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CITY FATHERS HAVE VERY BUSY SESSION

Plan White Way; Railroad Crossing, Hotel and Other Improvements

A glance at the minutes of the meeting of the city board of aldermen serves to impress one with the fact that Smithfield is wide awake. The newest project to be considered by this board is a white way for this city. At the regular meeting Tuesday night a resolution was introduced that the town install a white way on Market street from the river to the depot, and on Second and Third streets from Johnston street to Hancock. This will mean that the unsightly light poles and wires which now grace (?) the streets of the business sections of the town will be replaced with neat looking pedestals, the wires having been placed underground. A committee composed of Messrs J. J. Broadhurst and W. N. Holt was appointed to have this matter in charge.

Mr. W. M. Grantham was appointed registrar for the town election which will be held on May 8, and announcement will be made later as to where the registration books will be kept.

The hotel proposition which has been under consideration for some time was again discussed and a motion was carried appointing Messrs J. A. Wellons and L. G. Stevens as a committee to draw up proper resolutions calling for an election on the hotel bond issue, which shall be presented at the April meeting.

The resolution presented a month ago exempting from taxation for a period of ten years manufacturing enterprises which shall be established in this city, became an ordinance after it had been amended. The amendment struck out the clauses stating that the enterprise should represent an investment of \$10,000. The law now allows small investments in manufacturing enterprises to be tax exempt.

The town officials also took notice of the dangerous railroad crossing at the station here and appointed Messrs F. H. Brooks, J. J. Broadhurst, and W. N. Holt to act with committees from other organizations in the town in an effort to have this crossing safeguarded.

Other business transacted by the town board at this session included the authorization of improvements of the water system at the power house, the decision to furnish electric power to the hospital free of charge, and the establishment of electric lights at the rear and front of the new high school building.

"SPIDER" HARRY YOUNG FALLS TO HIS DEATH

NEW YORK, March 5.—With a Broadway crowd standing agape and movie machines clicking out their yards of celluloid ribbon, Harry F. Young, self-styled "spider," plunged ten stories to his death today while attempting to scale the side of the hotel Martinique.

Women fainted and disorder ensued. Police reserves had to be called before the body could be removed and traffic restarted.

Among those who crowded Greeley square watching the performance at his stunt was his wife with whom he had just lunched. She swooned. Revived in a drug store nearby, she was removed to a hospital.

The square was packed when Young appeared. Clinging to points of vantage were dozens of cameramen, windows of every sky scraper in the vicinity were filled with men and women laughing and talking excitedly as Young began his climb. The police estimated the crowd at 20,000.

SMITHFIELD LIKELY TO GET BERTH IN EAST CAR. LEAGUE

The Kinston Baseball Club invites those interested in league baseball for the coming season, in the city of Smithfield to send a representative to a conference to be held in Kinston on March 17th, for the purpose of discussing plans for the re-organization of the East Carolina League as a Class "D" League under the National Agreement. The conference will meet at 1:00 p. m., in the Chamber of Commerce rooms. —Kinston Baseball Club. March 7, 1923.

CONFEDERATE DEAD ARE TO BE HONORED

Names of Johnston County Veterans Will Appear on The Monument

Col. G. B. Alford, of Holly Springs, commander of Oscar R. Rand Camp of Confederate Veterans, who has been the moving spirit in the collection of funds for the erection of the Confederate monument in Holly Springs, announces that the project has now reached the point where he can make known those who will be honored by having their names and rank appear on the two plates of the monument. In making this announcement Col. Alford issues a lively appeal for a greater interest on the part of the relatives of the brave men whose names are to be placed where they can be known and read of all.

Col. Alford was in this city last fall soliciting contributions for the monument and the contractors have informed Col. Alford that the work on the monument is now practically completed. He is waiting to get a complete list of the names which will appear on the plates of the monument. It is hoped to have the list finished by April 1, and the unveiling is expected to take place in August or September.

A list of those from Johnston County whose names will appear on Plate No. 1 follows:

- Capt. Oscar R. Rand, Co. D, 26th Regiment.
- Capt. J. J. Young, 1st Lieut., Co. C, 50th Regiment.
- Jesse Thompson Ellington, 2nd Lieut., Co. C, 50th Reg.
- Lieut. Monroe Jones, Co. D, 26th Reg.
- Capt. Joseph Atkinson, Co. H, 50th Reg.
- S. R. Horn, 2nd Lieut., Co. C, 53rd Reg.
- Joseph C. Ellington, 1st Lieut., Co. C, 50th Reg.

The names of a number of sons and members of the Memorial Association and their relatives will appear on Plate No. 2. The following is a partial list of officers whose name will also be on Plate No. 2:

- Col. G. B. Alford, Commander, Co. I, 41st Reg.
- Dr. B. S. Utley, First Adj., Co. D, 26th Reg.
- J. C. Ballentine, First Lieut., Co. C, 31st Reg.
- W. H. Utley, Second Lieut. Com., Co. C, 31st Reg.
- W. H. Burt, Second Lieut. Com., Co. E, 63rd Reg.
- W. Q. Maynard, Third Lieut. Com., Co. D, 26th Reg.
- George D. Spence, Third Lieut. Com., Co. F, 15th Reg.
- Elbert F. Holt, Fourth Lieut. Com., Co. D, 26th Reg.
- J. M. Utley, Quartermaster, Co. I, 41st Reg.
- W. H. Strain, Commissary, Co. G, 27th Reg.
- Dr. R. T. Spence, Surgeon, Co. I, 41st Reg.
- Rev. J. M. White, Chaplain, Co. I, 41st Reg.

AMERICAN BIRTH RATE DECLINE; DEATH RATE INCREASES

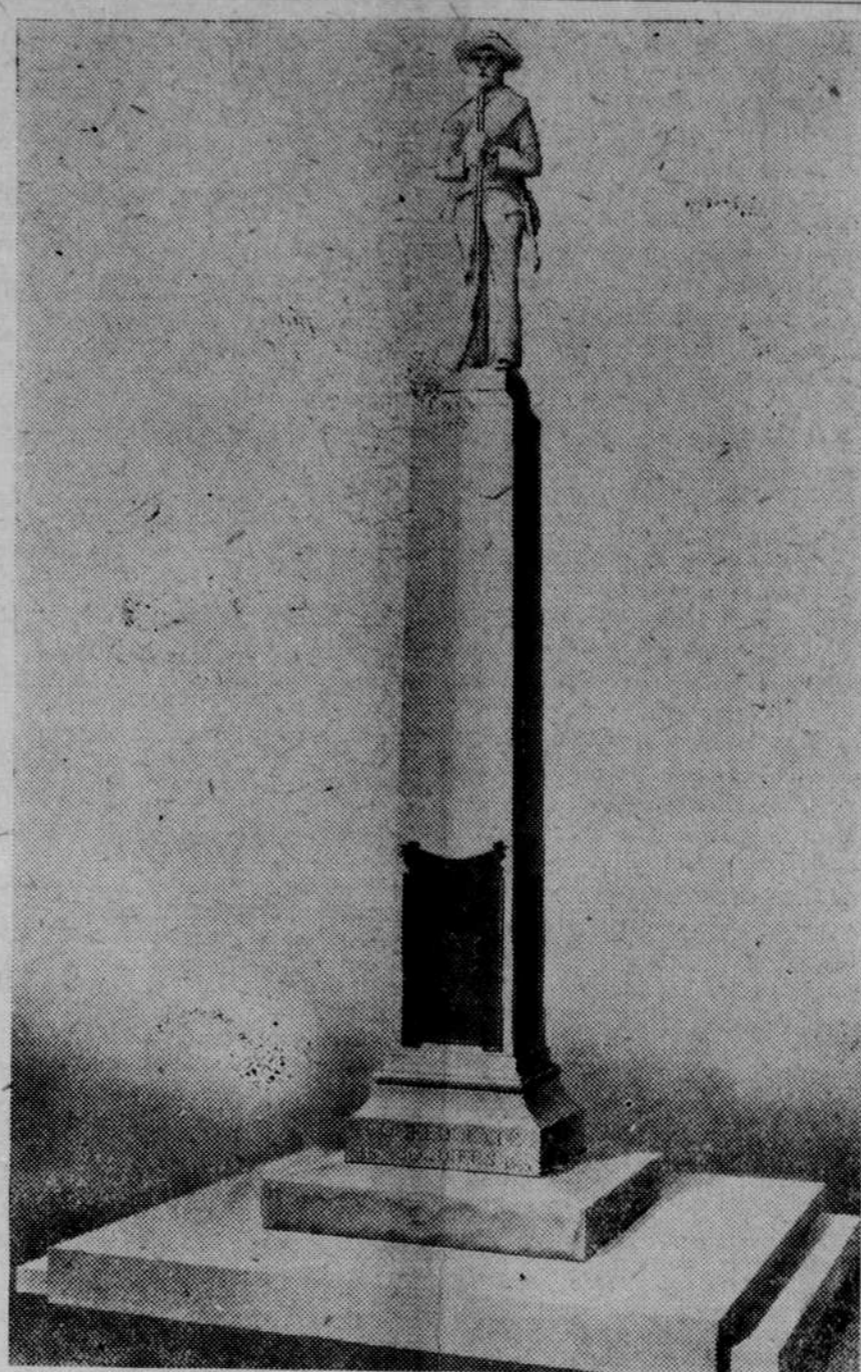
WASHINGTON, March 5.—A decline in the birth rate and an increase in the death rate during the first nine months of 1922 were shown in provisional Census Bureau figures made public today by the Department of Commerce.

The mortality rate ranged from 7.8 in Idaho, to 14.3 in Maine and averaged 11.7 in the States from which statistics were taken for each 1,000 of population in the period, as compared with an 11.6 average in the same period in 1921.

Births on the other hand ranged from 18.3 per 1,000 of population in the State of Washington to 30 in North Carolina, and averaged 22.8 in the first nine months of 1922, as compared with an average of 25 in the same period in 1921.

TURLINGTON GRADED SCHOOL ENROLLMENT REACHES 900

The enrollment of the Turlington Graded School has this week reached the 900 mark. Of this number 388 are in the primary department, 268 are in the grammar grade department, and 244 are in the high school department.



Confederate shaft to be erected some time this year, now being completed by McNeel Marble Co., Marietta, Ga.

RECORDER'S COURT HAS LIGHT DOCKET

The Recorder's Court docket was brief Tuesday, only seven cases being disposed of. These were as follows: State vs. John Allen Lee, charged with trespass. The defendant was fined one penny and costs.

State vs. John Red and Vernon Oates charged with larceny. The defendants plead guilty forcible trespass and were fined \$10 each and costs.

State vs. Kemp Lee charged with blockading. Defendant was found guilty and sentenced to 12 months on roads. An appeal to the Superior court was taken.

State vs. J. R. Dixon, charged with allowing stock to run at large. Judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs. James Williams. Larceny. Not guilty.

State vs. D. A. Lee charged with violation of prohibition law. Defendant found guilty and sentenced to six months on roads.

State vs. Zeb Norton charged with having in his possession for the purpose of sale and also having material for purpose of blockading. Defendant was found guilty of both charges and given six months on roads for first offense and 12 months on the second count. Judgment was suspended on the second count upon condition of good behavior for two years.

EX-KAISER EXPECTS AN HEIR IN A FEW MONTHS

LONDON, March 5.—A special correspondent of The Daily Chronicle writes:

"A family event, I learn is expected to take place in a few months' time at Doorn House, the ex-Kaiser's place of exile in Holland. The ex-Kaiser is particularly anxious that the first born of his second marriage should not see the light of day in exile. In order to avoid this, negotiations have been going on for some time to enable the ex-Kaiser to enter into possession again of his villa in Corfu. If the negotiations are successful he hopes that the coming scion of the House of Hohenzollern will be born on that island.

"The ex-Kaiser knows it is too much to expect permission to go with his consort to Corfu, but he hopes the Princess may be permitted to go there some time before the birth of the child. The Princess is in excellent health, and the coming family event seems to have given the ex-monarch new interest in life."

Congressman E. W. Pou arrived in the city last night from Washington, D. C., to spend some time with his family, Congress having adjourned.

THE ENGLISH PEOPLE TO SAVE THE WORLD

LONDON, March 6.—The conviction that the time surely was coming though not just yet, when the English speaking people would be driven by the course of world events to join hands and save the world economically and restore international trade without which Great Britain, especially, could not prosper or succeed, was expressed today by Stanley Baldwin, chancellor of the exchequer, at the annual conference of the women's parliamentary committee of the National Unionist association.

Mr. Baldwin was of the opinion that it was not a dream to foresee in the future world peace guaranteed by these two same peoples and that they would maintain it as the only powers whose interests were world wide, whose financial strength was unimpaired and whose ideals tended far more to peace and the elevation of mankind than to militarism and fighting.

The chancellor asserted that most of the problems today are economic, and the greatest economic power of the world rested with the English speaking peoples.—Associated Press.

STEADY INCREASE BY TOBACCO COOPERATIVES

The farmers in three states are steadily joining the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association. The addition of 345 new members and the sign-up of 1,417,440 pounds of tobacco to the association in February show the increasing favor with which the growers regard their big selling organization.

The payment to South Carolina growers of 105 per cent of the loan value of their tobacco to date, has brought in new members from all parts of the South Carolina belt. Some of the cooperative growers in South Carolina have made phenomenally high averages and are now looking forward to their fourth and final payment.

Championship Contests.

The students of the fourth, fifth, and the sixth grades in the Turlington Graded School are now engaged in a spirited contest for championship in spelling and arithmetic. After a series of five tests in spelling and arithmetic the fourth grade which makes the higher average in three of the five tests will be given a half holiday as a reward. The arrangement is the same for the fifth and the sixth grade sections. Superintendent Franks is conducting the tests. Accuracy and thoroughness are the things which count in both the spelling and arithmetic tests.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

Mrs. W. H. Lyon Chosen as President; Annual Reports of Departments Read

The March meeting of the Woman's Club is always one of interest, that being the regular time for the election of officers and the annual reports. At the February meeting the following nominating committee was appointed: Mrs. E. W. Pou, chairman, Mrs. H. B. Marrow, Mrs. E. S. Edmundson, Mrs. J. J. Broadhurst, and Mrs. H. G. Gray. This committee gave a report which was unanimously adopted as follows: president, Mrs. W. H. Lyon; vice-president, Mrs. H. B. Marrow; treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Kirkman; recording secretary, Mrs. A. H. Rose; corresponding secretary, Miss Cora Belle Ives; chairman of civics, Mrs. Lee Sanders; music, Mrs. C. V. Johnson; Library, Mrs. A. G. Johnson with Mrs. T. R. Hood, and Miss Lallah Rookh Stephenson, assistants; Home Economics, Mrs. W. M. Sanders to be assisted by Miss Minnie Lee Garrison; Education, Mrs. N. T. Holland; Social Service, Mrs. Hal C. Hood; Literature, Mrs. A. S. Johnston; Editor, Mrs. T. J. Lassiter.

At this meeting the annual reports of the various departments showed considerable work accomplished during the past year, a fact that reflects credit upon the retiring president, Mrs. Thel Hooks and her corps of assistants.

Forty-one ladies have joined the club during the last two years bringing the total membership to 112.

The report from the civics department for the year read by the chairman, Mrs. F. H. Brooks included two general clean up campaigns for the town, one in the spring and one in the fall and the city cemetery kept in order by collections from owners of plots and an amount appropriated by the town. The treasurer of the civics department, Mrs. E. S. Abell, reported \$452 collected during the past year and \$393 expended leaving a balance in hand of \$137.30. This department hopes to include Oakland cemetery in future work.

The Literature department through its chairman, Mrs. W. H. Lyon, reported eight meetings held. The course studied has been Contemporary Literature, and the attendance upon the meetings has been good.

The report of Mrs. H. L. Skinner who has had charge of the Library was especially good. There is no appropriation for the library but with funds donated and with the fine, 218 books have been added during the year, bringing the total number of volumes to 1078. In addition to increasing the number of new books, the incidental expense of the library amounting to \$10.90 has been taken care of. During the past year there have been 2032 borrowers. In view of the fact that the library is open only one afternoon each week, the number of borrowers is gratifying.

The music department under the direction of Mrs. C. V. Johnson, has during the year for the first time held regular meetings carrying out special programs. The usual Christmas and Easter vesper programs have been rendered. Subjects studied at the monthly meetings included: "Hymns and Hymn Writers," "American Indian Songs," "Southern Dialect Songs and Plantation Melodies," and "Love and Romance" selections. The average attendance at the meetings which are held at the homes of the members has been 35.

The Home Economics departments has been conducted by the County Home agent. She has given demonstrations in Nutrition work based on a study of milk, eggs, fish, yeast bread and meats. A milk campaign was put on through the school, and basketry demonstrations have been given. A short millinery course with the help of Miss Ehrenfeld, was part of the program for the year. A special clothing program and special meeting stressing Interior Decorating have been participated in, these meetings being also county-wide.

The social service department has been in operation only one year, but during that time under the leadership of Mrs. H. B. Marrow, five needy families were assisted, a generous pawning given Miss Mary Howell and a room fitted up at the Memorial hospital. This room at the hospital which will be known as the Woman's

PRINCETON TO HAVE A COMMUNITY FAIR

Announcement Made Community Meeting; Plan new School Building

PRINCETON, Mar. 8.—The Princeton Community Club, met Tuesday evening, March 6th, with one of the most interesting and inspiring meetings in the history of the club.

Miss Margaret Newell, director of music in the Smithfield school, conducted the singing. This was very much enjoyed and appreciated by all. The music aroused great enthusiasm among the citizens.

It was stated by Miss Blanche Penny, principal of the school, who had been authorized in the last meeting to use any money in the treasury for the good of the school, that she had bought for the school a modern encyclopedia, costing \$44.10. This will add greatly to the Princeton library.

Miss Garrison, County Demonstrator, made a very interesting talk on different topics concerning the school and its affairs. She gave good suggestions concerning the Community Fair, which is to be held again next fall. She praised our fair which was held last year, and urged that we attempt to make an improvement along the lines of farm and field crops and the ladies pay more attention to canning and poultry raising.

Mr. John Woodard was elected president of the coming fair, and Mr. Oscar Boyette, secretary.

Miss Garrison also suggested that Miss Newell help the Princeton school children to give a cheer to one of the former Princeton girls, Miss Temple Hinton, who was one of the first to graduate from the Princeton High school. She now has a responsible position in the New York Federal Reserve Bank.

Mr. George Woodard made the report that we would know something definite concerning a new school building in about two weeks. The school children were especially enthusiastic and several made interesting talks as to why we should have a new school building.

Miss Lorene Leonard, a former teacher of Princeton, made an interesting talk concerning the new school building. She said that Princeton was progressing along all lines except schools, and that the bright children of Princeton deserved a modern school building.

The club adjourned to meet again, March 20th. And everyone is especially urged to attend this meeting.

More Valuable Than Gold.

Copper is more valuable than gold from a standpoint of usefulness. Gold is heavy, soft, of low tensile strength, high electrical resistance, low heat conductivity. Copper is employed in so many uses that if it should fail, civilization would halt its onward march until some substitute could be produced.—Dearborn Independent.

Club room, has been newly painted, a comfortable Morris chair installed, new curtains placed at the windows, a rag rug on the floor, and new linen furnished.

After listening to the reports all of which were good, a delegate to the District Federation meeting which will be held in Chapel Hill on March 19th, was elected. Mrs. H. B. Marrow was chosen as the special representative, but all the ladies who can are expected to attend.

The matter of taking action as to safeguarding the railroad crossing at the station here was presented and a committee of one was elected to act with a committee from the Kiwanis Club and the town board in getting something done. Mrs. T. J. Lassiter was named to represent the Woman's Club.

After the business had been disposed of Mrs. Hooks made a talk before the club in which she reviewed the work during the two years she has been president. Her talk was of especial interest and it is our purpose to give the gist of it in our next issue. It summarizes the work done by the club and will show the value of this organization to Smithfield. Mrs. Hooks was presented with a lovely bunch of pink carnations from the club in appreciation of the unselfish service which she has rendered.