

NEWS OF PAST WEEK ABOUT STATE CAPITAL

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Legislative action, at a special session or the next regular 1937 session, will probably be necessary on the part of North Carolina before the people of this State who are eligible may participate in the provisions of the act, and especially the Old Age Pension provisions.

STATE HIGHWAY PATROL

Sixty-six new members of the State Highway Patrol will get out on the highways of the State probably next week, after about two months of intensive training at a school conducted by patrol officers at the State fair grounds. Two fill vacancies in the older patrol and 64 increase the number to 121, as provided by the last General Assembly. The "rookies" have been put through the paces and are now engaged in learning operation of motorcycles in traffic around Raleigh. They will endeavor to reduce death and injury rates, Captain Charles D. Farmer states. The new drivers' license law becomes effective November 1 and licenses will be available in a week or two.

STATE POLITICS

Dr. Ralph W. McDonald's entry last week into the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor has them talking and asking questions, as to what kind of a race he will make, from whom he will take his strength, how he will finance a campaign, how he, native of Illinois, reared in Arkansas and teacher in the State for some years, will strike the fancy of the voters and come out in the primary.

The 33-year-old former Salem College teacher, active church layman and novice in politics caused lots of trouble to many legislators and State officials in his hook-up in the 1925 General Assembly with W. L. Lumpkin, Franklin County legislator, in his fight against the sales tax, for higher appropriations for schools, against liquor control, and, mainly, probably against Governor Ehringhaus and the State administration in general.

His entry swells to five the seekers after the Governorship. A. H. (Sandy) Graham, Hillsboro; Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby, and John A. MacRae, Charlotte, are announced candidates, while Col. T. L. Kirkpatrick, Charlotte, has been in the running for months, he states. Dr. J. T. Burrus, Guilford Senator, who thought seriously of making the race, is not expected to enter.

Senator J. W. Bailey has only Dick Fountain publicly opposing him. The name of Senator John Sprunt Hill, Durham, is a new one, if Governor Ehringhaus does not enter. Judge M. V. Barnhill, Rocky Mount, is almost sure to. Henry Stevens, Warsaw, and John G. Dawson, Kinston, are possible entrants.

TEXTBOOKS RENTALS

The textbook rental plan has surmounted all obstacles and is now ready to function as soon as the machinery can be set up for local distribution of the school books at a rental of one-third the cost and free to delinquents. The troubles that appeared were overcome last week by a proposal by the publishers and an agreement with the N. C. School Book Depository, which acted as agent for the publishers. E. N. Peeler, secretary of the rental commission, is in the midst of a series of conferences with city and county superintendents on the methods of distribution. Ship-

ments could actually be started this week. Only the condition of infantile paralysis would prevent schools generally opening on time, and, with improved conditions, that may not delay them long.

BUILDING INCREASES

Building permits showed a big jump in July over those of July, 1934, and indicate a huge increase in new construction over the State in towns of 10,000 population or more. Estimated cost of new residences started in July was \$390,970, as against \$99,998 in July, 1934. Non-residence buildings increased from \$109,093 to \$309,899 and additions and alterations, from \$86,235 to \$212,883. Major Fletcher's report shows. Last month's residences started will make provision for 133 new families, as against provision for 35 in July, 1935.

HISTORICAL MARKERS

Construction of historical markers on highways near spots of interest was definitely started at a meeting of the executive committee held at State College in Raleigh Wednesday, in which the Department of Conservation and Development and the N. C. Historical Commission co-operate with the State Highway Division, which pays the cost. Models were presented and a specific design and material for the markers were selected. Four places to be marked first are: birthplace of Zebulon B. Vance, Buncombe County; Green Hill place, Franklin County, site of the first Methodist Episcopal Church Conference in America; First English Colonies on Roanoke Island, and site of home of John Penn, one of the three North Carolina signers of the Declaration of Independence. The committee expects to mark probably as many as 200 such places in the next year or two.

Weekly News Letter From Zionville Section

Mrs. James Layng and three children left last week for their home in Jersey City, N. J., after spending the summer with Mrs. Layng's mother, Mrs. Lulu Winebarger.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greer of Lenoir were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Greer here.

Miss Geneva Thomas will return this week from Richmond, Va., where she has spent the past week with her mother, Mrs. Verda Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkinson and children and Mrs. E. H. Wilkinson and children and Mrs. E. H. Wilson were the guests over the week-end of relatives in Kingsport, Tenn.

Miss Virginia Penn has spent the past week at Elizabethton, Tenn., visiting her cousin, Miss Nancy Grindstaff.

Mrs. Mary Brown is visiting with friends in Bristol this week.

Miss Madge Reece of Bristol is spending a two-weeks vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Reece. She was accompanied by Miss Ella Tate of Bristol, who will spend a few days visiting here.

Misses Doris Wilson, Mildred Thomas, Ruth Castle, Mrs. Spencer Greer and Mrs. Charles Wilkinson left Sunday night for Raleigh where they will attend the E. R. E. institute at State College for the next two weeks.

Farmers are urged to be extra careful in buying pigs this year. Disease outbreaks are becoming frequent in some areas. Every time a truck load of diseased pigs is moved, it may lead to another outbreak of cholera or other disease.

MRS. WILEY POST

Widow of Famous Flyer to Receive \$25,000.



OKLAHOMA CITY.—Mrs. Wiley Post, wife of the late world girdling flyer who crashed to his death with Will Rogers in Alaska, is expected to receive the \$25,000 which Congress voted should be paid for the plane "Winnie Mae" for the Smithsonian Institute. Also she will have a \$250 per month annuity.

Items of Interest from Deep Gap Community

Mr. and Mrs. Ruff Call of Cricket took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Miller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boss Bledsoe and family and Mrs. Winnie Greer of Todd visited Mr. and Mrs. John E. Luther Sunday.

Mrs. H. S. Steelman, who has been ill for the past few days, is somewhat improved.

Mr. L. W. Triplett, of Mt. Zion, spent the week-end with his son, Mr. G. O. Triplett.

Miss Lillian Miller spent the past week with Miss Cleo Hampton at Lenoir.

Loris Davenport, little daughter of Mrs. Cleo Davenport, who has been quite ill for several weeks, remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Triplett visited their daughter, Mrs. Russell Wellborn Sunday.

Misses Jenna Greene and Jennie Wellborn spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Lillian Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boswell of Chase City, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taylor Saturday. Mrs. Boswell is a sister of Mr. Taylor.

Farmers Ready to Cut Tobacco on Beaver Dam

The farmers of this section are making ready for the cutting and curing of their tobacco crop. The quality is said to be average.

Rev. Tipton Greene, pastor of the Bethel Church, delivered a good sermon Saturday night. Brother Greene is always a welcome visitor at our church.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swift of Santa Rosa, Texas, are visiting friends and relatives in this section.

A wedding of much interest took place at the Mountain City Baptist Church some days ago when Mr. Julius Walker and Mrs. Arizona Wilson were united in marriage. After the ceremony they returned to their beautiful home on Beaver Dam, which was decorated with many lovely flowers, and where a bountiful feast was spread for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Don Haganan, Mr. and Mrs. Jethro Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Reese, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Gray Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker, Mr. Roby Adams, Gilbert Walker and Miss Bessie Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Reese and little son, Gene; Mr. Will Heuson and Miss Hazel Holsclaw. Several guests came in during the afternoon to extend congratulations to the happy couple.

The following were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Reese Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swift of Santa Rosa, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Swift and son, Cecil, and Mrs. Swift's mother, Mrs. G. P. Sherrill; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swift and mother, all of Beaver Dam; Mr. George Sherrill of Clemson College and a friend, Miss Louis Regsdale.

Miss Ruth Eller of Morganton is visiting homefolks for a few days before returning to her work.

Mrs. George Reese and daughter, Maude, of Luretha, Ky., were guests of Mrs. C. B. Reese for some days. Miss Maude returned to her work in Somerset, Ky., after her vacation.

E. C. Blair, extension agronomist at State College, reports a great deal of interest in the farmers' tours' he is conducting in various counties. In each of the counties the farmers study the farming practices of their neighbors.

ROMANCE AND TRAGEDIES

An interesting story which reveals that the traditional good and bad luck of the stage, screen and opera is catching up with the radio stars you hear, but seldom see. One of many features in the September 1 issue of The American Weekly, the big magazine which comes every Sunday with the Baltimore American. Get your copy from your favorite newsdealer.

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