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READING TO THE MIND IS WHAT EXERCISE IS TO THE BODY

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## TAX LEVY MADE BY COUNTY BOARD

On Account of Better Schools and Interest On Road Bonds Taxes Higher This Year

At the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on the first Monday in this month the tax levy for 1921 was made. The rates as levied are as follows:

General County Fund	15c
County Home and Poor Fund	5c
Road Bond Sinking Fund	20c
Road and Bridge Maintenance	10c
Total County Rate	50c
As required by law and at the request of the Board of Education the following school tax rate was levied	
General School & Salary Fund	32c
School Building & Incidental Fund	14c
Total School Rate	46c

The total rate for both county and school purposes which will apply all over the County and not including the Special School Levies that have been voted in various school districts will be 96c. The increase of rate was brought about from different causes; a reduction of more than a million dollars in the valuation of the property of the County, which was chiefly in the personal property; change of the law so that the County has to raise sufficient funds to run the schools for a term of six months instead of three as last year; to take care of the increased building program of the schools of the County, and to provide interest and sinking funds for additional road bonds. School districts that have Special Levies will be increased according to the amount of the levy in the several districts, which varies. In the Beaufort Graded School district the Special Levy is 27c which will make a total rate of \$1.23 in this district.

## JURORS CHOSEN FOR OCTOBER TERM OF COURT

The following good and lawful citizens were drawn for the October term of Court:

David S. Mason	Stacy, N. C.
A. M. Garner	Newport, N. C.
Willie E. Guthrie	Beaufort, N. C.
T. C. Lewis	Otway, N. C.
Julius I. Willis	Beaufort, N. C.
K. J. Merril	Beaufort, N. C., R.F.D.
James J. Mason	Beaufort, N. C.
W. T. Glover	Beaufort, N. C.
J. W. Oglesby	Morehead City, N. C.
J. D. Phillips	Morehead City, N. C.
W. H. Garner	Beaufort, N. C.
S. E. Dudley	Pelletier, N. C.
C. T. Fulcher	Atlantic, N. C.
Harvey Gillikin	Salterpath, N. C.
Harmon Hill	Atlantic, N. C.
Malby Taylor	Sealevel, N. C.
B. F. Guthrie	Morehead City, N. C.
H. T. Banks	Lukens, N. C.
A. J. Longest	Beaufort, N. C.
Willie D. Guthrie	Harkers Island, N. C.
Stacy Davis	Harkers Island, N. C.
T. E. Piner	Newport, N. C.
L. C. Cannon	Bogus, N. C.
J. F. Nelson	Merrimon, N. C.
Fred Lewis	Harkers Island, N. C.
J. P. Daniels	Roan, N. C.
George A. Willis	Davis, N. C.
L. C. Tolson	Wildwood, N. C.
A. L. Gillikin	Otway, N. C.
Herrmon Hill	Morehead City, N. C.
Homer S. Piner	Williston, N. C.
J. L. Murphy	Marshallburg, N. C.
T. L. Piver	Beaufort, N. C., R.F.D.
Louis L. Wade	Williston, N. C.
Riley Becham	Beaufort, N. C., R.F.D.
James A. Guthrie	Harkers Island, N. C.

## PASSES 57TH BIRTHDAY.

On Monday Mr. W. H. Hendrick of Beaufort, reached his 57th birthday and has received many congratulations by reason of that fact. Mr. Hendrick is able to go about town anywhere that he wants to go and in spite of the hot weather and his advanced age keeps in very good health. It is likely that there are not many people in Carteret County who are older than Mr. Hendrick and if so the News would like to know who they are. Mr. Hendrick has lived in Beaufort since early manhood and his many friends here who are hoping that he will live to be at least one hundred.

## GRADED SCHOOL MAKES A GOOD START

Beaufort Graded School began its annual Fall session Monday with an attendance of 344 pupils. Superintendent Pittman, and a full corps of teachers. The band under the leadership of Mr. Halsey Paul took a prominent part in the opening exercises and gave a good account of itself. At the opening of the school Rev. R. F. Dumas offered a prayer after the singing of America by the audience and this was followed by an address on behalf of the trustees by Mr. M. Leslie Davis. Col. Fred Oide of Raleigh told an interesting story about a Cherokee Indian boy in Western North Carolina that gave great pleasure not only to the children but the grown folks also.

Superintendent Pittman made a few announcements and explanations about the course of study after which the pupils marched to the classroom and entered upon their duties. The grounds around the school building have been greatly improved and now present an attractive appearance. The land on the northeast side of the building has been cleaned up and will be used for play grounds, which was necessary as the children can no longer play in front of the courthouse as they have been accustomed to do. All in all the prospects for a successful school year seem bright and a full attendance is expected. County Welfare officer Jas. W. Mason intends to see that all children of school age are required to attend. This of course applies not only to Beaufort, but everywhere in the county.

## ODD FELLOWS CONTEST.

Morehead City and Beaufort have two hustling Odd Fellow Lodges and the same spirit of rivalry between these two por cities exists in the Odd Fellow organization. For the first month of August, Morehead City Lodge wins in the contest for the months of August, September and October for attendances, and they are determined that this will be the result on November 1st. Beaufort, however, is moving steadily and it will take the final count to decide it. Mr. H. W. Nos is the Noble Grand of Beaufort Lodge and in general charge, being assisted by Messrs. W. H. Taylor and E. E. Chaplain as Captains of the Red Hustlers and True Blues respectively; the Morehead City Lodge is presided over by Mr. J. D. Daniels as Noble Grand and Messrs. W. T. Davis and D. M. Eaton as Captains.

Mr. D. M. Jones is the District Supervisor for this section which comprises the counties of Craven, Carteret, Onslow, Jones, Lenoir, Greene and Pamlico.

## JUDGE ALLEN IS DEAD

Goldboro, Sept. 8.—Hon. William R. Allen, associate Justice of the Supreme court of North Carolina and junior member of that body, passed away at his home in this city at 3 o'clock this afternoon. He suffered a stroke of apoplexy and although several physicians hurried to his home he died without regaining consciousness.

Judge Allen was 64 years of age. He was one of Goldboro's best beloved citizens and highly honored among all classes of people. The news of his sudden death was quickly passed from lip to lip and the knowledge that this useful life had been snuffed out cast a shadow of deep gloom over the entire city.

## MARRIAGE LICENCES.

Register of Deeds Tray Morris has granted permits to wed recently to the following couples:

Gideon C. Bell and Sarah E. Bell, Havelwe.  
David A. Jarvis, Straite and Irene G. Stewart, Gloucester.  
Journey B. Ball, Beaufort, R. F. D., and Daley Paul Hall, Merrimon.

## CATCHING SOME MULLET.

No large catches of mullets have been made so far this Fall but the netters are bringing in some all the time and occasionally a pretty good haul is made. Captain Leslie Whitehead and crew brought in about two tons of nice ones yesterday which netted them around \$184.

## FARMERS MAY GET LOAN ON CROPS

Collector Bailey Explains How Funds May Be Secured By Farmers

Some days ago County Auditor W. L. Stancil wrote Collector of Internal Revenue J. W. Bailey in regard to the loans which the Federal Government is making on farm products. Mr. Bailey replied to this letter and we are publishing his reply herewith for the information of our farmer friends. It seems that the money can be secured through farm organizations or local banks. It also appears that a warehouse company in Greensboro is willing to advance money to farmers on cotton. The letter referred to says:

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 10, '21.

Mr. W. L. Stancil, County Auditor, Beaufort, N. C.

My dear Mr. Stancil:

I have your letter of September 7th, which is as follows:

"Will you kindly advise me what action to take to secure funds for the farmers of our county from the Federal Government for helping to finance them during the selling period? I wish to know just who can get these funds, under what conditions, etc; in fact I would like to have all the information necessary to help our farmers in securing funds."

I answer, as follows:

The Kellog bill, now an Act of Congress, contemplates that farmers desiring advances on their products shall make application for those advances either through some responsible farmer's organization or through the local banks. The application should be made to the War Finance Corporation, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

I have letters from the Honorable A. S. McLean, one of the directors of the War Finance Corporation, in which he says that the War Finance Corporation will require, with regard to advances on cotton, that the same shall be secured by negotiable warehouse receipts. This brings before us the difficulty of obtaining warehouse receipts. I have a wire today from J. E. Latham, Greensboro, in which he says that the Greensboro Warehouse and Storage Company can furnish cotton storage in quantity and at low rates; also can get owners of cotton money at reasonable rates and long terms.

There is some storage available at Raleigh. There is more at Norfolk, Wilmington, Savannah and Charleston.

Mr. McLean of the War Finance Corporation states that the rate of interest charged by the War Finance Corporation is seven percent. Whether Mr. Latham will charge as much, or more, I do not know.

So there are two ways of getting advances on cotton: One by way of application direct by organizations of farmers to the War Finance Corporation; the other by way of applying to local banks, the local bank in turn obtaining the money from the War Finance Corporation, or from other sources.

In either case, warehousing facilities and negotiable warehouse receipts are contemplated.

I take it this answers your inquiry. Please note that I am not advising anybody in this letter either to hold or not to hold cotton at present prices. The man does not live, it seems to me, who can afford to assume such a responsibility. It appears that if anyone wishes to hold, a certain amount of funds is available and this fact ought to be gotten widely before our people in order that they may not feel that they have to sell. On the other hand, now that prices are nearly twice as high as they were, the banks and the time merchants are entitled to be paid off.

Wherever possible, I think the tenant farmers whose cotton was delivered up last year should be allowed the benefit of present prices. I am following this course myself. My tenants delivered their cotton to me last December. I have it yet. If I get twenty cents a pound for it, they will be credited twenty cents a pound, less storage, insurance and interest. Yours very truly,  
J. W. BAILEY.

## FASTER WORK ON SOLDIERS' CLAIMS

New Veterans' Bureau Will Hasten Action On All Soldiers' Relief

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—Created for ex-service men, the Veterans' Bureau, authorized by the Act of Congress of August 9, 1921, will in the course of time, move delays in red tape which have in the past hindered the administration of soldier and sailor relief by Government agencies," says Colonel Charles R. Forbes, Director of the Veterans' Bureau.

The Veterans' Bureau is empowered by law to care for ex-service men under a very liberal policy. It embraces all of the functions previously performed by all federal agencies having to do with relief work of any sort for ex-service men. Under the Veterans' Bureau, fourteen regional offices and 140 sub-offices have been established throughout the country. The fourteen regional offices will hear complaints, examine, rate and award compensation claims grant medical, surgical, dental and hospital treatment, convalescent care and grant vocational training. This applies to all claims filed subsequent to the passage of the law. All claims on file in Washington prior to its passage, will continue to be handled in the Washington office. In commenting upon the manner in which this newly created bureau will operate, Colonel Forbes says:

"While the creation of the Veterans' Bureau eliminates one of the chief difficulties in the way of soldier relief work, that of duplication of effort, it must be remembered, however, that the creation of the bureau is not in itself an immediate panacea for all the troubles of the ex-service person, and that too much must not be expected in the very beginning. It has taken several years to build up the reserve governmental machinery, and it cannot be made over in a night.

"The work of decentralization which is provided for in the Veterans' Bureau to be really successful, must be gradual. To make any hasty steps would be a calamity and, if the ex-service men are educated to feel that in a couple of weeks will receive all they desire in the way of compensation and medical treatment and that all cases will be settled within twenty-four hours after receipt, it will defeat the purposes of the Sweet Bill, creating the new bureau. Time, and time alone, will prove the efficiency of the Veterans' Bureau. The work of decentralization will of necessity be gradual, and yet as prompt as is consistent with proper functioning and the work."

## ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL OPENS.

The annual Fall session of St. Paul's school began here Monday with a good attendance of pupils and a full staff of teachers. Appropriate opening exercises took place and the school started off with good prospects for a successful year.

## MUCH INTEREST IN REVIVAL.

The tent services conducted by Reverend Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McAdams which have been going on here for more than six weeks, are still in progress and drawing large crowds every night. At first the meetings were not largely attended but as they have proceeded interest has grown until the tent is packed at all of the services. On last Sunday 27 people were baptized by immersion in the waters at Spring Landing.

## INSPECTING COAST GUARD STATIONS

The United States Coast Guard boat Carolina from Elizabeth City came into the harbor Monday and is spending a few days in these waters. The Carolina, which is commanded by Captain Gray, makes regular inspection trips to all of the stations located on Currituck, Pamlico, Core and Bogus sounds. After inspecting Fort Mason station the Carolina went to Bogus inlet and then began her return trip.

## LABOR CONDITIONS ARE NOT SO BAD

Washington, Sept. 14.—Those who are disturbed over the 5,735,000 unemployed of today, overlook that in 1914 there were 7,000,000 out of work, a larger percentage of whom were men and actual bread-winners than in the present unemployed, Secretary Davis said today in a statement.

Declaring that the country has just passed through a period when every effort was made to induce women and others who had not worked for wages or salaries before to "work and save ailing Europe," Mr. Davis said present unemployment figures include great numbers of persons upon whose earnings none actually is dependent.

"While we have our unemployed, let us not forget the 12,000,000 who are still at work," the statement said. "A further encouraging fact is that \$500,000,000 is now available about the country in the form of bonds already issued, or approximately by the State, county and municipal governments for public works.

Positive signs of business recovery has been furnished by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Secretary Davis declared, adding: "Some of these signs have an aspect of their own. I put them out for others to interpret as they please. But one must have his head very much in the air, these days, not to notice the growing prevalence of silk hosiery and the use of silks in general."

"A stir was caused all over the country," the statement said, "when Senator McCornick called for the actual figures on current unemployment, and these figures, as supplied by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics in the Department of labor, were found to be 5,735,000. Those figures stand as the best estimation available, but they need to be read in relation to the situation of seven years ago, as well as in the light of the facts of today.

"The statement had been constantly made, in the news and in the editorial columns of newspapers, that the Department of Labor reported 5,735,000 men being out of work. The Department of Labor has reported no such thing. It did report that according to the best available estimate that could be made there are 5,735,000 fewer men, women and children on the pay-rolls than there were in March, 1920. There is a difference with a distinction.

"Here is one salient fact to be kept in mind—probably not more than a third of these 5,735,000 are the principal bread-winners of the family.

## HOME TOWN PAPER WEEK.

It is very rare that the average newspaper boosts its own business, but gives quantities of space in boosting the affairs of others.

Somebody suggested that it was for the newspapers of the country to adopt a week in which their own business should be given precedent, and the News thoroughly endorses the idea.

The date set is the second week in November, from the 7th to the 12th, including that great world event, Armistice Day.

The official title for the week will be "Subscribe For Your Home Town Paper Week."

Thousands of papers will join in this event, and our readers will hear more about it as time goes on.

Every reply to help in any cause that is in the interests of a better community, better living conditions and better government, we now ask the readers and advertisers of the News to turn in and lend a hand during "Subscribe for Your Home Town Paper Week," and boost for us.

## INSANE VISITOR PUT IN JAIL.

Alpheus E. Moore, of Lenoir county, an insane man, arrived here last Sunday on the evening train and caused some excitement around the railroad station by his queer antics. He had been acting strangely on the train and when he arrived here he became somewhat boisterous and was taken in custody by Officer Styron who was at the station when the train came. Mr. Styron hooked up Sheriff Thomas and the two carried the man to jail where he was kept until Tuesday when officers from Lenoir county came here and took him back to Kinston.

## TAX RATE FIXED BY TOWN BOARD

There Is Some Increase In Rate As Shown In Statement Below.

A special meeting of the board of town commissioners was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Mayor Bushall at which the matter of fixing the rate of taxation for the year was considered. Those present were Mayor Bushall, Commissioners Duncan, Gardner, and Huntley. A report of the Finance Committee in regard to the matter of taxation which had been prepared several days ago with the assistance of Mr. W. L. Stancil, was read and after discussion on motion of Commissioner Huntley was adopted. The following are the rates levied upon property for this year:

Bond Sinking Funds and Interest	57c
General Fund	30c
Electric Light Special	25c
Total	1.12c

The total bonded indebtedness of the town is \$146,000. The interest and installments on the sinking funds is \$11,543 per year. The indebtedness of the General Fund is \$16,000. The rate of 30c is expected to take care of the general current expenses of the City Government and pay half of the \$10,000 indebtedness.

The City has borrowed \$10,000 for new machinery and equipment for the electric light plant. The levy of 25c will pay half of this amount and the interest for one year. The increase in the rate was made necessary to take care of the indebtedness which was incurred during the past year and to pay for improvements in the electric light plant and lines.

## SCHOOL TRUCKS BOUGHT

County Superintendent M. L. Wright closed a deal yesterday for two school trucks to be used in the Newport district. The trucks have a seating capacity of 35 and they will be able to get the children to school in all sorts of weather unless the roads get impassable. The Newport school will open on the 28th of this month. The contract for the new school building will be let on the 20th of September.

## GOOD FIRE RECORD.

The record of not more than \$2,000 loss from fires in ten years is what the Beaufort Fire Department claims for this city. In the last decade there has been no big fire at all and only two or three small ones and as just stated the loss would not exceed \$2,500 in value. It is believed here that no town of 3,000 inhabitants in the State can make a better showing. Notwithstanding this excellent record the insurance rates are quite high in Beaufort. The Fire Department here has recently installed fire extinguishers in the business part of town and also at several places in the residential districts. The department has also put 300 feet of hose in the Duncan building to be used in case of an emergency.

## HELD FOR HOG KILLING

Robert Samons and his son John were tried in magistrate Holland's court Monday on the charge of having killed a hog belonging to Loren Fillingame. The men live on the North River road about a mile and a half apart. The killing is supposed to have occurred Sunday a week ago. Mr. M. Leslie Davis appeared for the defendants and Mr. E. Walter Hill for the prosecution and the case was warmly contested. The evidence against the men was entirely circumstantial but Justice Holland considered it sufficient to bind the defendants over to the October term of court which he did.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Only one real estate transaction has been recorded by the Register of Deeds this week. That was from V. A. Bedworth and wife to W. L. Arthur in Morehead City for three lots at a consideration of \$50.