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County Commissioners Hold Regular Monthly Meeting On Monday, August First

The Board of County Commissioners of Martin County met Monday, August 1, at the Court House in Williamston. The entire Board consisting of Messrs. John L. Hassell, Chairman, Henry Green, Joshua L. Coltraine, Henry D. Peel and Dr. B. L. Long were present. The following business was disposed of:

Ordered that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow \$15,000 for general county purposes if needed at a future date.

Ordered that Mr. J. G. Staton be relieved of taxes on \$35,000 worth of timber on the Bill Whitley farm in Williamston Township, timber being cut.

Ordered that Mr. W. W. Griffin, Chairman of the Williams Township Road Committee be notified to have work begun on the road from Leggett's Bridge to Gardner's Bridge, said work to begin on or before Monday, August 8, 1921, and said road to be put in condition to be taken over by the State Highway Commission.

Ordered that the Board of County Commissioners secure money and lend it to the road trustees of any township in Martin County, which are working roads on special tax, to the amount of sixty per cent of their road tax to be deducted when collected with the same rate of interest the county has to pay to secure the money. Applications must be made to the Board of Commissioners by the Road Trustees.

Ordered that Alphon Dunn be paid the sum of \$250.00 for installing water in county jail.

Ordered that Board discontinue furnishing tiling for roads unless by special order of the Board.

Ordered that N. A. Burroughs be relieved of taxes on \$8500.00 improperly listed.

Ordered that Eugenia and Max Hyde be allowed \$4.00 for one month.

COLORED HERO BURIED

Dear Editor:

The body of Van Rhodes (colored) was brought by a white soldier from New York, July 23rd and buried Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the Rhodes cemetery on the Astoria Mill Road near Jamestown in the presence of a large number of friends both white and colored. W. C. Moore and C. K. Leary spoke at the grave of the past life of the young soldier and praised him for his good character and standing. S. A. Staton, Dr. Walker, Jack Archer, J. W. Winston, S. Morris, and J. P. Hooper were the pall bearers. The choir sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and "The Star Spangled Banner" just before the interment. Rev. C. C. Roberson, pastor of the A. M. E. Z. Church read the benediction.

Van Rhodes was the son of Carrie Pugh, and was born near Jamestown, North Carolina. He volunteered after war was declared and was assigned to Co. B, No. 369 Regiment (colored). He was gassed during a battle and sent to a first aid hospital where he died soon after.

W. C. MOORE, Jamestown, N. C.

GRAY-SATTERWHITE

James D. Gray, (colored) who has run a pressing club for several years and Mary J. Satterwhite who has served as general supervisor of the domestic science department of the colored schools for the county for a number of years were married at Tarboro last week.

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MAN FOUND UNCONSCIOUS

Mr. Chas. W. Matthews of Riel, a former Bertie County man, came to town Saturday afternoon from Wino and made an effort to buy Paragoric from several places, after which he saw Dr. J. B. H. Knott, who prescribed a mixture of two grains of morphine and two hundred and forty grains of Choral Bromide Compound, making sixteen doses, which was to be taken one to four full every two to six hours according to need.

Matthews took one dose and said he did not take another until the expiration of two hours after which time he knows nothing. He was found by Harrison Bros. back lot by Chas. Page about ten o'clock in an unconscious condition. Doctors Rhodes and Saunders were called and they, with about a half dozen other prominent citizens ministered to him Saturday night Sunday and Sunday night. Matthews seems to be doing fairly well and it is thought that he will be able to go on his way in a day or so. He was found that he had taken the entire contents of the bottle and it is a surprise to attending physicians that he did not die as the choral bromide is said to kill eight people.

Matthews seems to be one of the unfortunate who are too weak to resist temptation. He was well known and for years preached, serving the Cedar Branch church near Jamestown in Martin County at one time. Since then he has held pastorates in Tennessee and Virginia. The drug habit fastened itself so tightly upon him that for a number of years he has not attempted to preach. He has taken treatment several times. He says that he had no idea of harming himself when he took the medicine, supposing it only contained the morphine and some simple vegetable compound which was harmless.

HAMILTON NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. T. B. Slade and Mrs. S. D. Matthews are visiting Mrs. Matthews daughter Mrs. E. A. Council at Morehead.

P. L. Salbury has returned from a visit to his sister, Mrs. Ayers in New Bern.

Miss Dora Miller & visiting her sister Miss Ella Miller. Miss Mattie Van Rodgers of Henderson is visiting Martha Salbury. Elton Perkins of Greenville was here Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Davenport has returned from Rocky Mount where she spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. L. R. Everett who is in a hospital there.

James Ayers of New Bern is visiting Carl Salbury.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Davenport spent Thursday in Rocky Mount. Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Larkin were the guests of Mrs. Fannie Slade while in town.

Mrs. Mina Gray, Misses Katie and Williams were the guests of Mrs. Cordie Perkins Wednesday.

About fifty people from here spent Wednesday at Rae's Beach.

POLICE COURT NEWS

State vs. Raymond Roberson and Moses Coltraine. Housebreaking. Bound over to next term of Superior Court under a \$300.00 bond each.

State vs. Harry Meadows. Violating Ordinance No. 1. Selling beef within corporate limits without license. Fined \$2.50 and cost.

State vs. J. O. Manning and Wheeler Rice. Affray. Bound over to Recorder's Court under \$50.00 bond each.

State vs. John Henry Edwards. Violating automobile law. Fined \$1.00 and cost.

State vs. Fannie Chavis and Janie Rascoe. Affray. Fined \$2.50 and one half of the cost each.

State vs. Handy Ore. Driving automobile without license. Judgment suspended upon the payment of cost.

NOTICE TO THE MEMBERS OF PEANUT EXCHANGE

You will soon receive notice of a Stockholder's meeting of the Exchange to be held in Suffolk about the middle of August. This letter will contain a blank proxy. Prior to the meeting in Suffolk there will likely be a county meeting for the purpose of getting proxies for the general stockholders assembly. If however you are unable to attend the meeting at Suffolk or Williamston, be sure to send me proxy promptly in order that the Suffolk meeting may be held according to the terms of the Charter. It is best to appoint Dr. John D. Biggs for your proxy as he will be at the Suffolk meeting.

Respectfully,

W. C. MANNING

Chairman Campaign Committee

Local News and Personal Mention

Mr. T. A. Grimes, Land Appraiser for the Chickamauga Trust Co. of Raleigh has been in the county this week with Messrs. Crutcher and Crutcher appraising land for loans.

Messrs. Harry W. Stubbs, W. A. Jones, and Henry Taylor have returned after a week spent at N. C. Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cieloff went to Greenville yesterday.

Mr. Charlie Warren Cabson of Plymouth spent the weekend in town with friends.

Mrs. R. J. Peel and son Francis have returned from Norfolk after spending several weeks there, where Francis received medical treatment.

Mrs. P. F. Apfel went to Norfolk this morning.

Miss Minnie Orleans returned to her home in New York Saturday night after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Orleans for two weeks.

Mr. Perley Perry arrived Sunday to spend some time at home.

Messrs. Julius S. Peel and R. Dab. Crutcher have returned from a very pleasant trip to Virginia Beach.

Miss Hilda Kilpatrick returned to her home in Smithfield Friday after visiting her aunt, Mrs. Albert Perry.

Mr. J. W. Starr returned Saturday from Creswell where he had been at the bedside of his mother, Mrs. J. W. Starr before her death.

Mrs. R. L. Gravely and children have returned from Whitakers where they had been visiting Mr. Gravely who is at work there.

Misses Grace Holmes and Dora Shaffer, guests of Miss Eva Wynne returned to their homes in Lynchburg and Norfolk respectively, Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Atwood Newell and children returned to their home in Lenoir after visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Simpson for a few days.

Miss Eva Wynne left yesterday for Norfolk where she will take up her work for the coming season at the University. Miss Wynne will teach theory, harmony and sight-singing.

Mr. Lyndon Cox of Rocky Mount spent Sunday in town with friends.

Mrs. W. S. Harris, Misses Sally, Edith and Pat Harris and Miss Mary White, Messrs. Joe Hamilton, Elton Perkins, Lyndon Cox and Minnie Hooper enjoyed a motor boat ride Sunday afternoon.

Misses Frances and Eugenia Hoyt are visiting Messrs. Josephine Nichols and Mary Whit Matthews in Washington this week.

Dr. John D. Biggs has returned from Suffolk where he attended a meeting of the Directors of the Peanut Exchange.

SUMMER SCHOOL CLOSES

The Martin-Washington County Summer School will close its six weeks session Friday after a very successful season's work. A wide range of subjects have been covered and examinations are being held this week.

TO HOLD MEETING HERE

Dr. J. J. Taylor, of Lexington, Ky., will begin a meeting at the Williamston Christian Church Sunday, August 14th. Dr. Taylor is well known in this section, he having preached at this church before and also at several other places in this vicinity. Dr. Taylor is one of the old fashioned kind and does not indulge very much in the Evangelistic style.

BOY DROWNED

Sunday afternoon, Paul Rogers, Jr., a colored boy about seventeen years old in company with several other boys went down to Jacob's Landing in Sweetened Water Creek near Leggett's Bridge to bathe. Rogers and another boy were in a boat from which he dived into the water. He only rose one time and called for help but none of the boys could render assistance. He failed to come up the second time.

This is only another case of foolishness carelessness that men and boys commit so often. Parents should take more time to warn their children against such dangers.

On-line, 25 cents per gallon at C. D. Carstaphen & Co.

THE LIQUOR AND THE DRUG HABIT

For many years some of our people have been working to remove all the useless and dangerous drugs in the country as well as alcohol and various laws have been passed to regulate the sale of these drugs, many of which are fairly well kept. Two forces are working however, which tend to keep the traffic alive, one of these is the natural taste and desire of man for drugs, of course that applies only to those who know the craving, for people do not desire things they know nothing about. This class are entitled to sympathy.

The second class of people who are spreading the drug and liquor habit are those who are profiting from the manufacture and sale of it. Both of these classes should be retrained. It is frequently said that you can't beat a man's taste but no one has ever claimed it wrong to legislate against a fellow who tries to take advantage of the weakness of a neighbor by building up a trade that induces his neighbor to lose, in quantity, his grace and health. Some people seem to think that this only applies to the manufacturers and dealers of liquor but it can't be any worse to make drunkards than it is to make "fiend."

The town of Williamston is no exception when it comes to this class of traffic. We can see toppers and dopers hovering around certain places daily, people not only from Williamston but other places standing in line waiting the next turn. And it is stated upon good authority that there are white families in this territory who send their children even among the colored people to beg money with which to buy dope. What the country needs is an honest cooperation among all the people to act with his neighbor and obey the law, then the liquor and drug habit will begin to die out but as long as so many money hounds are trying to grow rich out of an unlawful traffic we will have trouble enforcing them. The Town Fathers may be able to help us along this line and they should not spend all their time looking after the liquor law breakers. The drug traffic is more dangerous.

DRAINING ROCK QUARRY

With the expectation that some un-anny and important revelations will be made in revealing some "my one" of bygone years, the draining of the deep water old Rock Quarry is being undertaken by the State this week after the city and county had passed the back to the Court of S. C.

The Mechanica department for the work which will require more than a week was being put in position by the State Highway Commission and skilled workmen of the Commission are directing the work which will utilize a considerable number of convicts from the State Prison.

It is known that other automobiles than the five already taken out of the deep hole, into which they were deliberately wrecked, some of them stripped of their most valuable parts, some of which were stolen and some of which had been reported as "stolen" and carried insurance. What else is there, all sorts of rumors would indicate dark deeds, from cases of liquor dumped, from or in vehicles closely pursued by officers, the victims of foul play and cold blooded murder—evidence that may clear up so far unsolved criminal mysteries in these parts. There is, however, no proof these parts, therefore, great interest displayed in the dredging and great throngs of people gather as near as permitted, a guard has been stationed to preserve order. It will be near the end of the week before the draining of the water is likely to reach the point where revelations will be forthcoming.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the partnership of Saunders and Fowden, composed of Joseph H. Saunders and Leslie Fowden, has been dissolved. Leslie Fowden having bought out the interest of Joseph H. Saunders, and assumed the obligations of the partnership. All persons indebted to the firm of Saunders and Fowden will settle with Leslie Fowden.

This the 22nd day of July 1921. JOS. H. SAUNDERS, LESLIE FOWDEN.

NOTICE

If you want a nice tombstone monument as a memorial to some departed friend or relative see LEON E. STALLS Agent for the famous Georgia Marble Monuments.

TAKEN UP: ONE BLACK SWALLOW EARED HOG. For same apply to W. R. Harrison.

NO PELLAGRA EPIDEMIC IN "OLD NORTH STATE"

The general warning of a wide spread epidemic of pellagra in the Southern States, and especially in the cotton belt, issued by the U. S. Public Health Service is not applicable to North Carolina, according to statistics on file with the State Board of Health.

Pellagra is not a reportable disease in North Carolina and there is, therefore, no way of checking the number of cases except through the number of deaths reported. For the first six months of 1921 there was a decrease of thirteen in the number of deaths from this cause in North Carolina. A decrease is shown for each month up to June, which latter showed an increase of four. The total number of deaths reported for 1920 as having been caused by pellagra was 297. The total number reported for the first six months of 1921 was 116. If the same average is maintained for the remaining six months of the year, 1921 will show a net decrease of sixty-five deaths from this cause.

Pellagra is a nutritional disease and the U. S. Public Health Service has attributed the increase in its incidence in the Southern States to the poverty of diet that has followed the tremendous depression in the prices of farm products. While North Carolina has been affected from this cause just as have the other Southern States, yet reports to the State Board of Health would indicate that there has not been the same extent of suffering. Fruits, fresh vegetables and milk, when forming a large percentage of the diet, prevent pellagra or will cure it when it has been caused by a deficient diet.

FLESH AND SPIRIT

(By W. R. Orleans)

In the early days of the human race, when man had not laid hold of the tree of knowledge, nor searched deeply into the mysteries of life and the universe; when, with eyes closed, he followed his natural impulses, which guided spontaneously his physical and spiritual powers, and satisfied his simple wants without undue exertion; at those days his two battles were waged by two different forces—by Reason and by Imagination. His Will To Live controlled these two forces, and made them work for his well being.

Reason discovered the chain of causation in things, and thus taught him how to obtain his desires and remove obstacles. Imagination fulfilled its function in the inner life; it brought him comfort in trouble, and the strength that is born of hope; it kept him from faltering, and prevented a despairing flight from the battle field.

Reason was the general, directing his forces in their work; Imagination was the priest who accompanied the army, strengthening the weak and the wounded, and administering sweet comfort to their souls. Whenever Reason was unable to lead the way to victory, Imagination could lead the way to rest, by refashioning the chain of cause and effect, and could shed a cheerful light in every circumstance and every event, good and evil alike.

When the thunder peals, and the blinding lightning flashes play, and terror lays hold on all living things, man, too, leaves his work in field and forest, and hastens, quaking with fear, to hide in some rocky cavern from the anger of a hidden god, when he, Imagination comes to his aid, and shows him Jupiter, sitting on the top of Olympus, and hurling his lightning bolts and his thunders upon the heads of his enemies who have sinned against him. So man calls on his God, appeals Him with an offering from his flock, and returns to his work with a tranquil mind, to struggle for his existence against his external enemies, under the generalship of Reason. Even in the face of death, when he sees that fell destroyer, the all-devouring, all-consuming, and knows that upon him, too, must come the end of a flesh, even then his desire of existence does not desert him; even the he does not succumb to despair and hatred of life. Imagination has power to open the gates of life before him, to show him life and well-being, even there, under the earth. And it is not a different life, of a strange, spiritual kind, that he sees there, but just a simple life of body and soul, wherein every man lives as he did on earth; wherein the small remains small, the great is still great; wherein the Master is master, and the slave is not free. This marvelous faith which scientific research has discovered today among various tribes in the stage of childhood, is still being preached by Elder Dick, the "Black Sam Jones," in his theme, "Black Will Remain Black."

OVERTHROW OF MORALS AIM OF YOUTH OF TODAY

Washington, July 30.—Chaperons for young folks and especially for those who take part in what Inspector Grant, of the Washington Police Department, calls "jazz auto rides" are being strongly advocated here, with Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter, president of the District of Columbia Congress of Mothers, leading the way.

Inspector Grant believes that the automobile is the "greatest medium of vice," and Mrs. Rafter declares:

"The elimination of chaperons is one of the causes of the decline of morality among the younger generation—too much freedom will spoil the best of boys and girls."

"Then tendency today is a felling of repulsion against restraint, and the girls and boys are doing pretty much as they please," the police official says. "It would be well if the mother or some responsible person could accompany the young couple on some of their rides, and perhaps the jazz auto riding and wild parties would stop."

"Women, it would seem, are enjoying their first taste of real freedom. They are like a man who takes a drink for the first time. He says to himself, 'Oh, one drink won't hurt me.' But then he takes another and then another, and finally becomes intoxicated."

"That is the way with women and their new freedom. They try all these new fangled things. They think if they do it once they won't want to do it again, but finally, just like the men, they become intoxicated. And these things may be anything from jazz auto riding to sporting."

Mrs. Rafter thinks that the American girl has "too much freedom." "The parents alone are to blame," she says. "If the girls wear skirts that are too short, rouge, smoke spend too much money and flirt it is their parent's fault. They allow them too much freedom."

"I have always been a fir believer in proper chaperage. The parents should know what their daughter is doing when they are out and who their associates are. Too much freedom will spoil the best of boys and girls."

STATE FAIR PROSPECTS

Raleigh, Aug. 2.—Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, of Baltimore, N. C. who is president of the "Great State Fair" this year, is taking an active interest in the success of the State Fair to be held in Raleigh this year, the third week in October, as usual, and has personally offered two additional medals to school children for the best drawing, pencil or otherwise, by boy or girl under eighteen, on the other for the best specimen in clay drawing.

Colonel Joseph E. Pogue, secretary of the State Fair, has returned from a visit to Western North Carolina. At Biltmore he had a conference with Mrs. Vanderbilt.

Mrs. Vanderbilt is enthusiastic over the prospects of the Fair, and has been active in the interest of exhibits from the Western part of the State. She has secured pledges for many fine industrial exhibits for manufacturers and stock raisers. She is showing unusual interest in the industrial development of the State carrying on the work of a 100,000 acre forest preserve, started by her husband, the late George W. Vanderbilt, a pioneer in the forestry movement.

Heretofore the western part of the State has never been closely identified with the Fair because of its remoteness, but Secretary Pogue was assured on his recent trip, of many fine exhibits and many notable visitors, who would come for the first time to support Mrs. Vanderbilt in her undertaking.

The chief marshal for 1921 will be announced at an early date.

President Harding has been invited by the North Carolina Agricultural Society to speak at the Fair. This invitation was endorsed by the Press Association at Morehead City last week Mrs. Vanderbilt will extend a personal invitation to Mr. Harding through the North Carolina Senators and Representatives.

She will probably be in Raleigh some time before the opening of the Fair, and will be in the city during the entire week with suitable headquarters on the grounds.

Secretary Pogue said that work is progressing rapidly at the Fair Grounds, and many needy and notable improvements will be found by patrons this fall.

All people who work for hire on automobiles or trucks must pay a license fee of \$10.00 or be liable to the law.

H. T. ROBERSON, Sheriff

STRAND THEATRE

—THURSDAY—
BRYANT WASHBURN in
"A FULL HOUSE"
20c and 40c

—FRIDAY—
HAROLD LLOYD in
"Get Out and Get Under"
"BIG V" COMEDY—
"HIS BACK YARD"
20c and 30c

—SATURDAY—
MABEL NORMAND in
"THE SLIM PRINCESS"
"Ruth of the Rockies" No. 6
20c and 30c