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## People May Have Modern High School at Weeksville

### Citizens Of Weeksville and Nixonton Townships Will Vote In Autumn On Plan To Enter Present High School District

By Ralph Pool

One of the finest rural high schools in North Carolina, with a fully equipped standard high school department almost from the very opening of the school; or a much smaller school, with few possibilities for development, and with a very limited high school department — these are the two alternatives that the people of Lower Pasquotank must dispose of in the forthcoming school election, to determine whether or not the part of Salem township not now in the Weeksville High School District shall come in, and to fix the location of the school, should they vote themselves into the present district.

If the proposed high school is located at the center of Salem township, there will be small opportunity for enlarging the school by bringing in a part of the adjacent Nixonton township. On the other hand, with Weeksville as the location, it will be possible ultimately to include in the district nearly all of Nixonton, and all of Salem township. Dr. L. C. Brogden, of the State Department of Education, a trained and disinterested observer, declares that nowhere in the State is there a better prospect for the highest type of rural high school.

#### Salem Township Alone

Figured upon the basis of census returns of Salem township for the last school year, and upon the enrollment in the six small schools now conducted in the township, one finds that the best of the township alone can hope for is a school of seven or eight teachers. This will mean a limited number of teachers for the primary and grammar grades, and a high school faculty of not more than two teachers, one of whom might have to devote part time to instruction in music. For the year 1920-21, the census records show 299 children of school age in the whole of Salem township, of whom 266 were enrolled in the schools. Of this number approximately 225 attended school regularly during the session.

The school census for Salem township, together with the Simonds Creek, Bayside and Brothers school districts in Nixonton township, give a total of 537 pupils of school age. Of these 437 pupils attended school during the year 1920-21. Figured upon the basis of 30 pupils to a teacher, it is found that such a district will justify the establishment of a school of fourteen to fifteen teachers. In other words, the school practically doubles the other in size from the start.

#### The Bigger High School

What type of school would the larger institution be? In the first place there would be adequate instruction for the lower grades. No teacher would have more than one grade to handle, and there might be several primary rooms, assuring every beginner the firm foundation upon which the success of his later work depends. Time and facilities for music, domestic science, agriculture and related subjects would be provided. The graduate of the grammar school would go into the high school adequately and efficiently prepared for the advanced work.

In the high school grades of the larger type of school made possible by the consolidation described, there would be departmental teachers. In other words, the instructor in mathematics would be one specially trained in this subject. The English, history and science departments would each be conducted by a teacher fully equipped for each particular department. Debating, athletics and other associated school activities might readily be made part of the student's school life. The big school would soon win prestige and standing throughout North Carolina, which would forever be denied the smaller school.

#### Per Capita Cost Less

The cost of the bigger school to the individual taxpayer would be proportionately less than that of the smaller, for the reason that the equipment would be made to serve a larger number of pupils, and the entire expense would be distributed over a larger number of property owners. From the standpoint of efficient education, the larger school would be immeasurably less expensive. Graduates from it would go direct to the colleges of the State and Nation without being compelled to submit to the ordeal of entrance examinations; while with the smaller school, years would elapse before it

## MINERS INSIST ON WAGE DEMANDS

### Editor of Union's Journal Declares Organization Is In Best Position In Many Years to Enforce Its Policy

Indianapolis, Aug. 9.—Expiration of wage agreements of both anthracite and bituminous miners at the same time, March 31, 1922, gives added weight to wage demands to be made at the biennial convention of the United Mine Workers of America which opens here September 20, Ellis Searles, editor of the union's official journal, said here today.

This simultaneous conclusion of agreements puts the organized miners in the best position in years to support each other in their demands, Mr. Searles said. The miners will not permit any wage reduction, according to John L. Lewis, international president.

It has been the custom of the anthracite miners to frame their wage demands and have them adopted by a tri-district convention, comprising the three anthracite districts, after which they were reported to the union's national convention for approval. This year, however, the procedure is reversed. Anthracite delegates to the national convention will prepare their demands for approval by the national body and the tri-district convention for ratification will be held afterward.

In this manner, it is pointed out, any general policy with reference to wages that may be adopted by the national convention will govern the miners in their negotiations in the anthracite region as well as in the bituminous coal fields of the country. Nationalization of mines and adoption of the six hour day and five day week also will be before the convention. These matters were favorably reported on at the union's convention in Cleveland two years ago.

Approximately fifteen hundred delegates will attend the convention, according to Mr. Searles. Two years ago there were 2,044 delegates.

The decrease is due to depression in coal industry and desire on part of locals to cut expenses, Mr. Searles added. Local unions chose delegates on a paid-up per capita basis but two or more locals if they desire, may unite and send one representative, thereby saving the expense of additional delegates. Mr. Searles said this is being done in a number of instances.

## Mexican General Is Shot And Killed

Mexico City, Aug. 9.—General Jose Alessio Robles was shot and killed today while riding in his automobile by five armed men.

General Jacinto Trevino surrendered to the police. The killing is said to be the result of a newspaper controversy.

could become a standard accredited high school, whose graduates the colleges would accept without examination.

#### Ready Transportation

In the matter of transportation, but one or, at the most two more motor trucks would be required were the school located at Weeksville than were it placed near the center of Salem township. Normally, the next paved highway to be built in lower Pasquotank will extend from Weeksville past Salem Church to or toward Sound Neck. This road would be a leading artery for the transportation of children direct to the larger modern high school at Weeksville. It would be of little or no advantage to pupils going to a high school in the center of Salem township.

Schools are not built for today—they are erected for the future, with the best interests of future generations in mind, as well as those of the present day. Pasquotank county has the opportunity to develop in Salem and Nixonton townships an effective modern high school unsurpassed in North Carolina, and it is up to the people of the section involved to say in the approaching school election whether or not they want it.

## MYSTERY SHIP OFF HATTERAS

New York, Aug. 9.—Another mystery ship, suspected of being a rum carrier, appeared off the Atlantic coast south of Cape Hatteras today.

## ELKS CAPTURE THE FOURTH FROM CUBS

### Wineke Pitches Second Two Hit Game of Series—Both Teams Play Fast Ball

Wineke pitched his second two hit game of the series Monday and incidentally the Elks won their fourth game from the Cubs by the score of 3 to 0. The game was the fastest played of the year, it requiring only 55 minutes to play the contest, and, for the third straight game, the umpiring has been to the general satisfaction of the teams as well as the fans.

#### Wineke Gets Stronger

Wineke seemed to get stronger as the game progressed. In the last three innings he struck out eight men. He was given good support by his teammates, only one error being made and that of no consequence. Only one Cub reached base, only four reaching first, and the Elks were never in danger after the third inning.

#### Davis Relieves Dixon

The Elks scored one in the third when Reid's double over Norris's head was followed by Beveridge's single. In the fourth the Elks added two more when Henderson singled and Falls brought him in with a three base hit to deep right, the ball's progress being halted by the automobiles outside the fence. Lane's single over second brought in Falls with the last run of the game. Carol Davis went in the box for the Cubs in the fifth and the Elks were unable to do anything with him. Henderson singled in the sixth, this being the only player to reach first during the two innings he was in the box.

#### Good, Clean Game

The game was witnessed by a large crowd and it was one of the cleanest games of the year. Both teams seemed full of pep and were on their toes all the time. The Cubs have strengthened their infield by the addition of Lowry, who played his first post-season game yesterday. The Elks are using Falls on first since Pinner's injury and Elwood Weatherly is in center while Hinton is on the sick list. The Elks will probably use Wineke again today in the hope of winding up the series.

Score by innings: R. H. E. Cubs . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 2 2 Elks . . . 0 0 1 2 0 0 x—3 6 1 Batteries—Davis, Dixon and Cadby; Wineke and Bell. Umpire—Higgins. Time of game—55 minutes.

## GROUND ON SAN PABLO REEF

### Steamer San Jose With Thirty-three Passengers and Sixty-six Crew Sends Out Wireless Calls For Aid

San Francisco, Aug. 9.—The steamer San Jose, with 33 passengers and 66 members of her crew aboard is grounded on San Pablo reef.

The wireless calls sent out said that the ship was listing but holding out. Steamers are rushing to her aid.

## LIGHTWEIGHTS ARE TO FIGHT SEPTEMBER 21

Philadelphia, Aug. 9.—The Benny Leonard and Lew Tendler world's lightweight championship bout will be held in Philadelphia on September 21.

#### BOX PARTY THURSDAY

The Rebekahs will give a lawn and box party Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Disciple church on Parsonage street for the benefit of the orphan children. The public is invited.

## Continue To Search For Shotgun Used

Los Angeles, Aug. 9.—The search for the shotgun used in killing John B. Kennedy continues today. Mrs. Madeline Obenchain and Arthur Burch are still held. Both refuse to talk.

## PREPARE AGAIN CLEAN NEW YORK

### State's Republican Legislators But Follow Precedent Long Established and Oft Repeated In Big City's History

New York, Aug. 9 (By The Associated Press)—New York State's Republican legislators, in deciding recently to unseal their paring knives and dig for black spots in that famous political apple, the administration of New York City followed many examples of the olden days. Poking the official finger of scorn into local government is a diversion that has resulted on several occasions in exposure of scandals devoured in huge gulps by newspaper readers, and even now condensed into small doses for those who peruse books of history.

Of the several inquiries since that which smashed the Tweed ring, the best known is the Lexow investigation of 1894. The legislative committee which conducted it reported that graft permeated the entire administration, that the public treasury had been robbed and that police protected criminals while all the people suffered from incompetence and ignorance in their government. The committee issued 3,000 subpoenas, heard 700 witnesses and brought about indictments against scores of city officials and employees.

Despite sensational testimony heard by the investigators from day to day for eight months, the inquiry did not bring many convictions. Some persons wanted as witnesses fled to other states, 40 indictments were dismissed and 35 never were brought to trial.

Five years later the legislature began another search into municipal practices. This one was known as the Mazet investigation, and it reported that Mayor Van Wyck had "practically abdicated his powers," the real ruler of the city being the leader of Tammany Hall.

The two Democrats on the committee presented a minority report dissenting from what they called the "buncombe of the majority." "We have but a single recommendation to make," they said, "and that is that the people of the City of New York be permitted to govern themselves."

## NOT REINFORCE ALLIED TROOPS

Paris, Aug. 9 (By The Associated Press)—The Allied Supreme Council has decided not to send reinforcements for the Allied troops in Upper Silesia.

## French And British Premiers Are Agreed

Paris, Aug. 9 (By The Associated Press)—The French and British premiers are reported to have reached an agreement privately on the partition of Upper Silesia.

## MEN ARRESTED CONFESS MURDER

Columbia, S. C. Aug. 9.—The body of William Brazell, aged 19, taxicab driver and college student, who was killed near Leesville yesterday, was found early to-day three miles from Leesville.

F. J. Kirby, C. O. Fox and Jesse Gappins were arrested. The sheriff stated that Kirby said Fox stabbed Brazell and twisted the knife around while Brazell begged for mercy. The men threw the body into the bushes after robbing it and drove off in Brazell's automobile.

## CASE OF MISS STONE POSTPONED TO THURSDAY

New York, Aug. 9.—The case of Miss Olivia Stone, Cincinnati nurse charged with killing Ellis G. Kinkhead, former Cincinnati corporation counsel, was today postponed until Thursday. Her counsel intimated that temporary insanity would be her plea, said she did not realize what she was doing that night and now weeps and moans in her cell.

## Fire Does Damage In Columbus, Georgia

Columbus, Ga., Aug. 9.—Fire here today caused damage estimated at \$200,000 in the Needham office building after threatening a block in the business district.

WANTED—HOUSEKEEPER, middle aged woman. Good home for right party. Apply to W. S. Cartwright, 208 Broad street.

## Reduce Personnel Of The Coast Guard

### Captain Crowley Received Orders Monday For the Transfer of Fifteen Men

Captain Ralph T. Crowley, of this city, superintendent of the Seventh District of the United States Coast Guard, received orders Monday to transfer fifteen men from the lower part of the district to the Ninth District, farther south. Captain Crowley states that this is but the first of a number of transfer orders that he will receive.

The transfer of these men is made necessary by the fact that the government appropriation for the Coast Guard this year is not sufficient to keep the service going at its present strength. The personnel of the Coast Guard must be reduced all along the line in the interest of governmental economy.

The 15 men to be transferred by this order will go from the southern end of the district, from Hatteras down to Cape Lookout. More will follow later.

Coast Guard Station No. 172, at Kitty Hawk, N. C., where the Wright Brothers conducted their first tests with heavier-than-air machines, has been practically abandoned, along with other life-saving establishments, because of lack of funds.

Four stations in the local district, two of them, Nos. 167 and 169, between Virginia Beach and Kitty Hawk and the other, No. 185, which is below Hatteras, are now closed. At each only a caretaker is left.

The practical abandonment of the Coast Guard Air Station at Morehead City, N. C., is under way. Six planes, and sufficient personnel to keep them in up-to-the-minute condition, had been maintained. Now all are laid up and only one pilot and a few enlisted men, sufficient to care for the station, remain. Two sub chasers, the Mehalathos and Johansson, formerly attached to the air station, passed through Norfolk yesterday en route to Baltimore, where they will be laid up.

Kitty Hawk, though situated on a narrow sand spit inaccessible and barren, was, for a time, one of the best known spots in America. It was there that Wilbur and Orville Wright, regarded in their home town, Dayton, Ohio, where they ran a bicycle repair shop, as a little light in the head, sought to hide their folly from the world. Out of the glider experiments conducted on the sand dunes near the life saving station, where they lived, was born the aeroplane of today.

## Kills Girl And Self While In Jealous Rage

Onelda, N. Y., Aug. 9.—Frank Sager today shot and killed Miss Pearl Hook and seriously wounded her sister, then committed suicide while in a jealous rage.

## LENINE APPEALS TO INDUSTRIAL WORKERS

New York, Aug. 9.—Premier Lenine has issued an appeal for famine aid. His appeal is addressed to the "toiling industrial workers and agriculturists of all countries," says a Russian cable.

## Arrest Ball Pitcher For Tmbezzlement

Sherburne, Minn., Aug. 9.—F. R. Frenick, baseball pitcher, former bookkeeper, is returning to Kansas City today with detectives. He is charged with embezzlement of \$150,000 from Armour & Company.

#### JENNINGS-TAYLOR

Linwood Earl Jennings and Miss Elvira Christian Taylor, both of this city, were married Tuesday morning at 6:20 o'clock by Rev. H. K. Williams at his home on West Main street. The couple was accompanied by Miss Augusta Sample. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings left on the early morning train for a bridal trip through Virginia. Upon their return they will make their home here. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Jennings, of Euclid Heights, and the bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Taylor, of this city.

#### CALL MEETING WEDNESDAY

The Parsonage Society of City Road church will hold a call meeting in the annex after prayer meeting Wednesday night. A full attendance is desired.

## DONOVAN MUST EXPLAIN

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 9.—Will Bill Donovan can no longer act as manager of the Philadelphia Nationals unless he explains the letter written to Judge Landis, the club president announced today.

## BOTTOM DISCLOSES NO TRACE CRIME

### Old Rock Quarry In East Raleigh Gives Up Only Mud And Scrap Iron

Raleigh, Aug. 9.—The work of draining Cemetery Lake, the State's old rock quarry in East Raleigh, was virtually completed today without disclosing any "evidence of crime" which prompted the State Buildings and Ground Committee to authorize the work begun a week ago.

The seven million gallons of water in the lake, the accumulation of years, has been pumped out by gasoline engines during the last week. Hopes that drainage of the lake would reveal clues which might lead to arrests were blasted when only mud, trash and scrap iron were uncovered.

## Currituck Sweets Need Rain Badly

### Crop Yield Believed Greatly Reduced By Continued Dry Weather During Growing Season

Rain is badly needed in Currituck County. As the result of continued dry weather, the sweet potato crop of the County is seriously reduced, according to C. H. Brock, treasurer and purchasing agent of the North River Line, who spent Monday in the sweet potato country. Mr. Brock declares that the stock shows some improvement over that shipped early in the season, but it is not as good as it should be, on account of the lack of rain.

Ninety per cent of the Currituck sweet potato crop is being sold to buyers at the wharves. On Monday \$4.50 to \$5 a barrel was paid for No. 1 sweets f. o. b. the shipping points at Jarvisburg, Barnetts Creek and Powell's Point.

North River Line officials report daily consignments averaging 3,500 barrels for the week past. The season's shipments to Tuesday reached a total of 25,000 barrels, indicating that probably one-fifth of the crop has already been shipped.

Heavier shipments are expected to begin the middle to the last of the present week, and increases will be noted until the peak of the crop is reached, some time before the end of August. The North River Line steamer Appomattox has been overhauled, and will be placed in the sweet potato service Tuesday night.

## TO INVESTIGATE TOBACCO PRICES

Washington, Aug. 9.—The Federal Trade Commission was directed under a resolution adopted by the Senate today to investigate tobacco trade conditions including prices to producers and consumers. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, author of the resolution, said that there is no market for tobacco and the farmers are using tobacco for fertilizer, but prices of cigars and cigarettes are still at the war time peak.

## Frank White Held For Higher Court

### Young Negro Charged With Entering Home of Elbert Spence and Stealing Watch

Charged with entering the home of Elbert Spence on McPherson street, Saturday afternoon between five and six o'clock, and stealing a watch and chain belonging to Mr. Spence's son, Davis, Frank White, colored, was bound over to Superior Court under a \$300 bond in recorder's court here Tuesday morning. Doc Lamb, also colored, was dismissed for lack of sufficient evidence to connect him with the crime.

The robbery is alleged to have occurred at a time when nobody was in the Spence home. A colored girl who went there for the laundry saw two young negroes leave the house, and the arrest of White and Lamb was the result.

Ed Wilson, colored, was placed under a bond of \$150 for his appearance at the next term of Superior Court on a charge of obtaining goods under false pretense.