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Town Department Heads Are Given Pay Raises

The Tabor City town board [illegible] session Tuesday [illegible]

[illegible] salaries of the [illegible] water superintendent [illegible] superintendent [illegible]

[illegible] May to [illegible] effective date of a [illegible] ordinance for [illegible] telephone [illegible]

[illegible] the police department [illegible] that the lower [illegible] erected since [illegible] recent ordinance [illegible] sidewalks by [illegible]

[illegible] the police department [illegible] the "piccolo" [illegible]

[illegible] asked the firm of [illegible] and Son if it would make voluntary removal of their downtown chicken pens during the current season.

[illegible] offered the old town truck [illegible]

[illegible] a fish fry for [illegible] and appointment and appointment of Roberts and Hughes [illegible] committee to [illegible]

The long discussion of the poor telephone service in Tabor City would up with the decision to organize a delegation to call upon officials of the Columbus Telephone company and seek relief.

[illegible] complaints were made by occupants of [illegible] of the Fonville chicken pens to the effect that the chicken smell was becoming intolerable to their customers and themselves.

It was agreed that the pens are [illegible] possible but [illegible] going to smell [illegible] the pen is."

Extension of the deadline for enforcement of the fish sanitation ordinance came upon the request of a number of local fish dealers, who said they would not be able to make required improvements before May 1.

The board promised to investigate the possibility of moving [illegible] directly across [illegible] off Railroad, [illegible] right into the [illegible] Western Auto and [illegible] stores in an attempt to [illegible] of that alley as a rest [illegible] spot.

The board voted to sell the [illegible] and a half truck owned by the town at auction at the [illegible] Wednesday, April 21.

Overheard

By BILLY WHITTED

Apologies to Howard Wooten [illegible] having omitted his name [illegible] list at a recent [illegible] meeting. We wuz too [illegible] to write down everybody's name.

The boys were giving Vernon [illegible] a bad time at the Civitan meeting the other night because the word got out that he had lost his mattress just beginning housekeeping.

Oh, Mary! A woman who was [illegible] by the new curate what thought of his sermon, replied:

"Very good, indeed, sir; so inspiring. In fact, we didn't know what sin really was until you came here."

Sheriff H. D. Stanley was in Tabor City for the log rolling Friday and complimented people in these parts by repeating what he told one man: That he doesn't have to wear his gun and blackjack down here because we are a peaceful people. Incidentally, the sheriff got [illegible] while he was down [illegible] while he was in the rest [illegible] at the depot, the janitor [illegible] and locked all the [illegible]

[illegible] let the sheriff out, the officer yelled out the window that he couldn't enter [illegible] Law locked up in a [illegible]

[illegible] Jack Spivey's two year [illegible] and the cat the other [illegible] all places—the [illegible]

[illegible] of the town board [illegible] about attending a [illegible] in Lumberton of town officials and wanting [illegible] Town Attorney [illegible] wanted to go.

"[illegible] was the reply. "[illegible] you go? Went to Atlanta, [illegible] me, but when [illegible] go to Lumberton [illegible] the same [illegible]

Linda Fay Benton Taken By Death; Rites Thursday

Linda Fay Benton, two months [illegible] daughter of Mr&mrs I. E. Benton of Whiteville route three, died Wednesday morning. The funeral was held at 11 o'clock Thursday from the home. Surviving in addition to the parents are four brothers, Lindsey, John, David and Samuel, and two sisters, Leona and Essie Mae.

Fallen Hero Is Returned Home For Burial

The body of Cpl. Joseph William Hill, son of Mr&mrs Willie Hill of Tabor City route two, who was killed in the Pacific theatre of war, February 26, arrived in Tabor City Thursday and funeral services will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Mount Olive Baptist church.

Rev. B. L. Raines will officiate and burial will be in the Hodge cemetery.

Pvt. Hill enlisted in the Army May 12, 1942 and served in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre. He was a wearer of the Purple Heart and the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal.

Surviving in addition to the parents are four brothers, Don, Frank and Bob, Frank and Bob Hill of Tabor City route two and Pfc. Olin Hill of Fort Jackson, S. C.

Burns Fatal For Former Tabor Teacher

Miss Adelaide Harris, 31, a member of the Tabor City school faculty in 1940, died in an Albemarle hospital last Sunday morning of burns suffered Saturday when she attempted to start a fire in a furnace at the home of her mother in Norwood.

Her brother, W. H. Harris jr, who extinguished the flames which had enveloped her, suffered serious hand burns.

Miss Harris was the daughter of Mrs. W. H. Harris and the late Mr. Harris. She attended the Norwood schools and was graduated from Meredith college. For a time, she was connected with the Durham Life Insurance company in Raleigh, and later taught school in Tabor City. More recently she has been making her home in Norwood.

She was a member of the Norwood Methodist church and took an active part in church work, serving as a teacher in the Sunday school.

The funeral was conducted Monday afternoon in the Norwood Methodist church and burial was in Norwood cemetery.

Surviving in addition to her mother are a brother, W. H. Harris jr, and a sister, Miss Nancy Harris of Richmond, Va.

Boxing Card Set For Friday At Guideway

Greeley Long has a 12-bout boxing card slated for Guideway School Friday night. The fights get underway at 7:30 p.m. with two sixty pounders squaring off in the opening event.

The fighters are from Tabor City and Guideway, and a Tabor boy will be matched with a Guideway boy if possible. There will be fights in weights ranging from 60 pounds to 170 pounds. The pairings completed so far are as follows:

60 lbs.—Tony Ray vs Lloyd Benton.

75 lbs.—Allman Long vs Tom Ray.

85 lbs.—Jerry Carterette vs. Hoyt Watts.

90 lbs.—Trenton Elderdice vs. Gene Lawrimore.

110 lbs.—Charles Benton vs. Luther Singletary.

120 lbs.—J. C. Buck vs. Keith Soles.

120 lbs.—Charles Cox vs. Maxie Watts.

120 lbs.—Jerry Waddell vs. Grady Watts.

135 lbs.—Don Watts vs. Edward Anderson.

165 lbs.—Rudolph Gore vs. Sonny Boy Hewett.

A bout between Bruce Beck of Tabor City and Aubrey Thomas of Shallotte is trying to be arranged in the 170 pound class. Thomas is the boy who won the Golden Gloves tournament in Whiteville and is somewhat of a knockout specialist. But Beck himself is quite a fighter and if such a match is arranged there will be plenty of fireworks.

Other boys who are planning to fight on the card but as yet have not been matched are: Red Strickland, Jerry Prince, R. C. Willoughby, Bobby Norris, Burmie Stevens, Ned Watts, Maxton Spivey, Wade Roberts, Wade Duncan, Frank Watts, and Doc (Dempsey) Fowler.

Merchants Group Seeking New Secretary

Directors of the Tabor City Merchants Association Monday night approved a set of by-laws to be presented the membership for adoption and voted to have the president seek an executive secretary for the association.

The board also voted a donation of $125 for the 1948 Better Farming for Better Living program in Columbus County.

Work Underway On McGougan's New Building

Work got underway this week on the new building on Pridgen street opposite Lewis-Peay Motor Co., which will house McGougan Electric.

The brick building will be 40 by 90 feet and will give the firm three times as much floor room as it has in its present location on Railroad street.

Civitans Plan Ladies' Night, Election, Dance

The Tabor City Civitan Club had a busy night at their regular bi-weekly meeting at the Modern Cafe Monday night. 29 members were in attendance.

President Sam Potts led the discussion as plans were laid for the election of officers to be held next month. An election committee was appointed with Joe Simon as chairman, Liston Mew and Phil Hughes as members.

Plans also were instigated for a program for the annual Ladies Night banquet to be held in May. Newly elected officers will be installed at this banquet as has been the custom.

In an attempt to increase the athletic field fund, the club decided to sponsor a square dance within the next two or three weeks. Secretary Billy Garrell was appointed to secured music for the event. President Potts said that announcement of the time and place of the dance will be made public as soon as arrangements have been completed.

Auto Inspection Lane To Be In Tabor Next Week

A motor vehicle mechanical inspection lane will be located in Tabor City all next week, April 12 through 17 for the convneience of vehicle owners in this area, it was announced yesterday.

The lane, No. 28, had previously planned to visit only Lumberton, Whiteville and Shallotte, but the schedule has now been revamped to cover these towns plus Tabor City, Southport, Red Springs, St. Paul, Rowland and Chadbourn.

J. S. Edgerton of Red Springs is supervisor of the lane and other inspectors are: Garland Nobles of Chadbourn, Hoke Smith and J. W. Evans of Clarkton and Ray Beasley of Lumberton.

The schedule of Lane 28 calls for a return performance at Tabor City June 15-19. The lane also will be at Chadbourn June 1-5 and again at Whiteville June 8-12.

Supervisor Edgerton was in Tabor City the first of the week consulting with Police Chief L. R. Watson on the establishment of the lane here and it was decided to mark off the paved block of Sixth street for use by the lane.

Arrangements will be made for residents of that street to get their cars in and out of their yards but the block will be closed to through traffic.

Three File For Commissioner's Seat From Columbus' Fourth District

The political pot started simmering in the Tabor City area this week as three candidates filed for the post of County Commissioner in District No. 4 which is comprised of Williams, South Williams and Bug Hill townships.

This is the only post in which a race has developed in the county up until noon Thursday.

Filing for the commissioner post from district No. 4 were D. H. Jordan of Iron Hill, I. C. Gore jr of Guideway, and L. T. Ward, the incumbent, of Clarendon.

Unopposed to date for other offices are J. K. Powell, former state senator for the state legislature, Leo L. Fisher for renomination for register of deeds, John Peterson for county commissioner from district three and Bud Stevens for commissioner from district two.

Mrs. Armstrong, Pireway Native, Dies In Fayetteville

Mrs. Annie Armstrong, 50, native of the Pireway section, died in a Fayetteville hospital March 28 following a short illness.

The funeral was held from the Pireway Primitive Baptist church Wednesday, March 31, at 2 o'clock with Elder H. G. Cox of Loris officiating. Burial was in the Long cemetery.

Surviving are the husband, Lonnie Armstrong, of Fayetteville; two step-sons, Roshier and Lambert Armstrong, of Fayetteville; one brother, Dawson Harper of Tabor City route three; and three sisters, Mrs. Bessie Jenrette, Mrs. Marie Eldredice of Tabor City route three, and Mrs. Isadora Stanley of Shallotte.

Postman Jumps Into Flood Water to Save Drowning Boy

NASHVILLE, TENN.—A 34-year-old substitute mail carrier leaped into a flooded drainage ditch, rescued an 11-year-old boy from drowning and finished his route before changing into dry clothes.

The postman, later identified as J. H. Gilmore, 34, a substitute carrier, didn't even stop to give his name after the rescue, John Ragsdale, assistant fire chief, said.

The boy, Leon Matthews, was revived by artificial respiration after he had been in the water several minutes and had been swept through a flooded 100-foot culvert.

George Balthrop, homicide officer who investigated the affair, gave this account of the rescue.

The boy fell into a flooded pond and was swept through the culvert into the swirling water in the ditch. Gilmore's help was sought by the lad's playmates, and he dropped his mail satchel and plunged into the muddy water.

Gilmore dragged the boy to safety, turned him over to his friends—then went on to finish his mail route despite soaked clothing.

"The worst part," Gilmore said "was that my cigarettes got all wet and I didn't have a smoke."

Rogers And Scott To Attend Class In Fayetteville

R. R. Rogers and Sidney Scott of Rogers' Auto Service will be in Fayetteville Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week to attend a Hydramatic instruction school.

WMU MEETING

The annual Baptist Women's Missionary Union of the Columbus association will meet at Cerro Gordo Baptist church April 14 at 10 o'clock.

TCHS Nine Takes First Game Of Season

Coach Sil Caruso's Tabor City high baseball nine opened the season with a hard fought 10 to 8 victory over Chadbourn Wednesday afternoon.

Chadbourn scored one in the first inning and four in the second to take a 5 to 0 lead. The TC nine scored one in the third and Chadbourn scored two to lead 7 to 1. Tabor tallied three in the fourth and their opponents got one, cutting the lead to 8 to 4. The locals scored three more in the fifth and one in the sixth to tie it up. In the lucky seventh the TC boys scored twice to put the game on ice, winning 10 to 8.

Ford Fowler, rookie southpaw of the Tabor City nine, started on the mound in his first attempt as a pitcher and although a little wild, he allowed only seven hits, walked seven and struck out nine in seven innings. He was in trouble most of the way.

But in the sixth with the score tied, a man on second and third, nobody out, he promptly retired the next three men to face him via the strikeout route. He tired in the eighth and was relieved by Fipps, who hurled shutout ball the last two frames.

Leading hitters for the Tabor City team were Fipps, Harold Ward and Bill White. Fipps had a perfect day at the plate, getting four for four. Ward had a double and two singles in three trips to his credit, and White chipped in with a brace of singles. Sellers led the Chadbourn attack with three for four.

Tabor made 10 runs on 14 hits and Chadbourn eight on seven hits. The winning pitcher was Fowler and the losing pitcher was Burns.

Schedule

The remaining schedule for the Tabor City High school nine has been announced by Coach Caruso and is as follows:

April 13—at Fair Bluff.
April 16—at Hallsboro.
April 20—Open.
April 23—at Williams.
April 27—Cerro Gordo here.
April 28—Hallsboro here.
April 30—Fair Bluff here.
May 4—Williams here.
May 7—Chadbourn here.
May 11—at Cerro Gordo.
May 14—Whiteville here.

The first five games of the season were slated away from home due to the local baseball field not being in shape for play. This will give ample time to ready the field for play by the opening home game on April 27th.

Newspaper Boy Sues Rich Heiress for $100,000

CHICAGO.—An attorney for 17-year-old Silvio Garippo, a newsboy, filed a $100.000 damage suit against Mrs. Muriel McCormick Hubbard, granddaughter of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., and Cyrus McCormick. He charged that the heiress hurt him in a fight over a restaurant check.

The suit alleged that Garippo received cuts which will result in "permanent disfigurement" when Mrs. Hubbard threw a glass, half-filled with water, into his face and the glass shattered, cutting his face and his left hand.

The incident, the suit stated, took place a few hours before announcement of an agreement by which Mrs. Hubbard relinquished her two adopted children after a long court battle over their custody with her brother, Fowler McCormick, board chairman of International Harvester company.

The suit charged that Mrs. Hubbard was "in an intoxicated condition."

Rev. P. C. Gantt Assumes Pastorate Of Baptist Church

Rev&mrs P. C. Gantt and children, Thomas, 5, and Richard, 16 months, arrived in Tabor City last week to establish their residence here.

Rev. Mr. Gantt is taking over the pastorate of Mount Tabor Baptist church.

Rev&mrs Gantt claim Statesville as their hometown but they have lived in Ramseur for the past five and a half years.

Mr. Gantt is a graduate of Wake Forest College and South Western Seminary in Fort Worth Texas.

Number Of Street Repairs Are Made In Tabor City

A number of needed street repairs were being made in Tabor City this week by workers of the street department under the supervision of Supt. Junior Stevens.

A number of broken spots in the Whiteville road were repaired with concrete as were bumps on Fifth Street opposite Baldwin stables and on Live Oak Street near the Baptist Church.

Also repaired was the spot at Fifth and Railroad Streets, where water had been seeping under the pavment.

Chadbourn Man Dies Tuesday; Buried Wednesday

In Chadbourn, Daniel M. Causey, 67, died Tuesday night at his home after a brief illness. Funeral services were held Wednesday at four p.m. from the chapel of the Peacock Funeral home in Chadbourn with the Rev. A. C. Prevatte, Baptist minister, officiating. Interment was in the Mount Olive cemetery near Green Sea.

Surviving are his wife, four sons, Col Luther G. Causey, of Washington, D. C., Otis R. of Brazil, South America, Hoyt C. of Chadbourn and Daniel M. Causey of Cherry, Ga.; four daughters, Mrs. J. C. Ayers of Tabor City, Mrs. J. C. Harrell jr of Greenville, S. C., Mrs. W. H. Dyson of Loris, S. C. and Mrs. W. G. Walker of Burlington, North Carolina.

Pollocksville Preacher Here Sunday Morning

Rev. Mr. Miler of Pollocksville will deliver the morning sermon at the Tabor City Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 o'clock.

MRS. BRITT IN MULLINS

Mrs. R. B. Britt was a Mullins visitor last Thursday.

Woodmen From Eleven Counties Descend On Town For Log Rolling

A much smaller than expected but nonetheless enthusiastic group of Woodmen of the World descended on Tabor City last Friday for the semi-annual meeting of the Southeastern North Carolina Log Rolling Association.

The day's festivities opened at 11:30 with an informal dinner given at Lakeside Inn by Tabor citizens for a list of distinguished visitors, which included a number of candidates for office. Among those present were: Lt. Gov. L. Y. "Stag" Ballentine, candidate for commissioner of agriculture; H. P. "Pat" Taylor, candidate for lieutenant governor; and seventh district Congressional Candidates Bob Young of Dunn, Ertel Carlyle of Lumberton, and Hargrove Bellamy of Wilmington.

Following the dinner, a parade led by the Whiteville school band opened the formal program, which included presentation of a flag to the town by the local Woodman camp, presentation of awards to the local Boy Scout troop and presentation of a gavel to Consul Commander H. Dewey Stevens of the local camp.

Distinguished guests introduced to the gathering were State Manager Nick T. Newberry of Charlotte; National Director Charles A. Hines of Greensboro; and Vice President R. E. Miller of Omaha.

The opening ceremonies took place on Railroad Street in front of Rogers' Auto Service and later in the day, the program moved to the high school where there was the meeting of the Log Rolling Association, institution of the local boys and Woodcraft and Woodcraft Circle Units, and an initiation for Woodmen.

The day's program was closed with a barbecue dinner at the Legion Hut and a square dance in the school gym.

Oscar Soles Reports Picking First Strawberries

Oscar Soles of the Emerson section was in the Tribune office last week to report that he had already picked more than half a quart of Klondike strawberries.

Lloyd Hipps Returning To Position Here

Lloyd Hipps will return to his duties at Davis Jewelry next week after an absence of more than a year caused by illness.

His return will give the local jewelry store two full-time watchmakers, as Mrs. Hipps is also an experienced watchmaker.

Davis Jewelry also has added several new modernistic show cases and is planning to enlarge the showwindow.

Announcement also was made this week of the addition of complete lines of china, crystal and silverware.

PRACTICE

Baseball practice got underway for the Tabor City Dodgers Sunday as 25 boys engaged in an inner squad game.

The regulars squared off against the second stringers with Junior Byrd, ace hurler for the Dodgers, on the mound for the second team. Byrd displayed mid-season form and his tantalizing curves, fast ball and change of pace had practically all the regulars swinging at the empty air.

Glenn Stevens, young knuckle baller, hurled for the regulars and looked even better than he did last year.

All the regulars of last season reported for practice with the exception of Fred Soles. Soles is expected to be in the lineup when the season gets underway.

So far the Dodgers are not in a league this year. Manager Arthur Prince is trying to get teams in this section to organize and form a league for the summer.

Players reporting for practice were: Orbin Fowler, Bobby Wright, Albert Wright, Earl Stanley, Don Jernigan, Glenn Stevens, Junior Byrd, Preacher Wilkins, Phil Hughes, Carol Watts, C. M. Fowler, Ted Fipps, Worth Soles, Kenneth Byrd, Edward Anderson, Bob Spivey, Jake Soles and others whose names are not available.

Pieces of fine, soft woolen cloth make excellent dusting cloths; while next in usefulness are soft cotton (especially knitted materials) and cheesecloth.

Girl, 15, Kills Mother In Row Over Dance Date

FRANKLIN, N. J.—A beautiful dark-eyed school girl succeeded in winning the right to attend a junior high school prom—over her mother's dead body.

Fifteen-year-old Marian Russo wanted to go to a junior prom at Sussex high school, said Police Chief Herbert C. Irons. Her mother, Mrs Lillian Russo, 35, objected.

Irons said the girl declared in an oral statement:

A long dispute over the dance culminated in blows between the girl and the mother in the basement of their home.

During the bloody duel, the mother struck the girl with a lead pipe. The girl wielded a beer bottle in defense.

Finally, the mother slumped to the floor.

Terror-stricken, Marian tried unsuccessfully to stuff the body of her mother into a canvas bag.

The girl then washed away bloodstains, changed her clothing, and summoned a neighbor, Frank Donche. She told him her mother had fallen down the cellar stairs, and was badly injured.

Marian is in Franklin hospital with a skull fracture, and physicians said she would require treatment for several weeks.

RETURNS TO PETERSBURG

Mrs. J. S. Ritchie and daughter, Dianne, have returned to their home in Petersburg, Va., after spending the past week with her mother and father, Mr&mrs C. E. Walden.

Veterans Service Officer Coming To Tabor Saturday Mornings

County Service Officer T. FormyDuval will be in Tabor Ciyt every Saturday from 9 a.m. until noon to give veterans advice on their various problems and help them in seeking benefits of the GI Bill of Rights.

The services of the county service officer were obtained by the local posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Joint announcements of the new service was made by Ralph Inman, Legion commander, and Robert Fipps, VFW commander.

FormyDuval will be located in the Tabor town hall on Saturdays, it was pointed out.

The two veterans organizations emphasized the fact that services offered by the officer are free to all veterans. They said, also, that if there is a large enough demand for his services in this area, FormyDuval may make plans to be in Tabor City more than one day a week.

Death Claims Charles E. Sykes, Familiar Figure In Tabor City

Charles E. Sykes, 72, long a well known figure on the streets of Tabor City, died Tuesday morning at 8:30 at the Columbus county home. He had been in declining health for sometime and had been ill for two or three weeks.

Surviving are three sons, E. J. Sykes of Tabor City, Robert Sykes and Kanner Sykes of Fayetteville.

The funeral was held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at Lewis Funeral home with Rev. P. C. Gantt, pastor of the Mt. Tabor Baptist church, officiating.

Burial was in Ivanhoe cemetery, in Sampson county.