

## RECEIVE BIDS ON SCHOOL BUILDING

### Many Firms Want Seagrove Contract—Another District Wants Special Tax.

The county board of education in regular session in the office of county superintendent T. Fletcher Bulla Monday received bids for the construction of the new consolidated school building at Seagrove. Contract was not let but was deferred until a later date. Burrow and Lamb, contractors, of Asheboro, were the low bidders for the building at \$29,895. Bids, several in number, were from \$37,800 down to the bid of Burrow and Lamb.

There were a number of bidders for the heating and plumbing contracts. The Harding Heating Company, with a bid of \$5,747, were lowest bidders for the heating contract, while Kirkman Plumbing and Heating Company were the lowest on the plumbing contract with \$1,900.

The board voted to call in the special school tax election already set for New Hope township and recommended this action to the county commissioners at their regular meeting next Monday.

A petition presented by a number of citizens from Charlotte, Belviders, Mt. View and Shepherd school districts was presented asking for a special tax election. The board recommended to the commissioners the granting of this election.

Patrons of New Market township schools appeared before the board and asked for some provision to be made for the high school pupils of the township. The board took the matter under advisement and will consider some means whereby these pupils may be sent to either Trinity or Randleman schools.

The location of the proposed new school building in Providence township was discussed by the board members and patrons of the district. No definite location of the new building was decided upon.

From Union township a delegation came before the board asking for some relief in school matters in that township. Welch, Pisgah and High Pine were the districts represented before the board. The citizens of these districts who came before the board are anxious for the provision of better educational facilities for the children in these districts. There are three school buildings which are in need of repair and probably will have to be built anew. Some way is sought whereby children of the three districts may be sent to one centrally located school.

Returns from the Randleman special school tax election were canvassed. It developed that there was a registration in this district for the election 541 persons, 290 of whom, or a majority, voted for the special tax levy.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET ON NIGHT OF 12TH

The regular meeting of the chamber of commerce will be held Friday night, February 12th, instead of Friday night, February 5th. Change in date of meeting was made on account of the absence from town of Mr. C. C. Cranford, who will entertain the members at a banquet at its first meeting.

## Can Trade Almost Anything For a Car

It is easy to own a car. Any make of car, according to the advertisements, can be bought at so many dollars down and the rest payable in monthly installments. Fact is, one well-known make of car is advertised at \$5 a week, that is, you can save money at that rate and make first payment when you have deposited a certain amount. But not all cars are bought altogether with cash as a farmer in a neighboring county will testify.

This man wanted a Ford, most everybody wants one, and there are few who haven't gotten them, although Henry makes them at the rates of millions a year. He didn't have the cash equivalent of the purchase price so he looked around to see what he had for stock in trade. Here is what he found and gave for his Ford: 100 bushels corn, unshelled, 50 gallons home made molasses, 5 heifer calves, 1 bull yearling, 3 shoats, 3 bushels sweet potatoes, 1 bound dog, 1 second hand ice cream freezer, balance in cash.

## Mrs. Rush Dies In A High Point Hospital

Mrs. Stella H. Rush, wife of Robert Rush, died in a High Point hospital Sunday after an illness of more than three weeks during which time she had been undergoing treatment. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Redding, prominent citizens of this county. Soon after the deceased was stricken she was taken to High Point for treatment but to no avail. Mrs. Rush was twenty-seven years of age. She was a faithful and consistent member of the Methodist Protestant church at Mt. Pleasant from which funeral and burial services were conducted Monday, with Rev. William W. Redding officiating.

In addition to her husband and parents, Mrs. Rush is survived by two children, four brothers, B. A. Redding, W. H. Redding, S. E. Redding, and H. Redding, of High Point, and H. Redding, of Greensboro.

## DEATH CLAIMS AN AGED CONFEDERATE VETERAN

### Jesse Shaw, Last of 'Lost Cause' Followers in New Hope Township, Dead.

Mr. Jesse Shaw, New Hope township's oldest citizen, died Sunday at the age of eighty-three years. Mr. Shaw was the last Confederate veteran of the township in which he lived. He was a member of Co. H. 38 N. C. Regiment.

His life had been long and useful and his record both in his private life and in the Confederate army had been worthy of emulation. To all who knew him he was "Uncle Jesse" and was highly esteemed and respected.

He is survived by the following sons and daughters: Mrs. Chris Shaw, Lexington; Pearl Shaw and Mrs. Sandy Hopkins, Thomasville; and Mrs. Frank Shaw and June Shaw, New Hope township.

The funeral service was held Monday at 2 P. M. at New Hope church. A large crowd of relatives and friends assembled to pay the last tribute of respect to a highly honored citizen.

## MRS. JULIA HOLLIDAY DIES IN GREENSBORO

Mrs. Julia Ann Holliday, 66, wife of D. M. Holliday, of Climax, died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Woodell, in Greensboro, following an illness of two months. Besides her husband and Mrs. Woodell she is survived by one daughter, Miss Lula Holliday, of Climax; two sons, Hugh and David Holliday, Jr., of Climax; three brothers, Carmie Kivett, of Liberty; J. D. Kivett, of California; and Foust Kivett, of Iowa.

The funeral was held at Mount Pleasant church Tuesday afternoon by Rev. S. K. Spahr, of Greensboro.

## SPECIAL SERVICE

Rev. K. Y. Putnam announces that there will be a special service at Neighbors Grove church next Sunday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon conducted by a band of workers from the Stevens organization of laymen from High Point. The public is invited to this service.

## Carl Cox Hurt In Accident

Carl M. Cox, salesman for the Clinard Milling Company, High Point, well known in Randolph county where he was born and reared, sustained a broken leg and a badly sprained back Saturday night when run over on South Main Street, High Point, by an automobile.

## TRAVEL STORY OF CALIFORNIA

The Courier is indebted to Mrs. Swanna Lowdermilk Coggins, formerly of Seagrove, Route 1, this county, now a resident of California, for a story of automobile travel in her adopted state. Mrs. Coggins' letter follows:

My Dear Readers:  
I am wondering just at this time if the people of Randolph county would enjoy a trip with me through beautiful California. From Jonesville in the northeastern part of the state where we had lived for a little more than two years we drove almost a day over a wonderful mountain road to Red Bluff, having a fine view of Mt. Lassen, the only active volcano in the United States. We must remember as we start out that California has its rich, productive valleys, that it is by no means devoid of mountains. This mountain road connects two very important valleys, Haney Lake valley and the great Sacramento valley. Red Bluff is a typical California town situated at the head of Sacramento valley. Our first night out was spent in this beautiful little town.

From here we drove a day through the great wheat fields for which this valley is noted and it was in this valley part of the time we drove through a dense fog. We must remember also that California has its fogs as well as its sunshine.

We enjoyed a fine stop in Sacramento, California's beautiful capital city. From here we drove to Stockton over the Stockton boulevard. Here especially is where the raisin grapes grow. From here we drove to Oakland. There we enjoyed a three-mile ride on boat across the bay to San Francisco.

Our first place of interest in the Bay City was, of course, the city house. Here the sun was shining brightly and we had a fine view of the ocean, saw many seals on the rocks. We had hoped to see some of the big boats from other countries anchored in the harbor, but we saw only one, a boat from Italy carrying the Italian flag. We spent a day in Golden Gate park and I wish I had space to tell you all about some of the wonderful and beautiful things we saw here.

I will mention the beautiful sculpture work in the museum, and if you ever visit Golden Gate park don't forget it. Some of it was Biblical, some mythical, and some historical, all carved in snow white marble.

From here we took the coast route, (Continued on page 5)

## SOME RANDOLPH CO. FARM FACTS

### Farmers of County Cultivated 400 Acres in Tobacco Last Year—987 Tenants

A summary of the agricultural facts taken from the farm census reports made from the tax listing in Randolph county in 1925 as compiled by the Division of Markets, North Carolina Department of Agriculture, of which Mr. George E. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ross, of Asheboro, is chief, discloses some interesting features.

Twenty townships in Randolph county report 987 tenant farmers, who are cultivating 25,500 acres of land and that 97,000 acres are cultivated by the owners. Trinity township leads in the number of tenant farmers, the number being 105; New Hope has 87; Level Cross and Union have a dozen each. Coleridge and Columbia townships cultivated more acres by the owners than any other townships in the county. Liberty and Trinity cultivated more acres by tenants than any other townships in the county.

Back Creek and Trinity have the largest number of acres lying out. Although Randolph county has not been listed as a great producer of cotton and tobacco, the census shows that the county had last year about 4,000 acres in each crop. Trinity township alone is represented as having 1160 acres of tobacco. New Market township 388 acres of tobacco; Back Creek, Brower, Coleridge, Columbia and Grant all had more than 200 acres of tobacco. Liberty raised 926 acres of cotton. Columbia 805; Coleridge, Concord, New Hope, New Market, Providence, Richmond and Trinity all having from 200 to 400 each.

Coleridge and Columbia led in the acreage of corn for grain; Concord and Tabernacle in the acreage of wheat for grain; New Market and Trinity in the acreage of rye for grain. Franklinville, Tabernacle, Coleridge and New Market produced cowpeas for seed with 75 to 100 acres to each township. Soybeans were grown more extensively in Back Creek, Liberty and Providence townships. No township in the county shows as much as 100 acres of either cowpeas or soybeans interplanted with corn. Tabernacle and Trinity townships cut more than 100 acres of small grain or cowpeas for hay. New Market township and Trinity township raised 500 to 700 acres each of soybeans for hay. Clover apparently is very generally grown and cut for hay in Randolph county. Coleridge township alone shows 758 acres; Providence 629; Union, Franklinville, Columbia, Cedar Grove each have listed more than 500 acres. Liberty led with 581 acres.

Of vegetable crops Trinity township leads with 68 acres of Irish potatoes; New Market 72 acres in sweet potatoes; New Market has 183 acres of berries and melons. Trinity and Union townships show the largest number of acres devoted to home gardens. Back Creek township has listed 197 pecan trees of bearing age. Trinity township uses more commercial fertilizers than any other township in the county, although there are several townships that use 500 tons or more.

Productive livestock in Randolph county is represented largely by 1400 sows of breeding age; 6000 milk cows; and more than 125,000 hens of laying age. Columbia township shows a large number of each. Trinity township has more than 10,000 hens and 580 milk cows.

## ASHEBORO ROLLER MILL SOLD TO MR. CRANFORD

Mr. W. J. Scarboro has sold the Asheboro Roller Mills, one of the town's oldest business institutions to Mr. C. C. Cranford. It is understood that Mr. Cranford will dismantle the mill and take care of the mill's customers at the Southern Crown Milling Company, which will be under the management of Mr. W. F. Redding, of the old Asheboro Roller Mill. Mr. W. F. Redding, Jr., traveling salesman for the Asheboro mill, will be secretary and treasurer of the Southern Crown Milling Company.

The sale of the Asheboro Roller Mill leaves the Southern Crown the only roller mill in town. It has had a good business since its establishment several years ago and has grown into one of the town's largest business enterprises. Mr. C. C. Cranford is president of this institution.

## COMMUNITY SINGING HELD AT LIBERTY LAST SUNDAY

A community singing in which singers from several churches participated was held at Liberty last Sunday. Mr. E. C. Hamilton, of Greensboro, directed the singing. A quartet of Greensboro singers also took part in the exercises. Classes participating in the program for the day were from Liberty, Shady Grove, Mount Pleasant and other churches.

## Don't Worry This Negro

"Snooks", six-foot negro who works about the municipal building in Burlington, isn't worried over money matters. Here's the reason as he gives it: "I got a girl dat makes \$5 a week. I spends dat besides what I make, and still I don't have no money."

## Mr. Ed Allen continues seriously ill at his home in East Asheboro.

## Flying Lath



Lester P. Barlow of Stamford, Conn., is in Washington demonstrating his flying lath. He is shown here with his machine and aerial torpedo, the latter can fly 1000 miles automatically.

## NEW INDUSTRY

Carl Page, formerly secretary and treasurer of the Piedmont Chair company, an Arthur Pressnell, building contractor of Charlotte, former reside of Asheboro, are planning the construction of a new furniture plant at the new Asheboro Rolle Mill building. Plans are being prepared for the new organization which more will be given in detail in these columns next week.

## CENTRAL FALLS MILL TO INCREASE CAPACITY

### Building \$50,000 Addition To Mill Building and Has Constructed New Homes.

The Pennsylvania Textile Mills, at Central Falls, has under way the construction of a \$50,000 addition to the present mill building which will afford 4500 additional square feet of floor space and enable the mill to increase its capacity 30 per cent. The new construction will be brick and one-story in height.

In addition to the new mill construction, twelve tenant houses have been built or under construction. The Central Falls branch of the Pennsylvania Textile Mills is under the direct management of Mr. W. S. Trickett, who makes his home in Asheboro. The home office of the company is in New York City.

## TRINITY NEWS

Mr. Henry Royals, who has been confined indoors for some time, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott and little son, of West Virginia, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. McDowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Browes, of South Trinity, are moving or expect to move soon into the Elias Lohm place near here.

Mr. Lee Royals was confined to the house for a day or so last week but is out again.

## NO MEETING OF COUNTY BOARD

### Only Two Commissioners Show Up For Regular Meeting—Others Fail To Come.

No meeting of the board of county commissioners was held Monday for reason that not enough members of the body could be gotten together for the purpose. Only Elwood Stanton and John Yow showed up. C. M. Loflin was sick, so word was sent. Chairman White was sick too and had sent in his resignation from the board. T. H. Hornaday had sent in his resignation and didn't show up.

Both White and Hornaday, however, for some reason withdrew their resignations during the day. Just why they resigned or what caused them to change their minds is not known.

However, a condition somewhat like chaos reigned in Republican circles Monday. Dozens of people from various parts of the county were in Asheboro on business with the board, a body which had ceased to function. Republican leaders from different parts of the county were here too. There were several in town probably hoping that they would be selected for the places which were to have been made vacant by the resignations of White and Hornaday. At any rate, some of the war-horses seemed to be hoping that the lightning would strike them.

A regular meeting of the board, so the register of deeds states, will be held next Monday. A lot of people are wondering if enough of the members will come out to hold the meeting.

## MR. AMOS HARVEY MACON DIES AT AGE OF 46 YEARS

Amos Harvey Macon, aged 45 years, 8 months and 22 days, died at his home 12 miles south of Rameur, in Randolph county, last Thursday, January 28th, following an illness of two months. Funeral services were held at Holly Springs church by D. R. Moffitt.

Mr. Macon was a son of James and Eleanor Macon and was born May 6, 1880. He was married to Miss Della Moffitt Dec. 21, 1905, and to this union were born three children, who, with the widow, survive. They are Mrs. Cleveland Burgess, Miss Nellie Louise Macon and James Russell Macon. Surviving also are three brothers, Jeremiah, Foster and Hymelius Macon, all of Bennett, Route 1; his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Macon; and four sisters, Mrs. A. R. Fesmire and Mrs. J. N. Newell, both of Rameur; Mrs. J. T. Lowdermilk, of Greensboro; and Mrs. J. A. Hicks, of Bennett, route 1.

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## Death Rides Rough Shod In Southland

During the past week traffic took a terrible toll of death in Dixie. Forty-seven persons were killed during the week in automobile, train, trolley and motorcycle accidents while 240 were injured.

Florida led the list in number of deaths with 9 and in injured with 59. Georgia followed as a close second with 8 deaths and 42 injuries. Mississippi reported no deaths, but 20 injuries. Alabama had 3 deaths and 2 injuries. North Carolina had 7 deaths and 35 injuries.

The ideal time for pruning orchard trees is in early spring, as wounds made then are not exposed so long before the healing process begins.

## TWO COUNTY SCHOOLS GET A BUILDING LOAN

### Seagrove, Liberty and Gray's Chapel Each Get Loan From The 5 Million State Fund.

During the year 1925 there were 248 applications for loans from the \$5,000,000 State school building fund set aside by the general assembly. Of these applications, 197 were approved by the committee having the appropriation in charge. The appropriations affect the building of 1,627 school rooms in 77 counties, at an estimated cost per room of \$3100. This loan fund carries the total of State loans to counties for school building purposes up to \$15,000,000.

Loans were approved and made as follows to schools in Randolph county: Liberty, \$30,000; Gray's Chapel, \$15,000.

## State Ranks Fifth In Payment Federal Tax

North Carolina ranks fifth in the nation in the amount of taxes paid into the federal treasury in 1925. North Carolina paying \$180,272,389 led every State in the union save New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Illinois. Tar Heels was first in the South, no other Southern State getting in the hundred million dollar class.

North Carolina and ten other states showed increases in federal taxes last year over 1924, but none as large an increase as this State. Tobacco taxes form the larger part of the State's federal tax.

## James D. Patterson Dead

James Davis Patterson, 75, prominent Chatham county farmer, died Friday morning from blood poisoning. He is survived by his widow, who before her marriage was Mrs. Emma Hammer, wife of the late Calvin Hammer; and several children.

## State Collects Big Sum in Auto. Taxes

Already for the fiscal year which began July 1st, 1925, and will not end until June 30th, next, the State has collected more than nine million dollars in automobile taxes, including license plate fees, gasoline tax and license taxes. Indications are that total collections will pass 13 million dollars, or 3 million more than was collected the preceding year.

The bulk of the collections comes from the gasoline taxes and goes into the sinking fund for the retiring of bonds issued for road building.

## DEATH CLAIMS A WORTHY CITIZEN

### Calvin G. Frazier, Sr., Who Died Last Week, Was For Years Valued Asheboro Resident.

In the death of Calvin G. Frazier, Sr., early last Thursday morning, Asheboro lost one of her most highly esteemed citizens, one, who, since he moved to Asheboro from Staley in 1908, had been actively identified with the civic, business and religious life of the town until ill health forced him to retire several months ago. Mr. Frazier had been in declining health for several years and for a week prior to his death his condition had been critical. The end was not unexpected.

Mr. Frazier was born in Columbia township, Randolph county, August 31, 1852, a son of the late Pleasant and Carolyn Frazier. On October 12, 1876, he was married to Miss Rachel C. Barker, of the Providence section of the county, who survives. To this union were born ten children, seven of whom are living. They are: Calvin G. Frazier, Jr.; June E. Frazier and Miss Grace Frazier, all of Asheboro; Mrs. M. R. Cox, of Staley; Mrs. F. G. Whitehead and M. E. Frazier, of Greensboro; and L. P. Frazier, of Statesville. Another son, James Clyde Frazier, was killed in France in September 1918 while serving in the world war as a member of Company K, 120th infantry. Two other children died several years ago in Greensboro and are buried there.

Surviving also are two brothers, Thomas Frazier, of Burlington, and Newton Frazier, of Rameur; and three sisters, Mrs. Sallie Burgess, of Rameur; Mrs. Lucinda Kivett, of Liberty, and Mrs. Bell Cox, of Greensboro.

Mr. Frazier resided for many years at Staley where he was engaged in farming and operated a general store. In March 1908 he and his family moved to Asheboro where Mr. Frazier engaged in the mercantile business, conducting his store successfully until 1916 when he was forced to close out his business on account of ill health. He actively identified himself with the business and religious life of the town, being a faithful and active member of the Baptist church and chairman of its board of deacons. He was until the past summer a member of the town school board having been appointed to that place upon the death of the late O. R. Cox.

Funeral services were conducted from the Asheboro Baptist church last Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. B. E. Morris, assisted by Rev. Tom Andrews, of Staley, and Rev. B. K. Mason, of Greensboro. Interment was made in the family plot in Green Hill cemetery, Greensboro.

## WOODROW WILSON NOW VINDICATED

### America's Entrance Into World Court Is Evidence of Triumph of Wilson's Ideals.

(By David F. St. Clair)

Washington, February 2.—The publication of the personal letters of Woodrow Wilson to Col. Edward M. House during the years embracing the world war period reveals the war President in a more, intensely intimate spot light than anything else that has been written by him or about him. Col. House is said to have hastened the publication of Wilson's letters to him because of the impression produced by the recent publication of Ambassador Page's letters written to the President during the war. Page wrote many letters but Wilson answered very few of them for he is said to have regarded the U. S. ambassador as too much under the spell of his British environment. Mr. Page chafed in his effort to persuade the President to take America into the war before he decided to do so, and he hints that the delay was due to the influence of Col. House on the President.

Col. House was Woodrow Wilson's ambassador at large to Europe before America entered the war. He incarnated the President's ideal of "peace without victory" and was sent to Europe to inculcate all the governments engaged in the war with that ideal. But Germany so long as she held the sword over the heads of the allies was never disposed to entertain the idea of a settlement without victory and the allies feared such a peace, and Great Britain rather than accept it, determined to bring America into the war if possible. She succeeded and one of her agents was Ambassador Page.

After the first few letters from Page, Wilson ceased to read them and turned them over unopened to House who wrote to Page and also conferred with him but House in his prefatory note to the Wilson letters reveals the fact that the United States without a great army and navy was not in a position at that moment to ask Europe to cease fighting without victory. Wilson was not convinced that he could persuade the American people to submit themselves to the training of a great army without an actual declaration of war in advance. But House believes that if this country had been prepared for war, it could have been the arbiter of the war in Europe without the loss of a single man.

House was sent to Europe to perform a most difficult task as the Wilson letters reveal, an undertaking, had it succeeded, would have made the President the arbiter of the world, a role he sought to play at Versailles. It would have made America the very heart of the league of nations. House was selected for this mission because Wilson trusted him more than any other man he had ever known. The two men met for the first time in 1911 at a New York hotel. Col. House writes:

"From that first meeting and up to today (1916) I have been in as close touch with Woodrow Wilson as with any man I have ever known. The first hour we spent together proved to each of us that there was a sound basis for a fast friendship. We found ourselves in such complete sympathy in so many ways that we soon learned to know what each was thinking without either having expressed himself.

"A few weeks after we met and after we had exchanged confidences which men do not usually exchange except after years of friendship I asked him if he realized that we had known one another for so short a time. He replied: 'My dear friend, we have known one another always'. And I think that is true."

As Colonel House sees it, it was the action of Wilson's bitterest enemies that has done more than his best friends to assure his undying fame. Had the Versailles Treaty been ratified by the senate, Col. House thinks Wilson would have been only one of a number to share in the glory of that event. But when Wilson was compelled to make the fight for the treaty and it was defeated, he at once became the central figure in the battle for the league of nations. The world has now come to know the league of nations as the creation of Woodrow Wilson. The adherence of the United States to the world court is now hailed by Wilson's enemies as his vindication.

## GOAL REACHED

The Asheboro Chamber of Commerce set out last Friday to obtain 75 paid members. Before the day was far advanced, members were being obtained so easily that the goal was increased to 100. It was reached. Several other members will be added later as it was not convenient for some to pay the fee Friday while others were out of town. It is expected that the membership will be increased to at least 125. C. C. Cranford generously offered to banquet the chamber of commerce if 75 members could be had. Now one hundred men are expecting to have a good feed at Mr. Cranford's expense. So enthusiastic a member of the body is Mr. Cranford, however, that he would be glad to entertain a hundred and fifty.