

KIWANIS CLUB UNITED IN OPPOSING FEE BILL; NO DISSIDENTING VOTES

Members of the Club Appeal to Legislators to Withdraw the Measure

With the exception of three Kiwanians, who were excused from voting, every member of the Wilmington Kiwanis club in attendance at the regular weekly luncheon yesterday afternoon, voted as being opposed to the bill now pending in the general assembly, which if passed, will place the sheriff and the clerk of the superior court of New Hanover county upon a fee basis.

Upon a motion of Kiwanian G. Herbert Smith, which was seconded by Kiwanian C. Chabourn, it was unanimously voted that telegrams should be immediately sent to Lieutenant-Governor W. B. Cooper, State Senator K. O. Burgwin and Representative Emmett Bellamy, stating the position of the Kiwanis club regarding the fee system bill, and asking that it be not passed. The telegrams were sent to Raleigh by Secretary J. C. Hobbs yesterday afternoon.

It was after President James S. Williams had declared that the executive committee of the Kiwanis club had considered the advisability of discussing the pros and cons of the fee system bill, with the decision that it was not a matter of politics but of legislation, that the members of the organization entered into the discussion of the bill at the meeting yesterday. Those who spoke as being unreservedly opposed to the placing of any officials of this county upon the fee system were: George L. Peghau, Louis J. Poisson, W. S. Townes, G. Herbert Smith, James S. Williams, C. C. Chabourn and E. C. Craft. Kiwanian W. R. Doshier, who is a member of the county commissioners, spoke and explained his position in the matter, also that of the other commissioners.

Long Session. Although the length of the regular weekly meetings of the Kiwanis were some time ago restricted to one hour from 7 to 8 o'clock, the discussion of the merits of the fee system kept the members of the club in session until after 3 o'clock. Except Wilbur R. Doshier, county commissioner, and W. P. McLaughlin, register of deeds, who was excused from voting because they were county officers, and Rev. George Stanley Fraser, pastor of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, who was excused from voting on his request, every one present voted as being unfavorable to the placing of any of the county officers on a fee basis.

Kiwanian E. C. Craft, certified accountant, recently audited the county books of Pender county, which county has several officers on the fee basis, declared he was absolutely opposed to a fee system for any officers of the county. He said that in going over the Pender county books he found that the sheriff had been paid approximately \$10,000 for last year's work. Kiwanian C. C. Chabourn stated that he knew of a sheriff of New Hanover county who left the city with \$100,000 which he made when the sheriff of this county was on a fee system. He said that this occurred during the days of the "carpet baggers." A change from the present system to the fee basis would be a distinct step backward, he said.

Kiwanian George W. Rechau was most emphatic in his denunciation of the fee system. He declared that to revert back to the fee basis was nothing more than farming out a county office or offices. If the county commissioners want to pay the sheriff or the clerk of the superior court more money they should arrange to give them a large salary instead of resorting to the fee system, the speaker said.

President James S. Williams was of the opinion that when working upon a fee basis the sheriff and his deputies were over-zealous in making arrests and serving papers, for which they received a certain fee. He told of the trouble his company had in keeping laborers years ago when the sheriff's office was working in the south. He said that persons, particularly colored laborers, were arrested on the slightest provocation and sometimes without provocation.

Kiwanian W. R. Doshier explained the position of the county commissioners. He said that he was glad that the Kiwanis club was taking the matter up, but said that it should have been done before the bill was drawn and placed in the hands of Senator Burgwin and Representative Bellamy. Kiwanian Doshier stated that the measure was discussed for five weeks before it was finally recommended by the commissioners.

BURGWIN TO HEAR FEE BILL PROTESTS HERE SATURDAY

Senator Wires There Will Be No Action On Measure This Week, and Citizens Arrange to Confer With Him On His Arrival at Home Saturday Morning—Opposition to the Fee System Is Gaining

Action in the general assembly on the New Hanover county fee bill has been halted, and at a public conference in Wilmington Saturday, opponents of the proposed legislation will have an opportunity to present their case to Senator Burgwin.

SOUTH ATLANTIC PORT COUNCIL VOTES \$2,500 FOR POLICE PENSIONS

Southern Shipping Resources Pictured at New York Marine Show

Wilmington's exhibit of photographs showing views of the local water terminals, shipyards and prominent industries, on display at the third national exposition of the South Atlantic Ports Association, held in Grand Central Palace, New York, is creating no little attention from the thousands of persons who are attending the exposition, according to information received here from the metropolis yesterday afternoon.

The Wilmington exhibit is but one of the five representing ports of the South Atlantic Ports Association. There are also displays from Charleston, Savannah, Brunswick and Jacksonville, all of which cities are members of the S. A. P. association. The exhibits from these ports are on display in a very prominent place in the exposition hall.

Funeral of Mr. Moseley. C. E. Hill, Central boulevard, Sunset Park, returned yesterday from Norfolk, where he had gone on the sad mission of accompanying the remains of his brother-in-law, W. C. Moseley, from Asheville, and where the funeral was held Sunday. Mr. Moseley had been in declining health for a long time, and the end came at Asheville last Friday. Mr. Hill going there on receipt of a message stating that Mr. Moseley was in New York.

To Rent Trucks. Decision to rent two heavy trucks from the state at a daily rental of \$1 per day for each, and to purchase between twenty 70,000 gallon oil tank tarvia at 12 cents per gallon for road repair work, were the only matters of importance transacted at a special meeting of the board of county commissioners held yesterday morning.

Republican Faction Denied Right to Pick Pie-Eaters. JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 26.—When the Republican state executive committee headed by Mike Mulvihill, of Vicksburg, met here today for the purpose of canvassing the situation and agreeing upon recommendations for federal appointment under the new administration, it was served with an injunction restraining the Mulvihill faction from attempting to act in this capacity.

Virginia Road Convention. ROANOKE, Va., Jan. 26.—An address by Mrs. John Skelton Williams on the preservation and planting of trees along highways and a speech by James E. Brooks, director of the educational bureau of the federal highway commission, "Transportation" featured the opening session here today of the 10th annual convention of the Virginia Good Roads association.

Sixteen Dead in a Wreck. ABERMULE, Wales, Jan. 26.—Sixteen persons were killed in the railroad wreck near here today, according to latest official figures. Thirteen injured have been sent to hospitals.

Death of Mrs. M. O. Sage. NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Margaret Olin Sage, widow of Rufus Sage, left an estate valued at \$68,659.213. This was shown by an accounting filed today.

WINTRY WEATHER WAS ON HAND YESTERDAY

New England Elements Prevailed; Rain and Lower Temperature

With ice-whiskered automobiles and street cars traveling over the slushy streets, and with ice-laden wires and trees falling in various parts of the city, and a maze of iced wires and icicle buildings particularly in the downtown section, Wilmington yesterday presented a New England appearance.

TIDE WATER WANTS TO DISCUSS PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION WITH WADE

City Council Yesterday Morning Adopted Resolutions Increasing the Amount Paid by the City to the Police

City council yesterday morning adopted resolutions increasing the amount paid by the city to the police from \$500 to \$2,500, and instructed City Attorney Robert Russ to draft a bill for passage in the general assembly authorizing the increase. Contract for the painting of the front of the city hall was awarded to J. E. Hatch and Bros., whose bid of \$1,200 was accepted by council over three other bids. One of the bids was for \$657, but in view of the fact that this bidder was reported as having done some unsatisfactory work for the city some time ago, this bid was rejected.

Unmasked Men Steal \$2,000 from Cashier. Three Hold Up Bank in Suwanee, Ga., Bind Cashier and Rob His Till.

MURCHISON IS SHOWN HIGH ON HONOR ROLL

Wilmington Bank Ranks With Nation's Best in Trade Acceptances

The honor roll of acceptance buying banks, as published in the New Commercial of Tuesday, shows the Murchison National Bank of Wilmington to be twenty-fourth in a list of fifty-seven.

LET BUYER SELECT HALF OF COTTON SELLER ONE HALF. WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The cotton futures act should be amended so as to give the purchaser of cotton the privilege of selecting half of the grades of cotton to be delivered and the seller the other half instead of the seller having the sole option as at present.

SEIZE 'WHISKEY SUGAR'. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 26.—Six thousand pounds of a preparation labeled cane sugar and said to be suited for making whiskey, were seized by police today. The preparation, it was said, was distributed by a local wholesale grocery company. Chemical analysis showed the preparation consisted of corn meal, sugar and yeast.

MRS. WORRELY IS SENATOR IN AN ELECTION IN TENNESSEE. KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 26.—Mrs. Anna L. Worley of Bluff City, Sullivan county, was elected to the state senate in the special election in the second senatorial district, which comprised Sullivan and Hawkins counties.

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MRS. V. C. DICKINSON HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Earl C. Dickinson Also Slightly Injured in Wreck on Turnpike

When the automobile in which Earl C. Dickinson was driving his mother, Mrs. V. C. Dickinson, to his summer home on Wrightsville Sound, crashed into a fallen limb just beyond the curve at the five mile post on the turnpike last night, Mrs. Dickinson was badly injured and her son was slightly bruised. The car was practically demolished.

Trades Council Will Consider Wage Cuts. Schedule Announced by Contractors to Be Discussed at Meeting Tonight.

Further developments regarding the 20 per cent reduction in the wages of labor engaged in commercial building, which the contractors of the city recently announced would become effective February 26, are looked for tonight when the Wilmington Trades Council meets to consider the steps taken by the general and sub-contractors of Wilmington.

GERMANY AGREES TO FIVE ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF CASH. BERLIN, Jan. 26.—Official announcement was made today after a conference between Dr. Walter Simmons, minister of foreign affairs and Dr. Wilhelm Cuno, minister of finance, that Germany has agreed to the plan of five yearly installments for the payment of reparations as the basis of further negotiations with the allies.

DOUGLAS, GEORGIA, ARE CLOSED. DOUGLAS, Ga., Jan. 26.—The Georgia and Florida railroad shops here were closed today. The company had already given notice of a cut in salaries in other departments equal to 50 per cent of the increases granted under federal control, it is said.

EARTHQUAKE OR EXPLOSION SHAKES UP PHILADELPHIA. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26.—An earth tremor or an explosion of great violence was felt here about 6:45 o'clock. Inquiries from newspaper offices from all directions, many coming from points as far away as Trenton, N. J., several hours of investigation failed to bring word of an explosion.

FEEL IN TRENTON SECTION. TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 26.—A violent earth shock was felt early tonight in the vicinity of Riverside and Riverton, where many of the buildings were badly shaken. The shock lasted several seconds and caused many of the residents of that section to flee from their homes in terror.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1, A. F. & A. M. Stated Communication this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock sharp, for the purpose of considering all business properly to be presented. All members are requested to be present. Visiting Master Masons will be cordially welcomed.

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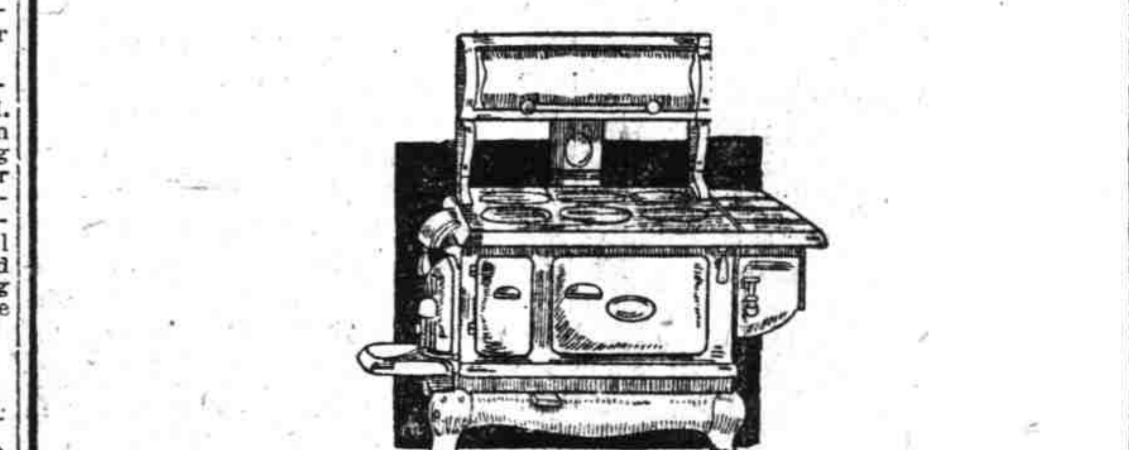
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