

Beaufort County In Past Session General Assembly

A Brief Review of Laws Repealed and Enacted at Last Legislature By Representative James L. Mayo in the House.

MORE DETAILS GIVEN LATER

In order that the people of Beaufort county may be fully informed as to the legislation affecting the county, enacted at the last session of the General Assembly, a brief statement is given below of each bill.

House bill No. 9 repealed a law enacted in 1907, which authorized the Board of County Commissioners to call an election to issue bonds for the purpose of building a new Court House, therefore no election on this matter can be called until another bill is passed authorizing same.

House bill No. 48 is a bill to levy the regular tax which is provided at each regular session of the Legislature. This bill was prepared by the county attorney and sent up.

House bill No. 120 reduces the number of inspections which the standard keeper can make of scales and measures each year from four to two.

House bill No. 118 repealed the mayor's jurisdiction to try criminal actions in the city of Washington.

House bill No. 119 repealed the authority of the Board of County Commissioners to reduce the Recorder's salary.

House bill No. 583 makes a change in the method of paying a court reporter. The old law provided that he should be paid \$35 per week or any fraction of a week. The new bill provides that he shall receive \$6.00 per day for each day in actual service. This bill was prepared by the county attorney and sent up.

House bill No. 814 authorizes the Boards of County Commissioners of any county to make donations to the military organizations in their respective counties.

House bill No. 1049 provides that a charge not to exceed fifty cents may be made for reconnecting meters in the city of Washington. This was asked for by the mayor's attorney.

House bill No. 1050 repealed the law which did not go into effect until submitted to a vote of the people and the County Commissioners never saw fit to submit it at any session.

House bill No. 1051 repealed the law which prohibited cities and towns in Beaufort county levying a special tax on butchers and fish dealers. The towns are now at liberty to levy such a tax as they may desire.

House bill No. 1040 amends the charter of the town of Belhaven authorizing it to condemn property for the purpose of laying out streets and sidewalks and to build permanent sidewalks upon a petition of 75 per cent of the property owners in any district. This bill was prepared and sent up by the mayor and Board of Aldermen of the town of Belhaven.

House bill No. 1458 creates a road district of Bath township.

House bill No. 1459 creates a road district of a portion of Pantego township.

House bill No. 1460 creates a road district of Richland township.

House bill No. 1461 authorizes

the city of Washington to issue \$25,000.00 bonds for the purpose of completing sewerage and building a fire alarm system. Said bonds to be issued when ratified by a vote of the people of the city.

This bill will be discussed more fully in the near future.

House bill No. 1517 authorizes Sheriff George E. Ricks to collect city taxes.

House bill No. 1518 amends the charter of the city of Washington and creates a public service commission for the light, water and sewerage departments.

This bill will receive some attention later.

House bill No. 1519 authorizes the city to issue \$50,000.00 bonds to pay balance of purchase price of the wharf property. The bonds cannot be issued until the city has improved or repaired the wharf so it can be used for commerce on the river.

This bill will be discussed more fully.

House bill No. 1682 decreased the number of County Commissioners to three. This was in accordance with a resolution adopted by the last county convention, which resolution was repudiated by the county chairman and the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners before the Senate Judiciary Committee No. 1. We shall go into this bill more fully.

House bill No. 1715 amends charter of the Washington Trust Co.

House bill No. 1716 authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to establish a workhouse in connection with the County Home.

This bill was prepared and sent up by the county attorney.

House bill No. 1717 authorizes the County Commissioners to issue bonds not to exceed \$40,000.00 to purchase land and build a new County Home.

This bill was prepared and sent up by the county attorney and will be more fully explained in some future issue of the News.

House bill No. 1719 increases the Board of Education to five and appoints Messrs. F. H. VonEberstein and Geo. G. Tooley as the two new members.

House bill No. 1720 establishes three road districts of what is now one, to-wit: Washington, Chowanoke and Long Acres townships. J. W. Hodges, O. B. Wynn, and C. T. Hardison are named as commissioners for Washington township; Jesse J. Warren, Jesse N. Hill and F. H. VonEberstein are named as commissioners for Chowanoke township; Sully Parker, Jas. G. Wynn and Chas. A. Fleen are named as commissioners for Long Acres township, and the tax rate is fixed at 20 cents on the property and \$2.50 on the poll. This bill was drawn in accordance with the expressed wishes of the people in these various townships.

House bill 1722 repealed the act which provided that the chief of police of the city of Washington should be selected by popular vote of the people.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH FOR WILLIAMSTON

Williamston, Mar. 16.—At noon yesterday, the first shovel of dirt was thrown out in the excavation for the new Baptist Church at Williamston. Mrs. Fannie S. Biggs, whose gift the edifice will be, using an ornamental shovel, which is to be preserved, made the first break in the soil. The edifice is to cost \$15,000 and will contain Sunday School rooms, baptistry, etc. There will be several memorial windows.

Rev. W. R. Burrell, who has recently come to the service of the congregation, read a Scriptural selection and then Mrs. Biggs in a few words announced her purpose to erect the building in memory of loved ones gone before. Prayer was said, the Doxology was sung by the crowd present, and then a photograph was made of the scene.

The building will be situated on a lot adjoining that upon which the present church stands, but will face Smithwick street, the lot being the Ewell place where a dwelling was burned some years ago. The old church will be made into a bungalow for the parsonage.

MACHINE BEING INSTALLED.

The picture machine is being installed in the new moving picture theater to be opened up on Market street in the next few days. Watch these columns for the announcement of date of opening.

IN SHOW WINDOWS.

James E. Clark is calling the attention of the public in this issue to an unusual display on tonight. See their ad.

WITHSTOOD OPERATION.

The many friends of Miss Clara Burgess will be glad to learn that her condition today is most favorable, after withstanding an operation for appendicitis at the Washington Hospital yesterday afternoon.

SPEND THE DAY HERE.

Mrs. Wm. E. Warren and sister Miss Deborah Fleming of Williamston, were in the city this morning shopping.

House bill No. 1721 amended the present primary law. We have been unable to learn what became of this bill in the Senate but think it was killed by Senator Malette—the solicitation of Chairman Warren.

House bill No. 1723 requires the Board of County Commissioners to appoint a substitute Recorder for Aurora.

House bill No. 1724 prohibits the sale of partridge or quail in Beaufort county.

House bill No. 1753 places the Sheriff of Beaufort county on an all salary basis with no fees. This bill at the instance of the county attorney and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, is to be submitted to a vote at an election to be held the last Saturday in April, 1915, and will be explained by the News in detail.

House bill No. 1828 relates to Bath school district.

House bill No. 1828 creates a stock law for Beaufort county and is to be voted on.

House bill No. 1966 repeals the authority of the Board of County Commissioners to abolish the Treasurer's office.

We will go into the details of some of the bills mentioned above and believe that the eyes of the people throughout the county will be opened when they learn the true condition of affairs in the county, and the manner in which they are now being managed.

"THE RING AND THE MAN" NEW THEATRE

Tonight at the New Theater Chas. Frohman will present the famous Dramatic actor, Bruce McRae in the great political drama, "The Ring and the Man," a four reel feature that will hold any audience spellbound throughout the entire action of the play. In addition to this splendid feature picture the New Theater will have tonight the 13th installment of the "Trey O' Hearts." With such programs as this at the prices of 5c and 10c they should have a full house tonight.

WORK IN F. C. DEGREE.

There will be a regular communication of Orr Lodge No. 104 A. F. and A. M. at their hall corner of Third and Bonner streets, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the Fellow Craft degree. All members urged to be present. Visitors in the city cordially invited.

By order of Worshipful Master, O. M. WINFIELD, Secretary.

FIVE NEW MODELS.

Five new models, products of the Buick Motor Company, are being offered in this issue by S. R. Burgess, agent, at Williamston. Note the different range in prices.

NEW MILLINERY.

In other columns of this issue will be found an announcement by J. K. Hoyt. Read what he has to say.

MISS LEARY HERE.

Miss Minnie Leary arrived in the city this afternoon via the Norfolk Southern from Elizabeth City. While here she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Caleb B. Bell on Bonner street.

TO VISIT GRANDFATHER.

Little Miss Anna Melbok of Elizabeth City, arrived this afternoon to visit her grandfather, Mr. J. O. Ragan, Sr.

SPRING OPENING.

The Hub is announcing that spring opening at the foot of this page. Notice the date.

ARRIVED LAST EVENING.

Mrs. Paul C. Whitner and Mrs. S. P. Locke arrived last evening to be with their husbands who are stationed here on the government service boat Hydrographer.

VITALITY THE LOWEST; DEATH RATE HIGHEST

In late winter and early spring vitality is at low ebb. The death-rate at this season, especially for the month of March, is decidedly high. It is at this time tuberculosis and pneumonia claim their greatest number of victims and so do the diseases of the nervous and circulatory systems. Old people find it harder to resist disease now and look with dread to the season's approach.

Why is this? Is it mental, or a physical condition? What is its effect? Scientific investigation shows that this depression which is both mental and a physical condition is a matter of no little import on efficiency and health. Professor Huntington of Yale University, has recently made a careful study of the effects of the weather and seasons on the earnings of 500 operatives, engaged in piece-work in the factories of Connecticut. The results showed their earnings followed a regular seasonal curve, that their earnings were lowest in January, February and March when the mercury was in the 30's.

In the hot weather they fell again but reached their highest point in November. The same careful observation was made of 1000 students at West Point, and Annapolis and the figures showed the same thing, that the highest points of efficiency were in the fall and late spring and that the lowest points were in hot weather and late winter.

The falling off of physical vitality in late winter must necessarily affect health and consequently the death-rate. Unfortunately it affects the patent medicine business no little. In some states it furnishes quite a boom to the corner drug stores where spring tonics, elixirs and lozenges are continuously sold across the counter. But nothing suffices in the meeting of this point of stringency like a strong bodily resistance. Perhaps the condition is more from staying too much in doors in heated rooms, with too little fresh air and exercise during winter, or perhaps from a special strain from a season of hard work in such cases rest, sleep, good food, open air and moderate exercise are necessary to restore the body's vitality and build up the resisting powers of the body. All excesses must be avoided. Anything that saps vitality makes a way for disease. Whoever would avoid the signs of this season would do well to maintain a strong body and a robust outlook on life.

HERE ON BUSINESS.

Mr. D. E. Shull of Philadelphia is in the city for several days on business.

Lecture On Stock Raising Court House Thursday Night

Mr. M. G. Smith of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, will give an illustrated lecture on the question of stock raising at the Court House Thursday night, March 18th, at eight o'clock.

State and government officials are manifesting keen interest in the efforts that the farmers are making in stimulating interest in stock breeding and raising.

The production of beef cattle in this state is not a new undertaking, yet this branch of the live stock industry is at this time almost nonexistent, so far as producing wealth

is concerned. Mr. Smith will use stereopticon views of his views on the subject. Beaufort county farmers will be shown how they can profitably engage in the raising of better stock and more stock. This lecture will be both interesting and instructive, and one that should have the attendance of every farmer and raiser of live stock in the county.

Mr. Smith will lecture at Belhaven on Friday night, March 19, and at Chowanoke Saturday night, March 20th.

German Cruiser Dresden Sank In The South Pacific

After an Action Lasting Five Minutes With Three British Ships She Hauled Down Her Colors and Displayed the White Flag.

ALL OF CREW WERE SAVED

London, Mar. 15.—The British admiralty announced tonight that the German cruiser Dresden had been sunk.

The admiralty statement said: "On the 14th of March, at 9 a. m., H. M. S. Glasgow, Capt. John Luce, R. N.; H. M. Auxiliary cruiser Orana, Capt. John R. Feagrove, R. N.; and H. M. S. Kent, Capt. J. D. Allen, C. B., R. N., caught the Dresden near Juan Fernandez Island.

"An action ensued and after five minutes fighting the Dresden hauled down her colors and displayed the white flag. She was much damaged and set on fire, and after she had been burning for some time her magazine exploded and she sunk.

"The crew was saved, 15 badly wounded.

Petrograd, Mar. 15, via London.—The Russian war office today issued the following statement:

"On the whole front in the region of Przasnysz, from the Miawa railway to the Orzye river, and on the left bank of the latter river we progressed fighting all the way. German counter attacks everywhere have been repulsed.

"The guns of the Osowetz fortresses have put out of action several German siege batteries of heavy caliber which had been installed within range of the fortresses.

"On the left bank of the Vistula river there has been no fighting.

"In the Carpathian mountains generally speaking there have been no changes.

"Austrian attacks in the direction of Rallered and German attacks on No. 992, near Kozlowka, have been repulsed.

"In east Galicia our troops threw the enemy back in the region to the north of Obertyn.

"There has been an artillery duel at Przemysl."

Berlin, Mar. 15.—The German war office today gave out this report:

"The baths at Westende were shelled yesterday without effect by two submarines of the enemy.

"The German attack on the hotel south of Yezze occupied by British troops is making good progress.

"Partial attacks by French troops north of LeMesnil, in the Champagne district, have been repulsed. The enemy sustained heavy losses.

"In the Vosges the fighting continues at several places.

"The number of Russian prisoners from engagements to the north of the Ougustowo forest has been increased to 5,460. Strong Russian attacks to the northeast of Przasnysz resulted in failure, and the enemy's losses were heavy. South of the Vistula there has been no change."

Vienna, via Amsterdam to London, Mar. 15.—The following official communication was issued tonight:

"In the western Carpathians, Sunday was calm.

"North of the Herok Pass, there was fighting of a furious character. Strong Russian forces made an attack there yesterday and advanced to near our positions where for a time they maintained themselves. Our troops during the afternoon made a counter attack, throwing back the enemy on the entire front and capturing four officers and 500 men.

"On our positions on both sides of the Optr valley the enemy, reinforced, repeatedly tried to gain the heights, but failed with heavy losses. An especially heavy attack collapsed Sunday and in view of the losses these offensive probably will not be repeated. A thousand prisoners were taken in this battle.

"South of the Dniester our counter attacks gained ground, the Russians being pushed back from several front sectors.

"In Poland and West Galicia there have been only artillery duels."

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS.

The Board of City Aldermen at their last regular meeting on Monday night, March 1st, appointed the following citizens to serve as registrars at the coming biennial election for the following wards, respectively:

First Ward—W. K. Jacobson.
Second Ward—T. W. Phillips.
Third Ward—W. W. Lenzett.
Fourth Ward—H. H. Davis.

W. C. AYERS,
City Clerk.

ORDINANCE.

An ordinance the following ordinance was enacted:

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell give away or otherwise dispose of on the Sabbath day, any glass, clear-top tobacco cool drinks, ice cream, confectioneries, fruits or candies. Provided that hotels and restaurants may sell to their registered guests or persons taking meals, cigars, cigarettes and tobacco.

Section 2. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined \$10.

All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

W. C. AYERS,
City Clerk.

SERVICE UNIMPAIRED.

The Great Ice Company is offering the public unimpaird service. See their ad in this issue.

New Theater

TONIGHT
Charles Frohman Presents Bruce McRae in

The Famous Political Drama,
"THE RING AND THE MAN,"
Extra Feature
"TREY O' HEARTS."

Prices 5c and 10c

Spring Opening Wednesday and Thursday March 17 and 18

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