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COMMISSIONERS IN SESSION

Proceedings of the Board in November Meeting - Various Items Handled.

The county commissioners met in regular session yesterday, with all members present. A number of exemptions from tax were granted as follows:

Sam Linn, Bandy's, poll 1915, and G. W. Bolick, Hickory, poll 1915, both on account of infirmities; errors in Longview special tax district, 1914, S. H. Jones \$1, A. P. Rowe \$2.15, T. Y. Yates \$1, J. C. Yount \$4.07, and on account of infirmities, E. H. and W. A. Abee were relieved of 97 cents and \$1.01, respectfully, same district.

J. B. Johnson, supervisor Bandy's township, reported \$176 collected on road exemptions. A petition was filed for a change in the road, Mount Olin's to John Killian, Lincoln county line, and T. L. Bandy instructed to make survey. A petition was also filed for change in road at St. John's church, Island Ford road, to a point near Milt Abernethy's Little Ferry road.

ROAD SUPERVISORS NAMED.

Road supervisors for five townships were named yesterday, as follows: Caldwell - R. A. Hewitt. Clinch - R. L. Moser. Catawba - C. L. McCombs. Mt. Creek - Z. G. Shelton. Jacobs Fork - D. S. Jarrett. Bandy's - Rufus Sain.

It was ordered that each of the supervisors of the past year make an itemized report for the year ending December 1, 1915, when the new appointees take charge. The new men have the same pay as the old ones.

It was ordered that \$15 be paid for the burial of J. P. Jones, Confederate soldier.

Driver Was Paralyzed.

In an automobile accident which occurred Friday morning seven miles from Statesville on the Winston-Salem post road, T. A. Corbin of Winston-Salem lost his life, and it is believed that he had suffered a stroke of paralysis before his car hit the end of a bridge, throwing him into the creek and pinning him down. Statesville people here Friday afternoon said that the man wasn't going more than 15 miles an hour and that his companion, J. R. Simpson of Guilford county, noticed he had acted queer for some distance, never offering to guide the car and making no movement in his seat. When the car approached the bridge the driver did not attempt to steer the car out of the direct path it was taking and so hit the end of the bridge. It is believed that he was paralyzed and that after being thrown in the water and pinned down, he drowned. He was not apparently otherwise injured. Simpson escaped.

Mysteriously Disappeared.

Cal Lafon, a young farmer about 30 years old, is reported as having mysteriously disappeared Sunday afternoon and nothing had been heard of him up to late yesterday afternoon. His wife phoned to Sheriff Isenhour yesterday morning, stating the case, and asked aid. Neighbors of the man reported yesterday that a search had been made for him without result. It is said that he told his wife he was going out to the peanut patch to see about pulling up the vines, and about 1 o'clock left the house, dressed in his everyday clothes. Since then nothing has been seen or heard of him and his family was greatly concerned. Lafon lives about a quarter of a mile from the county home.

The commissioners and Supt. G. W. Shipp of the county health department went to Lincoln county yesterday to view the county home, which is modern and decent and in keeping with the charity and humanitarian sentiments of Lincoln people. There is strong sentiment, apparently, for a modern plant in this county to care for the helpless.

Ladies Plan to Beautify Court Square and Town

A number of ladies interested in changing the court square from a waste into a beauty spot and in beautifying the town generally have called a meeting for Thursday afternoon, 3 o'clock, in the Methodist church rooms, to which every lady of the town, married or single is cordially invited, and earnestly requested to attend. It is sincerely hoped that a large number will be there to lend a helping hand in a meritorious undertaking too long deferred already.

It is pointed out that the court square presents an opportunity for being made into a very attractive place by flowers and shrubbery and sod, with perhaps an ornamental drinking fountain or two. And the streets of the town, which have been so greatly improved, could be made much more attractive by attention paid to the space between the granolithic walks and the bitulithic.

In short, it is considered that a civic league composed of the women of Newton could do much toward making it what it could be—a very pretty town indeed. So, all interested are asked to go to the Methodist church Thursday afternoon.

Villa Sore on U. S. Curses and Threats

The most interesting thing in Mexican situation now is the pending battle for Agua Prieta, between Villa and Carranza. United States troops are massed at the border and ready to take part if firing occurs into American territory. Villa is quite angry with the United States and a conversation with him is thus reported:

"Auga Prieta will be mine," he asserted. "Americans or no Americans. We may have to fight the whole American army if necessary, but no matter it will be ours."

"When?" he was asked. "I know," was the reply.

Suddenly Villa asked again if it were true that the United States government had permitted General Carranza to transport reinforcements over American territory. He then said:

"This is the way the United States repays me for protection I have given foreigners in Mexico. Hereafter I don't give—what happens to foreigners in Mexico—or in my territory."

"I am through with the United States. I can fight my battles. Let them fight theirs."

"I can whip Carranza and his entire army, but it is asking a great deal to whip the United States also; but I suppose I can do that, too"

Villa declined to pose for a photograph. "No more of my pictures for the United States," he exclaimed smilingly.

Teachers Meeting Saturday.

The board of education held an informal meeting yesterday and discussed several things. One was the crowded condition of the boys' dormitory at Startown. Although yesterday was the first day of school, the building was jammed. What to do with the overflow concerned the board.

Provisions will be made for all comers.

The school opened with about 200 present and more coming later. Committeeman D. F. McGill says the outlook for Startown is the finest yet.

Supt. Geo. E. Long wishes attention called to the first teachers' meeting here next Saturday. He urgently requests every teacher to attend.

Hickory street fair is on this week and the weather promises to be good. There are reduced rates on the railroads. The attractions have been planned with care and fine exhibits of farm products and cattle will be made.

The semi-weekly Enterprise one dollar per year.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NEWS

Miss Charlye Frye was hostess at a six-course dinner Hallowe'en at her home in Statesville, entertaining a party of fourteen young people of Newton and Statesville, among the guest being Misses Estelle Hinshaw, Eva Caldwell, Ruby Lancaster; Miss Gertude Deal of Hickory; and Messrs; John Caldwell, and Louis Phillips of Newton; and Fred Lowrance of Catawba.

Dr. B. H. Yount of Wilbur, Wash., arrived Sunday and will spend sometime visiting relatives in the county.

Among the visiting lawyers yesterday were R. L. Huffman and John M. Mull of Morganton, and C. A. Jonas of Lincolnton. Lawyers of the county included, as usual, all of the Hickory and all of the Conover bars.

George Corpening, formerly a Catawba county man, now living in Caldwell county, is here, attending court as a witness.

John Kenyon, Esq., of Charlotte, is here attending the sessions of court.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gaddy of Hickory spent Sunday in town with relatives.

Refuse to Repay Uncle Sam.

The treasury department has made public the names of over 2,000 people whom it helped to get back to America when war broke loose in Europe and who now refuse to repay the money advanced to them. There are several Tar Heels in the ungrateful list, including George Alexander, \$60, Sam Hawkins, \$16, Jacob Kines, \$73, Thomas C. Ramsey, \$80, all of Wilmington; Julius Alexander, \$55, and Arthur French, \$75, both of Charlotte; Herman Bulin, Goldsboro, \$5; James Parker, Sunbury, \$72; Richard Robinson, Raleigh, \$40, and James Sharpe of Plymouth, \$8.50. The department will try to shame these people into paying back the borrowed money loaned them in a time of stress, and if that won't work, suits will be started against them who can pay and won't.

Arbor Day at Graded School.

Friday will be observed as Arbor day at the graded schools. J. Yates Killian, well-known nursery man of the town and county, is to make a talk to the children and the grades will render a program. The hour is 10:30 and the exercises will last until noon, and several trees will be planted by the children. Any one interested is invited most cordially to attend the event.

Married.

Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock Rev. W. M. Biles officiated at the marriage of Joe Horn and Miss Hettie Isenhour, at the residence of the groom's father, J. E. Horn, in North Newton.

Useless Tree Yields Rubber.

A species of tree of unlimited growth in Natal, heretofore regarded as worthless commercially, has been found to yield a juice that contains rubber in large quantities.

Daily Thought.

True fortitude I take to be the quiet possession of a man's self, and an undisturbed doing his duty, whatever evil besets him or danger lies in his way.—Locke.

Alaska's Fisheries.

Since the purchase of Alaska by the United States its waters have yielded fishery products valued at more than \$250,000,000.

The Real Objection.

Your objection to special privilege probably is based on the fact that you are not permitted to enjoy it.—Tospeka Capital.

Strive Lawfully.

If a man also strive for masteries, yet he is not crowned, except he strive lawfully.—II Timothy 2:5.

Cuba Uses Many Raisins.

Cuba is the greatest consumer of raisins among the Spanish-American countries.

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES

Judge Adams Promptly Opens Court and Immediately Starts Business.

Superior court opened yesterday morning promptly, with Judge W. J. Adams presiding and Solicitor Johnson J. Hayes prosecuting. Business was begun without delay. The judge's charge was characteristically brief. No time whatever is lost in Judge Adams' courts.

R. L. Whitener was made foreman of the grand jury and Charlie Carpenter officer in charge. Other members of the body are R. P. Heavner, Eli S. Holler, A. I. Rudisell, E. L. Williams, W. P. Workman, J. L. Travis, P. S. Sijmon, Will Whisnant, A. L. Baker, C. M. Robinson, G. W. Murray, C. M. Burris, D. C. Lawing, W. P. Beal, Jeff C. Deal and J. J. Jones.

Cases taken up were: John C. Rowe, seduction, nol pros with leave; Ruben Fry, retailing, alias erpias; Pink Shook, profanity, not guilty; Andy Wilson, indecent exposure, guilty.

John Hefner, fined \$75 in the Hickory court on charge of retailing, was acquitted before the jury.

Yesterday afternoon Garland Travis was found guilty on charge of larceny; Labe Keese was continued under former order and Monroe Coffey, colored, was found guilty of robbery.

The case in which more interest centers than any other is that against Bud Lippard and it will come up some time today.

Four Women Arrested For Hallowe'en Pranks

More than 60 people were arrested at Asheville and their trial set for yesterday, on charge of disorderly conduct in connection with Hallowe'en festivities. Many of them were men charged with parading about in female attire while not a few were women dressed up as men Saturday night.

Hallowe'en was ushered in here Saturday night with noise and fun and practical jokes were played, but there was nothing serious.

The case of Van Hewitt went off the county court docket Friday, Hewitt deeding his wife their home, 14 acres and a dwelling, agreeing to pay off a \$400 mortgage and paying in addition \$100 in cash. Their child is to get the property eventually.

Cotton.

Cotton broke again yesterday from 35 to 40 points. Continued heavy selling in the south seems to be the trouble. Market activities have all the appearance of a big crop although it is very well known by this time that the crop is comparatively small. The local spot market yesterday continued at 11½ and may be that today, though the prospect is for less. Cotton seed dropped to 50 cents; meal \$1.90; hulls 75.

The Newton Markets (Corrected Every Issue)

Cotton	11½
Cotton seed	50¢
Cotton seed meal	1.90
Cotton seed hulls	75¢
Wheat	\$1.30
Flour	\$3.00 to \$3.20
Bran	1 85
Corn	70c and 80
Corn meal	1.00
Oats	60
Rye	1.10
Peas	1.25
Irish potatoes	75¢
Sweet potatoes	40¢
Dried fruit	3¢
Chickens	10¢
Eggs	25¢
Butter	25¢
Beeves	3½ to 4c
Calves	10¢
Hogs	10¢
Sheep	15¢
Dry hides	15¢
Green hides	12½¢

FARM BRAINS

By X.
A word to the young readers of The Enterprise:

Do not fail to get all the education you possibly can, boys, for you will never regret it. The day is fast approaching when the person without an education will be greatly handicapped every day of his life.

I could point to a good citizen of Catawba county who was unable to secure an education in his youth and now in his old age he is carrying on considerable business. While he can read, he cannot write well, so he has someone else to write every letter for him. How much better wouldn't it be if that man had a fair education?

Therefore, boys, do not despise the day of school and even an agricultural college training as it will surely benefit you in later life. I have just read an article in which it is conclusively shown that the earning capacity of farmers who received considerable mental training is greater than the earning capacity of farmers without any training and who do not read and study about their work all through life. Prof. Johnson of the Missouri college of agriculture made an investigation covering a whole county, visiting 654 farmers. Here are the results he found. Of the 654 farmers, he found that 102 had better than a rural school education. Of these 102 men he found that their earning capacity was 71% better than that of the 552 who had received nothing more than a rural school education. These better trained men secured average labor incomes of \$655 a year, or within \$110 of twice as much as those who had only a district school education.

The above investigation may not be complete in every way, but it answers very well the question: "Is education worth while for the farmer?" It certainly is, for it brings in more profits.

It has happened to me a number of times, while trading at the mill or the store, that I was overcharged a dollar or more at a time. I made it a habit for years to do my own figuring on every transaction, and whether the mistake is in my favor or against me, I make it known at once. In this way I have saved many a dollar of overcharge. I know that every one is liable to make mistakes. But I'll tell you a way, boys, in which you can be right 100 times out of 100, and let the other fellow make the mistakes. I have observed that so many make mistakes while subtracting. Now if you will always add the answer to the number above it after subtracting, you must get the first or highest number. It's a quick proof and you should do it every time.

There are, of course, a number of men who had no opportunity when small to receive an education, not even a rural school education, and yet they have become honored and well-to-do. But remember, boys, those same men developed their minds in another way. They read everything they could get in the line of their work, they studied out many helpful plans, and so gradually received that mental training that they should have received while young.

Therefore do not despise the day of mental training, as it will be of great benefit to you even on the farm.

Where to Spend Your Money.

Buy shoes at P. O. Carpenter's—read what he argues. Shirt waists for 98 cents at Caldwell Cochran's and children's dresses, 50 cents. New adv. about coupons for prizes—Goodman & Frieze. Freeze Drug Co.—diamonds and drugs. Shoes and ready-to-wear at Abernethy & Thompson's.

Sunday School Meeting Held Last Sunday

A county association for the promotion of Sunday school work was organized Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church by delegates from a number of churches of various denominations, with the following officers: Rev. J. D. Andrew, president of Catawba college, president; W. B. Gaither of the Newton bar, vice-president; Rev. E. O. Smithdeal, of Hickory, secretary-treasurer.

These officers constitute an executive committee for the appointment of additional officers. The organization was launched under auspicious circumstances and it was believed that this time the effort would "go". An organization was formed some years ago for similar purposes but after a time it was allowed to drop.

A large number of interested people attended and heard admirable talks by Secretary J. Walter Long of the state Sunday school organization, Rev. W. M. Biles and Rev. W. W. Rowe of Newton and Prof. C. M. Staley of Hickory.

Overwhelmed With Prosperity.

New York, Oct. 29.—So great has been the general revival in the iron and steel trade of the United States, it was said by authorities today, that with virtually every blast furnace and steel mill in the country working night and day to capacity the demand for iron, steel and steel produce cannot be satisfied and it is almost impossible to buy, for immediate delivery, pig iron, scrap or ingots in sizable quantities at any industrial plant in the country.

The revival began about the first of July, has been coming on rapidly, with a deluge of orders since the middle of August and may not yet have reached its high mark. Within these three months, the price of pig iron, long regarded as the barometer of trade, has increased approximately 35 per cent and that of steel and steel products—except steel rails—has gone up about 15 per cent.

"At the present demand for pig iron and for the various sizes of steel is in excess of the producing capacity of the furnaces and mills of the United States," reads a statement issued by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation. The manufacturers are unable to make deliveries entirely satisfactory to the purchasers with respect to a large majority of the different kinds of finished steel.

"There is nothing to indicate that there will be a decrease in the demand for any of these products for some time. While prices received are still low, they have been and are increasing and apparently will go higher so that fair and reasonable profits may be expected.

"Of course, these very satisfactory conditions are more or less affected by the war business, so-called, yet it is undoubtedly true that there is a better feeling throughout the general iron and steel trade than has been experienced for some years past."

With Our Subscribers.

Renewals during the week include \$2 from Mrs. S. E. Turner; \$1 from W. F. Moose; \$1 from John M. Hoke.

S. A. Setzer and D. P. Summorrow were among the friends who called during the week and left dollars. A new subscriber is R. V. Dellinger.

Miss Emma Elliott sends in \$1.65 for The Enterprise and The New York World—five papers weekly for one year. Among the payments received have been \$1 from P. M. Wilson, a check from Robert E. Clapp, and a two-year renewal for J. I. Ramseur.

T. J. Bradshaw is among the late renewals.

GERMANS GAIN IN SERBIA

Have Taken Key to Nish and Great Munitions Center—Allied Troops.

A large section of Serbia is now in the hands of the invaders, says yesterday's review of the war in the Observer. The Austrians have penetrated Serbian territory on the Bosnian frontier and an Austrian column has advanced southward from Valjevo to Razana, while German forces, moving from the north and northeast have entered Milanovac. These places lie from 35 to 45 miles south of the Save river, indicating that the Austro-German advance has not been so slow as might be inferred from recent reports.

In Southern Serbia, the strong fortress of Pierot, east of Nish, and guarding the war capital, has fallen to the Bulgarians. Still further south the Bulgarians are reported to have recaptured Veles, at a cost of 25,000 men.

Austrians and Germans are also moving against Kraguyevatz, in the north, the Serbian munitions stronghold, and according to the Austrian official statement, the height Southwest of Lapowa, only a short distance from Kraguyevatz, is in German hands.

It is reported from Sofia that the Anglo-French fleet has resumed the bombardment of Bulgaria's Aegean coast.

The French and Germans in the Artois and Champagne regions of France are fighting desperately, and both sides claim successes at different points. Each also admits a defeat. The Germans in Champagne increased over a five-mile front, but with the exception reaching the summit of latitude line, were repulsed with heavy losses, according to Paris.

The Germans, on their part, announce the capture of a French position extending over 1,200 yards in Artois, but admit that north of Le Mesnil, in Champagne, a projecting trench section was lost to overwhelming numbers.

On the Russian front the Germans have driven back the Russians from Plakanen, on the Missa river south of Riga, while farther south in the region of Czartorysk additional positions have been taken from the Russians by General von Linsingens forces. Along the Stripa river in Galicia the Russians are on the offensive.

The great offensive of the Italians against the Tolmino and Gorizia bridgeheads continues.

The South Fork Association.

The meeting of the South Fork Baptist association in Hickory adjourned Friday after selecting East Gastonia church for the next meeting. The meeting was attended by 200 delegates and visitors and was one of the best ever held. Among the resolutions passed on the closing day was one ordering that 75 per cent of the money collected for educational purposes shall go to South Fork Institute at Maiden, the remainder to state work.

The Hickory Record says: Rev. M. A. Adams made a powerful speech in behalf of Christian education and an earnest appeal for support for South Fork institute. The churches pledged themselves to pay the school \$130.50.

The reports of the churches represented showed the following interesting facts: A total membership of nearly 8,000 and 594 baptisms during the year. Contributions to benevolences, state missions, \$1,415.11; home missions, \$874.73; foreign missions, \$1,279.45; education, \$244.80; Sunday school missions, \$73.30; ministerial education, \$194.65; ministerial relief, \$93.15; other objects, \$705.58; a total of \$6,410.88.

The register's receipts during October were \$159 and the clerk's \$110. The county court receipts were: County costs \$73.60; town \$9.50; solicitor's fees \$42; fines \$62.50.