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LET CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Clayton, Pine Level, Benson To Have New Buildings; Dormitories at Glendale and Princeton.

AWARDS TOTAL \$206,206.00

Over a hundred persons were in Smithfield Tuesday directly interested in the letting of contracts for four new school buildings and two dormitories in Johnston County. These contracts included buildings at Clayton, Benson, Pine Level, Princeton and Glendale and totaled \$206,206. Among interested persons here were seventeen general contractors, eight heating contractors, sub-contractors, material men and school committees from the districts involved. These contracts call for the most spirited bidding of any ever let in the county and indicated that the cost of building has gone down ten per cent since May 1. The contracts were let as follows:

Clayton grammar school containing 18 class rooms and an auditorium that will seat one thousand, was let to R. L. Blalock, of Kinston, at \$79,344.00.

An addition to the Benson school which calls for 12 class rooms was also awarded to Mr. Blalock at a cost of \$32,498.

The Clayton colored school which will have ten rooms and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 600, was awarded Blalock & Poole at \$26,570.00.

A ten-room school building including an auditorium that will seat 600 for Pine Level, was awarded this same firm at a cost of \$29,400.

Two dormitories are to be built, one for Glendale and the other in Princeton. Each dormitory will contain twelve rooms. The award for both these contracts was given to the Bynum Construction Co., of Oxford at \$10,793.00.

All these buildings will be constructed of brick and have all the modern conveniences including heating systems. The two dormitories, however, will be brick veneer buildings.

The contracts for heating were let as follows.

To J. L. Powers of Bennettsville, S. C., the Clayton Grammar school at \$6,300.00; the Pine Level school at \$2,873.00, and the Benson addition at \$2,716.00.

To W. M. Wiggins & Co., of Wilson, the Clayton colored school at \$2,575.00; to Harding & Hickman, of Greensboro the Princeton dormitory at \$1,162.00; and the Glendale dormitory at \$1,182.00. A difference of \$20 was made in the Glendale contract to pay for drayage, the Glendale school being several miles from a railroad.

The contracts let Tuesday, total \$189,398.00 for the buildings and \$16,808.00 for heating, making a grand total of \$206,206.00. Mr. C. C. Hook, architect, of Charlotte, drew the plans for all these buildings.

THE PENALTY FOR BOBBED HAIR IS GREAT

A news item from Los Angeles states that physicians report several instances recently where they have been called to attend young women afflicted with carbuncles on their necks, something that is entirely new in their line, they declare these carbuncles are caused, so the physicians state, from the fact that young women with bobbed hair—and older ones also—have been shaving with razors. In some instances the shave has been too close, the hairs in growing have turned inward and the carbuncles have resulted.—Oxford Public Ledger.

Turlington Reunion On Aug. 6

The descendants of Willis Turlington will hold their third annual reunion at Bethesda church near Benson this year on Wednesday, August 6. The managers are anxious that all attend in order that this may be the biggest and best so far held.

School Election Fails To Carry

Sometime in May the school districts of Meadow township voted on a bond issue for school improvements which was lost. Three of the districts, Peacock's Cross Roads, Sandy Grove and Glenwood were interested in providing adequate school facilities, to such an extent that they made arrangements to get part of the money necessary through the county commissioners, if a bond issue for \$45,000 could be carried in the districts. The election was called for last Tuesday, July 29. The election failed to carry by 19 votes.

WHAT TO DO AFTER MID-JULY TO DEFEAT THE BOLL WEEVIL

Previous to mid-July came the choice and preparation of land, choice of seed, planting, fertilizing, spacing and cultivation to secure rapid growth and to get best assurance of a profitable crop.

Early season poisoning has not been needed in vast majority of fields. The gathering and burning of infested squares should be under way in mid-July.

Now—after mid-July,—when the cotton is fruiting rapidly, it is advised:

1. Gather and burn weevil infested squares. This is especially recommended in view of the conditions now prevailing (mid-July, 1924). Do this once each week, ahead of cultivation, and until end of July or into August.

2. Standard Dust-Poison Method. For fruiting cotton, this is the approved method of poisoning. Machines and poisons should be secured in advance. Observe the following points.

(a) Begin when actual count shows 10 squares in each 100 punctured by weevil. This is economy, and not necessary earlier. If this point is not reached before crop is assured, dusting may not be necessary. Usually this point is reached in late July.

(b) Use pure dry calcium arsenate with approved machine made for the purpose, using 5 to 7 pounds per acre.

(c) Dust when air is calm and plants preferably moist; often best done at night.

(d) Continue, at intervals of four days until three applications have been made at four day intervals.

(e) If heavy rain falls in less than 24 hours, repeat that part as soon as possible; dusting usually pays better in a wet season than a dry one.

(f) If weevils again become abundant in time to injure young bolls, give one or two more applications.

3. Kill the stalks after prompt picking, practicable. The object is to destroy all green cotton early, preferably before frost. Chop, break down, or plow under; we do not advise burning the stalks.

Note: The above suggestions were prepared by North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service for the distribution by Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday school 9:30 with active efforts in all departments to increase attendance during the summer.

The pastor will be out of town in the morning, and there will be no service at 11. Preaching at night, possibly a union service. The hour is 8 o'clock beginning next Sunday.

MR. FRANK PAGE TO BE AT BENTONVILLE FAIR

Hon. Frank Page, a member of the State Highway Commission, will be at the Bentonville Township Fair on October 23. He will be on the program for an address during the day.

Announce Engagement

Oxford, July 27.—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harris announce the engagement of their daughter, Lucy Jane, to Mr. Bert Lassiter, of South Boston, Va., the wedding to be in September.

Note—Friends in Johnston County will be interested in the above announcement, Mr. Lassiter being a native of this county. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lassiter, who live near Four Oaks. He holds a position with a bank in South Boston, Va.

BENSON MEETING NAMES CANADAY

Southern Part of County Endorses C. C. Canaday As Successor to W. M. Sanders.

MR. PARRISH MENTIONED

Benson, July 31.—At a meeting in Benson last night Mr. C. C. Canaday was selected as the candidate to recommend to the County Democratic Committee as a fit man for the Legislature to succeed Hon. W. M. Sanders, deceased. If Canaday is o.k'd. his name will be put on the ticket to be voted on in the general election in November.

Representatives from Ingram, Meadow, Elevation, Pleasant Grove and Barner Townships were present. In nearly every case the representative was the chairman of the executive committee of his township. The meeting was called to order by W. H. Royal, after which J. B. Benion was made permanent chairman. After the object of the meeting was explained suggestions for a man to recommend were called for. After much discussion about possible candidates and the general situation, a vote was taken by ballot on Mr. Alonza Parrish and Mr. Canaday, resulting in Parrish receiving 10 votes and Canaday 17. A motion was then made to make it unanimous for Canaday, every person in the meeting voting to do so.

Reports were heard from the various township representatives who it seems had come to the conclusion to support the man Benson suggested.

While the representatives from the other townships expressed the fact that they did not believe they could speak for the whole township, each one of them were satisfied that their townships would rally behind the action of their representative and stand by Canaday not only through the executive meeting but throughout the fall campaign. The consensus of opinion was that Canaday would pull more strength in the six southern townships than any other person that could have been named. The meeting closed with entire good feeling and each one being imbued with a determination to "put Canaday over."

A county meeting has not been called and may not until the latter part of August but it seems that the southern part of the county has united upon a man to represent the county and are elated upon the privilege of being able to have a representative from this section in the House the next term.

BORING WELLS FOR OIL IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Kinston, July 26.—On the eve of the first determined effort to locate oil in eastern Carolina, persons in charge of activities at Havelock are quoted as saying that if success is had there experts will rest assured of having discovered a big field. If there is oil at Havelock it will be found at other places in the section. The conclusion engineers are said to have reached. The well borers expect to be at the 1000-foot level in the Havelock experiment within four or five weeks. The shaft will be continued to 2,000 or 3,000 feet if necessary, it is said.

SELMA BARACAS ENLARGE CLASS

The members of the Baraca class of the Selma Baptist church are making an effort to increase their class enrollment. A few weeks ago they decided to give a barbecue supper and invite the ladies of the sister class during the week following the Sunday when the attendance reached 75. They are trying to reach the goal next Sunday and every member is urged to consider himself a "hustling committee" this week and do all he can to help the class reach the goal.

SELMA TOWNSHIP HOLDS MEETING

Nominate Township Officers—Two Women on School Board; Endorse Easom For County Treasurer.

HARPER FOR THE HOUSE

Selma, July 30.—Selma township Democratic Convention was held in the city hall at Selma, N. C., July 30, 1924, for the purpose of nominating a school board, road board and Township officers to be voted on in the November election and other business that might properly come before the convention.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. C. P. Harper, Chairman, Selma Township Democratic Executive Committee. After a brief but timely opening speech by the chairman, explaining the purpose of the convention, the business of the convention was then entered into. The following citizens were nominated for the school board: Mrs. J. B. Person, Mrs. W. T. Woodard, George F. Brietz, Dr. Geo. D. Vick, N. E. Ward, Fred T. Walden and W. G. Reynolds.

The following citizens were nominated for the road board: D. M. Morris, N. G. Blackman, M. J. Cameron, T. M. Berry, W. B. Roberts, C. F. Kirby and A. V. Driver.

Mr. J. Ransom Creech was nominated for Township Constable.

The same magistrates now in office were re-nominated as follows: C. F. Kirby, R. W. Etheridge, Jesse Laughtry, C. A. Corbett and H. R. Easom.

The executive committee were nominated as follows: C. A. Corbett, Dr. Geo. D. Vick, N. G. Blackman, Dempsey Morris and C. P. Harper.

The convention then unanimously endorsed Mr. H. R. Easom for candidate for the County Treasurer and Mr. C. P. Harper for candidate for Legislature to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. W. M. Sanders.

The citizens of the Township manifested much interest in the convention, the city auditorium being filled almost to its capacity. All questions before the convention were thoroughly discussed by any and all who cared to take part in the discussion, and a harmonious feeling prevailed throughout the meeting.

TO PREPARE CALENDAR FOR AUGUST COURT

Solicitor Clawson L. Williams will meet all the lawyers in the county on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the court house to prepare a criminal calendar for Superior court which convenes August 1.

PINE LEVEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Regular preaching every first Sunday morning and night. The subject for next Sunday, August 3, at 11 a. m.: "Seven Mountain Peaks in the Christian Life." The evening subject will be evangelistic.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. every Sunday.

B. Y. P. U. every Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

The pastor also preaches at Hepzibah every first Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Four Oaks Baptist Church

The morning service Sunday at 11 o'clock should be of especial interest, the subject being, "Around the Burning Bush." The theme for the evening service at 8:15 is: "What Wait I For?" Worship with us. The church with a warm welcome.

BLACKMAN'S GROVE CHURCH

Eight candidates will be baptized at Blackman's Grove Baptist church next Sunday, August 3, at six o'clock in the afternoon, Rev. Jas. A. Ivey, the pastor, officiating.

The date of this baptism is necessarily changed from the second Sunday morning at twelve o'clock to the date given above, since the pastor has been called to his home church in Georgia to participate in its centennial celebration to take place on August 7.

Peter Pan at 15



Virginia Corbin, 15-year-old San Francisco girl, who has been selected to play Peter Pan in a picture presentation of the Barrie play. She has been a prodigy since babyhood and is highly educated.

To Hold Boll Weevil Meeting

Arrangements have been made with Mr. W. B. Mabee, Extension Entomologist, in charge of the State Boll Weevil Station at Tarboro, for a field meeting at Smithfield on Wednesday afternoon August 6th. This meeting will be held in Smithfield, and at this time instructions will be given in determining the weevil infestation in the field, and a machine demonstration will be given to show the different types and kinds of machines and just how they work. Any cotton grower in the county interested in fighting the boll weevil is urged to attend this meeting and bring others and especially his tenants for this demonstration.

It might be of interest to some to know that Mr. Mabee was in the county on Tuesday, July 29th and in some fields infestation was found to range from 6 to 36 per cent damage at this time. However, in other fields visited and examined no punctured squares were found, which goes to show that you should be on the alert and know just where the weevil is and if there is sufficient damage to justify you to start poisoning.

Any one having a dusting machine wishing to show the people how it will work, we will be glad to have you bring same to this meeting, and don't forget that this demonstration will be held on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 6, at 3 o'clock. Yours very truly, N. B. STEVENS, Co. Agt.

MR. EASOM WAS FORMER TREASURER

Hardy Easom, of Selma Township, sent a letter to the members of the Democratic Executive Committee, Johnston County announcing his candidacy for the office of county treasurer, which was not filled in the primary, and asking their support. Mr. Easom is a cripple but is able to look after the duties of such an office. He was county treasurer at the time the office was abolished having held the position one term. He says in his letter: "I have been a Democrat all my life and am always glad to do whatever I can for the promotion of the party. I had the honor of leading the ticket in the county when I was elected treasurer before."

DICKENS ORIGINAL SOLD

London, Today.—The record price of \$7,000 was paid at an auction recently for the first issue of the first edition of "Pickwick," in the original numbers and Wrappers, brought out in 1836-7. There was keen competition from American collectors, but the copy was secured by a Londoner.

After keen bidding against American buyers, another Englishman secured a first edition copy of Grays Elegy printed in 1751, for \$7,750. The copy contains six pages and was considered by the original collector to be incomparable.—Associated Press.

MILITARY COMPANY HAS GOOD RECORD

Captain Springs Makes Annual Report; Unit To Entrain at Fort Bragg For 15 Days.

WILL LEAVE AUGUST 2ND

The Johnston County Military Unit has made quite a good showing during the past year as the report published herewith, of Captain Springs, indicates. The people of the community have reason to be gratified that the organization is doing a good work. The report as sent in by Staff Sgt., W. E. Barbour, is as follows:

Record: Finances, Discharges, Transfers, number of men enlisted 12 months from March 23rd, 1923 to March 31st 1924, from Federal Government and State of North Carolina. Total \$12,114.10.

Discharges and transfers since Federal recognition—34 as follows: Transfers to other organization NC-NG 4.

Discharged to accept commission, 4.

Discharged, account change of residence 20.

Discharged to enlist in U. S. Army 2.

Discharged to enlist in U. S. Navy 2.

Discharged, not yet 18 years of age 1.

Discharged, physical disability 1.

Total enlisted at present 68.

Total enlisted since organization 102.

In addition to the above, 12 men have been examined for enlistment who were physically disqualified, these men having learned of their impairment are much improved physically thereby showing another phase of good derived to this community by having a unit of the North Carolina National Guard in Johnston County. This organization entrains Aug. 2nd, at 1:35 P. M. for Camp of instruction at Fort Bragg, N. C. They will assemble in the armory at 10:30 A. M., for inspection and preparation for the move to camp, a lunch will be served at 12 o'clock noon after which the men will shoulder packs and march to the station to entrain on the NC-NG Artillery Special at 1:35. This 15 day encampment should mean much to the Battery both in training in their special work and a vacation from other duties.

Marriage at Baptist Parsonage

Cupid has been busy of late about Smithfield. Within the last week or two the following couples have been married at the Baptist parsonage by Rev. S. L. Morgan: Mr. William C. Gurley and Miss Patsy Odom, both of Princeton; Mr. Y. J. Altman, of Bensonville and Miss Mary Effie Lee, of Benson; and Mr. William Carey Renfrow and Miss Beulah Godwin, both of Selma. One other couple who were married not ready to make announcement of the fact.

Methodist Church

Regular services will be held at the Methodist church Sunday morning. Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock and preaching by the pastor, Rev. D. H. Tuttle, at eleven. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

METHODISTS HAVE PICNIC

Tuesday afternoon quite a number of the Methodist Sunday School went to Holt Lake on the annual picnic. The youngsters enjoyed the bathing and a bountiful supper completed a most enjoyable occasion.

Presbyterian Church

The usual services will be held at the Presbyterian church on Sunday Sunday school at 9:50 a. m. Morning worship at 11 o'clock when the subject will be, "A Prayer That Was Answered."

There will be no evening services as the pastor Rev. J. R. Woods will preach at Oakland at 8:15, filling his regular appointment for the first Sunday.