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Breaks Ground For Playhouse

Mayor Coleman Breaks Ground For \$100,000 Theatre—Speakers Heard

With a good crowd witnessing the ceremonies at the Sunset avenue site and an untold number of persons listening to them over the local radio station, the breaking of the ground for Rocky Mount's new Carolina Theatre was accomplished. Mayor T. W. Coleman was the first to break the ground for the proposed \$100,000 theatre, and Frank P. Spruill, local banker, was in charge of the ceremonies.

Besides Mr. Spruill, Don Bullock, local business man; L. B. Aycock, city manager; and others, spoke briefly at the ceremonies which were broadcast over Radio Station WEED. Other officials attending the ground-breaking included Avery Wynn, owner and operator of the radio station; J. G. Hammond, local man whose firm will handle the electrical part of the construction for the new theatre; S. S. Toler, whose concern will be in charge of the construction; Claude G. Edgerton, manager of the present Carolina theatre; and R. E. Deans, of Wilson, who with J. T. Etheridge, of here, will handle the plumbing and heating work.

Mr. Etheridge was not present. This theatre, expected to take about seven months to construct, will be the finest south of Richmond, Va., in the opinion of Manager Edgerton, interviewed before leaving on his vacation. The estimated cost will be \$100,000, and it will have the "atmospheric effect" in it. It will be located behind the John Odom residence that faces North Church street, and will be between it and the local beauty shop on Sunset avenue. The theatre will be modern in every respect, said Mr. Edgerton.

Last Rites For Mrs. W. G. Griffin

Well-Known Local Woman Dies After Long Illness—Funeral From Daughter's Home

Funeral services for Mrs. W. G. Griffin, well-known resident of the city and widow of the late W. G. Griffin, were held from the home of her daughter Mrs. W. A. Bullock, 200 South Grace street.

Dr. J. W. Kincheloe, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiated at the services. He was assisted by Rev. J. A. Satterfield, Presbyterian minister. Burial followed in Pineview cemetery.

Mrs. Griffin had been a patient at a local hospital for over two years. She died from complications of a number of diseases. Mrs. Griffin, who was a native of Nash County, was 70.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. W. A. Bullock and Mrs. J. A. Speight, both of this city, and a son, W. E. Griffin of Durham. Active pallbearers at the service were M. D. Munn, T. W. Coleman, George L. Parker, T. A. Avera, Graham Hammond, R. S. Conyers, L. L. Pettitt and J. M. Daughtry.

Mrs. J. S. Hoard Buried At Tarboro

Tarboro, July 28.—Funeral services for Mrs. J. Stephen Hoard, well known Tarboro woman, were held from her residence at five o'clock yesterday afternoon with burial following in the Greenwood cemetery. Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of Howard Memorial Presbyterian church, officiated.

Mrs. Hoard died in Raleigh hospital Saturday after an illness of several months. She was 56 years old.

Mrs. Hoard has been a resident of Tarboro for many years and numbered many local residents among her friends. She was a member of the Episcopal church.

Surviving are her husband, J. S. Hoard; three daughters, Mrs. W. A. Street of New Bern; Mrs. Charles Cherry of this city; and Miss Mildred Hoard of this city; one son, Stephen Hoard, Jr., of this city; three brothers, J. A. Mitchell of LaGrange and W. J. and A. T. Mitchell of Rocky Mount, and two sisters, Mrs. Willie Anderson and Mrs. Annie Anderson, both of Rocky Mount. A number of grandchildren also survive.

William Adkinson of New York City, Miss Margaret Horne, Lee Bullock, and Mrs. L. D. Bullock have returned to the city, after spending some time at Nags Head and Virginia Beach.

Fake Orange Juice Prohibited In N. C.

Diluted Orange Drinks, Artificially Colored, Banned By Food Ruling

The Department of Agriculture's food and soil division will begin enforcement of a ruling passed by the Board of Agriculture prohibiting the use of artificial coloring, simulating orange juice, in soft drinks. W. M. Allen, division chief, said.

The ruling, passed by the board at its meeting here Monday, modified previous State regulations to conform with a regulatory notice to the orange beverage industry issued by Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, last November.

The effect of the ruling it was explained, is to forbid within North Carolina what has been banned by the federal government. Wallace's notice said that diluted orange juice drinks which through use of artificial color simulate orange juice are operating "to deceive the consumer as to the identity of the article." The notice said there was no objection under the Food and Drugs Act to the sale, on their own merits, "of such articles if not artificially colored or otherwise treated in a manner to simulate pure orange juice."

Scout Swimming Meets Planned

Rocky Mount District Event To Be Here August 14. Council Meet Aug. 21

The Boy Scouts of America of the Rocky Mount district of the East Carolina council will stage their yearly swimming meet August 14 here at the municipal pool, and then first place winners of that meet will compete with winners of other district meets in Tarboro August 21, it was announced.

There are 6 districts in the East Carolina council, and each will hold its district meet prior to the council meet in Tarboro, it was shown. Other districts include Kinston, Washington, Greenville, Wilson and Roanoke Rapids.

The Rocky Mount district meet, to be staged starting at eight-thirty the night of August 14 at the local municipal pool, will see participants from the various local troops. First-place winners in each of the eight events are eligible to compete in the East Carolina council meet in Tarboro two weeks later. This is irrespective of the troop to which they belong. Events of the meets both here and in Tarboro are the same, and include the following:

Length of pool, free style; length of pool, breast stroke; length of pool, back stroke; plunge for distance; 50-yard dash, free style; 60-foot rescue race, using cross chest carry speed only; four man relay race—breast crawl, back, and free style and diving—plain front, front jack, swan, and any three others.

Regulations are that no Scout may enter more than two events counting diving, and the age limit is 12 to 18 years inclusive.

About 50 or more boys will be entered in the East Carolina council meet in Tarboro August 21, it was shown.

John King Brewer, manager of the local pool, stated that the Rocky Mount pool had been made available for the event to start at 8:30 o'clock on the night of August 14.

Centralization Gets Knocking

Centralization of authority in Raleigh to such an extent that the average man believes he has no voice in the state's government is one of the reasons why Dr. Ralph McDonald received such a large vote in recent Democratic primaries in his fight for nomination for the governorship, declared S. F. Teague, former Wayne county state senator, in an address before the Lions club Thursday night.

The Lions held their dinner meeting at the Hotel Goldsboro, instead of at the Woman's Club as customary.

Senator Teague declared that had he been nominated, he would have supported a move by which such groups as school teachers, professional men and others would have had direct representation in legislation relative to them.

The centralization of government is a problem which the Democratic party must face, he said.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lamberson are the guests of Mrs. W. H. Bowling. Mr. and Mrs. Lamberson are making their home in Warsaw, where Mr. Lamberson is connected with the Electrical Company.

C. F. Richards, Sherrod Wells and Mark Williams, Jr., have returned from New York, after spending the past week. The trip was made by automobile.

Miss Leslie Darden spent last week-end at her home in Plymouth.

Miss Dorothy Zerback is visiting friends in Norfolk, Va.

Tarboro Woman Shot By Youth

J. D. Brown, Jr., of Pinetops Held For Shooting; Claims It Was Accident

Tarboro, July 28.—Ruby Green, 24-year-old local white woman, lay in a local hospital tonight with a wound from a .38 calibre bullet through her neck and cheek while her alleged assailant John Dempsey Brown, Jr., 21, of Pinetops was understood here to have been released under \$100 bond after a preliminary hearing in Scotland Neck.

The shooting occurred about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon on Highway 258 in Halifax County near Scotland Neck as the man and woman sat in the rear seat of an automobile driven by a Pinetops youth whose last name was given as Sumerlin. His first name could not be learned.

State Highway Patrolman Otley Leary arrested Brown here following the shooting when Brown and Sumerlin stopped at a filling station to wash blood from the car. Leary said Brown had taken the wounded woman to the hospital 'then had brought new clothes from a local store, putting them on to replace his others which were covered with blood.

Brown, who was kept in jail here for several hours before Halifax officers came for him, was quoted by Leary as saying the shooting was accidental. He said, Leary related, that he was pointing the pistol at the girl but had no idea of firing it when she grabbed his hand, causing the weapon to discharge. Both the woman and Brown were drunk, according to Brown's statement to the patrolman.

Physicians said tonight the girl's condition was "good" and that she would probably recover. The bullet entered the left side of her neck, ranging upward and making its exit through the lower portion of the right cheek.

Ordination Held For Rev. Forbis

Second Presbyterian Church Pastor Rev. Forbis, Ordained Here

Members of the Second Presbyterian church were still recalling the ordination and installation service that saw their new pastor, Rev. E. L. Forbis, formerly ordained here. A number of out-of-town ministers participated in the ceremonies at the local church.

With Rev. E. Carlyle Lynch, Presbyterian pastor of Wilson, delivering the ordination sermon, the first ordination and installation service held in the Second church here was conducted. Rev. Norman Johnson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church here, propounded the questions to the pastor, Rev. Mr. Forbis, and Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of the Tarboro Presbyterian church, delivered the charge to the pastor.

Elder F. M. Pridden, of this city, delivered the charge to the congregation, and the topic of Rev. Mr. Lynch's ordination sermon was "Christ the Center of the Christian World."

The service was Sunday night, and Mr. Forbis, only 24, was recently unanimously called for full time work as pastor of the Second church here. He has been here since last month.

CCC Camps Are Open For Veterans

W. M. Burwell, manager of the N. C. State Employment Service in Vance and Granville counties, requested that the following be made public:

"An order from the Veterans' Administration through H. P. Williams, Veterans Placement Officer, is quoted as follows:

"You are authorized to fill announced various CCC Camp replacement quota without regard to relief requirements. All other eligibility requirements must be observed.

All veterans registered with the Employment Service are to be given opportunity to go into CCC Camps, and it is expected further that many veterans have been anxious to get into the camps, but up to this time have found it impossible on account of the necessity of being certified for relief. This restriction has been removed under the order.

Anyone desiring additional information or blanks for application may get same at Mr. Burwell's office in Henderson, or see him in the court house in Oxford on Wednesday morning of each week in regard to all matters in connection with public employment.

Those desiring to go to camp and who are eligible are urged to make application at once.

Charlie Daughdrige has returned to Washington, where he is working, after spending a few days with his family here.

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Oliver have as their guest Dr. Oliver's mother, Mrs. Betty Vaden Oliver of Chatham, Va.

Coon Hunting "A La Frank Buck"



Humane sport! Catching treed coons in a net is the latest fad at Old Point Comfort Beach, Va., where coon hunting has become a serious novelty in the tourist curriculum. Miss May Lindsay is shown up a tree ready to snare Mr. Raccoon with a net. It's a miniature Bring 'em Back Alive sport here.

Let's Have Benches With Backs

Miss Nell Battle Lewis in Her Column Incidentally in the News and Observer writing on the changes in the Capitol Square, states that while much money has been spent, that the public doesn't enjoy the new capitol square as they did, the old capitol square. In the new capitol square stone benches without backs have replaced the old benches which had comfortable backs. Miss Lewis states that the weary soul can not get real rest unless there is some support to the back where one can relax, which is indeed very true.

Many of our changes which have come to us at great cost have not meant for comfort or beauty.

People do not enjoy the capitol square now as they did years ago, because the benches are not as comfortable as the old benches were.

Now Rocky Mount does not even have the benches, much less the backs! The Rocky Mount Herald believes that Rocky Mount should have benches with backs, which Miss Nell Battle Lewis calls attention to.

GOOD DEMOCRATS WILL SUPPORT ROOSEVELT

There was a suggestion in the Greensboro Daily News recently that they were afraid that there were many good State Democrats who would not vote for Mr. Roosevelt. We can not see how a voter could be a good State Democrat unless he could vote for Mr. Roosevelt. The work of President Roosevelt in lifting us out of the depression, relieving nakedness and hunger and saving our homes and institutions is what the Democratic Party is standing firm in this campaign and every loyal Democrat should feel and point with pride to the leadership of President Roosevelt.

The news article intimated that these good State Democrats had taken great interest in the last campaign and had put much help in the recent primary, but they were afraid that some of these same State Democrats could not and would not follow Mr. Roosevelt.

They mentioned certain groups, such as the Liberty Leaguers and the Balanced Budget group. The Democracy of some of these groups has been questioned from the very beginning, in fact, they have never been considered good Democrats.

Red Cross Head Appeals For Help

Tarboro, July 24.—N. E. Gresham, chairman of the Edgecombe county chapter of the Red Cross today awaited a reply to an appeal for help sent to the national organization. He estimated crop damage in Tuesday's storm at half a million dollars in southeastern Edgecombe county.

Mr. Gresham's appeal, telegraphed to Washington, said: "Hail and windstorm struck eastern Edgecombe county two-forty P. M. July 21. Many houses partially destroyed. Crops completely wiped out. Damage estimated one half million dollars. One hundred fifty tenant families affected. No loss of life. No injuries. Need relief."

Mrs. E. L. Forbes, county welfare officer, after surveying the damaged area, said there was no immediate need for relief. By this, she explained she meant no one was actually homeless or hungry as a result of the storm. She emphasized however, the imminent need of help within a short time if the people of the affected section are not to suffer.

Among large planters whose crops appeared to have been totally destroyed, Mrs. Forbes said, were Jones Dozier, Archie Burnett, W. H. Carson, S. J. Carson, and Baker Womack. A large number of others suffered partial to nearly complete loss.

Miss Isabelle Suiter and Miss Josephine Jenkins spent Tuesday in Wilson as the guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Joyner have gone to Virginia Beach, where they will spend several days.

Miss Mary Daniel is the guest of Miss Margaret Sears at her home, Pickett Farms, High Point.

PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

State Treasury Shows Surplus

General Fund Surplus Nearly Million; Highway Surplus Over Nine Million

The North Carolina general fund, from which all general state expenditures are made, closed the fiscal year on June 30 with a credit balance or surplus of \$949,927, the Budget Bureau announced.

The highway fund, Chairman C. M. Waynick said, had a cash balance of between \$9,000,000 and \$10,000,000 but only \$6,000,000 to \$7,000,000 was "unencumbered," due to unspent allotments already made.

For 1933-34, the first year of the Ehringhaus administration, the general fund listed a \$74,072 credit balance and for the fiscal year 1934-35 the figure was \$712,253, although there was a cash overdraft of over \$2,000,000.

Revenue collection last fiscal year, as reported on June 1, totaled \$53,608,780, a new record, with the general fund receipts of \$28,743,757 being 19.14 per cent more than in 1934-35.

The general fund last fiscal year received \$32,151,632 from all sources, including \$1,000,000 from the highway funds as "sales tax on gasoline" and \$1,415,025 from non-tax revenue sources such as earnings, fees, dividends, etc.

Expenditures aggregated \$31,201,705.

The sales tax produced \$10,181,373 of the revenue and income taxes yielded another \$8,088,119.

The public schools cost \$20,223,211 of the money spent; debt service cost \$4,281,233; educational institutions \$1,784,488; charitable and correctional institutions, \$1,597,221; pensions, \$580,169; executive and administrative, \$1,550,507; judicial, \$367,029, and state aid and obligations, \$803,882.

The general fund credit balance consisted of \$600,787 in cash and \$349,140 in income taxes assessed but deferred on the installment plan.

Halifax Is Fifth Largest Seller Of Liquor First Year

County Sold \$238,484.05 Worth To June 30; New Hanover Heaviest Seller; Edgecombe, Wilson, Nash Follow In Order

Halifax County, fifth in line of the 18 eastern counties to report gross sales of \$2,754,024.45 up to June 30, according to the State Department of Revenue, reported \$238,484.05 for the first year of operation.

Wilson County, the first to dispense legal liquor a year ago under the so-called Pasquotank Act rammed through the General Assembly in its last 36 hours, reported total sales of \$273,912.23.

New Hanover County, in which two summer resort centers are located, led all the other counties with sales totaling \$329,644.33. Its sales during last month were the heaviest of any county, totalling \$32,268.06, nearly twice as much as any other county reported.

Smallest sales were reported by Greene County, which was allowed to open its stores only after a lawsuit. Greene collected \$30,765.00. Though it was allowed to open stores only after the first of the year, Franklin County, which operates at Franklinton, the nearest dispensary to dry and populous Raleigh, collected \$45,469.56 to June 30.

On total gross sales of \$2,745,024.45, less tax, the 18 eastern counties, operating 64 ABC stores, paid something near \$75,000 to the State of North Carolina in sales tax.

Moore County, which does not derive any profits from liquor sales and allows its stores in the resorts of Southern Pines and Pinehurst to be operated by the Wilson County ABC board, reported sales of \$167,136.65.

Edgecombe County followed directly behind New Hanover in total amount of sales, reporting \$279,908.88. Nash, reported \$244,991.40, Pasquotank, \$87,736.63. Carteret, \$53,929.31. Craven, \$73,340.52. Onslow, \$46,373.68. Pitt, \$211,897.89. Martin, \$97,587.40. Beaufort, \$109,960.48. Warren, \$61,054.20. Vance, \$198,154.63, and Lenoir, \$107,192.91.

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NATIONAL INCOME TOWNSEND CONVENTION ABOUT LEGAL RESERVES LABOR DIVIDED MORE DESTROYERS PEEK HOLDS HIS FIRE ELECTION SPECULATION

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

Every year the Department of Commerce makes public its estimates of the national income both produced and paid out. The income produced is the market value of commodities produced and services rendered, less the value of raw materials and equipment expended in the process of production. The income paid out represents the total received by individuals for their economic services, whether for labor, management or capital.

In 1932, the national income produced was \$81,304,000,000, and that paid out was \$78,632,000,000. By 1932, the income produced dropped to \$39,545,000,000 and the income paid out was \$48,362,000,000. Since 1929, income paid out has exceeded income produced, making it necessary for business to dip into reserves to pay wages, dividends and interest. Gradually, however, there has been a tendency toward a balance, reflected in the figures for 1935 when the income produced was \$52,959,000,000 and that paid out \$53,587,000,000.

The Townsend Convention at Cleveland was a colorful, emotional affair, with fervid speeches by the leaders of the movement, assisted by such other leaders as the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, of Detroit, and the Rev. Gerald Smith, present head of the late Huey P. Long's "Share-the-Wealth" movement. With about 4,500 voting delegates, staying in tourist camps, boarding houses and various hostels, the convention was noted by an absence of smoking and an abstinence from liquor. The barge of oratory brought rousing demonstrations from the audience, which, at times, gave the glad hand to conflicting statements. For example, Father Coughlin, the Detroit priest, got a rousing reception as he ripped off his coat, vest and Roman collar and applied epithets of "liar and betrayer" to President Roosevelt.

However, Gomor Smith, of Oklahoma, declared that President Roosevelt had saved the nation from Communism and also received enthusiastic cheers.

The delegates at times were vigorous in demonstrating the statement that the movement should back William Lemke for the presidency and at other times were equally as enthusiastic in applauding the statement that the movement should let Third Parties alone. Finally, the convention voted unanimously against endorsing any candidate but the announcement was made that Dr. Townsend, the Rev. Smith and Father Coughlin would speak for the Lemke candidacy.

Following a course that has been urged for many months by certain bankers and economists, notably Winthrop W. Aldrich, chairman of the Chase National Bank, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System raised the legal reserve requirements of member banks fifty per cent, thus eliminating some \$1,450,000,000 of excess reserves now estimated at \$3,400,000,000. This action disregarded the advice of other bankers, notably S. Parker Gilbert, of J. P. Morgan and Company, who insisted that there was no undue expansion of credit and to raise requirements at this time might jeopardize recovery.

It was explained that the inflow from abroad in the past of two and a half years of more than three billion dollars in gold had created enormous excess reserves and that the action of the Governors, effective August 15th, would remove a surplus which might lead to speculation and an inflation far greater than that of 1929. The action of the Board, of course, is "highly experimental" and will be "watched closely."

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