

Public Service Corporations Want More Money

Road Building Program Getting in Shape; Actual Building May Depend on Selling Bonds and Getting the Money.

GAS, ELECTRICITY AND TELEPHONE FOLKS WANT RATES ADVANCED.

Butler Makes "Statement" About Federal Offices and the "Hog Combine" that Broke up His "Harmony Program."

(By Maxwell Gorman.)
Raleigh, March 28.—Telephone rate revision in North Carolina, which every town in the State with a telephone service is interested in, is on the board of the State Corporation Commission this week. The hearings will consume all of this week, as the gas rate hearings did last week, and in the latter case it is expected the decision may be reached to become effective early in April.

The date fixed for the oral argument of the Southern Power Company and the group of electrically-driven cotton mills is April 20th, after which other public service corporations will claim additional attention of the Corporation Commission.

Ask Increased Telephone Rates.

Representatives of several of the larger cities of the State are here to oppose the excessive additional charge for telephone service by the Bell Telephone Company and other companies, and these include many lawyers as usual.

Increase in Exchange Rates is Asked for Both Business Houses and Private Residences and All Other Like Phone Rates and is Much Larger than Any Previous Rate Granted the Whole.

Raleigh, for instance, is paying a 25 per cent increase ordered last year by the Corporation Commission, but the telephone people want more yet. The existing long distance rates will not be changed, it is announced.

To Start Big Road Building Job.

There have been few Governors of this or any other State who have had at the outset of their administration as much heavy work to perform, differences to adjust, tribulations to bear, of one kind and another, as Governor Morrison has experienced during his three months on the job, so far. He is just returned from a short vacation visit to Charlotte, and finds the usual greetings from some newspaper correspondents and reporters in Raleigh, who think they know all about everything and proceed to criticize the chief executive's business from that viewpoint.

Now they are magnifying the so-called "unrest" of the recently appointed members of the State Highway Commission, the initial meeting of which was originally set for Tuesday of this week, but which they assert will be delayed. The sale of bonds, or borrowing of money in part on short-term notes, by the State, and some other important preliminaries as yet undetermined, leads the Governor to desire a conference with the full Highway Commission before the first regular meeting is held. This conference, it is expected, will be held in a few days.

Many Details Now Ready.

The preliminary survey of the entire State system of roads, 5,500 miles long, has been made under the direction of Mr. Page, and the commission is ready to proceed with the formalities of taking them over. The drafting department of the commission has prepared maps of the system by counties, in accordance with the law, and will be ready to forward them to the County Commissioners for posting within a day after the commission order is done.

Not only prospective road building, but the organization of the authorized maintenance department and putting it into operation, is marking time until the entire commission is called together and the entire nine members take hold of the work of supervision and direction of the great enterprise upon which the General Assembly determined. Commissioner Page has been unwilling to do other than general preliminary work until the full commission has reviewed the situation.

Chief Interest in the Meeting Will Center About the First Issue of the Authorized Road Building Bonds, and the Plan of Maintenance Provided for in the Bill.

Governor Morrison is understood to be unwilling to borrow money on short term notes in anticipation of the sale of the bonds. The commission, under the law, has no part in that phase of the problem, it being named merely to spend the money after it is provided by the Governor and Council of State.

Doubts are Entertained as to Whether the State Will be Able to Sell the Bonds in the Present Market at the Authorized Interest Rate of 5 per Cent.

Apparently it is a question of borrowing the money or letting the road building stand idle for the time being.

To Fight New Freight Rates.

At a conference between the North Carolina Corporation Commission and traffic men of the State over recent promulgated tariffs from North Carolina to Mississippi Valley points the conference agreed on a program of opposition. The North Carolina interests will be represented in a hearing to be held in Memphis, Tenn., by the Interstate Commerce Commission, beginning April 5th.

Filling of Federal Offices in N. C.

The forecast carried last week about the personnel of the men selected by the Republican bosses, panned out correct at the State committee meeting. Just how disappointed Butler is over his kick-out may be judged by his "statement," which contains the following:

Butler's Loud Wall.

"My harmony program received no reception whatever from the majority of the committee. They spurned and spat upon every suggestion for a harmony program under which men of the highest qualifications, representing all elements of the party, should be selected to represent the government in the important positions of honor and trust. They did not want harmony neither were they interested in the success of the party. All they wanted was to take all of the offices for themselves, and that is exactly what they conspired to do. A majority of the committee, under the leadership of a small ringmaster, who

showed at Chicago that he was ready to seat negro delegates over the white, regardless of the evidence, in order to get command of the patronage pie trough, formed a hog combine to divide all of the offices among themselves. Of course, the smaller such a man is in a combine the more he asserts his right to the highest office, to the exclusion of more competent men on the committee, to say nothing of the large number of vastly more competent and deserving men all over the State.

"It is now known that it was the purpose of this small hog combine to keep the time and place of this committee meeting a secret. By agreement among themselves, no notice of this meeting was given to the press. When it leaked out through somebody up in the mountains that there was to be such a meeting, then the combine tried to mislead everybody possible by circulating a report that patronage matters would not be taken up, but that the only business would be to accept Mr. Linney's resignation and elect a new chairman. Indeed, the combine, it is now known, had also agreed on, for their new chairman, the little boss-man Friday, who helped him with the negro delegate business at Chicago; but when the combine learned that the dark delegate business at Chicago was known, they decided to hold Mr. Linney on the job for the present, because they were evidently afraid to risk the election of either the Hon. J. J. Parker or the Hon. A. A. Whitener. Besides, the east was demanding the chairmanship if there was to be a change, and this combine was determined that the east should have nothing, outside of the combine membership. It is known that many prominent men in the party, in various sections of the State, who wanted to be present when matters of public office were considered, were prevented from attending by the false and misleading report about the purpose of the meeting."

Cleaning Up.

Raleigh is observing clean-up week in great shape, following the spectacular parade pulled off Monday. This is the far-end of the term of the present city administration, and the fact that a primary is to be held in three weeks has spruced up the sanitary "white wings." But the plain people are doing most of the work.

STATE OF OHIO CITY OF TOLEDO

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

The Vassar girls who have abandoned modern styles say it's not so much for propaganda as propriety.

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"Clean-Up" Week.

The Insurance Commissioner has set aside the first week in April as "Clean-up" week, and it is earnestly hoped that everybody will co-operate in this movement. It will be the duty of the Fire Inspector to inspect buildings and report any defects promptly to the town authorities. It is also earnestly hoped that the different clubs of the women and the school children, under the leadership of their teachers, will mobilize their forces for that week and help clean up the town. It is also hoped that the business men will examine their premises and remove all trash and rubbish and inspect all heating appliances. The Chief of the Fire Department should examine his fire apparatus as a special duty and make the week an occasion for inspection of all buildings and conditions in the fire district. Each woman should inspect her home, particularly have repaired unsafe chimneys, flues, pipes, closets, attics, back-yards and basements. The town will supply without stint the necessary transportation for the removal of all fire and disease-breeding material, and it is earnestly hoped that every man, woman and child, will co-operate in this work.

ROBT. L. HOLMES, Mayor.

Cotton Profiteering.

Univ. N. C. News Letter.

Our farmers are getting around 12 cents for cotton these days. Or so the prices are quoted in the market reports, but as a matter of fact they are getting a good deal less than that in remote country places. We happen to know of one shipment of low grade cotton at thirty-six dollars a bale.

And why? Because nobody wants it at any price, the buyers say; the carry-over is excessive, the mills on this side are overstocked, and the demand overseas has ceased. Such are the current reasons handed out to our cotton farmers since the slump in cotton prices late last August.

Now the fact is, export demands for raw cotton were hardly less in 1920 than in 1919. The shipments abroad for the year ending with last December were barely 450 thousand bales less than the year before. See the Jan. 27 report of the Federal Department of Commerce.

There is economic chaos abroad, but it is dead certain that our exporters are shipping no raw cotton except for gold or on gilt-edge security.

And while they were shipping a little less they were getting a good deal more for it—upon an average of 36 cents a pound in 1920 against 33 cents in 1919!

There you are. Exporters getting 36 cents a pound from foreign consumers and paying domestic producers 12 cents or less!

If cotton and tobacco farmers cannot or will not bunch up in business-like ways to protect the prices they fairly ought to have, they are wooden-headed beyond words.

Geometrical Mind.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "I see that they are talking about a whisky ring."

Rough and Ready.

"My husband can't see you. He's writing upstairs under inspiration."

How to Know Poetry.

We literates have been taught to read poetry, and taught also that it is highly commendable to enjoy it. In order to know what kind of poetry ought to be especially enjoyed, we read other books, written by critics. In order to understand what the poetry that ought to be admired means, we read other books by professional grammarians. By the time we have finished this preparatory reading, we are somewhat confused. We are in doubt as to what poetry actually is, and how it differs from prose. In this predicament we fall back on the printer. If every line begins with a capital letter, we assume that it is poetry.—Samuel McChord Crothers in the Atlantic Monthly.

Cultivated Rose is English.

In many countries some flower is taken as the national emblem. The French claim the fleur de lis, the Scotch the thistle, and the wattle belongs entirely to Australia; the maple leaf is the national emblem of Canada, as the fern leaf is of New Zealand. But the most familiar of all is perhaps the red rose of England. Every one has heard of the Wars of the Roses. There is no more typically English flower than the rose; and yet most English roses have come from China or from the East. The cultivated rose, however, in its hundreds of varieties—bush roses, climbing, scrambling, rambling roses, dwarf roses—is typically English.

Salt Monopoly in Ecuador.

The production and sale of salt in Ecuador is monopolized by the government, which enjoys a good profit therefrom. Salt is obtained from the salinas in the provinces of Guayas, Manabí and El Oro. The works consist of blocks of land whose surface has been lowered a few feet, into which sea water is permitted to seep. The water is slowly evaporated by the sun, precipitating crystals and thus forming a considerable layer of salt, which is broken into pieces for distribution. It is estimated that the average quantity of salt consumed by each individual in Ecuador is thirteen pounds per annum.

Movie Theaters in Rio.

It is at the cinema theaters that the Cariocas (citizens of Rio de Janeiro) know real comfort; for, unlike our moving-picture houses, those in Rio have spacious waiting-rooms, where you sit, listening to excellent music, until the hour for the first reel comes round. The pioneer house of the kind inaugurated this custom, and now the people refuse to stand outside waiting for the even hour to arrive or to enter after the film has started. With so much profitable space taken from the auditorium, the movies in Rio Janeiro are not as great money-makers as with us. The American favorites are popular, quite outclassing Italian and Brazilian film stars.—Harriet Chalmers Adams in National Geographic Magazine.

Inspect Moths by Machine.

An elaborate machine called the choselick is used by the Japanese in the inspection of silkworms for disease. The machine in the inspection house of Nagano prefecture requires 2,000 microscopes and a large corps of workers.

Moths are made to lay their eggs each on one square of sheets of cardboard bearing 28 numbered squares. They then are killed, their bodies pulverized and examined. If the bacilli are found, the square containing the eggs laid by the diseased moths is cut out and burned.—Japan Advertiser.

Summons by Publication

NORTH CAROLINA—ALAMANCE COUNTY

In the Superior Court,

L. D. Ayers, Plaintiff,

vs.

Phoeba Ayers, Defendant.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Alamance county to obtain absolute divorce; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court for the county of Alamance at his office at the court house in Graham, North Carolina, on the 30th day of April, 1921, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, which will be deposited in the office of the said clerk of the Superior Court of said county on or before the return day of the summons, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 31st day of March, 1921.
D. J. WALKER, C. S. C.
Wm. I. Ward, Att'y. 31mch4t

Notice of Sale.

Pursuant to the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by Dr. J. J. Barefoot and wife, Octavia W. Barefoot, to the undersigned trustee, dated December 7, 1920, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance county in Deed of Trust Book No. 85, at page 60, given to secure the payment of a certain bond of even date therewith in the sum of \$6,000.00, and interest thereon, payable to Graham Home Building Company, the said undersigned trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door in Graham, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1921, at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, to-wit:

A lot or parcel of land in the Town of Graham, Alamance county, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of R. L. Holmes, O. J. Paris, N. Main Street of the said town, and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at an iron bolt, corner with said Holmes' lot bought of O. J. Paris, on north east edge of said street, at northeast side of concrete walk, running thence S 32 deg 15' E 91 ft to an iron bolt at northeast edge of said walk; thence N 56 deg E 214 ft 3 inches to an iron bolt in said Paris' line; thence N 26 deg 30' 91 ft to an iron bolt in said Paris' line, 2 ft 6 in S of said Paris and Young's corner; thence S 56 deg W (B. S.) 224 ft 10 in. to the beginning, containing .45 of an acre, more or less.

Terms of Sale: This sale will remain open for ten days for advance bids as provided by law under mortgage sales; and the bidder will be required to pay 10 per cent of his bid on date of sale, balance to be paid in cash after the expiration of said ten days, and upon execution and delivery of deed by the Trustee conveying the said property to the purchaser at said sale.

This 31st day of March, 1921.
E. S. PARKER, Jr., Trustee.

Mortgagee's Land Sale.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed on 17th day of March, 1920, by Crawford Johnston and his wife for the purpose of securing payment of a bond of even date therewith and the interest thereon, said mortgage deed being duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance county in Book No. 82 of Mortgage Deeds and Deeds of Trust at page 131, and default having been made in the payment of said bond and interest, the undersigned mortgagee will, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 1921, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the court house door in Graham, Alamance county, N. C., offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, the following defined and described tracts of land in Patterson Township, said county and State, to-wit:

First—Adjoining and bounded on the north and east by the lands of Jackey Noah, on the south by J. Graves, on the west by Dan Alexander, and supposed to contain about ten acres.

Second—Adjoining and bounded on the north by the above described tract, on the east by said Alexander and Talton Holt, on the south by Jackey Noah, and supposed to contain ten acres.

This March 23, 1921.
D. H. THOMPSON, Mortgagee.
Wm. I. Ward, Att'y. 24mchtds

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Mortgagee's Sale of Land.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed on Dec. 20th, 1915, by Charlie Harvey and wife for the purpose of securing payment of a bond of even date therewith and interest thereon, said mortgage deed being duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance county in Book No. 60 of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust, at page 568, and default having been made in the payment of said bond and interest, the undersigned mortgagee will, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 1921, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the court house door in Graham, Alamance county, N. C., sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described tract of land, to-wit:

A tract of land lying and being in Alamance county, State of N. C., in Newlin township, adjoining Luther Checks and others and known as part of the William Moser place and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone on Jos. Harper's line, thence N 1 deg E 2 chs and 60 lks to a stone; thence W 1.50 chs to a stone; thence N 67.17 chs to a stake; thence 66 deg E 13.15 chs to a stake; thence S 63.72 chs to a blackoak; thence E 5.30 chs to a maple; thence S 1 deg W 11 chs and 50 lks to a stake; thence N 84 deg W 16.80 chs to the beginning, containing 96 acres more or less, and being lot No. 1 in the division of the John G. Moser lands.

This March 23, 1921.
D. H. THOMPSON, Mortgagee.
Wm. I. Ward, Att'y. 24mchtds

TOWN TAXES.—The tax books for 1920 are in my hands. Prompt payment requested.
B. R. TROILINGER, Tax Collector.