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Special Meeting Of The Town Council.

A Special or Called meeting of the Town Council was held in the Council Chamber Thursday afternoon June 29th to consider and pass upon certain matters of importance.

R. T. Irvine, representing Kelly & Irvine, appeared before the Council and showed that they are endeavoring to finance the starting of the Big Stone Gap furnace but that they are not able to procure enough money to pay at the present time the delinquent and unpaid taxes against the furnace plant, the same being assessed in the name of the Union Iron & Steel Company but showed that it is necessary that they should have clear title to said property free of the lien of the town's delinquent taxes. And the Council being of opinion that the starting of the furnace and the manufacture of iron at this place will be of great pecuniary value to the town and increase the revenue of the town in the future, and believing it to be the safest and quickest way to realize on said delinquent and unpaid taxes, it was upon motion of H. E. Fox, seconded by P. H. Barron, resolved that the town accept the joint note of J. W. Kelly and R. T. Irvine, bearing date July 1st, 1916, and bearing interest from date for \$4,000.00, which is accepted in full as the amount of said delinquent and unpaid taxes; said note to be secured by collateral and the amount thereof to be paid to the town one half there of two years from this date and the remainder three years from this date, but with the understanding that the said Kelly & Irvine will make short-time bankable notes, which, if the amount, the town will procure, to be renewed from time to time until the said two and three years respectively, and the town will accept as collateral on said notes stock of Interment Coal & Iron Corporation at 50% of its face value. This resolution was carried by a unanimous vote.

The following ordinance was introduced at this meeting and passed at an adjourned meeting held June 30th.

An ordinance to prohibit gambling and provide penalties for violation thereof.

An ordinance to empower the Mayor to appoint a Collector of delinquent and omitted taxes and to provide for his compensation.

An ordinance to make the unauthorized use of automobiles or motor vehicles a misdemeanor, and providing punishment therefor.

An ordinance to regulate the running of automobiles, and other vehicles and conveyances whose motive power is other than animal power; to provide for the registration of same; to provide uniform rules regarding the use and speed thereof and to prescribe penalties therefor in case of violation; for the licensing of chauffeurs; and further to provide for licensing dealers and garages and for running motor vehicles for hire and to prescribe penalties for violations of this ordinance. And to make provision for the creation of a special fund for the repair and maintenance of macadam roads and streets within the town; and to repeal all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance.

Dependents Will Be Considered.

New York, July 6.—Applications for discharge by national guardsmen who have dependent relatives will be granted, according to orders received from the War Department today by Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the Department of the East, U. S. A.

The order also enjoins department commanders to instruct recruiting officers to avoid acceptance of recruits who have relatives dependent upon them for support.

Subscription Agreement, Co. H Relief Fund

Big Stone Gap, Va., July 3, 1916.

We, the undersigned, recognizing our desire and our duty to do, in some manner and degree, our part by our country in a grave and serious national emergency, and recognizing the bravery and patriotism of the members of Company H, Second Regiment, Virginia Infantry, who have volunteered for service in such emergency; in consideration of the above recital of facts and of the mutual pledges hereby made, do hereby agree each with the other and with E. J. Prescott, Treasurer of Company H Relief Fund, to contribute each month for a period of one year or for such shorter period as said Company H shall be in service, unless within such period the United States of America shall have adopted and actually put into effect a sufficient plan for such aid and relief, the sums set opposite our respective names, payable on the dates and on the banks there recited; and authorize the said E. J. Prescott, Treasurer, to draw on us for such sums and such banks to pay the same on such dates. Such funds to be used and paid by said Treasurer solely and only for the aid and support of dependent wives and families of members of said Company H; and only after due and proper investigation of their needs by a committee or committees appointed or to be appointed by those in charge of said relief work.

Given under our hands this 3rd day of July, 1916.

- R. B. Moser, \$10.00
- W. H. Robertson, 5.00
- A. R. Morrison, 5.00
- E. J. Prescott, 10.00
- Geo. W. Chalkley, 5.00
- J. G. Munsey, 5.00
- John Bullitt, Jr., 1.00
- E. C. Taylor, 1.00
- J. B. Dougherty, 1.00
- S. D. Prosser, 1.00
- D. C. Prescott, 1.00
- R. C. Williams, 1.00
- L. E. Washburn, 1.00
- Ray Casper, 2.00
- L. Drayton, 10.00
- M. H. Graber, 1.00
- Chas. I. Wade, 1.00
- E. J. Marks, Jr., 1.00
- D. B. Bates, 1.00
- Geo. Munner, 10.00
- M. E. Dickson, 1.00
- H. E. Chambliss, 1.00
- H. E. Miller, 2.00
- S. L. Banks, 1.00
- W. L. Jones, 1.00
- V. H. Morgan, 1.00
- F. E. Richards, 1.00
- J. H. Matthews, 1.00
- G. J. Bogard, 2.00
- C. P. Blanton, 1.00
- E. H. Watts, 1.00
- D. H. Baskie, 1.00
- W. J. Smith, 1.00
- W. C. Gilmer, 1.00
- C. P. Kelly, 1.00
- Wm. P. Hall, 1.00
- D. M. Hodges, 5.00
- W. R. Wason, 2.00
- M. S. Wampler, 2.00
- J. P. Wolfe, 2.00
- W. S. Boyerley, 1.00
- P. H. Barron, 1.00
- Hannibal Bros., 1.00
- I. P. Martin, 2.50
- D. B. Sayers, 2.50
- R. E. Taggart, 5.00
- W. W. Taylor, 1.00
- T. Q. Gilly, 1.00
- J. W. Kelly, 2.50
- Goodloe Bros., 5.00
- O. P. Mason, 2.00
- A. L. Witt, 2.50
- J. B. Wampler, 1.00
- R. P. Brown, 2.50
- L. J. Horton, 1.00
- J. L. McCormick, 2.00
- G. S. Knight, 2.00
- Witt Grocery Co., 2.00
- R. A. Ayers, 1.00
- C. C. Cochran, 2.00
- C. S. Carter, 1.00
- E. P. Burgess, 5.00
- C. E. Gilly, 2.50
- L. O. Pettit, 1.00
- W. H. Polly, 3.50
- J. W. Rush, 1.00

- G. B. Southward, 2.50
- W. J. Draper, 1.00
- W. G. Courts, 2.00
- A. D. Owens, 1.00
- W. S. Rose, 1.00
- Jno. Fox, Jr., 10.00
- H. E. Benedict, 1.00
- R. T. Irvine, 10.00
- H. E. Fox, 2.00
- C. R. Slomp, 10.00
- H. N. Tate, 1.00
- J. R. Crill, 1.00

Making a total of \$2,472.00 per year which will be available for this most admirable purpose.

The Company H Relief Fund has the following organization: E. J. Prescott, Treasurer. Investigating Committee, Jno. W. Chalkley, Ch'm H. E. Fox, Mrs. E. E. Goodloe, Mrs. Otis Mosser.

Special Committee to look after Insurance policies, etc., A. L. Witt, Ch'm.

Finance Committee: R. B. Moser, Ch'm. E. J. Prescott, R. E. Taggart.

District Conference.

A session of Big Stone Gap district Conference will be held at the Southern Methodist church in Gato City, beginning Thursday at 9 a. m. In the absence of a Bishop, Dr. I. E. Martin, P. E., will preside. The district covers territory from Kingsport to Wise and Buchanan and from Norton to Cumberland Gap. Its twenty-one churches will have about sixty representatives, including pastors, delegates and other officials. Perhaps about half of these will be present.

Among those expected will be representatives of our schools, Emory and Henry, Martha Washington and Highlands, and some chairman of certain Conference Boards. We shall likely have among us Dr. J. M. Moore, of Chattanooga, and Dr. French, of Main Street church, Bristol.

Sessions morning and afternoon and preaching at 11 a. m. and night. Public cordially invited.

Wanted to Enlist.

Richmond, Va., July 8.—Col. A. B. Williams, one of the best known newspaper men in Virginia, appeared at the military camp here Tuesday and asked to be enlisted as a member of the Virginia military. He successfully passed the examination, but was rejected on account of the age limit, the Colonel giving his age as 41. When his application was refused, he announced that he would go to Washington and ask President Wilson to use his influence with the War Department to have him enlisted. He also said he would deposit money with the government to pay his funeral expenses in case of death and waived all pension rights. Colonel Williams recently sold his interest in a Richmond afternoon paper, and it was generally understood that he was doing press work in Washington, D. C.

Clintwood Man Dead.

Freeling, Va., July 5.—William M. Dameron, aged about 80, of Clintwood, is dead, after an illness of several weeks. His wife passed away some months before him, but he leaves six children. The deceased was originally from Kentucky, having been among the first to invest in town property when Clintwood was founded more than thirty years ago. He has been identified with many improvements of the town and county.

KINKEAD—ANDERSON.

Miss Nannie Lin Anderson, daughter of Rev. I. S. Anderson, D. D., of Rose Hill, Va., was married on Wednesday of the past week to John Kinkead. The bride is a graduate of Stonewall Jackson Institute at Abingdon. She is quite well known in the Gap and is admired for her lovely traits of character. The groom is a prominent young business man of Lee county.

Radford Normal Notes.

The Fourth of July at the Normal School was celebrated with various exercises. At the chapel period patriotic songs were sung. The Declaration of Independence was read by Governor Tyler and the flag was saluted by the faculty and students. In the afternoon regular work was suspended and a game of base ball was played by the faculty and the young men students of the Normal School, after which followed a number of contests which were held on the campus including potato races, sack races, egg races, and a button sewing contest.

Prof. J. H. Binford, of Richmond, specialist on Rural School Problems closed a week's lectures at the Normal School last Friday.

Mrs. Lewis, of Lynchburg, first Vice President of the Equal Suffrage League of Virginia, spoke at the chapel on Monday.

Miss Agnes Randolph, representing the State Board of Health was at the Normal School Monday and Tuesday speaking to the various classes and a number of citizens of the city who came out to hear her.

Dr. J. P. McDonnell made a Fourth of July address at Nickelsville in Scott County.

Miss Willie G. Allen, Secretary and Treasurer of the Normal School recently spent ten days at her home in Essex County.

Clifford Devereux and his Company of twenty-five Shakespearean Players will give the "Comedy of Errors" and "Twelfth Night" on the campus, July 10th.

The Story Telling under the direction of Miss Blanche Bullitt, held at twilight on the lawn in front of the Administration Building is attracting a large number of students.

Governor J. G. Tyler spoke to the students of the Normal School at the chapel exercises Tuesday morning.

Fatal Accident.

A distressing accident with fatal results occurred almost directly in front of Kennedy's store late Saturday evening a week ago when Otis Stewart, the fourteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stewart, chasing a flying squirrel with a number of other boys, climbed a tall beech tree. A limb broke with the lad precipitating him to the ground and killing him almost instantly.

Rev. J. M. Smith conducted funeral services Sunday afternoon at the Stewart home near the V. & S. W. The bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

A man usually has to change cars several times on the road to success.

UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU DEATHLY SICK.

Stop Using Dangerous Drug Before It Salivates You! It's Horrible!

You're bilious, sluggish, constipated and believe you need vile, dangerous calomel to start your liver and clean your bowels.

Here's my guarantee! Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver-Tone and take a spoonful tonight. If it doesn't start your liver and straighten you right up better than calomel and without griping or making you sick I want you to go back to the store and get your money.

Take calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak and sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of harmless, vegetable Dodson's Liver-Tone tonight and wake up feeling great. It's perfectly harmless, so give it to your children any time. It can't salivate, so let them eat anything afterwards.—adv.

Ninth Democrats

Convention to Name Congressional Candidate Will Be Held August 12th in Bristol.

Bristol, Va., July 10.—With all members present and voting, the Democratic committee of the Ninth congressional district of Virginia met in the courthouse here today and fixed Saturday, August 12, as the date for holding a convention to nominate a candidate for Congress to oppose Representative C. B. Slomp, or whoever may be the Republican nominee. Many prominent Democrats were present aside from the committee, and the sentiment in favor of nominating a strong man to carry the banner of Democracy in this district was unanimous. Talks were made by prominent Democrats lauding President Wilson as the national standardbearer of the party and appraising the value of such leadership in the effort to win for Democracy in this district.

Basis of Representation.

The basis of representation is to be one vote for every twenty-five votes cast for Wilson in 1912, which means that the convention gives promise of an unusually large attendance. Prominent among the men whose names are mentioned as suitable to meet the demands as regards a probably winner in the congressional contest are former State Senator B. E. Buchanan, of Marion; Herbert G. Peters and Judge John W. Price, of Bristol; Lee Trinkle, of Wytheville; and Judge Francis R. Hutton, of Abingdon.

The convention will be held in Bristol, and most of the delegates are expected here for preliminary conferences on Friday evening, August 11. The convention will meet at 10 a. m. in order to complete its work in time for all delegates to leave in the afternoon.

The district committee reorganized by the re-election of Dr. J. D. Buchanan, of Marion, as chairman, and J. P. Wyoar as secretary. The other members are: J. H. Smith, of Russell county; Chas. W. Bondurant, of Lee county; and Herbert G. Peters, of Bristol.

MARRYING PARSON DEAD

Rev. Alfred M. Burroughs Passed Away Last Night At Bristol.

Bristol, Va., July 5.—Death ended suddenly this evening the romantic career of Rev. Alfred Harrison Burroughs, of Bristol's Gretna Green, after the aged man had married 5-142 eloping couples at his hotel for young lovers. He was found dead in his garden at 8 o'clock this evening where he had gone to work after the supper hour. Although 81 years of age, he retained his physical powers in a remarkable degree, and kept up his practice from year to year of meeting all trains in order to accommodate young people eloping from the Virginia to be married.

In a career of twenty seven years as a marrying parson he had married young people of all ranks and stations in life, and so famous had he become that he was known throughout America and in Europe. He originally had no intention of performing marriage ceremonies as a business, but the young people flocked to his hotel in such unceasing streams that he frequently married two and three couples with one ceremony. The greatest number married by him with a single ceremony were six couples.

The increase caused him to erect a hotel exclusively for the entertainment of young people seeking marriage, and in this hotel of twenty-two bridal chambers his business gained steadily until in recent years, when it began to decline following attacks by the local ministers' association and by the city court on the Virginia side of Bristol, which recently

deprived him of the privileges of performing the rites of marriage in Virginia.

Dr. Burroughs was a native of Bedford county, Va., and a civil war veteran. He came to Bristol soon after the civil war. His wife died a few years ago. He is survived by one daughter and two sons. One son, William Burroughs, resides in New York City.

BULLITT FOR CONGRESS.

Gentlemen of the Ninth district Democracy, how does the proposition strike you? To us it seems the sensible thing to do. For years, Captain Joshua F. Bullitt has lived among us and demonstrated his manhood and his merits. His record is as clean as the untrodden snow. You recall the fight he has made for the purity of the ballot. You recognize his unsurpassed ability. As a speaker he can hold the banner of his party above the heads of anyone the opposition can put into the field.

Captain Bullitt stands unequivocally for the rights of all—for the rights of the farmer, of the miller, of the merchant, of the mechanic, of the miner, of the manufacturer, of the mother in her home, of the child in the school. He knows the law in the statute books and the law that should be there.

Just now, Captain Bullitt is leading a company of splendid Southwest Virginia soldiers to the border of Mexico. He did not plead the limitation of age, but like a brave and patriotic citizen, responded promptly to his country's call.

If the war is an actuality, which seems certain when this is written, Captain Bullitt will be in Mexico during the congressional campaign, defending his country's homes and upholding its honor. This fact will send a thrill through the district that will mean his triumphant election.

Since the above was put in type the Mexican ruler has come across and war for the present is averted. This, however, puts no change on the availability of Captain Bullitt as the Democratic nominee for Congress. Let the banner be placed in his hands. If he is here he will hold it aloft himself. If he should be called to Mexico, the sturdy yeomanry of the district will hold it aloft for him.

Bullitt, say we, for Congress!—Gate City Herald.

Visit National Guard Camp.

Richmond, Va., July 9.—Five thousand people came to Richmond Tuesday on excursion trains from various parts of the State to visit the national guard camp, and their presence was the only feature of the city's celebration of the Fourth. Official and business houses closed, but there was no program of celebration. The parade of the Virginia troops, which was to have been held, was called off.

Full Time Health Officer.

Portsmouth, Va., July 10.—Norfolk county's board of supervisors has decided to introduce the full time health officer plan in Norfolk county, following the lead of Henrico county. The employment of a whole time health officer was strongly urged recently by Dr. Roy J. Flannagan, of Richmond, assistant state health commissioner, who recently addressed the supervisors on the subject.

Charlie Chaplin is getting so much money that his admirers fear he may become unfunny. Money is a serious thing, believe us.