

ROSS' ROAD BILL LOSES IN HOUSE

Lower House Votes To Table It
By Large Majority—Will
Not Be Revived.

The bill providing a non-partisan road board for Randolph county introduced in the General Assembly about ten days ago by Senator Ross after passing third reading in the Senate was tabled in the House by a decisive vote. The bill after leaving the Senate was referred to the House committee on roads and turnpikes and was favorably reported to the lower house. Upon being brought up in the House a motion to table the bill was made by Representative A. I. Ferree, of this county. The House voted to sustain the motion.

The measure can be revived only by a two-thirds vote in the House. In the closing sessions of the General Assembly there is always a rush of legislation and it is not often that a bill is revived after once being tabled. Considerable opposition to the act developed in the county and a number of those opposed to the measure wired the chairman and other members of the House committee on roads and turnpikes voicing their opposition. On the other hand, there was quite a sentiment among another element in the county in favor of the bill.

MINISTERS OF ASHEBORO TO EXCHANGE PULPITS SUNDAY

For several years it has been a custom of the ministers of the town to exchange pulpits. The announcement was made last Sunday in all of the local churches that the exchange of pulpits would take place next Sunday. The pastors determine the churches which they will occupy at the meeting of the ministerial association. There is always conjecture as to who will be the visiting minister. The ministers have urged that the various congregations be large.

Native of Randolph County Dies at Hortonsville, Indiana

Simon Macon Fesmire, who died at his home near Hortonsville, Indiana, February 18th, at the age of 72 years, was born in Randolph county May 28th, 1852. When he was eighteen years old his parents moved to Kansas and after five years' residence in that state moved to Indiana and settled in the vicinity of Hortonsville.

Mr. Fesmire was married to Miss Mary Ann Jay on October 24th, 1878, and to this union were born three children, Clarence, Deborah and Iva. The two boys and their mother are dead. His second marriage was to Amelia Barker, who lived only eleven months. Later he married Miss Parthena Robbins, a daughter of George Robbins, of Randolph county. To this union four children were born.

Surviving are his widow and five children, Deborah Crooks, of Parsons, Kans.; Carl Fesmire, of Long Beach, Cal.; Bertha, Ethel and Clayton Fesmire, of Hortonsville, Ind.; also eight grandchildren and six brothers and sisters.

Dwelling Burned At Seagrove

The residence at the old J. B. Slack place at Why Not, on Seagrove, Route 1, caught fire last Thursday night and burned to the ground. The residence was occupied by E. L. Slack, a son of J. B. Slack, of Seagrove. There was insurance on the place in the Farmers' Mutual to the extent of \$1,200.

Floyd Cox Climax Boy Has Skull Fractured

Received in Fight With Albert Smith,
Who Has Been Placed Under
Bond—Cox Not Critically Hurt.

Floyd Cox, 10th grade student in Pleasant Garden high school, and son of Mr. and Mrs. E. U. Cox, of near Climax in this county, sustained a fractured skull as a result of a fight with Albert Smith, ninth grade pupil in the same school, which took place Monday night in front of the Carolina warehouse, at Pleasant Garden. Smith is held under \$500 bond and will be given a hearing March 21st before Judge D. H. Collins, at Greensboro.

Dr. A. C. Whitaker, of Julian, who dressed young Cox's injuries, stated that the boy is not critically hurt in spite of the serious injury. No complications have arisen, according to the physician.

It is understood that the fight took place as a result of a long standing quarrel between the two boys. Smith admits using a pair of knucks in the fight and the three wounds on Cox's face attest it. The fracture is just above the left eye.

State To Get Lower Rates On Cement

As a result of an inquiry before the Interstate Commerce Commission, at Washington, yesterday, in which Commissioner A. J. Maxwell participated, North Carolina will get a substantial reduction on cement rates. The reduction will average 15 per cent. Testimony at the hearing shows that more than 3,000,000 barrels of cement are being shipped into this State annually. Most of this is used in road construction and is in the

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT NEAR GLENOLA SUNDAY

Ford Coupe Driven By John
Cooper Collides With Truck
—Miss Cooper Hurt.

Miss Ethel Cooper, who lives on the Farmer-Asheboro highway, sustained a scalp wound in an automobile accident near Glenola Sunday. Miss Cooper was riding in a Ford coupe with her uncle, Cleo and John Cooper coming from High Point when the car collided with a truck driven by G. C. Deaton going toward High Point. The accident occurred south of Glenola near the Ridge place on the hard surface highway.

According to the best available information Mr. Cooper was trying to drive around a car in front of him when he collided with the truck which he did not see when he started to pass the car before him. Both cars were badly damaged, the Ford coupe having to be hauled in to Asheboro, while the truck was taken to High Point.

None of the occupants of the cars were injured outside a general shake-up except Miss Cooper, who was brought to Memorial hospital, at Asheboro, where her wounds were dressed. The Coopers live west of Asheboro on the Farmer road.

Senate Fails To Confirm Warren As Attorney General

Charles Beecher Warren, of Michigan, failed to become attorney general of the United States in the Senate Tuesday by a vote of 41 to 39. Vice-President Dawes rushing to the senate chamber in a taxicab, failed to reach the chamber in time to cast his vote.

Mr. Warren's nomination is the sixth in the history of the country that has failed of confirmation for a cabinet portfolio.

M. E. CHURCH MATTERS

(By W. H. Willis)

The writer visited relatives at Statesville last week.

Probably 150 persons heard the talk to children Sunday night, last. The writer visited our church at Cedar Falls Sunday afternoon in the interest of centenary collections.

"Straight Edges, and Crooked Lines" will be the subject of the pastor's talk to children next Sunday night.

All Methodist and their friends are urged to hear the visiting minister at our church next Sunday. This minister is G. T. Church Day.

Five Bills That Women Supported Were Beaten

Five bills seeking to provide greater safeguards for child, home and social life, sponsored by the legislative council of North Carolina women were beaten in the last Legislature which has just adjourned.

Two of the bills dealt with removing objectionable persons from society by providing a reformatory school for colored girls and an establishment of a farm colony for women offenders older than those received at Samarrand. A bill requiring marriage banns to be published two weeks before marriage, and a bill limiting the working day of children under 16 to eight hours in industrial and mercantile pursuits were also included in the program, and a State-wide Australian ballot law.

The council is composed of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, the State Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, the North Carolina League of Women Voters, Women's Christian Temperance Union, North Carolina Parent-Teacher Association, State Nurses' Association, Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church, and co-operating is the Young Women's Christian Association.

RANDOLPH COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES MONDAY

Randolph county Superior court will convene Monday for the trial of civil and criminal cases. There is a large docket ahead for this term of court. Judge Thomas J. Shaw will be the presiding judge and Zeb Long, of Statesville, is the solicitor.

Trinity Highs Win In County But Lose In District Game

The Trinity high school girls are champions of Randolph county by virtue of their victory over Asheboro highs at Ramseur Wednesday afternoon of last week by a score of 22 to 7. The Asheboro girls were outclassed by the Trinity girls in all stages of the game.

The undefeated Trinity team went to Greensboro Saturday night to contest for the fifth district championship with Leaksville highs. In one of the fastest games of the season Trinity lost by a score of 34 to 31. The lead alternated from one team to the other several times during the game.

The first quarter was even, each team scoring six points. Trinity led at the end of the second quarter, 22 to 24. The third period was closely contested, the score at the end of the third quarter being 29 to 25 in favor of Leaksville. The Leaksville ladies, led by the Gunn sisters, staged a short attack in the final minutes of play that brought victory. The Trinity girls were the star for Trinity while Gunn was the star for Leaksville team in the final minutes of the game.

COUNTY TEACHERS HOLD A MEETING

Discuss Matters of Professional
Interest—Places Named For
Examinations.

A meeting of the teachers of the county was held in the court house at Asheboro Saturday morning with seventy-five or more present. Mrs. John S. Cunningham, of the State Insurance Department, of Raleigh, made an interesting address to the teachers on fire prevention.

County Superintendent T. F. Bulla made a short talk stressing the importance of keeping the attendance in the schools during the spring up to normal. Other matters relating to school duties were dealt with.

The teachers were in agreement with the dates previously set for county seventh grade examinations and field day exercises. The seventh grade examinations will include the following subjects: reading, arithmetic, spelling, grammar, geography, history and civics. The examinations will be held Friday, April 3rd, at 12 places in the county. These places are Trinity, Randleman, Liberty, Staley, Ramseur, Coleridge, Mount Olivet, Seagrove, Asheboro, Farmer and Tabernacle. The principals of these schools will conduct the examinations and they will be given to pupils from schools in the neighborhood about the twelve places mentioned as designated by the county superintendent. Mr. Bulla will mail to each teacher in the next few days the point at which the pupils in his or her school are to go for the county examination.

County field day exercises, as previously announced, will be held on Friday afternoon, April 17th. No plans have been for the morning. If exercises are arranged for the morning announcement will be made later. For the high school boys there will be contests in the 100 yard dash, 200 yard dash, running high jump, running broad jump and standing broad jump.

The high school girls may compete in the 50 yard dash, 75 yard dash, high jump, baseball throw, 200 yard relay race, potato race, and bean bag throw.

For the grade school boys there will be contests in sack race, three-legged race, basket ball under relay, 50 yard dash, standing broad jump, and 100 yard dash.

The graded school girls may enter the 50 yard dash, 75 yard dash, three-legged race, potato race, and bean bag throw.

In addition to these contests any school in the county may enter a group in any athletic feat of special skill or strength. Each stunt will be limited to ten minutes. No points will be given for this special stunt.

Sheriff Cranford Captures Three Stills In Jericho Section

Sheriff J. F. Cranford and prohibition officer Moore have captured three stills in what is known as the Jericho section in the northwestern part of the county. One of the stills was taken Saturday and the other two were seized Monday.

In the raid Monday two barrels of beer were found at the still site. Indications were that two stills had been in operation recently at the place. Upon conducting a search, the officers found a small still hidden in a stump. They then began the hunt for the other still, but after going a few hundred yards decided to return and destroy the beer. Upon approaching the scene of their find they saw a man standing near the barrels of beer and gave chase. The man having a start of a hundred yards or more on his pursuers succeeded in making good his escape after a long race.

Continuing their hunt for the other still the officers located it hidden in a stump several hundred yards from its former location. The cap of this still was found in a nearby meadow.

PIERCE ARROW TOURING CAR CATCHES ON FIRE

James Burns, Driving Car, Has
Narrow Escape, As Flames
Break Out.

A Pierce Arrow touring car owned and driven by Mr. James Burns, of Asheboro, caught on fire Sunday morning about 7 o'clock while Mr. Burns was entering the town of Elber on his way to Rockingham. The fire originating probably from a short circuit in the wiring started under the hood on the right-hand side and spread up through the footboard before Mr. Burns could stop the car which was traveling at a lively rate of speed.

When he discovered the fire Mr. Burns cut off the gasoline and put on the emergency brake and jumped from the car in order to save himself from the flames. The car under its own momentum rolled down the road several yards running to the right-hand side of the road and stopped near a small branch by the side of the road. Mr. Burns with the help of Eli Freeman, who came to the rescue with a bucket, succeeded in getting the fire under control.

The wiring system of the car was burned out, as were the windshield, dash, top, and upholstery. The total damage will reach five or six hundred dollars with insurance in the amount of \$200. Mr. Burns sustained some slight burns and also several minor scratches when he jumped from the burning car.

Off His Perch



Gutzon Borglum, American sculptor, employed to carve a great Confederate Memorial on Stone Mountain, Atlanta, Ga., has been discharged by the committee. He is charged with destroying models after being discharged.

YOUNG MAN HELD ON GRAVE CHARGE

Arrested For Rape of Girl At
Seagrove—Is Young Married
Man of Leaksville.

A. L. Manley, young white man of Leaksville, is held in jail at Asheboro without privilege of bond charged with the rape of a girl under sixteen years at Seagrove last Friday afternoon. Manley was arrested at his home at Leaksville Sunday by Deputy Sheriff Scott and was brought to Asheboro Monday. A preliminary hearing will be held tomorrow.

Manley, who has a wife and two children and is apparently about 25 years of age, had been conducting a special sale for the Seagrove Cash Store, at Seagrove, for two weeks. It was while engaged in this business that he met the girl. The alleged assault is said to have occurred in a cove woods just north of Seagrove.

BAPTIST NEWS LETTER

It was a good privilege to have as a noon-day guest last Sunday, in the pastor's home, Dr. and Mrs. M. G. Edwards and son, M. G., Jr.

Our Sunday school moves forward with pleasing results. Last Sunday's attendance exceeded the previous enrollment. Another increase is expected next Sunday, for some of the classes, on our imaginary trip from Florida to New York, will in all probability pass through the city of Asheboro, N. C., at that time. Those passing through will be parked at the Baptist church 9:45 a. m. Come, "see 'um."

"Will the Circle be Unbroken" was the special selection, splendidly given at our services last Sunday evening by Miss Treva Beck.

On Monday afternoon the pastor assisted in the funeral services of Mrs. A. C. Cagle. He was happy to do this bit of service. We herewith extend our sympathy to all the bereaved.

Our churches are to have a general exchange of pulpits next Sunday morning. The pastors will meet Saturday at the noon hour to decide by lot just where they will render service Sunday morning. "Where do we go from here?"

The subject for discussion next Sunday evening, 7:30, will be, "Don't Park Here."

Case Against Harris Non-suited

David Harris, High Point merchant, was exonerated of a charge of incendiarism Tuesday afternoon in Guilford county Superior court when the presiding judge ordered a non-suit in the case against him. Harry C. Zeban, arrested for the same offense, will be tried. Harris and Zeban were arrested on a charge of burning the H. Harris store, at High Point, on the night of January 22nd.

J. T. Lambert, of Moffitt, Sells Place

Mr. J. T. Lambert, who has for years conducted a general merchandise store and operated a large farm at Moffitt, has sold his store, farm and farming machinery to F. P. Stout, who will continue the business. Mr. Lambert has made no announcement of his plans for the future. He is understood to have several places in view for his future residence. Mr. Lambert is the father of Dr. W. L. Lambert, of Asheboro.

Five demonstrations in soil building will be placed in Halifax county this year as a result of a soil fertility campaign held in that county by W. O. Davis, farm agent. Over 300 farmers attended the five meetings held during the winter.

AUCTION SALE OF GUERNSEY COWS

To Be Held in Asheboro Friday,
April 24th, By Guernsey
Breeders Association.

Several weeks ago it was announced that an effort was being made to get the North Carolina Guernsey Breeders association to put on an auction sale of pure bred Guernseys. The matter was taken up with the association by county agent Millsaps and H. C. Bates, dairy specialist, who recently spent a week in the county.

Mr. Millsaps announces that efforts to secure a sale of this kind for the farmers of Randolph county have been successful and that on Friday, April 24th, there will be held in Asheboro an auction sale of pure bred Guernseys by the state association. A letter to this effect has been received from the association by Mr. Millsaps.

The association announces that it has secured a number of splendid animals for the sale, and a class of cattle of which the association is proud of and well represents the superior qualities of the Guernsey breed. Some of the animals secured for the sale are a bull about ten months old consigned by F. H. and J. L. Beall, of Linwood, and sired by a bull which recently sold for \$1,000, and three bulls from the herd of S. W. Miller, at Mt. Ullah, one a calf 6 months old and the other two 2-1/2 to 3 years old. H. Arthur Osborne, of Canton, probably the biggest Guernsey breeder in the State, will consign three bulls sired by his famous Bon Ayre bull and out of registered cows.

In addition to these superior bulls the association has secured a number of other animals representative of the breed. There will also be a nice line of open heifers, bred heifers and a few mature cows.

The county agent and a number of farmers interested in pure bred dairy cattle are enthusiastic over the prospects of the sale. Interest in pure bred dairy cattle is growing every day as the farmers are realizing these are the only cattle to keep. Every farmer in the county should keep in touch with the county agent for further announcements relative to the sale.

Start Teapot Dome Oil Lease Inquiry

The government has at last started to annul the famous Teapot Dome oil leases handed out so freely by Secretary Fall, of the Interior Department. The hearing is being held in Cheyenne, Wyoming. The specific lease being investigated just now is the lease of government oil reserves obtained by Harry F. Sinclair. The government charges the lease was obtained through collusion and fraud between Sinclair and Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior.

A number of depositions are being taken which show that others besides Sinclair were trying for the leases. Sinclair seems to have been the highest bidder.

Supt. McMahan Writes About City Schools

Asheboro City Schools Almost Reach
1200 Mark—Tuition Charged For
Outside Pupils.

Many of our citizens are not aware of the fact that the Asheboro City Schools now enroll eleven hundred and sixty-eight students and that our town has become a real city. Nine hundred sixty-nine students have been enrolled in the white school this year and two hundred seventeen in the colored.

A number of children attending these schools live outside the incorporated limits and are due to pay tuition for the last three months of the school. The tuition rate per month charged by the Board of Trustees is as follows: Pupils in the first or second grade will pay one dollar a month, those in the third, fourth or fifth pay one dollar and a half, those in the sixth and seventh two dollars, and those in the high school (eighth, ninth, tenth or eleventh grades) three dollars a month. Parents are requested to see that tuition for their children be paid in advance or not later than the tenth of each month. Those who have not paid for the month of March will be given until Monday, March 16, to pay.

I urge that parents keep their children in school until the end of the school year, since it keeps the child from being promoted to lose the last three months of school. Sometimes we become frantic over paying two or three dollars tuition for our child and don't think what it means to the child to receive an education. Someone in estimating the value of an education to the average person has stated that each day spent in school is worth about ten dollars to the child in the long run. I am paying four dollars and a half a month myself for my little girl to take music, and I consider that very reasonable. In many places it would cost me six or seven dollars. In some places the tuition for high school is six dollars or so a month. Before we stop our children from school and ruin the year's work for them, let us think the matter over carefully.

W. H. McMahan, Supt.

Short course for hay dealers at State College, February 17, 18 and 19. The idea is to stop the practice of making North Carolina a dumping ground for poor hay.

RANDOLPH RANKS 56TH IN INCOME TAX RETURNS

People Filed Total of 280 In 1922
Or One For Every 111.4 In-
habitants—Average.

North Carolina in 1922 averaged one federal income tax return for every nine families upon an average. Randolph ranked 56th among the 100 counties of the State with 280 returns, or one for every 111.4 inhabitants. New Hanover led the State with the smallest number of inhabitants per return, having 3,430 returns or an average of one return for every 12.4 inhabitants. Clay county ranks last with one return for every 967.4 inhabitants.

Mecklenburg county led the counties in the number of returns, 5,956, or one for every 14.1 inhabitants. Buncombe, Guilford, Edgecombe, Durham, Wake, and Forsyth follow in the order named.

Davidson county ranked 27th with 640 returns, or one for every 57.3 inhabitants. Montgomery people filed 160 returns or one for every 91.2 inhabitants. Chatham ranked 80th with 110 returns, this being one for every 219.2 inhabitants. Moore county came 28th with 390 returns, or one for every 57.7 inhabitants.

As a rule, the urban industrial counties, with a sprinkling of combination cotton-tobacco counties, lead while the tidewater, mountain, and rural central state counties lag in the payment of income taxes. It is estimated that not more than a hundred farmers of the State paid federal or state income tax. Practically all of the counties that lead in 1922 contained large towns or factories or both. Exactly two-thirds of the income tax payers lived in 27 towns and cities of the State with more than 5,000 each.

Governor McLean Appoints New Prison Board Trustees

Governor McLean, Tuesday, appointed the six new members of the newly constituted prison board and four members of the state board of agriculture. The appointments were confirmed by the senate.

The members of the prison board as named by Governor McLean are: Richard Chatham, Elkin; James A. Leake, Wadesboro; A. E. White, Lumberton; John M. Brewer, Wake Forest; Preston Wilson, Warsaw, and Ben Everett, Palmyra.

The members appointed to serve on the state board of agriculture are as follows: Dr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh, reappointed; Fred P. Latham, Belhaven, reappointed; T. J. Finch, Wheatmore, to succeed C. C. Wright; E. Grover Robertson, Leicester, to succeed Mrs. Vanderbilt.

MRS. A. C. CAGLE DIES AT HOME IN ASHEBORO SUNDAY

Mrs. A. C. Cagle, aged 70 years, died at her home in Asheboro Sunday, March 8th, following an illness of about three months. Mrs. Cagle was before her marriage Miss Verna Leach, of Montgomery county. She was married to Mr. Cagle January 15, 1873. To this union 11 children were born, three of whom are dead. Mrs. Cagle was a conscientious christian woman and a member of the Asheboro M. P. church. The funeral services were conducted by Revs. B. E. Morris and H. F. Fogleman in the Baptist church at Star Monday afternoon.

The deceased is survived by her husband, A. C. Cagle, seven daughters, Mrs. I. M. Thomas, Asheboro, Miss Corina Cagle, Raleigh, Mrs. Ira Harris, Charlotte, Mrs. A. A. McCaskill, Candor, Mrs. W. C. Wooley, Asheboro, Mrs. Martin Leach, Greensboro, one son, W. L. Cagle, National City, Calif., two sisters, Mrs. J. L. Stuart, Star, Mrs. Eli Green, Biscoe, one brother, Mr. Martin Leach, High Point, and a number of other relatives.

Only Nine States Had Fewer Auto Accidents

North Carolina Made Good Showing
In Auto Fatalities In 1923—
California Highest.

Nine states had fewer automobile fatalities in 1923 than North Carolina. There was an average of 9.6 deaths per 100,000 of population. The automobile density was 90 per 1,000 of population. Such are some of the facts brought out by E. T. Thompson in the leading article of the current issue of the University News Letter.

Nebraska, it is shown, with a lower fatality rate than North Carolina has the highest mortality rates from automobile accidents with 32.6 per 100,000 of population while Mississippi had the lowest with 4.4 of population.

Fatalities from automobile accidents in North Carolina exceed fatalities from railroad accidents by 4.2 deaths per 100,000 of population. Or in straight figures, 258 people were killed by automobiles and 144 by railroad accidents in 1923. Winston-Salem with 14 had the most automobile fatalities and Asheville with 10 had the most railroad fatalities.

The number of deaths from automobile accidents were as follows: Asheville, 12; Charlotte, 12; Durham, 9; Gastonia, 5; Greensboro, 7; High Point, 5; Raleigh, 10; Salisbury, 9; Wilmington, 2; Winston-Salem, 14.

McLEAN LEADS IN PATH OF ECONOMY

Legislature Has Enacted Legis-
lation For Governor In Every
Instance Asked.

(By M. L. Shipman)
Raleigh, N. C., March 9.—The 1925 General Assembly goes down in history as one which followed the Governor more than any other in recent years. Other Legislatures have been influenced by Governors but scarcely to the extent that the one just ended has been led around by Governor McLean. "The 1921 General Assemblies were led 'up the hill' by Governor Morrison and the 1925 body was 'led down the hill', in the path of economy, by Governor McLean. And as if to atone for the action of its predecessors in following Morrison, the present body went even further than any before it had gone and gave to the Governor greater powers than any executive in North Carolina has ever had enacted measures at his bidding which will revolutionize the administration of the State government.

Governor McLean sponsored or endorsed 23 measures which were presented to the Legislature. Most of these were enacted into law as originally written, one or two were slightly amended but all of any importance, except one, got through during the last two days of the body and those which came up this week were expected to be put across before adjournment Tuesday night.

Chief among the Governor's recommendations were the creation of an executive budget system placing all budget basis and institutions on a budget basis and making the Governor the head in fact of the State's financial policies; transferring the auto license bureau and the insurance department revenue collecting powers to the Revenue department in order to co-ordinate the revenue collecting agencies of the State and to eliminate unnecessary employes; creating a state department institution out of a private corporation; creating a state department of conservation to take over the functions of the economic and geological survey; appointing an official executor to relieve the warden of state prison of that duty; depositing daily with the State Treasurer of all funds instead of monthly as heretofore so as to obviate to an extent short term financing and save interest; creation of a pardon attorney to assist the Governor in investigating clemency cases; an educational commission to investigate the educational system of the State; a wage investigation commission to go into the salaries paid state employes, eliminate useless employes, bring salaries into

STEP TO FURTHER IMPROVE STATE HIGHWAY NUMBER 75

A bill introduced in the General Assembly and duly ratified by the Governor and the Senate, provides for the improvement of State Highway Number 75 between the bridge on Route 75 between the counties. The money is to be used for the purpose of building a bridge on Route 75 between the counties. The money is to be used for the purpose of building a bridge on Route 75 between the counties. The money is to be used for the purpose of building a bridge on Route 75 between the counties.