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## ROAD PROPOSITION BEFORE CO. BOARD

Commissioners Spend Busy "First Monday"; Act Today On Road Matter

### ROUTINE BUSINESS

The County Commissioners had another busy "First Monday" yesterday, an outstanding feature of the day's procedure being the appearing before the board of citizens of the county with petitions signed by close to 5,000 voters asking that the county lend money to the State Highway Commission in order to help finance the hard-surfacing of Highway No. 22 to the Harnett County line. The matter was gone into carefully and the commissioners will consider the fifty or more petitions filed with them and action will be taken when they re-assemble today.

After the minutes of the last meeting the reports from Sheriff Parker, Clerk of the Court J. Ira Lee, Register of Deeds M. L. Stancil, Treasurer George T. Scott, were heard and approved. Other items transacted were:

Ordered that Micro Township Road Commissioners be interviewed relative to bill of cost for building line road between Micro and Selma townships rendered by Selma township Road Commissioners.

Ordered that J. W. Creech and J. R. Barbour, Trustees for Hockaday heirs, Ingrams township, be released of \$15.96 special district School Tax in Banner township.

Ordered that J. H. Smith be paid \$134.26 for bridge lumber, Meadow township.

Ordered that I. E. Smith be paid \$25.50 for labor on bridge, Meadow township.

Ordered that M. L. Jernigan be paid \$5.00 for bridge work, Meadow township.

Ordered that A. Ward be paid \$99.23 for lumber for covered bridge across Neuse River.

Ordered that G. R. Stancil be paid \$316.40 for bridge work in Wilders township.

Ordered that D. C. Smith be paid \$20 County home.

Ordered that D. C. Smith be paid \$302.30 for keeper of County Home.

Ordered that Herman Johnson be paid \$13.12 for gas and oil for County Home.

Ordered that Norman Jones be paid \$147.74 for bridge work Clayton township.

Ordered that Norman Jones be paid \$154.91 for bridge work Clayton township.

Ordered that there be allowed \$3 extra on the allowance of \$12 previously ordered for the County Home on snuff and tobacco bill and washing bill making a total monthly allowance of \$15.00.

Upon recommendation of E. R. Gulye of Clayton an allowance of \$4.50 per quarter was appropriated for a needy party, H. V. Rose to advise with Mr. Gulye.

Ordered that Lee Parnell be released of poll tax for 1924 owing to his present incapacitated condition.

Ordered that William Holland of Kenly, Route 1, be paid \$4.50 per quarter as outside pauper allowance.

Petition for road leading from "Frost Place" by and through the lands of Andrew Johnson, Charlie Warrick, James N. Cobb and J. H. Coltrain to public road leading from Central Highway at Burkett Jones place to the Smithfield-Raleigh road at W. D. Aver's ordered approved as presented.

Ordered that W. D. Rains be paid \$212.69 for bridge work O'Neals township.

Ordered that Luners Strickland be paid \$91.70 bridge work O'Neals township.

The resignation of S. W. Lassiter as Road Commissioner of Bentonville township accepted and his bond ordered released.

Ordered that since it appears to this board that B. B. Batten of Kenly is charged with \$3.00 dog tax for 1924 which has been paid and it appearing that he owned only two dogs it therefore appears to the this board that he should be reimbursed with \$1 from the extra amount of dog tax

## To Berlin



Dr. Jacob G. Schurman, former president of Cornell University and minister to China under Harding, is the new U. S. ambassador to Germany.

## Four Dead In Tornado

Miami, Fla., Apr. 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—Four persons were dead here today and 23 others were nursing their injuries in Miami hospitals after the tornado which swooped erratically from the Everglades yesterday and did \$150,000 property damage before it vanished into the Atlantic.

## Ford and Jewett Autos Mix-Up West of Raleigh

Passing cars on a slick road caused an accident to two Smithfield people Sunday afternoon about five miles west of Raleigh on the road toward Cary. Mr. Carlton Stephenson, local merchant, accompanied by Miss Helene Ives, was returning from Durham. Another car, driven by a young woman, attempted to pass him. In some manner the front wheel of the passing car, a Jewett, struck the left front wheel of Mr. Stephenson's car, when the former began to skid. Mr. Stephenson's Ford was turned over on its side, damaging the front right wheel, the top and windshield. The other car was turned completely around and ran into a telephone pole. None of the occupants of either car were injured. Mr. Stephenson's machine was towed into Raleigh for repairs, and was brought back to Smithfield by him last night.

## RECOVER STOLEN CAR

Messrs. W. T. Holland and W. C. Ryals went to Greensboro yesterday to recover Mr. Ryals' automobile which was stolen Friday afternoon from the front of Holland's garage. The chief of police in Greensboro notified Mr. Ryals yesterday morning that he had located his car.

Gutzon Borglum, interested in the O. Henry Memorial, says that the idea is the thing and that finances are secondary. Unfortunately it takes just as much money to make the motor car go as it did in the olden days to start the mare.—Raleigh Times.

which was charged through an error. Ordered that Elizabeth Holland, Zebulon, Route 1, be allowed \$4.50 per quarter as outside pauper.

Ordered that A. H. Morgan be authorized to investigate the condition of Stone Creek Bridge between Meadow and Ingrams townships and that he let out said bridge to the lowest bidder and also the required embankment to built to said bridge.

Ordered that Chloe Kirby, of Selma, care of Geo. F. Brietz, be put on the outside pauper list at \$4.50 per quarter instead of \$3.00 per quarter.

Report of C. C. Massey, County Health Officer, read and ordered recorded.

## COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

Mr. H. B. Marrow Is Re-Elected County Superintendent and Miss Mary E. Wells, Supervisor

### 3 NEW MEMBERS BOARD

Yesterday, the first Monday in April, was the time for the County Board of Education to be sworn in, the board having been appointed by the recent legislature, and accordingly W. G. Wilson, of Wilson's Mills; P. B. Johnson, of Benson; and J. W. Woodard, of Kenly, Route 3, took the oath of office. Mr. Woodard is a new member of the board, succeeding Geo. F. Woodard, of Princeton, resigned.

This official act performed, the board went into executive session and Mr. W. G. Wilson was re-elected chairman of the board. The selection of county school officials was then taken up. Mr. H. B. Marrow was re-elected county superintendent; Miss Mary E. Wells, rural supervisor; and Misses Virginia and Sadie Puckett, office assistants.

The matter of calling an election for the creation of a special Taxing District was discussed and the board ordered that a petition be carried before the County Board of Commissioners requesting this election to be called. The date for the election was not designated but thirty days public notice is required. This election if carried will provide a uniform tax rate within the district specified, not exceeding fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property. The election calls for a new registration, and will be conducted as nearly as possible according to the laws governing general elections.

## BOLL WEEVIL NOSTRUMS WILL APPEAR ON MARKET

Raleigh, April 6.—Cotton growers have read and heard many warnings as to the possible damage by boll weevil in North Carolina this season; but the grower is not the only one prepared to profit by such warnings. The seller of traps, nostrums, cure-all remedies, spray and mopping machines of various kinds, is also giving an attentive ear to these reports and is ready to begin sales as soon as there is an opportunity.

"We know," says Bruce Mabree, extension entomologist for the Agricultural Extension Service at State College, "that large numbers of weevils went into winter quarters last fall; that there has been a mild winter pointing to heavy emergence of the weevils this spring; that some live weevils have already appeared in South Carolina and in the laboratory cages, and that everything seems to point to heavy weevil damage in South Carolina and in the laboratory cages, and that everything seems to point to heavy weevil damage in North Carolina this year.

"But we know also that this weevil damage will be largely determined by weather conditions during the summer. The use of calcium arsenate in dust form is the cheapest and most reliable insurance for the cotton grower and it is well to get a supply on hand even if it not needed."

Mr. Mabree states that North Carolina has been remarkably free from invasion by the salesmen of nostrum preparations. The weevil has not yet done enough damage to make the extended sale of such preparations a profitable venture. Then, too, he finds that the people are right well informed and will not readily buy traps and other nostrums.

"However," he says, "when the weevils begin to get active on young cotton this spring, we may expect that many things of doubtful value will be offered for sale. I want to remind cotton growers and business men of North Carolina that the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the extension workers recommend only calcium arsenate applied in the dust form with approved machines and according to the well known directions. It will be wise to consult with the county agent when some doubtful remedy is offered for sale."

## "Miss Princeton"



Miss Mary Helen Massey, daughter of Mrs. John T. Massey, will represent Princeton in the Queen's Contest at the Exposition.

## TWO DEATHS OCCUR IN TOWN OF SELMA

Mr. Alex Strickland Passes Away At The Age of 71; Mrs. Julius Broadwell Dead

Selma, April 6.—The news of two unexpected deaths gave Selma people a shock Saturday night.

Mr. Alex Strickland, a long time resident of Selma, died suddenly at the home of his aged mother in Pine Level Saturday night shortly after eating supper. He was a carpenter and as usual had done his day's work in Selma and had gone to spend the night with his mother in Pine Level, as has been his custom since the death of his wife. He complained of feeling a little unwell and said he could lie down for a little while after supper. He was asked if he wanted some one to remain in the room with him. He said, "No, I'll soon be o.k." A few moments later the family heard a noise, and rushing back to him found that he had fallen off the bed and was dead. Acute indigestion is said to be the cause of his death. He was seventy-one years of age.

The funeral was conducted from his mother's home in Pine Level yesterday, his pastor, Rev. C. H. Cashwell, of Selma, officiating, assisted by Rev. J. W. Rose, of Pine Level. The remains were laid to rest in the family burying ground near Pine Level Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Julius Broadwell from near Micro came to visit her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Corbett last week. She contracted pneumonia and continued to grow worse until the end came Saturday night. The funeral was conducted from the Corbett home Sunday afternoon by Rev. C. H. Cashwell and interment was made in the Broadwell cemetery near Micro. Hosts of relatives and friends are left to mourn their loss.

## SAVINGS

Savings represent much more than mere money value. They are the proof that the saver is worth something in himself. Any fool can waste, any fool can meddle; but it takes something of a man to save and the more he saves, the more of a man does it make of him. Waste and extravagance unsettle a man's mind for every crisis; thrift, which means some form of self-restraint, steadies it.—Rudyard Kipling.

## Johnston County Inventor To Exhibit at Exposition

Mr. G. Willie Lee of Pleasant Grove township was in the city yesterday in the interest of placing an exhibit of the Soda Distributor invented by him and upon which a patent is now pending, in the Exposition to be held here next week. The Soda Distributor may be found in the Exhibit of the Jordan-Edmundson Hardware Company. This machine which is finding a ready sale both in North and South Carolina is manufactured at Raleigh, the firm being styled as G. Willie Lee and Sons.

## Baked Man Holding Own

Authentic information from Bentonville township yesterday is to the extent that young Hubert Gainey, who was baked over a burning stump in that township ten days ago, it is alleged by "Man" and Marvin Thornton, two brothers, is holding his own, and according to a statement made by Dr. R. B. Wilson, of Newton Grove, who is attending the victim, will get well if pneumonia does not set in. The Thorntons, who Gainey has accused of first beating and then burning him, are still held in jail here awaiting the final turn in the condition of the burned man.

## SPECIAL SESSION CO. COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Is Authorized to Borrow Money To Pay Expenses Of The County

At a call meeting of the County Board of Commissioners held on April 2, the following order was introduced and unanimously passed by the members of the board present:

Be it resolved, that the chairman of this Board be authorized and empowered to pledge the faith and credit of the county to borrow such sums of money from time to time for renewals of the county's obligations now outstanding and to provide necessary funds to care for the necessary expenses of the county, and the said chairman is hereby authorized and empowered to execute all necessary notes and other obligations to be countersigned by the clerk of this Board, and the same to be done without any further action or authority from this Board.

Ordered that whereas the regular salaries of the various County officials have been fixed by law, it is therefore ordered by this board that vouchers be issued to said officials on the first of each month for their salaries for the previous month. The order to remain permanent until otherwise ordered by this Board.

## VON HINDENBURG DECLINES TO RUN FOR PRESIDENCY

BERLIN, April 6.—General Von Hindenburg has declined to be a candidate for the presidency of the German republic. This decision having been known, it is expected that Dr. Karl Jarres, who was temporarily put side in favor of the General, will be nominated shortly as a candidate for the nationalist combination in the April 26 elections.

## NINE MEN HELD FOR ATTACK ON INDIAN DANCER

BOMBAY, India, April 6.—All nine men charged with attempting last January to abduct the Nautch girl, Mumtaz Begum, former favorite of the Maharaja of Indore, were committed by the magistrate today after a preliminary hearing for trial in the Bombay high court. It is understood the defense is circulating a petition to be submitted to the viceroy, asking that the case be transferred to another jurisdiction on the ground that it would be impossible to obtain a fair trial before a Bombay jury.

## SEVEN SPRINGS SECTION NETS SEVERAL STILLS

GOLDSBORO, April 6.—Henry Moses, negro, a large quantity of beer and several stills were brought to the city from the Seven Springs section by Deputy John H. Thomas, and a duo of federal agents. Moses was the man power at a still of one-hundred-gallon capacity and the other plans were warm and showed signs of a recent run.

Th three sleuths have taken six stills in as many days and destroyed one hundred and eight barrels of beer.

Henry Ford, it appears, is suspected of wanting to secure control of the Dodge. He ought to be encouraged to keep on buying until he finds a door that will shut and stay closed.—Raleigh Times.

## MR. SANDS REVIEWS HISTORY OF COOPS

Attacks Instigated To Stir Up Strife In Organization Asserts Banker

### NOT WEARY WELL DOING

The Tobacco Growers Co-operation Association has been somewhat under fire recently, which fact has caused Oliver J. Sands to give out the following statement as published in Sunday's Richmond Times Dispatch.

"Tobacco Co-ops of the Carolinas and Virginia are not likely to become weary of well doing," declares Oliver J. Sands, chairman of the finance committee of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Marketing Association, in a statement issued yesterday covering the activities of the organization during the three years of operation. More than 445,000,000 pounds of tobacco has been received by the association from three crops, including that of 1924, and of this amount, the growers have practically been paid for the tobacco of 1922 and 1923, declares Mr. Sands, and at a price approximately double that received for tobacco during the three best years preceding the great war.

In reference to a series of "bitter" attacks recently made upon the association "instigated for the most part by outside interests seeking to stir up strife among the membership," Mr. Sands concludes his statement, "By meeting and overcoming constant difficulties and attacks, the large body of Carolinians and Virginians who are banded together in the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Associations have become seasoned veterans of co-operative marketing. Having marketed 445,000,000 pounds through their association, having paid more than half their debts on \$3,000,000 worth of warehouses, bettered their prices and improved their credit, the Tobacco Co-ops of the Carolinas and Virginia are not likely to become weary of well doing."

Virginia growers have averaged 23 cents a pound from the association during two years against an average of 13 cents a pound for the three years, 1913 to 1916, according to United States Department of Agriculture figures quoted by Mr. Sands. Quoting figures from the same source, it is shown that the North Carolina members of the association have received 24.7 cents a pound as an average against 15.1 cents a pound from 1913 to 1916. In South Carolina, the members have received an average of 21.9 cents against 10.4 cents as the average of the three year pre-war period.

This increased price of tobacco was brought about in spite of an increase in production and at a time when other farm products were on a great decline, it is brought out by Mr. Sands. He uses comparative figures to show the purchasing power of a given quantity of tobacco before the war and during the life of the association, compared with the purchasing power of their farm products during the same time for the purchase of barbed wire. These figures show that a farmer could get 50 percent more wire for the same amount of tobacco since the foundation of the association than he could from 1913 to 1916. Other farm produce used in the comparison showed a decline in purchasing power during the same period.

Larger dividends declared by the tobacco manufacturers are pointed to by Mr. Sands as an indication that increased prices to the farmers by use of business methods are not incompatible with increased dividends. Repeat of an additional tax of \$1 on every 1,000 cigarettes through the combined efforts of the tobacco co-operation associations, is declared by Mr. Sands to have been a real service to the entire tobacco trade.

Full and complete payment has been made on the crop of 1922, states Mr. Sands, and in Eastern North Carolina, and South Carolina in the crop of 1923. This is declared also true of thirty-five grades of the 1923 crop in the Old Bright Belt of Virginia and North Carolina, leaving

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