

Two Miles Hard Surface Road For Lincoln

County Commissioners Secure Government and State Aid For Two Miles of Road Surface Road Leading from Lincoln East to Goodsonville.

The Lincoln County Commissioners have stumbled on the good fortune of securing State and National Aid for two miles of hard surface road. The national government pays one-half of the expense of this two miles, the State Highway Commission one-fourth, leaving the County one-fourth to pay in order to secure the three fourths.

The proposed road begins at Lincoln and runs east to Goodsonville and the total cost estimated is \$30,000, or in other words \$30,000 per mile.

Chairman Troutman received the proposition from the State Commission for this two miles of permanent road, with the offer of government aid, and he immediately called the board and the commissioners lost no time in passing an order guaranteeing the county's part of the \$60,000, which is \$15,000, and the matter is now settled as far as the money is concerned. The next move is to get the work done and the County Capital will then be connected with one of its great suburban sections, joining by the new Board and Crawford mills, and the county home, and Goodsonville, which place is putting on airs, and building up as fast as any part of the county.

The State highway had considered the proposition of aid in rebuilding the sandclay also, but after careful investigation it was thought that nothing but a hard surface road would stand the strain, and with this idea the county commissioners were in full accord.

When this stretch of hard surface road is finished and its advantages are seen, it will mean more of the same in other parts until we are all connected with every county road in adjoining counties. Permanent roads are coming just like woman's suffrage. The present day traffic demands it, and the people seem willing to pay down the cash if they may have them. It will of course require years to get a road in all directions, but the good work has begun.

AMERICANS IN LEIPSI

FEAR FOR THEIR LIVES

Coblenz, March 18.—Two hundred Americans who have been attending the fair at Leipzig have telegraphed and telephoned Major General H. T. Allen commanding the American army of occupation, urgently asking for help to leave Leipzig since they were in danger of being sent to their lives. General Allen is sending a special train to bring them away.

MORE HARD WORK IS HIGH PRICE REMEDY

"There will be no relief from high prices until more of the people stop looking for easy jobs and get down to the hard work of production," said Mr. Joseph John Allen, the famous spender of Franklin county. Mr. Allen was in the city yesterday returning to his home near Lenoir after a visit to his son at Spartanburg, S. C. Getting down to his favorite topic of spell words, Mr. Allen said that he found that his grandchildren at Spartanburg were using the wrong kind of spell.

"I went right to the book store," he said, "bought a blue back speller and carried it to my son's home. That is the greatest speller ever printed. It cannot be improved on. The lady in the book store looked surprised when I told her I could spell anything in the blue back. To test me she gave me the word phalanx. 'Why, lady,' I said, 'it is unfair to you to give me a word like that and I spelled it and told her the exact pronunciation and the place on the page where she found it. She gave me some more words and I also spelled them and told her the page and the place on the page where they were. She didn't understand it. My three-year-old grandson at Lenoir is spelling words in three syllables. I am a bit uneasy about these at Spartanburg. If I could be with them all the time or much of the time they would be great spellers, but I don't know how it is going to be with them so far away."

Senator Simmons does not see how the Treaty can be made a party issue, because both parties were responsible for its rejection. The Treaty nationally, in the same fix as the North Carolina revaluation act, locally. Both parties in the Legislature were responsible for its enactment, and while some Republicans undertook to make it a political issue, they were quickly forced to turn back-pedaling.—Charlotte Observer.

Efrid Brothers Starts Store Here

Efrid Bros. of Charlotte, this week purchased the store of Abernethy and Thompson, dry goods merchants, and the Wampus Grocery Co. of this city, and leased the building occupied by these firms, and will open a department store in the Abernethy building on Main street, using the first and second stories of this building.

Mr. J. W. Efrid, of Charlotte and Mr. E. M. Curlee, of Charlotte, are here this week looking after the inventory of the Abernethy & Thompson stock.

The new firm of Efrid Bros., will open up with a full line of goods similar to the line carried in the chain of Efrid stores, in towns in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, of which there are 26 including the new store here. These stores are located at Charlotte, Concord, Gastonia, Winston, Rock Hill, Durham, Columbia, Rocky Mount, Salisbury, High Point, Anderson, Raleigh, Monroe, Greenville, Grier, Spartanburg, Greenwood, Laurinburg, Lumberton, Forest City, Goldsboro, Statesville, Danville, Lincoln, Lincolnton being the twenty-sixth link in the chain.

Efrid Bros. firm is composed of five brothers, and the original idea of the Brothers was to establish five stores, but they now have a chain of five times five and more.

The new firm will of course be welcomed to the business life of Lincoln, and there will be regret to no more see the two well known firms going out of business, the managers of which are popular and well known business men.

ARE YOU A MAGICIAN?

(Written for the News)
Can you turn "old clothes" into a school or a chapel? If you have any outgrown dresses, shoes, or suits, or neckties that fail to please you, and you want them to go where they will be used, send them to Mrs. J. W. Saine. Mrs. Mary Martin Sloop, M. D., is the wonder worker, who at Crossmore, N. C., changes these second hand garments into schools and a chapel, by selling them to those who eagerly buy. North Carolina needs schools in the mountains and this school supported in this unique way is doing much good. Fighting ignorance is a difficult work, and you can help by sending something that you don't need. Remember that even scraps are much sought for quilts.

ARMY MEN TO WORK ALSO.

(By Recruiting Publicity Man.)
The public at large is beginning to learn that the new democratic peace time army is an entirely different proposition from the old army. The new general educational and vocational schools at army posts are intended to so improve the soldier mentally that should he leave the service, he will be able to earn good wages or a good salary.

ZION NEWS.

We are very sorry to say that Mrs. Polly Huss, who is very ill is no better.

Miss Katie Reep spent Sunday with Miss Mae Royster.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ledford and family called on Mr. Cleo Ledford's Sunday afternoon.

Misses Mamie and Katie Houser called on Miss Nora Houser Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sain visited Mr. D. C. Heaver Sunday.

Presbyterial Meets Here Next Week

Kings Mountain Presbyterial will meet with the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterial church on April 1 and 2nd.

The program follows with Miss Angevine's suggestions for preparation for the Bible study.

9:15—Meeting of Ex. Committee.
11:30—Appointment of Committees.
Prayer—Dr. Wilson.

9:30—Stereo-Lecture.
Adjournment with Prayer.

9:15—Call to Order.
Greetings from Lincoln Church—Mrs. Wise.

9:30—Devotional—Miss Angevine.
9:45—Enrollment.

Report of President, Secretary and Treasurer.
Narrative Reports from Local Aux.

11:00—Efficiency Talk No. 1.—Mrs. W. B. Ramsey.
Special Music and offering.

11:30—Young People's Work.—Miss Mary Ragan, Miss Marion Wise and Mrs. G. V. Patterson.
12:05—Appeal for Barium S. O.—Mrs. F. P. Hall.

Adjournment for Luncheon.
Friday Afternoon.
11:30—Devotional.—Miss Angevine.

Report from Synodal.—Mrs. R. S. Abernethy.
Report of Secretaries of Causes.

2:40—Efficiency Talk No. II.—Mrs. W. B. Ramsey.
3:00—Report of Com. on Recommendations.

3:30—Presentation of Circle Plan.—Mrs. S. A. Robinson and Mrs. R. S. Abernethy.
Report of Committees.

7:30—Hymn.
Prayer.
Bible Study.—Miss Angevine.
Special Music.

Address.—Foreign Missions.—Mrs. R. D. Bedinger.
Offering.
Benediction.
Intermission.—5 minutes.
Unfinished Business.

Adjournment with Prayer.

VETERAN WILLIAM RILEY SELF, OF NEWTON IS LAID TO REST

The funeral of William Riley Self, aged 86 years was held in Newton by Rev. H. A. Fulmer, pastor of the Lutheran church of which he was a member.

Death occurred Sunday morning at his home in Newton after an illness of four weeks.

Mr. Self had resided in Newton for several years and was a well known and highly esteemed citizen. He observed his 86th birthday anniversary on March 2. He was a gallant Confederate soldier and was twice slightly wounded—once at Chancellorsville and at Gettysburg on the second day of the battle.

The flag, which he was carrying, was lifted by J. C. Post, who was shot down by the enemy. Mr. Self was taken prisoner and went through a siege of five months with smallpox.

His closest shave, as he expressed, was near Hickory in March, 1865, when he came home on a visit. He carried 13 horses belonging to his father-in-law, Major Post, a lieutenant captured by the Yanks. Being taken safe to bring the horses home, young Self mounted one and rode into Hickory, stopped for a drink of water and saw the pickets riding towards him. Self leaped upon his horse, declined an invitation to halt and escaped with but a single bullet near his head. He figured that 75 shots were fired at him.

Mr. Self was twice married. His first wife was the daughter of Major Post, and by that marriage two children survive, Hon. H. A. Self, of Hickory, and Mrs. Chas. E. Long, near Newton.

The second wife, who survives her husband, was before her marriage, Miss Katie Sumner, also the following children survive, Mrs. R. F. Cox, of Belmont, Mrs. F. E. Yount, Mr. Riley L. Self, Mrs. Harvey Carver, and Miss Willie Self, all of Newton.

The deceased was a brother of the late Capt. Isaac Self, of Lincoln county, one of our most prominent and best beloved citizens.

By the terms of a deal, the last details of which were consummated at a directors' meeting of the 3rd National Bank at 11:30 this morning the corner at South and Main streets popularly known as Kennedy's corner, and owned by Messrs. V. E. and Henderson Long, was sold to the Third National Bank for a consideration of approximately \$18,000. It is the intention of the officials of the Third National to occupy this location as a home for the bank upon the expiration of the lease of the present occupants, Kennedy's and the Standard Hardware Company. The property bought by the bank has a frontage of 50 feet on Main street and a depth of 110.—Gastonia Gazette.

WIRE LINES HARD HIT; NEW YORK STIRRED UP

New York, March 22.—Aurora Borealis was attacked tonight with spring fever. He kicked up his heels, danced all over the sky and put telegraphic wires out of commission from the Atlantic seaboard to the far west.

The wire chief at Western Union headquarters tried to take the patient's "pulse" but reported the company had no instruments strong to check the erratic voltage in the electrical wires, which swept across the heavens. Nature's legerdemain in the northland made legerdemain an impossibility for fifteen minutes—a record in this vicinity—and caused a flurry in newspaper offices all over the country, when news wires were held up.

There were interruptions in telegraph service every evening but the complete tie-up came at 9:45. By 10 o'clock Western Union reported it was beginning to recover some of its circuits, but a realignment of balancing was necessary.

The American Telephone and Telegraph company, which was completely demoralized, said the morning lights had not interrupted its local or long distance telephone service. Cable terminals were hard hit, while wireless apparatus waged an unequal fight against nature for command of the air.

AURORA BOREALIS WAS SEEN BY MANY TUESDAY

Tuesday night many local citizens saw the Aurora Borealis, and much speculation was indulged in as to what it was all about. Many older citizens discussed the northern lights Wednesday. One gentleman of many summers said he remembered a similar exhibition just before the civil war and that some then said it was a sign of war, but of course that was a mere surmise. A Washington dispatch Wednesday reported that the Aurora Borealis was visible in the far south Tuesday night, in some sections the electrical display having been seen for the first time in years. In Columbia and Charleston, S. C., the northern lights were seen distinctly and Montgomery, Ala., and cities in Tennessee reported a remarkable exhibition.

IN MEMORIAM.

The subject of this sketch, Clyde Ezra Blackburn, fifth child of John V. Blackburn and Mary Anthony Blackburn, was born the 31st day of July, 1896, and was, therefore, at the time of his death, 23 March 1920, twenty-three years, seven months and eleven days of age.

As a child, Clyde was bright and energetic fulfilling the fondest desires of his parents that he would grow into a strong man. But those were soon blighted. When a child of four, having gone with his father to a new ground where, one bright spring day, the latter was piling and burning brush, and having separated himself a little way from his father, Clyde fell into a small heap of burning brush. The little boy was seriously burned about the spine and hips before he could be rescued from the flames. He was treated by local physicians and for several years his parents and friends thought that Clyde would not grow. The injuries received by the accident. But their hopes were not to be realized.

When Clyde was but ten he began to have convulsions and later became a semi-epileptic. At times he appeared to be mentally normal; at others his mind wandered considerably. Much of the time he was physically unable to perform any manual labor though when at home he generally tried to make a hand on the farm.

In early life Clyde was converted and became a member of the Baptist church at Bethel. Here, adjoining the church property is the Hickory Grove school which Clyde attended until both he and his parents discovered that his physical condition did not permit him to apply himself for any considerable time. Later, together with his parents, Clyde connected himself with Lincoln Baptist church of which he was a member until his death. His parents lie in the old family grave-yard at Bethel where his childhood days were spent among his playmates and where as a boy he attended church and Sunday school regularly.

On account of timidity caused by his physical and mental condition of which Clyde was fully aware, he seldom attended church at Lincoln. The writer of this sketch fully believes now that Clyde understood his condition better than did any one else—his own folks not excepted. Undoubtedly he knew that something awful was wrong with his nervous system, nor is there any doubt that he suffered untold agony in trying to overcome the malady which so affected his spine and nerves that he lost all complete control of himself. On Tuesday, March the 9th, becoming violently ill with a pain in the head which threw him into convulsions, he was taken to his home where he realized that the end was near and that his sufferings were about over. He begged to be loosed that he might go hence in peace. His request was granted. The gentle hand of Him who healed the Gardener touched Clyde and he quietly fell asleep.

Clyde Blackburn's parents and the entire family did all that was humanly possible to do to relieve him of the disease from which he was almost a constant sufferer. He was treated by skillful physicians both at home and in other States, but without avail. Left to mourn his departure are his parents, already named; 4 brothers, W. Beverly Blackburn and J. H. Blackburn of Charlotte, Norcum Blackburn, of Lyman, Wyoming, and J. D. Blackburn of Lincolnton, also one sister, Mrs. Leila Blackburn Aitken wife of Mr. John Aitken of Charlotte, N. C.

When at himself Clyde had a kindly winning disposition and was liked by all who knew and understood him. Impressive funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. A. Snow of Lincolnton. A Friend.

THE ARMY SCHOOL.

(By Recruiting Publicity Man.)
North Carolina is one of the five states in which it is proposed to establish agricultural and animal husbandry courses in connection with vocational schools at army camps, according to an announcement by the war department. Camp Bragg will be one of the camps and the others will be Camp Jackson, S. C., Camp Gordon and Benning in Georgia, Camp Pike, Arkansas, and Camp Lee in Virginia.

An army school that will teach enlisted men how to raise cows, pigs, and chickens and train them in the general duties of farm management is to be started at Charleston, S. C., as an experimental station, under the direction of Dr. E. M. Ranck, expert in animal husbandry, who will act in the capacity of civilian adviser to the commanding general of the southeastern department. Doctor Ranck is known throughout the southeastern states as a former state veterinarian of Mississippi and was an important factor in the eradication of the tick in that state.

Doctor Ranck, who has done some work along this line in army camps in the middle west, says that many men unable to pass the entrance requirements for college or unable to pay the expenses of a college course are enlisting in the army to obtain vocational training along special agricultural lines. He believes in the future appropriations will be made available for the extension of these courses in the southeastern states.

According to present plans live stock will be purchased for the schools by experts and each camp will have a small herd of good dairy cattle, pure bred hogs, sheep, beef cattle and stands of bees. The soldiers who undertake this work will be trained both by lectures and by practical work. Doctor Ranck says it is difficult for the average man to conceive the snappy soldier of the drab ground interested in pigs but that in the middle western camps intense interest attends a "hog-killing." He says that even soldiers who are not taking the courses are deeply interested in it and encourage the agricultural students because of the great improvement it effects in the company messes.

FORD HAS NOTHING TO SAY ABOUT TRIAL

Detroit, Mich., March 20.—Henry Ford, Democratic opponent to Truman H. Newberry, in the 1918 Senatorial campaign, declined to discuss the conviction tonight. Asked for a statement, Mr. Ford said he had nothing to say at this time either as to the Newberry case or the forthcoming recount of ballots cast in the election.

SHORT ITEMS OF NEWS

The Wilmington High school won the State basketball championship, defeating Charlotte. The game took place at Chapel Hill.

Five German surrendered warships allocated to the United States under the armistice terms, a battleship, a cruiser and three destroyers, will be brought to this country next month, it is announced by the navy department.

The dates during which the every-member canvass of the Southern Presbyterian progressive program will be held in nine States were announced at headquarters of the campaign in Chattanooga, Tenn., Wednesday. The Synods of South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Mississippi will conduct their canvass March 21-28, while Kentucky, Oklahoma, Texas and Virginia will hold theirs April 25-May 2, corresponding with those of the inter-Church movement.

The Inter-State commerce commission announces that it has received acceptance from more than 500 railroads, corporations declaring their intention to operate under the general act. Fewer than a dozen lines have thus far refused the income guarantee and many of these, officials said, were small corporations.

The chief secretary for Ireland, the past week, announced in the house of commons that since January, 1919, 27 police and government employees of Ireland have been assassinated. Of these, 18 were of the Royal Irish constabulary; Dublin police 6; soldiers 2; other government servants 1. Attempted murder: Irish constabulary 65; Dublin police 17; soldiers 4; other government servants 3—total 89. In addition, 25 attacks were made on police in barracks.

Consolidation of the Chemical and Citizens national banks of New York city is announced. The combined institution will have a capital of \$4,500,000, surplus of \$13,500,000, undivided profits approximating \$1,000,000 gross deposits of \$140,000,000 and total resources of \$200,000,000. The Chemical National was founded in 1824 and the Citizens' National in 1851.

Charles M. Chappell, who lived about four miles from Raleigh, went to Raleigh a few nights ago to get some medicine for his family. He went in a buggy driving a mule. When Mr. Chappell had not returned home at midnight, Mrs. Chappell notified the Raleigh police to look after him. Later he was found dead in his buggy in front of his barn lot gate where the faithful mule had conveyed him, not aware of what had happened.

It is stated from Washington that North Carolina is one of the few States that have not secured any of the construction of roads under the act of February 20, 1920. Twenty States received 20-ton tractors, 11 15-ton tractors and 14 five-ton tractors. Tennessee received 40 20-ton tractors. The war department announced that the ordnance department has turned over to the department of agriculture 345 tractors for distribution.

A dispatch from Hickory tells of the marriage of Miss Kathleen Whitner, of Hickory, and Miss Waldo Beck of Charlotte, the marriage occurring in Washington City Thursday night.

Newton, March 23.—Appraisers were here today to investigate the damage by fire Sunday morning which caused considerable inconvenience to the Farmers and Merchants hand building, the Moose studio, the dental office of Dr. W. C. Raymer and flooded the shop of the Lowry Printing company. The total damage from fire and water will run, nearly to \$10,000. It is believed. The fire started in the insurance office of M. A. Abernethy on the second floor of the bank building and it was discovered by a passing farmer. None of the bank's property was injured except by water and it will be all right again in a few days.

Congressman Clyde R. Hoey arrived Saturday from Washington to spend several days with his family and represent several clients at the present term of court. Congressman Hoey stated that in Washington Mr. McAdoo is looked upon as the most favorable Democratic candidate for President.—Shelby Star.

NOTICE TO GENERAL CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received by the County Commissioners of Lincoln County, N. C., at their office, the County Court House, at Lincolnton, N. C., until April 15th 1920, at noon, of said day for the erection of a Court House to be built in Lincolnton, N. C., according to the plans and specifications prepared by James A. Salter and G. Murry Nelson, Architects, Raleigh, N. C.

Plans and specifications will be on file at the office of Capt. C. E. Childs, Lincolnton, N. C., and at the office of the Architects, in Raleigh, N. C. on and after March 15th, 1920.—Copies of the plans and specifications may be obtained by Contractors of recognized responsibility upon application to the Architects, Raleigh, N. C.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certificate check for 2 per cent of the total amount of estimate covering work bid upon and made payable to D. A. Troutman, Chairman of the County Commissioners, as a guarantee that the bidder will, if awarded the contract for any portion or all of the work enter into a written contract and execute bond as required for the faithful performance of said work.

The County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids or to award in part or as a whole. This 15th day of March 1920. D. A. Troutman, Chairman, Board County Commissioners, Lincolnton, N. C.

WASHINGTON RATIFIES SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT.

Olympia, Wash., March 22.—Ratification of the proposed suffrage amendment to the federal constitution was completed by the Washington legislature late today, when the senate unanimously passed a resolution ratifying the amendment. The resolution has previously been passed by the house. Washington was the 35th state to ratify the amendment.

WANTED ADS

1c a word, cash with order. 10c per line when booked.
FOR SALE—Pure bred S. C. White Leghorn eggs \$1. per setting of 15. Also some fine laying hens \$2. each. Dan Rhyns, Reepsville, N. C. m22-2*

FOR SALE—One good horse, weight 1100 lbs., 8 years old. One good mule, weighing 800 lbs 7 years old. Blair Abernethy, Iron Station, N. C. m25-

FOR SALE—17 acres of land, known as the George Hines land. For particulars address J. S. Wolley, Box 44, Mayworth, N. C. m25-

WANTED—You to know I sell the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance policies. Edgar L. Heaver, Lincolnton. m25-2m.

FOR SALE—One fine young horse. Mrs. R. S. Edwards. m25-4t.

FOR SALE—Barred Rock eggs. 15 for \$1.50. Mrs. R. S. Edwards. m25-4t.

There will be a box supper at Reepsville school house Saturday night, March 27, proceeds to go to Ladies' Aid Society. Everybody come. m183t

FOR SALE—Milk cow, about 4 months old, giving two gallons of milk and one pound of butter per day. Charlie Little, Wampus Mill. m1*

SEE our line of army and work shoes. C. V. Tilson Co.

FOR SALE—One 1918 Reo, 5 passenger automobile, perfect shape; one brand new 1920 Ford, self starter. Hoyle Implement Co. m18,t

JUST RECEIVED Car load cotton seed meal, highest grade, 7 1/2 per cent. Price \$4.00 bag. Come in. Lincolnton Creamery and Ice Cream Co. m15-4t

BRAND NEW LINE—Spring ging-ham, Silks and Voiles. Will pay you to look our line over. We sell for cash and one price to all. W. C. Ashburn, East Main street. mar18-3t

WANTED—About 1000 cords wood cut. Will pay \$2.50 per cord. Will back and take up each week or part of week. J. E. Kuhn. M5 8t*

FOR SALE—Good building lot in southeast ward of town. See M. H. Hoyle.

MY ENGLISH Berkshire boar will be at my old homeplace for two weeks for service, beginning the 27th of March, Harrison Lingerfelt. 25m-2t

FOR SALE—41 3-4 acres land, a part of Lackey farm, one mile west of court house. See Arthur Lackey, Lincolnton. m8-8t*

FOR SALE—Single Comb white Leghorn eggs, \$1.50 for setting of 15, delivered. Carlton Jetton, Reepsville. m5-7t*

VISIT the hardware store of Rhodes-Quickel Hardware Co. when you need anything in Hardware. We want to serve you in our line. f26

WANTED—Your green hides; will pay 15 cents per pound. See F. P. Womack at Sanitary Meat Market. Will pay 7 cents per pound for tallow. jan12t*

WE HAVE RECEIVED a new line of caps, hats, shirts and ties, for the Spring trade. Sigmon's, The Young Men's Store.

PEAS WANTED—J. M. FIELD, CLIMAX, N. C. WILL BUY YOUR PEAS WHEN YOU ARE READY TO SELL. TELL HIM WHAT YOU GOT FOR SALE; HOW MUCH YOU ASK FOR THEM AND WAIT FOR A LETTER FROM HIM. NUFF SED. f-19-t.

THE LATEST STYLE in Spring Hats. Sigmon's the Young Men's Store.

FOR ALL KIND of Job Printing, see Lincolnton Printing Co.

FOUR BUICK SIX And one Oldsmobile for sale or trade. K. B. Nixon. f-

WANTED—Scrap iron, brass and aluminum. Eureka Iron Works, Lincolnton. c21-5t

THE LABEL on your paper, which shows date to which subscription is paid, we will suppose, reads this: 18 mar 20. The first figure or figures represents the day of the month, and the figures following the month represents the year, when subscription expires, 1920 being abbreviated to 20.

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