MOUNT AIRY, NORTH CAROLINA FEBRUARY 14th, 1929

Hard Fight Being Waged Over Local Legislation

Dr. Bernard Fails In First Attempt to Oust B. F. Folger—Fight Goes to House Floor

mittee is composed of about a dozen
Democrats and three Republicans.
When it met to hear the arguements
there were three Republicans and three
Democrats present, and the vote taken
after the hearing was strictly accerding to party on the Republicans
side and one of the Democrats voted
favorably with them, thus sending the
court bill to the floor of the house on
a favorable report. Tuesday night
friends of the Recorder's Court tried to
get it sent back to another committee
for a second hearing but Dr. Bernard
carried his point that it should be put
on the regular calendar, which is one
more victory for him in the fight to
oust Judge Llewellyn. But the Judge's
friends are remaining on the ground
and the bill must yet run the gauntlet
of the Senate where it is said that Senator R. T. Joyce in the very favorable
to it, and when it reaches the higher
body it may meet its defeat.

Bheriff A. M. Smith is uncompromisingly against abolishing the Recorder's Court of Mount Airy and esfabilishing a county court, as is also
ex-Senator S. O. Maguire.

Dr. Bernard's messure to oust B.
F. Folger met with less success and it
now appears that he will be unable to
insertere with the present plan of county government in Surry. His bill to
abolish the office now held by Mr. Folger failed to get a favorable report
from the committee which heard it and
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Commissioner Lindsey States His Sides of Controversy Over County Farm Agent

Editor Mount Airy News.

Having noticed in your issue of February 7th a mis-statement of the facts concerning the County Commissi meeting at Dobson February 4th I am hereby requesting you to give this let-ter as well as your correction the same

several times the total cost of our concract without recovering anything for them at all.

have been fooling the people of Surry County by levying a small tax-rate and passing School Budgets and General Fund Budgets in excess of the actual hereby requesting you to give this letter as well as your correction the same publicity that you gave your original article.

The County Commissioners of Surry County did not abolish the office of Farm Agent for Surry County but only suspended its operation for the balance of the present fiscal year on account of the very serious condition caused by our former commissioners belying insufficient tax for the operation of our Ceneral Pund Budgets this year and it being very necessary that we curtail expense all possible at this time and the commissioners believing that Mr. White's services could be dispensed with for the balance of this fiscal year which ends in June, merely suspended the office until that time, fully insuffice used in the fiscal year which ends in June, merely suspended the office until that time, fully insuffice used in the fiscal year which ends in June, merely suspended the office until that time, fully insuffice in the fiscal year which ends in June, merely suspended the office until that time, fully insuffice in the fiscal year which ends in June, merely suspended the office until that time, fully insuffice in the fiscal year which ends in June, merely suspended the office until that time, fully insuffice and you can refer to the existing laws of our state as the serious complished for Surry County. You have also taken this occasion of our state as the serious complished for Surry County. You have also taken this occasion of the surface of the sur

ing, and the library and auditorium of the new building for class-room work. While at Flat Rock the state authorities have served notice on the local principal that they cannot give the high school accredited rating unless a new building to house that department

mind and then see what may possibly prove to be the best way out. South of Mount Airy is Bannertown, a growing suburb that has outgrown its school miburb that has outgrown its school building and is demanding a new one. North of town is the rapidly growing Green Hill and Short Town section, which is badly in need of a better building. New buildings will doubtless be provided at these points in the near future. Judging from the growth of the other communities about two years after new room has been provided the people will need and demand high

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Sides Helding Their Ground.
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to revive this matter? It would be bet-ter of course if the county as a whole joined the town of Mount Airy in es-tablishing at this place a senior indus-trial high school, but if that is hedged about by too much objection and too many difficulties, why should not the people of Mount Airy township look this educational problem right in the face and see if there may not be a bet-ter way of solving it: if in fact it may

face and see if there may not be a betger way of solving it; if in fact it may
not be possible by co-operation to secure better high school facilities than
if we drift along every community for
itself as at present.

What do we mean by an industrial
senior high school? We mean simply
this: A building or group of buildings
that will house some 1500 pupils, employ 50 to 75 teachers and offer
courses that will mean that the girl
or boy who completes those courses

Main Street was this week sold to Main Street was this week and Belk's Department Store. This place has been occupied for more than 40 years by the Prather Clothing Stores and is one of the oldest business locations in the city. No announcement as to the terms or price of the purchase

Mr. Prather will move his clothing business into the store room in the Blue Ridge Hotel block, now occupied by Martin-Brown Co. The front will

by Martin-Brown Co. The front will undergo some changes and be ready by March 15th for occupancy.

The Belk company expect to make considerable changes in the building they have purchased and have given some thought to extending the building to Produce Street and having an entrance on that street as well as on Main.

Mrs. Cooke to Baltimore For Treatment

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight H. Cooke left Mr. and Mrs. Dwight H. Cooke left Thursday morning for Baltimore, Md., to consult specialists regarding Mrs. Cooke's health. Mrs. Cooke will remain for an operation or treatment according to the advice of specialists. She goes under the advice of Dr. C. S. Lawrence of Winston-Salem. During her absence Miss Marian Cooke will be with Misses Lillian and Suth Johnson.

for he has spent many years in this line of business. He came to this town back before many of our people had installed heating plants and up-to-date plumbing, and for several years conducted a most satisfactory business here installing heating, plumbing and lighting selections. lighting plants in many of our best homes. Then ill health caused him to sell out and for a time he knocked about the country and again found health. His many friends here will be glad to see him back in business.

Mr. Webb is not only a successful business man, but he is an all-round good citizen, churchman, high degree Mason, something of a politician, and bubbling over with good-will for all those about him.

Statesville will be proud of her new citisen when they come to know him and that will not take long, for Mr. Webb is a good mixer and will fit in well in the progressive town where he cast his lot.

Bus Runs Away With School Children

The lives of 60 school children were greatly jeopardized Wednesday afternoon when one of the Dobson school busses took a plunge down a high fill this side of Pish river. The driver had almost reached the top of the long river hill coming toward Mount Airy when comething happened to the truck and it started backward down the road toward the fire men by Johnson's Cafe and Fire Chief M. F. Patternson has asked us to express his appreciation for this timely courtesy and also to make public actnowledgment for a similar courtesy the night of the big January fire when and others who were fighting the fire.

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High School Situation in Mt. Airy Township Bowman-Wagner Stores Suffer Damage By Fire

Second Floor Is Gutted by Flames—Large **Water and Smoke Damage to Contents**

New Building For Mountain Park

In Greensboro this week bids were received and accepted for the construction of a new and modern administration building at Mountain Park in this county, at a cost of \$82,000. It will be two stories high, with basement, built of brick with stone trimming and modernly equipped throughout. The contract was awarded to the Burns-Hammond Co., of Greensboro, who will get its forces on the ground March 1st and have the building complete by Aug. 1st.

A stubborn blaze originating on the second floor of the Weich block or Wagner's store last Monday event did several thousand dollars worth damage to the stocks of goods of G. Bowman & Son and Wagner's De Store, besides destroying the office of Sheriff A. M. Smith, ex-Sheriff H. Haynes, Attorney Geo. K. Show as the paint shop of Paul Webster.

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This institution was first established through the aid of the late Hon. R. L. Haymore, who provided a large endowment for it at his death and since that date President J. H. Pulghum has been securing additional aid from northern people. It is understood that the new building is being erected by Mr. Jehn D. Rockefeller, Jr.

Henry C. Clarke an aged and respected citizen of The Hollow, Va., died suddenly at his home Wednesday having been in falling health for a long time. His wife passed away early in the new year and his condition was known to be precarious. Mr. Clark is survived by six children among whom are C. P. Clark of the Mount Airy Drug Co., and Mrs. J. W. Hylton, wife of the precariots of the Hylton Book. of the proprietor of the Hylton Book and Stationery Co. also of this city.

Child Dies From **Drinking Poison**

Mount Airy, route 1, Feb. 13.—Mr. and Mrw. J. B. Simmons of this route received a telegram Sunday stating their little two year old grandson was dead at the home of its parents Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmons, Richmond, Va. The family had recently moved and all were busy arranging the household goods, and the little fellow happened to get hold of a bottle of poison medicine which had been prescribed for a member of the family for external use only and drank a portion of it before Belk's Store Buys

Prather Building

O. B. Webb Buys

Statesville Business

Clothing Store Will Occupy
Stere Room in Blue Ridge
Hotel Block.

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The Prather Building for external use only and trank in Winston-Salem and are well known and have many friends who sympathize with them in the sad loss of their only

health for some time but was only confined to his bed a short while. Pneumonia developed and he only lived a few hours. A wife and ten children all grown survive. He was a consistent member of the church at Hollow Springs, Funeral services were held at the home Saturday at 2 oclock by the Rev. Messrs. Chilton and Norman. The remains were laid to rest in the family plot near his home. He was a good kind-hearted man and will be sadly

Misses Percie, Kate and Callie Cook accompanied by Dillard Cook, Tom and Spencer Samuel spent Sunday with Miss Ethel Cook, Mitchell College,

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Simmons and lit-tle daughter of Richmond. Va., are spending a few days with the family of John B. Simmons and other rela-

Attend Masonic Meeting

Building Now Being Repaired
—Stores Will Open Soon As
Insurance is Adjusted.

and was discovered about six o'clos in the evening. The roof of the tw buildings was burned off and th stocks of the two stores beneath we soaked with water and suffered heavil with the smoke and water.

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Sheriff Smith had all his county records and tax books in the safe and they were preserved but lost the furniture and fixtures in his office. Mr. D. Rockefeller, Jr.

Haynes also had his papers in a safe.

Attorney Snow was a heavy loser in the fire, all his law books will be a total loss. The records of the Buildi & Loan Association of which he is se retary were safe in the fire proof van

Insurance adjusters are expected here this week to adjust the loss, and to this date no one can tell what it will amount to. Mr. Wagner's stock was valued at \$12,000, and Mr. Bowman carried a stock of more than \$50,000. Just what per cent of dar smoke and water did to this

smoke and water did to this cannot yet be estimated. Mr. Wagner's insurance will cover his loss, but Mr. Bowman had only \$11,500. The buildings were insured for their loss.

For two hours the two fire engines pumped steady streams of water on the fire, but owing to its concealment under the metal roof the blaze could not be controlled until the blaze had esten its way through the roof. Just as the fire engine had succeeded the new engine broke a cam shaft and was thus thrown out of commission.

Atty H. O. Woltz is a patient in Mar-tin Memorial hospital and is doing very nicely following an operation for acute son, one child a daughter survives.

J. H. Jackson Route 1 died Feb. 7.

Woltz made a trip to Catawba and aged 75 years. He had been in feeble Hickory Sunday and attended preachappendicitis Monday evening. Mr. Woltz made a trip to Catawba and ing service Sunday night leaving before the service was over because of sick ness. It was first thought he was suf-fering with acute indigestion but by Monday afternoon his case was pronounced appendicitis.

Funeral of W. W. Walker Friday

The funeral of W. W. Walker, of this city who died Wednesday at 1 p. m. in the home of his step-daughter Mrs. Robert Collie in Philadelphia, Pa., will be conducted from the Plat Rock Presbyterian Church Friday afternoon at 1 overlash

at 3 o'clock.

Pollowing the death of Mrs. Walker
January 27 Mr. Walker accompanies
Mr. and Mrs. Collie back to Philadelphia and was stricken there with pneumonia the same malady which causes
Mrs. Walker's demise less than three

weeks ago.

Mr. Walker was 66 years old the month, he was born in Kenderret, Sociand and came to America in his you he came to this city from Lithonia, Gabout sixteen years ago. He is survivity a brother in Wales, and two sisteons in Germany and one in Rouman Three step-children Mrs. J. W. Holm of this city, Mrs. Collie, of Philadphia, and George Dobte of Roo Mount also strvive.

The funeral will be conducted by I paster the Rev. Mr. Herry and the Mount will have charge at the grave.