

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Many Matters of Public Interest Are Adjudicated—A Special Term of Court for One Week.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the courthouse last Monday and Tuesday. All the members of the board were present. The following business was transacted:

Resolved, That application be made forthwith to the Governor of North Carolina to call a special term of the Superior court to be held in and for the county of Beaufort, beginning Monday, May 9, 1910, and to continue for one week, for the trial of criminal and civil cases and that a grand jury be drawn therefor, which special term shall have all the jurisdiction and powers that regular terms of the Superior court have, and that the receipt of notice from the Governor that said special term has been called, the clerk of this board shall cause publication thereof to be made at the courthouse door and for two successive weeks in the Washington Daily News and Washington Progress, newspapers published in said county. Those voting in favor of the foregoing resolution were the chairman and Commissioners Eberstein, Harris and Boyd. Commissioners Stancliff, Hooker and Green voted in opposition thereto.

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the following telegrams were sent and received:

Raleigh, N. C. W. C. Rodman: Special term ordered as requested. Wire me if grand jury is desired.

W. W. KITCHIN, Governor. W. W. Kitchin, Governor: Grand jury desired. Answer.

W. C. RODMAN, County Attorney. W. C. Rodman, County Attorney: Special term with grand jury ordered as requested.

W. W. KITCHIN, Governor. It appearing to the Board of County Commissioners that a petition signed by one-fourth of the freeholders within the following boundaries, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of Thos. A. Ross land on the east side of the mill pond; thence with his south line to the east prong of the Sand Hill road; thence with the said road to the W. Creekman line; thence an eastward course with the said Creekman road to the old Stille canal, thence with the old Stille canal to the dividing ditch between the Alonza Stille and George Williams land; thence eastward with said ditch to the main road leading through O. K. Stille's field; thence north to J. G. Butt's southeast corner; thence with Butt's line to Samuel Moore's swamp field; thence with a east road around Samuel Moore's to his avenue; thence west with road to where the public road makes a turn; thence north to a branch, thence west with said branch to the C. W. Bonner old field; thence north around said field by the said C. W. Bonner's avenue; thence with said avenue to the main road, thence north with said road to a cart road leading to L. D. Bonner's wood landing on Durham's creek; thence down the creek to John Boyd's north line, thence with this line to Core Point public road, thence south with said road to the Alonza P. Lewis avenue; thence west with the public road to North's creek, thence north line; thence with said township line to a point opposite the head of Moore's branch; thence with said branch eastward to the main road; thence with this road to the mill pond; thence with the line of the Farming's Academy district; thence with the line of said district to the present Durham's creek; thence with the run of Durham's creek in the following.

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Commissioner Green was appointed by the board as a committee of one to report at this meeting upon the question of distributing the question of whether or not a special tax of 30 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property and 20 cents on the poll shall be levied for the support of public schools in said district, shall be submitted to the people. That all in favor of said tax shall vote a ballot "For Special Tax," that all opposed shall vote a ballot "Against Special Tax." That said election be conducted according to law. That the voting places shall be the schoolhouse in said territory. That A. Tutin be and is hereby appointed registrar, and that Robert Tripp and T. A. Ross be and they are hereby appointed judges of said election. That a copy of this notice be published at the courthouse door and three public places in said district.

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BARACAS

The Coming of Mr. Robinson Next Tuesday Evening Anticipated With Much Pleasure.

The announcement that Mr. Kenneth Robinson, of New York, will address the Baracas and Philathea classes of the different churches of the city at the First Methodist Church next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock is being looked forward to with pleasure. He comes to Washington bearing with him a most enviable reputation and the Daily News feels sure all who hear him on this occasion will not regret it. The Methodist choir is arranging special music for occasion.

SPELLING BEE

Takes Place Tonight at the Public School Building—Starts Promptly at 8 O'clock.

The Spelling Bee takes place at the public school building this evening at 8 o'clock. As already announced, Hon. H. S. Ward will be the teacher and Mrs. N. S. Fufford and Mr. Justus Grimes will be the leaders. The first spelling match that took place several weeks ago was so thoroughly enjoyed another is planned for tonight. The Blue Back Speller will be the rule of guidance. The spelling match for the younger set begins at 8 o'clock with Russell Cox as teacher and Margaret Gordon and Benj. Morgan as leaders. Immediately after the older spellers will have a chance to show how they can discover the mysteries of the Blue Back. Cream will be served those listening to the contest. The entrance fee is only ten cents. Everybody old and young is urged to be present and help in sharing the fun. The occasion promises to be full of merriment and every citizen of the city who thinks he can spell should be present.

TO PREACH SERMON.

Rev. M. T. Plyler, pastor of the First Methodist Church, this city, is to preach the commencement sermon in the Williamson Graded School, Williamston, N. C., on the first Sunday in May. The sermon will be delivered in the town hall. Mr. Plyler has not as yet selected his subject.

ty Commissioners that one-fourth of the freeholders within the following boundaries, to-wit: Beginning at "Pork Point" and running southward up Chocowinity Bay, to Chocowinity creek; thence up said creek its various windings until it strikes the south line of H. H. Hill's land; thence with said Hill's line to Stephen Harding's line and with his line to the dividing line between Stephen Harding and Joe Harding; thence with said dividing line in a northerly direction to Maple branch; then, up Maple branch to Chapel branch; then with Chapel branch to Bear creek; then with Bear creek to Tar river; then with Tar and Pamlico rivers to the beginning. It being the present boundaries of District No. 11, white, Chocowinity township, having signed said petition asking that an election be held in said territory upon the question whether or not a special tax shall be levied according to law for the support of the Public Schools in said territory, and it further appearing to the Board that the County Board of Education, have endorsed said petition by approving the same, it is now ordered that an election be held in said territory May 12, 1910, and that at said election the question of whether a special tax of 30 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property and 20 cents on the poll shall be levied for the support of public schools in said district, shall be submitted to the people. That all in favor of said tax shall vote a ballot "For Special Tax" and all those opposed shall vote a ballot "Against Special Tax." The voting places shall be some suitable place in the town of Chocowinity. That J. E. Taylor be and is hereby appointed registrar, and that W. A. Purser and C. E. Hill be appointed judges.

It was ordered that the counties work in Washington township until July 1 and then on in Chocowinity township.

The following named persons were appointed as list takers for the year 1910: W. C. Brummer, W. M. Cooper, E. M. Gaskin, M. H. Cutler, S. F. Gorman, T. J. Spillane, L. Hill, G. C. Gorman.

Resolved that Mrs. Lucy C. Stone, of the city of Washington, be allowed \$2 for one month.

Resolved that W. H. Hill be and he is hereby appointed Assistant Registrar for the balance of the present term which ends the 30th day of December, 1910, and he is hereby appointed to the amount of \$100.00.

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CENSUS SCHEDULE

An Innovation to Be Introduced in Cities.

THE METHODS OF TAKING

To Begin Work on the 15th Inst.—An Important Advance in American Census Methods of Obtaining a Count of the Population Which Will Prove of Scientific Value.

Washington, D. C., April 8.—Each head of a family in a number of large cities will receive, a few days prior to April 15, when the United States Census begins, an "advance population schedule," containing all the questions which appear in the official population schedule to be carried by the census takers.

These advance schedules are to be filled in by the heads of families, or in their absence, by other members of their families, and the schedules will be taken up by the enumerators during the progress of the actual enumeration.

This action on the part of the Census Bureau is a complete innovation and an important advance in American census methods of obtaining a count of the population, and the bureau authorities expect it to prove of great practical and scientific value. It insures greater accuracy and completeness in the returns, as the heads of the families, who are generally the most reliable sources of information, are themselves given sufficient opportunity in advance of the enumeration to examine deliberately and to answer exactly the census questions. In past censuses it was the case usually that the head of the family was absent at work when the enumerator called and reliance had to be placed on other members of the family, frequently servants of children, or on neighbors, none of whom can be classed as dependable informants.

The advance schedule will also undoubtedly prove of great assistance to the enumerators. It will enable them to perform their work more expeditiously and agreeably, and will lessen the number of cases involving repeated calls by them.

It is the intention of the census authorities to confine the present scope of this auxiliary method of population enumeration to the large cities which, in the past, have contained the greater number of absent heads of families.

In a communication to the "Head of the family," printed on the back of each schedule, Census Director Durand states:

"In accordance with the act of Congress approved July 2, 1909, the enumeration of the population of the United States will begin on April 15. An enumerator will call at your house, or apartment, for the purpose of obtaining the required information concerning all persons belonging to your household. It is necessary that you should prepare the information in advance of the enumerator's visit. Please, therefore, answer all the questions contained on this advance schedule as each member of your household and preserve it so that it can readily be given to the enumerator when he calls. By doing this you will not only aid greatly in the work of securing an accurate enumeration of the population but will probably save yourself much trouble, since if you do not do so, a great deal of your time will inevitably be taken by the enumerator in securing the information he must obtain, and he may have to call on you several times."

This schedule, as filled in by you, should be given to the enumerator when he calls. As he has been given special instructions, which it is not now possible to put on this schedule, regarding the exact manner in which each question should be answered, it will be necessary for him to ask the answers with you or with some member of your family for the purpose of making such additions or changes as are called for by his instructions. All such additions and changes should be made by the enumerator on the schedule or on the official schedule before he leaves your house. The advance schedule, whether filled in by you or not, should then, in all cases, be given to the enumerator to be forwarded to Washington with his official schedule upon which the corrected information for all families in his district has been written.

Read the instructions proclaimed through the schedule, which contain full directions that you can get plenty of information in our 1910 population schedule in the census.

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THE HARBOR BILL

The Measure Will Receive Endorsement.

REPORTED SURE TODAY

The Waterways Will Be Treated More Liberally Than Heretofore—No Project of Real Merit Has Been Neglected—The Carrier Appropriation of \$22,000,000.

Washington, D. C., April 7.—The River and Harbor appropriation bill is virtually made up and will, in all probability, be reported to the Senate today at the farthest. The bill will carry in the neighborhood of \$22,000,000, but of this amount between \$7,000,000 and \$10,000,000 are not properly chargeable to the revenues collected during the present fiscal year.

Senator F. M. Simmons, of North Carolina, and a member of the Committee on Commerce, believes that the bill will receive most general endorsement.

"There was a general feeling in the committee," said Senator Simmons, "that an annual river and harbor bill was essentially necessary to put our water ways in condition to handle our growing commerce. In a way the bill is carrying out one of the platforms of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, that these should be a bond issue to take care of these improvements in the event that current revenues were not sufficient to provide for an annual waterway bill of sufficient amount to make an appropriation of \$50,000,000 annually for ten years, possible. While we have not issued bonds we have recognized in the committee the necessity for an annual river and harbor bill. The bill recognizes meritorious projects and appropriates liberally for them to the end that they may be completed within reasonable time and until they are completed the annual feature of the bill will continue.

"One of the first fruits of this new system will be a more liberal treatment for the waterways and a well defined plan for their improvement conditioned upon a favorable report from the board of engineers of the War Department. Under this new plan projects will be prepared to completion, something wholly impossible under the biennial and triennial bills of former years.

"In the framing of this bill, which will be reported the last of the week, no project of real merit has been neglected. Without reference to any section the appropriations will be adjusted to bring about the completion of projects in a reasonable length of time thereby saving the enormous waste that has come through small appropriations extending over a long period of years. It is my judgment that at least one-quarter of the money which Congress has appropriated from time to time for rivers and harbors has been lost because of the failure to appropriate annually for the projects under way.

"Speaking for the South, in which I am more directly interested, there has been no disposition to accord to its waterways any different treatment than shown other sections. The bill appropriates for the great Mississippi system a sum sufficient to warrant its completion in twelve years, and as far as practicable the annual feature is retained in the bill so that we, or probably, or our children, surely, may see the completion of a system of rivers and harbors rivaling the waterways of Europe. This one fact will go far toward removing the 'north-south' antagonism given this measure a former Congress by reducing our appropriations to a system. The Lakes-to-the-Gulf feature of the House bill is retained by the Senate with one or two amendments which do not change the character of the project, but which seek for information as to lake levels, climatic conditions and whether the building of this project would seriously affect the lower Mississippi.

"I think much of the credit of this measure is due Col. Alexander, of Buffalo, N. C., chairman of the House committee on Rivers and Harbors and without any desire to detract from the reputation of former Congressmen. I am convinced that this bill will prove to be a most scientifically prepared measure, and is every way worthy."

HEARING

Preparatory Hearing in the Bankruptcy Case of the Bank of America.

The preparatory hearing in the case of the Bank of America, which was held at the court house in this city last night, was held in the presence of the judge, the clerk, the attorney for the bank, and the attorney for the creditors.

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SAD DEATH

Young Man of Winston-Salem Well Known in This City, Passes Away. Popular and Well Beliked.

News has been received in this city announcing the death of Mr. Thomas Carmalt Smith, son of Major and Mrs. Samuel H. Smith, of Winston-Salem, N. C. His death occurred at the home of his parents and at the time of his death he was in his 24th year. The deceased's mother is a sister of the late Mr. Thomas Carmalt, of this city. Young Smith returned from Florida several weeks ago suffering with malarial fever. He became seriously ill about ten days ago and steadily sank, until the end. He was a gentlemanly young man, of noble character, and had scores of friends here who will be deeply grieved to hear of his death. All the members of the family were with him to the end. The funeral services were conducted by Bishop Rondthaler and the interment was in the Salem cemetery.

GAIETY THEATRE

To say the Gaiety was crowded all last evening is stating it mild, for standing room was at a premium. The Stalling Trio have the boards at this popular place of amusement this week and their act seem to please all, for they were liberally applauded. Their musical specialties are especially good, both instrumental and vocal, and if they hold up the standard they set for last night they will leave in the good graces of all. An exceptional feature of the Stallings Trio is they change their bill nightly, thus insuring something new all the time. The cornet solo by Mr. Chapman last evening is deserving of special mention, and many pronounce it the best of the many good renditions he has given this week.

The pictures for tonight are Saved From the Tide, a dramatic picture, and The Mountaineer's Honor, a Biography. These pictures need no comment, as all know the class of pictures the Gaiety is showing nightly. Tonight the show starts promptly at 7:30. Come early and secure a good seat and be in time for the drawing.

NEW BUILDING

Harris Plumbing & Supply Company, to Begin Erection of Modern Building.

The firm of J. H. Harris Plumbing & Supply Company have purchased from Mr. Charles M. Little and William Bragaw & Company, the property on Main street next to the Fulford Hardware Company and abutting Whitaker alley. The present building will be torn down at once and a three-story brick building 27x100 feet will be erected on same. Another building two stories high will be erected to the rear of the three-story structure and facing on Water street. Both structures will be up-to-date and contain all the modern improvements. The pool tables will be moved to the Blount building, formerly occupied by A. G. Smither's jewelry store. When completed the firm of J. H. Harris Plumbing & Supply Company will have one of the most complete and modern stores in Eastern Carolina.

RAISE MONEY

Cavanning Committee Realized Nice Sum Yesterday for the Young Men's Christian League.

The cavanning committee of the Young Men's Christian League succeeded in raising about \$150 yesterday for the sitting up of the league rooms. The executive committee have ordered 100 folding chairs and as soon as they arrive they will be distributed. The new rooms are to be fitted up in most attractive style. It will be impossible for the league to have its regular Sunday afternoon meeting next Sunday, but it is the hope of the executive committee to be ready by the Sunday following.

DISTRICT MEETING

Large Number Attended the District Meeting of the I. O. O. F. at Greenville Last Night.

Major A. B. White, J. J. Hodges, C. O. McGinn, J. P. Potts, W. H. Potts, Edward Whiting, Fred Dodge, Arthur L. Stinson, W. J. Baker, and others were present. The meeting was held in the presence of the grand master, who presided over the proceedings. The meeting was held in the presence of the grand master, who presided over the proceedings.

BANDITS ROB BANK

\$5,000 in Money and Stamps Are Taken. Five Masked Men Were Captured.

Chicago, April 7.—Five masked men, after binding the night marshal and the pumping station engineer, blew open the safe of the Bank of Coal City, Ill., wrecked the building and escaped with more than \$5,000 in money and stamps. Telephone alarm was sent along the Santa Fe Railroad and at the next station, Mason, Ill., the night marshal, a dentist, and a constable aroused by the call, fought a pitched battle with the bandits. The dentist, with his shot-gun, wounded three and they were captured at the next station by Sheriff Steel, of Grand county, and a posse at Marengo, after a thrilling chase in automobile. They were in a baggage car. Two were shot in the legs and one in the head. The other two robbers, with the money, escaped at Mason. Poses were immediately formed and a hunt began for the two missing robbers. The postoffice officials in Chicago also were notified and they sent heavily armed inspectors by the first train to join in the hunt, as \$2.10 in stamps, which had been deposited by the postmaster, were taken. Five masked men appeared in Coal City, which is 20 miles southeast of Joliet, early today. They waited in the shadow of the Santa Fe station until Night Marshal Getto appeared on his hourly rounds. They pounced on him, bound and gagged him and threw him into the waiting room of the station. Following the procedure adopted by other bandits in recent Illinois bank robberies they went to the town pumping station and bound the engineer, Washington Frye. They then took tools from the station with which to pry open the bank doors. In a few minutes the entire down was aroused by an explosion. Townsmen running to the bank found the front and rear of the building blown out and furniture scattered for more than 100 feet. The safe was wrecked and over-turned. Among the first to arrive was E. D. Scott, owner of the bank, who said he had left \$3,000 in cash in the safe when he closed last night.

THE GEM

Those who attended the Gem last evening were much pleased with the beautiful Indian drama; also the comedies were good and were well received. Tonight a beautiful war story, "The Caribald Boy," will be shown. Much interest centers upon a young French boy who runs away from home and joins his father, a soldier in Caribald's army. He enlists in his regiment, fights his way to the front and wins the admiration of all. The plot of this drama is well carried out and finely acted. Out of the Frying Pan into the Fire is a hot comedy, as the name would suggest. It amuses the audience and shows what can happen under conditions which might or might not be actual. "Rats" is another good comedy picture. Not rats in a woman's hair, but a picture with a few real live ones tucked in just to make things interesting. These rats have never before appeared in Washington. At 1:30 o'clock a prize drawing takes place, at which time a beautiful set of six china Ramekins will be given the person holding the lucky coupon. Try your luck.

PARSONAGE

Plans are Being Made Looking to Altering and Enlarging the Methodist Parsonage.

At the last meeting of the quarterly conference of the Methodist church for this station Henry H. Mayo, J. P. Buckman and R. H. Nixon were named as a committee to look into the advisability of remodeling the present parsonage. Mr. M. H. Jones is not engaged in drawing plans and specifications for the work. It is the purpose of the official body to make the present building entirely new with all the modern improvements. It is hoped that work will be commenced during the party summer.

LADIES' HAIRDRESSISTS

A Large Line of Pretty, Wash, and Combed Hair Values.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the courthouse last Monday and Tuesday. All the members of the board were present. The following business was transacted:

Resolved, That application be made forthwith to the Governor of North Carolina to call a special term of the Superior court to be held in and for the county of Beaufort, beginning Monday, May 9, 1910, and to continue for one week, for the trial of criminal and civil cases and that a grand jury be drawn therefor, which special term shall have all the jurisdiction and powers that regular terms of the Superior court have, and that the receipt of notice from the Governor that said special term has been called, the clerk of this board shall cause publication thereof to be made at the courthouse door and for two successive weeks in the Washington Daily News and Washington Progress, newspapers published in said county. Those voting in favor of the foregoing resolution were the chairman and Commissioners Eberstein, Harris and Boyd. Commissioners Stancliff, Hooker and Green voted in opposition thereto.

In pursuance of the foregoing resolution the following telegrams were sent and received:

Raleigh, N. C. W. C. Rodman: Special term ordered as requested. Wire me if grand jury is desired.

W. W. KITCHIN, Governor. W. W. Kitchin, Governor: Grand jury desired. Answer.

W. C. RODMAN, County Attorney. W. C. Rodman, County Attorney: Special term with grand jury ordered as requested.

W. W. KITCHIN, Governor. It appearing to the Board of County Commissioners that a petition signed by one-fourth of the freeholders within the following boundaries, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of Thos. A. Ross land on the east side of the mill pond; thence with his south line to the east prong of the Sand Hill road; thence with the said road to the W. Creekman line; thence an eastward course with the said Creekman road to the old Stille canal, thence with the old Stille canal to the dividing ditch between the Alonza Stille and George Williams land; thence eastward with said ditch to the main road leading through O. K. Stille's field; thence north to J. G. Butt's southeast corner; thence with Butt's line to Samuel Moore's swamp field; thence with a east road around Samuel Moore's to his avenue; thence west with road to where the public road makes a turn; thence north to a branch, thence west with said branch to the C. W. Bonner old field; thence north around said field by the said C. W. Bonner's avenue; thence with said avenue to the main road, thence north with said road to a cart road leading to L. D. Bonner's wood landing on Durham's creek; thence down the creek to John Boyd's north line