to be voted upon and the Referendum questions that he must pass upon. All these matters are of vital importance, and every citizen should understand them thoroughly, that his will may be intelligently expressed.

SHOWER FOR THE BRIDE-ELECT

Miss Emily Thompson, whose marriage to Mr. W. H. Jones, of Greensboro, takes place the twenty-fifth of this month was the honoree at a miscellaneous shower party given last Wednesday afternoon by Miss Margaret Womble and Mrs. James Griffin at the home of the latter.

The hall and living room were profusely decorated with autumn leaves and early fall flowers, amidst which soft electric lights threw a beautiful glow.

Later the guests were ushered into the dining room, which had been attractively decorated for the occasion. The table had appointments of lace and cut glass and a center piece of beautiful pink rose buds. While the guests were being served with ice-cream and cake little Miss Sarah Griffin came tripping in and recited the following quaint little verse.

"The fairies have been here—see, see! They may have fooled you but they didn't fool me—I know something that you don't know at all— They left bundles in the hall—I peeped and they weren't for me. I think they are for Miss Emily."

She then handed Miss Thompson a card which directed her to a certain spot in the living room. With much interest the guests followed Miss Thompson to the designated spot where she discovered, with much delight, a group of bundles. On this group was another card directing her to another certain spot. She continued going from place to place until she had collected a large number of gifts.

The guests left soon afterward, after spending an enjoyable afternoon.

A CORRECTION.

A report which does me an injustice has been circulated over the county that my name as candidate for sheriff on the Republican ticket has been withdrawn.

I have not withdrawn my name and have no intention of doing so. Therefore the report is untrue and without foundation. My name is printed on the official ballot and I shall remain in the race until the polls close on election day.

W. S. DURHAM, Siler City, October 20, 1924.

COTTON COOPERATIVE MEETING AT BYNUM

Friday Oct. 24 at 7:30 P. M. Mr. T. D. McLean of Aberdeen will speak at the School house in Bynum on Cotton Cooperative Marketing. Mr. McLean is one of the best informed men in the state on this subject. He is a cotton grower and has made a study of his subject. All cotton growers, in fact everybody, should hear him.

SUPER-DEVELOPMENT AT CUMNOCK PLANNED.

Thos. G. Fear, Pennsylvania Coal Mining Expert, Is To Inspect Property There.

Sanford, Oct. 16.—First news of the super-development planned for the Mine property controlled and owned by the Erskin Ramsay Coal company, at Cumnock, is that Thomas G. Fear, of Indianola Pa., will stop off here on his return home from a meeting of the international mining and metallurgical engineers in session now at Birmingham, Alabama.

Mr. Fear is well known in coal field developments, particularly in coal mining and its relation to power plants. He is general manager of the Indianola mines of Pennsylvania, considered by the United States bureau as a model from the standpoint of safety, efficiency and economical operating cost.

After his visit the probability is that news of the big development that has been under cover there for many months will be announced.—Daily News.

MONCURE NEWS

Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Stroud, of Wendell, were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Jim Womble's on Route one, last Sunday. Mr. Stroud is principal of Wendell High School this year.

Miss Kathleen Nolan, who has the music department in Moncure school now, spent last week end with her parents at Lawnsdale, N. C., and has not yet returned, for she is sick.

A good number from Moncure attended the State Fair at Raleigh last week, which they enjoyed very much, for, on the whole, it was the best fair that ever was held in the State. Many improvements had been made and all the exhibitions were good.

Mr. C. B. Crutchfield, a popular merchant of Moncure, and family have moved from their beautiful country home, a mile or more from town, to Moncure, and now occupy the rooms over Hackney & Thomas store on Main Street.

Mrs. S. V. Holt attended church at New Elam last Sunday. Miss Mabel Self, one of the Moncure High School students, spent last week end with her parents at Siler City.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Self, Miss Edna Self, and Messrs. Roy Self, and Astor Teague, of Siler City, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Self and Miss Mable Self last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thomas spent last Sunday at Sanford, attending the tent meeting conducted by Caviness and Matthews. They are doing fine preaching.

Rev. E. B. Stanfield, who has the Sunday Schools in charge, will be at Moncure next Friday evening. Come and hear him.

Mr. Emory E. Utley, who has a position at Wadesboro, is here this week visiting relatives.

Miss May Webster has returned after spending a week in Clayton with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. Seagraves and children of Raleigh spent the week-end with Mr. J. L. Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Beckwith, of Apex Rt. 4 and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Windham of Merry Oaks spent Sunday at the home of Mr. W. H. Beckwith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hatley and children were Sunday guests of Mrs. Addie Webster.

BEAR CREEK NEWS.

Bear Creek, October 20.—Mr. G. P. Mann and daughter, Ila, of New Hill, and Mrs. Garner, of Star, were visitors in the home of T. B. Beal last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Brooks and Mrs. O. L. Moody of Bear Creek attended the Matthews-Caviness and Brothers Revival at Sanford-Sunday afternoon.

Miss Flossie Beaver is visiting her sister, Mrs. Elmer Moore of Siler City, Rt. 5.

S. C. Burke, while in Greensboro last week, had his car stolen, and thus far, he has found no trace of same.

Messrs. S. B. Burke and L. T. Dark were business visitors in Greensboro last week.

Mr. J. L. Straghan is still unimproved, we are sorry to state.

Miss Ina Phillips, who is attending school at Siler City, spent the week end with parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Phillips.

Mrs. W. W. Burke went to Greensboro last week for treatment.

She has been suffering sometime with a head trouble.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. McIver, the 16th, a son.

SILER ROUTE ONE NEWS.

Mr. C. H. Bare's daughters have purchased a new ford automobile.

Mr. Bert Holt and family of Burlington, spent a few pleasant hours with relatives Sunday afternoon, on route 1.

We are very sorry indeed to state that our friend, Mrs. J. A. Seagrave, is very ill and has been for the past week.

Mrs. Taylor Harris and son, Johnson, spent the week-end with relatives on route 5.

REV. B. J. HOWARD

CLOSES PASTORATE

Has Served Five Years.—Mr. Hudson Dead.—Cotton Stolen.—Other Items

New Hill, Rt. 2, October 20.—A feeling of intense sadness has been cast throughout the entire community by Rev. B. J. Howard having closed his successful pastorate at New Elam Christian church. It is possible for us to say he has made warm friends of all his acquaintances at this church and, no doubt, of all with whom he comes in contact. Last Sunday he delivered his farewell message. It was a touching message, not that Mr. Howard was trying to make it so, but because we realized it was the final sermon. His wonderful messages reached the hearts of his many leaders, especially of the young people, who have liked him so well and in whose work he, in turn, appeared to be much interested. For years he has been untiring in his efforts to help make this a better community. This conference year he will serve only Chapel Hill, Christian church where they have called him for every Sunday.

Cotton is not bringing a very good price this fall, but some thieves thought it worth stealing and went to the home of Mr. Walter Goodwin one night last week and took two bales.

The thieves did not live very far away, as it was evidently one who knew Mr. Goodwin wasn't at home that night, but off o'possum hunting.

Mr. Jake Hudson, who died at his home in Merry Oaks one day last week, was laid to rest in the New Elam cemetery. Mr. Hudson had been in a precarious condition for some time.

BROWN'S CHAPEL NEWS.

Mr. Boone preached an excellent sermon at Brown's Chapel Sunday morning. His text was taken from Matthew the ninth chapter. This is the last third Sunday that Mr. Boone will be with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Lindsay of Burlington spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Will Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. Roma Cheek of Chapel Hill spent Sunday with Mrs. Taylor Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lindsay and Rev. J. J. Boone and son James were dinner guests of Mrs. Avin Perry Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey and family spent Sunday with Mrs. J. J. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ellington of Chapel Hill spent Sunday with Mrs. Ellington's mother, Mrs. James Wright.

Mr. Obia Thomas, of Lexington, spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. James Thomas.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Thomas was buried at Mt. Olive church Saturday afternoon. Those that attended the funeral from off, were Mrs. Carma Hargrove, Mrs. J. W. Bailey and daughter, Hazel, Mrs. Boyd Hargrove, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas and children, Hortense and Gibbon, of Burlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Dane Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Moody Marshal and Mrs. Dora King, of Swepsonville, were visitors near Brown's Chapel Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Lineberry and son Albert of Staley spent Sunday with Mrs. J. J. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Thomas and son James, spent Sunday with his father Mr. J. J. Thomas.

The people that did not go to the school house Friday night to the speaking certainly did miss a treat, Messrs. Barber, Johnson, and Harry Norwood made excellent talks.

Mrs. Oldham Celebrates Birthday

Cumnock, N. C. October 20, 1924 The friends and the relatives of Mrs. Martha Oldham gathered at her home Sunday, October 19, to celebrate her 69th birthday. There were present her 7 children, 29 grand children, and 9 great-grand children, with about 200 others. Early in the morning automobiles began to arrive bringing well filled baskets, and about 1 o'clock a long table in the yard was loaded with barbecued pig, chicken, beef, mutton, possum, cakes, etc., in abundance. After all had partaken of this bountiful dinner there was still much left. Mrs. Oldham's life has been spent in this community. Her ministrations to the sick and suffering are gratefully remembered by many who wish for her many more happy birthdays.

COURT IN SESSION.

The regular term of Chatham superior court is in session this week, with Judge M. V. Barnhill presiding and Solicitor Clawson Williams prosecuting.

The grand jury is composed of the following good citizens: J. S. Wrenn, Alex Cockman, T. Y. Mims, T. N. Buchanan, C. M. Hudson, B. C. Edwards, J. M. Councilman, J. V. Campbell, K. H. Hackney, R. L. Ward, Frank Scott, Randolph Buckner, B. Noe, Sr., E. A. Seagrave, Frank Thrailkill, G. G. Dark, V. B. Dorsett and W. O. Petty.

An account of the proceedings of the whole week will be given in the next issue of the Record.