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HIGHWAY ROUTES ARE DISCUSSED AT LENOIR

Coupling of Yonahlossee and Blowing Rock Turnpikes is Advocated

Lenoir, July 1.—Coupling the Yonahlossee road with the Lenoir-Blowing Rock turnpike as a connecting link with the great interstate highway leading from Charlotte to Lincolnton, Hickory, Lenoir, Blowing Rock, Linville, Newland and connecting with the national highway leading through Johnson City was discussed at a meeting held at the chamber of commerce Monday morning. It was a joint discussion of the proposition by Hugh McRae of the Linville Improvement company; W. L. Alexander, of the Mayview Park Development company, and Thomas H. Coffey, of Blowing Rock.

It is only through the state acceptance of the Yonahlossee turnpike and the Lenoir-Blowing Rock turnpike as connecting link of the system is it possible for Lenoir to be put on any through highway. If the Yonahlossee road is not accepted, and a route from El Park or from Newland and Boone is adopted instead it will give Boone two highways, one leading from Bristol and Winston-Salem, and known as the Boone trail highway, and another highway leading from Johnson City by way of Elk Park to Boone, and connecting with the Boone trail highway. This will cause Lenoir to be left off of any thru highway, and make the road passing through Lenoir nothing more than a local or county seat road. With the connection between Johnson City and Boone by way of El Park all eastern Carolina travel and all the travel from the southern part of the state beyond Charlotte will come up over the Boone trail highway to Blowing Rock through Winston-Salem. At present this travel passed through Lenoir.

The key to the situation, according to facts brought out at this meeting lie in the acceptance of the route between Newland and Boone. The Yonahlossee between Blowing Rock, Linville and thence to Newland will give the sweating process.

county seats of Lenoir, Boone and Newland are considered collectively. It is claimed that this route will also be shorter than the Banner Elk route if the Banner Elk route is to be on a proper grade. It is estimated that the Banner Elk route will make a road 12 miles longer than the Yonahlossee, and this will make a distance of about 25 miles longer between Lenoir and Newland.

TWO BANK ROBBERS ESCAPE

CAPE FROM ROANOKE JAIL

Roanoke, June 28.—Chas. Wilkes and D. C. Gordon, members of the alleged band of bank robbers confined in the local jail under sentences imposed for robbery of the bank of Glasgow, Va., last October, made their escape early today by sawing the bars of their cells and crawling through a ventilator. "Red" Gordon, one of the men who escaped, was captured in Philadelphia last January following a confession of a confederate, a woman from Atlanta. Gordon was brought here after the trial at Houston, Va., along with Wm. Walsh, and was given 18 years in the penitentiary.

STATE DENISTS CLOSE SESSION AT CHARLOTTE

Charlotte, June 30.—The final meeting of the North Carolina Dental society was held this morning, the convention closing at noon. Addresses were made by Dr. T. O. Heatwole of Baltimore, and Dr. Harry B. Johnson of Atlanta. The house of delegates met then and memorials were read. The character of Dr. Russell Graham Sherrill, of Raleigh, was read by Dr. H. O. Lineberger, of Raleigh; Dr. Dan W. Parrott, of Kinston, read by Da. J. G. Poole, of Kinston; Dr. J. H. Gettys, of Forest City, read by Dr. Alexander Newton, of Forest City; Dr. A. M. Dula, read by I. P. Jeter, of Morganton. In the new business reports of treasurer, auditing committee and legislative committee were made. The last business was the installation of officers and the appointment of Dr. W. M. Robey, the new president, of the standing committee for the year.

MR. ALLISON RESIGNS JOB

Statesville, June 30.—Mr. R. P. Allison, Federal prohibition agent, has resigned his position, effective at the close of business today—June 30. He had been in the employ of the government for the past six years—as deputy collector under Col. A. H. Watts; revenue agent under Col. Vandorfer and Federal prohibition agent under Mr. S. R. Brame. Mr. Allison will be located at Newberry, S. C. he having bought a bottling plant there.

FARM DEMONSTRATION NOTES.

(W. L. Smarr.)

Says Farmers Will Fix Price. W. B. Mabey, field representative for the cooperative selling plan of the farmers of the south, declared recently that the scheme will, in the opinion of the leaders, take from Liverpool and New York the fixing of the price of cotton, and will put in the hands of the organization that it is expected soon to be effected over the country to handle products of the farm, cotton, grain, tobacco, etc.

Mr. Mabey believes that when the reports are in early in July, it will be found that sufficient cotton will have been signed up to place that commodity under the control of the organization, and that means that the organization based on cooperative selling can say what its product is worth. Leaders in the plan say that it is not a trust or combine that is planned, but that they want to have something to say to what their products are worth, and that under the general plan applying to cotton and other products it is now expected that the plan will work.

Mr. Mabey is confident that North Carolina will go over the top in signing up for 200,000 bales of cotton. As soon as the state has reached its minimum figure, a meeting will be held and a state organization will be perfected. Later it is planned that the states with their organization shall get together and select a general board of directors to handle the selling of farm products included in the scheme. Government grading will be followed in the handling of cotton sold by the new organization.

Farmer's Trip To Test Farm.

The farmers of Iredell county will hold their annual picnic at the Test Farm, near Statesville, on Thursday, July 21. I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. R. W. Graeber, Farm Demonstration Agent of that county inviting the farmers of Lincoln County to meet with them on this picnic.

Since there are several farmers in this county who wish to visit the Test Farm, and desiring to get the farmers acquainted with the Test Farm, I have decided to accept the above invitation and to conduct a trip to the Test Farm on the above date.

Mr. J. W. Coverdale, Secretary of the National Farm Bureau Federation will be the principal speaker of the day. Other parts of the program will be announced later.

Make your plans to visit the test farm on this date.

ATTACK IS MADE ON RESERVE BOARD

Washington, July 1.—Declaring that he had been informed by the treasury that the federal reserve system had a surplus of one million dollars in excess of all requirements, Senator Smith, Democrat of South Carolina urged a senate investigation of the board. Senator Watson Democrat of Georgia, said he had read a letter by a federal reserve board member to a Georgia representative in which, Senator Watson said, the member had "threatened to make war against offending representatives."

This letter, Senator Watson said, "was insulting to the congressman." Senator Smith said he was informed that the gold reserve of the federal reserve system was 61.1 per cent when the legal requirement was 44 per cent. The rediscunt rate should be reduced to 4 per cent, he declared.

In defense of the reserve board, Senator Smoot, Republican of Utah, said there were two sides to this question. This is a world condition. The trouble is that foreign countries cannot buy our products. There was danger of piling up gold in America, Senator Smoot said, "and there is too much gold here now."

Washington, July 1.—Both houses of Congress suspended work for almost a week late today and there will be no real business transacted in either body until next Wednesday. It is called a fourth of July holiday. But more than 100 members of Congress, according to conservative estimates, will begin celebrating tomorrow when they attend the Dempsey-Carpenter prize fight at Jersey City—the contest which the sport writers call the "battle of the century."

JULY IS MONTH TO MAKE CAPITAL STOCK RETURNS

I desire to call to the attention of the taxpayers of this District that the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1918 require all corporations, associations, joint-stock companies, whether created by statute or by contract, and insurance companies, whether or not organized for profit or having a Capital Stock represented by shares to file during the month of July Capital Stock Returns, Form 707.

Every corporation must file a return Form 707, whether taxable or non-taxable. Companies claiming exemption as "not engaged in business," are as "holding corporations," "inactive," "simply holding undeveloped mineral or timber land," "leased," "personal service," and "non-taxable," are required to file a return and attach a letter, preferably an affidavit, setting forth clearly the reason they should not be subject to tax. Banks and insurance companies, however, are permitted to attach their annual published statements in lieu of filling out Exhibits B and C must be completed.

Since all Capital Stock returns are audited in the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, it is absolutely essential that each corporation complete Exhibits A, B, and C, of Form 707 in full; otherwise, the companies will be called upon through correspondence by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to supply this information which will be a source of great annoyance both to the taxpayer and the Government.

Both parent and subsidiary corporation must each file separate returns, Form 707. Consolidated returns for parent and subsidiary are not permitted under the Capital Stock Law. Capital Stock Tax is an excise tax, payable in advance, for the privilege of doing business based at the rate of one dollar (\$1.00) on each full one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the fair value of Capital Stock. Checks can only be drawn in favor of J. W. Bailey, Collector, for the full one dollar. No fractional part of a dollar should be submitted.

Every corporation can secure the necessary forms by writing this office. Failure to file Capital Stock returns during the month of July subjects taxpayers to a twenty-five percent (25 per cent) penalty. See me urge all corporations officials to attending to the filing of their Capital Stock Returns at once.

J. W. Bailey, Collector.

MRS. DIXON DIES AT BELWOOD HOME.

Shelby Star 1st. The community was saddened over the almost sudden death of Mrs. Elizabeth Self Dixon. She had a stroke of paralysis five years ago, followed by a long illness which left her an invalid. She was in very good health until the 7 of June when she had another stroke from which she never rallied, passing peacefully away at ten o'clock that night. She was 52 years old the 17 of March. She joined Kadish church in early girlhood and was a devoted christian until death. She is survived by 15 children. Four are dead and eleven are living. Henry Dixon of Cherryville, Ben of Arkansas, Clarence of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Lee Boggs of Iredell county, Mrs. Lem Williams of Fallston and Messrs. Claude, Dewey, Clyde, Roscoe, Marvin and Miss Maude. Her husband preceding her some ten of twelve years ago. The children are making their home with their brother Mr. Claude Dixon of this place.

BORAH NOT YET SATISFIED

H. E. C. Bryant in Charlotte Observer. Washington, June 29.—It will be a long time before the Linney affair dies down. Senator Borah is not at all satisfied with the outcome of the hearing. He has written President D. C. Suggs, of Livingston college, a letter asking him if Henry Lincoln Johnson was authorized to speak for him and the other negroes who signed the original protest against the confirmation of Frank A. Linney. He is right much wrought up over the action of the protestants, and said today that if they were taking the advice of John they hardly deserved the ballot.

The nomination of Johnson for recorder of the District of Columbia has caused a real commotion here, it has brought up the negro question again. Representative Hammer, who is a member of the District of Columbia committee, has written the President this letter: "A citizen and Representative in Congress of the 7th district of North Carolina, and in behalf of the white womanhood of America, I most respectfully add my protest against the appointment of a colored man as recorder of the treasury."

TO URGE PEOPLE TO BUY STATE BONDS

Raleigh, July 1.—State Treasurer B. R. Lacy has started a series of advertisement in the state papers announcing the eight million dollars worth of North Carolina five per cent bonds. Nobody expects a general knock-down and run-over stampede to buy the state paper, but the treasurer is complying with the law. At the same time he is very anxious to dispose of the bonds at home. The biggest attraction in the eight million issue is a half million in denominations of \$100. They are tax free and Tar Heels who love their state as well as Uncle Sam are expected to subscribe for several bonds. The bids will be opened July 15.

MOTOR BUS TRAIN USED ON A. AND R. RAILROAD

Accommodates 30 Passengers and is the Newest Thing in Short Line Railroad. Fayetteville, June 30.—The newest thing in short-line railroading, the motor bus train, has been placed in operation by the Aberdeen and Rockfish railroad between this city and Aberdeen. The automobile bus replaces the regular passenger train between the two points. At present only one car is being used but it is planned by the management of the road later on to install a trailer to carry baggage and express.

A large number of persons gathered at the A. and R. station on Maxwell street to see the new "train" off to Aberdeen. The new method of transportation is said to be quite as fast as the locomotive-drawn train, while it is much cleaner and pleasanter riding. The bus in service has a seating capacity of 30 persons and is heated in cold weather—by the exhaust from the engine passing through coil pipe. It is a "jim crow" car, a movable partition separating the two tracks. The car is built on a Mack AB type and rides as easy as a Pullman, due to the use of a pony truck under the engine instead of the ordinary type of bolsters allow the car to round a curve with ease and without reduction of speed. The four speed selected type transmission gives the engine the same speed backward that it develops while running forward.

The Aberdeen and Rockfish is said to be the first railroad in the south to install this type of bus. The Norfolk Southern used motor cars between Norfolk and Elizabeth City and between Fayetteville, and Raleigh about seven years ago but the present car has many innovations and refinements that were unknown to the motor builders of that day.

HAS ANYONE

Died?
Eloped?
Divorced?
Left Town?
Embezzled?
Had a fire?
Had a baby?
Sold a farm?
Had a party?
Been arrested?
Come to town?
Fallen into a well?
Had twins or colic?
Fallen into a well?
Sold a cow or an auto?
Committed suicide—or murder?
Stolen a dog or a friend's wife?
Well then,
WHAT'S NEWS
So phone or mail it to us.
—Mount Olive Tribune.

CONCORD JITNEY ROBBED OF CAR

Robbers Also Get \$100 in Cash and Number of Checks. Statesville, July 1.—Jim Norman, of Concord, native Syrian, was found with his hands bound and seriously injured on the Buffalo Shoals road near the Catawba river this afternoon about 2 o'clock. Norman operates a public service car at Concord. He says that three men at Concord engaged him to bring them to Statesville.

On the road to Buffalo Shoals the passengers directed him to turn off on a branch road and when they reached an old abandoned house Norman was ordered to stop his car. He was forced to go into the old house where he was gagged, bound hand and foot and robbed and left bleeding. His assailants took from Norman about \$100 in cash, besides several checks and left with his seven passenger Nash car over the highway toward Newton and Hickory.

All we wired our dear old friend and fellow progressive in the White House yesterday, not wishing to annoy him, was that we didn't believe it was worth while bothering about reorganizing the Republican national committee and things like that unless we got the taxes down.—Ohio State Journal.

PRESIDENT HANDS POLITICAL PLUM TO GEORGIA NEGRO

Henry "Link" Johnson Nominated For Recorder of Deeds in Line With Linney Pledge—Ohio Colored Man in Line For Register of Treasury and There is Likely To Be Much Protesting By Women. (By Edward E. Britton in News and Observer.)

Washington, June 28.—"Henry Lincoln Johnson." That is the nomination for recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia that President Harding sent to the Senate this afternoon and it shows that the negroes who have been waiting their day are to be recognized. And the white men and the white employees who are to be under the supervision of a negro, the white men and women who have to deal with a negro official, are given the answer in the nomination of the Georgia negro politician. The Washington negroes who a few days ago in their meeting declared that the negro was soon to be recognized by the appointment of a negro to high official position had the inside dope.

The pledge of the Republican party to the women of North Carolina, made in the famous Meekin-Holton-Glossom letter signed by Republican State Chairman Linney was in these words: Linney's Solemn Pledge.

"I pledge to the women of North Carolina that if we carry the State in this election you will have a strictly white government." Chairman Linney restricted his pledge to the State and "if" the Republicans carried it, a thing which he knew was not to happen. (But now comes the nomination of Henry Lincoln Johnson and with it the report that Charles A. Cottrell, the Toledo, Ohio negro is expecting to be registrar of the treasury. Contrast this with the Linney pledge to the women of North Carolina that with Republican success "nothing will transpire in a Republican administration that will cause any woman who votes for our cause to be ashamed of what she did. But the Linney scheme did not work in North Carolina, and the women of that State are not to suffer the shame and humiliation of negro "bossism" as is feared by employees in the treasury.

But what is to be the future of the girls, young women, older women, who are employees of the office of the registrar of the treasury, and who are dependent upon their work for a living. Henry Lincoln Johnson gets a big place, and Cottrell is waiting for his. There is a strong suspicion here that the negro Johnson in addition to other services, is being paid for his work in extricating Senator Ernst, of Kentucky, and other Republican members of Congress from the pit that was being dug for them with a refusal to heed the protests of the negroes of North Carolina against the confirmation of Frank Linney for district attorney, for it was Johnson who evidently arranged the matter of the acceptance of the negroes of the surrender of Linney. But the Linney case still hangs fire, and it will be at least two weeks before there is a settlement of it in the Senate judiciary committee. Yesterday the committee held a meeting and at it Senator Ernst called a halt, asking for the record in the case, the notes of the hearing. Other members of the committee joined with him. Senator Ernst said that it was no use to present the record of the hearing, that all the negroes had practically withdrawn their objections to the confirmation. At this Senator Borah is reported to have gotten into action saying:

"You mean that that negro Henry Lincoln Johnson had withdrawn it, do you not? What about other negroes who signed the protest which is still before the committee. These North Carolina negroes who are following Henry Lincoln Johnson deserve to be disfranchised."

Overman Insists On Publication. Senator Ernst went on to say that he and Senator Cummins had concluded that it was not necessary to print the proceedings of the hearing. "I want it printed, Senator Overman is reported to have said "and other Senators want to read it before they vote upon the matter."

"Oh, you want it for a campaign document, do you?" asked Senator Ernst. "Perhaps I may, replied Senator Overman. "It is a matter that concerns the people and they would like to hear what Mr. Linney and the negroes had to say, they would like to know exactly how they stand. And Senators who are to vote on the confirmation want to know."

Without action on the Linney nomination the committee adjourned. As the Senate will not be in session next Monday, adjournment over the fourth of July being in effect then, it will be at least Monday week before the Linney case is heard by the committee. And this morning Senator Ernst informed Senator Overman that the proceedings of the hearing would be printed. Senator Overman trusts that a plan will be adopted by which the report will be made public as the matters involved concern the interests of the public. It is understood that in two or three days the public printer will have the publication ready for the Senators to examine, but it is to be reckoned certain that the Republicans are going to fight making the report available for all the people. There is said to be dynamite in it for Republicans and they don't want any more airing of the Linney-negro episode. And they recognize that the Democrats are going to make a hard fight to give the report of the hearing to the people. Senator Borah has likewise demanded the report for he says he wants to read it. And Senator Borah inaction in the Senate makes a big noise, while Senator Hiram Johnson and LaFollette will probably join forces with him.

All in all it is a nice dish of crow that is being set out for the delectation of the American people. On the one hand the Harding administration is being heralded as of the "lily white" variety, while on the other the negroes are saying: "Just watch. See if we don't get some of the big offices." And they have started in with scoring in the nomination of Johnson for recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia. At one time it was understood that he was to have the job of Registrar of the Treasury, but the Ohio negro Cottrell appears now to have the backing for that place.

Invited to White House.

In connection with the appointment of negroes to office the report around Washington is that when President Harding, during the progress of the meeting of the Republican National committee here a few weeks ago issued a general invitation to its members to dine with him at the White House, that Henry Lincoln Johnson, being a member of the committee, was of course, included in the general invitation. Here is the sum and substance of a conversation which it is reported took place:

SHORT ITEMS

The News and Observer says, A gentleman in Raleigh yesterday received a letter from a prominent gentleman in Washington, not a Democrat, which contained this paragraph: "It will interest you to learn that a Republican Senator told me this morning that he considered this administration a one-term affair, and that the whole country was disgusted with it."

The Civil Service Commission announces an "open examination" on postmaster at Asheville. Having gotten out the Democratic officials on charges that would not have caused the removal of a Republican, it will be interesting to see how "open" the examinations will be. "Dollars to doughnuts" Hays picks a Republican. Watch and wait.—News and Observer.

Kinston, June 30.—A near cloudburst flooded the streets of this city this evening. Water is knee-deep at many crossings. The lighting system is out of commission and the town is expected to be in darkness for hours. Heavy crop damage is feared.

Washington, N. C. June 30.—Miss Lola Ecklin, 18, who was shot by Leslie Cox Sunday afternoon as the result of jealousy, died at a local hospital this morning. Cox, who shot himself after firing two bullets into Miss Ecklin's body, when he saw her walking with a young man, died early yesterday.

Washington, June 30.—The initial attack on the Townsend road bill, which proposes centralization of good roads appropriation in a federal commission in Washington, was made in the senate this afternoon by Senator Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, who vehemently announced that the southern states, at least, would never relinquish their state sovereignty no matter what the size of the "bribe" held out by the Townsend measure.

Mrs. Jane Lutz, widow of the late John W. Lutz died Wednesday night at 10 o'clock at her home at Fallston, following an illness of two months from a stroke of paralysis during which time her life was despaired of many times. Mrs. Lutz before marriage was Jane Hoyle and would have been 83 years of age the 24th of July this year. Her late husband was a robust farmer and one until the time of his death 29 years ago.

Washington, July 1.—Enactment of the compromise resolution ending the state of war with Germany and Austria finally was completed today by Congress and the measure will be sent by special messenger to President Harding at Raritan, N. J., tomorrow. He is expected to sign it immediately.

MR. J. L. WINGATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEAD

Shelby Star 1st. Mr. Joe L. Wingate an aged Confederate Veteran of Clinton, S. C., died at his home there on June 27 and his remains were brought to Cleveland for interment Wednesday at Pleasant Grove in his family burying ground. He was born in South Carolina on December 27, 1832, and at the time of his death was 89 years and 7 months.

Mr. Wingate was a splendid old fashioned southern gentleman who served valiantly in the Confederate cause and was a noble christian a member of the Baptist church. He was well known in Cleveland county having lived here much of his time since his first marriage in early manhood to Miss Minnie Stockton of this county. He was later married to Miss Sarah Cole of Rutherford county. Later in life he returned to South Carolina to make his home. He was the father of twelve children six of whom are dead, those surviving him being, Mrs. Andy Howard of Shelby, Mrs. Mary Bess of Lincolnton, Mrs. Lou Saunders of Rock Hill, S. C., Mr. Jno. Wingate of Gastonia, and Messrs. Robert and Ruben Wingate of Rock Hill. His remains were brought to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Andy Howard who lives on the plantation of Mr. Croft Hicks and the funeral services were held at the new Prospect baptist church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 in the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends.

WHAT PRODUCED "LOVE FEAST"

Some people wondered why Henry Lincoln Johnson and the other negroes who had been fighting Linney contributed to the Love Feast over the Linney hearing last week. Well, the explanation came yesterday. Henry Lincoln Johnson, the negro committee man from Georgia, was appointed by President Harding as recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia. This over the protest of hundreds of white women who are employed in that department. The old teacher were right: When you see an effect, look for a cause.—News and Observer.

SOMETHING LIKE LOTS WIFE

"Did you hear that Bill was dead?" "No. What did he die of?" "Oh, he had lumbergo. They rubbed his back with alcohol and he broke his neck trying to kick it off."

Germany is almost ready to admit that she lost the war, but it will be long before she admits who found it.—Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter.