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Municipal Financial Act Not Correctly Entered

Attorney General Rules Against It On
Technicality—Extra Session
Wanted to Remedy
Defect.

PRINTING PLANTS SHUT DOWN.

Highway Prospects Good; Wilkinson of Charlotte
Succeeds Wood—Reduction in Values
Will Affect Schools—Student Gov-
ernment at State College.

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, May 3.—The five job printing and three book-binding establishments in Raleigh are practically shut down today because of the refusal of the owners to comply with the agreement made two years ago for a 44-hour week, the terms then drawn up stipulating that the change should be made May 1, 1921. The Capital Printing Company, which publishes the Union Herald, State Federation of Labor weekly, is not involved, because the owners are not identified with the "Typothetae," the employing printers' organization, the latter having refused to grant the demand. The Capital Printing Company is operating this week on the 44-hour basis.

The pressmen as well as the printers are involved and no press work is being done by union men. Three of the commercial printing offices have the contracts for State printing. Delivery of the State printing has been so slow for years as to incur the displeasure of State officials and the Legislature. Now it has stopped entirely. If an agreement is not reached soon the State printers may attempt to have the work sub-let to offices outside this State, in which event trouble will be likely to follow.

The object of the demand is to secure a half-day holiday for the workmen Saturday afternoon. Newspaper offices are not included in the original agreement and are not affected now.

No Extra Session Legislature.

If Governor Morrison has any intention of calling the Legislature together in extra session to help out the municipalities which have been put in a hole through the negligence or inefficiency of a Senate clerk, whereby the fact that the municipal finance act which passed its several readings by roll-call vote, after being reconsidered and amended was not properly entered, he has not so stated to any one. It does look like here is another manifestation of the law's technicalities that provoke thoughtful people—a case where there is no sort of doubt that the law was properly passed, and the three readings by roll-call vote being recorded on the bill itself, yet, because of the remissness or ignorance of a subordinate clerk, the Attorney-General tells the Secretary of State the latter has no power to remedy the defect by supplying the formal entry, although all the Senators and Senate officials and newspaper reporters know the bill passed with all the Senators present presumably voting for it, as no negative vote was recorded. As the journal must show the names of Sen-

tors present on that date the thing which the Attorney-General assumes to be impossible with the Secretary of State is hardly that, notwithstanding section two of Article 14 of the Constitution. Yet it looks like some cities will be put to some inconvenience in raising additional money which this enabling act had authorized them to do. There may be another way out of it as the Governor suggests, and we all hope there is, for nobody wants an extra session of the Legislature at this time.

Fine Highway Work Prospects.

With Clifford Older of Illinois elected State Highway Engineer and W. F. Wilkinson, Charlotte banker, appointed to fill the vacancy on the commission, the State Highway Commission is doing good business at the sessions which have been held here for a week past and still in progress. One of the commissioners, Elwood Cox of High Point, enthused everybody by predicting that "within one year" traffic would be under way from Johnston county to Charlotte in Mecklenburg county over the now hard surfaced State highway. The construction is being marked out for all the nine districts and an estimate of the sums to be expended on each out of the initial sum of ten million dollars submitted and approved by the Governor.

Governor Morrison says that the offering of bonds for sale was merely a formality, which had to be gone through with in compliance with the law. Money may be borrowed if the bonds are not sold, and the only way to comply with the law was to offer the bonds for sale. The money can be secured for the road work and for all of the other building work the State has under way or under consideration. It can and will be secured when it is needed and in amounts that are needed.

The work of the State Highway Commission here the past two weeks has put the machinery in motion and road building will be pushed rapidly all over the State.

Equalization of School Terms.

The \$600,000 fund set aside by the State for equalization of the school terms in North Carolina is but 15 percent larger than it was last year, and the counties which participated in this fund will not be able to get more than 15 percent over what was secured from this source last year. Consequently any drastic reduction in tax values will get the school authorities in trouble with the 6 months school law unless the tax rate is increased somewhat in proportion to the reduction of values.

No county can participate in this equalization fund until it has levied at least 30 cents on the hundred for school purposes and finds this not sufficient to run the schools of the county for a six months term. The length of the school term is fixed by the constitution of the State and a penalty is provided for the county officials who fail to make provision for this length of school term.

The counties which make drastic reductions in their values and do not have sufficient money to run the schools six months cannot make up the deficit out of the State fund, for there is not a sufficient amount of money set aside to take care of all of the deficits that may be created by a general reduction of tax values so far below what they were last year.

Dr. E. C. Brooks has figured it out that the average county which paid its way last year will be in a position to do the same thing this year. Those counties which did draw from other communities in the State for the purpose of running its school six months, can get about 15 per cent more money from that fund this year. County superintendents and school boards can figure on this and no more. Dr. Brooks is sending out a letter calling attention to this condition and suggesting that care be exercised in working out the school tax for the coming year.

Self Government of Students

The right to govern themselves was conferred upon the students of State College by the board of trustees in a special meeting here, thus ending a fight of several years duration. The plan of student government submitted to the trustees by E. W. Constable and W. R. Wearn, representatives of the student body, was unanimously adopted, and the new system will become operative at the beginning of the college year next September.

The election of Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, of Raleigh, chairman of trustees, and the appointment of a building commission to supervise the expenditure of \$600,000 for new buildings was the principal work of the board after the consideration of the petition of the students to be allowed to regulate their conduct by self government. W. S. Lee of Charlotte, P. S. Boyd of Mooresville, and T. T. Thorne, of Rocky Mount, were named for the commission.

The building commission will go ahead immediately with the construction of an agricultural extension completion of the mechanical engineering building upon which \$100,000 will be expended.

Other building operations will be determined upon at the meeting of the board the latter part of May. Dormitories for the accommodation of 200 students, additions to the dining hall, a laundry building, extension of the heating system and general repairs and improvement appropriation made by the last General Assembly.

Institution of student government at State College removes a cause to which much of the friction between faculty and students has been attributed during the last several years. At various times the students have petitioned the board of trustees for self government.

PLANS FOR LARGEST ALUMNI REUNIONS.

High School Baseball Teams to Number of 39 Working for Championship.

Cor. of The Gleaner.

Chapel Hill, N. C., May 3.—Thirty-nine high school baseball teams, more than twice as many as ever enrolled before, have entered the high school baseball championship contest conducted by the University of North Carolina and are now fighting it among themselves to decide which is the best high school team in the State.

Twenty-one of the teams are from the west-ern part of the State, eighteen from the eastern part. According to plans worked out by the University committee sectional championships will be decided in the west and east, and the two sectional champions meet on Emerson Field at the University probably May 21 to decide State honors.

The teams entered from the west are Spencer, Salisbury, Badin, Charlotte, Mount Holly, Monroe, Asheville, Hendersonville, Morganton, Hickory, Star-town, Winston-Salem, Guilford College high school, Leaksville, Reidsville, Greensboro, Trinity, Jamestown, South Buffalo, Monticello, and Hawfields. From the

Tobacco Growers of Alamance.

The Time is Ripe and Rotten Ripe For a Better Marketing Plan.

Thousands of tobacco growers of Virginia and the Carolinas have signed their "Declaration of Independence" in the contract of the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association.

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, will explain the contract for fair markets at the tobacco growers mass-meeting at

BURLINGTON OPERA HOUSE,
SATURDAY, MAY 14, AT 1 P. M.

Do you prefer to tug alone at your own bootstraps or will you reach out and grasp your neighbor's hand for marketing and control of your own crop?

Will you let others run your business or will you hire brains to sell the crop which others hire brains to take away from you?

For every dollar that the consumer pays for tobacco the grower receives 8 cents and others get 92 cents. Do you think this fair?

Will you let others set the standards of living for North Carolina housewives and children of the country districts, or will you demand a voice in their future?

You and 60,000 tobacco growers of the Carolinas, and Virginia must sign The Tobacco Growers Marketing Contract to make it a success. Are you afraid?

Don't be a slacker now and regret it through the lean years of starvation that will follow.

Alamance growers go over the top May 14th.

Will you hesitate and hide, or will you fight? Answer by coming to the mass-meeting—Burlington Opera House.

east are New Bern, Kinston, Burgaw, Wilmington, Edenton, Elizabeth City, Roanoke Rapids, Wilson, Red Oak, Durham, Raleigh, Chapel Hill, Cary, Clayton, Red Springs, Fayetteville, Carthage, and Raeford.

The contest has been conducted for the past seven years Greensboro won last year by taking the final game from Burgaw, eastern champions.

Plans are being made at the university for one of the largest crowds of returning alumni at the 1921 commencement that ever swarmed across the campus. Commencement this year will be June 12-15, and alumni day proper will

be Tuesday, June 14.

Ten university classes, ranging from 1861 to 1920, will hold special reunions and in addition many alumni from other classes are expected. The class of 1861 will hold its sixtieth reunion, the class of 1871 its fiftieth reunion, '81 will be back for its fortieth time, '91 for its thirtieth gathering, '96 for its twenty-fifth, '01 for its twentieth, '06 for its fifteenth, '11 for its tenth, '16 for its fifth, and 1920, last year's class, will return for its first reunion. The central alumni committee in charge of all plans is composed of Dr. H. M. Wagstaff, Frank P. Graham, and E. R. Rankin.

In response to the inquiry of many telephone subscribers: "What can I do to help my service?" this advertisement is published.

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DREW ON HIS IMAGINATION

To Put It Mildly, Longfellow was Not Always Accurate in His Descriptive Poems.

The poet Longfellow has set an example of inaccuracy in dealing with our Pilgrim ancestors which has been widely followed. His charming poem, "The Courtship of Myles Standish," has been read by millions of his countrymen and doubtless accepted by great numbers as gospel truth. Yet it has no historical basis, says a writer in the Boston Transcript. There is not a scintilla of evidence that the fearless captain, who was small of stature and red-haired, but every inch a soldier—had any desire to win the affections of Priscilla Mullins. He was a very busy man during the first years at Plymouth. And, but for his wisdom, skill and heroic actions, there is little doubt but what they would have all been murdered by wild savages, who were not wholly restrained by Massachusetts. It seems too bad that so brave and unselfish a man as Standish was should now be paraded before his descendants as a rejected suitor. He and they deserve a better fate.

The poet is no more accurate in dealing with him than he is in describing the marriage of John Alden and Priscilla. What a pretty bit of fiction it was to place Priscilla on a "milk-white steer," when there was not a cow, nor a steer, in all New England!

What is Art?

The conclusion is that heaven born geniuses are a myth. Actors are no fonder of thinking hard and laboring hard than any other set of humans. The manager, seeing that doesn't appear to be very much difference in their caliber, has taken to selecting them by their physical appearance. The actor is the result. The public is quick to respond to really fine acting—that is what fine acting is, for if it doesn't make the public respond it isn't fine acting. You often hear it said that the public doesn't want art. It would be just as sensible for a man to take a broken watch to be mended, state his wants to the watch repairer and then add that he mustn't employ skill in the operation! For what is art in its practice? It is skill—accomplishment.—John E. Kelder, in the Forum.

Apple Roll.

Mix together one and one-half cups of flour, one-third of a cup of lard and a teaspoonful of salt; when well blended add just enough water to make a paste of the con-

Dresses Made of Dope.

Soon women will be able to dress themselves entirely in varnish—and with perfect propriety! The varnish is opaque and becomes clear as glass if rolled into a thin film; but it is still varnish, for all that. This new dress material, in its liquid days, was called "dope," and was used to protect airplane wings from fire and water. Now it is being spun and woven for women's dresses. The only difference between a film of dope, a sheet of this magical varnish, and a skein of "silk," is that the first is laid on with a brush, the second pressed out on a plate, and the third forced through a tiny hole. This material can be used for practically any article of wearing apparel. The articles so made cannot be spoiled by water, and are also completely fireproof. Dyes of all shades are readily absorbed and retained, and the material washes beautifully.

Gas Warfare on Rats.

The chemical warfare service has recently demonstrated that rats can be killed with poison gas. A mixture containing 30 per cent of phosgene and 70 of chlorine was used. This was allowed to escape over an area of 900 square feet. Fifteen rats were on the area, and they all died from the effect of the deadly poisonous gases.

They were killed at a cost of 40 cents. Within 15 minutes the phosgene had dissipated, while the chlorine gas required 30 minutes to diffuse beyond the danger point. In view of the millions of dollars' loss caused yearly by these pests, any means of destroying them is welcome.

Airmen Find Volcanic Crater.

Discovery of a huge volcanic crater surrounded by a great lava lake, in the Mojave desert, has been made by D. D. France and John G. Montijo, aviators and pilots of the plane known as the Desert Rat. Flying over the wastes of the desert the two airmen, mapping a region little known to man, sighted the huge crater not far from Levic. Although the dry lava lake is shown on maps of the desert the fact that a volcanic crater existed in the region was unknown until the airmen reported their find on their return.—Los Angeles Express.

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Sale of Real Estate!

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed from E. W. Lasley to A. H. Maness, dated the 9th day of October, 1919, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance county, in book of Mortgages No. 82, page 5, and the bonds secured thereby having been duly assigned, and the real estate therein having been duly conveyed to the undersigned by the mortgagee, A. H. Maness, by assignment and conveyance dated the 25th day of November, 1919, default having been made in the payment of said indebtedness, the undersigned will, on

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 1921,

at 2 o'clock p. m., at the court house door in Graham, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash all that tract or parcel of land in the County of Alamance, and State of North Carolina, in Faucette township, and defined and described as follows, to-wit: Adjoining the lands of Martha Adams, A. L. King, J. M. Crutchfield and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a rock and post-oak stump, corner with said King and McAdams, running thence N 66 deg E 18.60 chains passing over a rock on W bank of Boyd Creek into center of said creek and said King's line corner with said Mayness; thence up said creek as it meanders N 2.75 chs N 14 deg W 1.84 chs in center of said creek E of a sycamore tree on W bank of said creek, corner with said Crutchfield; thence S 54 deg W 13.25 chains to a rock in said McAdams' line; thence S 55 deg E 7.43 chains to the beginning, and containing 16 acres, more or less.

This 4th day of May, 1921.

W. C. WARREN,
Assignee of Mortgage.
W. S. Coulter, Atty.

LOST—Between Graham and my home, screw cap to my tripod. Finder please return and get reward. LEWIS H. HOLT.