

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET

### Mr. Weaver's Resignation Accepted; His Successor Will Be Appointed Soon.

The commissioners met Monday and transacted much routine business. An account of the extremely cold weather, the crowd for the first Monday in January was smaller than usual. The resignation of Mr. J. T. Weaver, which was tendered on account of Mr. Weaver's business in Guilford county, was accepted. His successor will be appointed by Clerk of Court D. M. Weatherly at an early date.

The following members present: E. B. Leach, C. C. Cranford, L. M. Cranford, C. M. Staley.

C. C. Cranford is appointed to act as temporary chairman. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

C. M. Staley report on Millstone creek bridge is not yet ready for full report.

Koden Clark, an outside poor, having died recently is ordered erased from pauper list.

Verge Means, a pauper, is admitted to county home.

Ex-Sheriff J. A. Brady makes settlement in full for 1920-21-22 according to audit and presents check for \$2,705.76 to Board of County Commissioners.

Received of W. M. Garner \$20.00 cash subscription on Mechanic and Leather Road.

Is ordered that land of Mrs. John Sillers (widow), land in Level Cross township, consisting of 50 acres, which is now valued at \$1834, which appears too high to Board to be reduced to \$664.00.

Received of Lambeth and Pervis \$38.10 cash, a refund of which the county had overpaid their one half of the cost of construction of road from Mt. Zion church to county line, which was built on a 50-50 basis.

Is ordered the county commissioner borrow \$2000.00 from W. G. and Ids. Alfred and pay same on Mrs. Burns' note.

Is ordered to put in water line from city line to county home. C. C. Cranford is instructed to make arrangements for same.

T. Weaver's resignation as County Chairman of Board of Commissioners is accepted by Clerk of Court.

Report from officers as follows: deposit of C. S. C. \$1048.48; General fund, \$3683.98, school fund.

Reg. of Deeds: Fees for December, \$24.78.

Sheriff: total deposit for December fees \$62.75; amount taxes collected for December, \$47,505.95.

Disbursements for general fund are recorded on disbursement docket on pages 27 and 27; road fund 17-18.

Release on account of tax error disbursement No. 5, page 47.

No further business the Board adjourns.

LEE M. KEARNS, Clerk to Board.

## S. GLENN YOUNG ACQUITTED IN ILLINOIS COURT

S. Glenn Young, formerly special agent of the Federal Department of Justice in this State, was brought before county court in Marion, Ill., early this week charged with assault. He was acquitted after the jury had been out two minutes. It was alleged that Young in an argument over prohibition raids struck a man over the head with a revolver. He has been engaged for some time with the prohibition enforcement officers in Herrin county, Illinois. Three rates the past week netted 212 prisoners.

## BIDS TO BE RECEIVED ON WATER WORKS IMPROVEMENT

Up to 3 p. m. today, the Town Council will receive sealed proposals for water works improvements and sanitary sewer extensions. The notice asking for bids was published in last week's Courier.

The town has outgrown the water works and sewer system established some years ago, and improvements and enlargements are badly needed.

## THE AMERICAN PEACE AWARD HAS ANNOUNCED WINNING PLAN

The American Peace Award has announced the winning plan, the test of which was twenty-two thousand entered in competition for the \$100,000.00 offered by Edward L. Bak, Philadelphia publisher, for the best practical plan by which the United States might co-operate with other nations to end war.

The plan, in brief, as officially submitted to the public by the committee, follows:

1. That the United States shall immediately enter the Permanent Court of International Justice under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1922.

2. That without becoming a member of the League of Nations, the United States shall offer to extend its present co-operation with the league and participate in the work of the league as a body of mutual counsel under the following conditions:

(a) The United States shall support the moral force of the league against the military and economic force originally applied in Articles 10 and 16;

(b) Safeguard the Monroe Doctrine;

(c) Assume the fact that the United States will assume no obligations under the treaty of Versailles except by act of Congress;

(d) Propose that membership in the league shall be opened to all nations;

(e) Provide for the continuing development of international law.

Eliza Root was chairman of the Jury of Award. Serving with her were James Guthrie, Elizabeth, Edward M. House, Ellen F. Pendleton, Rebecca Penn, William Allen, White and Bernard White.

Announcement of his \$100,000.00 prize made by Mr. Bak July 1st, 1923. On November 25th the contest closed with 22,145 plans from 25 countries before the jury. The \$50,000.00 and the rest of the prize winner will receive immediately.

The money will be given the plan.

## RANDOLPH MAKING EDUCATIONAL SURVEY

### George Howard of the State Board of Education Will Assist Supt. Bulla.

Beginning Wednesday, January 9th, a complete educational survey of the county will begin, and will continue from 4 to 6 weeks. George Howard of the State Board of Education has arrived in Asheboro and together with Superintendent of Education, T. F. Bulla, will begin the work. Randolph is the third county in North Carolina to put on such a survey. All the schools of the county are to be visited with a view to locating roads and school houses to the best advantage toward furthering the education of the county. The idea of consolidation of some of the schools will be born in mind, and one of the best points of the survey is that it is the purpose to establish High Schools so that every child in Randolph will have the opportunity to attend a High School. Another interesting feature is the survey will show the progress of education in the county during the past eight years. The maps and data collected will be submitted to the Board of Education as soon as the work is completed for their action.

## SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY LOSES SUIT

The Southern Power Company has lost an appeal to the United States Supreme Court, in which the power company claimed that the North Carolina Public Service Company is a competitor and should produce its own power. The power company will be required to go on selling power to the North Carolina Public Service Company of Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury and points intermediate at a rate on "all-fuels" with that charged for like service.

## MRS. KINYOUN DIES AT CENTRAL FALLS

Mrs. Eliza Hartgrove Kinyoun died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. P. Routh, at Central Falls, December 29, following a long period of ill health.

Mrs. Kinyoun was born near East Bend, Yadon county, being 80 years old at the time of her death. Her husband, Lemuel G. Kinyoun, died years ago. Two children survive.

They are Mrs. O. P. Routh, wife of Rev. O. P. Routh, of Central Falls; and A. H. Kinyoun, of Little River, Florida.

The deceased was a consecrated church member, having professed faith in Christ 68 years ago. She was widely known and loved for her kindly disposition and cheerful spirit.

The body was taken to East Bend and laid to rest by the side of her husband on December 30.

## BILLY SUNDAY PRESENTED WITH CUFF LINKS

At the meeting of the Charlotte Lion's Club for its weekly luncheon last Monday, Billy Sunday, the evangelist made an address and the National Staff Band of the Salvation Army furnished music. Judge Stack, Solicitor Carpenter, and thirty members of the Charlotte Bar were present.

Mr. Sunday was made an honorary member of the club and was presented with a handsome pair of platinum cuff links.

## FIVE WHITE MEN ESCAPE

Five white men sent up from Wilkes county drilled their way through the bottom of a metal cage at the Silver Hill road camps about fifteen miles from Lexington some time after midnight last Friday morning and made their escape. They have not been recaptured. Two of the men were serving five-year sentences.

## HISTORIC FORT DISMANTLED

Fort Caswell, of historic fame, is being dismantled by the U. S. Government, and the supplies being transferred to Fort Bragg, N. C. Fort Caswell is located at the mouth of the Cape Fear river and figured largely in the early history of North Carolina.

## NORTH CAROLINA PRESS ASSOCIATION AT PINEHURST

### Foremost Theme At The Meeting Was The Old North State; Much Interest Was Shown In The Program And Sandhill Section; Good Fellowship Spirit Prevailed.

The mid-winter meeting of the North Carolina Press Association was in session at Pinehurst on Thursday and Friday of last week with Mr. Charles Webb, editor of the Asheville Citizen, presiding and Miss Beatrice Cobb, of the Morganton News Herald, secretary. While the meeting was not as largely attended as some of the previous mid-winter meetings, there was much interest manifested in the program and especially in Pinehurst and the Sandhill section.

The Kiomng North Carolina plan which has been strenuously pushed editorially, by the pencil pushers of the state was put into practice in the Sandhill section about which much has been written - but about which the half has not yet been told.

Mr. Tuft's father purchased the land on which Pinehurst now stands of Henry Page at \$1.00 per acre, less than thirty years ago. Pinehurst is an interesting place without paved streets or side walks, but a modern city with beautiful homes, splendid hotels, one of which, the Carolina, is the largest hotel in the state, a bank with one of the largest vaults in the South and many other interesting places. Pinehurst is said to be one of the most cosmopolitan towns in the country during the winter, made up as it is, of a population from all over the country. As an example at a meeting of Junto club recently, where men gather to discuss timely topics in a neighborly way, sixty millionaires were present one evening.

Men and women of every profession meet in the hotels along the roads and on the golf grounds, which are considered among the best in the United States. When one says or writes Pinehurst they think of Leonard B. Tufts, whose interest is not only in and around Pinehurst, but in the entire State. He has promoted many of the progressive movements in the state and his interest and cooperation in peach growing, road building and stock raising, and other movements have been especially beneficial.

Mr. Tufts is an ardent supporter of the convention called the Editors that Pinehurst is a Tar Heel town and that it is the desire of Pinehurst to establish closer relations with the state folks. He referred to the influence Pinehurst is exercising in attracting people to the state from all directions, and by this bringing to the various communities a buying market that takes much stuff made in North Carolina, a market which at our doors is far better than any market in another state or country.

He thought the newspapers could help to encourage local people to make more things to market to the visitors, and also to help to attract more visitors to all sections of the state, and in that way increase the outlet for the things made in the state and so stimulate a greater industry along all lines.

In closing Mr. Tufts paid a glowing tribute to Hon. Bion H. Butler, who he said was the greatest asset in the sandhill section, as he had done more to put the sandhill country on the map than any other citizen. Mr. Butler outlined many of the town's industrial and agricultural advantages and spoke of the splendid operation of the people, in a similar way saying that the people here have done the digging and the Moore county newspapers furnished hot news.

The business meetings of the convention were unusually interesting and beneficial. Probably the foremost theme at the meeting was the Old North State, her opportunities and her developments. Ex-secretary of the navy, Josephus Daniels, Dr. J. B. Brooks, of the State A. & E. College; Mr. Wallace Odell, president of the National Editorial Association and editor of a Tarriortown, New York paper; M. L. Shipman, commissioner of labor and printing, and Miss Minnie Harmon, representative of the clerical service organization of the State, spoke.

A drive through some of the peach orchards over to Southern Pines where a tea was given at Highland hotel, a visit made to the office of the Sandhill citizen were enjoyed, also a visit to the Pinehurst country club.

The Pine Pilot is congratulated upon issuing a special edition honoring the convention.

At the dinner meeting different forms of entertainment interspersed the splendid addresses.

On the whole the meeting was one of the best ever held and there was the same good fellowship spirit prevalent as is usual among members of the third estate.

## VETERAN SCHOOL TEACHER DIES SUDDENLY

Mr. S. M. Underwood, principal of the public school at Spero, fell dead suddenly last Friday afternoon as he was coming out of the schoolhouse just after dismissing the children.

The funeral and burial were at Grays' Chapel, the home of the deceased, on Sunday.

Mr. Underwood is survived by his wife and two daughters, Misses Lera and Cordie Underwood. Miss Cordie Underwood won the championship for spelling in the Randolph county schools, at county commencement last April.

The deceased was one of the veteran school teachers of Randolph county, having taught for more than twenty years. At the time of his death, Mr. Underwood and family were doing light housekeeping at the Wimpey place with Mr. and Mrs. Will Underwood. He had been in his usual health up to the hour of his death so far as known.

Mr. Underwood was 59 years of age.

## "PUBLIC FINANCING" NEW PUBLICATION AT TRINITY

"Public Financing", edited and published by Honorable Bruce Craven at Trinity is a publication which reached The Courier, January first. It will be issued monthly and will have for its aim to arouse interest in the study of the problems concerning public improvements in North Carolina, and to oppose all forms of recklessness and waste in public business.

Mr. Craven promises as a "feature" for February that "This paper is going to publish some unpleasant facts about some recent bond sales in North Carolina." It will, he says, "begin with a few of the worst cases and tell exactly what was done, and we are not going to accuse anyone of anything. However, if you have ever been mixed up in a bond sale that won't stand the light, it is quite possible that you will not much enjoy the next number of this religion periodical."

## MR. W. D. SPOON SUFFERS BROKEN ANKLE

Knocked Down By Automobile While Crossing Street, Driver of Which Is Unknown.

Mr. W. D. Spoon was knocked down by an automobile, late Monday afternoon, while crossing the street in front of his filling station.

The car did not stop and Mr. Spoon does not know who the driver was. He was near the side walk and when struck fell over on the side walk. He suffered a dislocated ankle and a broken bone in his leg above the ankle. Mr. Spoon is sixty years of age but remarkably active. He is setting along nicely and suffering little discomfort.

## DIRECTORS FAIR ASSOCIATION MEET

At a meeting of the directors of the Randolph county fair association last week W. G. York was re-elected president. Dr. J. G. Crutchfield is president and Geo. T. Murdock treasurer.

The fair will be held the last week in September. Let everybody begin now to plant something for exhibit and make this the biggest fair in Piedmont North Carolina. The catalogues will be out early.

## NEWS RECEIVED AS WE GO TO PRESS

### Deadlock in Senate broke yesterday with the election of Ellison D. Smith (Dem.) of South Carolina, Chairman of Interstate Commerce Commission. Four Republican insurgents and two Farm Labor members voted for him.

Dr. L. P. McBrayer's resignation as superintendent of the State Sanatorium for tubercular Patients was accepted yesterday and his son-in-law, Dr. P. P. McCain, was elected to succeed his father-in-law.

## PROMINENT YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED

Two prominent and well-known young people of the county were married in High Point at the home of Rev. Mr. Sykes, pastor of the Friends church there, Sunday evening, when Miss Alese Millikan of Randleman and Mr. W. L. Ward, Jr., of Asheboro, were united. When the bride left Greensboro Sunday, she had intended to spend the week-end with relatives, and it seems the young couple decided suddenly to be married. They telephoned a few friends and relatives and were quietly married.

After the ceremony they went to Greensboro where they will be for the rest of the week. Mrs. Ward is office manager of the Carolina Motor club for the past year and has capacity until a substitute can be supplied. She held a position in Asheboro for several months before going to Greensboro and made many friends while in the town. The bride and groom will live for a while at Asheboro.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel Millikan, of Randleman. She has been office manager for the Motor club for the past year and has proven an efficient business woman.

Mr. Ward is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ward, of Asheboro who have recently moved back to Asheboro after having lived at Worthville for several years, and they are occupying their handsome new home on Sunset avenue.

## Dr. F. C. Craven Prominent County Physician to Locate in North Wilkesboro

The many friends of Dr. F. C. Craven of Ramseur will regret to learn that he expects to move next month to North Wilkesboro, and will make his home there in the future. He will specialize in eye, ear, nose and throat work.

Dr. Craven practices in Asheboro three days each week and has made many friends since opening his office here. North Wilkesboro is to be congratulated upon securing such a splendid physician and high toned gentleman. Ramseur joins with Asheboro in feeling the loss of Dr. Craven and his family.

## MEETING OF MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

The Mutual Fire Insurance company held a meeting in the court house Monday for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. S. S. Cox, who has been president of the company for a number of years, was re-elected. Calvin Ferree was elected vice president and C. E. Allen was re-elected secretary and treasurer, which office he has held for the past four years. The directors are T. S. Bouldin, W. M. Coble, Will Hamlin, and George Cornelison. An assessment of 20 cents on the hundred dollars insurance was made.

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL MATTERS

(By W. H. Willis)

Joined Sunday by letter, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Steed, Miss Cora Mc-Masters, The membership lacks but twelve now of reaching 500.

Next week throughout Southern Methodism is to be Centenary World week. We hope to hold services daily (hour not yet fixed) at which near by pastors will make addresses.

The subjects for next Sunday's sermons will be:

11:00 A. M.—Praying, Saying, Pleading.

7:00 P. M.—A Hard Shell Virtue.

## MELLON BILL WILL HELP ONLY RICH

### Democrats Are Busy and Have Issued Their Challenge In Spite Coolidge's Warning.

(By David F. St. Clair)  
Washington, January 8.—The battle is on. Hardly had the echoes of President Coolidge's warning to congress not to change the Mellon tax reduction bill, died, when the Democrats in the house issued a counter challenge that the high surtax would in many instances be retained and in some instances be increased.

The Mellon bill proposes to reduce the surtaxes to 25 percent of the net incomes ranging above \$100,000. The Democrats are demanding that all net incomes in excess of \$92,000 pay 44 percent in taxes. All incomes exceeding \$200,000 are now paying 50 percent in taxes. The Democrats are determined to battle to the last ditch for amendments that will result in the above changes and they are counting on the progressive bloc to vote with them. The President on the other hand has nailed his flag to the letter of the Mellon bill.

The Democrats have issued their challenge in the face of the fact that the Coolidge administration has sold the Mellon tax bill to the American people with its claws and fangs and horns camouflaged in velvet and the great common people have hugged the monster to their bosom as it were their own flesh and blood. The whole nation has gone wild over the Mellon tax bill. Every person in the country receiving a small taxable income instantly set to work estimating how much he would save by the Mellon scale of figures without ever stopping to think what the men who receive incomes from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000 would save in comparison.

For example the man receiving an income of \$1,000,000 would save by the Mellon bill \$258,278. That man would save more than 58 times as much in tax reduction as two hundred men, each receiving an income of only \$5,000, and in the aggregate \$1,000,000 for the Mellon bill would reduce the taxes of these two hundred men on their aggregate million dollar income only \$4,450. Each would save on his \$5,000 income just \$22.75, while the million dollar income man would save on every \$5,000 of his income about \$1.25.

The figures show conclusively that the Mellon bill is designed to relieve that class of people in this country who are best able to support the government, of the burden of taxation. Many of this very class have made their great wealth by un-justly exploiting the people who are to receive the least relief by this bill. It is a tax reduction bill for the millionaires many of whom are unscrupulous profiteurs.

What the Coolidge administration fears at this moment is that the cat will get out of the bag, that this gigantic scheme of favoritism and privilege and pet will be exposed before it can be railroaded through congress. The administration has been retreating over having sold this thing it calls "tax reduction" to the people and now to have the bargain cancelled is regarded as a stupendous political misfortune to the administration and an unparalleled calamity to gigantic enterprise and big business.

Coolidge is reported to have put on his sword and Southern Democrats here who know what it means for a poor man to have to pay taxes, are saying that the White House will not only whip a number of the insurgents into line but will scare enough of Northern Democrats into voting for the bill to pass it. It is predicted that some of these Northern Democrats have too many constituents with big incomes in their districts, to offer defiance to the administration.

The Mellon bill may pass the house but it is confidentially asserted that it can not pass the senate although Northern Democratic senators like Copeland of New York have endorsed it and Walsh of Massachusetts has written a number of newspaper articles defending it. But senators like Heflin of Alabama would be tempted to filibuster against it. And Heflin would certainly be joined by senators like La Follette, Brookhart, Magnus Johnson and the like. The country may look for a great battle over this issue between the hired men for privilege and the defenders of the rights of the people.

## PLANS BEING COMPLETED FOR A GREATER ASHEBORO IN 1924

Asheboro made wonderful progress during the year 1923, but greater progress in growth and development is certain in 1924. There are some things we need to make Asheboro a real city. Among these are the following: extension of the sewerage system, water lines, and hard surfaced streets and sidewalks, and the erection of many dwellings and some business houses.

In the early spring, G. H. King will build six modern bungalows with water, lights, and bath fixtures. These houses will be for rent. Many others will be built. It is reasonably certain that another hosiery mill will be built or moved to Asheboro; a shirt factory and other manufacturing enterprises are expected; it is almost positive that the Carolina Electric Power Co. will come into Asheboro; a creamery and a tobacco washhouse are expected. These things will be of great help not only to Asheboro but to the surrounding country as well.

The Randolph County Building and Loan Association has opened another series for the selling of stock to help people in building homes, paying a good interest on the money invested. This stock is non-taxable. The Asheboro Chamber of Commerce is giving its hearty co-operation in putting on a special membership drive. Secretary T. Fletcher Bulla will gladly explain the advantage to anyone interested. It is hoped that all who can will take some stock during the month of January and co-operate with the Building and Loan Association and the Chamber of Commerce in building up the town. These two organizations are the greatest of all town builders. They are working for the good of the community, and it is only fair that the community should give them its hearty support and cooperation.