

CO. COMMISSIONERS TRANSACT BUSINESS FOR THE PAST MONTH

The board of county commissioners met in regular session Monday and Tuesday of this week and transacted the following business:

Stanley Tuten, colored, of Richland township, was allowed \$1.50 per month, regular. (Old age.)

Ordered that the contract to build a wood bridge with concrete abutments and dirt fill at Edward, N. C., be given to H. T. Edwards for \$1,000, the work to be done according to specifications to be made by W. M. Chauncey. The bridge is to be completed within 60 days. Said Edwards is to furnish a right of way through the mill and over the dam until the bridge is completed for \$50.

Ordered that \$55.61 be appropriated for repairing the Chocowinity road from Fort Jack to the Washington bridge.

Ordered that the attention of the board of county commissioners be called to the fact that the county road lying between Fort Jack and the Washington bridge is in Chocowinity tax district and should be cared for by them.

To the Board of County Commissioners:

We, the undersigned, registrar and judges of election for special tax school district located in Washington township, Beaufort county, having held the election in said special tax school district according to the provisions of section 415 of the Revisal of 1905 of N. C., on the 11th day of November, 1913, do make and certify to be correct the following statement: No. of voters registered, 60; No. of votes cast for school tax, 25; No. of votes cast against, 5. In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names this 11th day of November, 1913.

B. U. LEGGETT,
Registrar.
J. C. LATHAM,
E. A. LATHAM,
Judges of Election.

It appearing from the above report that in the election referred to a majority of the qualified voters voted for "Special Tax," it is ordered that the tax petitioned for be levied at the next regular time for levying taxes (with 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of property and 90c on the poll, and that said taxes be collected by the sheriff as all other taxes and to be paid into the hands of the county treasurer.

Margaret A. Branton was allowed \$2 per month regular. (Old age.)

Ordered that \$50 be and the same is hereby appropriated for the use of the Washington Light Infantry for six months ending January 1, 1914. It was ordered that \$50 be appropriated to the Naval Reserve for six months ending January 1, 1914.

Redding Griffin, colored, of Pantego School district was permanently relieved of poll tax. Amount \$3.05. (Physical disability.)

Ordered that the salary of H. L. Hodges, superintendent of the county, be increased from \$65 to \$75 per month.

To the Board of County Commissioners:

This undersigned petitioner respectfully requests that he be attached to the Aurora Graded school district and that the boundary line of said district be so changed as to include the land whereon the petitioner now resides.

R. L. BRANTLEY,
Petitioner.
The above is granted and the boundary of the Aurora graded school district is so changed. The petitioner is the only voter residing on the land in the territory taken in under the petition.

W. L. VAUGHAN,
Sec. Board of Education.

PROGRAM FOR EXERCISES IS ATTRACTIVE

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church have arranged a very attractive program for Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. This society is doing a great work in Washington and it behooves every member of the church and the citizens generally to be present at their rally tomorrow night. The speaker of the evening will be Rev. E. A. Rayner, principal of the Washington Collegiate Institute. Dr. Rayner's subject will be "Women of the Philippines." He was a missionary of his church to that country for five years and his talk is looked forward to with pleasure as well as profit. The following program has been arranged: Opening hymn No. 498, "Lead on O King Eternal." Scripture lesson; prayer in concert; reading; missionary solo; review of Auxiliary work; reading, woman's service to the church; hymn, "O Zion, Hasten"; reading; three reasons for missionary activity; address "Women of the Philippines," by Rev. E. A. Dayner; collection by six young ladies. Wearing the colors of the country where mission work is conducted; benediction.

All Invited to Attend the Elks Lodge of Sorrow

Final arrangements have been made for the annual lodge of sorrow by the local lodge of Elks at the New Theater Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and the occasion promises to be one largely attended. The orator of the day will be Mr. E. L. Cunningham, of Newport News, Va. He is expected to arrive here either this afternoon or tonight. While in Washington he will be a guest at Hotel Louisa. Only one member of the lodge has passed away during the year, being Mr. John Keeninger. The program of the exercises as given in yesterday's News bids fair to be one of the best yet presented by the order since their organization. Exalted Ruler W. H. Ellison will preside. All the citizens are cordially invited to be present.

THE LYRIC

Vandeville and Motion Pictures' Today both matinee and night closes the engagement of the musical act Seeling & Belmont in their high-class novelty act of musical instruments and high-class selections.

The motion picture program today offers a very popular two-reel feature, "The Snare of Fate," one of the most interesting ones of the season.

Those who have not attended the Lyric during the engagement of the above mentioned act should witness this program tonight.

CHILD VERY ILL.
The friends of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Respass will regret to learn of the critical illness of their son Samuel, who is critically ill at his home on East Main street, suffering from pneumonia.

TIME OPPORTUNE MAKE ADEQUATE PROVISION FOR WATER TRAFFIC

Prosperity and Growth of Cities Conditional on Water Transportation Facilities.

To the Editor:
The discussion recently aroused over the problem of adequate docking facilities along our water front touches a vital question and the outcome should be a larger realization of our possibilities and natural advantages.

It is not over-drawing matters to state that the prosperity and growth of cities are conditioned entirely on transportation facilities along water fronts. Inland cities may be ever so productive, but they are only feeders to cities situated by the water, and which have secured their advantages by providing properly for the transportation and handling of produce. This is the secret of our largest cities, New York, Chicago and San Francisco. Natural advantages enter into the secret, but they must be made the most of.

Those cities just mentioned are not so secure in their supremacy as they may seem to be. Their chambers of commerce are always on the alert to cope with the competition with such cities as Boston, Milwaukee and Seattle. Such a great city as New York with its harbor might impress as with the feeling that it is beyond competition, but it is not. Smaller cities make the most of any opportunity for dividing its trade.

Now, all this applies with equal force to us. We have the railroads, and we will profit by them to the extent that we relate them to our water traffic. It is apparent that our water front facilities have lagged behind in our general advance. But if we are keen to take advantage nothing can prevent us from forging to the front of coast cities in our state and in the South. To offer the best of shipping facilities will mean the drawing of trade to this port. The prompt action of our city council in this matter reveals the proper spirit of willingness to take a forward step when the way is shown. The work of deepening and widening the river channel is progressing. Now is the opportune time to make adequate provision for our water traffic of the future.

In doing this the writer believes that we shall find that the waterfront will prove to be our most important commercial asset. We are near the sea and we have a most productive section of land all about us. By alertness and aggressiveness we can capture the trade of this country and will soon become its most important distributing and manufacturing center.

Yours for the advancement of Washington,
ERNEST A. RAYNER.

A BELHAVEN CITIZEN TAKES HIS LIFE

Belhaven, N. C., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—W. H. Sanderlin committed suicide here yesterday at 12 o'clock by shooting a pistol ball through his head. Mr. Sanderlin was a thrifty merchant here and was held in high esteem among his fellow citizens. He leaves a wife and several small children. The cause as yet is practically unknown. He was in bad health and this is the only reason as yet that can be given for his deed. He has not been confined to his bed during his illness but attending to his business. Only a few days ago he was advised by his physician to suspend business for a while and take a trip for his health.

Professor Ferne to Fill Christian Church Pulpit

Rev. Mr. Fern, holding the chair of philosophy in the Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, N. C., is to fill the pulpit at the Christian Church Sunday morning and evening at the usual hour. Mr. Fern is reputed to be a speaker of force and no doubt he will be heard by a large and attentive congregation. Sunday school will meet at the usual hour—10 o'clock. All invited to be present.

Mrs. Jno. H. Small Hostess Honor of House Guest

Mrs. John H. Small entertained at bridge at her home, corner of Main and Bridge streets, last evening in honor of her house guests, Mrs. Foley and Mrs. LaMar, of Washington, N. C. The residence was beautifully decorated and illuminated for the occasion and no social function of the season carried with it more enjoyment and pleasure. The hostess was graciousness itself. There were nine tables. Delicious refreshments were served in three courses. The guests of honor were presented with handsome prizes by Mrs. Small. Miss Marcia Myers made the highest score which entitled her to the first prize. The entire evening proved to be a charming one, every moment of which was thoroughly enjoyed by the many guests.

Tuberculosis Sermon at St. Peter's on Tomorrow

Regular services at St. Peter's, Episcopal church tomorrow morning and evening. At the morning service the rector, Rev. Nathaniel Harding, will deliver a sermon on tuberculosis. All the parishioners and others are cordially invited to attend. Seats free. The choir has arranged a special program for the occasion.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank will be held at their banking house at 12 o'clock noon, Tuesday, January 13th, 1914.

A. M. DUMAY, Cashier.
Dec. 5th, 1913. 12-5-1mc

"CRAZY JANE" IN LIMELIGHT ON THURSDAY

Mr. John H. Podrick, employed as salesman at the E. I. Store, 615 over his life. He was identified with a woman whose name has not been ascertained. The accident happened Thursday in front of Mr. Podrick's store on Main street. Mr. Podrick was the innocent party and has the sympathy of his friends for being the party to suffer.

"Crazy Jane," as she is known all over Washington, struck a difference with a woman on the sidewalk and after wrangling for some minutes Jane's head was aimed at with a brick but the mark was missed and Mr. Podrick received the full force of the blow. A gash about one inch long was cut over the left eye of Mr. Podrick. The mix-up between Jane and the unknown woman occasioned no little excitement for a while.

SOME RED CROSS SEAL STATISTICS



Few people have any idea of the magnitude of the Red Cross Christmas Seal Campaign. This year over 100,000,000 seals have been printed and distributed, if placed end to end these seals would extend nearly 2,400 miles or practically from New York to Salt Lake City. They have been sent to over 25,000 different agents and will be sold and handled by an army of not less than 100,000 volunteers, including men, women and children. Millions of advertising circulars have been scattered throughout the country, and so thoroughly has the advertising campaign been organized that it is doubtful if many people in the more populous states of the country will not have heard of the Red Cross Seal and its mission in the prevention of tuberculosis. It is hoped that at least 50,000,000 seals may be sold this year. The principle upon which the sale of seals is based is that every cent except what little is needed to cover the actual cost of printing and handling shall be spent for tuberculosis work in the community where the seals are sold.

IS CONVALESCENT.

Mr. J. C. Overton, of South Creek, recently operated upon at the Washington Hospital, is now convalescent and will be able to return to his home within the next few days.

TWENTY-FIVE SCHOOLS ARE IN CONTEST

Mr. H. Winter, of Chapel Hill, Dec. 6.—Walter Fuller, who holds the distinction of being the only touchdown against the University of Virginia with eight years when he accomplished the feat on Thanksgiving Day, 1903, is an example that is generally accepted that the attributes of a scholar and athlete are rarely found in well-balanced proportions. Mr. Fuller mixes his athletics, studies and scholastic attainments in true proportion. He is managing editor of the college paper; editor of the University Magazine, and a leader in class activities. In addition, he is chairman of the neighborhood work of the Y. M. C. A. His services in this field of endeavor are to the extent of supervising a band of eighteen students who walk from two to five miles in the country each Sunday to teach in the rural Sunday schools.

The fall dances will be held Thursday and Friday, December 4 and 5, in Bynum gymnasium. The "Ginshouts" give the dance Thursday night; the "Gorkon's Band" Friday afternoon; and the German club Friday night. The faculty announces that only the wait and the two-step are to be danced. This announcement was made to prevent the dancing of the "Tango," "Turkey Trot," "One-Step," etc., which seem to have fallen under the ban at the University.

The contest for the high school football championship of the state will be played at the University, Saturday, December 6. Owing to a disputed game between Raleigh and Washington, the contest becomes a three-cornered one. If Raleigh wins over Wilmington here Saturday, it must play Washington here the following Saturday. However, in case Wilmington wins Saturday's game, the championship goes to Wilmington without further contest.

William Parker, representative of Colonel Isaac E. Emerson, of Baltimore, Md., is here superintending the erection of a monument to Mr. Emerson's parents. Mr. Emerson, a native of Chapel Hill and an alumnus of the University, is a prominent manufacturer of Baltimore. He is known far and wide as the "Bromo Seltzer King."

One hundred and twenty-five high schools, embracing all sections of the state, have entered the high school debating contest conducted by the University. The number is expected to reach 150 before January 1, the date set for closing the contest.

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