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SUIT AGAINST LOUISBURG.

Brought By W. O. Joyner For \$100 For Failure to Publish Reports.

Louisburg, May 5.—W. O. Joyner, through his attorney, W. M. Person has brought suit against the town commissioners for the sum of \$100 for their failure to publish an annual financial statement of the amounts received and now expended, as the state law requires all town commissioners to do. It seems that not only has the present board of commissioners failed to do this for the past two years, but such a statement has not been made in ten years. If Mr. Joyner wins his suit the amount he is suing for will go to him as the law directs. The case will come up before Justice J. A. Palmer Monday.

Fourth Class Postmasters Must Show Their Fitness.

Washington, May 7.—The fourth class postmaster situation has been finally disposed of. Postmaster General Burleson after a conference with President Wilson today announced that an executive order has been issued requiring all postmasters of that class to submit to a competitive examination whether already in office or prospective candidates.

Mr. Burleson also announced that it was the intention of President Wilson to take into the classified service, probably within a year all postmasters of the third and second class.

Mr. Burleson discussing the order indicated that it was the Presidents wish to take the fourth class postmastership out of politics, but democrats as well as republicans will have an opportunity to compete.

Annual Reunion of Confederate Veterans.

The annual Reunion of Confederate Veterans, Camp Jones, No. 1206, will be held in Roxboro as usual on June 3rd. Every Veteran together with his wife, also widows of Veterans, are cordially invited. The Daughters of the Confederacy will prepare a dinner. They have also secured a speaker for the occasion, Gen. T. W. Bickett.

J. A. Long,
Commander.

Bethel Hill Commencement.

On Sunday in the church Rev. J. T. Riddick, the beloved and pre-eminently successful pastor of the second Baptist Church of Durham, preached the annual sermon to an exceedingly large and appreciative audience. In order to secure a crowd in this neighborhood when he is so well known and loved, by all, it is only necessary to announce that Mr. Riddick will preach, his text was the 19th verse of the 26th chapter of Acts. "Whereupon, O, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision." This thrilling and smile-stirring sermon was intensely practical as well as inspiring, and several were heard to say that it was the best sermon they ever listened to.

On Monday at 11 o'clock a. m. Prof. N. W. Walker, State Superintendent of High Schools, made a splendid address to a large assembly of pupils, patrons and friends of the school. He showed us the need of the High School, its duty to the community and the duty of the community to it. His plain, common-sense, practical speech made a splendid impression on all and it will be a great delight to have Prof. Walker visit us again at any time.

The entertainment Monday night given by the school was of high order and thoroughly enjoyed by an immense crowd that could not find standing room in the auditorium. The program consisting of readings, music, plays, pantomimes etc., was well chosen by the experienced teachers. It was splendidly carried out, and several remarked that they never saw pupils better trained where all did their part so well, it is bad to discriminate, but we counted help mentioning the splendid acting of Mrs. Norman Long.

The school has enjoyed a most prosperous session, and the indications are that this will become one of the most important High Schools of the State.

M. B.

We can furnish the tobacco planters.

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PERSON COUNTY.

By Mamie Ennis Pleasants.

The history of Person County is very interesting, especially to those who live within her borders. Originally a part of Orange and Caswell counties, it was formed into a separate county 1791 and was called in honor of General Thomas Person of Granville Co. Thomas Person is a name that stands out first and foremost in the history of our County. He hated tyranny above everything else, and was also strongly opposed to the stamp act. He was appointed the first brigadier general by the State Congress in April 1776, and for his patriotic services a county of North Carolina was named in his honor. His liberality towards all schools and colleges was very marked; but especially so towards the Chapel Hill University; a hall of that place also bears his name.

It is bounded on the north by the northern part of the State, the Virginia line, east by Granville, south by Orange and west Caswell county.

Person county has a mild climate, and it is very fertile. Therefore it is very thickly populated, although it may not have as many large cities as some counties. Roxboro being the principal city, and also the County seat. It is fifty-four miles from Raleigh, and has a population of about three thousand. One of the best schools, for its size, in the State is at Roxboro. There are two cotton mills, three warehouses and a large number of stores. During the month of January, 1913 Roxboro ranked third among the tobacco markets of the State. Some of the chief factors that have helped to build up this town and County was the building of a railroad in 1899 through the County.

Another great improvement was made in Roxboro last year, that was the paving of the side walks and macadamising of the streets. Many other improvements have taken place in the last few years. For instance the improvement of the public schools. Instead of the old log school house of former days we now have warm comfort table buildings. Although there has been much improvement made in the schools we look forward to the day when there will be a still greater improvement. The roads though not of the best, are very good, and we hope to have, macadamised roads all over the County in the near future. Another great help to the people of this County is the telephone system.

There are some very interesting places in Person county. Take for instance, Payne's Tavern. This place was at first selected for the county seat; but was later changed to its present site. Loch Lily a beautiful place to go for a summer outing, is one of the chief attractions of Person county. This pond is about two miles long and about one mile wide, a beautiful clubhouse adds much to the beauty of the place. It is built upon a high bank overlooking the pond. Still another place that many people visit in the summer is Hagie's Mountain. It is located about five miles north of Roxboro. The view from one of the peaks is very beautiful indeed.

Farming is carried on on a large scale by the people of Person County. Tobacco is the chief

product, but enough grain is raised for their own use, and also have some to sell. The tobacco in this county is among the best of the State.

One thing about Person is the healthful situation and good water, although there is much sickness it is not nearly so much as there is in some of the neighboring counties.

The history of Person County shows that great improvements have been made since 1850, but we look forward to the time when still greater improvements will be made. The improvement that will help the county more than anything else is good roads, we hope to see in a few years Macadamized roads, that will rival the old Roman roads in structure and durability. They will not cost the county very much for there is an abundance of material that can be developed with very little effort.

Another improvement that we are longing to see brought about is one that concerns the schools. We will all be glad when the number of schools will be doubled, the buildings much larger and better equipped, the term longer, and more teachers with better salaries will be employed for each school. One thing that will greatly help the boys of Person County will be the building of a farm school. In this the boys may gain a education with very little expense, and also gain some practicable knowledge about farming. For the girls we wish to see a college built in Person with a special domestic course among its many other good qualities. Some other things we wish to see added to the long list of county improvements, will be the continuation of the street building in Roxboro and also a new Union Station at that place. The bright hope of all the people of this county is that some one will donate the funds for building a hospital at Hagie's Mountain, which will be connected with the principal cities by a street car line. Last but not least one of the sure features of the development of Person County will be the growth of her towns. Some of what are now merely country villages will develop into the principal cities of North Carolina.

Then here's to Person, The land of my birth; Here's to Person, The grandest county on earth.

Oxford College Commencement.

The Courier begs to acknowledge an invitation to the Oxford College, sent by our charming young friend Miss Carolyn Thomas Farthing. The date May 25 to 27, at Oxford, N. C.

The graduating class this year is a very large one, numbering 24, as follows. Breta Gay Noell, B. A. President; Geneva Powers, B. A., Vice-President; Eugenia Woody, B. A. Sec. and Treas.; Florence Loonam, B. S., Historian; Margaret Justice, B. A., Prophet; Carolyn Thomas Farthing, B. A., Ivy-Orator; Annie Long, B. S., Treastator; Bessie Howard, B. S., Poet; Elora Horrell, B. S., Presenter; Lena Jones, B. A., Salutatorian; Fannie Scott Jeffress, B. A., Valedictorian; Amanda Cobb, B. S., Decie Dark, B. S., Maggie Hood, B. S., Essie Johnson, B. S., Rassist Jones, B. A., Marie Medford, B. S., Bernice Olive, B. S., Myrtle Pass, B. A., Maggie Richardson, B. S., Grace Short, B. A., Ruth Taylor, B. A., Olice Wood, B. S., Marie Woody, B. S.

Auditors Report.

Annual report, showing receipts and disbursements on account of salaries and fees for year ending April 1st 1913.

By amount received of Sheriff's office	\$2,101.81
By " " Register of Deeds office	1,737.20
By " " Clerk's office	1,136.32
By " " Treasurer's office, including commissions accrued, but not computed (approximated)	850.00

To amount of annual salaries.

Sheriff	\$2,000.00	
Register of Deeds	1,200.00	
Treasurer	500.00	
Clerk Superior Court	1,000.00	
To amount paid Auditor	261.00	
Balance	864.33	
	\$5,825.33	\$5,825.33

Balance

\$864.33

F. O. CARVER, Auditor.

---ICE---

We are pleased to announce to our friends and patrons that we have purchased a new and better ice wagon for delivery service and we are putting same on the streets today. We will make delivery twice each day and we trust we may have the pleasure of serving you.

For convenience, we have adopted a new plan. Each customer will be given an Ice Card. On this card are figures representing different amounts. A pointer is fastened to the card and by moving this pointer to whatever quantity desired it can be seen at a glance from the street and customer will not be bothered. This card may be hung in a convenient place on the porch.

It is our endeavor to give the best service and we have instructed our Mr. Hobgood, who has charge of the wagon, to give extra good weight with every purchase. If you have any cause whatever for complaint, we will consider it a favor if you will kindly let us know.

In every case, ice will be cheaper when tickets are purchased. Once more thanking you in anticipation of your future patronage.

Respectfully,

Roxboro Light & Power Co.

EVERY DAY A BUSY DAY.

It has been just that way with us all the Spring. And there are reasons for it. The reasons are that the goods the people want are here, the quality is dependable, the prices are right and our service is best. The most capable and obliging sales-people to be found are here and they deserve much of the credit for our fine business.

We are daily receiving new goods. This week we are expecting two good shipments of the very newest novelties in summer dress goods. Also another lot of new shapes in the millinery department.

Big shipment of Onyx hosiery came in last week, 25c to \$1.00. Come to see us often, we will show you something new every time if we have time.

We are always pleased to serve you.

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