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Defendant Guilty In Amusing Case Before Tucker

Ed Ross, Negro, Guilty Of Non-support; Ordered to Aid In Support of Child

When Anna Louise took the stand in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning to testify against her husband, Ed Ross, whom she was charging with non-support, she had evidently planned to tell the whole thing, and apparently came mighty near telling all she knew.

The Ross family, Negroes, live in New Hope Township. It appears that Ed hasn't been providing very well, and so Anna Louise had him brought into court.

"How long have you been separated from your husband?" asked Solicitor Charles E. Johnson. "I am going to tell you the truth," exclaimed Anna Louise, which was beside the point, since that was what she had just sworn to do.

Instead of answering the prosecutor's question, however, the witness proceeded to tell about the time that Ed brought home chickens in the middle of the night and expected her to get up and cook them.

It is sometimes rather difficult to stop a woman when she gets started, but after a while the prosecutor did succeed in getting an answer to his question and also elicited some further information necessary in the case.

Asked when was the last time Ed gave her any money, Anna Louise told about the time he gave her a dollar on Thursday and then came back Friday and made her give it back.

She said he just hadn't been buying anything for the family "just stayed drunk all the time." She said she made some candy to sell and he had been aggravating her, she said.

"Where do you get money with which to buy food," the prosecutor wanted to know. "Oh, I just get trusted for it," she explained. "And then who pays the bill?" pressed Mr. Johnson. "Well, it ain't paid," she said.

He sold her chickens, Anna Louise testified, chickens she had raised. He carried liquor home, half a gallon of it, and when the younguns wasted some of it he kicked up.

"He's a bad man," she said, "steals everything he can get his hands on." It was when Ed began to cross examine Anna Louise, in conducting his own defense, that the situation became really amusing.

Ed told his side of it, but as Judge Grandberry Tucker saw the situation, he should do something for his child, so the defendant was found guilty and was required to pay to the Clerk of the Superior Court one dollar per week toward the support of his child.

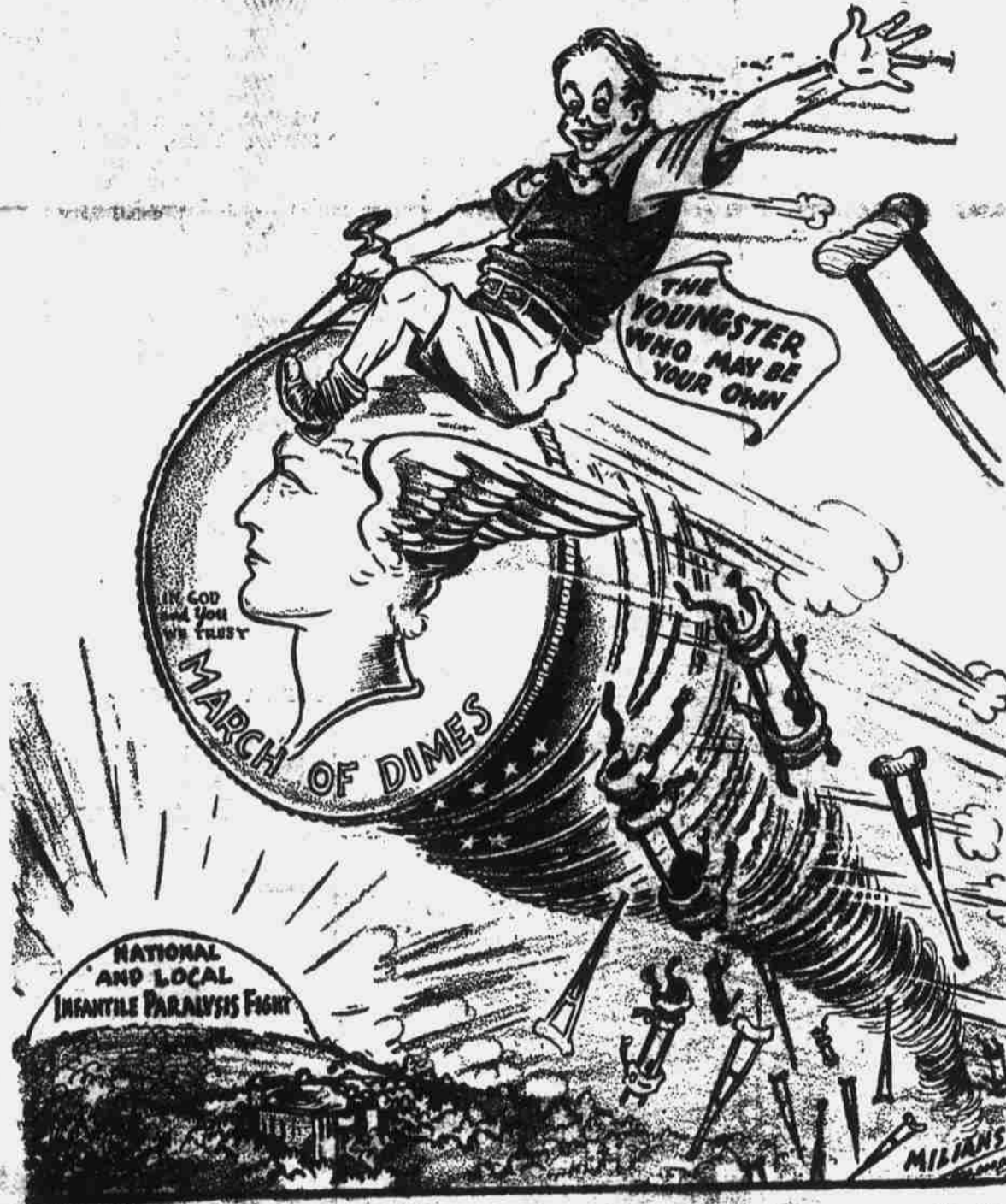
Waddell J. Sawyer was fined \$7.50 upon conviction of the charge of driving with insufficient brakes.

Lloyd Parsons, Negro, plead guilty to driving an automobile with insufficient brakes and was fined \$7.50.

The State took a roll press in the case of Linwood Hill, Negro, charged with being drunk and disorderly.

Prover for judgment was continued in the case of State vs Edward Barnes, convicted of assault.

"Heigh-Ho Silver!"



The March of Dimes is in full swing again this year so that many youngsters now unable to walk will have an opportunity to have treatment that will enable them to lead active, normal lives. You can aid in this worthy cause by mailing or taking your dime to the chairman of Perquimans County's Infantile Paralysis Fund. Do your bit toward helping some unfortunate child to regain health.

Local Men Attend Oil Meeting In Edenton Wednesday

Weather Prevents Carl Goerch, Editor of The State to Appear to Deliver Address

Despite weather conditions which prevented the attendance of Carl Goerch of Raleigh as the principal speaker, as well as representatives from other counties, a meeting of all men of the district was held in Hotel Joseph Hewes, Edenton, Wednesday at noon. At that time a dinner was served, after which addresses were made by O. Y. Kirkpatrick, of Wilmington, E. G. Holbert, of Charlotte, S. G. Spitzer, of Raleigh, with the principal speech being made by Senator G. Everett Milliken, of Atlanta, Georgia.

Indians Encounter Roper and Creswell In Basketball Games

Two boys games are on tap for local basketball fans here this week as Perquimans Indians meet teams from Roper and Creswell High Schools.

U. D. C. MEETS

The Skinner-Jones Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met at the home of the president, Miss Mary Sumner, on Friday, January 19th, honoring General Robert E. Lee and General Stonewall Jackson. Twelve members were present.

County Agent Gives Directions For Poisoning Cotton

Reports Show Increase Of Poundage In the States Which Are Using Methods

County Agent L. W. Anderson in giving directions for farmers to use in the method of poisoning cotton states that in reports received at his office that as an average the State of South Carolina yielded around 50 pounds more cotton per acre than North Carolina, mostly due to the fact that farmers in South Carolina poisoned their cotton.

Local Furniture Dealer To Attend Show In High Point

W. M. Morgan, the Furniture Man, accompanied by B. C. Berry, will leave Sunday for High Point, to spend several days at the Furniture Exposition.

Alcoholic Education Subject Of Lecture At Piney Woods Sunday

Nat Shope, Field Representative of the Five Years Meeting of the Friends Board on Prohibition and Public Morals, will lecture on Alcoholic Education at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, January 28, at the Piney Woods Friends Church, near Belvidere.

Eastern Counties Of 1st District Without Senate Candidate

Charles Whedbee of Hertford Denies Candidacy But Friends Seek to Draft Him

With the only two candidates announced for the two senate seats to which the First District is entitled coming from the western half of the District, there is increasing interest in the suggestion which has been made that Charles Whedbee, of Perquimans, seek the nomination.

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The information will be presented in the form of questions and answers which, it is believed, will afford a clearer approach to the subjects to the average taxpayer than if carried as a regular news serial.

As is indicated in the preface to the column, taxpayers are invited to submit questions relating to either of the classes of taxes referred to and answers will be given in the succeeding issues of this paper.

We trust this added feature of The Perquimans Weekly will meet the approval of our subscribers, as well as the public at large, and it is hoped that our readers will take advantage of the opportunity afforded them of obtaining such information as they might need in assisting them in the preparation of their tax returns.

President's Ball Tickets Placed On Sale Here This Week

March of Dimes Being Made By School Children Is Meeting With Success

It is announced that, while tickets to the President's Birthday Ball, to be held Monday night, are sold at one dollar, spectators will only be charged fifty cents.

There will be no tax charged, the affair being given for a charitable purpose.

Mrs. J. G. Campbell, chairman of the ticket sales, has placed tickets with the following assistants: Mrs. J. E. Winslow, Miss Carolyn Riddick, Miss Mary Wood Koonce, Rupert Ainsley, Miss Jean White, Roberson's Drug Store, Walker's.

W. H. Pitt, who is chairman of the Perquimans Celebration of the President's Birthday, is receiving donations of cash for the fund, which will be used in the fight against infantile paralysis.

The March of Dimes, under the leadership of F. T. Johnson, Rupert Ainsley and Miss Mary Sumner, is expected to net a tidy sum to go into the general fund.

The celebration will end with a play, to be given by Mrs. B. G. Koonce early in February.

All arrangements for the big ball, to be given on Monday night at Walker's, are practically finished. The decorations, consisting chiefly of red, white and blue bunting, will not be put up until Saturday.

Music is to be furnished by a nine-piece orchestra, Spence Hatley and his Deans of Music.

The object of the celebration of the President's birthday is to raise funds, to be used in the campaign against the dread disease, infantile paralysis, which strikes suddenly and unexpectedly anywhere, often among children. When death does not follow an attack of infantile paralysis, the victim is often permanently or temporarily crippled.

Much of the work of the Infantile Paralysis Foundation is in the work of restoring these to health, and while rapid strides have been made in this direction, scientific research is continuously being conducted in connection with this awful plague. A great deal of money is necessary to carry on this work, and each year the response to the call for help through the celebration of the President's birthday is more and more generous.

Whether you expect to dance or not at the big party, which promises to be a very delightful affair, don't fail to buy a ticket.

Half of the funds raised in this county is retained in the county for work which may be necessary in our own county.

LIONS MEETING

The Hertford Lions Club will hold the regular meeting at Hotel Hertford today.

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While the committee from the Lions awaited the promised visit of the postoffice representative, at which time they expected to lay before him their problem with the request for improvements, the investigation was made and the report of the representative sent to his superior and the matter was apparently disposed of.

Norman Trueblood, secretary of the Lions Club, and chairman of a committee appointed by the club to handle the matter of trying to secure improved mail facilities for this postoffice, appealed to Congressman Lindsey Warren last December. Mr. Warren, shortly thereafter, sent Mr. Trueblood a copy of a letter from the Second Assistant Postmaster General in which he promised to send a representative to Hertford to make investigation.

Acting upon the suggestion of Mr. Warren at the time, Mr. Trueblood requested Postmaster S. M. Whedbee to contact the committee from the Lions Club upon the visit of the postal representative.

Mr. Trueblood received this week a copy of a letter from the Second Assistant Postmaster General to Mr. Warren, in which he stated:

"This case was investigated by one of our field officials who personally interviewed the postmaster and other patrons at Hertford and found that the principle complaint was on account of not having a late dispatch for outgoing mail. The postmaster stated, however, that a thirty-minute later departure of the carrier on Star Route No. 181102 Norfolk to Wilson (A. C. L. Station), would be sufficient to care for the needs of the service, and as this would still permit the carrier to make close connection with the trains at Wilson the suggested change in schedule has been authorized."

The letter further sets forth that it would not be practicable to require the carrier on this route to transport ordinary parcel post, which was one of the proposals of the Lions, as this would slow up the service to such an extent as to jeopardize making close connections with trains at Wilson and Norfolk.

Upon receipt of this letter, Mr. Trueblood called at the postoffice to ask for an explanation from Postmaster Whedbee as to why he was not notified when the representative called. The Postmaster informed Mr. Trueblood that the representative who visited Hertford said that he would not meet a delegation until he found out what was wanted.

It appears, from Mr. Whedbee's explanation, that if the committee will get up certain data and talk with a number of the patrons of the office and find out what they want and put the matter in concrete form, the representative will come and go into the matter with them.

There appeared to be some misunderstanding, however, since Mr. Trueblood was insistent that this was exactly what had been done already, and that his committee was awaiting the opportunity to meet the representative.

Postmaster Whedbee stated that he did not consider the matter closed at all and expressed his willingness to send for the representative at any time and take up the proposition with him.

That there is no complaint whatever of the manner in which mail is handled at this postoffice, was especially stressed by Mr. Trueblood, who warmly praised the excellent service rendered by the office in every particular. It is, he said, only the matter of the time of sending and receiving mail here, and in better parcel post service that improvement is sought.

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