

CRITIC REVIEWS WEEK AT CAPITAL

Industrial Exposition And Various Meetings Are Chief Features

NEW BUILDING NEEDED

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WASHINGTON, May 13.—Preparations for the opening of the State Industrial Exposition, location of the annual meeting of the Carolina Inter-Racial Commission here, a conference of North Carolina Garden clubs and the annual meeting of the State Board of Education, are the major happenings of the week.

The Industrial Exposition, which is being held as an effort to advance the progress of the State along industrial endeavor and which will be visited by many thousands interested in the advancement of the State, is being held under favorable auspices, the Chief Executive playing a leading role. Many of the leading manufacturers of the State have displayed numerous concrete examples of finished products of the Carolina variety and automobile dealers are showing the latest models in automobiles. It is a North Carolina exhibition of the importance of industries manufactured within our own State is being emphasized. The permanent features include an amusement palace, bands from State college, University of North Carolina and University of Virginia, with dances and fireworks at night.

Temporary Quarters
The lack of available space in the Revenue Building inadequate for the members of the State Industrial Commission which will administer the Workmen's Compensation act at the recent session of the General Assembly, have been assigned temporarily to the second floor of the Capitol Building, with the addition of the Hall of Representatives and are trying to make themselves comfortable. The Department of Revenue contented itself with these same quarters for many years following its creation by the General Assembly of 1921. Excuse has been rewarded with a new building of large proportions. The Industrial Commission will have 20 to 30 employees with it, is destined to become one of the biggest departments connected with the State government and the demand for larger quarters is to be one of the problems of the next General Assembly to be met during the session of 1931.

It means another big State building of sufficient magnitude to accommodate other departments occupying rented quarters, or being in public buildings under handicap of too little space in to operate successfully. The need for another office building is

becoming more and more apparent every year.

The North Carolina Inter-Racial Commission, formed shortly after World War to study lynchings and means of curbing them, drew leaders of both races to their annual meeting here during the week in the hall of the House of Representatives. Dr. E. C. Brooks, while State Superintendent of Public Instruction ten years ago, originated the idea and was one of the speakers at the recent meeting. Governor Gardner presided at the opening session and presented the speakers, one of whom was Dr. Robert P. Moton, successor to Booker T. Washington, deceased, as principal of Tuskegee Institute in Alabama—who ridiculed the idea sometimes advanced that the white man and the negro cannot live together in peace and harmony because of racial distinctions, asked for equal opportunity for his race in industrial pursuits instead of bringing in foreign elements. In an address Governor Gardner congratulated the people of the State upon the pleasant relationships now existing between the white and colored races in the State and expressed the belief that North Carolina is fortunate in having a high type of negro which has made possible friendly and co-operative relations in the State during the past quarter of a century. It is proposed to set up regional organizations in all parts of the State.

Gardners Meet
Another gathering which attracted a large attendance was the conference of members of the North Carolina Garden Clubs, a total of 221 honest-to-goodness gardeners being included in the number, six State officers, sixteen presidents of local clubs; sixteen voting guests and 183 visitors, all of the eighteen clubs in the State being represented with the exception of Anson county and the city of Asheville whose organizations sent interesting reports of their activities during the year. Reports of officers showed gratifying progress of the organization since its creation four years ago and a growth so rapid that a decision was reached for the hosts of the convention hereafter to provide luncheon for the executive board only, and arrange for a conference "feed" for club presidents at "so much per." The gardeners seek to improve unsightly lots, encourage city beautification contests, garden contests and garden tours, field days in the fields and woods, flower shows, presenting flowers to hospitals and libraries, plant exchanges and round table discussions on garden problems. The Raleigh club was host to the executive board, presidents and delegates of clubs represented at a bountiful luncheon following which the visitors were taken on a motor drive over the city and a visit to a number of the most attractive gardens here.

The sound of the saw and hammer in completing improvements in the executive offices will be heard only a little while longer and when the painters shall have finished their part of the plans appearance of the Governor's quarters will have been greatly enhanced. The office hither-

to occupied by the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds has been fitted up for Judge N. A. Townsend, executive counsel to the Governor, with a door leading directly into the executive offices. Walls of the offices are being done in a buff tan and the ceilings in old ivory color with pleasing effect. During the week the Governor named Wright Dixon of Raleigh, and Walter Charnley of Charlotte, as their own successors on the State Board of Accountants for terms expiring May 1, 1932. He also responded to a number of calls for addresses in addition to presiding over numerous official conferences in his office. Governor Gardner was the principal speaker in Memorial Hall, Chapel Hill, on Thursday evening on occasion of the "tap day" ceremony of the Golden Fleece, university society. In this address the Governor clearly stressed the importance of placing the man above the dollar in the battle of life and charged to over-production the unstable conditions in industry which are now confronting the people of the State. Governor Gardner made the Mothers' Day address to the Vanguard class of the First Presbyterian church here yesterday on invitation of the president, E. B. Crow.

Illegal To Drink
In connection with the opening of the May term of the Federal court here last Monday morning Federal Judge Isaac M. Meekins made it plain to the grand jury that drinking whiskey is clearly a violation of the law and explained in his charge the difference between the Volstead act and the new Jones "five-and-ten" act, which modified the former to the extent of giving a Federal judge the right to impose a fine of not more than \$10,000, and a penitentiary sentence of not more than five years, or both, for conviction of violating the Jones act. The judge pointed out that under present liquor laws neither a gentleman, a criminal, lady or strumpet can take a drink of whiskey without violating some statute and warned every citizen high and low, male and female to bear this fact in mind.

The State Board of Equalization, in a meeting here recently, decided to abandon efforts to fix standards of school costs, but decided to make arrangements for a conference with the State Highway Commission with a view to purchase of school buses and equipment and handling of major repairs to them by the commission. The board is to meet again on May 20th at which time it will pass upon county requests for additional teachers and increased allotments of the \$6,500,000 equalizing fund.

Resources Increased
John Mitchell, chief State bank examiner, places the resources of State banks on March 27th at \$324,034,302, an increase of around two million within the past year, and states that industrial banks increased their resources to even a greater degree.

The State Advisory Budget Commission will arrange for the various State departments and institutions to pay out of their biennial state-

ments all claims for injuries sustained by their employees in accordance with provisions of the Workmen's Compensation act, which becomes operative in the State on July 1st, instead of taking out a blanket policy with some insurance company covering the 8,000 men and women employed in the business of running the State government.

With the recent decision of Surry and Transylvania to "fall in line" twenty-eight counties of the State are requiring licenses for their residents for the privilege of fishing in the home streams.

Possession A Felony
Under the Jones law recently enacted by congress, even the possession of liquor may now be a

felony, says Judge Meekins, and a solemn warning to the "uninitiated" is thought to be in order.

Anticipating an early meeting of the Salary and Wage Commission State employees are getting applications for increased compensation in order, while applicants for the prospective all-time secretary are by no means idle.

Adjutant General Metz decides that infantry units of the North Carolina national guard will this summer train at Camp Glenn, near Morehead City, July 7 to July 21, with Col. Don E. Scott in command.

The second State meeting of Young Tar Heel Farmers will be held at State college, June 28-29 and hundreds of students of voca-

tional agriculture from rural high schools of the State are expected to attend as representatives of more than 4,000 farm boys now members of the organization, which has \$225,000 invested in savings at the present time.

A portrait of Samuel L. Patterson, former commissioner of agriculture, has been presented to State college here by the widow of Dr. A. H. Patterson, a resident of Chapel Hill and is prized very highly by the college faculty.

According to the State Board of

Health whoopingcough has taken the lives of 55 North Carolina children since the first of the year of a total of 3,633 cases reported and a statement issued by Dr. H. M. Taylor, Stat Epidemiologist, carries information that 80 per cent of the population will have had the disease by the time they are grown, along with a suggestion that the mortality from the malady may be greatly reduced by the protection of children under two years of age.

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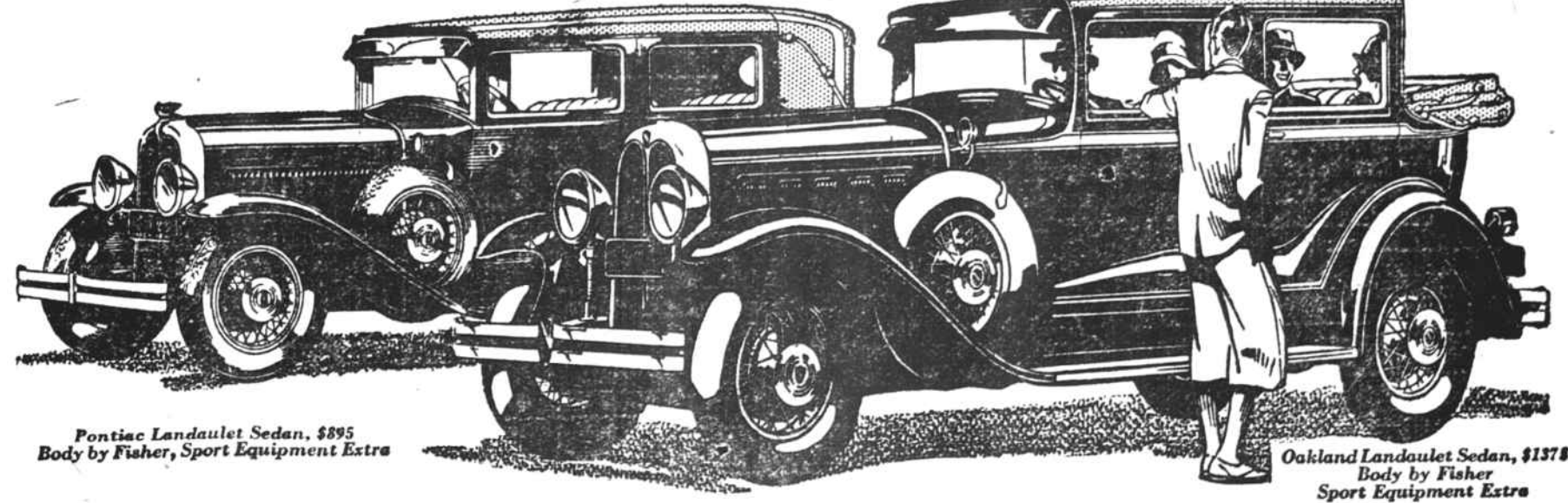
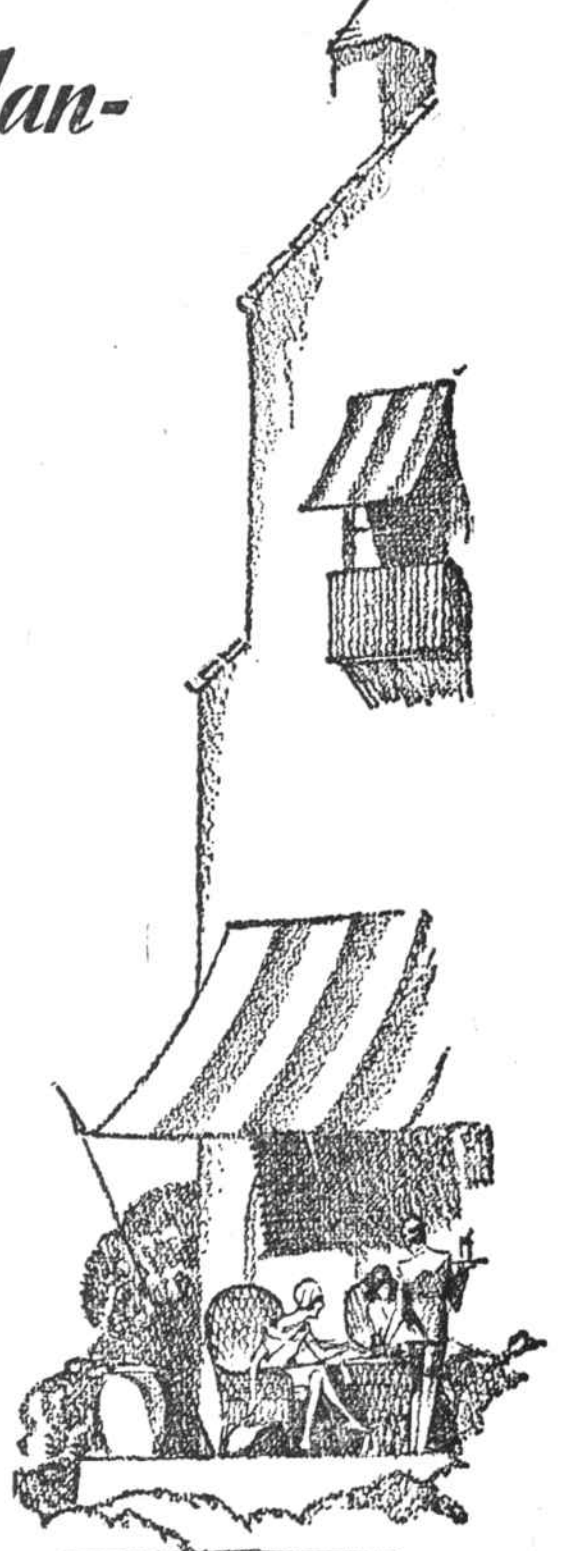
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