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NEW ARMY BILL IS EXPLAINED

Numbers Fixed For Efficient Service by New Bill.—Duties of Officers Many.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Special correspondence)—The Army bill as prepared by the House Committee on Military Affairs, appropriates pay for about 150,000 men and 14,000 officers. But it must not be supposed that every ten enlisted men will have a commissioned officer in charge of them. There is no such disproportion in actual practice. Congressman Daniel R. Anthony, of Kansas, in charge of the bill, explained to his colleagues the manifold duties required of the officers in addition to the actual command of troops. "The duties of the commissioned officers in our army for the next few years will not be entirely confined to officiating the different regiments and organizations. We find that it is going to take for the purpose of military training in this country at schools and colleges 1,000 officers. It will take another 1,000 for vocational training purposes, and hundreds of them will be required in many other activities away from their regiments, to say nothing of the work of educating the officers themselves." In addition there are several technical bureaus of the War Department that have nothing but officers in them. The general public is apt to get an erroneous impression by merely comparing the figures of officers and men. The fact is that the Republicans of the House have fixed the number of both at the minimum consistent with an efficient military organization.

Introducing Hon. Roy G. Fitzgerald.

Among the veterans of the World War who will come to Congress for the first time at the opening of the special session is Roy G. Fitzgerald, of Dayton, Ohio. The Third Ohio District, from which Fitzgerald comes, has been strongly Democratic since 1905, but the Republican nominee carried it last November by a plurality of 7,000. When the United States entered the war, Fitzgerald was over the draft age, had a family of wife and three children, and was enjoying a lucrative law practice. He left everything, went into training in a combat division, was commissioned a captain and sent to France. He is as ready and earnest a worker in civil as in military affairs, as indicated by the fact that in addition to attending to his law practice he finds time to serve as president of the Federal Bar Association of his subdivision, trustee of the public library, trustee of the law library, director of a national bank, chairman of the State Bar examining committee and is active in the work of a number of the leading fraternal organizations and the Y. M. C. A. Like all good workers, he will be a welcome addition to Congressional circles.

Emergency Legislation Only

It is understood that the Republican majority of the House will permit no legislation to pass before March 4th that is not of a strictly emergency character. No objection will be raised, of course, to regular money bills, which are not considered legislation. The object of putting a limitation on the Congressional program is to avoid any embarrassment to the administration of President Harding. All of the important measures now pending in Congress will be allowed to go over to the extra session and become part of the constructive program of the Harding regime. It is felt that almost any President Harding will be responsible for the execution of whatever legislation is passed by either house, he should be permitted to have a hand in it.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George H. Miller, clerk of the register of Beaufort County, has the following couples:

David Holland and Miss Anna Fisher, Morehead City.

J. E. Moore and Miss M. Willis, of Morehead City.

Joe M. Fuller and Ida Fuller, of Morehead City.

George G. Paul, Alliance, and Bertha Simpkins, Merrimon.

Local News Items

Work on the compass station at Cape Lookout is going forward. Several car loads of gravel have been unloaded here and carried down in barges to be used for a foundation. By means of this apparatus which is being installed vessels at sea can get information that will enable them to get their bearings. A dwelling house is also to be erected for the men who will look after the compass.

If the weather continues like it has been for several days the indications are that Dollar Day here Saturday will be a big success. The merchants are making their preparations to give the public some mighty good bargains and reports are that a lot of people will be here to take advantage of the opportunity to get merchandise at very low prices. Band concerts and moving pictures will entertain the shoppers so they can have amusement as well as attend to business.

The Beaufort Banking and Trust Company's new safe arrived a few days ago and has been installed, a man sent out by the safe company having come here and put it in. The safe is one of the very best that money can buy. It is burglar proof, fire proof, has triple time clocks by which it is opened and is the very latest thing out in the way of a bank safe. The bank also has a fire-proof vault in which to keep its records and will install safety deposit boxes for its customers.

Dr. H. Bocker, of Washington, N. C., was here Sunday and Monday and while here conferred with several citizens in regard to the tick eradication campaign. He says that an educational campaign will be started shortly by the United States Department of Animal Husbandry to show people the necessity of getting rid of the fever ticks. Dr. Bocker came here from H. H. Hines where the eradication work has gone on for some time and where he says the results are very satisfactory. The people who own cattle there are much pleased with the improvement which the tick show since they were dipped.

For four or five days the weather in this section has been more like May than February. Every day has been perfectly clear and the temperature in the middle of the day has been above seventy degrees. Roses have been blooming here more or less all winter and other flowers are also putting out now right along. Mocking birds are singing like they thought Spring was here here, and the English sparrows are busy making their nests and getting ready for housekeeping. Then too the farmers are getting their potato seed ready and plowing the ground to get it in shape for the planting which will begin in a few days.

MERRIMON NEWS

The dredge boat has finished up the work at the Newse river end of the Inland Water Way and has moved up near the canal proper.

Mr. L. R. Bacon, of Norfolk, Va., who was for many years connected with the milling business in Eastern North Carolina, was with us last week a few days visiting among his many friends of former years.

The marriage feast seems to have taken among our young people Sunday before last, the 1st Sunday. Mr. G. W. Paul and Miss C. E. the 8th were married, and yesterday the 9th Sunday, Mr. E. R. Paul and Miss E. Paul, of Cary, were married.

Mr. P. T. Clark, of P. O. Box 2, Merrimon, is a young man of 21 years, as light as a feather, and is a student at the University of North Carolina.

Moving keys going on at the home of Mr. J. E. Moore, of Merrimon, and Miss M. P. H. of Merrimon, and Miss M. P. H. of Merrimon, and Miss M. P. H. of Merrimon.

Quite an interesting Saturday has been organized at Merrimon under the management of Mr. P. F. Cartaway.

SPECIAL NOTICE—ON DOLLAR DAY

The Beaufort News will offer subscriptions for six months for \$1. Regular price is six months for \$1. This offer is good only on DOLLAR DAY.

FIRED BULLET THROUGH TEMPLE

Man Still Lives After Shooting Himself in the Head With A Rifle

On Monday morning at about 8 o'clock Mr. Lloyd Garner, a well known farmer living on route 2, Newport, attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself with a 22 calibre rifle. The ball was fired into his right temple and passed entirely through coming out on the opposite side of his head. Strange to say death was not instantaneous, in fact up to yesterday which was the latest information the News could obtain about the case, Mr. Garner was still living although his condition was regarded as very critical. The bullet it seems, did not penetrate the brain, having passed very close and missing it by the smallest margin.

Mr. Garner's neighbors say that he was undoubtedly insane at the time the rash act was committed. He had no serious troubles of any sort that could have prompted him to attempt to take his own life and no other reason can be assigned for it according to reports except that he had lost his mind. Medical attention was summoned immediately after the shooting and the unfortunate man has had all possible attention since that time. Mr. Garner is a married man and has four children. People in the neighborhood deeply sympathize with the family and have done every thing they could to assist them in their hour of affliction.

EXTEND FEDERAL LINE TO PHILADELPHIA SOON

(The Morning New Bernian)

Extension of the federal boat line now operating as far north as Baltimore will be extended to Philadelphia within the near future, is the statement of Mr. M. D. W. Stevenson who has just returned from Washington City where he conferred with officials of the New York Canal Section of the Inland and Coastwise Waterways Service of the war department. The equipment to be employed in carrying on this extended transportation will consist of a total of 6 steamers and 18 barges.

Stop Canal Service

The decision of the service to further extend the New Bern-Baltimore freight line follows its decision to discontinue with the New York-Buffalo canal section line as far as government subsidizing is concerned. This section has been so successful that, true to the policy of the war department, the line is being sold out to a private company.

Cause of Action

The fact that great shipments of lumber have been made from New Bern, and the fact that the major part of it is sent to the Philadelphia market, and the fact that this section buys considerable quantities of goods from that city, were the main considerations in the decision of the department to extend the present line.

In the extension of the New Bern-Baltimore line it is imperative that the New Bern business interests increase their shipments on the line. When opportunity is offered for the purchase of the line, the New Bern business interests will be able to use the line for their own benefit.

The extension of the New Bern-Baltimore line will be a great benefit to the New Bern business interests. It will enable them to ship their goods to Philadelphia more cheaply and more quickly than they can now.

Shipments To Date

Mr. Stevenson gave out a statement last night of the total tonnage of freight transported by the federal line between October 15 and January 31. Freight from the north amounted to 2,220,958 pounds, while the shipment out of New Bern totaled 646,705.

State News

Reports from Chapel Hill state that Orange county roads are in a deplorable condition and that the people suffer from the worst situation in 20 years.

Tobacco brought the splendid average price of \$65 per hundred pounds last week at Elkin. This price was above the fondest hopes of the growers.

Thomas J. Jerome, age 65, one of the most prominent members of the Guilford Bar Association died at his home in Greensboro Friday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock.

Colonel Albert Cox, will deliver the annual decoration day address at Chitara Cemetery, Dunn, May 10, it was stated through the United Daughters of the Confederacy there yesterday.

R. B. Brown is in jail in Salisbury charged with assaulting Annie Ferris of Charlotte and stealing \$2,000 worth of diamonds from her. His wife is charged with the same crime but is out on bond.

Reports from Lumberton indicate that the tuberculosis free clinic conducted there last month was a huge success. A total of 179 patients were examined and 61 were found to have tuberculosis.

The Insurance and Realty company of Greensboro proposes to erect 20 modern residences during 1921. Plans for a number of these new homes are now under way, and now others are being prepared.

J. L. Lenthers of Kinston has hung up a unique record as a policeman at Kinston. He has made his 200th arrest of speeders and not one of the number he has arrested has denied the charge.

The Lenoir Forester service plans to put out several thousand young white pine trees this spring, and to begin an active campaign of foresting the thousands of acres of waste land now adjoining and surrounding edge-mountain county.

Figures compiled for the month of January show a total of 54,470,843 pounds of tobacco sold on 40 markets in North Carolina. The average price was 20.28 per hundred pounds. The average price for December was \$17.27 per hundred pounds.

The Iredell county chain gang which was abolished several years ago, was reestablished at a meeting of the county commissioners Monday. The county has a number of prisoners on hand which will be released for road work.

A drive for a \$300,000 endowment fund for the St. Mary's school at Raleigh, was opened at the Army and Navy dinner in Washington, D. C., Tuesday night. Among the guests were Secretary and Mrs. Joseph Daniels and Bishop Alfred I. Harding of Washington.

Superior Court Judge Harding signed an injunction at Charlotte Tuesday evening joining the Federal reserve bank of Richmond from violating the par value law passed by the legislature last Saturday. The injunction was served by Colonel J. F. McQueen, of Wilmington, on the bank at Charlotte.

William D. Smith, of Beaufort, was granted a divorce from Mrs. M. P. H. Smith, of Beaufort, by Judge Harding at Charlotte Tuesday evening. The divorce was granted on the ground of desertion.

The Beaufort News is asked to state that a Red Cross meeting is to be held tomorrow evening (Friday) at 7:30 o'clock at W. Duncan's office. All workers are urged to be present.

JANUARY TOBACCO PRICES ADVANCED

Sold Three Cents Higher Than For December.—Big Crop Was Raised.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 11, 1921: During January, the average price of the 56,470,843 pounds of tobacco sold on 44 markets in North Carolina was over twenty cents per pound. This was an advance of three cents over the December sales and is less than two cents below the season's average. The month's sales from 140 warehouses were five times the amount sold for the period of last year by the 163 warehouses.

Of almost fifty seven million pounds of tobacco sold last month the 49,314,570 were for producers (first hand) at an average of \$20.28 per hundred pounds. This was a substantial advance over the December average of \$17.27. Thus it is seen that about ten million dollars were exchanged with the farmers for their tobacco last month. Winston-Salem made the best record in sales, amounting to 8,893,108 pounds, averaging \$24.43; Wilson second with 6,398,184 pounds at \$21.53 per hundred. Mebane led with best prices on 893,029 pounds, having averaged \$35.63 cents on three floors there, Roxboro being second at \$32.76 for 1,434,014 pounds.

The 1920 crop was the largest ever produced in North Carolina. Already the first hand sales amount to more than last year's crop. The Government estimate of 384,000,000 pounds lacks but ten per cent of being reached if we count the tobacco sold in Danville and border markets.

Only 35,000,000 pounds is needed to meet the estimated production, which is expected to check closely with the actual production, as it did last year.

For the first time on record every tobacco sales was submitted in time to be used before the report was closed on the morning of the eighth. By this means the figures were completed and the report mimeographed by the evening of the ninth. Six days ahead of last month. This is highly commendable to all warehouses as is the fact that 99.8 per cent of the seasons average have been reported to date.

The season's average of 22 cents contracts with 51 cents for last year's. The forecasted acreage to be planted last April showed fourteen per cent increase. Even tho that was estimated before any tobacco was planted, it is still considered reasonable. The Crop Reporting Service will issue a 1921 prospectus during March that might be helpful to the farmers in aiding their unfinished and puzzled plans for the 1921 planting.

CORE CREEK ITEMS

Miss Eulah Dickinson spent Sunday with Miss Vivian Dickinson.

Mrs. E. C. Dickinson spent Sunday at Harlowe with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Dill who have been living at Newport News, Va., have returned home.

Miss Nellie Small spent Sunday with Miss Annie Sabiston.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Taylor, and family, of Harlowe, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Foreman.

Mr. S. F. Dill went to Wilmington Monday to see his brother.

RED CROSS MEETING

The News is asked to state that a Red Cross meeting is to be held tomorrow evening (Friday) at 7:30 o'clock at W. Duncan's office. All workers are urged to be present.

LUNcheon ON YACHT

The hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Beard, of Boston, was greatly enjoyed by a few invited friends on Saturday last, the occasion being a delightful sail and luncheon aboard their splendid yacht, the "Black Mammy."

Real Estate Transfers

The following transactions in real estate have been recorded here recently at the office of the Register of Deeds:

Julia Ann Arthur to Elizabeth Arthur lot 12, square 65, Evans street, Morehead City, consideration \$50.

Harvey Murray and wife of Craven county to W. F. Anderson, Er-nuth, Texas, 61 93-100 acres in Morehead township.

D. W. Morton and wife to J. C. Rasberry 300 acres in Harlowe township, consideration \$100.

Jas. M. Willis and wife to Joseph Moore and W. C. Best 23 1-2 acres in Morehead township, consideration \$1,200.

Major Johnson and wife to Jas. M. Willis 23 1-2 acres in Morehead township, consideration \$1,100.

Jake Long and wife to Major Johnson 23 1-2 acres in Morehead township, consideration \$10 &c.

J. B. Sawyer and wife to C. N. Hobbs lots 7, 8, 9, 10, in square 114, consideration \$300.

T. S. Mann to Mc. Simpson 25 acres in Newport township, consideration \$1,000.

Ivey Lewis to L. J. Grantham 50 acre tract in Craven county along border consideration \$500.

W. W. Chadwick and wife to E. W. Guthrie, Jr., lots 14, 15, 16, square 29-Morehead City, consideration \$100.

Stephen B. Baxter and wife to Livious Bell lot 12 in square 100 Morehead City, consideration \$500.

C. L. Willis to Hattie D. Davis 1-2 lot No. 1 in square 98, Morehead City, consideration \$10.

Chas. M. Talmadge and wife to Va.-Carolina Farms Co., southeast quarter of southwest quarter of section No. 6, Core Sounds Farms.

T. Tallaksen and wife to E. O. Davis 2 3-4 acres in Hunting Quarter township, consideration \$54.

G. W. Babbitt and wife to E. O. Davis tract in Hunting Quarter township, consideration \$5. z z z

John L. Styron and wife to Mrs. Vera Swain 5 lots in Morehead City, consideration \$575.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET.

There will be a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Friday night in the Old Topsail Club room, 7:30 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

INDICTED FOR SCALLOPING

About sixty men living mostly in Morehead City and up Bogue Sound have been indicted by the Fish Commissioner charged with taking scallops in forbidden waters. They will be tried at the March term of court.

NORTH RIVER ITEMS

Miss Viola Aldridge, of Russell Creek, returned home Friday evening after spending two weeks with Mrs. Paul Beacham.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Piver spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Piver's sister, Mrs. T. L. Piver.

Miss Naomi Killingsworth, of Beaufort, spent the past week-end with Miss A. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Arthur spent Sunday in Beaufort visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Styron.

A number of our people spent Sunday at Russell Creek attending church.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wade visited Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Rowe at Russell Creek.

Miss K. Gless Styron spent the week-end in Morehead City.

Shelving Lewis and Carl Lane, of Witlegrass, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Augustine Wade.

Misses Lily Fedorian and Altra Willis spent Saturday evening in Morehead City.

Mr. Willie Gless left Friday for Gettysburg, Pa. He will spend a few days.

Misses Virginia Moore and Swannie Wade of Beaufort, spent a few hours Sunday evening the guest of Miss Wade's parents.

Misses Lillian Piver, Thelma and Georgia Wade, were the guest of Mrs. M. D. Pridden Saturday and Sunday.