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CHARGES TREES TAKEN WITHOUT HER PERMISSION

Plaintiff Makes Conditions Upon Which She Will Withdraw Suit

What to do about the matter of the trees being taken from the land of Mrs. Allie Newberry Moore to be used on the streets in Plymouth for beautification purposes is a problem that the City Council is now worrying over.

Mrs. Newberry found that some trees had been taken from the forests on her land now occupied by Hezekiah Blount for the purpose of transplanting on the streets here. The welfare folk are alleged to have taken the trees after Mr. Blount, who resides on the farm, had given his consent. Mrs. Moore resented the failure to ask her permission.

The city clerk was asked to write Mrs. Moore that they did not wish a suit on this matter, as she seems to have laid the blame at the door of the city council, alleging that it was a "case of gross carelessness" on the part of the town to allow the city employees to take these trees from her woods without her consent.

Not only did City Clerk Spruill write to Mrs. Moore in an effort to dissuade her in her apparent decision to sue the town on this matter, but it is understood that Welfare Worker W. C. Brewer made a trip to see Mrs. Moore in order to settle the matter.

The town was courteous in all its dealings, and in reply Mrs. Moore makes this proposition: She asks that the town pay \$5 a year for 10 consecutive years for a medal to be given to the students in the graduating class of the Plymouth High School who makes the highest average for the four years of high school, to be presented at the time that the diplomas and other awards are distributed. The medal is to be known as the A. J. Newberry Memorial Award.

Mrs. Moore was plain in the fact that if the town would do this she would not prosecute the case further; if not, then she would have the privilege of reopening the case at her discretion. The officials are not expected to act on the matter except to treat further with Mrs. Moore.

E. A. CARTER, 89, DIES WEDNESDAY

Funeral Is Held Thursday Afternoon by Pastor of Baptist Church

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon for Ephraim Arnold Carter, 89 years of age, who succumbed Wednesday morning to an attack of a chronic illness that was aggravated by the infirmities of old age. Rev. Dick Lucas, pastor of the Baptist church here, officiated.

A large crowd gathered at the residence of the deceased on Main Street here for the final rites and they rode to the Skimmersville section in the procession where the remains of the aged man were deposited in the soil of his adopted section. A large floral offering was contributed by friends.

Active pall bearers were F. M. Hodges, W. R. Hampton, C. J. Norman, Abe Adler, Joe Reid, J. W. Cooper, Honorary pall bearers were: Z. V. Norman, A. L. Owens, J. S. Norman, E. L. Owens, Colon Gurkin, and J. W. Norman. Surviving is a widow and several brothers in Albemarle.

Mr. Carter came to this place years ago from Stanly County, the place of his birth. For a number of years he was a salesman, selling for many years a brand of horsewhips in the days of the mare and buggy. He had been married four times.

Draw List of Jurors for Next Term of Court

Jurors for the mixed term of the Washington County Superior Court, as drawn by the commissioners in session here Monday, follow:

Plymouth: T. S. Lucas, W. C. Jones, J. B. Oliver, J. W. Jackson, Gordon Norman, Marion Ramsey, W. L. Mayo, N. H. Harrison, W. T. Stillman, Garnery Bateman, B. O. Bishop, John H. Allen, and A. L. Alexander.

Lees Mills: C. F. Wilson, Forest Williams, L. S. Bray, Joe Nowarah, C. E. Mizelle, W. C. Spruill, W. T. Spruill, H. W. Tarkenton and W. L. Ferrebee.

Scuppernon: S. McCoy Davenport, J. E. Nooney, P. B. Belanga, U. G. Davenport, A. S. Holmes, D. C. Oliver, A. J. Spear, W. A. Davenport, Z. H. Phillips, and E. F. Swain.

Skimmersville: Ira Alligood, W. M. Sawyer, W. W. White, and Asa W. Barber.

Washington County Allotted \$2,190 Relief Fund for June

Washington County will be allotted \$2,190 of Federal relief funds for June it was announced today by the Governor's office on relief through Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brewer, welfare workers. It is thought that the relief needs for June will be 20 per cent less than for May.

This amount will be sent to Treasurer E. G. Arps in four installments, beginning this week. The total requested for the month was reduced about 13 per cent in the grant awarded. It is anticipated that this amount will be necessary for relief needs.

INVITE YOUNG DEMOCRATS TO STATE MEETING

Convention Not Called for Discussion Repeal of 18th Amendment

Members of the Washington County unit of the North Carolina clubs of young Democrats are invited to attend the annual convention of the organization that will be held at Wrightsville Beach, near Wilmington, July 8, according to a letter received here by J. Dewey Dorsett, president.

In the letter Mr. Dorsett made it plain that contrary to newspaper reports the convention has not been called for the purpose of taking any action one way or another concerning the repeal of the eighteenth amendment. It was further pointed out that because Senator Robert R. Reynolds was invited as a guest speaker that some thought the prohibition repeal matter would be acted upon.

Also on the program will be Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, who has already agreed to attend the meeting and make a speech to the group that will assemble to hear democracy's leader in North Carolina. These two leaders will speak on the current party problems and it is expected that the repeal of the eighteenth amendment will be mentioned.

Mr. Dorsett points out that it will be the privilege of the assembled young partisans to take such action about prohibition or any other proposition as they see fit.

AN INCREASE IN BUSINESS NOTED

Reports Indicate Period of Extreme Gravity Is Behind Us

Washington, May 21.—In the reopening of banks at the rate of 125 weekly Jesse H. Jones, chairman of the Reconstruction corporation, today saw an indication that credit for business is being diverted into more normal channels and the flow increasing.

Pouring of money by the corporation into business has decreased materially, Jones said in a statement. He added that re-payments to the corporation are increasing.

Farmers and livestock men, who borrowed through the corporation's regional agricultural corporations, were described by Jones as re-paying loans at the rate of \$100,000 a day. They obtained \$130,000,000 in seven months, he said, and have paid back \$7,500,000.

Banks and other borrowers, who received more than a billion and a half, have re-paid \$500,000,000 he added.

"The advance toward national recovery, of which there has been a decided evidence now for a period of two months," Jones said "is supported by information reaching the Reconstruction Finance corporation. Two essential elements on which this statement is based are the decrease in the number of applications which the corporation is receiving for loans to banks and the rate of liquidation on loans outstanding.

"Reports to Washington from the loan agencies throughout the country substantiate both of these conclusions, a clear indication that the period of extreme gravity is behind us."

Caswell Tobacco Farmers Mixing Own Fertilizers

Caswell County tobacco growers say they are saving money by buying their fertilizer materials for cash and mixing the desired formulas at home.

NUMBER OTHER MATTERS TAKEN UP BY COUNCIL

Lease Old Municipal Plant To W. R. Hampton for Tomato Cannery

Efforts to have the dogs in the town of Plymouth incarcerated in order to minimize the hazard of stray dogs becoming afflicted with rabies and spread the dreaded malady among other canines and then to humans are being made by the City Council, which on Monday night instructed the city attorney, Z. V. Norman, to draw up such an ordinance.

The people in this town have long been dreading the hot weather, which sometimes drives dogs mad and then they transmit the hydrophobia to people. So many dogs have heretofore been running at large but they are not to be on the streets again unless they are with their owners. A number have been shot by policemen.

In addition to this the city officials instructed Zeb Vance Norman to draw up a lease between the town and W. R. Hampton, who made application to rent the old municipal ice plant. He wants to can tomatoes in this building, and he said that sewage disposal arrangements that he would make would prevent any offensive odor from the plant.

Mr. Hampton is to get the use of the building for the first year for a rental of \$10 and the next two years for \$125 each. Mr. Hampton will have an expense of almost \$1,000 in preparing the place for his work and for arranging the machinery. He will employ as many here as in Roper which was about 65 women and 25 men during the tomato season.

No action was taken on the petition by O. H. Lyon and J. H. Jackson for license to sell beer, nor did the officials decide on renewing the bond of L. W. Gurkins for \$500 as treasurer of the firemen's fund. This was not taken up on account of the pressure of other business. The council rejected an offer of \$50 for old ice equipment made by R. A. Dudley, of Belhaven.

Williams and Wall, auditing firm of Raleigh, were awarded the contract for auditing the town's books for the year ending June 30, 1933, with the understanding that Mr. Williams was to do the work on account of the unpleasantness with Mr. Wall on a previous occasion. His charge can not exceed \$125. There were four reputable accounting firms who underbid this firm.

The entire town staff was re-employed for the next two years, or for as long as they are needed at about the same salaries. P. W. Brown, chief of police, \$150 a month; M. W. Spruill, clerk, \$75 a month; with Mr. Coffield continuing as night pump man and George W. Coburn as night policeman. The entire personnel is expected to stand as it is now.

Mount Tabor Man Dies Suddenly Wednesday

Mount Tabor.—Jim Ambrose, 69, a well-known man of this section, died suddenly Wednesday afternoon of last week. He was shaving when he first complained. He went out of doors and came back, dying immediately.

He was a member of the Mount Tabor Free Will Baptist church and was a very active member.

His funeral was conducted by Rev. Ernest Poston, of Columbia, at Mount Tabor church, after which he was buried in the church cemetery.

Active pall-bearers were nephews of the deceased and flower girls were his grandchildren.

He is survived by a wife and two children, Isaac Ambrose, of Portsmouth, Va., and Mrs. Linwood Bateman, of Creswell.

Ask Funds for Celebrating Fiftieth Year of Diocese

Letters are being received in Plymouth by the members of the Grace Episcopal church parish asking that they contribute something on a campaign for funds that is being inaugurated as a celebration of the 50th year of the Diocese of East Carolina.

This letter is coming from Bishop Thomas C. Darst himself, who is asking that the parishioners help in this matter so that they can start their second half of the century with hope and confidence. A debt has been incurred by it in order to maintain missionary work at home and abroad.

BASEBALL SIDELIGHTS

Slim Gardner hurled good ball for Plymouth as the locals defeated Hertford at Hertford last Thursday afternoon, 11 to 1. The boys here soon got on to the deliveries of Bill Small, and then they began to pound the ball all over the lot with Tex Edens smashing out four safeties. Van Horn relieved Gardner in the seventh to get a warming up.

The ninth straight victory for Plymouth in as many starts was chalked up here Friday when Walter Davis held the Belhaven boys to two hits as his mates hopped on four visiting hurlers for enough hits to count 11 runs to 1 tally for the visitors. All of the locals were hitting and the visitors could not solve the hurling of Davis and Cavanaugh.

Plymouth played Ashokic to a 9 to 9 tie last Saturday afternoon in the Hertford County town before a large crowd of fans. Country Davis and John White hit homes for Ashokic with no one on base, while Van Horn blasted out a four-bagger in the ninth with Furches on base to tie the count. Gardner finished the game for Plymouth after Van Horn had been moved to first base in the fifth inning.

Again on Tuesday Plymouth continued its winning streak to 10 games as the boys beat down the stubborn opposition of Belhaven and then submerging them 11 to 4. Most all of the players secured a hit with Van Horn annexing two safeties. Mizelle and Van Horn and Chappell provided the comedy with their antics in the field.

Efforts are being made to get some team for Friday, June 9. Edenton, Albemarle League club, will play here Sunday, June 11 at 3 o'clock, the game being called early so the boys can catch the ferry.

June 10: Plymouth at Windsor.

June 12, Monday: Windsor at Plymouth.

June 14: Norfolk police at Plymouth, (tentative).

Grimesland snapped the winning streak of Plymouth here Wednesday afternoon before a half-holiday crowd by letting the locals down with only a single tally to win, 8 to 1. Page for Grimesland was almost invincible. Gardner allowed the visitors 14 hits in a poorly pitched game. This was the first loss in 12 games. Van Horn got two hits for Plymouth.

PLAN TO HOLD HEARINGS ON NEW FARM ACT

Suggestions and Recommendations To Be Given Careful Study

Hearings at which producers, processors, distributors, and consumers of farm products will be represented, will be one of the first steps in administering the emergency agricultural adjustment program.

Before the Secretary of Agriculture, under the powers conferred upon him by the act, issues any regulations, he will consult the groups concerned, says Dean I. O. Schaub of State College. The Secretary will obtain suggestions and recommendations on such points as: Should production or acreage control be undertaken on a given commodity? If so, what proportion of reduction should be made? What method would best accomplish the reduction? Should a processing tax be levied on the commodity? If so, how much should the tax be? What could be accomplished for the commodity by trade agreements?

While the act was before Congress, Secretary Wallace in discussing it said, "The philosophy of this bill, as I see it, is to enable producers and processors to work together in bringing order to the present chaos. They are given the opportunity to work together to make adjustments in production and prices that are fair to the producer, harm no legitimate interest of the processors, and maintain the just interest of the consumer."

Mr. Schaub says hearings are necessary for each commodity because the program must be applied differently to different products. A method that might successfully regulate production and increase the price of wheat might not accomplish the same purposes for cotton or hogs. The individual characteristics and needs of the different commodity groups must be considered in choosing methods and in applying them.

Thomas J. Shields, the Adams (Ind.) man, who, when in poor health 20 years ago made his own burial casket, recently celebrated the 100 anniversary of his birth.

TOWN SCHOOLS ARE NOW PART COUNTY SYSTEM

Plymouth System Will Be Operated Same as Other Schools in County

The Plymouth city schools are now in the Washington County system, and will be operated for the regulation term by state support for the 1933-34 term the same as any other school in this county, as the Plymouth officials did not ask for a renewal of their charter for the ensuing term.

However, this will mean little or no change in the operation of the city schools for this term. It is understood that E. H. Hicks will be continued as principal of the town school and will have almost the same responsibilities as heretofore except that his authority in the business administration of the affairs of the school may be limited.

Following on the heels of the above developments the Wenona and Plymouth school districts have been consolidated. J. L. Rea, Jr., of Wenona, was added to the local board with the following other members who have been reappointed according to the demands of the state: Z. V. Norman, L. W. Gurkin, E. L. Owens, and J. S. Norman.

The Roper district remains as before with the same group of committeemen, including R. C. Peacock, R. H. Chesson, J. W. Marrow, J. A. Cheson, and R. L. Stillman. Chery and Creswell districts have been consolidated but no committeemen have been appointed as yet.

It was decided by the county board of education in session here Monday to also ask the State and National governments for their contributions to the support of the vocational agricultural departments in the Roper and Creswell schools. It was reported at one time that the Federal government would withdraw financial support of these two services.

The money that has been accumulated through economy in the administration of the different funds will be used to purchase a new school bus. The state, it seems, has agreed to this disposal of the money. This will mean that the fleet of trucks operated by the school system will not be increased but that this new truck will replace an old one.

"Convenient" Ticket To World Fair Now on Sale

Under a working agreement with the American Express Company a person can purchase a "visit" to the World's Fair in Chicago from W. C. Jones at the Norfolk Southern Railroad Company station. This plan is unique and promises to be one of the greatest cooperative movements ever fostered by the country's great railroad systems.

With the railroad ticket the purchaser can buy additional coupons to his railroad ticket, taxi ride from the Chicago terminal to his hotel reservation in advance, coveted souvenir general admission ticket to the exposition, including admission to Fort Dearborn and a sightseeing trip around Chicago.

Former Postmaster To Open Beer Shop Here

A new store will be opened in Plymouth Saturday when A. L. Alexander, former postmaster, opens a beer shop on Washington Street next to Terry's place. He will sell draught and bottle beer and probably carry other articles.

Snake Is Found Coiled Up In Window During Service

Rock Hill, S. C.—Preaching a sermon while realizing that a huge snake was coiled a few feet away is the unique experience of the Rev. A. H. Key, pastor of the Bethel Presbyterian Church.

Just as he began the services, the pastor noted the snake lying on a window sill just back of the pulpit. Fearing his congregation would be panicked by a sudden announcement of the snake's presence, he calmly proceeded with the full hour's service although he was admittedly frightened.

When the services were over and the congregation had departed, the pastor killed the snake with a poker.

Forest in Town De trays All Municipal Expenses

Not only does the town forest of Ebern, Germany, pay so well that no taxes are collected for operating the town, but, in addition, the forest provides a load of wood to each household and 60 marks annual dividend.

Three Negroes Die In Auto Smash-Up

FUNERAL HELD SUNDAY FOR G. F. WOODLEY

Died at His Home In The Newlands Section Saturday

Creswell.—Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for C. Franklin Woodley, who died at his home near here in the Newlands section Saturday morning as the result of a chronic stomach trouble that seized him a week before his demise. He was 78 years of age and was well known and well liked in this community.

A crowd of people gathered at his residence where the funeral rites were held. Interment took place in a burying ground on the farm on which he was born and reared and where he had been living all his life. Rev. Roy Respass, pastor of the Philippi Christian church, of which he was a member, officiated. A beautiful floral offering was presented.

A group of six grandsons served as active pall-bearers, while a number of grand-daughters were flower girls. Mr. Woodley was well known in this section, although he had never served in public office he enjoyed the confidence of the people with whom he had business connections. He was married years ago and to this union were born 10 children.

Surviving the deceased is a widow and the following children: Messdames W. S. Ainsley, M. Sawyer, A. W. Davenport, W. C. Spruill, and E. F. Spruill, all of the Creswell vicinity; G. D. Woodley, Angier; Mrs. W. C. Davis, Virginia Beach; Mrs. W. H. Creech, Princeton; Mrs. Duke Poole, Clayton; and W. L. Woodley, Raleigh.

JUNE 10 IS FINAL DAY FOR LISTING

Commissioners Order The Removal of All Slot Machines in County

The Washington County commissioners decided in a meeting here Monday to extend the time for listing taxes for one day and set Saturday, June 10, as the last day for the listing of delinquent taxes. All failing to list before now will be advised by card of the continuance of the opportunity. It was also decided to allow the tax listers \$3 per day.

The commissioners also decided to remove the slot machines in the county. The officers are to notify those who have machines in their places and they are to have them taken out. If any person should replace them after they are first taken out then the machines shall be confiscated.

It was also decided to buy a steam pressure cooker and sealer to be used by Miss Eugenia Patterson in the home demonstration work in the county. The matter of W. T. Phelps, who was heard on his tax listing for 1932, and who failed to list certain money in the bank was continued until the third Monday in June, at which time a special meeting of the commissioners will be held.

Farmers Convention To Be Held in Raleigh July 24-29

The 31st annual gathering of the North Carolina State Farmers' Convention will be held this year at State College in Raleigh during farm and home week, July 24 to 29, inclusive, according to an announcement made today by Eugenia Patterson, home demonstration agent of Washington County.

Miss Patterson was eager for the announcement to be made now so that those who wished to go may know the date and begin to prepare now to attend this gathering of farm folk. A number of important persons will lecture and speak and a good time is expected by all who will attend.

Entertainment Scheduled At Scuppernon Friday

Scuppernon.—The ladies' aid society of Scuppernon Christian church will give an entertainment Friday night, June 9, on the church lawn, beginning at 8 o'clock. Several interesting things will be featured. The ladies will serve refreshments. The public is invited to come.

SEVERAL OTHERS SERIOUSLY HURT TUESDAY NIGHT

Jimmy Roughton, of Columbia, Put Under \$2,500 Bond at Hearing

Jimmy Roughton, of Columbia, was released under a \$2,500 bond yesterday as the result of charges preferred against him as the outcome of a motor vehicle accident that occurred on the highway near Creswell Tuesday night, when three negroes were fatally injured and several others were seriously hurt.

A truck that Mr. Roughton was driving in some way struck the rear of a truck operated by a Mr. Sikes, who was bringing home to Washington and Martin Counties negroes who had been working that day in the potato fields of Tyrrell county.

Mr. Roughton is charged in the warrant issued for his arrest with driving an automobile with improper lights and with reckless driving and for causing the death of the three negroes and injury to several others. He posted the bond in a preliminary hearing before Magistrate John W. Darden.

Two of the negroes who were riding in the Sikes truck died in a Columbia hospital, while a third succumbed in a Washington hospital, where they were rushed for treatment. Two or more of the negroes may have to have their legs amputated on account of the fear of complications arising from the shattering of the limbs.

As usual, the negroes were riding with their legs hanging down from the side of the truck, and the driver of the truck, through some peculiar maneuver permitted his truck to sidewise the one in which the negroes were riding, thus shattering and crushing the legs that were hanging down out of the truck on that side.

LESS TOBACCO ON HAND APRIL 1 1933 THAN YEAR AGO

Tobacco Stocks This Year Are Less by 95,857,000 Pounds Report Shows

Stocks of leaf tobacco in the United States owned by dealers and manufacturers amounted to 2,277,904,000 pounds on April 1, 1933, compared with 2,373,761,000 pounds on April 1, 1932. This is a decrease in the total stocks of 95,857,000 pounds under the stocks of a year ago April 1. From January 1, 1933, to April 1, 1933, total stocks increased 133,171,000 pounds. The increase during the first quarter of 1932 amounted to 360,981,000 pounds.

Stocks of fire-cured tobacco on hand April 1, 1933, amounted to 680,280,000 pounds, compared with 845,642,000 pounds on April 1, 1932. During the first quarter of 1933 fire-cured stocks decreased 89,217,000 pounds, compared with a decrease of only 47,456,000 pounds during the first quarter of 1932.

Stocks of fire-cured tobacco were reported as 242,389,000 pounds on April 1, 1933, compared with 201,424,000 pounds on April 1, 1932, an increase of 40,965,000 pounds. Virginia fire-cured, type 21, reported as 35,820,000 pounds, shows a decrease of about 5,000,000 pounds under stocks of a year ago April 1, but types 22 and 23 show increases of 18,000,000 and 14,000,000 respectively. Type 24 also show considerable increase. Kentucky and Tennessee, types 22 and 23 combined, show total stocks on April 1, of 198,234,000 pounds.

Burley tobacco stocks totaled 744,164,000 pounds on April 1, or about 41,000,000 pounds higher than a year ago. Burley stocks increased about 124 millions pounds during the first quarter of 1933, compared with an increase of 212,000,000 pounds during the same period of 1932.

J. W. Darden To Address Chapel Hill Lodge Sunday

John W. Darden will speak at the Charitable Brotherhood Lodge Sunday evening at 7:30. Music will be a feature of the services. These services generally attract a large crowd, and Mr. Darden is reputed to be a good speaker and those in the Chapel Hill section are urged to attend.

The University of California has a rabbit born without ears, but perfectly normal in every other respect.