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## OBION COUNTY COURT QUARTERLY MEETING

Taxes Delinquent First Monday in  
April. Supt. Vaughn Re-Elected.

The County Court of Obion County met the first Monday in January in quarterly session with the following proceedings:

The first order of business was the election of County Superintendent of Public Instruction. Nominations of B. A. Vaughn, C. S. Fowler and Miss Ethel Henderson were made. Point was made against Miss Henderson that she had not qualified at the regular examination provided by the Department of Education. The question however was finally decided to the effect that this did not legally bar her from the election, that the law did not prevent her from qualifying after the election. The balloting proceeded with Mr. Vaughn and Miss Henderson in the lead, first Mr. Vaughn and then Miss Henderson, there being no election until the fourth ballot, when Mr. Vaughn received the necessary majority of all the votes cast by the court, giving Mr. Vaughn 17 and Miss Henderson 15. Mr. Vaughn was declared duly elected for the ensuing two years, the salary having been fixed at \$1200 a year by previous vote.

W. T. Stover was unanimously elected as County Surveyor for the ensuing four years.

Dorrel Harris was unanimously re-elected as County Ranger for the ensuing two years.

J. J. Wells and C. C. Marshall were elected to succeed D. A. Dean and C. C. Marshall as County High School Directors.

J. W. McCorkle, W. J. Davidson and R. C. Reynolds were duly elected Courthouse and Workhouse Commissioners for the ensuing two years.

Notaries public were elected as follows:

J. R. Mills, H. E. Williams, R. B. Lathan, F. R. Robertson, W. J. Hoppe, C. C. Lsley.

L. C. Caldwell was elected to fill the vacancy for Constable in No. 10.

By a resolution offered by Justice McNeill the election of district road commissioners was deferred until such time as the proposed new county road law is passed by the General Assembly.

It was ordered that the Trustee be instructed that the tax books of the county should not be placed out for delinquent tax until the first Monday in April, 1921.

A motion that \$1500 be appropriated for a home demonstrator, provided Miss Luther would accept the position, was lost.

By a unanimous vote the Representatives from Obion County in the General Assembly were instructed to have as a provision of the proposed new road law five highway commissioners.

From a financial report made by Judge Wadell the total expenditures of the county for the year 1920 were \$68,848.15. Total receipts from all sources will be \$55,998.15. The balance was \$7,850.00. The expenditures included J. P. per diem, charity, maintenance of county farm and inmates, circuit court costs, prisoners, asylum patients, elections, tax equalization, audit, insurance, coal, water and lights, tax releases and sales, trustee's commissions, levees, roads, bridges, salaries of county officials, etc. Collections included general taxes for 1919, also railroads and utilities assessed for 1919, collections from county officers in revenues, etc., fines collected by Justices, interest, etc. The totals are tabulated as follows:

OBION COUNTY FOR 1920.  
Expenditures ..... \$68,848.15  
Collections ..... 55,998.15  
Balance ..... 7,850.00

J. P. Attendance ..... 283.30  
Andy L. Giffin, H. P. Naylor, Alwyn Brevard, T. M. Flack, F. R. Robertson, J. A. Jackson, T. P. Palmer, W. A. McNeill, G. D. Summers, J. W. Yarbrough, D. H. Burnett, C. W. Curry, T. W. Cunningham, E. L. Bowers, J. C. Walker, P. H. Carroll, C. M. Montgomery, H. A. Moore, H. B. Fleming, W. W. Pierce, J. B. Skinner, J. D. McBride, R. B. Gantlett, J. W. McCorkle, R. C. Reynolds, A. K. Wells, A. M. Moultrie, J. W. Buchanan, S. A. McDade, J. H. Jonakia.

## O. E. S.

The following officers were elected at a regular meeting of Chapter 165, Order of the Eastern Star, Tuesday night, Dec. 14, as this was the regular time for election of officers.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Bramham) Jackson, Worthy Matron; Mr. J. J. Melvin, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Susie Jordan, Associate Matron; Mrs. Cam (Lobel) Park, Sec.; Mrs. Neille Hyman, Treasurer; Mrs. Daisy Pursley, Organist; Miss Prather Hamilton, Adah; Miss Kathryn Bryan, Ruth; Miss Caille Howell, Esther; Mrs. Sadie Chambers, Martha; Mrs. Kittie Shapiro, Electra; Mrs. Maggie Whitson, Warder; Mr. Jack Hubbs, Sentinel.

A public installation of officers was conducted at the Masonic Hall, Dec. 30. Mrs. Heathcock, Past Worthy Matron of Jackson Chapter, O. E. S., conducted the installation ceremonies which were very impressive.

The Christmas idea was beautifully carried out in the decorations, which were of poinsettias and holly. Officers were presented beautiful flowers, the colors blue, white, yellow, red and green, emblematic of their stations, by Mrs. Frances Melvin, Installing Marshal.

An address giving the purposes of the organization was given by Mrs. Ellis Jackson, retiring Worthy Patron, also some fitting remarks were made by Mrs. J. J. Melvin, newly elected Worthy Patron.

Splendid talks were made by Judge Henry Stanfield, Mr. C. B. Jordan, Mrs. C. E. Trevathan and Mrs. Susie Jordan, Past Worthy Matron of this chapter.

Delicious refreshments, consisting of all kinds of Christmas cakes and ice cream, were served by Mr. C. B. Jordan and Mr. Arthur Hamilton.

The Christmas spirit prevailed and all present seemed to vote this a very pleasant affair.

## Letter from J. Randall Farris.

Editors of Commercial, Union City, Tenn., Dear Friends:—

Inclosed you will find a check for paper. I feel like I am receiving a letter from home each week when it comes to me. Always find some news in it.

Will you also be kind enough to express my very best wishes to all the people of Union City. We have received so many kind greetings from there this Christmas, it is impossible to send return greetings to all. Just tell every one that we are all well and never happier in our lives, and prospects are brighter than ever for our work here, after a most successful year. Also say to every one that we wish for them the best in the new year can possibly bring. With happy memories and best wishes for all, I am,

Yours in His service,  
J. RANDALL FARRIS.  
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28.

## Caudel-Taylor.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, at 8 o'clock, at the Cumberland Presbyterian parsonage at Troy, Tenn., Miss Alene Caudel and Mr. Fred Taylor were united in holy bonds of wedlock by Rev. Raymond White.

The bride was beautifully dressed in a tailored suit of midnight blue tulle, with picture hat of dark brown and other accessories to match and wore a corsage of bride's roses and valley lilies. The groom was attired in a dress suit of blue serge.

The bride is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Caudel, of Troy, and has for several years been connected with the firm of J. S. Moffatt & Co. as saleslady, while the groom is the son of the late Joe Taylor and is a prominent farmer of that section and is also connected with the New York Life Insurance Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left immediately after the ceremony for southern points and will spend the rest of the winter in Florida. They both have a host of relatives and friends who wish them a long and prosperous life.

## Fuqua-McNeill.

Hickman, Ky., Jan. 1.—Miss Dora McNeill and Edwin Fuqua were married here at the home of the bride's brother, D. L. McNeill, the Rev. E. L. Wiley officiating. Mrs. Fuqua is the only daughter of Mrs. Berry Stubs, of this city. Mr. Fuqua is connected with a newspaper in Brownsville, Tenn., where the couple will make their future home.

## CHRISTMAS CHEER WORK AND WORKERS

Christmas Cheer Workers Play Santa Claus.

If you helped to fill a basket  
For a home in need this year,  
Then you scattered joy and gladness  
And a world of Christmas cheer;  
If you filled an empty stocking,  
Made a child-heart glad to look,  
Then the great Recording Angel  
Wrote your name down in his book.

Sixty-eight little children still believe in Santa Claus. No matter if daddy had no job and mama was sick in bed good old St. Nick called at the home and left a big basket running over with good things to eat, warm clothes to wear and dolls, toys, etc., dear to the heart of a child.

Santa traveled by automobile from his headquarters, the White Furniture Co., which was made his home through their hospitality. Early in the morning of Christmas Eve Day, the first part of his cargo was delivered from the Union City Ice & Coal Company. Mr. Fred Danke, generously contributed all the coal needed to warm those who were cold and his drivers unloaded a good supply to all the shivering homes.

Promptly at two o'clock the same day the active representatives of Santa fell in line and began the gigantic task of assortment, packing and delivery of goods to all parts of the city. They were Mrs. Clara Prieto, Mrs. Robert Whipple, Miss Elizabeth Chambers, Mrs. H. Hassler, Miss Clara Parks, Curtis Ruddle, Lendreth Thomas, Robert Bend, Carey Brummell, Dr. Ira Park and the writer.

Housewives from all parts of the city filled with the spirit of the season and desiring to help those in need donated clothing, cakes, jelly, fresh meats, which were added to the big baskets, making the load so heavy that Santa's carriers, Robert Bond, Curtis Ruddle and Lendreth Thomas, had a fine opportunity to use muscle to a good advantage.

Through the kindness of Corum & Jackson and Shatz a wool sweater and cap was donated to every child. The baskets were received with much pleasure in many homes while in others we found the occupants away and in that instance a window was pried open and the baskets set inside.

Christmas day we visited the unfortunate in our county who are forced to make the jail their home while awaiting the court's action. A great basket of Christmas goodies was distributed there and smoking tobacco and cigars. Even inside these bleak walls the Christmas spirit was evident. The only white man there said he wished his part could be given to his folks, but thanks to a loving, liberal people, I could tell this man that his family was remembered the day before with necessary food and Christmas sweets.

The co-operation of a loyal citizenship has made this great work possible, and the liberal contributors who gave their money through the different church funds or otherwise to the Christmas Cheer Committee, and the children who gave their toys to others less fortunate have the lasting gratitude and the thanks of those who received them. To the Press, the News-Banner and The Commercial we are extremely thankful. Their columns were the medium that aroused the impulse to duty and reminded the general public, and these columns have always been open to any good movement in the county.

All in all, many have had a merry, merry Christmas who otherwise would have remained sad, cold and destitute and who might otherwise have lost faith in a Santa Claus.

## HAZEL MANLEY.

## Six O'clock Dinner.

On Wednesday evening, December 29, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wade entertained a few of their many friends with a six o'clock dinner at their beautiful country home northeast of town. Mr. and Mrs. Wade are popularly known by the younger set, and this dinner and evening were enjoyed very much. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Witherspoon, of Fulton, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Wade, Miss Anna D. Key, May Samons, Ruby Allen and Messrs. Frank and Fred Key.

## Another Seed Sowing Season

will soon be here.

We are prepared to furnish you all kinds of seed at nearly pre-war prices.

Red Clover Timothy  
Red Top Alyske Clover  
Japan Clover Alfalfa

All kinds of Grain and Feed—one sack or a car load.

Pure Corn Chops C. S. Meal  
Wheat Bran C. S. Cake  
Wheat Shorts Oats

We are in the market all the year for Corn and Hay. Let us have your offerings.

## Cherry-Moss Grain Co.

## READ THIS.

## FORD MOTOR COMPANY

Mr. R. H. Rust, Detroit, Mich., December 28, 1920.  
Authorized Ford Dealer,  
Union City, Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Rust:

On the eve of a New Year, we look back with pride upon the accomplishments of the twelve months just closing—proud of our splendid force of loyal Ford dealers whose sincere efforts and co-operation have made possible a record output of Ford products—and confident that with the service they have rendered, the demand they have created, and the pull-together spirit of our entire organization, the coming year will be even more pleasant and profitable for all of us.

Nineteen Twenty has been a wonderful year with a record since Jan. 1, of 1,051,143 cars and 69,123 tractors and the last few months of adverse conditions have demonstrated more than could anything else the accomplishment of our dealer organization and brought forcibly before the buying public the superiority of Ford products.

It is this quality of product and aggressive dealer representation that inspires confidence for the future, so let us all therefore, welcome the New Year with eager, high ambitions, and with greater resolve to make 1921 surpass all previous records.

Several inquiries have recently come to us concerning the likelihood of another reduction in the price of our cars, and as these inquiries no doubt emanate from prospective purchasers, we want to state again with greater emphasis that Ford cars are already being sold at a figure actually below cost and for an indefinite period another reduction or change in design is entirely out of the question and not at all contemplated.

We believe the public will be fair enough to fully appreciate the frankness of the above when they consider the extent of our recent price cut, which was in fact the equivalent of several reductions in one, in our desire to contribute toward satisfying their demands for lower living costs, notwithstanding our sacrifice in marketing our cars at a loss until we were able to materially reduce present costs through lower material prices and greater manufacturing efficiency. While we have of course made some progress in bringing down operating costs, we still have a long way to go before any thought can be given to further reductions in present car prices, so we have no hesitancy in making these open statements to acquaint you with the true situation.

You can, therefore, give assurance to prospective purchasers of Ford cars that now is their real opportunity to buy below cost and obtain delivery. Every one is familiar with the heavy demand for Ford cars in the Spring and this year will be no exception, as in spite of conditions, business is already rapidly accumulating, so that many who desire Ford cars will be obliged to wait perhaps until mid-summer for delivery, causing considerable inconvenience and possibly financial loss, particularly to commercial customers.

We expect you to protect the interests of prospective buyers in your community by placing these facts before them.

You have our sincere wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year.

Yours very truly,

FORD MOTOR COMPANY

[Signed] W. A. Ryan, General Sales Mgr.