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GERMANS BUSY IN SOUTH AMERICA

Active Efforts Being Made By Germans To Regain Their In South America.

WASHINGTON July 12.—Charles H. Ault, chairman of the foreign trade division of the Newark (N. J.) Chamber of Commerce, has returned from an extended tour of South America with many interesting observations on trade matters connected with the Latin republics. He finds Germany "straining every nerve to regain her place in the world's commerce," and his statements check up with those of quite a number of others who have been traveling in the southern half of the western Hemisphere.

"The United States has a very great deal to fear from foreign competition in South America," says Mr. Ault, "no matter how much American business men strive to understand Latin Americans and cater for their trade." To quote his language:

"The prime need of the world in the general resumption of trading, with artificial encouragement given in the form of credits. European countries are naturally taking advantage of this state of mind. It is especially true of Germany, a country that is straining every nerve to regain her place in the world's commerce. Germany is, of course, aided by the exchange conditions, by the more intimate knowledge possessed by her business men of trade conditions and by their personal willingness and apparent ability to make liberal credit terms and price concessions. Germany is showing consummate skill in the manipulation of her finances. In many cases, instead of having the proceeds of sales remitted to Germany, German exporters at all principal points are holding them deposited to a large extent in the capably managed German banks long established in South America. This is evidently made possible by an arrangement with the German government whereby the German exporter, upon submitting suitable evidence to the Reichsbank that gold or its equivalent has been deposited to his credit in a German bank in a foreign country, is extended credit to a like amount in paper marks. The effect of this is to inflate Germany's currency and to cause extreme depreciation of her exchange. This is of the utmost advantage in her export trade. These maneuvers naturally lead a business man, carefully watching the trend of trade, to believe that Germany is intentionally keeping the mark down. It makes for low prices to the foreign purchasers."

Mr. Ault also discusses the long term credit feature adopted by most European countries and Japan in their trade with the South Americans, showing how it induces greater sales, and expresses his belief that "there should be an immediate creation of financial institutions under the Edge law to facilitate extensions and long term credits and promote free exchange of exports and imports."

Certain it is that the long term credit phase of trade is one which sooner or later must be met in our commercial relations with the South and Central American countries. It has been played up by European countries for a great many years in their trade with Latin America and the Orient, and it is something that these fields of trade have grown accustomed to expect.

14 TO 1 SCORE

The Beaufort-Greenville combination ball team met the Mill Creek club last Saturday on the former's diamond and won the victory. The score was a reminder of five silver stars as it stood at the immortal ratio of 14 to 1.

D. M. JONES APPOINTED SUPERVISOR

Grand Master L. W. Moore, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows has recently published a list of the supervisors of the various districts in which the State is divided. Mr. D. M. Jones is the supervisor of the district in which Beaufort is located.

SUMMER SCHOOL OPENS WITH GOOD ATTENDANCE

The Carteret County Summer School opened in Beaufort on Tuesday, July 13th, with an enrollment of forty-four. Since the opening day the enrollment has increased to fifty-four, which is about twice the number expected to attend. When we consider that the Carteret County Summer School last year enrolled only twelve, it seems good to see our teachers taking on a little professional spirit and attend in such a body as we have this summer. I think the majority of these girls are satisfactorily placed and it is gratifying to note the attitude with which the people of Beaufort have received these young teachers. It is hoped that the citizens may be interested in the work that is being carried on in our midst and may show a direct concern by visiting the sessions and meeting those in attendance here. This Summer School should mean a great deal to Beaufort in many ways and certainly should prove effective and helpful to the educational system of Carteret County. The instructors in the Summer School are G. H. Ferguson, Mrs. C. F. Blalock, of Raleigh, and Miss Nina Garner, of Newport. The School will be in session six weeks and during this time it is hoped that many of the town people will visit the various classes.

G. H. FERGUSON.

MEETING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, Messrs. U. E. Swann, Dr. C. S. Maxwell and Mr. Sam Yoffe were appointed a committee to arrange for a meeting of the entire membership of the Chamber of Commerce during the month of July. At a meeting of this committee on Monday night, they decided to have this meeting in the Old Topsail Club rooms on Thursday night, July 21st.

Secretary Stencil will send a personal invitation to every member of the Chamber and to invited guests. All admissions will be by tickets that will be mailed by the Secretary.

The committee through the secretary has arranged for several members of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce to be their guests on this occasion. A number of short snappy speeches will be made by members of both organizations and refreshments will be served by a committee from the Community Club. Every member of the Chamber of Commerce is expected to be present.

FIRE LOSS HEAVY FOR SIX MONTHS

RALEIGH, JULY 12.—The State Insurance Department announces that the North Carolina fire loss, exclusive of forest fires, was \$313,760.00 against \$385,000 in May and \$1,248,000 in April. The total for the first six months period is \$3,713,882. The June loss, Commissioner Wade states, would have been phenomenally encouraging, but for the burning of a lumber plant near New Bern, June 29, with a loss of \$150,000 nearly half the loss of the state for the entire month, and iron works at Wilmington valued at \$75,000. The other principal losses were at Richlands, where 5 stores burned with a loss of \$19,500; Asheville, garage and hotel damaged \$10,020; Statesville, Merrimon building and 5 brick stores damaged \$2,900; Landreth auto trucks and garage at Greensboro, \$7,000 and the Dudley residence near Wilmington \$10,000. The May loss was swelled by the Adams residence at Four Oaks with a loss of \$75,000. Commissioner Wade says the fourth of July this year seems to have been entirely free of fire or accident, and is highly slated as the thought that North Carolinians have at last fallen in line with other progressive states in eliminating death and fire damage assessments. He also adds to be recorded as appreciative of the cooperation of Sheriff and Chiefs of Fire Departments in filing official reports of fire more promptly than ever before, making it possible to tabulate accurately fire losses and their causes a month earlier than formerly.

Alive newspaper is one of the best assets any community can have. Those who subscribe for an advertisement in their home paper are helping their community and themselves.

SEVERAL SCHOOLS WILL BE UNITED

Board Favors Consolidating Schools in Beaufort and Harlowe Townships

The County Board of Education held a meeting at the court house here Monday all the members being present except W. Irvin Willis, of Williston. Considerable business was transacted by the board, that of consolidating certain school districts being of the most interest.

All of the school districts in Harlowe township were consolidated into one district to be known as Harlowe Township Consolidated School District and an election was endorsed for the district to vote on a maintenance tax of 90c on the hundred dollars worth of property and 90 c on the poll and also to vote on a bond issue of \$12,000 for a new school building.

The schools of Beaufort Township were consolidated with the Beaufort Graded School and an election was endorsed to vote on a maintenance tax of 1.00 on the hundred dollars worth of property and 1.00 on the poll and also a bond issue for a new school building in the amount of \$75,000.

A petition was endorsed for an election to be held in Sealevel School District to vote on a bond issue of \$3,000 for a new school building.

Corrections were recommended to the Board of County Commissioners in the matter of notices of the elections in the Stacy and Davis School Districts changing them to read three thousand dollar bond issues instead of five thousand, and also petitions were endorsed calling elections for maintenance tax in above named districts which matter was overlooked at last meeting of the board.

A petition for a special tax election forarkers Island was endorsed and passed on to the commissioners.

The joint meeting of the Board of Education with the County Commissioners for the purpose of electing a Superintendent of Public Welfare was recessed until the first Monday in August at the suggestion of Mr. R. T. Wade, chairman of the Board of Education, on account of the Board of Education's not having its full membership present.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Transactions in real estate recorded at the office of the Register of Deeds are as follows:

J. E. Perkins and wife to Solon A. Perkins lot in town of Newport, 190 by 123 feet, consideration \$1,000.

J. A. Guthrie and wife to H. C. Lockhart and others, Trustee lot in Morehead City, consideration \$140.

Edward Williams and others to Josephine Williams lot on Pine street, Beaufort, consideration \$5.

CAMPING ON THE BEACH.

A jolly party of young people from Beaufort and elsewhere left Tuesday afternoon for Atlantic View beach on a ten day outing. One of the cottages on the beach has been secured and the young folks will keep house when they are not busy swimming, dancing or otherwise entertaining themselves. The trip is being given by Miss Sallie and Lena Duncan and their brother John Duncan. Those in the party are Misses Kate McKane, of Whitsett; Fannie McKeel, of Robeson county; Mildred Meus, of Lexington; Miss Avery, of Smithfield; Lena and Sallie Duncan, Jas. Clawson, Daphny White, Walter Linneth of Thomasville; Nelson Taylor, Chas. Duncan, Mr. Rand of Raleigh, and John Duncan.

HARRELL-SCOTT

A surprise marriage and one that was of interest to quite a number of Beaufort people took place last Saturday evening when Miss Annie Harrell and Mr. Charles W. Scott were joined in wedlock. The ceremony took place at seven thirty at the Methodist parsonage and was performed by the Rev. R. F. Bumpas. Mrs. Scott is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harwell, of Beaufort and has many friends here. Mr. Scott is a merchant here and is well and favorably known.

Not to be a subscriber to your home paper indicates a conviction at least that you have but little interest in the affairs of your own community.

MAY ESTABLISH NEW MAIL ROUTE

Mr. E. F. Carraway, of Merrimon, was in town Tuesday and informed the News that some progress was being made in the matter of getting a mail boat line established between Beaufort, Merrimon and Lukers. The matter was taken up with Congressman Brinson and the Postoffice Department at Washington some days ago. An inspector is to be sent here soon to go over the route and make a report to the Washington authorities.

STATE NEWS NOTES

The peach crop in Moore county is said to be good this year and the growers there are making money on them. One grower sold 9,000 crates at \$2 a crate and some grades are bringing \$3 a crate.

One of the first monuments to the memory of the soldiers of the world war was unveiled on July fourth at Hollis, Rutherford county. A big crowd was present for the ceremony. This is not the first monument though as one was unveiled in Morehead City on May 10th in memory of young men killed in the late war.

Statistics show that there has been a decrease in the cotton acreage in North Carolina this year of 28 per cent and an increase of the corn acreage of five percent. The tobacco acreage was reduced 34 percent and as the crop is not looking well the indications are that not more than half last year's production will be made.

The internal revenue collections in North Carolina for the fiscal year of 1920 as given by the office at Raleigh amounted to one hundred and twenty-six million dollars. In 1914 they were about twelve millions. North Carolina leads the South in paying Federal taxes. Most of these taxes are paid by tobacco manufacturers. Income taxes for the last year or two have amounted to a large sum.

Mrs. Clarence Johnson was elected Commissioner of Public Welfare for the State of North Carolina Wednesday a week ago. Mrs. Johnson succeeds R. F. Beasley who resigned some months ago. She has been connected with the department for two years and is said to be a capable and well informed woman.

The highway hearings at Raleigh a week ago attracted a large crowd and brought on some spirited contests over road matters. The routing of the highways was considered and contesting delegations from Cleveland, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Person, Rutherford, Duplin, Johnston, and Wayne made things lively for the board. The prospects are good so it is said for other rows as the question of locating the roads in other sections comes up.

People of the Graham bridge neighborhood of Harnett county say they have recently seen a snake there that was at least sixteen feet long and about a foot and a half in circumference. The locality where this snake abides is also said to produce considerable quantities of plum brandy. Whether the snake drinks brandy or not has not been learned but at any rate something he gets hold of seems to agree with him.

Federal Judge Connor ruled against Collector of Internal Revenue J. W. Bailey last week in the matter of seizing lands where distilling outfits have been found. Judge Connor holds that a man's property cannot be taken away from him simply because somebody happens to be running a moonshine still on his place. This decision also applies to other property as well as land.

The Lumberton tobacco market will open next Tuesday and considerable interest is felt by tobacco people in the outcome. There are three warehouses there and it is expected that several million pounds will be sold during the season. The prices obtained next week will probably give some idea as to what prices tobacco will bring this year.

ELECTRIC PLANT TO BE IMPROVED

Important Action Taken By Board At Recent Meeting. New Machinery Ordered

As a result of recent action on the part of the Board of Commissioners of Beaufort the citizens of this town will soon have a very much improved electric service. A new engine and dynamo are to be installed at the power plant, 250 new poles are to be put up and the whole line to be overhauled and put in good condition. The financing of these improvements is to be done by the local banks, each of these two institutions agreeing to furnish \$5,000 for the purpose.

The board held its meeting on the fourth and took a recess until Monday the eleventh when it met again and finished up its business. Mayor Bushall presided and all the members composed of Commissioners, Duncan, Ford, Gardner, Huntley and Lewis were present. The finance committee made its report which was accepted and ordered published in the News and is to be found on another page.

E. L. Potter came before the board and asked permission to erect a building on front street over the water, the same to be used as a pavilion, bath house and dance hall. The building is to be erected at the foot of Marsh street. The permission asked was granted provided it was not against the State laws.

A contract was made with Vernon Harrell to paint signs for street corners.

C. D. Adair came before the board and asked that a water main be run to his house. The matter was discussed and Superintendent Manson was instructed to see how many residents on Broad between Orange and Moore desired to use city water and report to water and light committee.

Commissioner Huntley offered a motion which was carried, that bids for electric light poles be advertised for in the News.

The matter of complaints of sewer pipes emptying above low water mark was referred to Superintendent Manson to ascertain facts and report to City Clerk Hill.

Chief of Police Longest was instructed to collect dog taxes at once. Also his salary was fixed at \$90 per month.

N. L. Snowden offered to sell the board his truck for \$1,500 which was declined.

Commissioners Ford and Gardner were instructed to get up all old pipe and other materials belonging to the town, if not in use, and sell them.

ATHLETIC CLUB MEETING

A meeting of the Beaufort Athletic Club was held Monday night in the office of G. W. Duncan at which the financial condition of the baseball club and other matters were considered. Manager Geo. W. Brooks tendered his resignation and J. G. Pollock who has been playing first base on the team was elected in his place. It was decided that hereafter half of the net receipts of the club should be paid to the players on the ball team. An effort will be made to arrange for a number of games before the season closes.

WATERMELLONS ON THE MARKET

The first watermelons on the local market came in on the fourth of July, but none were brought here since then till Monday of this week when a few of the Bogus Sound variety were on the market. The season this spring was not as favorable as usual and so the melon crop is a little late. Both cantaloupes and watermelons are coming in now though and will probably be quite plentiful in a few days.

MR. WILLIAM RICE DEAD.

Mr. WILLIAM Rice one of the older citizens of Beaufort died at his home here last Friday night. He had been in failing health for some time. The burial took place Saturday afternoon in the Episcopal cemetery and was conducted by Rev. F. R. Bumpas. Mr. Rice is survived by three children Mrs. Nathan Garner, Mrs. Florence Ramsey and a son Adrian Rice.

BEAUFORT WINS THREE OUT OF LAST FIVE PLAYED.

Beaufort took the first game of the series with Hookerton yesterday after a hard fight, the score being four to three. Skarren and J. Caffrey were out of the game and Coward stopped after catching a few innings so the Beaufort team was considerably shaken up. D. Caffrey played right field and R. Hudgins played second base after Coward quit the game, Rice going from second to behind the bat. Taylor pitched for Hookerton and struck out eleven men, but walked five and allowed ten hits. Lloyd was on the mound for Beaufort and pitched a good game, he kept the hits scattered, allowing only six and if he had had good support Hookerton would probably not have scored. He struck out ten men and gave up only two or three hits. Counting from last Thursday the Beaufort team has played five games and won three of them.

On Thursday the team lost to Farmville in one of the best games played here, the score being 2 to 0. The batteries were Sumrell and Rice and Strickland and Whitaker. Beaufort got two hits and Farmville six. Friday's game went to the home team with a score of 9 to 6. The batteries were Beaufort, Perry and Coward, Farmville, Davenport and Whitaker, Seale and Faulkner. Beaufort got 9 hits and made one error. Farmville got 5 hits and made two errors. Saturday's game was another hard fought one. The game went ten innings the score ending 5 to 1 in favor of the visitors. On Monday the team went to Marshallburg to play the fourth game of the season with that team. Marshallburg's best pitcher Perry, was in the box but could not hold the Beaufort hitters down, the final score being 15 to 5 in favor of Beaufort. Hookerton plays here again today and also tomorrow and interesting games are expected.

STUDENTS FROM AFRICA ATTEND STATE COLLEGE

The Department of Agriculture, Union of South Africa, has sent two young men to State College to specialize in the production, care and handling of cotton and tobacco, making a total of four students from the Transvaal to enter the College during the past year.

V. F. O. Oliver, who graduated at the last commencement, has gone to Menopotamia to take up investigational work in connection with the production of Turkish tobacco.

The newcomers at State from far away South Africa are Petrus Johannes Naude, of Bethal, Transvaal, and Laurens Jacobus Henning, who comes from Sweetwaters in the same state.

Both are graduates of the University of South Africa, receiving the bachelor of science degree from the Transvaal University College located at Pretoria. After graduation they spent three months in practical training in tobacco and cotton at the government experiment station at Rustenburg.

Dean C. B. Williams has received a letter from Dr. W. H. Scherffins, chief of the division of cotton and tobacco of the Dutch Colonial Department of Agriculture, requesting assistance in securing State College graduates to act as cotton and tobacco experts for the Union of South Africa. These positions pay approximately \$2,500 a year for beginners with transportation to the Transvaal and return. Those qualifying, however, sign an agreement to stay abroad for a period of three years with the privilege of remaining longer if desired.

THURMAN WHITELY

Word was received here a few days ago of the marriage in Charlotte on Wednesday Mr. C. H. Whitely, of Beaufort, to Miss B. B. Thorman, of the same place. Mr. Whitely is a native of Beaufort and has quite a number of relatives and friends here.