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Gentlemen of the Jury.

The following men were drawn for the jury to serve at the April term of Hoke Superior court, which convenes April 15th:

Allendale: A. J. Jordan.
Antioch: J. W. McPhaul, C. D. Bounds, D. C. Newton, D. T. Skipper, A. G. Currie, F. F. McPhaul, D. M. Watson.
Blue Springs: P. H. Wright, Clarence McBryde, R. J. Haaty, T. B. Baker.
Little River: J. G. Hennings, N. E. Gilliland, E. N. Priest.
McLauchlin: T. G. Wood, W. F. Townsend, J. R. Capps, J. W. Hardison.

Quawhiff: Phillip Walters, J. G. Rhyne, J. H. Stafford, A. M. Byrd.
Stonewall: K. W. Ellis, J. R. Hendrix, J. P. Clark, Frank Davis, H. C. Maxwell, W. I. Davis, Lee Quick.

Raeford: W. K. Sessoms, D. J. Campbell, T. D. Potter, L. B. Monroe, J. H. Campbell, N. B. Blue, M. Wade, J. F. Dunn, A. R. Morris, M. A. Campbell, C. L. Stephens, D. A. Holt.
From this number eighteen will be chosen to serve as a grand jury for the next twelve months.

State Expenses Showing Increase Every Two Years.

To assume its position in the front of the rank of the most progressive States in the union, the State of North Carolina's expenses have increased from \$3,859,475 during the war period 1917-18 to around 35 million dollars for the biennium June 1, next, figures show.

The biennial maintenance bill, which was reported to the House Thursday, makes provisions for the appropriation of about 38 million dollars for the expenses of the State during the next two years. The only material increase in the appropriation bill over figures set out by the Advisory Budget Commission was in the school equalizing fund, which was increased from \$5,000,000 to \$6,500,000.

The appropriations committee recommended \$25,000 for the Confederate reunion at Charlotte this summer. Reunion officials had asked for \$50,000. Pleas for money to stage the historical pageant at New Bern this summer and for the renovation of the Joel Lane house in Raleigh were denied.

The committee recommended \$42,500 for the newly created Industrial Commission, which will administer the Workmen's Compensation Act. The committee also recommended \$21,000 for the office of State Purchasing Agent, but Governor Gardner has withdrawn his support from the bill to create this office and the money will be used for other purposes.—Raleigh Times.

Ranks With Original Man of Misfortunes.

Monroe, March 14.—James C. Broom evidently racks right up with the original trouble man.

Sometime ago he stayed in a hospital two months. Then he had an operation for mastoiditis and after that he had his appendix removed. While he was in the hospital his house burned down with most of his furniture being destroyed.

Shortly after leaving the hospital his mules ran away with him and both his legs were broken.

And, now he's in the hospital again, his hand so badly mangled by machinery that it may have to be amputated.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOW.

Day of trouble come not near me,
Hour of trial I bid you go,
Take from me despairing moments.

Let my soul no anguish know,
Days when all is gloom about me,
Nights when stars are hid from sight.

Moments when there's naught to cheer me,
When the sun sheds not its light.

Lead me gently by still waters,
Feast my eyes on fields of green,
Let my way be always sunny,
And no darkened clouds be seen,
Then my heart would beat with gladness.

Calmly I could go my way,
Naught of sorrow to disturb me,
Peace and joy for me each day.

But conscience whispers—"tell me truly"

"Could you feel another's woe?
Could we sympathize and pity?
If no sorrow we might know?"
There's a hand that guides our being,

Tempers wind and storm and rain,
And there's much we count of sorrow,
Oft is sent, but for our gain.

Then let my road be smooth or rocky,
Calmly I'll endure the strife,
For crosses that we bear today,
Are stepping stones to higher life

And He who sends the rain and sunshine,
Surely knows what's best for me,
And while I'm led through ways that's weary,
Let me walk and talk with Thee.

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The grocer had just put a new boy to work, and among the other instructions was this:

"If you don't happen to have what a customer wants, suggest something else as nearly like it as possible.

Soon a woman came into the store and asked the boy, "Have you any fresh green stuff today?"

"No, ma'am," answered the boy, "but we have some nice bluing."

FRESH Fish Saturday at the Cracker Jack Store. Cheaper.

Death of Miss Carl McNeill.

Miss Carl McNeill, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. McNeill, died at the family home in Blue Springs township Tuesday March 12th, 1929, and her remains were buried at the family burying ground not far from the home on Wednesday, her pastor, Rev. V. R. Gaston, conducting the funeral services.

Miss McNeill was a member of Montpelier Presbyterian church, and was a consistent and dutiful member, living her profession, and by her loveliness of disposition, endeared herself to a large circle of friends.

It seems so sad to see a lovable young woman, just crossing the threshold of womanhood, with beauty to enhance her many accomplishments, called away to that land from whose hour none ever return, is sad in contemplation, but to those who have been properly instructed, death is not the end of life, but its beginning, and the soul of this young lady is now doubtlessly basking in the delights of eternal bliss in a land of celestial happiness.

She leaves to mourn their loss two brothers, Messrs. Hector and Wm B. McNeill, and one sister, Miss Jeannette McNeill, all of Blue Springs township, this county.

There are those who seem to radiate goodness of heart and soul, to shed an halo of light and happiness to all around, and Miss McNeill was one of such, and Oh! how she will be missed by her brothers and sister and the whole community, words cannot express.

The funeral services for the bereaved family.

Local Governments Must Follow Suit.

Under the budget system which has been in force for eight years, the Federal Government has been placed on a sound basis of efficiency and unified control.

In June, 1921, when the budget system went into effect, the entire Government structure was permeated with extravagance. Expenditures for that fiscal year, exclusive of debt reduction, were about \$5,000,000,000; interest charge alone was more than \$100,000,000, and outstanding indebtedness was nearly \$24,000,000,000.

Each succeeding year has brought an ever-increasing improvement in the business of the government. Expenditures have diminished until in 1927, exclusive of amount applied to debt reduction, they were below the \$3,000,000,000 mark, or \$2,000,000,000 less than in 1921. The public debt has been reduced \$6,667,000,000 with a total saving in interest alone from this and funding operations of \$963,000,000.

Four reductions in taxes have returned to the people approximately \$2,000,000,000 a year which would have been required had the revenue act of 1918 remained in force. Two and one half million people have been entirely relieved of all Federal taxation.

With the Federal Government leading the way in reducing the cost of its affairs, thereby lowering taxes, it is now up to the states, counties and cities to follow suit.

Mr. A. C. Bute, a former citizen of upper Cumberland county, died in Dunedin, Fla., last week. His remains were buried at Camp Branch church.

South Carolina Road Bill Goes to Governor Richards.

Columbia, S. C., March 14.—The \$65,000,000 highway bond issue bill was formally ratified at a joint session of the South Carolina General Assembly. It was immediately sent to the Governor.

The measure as finally worked out in conference between committees of the House and Senate places the entire state road building program financing and, all, in the hands of the State Highway Commission. It provides that the present gasoline tax, which heretofore has been divided between the state and highway commission and the counties, shall be turned into a fund to fund the bond issue, all of which will be spent under the direction of the commission.

It provides that \$20,000,000 worth of bonds shall be issued the first year and \$15,000,000 each year for the next 3 years.

The measure is very brief, but several supplementary bills are now before the two houses for disposal before the session ends. One increases the gasoline tax to ten cents a gallon and gives the extra cent to the counties. This bill has passed both houses but the Senate amended it and it is now in conference.

Another bill requires the sinking fund to write all bonds for highway work as well as other state purposes.

Original opponents of the celebrated marriage bans bill, which requires that announcements of marriage must be made at least three days before the ceremony, are performed, succeeded Wednesday afternoon in making the provisions of the bill apply only to persons under 21 years of age and then turned around and voted almost en masse for the bill.

The measure was sent back to the House for that body to concur in the Senate amendment. The house has already agreed to concur in a Senate amendment.

Greensboro, March 13.—Clarence N. Cone, 63, prominent textile manufacturer and a pioneer citizen of Greensboro, died at 6 o'clock this morning in St. Leo's Hospital here. He suffered a heart attack at 11 o'clock last night, while playing bridge at the Merchants' Manufacturers' Club.

William J. Currie.

Mr. William J. Currie died at his home in Maxton last Saturday at the age of 83 years. A good man has gone to his reward.

Mr. Currie was a son of the late John Calvin Currie of the Pike section. He was a Confederate veteran, and after the close of the Civil War moved to Shoe Heel, now Maxton. He was elected a Ruling Elder in Sandy Grove church in 1867, later was elected to the same office in Center church, and when a church was organized in Maxton fifty years ago, he was elected Ruling Elder in that, which office he held until his death. We have heard it said frequently that "Bill" Currie was the most humble, consecrated Christian, and under all circumstances he exercised control. He represented his church in all its courts from the session to the General Assembly.

Electric driven shoe shining brushes are now used by modern shoe-shining stands.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS.

Miss Margaret Morris has been sick, but is improving.

Frost and ice Monday morning put a crimp in the gardens.

Mrs. M. L. McKeithan has almost recovered from an attack of influenza.

Deputy Sheriff W. R. Barrington has a patch of English peas on the jail lot.

Mrs. Bruce Morris is in Highsmith hospital for an operation we are sorry to hear.

Mrs. D. Newton and little son of the creek are spending this week with home folks.

We have had some blustery weather this year, but none much worse than last Saturday.

Mrs. Alex. Patterson of San Francisco, Calif., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hector McBryde.

Mr. John S. Maultsby was carried to Highsmith hospital for treatment last Friday. He has a very sore foot.

A cyclone struck down in the western part of South Carolina last week and a number of persons were killed.

A severe blizzard is again snowing under and freezing out the West. We get slightly cooler weather because of this.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Covington spent the week end with their son, Mr. Robert Covington, at Davidson College.

The choir of the Presbyterian church will give a fine musical program Easter Sunday night. The public is invited to attend.

The Journal 25th anniversary issue will come out next week. In this you will find a history of Hoke county and the town of Raeford.

The continuous rainy weather has slowed down farm work, still folks have time to produce more than they can sell for good prices.

Misses Margaret Currie, Mary Neal McNair and Mr. D. Currie attended the funeral of their uncle, William S. Currie, in Maxton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Alfred McFadyen of Arabia, who has had a hard time with the flu, and who had a relapse of the malady, is again improving we are glad to hear.

Uncle Robert Black, a highly esteemed colored man, died in Highsmith hospital march 7. Uncle Robert cooked for the county road force a number of years.

Mrs. W. E. Freeman, Mrs. H. L. Gatlin, Mrs. C. W. Seate and Mrs. T. B. Lester spent last Wednesday night in Fayetteville the guests of Mrs. T. D. Hatcher.

The last General Assembly was the stormiest, wrangled more, than any that has met in a number of years. Days were consumed on the settlement of local measures often. Politics is often disturbing and expensive.

Mr. W. B. McNeill of Blue Springs has been sick for several weeks, and is still not recovered, and his sister, Miss Jeannette, had her ankle sprained some time ago, and is still lame from it. This is a much afflicted family, you will agree.

We really forgot to mention it last week, but Mr. McKenzie Culbreth, father of Mr. T. F. Culbreth of Raeford, celebrated his 90th birthday on March 8th, something few live to do. And he went through the Civil war, as a true soldier, too.

Country Churches.

Dundarrach Christian Endeavor met Sunday at 7:30 P. M., and re-elected the following officers for the coming year, namely: John D. Robinson, president; James McBryde, vice president; Louise Gibson, secretary-treasurer and Beadie McMillan, pianist.

The Junior Christian Endeavor rendered an unusually good programme on Foreign Missions. After the programme they elected new officers which are as follows: Mrs. Jesse Gibson, superintendent; Wilson Clark, president; Jack McBryde, vice-president; Beulah McInnis, secretary; Mazie Norton, treasurer and Elaine McInnis, pianist.

Dundarrach had a record breaking attendance at Sunday School.

Philippi had a good Sunday School Sunday. We call upon all Philippians and friends to "come over and help us."

The Sunday School at Shiloh has grown in numbers during the past week. Shiloh says we must reach the top.

Bethel Sunday School is still soaring over the heights. We want you in our Sunday School next Sunday.

Attention, Parents!

In connection with the Art Exhibit which opens at the School Auditorium Thursday afternoon those present will be honored with a Musical Tea. It is especially desired that as many parents and friends of the school as possible be present. An interesting program including exercises of all kinds is being arranged. The program begins at 2:15.

The Art Exhibit comprises one hundred and fifty copies of both the old and modern Masters. The grade that sells the most tickets will receive a prize. Admission to the exhibit is fifteen cents for everybody. All proceeds will be used to purchase pictures for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Q. McCraw spent the week end in Charlotte.

Miss Linda Stacey spent the week end with friends in Rockingham.

Mr. Tommie Upchurch and Miss Anne Hoy spent Sunday in Raleigh.

Misses Jess Heafner and Irma Nisbet spent the week-end at Belmont.

Carolina Forest Week, March 17-23. Help protect the forest from fire.

Miss Lona Graham was confined to her home last week on account of sickness.

Mr. J. D. Cline of Granite Falls and Misses Margaret and Willie Wright of Troy visited Miss Bertha Wright Sunday.

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