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Twelve Million Dollar Power Development Plans for Haywood County

Our Raleigh Letter

Raleigh, January 11.—Nothing outstanding, "up-standing," outlandish" has transpired in administration circles the past week. Governor McLean has been hard at work on matters of state, except for one day's Fisheries Commissioner, in the eastern waters. A number of appointments have been announced, a few paroles granted and many rejected. Chairman Frank Page talked of the proposed bridge across the Cape Fear at Wilmington; a conference of demonstration agents was held at State College; State health officers met for routine matters; Secretary of office and other news items "bob up" Capitol.

Accompanied by Chairman Frank Page of the State Highway Commission, Alexander McLean, of Lumberton, brother of the Governor, Martin F. Gillon, of New York, and Ben McNeill, Raleigh, Governor McLean spent a day with M. Leslie Davis and Capt. John A. Nelson at the Davis hunting lodge near Beaufort shooting ducks. The Governor intended going direct from there to sign \$20,125,000 of State bonds in New York city for the sale of which negotiations were closed some weeks ago, but this trip was deferred on account of the illness of the State Treasurer and for other reasons, until later in the month.

Former State Senator George A. Holderness of Tarboro retires from membership on the Salary and Wage Commission and is succeeded by Ernest V. Webb of Kinston and Major W. A. Erwin succeeds W. J. Brogden, now Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, as trustee of the North Carolina College for Negroes, located at Durham. Senator Holderness goes to Richmond to become vice-president of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. His successor on the Salary and Wage Commission is said to be especially qualified for the duties of the position to which he has been called by the Governor, while Major Erwin never lets anything drag, with which he is connected.

In the opinion of Chairman Frank Page of the State Highway Commission, a circular tunnel under the Cape Fear River at Wilmington would be preferable to a bridge across the river at the point desired by the city authorities. The General Assembly authorized a bond issue of \$1,000,000 which is half a million short of the estimated cost of a bridge. Cost of the tunnel is placed at a million. The commissioner has ordered a complete survey of both propositions with the view to reaching a course which may prove the wiser. Engineers differ as to the cost of putting up steel spans for a bridge and also as to whether the foundation will be or sufficient strength to bear the weight of the huge supporters that will be necessary to make the structure safe and secure.

From Tuesday until Saturday the home demonstration agents of the State Agricultural Department Service have been in action at the State College of Agriculture and Engineering. Far mife in all its phases was discussed by speakers of note from far and near. The meeting is conceded, School of Agriculture, to have been the most helpful and most important of any similar gathering at the college in a long period of years.

An interested visitor to the State recently was Miss Willie Lawson, deputy state superintendent of school work in Arkansas, who came here to make a study of the North Carolina system of education. During her brief sojourn in Raleigh Miss Lawson devoted most of her time to the educational progress of the State and the methods employed in the operation of State and private schools. She expressed the opinion that North Carolina knows how to do some things better than any other state and was interested to find that one-teacher schools are gradually becoming extinct in this part of the country, there being at present only 2,731 in this State.

The suggestion of Governor McLean concerning a State radio plant (Continued on another page.)

Grace Church News

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH HOLDS ANNUAL ELECTION OF VESTRY.

At a congregational meeting of Grace church held on Monday evening the following were elected to serve on the Vestry until January 1927: John N. Shoolbred, Senior Warden; James W. Reed, Treasurer and Junior Warden; Chas. R. Thomas, Secretary; I. L. Council; E. B. Camp, C. W. Miller, Jr.; Alden Howell, Jr.; R. N. Barber, and Wm. A. Band.

The secretary of the Vestry, the Hon. C. R. Thomas, made a very interesting announcement. This was to report that Representative Zebulon Weaver had on Saturday, 9th inst., introduced an amendment to the Tariff Act of 1922, which would put hangings and furnishings for altars and pulpits on the free list. The facts promoting this bill, says Representative Weaver, grew out of a recent gift to Grace Episcopal church, Waynesville, N. C., of altar hangings, costing \$100. It was found that the duty on the articles amounted to \$82. Under the circumstances, Grace church decided to return the altar hangings to England.

The bill has been referred to the committee on Ways and Means, and favorable action thereon is particularly desired by the members of Grace church.

Votes of thanks were accorded Representative Weaver, and also Mr. C. R. Thomas, for using their best efforts to have the duty remitted.

The Rector presided over the meeting, which opened with prayer, and the Apostle's Creed.

(Contributed.)

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATING TO HAVE MEETING

First Series of Savings Organization Matures—Three Hundred and Thirty-three Weeks Old.

The Haywood Home Building and Loan Association will hold a shareholder's meeting on the 19th of January as announced in another column. This meeting will be held in order to settle the first series which will mature.

The Building and Loan Association means a great deal to Waynesville and the surrounding sections. It is beyond a doubt the greatest savings organization in the community, it not only encourages thrift, but has been and is largely instrumental in producing the wonderful building era of the past few years.

In this connection it is interesting to know that the Building and Loan was established from a very small beginning with about seventy-five shareholders and about seven hundred shares. There is now approximately three hundred individual shareholders and about seven hundred and fifty shares in operation.

The amount to be paid out now is approximately seventy-five thousand dollars. There are loans enough to take about twenty-five thousand dollars and the maturity stock amounts to fifty-two thousand dollars.

The Haywood Building and Loan Association has been instrumental in the building and investments in building of approximately one half million dollars in Waynesville.

The resources are approximately five hundred thousand dollars.

Beginning with the maturity of the first series, each six months will see a repetition of the maturity of the semi-annual series.

LEDBETTER-MARR.

Mrs. Burdell Marr and R. C. Ledbetter were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Reece. The ceremony took place before the intimate friends of the bride and groom.

Pigeon River Project Ready to Be Submitted to Federal Body; Norris Would Halt Development:

Development Will Mean Enormous Industrial Growth For Haywood County

Power Necessary to Great Growth—More Determined Steps Than Ever to Block Norris Expected.

Asheville Citizen.

Plans for an immense hydro-electric development, 20 miles northwest of Waynesville, to represent an investment of approximately \$12,000,000 have been completed by the Pigeon River Power company, associated with the Electric Bond and Share company, of New York, and are ready for presentation to the Federal Power commission, it was learned here yesterday.

Charles S. Walters, vice-president and general manager of the Asheville Power and Light company, local company associated with the above project, stated yesterday following a conference with engineers from New York that the application for the temporary permit, granted in 1923, to be made permanent would be held up pending probable action on the bill recently introduced by Senator G. W. Norris and aimed at private development of water power resources.

"If this development is retarded as a result of the activities of Senator Norris," Mr. Walters admitted yesterday, "Western North Carolina will within a short time experience a drastic power shortage."

Growing Fast.

"This section has grown by leaps and bounds and it is only by 'stepping on the gas' that the power companies have been able to keep up with the demand for more power in Western North Carolina," he declared.

The Pigeon River project was started back in 1923, it was explained yesterday, and in July of that year that a temporary permit was granted for the survey and preliminary preparations for this project. Immediately work was started and since then the Pigeon River Power company, anticipating no difficulty in being able to go forward with its plans to provide Western North Carolina with adequate power facilities for many years to come, has spent several thousand dollars in acquiring land and making studies with the view to determining just what type of development would be most feasible.

Maximum Power.

The Federal Power commission, it

was pointed out, requires every development to be made for the maximum amount of power that is available. With this in view the project was started and it was stated yesterday that the great hydro-electric plan contemplated would exceed 60,000 kilowatts and would probably not be surpassed by any power development in the south of this kind.

It was further pointed out that this development represents the largest that can be made in that section, and that any move to retard the carrying out of the plans would result in a serious blow to the development of this section of the state.

Mark W. Brown, prominent local attorney, will head a delegation representing the chamber of commerce of Asheville, which will attend the hearing next Monday in Washington when the Norris measure will be discussed.

A great deal of interest has been aroused in Asheville over the prospect of Senator Norris being able to cripple this huge project, and sentiment is running rather high on the question, it was indicated last night.

Greater Effort.

As soon as the real significance of the move now on foot is better known, it is believed that still greater interest will be displayed in this section and more determined steps to block the Norris measure if possible taken.

The preparations for presenting the plans to the Federal Trade commission for final approval are practically completed, it was stated here yesterday, and had not this more recent obstacle arisen, it is believed that everything would have been in readiness.

Engineers from the New York office of the company were in this city yesterday with many blueprints and drawings, giving a final check to the data that has been compiled since the movement to establish a giant hydro-electric plant in the mountains of Western North Carolina was first projected early in 1923.

These experts left late yesterday for New York City and no further moves on the part of the local concern of its New York associates is anticipated until after the hearing which has been set for next Monday, it is understood.

U. D. C.'S MEET.

The Daughters of the Haywood Chapter U. D. C. were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick on Walnut street. Mrs. Kirkpatrick hosted.

After the usual opening exercises the business of the chapter was taken up. Mrs. W. L. Kirkpatrick reported 32 individual Christmas packages sent to the Old Ladies Home in Fayetteville, N. C. Mrs. E. J. Hyatt reported 45 bags were filled with fruits, nuts, candies tobacco, etc. for the Confederate veterans as a Christmas gift from the Sons of the Confederacy on Dec. 15 and given or sent to the veterans when they came for their pension checks. The veterans seemed to appreciate very much the refreshments served by the Daughters.

Mrs. W. A. Hyatt was appointed Recorder of Crosses. Moved, and carried that the chapter observe Lee's and Jackson's birthdays by asking each elementary school in Waynesville township to give a program relating some important historical event in their lives. The following committee was appointed to ask each school to give this program:

Mrs. Leon M. Killian, Waynesville Elementary.

Mrs. F. D. Ferguson East Waynesville Elementary.

Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick Lake Junaluska Elementary.

The following program was given: Reminiscence of the War Between the State, by Mrs. D. M. Killian. Mrs. Killian's paper was very interesting and is the first of many historical papers planned for this year's program.

Magazine Review by Mrs. Leon M. Killian.

In spite of the inclemency of the weather three of the veteran's wives were with us: Mrs. D. M. Killian, Mrs. Mahalia Shelton and Mrs. A. M. Kirkpatrick. The Daughters are always glad when we are honored by the presence of these ladies. Also enjoyed having Mrs. F. A. Anderson of Johnson City, Tenn., a former member of this chapter, and Mrs. W. L. McCracken as guests for the afternoon.

The chapter adjourned to meet Feb. 5; hostess, Mrs. M. Theo. McCracken with Mrs. E. J. Robeson as leader. The subject North Carolina Women of the Sixties in War Time.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Assisted by Mrs. W. L. McCracken, served delicious refreshments.

First National Bank West Prefer Forest

FIRST NATIONAL BANK HOLDS TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Declare An Extra Dividend of Two Per Cent, Making Twelve in all of Per Cent.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Waynesville was held in their banking rooms on January twelfth, nineteen hundred and twenty-six. Dr. J. Howell Way was elected chairman of the meeting and H. J. Sloan secretary.

The report of the cashier was most gratifying to the stockholders. Besides paying their regular dividend of ten per cent for the year, an extra dividend of two per cent was also paid, making a total of twelve per cent for the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

The undivided profit account was also increased about five thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

This makes the First National Bank of Waynesville now have a surplus of sixty thousand dollars, with undivided profits and resources of thirty-two thousand six hundred and ninety-six dollars and thirty-five cents.

The following were elected as directors for the ensuing year:

Dr. J. Howell Way, J. R. Boyd, M. J. McCracken, Dr. R. Nolan, T. L. Gwyn, C. E. Ray, J. R. Hipps, C. A. Haynes, J. H. Way, Jr., C. E. Quinlan, J. H. Kirkpatrick, S. C. Satterthwaite.

After the stockholders' meeting adjourned, the directors met and re-elected all officers for the ensuing year.

This stupendous growth of one of Waynesville's banks shows in a most substantial manner the progressive growth of Waynesville and with the optimistic views of all business and professional men of Waynesville now apparent it is predicted that this community will have a phenomenal growth and will make rapid strides along progressive lines this new year nineteen hundred and twenty-six.

The growth of every town or city is dependent upon the progress of their financial institutions and their progressive strides determine the material prosperity at the town or city in which they lead.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet Tuesday afternoon, January 19, at 3 o'clock in the church parlors. A large attendance is required.

HONOR ROLL—EAST WAYNESVILLE SCHOOL FOR DECEMBER.

First Grade—Creola Williams, Charlotte Mull.

Second Grade—Mary Ruth Phillips, Myrtle Galloway, Mae Sisk, Myra Jane Phillips, Calvin Turner, Hazel Miller.

Third Grade—Luellyn Miller, Edith Long.

Fourth Grade—Martha McCracken, Frances Rose, Frank Harbin.

Fifth Grade—Charles Prestwood, Anna Phillips, Dorothy Galt.

Sixth Grade—Eleanor Russell, Minnie Calhoun, Mary Pauline Platt.

Seventh Grade—William Medford, Mildred McCracken, Gordon Miller.

ALLEY & ALLEY MOVED.

The law firm of Alley & Alley, Felix E. Alley and son Hayes, have moved into the spacious office rooms in the new Massie building on Main street, near the post office, right over the Toggery.

This move became necessary owing to the increase in the client of this law firm.

BUILDING AND LOAN MEETING.

The seventh annual meeting of the share owners of the Haywood Building and Loan Association will be held at the court house on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1926, at 7:30 p. m. All share owners are requested to be present.

J. R. BOYD, Sec. and Treas.

NATIONAL PARK EXTENSION OPPOSED IN THE WEST.

Residents Adjoining Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado Disappointed With Park Administration.

Boulder county people will do well to take energetic measures against the southward extension of the Rocky Mountain National Park. The forest service is alright and seems to try to work with the public in the development of the areas it controls but the National Park service follows the opposite policy. The latter is under the department of the Interior while the forests are under control of the department of Agriculture. The people of Estes Park thought it would be a great thing to get a National Park, but soon found that the arbitrary attitude and ice-bound regulations are very unsatisfactory. According to a speaker from the park, the people would be willing to erect a life-size monument of solid gold to any one who could rid the of the National Park octopus. —Reprinted from Fort Collins Express-Courier (Colo.) December 10th, 1925.

THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT MEETS

The Music Department of the Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. Clem Smathers Saturday afternoon. The chairman called the meeting to order and the secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and called the roll.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick announced that the program of next meeting of the Woman's Club was to be in charge of the Music Department and urged each member to be present and take part.

The following program was rendered after the business of the afternoon was attended to:

Solo—The Old Road, Scott—Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick, accompanied by Miss Dorothy Price at the piano.

Paper—Mrs. Grady Boyd.

Article on McDowell—Miss Dorothy Price.

Miss Elizabeth Smathers and Miss Wilda Crawford served a delicious salad course during the social half hour.

HONOR ROLL OF HAZELWOOD SCHOOL.

First Grade—Mildred Arrington, Hazel Carrianger, Mary Catherine Clark, Anna Catherine Coin, Willie Mae Cope, Emma Gentry, Katherine Knight, Wilma Mason, Jessie McKay, Helen Parris, Lois Platt, Lucile Raines, Mildred Ray, Helen Robinson, Eunice Robinson, Elizabeth Ruff, Emily Siler, Elda Earle Thelkeld, Hazel Lawson, Wade Franklin, Fred McClure, Albert Muse, Leslie McDonald, Jack Smith, Woodrow Troutman.

Advanced First Grade—Pearl Brown, Elda Roper, Sara Welch, Ethel Duckett, John Henry Ruff, Jack Davis.

Second Grade—Ulys Anderson, Edward Duckworth.

Third Grade—Ruby Brendle, Ruth Robinson, Melba Mull.

Fourth Grade—Grace Rector, Mona Dell Hightower, Wilda Leah Ferguson, Marjorie Campbell, Harry Stillwell, Eugene McCracken.

Fifth Grade—Ruth Allen, Ruth Reagan, Nell Franklin, Samuel McHaffey, Eugene Powers, Noble McDonald, Glenn Wyatt.

Sixth Grade—Helen Brooks, Charlotte Burrell, Wilma Hoyle, Rosamond Leagon, Etta Pruitt, Mae Ruff, H. C. Robinson.

Seventh Grade—Glenn Miller, Flora Hendrix, Belle Estes.

COMMISSARIES—SUNCREST LUMBER COMPANY

The Suncrest Lumber Company has already meant a great deal to Waynesville in the way of material benefit, and will mean a great deal more when thoroughly established. Of course the merchants of this community will reap the benefits, but if we break faith with them, they would not be honor bound not to open commissaries.