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Commissioners Elect S. A. Whitehurst Temporary Sheriff

Financial Affairs of County to Be in Charge Fidelity and Deposit Co. Until Affairs Can Be Adjusted; No News Received As to Whereabouts of Amos C. Jackson Who Was Removed From Office Saturday.

Greenville, July 19.—Pitt county board of commissioners sitting in special session here this morning, elected S. A. Whitehurst to fill the vacancy in the office of sheriff created last Saturday by the removal of Amos C. Jackson. Whitehurst was nominated as sheriff in a second primary held here several weeks ago. He will be officially inducted into office by Clerk of Superior Court J. F. Harrington, as soon as preliminary arrangements can be made for taking over the office.

In his duties as temporary sheriff, Whitehurst will confine his efforts to law enforcement only. Financial affairs of the county will be in charge of the Fidelity and Deposit Co., until arrangements can be made between them and the county commissioners for the handling of same.

Following action of the commissioners in removing Jackson last Saturday, Coroner S. G. Wilkerson automatically became sheriff until the commissioners could appoint an executive. All law enforcement officers of the department of sheriff were sworn in again Saturday morning. The temporary department under Whitehurst will consist of D. M. Sellers, Mrs. R. R. Tyson and C. P. Pierce, who are already officers.

No news has been received today regarding the whereabouts of Amos C. Jackson, whose failure to report specific sums of money to the commissioners, resulted in his removal. The order of removal was signed by Judge R. A. Jones at New Bern in an attempt to prevent the loss of the county funds.

The petition filed under section 3204 Consolidated Statutes, charging failure to turn over consolidated sums of the county money for long periods of time after collection. The items listed include \$97,277.00 collected from the Norfolk Southern railroad company on January 30 and turned over on June 15; failure to pay over or account for \$5,753.33 that had been collected, failure to account for \$12,307.00 drainage tax and failure to account for \$2,476.36 bills of cost. The petition also charges conduct unbecoming a public official, namely, the drinking of intoxicating liquors.

THOS. YATES HEAT VICTIM

Stricken in Raleigh As He Was Coming Down Town From Dinner

Raleigh, July 22.—Thomas D. Yates, age 48, was a victim of the intense heat in Raleigh yesterday. He was stricken at the corner of Salisbury and Davis streets as he was coming down town from dinner at his home, 312 E. Davis street. He was taken to the hospital, but



Referee Phil Collins lifts the arm of Sammy Mandel of Illinois as new lightweight champion of the world at the end of ten rounds with the ver. title holder, "Rocky" Kansas at Chicago, July 4.

WAR VETERAN IS MISSING

Frank Vincent, Disabled Veteran Formerly of Riverton, Neb. Veteran's Bureau Has \$13,000 for Him

is holding over \$13,000.00 in compensation and automatic insurance due Frank Vincent, a disabled veteran formerly of Riverton, Neb., but has been unable to locate him to make payments. He was last heard of in Kansas City, Mo., October 15, 1920, when he wrote his mother, Mrs. Samantha J. Vincent, that he was leaving Kansas City, Mo. the next day, but failed to tell her where he was going.

He had been selling lead pencils on the streets in Kansas City, and any one who had seen him there would have noted him from his crippled condition, as his right forearm and left leg had been wood strapped to his thigh over his clothing.

Mr. Vincent was injured April 21, 1917, when, as a member of the Wyoming National Guard, he was wounded by the accidental discharge of his rifle at Crystal Lake, Wyo. The bullet penetrated his foot shattering the bones, blood poison followed, necessitating amputation of his leg below the knee. Finally the poison was communicated to his right arm, necessitating amputation of that member also, and finally causing his discharge on a surgeon's certificate of disability August 15, 1917.

When he applied to the Veterans bureau for aid early in 1918, the bureau was compelled to disallow his claim, as the laws at that time governing the operation of the bureau made compensation payable only for injuries incurred after October 6, 1917. Later, after the act of August 9, 1921, had amended this law, making compensation payable for injuries incurred on or after April 6, 1917, the bureau tried to communicate this fact to Mr. Vincent and sent him compensation application blanks. The bureau letters were returned, however, unclaimed as subsequently were automatic insurance checks which were mailed him, and in the succeeding five years all efforts by the bureau and his family to locate him have proved unavailing.

MRS. FREEMAN GOES FREE

Found Not Guilty Forty-one Hours After Case Was Given To Jury

Charlotte, July 21.—Mrs. Nellie Freeman, razor slayer, tonight was free of the charge of manslaughter in connection with her husband's death from wounds which she inflicted with a razor.

After deliberating for 41 hours, the jury this morning found her not guilty.

Before taking the final ballot the jury prayed over the matter, it was revealed after the woman was freed.

Before leaving a local hotel for the court house to report to Judge Michael Schenck, the 12 members of the jury were led in prayer by Andrew W. Smith, the foreman, who is a steward in Tryon Street Methodist church.

Mr. Smith said that the agreement came when one of the jurors arose during the morning and quoted: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The three jurors who had held out for manslaughter then give in, Mr. Smith said.

Thirty minutes after she had been freed, the 20 year old admitted razor husband slayer was in her mother's embrace.

Talking to reporters, she added she had no plans for the future but that she would "care for mother" as long as she lives.

Mrs. Freeman, who admitted that she killed her husband on the night of May 22, maintained that her action came when he threatened to desert her. Allegedly testified that the girl was mentally imbecile.

Crowds jammed the street as the girl came from the court room. With her attorneys, she went to the office of Jake P. Newell, chief counsel.

She was forced the way to them as they slowly made their way to the lawyer's office, many shaking hands.

When they came to Mr. Newell's office, the crowd surged in and the girl's hands. Now two hours the telephone in the lawyer's office rang with news of congratulations from every section of the city.

Before she left the court room, however, Mrs. Freeman went over to the bench and clasped Judge Michael Schenck's hands. She then hastily turned and left the room. She was clad in a simple white dress which matched her pale skin.

Sudan grass as a late forage crop has been planted by many North Carolina farmers during July.

ADVERTISING DRIVE ON FOR TOBACCO MARKET

Merchants, Business and Professional Men Donate Funds to Advertise Farmville and Its Tobacco Market—Offer Prize for Slogan

A campaign was launched this week by the merchants, business and professional men for the purpose of raising funds to advertise Farmville and its Tobacco Market.

The project so far has been crowned with success, and the collectors state that all necessary funds is expected to be raised in a few days.

A cash prize of five dollars is offered for the best "slogan" for this purpose, provided same is accepted by the committee. No person is allowed more than two slogans, each of which should contain as few words as possible to do justice to both Farmville and its Tobacco Market.

You must mail or hand your slogan to either of the following on or before next Friday morning: D. E. Oglesby, at Bank of Farmville, or T. E. Joyner, at the Farmville Furniture Company's store.

A mass meeting of all the business and professional men is called to be held in the City Hall for the purpose of completing the final plans of the advertising campaign, at which time a committee will be appointed to pass on the slogans submitted. You are asked to get your "thinking cap" on at once and submit a slogan for this purpose. And, if there are any who have not been solicited to help finance the project, and you as a citizen, you may hand your donation to either D. E. Oglesby or T. E. Joyner.

The names the advertising fund the more effective the advertising can be made. All together for Farmville and its Tobacco Market.

HUGE ESTATE BE DISTRIBUTED

\$300,000,000 Estate of Mark Hopkins, Native of Randolph County to Be Divided Among 150 People

Durham, July 21.—The bulk of the huge estate, conservatively valued at \$300,000,000, left by the late Mark Hopkins, native of Randolph county, N. C., gold miner, hardware merchant and railroad capitalist, in California, will be distributed among 125 to 150 people in North Carolina, with a few scattered in other states, if the petition filed by Judge J. H. Longden, of Sacramento, Cal., for a re-distribution of the estate on the ground of fraud, is granted and the contention of the claimants maintained. Judge Longden has been working in North Carolina for a month as representative of the heirs and working on establishing

the relationship of claimants to Mark Hopkins and have the records sent to the California courts and made a part of the petition filed there for a rehearing of the case. They claim fraud in that Moses Hopkins, brother of the wealthy man, who accompanied him to California, claimed there were no relatives other than himself, and he and Mark's common law wife were given the bulk of the estate, which was valued at about \$30,000,000 when Hopkins died.

Claim is made that there were 12 other children, brothers and sisters of Mark and Moses Hopkins, all of whom lived in North Carolina. Attorneys believe they will be able to substantiate their claims, which would result in the distribution of an average of more than a million dollars to each of the probably 150 relatives in North Carolina. Included in the property listed are stocks and bonds valued at \$136,000,000, \$20,000,000 in property in San Francisco; \$12,000,000 in property in Sacramento and 75,000 acres of land near Sacramento.

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Floridian Who Advertised for Wife Married Here Yesterday Afternoon

It's a long way from Jacksonville, Florida, to Cottontale, Pitt County, North Carolina.

But romance covers lots of territory. That fact can be vouched for by H. M. Banknight, 67, Floridian, who was married here yesterday afternoon to Miss Lizzie Humphrey, who resides a short distance from Cottontale.

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It was simply a case of love at first sight.

They came to Greenville. Magistrate B. F. Tyson, who is always in the marrying mood, tied the knot that bound them man and wife. The ceremony was performed in the office of the registrar of deeds, in the presence of court officials and attendants.

Banknight, one legged and adorned with many badges and emblems, safety pins and unseamy pins, passed through the ceremony like a seasoned soldier.

He admitted that it was a mighty long way to come for a bride. But he said he was satisfied that he had found the ideal of his dreams.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple prepared to leave for their home near Jacksonville.

their claims. Lieutenant Governor J. Elmer Long and Victor Bryant of Durham, Nathan Lunford, of Roxboro, and Palmer Hopkins, Riggs and other families of claimants located at Farmville, Randolph, Guilford, Henderson, and Person.

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Farmers' and Farm Women's Convention Be Held in Raleigh

First Session Will Be Called to Order Tuesday Morning July 27th, and the Last Session Will Close With the Election of Officers. Speeches, Singing, Lectures Fun and Sight-seeing Features of Meeting, Which Lasts Three Days.



The Pacific Coast has developed many fast swimmers and Oesly Conna Mills says to take her place beside the best of them. During a recent meet at Los Angeles this speedy mermaid broke the Coast record for 100 yards. Her time was 1:52.5.

LAND BANKS DOING GOOD

In Both North Carolina and Virginia Have Done Splendid Business in the 3 Years Operation

Durham, July 21.—Seventy-five North Carolina counties are now operating land banks.

Durham, President of the Virginia Farmers' Loan and Trust, reported to the board of directors at the meeting held in Durham last week. In Virginia 128 farmers in 19 counties have borrowed from the bank a total of \$440,000, the report showed.

The North Carolina Joint Stock Land Bank, operated in the two states under supervision of the Federal Farm Loan Board, a bureau of the treasury department of the United States, is capitalized at \$600,000, with earned surplus of \$100,000, paid-in surplus of \$90,615 and undivided profits and reserves of \$68,312.24. It has been in operation for three and a half years and the growth has been very pleasing to the officials and directors. The loans run for 33 years, with semi-annual payments.

In Pitt county, President Jones reported that there are 296 farmers who have borrowed money from the bank, the total amount being \$1,231,500. The directors expressed their satisfaction with the loans made and with the splendid manner in which the farmers are meeting their payments, which, they said, indicates a healthy and stable condition among the farmers of Pitt county.

The officers and directors of the bank are Southgate Jones, Durham, president; W. P. Clements, Durham; E. H. Meadows, New Bern, and C. A. Johnson, Tarboro, vice presidents; John R. Holloway, Durham, secretary; J. A. Long, Roxboro, chairman of the board; D. E. Wooten, Kinston; Ralph W. Page, Pinhook; C. C. Blanton, Shelby; E. H. Bigelow, New York; W. S. Blakeney, Monroe; W. B. Blandin, Boston; George A. Barfoot, Wilson; Col. R. Cotten, Cottontale; J. E. Pegram, Durham; Jesse B. Ross, Washington, N. C.; Dr. Joseph Dixon, Greenville; Harry McMullen, Washington, N. C.; R. E. Davis, Rocky Mount.

Up until about 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, July 27, the guests will register and be assigned to rooms. After that will come the first general session in which greetings will be extended from Dr. E. C. Brooks, president of State College, Hon. William A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture, Dr. S. H. Crocker, president of the Farmers convention, and Mrs. T. R. Dickens, president of the Federation of Home Demonstration clubs. Gov. A. W. McLean has been invited by the convention officials to deliver an address at 12 o'clock Thursday.

The afternoon meeting will be in sectional groups with the women at the Y. M. C. A. building and the men divided into groups according to the subjects in which they are most interested.

In the evening, following an hour of music and singing, Hon. Josephus Daniels will deliver an address on "Some State-Wide Farm Problems." Mrs. M. M. Davis, state demonstration agent for Virginia, will follow Mr. Daniels with an address on the work of rural women.

Wednesday morning the men will hear Dr. A. J. Glover, editor of Board's Dairyman on "The Dairy Cow." Hon. A. T. Allen, superintendent of public instruction in North Carolina, will deliver an address on "The Future of Rural Education."

In the afternoon following the sectional meeting, Park Hall, the new animal husbandry building on the college campus, will be formally dedicated in honor of C. L. L. Polk, the first commissioner of agriculture and the founder of the Progressive Farmers' convention.

In the evening following a singing and musical program, Dr. A. M. Soule, president of State College of Georgia, will deliver an address.

Secretary J. M. Gray has arranged that all who come on trains may secure reduced rates by writing to him for certificates. The College will provide rooms free of charge as long as they are available and meals will be served in the college hall at 25 cents each. Sheets, towels, soap and other necessities will be brought from home.

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