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A FLOOD OF LOCAL BILLS COMMISSIONERS IN SESSION

Race Against Time in the Legislature—Salary of Governor to be Increased—Probably Other State Officers.

The Legislature has been flooded with bills for local and private legislation since it met last Wednesday. Today the constitution amendments, ratified last fall, which takes this business out of the hands of the Legislature, is effective, hence the rush to get through as many local bills as possible.

Among the bills of local interest presented was introduced in the Senate by Hon. E. J. Tucker to allow the people of Person county to vote upon a good road bond issue of \$300,000. Hon. J. C. Pass introduced a bill empowering the Board of County Commissioners to sell certain lands in Roxboro. Another bill was introduced concerning the regulation of barbers in this county. Another to tax dogs in Person county.

The Senate yesterday passed a bill to increase the Governor's salary to \$7,500.

The introduction of some measures indicate a probable change in the management of the State's business. Following the introduction of a resolution by Oates of Cumberland for the appointment of a committee of five to consider the creation of a State purchased board, Brenizer of Mecklenburg offered a supplemental resolution instructing this committee to also consider the creation of a State Board of Appropriations which would pass upon all appropriations of State money. The Brenizer resolution empowered the committee to draft such bills as might be necessary in the event of favorable report. The resolution was unanimously passed.

There was great rejoicing in the Legislature when Gov. Craig sent a special message telling of the withdrawal of the Cuban bond suit. A resolution of thanks to the republic of Cuba was adopted.

The Senate refused to pass a bill passed by the House, repealing the stock law for Pender county, and a bill to allow the people of Washington county to vote on the removal of the court-house from Plymouth to Roper failed.

An attempt to rush through a bill to pay Judge Bond \$2000 for investigating the Greene county lynching was held up and the bill sent to committee.

Five Hundred Gallons of Liquor Sprinkled on Streets of Phoenix.

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 3.—Five hundred gallons of whiskey, wine and beer were poured into a city water wagon here last week and the streets of the business section sprinkled with the liquor. Two hundred automobiles and several floats formed a parade that followed the water wagon. A brass band played a dirge.

A sprinkler with its cargo, valued at \$20,000, was driven by dry advocates. The liquor was confiscated in raids by the sheriff under the new Arizona prohibition law and its unique disposition ordered by Superior Judge Stanford.

SOCIETY NEWS.

Mrs. W. T. Long was the gracious hostess to the Twice Eight Club, Friday afternoon. Besides the club members, a large number of visitors were present, and all were received by the hostess, who directed the way to rooms where tables were placed for Boston Rook. At the conclusion of the afternoon, an elaborate course of refreshments was served.

Honoring her sister, Mrs. Guy Simpson, of Durham, Mrs. Lillian Foreman entertained a few friends at her home on Saturday afternoon. Twelve guests were present and rook was the form of amusement for the afternoon, after which refreshments were served.

The Research Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Mamie Merritt as hostess. Mrs. W. T. Pass was the leader for the discussion, which was German Cities, items were also read on the capitals of German Counties and Mrs. J. J. Winstead gave a reading. After the lesson study, a social hour was enjoyed, during which time delightful refreshments were served.

Town Board of Commissioners Meet in Regular Monthly Session Thursday Night—Cash Re-elected Policeman—Gates, Superintendent of Water Works.

The town board of commissioners met in their regular monthly session last Thursday night in the Mayor's office over Sergeant & Clayton's store. All members were present. Mayor O'Briant called the meeting to order at 7:30. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Messrs. J. A. Noell, Jr., and S. C. Scott appeared before the board and submitted an advertising proposition concerning the special edition to be issued by the Courier soon. Immediately afterwards the board went into executive meeting. A motion was made and carried that the board contract for one page advertisement in the special edition of The Courier. It was also ordered that a proof be submitted to Messrs. F. O. Carver and C. C. Cunningham.

Messrs. L. M. Carlton and W. H. Long were re-elected as members of the board of trustees of the Roxboro Graded Schools for a term of three years.

Mr. J. F. Cash was re-elected town constable for one year.

Mr. R. H. Gates was re-elected superintendent of water works.

The following ordinance was adopted: "Be it ordained: That if any person, firm or corporation shall dispose of or undertake to dispose of any waste paper or trash or other substance of like kind by dumping same on any premises with in the corporate limits of the town, such person, firm or corporation shall be fined one dollar, and shall be further fined one dollar for each additional day same is permitted to remain after notice from the mayor to remove same."

It was ordered that the mayor and clerk be authorized to execute a bond of \$200 in the name of the town in the action about to be brought in the superior court of Person county in the matter of J. D. Hart & Co.

A bunch of bills were audited and ordered paid. After which the board adjourned.

THE BLOODIEST YEAR IN HISTORY.

The year of our Lord 1916, was beyond doubt the bloodiest year in the history of the human race. Fifteen nations in furious death-grapple continued to pour out like water their blood and treasure upon the altar of Mars. We are told that during the second year of the war no fewer than three million men were slain; that more than six million men were wounded and disabled for life; that forty million men stood in arms ready for the slaughter-house of the war-god; and that the cost in money amounted to thirty million dollars a day, or more than thirty-six billion dollars for the year.

Look at it in the large.

Germany accomplished nothing in the naval battle of Jutland, lost ground on the Somme, and failed at Verdun; but she checked the great Russian offensive in Galicia, kept the Serbs from regaining their kingdom, and crushed Aumania, the fifteenth nation to enter the war; she also became absolutely dominant amongst the Central Powers, and, were the war to close today, and Germany get her own, she would be mistress of Central Europe from the English Channel to the Black Sea.

On the part of the Allies, England has been supreme in finance and diplomacy; she launched the victorious offensive on the Somme, but did not break the deadlock on the western front; and she was forced to abandon the disastrous Gallipoli campaign. The French won immortality by their defense of Verdun, and the Italians likewise earned renown in their counter-offensive against Austria in the neighborhood of Treste.

Neither side is whipped, though both are bleeding at every pore. Germany has perhaps reached her zenith—and no nation ever equaled her in the art of war—but her strength cannot always endure. The Allies will be ready when the winter is over to deal far heavier blows than ever. What the end will be, or when it will be, no man can tell.—Bible Recorder.

WANTED—Salesman and collector for Roxboro and Person county. Apply to Slinger Sewing Machine Co., Durham, N. C. 137 1/2 rd.

CANNING CLUB ORGANIZED

At Bethel Hill in December—Another to be Organized at Hurdles Mill Soon.

Miss Mary Spurgeon returned to Roxboro last week and has already commenced her work for the spring.

At a meeting at Bethel Hill on the 14th of December, a Canning Club and also a Home Demonstrating Club were organized. At this first meeting "How to Make a Fireless Cooker" was discussed at length. Also "How to cook chicken in a fireless cooker. The value of chicken cooked in a fireless cooker compared to the ordinary way," was discussed by the members present at the meeting.

Two more clubs will be organized in the county in the near future. One of which will perhaps be organized first at Hurdles Mill.

Miss Spurgeon is making great progress in this work in the county, and is receiving much encouragement from the people.

Board of Health Hold Meetings.

According to the requirements of the laws of North Carolina relative to the public health of the county, H. J. Whitt, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, J. M. O'Briant, Mayor of the town of Roxboro and J. A. Beam, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Person county, met one day last week and organized in regular form.

The health laws of North Carolina were duly considered each member desiring to know the full intent and scope of the law, also the duties and responsibilities devolving the board. Two members were elected to complete the board. Dr. R. S. Baynes, of Hurdles Mill, and Dr. John Merritt were elected.

The second meeting of the board was held last Monday in the offices of the county superintendent, Dr. W. A. Bradsher was elected as county health officer. The members of the board are very enthusiastic over the work and plans are being made for some constructive work. Another meeting will be held soon at which time each member is expected to be present. The health officer will outline his year's work and steps will be taken as far as consistent with the limited funds, to improve the health condition of the people of Person county.

STATE TROOPS WILL BE BACK HOME BY MARCH 1

According to Edwin Smith Pou, Son of Representative, Who is a Private in District Cavalry Troop.

Washing, Jan. 8.—The North Carolina troops now doing patrol duty on the Mexican border will be home by March 1, according to Edwin Smith Pou, son of Representative and Mrs. Pou, who is a private in troop B of the District national guard. Young Pou is here visiting his parents.

According to Pou the guardsmen on the border are being sent home as rapidly as cars can be obtained to transport them to their native states. The railroads have not been able to furnish equipment to handle more than a couple of regiments every two weeks and at this rate young Pou says the North Carolina boys, according to gossip along the front, will reach the state about the first of March.

Mrs. Pou and Misses Annie Ibric and Margaret Pou reached Washington today and will be at the Shoreham hotel with Congressman Pou until after the inauguration.

Representative Webb has secured a rural delivery route from Relief, Mitchell county, effective March 1.

Presbyterian Announcements.

Mid-week Prayer Service held each Wednesday night at the Presbyterian church at 7:30.

We shall be glad to have our friends of the Baptist church worship with us at any of our services while they are without a pastor.

Rev. Carlton E. White will preach at the Hurdles Mill School-house Sunday, January 14th, at 11 a. m.

Death of Mrs. Solomon.

Mrs. Jefferson Solomon, who lived in East Roxboro, died at her home on Monday. Mrs. Solomon was a devoted Christian and before her death called her loved ones to her bedside and asked them all to so live that they might meet her in heaven. She expressed a willingness to go and did honor in her faith.

COMMISSIONERS ENDORSE SPECIAL EDITION PROJECT

Already well Represented, but Could Have More Co-operation Which Would Extend Better Invitation.

As further evidence for those who do not realize that our special edition project deserves commendable remarks from that entire community, we give out the statement that the project has been highly endorsed by the Town Commissioners. At their meeting Thursday night the plan was submitted to them for their approval. They readily saw that the vast amount of good to be derived from that source of advertising would be of unlimited benefit to the town as a whole. In this article we commend the town "Fathers" for their loyal support in our endeavor.

For the information of our friends and patrons of this edition, we send forth the statement that the paper is so well represented of this community, that as it stands today, it could be published and termed in the highest sense a creditable issue. However, we are of the opinion that our special proposition does offer any suggestion that would be obnoxious to those who do not patronize it. For the reason that any fair-minded person will realize that the plan is at least a three-fold one, and that its main object is to boost the resources of the county and town in which they live, we are egotistic to think that we will receive from every citizen their life long praise in behalf of the work. In the meantime our special representative is putting forth every effort to make the edition a "co-operation," it is useless to state that it would appeal to the outsider as a real invitation to visit here if it would represent every business in the community.

DEATH OF G. G. MOORE.

Mr. G. G. Moore, formerly of Mt. Tirzah, Person county, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. E. Allen, on Lamond Ave., on December 29, 1916, at 7 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Moore has been afflicted with paralysis for five years. Until that time he was a very active citizen of Person county. He was a successful farmer.

Mr. Moore was the only surviving son of Rev. Junius P. Moore, deceased, of the North Carolina Methodist Conference, and grandson of the late General Paucius Moore, of the Revolutionary war.

He was born near Mt. Tirzah in 1837, and lived to be seventy-nine years old. In 1858 he was married to Bettie Ann Bailey, of Halifax county, Virginia. To this union were born nine children. He is survived by wife and four children, Mrs. E. W. Reade, Messrs. J. P. Moore, M. B. Moore and Mrs. T. E. Allen, all of Durham, and one sister, Mrs. A. S. Webb, of Warren Plain, N. C.

The funeral services were held at the home of Mr. T. E. Allen, on Lamond Avenue, Durham, N. C., at 2 o'clock p. m., and interment was made in Maplewood cemetery, December 30, 1916.

DEATH OF MRS. HENRY FIELD

Mrs. Henry Field died at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Hugh Woods, last Thursday. The funeral was held at the Presbyterian church and conducted by Rev. S. E. White. The remains were laid to rest in the town cemetery Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Field was born in Southern England, December 19, 1843, and was the daughter of Edward and Eliza Bird. At the time of her death she was 73 years and 15 days of age. She was married April 2nd, 1866, to H. Field, to which union there were born nine children of whom four survive, Mrs. G. L. Thompson, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Hugh Woods and Mrs. L. T. Bowles, of Roxboro, and W. E. Field of Atlanta, Ga.

She came with her family to America to live, first living at Philadelphia, and later coming to Roxboro where she has lived since. She numbered her friends wherever she lived by her acquaintances, and this was broad for wherever she was, she was anxious to know people that she might help them. Her life has been a benediction to many, whether it be in the home, in the school room, church, Sunday-school, or wherever she met them.

Mrs. Thompson of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. F. R. Thomas and woods Morton, of Danville, Va., Misses Petty and Singleton, of Durham, were among the out of town people who came to attend the funeral.

Resolutions of the Rock Grove Baptist Church.

Where as: Our beloved pastor, D. F. Putman, leaves us to accept work on another field, we, the Rock Grove Baptist church, adopt the following resolutions:

1st. We recommend him to the field to which he goes. 2nd. We commend him to our Heavenly Father. 3rd. May his ministry be successful in winning souls to Christ and the uplift of His Kingdom. 4th. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to The Biblical Recorder and one to The Roxboro Courier for publication, and recorded in minutes of the church.

A Sad Death.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Rogers Saturday, December the second, and claimed as its victim their precious little Charlie, the only child.

He was ill about two weeks, suffering with pneumonia, which terminated into meningitis. His sufferings were intense until the end. He was about eight months old. He was laid at rest in Berry's Grove cemetery and his funeral preached by

CONTRACT LET TUESDAY

Messrs. Pass, Woody and Long to Rebuild Post Office Building—Work to Begin at Once—To be Completed by May 15, 1917.

The contract to re-build the post office building was awarded to Messrs. Wilkerson and Bowles of Durham, Tuesday afternoon. The work on the building will begin at once and the contractors promise to have the building completed by May 15, 1917.

The building will have practically the same appearance on the outside as before the fire. But the inside will be changed considerable on all floors. It will be finished up much finer than the building destroyed by fire.

The government has already accepted the bid of Messrs. Pass, Woody & Long, thereby assuring the people of Roxboro as good a post office or even more convenient than ever before. This part of the building will be completed by the first of May.

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ROXBORO MARKET RE-OPENS

30,000 LBS. SOLD MONDAY

Good Sales Monday, Tuesday and Today at all Five Warehouses—Prices Equally as Good as Before The Holidays.

The Roxboro Tobacco market reopened Monday morning, after a holiday of a period of two weeks. Monday, Tuesday and today brought a good deal more tobacco to the local market. The prices are equally as good on all grades as they were before Christmas.

All the buyers have returned and are now ready and eager to buy the remainder of the crop to be sold in Roxboro. There is no indication at present that the price will be any lower, if not a little higher, than it was before Christmas.

About 20 per cent of the crop in this county remains to be sold, according to the estimate by the warehouses. Of this amount the Roxboro market will sell practically the entire amount, as the warehousemen have shown that in getting the best price for the weed, Roxboro leads all surrounding markets in averages. There remains only a short time to sell, the Roxboro market will perhaps close on or about the last of February.

Tailoring Opening.

Mr. J. H. Rosenburger, representing Schless Bros & Co., will be with us January 11th, 12th and 13th, with a new line of samples for spring suits, etc. We extend you a cordial invitation to call and see the new styles. Woody, Long & Morton.

Stockholders Meeting.

The stockholders of the Peoples Bank will meet on Saturday, January 20, 1917, for the purpose of electing directors and attending to such other matters as may come before them. Meeting will be called to order at 11 o'clock, a. m. This the 8th day of January, 1917. E. G. LONG, Cashier.

Edgar Lang Memorial Church.

My subject next Sunday 11 a. m., will be: Some essentials for an efficient and victorious church. We shall have the installation of the church officers at this service. We trust therefore to see all the stewards, trustees, Sunday-school superintendents, charge lay leaders present at this service. My subject Sunday night will be: Jesus the Light of the World. I expect to show not only the power but also the glory of this Light. We welcome everybody to these services.

Our Crops Worth Nearly Three Hundred Millions.

Raleigh, Jan. 8.—In the crop report just distributed by the national department, North Carolina ranks in the value of crops No. 11, with a value of \$274,435,000. She is first in quantity of sweet potatoes, in the amount of cotton per acre, and second in the value of tobacco crop: She is 16th in corn; 21st, in wheat; 16th, in rye; 25th, in oats; 11th in buckwheat; 38th, in hay; 27th in Irish potatoes; 10th in rice; 9th in apples; 14th in peaches. The corn crop of this year is 53,650,000 bushels; last year it was 64,050,000.

Death of Dora Walters.

About five o'clock on the morning of the first day of the New Year, our friend, Dora Walters fell asleep in Jesus. Loving hearts and gentle friends did all that could be done to keep the little spark alive the tired body gave away. God saw best to take her out of this troublesome world. We should not wish her back but strive to meet her in a better land. She was eighteen years, six months old. Leaves a grandmother, father, mother, three brothers and four sisters, with a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her death. She bore her sickness of about twelve days patiently and was conscious to the end. The burial took place Tuesday afternoon at Berry's Grove church of which she was a member.—Contributed.

Mr. J. L. Stanfield has returned to Greensboro and will again be with Armour Co. this spring.

Mr. Stanfield made good with this company last season and his ability was recognized by the company. Roxboro is to his credit.

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