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INJUNCTION AGAINST REPUBLICAN TAX LISTERS DISSOLVED BY JUDGE WARLICK

TAX LISTING CASE TO BE TAKEN TO N. CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Judge Warlick Declares Case Not so Easy To Decide

The case of an injunction being filed by the Democratic Tax Commission against the Republican tax listers reported in this paper in our issue of May 23 was heard by Judge Warlick last Friday afternoon at 2:-20. The Democratic organization was represented by Carl R. Stuart of Marshall and Lyle Jones of Asheville. The Republican organization was represented by Guy V. Roberts, John A. Hendricks, James Baley and Calvin R. Edney. The briefs were read at length by Mr. Stuart and answered by Mr. Baley. A more or less heated discussion then followed, Mr. Guy Roberts being called down by the Court for continuing what the Judge called a "political trick". The Judge declared that the matter would be decided by law and not by any speeches about Madison County politics. After hearing some of both sides of the question he said that it was a case for the Supreme Court. But he admitted that it was a case that could not be postponed, as it was necessary for the listing of property for taxes to go forward at once. He, therefore took citations by various lawyers and said he would give the case immediate and careful study and report his decision not later than Tuesday, June 4. And the above decision is the result of that study.

Car Strikes George Loyd

A car driven by a colored minister passng through Marshall accidentally struck "Uncle" George Loyd, somewhat injuring him. The driver stopped and rendered every assistance possible, submitted to officers and showed every desire to do the right thing. At the hearing Loyd said that the fault was his and not the driver's. Hence the minister was released and went on his way. He was to be commended for the spirit he showed.

Cross Rock School merged with Little Sandy Mush

Mr. Thomas C. Roberson, Superintendent of the schools of Buncombe County, met with the Madison County Board of Education Monday and these officials effected a merger of the Cross Rock school with the Little Sandy Mush school, making a two - teacher school at Little Sandy Mush. The children will be trucked from Cross Rock to Little Sandy Mush along with high school students who attend Big Sandy Mush and Leicester high schools.

RADIO TALK ON FEDERAL LOANS

The steps which the Federal Home Loan Bank Board is taking to relieve home mortgage distress, to encourage more liberal mortgage terms to home owners not in distress, and to insure the savings of investors held in private thrift and home financing institutons, will be discussed in a radio broadcast from Washington Thursday night over the red network of the National Broadcasting System at ten-thirty eastern standard time, by John H. Fahey, Chairman of that Board, under the auspices of the National Radio Form and the Washington Evening Star. Fahey will deal particularly with the new Federal Home Legislation enacted last week which authorized an additional Billion Seven Hundred Fifty Million Dollars for completion of the Mortgage Relief Work of the HOLC. according to T. C. Abernathy, North Carolina Manager of the HOLC, with headquarters at Salisbury.

If any person is interested in a loan they must file their application with Mr. Geo. D. Robertson, care HOLC, Asheville, N. C., before midnight of June 27th 1935. Any further information may be had by writing or calling Carl R. Stuart, local attorney located in Citizens Bank Building, Marshall, N. C.

Marshall School Committee Not Named

Those expecting the Marshall school committee to be named Monday will be interested to know that said committee has not yet been named.

Honoring Retiring R. F. F. D. Carrier, Rob't. Teagu[illegible]

A delightful [illegible] the local Postal [illegible] French Broad H[illegible] ing at 8:00 o'cl[illegible] Robert Teague [illegible] serv[illegible] thirty years as [illegible] rier has been retired.

After the din[illegible] McDevitt, postmast[illegible] each of those present to [illegible] words for their fellow car[illegible] responded, and expressed re[illegible] such a capable and fait[illegible] as Mr. Teague. Mr. Wi[illegible] made an interesting talk of the development of the present [illegible] and conditions. Mr. Tea[illegible] the talks with an interesting account of his experiences as a carrier. He told of the many hardships he had suffered, and the development of the roads.

Those e[illegible] occasion were: Mr. and M[illegible] Devitt, Mr. and Mrs. Robe[illegible] and Mrs. W. M. Worle[illegible] Smith, Mr. Homer Sam[illegible] Mr. [illegible] Eller, Mr. Roy R[illegible] West and Mr. Bob H[illegible]

MARS HILL

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

About all of the commencement activities have been fully covered in the Asheville daily papers, but it seems that special mention should be given the entertainment given on Thursday evening by the Expression and Music departments. This entertainment was presented in the form of a play, an original play, "Mountain Melodies", written by Nell Hartly of North Wilkesboro. The story of the play being a sequal to "A Good Bargain", which was presented earlier in the spring and bringing in the characters of this play, was especially interesting to those who had seen the first play. A number of characters gifted in music were brought into the play at the time of the weekly practice, presenting a number of interesting folk songs. Between songs the conversation of the older people brought out some reminiscences of particular interest. Among them was the history of the organ, bought by the old man while in the hospital. It seems he intended to celebrate with music when he returned. But the organ was shipped before he was able to leave the hospital and this caused confusion upon his return, because the big box which had been received the week previous had been thought to contain his dead body and had been buried as such.

Since the play represented a much earlier period, the costumes added interest too. Altogether it seemed to be one of he best entereainments that have ever been given by the two departments, the play giving an attraction to the music.

MANY COMING TO MARS HILL

Although summer school does not open until next week, many are already on the grounds. Several families are trying to get located for the summer or longer. Dean Tyner, of Meredith, came early in the week.

Among the new people at the Hill are Mr. and Mrs. Stout and children who are located at the Gibbs house, Mr. Stout being connected with the management of the CCC Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Coates have taken into their home for the summer a little girl from the Crossnore School, Margaret by name.

Ed Holcombe has been ill for several days with pneumonia.

Mr. Obie Jarvis has been in for several days with a severe cold.

One of the oldest members of the comunity, Mr. Briggs, father of Mr. J. G. Briggs, was confined to his bed last week, but is up and out again.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Poole, who have been located at Bath, N. C., came up for commencement, and Mrs. Poole will remain through the summer with her mother, Mrs. L. A. Bryan.

Mrs. Jud Edwards will leave the latter part of the week to visit her daughter in Florida for a few weeks.

Mrs. Dewey Blake and daughters are leaving Wednesday to visit relatives in Montgomery County.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Briggs spent Saturday night and Sunday here with relatives. Mrs. Glen Briggs returned with them to High Point for a visit.

Misses Vista Stines and Leta Beaman are visiting relatives in Marshall and Grape Vine this week. Miss Beaman, who has been in College here, will return next week to her home in Snow Hill.

Miss Velma Shaw, nurse in Washington, D. C., was a visitor here last week with her mother Mrs. Shaw in Spillman Home.

Decoration Next Sunday

The Decoration of the Mars Hill Cemetery is set for next Sunday afte noon at 4 o'clock. Let everybody [illegible] notice.

COUNTY AUDITOR REED REPLIES TO CHAIRMAN FARMER

In last week's News-Record Mr. Farmer states he could only surmise why I had printed the copy of a letter he received from Eyer & Company, New York. My reason for having the letter made public was to show that the present Board of Commissioners are neglecting the important duties of their office, and spending [illegible]ir time at small petty persecutions. [illegible] course I agree with Mr. Farmer [illegible]he condition existed before the [illegible] Board assumed office; does t[illegible]n that Mr. Farmer will take no a[illegible] on any matter that happened prio[illegible]o November, 1935? Since the present Board assumed office this particular Note has cost Madison County $450.00—Could any of this cost have been avoided? Most certainly, Yes! Here is how: County Commissioners could have borrowed $4,000.00 from local banks for sixty days at 6 percent. This would have cost only forty dollars. They could then have used this $4,000 to pay up our State loans, and the State would have released the $15,000., and the County would have saved $410.00.

Mr. Farmer tried to make it appear that Mr. McElroy, as County Attorney, was negligent in approving the present Re-imbursement Contract with the State—but this contract is identical to the ones that dozens of other Counties have; it is perfectly good; we will get our money on the date it is due, IF we pay the State of North Carolina what is due it—every one knows that when two parties, or two men, owe each other, either of them is entitled to an offset, or counter-claim, if both debts are past due. This is exactly what the State is doing. She says in simple language, pay us and we will pay you. I fail entirely to see the "raw deal" that it is claimed is beng handed us in this transaction.

Some folks are spreading the word that the Sinking Fund Commission ought to have paid part of this $130,000.00 out of the Sinking Funds. There has been no money placed in the Sinking Fund for these $130,000.00 in Notes, only enough was levied each year to pay what was due in that particular year. An attempt was made in 1932 to use Sinking Funds on this same Note. On March 17th, 1932 the Board of County Commissioners wrote the Attorney General as follows: Madison County has short term notes of $165,000.00 due on May 15th, 1932. The County Commissioners believing it will be almost impossible to sell bonds at this time to take up these notes, have therefore requested the Sinking Fund Commission of Madison County, who have charge of the Sinking Funds of the County, to apply certain funds now on hand to the dischange of these notes, or a certain part of same. The County Commissioners believe it to be to the best interests of the County to do this. Kindly let us hear from you at once.—Now why was this attempted when the Sinking Fund was levied solely for Term Bonds?

In answer to letter put out by the Commissioners May 13th, I would like to raise the question, Why isn't a Democrat worth as much as a Republican when he performs the same duties? I will be big-hearted and ask if he isn't worth at least one-half of what the Republican received when performing the same services? In July the State took over all county roads. Prior to July Mr. White received $150. per month as Auditor and Clerk to Road Board; after July 1931 Mr. White was still paid $150.00 as Auditor. He continued to draw this sum until December, 1932. On February 23rd, 1931, Mr. White writes Mr. Chas. M. Johnson as follows: "I have been informed that the Attorney General ruled that the County Commissioners did not have the authority under the Fiscal Control Act, Chapter 146, Section 3, Page 411, Public Laws of N. C., 1927, to allow the Auditor any additional compensation for his duties. Under the law creating the Auditor's office the Auditor can only draw $3.00 per day, and at that time there was not anything much to do in the Auditor's office. Please write me whether or not the Commissioners have the right under the Fiscal Control Act to adjust my salary. If you find that they have no right to adjust my salary please see that some provision is made, for if the State Wide Road Bill is passed that would relieve me as clerk to the Road Board and I could only get $3.00 per day as Auditor and of course could not serve."—Mr. White continued to draw his $150.00 per month for 17 months after the Road Board passed out. In December 1932 a Democrat was appointed to the office of Auditor, his salary was immediately cut to $3.00 per day, or about one-half what Mr. White got, and now Mr. Farmer intends to cut it more, and I am willing to leave it to three competent men to judge, if I have not done twice the work in my first 17 months as Auditor, that Mr. White did in his last 17 months, and if not I will resign immediately.

Numerically speaking the State of North Carolina is as strongly Democratic as Madison County is Republican. On the theory that a Democrat working for Madison County is worth only one half as much as a Republican, suppose we reverse it and see what we have? A Republican in State employment is worth only one half of what the Democrat is paid. Let's bring the theory close home and see what we have. We have Mr. Farmer's son and daughter teaching in the public schools for only half the money paid a Democrat. Senator Plemmons said he got out of sick bed to come to Marshall to attend the Republican Rally, and is reliably reported as saying he endorsed the movement to boycott us Democrats. Let's apply the theory to Senator Plemmons. He has a son who holds a high Engineering position with the State Highway Commission. The theory says he's worth one half what we pay a Democrat. (Sorry for you, Ray.) My good friend Mr. Cook is principal of White Rock School. Let's apply the theory to his salary and cut it in half; that's going to be tough on a nice fellow like Winston is. Out at Walnut we have several Republican teachers. We like them, and have re-elected them year after year, but we mustn't play favorites, we must apply the theory out there—I'll ask any fair-minded person if this isn't a small, petty, trfling, contemptible theory?

One of the purposes behind this action is still hidden, still masked, deficits continue to pile up, some one wants access to the Sinking Funds, and although this intention is being kept secret, we might as well be prepared for it, it is on the way next. Where was Mr. Guthrie on May 13th?—who signed his name without authorization, and had a hard time squaring it.

L. C. REED,
County Accountant.

GLEANINGS From the Dailies

BY S. M. H., Jr.

[illegible] dead and 20 millions property damage—and more expected. That's the toll of western floods that raged from Colorado to Mexico this week. Right now Kansans are moving by the thousands to get out of the way of an expected inundation near Kansas City.

We think that's pretty bad. But by comparison with the casualties from earthquakes in India, the U. S. got off pretty light. 20,000 people said to have been killed there, after blood red skies and a deathly silence one afternoon preceded swift death for men, women and children. One quake after another literally levelled buildings, wiped out cities.

Developments follow swiftly in the chase after the Weyerhaueser kidnapers. Right now "G-men" claim to know who six of them were—and that means the end can't be so very far off. Give-away was the fact that the serial numbers of the small bills that made up the $200,000. ransom had been taken despite orders from the snatchers, and are now being traced.

Meanwhile Kansas City reports a wholesale cleanup of all bank robberies in the middle west, with the arrest of half-a-dozen suspects. And back those claims with a check - up showing a decided drop in the number of robberies since the roundup began. Reading such reports suggests that it may be time to start figuring out what we are going to do when all the thugs have been caught and there aren't any jobs for the cops.

A three percent drop in the number of families on relief over the nation was reported for April by Harry Hopkins. The total was more than four and a quarter millions of families, with New York State leading in numbers on relief and New Mexico leading in percentage dropped from the rolls.

Speed record for crossing the Atlantic was smashed this week by the French liner Normandie, which took [illegible] days, 11 hours and 42 minutes for the trip. The reception that was given the new steamer when she slipped into New York is said to have been almost as enthusiastic as that given Lindbergh when he landed in Paris in 1927.

Another record broken—applications for Federal funds for the building of airports have reached almost a billion dollars. That should please Mr. Brisbane.

Still another record will be broken, it is claimed, when the Milwaukee line wheels its new stream - lined steam locomotive out onto the tracks. Supposed to do 120 miles an hour.

Oddities: J. R. Riggs, High Point, had his son crucify him with sharpened nails on a board cross, hoping to win back the love of his wife. Not seriously hurt, for the nails were carefully driven through the fleshy parts of his hands and feet, he has now been committed to the insane asylum. In Glens Falls, N. Y., Mrs. William Seely glanced up from her sewing to catch an elephant red-handed in the act of robbing her icebox. Seems he got bored with circus life. Another who turned bandit from boredom was Norman Maynard, of Memphis, Tenn. Known as a "model boy", he confessed this week to a part in 25 daring crimes. Also in jail as well as in the papers this week is Thelma White, of New York, who tried to shame the legislators into reducing taxes by imitating Lady Godiva's famous ride, clad only in a red wig and tights.

City Cousin: (As he shows his country cousin over his house) "See that picture there? It's hand painted."

Country Cousin: "Well, what about it? So's our chicken house."

TAX LISTING TO BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 15, 1935

Electric Cooking School Proves Interesting Event

More than 50 Women Hear Cooking Expert of the General Electric Co.

As advertised in last week's News-Record the Electric and Refrigeration School, sponsored by the P. T. A. and held in the local store of the Northeast Carolina Utilities, Inc., was a decided success. Fifty-two women and young ladies registered besides others possibly who failed to sign cards. The demonstration by Mrs. Allgood was decidedly interesting and instructive. The cards bearing the names of those attending were shuffled and little Helen Marie Corn drew out the cards, which resulted in prizes going to 8 as indicated on the following list of those who attended:

Miss Marie Sprinkle, prize-winner; Mrs. E. R. Tweed, Jr., Mrs. R. R. Ramsey, Mrs. A. W. Whitehurst, prize - winner; Mrs. Claude Sawyer, prize - winner; Miss Helen Rudisill, prize - winner; Mrs. Annie M. White, prize - winner; Mrs. J. N. West, Miss Annie Tweed, prize - winner; Miss Bex Ramsey. Miss Ethel E. English, Mrs. Ralph Fisher, Mrs. G. L. McKinney, Miss Lillian Whitehurst, Miss Belva Farmer, Miss Lucile Farmer, Mrs. B. J. Morton, Miss Mabel Farmer, Mrs. L. W. Edwards, Mrs. W. A. West, Miss Hazel West, Mrs. C. H. McClure, Mrs. Harry R. Davis, Mrs. D. K. Cohn, prize - winner; Miss Hattie Tweed, Mrs. Myrtle Mashburn, prize-winner, Mrs. J. A. Hendricks, Mrs. E. O. Burnette Mrs. C. M. Ramsey, Mrs. J. N. Penland. Mrs. Robt. McClure, Mrs. B. E. Guthrie, Mrs. T. A. Woody, Mrs. Sam C. Rudisill, Mrs. H. L. Story, Mrs. Lee Gwaltney, Mrs. W. A Sam. Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Mrs. J. Will Roberts, Mrs. C. L. Rudisill, Mrs. Guy V. Roberts, Mrs. J. M. Ramsey, Mrs. Ella Redmon, Mrs. J. Lamar, Mrs. [illegible], Mrs. J. R. Duncan, Miss Ruth Guthrie, Mrs. C. R. Tweed, Mrs. J. C. Sprinkle, Miss Pennie Haynes, Miss Mary Gudger. Mrs. S. B. Roberts.

Rhododendron Festival Begins Next Monday

Asheville's Rhododendron Festival, slated for June 10 - 15, is expected to be bigger and more colorful than any of the series of seven that have preceded it. Several trousands of people are helping in preparations for the four parades, three major dances, pageantry and ceremony of the event.

Ten Southern states are sending as ambassadors to the Rhododendron court the pick of their College young women, who come by special appointment of the governors of their states. King and Queen of the festival are Otis L. Green, Jr., and Miss Sophie Stevens.

Program: Ceremonial opening of gardens in Craggy Mountains on June 10; Second annual Military Ball of the Rhododendron Brigade of Guards on June 11; Rhododendron Parade, with mileslong string of floats, on the next morning, with Indian sports by Cherokees, afternoon dances and the Rhododendron Pageant following parade, and torchlight parades and during the day. A unique mutt-dog parade, and torchlgiht parades and dances in the evening, come on the 14th.

LITTLE - ENGLISH

Friends and relatives have received the following invitation:

"Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown English request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Hazel Virginia, to Mr. Samuel George Little on Saturday, the twenty - second of June, at eight o'clock in the evening at the State Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Bristol, Virginia."

There will be a reception immediately following the ceremony at the home of the bride. After August 1st, the couple will be at home at 1060 Park Avenue, New York City.

Miss English is a native of Madison County, and a relative of Mrs. S. B. Roberts and Mrs. R. S. Ramsey.

As promised by Judge Warlick last Friday, his decision reached Marshall before noon Tuesday in which he declared the injunction against the Republican tax listers vacated or dissolved. That means, as we understand it, that the tax listing must go forward without delay and that before another year rolls around, the Supreme Court will have decided as to the legality of the Democratic Tax Commission in Madison County.

Mrs. R. N. Hunter Passes Away

Funeral services were held at 10:-30 Monday morning at the Calvary Baptist Church in Asheville for Mrs. R. N. Hunter, 52, who passed away last Friday at the home of her brother, the Rev. J. O. Banks, in Gastonia. The immediate cause of death was heart failure, although Mrs. Hunter had been in ill health for some time. The last rites were conducted by the Rev. J. B. Grice of Asheville.

In order that her only son, Mr. Herman Lowe, might be present, the service was delayed until his arrival from New York. Mrs. Hunter is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Lee Bryan and Mrs. Cora Banks, both of Marshall; and by four brothers, the Rev. J. O. Banks of Gastonia, Mr. W. A. Banks of Asheville, and Mr. H. L. Banks and Mr. Walter Banks, both of Lexington.

MULE KICKS WALNUT CREEK LAD

Cornelius, the 13 year old son of Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Reece of the Walnut Creek section was brought to Marshall Saturday afternoon for treatment. He was suffering from wounds about the face and mouth caused by a mule's kicking him. Three of his teeth were knocked out, and a bone in the face was broken. The mule was a pet and the boy ran up behind him and grabbed his tail, and received the kick unexpectedly.

Rev. J. A. Bradley Had A Slight Stroke

The many friends of the Rev. J. A. Bradley will be sorry to learn that he suffered a slight stroke Tuesday of last week, leaving him partially paralyzed on the right side. He is confined to his bed, but is able to converse with his friends. Rev. Mr. Brodley is one of the most popular ministers in this section, and he has been a powerful good for many years.

Annual S. S. Convention To Be at Long Branch

The annual S. S. Convention of the French Broad Baptist S. S. Association will be held at Long Branch Baptist Church July 7th, beginning at 10 a. m. and closing at 4 p. m. There will be recess of 1½ hours at the dinner period. Long Branch will entertain all visitors.

The monthly Convention for June was held with the Little Ivy Baptist Church June 2nd, at 2 p. m. Nine churches were in attendance with reports from 25 Sunday Schools. The churches present were Walnut, Marshall, Mars Hill, Forks of Ivy, Piney Mountain, California, Middle Fork, Bethel.

The outstanding features of the program were the sermons by E. S. Morgan and C. C. Gregory and the closing address by Prof. J. O. Wells. Mr. Wells' discourse was in line with the policy of our S. S. work.

During the week of July 28 - Aug. 4, a study course campaign will be held in the French Broad Association. The Association Superintendent invited 15 Sunday Schools to put on the work this year. 16 Sunday Schools accepted. A teacher will be furnished to each of these 16 Sunday Schools. The book used will be "The Book We Teach", the same being an outline of Bible History. The best teachers that can be secured will be sent out. There will be no daily meeting this year but on the closing day of the Campaign, Aug. 4, there will be held a grand associational rally of the churches taking part in this splendid work. This rally will be held at Marshall or at Mars Hl.

FRED JERVIS, Supt.

Damage By Storm On Bull Creek

A cloudburst in the Bull Creek section of Madison County is reported to have caused considerable damage to growing crops. Fields of wheat and [illegible] were washed away.