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WORK STARTED ON NEW POSTOFFICE

Located On South Fayetteville
—Will Be Two-Story Of
Brick and Granite.

Work has been started on the new postoffice building on South Fayetteville street. The footings have been poured and the work will be pushed along as fast as the weather permits. The building is to be ready for occupancy by the first of April, next, or as soon thereafter as is possible.

The building is located on the west side of South Fayetteville street, between Mr. E. L. Hedrick's dwelling and the new Buick station now under construction. It will be 35 feet in width and will have a depth of 70 feet. The front of the lower floor which will be occupied by the Asheboro postoffice will be of plate glass. The building will be constructed of red tapestry brick, trimmed in granite. The upper floor will be used for office rooms.

Latest equipment for the postoffice has been purchased. It is all steel and of the most modern type. Five hundred and five lock boxes will be afforded for use of the patrons of the office. The office space will be ample to take care of the needs of the postoffice for years.

Mr. E. L. Hedrick, the owner of the new postoffice building, the brick block under construction for some time, and the W. J. Moore place, besides the residence and lot which he occupies, intends as soon as the property is developed a little further to erect another brick block adjoining the postoffice building. In the block now under construction will be the home of the Buick sales agency which Mr. Hedrick handles and a store location in addition to the postoffice.

Texas Inaugurates Its First Woman Governor

Mrs. Miriam Amanda Ferguson, of Temple, Texas, was inaugurated Tuesday Governor of Texas, and the second woman governor in the United States. Mrs. Ferguson read a brief speech after taking the oath of office. Mrs. Ferguson succeeds Governor Neff, who has made a popular executive.

CONGRESS PAUSES TO PAY RESPECTS TO GENERAL LEE

Observing the birthday anniversary Monday of General Robert E. Lee, the House of Representatives paused to hear Representative Charles M. Stedman, Democrat, representative from the 5th North Carolina district, deliver a brief tribute to General Lee. The veteran North Carolina legislator, the sole survivor in the House of the army that Lee commanded, declared that he regarded his commander of the early sixties "as not only one of the greatest military commanders but as one of the most stalwart whose fame belongs not to Virginia alone but is the birthright of every American citizen."

Mr. Stedman said that he had returned only recently from an inspection of the battlefields around Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania Court House in Virginia. This trip, he added, was made to inspect the battlefields as to the feasibility of preserving and marking them for historical purposes.

"My estimate of General Lee, he said, 'both as to his moral attributes and military ability, was formed in my early days more than half a century ago and never has changed since. I regarded him as one of the greatest military commanders who lived, not only in the era which witnessed his great achievements but at any time and in any land, and such is my opinion to-day.'"

Mr. Fred J. Phillips Resigns As Auditor

Mr. Fred J. Phillips, county auditor for the past two years, resigned his position some weeks ago effective January 1st, of this year. However, he remained on the job for a few days longer in order to finish some work already started. Mr. Phillips has accepted a position with Scott, Charnley & Company, of Charlotte, a company of certified public accountants. He is now engaged in some work for the company at Siler City and will be there for several days yet.

Mr. Phillips is an efficient accountant and kept the books of the county in excellent shape. He will retain Asheboro as his residence.

BAPTIST NEWS LETTER

Rev. W. M. Gilmore, Publicity Director, Baptist State Board of Missions, Raleigh, occupied our pulpit last Sunday evening. "The High Cost of Loving" was his appropriate subject. The line of thought proved to be an excellent discourse on Christian stewardship. Those of our number who were absent missed a treat indeed.

Pastor, mother, wife and children were delightfully entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Scott, Friday evening, January 16th.

Mother Morris returned to her home in Stanley to-day (Tuesday). Her visit was short but we were happy to have her a few weeks.

The pastor will use the following subjects next Sunday: Morning, "In Search of a Bride"; evening, "Voices that Call the Lost."

MOTHER OF MRS. ERWIN DIES AT FRANKLINVILLE

Death Came Suddenly While On
Visit to Daughter—Funeral
Held in Durham Today.

Mr. Clinton W. Toms, Sr., of Durham, died suddenly from a stroke of apoplexy Tuesday morning shortly after 10 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Harper Erwin, Jr., at Franklinville. Mrs. Toms with her mother, Mrs. George D. Newby, of Hertford, had been visiting Mrs. Erwin, who was Miss Mary Toms, for several days.

The remains were taken to Durham Tuesday evening and lay in state at the family home until today when interment was made in Maplewood cemetery.

Mrs. Toms was born in Hertford, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Newby. She was married to Mr. Clinton W. Toms, now vice-president of the Liggett Myers Tobacco Company, and moved to Durham in 1891. When Mr. Toms went to the New York offices of the company, Mrs. Toms has divided her time between her New York and Durham homes.

Surviving the deceased are the husband, C. W. Toms, Sr., two daughters, Mrs. J. Harper Erwin, Jr., and Mrs. John A. Buchanan; four sons, Clinton W. Toms, Jr., Edgar Shelton Toms, of Philadelphia; Zack Toms, of Richmond, and George Toms, of Durham, now a student at the University of North Carolina; her mother, Mrs. George B. Newby, of Hertford; one sister, Mrs. Simon Rudenberg, of Hertford and three brothers, Ernest Newby, of Philadelphia; Dr. Edgar Newby of Hertford and Bruce Newby, of Long Beach, Cal.

Much Interest In Our Cross-Word Puzzles

John K. Wood Sends In First Answer
To Last Week's Puzzle—Two
Sets of Prizes.

Mr. John K. Wood, of Asheboro, sent in the first correct answer to the cross-word puzzle in last week's issue of The Courier.

The second correct answer was received from Miss Dick Fogleman, of Liberty. She was awarded a prize also, a string of pearls.

It has been decided since the people of Asheboro have the advantage over those living out of town in getting their answers in earlier to give an additional prize for readers living outside of Asheboro. In this connection Miss Fogleman was awarded a prize.

The prizes will be the same for those living in town and out of town. To the first young lady sending in a correct answer to the puzzle in this week's issue will be given a string of pearls. The prize for a boy or young man will be a dictionary and for a man a book, "The Life of Charles B. Aycock." If the first correct answer should be sent in by a woman the prize will be a shopping bag.

If you live outside of Asheboro in sending in your answer please be sure to indicate at what time you mailed the answer to the paper since several answers are sometimes received on the same mail and it is impossible for us to tell which was mailed first.

Several answers were received to last week's puzzle. The answer appears this week. Look it over and see if you had the correct solution.

This cross-word puzzle contest will last until February 15th.

M. E. CHURCH MATTERS

By W. H. Willis
A district meeting of pastors and laymen in the interest of the "Carry On" movement will be held at Greensboro next Monday.

Married at the court house on January 16th, Frank Saferite and Annie Hanner, both of Climax, the writer officiating.

Rev. W. F. Womble, presiding elder, will preach Sunday evening, next, and hold the second quarterly conference.

"Regeneration," one of the Christian fundamentals, will be the pastor's subject Sunday morning.

For the Sunday evening services in February, the writer will preach a series of sermons on "The Lost Paradise," using as a basis the first three chapters of Genesis. The subheads are as follows:

- Feb. 1—Paradise and its People.
- Feb. 8—The Tempter and the Tempted.
- Feb. 15—The Sin and the Sorrow.
- Feb. 22—The Curse Cured.

Will Develop Old Mine South of Asheboro

The McGrew Mining Company, of Philadelphia, Pa., has purchased from O. L. Sapp, of Greensboro, the old Bingham mining property two miles South of Asheboro, near the Clark Hooker place. Mr. Edmund G. McGrew, a member of the company and an experienced mining engineer, is in Asheboro looking after the development of the property. A force is at work on the property prospecting and getting ready for the sinking of shafts when the most profitable part of the field can be ascertained.

This mine was formerly owned by the Bingham heirs and many years ago, probably 30 or 40, the mine was operated by the Bingham by the old panning method, and quite a little gold was found. Nothing has been done in the way of prospecting or development of the field, however, since that time.

PROTEST TAKING OFF MAIL CLERK

Would Have Mail Clerk Restored
to Asheboro-High Point
Train—New Star Route.

The double daily star route mail service from Greensboro via Randleman, Asheboro, and Franklinville, to Ramseur, and return to Greensboro via Franklinville, Cedar Falls, Millboro, Climax, and Pleasant Garden to Greensboro went into effect Monday, the 19th. Mr. E. D. Landreth, of Greensboro, has the contract. The mail from Greensboro in the morning at 6:30 o'clock and Ramseur at 7:15. In the afternoon the mail reaches Asheboro at 3:30 o'clock and Ramseur at 4:15 o'clock.

As a result of this new star route mail service the mail clerk has been taken off of train No. 141 reaching Asheboro in the morning at about 9:30 and train No. 134 leaving Asheboro about 8:50. Mail to Randleman, Spero, Sophia, Trinity, Glenola, and other points on the railway from High Point to Asheboro is handled by closed pouches.

Train No. 142 leaving Asheboro at 5:10 in the morning now carries no mail, nor does No. 143 reaching Asheboro from High Point at 8:50 p. m.

The taking of the mail clerk off trains No. 141 and 134 is meeting with opposition from the High Point people and also from a number of Asheboro business men. The High Point chamber of commerce held an extraordinary session Monday afternoon and passed a resolution protesting the discontinuance of the mail clerk service between Asheboro and High Point. The resolution was forwarded to Postmaster General New and copies to Senator Overman, and Representatives Hammer and Steadman. A committee will go to Washington about the matter. A delegation from Asheboro is also expected to accompany the High Point committee to Washington.

Frank B. Phillips, Former Citizen of Asheboro, Dead

Frank B. Phillips, a native of Chatham county, but for many years a citizen of Asheboro and employed by the Asheboro Coffin and Casket Company, died Friday night at the John Hopkins Hospital, in Baltimore, where he had gone January 4th for treatment. His death followed an operation for tumor of the brain.

The body was sent to Bear Creek and the funeral was held Monday afternoon at the Fall Creek Baptist church of which Mr. Phillips was a member. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Kidd, assisted by Rev. G. T. Lassiter and Rev. C. C. Cummings. The pallbearers were John Hill, C. H. Lambert, Z. B. Burke, J. W. Brewer, S. Hill, and J. R. Powers.

Mr. Phillips is survived by his widow, who before her marriage was Miss Eva Scott; one daughter by his first wife, Mrs. Madie Bandy, of Bath, S. C.; four brothers, E. E. Phillips, of Bear Creek, and Charles Phillips, of Putnam, Hayes Phillips, of Spar, Will Phillips, of Bear Creek, and five sisters, Mrs. M. T. Brady, of Putnam, Mrs. J. A. Tally and Mrs. W. R. Jones, of Bennett, Mrs. L. J. Brewer and Mrs. Ada Brewer, of Bear Creek.

Dedicate New M. P. Church At Greensboro

Dedication exercises were held last Sunday afternoon at the new Calvary M. P. church, at Greensboro, of which Rev. L. W. Gerring is pastor. Dr. A. G. Dixon, president of the North Carolina Methodist Protestant Conference, preached the dedicatory sermon. Rev. H. F. Fogleman, pastor of the Asheboro M. P. church, attended the exercises.

Mr. Gerring was formerly pastor of the M. P. church at this place and has many friends in Asheboro who congratulate him and his congregation on the completion of the new church building.

Dr. J. F. Miller, formerly of Asheboro Opens Hospital in Marion

Dr. J. F. Miller, who for several years practiced medicine in Asheboro and later opened a hospital here, has recently moved to Marion. Dr. Miller moved from Asheboro to Wilmington where he and his wife and their brother-in-law have had a hospital. Representatives of the Kiwanis Club of Marion went to Wilmington a few months ago and tendered the supervision of the hospital to Dr. Miller, whereupon he went to Marion and established a modern hospital with all kinds of up-to-date equipment. Dr. Miller's many friends in Asheboro will not be surprised to hear of his success.

RANSOM ALLRED DEAD

Ransom Allred, aged 35, died at the home of his brother, Sam Allred, at Spero, Tuesday, from pneumonia. He was a son of the late John D. Allred. The funeral was conducted at Neighbor's Grove church yesterday by Rev. R. Y. Putnam. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Allred is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Walter Richardson, of Lexington, Mrs. John Hinshaw, of Central Falls and another sister, who Sam and Millard Allred, of Spero and Sophia respectively.

MR. MILLSAPS WINS QUITE AN HONOR AT STATE MEET

Was One of Three To Win State-
Wide Prize In Swine Feed-
ing—Poultry Specialist.

County Farm Demonstration Agent E. S. Millsaps, Jr., is back from the meeting of the state demonstration agents and agricultural workers held in Raleigh. Mr. Millsaps is very enthusiastic and encouraged over at the meeting and encouraged over at the great good the agricultural demonstration work has done in the State. A number of agricultural leaders in the State and nation were present in addition to the 77 county farm demonstration agents, and many interesting demonstrations were held, and also a number of educational and instructive speeches and lectures.

Mr. Millsaps was one of three recipients of quite an honor during the course of the meeting. Three prizes, attractive watch fobs, were awarded to the three county agents of the State who had done the best work in the swine feeding department of agricultural extension. The other two were C. M. Brickhouse, agent in Le-noir county, and R. W. Graeber, county agent in Iredell. Mr. Graeber is a brother-in-law of Mr. Frank Ridge, of Asheboro.

Before leaving Raleigh Mr. Millsaps arranged for Mr. E. G. Warden, poultry specialist, to be in Randolph the first week in February. He is anxious to give culling demonstrations in various parts of the county. Mr. Millsaps would like to hear from farmers who have flocks they would like to have culled by this expert. There is considerable interest in the county in poultry raising, and the farm demonstrator is always on the look out for anything that will tend to forward this phase of farm life.

TRINITY CITIZENS DEMAND ACTION

Want Trinity-Archdale Road
Maintained—All Soil Roads
In County In Bad Shape.

Reports reaching Asheboro are to the effect that citizens of Trinity and Archdale held a meeting Saturday afternoon to discuss the question of improving the road from Trinity to Archdale. This short stretch of road is almost impassable. It is almost impossible to drive an automobile from Trinity to Archdale during the kind of weather that has been prevalent for several weeks. For some time previous to this bad weather the road has been in bad condition. The citizens of the community have appealed to the county commissioners, according to the report, from time to time with reference to the maintenance of this road, but have failed to get any relief. The county has the machinery for the maintenance of the highways, but have made no attempts to improve the road from Trinity to Archdale.

It is stated that the citizens in their meeting Saturday severely criticized the board of county commissioners and threatened indictments. The Trinity-Archdale road is not the only road in the county that is in bad shape, according to reports. All soil roads in the county are in bad condition, probably the worst they have been in years. Little or no work has been done towards maintaining the roads already built in the county and if the condition exists many of the roads will be almost ruined and in many instances will have to be topsold all over again.

Marriage of Popular Young People In Lynchburg

The following announcement will be of interest to relatives and friends of Mr. Hammer, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hammer, who were originally citizens of the county. Mr. Carl Hammer has visited relatives from time to time in Asheboro. The announcement follows:

"Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Robinson announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Frances, to Mr. William Carl Hammer on Saturday, January the seventeenth, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, Lynchburg, Virginia."

Three Hammer Children Hold Positions of Honor

The three children of the late John M. Hammer have been honored with positions in their hometown of Bradenton, Florida. Mrs. Hammer moved to Bradenton about six years ago on account of her oldest son's health. She put them in school and has since resided there. Miss Josephine, the youngest of the three, is president of her Sunday School class. John Milton, the oldest son, is captain of the school baseball team, and Jennings, the second son, is patrol leader of the scout troops. Their friends will read with interest of the honors conferred upon them.

Sheriff Ousted At Last

Sheriff Arden Taylor, of Lenoir county, who has refused to relinquish his office upon order to the board of county commissioners in favor of the newly appointed sheriff Heber Worthington, came down last Monday when the judge presiding over the term of Superior Court in session at Kinston refused to recognize Taylor as sheriff.

ORGANIZE PARKS HOSIERY MILL, INC.

Elect Officers and Purchase Site
For Mill Buildings—Will In-
stall Latest Machinery.

At a meeting of stockholders held in Asheboro Wednesday night of last week the Parks Hosiery Mill, Inc., was organized. Directors elected were D. B. McCrary, J. D. Ross, Hugh Parks, Dr. J. G. Crutchfield, A. H. Thomas, and W. J. Armfield, Jr.

Officers elected were D. B. McCrary, president, J. D. Ross, vice-president, and Hugh Parks, secretary and treasurer. The company has a number of stockholders in the town and county.

A lot for the site of the mill buildings on the corner of Church and Salisbury streets has been purchased. This lot lies between the town property on which is located the town offices and fire station and Salisbury street and extends back to the railway tracks. The construction of the buildings will be started as soon as the weather permits. The buildings will be of brick and of latest type for hosiery mill manufacture. Latest model knitting machines will be installed.

Messrs. D. B. McCrary and Hugh Parks are on the Northern markets this week looking after the purchase of knitting machines and other machinery for the plant. Just what kind of hosiery will be made has not been definitely decided, but it is likely that it will be a class not now made in Asheboro.

The new company has an authorized capital stock of \$200,000, with \$75,000 subscribed.

Twice As Many Births As Deaths In Asheboro Last Year

The records of W. A. Bunch, registrar of vital statistics for Asheboro township show that for the year 1924 there were twice as many births in the town of Asheboro as deaths. The number of births was 108 and the deaths about half that number, 59. The township, outside of the town limits although not showing as many births and deaths in total as the town proper had a higher percentage of gain in births over deaths than the town. The number of births was 47 and the number of deaths 20. This makes a total of births 155 and deaths 79 for the entire township.

STATE DEFICIT WILL REACH NINE MILLIONS

Major Part of This Deficit Was
Incurred During The Last
Four Years.

An unofficial estimate of the State deficit places the figures at between eight and nine millions of dollars. All of this deficit, with the exception of about one million dollars, was incurred during the last four years, it is understood.

Heads of all State institutions met with the budget commission yesterday, but their findings are to late to be reported in this week's issue. Governor McLean will meet with the budget commission. It is understood that the commission will not recommend maintenance appropriations to the actual needs of the plants already built.

Payment of the huge State deficit, which will be done over a period of ten years, will necessitate the use of nearly a million and a half of the revenues coming into the State during the next year, a million the second year and lesser sums each year until the entire amount is paid.

Governor McLean is determined that the deficit shall be definitely determined before it is announced in order to prevent a recurrence of the controversies on the subject during the last two years. All State officials will be heard on the amount determined and their differences from the sum as stated will be examined and if valid embodied in the sum when it is reported.

The great size of the deficit has instilled a determination in members of the commission to make it impossible for such a situation to arise again in the finances of the State.

FRIENDS QUARTERLY MEETING

The Southern Quarterly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends will convene at Holly Springs church next seventh-day, the 24th, and continue through the 25th. Those who desire to worship with us are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Martishia Lineberry Dead

Mrs. Martishia Lineberry, widow of George H. Lineberry, died at the age of 67 years, at her home nine miles west of Liberty last Thursday morning. Mrs. Lineberry was one of the most highly respected and esteemed women of her community. She is survived by one son, Ross Lineberry, of Greensboro, and four daughters, Mrs. O. E. Routh, of Asheboro, Mrs. R. E. Routh, of Millmax, Mrs. J. D. Harwell, of Millboro, and Miss Ethel Lineberry, who lives at the late residence.

Funeral services were held from Gray's Chapel Methodist Protestant church at 11 o'clock Friday morning with Rev. W. F. Ashburn officiating. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

STATE SHOWS GAIN IN FEDERAL INCOME TAX

Figures Made Public Show That
State Made Good Gain Over
1921. Few Large Incomes.

According to information made public Sunday by the Internal Revenue Bureau the total taxable income of the American people, personal and corporation, subject to Federal income tax, amounted in 1922 to \$28,300,023,673, and of this amount the government collected taxes of \$1,644,833,576. There were 6,787,481 individual income tax returns and 382,893 returns from corporations.

Maryland led the Southern states in the total amount of income tax paid, the amount being \$22,719,135. North Carolina was second with \$16,374,568. The next State in the amount of taxes paid was Virginia. North Carolina led in the amount of taxes paid by corporations.

The aggregate net income reported by the 58,009 returns filed by North Carolinians was \$171,929,259, and average income per return of \$2,964, and the average tax was \$85 per return. The income tax on these returns totaled \$4,908,611. This was an increase in the amount of tax paid in 1921 of \$1,148,112.

For 1922 the number of corporations in North Carolina was 5,714 and of these 3,486 reported net taxable incomes. The income tax collected from these corporations in 1922 was \$11,410,349, or more than twice the amount collected for the year 1921.

In the personal tax returns one person reported an income of between \$700.00 and \$500,000. Only 86 returned incomes of above \$50,000. The largest number of returns was for incomes of between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

The largest number of personal returns from the counties of the State came from Mecklenburg county, 5,956, Guilford being second with 4,810 and Buncombe third with 3,930. Clay county reported but five, while Allegheny and Graham counties reported 10 each. Camden county reported 20, Wake county reported 3,750. By cities, the largest number of personal returns came from Charlotte, 5,850, with Winston-Salem, second with 3,715 and Asheville third with 3,510. Greensboro close to it with 3,000, and Wilmington 3,415 and Raleigh with 3,440.

WONDERFUL STATE PROGRESS UNDER GOVERNOR MORRISON

State Has Built Large Mileage of
Roads—Value School Property
Has Increased.

During the four years of Governor Cameron Morrison's administration the State and counties have built 5,400 miles of good roads. The State with the money remaining from the \$65,000,000 bond issue has under contract 131 additional miles of hard-surface roads and 479 miles of gravel road under contract. The total mileage of hard-surface road completed to date is 1,434. The highway commission is maintaining 6,000 miles of roads. The total cost of these State built highways completed and under construction is \$76,827,557. The cost of bridges is over \$3,000,000.

Progress in other directions can be best gauged by the use of figures. In the four years of Morrison's Administration, the value of public school property has increased by \$36,456,292; the school expenditures have increased by \$23,787,750. There has been an increase of 4,544 in number of teachers employed and of 101,797 in number of pupils enrolled in public schools. Quoting from a biographical sketch by Associate Justice Clarkson, in the last four years our school teachers have increased from 16,854 to 21,403. Of these 5,037 were negro teachers. In 1920, in the Tuberculosis Sanatorium and other charitable institutions of the State, we cared for 5,142. In 1924 to July 1, we cared for 6,489—an increase of 1,347.

In the State educational schools—the University, State College, College for Women, and others, including the negro schools, in 1920 we had 9,826 students, in 1924 we had 13,864. In the charitable institutions of our State—deaf, dumb and blind, cripple children, tuberculosis hospital, Oxford Orphanage Asylum, wayward boys and girls, and others, we spent in 1920 \$1,217,270; in 1924 \$1,985,142, year ending June 30. The Stonewall Jackson Training School in 1920 cared for 180 boys, and in 1924 it cared for 345 boys, giving them a chance to come back. All this has been done without a cent of tax on real property.

Masons Hold Grand Lodge Meet at Raleigh

The 138th communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened in the lodge rooms of the Masonic temple in Raleigh Tuesday evening. Grand Master LeGrand Everett delivered his address at the convening of the Grand Lodge in which he reviewed the progress made by the craft during the past year in North Carolina.

Grand Secretary W. W. Wilson reported a membership of 40,064 in the 451 lodges affiliated with the Grand Lodge, a net gain of 1,237 for the year. The report of the Oxford Orphanage showed a most satisfactory year.

Dr. Charles Daligny, of Troy, has been re-elected county health officer for Montgomery county by the board of commissioners.

PAVED ROADS NOW IN 66 COUNTIES

Randolph Has 20.89 Miles—Fif-
teen Counties Will Get No
Hard Surface.

At the last spending of the \$65,000,000 bond issue for state highways hard surface roads totaling 1,478.79 miles will have been built. More than half of this mileage has been built.

The paved highways extend into every county in the State, except 15, although in 34 counties no hard surface has been completed. Guilford county with 54.47 miles, Pitt with 54.33 miles, Pender with 51.19 miles and Mecklenburg with 48.89 miles, lead all other counties in the number of miles completed and under construction. Forsyth with 38.31, Guilford with 35.70, and Pitt with 35.55 miles lead in the number of miles already constructed. Pender with 30.22, Iredell with 24.78 and Sampson with 22.62 miles lead in the number of miles under construction.

The counties in which no hard surface roads have been built or are being built out of the present funds are: Bladen, Caldwell, Chatham, Clay, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Graham, Hyde, Madison, Northampton, Scotland, Stokes, Tyrrell and Washington. In practically all of these counties roads of other types have been constructed and in some of them costly bridges have been built. The total miles of hard surface roads already constructed is 785.19 miles while 693.59 miles are under construction or under contract.

In the accompanying table all projects under contract have been placed under the head of under construction. The paved highways are divided among the nine highway districts as follows: first district, 226.58 miles; second district, 180.78 miles; third district, 182.96 miles; fourth district, 139.59 miles; fifth district, 68.97 miles; sixth district, 232.65 miles; seventh district 123.05 miles; eighth district, 118.72 miles; and ninth district, 105.48 miles.

Randolph county has had 20.87 miles of hard surface completed. Montgomery has had completed 2.01 miles of paved roads, with 3.07 additional miles under construction. Davidson has had 25.05 miles completed with .93 miles under contract, a total of 25.98 miles.

The contract for that part of Route No. 70 from Randleman to the Guilford-Randolph line has not been let, although the highway commission states that the contract is ready to be signed by Ziegler and Dalton if this company will contract for it at the same price per mile that that part from the county line to Greensboro was built.

Simmons Observes His 71st Birthday

Senator Furnifold M. Simmons, senior member of the United States Senate from North Carolina, and considered one of the most able men in Congress, Tuesday received the congratulations of his many friends upon his 71st birthday. Senator Simmons is in excellent health and is taking an active part in the deliberations of the Senate.

Fox Furniture Company Now Building Addition To Store

The Fox Furniture Company has let contract for an addition to its brick store building on Worth street. The addition will be built of brick to the rear of the building and will be 45 feet in length, two stories high, with basement, the same height as the present building. This addition now under construction when completed will give the company a store 135 feet in depth and will enable it to take care of its business to better advantage.

Supper at M. P. Church January 30

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Asheboro Methodist Protestant church will on the evening of January 30th beginning at 6 o'clock serve a supper in the basement of the church building consisting of oysters, chicken salad, ice cream, etc. The proceeds will go to foreign missions.

Mrs. Hedden Wins Prize For Story Writing

Mrs. Walter Page Hedden, a sister of Mrs. I. C. Moser, of Asheboro, has recently won second prize in a story writing contest for Pearson's magazine