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ROAD MEETING A SUCCESS FROM START TO FINISH

ed-Mecklenburg and New Hanover Had Banner Delegations-Resolutions Passed.

lotte-Asheville hard surface highway

through which the proposed highway will pass that their counties had made

In after years when a magnificent hard surface highway links the most important cities in the eastern part of the state with those in the Piedmont section and those in the westin the days when the citizen of the tion which assured this road was ald in Monroe. Then there will be a

with Mecklenburg and New Hanover of their hats, and much boosting in-formed all where they were from. to that portion of the Federal law The Wilmington delegation numbered which provides that after a road is bout 200, among them a number of constructed it must be kept up. ladies. Much credit for the success

The day for the convention dawned with clouds in the sky and rain Eldridge's opinion. threatened. This probably prevented a number from the surrounding country from attending, but as it was it is estimated that a thousand were on both the morning and afternoon ses-One hundred extra seats had convention. been secured and were all taken. The court room had been decorated with dresses of the flags and national colors. The women

Monroe had made preparations to entertain hundreds and they were not iness houses were decorated for the occasion and were adorned with appropriate signs. The delegates were treated in royal fashion and received a good impression of Monroe.

The meeting was called to order by Col. T. L. Kirkpatrick of Charlotte, 000,000. president of the association. Dr. H. E. Gurney opened the convention with prayer, following which Mayor J. C. Sikes in apt words welcomed the delegates to Monroe.

In commenting upon the need for that it is the young man, or the man The motion was passed unanimously. young in spirit if not years, who is pose every good road project, he said. boy who filled the bath tub about half Permanent Highways." full of water and took the old cat is the man who had charge of the tize them. Little kitten number one was plunged in and as she went under rience he proved to his audience that the water the boy said "James I bap- it pays to build permanent highways. tize thee," and so on until all the kit- He showed that good roads meant tens were soused under the water. prosperity and related how a certain Then the little boy picked up the old county in Maryland before good roads her. But the old cat objected. She as being the poorest county in the bit and she scratched and she clawed state. Now, he said, you can't buy a and raised all manner of cain gener- piece of land in that county for less ally. With every attempt to souse than \$200 per acre. her under the water her objections ecame more insistent. Finally the little boy gave it up and cast her on Hon. Cameron Morrison of Charlotte, the floor saying as he did so. "Well, a candidate for governor of North darn you, be a Methodist then." This Carolina. His topic was "Good Roads is the way to treat the objectors to as an Asset." The gate which leads coad projects, Mayor Sikes told those to achievement for North Carolina clad the city was to have them as uests and expressed the hope that hey would come again. elves at home in the "City of Roses,"

spond to the address of welcome ut at the last minute a telegram was ton-Charlotte-Asheville Highway." eived stating that he was unavoidmeeting. In his absence Lieutennt Governor O. Max Gardner, and a adjourned at 1:30 for dinner. ndidate for governor, replied to the dress by Mayor Sikes.

The Lieutenant Governor thanked ayor Sikes and the citizens of Monpe for their hearty welcome. It was pleasure to be here, he said. In the arse of his address he pledged the legiance of the people of his county ad city—Shelby—to the project of good roads and good fellowship. He highway. He declared was interrupted frequently by bursts at since the beginning the things of applause. "The Civil War would hich had contributed most to civili- never have occurred had the sections tion were the means by which dis-

tances were abridged and man more JUDGE LEMMOND DISHES closely drawn to his fellow man.. The greatest thing confronting North Carolina today, he said, is the question Will Funderburk Has Shaved His Up-Mayor Sikes Extended a Cordial Wel- of building good roads, and the come to "The City of Roses" and Question of most vital importance to the entire state taken up by the last Lt. Goy. O. Max Gardner Respond- legislature was the question of pro-

Plans for the Wilmington-Charliary for the convention, Col. Kirkpattary for the convention. Col. Kirkpat—and what is more, in rhyme. Those who read it will at once come educators are realized.

Seem to be little doubt the saar relief them the answer of German army officers and promiment civilian gion will prefer France. Schelswig will revert to Denmark and the East Under the procedure ado took definite shape at the good roads ingham last September and declared to the conclusion that Walt Mason, that the purpose of the Monroe meet-Authoritative or official word was ing was to put the proposition for Judge Lemmond. given by the delegates representing which the Charlotte-Wilmington highthirteen of the sixteen counties way association was organized over. "Good roads are going to be built," he said "and the man who gets in It's awful quiet around Monroe, definite arrangements, or were mak- the way and tries to stop is going to No general news for a month or so. get run over." He made a number of recommendations which were adopted away

No general news for a month or so. If something doesn't happen right wastage of time which represented alther the Carolines and the Marshal Iscepted by the convention at the afternoon session.

Hon. M. O. Eldridge, representing the Agriculture Department and the Bureau of Public Roads, addressed Piedmont boards his fliver and the convention concerning Federal Now, in this dearth of general news journeys to the beach for a dip—it Aid. He showed that more than \$4.will be remembered that the conven- 000,000 of Federal aid for the construction of permanent highways in North Carolina was available during good word for Monroe in the mouths the next five years. To secure this all.

The convention came up to expecan equal amount. When the way came tations, in numbers attending, in to an end, he informed his audience, achievments and in every respect. there were thousands of trucks for Practically every county along the which the government had no further route of the highway, which is now use of, and so an amendment was assured, was represented at the meet added to the Federal road appropriation bill providing that these trucks the banner delegations. The Meck- be distributed among the various lenburg delegation arrived about ten thirty, coming in automobiles and trucks. They were headed by the Steel Creek band. The New Hanover building, he said. He showed that square, and Walter's dogs are still roaming. and Robeson delegates did not arrive since the passage of the Federal Aid until about 2:30, coming on the "Wil-mington Special." chartered for the United States had increased to a great occasion, but they made up for being extent. Since the passage of the bill the Federal government has agreed ing them was their own band and to furnish aid in the construction of glee club. Cards stuck in the bands | 36 roads in different parts of the

Should a road be built and then alof the Wilmington delegation is due lowed to go unrepaired the Federal He says he never had the notion, the women, Mr. J. W. Little, who government after four months notice Declares "It's a lie," with great emocan withhold further aid. This is one of the best features of the law, is Mr. That his devotion to his party and

Col. Kirkpatrick next read tele- Is as true and good as apple grams and letters from Congressmen The city fathers were elected. Webb and Robinson and Senators Just like everybody expected. Simmons and Overman and Secretary hand for the occasion. The court of the Navy Daniels, endorsing the room and galleries were crowded at proposed highway and expressing reof the Navy Daniels, endorsing the grets that they could not attend the With his board of Bolsheviks.

One of the most instructive ad- For Raleigh. Why? I did not say: delivered by Miss H. M. Berry, secre- Tomorrow they will return again. of the city had gladly contributed tary of the North Carolina Good Chief Griffin says he never saw flowers to complete the decorations. Roads Association. Her address was and the room presented a beautiful entitled "The Cost of Bad Roads." Miss Berry had figures ready regard-The business men and citizens of ing roads, and road laws that made many a man attending the convention | And now he very rarely figgers envious. She showed that there were disappointed. A number of the bus- 51,000 miles of roads in the state and estimated that if there was one vehi- In Recorder's court he's got full sway cle to each farm and one trip was made each week that at present it would cost the farmer around \$2,-000,000 while if the roads were improved it would cost only about \$1,-

Mr. F. G. Henderson next offered a resolution that the name of the association be changed to the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville Highway Association, and that the countles of Gaston, Cleveland. Rutherford, Hengood roads in the course of his wel- derson and Buncombe be admitted come address Mayor Sikes declared into membership in the association.

Henry G. Shirley, secretary of the going to see that roads are built. Of Highway Industrial Association of Course there are some who will op- Washington, D. C., addressed the meeting on "The Economic Waste Or rhyme and reason will be gone. but let them oppose. Like the little Caused by the Construction of Nonwith her several little kittens to bap- building of Maryland's wonderful system of state roads. From ripe expemama cat and attempted to baptize were constructed in it was regarded

The concluding address of the morning session was delivered by resent. On behalf of the citizens of along every line of endeavor is sonroe he told the delegates how through the construction of permanent highways, he said. It would lady of good humor and always had mean the abandonment of the prejuhey would like our city so well that dices existing between parts of the ney would come again. "Make your-state. It would mean more industrial state. It would mean more industrial enterprises, better schools and more e concluded.

The name of Hon. W. N. Everett greater liberty. "Don't be afraid," men," he ended, "Let's go down in our pockets and build the Wilming-

During the morning session the bly detained and could not attend Icemorlee band of 25 pieces furnished excellent music. The convention

The afternoon session was called to order at 3 o'clock with no waning in attendance and the enthusiasm great-

The first speaker of the afternoon was Col. A. C. McComb, formerly commander of Camp Green. The Colonel delivered a talk packed with

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OUT THE NEWS IN RHYME

per Lip-Things Are Sorty Dull in the Legal Line-Other News,

A representative of The Journal apviding money for the construction of proached Hon. W. O. Lemmond, who metes out justice in the Recorder's rhymester, hasn't got anything on

Here is the news as given to us by the Judge:

Or go non compus mentis. While Business is good and merchants smile, The mills and farmers doing fine, There is nothing doing in the legal

choose;

But let its correspondents send Some local stuff, as friend to friend. Anticipation that you will Allow me thus some space to fill. And that you will direct the reader's earnest gaze

Upon the following local lays:

Many of our boys are back from their western trip; Will Funderburk has shaved his up-

And Walter's dogs are still roaming there.

Dr. Watt Ashcraft is reading" Henry

on The prophets," but he'll soon be done, There is nothing in this story grand Watt thinks will turn him Republi

tion:

family

Is as true and good as apple brandy And they the oath of office did take And one ex-policeman did elevate. Sikes says he will yet pull a trick John Vann et al leave to-day ession was But this I do know, 'tis very plain,

So few infractions of the law. Winchester patrols the streets

All, all alone till broad daylight, in court, to prosecute a nigger. Brooks calls the roll each day, Sometimes there is no one to prose

For the reason that they their bond forsook.

Bob Stevens to the farm has fled To make himself some meat and bread. How he'll do this I do not know,

For he sits in the shade at Hemby's

Mayor Sikes, advocate, Spent several days outside the State Last week. He's back, and says that

Apreciates more Monroe, N. C.; That when he travels and comes back He sees what other cities lack. I'd better stop this running on,

DEATH OF MRS. ROLLINS.

Occurred at her Home Near Jefferson -Coroner Atkinson Dead-Mr. Robert Johnson Injured. Pageland Journal

Mrs. Elizabeth Rollins, wife of Mr. Amos Rollins died at her home near Jefferson, Thursday morning at one o'clock and was buried at White Plains Thursday evening at four o'clock. She is survived by her husband, one daughter and three sons, and many grandchildren, one of whom she raised, are left to mourn her death. She was a member of the Jefferson Baptist church. was devoted to her family and there was nothing that she could do for one of them that she refused to do. Everything that loving hands could do was done for her. She was

by her many friends. Coroner H. T. Atkinson died last Sunday afternoon about two o'clock of heart trouble, and was buried at Center Grove Baptist church, of which he was a member. He had suffered a long time with rheumatism. He was between 50 and 55 years old. He leaves a wife and nine children, 4 boys and 5 girls. He had been coroner for quite a while.

a smile and pleasant word. She was

loyal to her friends and a kind neigh-

bor, and she will be greatly missed

Mr. Robert Johnson of Chesterfield was seriously injured while at work in the mill of Sheriff Douglass at Chesterfield on last Friday afternoon. He was caught in the belting and had his right leg so badly injured that it had to be augustated just above the knee. One of his arms also West Prussia, the Danzig area. Eupen was broken. He was carried to the and Malmedy, hospital at Florence for freatment about equivalent to the area of where he still is and reports say he Maine. is doing very well.

AMERICAN REGULAR TROOPS

It is Now Proposed to Make Uncle third of East Prussia, part of

of the country will receive not only many. They do not take into acmost blank pages in the life diary of lands, Samoa and Pleasant Isand, the saddier will be a thing of the past. Instead of being turned back into civil Eastern States than with Texas, it when he entered the army he will be for his place in the sun of the business or professional world.

The possibilites of this plan have been demonstrated in the wonderful work done during the past few months by the Educational Commission in the American Expeditionary cept Connecticut, Germany support-Force in France. Since the signing of of the armistice somthing like 450,-000 American soldiers have been appreciably benefitted by the army schools, which have been put within reach of every man and which have provided facilities to study almost every conceivable subject, from farm-

ing to philosophy.

Few of the army educators in France realized at the outset how great a work they were starting. The aividity with which the enlisted man and his officer have seized upon the proffered opportunities has astounded

he army has been inspired to carry on this work at home in the standing forces. The project assumes, it is understood, that the standing army of the future will be a comparatively large one, and there may be a short period of compulsory training for the youths of the country, although the scheme is not dependent upon the

there would be no waste of time in Saarbrucken, metropolis of the area. case they were planning to go into has only about 30,000 population. professions or business.

of course, and the soldiers would be made as nearly physically perfect as possible. A large part of their time, however, would be devoted, if they so desired, to improving their minds. matter what his standing in society, period of service with the colors.

Probably the man who would profit quired either no education or had age; for example, a New York East building and the manufacture of mun-Side boy who has left school to help itions. support the family and has no equipment to enable him to secure lucrative work and so drifts about in unskilled labor. If he enters the army he is to put to work in the school. housed and fed, and paid a regular wage which he can send home to his people. At the end of the year it is expected that he will be proficient enough in his trade so that he can secure a good job with good prospects. The gate to the broad highway will be opened to him.

It is believed by educators that many poor youths will devote not only one year to the army but will remain for several years, in order to acquire

This, in brief, is the plan which is being worked on in Paris now by prominent men who have every hope that it will be carried out.

AREA LOST BY GERMANY IN THE GREAT WORLD WAR

The National Geographic Society Washington, has issued the following bulletin in regard to areas Germany must forfeit under the peace treaty:

of the United States. From the area of Texas deduct that of Michigan. This may be done, roughly, by eliminating the pan-handle and that western rectangle beyond the Rio Grande, with El Paso in the northwest corner. The result will be an area approximately the size of the continental German empire before the armis-

"From this area Germany loses

San's Standing Army a Huge Uni- Schleswig and the Star valley versity-All Soldiers May Attend.

Briefly, it is proposed to make Prussian area to Poland. Uncle Sam's standing army a huge

With this object lesson before it.

compulsory feature.
Under the new system all subjects would be taught, from A B C's for the illiterate, up through perhaps the first year of university work. Vocational training would naturally form a most important phase of the pro-gram. Boys who had had no opportunity for schooling before entering for rare old wines since Roman days, the army would be started on their Then the surface was pierced for its way and would be permitted to rein- black treasure. expiration of their service in order to carry on their studies, cient abbeys and castles, look down Others, who perhaps had finished on busy factories and bustling towns. high school, would be given a chance It was the eastern Pennslyania of to begin their college course so that Germany with the Pittsburg left out.

at least some higher education.

Loses Persons Equivalent to the Com-Massachusetts-A Region Greatly was all about." Prized Because It Was Hard to Acquire.

"To visualize more clearly what Germany lost in territory, take a map

tice was signed.

outright her ill-gotten Alsace-Lorraine; parts of Silesia, Posen and

"That is not all. In addition there bear to see us suffer." - Over Here.

are areas in which plebiscities are to GERMANY'S ANSWER IN HANDS BE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS be taken. Their total area is about equivalent to that of New Hampshire. They include the southeastern

"Even before the war it is likely a A great new education force in the anti-German support in each of these At this point Col. Kirkpatrick appointed Mr. R. W. Lemmond, Clerk of Superior court, as the official secretary and what is more in rhyme.

Will come into being in the United is between tax - burdened Germany and some other power, there would and associated powers at last have before them the answer of Germany to the terms of the peace treaty.

"If one is more familiar with or reject the treaty. life in a more helpless state than may make the comparison more vivid British, French and American troops to see that post-war Germany will find are prepared to take such steps as equipped to wage a victorious fight her place under the sun about equal Marshall Foch may deem (precessary, to the territory comprised in the New while at sea the blockaon; against England States, plus New York and Pennsylvania.

nus all the New England States exed some 70,000,000 people, nearly Switzerland claiming this would in-two-thirds the population of Ameri-

"It is possible to arrive at a fairly accurate estimate of her reduced population. For Germany's citizens were well distributed over her former emtowns and a dense rural population, rather than numerous large cities, in the treaty the new agreement as remade her average density of popula-

"This average density was about 360 to the square mile in 1914, and the total number of square miles lost possible that the early week will witoutright or subject to plebiscites, approaches 45,000. It is not far from Austrians at St. Germain. the mark to estimate that Germany loses a number of persons equivalent to the combined population of New York and Massachusetts (about 14,-000,000), including the cities of New ian and the other members of the

parting to her, Germany expected to and Premiers Lloyd George and lose Alsace and Lorraine if she lost Clemenceau declined to concede her, the war. But to pay for her capital crimes against civilization with the Saar Valley area must seem a heavy price. In that region, not as large as Rhode Island, are coal fields rated among the richest in Europe,

" In this historic area of natural bounty this earth has borne grapes

"Wooded hills, crowned with au-

There would be military training, portance to Germany, but some of it "Not only was the Saar coal of imwas diverted to Italy and Switzerland, a sort of under-ground propaganda' against the day when Germany should need their support.

'Danzig has been a port of major Thus the army believes, any boy, no importance since the days when it was one of four principal centres of would be materially benefitted by his the Hanseatic League. Not far inland is Marienburg, once the capital of the Tentonic Order of Knights, Fomerly most would be the one who had ec- the grain of fertile Siles and Poland poured through Danzig. re recentbeen forced to leave school at an early ly the city has been a centre for ship-

"Ever since the armistice Germany has carried on an assiduous propaganda to keep from losing her rich Posen and Silesia mining districts. Zinc, Iron and potash, the life-blood of her "vaunted industrial organism, came from the area which Germany is called upon to forfeit to Poland, so long debarred from this rightful inheritance. Hard coal also came from this region in considerable quantity.

"By granting a plebiscite to Schleswig (which is to be taken successively in three areas, as indicated on the map) Germany is likely to lose a province which has not the industrial importance of the Saar or Silesian districts but has a naval value relted in the North and Baltic Seas.

"Germany prized this region because it was so hard to acquire. No Balkan problem is more complex, nor did the Alsac-Lorraine issue cause more irritation than the so-called Schleswig-Holstein question. One historian remarked that only three men even understand the 'points at issue and one was dead, another insane bined Population of New York and and a third had forgotten what it

> Sams Resigns Position as Teacher Supervisor

Raleigh, May 27.- E. E. Sams re signs his position with the state department of education to take up law with his brother in Winston-Salemn. He came to the department as chief clerk in 1911 and then succeeded to the place of supervisor of teaching training, at the death of J. A. Bivins, the first state supervisor. No successor is yet named.

Presbyterian Church Notes Sunday school at 10:30. Preaching at 11:30.

In the evening the congregation will unite in attending the commencement sermon to be preached at the Baptist church at 8:30

Soft hearted singer.-Doe boy-Why does she close her eyes when she sings? Pay shent .- "Because she can't OF THE COUNCIL OF FOUR.

Huns Will Be Compelled to Either Sign or Reject Treaty-Reply Consists of Counter Proposals-Austrian Treaty Not Yet Ready.

Under the procedure adopted by the peace congress, the reply of the "Of course, these comparisons do Germans to the various clauses of the university in which the young men not mark the complete losses of Ger- treaty, consisting mainly of counter proposals seeking to lessen the severbe given opportunities to acquire Other nations, as mandatories, will sidered by the members of the counacademic and vocational learning administer Kamerun, Togoland, Gercil of four, who will digest the views of the enemy and report back their decision as quickly as possible. This decision is to be final, and Germany then will be compelled either to sign

Germany is ready to be tightened again. A plan of the allies to have "On her pre-war area, equal to Switzerland, in the event of a refusal by Germany to sign, enforce a more severe blockade against Germany, if necessary, is reported to have failed,

It had been believed possible that on Friday the terms of peace to Austria would be ready for submission by the council of four to the representatives of the smaller nations. This, pire. Countless small cities and however, has been found impracticable, owing to the necessity to embody gards the Italian claim in the Adriatic region. Nevertheless, the envoys of the smaller nations will hear the document read Friday, and it is ness the handing of the treaty to the

Unofficial advices concerning the settlement of the Adriatic issue are to the effect that Fiume, the chief bone of contention between the Italcouncil of four, which Italy desired as "Grievous as may have been the her own but which President Wilson is to get the seaports of Zara and Sebencico, on the Dalmatian coast, seems to be in doubt, one report declaring that she will and another that she will not.

## WAXHAW NEWS.

Members of Tirzah Congregation Spent Saturday with Pastor Ratchford, He Being 88 Years Old-Allan Weir Drowned-Misses McCain Graduate at Chicora.

Waxhaw Enterprise.

A goodly number of members of Tirzah congregation gathered at the manse Saturday to spend the day with their venerable pastor, Rev. W. W. Ratchford. Owing to the press of work on the farms the crowd was not so large as usual, but as Mr. Ratchford himself said, "it was a mighty good crowd, what there was of it." Dinner was spread on a table under the big oaks in the yard, and when spread that table presented such a profusion of good things to cat as would have made a blind man hungry. After dinner the crowd spent an hour or two together and the jollijest man on the yard was the aged host, whose 88th birthday anniversary was the occasion of the dinner.

Alian Weir, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vann Weir of Charlotte, was drowned Saturday afternoon while swimming in the old rock quarry which is near Mr. Weir's home. A telephone message Saturday afternoon brought the sad news to Messrs, R. L., W. A. and J. T. Weir, uncles of the boy. Funeral and burial services were held at Gastonia Sunday. Messrs. J. H. and W. A. Weir and Holland Falls and Mrs. G. F. Steele attended the services. The little lad was a very bright fellow. He was just learning to swim this being the first time he had been in the pool.

Messrs. Fred and Perry Plyler and Clarence Wingate returned home last week from the army. All of these fellows saw strenuous service over-

Mrs. J. W. McCain and son, John Walker, Jr., attended commencement exercises at Chicora College at Columbia this week. Misses Estalene and Elgiva McCain graduated. From Co-lumbia they will come by Newberry to visit Mrs. T. P. Johnson and will arrive home the last of the week.

Winding Up the War

Illustrating the problems of the reconstruction of the fighting area Maj. Chas J. Biddle of Philadelphia, in a recent lecture, after telling how many a machine had got into the barbedwire entanglements, told the story of a colored trooper in the aviation ser-

"It was the fashion of everybody to ask everybody else how long the war was going to last, so someone asked a colored trooper what he thought of it. He replied that he placed the duration of hostilities at a hundred years and six months. The interrogator wondered how he could possibly reason it out that way and

be so definite. You see, it am dis way, boss replied the black trooper. 'Ise kind o' figgered out dat we will lick de Kaiser in six months; and den it'll take one hundred years to wind up all dis bahed wish'."