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BILLS PASSED BY REPRESENTATIVE McDEVITT

Copies of Bills passed in the last General Assembly by Representative McDevitt. Others will appear weekly until they are all printed in full in this newspaper.

H. B. 271

S. B. 300

An Act to Amend Chapter 332, Public Local Laws of North Carolina, Session 1921, Relative to the Special Road Tax for the County of Madison Collected by the County in the Incorporated Towns of Said County.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Strike out the word "one-half" in the second line of section one of said act and insert in lieu thereof the word "all." Strike out in said section one in line three counting up the word "twice."

Sec. 2. That this act shall apply to the incorporated towns of said county for the taxable year nineteen twenty-six and seven which have levied the tax for road and street purposes equal to the amount of special road tax levied by the said county and the said act shall be in force and applicable to the said incorporated towns perpetually and is not intended to embrace only the year nineteen twenty-six and seven.

Sec. 3. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this 15th day of February, 1927.

J. ELMER LONG,
President of the Senate

R. T. FOUNTAIN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Examined and found correct,
BROWN, For Committee.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Department of State.

I, W. N. EVERETT, Secretary of State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the foregoing and attached (one sheet) to be a true copy from the records of this office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

Done in office at Raleigh, this twenty-fifth day of February in the year of our Lord 1927.

W. N. EVERETT,
Secretary of State.

(The above bill is simply an amendment to a bill that was passed when Mr. J. A. Hendricks was in the Legislature.

As now worded it now provides that when the road tax rate in an incorporated town in Madison County equals or exceeds the road rate levied by the County all the tax money raised by said town may be used on its streets or roads. It affects Mars Hill, Hot Springs and Marshall.

AMERICAN FOREST WEEK

President Coolidge has proclaimed the week of April 24-30 as American Forest Week, to be given over to a nationwide effort to stimulate the United States to give thought to the protection and development of their forest lands.

MASS MEETING

BIG TICKET PUT OUT TO BE VOTED ON MAY 3

A Mass Meeting was held at the Courthouse Thursday evening at 7:00 o'clock for the purpose of nominating a ticket of officers for the Town of Marshall. The meeting was very well attended considering the rainy weather and the fact that an entertainment at the school was to follow at eight o'clock. Several ladies were present. The meeting was called to order by Mayor C. B. Mashburn, who announced the purpose of the meeting—to nominate a mayor and three aldermen. On motion Mr. Roy Gudger was elected chairman of the meeting by acclamation. H. L. Story was elected secretary of the meeting. Nominations for mayor were then called for. Mr. J. A. Hendricks in nominating C. B. Mashburn for mayor, declared that it would not be wise to "swap horses in the middle of the stream." Marshall had made considerable progress in the last few years. He mentioned the water, the extension of water, and light lines, paving etc., as evidence of progress.

Mr. Nat Holcombe nominated Carl Stuart, Pete Haynie nominated Grover Redmon, Guy V. Roberts nominated Herschel Sprinkle.

By motion nominations were closed. All these four and any others who wish to run are to be put on tickets.

The meeting then proceeded with nominations for aldermen. The result was that the following were nominated:

Dr. Frank Roberts,
C. L. Rudisill,
Mack Sprinkle,
F. E. Freeman,
R. N. Ramsey,
Claude Sawyer,
Mrs. E. R. Tweed,
E. R. Tweed,
Guy V. Roberts,
W. A. West.

Carried that nominations for aldermen be closed.

The meeting ruled that in the election the highest vote would mean election.

DATE NEXT SUNDAY

FOR ERWIN CHOIR

BROADCAST

An error was made in our issue last week as to the date for the Erwin Presbyterian church choir to broadcast. Instead of last Sunday, it is to be next Sunday, from 4 to 5 o'clock. Listen in.

DATE FOR HOLDING CRIMINAL

TERM OF UNITED STATES

COURT CHANGED

Word has just been received from J. Y. Jordan, Clerk of the United States District Court at Asheville, to the effect that the regular term having heretofore been held on the first Monday in May and November has been changed to the Second Monday in May and November and the May Term will be held on Monday, May the 9th, and only jail cases will be tried. All defendants under bond will not be tried until the November Term, therefore only witnesses before the Grand Jury and for defendants now in jail will be expected to attend this term. United States Commissioners are not required to be in attendance.

FOR POLICEMAN

POLICY OF ELIHU F. RECTOR FOR POLICEMAN:

If elected, I shall at all times stand for clean city government and impartial enforcement of its laws. I shall do my part to prohibit lawlessness of all kinds and under no circumstances will I tolerate or compromise with anything that is a violation of the law.

Your vote will be highly appreciated.

Yours for the best interest of Marshall,

ELIHU F. RECTOR.

FOR MAYOR

TO THE VOTERS OF MARSHALL:

As I was nominated at the Mass Meeting,

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Mayor of the town of Marshall.

If elected I will execute the duties of said office to the best of my ability and according to law. Will appreciate your vote.

Respectfully yours,

GROVER C. REDMON.

ELECTROCUTION OF BACTERIA PURIFIES DRINKING WATER

Electrocution of injurious bacteria in drinking water and sewage, instead of killing the pests by chlorine and phenol treatments, has been recommended by employees of the Cleveland water bureau, says the North and South Carolina Public Utility Information Bureau.

The method consists of sending a direct current and high-frequency alternating charges through the settling basins by means of special new electrodes. Tests have shown that Lake Erie water thus treated was freed of bacteria and sterilized. Ninety-nine percent of all bacteria in sewage is said to have been destroyed.

—Public Service.

ELISHA RICE IN JAIL

Wounded His Wife and Threatened To Kill Her

Elisha Rice of near the Walnut Creek section wounded his wife last Sunday afternoon about three o'clock in what was believed to be an attempt to kill her. In a drunken rage he made quite a wound on her face with the muzzle of his revolver. The wound was treated by Dr. Moore and Rice was placed in jail, not allowed to give bond for the reason that he had threatened to kill his wife.

It is said he had loaded the pistol to complete the job when he was arrested. It was at first reported that he had shot his wife, but that report was afterward contradicted.

Rice is a man upwards of 50 years old and his wife is near the same age. They have ten living children and are said to have gotten on all right together apparently until the last month or two, when she left him on account of his drinking and cruel treatment. It seems however, that she had gone back to him when this affair took place Sunday.

Sheriff Ramsey was out of town when the affair was reported and Mr. E. M. Randall, the present jailor, together with Messrs. Troy Rector and Claude Henderson, law enforcement officers, deputized Ex-Sheriff William C. Rector to go with them to make the arrest. It is said that Ex-Sheriff Rector actually did the arresting.

The woman's wound is not serious.

THE ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC TO MEET

Mr. H. L. Story, Editor The News-Record, Marshall, N. C.

Dear Sir:

The orthopaedic clinic held each month in the Biltmore Hospital and sponsored by the Rotary Club of Asheville will meet again on Saturday April 23rd.

We should greatly appreciate your announcing the April meeting in the next issue of your paper.

Yours very truly,

H. L. STANTON,

Supervisor, Vocational Rehabilitation

UNAWFUL TO FISH WITH TRAP OR NET IN FRENCH BROAD AND TRIBUTARIES

According to rules, and regulations passed by the Fisheries Commission Board Aug. 17, 1926, "It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to set, fish with, use or place, or to have set, fished with, used or placed in, the following waters any kind of net or trap for the purpose of taking or killing fish; or to buy, sell, offer for sale or have in possession fish taken from the following waters except as herein provided: Here follows a list of the names of the streams which includes the French Broad River and its tributaries: Provided that fish may be taken with one pole and line or rod and reel with cluster hooks and fly rods. See C. M. GAGE, Fish Warden, for complete law.

DR. J. N. MOORE WITHDRAWS

Since announcing last week for Mayor of Marshall, I have decided to withdraw from the race.

J. N. MOORE.

LESS THAN ONE FARE FOR ROUND TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D. C.

Elsewhere will be found an advertisement of a popular excursion, via Southern Railway, to Washington, D. C. This is a fine opportunity to visit the capital city. Reduced rates are usually offered from other points to Washington, D. C. The Southern Railway is now offering reduced rates from Western North Carolina to other points. Now is the time to ride on the train and save gas and wear and tear of your car if you have one.

MONDAY'S STORM IN MARSHALL

MAIN STREET INUNDATED AND TRAFFIC BLOCKED

Perhaps the worst storm in the vicinity of Marshall since 1916 burst last Monday afternoon about four o'clock. It had been raining some before but a storm seemed to break about this over the town. It rained in torrents till the street near the station was 18 inches deep or more. Traffic was blocked for a time, the water being deep enough in the middle of the street to touch the hood of automobiles. The water rose to the second step of Mr. J. Morgan Ramsey's residence and damaged the lumber in his place of business on the other side of the street. The French Broad hotel was surrounded by water so that boarders there could not go or come with dry feet. Mr. Cecil Ramsey's car on the side of the hotel was in water up to the cushions and as the water rose in the basement of the hotel, the cry of some cats underneath added to the seriousness of the situation. Tourists passing through stopped and investigated carefully before starting through while others waited for the water to fall. In front of the Masonic Temple and the Baptist church the water broke through the church lot flooding the basement and washing the street full of dirt as high as the curbing and at one place almost as high as the top of the water hydrant.

Three or four trucks and quite a crew of men were kept busy Tuesday clearing the street of dirt and rubbish. The greatest hailstorm seen here by even the oldest citizens fell during this storm, many of the hail stones being an inch or more in diameter.

THE RURAL CHURCH

The country church is on the eve of a great transformation. Swift and easy transportation has changed the whole attitude of rural church life. Country churches within two miles of each other are unnecessary and unwise. Consolidation will be the word of the future. School consolidation has already changed the educational aspect. The same conditions will work the same changes in our country churches. Formerly the organization of a country church was an achievement that found its way into the newspapers; now the closing up of a country church in order to merge with its nearest neighbor means more for the kingdom than organizing a new one. Weak country churches with less prospect of growth than ever before are a liability to the denomination instead of an asset. The country church with once a month preaching will not do for the future. The hundred dollar pastor is passing out. He must mix preaching and plowing in order to make a living and that will not do for the new day. Besides, the church of today cannot live on wind. It takes money to run a church now and a church with preaching only once a month cannot raise money enough to raise its bills. But a half dozen of them combined can do the work all right, and with good roads and automobiles, a congregation can easily go fifteen miles to church, which it can negotiate in half

an hour. The merging of a half dozen churches furthermore, means the employment of a more efficient ministry. And that means much every way for the cause of the kingdom. We have perhaps, a thousand country churches (maybe more) which last year did not give a cent to the co-operative program. These churches have a name to live but they are dead as Hector. A combination of any half dozen of them would waken them to newness of life, and give them a vision that their blinded eyes never saw. Some day this fight will come to them. These thousand worthless churches should be reduced to 200, and the 200 would soon be doing as much as the thousand ever did. Consolidation is the word of the hour!

—Charity & Children.

GIVE THE FLOWERS NOW

We love the ones who give the roses now.

Wait not until death's dew is on the brow. Give while life's current is in the veins. Wait not till we hear the funeral strains.

Flowers and kindness, blessings kindly sent; Help not after death, though piled like a monument. Kindness means much to one in life's rugged strife. Nothing after one's crossed the stream of life.

Soon comrades will have passed eternity's door. And the heart of friendship beats no more. Give flowers while in life's forge of fire. Too late! Too late! to lay them on the bier.

When still in death our forms repose, We breathe no more the perfume of the rose. Too late for flowers when we sleep so still. Beneath the green mound on top of the hill!

AMMONS H. REESE,
Mars Hill, N. C.

WHY SHOULD THE CHRISTIAN SUFFER

Why should the christian suffer? You may ask, and the Apostle's answer:—"Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you." No true christian would expect to be without suffering or chastisement from the Lord, because these are evidences that he is a follower of Jesus and a Son of God. It is one of the ways in which the spirit of the Lord testifies to us that we are his. These sufferings of the christian come from various agencies. The christian by being misunderstood His motives are presumed to be wrong.

He is sometimes charged with sedition because he does not desire to join with people of the world in engaging in what is wrong, to destroy human lives; sometimes persecuted by false brethren, and sometimes by those who are ignorant. But all these afflictions he patiently endures, gladly. St. Paul probably suffered as much or more than any follower of Christ. He suffered shipwreck, imprisonment, his back was striped on three occasions at least, he was stoned and dragged out by the wayside and left for dead. When Jesus was in the earth he was despised and rejected of men. He was dishonored of men, and the christian need not expect only to be persecuted here on this earth. The time will come, as the Apostle declares, when every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

In Jesus' day the scribes and Pharisees and doctors of the law were all classed as the offspring of Satan, his seed and it has been true at all times that many who have pretended to be christians are really the seed of Satan and engage in persecuting others who love the Lord.

Why do they, then appear so mean? And why so much despised? Because of their rich robes, unclean. The world is not apprized.

By Mary L. Payne,
Marshall, N. C.

Many bell weavils have survived the winter, and there is no insurance that the pest will not do heavy damage this year.

Figs properly fed at the Blackland station should produce 2.50 pounds per fig per day.

DOUBLE FUNERAL AT MARSHALL THURSDAY

W. E. HENRY AND WIFE BURIED AT SAME TIME

The unusual occurred at Marshall Thursday morning when a man and his wife were both buried at the same time. Mr. Wm. Elbert Henry and his wife, whose home was a short way out of Marshall on the Walnut Creek road, were interred at Beard Hill Cemetery at ten o'clock Thursday morning, the service being conducted by Rev. H. L. Smith, assisted by Rev. Amos Griffin.

They leave three children, Elijah Henry and Misses Stella and Annie Henry.

Mr. Henry died Tuesday morning about 6:15 o'clock, after an illness of about one week with flu, followed by a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Henry would have been 73 if he had lived till June. He leaves two half-brothers Henry Surratt, of Union, S. C., and Obie Surratt of Sandy Mush. He also leaves one half-sister, Mrs. Addie King of Sandy Mush. Mr. Henry was at one time a Mason but due to age and poor health, had not attended recently.

Mrs. Henry died Wednesday about one o'clock P. M., after an illness of two weeks and five days of pleurisy following flu. She was 77 years old in last August. She is survived by one brother, Wesley Edmonds of Bull Creek, and one sister, Mrs. Hardy Fore, of Candler, N. C. Preparations had been made for the funeral of Mr. Henry Wednesday, when Mrs. Henry died. Hence his was postponed so they could be both interred in the same grave.

SCHOOLS CLOSING

The four high school in Madison County are all closing this week.

We would have been pleased to attend the exercises of each one but it was impossible as all happened at the same time. A rush of printing school closing programs and other rush work makes it inconvenient to attend any of the exercises and the paper may be late on account of it.

NEW SCHOOL HEAD IN MADISON

New Board of Education Changes County Superintendent of Schools

The new board of education composed of Messrs. Wiley M. Frisbee, chairman, Jasper Ebbs, Tom Ribbee, Fred Holcombe and Lee Ramsey met April 4 and elected Mr. Wiley Roberts as chairman of the board. On April 13, they met and elected Prof. C. M. Blankenship as County Superintendent of the schools in Madison County. Prof. Blankenship is well known in Marshall, having been head of the Marshall school, predecessor of Prof. Kanoy.

Supt. O. S. Dillard, who has been at the head of the schools in Madison County for the last two years, has accepted the principalship of the school at Leicester. The change becomes effective July 1.

SCHOOL COMMENCEMENTS NOW ON

The final exercises of the four high schools in Madison County are taking place this week. The girls' operetta—"Eeny-Meeny-Miney-Mo," was given at the school last night at 8:00 o'clock and was much enjoyed—the staging, costumes, and acting all being beautiful and well done. Despite the storm, quite a number attended. An elementary program will be given tonight free of charge. It is our custom to insert the programs of school entertainments in this paper, when the programs are printed by the News-Record, but if we were to print all these this week, we would hardly have room for any thing else, as all four schools closed the same week.

Pat: "Say, Jensen, why is a pancake like the sun?" Jensen: "Oy, but dot's a funny one. It's because it rises in der yeast and it sets behind der vest."

A maiden passed with silken hose, Well suited for display; A spinster puckered up her nose, And turned her head away.

The maiden went her way content, The men all stopped to stare; And then the spinster up and went, And bought herself a pair.

Sixty permanent pasture demonstrations have been started by farmers of Northampton County.

The cream station recently organized in Anson County by H. M. Bacon is selling about \$600 worth of cream each month.

Tarheel farmers are meeting competition in cotton growing from the south part by Anson's lower priced and lower standard of string.