

Merchants Asso. Formed For Asheboro At Tuesday Meeting Of Large Group

Executive Board Holds Meeting

Makes Definite Plans For Membership Canvass; Classify Members Wed.

Merchants And All Businesses Eligible

Board Will Hold Another Meeting Shortly To Name Officers And Plans

After several futile attempts dating back a few years, it now looks as if Asheboro would have a Merchants Association. A meeting was held on Tuesday evening at the court house which was unusually well attended and the interest was commensurate with the attendance. Charles McCrary, president of the Chamber of Commerce acted as temporary chairman until King Moore was named to the chair for this meeting. Cleveland Thayer acted as secretary of the meeting.

At this time Willard Dowell, executive secretary of the Merchants Association, explained the purposes of the association in a rather clear-cut fashion. The purposes include: a more friendly and cooperative spirit among the business men and women of the town; the establishment of a collection department and confidential credit bureau for members; the elimination of worthless outside advertising solicitors; extending the trade area of the section and several other worthwhile projects.

T. J. Mitchell, secretary of the Burlington organization and an active member of the Chamber of Commerce of that place, gave a detailed outline of the intimate workings of the organization, going fully into details of the duties of the secretary of the organization and further telling of the functions of the organization.

A tentative estimate of a necessary budget was presented by J. C. Shevmake, credit manager of Huntley-Stockton-Hill Co. This budget was discussed by the group and a few minor changes suggested. Following this report, Roy Champion, manager of Asheboro's newest theatre, The Carolina, offered offices over the theatre, rent-free for six months. This announcement was greeted with hearty applause by the group who manifested their appreciation of Mr. Champion's generosity.

A board of directors was then selected composed of Lindsay Hobbs, Franz Strickland, Henry Jones, Russell Parks, Ogburn Yates and Roy Reeves. A seventh member of this group will be named from the new membership. These directors, meeting for the first time on Wednesday evening, immediately busied themselves with plans for a canvass of the town for new members. They classified the signed and the possible membership and arranged for some member of this committee to call on the merchants, shortly, although it is not necessary for a merchant, business or professional man to wait for an invitation to join this organization. Another meeting of the directors will be held within a week, or less time and further plans will be put into motion for this town organization.

Highway 64 Is Now Under Repair And Is Passable

After weeks of rain and that long a time with weeks in the late summer and fall added, people of Asheboro, Franklinville and Ramseur became disgruntled with having no road over which they could travel for business, pleasure and whatnot. On Wednesday, several business folk of the towns became sufficiently aroused over the fact that the contractor had stopped work on the highway connecting them and serving as one of the state's main thoroughfares, being highway 64, from Raleigh, to do something.

Telegrams flew to Raleigh to Capus Wayne, chairman of the state's highway system, and a few to Governor Hoey asking him to use his influence for a bit of action on the part of the chairman. These telegrams went about 9:00 o'clock Wednesday morning and around noon an inspector was in Randolph. If this inspector had eyes left after jostling over the rough road that the Randolph folk and tourist must travel, he saw the real condition of the road—left by the contractor, according to reports, until the weather warranted the continuation of the work. The detour is even worse than the main

Signs Injunction



Circuit Judge Paul Gadola issued an injunction Tuesday restraining the hundreds of striking General Motors workers in possession of automobile plants in Flint, Michigan, from continuing their sit down strike. The court's order, as defying the strikers' order.

Strikers Defying Court Injunction

Wednesday Is Second Time "Sitdown" Strikers Have Defied Court

Remain Steadfast

Strikers Remain In Command Of Plant With Next Move Up To General Motors

News reports from Flint, Mich. indicate that strikers are asserting their opinions despite the court injunction.

"Sitdown" strikers defied a court injunction for the second time Wednesday and remained in possession of two General Motors plants they have occupied since December 30.

Circuit Judge Paul V. Gadola, who issued the injunction, said the next move was up to General Motors corporation. Sheriff Thomas W. Wolcott, upon whom would devolve the duty of removing the men from the plant, said he would attempt to evacuate the strikers only on a direct order from the court, and that "it is up to General Motors to ask for the order."

Counsel for General Motors took no apparent steps to set in motion the legal machinery for forcible removal after the 3 p. m. deadline fixed in the injunction had passed.

Two thousand persons, several hundred of them women, carrying clubs and wearing the berets and arm bands of the United Automobile Workers' "emergency brigade," engaged in a mass picketing demonstration at Fisher plant No. 1. They shouted encouragement to "stay-in strikers." Several thousand spectators—estimated by some observers at 10,000—watched the demonstration.

Annual Meeting Hospital Group Tuesday, Feb. 2

Officers Named For Coming Year At Meeting; M. I. Ellis Is Replaced

New Equipment In

Reports Heard From Various Phases Of Hospital Functions In County

The regular annual meeting of the members of the Randolph Hospital, Inc., was held on February 2, with thirteen members present, as follows: D. B. McCrary, A. B. Beasley, N. M. Cranford, T. F. Bulla, G. H. Sumner, M. D., W. L. Ward, A. Ross, I. F. Craven, W. F. Redding, Sr., I. F. Smith, Jr., C. C. Cranford, H. C. Jones, M. E. Johnson.

The chairman reported the plant has been repainted and put in good condition, and some additional equipment bought during the past year, so that institution is in better shape to serve citizens of Randolph county. Two pieces of equipment bought include a suction machine for use particularly for tonsillotomies, and a newer model diathermy, which is largely used in the treatment of pneumonia and chest diseases. These two machines will greatly facilitate the work for which they are used.

The treasurer reported no actual operating deficit, though the problem of keeping "out of the red" during 1936 had been a hard one. Perhaps at no time since the hospital started operations have the Randolph county monthly donations been more gratefully received. Had it not been for this assistance and help from the Duke Endowment and some other donations, it would have been impossible to have operated the institution without sustaining a loss.

Dr. G. H. Sumner, county health officer, and a director of the hospital corporation, made a report of professional services rendered during the past year. This report shows 942 patients discharged from the hospital and 382 out-patients served. These figures are decidedly higher than last year. The laboratory and X-ray work and number of physical therapy treatments given increased heavily. Also, his report showed a noticeable increase in the number of charity, both in and out, patients.

Chairman McCrary advised the meeting, as he has done before, that the Randolph hospital is operated for the benefit of the citizens of Randolph county. To that end, the management is co-operating with the county authorities and other civic agencies to relieve suffering and promote the health of the people. Attention was called to the monthly orthopedic clinics held by Dr. T. F. Wheelon, of Richmond, under the auspices of the local Rotary club. A total of about seventy patients have been treated to date. The Randolph hospital offers its facilities for this work and the Rotary club pays all clinical and hospital expenses to carry it on. Also a large number of tonsillotomy clinics have been held at the hospital in the last six months by the county health department. Different local doctors assist from time to time at these clinics. About sixty children have been operated during the year. Assistance is rendered the county health department when necessary in the reading of suspicious chest x-rays secured in clinics held for both children and adults for the eradication of tuberculosis.

Officers and directors were re-elected for next year as follows: D. B. McCrary, president; A. B. Beasley, vice president; N. M. Cranford, secretary and treasurer; G. H. Sumner, M. D.; A. Ross, C. C. Cranford, L. H. Smith, Jr., I. F. Craven, W. L. Ward. C. G. Bossong and E. S. Millsaps, Jr., were added to the membership of the corporation, and J. M. Neely elected to fill out the unexpired term of M. I. Ellis, who died last year.

Resolutions of respect in memory of Mr. Ellis were adopted, after which meeting adjourned.

Small Blaze Wed. False Alarm Tues.

The fire company was called out Wednesday when an oil stove in the home of Mrs. Mack Ridge got out of control and the flames rose toward the ceiling. The firemen arrived in time to prevent any damage from resulting.

Tuesday night the flickering reflection from an open grate fire at the Asheboro Grocery company gave the appearance of a fire and a false alarm was turned in. The windows in that building are too high for a passerby to see the grate, and all that was visible was the red glare on the walls, which caused the mistake.

Moves To Asheboro Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cottrill have moved from Southern Pines to Asheboro to make their home. Mr. Cottrill will be with the Carolina Power and Light company in Asheboro.

Hopkins Handles Flood Relief



Inspecting the Ohio and Mississippi flood-ravaged areas in company with other government officials, Harry L. Hopkins, federal relief administrator, is shown here as he dipped into one of the huge soup kettles in a Memphis refugee camp and prepared to pass out bit of relief first-hand. Hopkins toured the flood areas to speed up relief and rehabilitation work.

House Votes No On Child Labor

Murphy Of Rowan Leads Fight Against Amendment Which Is Defeated 58-47

Davis Against

Murphy Declares Approval Would Be Step In Loss Of State's Rights

Led by Representative Walter Murphy of Rowan county, the opponents of the Child Labor Amendment killed the measure in the house Monday by a 58-47 vote. A move to have it reconsidered during the present session was killed.

Representative Davis of Randolph voted against the bill. It was the third time the amendment has been defeated in North Carolina since 1924.

Making a desperate effort to cling to the advantage gained by a favorable report from his committee on constitutional amend-

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Plan To Replace Many N. C. Busses During This Year

1,800 School Busses Will Be Replaced During This Biennium, Is Planned

4,058 Operating

Commission Of Opinion Student Drivers Are Dependable And Efficient

After a great deal of pressure has been brought to bear upon the State school commission concerning the state of repair of the state's school busses, action has been forthcoming.

The transportation committee of the State school commission reported Wednesday that 1,800 school busses formerly owned by counties should be replaced during the coming biennium "in order to bring the fleet of busses up to what we consider a safe mechanical condition."

The committee, in its report, declared that the majority of the number should be replaced in 1937-38, the first year of the biennium. A total of 4,058 busses are operated in the state, of which 1,886 were purchased by counties prior to 1933, when the state took over operation of busses, the report said. Of the number operated, 965 are seven years old.

"A large number of these old bodies were poorly constructed," the report continued, "and the inability of the counties, during the depression period prior to 1933, to keep the busses in first-class mechanical condition resulted in neglect in many instances."

The committee asserted the average age of all busses was 6.2 in 1933. The present average is 4.1 years. All busses bought by the school commission were steel reinforced. Approximately 50 per cent of the busses were found to be making two daily trips to prevent overcrowding, and a number of counties during the last year have purchased busses to relieve that condition, the report said.

The school commission, employing 300 adult drivers, approximately 3,400 student drivers and about 100 contract busses, learned that student drivers, "are dependable and efficient," declared the committee, adding 324,000,000 "fares" had been transported since 1933, with a death loss of 10 children.

Six of the deaths were on student-driven busses and four by

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Special Extra Vote Closes At P. M. Saturday, February 6th; Extra Votes To All Workers Making Cash Reports

News Tips To The Courier Will Bring Theatre Tickets

The Courier announces today a series of theatre ticket prizes to the person telephoning or bringing the best news "tip" to this office. Two tickets will be given after each issue of the paper goes to press. From Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock until Saturday afternoon at 6 will be one time period. The ticket will be awarded Monday morning for the showing of Henry Fonda in "Wings Of The Morning" at the Sunset Theatre, Monday or Tuesday.

The next period will be from Monday at 8 a. m. until Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 and then 2 tickets will be awarded the winner to see "Girls In Platinum," stage show and picture program, Wednesday or Bing Crosby in "Pennies from

Heaven" Thursday, at the Carolina.

The third period will be from Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock until Thursday afternoon at 1:30 after which tickets will be issued to the lucky one to see Warren William in "Outcast" at the Capitol Friday or Saturday.

The "tip" must be for a news item of importance. The tickets will be given to the first one sending in the most important "tip." As stated above, there is only one prize in each period and that prize is 2 tickets to see the picture designated in each time period. The contest will continue indefinitely and is open to everybody. Participants do not have to live in Asheboro—anywhere within the local news area will be acceptable.

Courier Readers Respond Readily

100,000 Free Votes To All Workers Making Cash Report Saturday

300,000 Extra Votes On Each \$30.00 Club

New Workers Urged To Enter Now; Plenty Of Time To Win \$600 Award

The greatest EXTRA VOTE OFFER of the whole race will end Saturday night, February 6. This offer provides a golden opportunity for the drive members to get the winning votes, and is as follows: 300,000 EXTRA VOTES (in addition to the regular votes) will be allowed on each and every \$30.00 worth of subscriptions turned in up to Saturday, February 6th.

This is positively the very biggest offer of the race and those who turn in their subscriptions now will have a tremendous advantage over those who wait to get their business in.

Get Your Nomination Now

You have wished on many occasions that you had the cash to do such and such a thing. Don't wait until the next time this wish crosses your mind, but get into action now and bring about the fulfillment of this desire by joining the "Cash Offer" Campaign. The next time you wish for the "said cash" the opportunity offered by The Courier may not be open in other words, if you neglect the opportunity and pass a chance to own one of the big awards offered you now you will regret it. \$600.00 and \$400.00 are the main awards of the Big-Prize List and will be presented to energetic campaigners. Surely you should get one of them by all means.

Won't Take Long

The "Cash Offer" Campaign lasts just a few weeks longer and you won't have to devote your entire time to selling The Courier to your friends, either. Plenty of time is given one to hustle around during spare moments and see one's friends and get subscriptions. More than likely the majority of them are already taking The Courier regularly. If so get them to renew their subscriptions. To think that such big prizes can be earned in such a short time surprises many. Some venture the opinion that when such big prizes are at stake one could afford to devote one's spare time during as long a period as six months in order to acquire one of them.

The idea is to make the "Cash Offer" Campaign snappy and interesting and the time for awarding the prizes will be here before one realizes it. Therefore, in order to take the fullest advantage of the magnificent offer the best and proper thing to do is to get your name on the list immediately. Don't wait until tomorrow or the next day, do it now. You are fully qualified to be the winner of any prize on the list if you would but apply your talent. It is true that many folks toil a lifetime and are never able to acquire such amounts of money as the ones offered in this campaign.

Friendly Competition

You will only be competing with such a representative class of people as will take part in the "Cash Offer" Campaign. Life itself is based upon competition, and we compete with each other for nearly every point we gain. There is always lots of interest in vigorous competition and thousands of eyes are watching for the next change in votes of the "Cash Offer" members.

Clip out that nomination now and bring or send to Campaign headquarters. The Courier office, Asheboro, N. C.

Court Continues With Civil Cases

Judge Felix Alley Presiding Over Docket Which Will Continue Next Week

Reopen One Case

Payne Case Ordered Retried By Supreme Court After Appeal Is Taken

The greater part of the court day Wednesday was consumed by the case of Harvey Holder vs. J. T. Pugh et al. The jury held that the plaintiff was entitled to recover \$1950 plus interest from J. T. Pugh, administratrix of Flossie Pugh, deceased.

In reaching this decision the jury first decided that Emmons Holder and Flossie Pugh had entered into a contract with Harvey Holder by which Flossie Pugh agreed to pay \$1950 as the balance of note of earlier date. It then further decided that Flossie Pugh had failed and refused to pay the note, and came out with a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

The court ordered reopened the case of J. C. Payne vs. Dr. D. A. Stanton, since the state supreme court, after an appeal, had ordered a retrial. When this case was first tried the jury awarded \$5,000 damages to Payne, who had injured his shoulder in a fall from a mule and charged that Dr. Stanton failed to treat it properly. The supreme court held that the judge in summing up failed to differentiate between the damage done by the mule and that resulting from lack of treatment and therefore ordered a retrial.

Judge Felix Alley is presiding over the docket which will run well into next week.

To Extend Period Of License Sales

Automobile owners in North Carolina will have twice as long a period for purchasing new license plates if revised motor vehicle code now being drafted for presentation to the General Assembly is approved. Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell spoke favorably of this proposal in explaining the code to the House Finance Committee early this week.

Under the present law, licenses are placed on sale December 15 and must be displayed by January 1.

Opposing a measure by Representative Robert T. McNair of Richmond County to require the sale of license plates in every county, Commissioner Maxwell, also, announced yesterday that the number of auto tag branch offices might be increased next year. Fifty branches were operated by the Carolina Motor Club during the recent season.

Maxwell objected to the McNair bill on grounds that it would place tag sales in the hands of persons, designated by county commissioners, not responsible to the revenue commissioner and that counties do not have proper facilities for license sales.

Speaks At Seagrave On Cooperative Move

Everett Boling addressed a meeting of the Seagrave Grange Wednesday evening, speaking on "Cooperation." Mr. Boling traced the history and development of the cooperative movement from its beginning in Rochdale, England, to its present day status.

House Approves Liquor Measure

Wets Speed Bill Providing Legal Sale Of Liquor By Local Option

Goes To Senate

County Commissioners Or 15 Percent Of Electorate May Call For Vote

Accomplishing in seven hours Wednesday what had required four months in the last General Assembly, the wet bloc in the House passed a bill providing county controlled liquor by local option, after defeating an amendment for a state-wide referendum.

The bill, as sent on to the senate, provides for the following features: A vote on legal liquor sales in every county in which the county commissioners or 15 per cent of the electorate call for a vote. ("It does not require any county to vote," he said.)

Establishment of legal liquor stores in wet counties under virtually the same system as in the 17 wet counties in the East, with the exception that the county boards of health and education would join the commissioners in selecting the control boards.

Creation of a state commission to supervise the operation of county stores, composed of a chairman employed at \$6,000 a year and two associate members paid \$25 for each working day, all appointed by the governor and paid from the state's general fund. The substitute bill does not levy any state tax on liquor nor provide for state manufacture of spirits. Intention of the bill's supporters is to insert in the revenue bill a 6 or 7 per cent gross sales tax on legal liquor sales.

Representative Davis of Randolph voted for the referendum and against the local option bill.

The minority report on the rejection Hutchins bill, which sought to call a state wide vote on the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors was defeated by a vote of 58 to 66. By 61 to 51 the house accepted the committee substitute for the Hanford of Alamance bill putting the state into making, selling and distributing alcoholic beverages. And by 67 to 43 the house passed the substitute, then put all things under its feet by clinching the passing and ending the house part of the plebiscite sought.

Rotary Executive Committee

The executive committee of the Rotary Club held a meeting in the office of Bob Wood Tuesday evening. The results of the session will be announced at the regular Rotary meeting Friday.

Randolph Building And Loan Reveals Activity In '36 Report

The Randolph County Building & Loan Association held its annual meeting Tuesday evening, electing directors for the year 1937 and hearing the report for 1936.

The annual report showed the condition of the association in 1936 to be quite an improvement over 1935. It now has in force 8961 shares. During 1936 the association made 175 loans constituting a total amount of \$123,778.14. Directors were elected as follows: L. F. Ross, T. F. Bulla, I. C. Moser, H. L. Ingram, E. H. Morris,

W. B. Lamb, R. E. Nance, C. C. Winningham, H. C. Royals, E. W. Davis, and Lee M. Kearns. The directors will meet soon and elect officers.

Lee M. Kearns, secretary-treasurer of the association, said that the outlook for 1937 is very favorable. The Randolph County Building & Loan Association is 20 years old and has enjoyed continuous growth since its organization, and the prospects are that during the coming year this growth will be more evident than ever.