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Don't fail to attend this Big Shoe Sale. It means a saving to you. Remember, only Two Days, SATURDAY and MONDAY.

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GASTON COUNTY MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE.

To Meet Monday in New Baptist Church at Cherryville—Annual Election of Officers—Many Important Matters to Be Discussed—Every Minister in the County Urged to Be Present.

On next Monday, January 9, at 11 o'clock, Rev. D. P. Putnam, pastor, and vice-president of the Alliance, will throw open the doors of the handsome new Baptist church in Cherryville to welcome the members of the Gaston County Ministerial Alliance in its regular quarterly meeting. Rev. J. M. Kester, pastor of the Shelby Baptist church, will deliver an address at the 11 o'clock hour, to which the public is cordially invited. At noon the ministers will be dinner guests of the domestic science department of the Cherryville high school. Immediately after the dinner hour the ministers will go into executive session for the election of officers and to discuss several urgent and important matters of business. It will alone be worth traveling many times the distance from any part of the county to inspect this modern and handsome church building and many good points may be gained by pastors of churches with future building plans. It will be the first visit of the pastors to this part of the county and you are assured of a welcome as only the good people of Cherryville know how to give. Let every minister announce to his congregation Sunday that he "is off to Cherryville" Monday morning. Good roads prevail and every visitor from any part of the county may be at home again for the evening meal.

The secretary of the Alliance will be glad to convey three or four to the meeting and provide a way for all who desire to attend from Gastonia.

NEGRO PLEADS GUILTY TO FRIGHTENING GIRLS

GREENSBORO, Jan. 5.—Mack Williams, negro, found in the dormitory at North Carolina College for Women at 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning, December 11, entered a plea of guilty before Judge G. S. Ferguson in Guilford superior court to a charge of entering, and was sentenced to serve for three years in the state penitentiary.

The negro, about 45 years of age, was found in the room occupied by Miss Susie West in the woman's dormitory at the college. Miss Josephine Jenkins, a room mate, was in the room with Miss West at the time. Both stated that the negro left immediately when told to, the girls screaming for him to leave when first discovered.

The negro declared that he remembered nothing of the incident, saying that he must have been under the influence of dope of some kind. The negro admitted having taken several drinks of whiskey. The first charge preferred was that of burglary, but the solicitor accepted a plea of guilty on a charge of entering. The negro will begin serving his sentence at once.

CROWDER NOT YET READY TO LEAVE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Major General Enoch H. Crowder, special representative of the President in Cuba, has postponed for several days his departure for the United States. General Crowder called the State Department on the telephone from Havana today and stated that his work was in such shape that he deemed it impossible for him to leave for several days. Officials of the State Department said that the delay in General Crowder's departure was without particular significance.

PERSHING AND DAWES INSPECT OIL FIELDS.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 5.—A party which included General John J. Pershing and General Charles Dawes, Director of the Budget, planned to leave here today for Mexico, Texas, to inspect oil fields. It was announced by Colonel A. E. Humphreys, Texas oil operator.

GOV. SPROUL NOT TO TAKE SENATORSHIP

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—Governor Sproul was expected today to name a successor to Senator Penrose within the next few days. He announced last night that he would not resign to take the senatorship.

So He Was Fired.

"What happened to your new clerk?" "Too business-like." He wrote an important letter the other day that spelled a big order for me.

Buy the CU CU springless window shade—and eliminate spring troubles. Sold by Gastonia Furniture Co. 7c2

Essex Announces Lower Prices

Effective December 24th

Prices of all Essex Models, including the New Coach, are reduced as follows:

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AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DALLAS TO ISSUE \$35,000 OF BONDS FOR WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM.

Be it ordained by the board of commissioners of the town of Dallas, N. C. Section 1. That the town of Dallas under and pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act, do issue its bonds for the purpose of constructing a water supply system in and for said town.

Section 2. The maximum aggregate principal amount of said bonds shall be \$35,000.00.

Section 3. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually levied and collected.

Section 4. That a statement of debt of the municipality has been filed with the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act, and is open to public inspection.

Section 5. The average assessed valuation of property subject to taxation by the municipality for the three fiscal years in which taxes were last levied as shown by the said statement is \$1,132,174.00.

Section 6. The amount of the net debt of the municipality outstanding, authorized or to be authorized as shown by said statement, is \$46,000.00.

Section 7. That this ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its first publication, unless in the meantime a petition for its submission to the voters is filed under the Municipal Finance Act, and that in such event it shall take effect when approved by the voters of the municipality at an election as provided in said Municipal Finance Act.

The foregoing ordinance was passed on the 6th day of December, 1921, and was first published on the 23rd day of December, 1921.

Any action or proceeding questioning the validity of said ordinance must be commenced within thirty days after its publication.

A. R. HOLLAND,
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DALLAS, N. C., TO ISSUE \$35,000 OF BONDS FOR SEWER SYSTEM.

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the town of Dallas, N. C. Section 1. That the town of Dallas under and pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act, do issue its bonds for the purpose of constructing a sanitary sewer system, and in and for said town.

Section 2. The maximum aggregate principal amount of said bonds shall be \$35,000.00.

Section 3. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually levied and collected.

Section 4. That a statement of debt of the municipality has been filed with the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act, and is open to public inspection.

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Statement of debt of the town of Dallas, North Carolina, made and filed with the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of said town by the treasurer thereof: After the introduction and before the final passage of certain bond ordinances entitled "an ordinance to authorize the town of Dallas to issue \$35,000 of bonds for water supply system" and "an ordinance to authorize the town of Dallas, N. C., to issue bonds \$35,000.00 for sewer system." All done in pursuance to section 19 of the Municipal Finance Act 1919.

I, A. R. Holland, being duly sworn, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected and qualified treasurer of the town of Dallas, N. C., and the chief financial officer thereof, and that:

(a) The total amount hereinafter referred to as the gross debt of the outstanding floating indebtedness of the town of Dallas, N. C., and all bonded debt of the said town outstanding or to

be incurred under ordinances or other proceedings, passed, taken or pending, exclusive of debt incurred or to be incurred in anticipation of the collection of taxes of the current year, or the sale of bonds as follows:

Note—Temporary Loan for electric lighting fixtures... \$ 3,900.00
Electric light bonds (\$10,000.00 bonds issued prior to 5 years ago)..... 5,000.00
Rent Estate (City Hall).... 5,000.00
Proposed Water Bonds..... 35,000.00
Proposed Sewer Bonds..... 35,000.00

Gross debt..... \$83,900.00

(b) The deductions from said gross debt are as follows:

1. Unissued funding or refunding bonds, None.
2. The amount of sinking funds or other funds held for the payment of any part of the gross debt other than existing debt incurred for revenue producing enterprises and hereinafter deducted \$2,000.00.
3. The amount of uncollected special assessment levied or to be levied on account of local improvements for which any part of the gross debt was or is to be incurred and applicable to the payment or part of the gross debt, none.

4. The amount of bonded debt included in the gross debt and incurred within 5 years prior to date of this statement, none.

5. The amount of bonded debt included in the gross debt and to be incurred for water purposes, \$35,000.00.
Total amount of deductions, \$37,000.00.

(c) The amount (hereinafter referred to as the net debt) or the difference between the gross debt and the deductions is \$46,900.00.

(d) The assessed valuation of property subject to taxation by the town of Dallas, N. C., for each of the three fiscal years in which taxes were last levied, and the average thereof are as follows:

1919 \$ 476,711.00
1920 1,554,503.00
1921 1,365,309.00
Average 3 years..... \$1,132,174.00

(e) The percentage that the net debt bears to said average assessed valuation is 4.06 per cent.

Witness my hand this 6th day of December, 1921.

A. R. HOLLAND,
Town Treasurer.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of December, 1921.

E. M. RHYNE,
Notary Public.

My commission expires March 1, 1923.
F.JJ34.

INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS.

Sealed proposals will be received by The Standard Hardware Co., Gastonia, N. C., until 3 o'clock P. M., January 16, 1922, and then opened at the office of Hugh E. White, Superintendent of Construction, Gazette Building, for the construction complete, (except heating and elevator) of a three story and basement store building, Gastonia, N. C.

Drawings and specifications may be obtained by general contractors upon application, and must be returned on the day of opening bids. A deposit of \$10.00 (ten dollars) will be required for each set of drawings and specifications issued, and said deposit will be refunded when the drawings and specifications are returned. Plans and specifications may be seen at Builders Exchange, Charlotte, N. C., and Columbia, S. C.

H. E. WHITE,
Superintendent of Construction.
F.JJ33.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as administrator of the estate of C. T. Hawkins, deceased, late of Gaston County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to file them, properly certified, with the undersigned on or before the

23rd day of December, 1922, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 22nd day of December, 1921.
C. J. BLACK,
Administrator.

R. L. Sigmon, Atty. F.JJ26w.

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