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## Mass Meeting of Citizens in Interest of Good Roads

A meeting of Forest City citizens, at the call of Mayor Moss, met Monday night to be with a delegation of five wives from Rutherfordton, the object of said gathering being to formulate a plan for a hard-surface road between the two towns, and to urge upon the County Commissioners the importance of and necessity for a sand-clay road from the Cleveland county line to the Hendersonville county line.

Ways and means were discussed, and the object of the meeting had been fully explained.

An organization was perfected by electing Hon. J. F. Alexander as Chairman of the meeting and R. E. Price, editor of the Rutherfordton Sun and J. L. O. Thompson, editor of the Forest City Courier, were proclaimed secretaries.

At the outset, Mayor Justice, of Rutherfordton, who had been called on for a few remarks, stated that the Hon. M. L. Edwards was spokesman for the crowd and would be backed up by Sheriff Beason, who was sitting handy, wearing his good looks and best clothes most comically.

It developed that the government and the state pay the bigger portion of the cost of certain highways to be constructed in this state, so these five wives from our enterprising suburb wanted a good macadam road built, and wanted our co-operation and help to get it. It is needless to add that the aid of Forest City was immediately and unanimously pledged.

As a portion of this contract was to be let by the State Highway Commission at Asheville on Wednesday, the following delegates were appointed to appear on the scene and take the matter up with the State Commission and the County Commissioners and see if the recommendations of the body could not be put through: Messrs. Alexander, Mayor Moss, R. L. Blanton, J. D. Ledbetter, M. L. Edwards, M. L. Justice and S. Gallert. We are glad to say the entire delegation went, and if this representative set of citizens cannot make a favorable impression on the State Highway Commission, and get what they want, there is little use for any others to try.

The following resolution was drafted by Messrs. M. L. Edwards, W. S. Moss and R. E. Price. After being read it was adopted. The Committee who went to Asheville were made a permanent one, and the resolution was entrusted to them to go to Raleigh with it, and to even let it into the legislature in extraordinary session and procure that which they were working for.

Whereas, the towns of Forest City and Rutherfordton are situated about three miles apart on the Wilmington, Charlotte and Asheville Highway in Rutherfordton county North Carolina which is one of the most important highways in North Carolina connecting the mountain section with the sea coast and whereas the two said towns are growing and developing very rapidly each towards the other the traffic upon said highway being very heavy and whereas it is contemplated by the State and Federal Government in co-operation with the townships traversed by said highway to build a sand clay road; whereas it is the sense of this meeting that a sand clay road between said towns would be unsuitable and inadequate and that a hard surface road be constructed between said towns, be it therefore resolved, that the State Highway Commission be requested to provide for the construction of a hard surface road from the eastern boundary of the corporate limits of the town of Forest City to the eastern boundary of the corporate limits of the town of Rutherfordton in co-operation with the townships of Forest City, the Federal Government and the townships of Cool Springs and Rutherfordton each paying its part of the cost of the construction of said road in the proportion provided by law and that a permanent committee be appointed to bring about the enactment of the necessary legislation and do such other things as may be necessary to obtain the construction of a hard surface highway.

The Forest City people were invited by Mayor Justice, and also by

## Happenings of a Local and Personal Nature

Misses Mayme Martin and Mary Crowell left Tuesday for Unaka Springs, Tenn., to spend a fortnight.

I. B. Covington returned the 5th from a pleasant stay at Unaka Springs, Tenn. He reports it pretty cool up there.

Mesdames A. L. McDaniel and Hague Kiser returned Sunday from a two week's stay pleasantly spent at Saluda and Hendersonville.

Dr. T. C. McBrayer, who has been indisposed for some time, has recovered sufficiently and left Tuesday morning for Maima, Fla., where he will spend a time with his half-brother, B. C. Moore.

Miss Nell and Margaret Young, Robbie Biggerstaff and Paul T. Reinhardt, E. O. Huntley and Charles Watson motored to Chimney Rock and Asheville July 5th.

The Rutherford County Medical Association were to have a picnic today at Chimney Rock, but called it off at the last minute, for a future date.

Mrs. W. C. Blanton has returned from a visit delightfully spent with relatives and friends at Lincolnton and Concord.

Miss Frances Schwartzman is taking a much needed rest, spending the time at Chimney Rock.

Quite a crowd from hereabouts were Sunday visitors to Chimney Rock.

J. C. Harrill is some gardener, as well as a good groceryman. Sixty days from planting he was eating ripe home grown tomatoes, and in 45 days had beans and Irish potatoes. He is waiting for a rain so he can eat roasting-ears. Nothing like a good garden to fall back on.

Technical Sergeant T. T. Long, of the Quartermaster's Corps, on duty with the Camp Supply Co., at Camp Gordon, Ga., was a week-end visitor to relatives in Forest City.

For Sale: My 5 room house and lot located close in on Cherry Mountain St. See me for particulars.  
J. H. Crawford

We have been through a heated election. Now, lets have another one. Who is the laziest man in Forest City? Cast your vote for him at Long's Drug Store Saturday. A package of Camel Cigarettes for the winner. Now, don't everybody-run.

Martin Melton, Elijah and Andy Jones and Elijah Mooney, prominent citizens of the Golden Valley section passed through Forest City Monday, on their way to Rutherfordton.

Lost: On Sunday, July 4, some where between Chimney Rock and Rutherfordton, a ladies pocket book, containing silver purse inside, a fountain pen and a baby ring, a silver dollar, a paper dollar, some small change and some valuable receipts. Finder please return to Courier office, and get reward.

Mrs. Persy Whisnant, daughter and three sons passed through Saturday on their way to Rutherfordton, stopping at C. W. Melton's for a little while.

Jno. W. Daniel has sold his stock of goods to J. M. Price and son. They will take charge 1st of August. Mr. Oscar Price, who is in the mercantile business in Spartanburg, will have active management, but cannot get here before the above date. For the present, Mr. Daniel is motoring around Chimney Rock, Hendersonville, Asheville and other parts of Western North Carolina, taking a vacation. He is undecided what he will do, as yet, but says his home here is not for sale, and that he might buy more property here, as he sees a great future for this town. He would not talk much for publication, saying his plans for the future had not matured sufficiently to issue a definite statement.

The President of the Chamber of Commerce to visit Rutherfordton Friday night, and the invitation was accepted.

This meeting is the beginning of a cementing of feeling which will unite both towns closer together and result in much permanent good for both of them.

So note it be.

## Joe S. Biggerstaff Dead

The people of Forest City were shocked last Friday when the news was spread that Joe Biggerstaff was no more, he having died that morning at the Rutherfordton hospital.

For sometime Mr. Biggerstaff had been in bad health and on Tuesday was carried to the hospital, where he succumbed Friday from an attack of pneumonia.

Born and raised in this county he was widely known and universally liked.

At the time of his death he was living at Gilkey, where he was agent for the Southern Railway.

Mr. Biggerstaff was born June 30th, 1864. He leaves four children—three sons and one daughter; and two brothers and two sisters living, besides a host of relatives and friends to mourn his death.

For a period of thirty odd years he was a member of the Methodist church and a consecrated Christian and an earnest laborer in the Vineyard of the Lord. At Gilkey he was a teacher in the Sunday School, and is greatly missed.

His remains were laid to rest at Sunshine, his old home church, Rev. W. L. Dawson, pastor of the Forest City Charge, officiating, and all that was mortal of J. S. Biggerstaff, was consigned to mother earth with Masonic honors, the lodge at this place, of which he was a member, officiating.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful, the expressions of sympathy at his death were heard on all sides, and the crowd that witnessed the obsequies was large. He died as he had lived.  
Peace to his ashes

## Improvements at the Bank

The Farmers Bank & Trust Co. have made some changes and improvements at the bank. Each department is railed off, or caged in, and each man has his place where he can work uninterrupted. The cashier, the paying teller, the bookkeeper—in fact each department is caged in with a wicker steel cage, with door which locks, the lock being operated from either side. When you next go in the bank, do not poke fun at the gentlemen you see "behind the bars," for they have simply so fixed themselves that they can work with greater efficiency and thus give their patrons better service. By the way, the people at the head of this institution from the president on down the line, are a bunch of good fellows—good business men—progressive in thought and action, and have the best interests of this town and community at heart and will lend every aid, consistent with good banking principles, to any meritorious enterprise seeking to establish itself within our borders, or extend every courtesy to the individual who is worthy of the financial help or moral support of the bank. As it is conducted this bank is, and can be made, one of the greatest aids to the developing of a "Greater Forest City" that we know of and our citizens should take every opportunity to use it for this end.

The bank will do more than its part if the citizens will unitedly cooperate in any enterprise that will help Forest City.

Ralph Higgins of Erlanger, spent the week-end in Forest City.

The Pickert Stock Co. is playing here all this week under canvass, and large crowds are attending each night, and it is said that they are putting on clean, wholesome bills, with change of plays each night. The Pickerts make this territory every so often, and many people say it is the best stock company they ever saw.

R. L. Ely and wife, of St. Petersburg, Fla., have been visiting at the home of J. F. Alexander in Forest City. Mr. Ely is a native of Chattanooga, but for the past five years has been manager of the Alexander hotels in St. Petersburg. He was on his way back from a business trip to Chicago and stopped over in Forest City for several days, and was favorably impressed with our little city.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Kiser, two sons and Mrs. Kiser's sister, motored to Asheville, Hendersonville and Chimney Rock Saturday, and returned Sunday.

I. G. Watson, of Anderson, is on a visit to relatives of Bostic, R. I.

## Agricultural Department

OF THE  
FARMERS BANK & TRUST CO

Conducted By C. C. Proffitt

### Summer Legumes Should Be Seeded On Land As Soon As Small Grain Is Removed.

Harvest time is almost here and with it the farmer is facing the question as to whether or not it will pay to seed peas or soy beans on the stubble land. Taking into consideration the distressing need of organic matter in our piedmont soils, and the fact that the peas and beans gather nitrogen from the air and store it in the soil, it would certainly pay to seed these legumes, even if the seed were \$8. per bushel instead of what they are. Every farmer should have the seed ready to sow or plant as soon as the small grain is removed. The legume crop should be fertilized well with a fertilizer high in phosphorous.

There seems to be a prevailing idea among many farmers in Rutherford county that it is a rest for land to seed it to some kind of small grain. This is a mistaken idea unless the small grain is followed with peas or soy beans to be turned under. It is impossible to say too much in favor of summer legumes. In fact these crops often mean the difference between a progressive farmer and one who merely lives on a farm. It is next to impossible to maintain soil fertility in this section without sowing summer legumes to turn under. If you haven't your peas or beans ready to seed your stubble land, you had better get them soon because they are very scarce.

An application of lime will greatly increase the yield of all summer legumes. Think it over.

### Do What You Can! Use Every Precaution To Keep Down Disease

With the present condition of our town it behooves our citizens to use every precaution to ward off disease. Swat the fly, kill the mosquito, clean up the yards and empty the garbage cans and tubs of stagnant water, disinfect.

### We have inaugurated a cut price sale on our goods for Saturday and Monday, and these trade stimulators will be our feature for the week-ends.

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| Mary Garden Face Powder                               | 89c                  |
| \$1.00 value  |                      |
| Mary Garden Extract                                   | \$1.50               |
| value   |                      |
| Hind's Honey and Almond Cream.                        | 60c. value           |
| Nadine Face Powder.                                   | 50c. value           |
| Freeman's Face Powder                                 | 41c.                 |
| Vogue Complexion Powder.                              | 79c.                 |
| \$1.00 value  |                      |
| Lov' me Face Powder                                   | 63c.                 |
| 75c. value  |                      |
| 30c. size Vanishing Cream                             | 23c.                 |
| 30c. size Cold Cream                                  | 23c.                 |
| 50c. size Rolling Massage Cream                       | 39c.                 |
| 65c. size Rolling Cream                               | 49c.                 |
| 60c. size Shampoo Jelly                               | 39c.                 |
| 25c. tube Long's Tooth Paste                          | 13c.                 |
| 60c. tube Pepsodent                                   | 43c.                 |
| 60c. tube Pebecco                                     | 43c.                 |
| 30c. cans mavis Talcum Powder                         | 23c.                 |
| \$1.00 ounce Thelma Perfume                           | 69c.                 |
| 25c. box Stationery                                   | 19c.                 |
| 60c. box Stationery                                   | 43c.                 |
| \$1.00 box Stationery                                 | 81c.                 |
| \$1.25 box Stationery                                 | 99c.                 |
| \$2.00 box Stationery                                 | \$1.39               |
| Putnam Fadeless Dyes, all colors, 10c per pkg., 4 for | 25c.                 |
| 2-oz bottles Flavoring Extracts, all flavors          | 25c.                 |
| Strychnine Tablets per 100                            | 25c.                 |
| C. C. Pills, per dozen                                | 10c.                 |
| 25c. bottle Turpentine                                | 15c.                 |
| 25c. bottle Castor Oil                                | 15c.                 |
| Aspirin Tablets, per dozen                            | 13c.                 |
| 2 dozen for   | 25c.                 |
| 100 in bottle for                                     | 81c.                 |
| 100 10-inch Double Records                            | 85c. values. Special |
|   | 49c.                 |

LONG'S THE UP-TO-DATE DRUG STORE  
The Nyal Quality Store  
Forest City, N. C.

## Happenings of a Local and Personal Nature

Mr. Julius Burge and family and Mrs. Erwin of York, S. C. visited relatives here the past-week end.

Mrs. J. M. Edwards and attractive children, who have been visiting Mrs. Edwards' parents at Marion, have returned home. They were joined by Mr. Edwards at Spartanburg Friday who accompanied them home Sunday.

Messrs. I. B. Covington and Dr. W. C. Bostic spent Sunday at Unaka Springs returning home Monday. They will leave about the 15th for the Springs to spend three-weeks.

G. W. Edwards and family are visiting his parents at Mars Hill.

W. G. Blanton visited relatives in Lincolnton, last Friday.

Lightning damaged the electric plant at the Avondale mill Tuesday evening to a considerable extent, and at one time it looked as if the mill would be burned. One man was injured from trying to pull the switches. He was carried to the Charlotte hospital and reports say he is not seriously hurt. E. G. Abernethy was on the scene in a short time, and got the plant going about 12 o'clock that night. Glenn is "Johnny on the spot" when it comes to a show down as a trouble fixer. Fortunately, the damage done to the plant and the Mill was nominal.

Mr. Welch, of Canton, N. C., is the guest of his brother, Mr. N. H. Welch.

The many friends of Miss Minnie Justus will be glad to learn that she is able to be out again after several days illness.

Misses Nell and Margaret Young and Helen Covington have returned from a trip to California and many other noted places. They report a great time.

Misses Mayme Martin and Mary Crowell are spending the week at Unaka Springs.

Mr. L. B. Reid and daughter, Doris, of Gaffney, visited at the home of L. C. Lowrance Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Thomas and children have returned home after spending sometime with relatives in Kentucky.

Miss Bertha Hamrick, daughter of W. D. Hamrick, of Cliffside, and C. T. Shytle, of Latta, S. C., were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, at 8 o'clock on the evening of June 30th, by Rev. S. N. Watson, at his residence. Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple boarded the Southern train for Asheville and other points. The groom is in the contracting business in South Carolina. The bride is a lovely young lady who has spent much of her time in Forest City, where she has many friends who wish for her much joy and happiness. The groom is to be congratulated on winning such a charming young lady to share his joys and sorrows.

J. M. Long left Wednesday for Boise, Idaho, where he goes to accept the job of keeping water records for a government irrigation project. His many friends wish him well in his new field of endeavor.

Hamp Lookadoo, from up in Sunshine Valley was in Forest City Tuesday. He came down to have some wheat ground and to spread some "sunshine" around. Says there is no "moonshine" but that as he is going out on a threshing expedition, he certainly hopes there will be some as he may have to work by it some.

Misses Ruby Padgett and Virginia Moore of Lincolnton are the guests of Miss Linda Blanton, and will be joined Thursday by a party from Lincolnton, and then a pleasant outing at Chimney Rock is ahead of this crowd of beautiful and lovely femininity.

Mr. Lynch of Charlotte was a pleasant visitor in town Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Arp Lowrance and children, Bomar and Katherine, returned to their home at Charlotte Monday after a pleasant visit to Mr. Lowrance's mother, Mrs. Katie Lowrance. They were accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Long. Mr. Long returned Monday night. Mrs. Long returned home Wednesday.

Mr. H. Gibbs, one of the foreman of the sewerage works, spent Sunday in Asheville.

## Newsy Letter From Thriving Cliffside

Cliffside N. C.—A large number of our people attended the celebration at Rutherfordton Saturday and report a good time. The Haynes Band played in Rutherfordton Saturday and state that the dinner set for the soldiers and the bands was all that could be desired. One of the Band boys says he is sorry that he was a little sick and could not eat very much (?).

The Ball team played Forest City at Rutherfordton Saturday. The score was 10 to 0 in favor of Cliffside. This game according to agreement will not count in the league. Cliffside and Forest City would have played on the local ground Saturday but for the celebration at Rutherfordton. They will play here tomorrow, (Tuesday).

Miss Eva Long has returned from Baden where she visited last week. The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lythe, of Shelby was brought here for burial last Wednesday.

Our former townsman Mr. J. W. McKinney and Mr. Summey of Lexington were visiting here Sunday. Prof. and Mrs. Clyde Erwin spent the week-end here at Waco.

Mr. Burgoyne Wilson of Gastonia spent the week-end here with home folks. Mrs. E. B. Jarrett has resigned her position as cashier with the Cliffside Mills Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Shoeber and Miss Fannie Doggett of Carolee visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Moore Sunday.

Mr. Chas. Burrus of Shelby spent Sunday and Monday with his parents Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Burrus.

Mrs. Dora Cumnock has returned to her home in Spartanburg after conducting "Suitsus Cottage" for some time. She will be succeeded by Mrs. Ollie Harris.

Mr. Hoyt Dixon spent Saturday in Monroe.

Miss Belle Allen, milliner for the Cliffside Mills Store has left for her summer vacation, and after visiting friends at Harris and other points will go to her home in Spartanburg.

Cliffside has another resident nurse in the person of Miss Maude Elliott of Monroe.

Miss Stella McConnell and D. C. Cole motored to Boiling Springs Sunday. Miss Fay Best and Palmer Harrill visited in Gaffney Sunday.

We are sorry to note that Mr. James Burrus is sick and confined to his room. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Rev. D. J. Hunt is spending several days at the Baptist Assembly grounds at Ridge Crest.

Mr. G. C. Haynes is in Greensboro on business.

Miss Una Edwards has returned from Graham, Va., where she has been visiting the past ten days.

Master Charles Carpenter who had the misfortune to have his leg broken several days ago was removed from the Hospital at East Avondale Sunday to the Presbyterian Hospital at Charlotte for an operation. He was accompanied by his father, J. P. Carpenter, and brother, Ed Carpenter, and Dr. Bobo Scruggs.

City Clerk, W. J. Davis, spent a portion of this week in Charlotte.

Jack Grayson of Rutherfordton spent a short time with his uncle C. W. Melton, Sunday evening, whom he had not seen in twenty five years.

The Forest City Motor Co., is having a pretty filling station erected near their place of business. It will be set on brick pillars, have a beautifully designed roof which will be covered with slate, and two gasoline tanks and one oil tank. As an adornment to the square, it will be a thing of beauty—according to E. G. Abernathy's version.

At a mass meeting held Tuesday night, relative to the school building proposition, it was agreed to borrow \$5,000 and erect a wooden structure, as a temporary makeshift, until the bonds could be sold at a profitable price, when the original plans for the erection of a modern brick school building would be carried out.