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### OUR RALEIGH LETTER

By M. L. Shipman

Raleigh, August, 23.—Conventions were the order for the State during the past week and these vied with the Virginia Dare celebration in holding interest. For the fourth consecutive week, the Capital City was quiet but there is every indication the Governor will wake it up next week. He returned from his vacation last night.

Governor McLean returned last night from a four weeks trip into the woods of Wisconsin and he will find his hands full with official matters. First of all the Executive will have to face the task of writing his addresses and recommendations to the General Assembly which will convene next January. The Governor will also have to call together the Budget Commission and the matter of going over the recommendations for the next fiscal period of two years will have to be considered. This will be his major business during the fall months and he has indicated when the General Assembly meets, the matters in which he has a hand will be ready for its consideration so that there will be no time lost. The report of the special commission investigating the educational system of the State will be ready this week for his attention and it is expected to contain considerable of interest affecting the eight months school term and other educational matters. The report of Dr. W. S. Rankin on his investigation of feeble mindedness in the State also will be laid before the Executive. Superintendent of Public Instruction Allen will place before him the matter of text books charges in this State as compared with Tennessee. Major Wade H. Phillips expects to consult with him with reference to the appointment of a new public director for the Department of Conservation and Development. Action from the Executive also is looked for on the Wyatt pardon case which has been pending for several months. The Executive also has been invited by the State of Washington to join in a test case on whether the State has a right to levy a gasoline tax to aid in maintaining federal roads.

The celebration of Virginia Dare day at Roanoke Island attracted the attention of thousands from this section and the coastal section. Sir Eame Howard, British Ambassador delivered the principal address on the occasion which was marked by a notable gathering.

The meeting of the Bi-State Booster Association of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen held here during the week brought such personages as W. G. Lee, of Cleveland, one of the leading labor men of the country. Mr. Lee took an important part in the business meetings and also delivered an inspiring address. Mr. Lee spoke of the strides made in labor by its organization and urged the keeping of all pledges as the sure way to advance. Allen J. Maxwell made an excellent address as the Representative of Governor McLean.

A new set of regulations have been issued by the State Board of Health governing the jails of the State with respect to sanitary conditions. The regulations set forth how the prisoners should be cared for in the way of clothes and baths and also goes into keeping the quarters in condition. Dr. J. Henry Highsmith of the Department of Public Instruction is against the teaching of Latin and geometry in the small high schools he declared in an address this week. He is not opposed to teaching of the subjects as electives in the higher classes,

however. Miss Audrey Davis committed suicide last week at the State Hospital for the Insane here, this being the second suicide at the institution in the past few weeks. The Cotton Cooperative Association has inaugurated a practice of booking orders from mills in advance of deliveries of cotton. This will result in a great saving to the cotton growers as the cotton will be sold at highest prices. Last year the association had to sell a lot of cotton on a falling market because orders had not been booked but a re-organization this year makes it possible to carry out the booking plan. The tobacco crops are looking fine and the prices paid in the South Carolina belt encourage growers to think that they also will get good prices when the Eastern Carolina belt opens on the seventh of September and the Old Belt two weeks later. The Department of Revenue has moved to its new building, which will also house the license bureau for autos, the Department of Conservation and Development executive office and several State offices. The Adjutant General and the State Board of Public Welfare will go into the new building.

The State's exhibit in the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition is almost completed. The battle of Moore's Creek Bridge was celebrated this week in Pender county with great zest.

More than half the counties of the State report the prevalence of typhoid fever, the total number of cases so far reported to the bureau of vital statistics of the State Board of Health having reached around 200. Pitt county leads the list with fifteen cases. Comparatively few fatalities have resulted from this cause, but motor vehicle accidents continue their deadly work with more than a dozen lives snuffed out during the week.

The Automobile License Bureau of the State Department of Revenue reports the collection of \$4,523,413.74 during the month of June, July and the first half of August, or \$327,560 more than was collected for the same period last year. The number of licenses issued during this period last year was 26,569 less than for the same number of days this year. The Department also reports the handling of a million and a quarter items of correspondence since the 30th day of June. The License Bureau goes within a few days into the new building corner of Salisbury and Morgan streets, along with other branches of the Department of Revenue.

Commissioner Stacey Wade, of the State Department of Insurance, journeyed to "The Old Home Town," and delivered a fine address to the State Firemen meeting there during the week. While speaking mainly of fires and their prevention Commissioner Wade took advantage of the opportunity to direct attention to the numerous attractions and advantages of Morehead City to which he extended the visitors a cordial welcome. The next important group of Tar Heels expected in Morehead is the North Carolina Forestry Association September 2nd and 3rd. Fire prevention and their prevention, Commissioner hold the center of the stage in this popular resort by the sea.

Fresh from the scene of chaos in Mexico Charles M. Upham, former State Highway Engineer, voices the opinion of non-interference by the United States. Mr. Upham is consulting highway engineer for the Mexican Government and has had an opportunity to view the situation at close range. Mexico is speeding up in highway construction and interference would result in a setback in that respect, besides having a bad effect on the road relations this country has established with that government the past few years. Of course, "Uncle Sam" has no idea of meddling in the Mexican muddle.

The G. L. Miller Bond Company finds that building operations in North Carolina during July showed an increase over that of the same month last year, the estimate of this July being \$3,334,732, and for July last year \$2,691,639, an increase of more than one and one-half million dollars. The largest single permit issued in the State for July was an item of \$350,000 for rebuilding the wing of the main building of the State Hospital for the Insane, Raleigh, which was destroyed by fire last spring.

Smallpox is on a rampage in the State, according to the Bureau of Epidemiology, of the State Board of Health, which reports 113 cases during the first two weeks of the present month, or ninety-seven cases more than for a similar period last summer. The Bureau reports the existence of 260 cases of whoopingcough and forty-six cases of measles.

Pardon Commissioner Hoyle Sink has hit upon a new plan to induce work by prisoners who expect pardons or paroles. No work, no pardon is the way he puts it up to them. Besides, he is going to waste no time with applications from prisoners wholly of any character. Mr. Sink has special reference to reported conduct of "time servers" in the Craggy camp near Asheville, but his "prescription" is intended to apply in a general way. Maybe he will succeed in improving the morale of prisoners and maybe he won't.

Democrats are visibly amused to find that Johnson J. Hayes, Republican nominee for United States Senator, has been campaigning the State under the auspices of "The Patriotic and Protective League." No mention being made of the Republican party in the literature announcing his appointments. The old name seems to have been abandoned, whether for "a gray horse of another color" no one seems to know. The purpose of this high-sounding name may be revealed a little later on in the campaign.

North Carolina is invited to join the State of Washington in a suit to be brought before the Supreme Court of the United States next January to prevent the levy of gasoline tax for road construction. The suit started by Washington dealers seems lacking in merit and Governor McLean is likely to assume a hands off policy with reference to it.

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