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DECIDE TO HIRE WELFARE OFFICER

Decision Reached at Joint Meeting Between Boards of Education and Commissioners.

The board of county commissioners met in the courthouse last Thursday for transaction of the business of the county. During the progress of the meeting, a joint session was held with the board of education. At this joint meeting it was decided to elect at a later meeting a county welfare officer.

County Superintendent of Schools T. Fletcher Bulla will get all the information he can about the matter to present it to the meeting at which the election of the welfare officer will be considered.

A number of matters relating to the roads of the county were taken up. The road supervisor was instructed to go to E. P. Trogon's place and look over the Hillsboro-Reg Cross road and make arrangements with the citizens to repair the road from Pileat Creek to Red Cross.

The supervisor was given instructions to plow and pull up the road leading from the Ann Craven place to the John McLeod place, southeast of Seagrave.

The road leading from the High Pine road to the Montgomery county line in Union township near Causey Parks' place is to get attention, the road supervisor having been instructed to lay out a road from the High Pine road to the county line.

Provided it is satisfactory to the town of Asheboro, the commissioners agreed to let the Hopkins' Filling Station south of Asheboro tap the water line running from the town to the county home, the rate of charge being the same as the city rate.

The board finding that seven head of cattle belonging to J. M. Gibson were bitten by a mad dog belonging to A. P. Sexton, of Davidson county, it was ordered that H. S. Egan, W. G. Greenway and T. H. Woodall be appointed a special committee to ascertain the damage and report to the commissioners as provided by Section 1681 of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina.

It was ordered by the board that the public cartway, being the same as hereby condemned, from Bethel Lucas' to intersect with the Seagrave-Troy road at Loy Auman's, and it was further ordered that Lindon Brown appear before the board the first Monday in September to show cause, if any he has, why said road should not be a public cartway. It was further ordered by the board that the citizens lay out and maintain said road. Copy of this order was sent to Mr. Brown.

JUDGE OGLESBY WILL PRESIDE AT SEPT. COURT

Will Make First Appearance in This County—250 Cases on The Docket.

Randolph County Superior Court for the trial of cases on the criminal docket will convene in the courthouse in Asheboro September 7th and will continue for one week. There are 250 cases calendered for trial at this term of court.

Judge John M. Oglesby, of Concord, appointed by the Governor to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Long, will preside and in doing so will make his first appearance on the bench in this county. Judge Oglesby has already established an enviable reputation as a judge and our citizens are eagerly awaiting his initial appearance in this county. The prosecution will be in the hands of Solicitor Zeb Long, of Statesville, as usual.

Judge Henry B. Lane, who was to have been the presiding judge at this term of court, will hold court in Buncome county.

YORK'S BLOODHOUNDS TRAIL NEGROES AT CHAPEL HILL

W. C. York's bloodhounds were called into service at Chapel Hill, Orange county, Monday morning to ascertain the guilty party or parties who entered a dormitory at the University in which two girl students were sleeping Sunday night. The dogs followed the trail to the home of three negroes, William and Button Norwood and Sol Gear, who are now held in jail pending a preliminary hearing and the gathering of other evidence. One of the girls occupying the room was awakened by a noise and upon investigating found a negro crouching near a window. She screamed and the negro pushed her back and jumped out the window.

FORMER CITIZENS WORSHIP AT CHURCH OF CHILDHOOD

Visit Old Home Town and Worship at Presbyterian Church—History of Central Hotel.

On last Sunday morning Mrs. James H. Pou, of Raleigh, Mrs. Charles Worth, of Wilmington, and Mr. James Walker, of Randleman, worshiped in the Presbyterian church, the church in which they worshipped as children in Asheboro. After the service they dined at the Central Hotel in which they were born.

The Central Hotel has some history which only the older citizens of the town and county know. It was moved from Cedar Falls by the late Henry M. Elliott, grandfather of H. M. Worth, of Asheboro. The building in Cedar Falls was torn down by Mr. Elliott's slaves under the direction of Walsh Elliott, a slave and carpenter. It was hauled to Asheboro and rebuilt by them. The material was the best that could be bought and much of it was mortised and pegged together.

Mr. Samuel Walker, the elder brother of our townsman, Col. J. E. Walker, and father of Sunday's distinguished visitor, bought the colonial home and resided there. He married Miss Mollie Mills, who was the mother of Mrs. Pou, Mrs. Worth and Mrs. Walker, and an aunt of Mrs. W. J. Armfield, Elvira Jackson, now Mrs. E. E. Moffitt, of Richmond, Va.

The visit of the former citizens of the town emphasizes the love they have for the church and home of their childhood and fills the present day citizenship with pride of past history. It is always a pleasure to meet those whose loyalty and friendship extends back to the days when Asheboro boundaries extended from the Penn Wood branch on the east to the Methodist church on the west and the Solomon Burns home on the north and the fair grounds, now the school building, on the south. The Courier joins in welcoming these and other natives back home.

SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX LOST BY 311

Only 68 out of 379 Registered Cast Their Votes For The Proposition.

The election held Tuesday in all of Asheboro township lying outside the corporate limits of the town for the purpose of voting a special school tax of 60 cents on the \$100 valuation was lost by 311 majority. At the polling place, Frank Lowdermilk's residence, in the southern part of the township, the registration was 183. Of this number 23 voted for the special tax and 111 actually voted against it.

In the north precinct, the polling place being W. A. Underwood's residence, the total registration was 196, with 45 voting for and 139 against. The total vote cast for the proposition in the two precincts was 63. Those actually casting votes against the special tax numbered 250. However, each vote registered unless actually voted for the proposition counted against it, therefore the majority of 311.

NEGRO IS KILLED NEAR RANDLEMAN

Killing Follows Quarrel at Road Construction Camp—Slayer Not Caught.

A negro, whose name we have been unable to learn, was hit over the head with a stick of wood in the hands of a negro by the name of Hunter about 8 o'clock Tuesday night at a road construction camp two miles north of Randleman and died within thirty minutes after the assault. County officers, headed by Sheriff Cranford, are on the trail of Hunter. A negro woman, who claims to have spent Tuesday night in the woods with Hunter, is in jail at Asheboro.

According to the information gathered from the negroes in the camp, a quarrel led to the killing. It started between the negro now dead and a negro woman. He wanted to charge the woman for going after a doctor for her and after several minutes of argument over the matter, Hunter took it up with the result that the argument was ended in the negro's death. According to statements made to the officers, who went to the scene of the murder about 9 o'clock that night, Hunter, another negro man and two women, presumably his wives, packed their clothes and left camp about an hour before the officers arrived. York's bloodhounds were put on trail and followed it several miles up the Greensboro-Randleman road, but finally losing it a place where car tracks showed evidence of a car's having stopped and turned around.

However, the woman now in jail, who claims to have spent the night in the woods with Hunter, tells that Hunter did not escape by automobile, but left her about daylight this morning walking. Officers are now working on this theory.

Tuesday night while the officers accompanied by a posse organized at the camp were on search of the negro were walking up the Greensboro road just across the line into Guilford were fired upon by a shotgun in the hands of some citizen living on the road who became alarmed over the commotion. Two or three members of the road construction force were hit by several birdshot, but none were seriously injured. The name of the man doing the shooting has not been learned.

The dead negro is said to have been from Bluefield, W. Va., but little is known of him in this section, except that he has been in the employ of the road force for some time as has the negro charged with his murder.

INTERESTING CONTEST BY MEMBERS OF BAPTIST CHURCH

The members of the local Baptist church have been in an interesting contest for the past two months, the object being to raise \$2000, the purchase price of the new church lot near the city reservoir. The church roll was divided into two groups with Miss Lillie Scott captain of one group and Miss Rilla Spoon captain of the other. The winning group, which was Miss Spoon's, raised \$1,079.50, and was entertained at a watermelon feast Monday evening on the new church lot by Miss Scott's group. Rev. B. E. Morris, pastor of the church, and others made interesting talks, and songs were enjoyed.

BAPTIST NEWS LETTER

The watermelon slicing Monday evening on the recently purchased lot was an enjoyable occasion for all present. The "feast" was the result of a friendly contest in our church, soliciting funds for the church lot. The two divisions were abundantly successful and the losing party served well.

The writer and family visited in the home of Mr. G. W. Berry, at Staley, Friday of last week.

Thanks to Mrs. Chas. Wichard for the beautiful solo rendered at the morning service last Sunday. It was delightful to sit at the "watermelon feast" given by the Asheboro Hosey Mill at Garland Lake last Friday evening. Thanks for the invitation.

The pastor and family were delightfully served dinner last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Millsaps. There will be no morning and evening services in our church next Sunday, due to the fact that the pastor has been granted the privilege of visiting the Home-coming Day at the old home church, Stanley, N. C. Let no one forget the Sunday school hour Sunday morning and the special "radio program" of the B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening, 7 o'clock.

Series of Meetings in Friends Church Will Continue Two Weeks

A series of meetings began in the Friends church last Sunday evening. Rev. John Kitterman and Miss Merle Huff, of Indiana, are assisting the pastor, Rev. C. L. Gregory, in the meetings. Mr. Kitterman is a banker and business man who gives two or three months each year to evangelistic work. He has been in North Carolina upon numerous occasions. Miss Huff is an ordained minister in the Friends church. She is directing the music, and her services are adding to the meetings. The meetings will continue for two weeks. Large crowds are attending. The pastor and congregation extend a cordial invitation to all.

Contract has been awarded for the construction of a \$2,000,000 hotel at Asheboro.

"The Gospel"



Bessie M. Randell, 22, of Ft. Worth, Tex., grew tired of "the pace" and was converted. At Santa Ana, Calif., she organized and built a church—and took to the pulpit. So great was her success that now she is on world tour as an evangelist.

F. T. FINCH, NATIVE OF COUNTY, DIED SATURDAY

Funeral Services Conducted At Pleasant Hill Church Monday—55 Years Old.

Franklin T. Finch, aged 55, farmer and sawmill operator, died Saturday afternoon after a lingering illness at his home in the suburbs of High Point. He was born in Randolph county in 1869 and had spent a part of his life in the county of his birth, later moving over into Guilford. He was a member of Pleasant Hill M. E. church. He was married in 1894 to Miss Mary Elizabeth Jackson.

Surviving besides the widow are two daughters, Misses Ima and Annie Lee Finch; a son, Charles Finch; a brother, H. L. Finch; a sister, Mrs. Nannie Tuck, of Atlanta, Ga.; and his mother, Mrs. Hannah Finch.

Funeral services were conducted at Pleasant Hill church Monday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. E. Woosley and interment made in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were G. L. Younts, Alton Jones, Charlie Snider, J. W. Johnson, Carl Lohr and W. E. Younts. The floral offerings were carried by Mrs. Fred Payne, Miss Blanche Younts, Miss Florence Younts, Miss Bessie Johnson and Miss Virginia Johnson.

JOSHUA KING DIES TUESDAY FROM STROKE

Joshua King, aged 78, died at his home in Union township Tuesday morning following a stroke of paralysis which he suffered Saturday morning. He was the son of the late Zeno King. Mr. King married Miss Francisca Graves, daughter of the late Randolph Graves. To this union were born the following sons and daughters: Zeno King, Asheboro; Pet King and Mrs. Laney Hodge, Union township; Samuel King and Mrs. John Green, Richmond county; Edward King and Mrs. Relford Auman, High Point; and Calvin King, Montgomery county. The funeral and burial services were conducted at New Hope church yesterday.

Kills Large Rattlesnake

Kemp Smith killed a large rattlesnake which he found lying in the road near Kemp's Mill last Saturday morning. After he had driven over the snake with his truck he alighted and killed the rattler with rocks. The snake was about four feet long and had nine rattles and a button.

Commissioners Said Concrete Cost Too Much, But They Spend Same on Top Soil

A gentleman from Trinity township was in Asheboro Monday and asked the Courier to look at the records in the courthouse relative to the bids on the new highway that was originally to be built from the hard surface road at Archdale to the W. E. Gannaway residence on the outskirts of Trinity. He stated that the original bid on the contract for this road was \$67,249.40 for hard surface and \$20,763 for top soil road, provided the top soil should not have to be hauled over 800 feet, the county agreeing to build the bridges and culverts at an estimated cost of \$3,500.

Our Trinity citizen then subtracted \$3,500 from \$67,249.40 which gave \$63,749.40, one-third of which the county was to pay under provisions of the law under which it was proposed to build the road. This third would have amounted to \$21,249.80, representing the actual cost to the county for a concrete road from Archdale to the Gannaway place. Subtract from this amount the amount it would cost to build a top soil road, \$20,763, and leaves a balance of \$4,486.80. So concrete cost as originally

ANNUAL REUNION REITZEL FAMILY

Held Last Thursday at Richland Church—Boyd Reitzel Elect- ed President.

The annual reunion of the Reitzel family was held at Richland church, near Liberty, Thursday of last week. A large number of people were present on the occasion. A string band furnished music for both the morning and afternoon sessions. J. H. Bowman opened the reunion with prayer, after which, R. W. Kime, of Salem, Va., president of the association, introduced the speakers for the morning, Prof. D. C. Holt, of Liberty, and Congressman William C. Hammer, of Asheboro. In the afternoon speeches were made by Dr. J. W. Long, of Greensboro, and Rev. D. I. Offman. A number of others made short and interesting talks.

A picnic dinner was served on the church lawn. Dr. C. E. Reitzel, of High Point, Thomas Stafford, of Burlington, and Roy C. Reitzel, of Liberty, were appointed a committee to work with similar committees from the Coble, Albright, Sharpe, Isley and Lutterloh reunions with view to publishing records of the families interested in one volume.

Boyd Reitzel, of Liberty, was elected president of the association, succeeding R. W. Kime, native of this county, but for many years a successful banker and lawyer of Salem, Va. Thomas Stafford, of Burlington, was elected secretary and treasurer. Rev. D. I. Offman, historian of the association, has perhaps more knowledge of the county around the Liberty section and parts of Guilford and Alamance than any other man in the three counties. He has written a history of the Coble family and is preparing a history of the Reitzel family and will most likely write a history of the Smith and Lutterloh families.

MRS. NANNIE WEAVER NANCE DIES AT HOME OF MRS. HASTY

Mrs. Nannie Weaver Nance died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Hasty, Tuesday following several months indisposition. For the past week Mrs. Nance had been seriously ill from a tumor in her throat, from which the end was inevitable. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Nance had lived with Mrs. Hasty, who was her youngest daughter. Prior to moving to Asheboro, Mrs. Nance lived in Gaffney, S. C., where her body was taken for burial yesterday. During her stay in Asheboro, she has made friends and admirers. She was a consistent Christian whose influence will live after her. She is survived by Mrs. Arthur Hasty, Asheboro, Messdames Scruggs, Hickory, Swafford, Woodruff, S. C., Taylor, Gaffney and Durham, Greenville, S. C.

MR. ROSS IN FLORIDA ON BUSINESS MATTERS

It is understood he has in mind a Florida selling agency for building material.

Arthur Ross of the Home Building and Material Company is in Florida this week it is understood for the purpose of looking over the situation with view of establishing a selling agency for the products of the company at some point in that State. Florida, according to statistics, is undergoing a building boom. Demand for building material in the State is said to be great.

The Asheboro company manufactures a high grade of building material and has built up a large business for its products. However, the capacity of the plant has been enlarged until with a full force working it is more than able to meet the demand in this section at this time. A selling agency in Florida doing good business would enable the plant to operate at full capacity.

Mr. J. W. Maxwell, of Asheboro, is in Florida with Mr. Ross.

The fall term of Oak Ridge Institute will begin September 7th. Over 200 boarding students have already registered for the term.

THIS PERFORMANCE IS RIVAL OF WOODEN KEY

Captured Car Parked in Front of Jail Stolen Monday Morning— Leaves License Tag.

One subject cannot stay in the limelight all the time. Today one subject creates a great interest and tomorrow another supplants it. So it is with wooden keys. Not so many months ago a simple thing like a wooden key lent itself to the imagination of a class of people in this county. Writers made it a favorite subject of long, drawn out themes. Speakers extolled its virtues from every stump in the county.

But the wooden key has a rival. It is an automobile key, the switch key to an Essex roadster. It has come into the limelight somewhat in the following manner: Last Sunday Deputy Sheriff Mack Lewallen and other officers made a raid at the home of Mack Cranford, near Ulah, Cranford, seeing the officers approaching, took to his heels and soon lost himself in the woods along with two others who are said to be strangers to the county officers. But when they fled an Essex roadster, bearing evidence of having been used for transporting liquor, was left. This the officers seized and brought to Asheboro, parking it in front of the jail. But its stay there was short, for Monday morning some person, said to be known to the officers, appeared with a key to the car and drove it off from under the nose of the officers of the law. Nothing was left save the odor from the exhaust pipe. Investigation discloses that the license tag on the car had been stolen. Maybe the car had been stolen too. Nobody seems to know.

Wooden keys are a small matter when compared to gross negligence on part of the officers of the law.

MRS. NANCY LOWDERMILK DIES AT THE AGE OF 80

Passes Away At Home of Her Son—Funeral At Flag Springs Church.

Mrs. Nancy J. Lowdermilk, widow of the late E. L. Lowdermilk, died at the home of her son, R. D. Lowdermilk, Saturday night, at the age of eighty years. For several years Mrs. Lowdermilk had been in declining health and she had been confined to her bed for the past few years. The deceased is survived by the following children: Mrs. Jane Frazier, James-town; Mrs. Mamie Cox, High Point; Mrs. Joel Hammond, Dewey; Mrs. William Graves, Seagrave; Mrs. Winfield Rush and U. T. Dawson, Asheboro, Route 1; Mrs. Charles Edward, Norfolk, Va.; A. A. Lowdermilk, Martinsville, Va.; W. C. Lowdermilk, Manner, N. C.; R. D. Lowdermilk, Asheboro.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Paul Kennett, at Flag Springs church, of which the deceased had been a faithful member. A large crowd assembled to pay the last tribute to respect to Mrs. Lowdermilk.

SILER REUNION

The annual reunion of the Siler family was held August 16th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Siler, at Millboro. A table was spread with good things to eat and after a blessing was asked by Ivan S. Siler all partook of the good eats. Another nice feature was the large bouquet of flowers presented by the children to their aged parents. More than fifty people were present, including all the children and grandchildren except two. There were seven grandmothers present to enjoy the day with us. We hope to all meet again next year if it be the will of our Heavenly Father. One Present.

SMITH COUNTY CHAIRMAN OF NEAR EAST RELIEF

E. C. Garner, Sec. and Treas.— Executive Committee and Sub-Chairmen Named.

The personal representative of Mr. J. B. Ivey, state chairman of the Near East Relief, Rev. H. Conrad Blackwell, field director for North Carolina, was in the city on Tuesday interviewing friends of the cause here. Mr. Ralph O. Smith will be the chairman for Randolph county for 1926 and Mr. E. C. Garner of the First National Bank will be the treasurer. Twenty-five orphans have been allotted to the county for support, which means that the good people of the county will be asked to contribute \$1,485 to this worthy cause. It is earnestly hoped that this amount will be readily subscribed to enable the Near East officials to carry on their work of love and mercy.

The following have been named on the Executive Committee for Asheboro: J. V. Wilson, Mrs. Hal Walker, Miss Esther Ross, Rev. W. H. Willis, Mrs. Wm. C. Hammer, Rev. C. G. Smith, Hugh Parks, Rev. B. E. Morris, Rev. C. L. Gregory and W. D. Stedman. The sub-chairmen for the county are as follows: Mrs. Bruce Craven, Trinity; Mrs. Tysor, Erect; L. H. Smith, Jr., Liberty; Charles Smith, Ramsey; Miss Maude Lee Spoon, Seagrave; Mrs. R. P. Deal, Randleman; Mrs. S. A. Cox, Pisgah; and Charles Luck, Seagrave. November 1-8 has been set as the definite date for the special appeal.

Gov. Angus W. McLean is honorary state chairman of Near East Relief; Hon. Joseph Daniels is chairman of the state executive committee; Mr. J. B. Ivey, widely-known business man of Charlotte, is state chairman and John M. Scott, prominent banker in state treasurer.

PLACES 30 BULLS IN THE COUNTY

Millsaps Has Placed This Number of Purebreds in County Since March 1st.

Beginning the first of last March a campaign was inaugurated among the farm demonstration agents of the State for the placing of purebred registered bulls in the various counties of North Carolina. The contest comes to a close September 1st. There has been much interest manifested in the contest by the farm agents and the State agricultural extension division has watched it with keen interest.

County farm demonstrator Millsaps of this county entered this contest, not so much with the determination to win out for winning's sake over the other farm agents, but for the benefit of the livestock industry of the county. That his efforts have been rewarded is shown in the fact that he has placed 30 purebred registered bulls in the county since the beginning of the campaign. Unless some of the other farm demonstrators have placed a number of bulls recently and not reported at this time, Mr. Millsaps stands a fair chance of leading the demonstrators in the State.

Some of the banks of the county interested themselves in the campaign by offering prizes of \$10 in cash to the first farmer in each of several townships in the county who purchased a purebred bull. All this money has been won with the exception of the offer extended to Trinity township.

The Bank of Randolph and the First National Bank, both of Asheboro, jointly offered \$50 in prize money for the campaign. All of this has been won by the farmers in five townships for which prizes were offered, as follows: Concord, D. F. Allred; Cedar Grove, Levi Henley; Grant, A. C. Cox; Union, Sam Trogon; Back Creek, J. F. Powell.

The Bank of Franklinville, at Franklinville, offered a prize for Franklinville township and this was won by C. E. Henson.

The Bank of Ramsey, at Ramsey, offered prizes for Columbia and Cole-ridge townships and has paid the prize money to C. L. Kivett, of Columbia township, and T. A. Craven, of Cole-ridge township.

The Bank of Seagrave, at Seagrave, had its prize won by E. L. Slack, of Richland township.

David Kivett, of Liberty township, won the \$10 prize offered for his township by the Bank of Liberty.

W. S. Davis, of New Market township, won a like prize offered by the Commercial National Bank of High Point.

The prize offered by the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, of High Point, for Trinity township remains to be won.

The entrance of the banks in the county into the spirit of the campaign was helpful, according to Mr. Millsaps, in his efforts to interest the farmer of the county in purebred cattle. The farmers were not so much interested in the prize money, although it came in nicely toward paying for the cattle purchased, but were impressed with the moral support the bankers lent to the development of the livestock industry in the county.

Mrs. Charles Cross Died in Lexington

Formerly Lived at Worthville—Mo- ther of W. F. Cross, of Asheboro— Aged 64.

Mrs. Charles Cross, aged 64 years, died at her home in Lexington Saturday, August 21st, following a year's illness from heart dropsy. Mrs. Cross was a former Randolph county woman, having lived at Worthville for a number of years. She was a consistent member of the M. P. church at Worthville.

Funeral services were conducted at Worthville Monday afternoon and interment made in the church cemetery. The deceased is survived by her husband, Charles Cross, of Lexington, three sons, Gurney Cross, of Statesville, John Cross, of Randleman, and W. F. Cross, of Asheboro; two daughters, Mrs. Walter Robbins and Mrs. D. E. Tesh, of Lexington; one brother, George E. Pierce, of Salisbury; and a number of grandchildren.

MRS. WALTER BLAKE IS INJURED IN AUTO. WRECK

Sustains Broken Limb And Is Confined to Memorial Hospi- tal—Mr. Blake Hurt.

Mr. Walter Blake is in Memorial hospital, Asheboro, suffering from a broken limb as a result of the car in which she was riding turning over on a curve in the road near Seagrave Saturday night. Mr. Blake suffered a fractured rib and several bruises about the body. The car was badly damaged.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake were driving north on their way to High Point when the accident occurred. Not being familiar with the road, Mr. Blake failed to make the curve just north of Seagrave, his car turning over. Mrs. J. R. Comer, who lives near the scene of the accident, brought Mr. and Mrs. Blake to Asheboro. Mr. Blake is the brother of Mr. Blake of the Ingar Filling Station, of Asheboro. He is a representative of the International Harvester Company and has for the past year lived in Philadelphia, Pa.