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## RUNAWAY BOYS HAVE A NARROW ESCAPE

### Wrestling Bout at Corinth—An Ode To Chatham County Commissioners.

Corinth, March 9.—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ellis spent Sunday with Mrs. Ellis' parents Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Harrington.

Mrs. W. A. Allen is in charge of the Corinth postoffice while her mother, Mrs. D. A. Clark, is in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dixon of Louisville, spent the week end with Mrs. Dixon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Dickens.

Mr. E. E. Woodell of Sanford spent Sunday with Mr. A. M. Pollard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Horton spent Sunday in Apex with Mrs. Horton's sister, Mrs. Raymond Baker.

Mrs. R. S. Parker returned Sunday after a two weeks visit with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Avery at Albemarle.

Our friend W. W. Horton and his friend Yew of the local N. & S. freight crew are some wrestlers. They staged a match at the depot not long ago that would do for the sport columns of the Chatham Record, but they failed to notify the sport editor in time to report on the match round by round.

Two high school boys from near Apex, left home one day last week in a Ford to go to school. But instead of going to school played hooky and went to Buckhorn. After wasting the day around the Buckhorn dam, they left in a big hurry to get home in time to avoid any suspicion as to where they had been. In their haste and recklessness they turned their Ford upside down off the narrow fill near Buckhorn bridge. One of the boys was pinned underneath the car in about 8 inches of water and could not get out. The other boy happened to be thrown free, and in some way, he managed to move the Ford just enough for his pal to free himself and crawl out. Neither boy was hurt, but look-out boys for next time you start out on a trip like that you both may both ride back in a hearse.

Mrs. F. M. Nash is back from a weeks stay in Washington, D. C., where she took in the inaugural, saw the President and made a speech. She says her hair is not sandy or auburn, but just plain every day red and that he looks like a man that would be boss of his own official affairs. But, shucks, that can't be possible, for Deacon Potts up on Hickory Mountain will tell you that nobody but a Southern Democrat can do the like of that.

### To The Commissioners of Chatham County, with due Apologies to Rudyard Kipling and Mr. Brimley.

But me somewhere close to Buckhorn where the roads are never hard, where the Chatham rabbits ramble, with wild turkeys 'cross your yard; where the fishermen are calling, and it's there that I would be, where the chub and shad are running, and Cape Fear is flowing free. On the road to Buckhorn—ee where the mud is thick and free, or the mud like salad dressing reaches half way to the knee; on the road to Buckhorn—ee where Cape Fear flows to the sea, and we cry out in our anguish, for a road to Buckhorn! See.

## PROF. MEYER TO DELIVER COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS.

Principal Nolan of the Pittsboro school announces that he has secured Prof. Meyer of the department of sociology of the State University to deliver the commencement address. Prof. Meyer is reputed to be a wonderful speaker, and Prof. Nolan considers the community fortunate in having him. The date of commencement is April 27.

One passing along the road from Pittsboro to Goldston will note the foundation laid for a store just beyond Bear Creek. Mr. W. N. Smith is the builder. He has recently purchased the land on both sides of the road from the White Lumber Company, of Raleigh, and will build a residence on the north side of the road. The editor found Messrs C. F. and E. C. Hart and a Mr. Covert at work on the store Saturday.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has given a million dollars to the Tuskegee and Hampton negro schools.

## DEATH OF A GOOD WOMAN

### Mrs. Nora M. Bynum Dies After A Short Illness.

Mrs. Nora M. Bynum died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clara Calvert, with whom she resided for the past two years, Saturday at 6 o'clock, after a few hours' illness, following a stroke of paralysis. She was the widow of the late L. B. Bynum, of Bynum, and was the mother of four children, Mrs. W. R. Jones, who died several years ago, Mrs. Stallings, of Raleigh; Miss Mary Bynum, of Washington, D. C.; and Prof. Jeff H. Bynum, of the North Carolina University.

Mrs. Bynum was a woman of unusual energy, being left a widow with her young children to support and educate, she did both successfully. Her younger daughter, Mary, graduated at Trinity College, with about the highest honors the college conferred and is now interpreter of foreign markets for the government at Washington. Her son graduated from the University of North Carolina and for several years held a most prominent position with the Standard Oil Company in Texas until his health failed and he is now a professor of geology at the University. She is also survived by the following sisters: Mrs. Eugenia Hearn, Pittsboro, Rt. 1; Mrs. Clara Calvert, of Pittsboro, and Mrs. Alice Heath, of Charlotte. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church and her kindness and cheerfulness was a source of inspiration wherever she was known.

The funeral was held at the Methodist church in Pittsboro on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. C. M. Lance, her pastor, conducted the services. The remains were laid away in the cemetery at the church here.

## NEWS NOTES FROM GULF.

Gulf, March 9.—Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Merrell, of Thomasville Orphanage, have moved into their beautiful new home. We are very glad indeed to have them here with us.

Mr. Merrell will make a talk next Sunday at Sunday school on the things are carried on at the Orphanage. Hope a good congregation will be present to hear him, because everyone should be interested in the Orphanage work.

Miss Virginia Carter, of Hemp, spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. Robena McRae.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freeman and children, and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Murchison and daughters, of Sanford, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Murchison.

Messrs J. V. Ray and Raymond Wilkie, of Moncure, N. C., and Clyde Thomas, of Moncure, Rt. 2, were visitors at the new plant last week.

Mr. Harry Jones who has been here for some time visiting his brother-in-law, leaves today for Chicago, to stay two weeks after which he will be back to spend the rest of the year. Mr. Jones is a fine man and we are glad to know he will be with us.

There will be a play entitled "The Old Fashioned Mother" given at the school building next Saturday night, March 14th, by the school girls and boys. Everybody is invited to come. Mr. Hart is leaving Tuesday for Savannah, Ga., where she is expecting to visit her brother for some time.

Sorry to report Nancy McIver and June Little are sick at this writing, but hopefully will soon be well again.

Mr. E. B. Wilkie, of Fayetteville, spent the week-end at home.

Miss Robena McRae visited Mrs. Mamie McLeod, at Carbondon and Mr. Jim Gilliam, at Pocket last week.

Mr. James L. Ascough, of Welch, W. Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hill last week.

## Busy Bee Sunday School Class.

Friday night, March 10th, from 8 to 10 o'clock Miss Louise Henderson delightfully entertained the Busy Bee Sunday School Class. Many games were played and Annie Bynum rendered some very good selections on the piano. All present joined in the singing. After the singing and games were over Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. F. L. May served ice cream and cake. Those present at the party were Misses Sankie Perry, Pearl Johnson, Elizabeth Blair, Annie Bynum, Margaret Brooks, Louise Ray, Elizabeth Womble, Mary George Blair, and Marie Farrell.

## JUDGE J. LLOYD HORTON QUILTS

### Youngest of State's Judges Goes Back to Private Practice—Dunn Is Successor.

Wilmington, March 9.—J. Lloyd Horton, of Farmville, today resigned as judge of the superior court.

Judge Horton announced his resignation shortly after noon today and made public the following telegram which he had sent to Governor McLean:

"I hereby tender my resignation as judge of the Superior Court of the Fifth Judicial District to take effect March 15."

Poor pay, a desire to re-enter the private practice of law and objection to spending a greater part of his time away from his family were assigned by Judge Horton as among the reasons for his decision to quit the bench.

"I am desirous of getting back to active practice," he said. "I have covered the Eastern Districts on the bench for the last four and a half years. I found that the duties keep me almost constantly from my family and I feel that it is my duty to them to return to private practice where I can be with them."

"I find on taking an inventory of my worldly possessions that I am much poorer financially now than I was when I first became judge four and a half years ago."

Judge Horton announced he will form an association with the Raleigh law firm of Armistead Jones & Son. The name of the new firm will be Jones, Jones and Horton.

In 1920 Judge Horton was elected to fill an unexpired term on the bench and two years later was chosen without opposition for a full term of eight years. Previous to becoming judge he was solicitor of Pitt County from 1915 to 1918, and district solicitor from the latter date until he was advanced to the bench.

### Dunn to Succeed Horton.

Albion Dunn, prominent member of the Pitt county bar was yesterday appointed judge 8908. TAOINu LU appointed judge of the Superior courts for the fifth district to succeed Judge J. Lloyd Horton, also of Pitt county, who yesterday resigned in order to enter the Raleigh law firm of Armistead Jones and Son.

"One of the ablest lawyers in the entire State," was the description of Judge Dunn by Governor McLean, who announced his appointment after a conference with Judge Dunn and former Judge Whedbee yesterday afternoon. Judge Dunn will hold his first court at Burgaw, Pender county, Monday, March 23.—News and Observer.

## MUCH-TRAVELED CHATHAMITE.

To find a native Chathamite living quietly on a Chatham farm who has resided in London as well as in New York, and at various other points in America, is quite a surprise. The man is Mr. Charles F. Hart, who lives about half way between Pittsboro and Goldston.

Mr. Hart left home when a boy and returned only twelve years ago, settling down and marrying after his many years of wandering to and fro on the earth.

Mr. Hart is a student, not so much of books of men and life. Asked what he was doing in London, he said that he went there and lived for a period simply to study sociology. He had made a stake and spent \$1400 of it in living just a plain, every day life in the largest city of the world. He has lived also on the Columbian River, where he was employed in the salmon fisheries, and has visited several points in South America.

Mr. Hart is a member of the school committee of the Carolina district and is much interested in school affairs, but he doesn't approve of breaking up the rural districts and carrying the children to the town schools.

## Delegate to D. A. R. Convention.

Mrs. Henry A. London, ho has spent the last several weeks in Raleigh, where she has worked hard in the interest of increased pensions for the Confederate veterans, is this week attending the Convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Asheville, going as a representative of the Caswell-Nash chapter. She will come directly home from Asheville.

## HONOR PUPILS SEE PICTURES

### Local and Personal Happenings At And Around Brickhaven.

Brickhaven, March 9.—Miss Mary Bland, principal of the school here, spent the week-end in Pittsboro.

The following pupils made a perfect attendance record for a month, and were carried to the moving picture show at Moncure Friday evening: Louise Nash, Tom Thompson, Grace and Eileen Harrington, George and Joe Dickens, Madys and Mayo Cotten, Joe and Sam Overby, Billy Harrington and Ben Mims. The youngsters seemed ideally happy over winning the free trip to the "movies," and we predict that there will be fewer absences next month.

Mrs. W. O. Mills is staying a while with her son, Mr. Herbert Mills of Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harrington spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Kennedy, accompanied by Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Johnson, motored to Fayetteville one day last week.

Mrs. H. T. Johnson, of Morrisville, is expected here Wednesday to stay a few days with her grand children, Pauline and Forest Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lawrence, Mrs. T. J. Harrington and Mrs. A. R. Lawrence motored to Raleigh today. Mrs. J. H. Lawrence and Mrs. A. R. Lawrence are both taking treatment under Drs. Wright and Hicks.

Salter Utley, who has been at home sick for the past week, will resume his studies at the Moncure school tomorrow.

Quite a number of the pupils are out of school nursing sick arms, as a result of last week's vaccination.

Mr. Seawell spent the week-end with relatives in Moore county.

Messrs Zeb Utley, Grady Truelove, R. H. Overby and W. J. Hannon were among the week-end visitors at Cumcock.

Misses Aileen, Leone, and Louise Luther have been on a short visit here to Mrs. O. C. Kennedy.

Mr. W. J. Stephenson again conducted services, in the absence of the pastor, at Christian Chapel last Sunday. The congregation was a large and interested one.

Cecil Beddoes had an interesting meeting of Christian Endeavor Sunday evening. The leader next Sunday will be Louise Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Dickens will motor to Raleigh tomorrow. They will take their nephew, Willie Dickens, to a hospital there.

## JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION.

The senior class of the Pittsboro high school was delightfully entertained with a reception given by the junior class at the Woman's club room last Thursday evening. This is the only affair of this kind ever given by the juniors in honor of the senior class in the history of Pittsboro high school.

The guests were met by Miss Mary Dell Bynum and Mr. John London.

Misses Mary Dell Bynum, Bessie Chapin and Louise Brooks had arranged the room suitably for the occasion and had selected a series of interesting games and contests which were very much enjoyed by all.

Ice cream and cake was served by Miss Mary Dell Bynum and Miss Louise Brooks.

Those attending this delightful entertainment were: Seniors—Carrie Guinn, Alva Lindsey, Camilla Gilmore, Fannie Beard, Pauline Wright, Lena Burns, Verdie Thomas, Mary Poe, Miriam Chapin, Lucy Harper, Royal Shannonhouse, Roland Farrell, Lennie Neal, Edward Ward, Harry Bell and Wyeth Ray. Juniors—Mary Dell Bynum, Bessie Chapin, Louise Brooks, Ruth Harris, Edna Hackney, Elizabeth Herndon, Lucy Pierce, John London, Lawrence London, Frank Barclay, Louis Carroll, Brooks Shipes, Grady Snipes, James Thomas, Wilbur Strauchan, Dollie Neal and Sam Beard. Mr. Nolan, principal, and Mr. Waters, athletic coach, were also present.

While out riding Wilburn C. Thompson, aged 66 years, a prominent business man of Hickory, returning from a fishing trip, died suddenly.

LOOK AT YOUR LABEL.

## THE LEGISLATURE ADJOURNS

### Completes Its Work Tuesday Night—A R...me' of Important Laws Enacted.

The Legislature completed its work and adjourned sine die Tuesday night at 11:30.

The session has been marked by the ease with which Governor McLean has impressed his views upon the body and secured practically every law he has backed.

The body was confronted with a serious financial problem at the outset. A deficit of \$9,000,000 in accounts of former administrators was confirmed. More money was needed for administration purposes than ever and provision for part payment of the deficit was desired. The Budget Committee figured and cut till they reduced the amounts asked to a total of \$14,000,000. The appropriations committee worked for weeks to find that sum. Failing by \$2,000,000 another slash was made in the appropriations to bring the total within \$12,000,000.

The cuts were chiefly in the equalization school fund and the amount devoted to payment on deficit; cuts were also made in college and university appropriations budgeted. Then began a fight to allocate the bus tax to the equalization fund, led vigorously by senator Seawell of this district, and a fight for an increase of pensions, by the levying of a tax on theater and circus tickets, which was killed at the very last by the senate.

A number of important bills failed to pass, but space permits only a resume here of the important measures actually enacted. We copy from the News and Observer:

The enactment of an executive budget.

The increase of the general revenue of the State from eight to twelve millions and the increase of appropriations from eleven to twelve millions.

The funding of over one million of the accumulated deficit which was inherited and the payment of one-tenth of the remainder by amortized payments of \$400,000 and \$450,000, respectively.

The issuance of \$20,000,000 in State highway bonds as compared with \$50,000,000 in 1921 and \$15,000,000 in 1923, and raising of the gasoline tax from three to four cents.

The issuance of \$3,780,000 in bonds for new permanent improvements at the institutions as compared with \$7,000,000 in 1921 and \$10,000,000 in 1923.

The issuance of \$5,000,000 in bonds as a loan fund to the counties for school buildings as compared with the same amount at each of the two preceding sessions.

The re-submission to the people of a \$2,000,000 bond issue for home loans to veterans of the World War which was submitted in 1923 and approved at the last election, the Supreme Court having held the proceedings invalid on technical grounds.

The enactment of a law regulating motor buses and placing them under the supervision of the corporation commission.

The consolidation of all tax collections in the Department of Revenue, including the entire automobile department of the office of the Secretary of State and the collection of insurance taxes from the Insurance Department.

The strengthening of the Blue Sky law and the transfer of its enforcement from the Insurance Department to the Corporation Commission.

The consolidation of all bank deposits of State funds in the office of the State Treasurer.

The creation of a commission of five to be appointed by the Governor with full authority to fix the compensation of all subordinate State officials and employees.

The creation of a commission of five to be appointed by the Governor with full authority to distribute arbitrarily the increase of \$250,000 in the equalization funds for public schools.

The creation of a commission of twelve to be appointed by the Governor to inquire into the costs of education both in the public schools and the higher institutions.

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## BIG LUMBER AND TIE MARKET

### Railroad Buying Cross Ties—Bennett Local and Personal Notes.

Bennett, March 7.—Much lumber and many cross ties have been placed on the local market here within the last two or three weeks, the buyers keep busy. There has been an average of five or six cars of ties bought each day for the last two weeks. Mr. E. D. Brady, who measures lumber for the W. A. Ward plant, said that he received some 40 odd wagon and truck loads of lumber last Friday. In fact, about the biggest business that has ever been in Bennett, is now going on.

Mr. M. H. Birkhead, superintendent of the B. & W., Ry. Co., purchased a large lot of ties for his road and will put the road in much better condition. It is rumored that the Bonlee & Western and the Moore Central railroad will some time in the not distant future consolidate, making a through line from Cameron to Bonlee, a distance of over forty miles. This would open up this part of western Chatham and northern Moore county, giving this section an incoming and outgoing with the S. A. L. Ry., at Cameron, Norfolk Southern at Hallison, and the Southern at Bonlee. It is only about eight miles from Bennett to the end of the Moore Central railroad.

The town commissioners have ordered all streets in the town limit to be put in proper condition, and urge everybody to make a general clean up around business places and their homes. At the town meeting it was suggested that we have a Fourth of July celebration here this year and have a bigger program and a better time than we ever had before. The business men and others will meet at a call mass meeting very soon and decide and select the officers.

Mr. Hobert Forkner is confined to his room from sickness. He has been in declining health for several weeks, and his physician and friends are doing all they can to help him.

Mr. Vance Marley and family of Franklinville visited her brother, Mr. J. M. Scott Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Brewer visited her parents at Mitchfield Sunday.

Mr. J. M. Yow of Seagrove, who moved to town several days ago, has opened a store on Raleigh street.

The graded school here is planing a big commencement this year and expects to get out a good program. Mr. R. L. Forrester, the principal and his corps of teachers, are teaching a fine school.

Prof. W. R. Thompson, superintendent, and Mr. T. B. Bray, one of the educational board, visited our school the other day in the interest of the school. They tell us that better school arrangements will be made through the county in the future and this we are glad to know. If the people throughout this section would get busy we could have a high school here which would build up our neighborhood and save sending our children off, leaving our money here at home.

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

The Mecklenburg Times, published at Charlotte, under date of February 18, carries the following interesting announcement, under a date line from Cornelius:

"The engagement of Miss Ruth Beard to Mr. Dewey Boone of Pittsboro was announced by her sisters, Misses Meek and Josie Lee Beard, at a Valentine party last Saturday afternoon."

Speaking further of the announcement that paper says: "Miss Beard is one of the most popular and attractive young women. She attended Davenport College where she graduated in voice. Since leaving college, she has been employed in the Cornelius Bank where she has added to her scores of friends."

Mr. Bone who is originally from Pittsboro, is employed with his brother in road construction work. He is now located at Raleigh."

## "ELON BOOSTERS" COMING.

The "Elon Boosters' Club" will give a free entertainment at the Pittsboro school auditorium on Tuesday evening, March 17. They will bring an orchestra and will perform a number of gymnastic stunts. After the Club's entertainment the school will give a box supper, the proceeds of which will go to the benefit of school athletics.

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