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GOVERNOR McLEAN SAYS BUDGET SYSTEM SAVED STATE LARGE SUM

Favors Thirty Millions For Highways. Thinks Taxes Need Not Be Raised Except Inheritance, Estates, Theaters, Soft Drinks And Tobacco

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

Raleigh, January 10—Both branches of the General Assembly of North Carolina swung into action at noon on Wednesday, January 5th and have since heard read in joint-session two informative messages by his Excellency the Governor, both of which were enthusiastically received. The Governor reviewed in a masterful way the record of his administration and the results from the operations of the numerous enactments he had recommended for the administration of the General Assembly of 1925 and placed by that body upon the statute books of the State. The Executive expressed especial gratification for the fine showing made under the budgetary system and urged its approval by the present law-making body.

The new Speaker, Representative R. T. Fountain, of Edgecombe, who was nominated for the honor by the Democratic members in caucus on Tuesday evening, let it be known on taking the chair that he is in accord with the conservative administration of Governor McLean and promised the kind of cooperation which counts in the conduct of his office during the session. Other House officers chosen in caucus and formally elected in open session are: Principal Clerk, Alex Lassiter of Bertie; Reading Clerk, David P. Dellinger of Gaston; Sergeant-At-Arms, Capt. John Lisk, an aged Confederate veteran, of Montgomery; Engrossing Clerk, Miss Rosa Mund of Cabarrus; Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms, M. E. Woodhouse, of Currituck.

On the Senate side there was action from the moment the senators were qualified for service. Lieutenant Governor J. Elmer Long has his committees ready and announcement followed immediately upon the election of officers. The honor of president protem went to Senator W. L. Long of Halifax without opposition. Leroy Martin of Yadkin county was named as principal clerk; Rev. A. Corey, of Martin county, engrossing clerk; F. E. Smith of Craven for reading clerk; O. P. Shell, of Harnett sergeant-at-arms; J. A. Bryson, of Henderson, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

In his annual message delivered on Wednesday evening Governor McLean suggested that the Superior Court system of the State be taken from under constitutional jurisdiction and placed under the supervision of the Supreme Court; pleaded for a continuance of the Executive Budget system; commended the Salary and Wage Commission and the Pardon Commission; urged the continuance of educational progress; advocated amending the Capital Issues laws to make the sale of foreign securities easier in North Carolina; asked for a law to prevent fraudulent dealings in real estate; pointed out the necessity of more stringent laws relating to carrying concealed weapons; placed himself on record favorable to an issue of thirty million dollars in bonds for road building; emphasized the urgent need of reforms in county governments and agricultural diversification.

Budget System Discussed
Governor McLean spoke to the Budget System in his message to the General Assembly on Friday for which he claims the following results of the first year's operation; Saved a large amount in interest on short term loans in anticipation of taxes; fifty per cent saving on public printing bill; purchasing supplies at wholesale found to be very advantageous; requirement of requisition by some official of a department puts all purchases on a strictly business basis; big reduction in per capita maintenance cost of state institutions; that governmental receipts and disbursements can be handled in such a way as to prevent deficiencies of consequence at the conclusion of the fiscal period. The Governor told the Assembly that the operation of the Executive Budget System during the last biennium has saved the State \$1,269,824.04. He would increase the school equalizing fund a million dollars and give the Confederate soldiers and widows an additional sum each year each year the sum of \$200,000, which he says can be done without any big increases in the tax rate, except as to inheritance and estate taxes and privilege requirements on theatres and moving picture shows, on contractors, soft drinks,

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THIEVERY BEING DONE

BY YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS

There seems to have been considerable thievery done around Beaufort in recent weeks by boys. Some days ago a fourteen year negro boy stole a fine shot gun from Captain Bonner Willis. This was recovered by Chief of Police Longest and restored to the owner. Last Thursday night two white boys forced their way into the store of Mr. G. W. Lupton on Broad street. They effected their entrance through the back door and stole nine pounds of pennies, some cigars and possibly a few other articles. Captain George Styron managed to get a clue to the guilty parties and the officers traced the matter out and got the pennies back. The boys were put on probation by Juvenile Judge L. W. Hassell.

SEASON'S FIRST SNOWFALL WAS RATHER LIGHT AFFAIR

The first snowfall of the season in the vicinity of Beaufort occurred Monday night. A little snow fell early in the evening but did not stick to the ground very well. When morning came though the roofs of the houses and the ground too were all covered with a white but thin blanket. The children got some fun out of it but it didn't last long. The sun came out and by noon it was all gone except a few bits sticking around here and there.

The temperature on Monday night dropped to 26 degrees above zero. On the night before it was one degree lower. With the exception of a few burst water pipes the News has heard of no casualties from the cold wave. There has not been a deep snow in Beaufort since the early part of the year 1918 which was a very unusual winter all over the country.

COLD WEATHER MAKES DDCK SHOOTING GOOD

The past few days have been cold but fine for duck and goose shooting. Many hunters have been engaged in the sport recently in the waters of Core and Pamlico Sounds and the News understands that some fine bags have been made. Messrs. H. C. Jones and Wiley H. Taylor, two veteran hunters from Beaufort, bagged forty five ducks in a few hours shooting Monday afternoon and killed thirty Monday afternoon. They have blinds in Core Sound and keep the shooting places baited with corn which attracts the ducks in large numbers. There are many clubs and private shooting places in the county near Davis, Williston, Atlantic, Hog Island and Portsmouth. The shooting season ends February the first and so from now until that time the hunters will be busy.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds have been recorded at the office of Register of Deeds R. W. Wallace as follows:

Arie Chaplain and husband to W. C. Peterson, 49 1-4 acres, Beaufort-Township, for \$1.

T. C. Wade, Sheriff to J. B. & D. M. Jones interest in town lots Beaufort, for \$205.

H. C. Podrie to H. C. and K. W. Loftin, part lot Beaufort for \$10.

Cape Lookout Development Co. to Willa N. McKinnon, 1 lot Cape Lookout, for \$50.

Sarah L. Hancock and husband to C. J. Taylor and wife 45 1-2 acres Harlowe, for \$200.

State of N. C. to W. B. Hancock grant 1-4 acre, Morehead Township for \$1.50.

Mann and Sanderson to G. M. Mann and wife 95 acres near Newport, for \$300.

W. M. Eubank and wife to C. H. Wilton, 1 lot Newport, for \$10.

Mrs. S. T. Holland to Willard White, 1 lot Newport for \$300.

Josephus Pigott and wife to Joseph G. and Lillian N. Pigott, 10 acres, Straits, for \$10.

I. T. Noe and wife to L. A. Lewis, 23 acres Straits for \$51.49.

C. A. Lewis and wife to Joseph Pigott, 4 acres Straits, for \$5.

H. B. Lawrence and wife to Beaufort Banking and Trust Co. 12 1-2 acres Smyrna for \$60.

American women now buy as many silk hose in one day as they bought in a whole year a quarter of a century ago.

Will Build New Stores On Front Street Soon

Arrangements which are now practically concluded assure the erection of three new store buildings on Front street. A deal has been made between Messrs. Richard Felton and W. P. Smith by means of which the building becomes possible. Mr. Smith acquires a fifty foot frontage from Mr. Felton on Queen street and Mr. Felton gets twenty two feet frontage from Mr. Smith on Front street. Mr. Smith will move his residence from where it now stands to the Queen street lot.

Work will begin on the new store buildings just as soon as contracts can be let, and materials assembled. The buildings will be one story, brick structures with plate glass fronts, good show windows and modern equipment throughout. It is thought that the buildings can be gotten ready for occupancy by June the first. The building now occupied by Mr. Smith for his mercantile business has been rented to the United States Postoffice Department and he will have to vacate it about June the first.

SCHOOL BONDS SOLD WEDNESDAY

All Arrangements Completed And Work Will Start Soon On Buildings

The bonds have been sold, the contract signed and the brick bought for the two new buildings for the Beaufort graded school district. At a meeting of the board of school trustees Wednesday afternoon these matters were attended to. Those present were Chairman U. E. Swann, and Mrs. H. C. Jones, Messrs John Chaplain, Clarence Gutbrie, M. Leslie Davis, W. A. Mace.

A large number of bidders were on hand for the sale which had been duly advertised. Nineteen bids in all were received. They were sold at a premium of \$6111 to Stranahan, Harris and Oatis of Toledo, Ohio. There was some talk of selling the bonds at auction but the board decided to sell the bonds as advertised, which was a sealed bid basis. The bids ranged all the way from a premium of \$624 up to the price accepted. The bonds bear an interest rate of 5 1-2 per cent. They begin to mature in 1928 and end in 1957.

After the bond sale the board took up the question of buying brick. Representatives of several brick manufacturers were on hand and submitted prices. After the necessary consideration the board decided on rough, texture shale brick made by the Richland Shale Products Company of Columbia, S. C. They cost \$22 per thousand and about 200,000 will be used. N. A. Underwood of Wilmington who made the lowest bid for the larger building was present and a contract for the work was signed by him and representatives of the board. The contractor will order out his supplies and equipment at once and expects to start work by the first of next month. The old building now used by the white pupils of Beaufort was sold some time ago to the county for \$35,000. The proceeds of the sale will be used in the new building.

Vital Statistics Report Shows Carteret Gaining In Population

Vital statistics for Carteret county for the months of October and November show that in October there were 25 more births than deaths and in November there was a preponderance of 18 births. Morehead City led in births in October and tied with Beaufort and Newport in November. These figures were furnished the News by the State Board of Health at Raleigh. The table of statistics is given below:

DISTRICT	October			November		
	Births	Deaths	Still Births	Births	Deaths	Still Births
Town						
Beaufort	7	-	-	5	4	-
Morehead City	10	4	-	4	2	1
Newport	1	-	-	1	1	2
Township						
Beaufort	1	-	-	4	-	-
Harkers Island	-	1	-	1	-	-
Harlowe	0	0	0	1	-	-
Hunting Quarter Division of						
Davis	No Report	-	-	1	1	-
Stacey	-	-	-	1	1	-
Sea Level	3	-	-	2	-	-
Merrimon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morehead	2	-	1	2	4	-
Newport	0	0	0	4	-	-
Portsmouth	-	-	No Registrar	-	-	-
Smyrna	2	1	0	0	0	0
Straits	2	2	-	2	-	-
White Oak	5	-	-	3	-	-
TOTAL	33	8	1	31	13	3
		October		November		

PUPILS WEIGHED FOUND WANTING

Some Too Heavy. Most of Them Were Found To Be Under Weight

During the week just past, ten elementary schools in which I have Girls' Home Demonstration Clubs have been visited. The girls were weighed and measured to find out if they were the right weight for their age and height. The ages of these girls ranged from ten to seventeen years. One hundred and thirty three girls were weighed and the amount of overweight or underweight was determined. Only one girl, Clara Chadwick of Straits school, was the right weight. Thirty five were less than ten per cent underweight. Forty three were between ten and twenty per cent underweight. Twenty four were between twenty and thirty per cent underweight. Twelve were between thirty and forty per cent underweight. Eighteen were overweight. Nine of the eighteen were less than ten per cent overweight; seven were from ten to twenty per cent overweight; and two were from twenty to thirty per cent overweight.

These facts indicate a serious condition among the children of our county. Seventy nine of the one hundred, thirty three weighed were more than ten per cent underweight. When children are more than ten per cent underweight, it indicates that they have some remediable physical defect as adenoids, bad tonsils or bad teeth, or that they are undernourished. After examination is made for visible physical defects, and none are found, then the cause may be attributed to undernourishment. This is true in more cases than we think.

Investigators have found by experiment that by following a few simple rules the daily food requirements will be met. The daily diet should include—

One half to one quart of milk daily.

At least two servings of vegetables other than potatoes and dried beans; a leafy vegetable if possible.

At least two servings of fruit each day, one raw if possible.

Tomatoes (fresh or canned) or oranges twice a week.

Whole grain cereal or bread daily. One egg daily.

One serving of meat daily.

Water—6 to 8 glasses daily—one of these before breakfast.

Right food alone does not assure good nutrition and good health. To make the best use of well-selected food, the body requires cleanliness, fresh air, sunshine, exercise, rest, good posture, and happiness.

Clubs in the consolidated schools will be visited this week and next. The records of more than a hundred girls will be added to the above.

EDITH POWELL,
Home Dem. Agt.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Only one permit to wed has been issued by Register of Deeds since last week, that was to Claude Glover and Louise Lynch, Beaufort.

The Bank of England recently issued an order to their clerks that mustaches were not to be worn during business hours.

Has County Board Sold More Bonds?

A rumor that the Board of County Commissioners had sold bonds to the amount of \$1,250,000 recently created considerable interest in Beaufort and elsewhere yesterday and today. The report came from one of the bond salesmen who attended the sale of school bonds in Beaufort Wednesday.

The bond salesman said that the bonds had been sold without any advertisement or notice to the public and that they did not bring what they would have brought on the open market. This statement was made to a representative of the News and several other persons who were present. He said he would have given a good price for the bonds if he had gotten a chance. In order to get some definite information about the matter the editor of the News called up County Attorney Luther Hamilton. He stated that some negotiations had been made looking to the sale of bonds to get money to take up certain outstanding short time county notes. As he expressed it "a feeler" was put out to see what could be done about the matter but that the bonds had not been sold. So far the News has not been able to see the minutes of the two meetings of the board held this month. A request for this privilege has been made twice but County Auditor Stancil stated that they were not ready. As soon as they can be obtained the minutes will be printed.

COMMUNITY CLUB SIX YEARS OLD

Interesting Meeting Held Last Thursday. Members Want A Club Building

The Community Club held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, December 6. After reading the collect, the president, Mrs. S. F. Hildebrand, extended a most cordial welcome to the members, and expressed her appreciation for the splendid attendance.

The usual reports were read by officers and committees, the most interesting of which were those given by the chairman of the Public Welfare, and County Home and Sanatorium Committees, Mrs. M. Leslie Davis, chairman of the Public Welfare, told of the joy derived from the Club's Christmas giving; of clothes and groceries taken to several families, and stockings filled with toys and confectionaries prepared for many children.

Mrs. C. R. Wheatly, chairman of County Home and Sanatorium committee gave a report of work done at Thanksgiving. She was most grateful to the merchants who so generously donated fruit for the inmates of the County Home, and to those who prepared the package for Roderick Parkin at sanatorium. At Christmas this committee gave fifty cents to each of two children there. Pajamas and a bathrobe were sent to two children at Sanatorium, while a lumbe jacket was sent to Roderick Parkin. A letter was read from Dr. McCain at Sanatorium thanking the club for these gifts.

The president read the legislative program endorsed by the N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs—Beaufort Club voted in favor of this program and moved that some written communication to this effect be sent our representatives, while Mrs. W. G. Mebane was appointed personal representative of the club.

The "Cotton Day" program endorsed by federated club women, was discussed, and it was decided to appoint a committee to plan for this occasion. Suggestions were made that school children be influenced in the wearing of cotton hose and clothes, and that the ladies be aroused in the "made of cotton, bought in Beaufort" spirit.

Not by any means least in importance, was the president's expression of the hope for a club building in Beaufort. This has been the dream of club women here since the organization of the Community Club. The first definite steps was taken when a motion was carried that the club have a certain sum on savings account by the close of the club year in June.

After the adjournment of the business meeting a most enjoyable social hour was held in honor of the sixth anniversary of the club. Mrs. G. W. Lay first president of the club, was accorded the honor of cutting the beautiful birthday cake presented by Mrs. S. F. Hildebrand, the active president. Delicious refreshments were served by several of the junior members. The hearts of the pioneer women of the club must

POPULATION WILL BE MUCH LARGER AT NEXT CENSUS

If Pending Measure Is Adopted North Carolina Will Gain A Congressman

SOME STATES WILL LOSE

WASHINGTON, D. C. Jan 10—The Bureau of the Census estimates the population of the United States in 1920 will be 123,288,000 as compared with 105,710,620, the total reported in 1920. The prospective figure is based on various State, city and school enumerations that have been taken, and was given before the House Census Committee on January 10 when hearings on the Fenn Bill for Congressional reapportionment were begun.

William M. Steuart, Director of the Census, and Dr. Joseph A. Hill, his chief assistant, were the principal witnesses before the committee and presented the Census Bureau's estimate of the probable 1930 population, and a tabulation indicating the changes which would be required in reapportionment under the Fenn Bill.

Measure Explained

This measure which is sponsored by Representative Fenn (Rep. of Wethersfield, Conn.), proposes a reapportionment of the House membership among the several States, to be based on the 1930 census and computed on the so-called "major fractions" plan. The Fenn Bill would leave the present total membership of the House—435—unchanged.

Dr. Hill said his years of study of the reapportionment problem have led him to favor the so-called "equal proportions" method of computing State representation in the House. He will appear again at a hearing to be held January 19 to discuss that method.

As briefly explained, the theory of the equal proportions method is to insure that each representative in the House shall represent as nearly as may be possible, an equal number of citizens.

The system of allocating seats under the major fractions methods, which counts major fractions as units and ignores minor fractions, requires arbitrary scaling of fractions in order to distribute the seats.

Based upon the estimated 1930 census and the use of the major fractions system, the representation of the various States in the House as compared with their present quotas would be changed as follows:

Changes Listed by States.

Arizona would gain one seat, California, six; Connecticut, one; Florida, one; Michigan, four; Montana, one; New Jersey, two; North Carolina, one; Ohio three; Oklahoma, one; Texas, two; and Washington, one.

This comprises a total gain of 24 seats, which would be offset as follows: Alabama would lose one, Indiana, two; Iowa, two; Kansas, one; Kentucky, two; Louisiana, one, Maine one; Massachusetts, one; Mississippi, two, Missouri, four, Nebraska, one; New York, two; North Dakota, one; Tennessee, one; Vermont, one, and Virginia, one.

In other words, 12 states would gain 24 seats, with 16 states losing the same number.

If the representation is figured on the equal proportion basis, according to another table submitted by the Bureau of the Census officials, the changes from the present allocation would be the same as given above, with the addition that New Mexico which now has one representative would gain another and Pennsylvania would lose one of its 36 seats.

Measure Planned for 1923

The Fenn Bill proposes "that after the third day of March 1933, the House of Representatives shall be composed of 435, and these members shall be apportioned among the several States in the manner directed in the text of this Act."

NO POLICE COURT.

The people in Beaufort are getting better, or maybe wiser. At any rate they managed to keep out of police court Monday. For the first time in many weeks no one faced Mayor Thomas to answer for some infraction of the law. This fact however is an item of news of considerable interest in itself.

be truly gratified at the interest and enthusiasm expressed by so many members; while, indeed, the club is most grateful to those women who foresaw the need of a Community Club in Beaufort.

Mrs. J. H. Stubbs,
Pub. Chairman.