

NEGRO SCHOOL AT SOUTHERN PINES

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own government, its own officials, its churches, stores, schools, and it is wholly peopled by negroes. It is a creditable community, its churches compare well with similar structures elsewhere, and its inhabitants are orderly and industrious, and they show by their continued building and the prosperous air about their homes that they are taking care of themselves and their families. North Carolina has white towns of equal population that are not far if any in advance of the negro town of West Southern Pines.

The new school house over there is a standing evidence of the interest the white folks show in the education of the colored children, for it is plain to any one that the big end of the provision made for educating the negro children must fall to the white tax-payers. But both whites and negroes have been industrious and in earnest in affording means for the schooling of colored children, and the new building tells of their seriousness of purpose. The building is worth driving by to see it. It is on the top of the hill near the old road that runs from Southern Pines to Carthage, and Moore county can feel a pride in it as well as in the other county school buildings.

DR. W. BIDDLE GILMAN KILLED BY TRAIN

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J. Mrs. Fry was Miss Anna Ayer, daughter of the late head of the Ayer Advertising business.

He was twice married, his first wife dying in Florida some years ago. He was married to his present wife in 1909 and has lived in Lakeview since, having retired from the practice of medicine many years ago.

Dr. Gilman was a Mason for over fifty years, being a life member of Snyder Lodge in Philadelphia.

The remains were taken to Philadelphia where they will be carried to the old family cemetery at Woodstown, N. J., for interment.

Mrs. L. M. Seward accompanied

Mrs. Gilman to Washington where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Fry, who took charge of the funeral arrangements.

With the exception of his niece, Dr. Gilman was the last member of an old and very prominent family.

The ladies of Lakview sent one of the most exquisite wreaths fashioned out of the magnolia leaves Dr. Gilman loved so much. No community could have shown more attention or kindly spirit than Lakeview did to its good friend, Dr. Williard Biddle Gilman.

COUNTY HEALTH AND WELFARE ASSOCIATION

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schools had been weighed and were receiving hot lunches, the hot lunches being sponsored by the Parent-Teachers Association.

Miss Lucile Eifort, welfare officer, made a very interesting report. She indicated that she would likely save her salary and perhaps more in the administration of the poor fund. A family in Southern Pines was reported to be in need of some milk, and the Association agreed to furnish one quart of milk daily for this family.

Mrs. Annie Gaston, supervisor of rural colored schools in Moore county, sold \$89.10 worth of Christmas Seals through the negroes of the county, which is very commendable. She reports the organization of six nutrition classes, and that the children are taking considerable interest in it.

The following is a corrected report of the seal sale, with two or three stations not yet heard from:

Aberdeen, Mrs. J. R. Page, Chairman	\$ 50.00
Cameron, Mrs. Lula Muse, Chairman	9.58
Carthage, Mrs. H. F. Seawell, Chairman	57.72
Eagle Springs, Mrs. N. J. Carter, Chairman	8.50
Glendon, Mrs. W. T. Stockton, Chairman	7.00
Harrison, Mrs. Tracy Parks, Chairman	1.00
Jackson Springs, Mrs. Victoria McKenzie, Chairman	15.00
Lakeview, Mrs. J. R. McQueen, Chairman	25.00

Manly, Miss Mary Phillips, Chairman	2.01
Niagara, Mrs. D. B. Tew, Chairman	3.75
Pinehurst, Mrs. Herman A. Campbell, Chairman	126.46
Putnam, Mrs. Jim Warren, Chairman	3.00
Southern Pines, Mrs. J. W. Dickie, Chairman	229.30
Spies, Mrs. J. Fulton Monroe, Chairman	1.30
Vass, Mrs. Guy Simpson, Chairman	5.15
West End, Miss Lucile Eifort, Chairman	18.10
Total	\$562.87
25 percent. paid State Ass'n	\$140.72
Balance	\$422.15

The association will hold its next monthly meeting the first Wednesday in March as the guest of Mrs. A. L. O'Briant and Mrs. Lula Muse at Cameron.

No further business appearing, on motion the association adjourned.

HEMP MILLS SHIP TO SOUTH AMERICA

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quality is sold at more than three times that figure. The artificial silk industry in this country is destined to be an enormous one, and the mill at Hemp has entered a new field that is almost an exclusive one in the South, and which finds the product in great demand. The new mill is not making many promises of what it will do, but it was built big enough to permit the installation of more looms just as quickly as those now in operation have worked into shape, and the employees have become familiar with new and much more delicate line of work than has been customary in the South. The Pilot looks for a big and highly important new development in this direction over at Hemp for the mill has entered a field that seems entirely ready for its cultivation, as delicate weaves and all manner of silk textiles are coming into an amazing popularity.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER

(R. E. Powell)

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Just as we start to press with this letter the news comes that the finance committee, or its sub-committee rather, has definitely decided as a last resort to recommend to the legislature the adoption of the sales-luxury-nuisance tax and, in the language of the editor of the Rhamkette Roaster, the committee has opened a veritable Pandora's box of taxation troubles.

The situation, as members of the committee explain it, is this: In order to provide fourteen millions in revenue for the next fiscal year, the legislature must either put on a sales tax, cut sharply the appropriations which have been recommended by the budget commission for the institutions and departments or, finally, return to the ad valorem tax.

Although there is a vigorous opposition against it, it is more likely the sales tax will be adopted than it is that the legislature will return to the ad valorem tax. Governor McLean is understood to be both against returning to an ad valorem tax and also the imposition of a sales tax but he regards the return to an ad valorem tax a violation of the party's pledge and he said in his inaugural that the state must not resort to it.

Four Cents on Cigarettes

The tentative agreement is for a tax of four cents on each package of twenty cigarettes and two cents on each package of ten. When this proposal comes to the committee on the whole, which is the entire house membership resolved into a committee to consider the revenue bill, there will be additional proposals, including one to make the tax one and two cents on cigarettes. Other items suggested include:

A sales-luxury tax on soft drinks, bottled and at the fountain.

A sales tax on cigars, smoking tobacco, chewing tobacco and snuff. The cigarette tax is regarded by many members as a piece of rank discrimination against some men smokers and not a few women smokers.

A tax of \$1.00 per bale on all cotton ginned in the state. This tax, it is estimated, will yield approximately

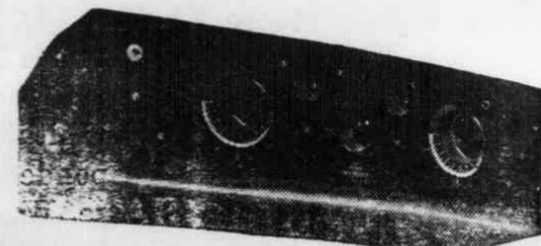
\$1,000,000 per year. There is some disposition to seriously press it.

In view of the administration not of economy, there will be powerful effort made to avoid levying either of these taxes and this school of thought, well represented in the house and senate, will make a stab at further cutting the appropriations for the schools, universities and state departments. Events of this week have stimulated the purpose of some members to make a vigorous fight for cutting the appropriation to the University of North Carolina, to State College and the North Carolina College for Women.

Darwinism is in Bad

Until the hearing on Mr. Poole's bill to prevent the teaching of "Darwinism," or any hypotheses linking man

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This is the CROSLY TRIRDYN 3R3

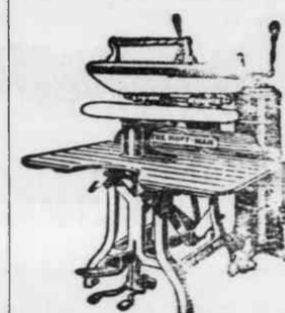
There has been a reduction in price of the Crosley Trirdyn 3R3, of \$15.00. This brings it down from \$100.00 to \$85.00, complete.

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THE LITTLE RIVER STORES

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The mild weather of the last few days tells that spring is just around the corner. Before you know it spring rush will be here, and now is the time to get ready.

Fertilizer and Cloth for Your Plant Beds

Tobacco Plant Bed Fertilizer is one thing that must go out now. Plant Bed Cloth is soon due, and it is wise to have it in the house when you want to use it. We have a big stock and at a close price.

Farmers Repairs

Look over your plows, harrows, harness, and all that sort of thing, and have your supplies and repairs ready. The little thing you lack may cost you a trip to town when you want to be making every minute count in getting your spring work along. Have all these things on hand so when they are wanted you can put your finger on them.

Garden Seeds

Garden Seeds, Onion Sets, etc., have arrived, and you should be getting them ready for the first day you can get them in the ground. Be ready so you will not have to play the losing game of being behind with everything all the spring.

While you are waiting for the green things from the garden a few cans of vegetables and fruit will be handy for the table. Our Canned Goods are of the highest quality, and price is made by our quantity buying. We buy for three stores, and get the lowest prices.

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