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Reading Is To The Mind What Exercise Is To The Body

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PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENS

Large Attendance On First Day. Interesting Exercises

The opening of the Graded School here this week was quite a successful one, the attendance being fully as large as the capacity of the building would care for. The enrollment consisted of 180 boys and 184 girls, a total of 364.

The opening exercises were quite impressive Monday morning. The student body assembled in front of the building and after the school band had played the Star Spangled Banner and the flag had been raised marched into the auditorium. A considerable number of the older citizens of the town were present to witness the exercises.

Reverend Harry Day began the exercises with a prayer after which he made a short talk appropriate to the occasion. M. Leslie Davis then on behalf of Mrs. T. J. Jarvis presented a picture of her late husband to the school. He gave a very interesting sketch of Governor Jarvis who was one of North Carolina's most distinguished sons. Mrs. Jarvis who has been in town several weeks attended the school opening.

The picture of Governor Jarvis was accepted on behalf of the school by J. Hollister Potter chairman of the school board.

Superintendent Ferguson addressed the pupils and parents present on the subjects of regular attendance, home study and co-operation between parents and teachers. He stated that a business course would be maintained by the school this year. The list of teachers for this term are as follows:

First Grade Miss Eva Thomas, Second Grade Miss Annie Morton, Third Grade Miss Annie Mae Gibbs, Fourth Grade Miss Lessie Arrington, Fifth Grade Miss Pansy Gaitley, Sixth Grade Miss Mary C. Wilhelm, Seventh Grade Miss Bettie W. Parham, High School Mrs. John Chadwick, Miss Nellie Richardson, G. H. Ferguson, Music Miss Ethel Gladys Gaitley.

Typesetting Machine Arrives

The Mergenthaler linotype ordered for the News office some six months ago arrived this week. The machine is one of the latest and most expensive models that the company builds. A man will be sent out from the factory to erect it and so it will not be a great while now before the News will be set in the modern newspaper way. In the meantime the good old Gutenberg method will prevail.

Beebles Worry Telephone Users

When telephone girls in California find their wires "shorted," a bug may be on or in the wire, for California has a wood-boring beetle that goes through wood and also through alloyed substance considerably harder than lead. The beetle has put hundreds of telephones out of commission by boring holes in the cables that carry the wires. Water enters the cables, making wire connections useless until the bored places are found and repaired. The problem of control of this metal-boring beetle is still unsolved, according to the bureau of entomology of the United States department of agriculture and it will be difficult to find a practicable way.

Nursing an Investment

"You very seldom go away from home."
"No, the rent has been raised again and we're trying to come as near getting our money's worth as possible."

Brilliant Scheme

On their fourth birthday Frances and Rita, twins, stood watching the finishing touches being put on a cake by their mother, when Frances exclaimed, "Mumver, let's have today for my birthday, and we'll have another for Rita tomorrow."

County Board Meeting

A meeting of the board of county commissioners was held here Monday, the following being present: Chairman Wallace, Commissioners Gillikin, Lewis, Pigott and Taylor. The meeting was a short one and was to finish up some business that was left over from other meetings.

An order was passed by the board accepting the Marshallburg-Gloucester short cut as a county road, provided the road shall be built according to specifications furnished by the board and at the expense of the citizens of that locality.

An order was passed allowing Guthrie Bros. to draw \$5000 on their contract for the North River bridge. Ed Pierce and Sam Murray two prisoners having with credits for good behavior finished their sentences the board ordered that they be discharged.

The board passed an order that the raise in the North River bridge be three feet high and twenty feet long with a descent on either side of fifty feet. Adjournment was then taken.

Moving Telephone Cable

The telephone cable which formerly connected the wireless station on Piver's Island with Fort Macon Coast Guard station is to be removed and connected up with the station at Camp Glenn. The line will be run along Bogue Banks until it gets opposite the camp and there a cable will be laid to the new station. F. R. Pitt of Norfolk, and E. Midgett of Manteo and H. C. Logan of Ocracoke are in charge of the work.

New Kind Of Eggs

A. T. Gardner of this city is something of a chicken fancier. He raises fine chickens and is an authority on them. He struck something new in his experience though the other day. It was a very large egg with a very thin, soft shell inside of which was another egg of the usual size and appearance. He is now going to try to raise a breed of hens that will lay two eggs at time and thus help to reduce the high cost of living.

Farmers Hold Meeting

A small but thoroughly in earnest convention of farmers was held here Monday in the county court room to discuss the tobacco and cotton situation. The meeting was called to order by A. L. Wilson of Newport who called on E. W. Hill to make some remarks particularly as to the State warehouse plan. Mr. Hill read this act and spoke to the convention on this and the subject of low prices in general. The opinion of all present at the meeting seemed to be that the farmers must unite for self preservation and action to that end was taken. It is likely that the farmers of this county will join the association which is now being formed in Virginia and North Carolina to control acreage and to keep prices up.

Church Notice

Reverend R. F. Bumpas who has been in a sanatorium in Washington, D. C., for several weeks will return here soon and will fill his pulpit at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening.

Girl Pages in Kansas Legislature

In the early sessions girls were employed as pages in both houses of the Kansas legislature.

BICKETT SPOKE SATURDAY

Address Was Mainly On Revaluation Of Property

Governor T. W. Bickett spoke here Saturday at noon to a crowd of about three hundred people in the county court room. He was introduced to the audience in a brief speech by attorney M. Leslie Davis.

The Governor spoke for about an hour and a half and in the course of his remarks he dealt with only two subjects, the League of Nations and the revaluation of property. He discussed the League of Nations for about twenty minutes making an eloquent appeal for it and advancing the theory that it would put an end to war for all time to come. He said the Republican Senate had strangled to death this harbinger of peace.

On revaluation Governor Bickett who has been its chief advocate, came out strongly. He gave many figures comparing old values with new and showing up what he called the inequalities of the old system and the advantages of the new. He said the old plan of assessing taxes was false, unfair and unequal. He said that the present facilities for taking care of the deaf, the blind and the insane were inadequate and that the State needed more money. The Governor's speech was listened to attentively and received some applause but did not arouse much enthusiasm. From here he went to Morehead City where he spoke that night.

Mrs. C. A. Moore Moving

Mrs. C. A. Moore will move her stock of dry goods and ladies furnishing to the second story of the C. A. Clawson building. The building has been put in shape for this purpose, a nice stairway has been erected and other improvements made to it.

Sot At A Hog And Hit A Man

R. W. Chadwick of Beaufort was accidentally shot Tuesday afternoon by E. W. Gibbs a friend of his. Mr. Gibbs had been trying to get some hogs out of a without much success and Mr. Chadwick had volunteered to help. Finally losing patience Mr. Gibbs got his shot gun and fired at one of the hogs. Some of the load hit Mr. Chadwick, one shot striking him in the forehead and several others in the legs. Dr. Maxwell was called to see him and found that the wounds were not dangerous.

Sunbeam Band At The Baptist Church

Quite a few young folks, eligible to be members of the Sunbeam Band, met at the Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon and reorganized with the following officers: President, Martha Longest; Vice President, Lucille Brickhouse; Secretary, Ruby Rich; Treasurer, Sarah Hill; Organist, Ruth Brickhouse.

Mrs. Robert Gardner is the Leader for the Band which is under the supervision of the W. M. U. of the church.

The time of the meeting is the first and third Sunday afternoons. All children of the community are invited to attend.

Defining Friends

Friends are the people that some fellows reject always to get them out of trouble.—Detroit Free Press.

APPEAL FOR FUNDS

The Republican Voters And Law Respecting Citizens Of North Carolina

It is the opinion of competent legal authority that the absentee Voter Law is in violation of the constitution of the State and will be so declared by the Courts before the election.

It is a known and sworn to fact that under this law brazen frauds have nullified and destroyed the integrity and purity of the ballot and thousands of our soldier boys and other citizens were defrauded of their votes by forging their names without their knowledge.

The Republican State Executive Committee has employed counsel in the persons of:

Judge W. P. Bynum, Judge R. C. Strudwick, and Attorney Sidney S. Aljerman.

These lawyers have been authorized and directed to proceed immediately, and to the court of final appeal if necessary, to have removed from the books this illegal and iniquitous provision of the present Election Law.

The expense of this litigation will be heavy and will not be less than \$3,500.00 by conservative and competent estimate.

This is a mere pittance in comparison with the benefit accruing to every law respecting citizen and to the fair name of our State.

The Republican State Committee appeals to the Republicans and to those citizens of the State who believe that the sanctity of the ballot is the only guarantee of a free, lasting and economical government of and by the people to make possible this all important undertaking and to carry it on to successful conclusion.

The suit has been instituted and the Republican State Committee most earnestly asks you to aid in carrying it on.

Will you send at once to Frank A. Linney, State Chairman, Greensboro, N. C., just as large a contribution as the importance of the undertaking merits?

One subscription of \$500.00 from a patriotic State Republican is already in hand.

Immediate response is all important and it is believed your co-operation will have vital bearing on the result, and place in office honest officials honestly elected.

Yours very truly,
F. A. Linney, Chairman.
Greensboro, N. C.
John M. Morehead,
National Committeeman.
Gilliam Grissom,
Secretary.

Beliefs Concerning Teeth

There are curious fancies about teeth. To dream about teeth was held to be a warning that sorrow was at hand, and it was still more unlucky to dream of one's teeth falling out. Many people still throw an extracted tooth into the fire for luck, and this is observed specially in the case of young children to ensure that the remainder of their teeth will come properly. Teeth wide apart is said to be a sign of future prosperity and happiness.

French Guiana

French Guiana is the penal settlement of France. Its surface rises gradually from the unhealthy coast to the mountain border on the south. Only a small part of the country is known. Fevers, particularly yellow fever, decimate the region and have proved so fatal to French convicts that white prisoners have long been sent elsewhere. The *De du Diable*, off the coast, became famous through the imprisonment of Alfred Dreyfus.

CAGHT BY JUICY BIG WORDS

"Si-mul-ta-ne-ously" Had More Effect on Yacht Waiter Than Fat Tip Would Have.

The caterer who fed the reporters three times a day on the destroyer *Goldborough* at the cup races had a staff of negro waiters, one of whom had a weakness for words, strange words, remarks the *New York Evening Sun*. Reporters warned to seek him out and win his favor by bringing him "whoppers."

"Unctuous" must be that waiter's name. For unctuous he was as he brought the breakfast milk—"cream," he called it optimistically.

"Yoh kin have all de cream, yo wants, ge'men," he said, and some mistook the quality of his soul and offered him money. Naturally he took it. And he boomed a thunderous thanks that called the attention of all diners and compelled them likewise to offer him money.

But the waiting soul of Unctuous really flowered only when he heard a gigantic word. Solemnly one reporter came in and standing ceremoniously with a hand on the back of his chair before sitting down looked straight at Unctuous and as one intoning a formal greeting slowly gave vent to the single word, "simultaneously."

"Si-mul-ta-ne-ously," repeated Unctuous, catching it perfectly and separating each syllable with reversed pomp. "Si-mul-ta-ne-ously," he kept murmuring as he bustled exclusively about the man who had brought him the new word gem.

STRANGE WINDS OF CHANCE

French Artist and English Novelist Mixed Up in Romance of the Marquesan Islands.

In one of the New York art galleries there is now on view a primitively-fashioned door decorated with the figure of a Tahitian belle. This door has been brought from the far-away lands of the southern Pacific.

And "thereby hangs a tale"—a tale that leads to one of the far Marquesan islands where Paul Gauguin "mildly painted his very life's blood into a series of astounding canvases, practically living on narcotics at the end because he felt that he must, at any cost, give his message to the world." W. Somerset Maugham, in his endless search for the endless succession of plots for his novels and plays, dug up the story of Paul Gauguin's trail hot-foot from Paris to Tahiti, and even carried off a door from his cabin. Thus was written "The Moon and Sixpence."

Gauguin died in his adopted home, his passing noted only by a few artists. Then the playwright's visit to the island, then the book—and immediately there is a general gathering of artists, writers, photographers, etc., on their way to Tahiti.

Mr. Arens has made an article of unusual interest in tracing the peculiar course of this rather extraordinary literary volume.—Harper's Bazar.

Two Different Views

"Well," cried Mrs. Henpeck, "our son is engaged to be married. We will write to the dear lad and congratulate him."

Mr. Henpeck agreed (he dare not do otherwise), and his wife picked up her pen.

"My darling boy," read the son, "what glorious news! Your father and I rejoice in your happiness. It has long been our greatest wish that you should marry some good woman. A good woman is heaven's most precious gift to man. She brings out all the best in him and helps him to suppress all that is evil."

Then there was a postscript in a different handwriting: "Your mother has gone for a stamp. Keep single, you young noodle."

Calling Back Birds

In the devastated areas of Belgium and Northern France the birds as well as the human inhabitants lost their homes. Their nests and nesting places were destroyed.

Now they have been invited back; for the matter is not merely one of sentiment, inasmuch as the birds are needed to eat the bugs that devour the farmer's crops.

With this object in view, areas of woodland are being set aside and made as attractive as possible to feathered creatures. It is expected that by such means colonies of birds will soon be established, and that, with proper protection, they will multiply and become as numerous as ever before long.

Such a Simple Process

During an examination in Kansas a could-be teacher declared that "An alien may become a citizen by being born in this country."—Boston Transcript.

MAY SELL BONDS

Will Finish Water And Sewerage If Money Can Be Had, Increase Power Plant

An important meeting of the board of town commissioners was held at the City Hall last Friday night. It was an adjourned meeting of the regular session and was to consider tax levies and other matters. Those present were Mayor Bushall, Commissioners Duncan, Doane, Potter and Whitehurst.

On motion of commissioner Whitehurst the rate of taxation for the year was fixed at 85 cents on the \$100 worth of property and \$2.55 on the poll. The tax was apportioned as follows:

General Fund, 33, Water and sidewalks 33, Refunding bonds 5, Taylor's Creek bonds 5, Electric light bonds 9, making a total of 85 cents.

Commissioner Doane offered a motion that bids be advertised for completing the septic tank. The motion carried. Then the matter of getting more power at the City's power plant was discussed. On account of the growing demand for electric lights and current the commissioners think it necessary to purchase another engine and dynamo. The type of engine was discussed at some length Commissioner Doane favored an oil burning engine and Commissioners Duncan and Potter thought a steam engine would suit better. A motion was offered by Commissioner Potter that a Fleming-Harrisburg compound dual clearance steam engine be purchased. On this motion commissioner Doane voted no and commissioners Duncan and Potter voted yes. Commissioner Whitehurst did not vote. The Mayor was then instructed to secure the funds to buy the engine and call on any of the members of the board that he wished to help him.

M. C. Holland came before the board and asked to be relieved of paying a milliner's license tax for Guthrie and Company or have their regular merchant's tax reduced. On motion of Commissioner Duncan the relief was granted. Commissioner Duncan moved that a resolution be drawn to offer bonds for sale to complete the water and sewerage system. The motion carried. The board then adjourned.

Bridge Party For Mrs. Bickett

Mrs. C. L. Duncan entertained a few friends at bridge last Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. T. W. Bickett who with Governor Bickett has been here for several days on a vacation trip. There were two tables those present being Mrs. T. W. Bickett, Mrs. T. J. Jarvis, Mrs. A. J. Cooke, Mrs. Bayard Taylor, Mrs. A. D. O'Bryan, Mrs. Jos. House, Mrs. Gritton Porter and Guthrie of Goldsboro. The prize a box of candy was won by Mrs. Cooke and presented to the guest of honor.

Washington Knew Value of Oil

There has been recently discovered a letter of George Washington in which he shows great interest in the possibility of an "oil spring" in Virginia. He called the essential situation of his trustees to the importance of the matter.

Red Ink Stains

To remove red ink stains from white linen spread freshly made mustard over the stain and leave about one-half hour. Then sponge off and all trace of ink will have gone.