

ASK LEGISLATURE TO EXEMPT LOCAL BONDS FROM TAXES

Good Roads Association Executive Committee Takes Action Here

FIRST STEP TOWARD STATE ROAD SYSTEM

Will Not Ask Special Session To Authorize Bond Issue, But To Name Commission To Draft Act For 1921 Looking Toward Building 5,000 Miles Hard Surface Road

Resolutions passed by the executive committee of the North Carolina Good Roads Association here yesterday commit the Association to requesting the 1921 session of the General Assembly to submit a constitutional amendment exempting public improvement bonds from taxation, as one of the first steps toward floating an eventual bond issue for the construction of a State system of hard surfaced roads.

The matter was first brought up in the recent meeting of the Association in Asheville but unexpected opposition just before adjournment prevented its disposal and it was left in the hands of the executive committee with power to act. Action here yesterday was unanimous. Efforts will be made to have other organizations in the State interested in financing public improvements to join with the Association in presenting the matter to the Legislature.

The meeting was called here yesterday to work out the program for the Association for the coming year. The Government was given the proposal to establish a Statewide system of hard surfaced highways approximately 5,000 miles in length, and a resolution passed asking the Special Session to appoint a commission to draft a law to be presented at the 1921 session providing an enlarged program of road construction to be financed by bond issues and special levies.

Let Special Session Alone

No effort will be made to have the Special Session take up the matter of \$20,000,000 bond issue for road work, it was stated last night. The larger program of highway building contemplated will call for an estimated expenditure of \$200,000,000, and it is realized that this expenditure must necessarily extend over a considerable period of years, and that any present bond issue, not predicated upon the building program would be inimical to the ultimate fulfillment of the larger result aimed at.

Difficulties that are encountered in floating any bond issue at present, and the fact that no local bond issue appeals to local investors because of taxation by the State, prompted the committee to action favoring exemption. It was pointed out that but one other State taxes improvement bonds, and that the growing wealth of North Carolina citizens would enable them to take care of their own bond issues if such investments were made attractive through exemption.

Members of the committee here yesterday were William A. McGirt, chairman, and president of the association; Hugh MacBee, Wilmington; H. D. Williams, Kenansville; John Sprunt Hill, Durham; D. C. Boren, Greensboro; Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill, and F. C. Whitlock, Charlotte. The only member of the committee absent was T. L. Gwyn, of Waynesville.

FREIGHT RATES MUST BE INCREASED 55 PER CENT

Thorne Says This Increase Necessary To Meet Roads' and Men's Demands

Washington, June 29.—Freight rates must be increased 55 per cent, if the road's demands for increased freight traffic and the men's demands for increased pay are granted and the whole burden placed on the freight traffic, the Interstate Commerce Commission was told today by Clifford Thorne, of Chicago, representing shippers.

Mr. Thorne recommended that the wage advances be added without further hearings to the costs upon which the roads now base their request for advanced freight rates; that a 2 per cent increase be made in passenger rates with the balance on freight tariffs to ease for the present case and that any advance occasioned by the wage declines be spread out over the entire earnings of the railroads from all sources.

"An added burden of two billions of dollars annually or over 50 per cent suddenly placed upon the freight traffic of the United States would be overwhelming," Mr. Thorne declared. "No man could foretell the consequences."

RALEIGH RESIDENT DIES IN UTAH CITY HOSPITAL

Funeral services for Heber Allen Oldham, former resident of Raleigh, were held last Wednesday, June 23, at Salt Lake City where his death occurred Sunday, June 20, at a local hospital. The services were under the direction of the American Legion, the interment being in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

Mr. Oldham was born here September 25, 1861, was taking a vocational training course at Logan when he became ill. He was the son of M. L. and Elizabeth Oldham. He served his country the first time when but a youngster, his discharge being received in 1910. When war was declared in 1917 he was among the first to offer his services. While on duty, he contracted the sickness that eventually caused his death.

He was married to Miss Sadie Anderson of Salt Lake City June 26, 1919. He is survived by a widow, his mother, a sister, Mrs. M. C. Ott, 268 South 10th West street, Salt Lake City, an uncle, Mr. B. R. Jolly, 119 North McDowell Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

For the production of gasoline, over 212,000 new oil wells have been drilled in the past ten years in the United States.

DR. EAGER COMPLETES PROHIBITION DRIVE HERE

Has Raised Nearly Twenty-five Thousand Dollars in Last Six Months

Dr. John H. Eager, who has been in Wake county for the last six months in the interest of the World Prohibition Movement, leaves today. During the summer he will serve as supply pastor at a number of churches, including one at Washington, one at Philadelphia and one or more in New York, where he lives.

During his stay in this section Dr. Eager has raised nearly twenty-five thousand dollars for the undertaking which he has represented. He found the people as a rule in sympathy with the movement, though he encountered some who opposed it.

The amount of whiskey making going on in this part of the State was discouraging to the representative of the World Prohibition Movement. "It merely goes to confirm," he said, "the opinion which I have long held that the prohibition law is the hardest law any State or nation ever undertook to enforce. It will take generations to get it adequately enforced. But the benefits to be derived from it will justify all the cost in money and trouble."

Dr. Eager said the development of a strong public opinion hostile to whiskey was the best means of fighting whiskey-making.

While in the State Dr. Eager came in touch with Bule's Creek Academy and was deeply impressed with the work which Prof. J. A. Campbell is doing there. So much interested did he become that when he found that Professor Campbell was planning to open the annex to the girls' dormitory without knowing where the furniture was coming from, he went to work himself and raised the money. He secured donations of one hundred dollars each for the furnishing of seven beds rooms from the following: C. R. Boone, N. H. McLeod, M. L. Horton and his Bible class, T. E. Chatham, A. J. Pollard of Durham, Baraca class of the North Durham Baptist church, Sunday school of the Temple Baptist church of Durham, W. B. Wright of Raleigh gave \$200 to buy furnishings for the kitchen and the Tabernacle Sunday school of Raleigh gave \$200 for the furnishing of the dining room.

MAYOR ELDRIDGE SPEAKS TO CHAMBER TOMORROW

At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, a meeting of the full chamber was called for tomorrow at one o'clock for the purpose of hearing an address by Mayor Eldridge on "The Financial Problems of the City Government."

It is understood that the Mayor will take the business men of the city into his full confidence and ask their co-operation in coping with the problems of the city administration. Col. Albert Cox, A. M. Maupin and H. H. Merritt were appointed as a committee to co-operate with the Mayor in the matter of the proposed increase in gas rates in the city. The committee was given no instruction to oppose the increase, but will attend the hearings and act upon their own judgment.

President Howard White was instructed to join Mayor Eldridge and representatives of the Rotary Club and the Kiwanis Club and Dr. W. A. Withers, director of the State College Summer School, in a conference with officials of the State Department of Education with a view to attempt to prevent the establishment of another summer school.

Mr. Armstead Jones, Dr. Z. M. Caviness and Col. Albert Cox were appointed a committee to co-operate every way possible with the County Board of Health.

CONDITION OF GENERAL WM. C. GORGAS CRITICAL

London, June 29.—The condition of Major General William C. Gorgas, former surgeon general of the United States army, continued critical tonight, although some improvement was noted during the day. The General's wife remained in the sick room throughout the day and Brigadier General Robert E. Nobles, assistant surgeon general of the United States army, and now head of the Gorgas' mission of West Africa, is a frequent caller. Several physicians are in constant attendance.

CARALEIGH MILLS EMPLOYEES NOW HOUSED

Tuesday sun down found the twenty-three families ejected from their homes by the Caraleigh Mills Company safely under cover with their household goods and still waiting for the third tent which will relieve the crowded conditions in the mill village.

While several families who have been given final orders moved voluntarily yesterday, there was no further execution of eviction orders, issued by Justice of the Peace J. E. Owen.

INTERCHURCH MEET. IS HELD AT BURLINGTON

Burlington, June 29.—The first conference of the Interchurch World Movement for this county was held in the First Christian church in this city last night. Mr. C. D. Snell, State survey supervisor, gave an illustrated lecture upon the subject of the religious conditions in North Carolina. A large audience gathered to hear the lecture by the distinguished lecturer.

HAGAN DIES AS RESULT WOUND RECEIVED SUNDAY

Wilson, June 29.—Charles Hagan, who was shot by Dewey Moody Sunday night near a country church a few miles from Wilson, died in a local hospital this afternoon as a result of the wounds inflicted. Moody is in jail. It is alleged that Moody attempted to kill his wife, and that Hagan received his fatal wound instead when the woman jumped behind him to dodge the shot.

B. L. E. BANK AT CLEVELAND HAS ITS CHARTER APPROVED

Washington, June 29.—A charter for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Co-operative National Bank of Cleveland, Ohio, was approved today by the Comptroller of the Currency. The bank is capitalized at \$1,000,000. Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood, made the application for the charter.

The recent ginger crop of Hong Kong is the best on record.

MORRISON INVADES BERTIE AND HERTFORD

Despite Arduous Travel Experiences, Makes Fiery Democratic Speeches

Ahokio, June 29.—Cameron Morrison invaded Bertie and Hertford counties today in his drive for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, and despite an arduous ride of 75 miles and a boat ride of 20 miles, he made two of the most fiery Democratic speeches of his entire campaign. Mr. Morrison spoke at Aurora last night to an audience which filled to capacity the school auditorium. After that he drove to Washington, where he spent the night, going by automobile this morning to Plymouth, 35 miles away.

There he boarded a launch and went up the river to Windsor, 30 miles farther, where an automobile was again brought into use, taking him to Colerain, where this afternoon from steps of a store he spoke to a crowd of several hundred farmers of Bertie county and residents of Colerain.

From there he drove to Ahokio, where tonight he was heard by many Hertford county citizens. Friends of Mr. Morrison from throughout the county were here for his address and he was given a rousing reception at Colerain this afternoon.

He was introduced by Dr. Leslie Evans, who has known him intimately since they were boys together. Dr. Evans told of the great fight Mr. Morrison made for the Democratic party and paid a touching tribute.

THREE MEN KILLED WHEN BIG BUILDING COLLAPSES

Buffalo, N. Y., June 29.—Three men were killed and three were injured in the collapse of the four story Sutherland Hotel in Lower Main Street today. Andrew Burns, a clerk, is missing and is believed to have been killed. The city fire chief and fire underwriters later examining the ruins were inclined to the belief that the fall of the building was due to a gas explosion.

MARCH, LIGGETT AND BULLARD RESUME THEIR PRE-WAR RANKS

Washington, June 29.—Formal announcement of the discharge from their temporary war ranks of General Peyton C. March, chief of staff, and Lieutenant General Hunter Liggett and Robert L. Bullard was made today by the War Department. They will return to their permanent rank of major general on the regular army lists July 1.

A large number of other officers also will be returned to their permanent rank on July 1.

GENERAL STRIKE PROCLAIMED IN ROME; AFFECTS INDUSTRY

Rome, June 29.—A general strike was proclaimed tonight, effective today except in the case of the railways. The tram service suspended and many of the factories and workshops were closed. This, however, was largely due to the celebration of the Feast of St. Peter's.

A despatch from Terni, in the province of Perugia, says a clash with the workers there, after a meeting of the labor unionists, resulted in several persons being severely wounded.

MRS. J. A. DUKE DIES

Mrs. J. A. Duke, of Franklinton, died at Mary Elizabeth Hospital here last night at 8:30 o'clock as the result of a serious operation performed last week. The body will be carried to Franklinton today and the funeral will take place at Perry's Chapel near Franklinton tomorrow morning.

MORRISON SPEAKS AT WASHINGTON AND AURORA

Washington, N. C., June 28.—Cameron Morrison began the last leg of his campaign for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination with a speech this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Beaufort county courthouse, after his speech here, Mr. Morrison motored to Aurora, 28 miles away, for a speech tonight, returning to Washington about midnight.

Mr. Morrison came here this morning from New Bern where he spent Sunday. At Vanceboro, en route here, a large delegation of citizens met the train to pledge him their loyal support. It was at Vanceboro Saturday that a joint meeting of the Morrison and Gardner forces took place. The Morrison men furnishing a big Morrison banner under which the Gardner forces spoke to Morrison supporters, and those present including the Gardner speakers, were refreshed after the meeting by drinking "Morrison lemonade."

BOTH OF THE CANDIDATES CHAMPIONED AT VANCEBORO

Goldboro, June 28.—The citizens of Vanceboro Saturday afternoon heard speeches in the interest of Cameron Morrison and Max Gardner. The Morrison speakers engaged the services of a brass band and had gathered together a large crowd when to their surprise there arrived on the scene two speakers who had without the knowledge of the Morrison orators also made arrangements to speak in the town on the same date and practically the same hour. After a friendly conference it was agreed that Maj. Matt H. Allen, of Goldboro, and Ed. Stewart, of Washington would fire the opening gun announcing the reasons why Max Gardner should be the people's next governor.

After the foregoing gentlemen had concluded their arrangements Col. John D. Langston, of Goldboro, law partner of Major Allen, addressed the crowd in the interest of Mr. Morrison, as did also, Messrs. Ernest Green and B. A. Nunn.

RECKLESS DRIVING OF AUTOS IS OBSERVED BY OFFICER

Goldboro, June 28.—Deputy Sheriff Thad Howell while visiting at the home of a friend between Goldboro and Pikeville Sunday summoned 8 automobile drivers to appear before the court here in answer to a charge of speeding and reckless driving. Sheriff Howell stated that during the period of 420 minutes in which he watched the automobiles pass the home of his friend he counted exactly 323 automobiles, three of which turned turtle and burned up in a ditch. He says there were several collisions and narrow escapes from serious accidents.

RALEIGH COTTON. (Reported by Parker Cotton & Co.)

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Strict middling 45 1/2
Middling 45 1/2
Strict low middling 45 1/2
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CITY'S LICENSE TAG SUPPLY EXHAUSTED

All License and Privilege Taxes Paid After Today Will Bear 10 Per Cent Penalty

The city's supply of automobile license tags has been exhausted by the rush of automobile owners during the last few days. To date 1,200 licenses have been issued for the year beginning June 1. Heretofore the highest number issued in any one year has been less than 1,000. City Clerk Willard L. Dowell estimated yesterday that a total of 1,800 licenses would be issued this year, showing an increase in the number of automobiles in the city of nearly 300 per cent.

Although unable to furnish the license plates, automobile licenses are being issued. License and privilege taxes of all kinds paid after today will bear the ten per cent penalty prescribed by law, it was announced yesterday.

The city commissioners yesterday increased the scale of prices at the abattoir. The new scale which becomes effective August 1 is as follows: Cow \$2, yearling \$1.50, calf 75 cents; hog over 100 lbs., \$1; from 100 to 200 lbs., \$1.50; hog over 200 lbs., \$2.

BANCROFT GETS SIX HITS OUT OF SIX TIMES AT BAT.

Philadelphia, June 28.—The feat of making six base hits in six times at bat in one game performed here today by Shortstop Bancroft of the New York Nationals has been equalled in the major leagues only once since 1902. In 1915, George Cutshaw of the Brooklyn National team succeeded in hitting the ball safely in six attempts. Three players equalled the mark in 1902 and nearly a score previous to that time.

BASSARISK HAS TAIL AS LONG AS ITSEF

(From the Pittsburgh Dispatch.)
Ever meet a bassarisk? It is something different. A bassarisk is a cacomist. But the animal is better known as the "civet cat"—though why so-called nobody knows, inasmuch it is not a civet and not a cat.

It is a strange little creature, related to the raccoon, with a very long, bushy tail ringed in black and white. Sometimes it is called a "ring-tailed cat" and sometimes a "cat-squirrel"—the latter designation bestowed on account of its squirrel-like habit of climbing trees and nesting in hollow branches.

Like a cat it catches rats, mice and small birds. It is about sixteen inches long counting the tail, which measures another sixteen inches. In color it is brownish gray. It is a night prowler; like a cat, and often makes its home in the outbuildings and deserted ranch houses.

The civet cat ranges from Mexico and Texas to California and as far north as Southern Oregon. Occasionally it is kept in captivity as a pet.

Employed for short-haul delivery in large quantities of milk, eggs, and other perishable foods, motor trucks are most popular around the big cities.

TELEPHONE OPERATOR BREAKS UP ATTEMPT TO ROB BANK

Lexington, Ky., June 29.—Miss Louisa Dye, telephone operator at Houstonville, Lincoln county, 30 miles from here, this morning prevented the robbery of the Houstonville People's Bank. Miss Dye heard the burglars at work in the cellar, and telephoned citizens who armed themselves and rushed to the building. The bandits heard them and dashing from the building jumped into an automobile and escaped in a rain of bullets. They obtained nothing at the bank.

This is the second robbery of banks

Committee Holds Stormy Hearing Over Big Issues

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was in the National Democratic platform of 1896 and 1900.

"And if the Democratic party no longer stands for the rights of the citizens to decide what he shall eat or what he shall drink or what he shall wear," he continued, "then it no longer is a Democratic party."

Bryan Starts Uproar.
The meeting was stirred into a state of uproar when Mr. Bryan arose to ask in what capacity Mr. Bell came before the committee and what compensation he received.

"I speak for the grape growers of California," Mr. Bell replied, "and I would like to ask the gentleman for whom he speaks."

"I am speaking for the women and children that your traffic would destroy," retorted the Nobsraan while cheers and hisses kept the room in a turmoil.

"And what compensation do you receive, directly or indirectly, from the Anti-Saloon League?" persisted Mr. Bell.

"None whatever."
"Not a single!"
"Not a single. I ought to say that during four months of last year I received compensation for certain public speeches, but for nine years before I fought this traffic without a penny's remuneration."

Senator Harding and Coolidge in Initial Speeches

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sent perfection attained but perfection planned. The fundamental principle was freedom. The fathers knew this was not yet apprehended. They formed a government firm in the faith that it was ever to press forward to this high mark.

In selfishness, in greed, in lust for gain, it turned aside. Enslaving others, it became itself enslaved. Bondage in one part consumed freedom in all parts. The government of the fathers ceasing to be true to itself was perishing.

"Five score and ten years ago that Divine Providence, which infinite repetitions has made only the more a miracle, sent into the world a new life, destined to save a nation. No star, no sign, foretold His coming. About his cradle all was poor and mean save only the great source of all great men, the love of a wonderful woman. When she faded away in his tender years from her death bed in humble poverty she dowered her son with greatness. There can be no proper observance of a birthday which forgets the mother. Into his origin as into his life men long have looked and wondered. In wisdom-great, but in humility greater, in justice strong, but in compassion stronger, he became a leader of men by being a follower of the truth. He overcame evil with good. His presence filled the nation. He broke the might of oppression. He restored a race to its birth right. His mortal frame has vanished, but his spirit increases with the increasing years, the richest legacy of the greatest century.

Abraham Lincoln Ideal.
"Men show by what they worship what they are. It is no accident that before the great example of American manhood our people stand with respect and reverence. In Abraham Lincoln is revealed our ideal, the hope of our country fulfilled. He was the incarnation of what America was to be. Through him the Almighty bestowed upon the nation a new birth of freedom, that this dear land of ours might be returned to the house of its fathers. We are the beneficiaries of a life of surpassing service, wise in freedom and gentle in gentleness.

"Freedom has many sides and angles.

Human slavery has been swept away. With security of personal rights has come security of property rights. The freedom of the human mind is recognized in the right of free speech and free press. The public school has made education possible for all and ignorance is a disgrace. In political affairs, the vote of the humblest has long counted for as much as that of the most exalted. We are working toward the day when in our industrial life, equal honor shall fall to equal endeavor. Duty is collective as well as personal.

"We need a broader, firmer, deeper faith in people, a faith that men desire to do right, that the government is founded upon a righteousness which will endure."

Senator Harding and Governor Coolidge will meet here tomorrow for the first time since they were nominated at Chicago as the party standard bearers. Chairman Hays of the Republican National Committee, also will participate in the conference with the two candidates.

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