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BUREAU DIRECTOR FIRES EMPLOYEES WITHOUT NOTICE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY PLATE PRINTERS GIVEN WALKING PAPERS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 10.—President Harding's friend, Director Louis A. Hill, of the bureau of engraving and printing, evidently is of the opinion that Elmer Dover, one time assistant secretary of the treasury, was right in the view he took that "hardening" the government service meant firing employees right and left, and doing it without notice. "Like master, like man," is the plan that Director Hill works on, and having secured his own job by the action of President Harding in summarily dismissing 28 civil service employees of the bureau of engraving and printing without notice and "for the good of the service," with no charges proven against them, he proceeds to do some of the summary firing on his own hook.

By the ukase of Director Hill 150 plate printers of the bureau were dismissed yesterday afternoon with no previous notice given that they were to be discharged. The men had finished their work for the afternoon, when the notice of summary discharge were received. The notices simply stated that they were dismissed as no longer needed, directed them to turn in their pass cards, being informed also that checks for the amounts due them would be mailed. "Here's your hat, what's the hurry," is the kind of notice that the men received, and not a word of warning is said to have preceded the action of the director in ordering the dismissals. Playing of politics is the view in many quarters here.

According to Director Hill, the wholesale dismissals were made in carrying out the policy of the bureau, and he dismisses the matter with a shrug of the shoulders. Asked as to his reason for the summary dismissals, Mr. Hill said: "No advance notice of dismissal is required. This is the usual procedure." But there are other statements in the matter, these that it has been the custom that in dismissing from the service of the government two weeks' notice is usually given, that summary dismissal carries with the stigma of discharge for some cause. In the case of reduction of force it is stated that there is always notice given in advance so that men and women may have an opportunity to look around and secure other employment.

STUDIES OF THE HEBREWS AT THE PRAYER SERVICES

The Methodist pastor, Rev. M. R. Chamber, is beginning a study of the history of the Hebrews at the regular mid-week prayer services. Last Wednesday night he began with Abraham, his subject being "The Father of the Faithful." Subjects for the rest of this month are: March 14, "A Boy's First Night Away From Home," Mar. 21, "Blood Will Tell," March 28, "The Old Home Redeemed." Members of the Methodist church are taking considerable interest in these studies, and the attendance is still on the increase.

MR. ROBT. L. COBURN OF DARDENS OPEN UP LAW OFFICE IN WILLIAMSTON

Mr. Robert L. Coburn of Dardens has opened up a law office in the city in the office formerly occupied by Dunning and Moore in the Peoples Bank building.

Mr. Coburn finished his law course at the University last summer having taken two years of a B. S. work there previously. He went before the board last summer and obtained his law license and has selected his home colony as his field of endeavor.

CARD OF THANKS

To those who were so kind in my illness I tender them my sincere thanks and may their blessings multiply and may they find a friend in time of need. "Cast your bread on the water; it will return after many days."

(Mrs.) Sue W. Ewell.

A PAINT THAT WOULD BE GOOD

to use in living room, dining room or dark hall, in any light or exposure can be obtained from us. In light enough for dark places and quite enough for the bright ones. Best with cream, oak, pine, though can be used with mahogany colors. The deep shades with the wall look finished and dresses up the room. Hubert and White, 102 Main street, Williamston, N. C.

WALKS ON GIRDER OVER THE RAPIDS

HAZARDOUS EXHIBITION TO ESCAPE IMMIGRATION TAX, HOWEVER, IS IN VAIN

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Mar. 10.—Treading a narrow girder under the railroad tracks of the cantilever bridge, 150 feet above the Niagara rapids, Leo Castle, 18 years old, of Alberta, today walked from the Canadian to the American shore, where he was arrested.

Castle's performance was not intended as a stunt of the Blondin sort, but it provided many of the thrills that accompanied the act of the tight rope acrobat of another generation. Earlier in the day Castle had been barred from the American side because he lacked the \$8 with which to pay the head tax, and he decided to try the hazardous trip on the girders of the cantilever.

The path selected by the lad is about ten inches wide. The struts that branch out from the main frame work offer no support nor guide to a person standing upon it. Far below are the churning waters of the Swift Drift, where the waters of the river break to the whirlpool rapids.

One false step would have sent Castle to death.

The boy walked nonchalantly, at times almost ran, while the few persons who watched gasped from fear that he would fall and there were deep drawn breaths of relief as he completed the journey and stepped from the girder to the abutment on the American shore.

The trip and the risk were all in vain. Immigration officials had been among the spectators and Castle was soon in custody, marching back to Canada on the upper steel arch bridge.

TRUCKERS ASSOCIATION MADE A SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH LAST YEAR

WILMINGTON, Mar. 12.—As an instance of substantial growth, the Wilmington Cooperative Truckers' association increased its shipments from 19 cars in 1916 to 398 cars in 1922, according to records secured by the North Carolina division of markets. The business of this association for the past year, including both cooperative sales and purchases, has not been far short of a half million dollars. This cooperative began business in 1910, but was re-organized and incorporated in 1914. Its steady growth has been possible because of the intense loyalty of its members, a most important and necessary asset with any organization, says Mr. Shumaker, acting general of the state's marketing work.

WHERE FARMERS ARE RICH

Look at the Danes today. They are one of the richest, healthiest, and I believe the happiest people of the whole world. They stand high in education and culture.

The great success of the Danes has come from the land. They are a nation of intensive farmers who, like the good servants in the parable of the talents, have taken what the Master has given them, and by brains, industry, and business efficiency have multiplied it many fold. They have thrown off the shackles of the nobles, reduced the great estates to small holdings, and by scientific farming and stock raising have made every one of their 250,000 farms produce exports which average \$50 a month all the year through. This is so although more than half of the farms average only thirteen acres apiece. The land not only supports the farmers themselves and gives the country its food, but it yields also exports equal to seventeen dollars per annum for every farm acre.

This the Danes have done by teamwork in which the whole nation has gone into the harness and labored together. They have studied their land and the markets and raised only the things they could produce at a profit. When Denmark found that its soil and limited area were such that it could not compete with the United States and other lands in the production of oats, wheat, rye, barley and such crops, she did not sit down and whine and ask other countries to help her, but only harkened in her waist belt to make her stomach the smaller, counted her assets, and figured out what she could do. She did not even ask her government to help her by protective tariffs but every one did his part, and all worked together. She had several great thinkers among her people, and with them in time she planned out a scheme of agricultural production that has made the whole country rich. Frank G. Carpenter, News and Observer.

WILLIAMSTON TO BE REPRESENTED BY A QUEEN AT THE EASTERN CAROLINA EXPOSITION IN WILSON

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP HERE ENTITLES WILLIAMSTON TO HAVE A QUEEN

The Williamston Chamber of Commerce has not yet joined the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, that is putting on the Eastern Carolina exposition to be held in Wilson beginning March 19, and lasting through March 25th, but there are individual members of the Eastern Carolina Chamber here which entitles Williamston to be represented by a queen.

The young lady who receives the greatest number of votes is entitled to attend the exposition at the expense of the Williamston Chamber of Commerce. The queen that wins out at the exposition will receive a \$500.00 diamond ring as a prize.

The following names have been sent in but others may be nominated:

Miss Martha Cotton Crawford, Miss Myrtle Brown, Miss Nina Upton, Miss Martha S. Hassell, Mrs. John D. Biggs Jr., Miss Lucile Hassell, Miss Esther Harrison, Mrs. Z. H. Rose, Miss Frances Gurganus, Miss Lida Cook, Miss Mary Gladys Watts, Miss Elizabeth Hassell, Mrs. P. H. Brown, Mrs. J. S. Rhodes, Mrs. J. W. Watts, Jr., Miss Carrie Delle White.

Votes will be found in another part of this paper and there will be a voting box at The Enterprise office, and anybody throughout the county is entitled to vote.

Owing to the miscarriage of a letter the local Chamber of Commerce did not get the information that Williamston was entitled to a queen at the exposition until yesterday, and this necessitates the selection to be done in haste. Pick the lady of Williamston you believe has the best chance of being the queen of the exposition and vote for her. Everybody has one vote, but only one. The lady receiving the most votes will be Williamston's queen at the Eastern Carolina exposition.

The winner will be announced in Friday's issue of The Enterprise, and the ballot box will close Friday afternoon a few minutes before press time. Don wait until the last minute to cast your vote, as the time is short and votes must be cast rapidly for all to get a vote for the queen of Williamston.

Rules for Queen's Contest

1. All entries must be in the hands of the secretary-manager by noon, Monday, March 19.
2. All contestants will be supposed to be at the exposition building, Thursday afternoon, March 22, at 2:30 to draw for places.
3. Each will be introduced from the stage as Miss "Town" from which she comes.
4. After the introduction, the audience will then vote. The ballots will be taken up and kept until the evening performance, when the same procedure will be followed, and the ballots will again be taken up and consolidated. There will be a formal ball after the voting Thursday night in honor of the contestants.
5. Each young lady may dress as she thinks best becomes her.
6. Friday night, the two winners, one from Wilson and one from the section at large, will be crowned and presented with a \$500.00 diamond ring.

NEGROES SING HYMNS ON THE STREETS OF NEW BERN

NEW BERN, Mar. 10.—Something new in parades was staged in the Red Cross tent city here last night when between three and four hundred negroes led by C. P. Dixon, known as the "Colored Billy Sunday" marched through the streets for half an hour singing hymns and otherwise making it a religious event. The line of march carried the colored people in and out among the tents. Later they returned to the church tent, where Preacher Dixon delivered a sermon on "The Prodigal Son."

AGED WOMAN DIES

Mrs. Polly Williams died on March the 3rd and was buried the next day beside her husband, the late John D. Williams, near Wills Sliding.

She was eighty two years of age and leaves fifty children, grand-children and great grand-children, one great grand-child being twenty years of age.

She had been a member of the Primitive Baptist church for many years and was much loved and highly respected by all who knew her.

TEACH CHARACTER URGES MISS KELLY

IN STRONG ADDRESS BEFORE NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

DURHAM, Mar. 10.—"Character education is the foundation of good citizenship, and no teacher worthy of the name of teacher will rest content in ministering only the intellectual life according to prescribed rules and regulations," Miss Elizabeth Kelly, president of the North Carolina Educational association, told educators at the teachers' educational meeting here last night.

Miss Kelly said character education is a subject "written high on educational programs." Character education, she said, "is a term which is as indefinable as character itself, but some of its factors are definable." In the formation of character," she continued, "must enter those influences which determine the attitude of the individual toward the various phases of life.

"In the main these factors may be termed: bodily, intellectual, social, economic, political, aesthetic and religious life," she asserted. "If these seven factors go to make up the character of children, then it is the business of the teacher to have first-hand knowledge of these factors as evidenced in her community.

"The outstanding business of the teacher is to aid the child in making of himself the best possible citizen. Just here, let it be said that character based upon these seven factors, in the life of the teacher, is worth more to fit her for teaching than any one factor developed to the Nth degree—and personally, I doubt seriously the ability of any teacher to teach character education successfully, if she is not one who manifestly has character herself.

"If the teacher is to be an effective agent in character building, it follows that she must have some first hand knowledge of the tendencies and movements in community and state, which most directly affect the character development of the children whom she teaches.

"This knowledge can not be gained sufficiently from reading. It must come from mixing with the various groups that undertake to work out the problems of each phase of life as listed above. Few of us have the power of creative planning, but most of us have the ability to judge the worth of plans. This ability is gauged by thoroughness of understanding, and each community has the right to expect of its teacher at least an intelligent understanding of community activities."

ERECTOR OF NEW ICE PLANT NOW BEI G STARTED

PLANT EXPECTED TO OPERATE BY THE TIME THE ICE SEASON IS OPEN GOOD

Mr. L. P. Linsley of Linsley Brothers of Norfolk is getting material and machinery together for the erection of their ice factory. They will erect a 12 ton factory on the railroad adjoining Griffin Brothers storage house.

They expect to be ready to manufacture ice by the time the ice season opens up. They will have an up-to-date plant. They have been in the ice business for several years; during the war period they worked for the government in the manufacture of ice.

EXTENSION REPORT IS BEING PRINTED

SERVICES PERFORMED BY THE COUNTY AGENTS PUBLISHED IN LEGIBLE FORM

RALEIGH, Mar. 12.—The annual report of the agricultural extension work conducted by the State college and department of agriculture is now ready for the printer. According to Dr. J. W. Kline, director of this service in the state, the report will prove to be one of the most outstanding records of service ever given to a people. In addition to a condensed report of the activities of each division, there is also a condensed summary which reduces to figures most of the many services performed. The report embraces the work of the county agents, the home agents, the specialists, and the men and women attached to headquarters here in Raleigh.

Director Kilgore's report will show as an example of service rendered, that 860 rural communities with a membership of 39,627 people were organized last year; 25,552 members were enrolled in club work; 111,920 folks attended the club meetings held by extension workers; 111,624 visits were paid to schools, to homes and to farms by extension workers and 1,500,702 miles were traveled in carrying on these duties.

These trained agricultural workers held 20,157 meetings last year at which 962,178 people were present; they organized, judged and held 210 fairs; helped to install 297 water systems; 1,710 lighting systems and 19 rural telephone systems; they helped farmers to get 227,885 bushels of improved grain; they classified and graded 114,635 bales of cotton and encouraged the formation of 901 cooperative groups which did a business in buying and selling amounting to \$1,614,116.80. This is made from the work in forming the cotton and tobacco associations.

These are just a few of the things that will be shown in Director Kilgore's report. Every phase of farm and home activities have been touched by the workers and in addition they have helped in solving some of the big outstanding problems of present day agriculture in the state. The work is not surprised by that of any other state in the union, and in the opinion of those who have studied the question, presents a record of which all loyal Tar Heels should be very proud.

SHERMAN SUMMARIZES BOLL WEEVIL FACTS

MAKES STATEMENT IN REPLY TO REQUESTS MADE BY N. C. FARMERS

RALEIGH, Mar. 12.—"In answer to numerous requests, I am giving once more in simple outline, the genuine proven methods for meeting the boll weevil problem," says Prof. F. A. Sherman, chief in entomology, of the North Carolina experiment station.

"I know of no substitute for study and careful work in this or any other big problem, and I have no short cut to complete success, nor is there any 'secret element' involved in it. We have those in the state who are grasping at easy ways set forth by glaring advertisements, and they may go their way, for no such remedy has my recommendation," he says.

Continuing, Mr. Sherman states, "The main steps are these: (1) Cultural methods for securing the earliest possible setting for the largest possible crop. These have been explained by Professors Williams, Pate, Garren and Winters of the division of agronomy, in articles appearing in the papers and at meetings held out over the state. (2) The dust poison method, which is applied chiefly in late July and August. (3) For those who cannot dust, or who are in sections where injury is less severe, the picking up and burning of the fallen squares until the end of July, is recommended.

"The dust poison method does call for considerable investment in machinery beforehand, and gives best results when done at night. The farmer who studies the directions and who watches the progress of infestation in his fields has a fine chance to make his dusting highly profitable, while he who merely 'dusts' blindly and without system or understanding may waste his poison and not control the weevil. We had seven tests of dusted and undusted cotton side by side in 1922, and in each case there was a net profit after allowing all costs. The average net profit on dusting for all seven tests was over \$22 per acre. It certainly pays for one to know when and how, and we appreciate the slogan 'Do It Right or Not At All,' better than our last year's experience. There are always plenty of ways to attempt a thing wrong, but very few ways to do it right. We are prepared to send the information to those who apply and it is now high time to be placing orders for the poison and machines."

HARDISON MILL LOCAL ITEMS

(Received too late for Friday's issue)

Miss Kathleen Hodges spent the week end at her home in Washington with her parents. Her house guests were Miss Elizabeth Phelps and Miss Gladys Peel.

Mrs. S. F. Roberson entertained a number of friends and relatives on Sunday.

Friends of Mrs. James R. Corey are glad to see her out again after having an attack of flu.

Mr. Crisp filled his regular appointment at Piney Grove Sunday.

Elder W. B. Harrington has returned from Hyde county where he has been filling his monthly appointments.

Misses Jesse Manning, Estelle Coltrain and Messrs. W. L. Brown and Jack Daniel motored to Washington Sunday to see Mr. Herman Peel, who is in the hospital there.

Mr. N. R. Roberson went to Washington Tuesday to attend to business.

The Farm Life basket ball boys played the Jamesville boys at their ground Wednesday, the scores being 8 to 10 in favor of the Jamesville boys.

Miss Kathleen Hodges left for her home yesterday on account of illness. We hope to see her able to be back again soon.

Miss Gladys Peel is spending the week with friends in Wilson.

Mr. George Roberson of Lillay's was here yesterday on business.

The only time you can find Joe Gray Corey around "the Old Mill," since he has been connected with the Washington Motor Car company as their local salesman, is around eating time.

THE STATE WIDE CLEAN UP WEEK BEING OBSERVED

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE URGES PEOPLE OF WILLIAMSTON TO JOIN MOVEMENT

The Chamber of Commerce calls attention to the residents of the town and especially the business men of Williamston to the proclamation of Governor Morrison setting aside this week as clean up week for North Carolina.

Williamston wants to keep up with other towns in the state and we must get busy. Today being Tuesday, there are only four more days in which to work.

A great many of the housewives of the town are getting busy and are taking down their fences and beautifying their yards with flowers and grass but there are still a few who have not yet become interested. Let them begin this week by cleaning up and getting ready for the beautifying later.

But to our business men, do we most earnestly plead to clean up their places of business and clean up around the back doors. Today when the wind began to blow the air was full of paper and trash and that was headed down Main street. This is a shame for Williamston has one of the prettiest Main streets of any town in the state in the spring of the year.

DIRECTORS OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL HOLD A MEETING TONIGHT AT 8:00

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet in the law office of Dunning, Moore and Horton at 8:00 o'clock tonight. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

P. B. Come, secretary.

HUCKLEBERRY POND LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. Boss Williams had a wreck with his car near Mr. State Bailey's Saturday, but very little damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Nobles and family and Mrs. S. A. Eure and son of Ayclen were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jolly Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Manning spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warren went to Bear Grass Saturday shopping.

Mrs. W. E. Davenport returned Saturday from Parmele, where she visited friends.

Mr. Garland Forbes is on the sick list this week.

Messrs. J. H. Jolly and W. R. Davenport went to Everetts on business last Saturday.

Mr. J. L. Whitehurst of Parmele spent Wednesday at his farm.

Mr. J. H. Terry and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davenport.

Mr. Sam Jolly attended church at Cross Roads Sunday.

Mr. John Beach passed through this community Saturday.

Mrs. C. D. Anderson returned to Tarboro Monday after spending two weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brit, who have been ill with influenza.

MRS. RILEY B. ROBERSON DEAD

Mrs. Riley B. Roberson, a highly esteemed woman of Williams township, died at her home there Saturday morning of pneumonia. She was Miss Emma Williams before her marriage forty one years ago to Mr. Riley Roberson.

She never professed her faith, but she was a believer in the Primitive Baptist religion and attended services at that church at Jamesville for many years.

Mrs. Roberson was a woman who kept her own counsel and attended to her own duties unless her neighbors and friends needed her, when she was always with them.

She leaves four children besides her husband; Ransom of Jamesville and Loyd Roberson, and Mrs. George Williams and Mrs. Sam Andrews, all of Williams township. Her mother, Mrs. Polly Williams having preceded her to the grave only one week.

The interment took place Sunday afternoon, with Rev. Lewis of the M. E. church of Plymouth officiating.

MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR FAIR THIS FALL

Mr. H. M. Poe of Rocky Mount, is in town this week arranging to put on the Roanoke Fair this fall. He says the fair will be held early in November. Mr. Poe has had several years' experience in handling fairs and he says the features of the 1923 fair will far surpass any of the previous fairs held here. Farmers should begin now to raise prize crops, prize pigs and prizes of all kinds.