

SUPERIOR COURT COMES TO AN END

Held Over Monday Morning For A Verdict—Many Cases are Disposed of.

Randolph County Superior Court which was scheduled to have adjourned Saturday was held over until Monday morning in order that the verdict in the case State against C. T. Spoon could be returned. Spoon was found guilty on three counts charging false and fraudulent entries, but not guilty on the first fourteen counts charging embezzlement. He was sentenced to serve not less than two years and not more than five years in the penitentiary. Appeal was taken to the Supreme Court and appearance bond fixed at \$5,000, which the defendant gave.

A number of cases were disposed of during the term and many were continued for various reasons. Among those disposed of were:

State vs. E. M. Anthony, defendant withdraws appeal to Supreme Court, and was sentenced to 8 months on the roads of Guilford county.

State vs. Melvin Beckerdite, during progress of trial defendant pleaded guilty and sentenced to roads for 1 year. In another case the defendant drew three years.

State vs. Joseph Bud Underwood, judgment suspended two years upon payment of the costs and good behavior.

State vs. Stephen Belo, Sr., and Stephen Belo, Jr., judgment suspended as to the elder, and suspended as to Stephen Belo, Jr., for two years conditioned on good behavior.

State vs. Joe Hunter, alias Joe Shoffner, not guilty.

State vs. John Allen, suspended sentence of 6 months to roads, capias to issue on order of the court at any time within three years.

State vs. Garfield Bolton and Leonard McClaffey, not guilty.

State vs. John Spinks, judgment suspended two years upon good behavior and payment of the costs.

State vs. Ernest Franks and Jack Siler, fined \$20 each and the costs. Sentence of Siler was changed later to three months on the roads, prisoner not to wear stripes.

State vs. Marshal Chriscio, sentenced to three months on roads, prisoner not to wear stripes.

State vs. Mack Redwine, defendant pleaded guilty and sentenced to 4 years on the roads, and costs. Capias to issue any time in two years upon order of the court.

State vs. Alvin Swaney, J. A. Holder and B. F. Morgan, discharged upon payment of the costs.

State vs. Claud Routh, Virgil Hill and B. F. Morgan, discharged upon payment of the costs.

Thomas Alexander Burns was admitted to practice of law before the court Thursday morning.

Following is the report of the Grand Jury for the term.

We, the Grand Jury for the term, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have completed the business before our body and have returned all bills submitted to us for action and have acted on all except a few cases which are continued for lack of evidence.

We have visited all the institutions of the county in a body.

On examination of the jail we found 7 white males, 4 colored males and one colored female prisoners. The jail is in good condition, the prisoners being well fed and well cared for. We recommend the screens be placed in seven of the windows on the first floor and the plastering in the living room of the jailer be repaired. This should be done at once.

We have visited and examined the county home in a body. We found the buildings and ground in good shape and the home in a sanitary condition. We found 7 white males, 7 white female, 3 colored male and 5 female inmates, all apparently well fed and cared for. We also found 2 milk cows, 1 heifer, 2 mules 4 hogs and 75 chickens. We found that the barns were unsupplied with feedstuff and other necessities necessary to run a farm.

We recommend that the 60 or more acres that have not been in cultivation for some time be cultivated with crops necessary for maintenance of the institution.

We find two small white children, age 7 and 12, who are bright, healthy children and we recommend that some arrangements be made by the county commissioners whereby they may be placed in some educational institution.

We especially recommend that the toilet for white people in the basement of the court house be sealed overhead.

It was found that the overhead ceiling in the office of the County Superintendent is badly in need of repairing and we therefore recommend that this be done at an early date.

We extend our appreciation to your honor, the solicitor and other officers of the court and county for their courteous treatment and consideration we have received.

R. W. YORK,
Foreman of Grand Jury.

MOVEMENT FOR A PUBLIC LIBRARY

Woman's Club Wants To Open School Library To Public This Summer.

At the meeting of the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon, April 1st, it was the unanimous opinion of those present that it would be very beneficial to have our school library open to the readers of Asheboro through the summer months. The matter was left to the judgment of our school superintendent, Mr. McMahan, and the school committee.

Our town needs a public library and we feel that this beginning may prove the first steps towards one.

One afternoon could be given to the school library each week, and we believe this would be the means of developing readers both among young and old.

We trust you have not forgotten your donation of a book or books to the library this week. Should you not have the books to give, we would gladly accept money to buy some of the many books required.

We are anxious to devote one section of a shelf in this library to the history of our own county, and would appreciate literature on this subject.

MRS. J. O. REDDING,
MRS. C. B. GRIFFITH,
MRS. L. L. WHITTAKER,
MRS. CHAS. FOX,
The School Committee.

Number Improvements Being Made At Standard Drug Co.

The Standard Drug Company is having made extensive improvements in refitting the interior of the store and in rearranging and installing furniture and fixtures. A late model Green Frigidare fountain has been installed together with a new back bar behind the fountain. Among the other new fixtures are a new case, window display and new seating arrangements for the store's customers. The rear of the store inside has been extended and made attractive with a canopy top. A new finish on the interior walls and ceiling together with the new lighting arrangement and new fixtures gives the store an added attractiveness and charm, that is seldom seen in a drug store in a town the size of Asheboro.

Name Nominations To Choose Tobacco Co-Op Directors

Guilford and Randolph counties nominees as delegates to choose directors for the Tri-State Growers Cooperative Marketing Association were elected at a meeting in the courthouse in Greensboro last Saturday.

They are John W. King, Monroe Christon, C. C. Huff, R. O. Gamble, J. M. Michael, Z. L. Groome, S. E. Coletrane and W. L. Mitchell. The last name is a Randolph county man; all the others are Guilford members of the Co-operatives.

A ballot containing these names will be mailed to all members of the tobacco association in Guilford and Randolph counties and they vote for four. They may write other names in if they wish. These ballots are on addressed cards and the cards will be mailed back here. The four getting the highest number of votes will be the delegates to attend a meeting in Raleigh or in Reidsville and elect directors for the association.

GIVES SOUND ADVICE

W. H. Barton, county agent for Richmond county, has resigned effective April 15 to accept an offer of the extension department of Clemson College. In his farewell address to the farmers of the county published in last week's issue of the Rockingham Post-Dispatch Mr. Barton leaves the parting admonition to plant legumes summer and winter. It is the salvation of the soil of the sandhills and of every section of the state. He tells the farmers not to become discouraged and quit legumes if at first they don't succeed. Legumes do not do their best the first year no matter how much care and attention are given to the crop. He tells them to sow the same acreage again next year and keep inoculating the seed.

TRAINING SCHOOL BEGINS ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

To Be Held At M. E. Church and Will Last Through Friday Night—Five Courses.

Next Sunday afternoon marks the beginning of the first standard training school for Sunday school workers, teachers and superintendents to be held in Asheboro. The meetings of the school will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church. After an organization period Sunday afternoon the sessions of the school will adjourn to separate class rooms where definite training will begin in the chosen subjects. This training school will last through Friday night.

Sunday school workers of all denominations are invited to take part in the training courses.

A number of leading Sunday school workers will be instructors during the school, each department being in the hands of a trained expert in his or her line.

The relative value of \$2. H.

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For Governorship



Miss Julia Alexander, lawyer and member of the North Carolina legislature, wants to be governor of her state. She has announced her candidacy for the Democratic nomination.

JOHN M. OGLESBY NAMED AS JUDGE

Succeeds Late Judge Long—Assumes Duties Next Week—Number of Candidates.

John M. Oglesby, of Cabarrus county, was Saturday afternoon named judge of the fifteenth judicial district by Governor McLean to succeed Judge Benjamin F. Long, who died suddenly three weeks ago in Statesville. Oglesby is 37 years of age, an ex-service man, a lawyer of marked ability, a former newspaper man having been for a time city editor of the Concord Tribune, a nephew of the late Judge William J. Montgomery and also of Judge Oglesby, of Virginia.

Judge Oglesby will assume his duties next week. He received the appointment over a number of aspirants, including our townsman John T. Brittain; Frank Armfield, of Concord; R. Lee Wright, of Salisbury; and former Lieutenant Governor W. D. Turner.

COALITION WILL WRITE TAX BILL, WALSH BELIEVES

A combination of Democrats and Independent Republicans will write the bill to cut taxes \$300,000,000 next year, is the prediction of Senator Walsh, of Montana.

Walsh believes the Mellon plan, to be presented to Congress under a new name, will be rejected in the Senate, if not in the House. He indicates there will be no material reduction in the surtax.

Of the propaganda to discredit Congress, especially the Senate, he said: "That propaganda is being largely inspired by big business in an effort to put over the Mellon plan. The psychology calls for general disapproval of Congress as the public will lose confidence in the legislative branch of the Government, so that when the executive branch comes along with the proposal for tax reduction we would not have the temerity to oppose it."

Walsh said Congress "is what the people have made it and it is truly representative and responsive to the people."

To Occupy Old Postoffice Stand

The interior of the old postoffice stand on the corner of Depot and North streets is undergoing repair and remodeling preparatory to its use by Frank Byrd for the location of his store, now on Depot street, across the railroad. This is an excellent location and when work is completed on it will be one of the most attractive store rooms in town.

New Law Firm

Mr. T. A. Burns, who has been a student at the University, passed the state bar examination in February of this year. Mr. Burns was sworn in at the recent term of Randolph Superior court and has commenced the practice of law in partnership with Mr. I. C. Moser under the firm name of Moser and Burns. Mr. Moser has severed his partnership with Mr. Hammer and Mr. Wilson who continue the practice, it being understood that Mr. Wilson will continue as a member of Mr. Hammer's law firm.

County Entitled To Recover

Davidson county commissioners are entitled to recover the sum of \$4,895.62 with accrued interest from F. E. Sigman, former register of deeds of the county, and now postmaster at Thomasville. This is the conclusion of the report made by Thomas C. Hoyle, who was appointed by the court as referee in the suit brought by the county commissioners against the former Republican register of deeds. It was charged that the amount paid for recording the books while Mr. Sigman was register of deeds was excessive and that sums of money had been paid by Sigman to himself without authority.

Sigman has been tried in another

with Mrs.

BOARD APPOINTS THE LIST TAKERS

Names Mrs. Newsom Tax Supervisor for County—Farm Census Important.

The county commissioners in regular session Monday appointed Mrs. Eugenia McCain Newsom, of Asheboro, tax supervisor for Randolph county and named a list taker for each of the twenty townships of the county. Officially listing of property for taxes begins Tuesday after the first Monday in May.

In addition to the regular duties of listing taxes each list taker is required under the Machinery Act of the recent general assembly to make a farm census. Heretofore in many instances this matter has been somewhat neglected since it was more or less a voluntary undertaking of the list taker. Now it is a requirement. Great care should be exercised in this matter, it is pointed out, in order that the true amount and value of the crops raised in the county may be found. The recording of matters relating to the farm as required in the farm report has nothing to do with taxation, but is for the information of the agricultural department. Each farmer before listing his taxes would confer a great favor on the list taker and on himself and also the agricultural department if he would have the information fresh in his mind so that it may be handled carefully and with dispatch.

Following is a list of the names of the list takers for the various townships:

Asheboro, John B. Ward. Back Creek, Joseph Millikan. Bowser, W. G. Moffitt. Cedar Grove, W. G. Kinney. Coleridge, J. C. Cox, Jr. Concord, C. C. Horney. Columbia, D. H. Frazier. Franklinville, W. P. Connor. Grant, C. E. Brown. Liberty, G. A. Amick. Level Cross, L. E. Rockett. New Hope, M. H. Adams. New Market, N. S. Edwards. Providence, W. R. Neece. Pleasant Grove, J. T. Powers. Randleman, Ernest Talley. Richland, A. L. Davis. Tabernacle, Geo. Spencer. Trinity, E. C. Blair. Union, Manly Coble.

Fail To Break Will

The will of the late State Senator E. E. Little, of Wadesboro, stands by the verdict of a Moore county jury who heard the case at Wadesboro in a trial lasting over two weeks. Members of the family contested the will that left \$100,000 to a hospital and the balance of the estate, valued as a whole at about \$300,000, to the family from whom he was estranged for several years before his death. The caveators moved to set aside the verdict and the motion will be argued before Judge T. D. Bryson this month.

New Furniture Store

Mr. T. E. Lassiter will on April 20th open for business a retail furniture store in the building on Depot street across the railroad now occupied by the Burt Shoe Company. The retail shoe store is conducting a closing out sale and expects to vacate the building by the 18th of this month. Mr. Lassiter intends to carry an up-to-date line of furniture and make his store modern in every respect.

Guilford Officers Elected

At a mass meeting of the Women's Student government association at Guilford College, Miss Hazel Coltrane, of Salisbury, was elected president. Miss Coltrane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Coltrane who formerly resided at Trinity, Randolph county. Miss Ina Mixon, of Goldsboro, was named vice-president; Miss Annie Wagoner, of Gibsonville, secretary; and Miss Ruth Lane, of Tyner, treasurer.

Asheboro High School Baseball Schedule

Asheboro high school has played a number of interesting games outside of Asheboro, in which they made a splendid showing.

The following is a schedule of games to be played in Asheboro:

Ramseur, Friday, April 10, at 3:30 p. m.

High Point, Tuesday, April 14.

Burlington, Friday, April 17.

Graham, Friday, May 1st.

Greensboro to be some time in May. The games will be played on Lewis field on Sunset avenue. Single admission for children 25c; for adults 40c. Season tickets for all the games may be had at 50c for children and \$1.00 for adults. Those wishing season tickets see W. H. McMahan.

It is to be hoped that the community will back up our team and come out to the games.

ANNUAL EASTER CAKE SALE

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. P. church will hold their annual Easter cake sale Saturday, April 11th, in the front of Cox-Lewis Hardware.

For several years this organization has had a successful Easter-time

and aprons

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Seriously Ill



John W. Weeks Secretary of War

Secretary of War John Wingate Weeks, of Massachusetts, taken suddenly ill at his home in Washington with thrombosis, or a blood clot on the brain, affecting the muscles of his left arm, has forgone his official duties and is confined to bed. Weeks is 67 years of age.

Former Asheboro Man Dies In High Point

Mr. H. K. Rush died Thursday, April 2, at his home in High Point, following a long illness at the age of 53 years. Mr. Rush was an honest, upright citizen and held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was a resident of Asheboro until about a year ago when he moved his family to High Point. The deceased is survived by his wife and seven children and a brother, Mr. A. S. Rush, of Caraway, Route 1.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. W. Clay, of Farmer, at Mt. Shepherd M. E. church, April 3rd, and interment made in the church cemetery.

TO REBUILD ROAD FROM CHATHAM THROUGH LIBERTY

Road projects agreed upon at the meeting of the state highway commission in Raleigh Thursday include rebuilding a road from the Chatham line through Liberty, to eliminate all grade crossings. Oil treatment will be given this road through the town of Liberty and some oiling will be done at Julian.

Alfred Peacock Dies Suddenly

Mr. S. T. Hill, of Trinity township, brings us the news of the death of Alfred Peacock, aged 75 years, 11 months, and 15 days, a highly respected citizen of his township, on Monday, March 30th. Mr. Peacock was stricken with heart trouble while on his way home from a saw mill belonging to a Mr. Farlow, which was located about a quarter of a mile from Mr. Peacock's home, and died before help could reach him. He is survived by his wife. The funeral services were conducted March 31st at Old Caraway by Mr. Hill, an old friend of the deceased.

Thief Gets Mr. Bell's Car

A Ford coupe belonging to Mr. J. L. Bell, foreman of the mechanical department of The Courier, was stolen late last Thursday night from the garage at his home about one mile north of Asheboro. Officers began a diligent search for the car and the thieves. The car was located Saturday morning on an unused road near Millboro. It had been stripped completely, tires, rims, generator, spark plugs and everything detachable was taken.

C. J. Seabolt's Home Destroyed By Fire

The home and all household property of Mr. C. J. Seabolt in New Hope township was totally destroyed by fire last Thursday evening. Mr. Seabolt and his son, Paul, lived alone and had gone into the woods after supper to saw wood. When they returned home they found it in flames and beyond control. The origin of the fire is not known.

McCrory Member College Board

Governor McLean last week named D. B. McCrory, of Asheboro, a member of the board of trustees for the State Teachers' College for Negroes. Others named on the board were A. D. Fogler, of Durham; Gordon Hackett, of North Wilkesboro; J. D. Humphreys, Danbury; and N. C. Newbold, Raleigh.

Decrease In Number Animals On Randolph County Farms

Randolph county, according to the census of 1924, has 4,815 farms. On these farms are 2,500 horses and 4,575 mules, 4,437 milk cattle, 4,439 other cattle, 5,500 hogs, 1,677 swine of breeding age, 900 sheep, and 113,486 hens of laying age.

There was a decrease of 343 horses from the census of 1923 and also in the number of mules by 29. In fact there was a small decrease in the number of all animals on the farms of the county.

To Pay Off Church Debt

A drive is being made to raise during the coming year the balance of \$11.00 due on the Mount Vernon Place M. E. church, at Washington, of which Rev. W. A. Lambeth, formerly of High Point and Gastonia,

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SUMMER SCHOOL BEGINS JULY 13TH

Decision Reached At Monthly Meeting of Board of Education—New School.

The Randolph county board of education met in regular monthly session Monday in the office of the county superintendent of schools and transacted the routine of business. All members of the board were present and in compliance with the school law took the oath of office before D. M. Weatherly, Clerk of the Superior Court.

The board ordered that \$2 per month be paid to the trustees of Andrew's Grove colored church for the use of the church building as a school house, it appearing that the church was used for school purposes eighteen months before the new house was built. A voucher was ordered made to the trustees.

It was ordered that an amount not to exceed \$300 be appropriated out of the operating and equipment fund to erect a school room near the Davidson county line on the Denton and Farmer road to take the place of the house which was recently burned. The exact location and design of the building to be agreed upon by the county superintendent and the patrons of the school.

The county superintendent was authorized to make arrangements for the county summer school to be held for the teachers of the county in Asheboro beginning Monday, July 13th.

On the first Monday in May the board will appoint all school committees whose terms have expired. All vacancies caused by resignations will be filled and all appointments made for vacancies from whatever cause.

FURTHER REPORTS ON SHOOTING IN MOORE

Former Randolph Boy Charged With Shooting Man Named Phillips—Will Recover.

Mabry Richardson, son of George Richardson, who lives in the Gray's Chapel section in Franklinville township, and who lives in Moore county, is in jail at Carthage on charges preferred in connection with the shooting of a man by the name of Phillips which occurred Saturday night two weeks ago in Moore county, near Richardson's home. From the information which has been obtained Richardson and his brother-in-law, a Mr. Walker, who was visiting at the Richardson home, were out riding at the time of the affray.

One version of the shooting is that Richardson and Walker a mile and a half from Richardson's home were fixing their radiator when Phillips and four other men drove up and got out of a car and started towards Richardson and Walker, whereupon Richardson opened fire, but the details of the shooting are not given. Another version is that Phillips drove up to where a car was being worked on when Richardson went up to Phillips and pointing a pistol at him said, "Look in this looking glass", whereupon Phillips said, "Go away", and the shot fired.

Phillips was taken to a hospital at Sanford, but has sufficiently recovered to return to his home and it is said will recover, although the bullet is said to have gone through some part of his head.

Senator Overman To Run Again

Senator Lee S. Overman has put a quietus on rumors that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself in 1926. In a statement made in Salisbury Tuesday he said he was in the pink of condition physically. He sees no reason that he should have any opposition and does not anticipate any.

Mr. Overman was first elected to the senate in 1903 and has been constantly re-elected since that time.

George Ross Pou Is Re-Elected Superintendent of State Prison

The board of directors of the State prison Tuesday afternoon announced the re-election of George Ross Pou, superintendent at a salary of \$400 per month. Hugh A. Love was re-elected assistant superintendent and chief clerk at a salary of \$266.75 a month and the office of warden and prison physician were combined and the place given to Dr. J. H. Norman at \$300 a month.

H. H. Honeycutt was re-elected assistant warden at a salary of \$150 a month.

The board voted to require that all prison officials furnish their own food and household furnishings. They said in a statement following the meeting that this would, in their opinion, effect a saving of at least \$4,000 a year.

Need Labor in Strawberry Fields

A desperate and immediate need of labor exists in the strawberry fields of eastern North Carolina, where thousands of dollars worth of berries will rot unless picked as secured. Need is especially acute in Duplin county.

Reward for Mutilators

Governor McLean has offered a reward of \$400 for such person or persons convicted for the mutilation of Joseph Woodruff, the state treasurer.

High Point will have a woman police officer if the city council approves the wishes of the Woman's Club. The club points out that a woman officer is the only one of the city in

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BOARDS AGREE ON SCHOOL MATTERS

County Will Furnish One-Half Cost of Building Consolidated School Houses.

A joint meeting of the board of education and the county board of commissioners was held in the auditorium of the court house Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the advisability of the taking over by the commissioners the building program for school houses for the entire county. This is to apply only to consolidated schools approved by the state and county boards of education. Mr. Howard, representative of the state department, was present and explained thoroughly the law permitting the county commissioners to take over the future building program and assume the indebtedness for buildings in the past. Delegations were present from various sections of the county. A number of people made short talks in favor of the building program outlined.

After a thorough discussion of the matter between the members of the two boards the board of commissioners went into executive session. After consideration of the matter the commissioners decided not to make the building program a county-wide matter, but did agree to furnish one-half the funds for any consolidated school which may be built in the future, provided the people vote a tax furnishing one-half of the funds. The commissioners further agreed to furnish the people's half of the building fund when they have voted taxes to support it. In the future it will be the policy of the commissioners to go fifty-fifty on any building project as outlined and agreed.

Under the provisions of this agreement between the two county boards special school elections for Providence and Gray's Chapel districts were authorized for the purpose of raising funds for the building of consolidated schools. Notices of these elections will be published later.

All members of the board of commissioners were present for the meeting Monday and besides the matter of the school program which was considered jointly with the board of education, a number of other matters pertaining to the business of the county were disposed of.

It was ordered by the board that a bridge be built across Dobbin's branch, Randleman township, on the road leading from Jones Station to the highway north of Randleman. This bridge is to be built under the supervision of J. W. Small and B. F. Frazier.

The road supervisor was instructed to investigate the road leading from Will Carter's to the Montgomery county line by way of Eleazer church and report as early as possible. Another road to be looked over by the supervisor is the road leading from Jesse Shaw's to the Montgomery county line by way of Burney's bridge. The supervisor was also instructed to investigate the road from J. E. Davidson's to the Sperry-Sophia road and to report his findings as to this road.

It was ordered by the board that in the matter of the road running from Liberty to Kimesville factory, Homer Stuart, Walter D. Staley and C. P. Smith, be, and are hereby appointed to stake off and locate said road from near Millard Fogleman's to the Alamance county line, a distance of something over a mile, and to report their findings to the commissioners for approval.

The attention of the commissioners having been called to the report of the grand jury of the last term of court with reference to two children aged 7 and 11 years at the county home, the board upon investigation found that the children were some time ago placed with the Children's Home Society, of Greensboro, where they remained until the authorities of the home advised the county to move the children for medical treatment. Upon such advice the children were brought to the county home where they are now under treatment. Efforts are being made to get these children in some home.

Those placed on the outside poor list by the commissioners are as follows: Mrs. Eliza Callicutt, \$2 per month; Julia C. Kindley, \$2; Lee Loflin, \$5 per month.

New Davidson Commissioners

John W