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READING TO THE MIND IS WHAT EXERCISE IS TO THE BODY

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BEAUFORT NEWS CONTEST EXTENDED ONE WEEK FINAL ENDING SAT. DEC. 30th.

Clarence Simpson Winner of The Cash Prize Awarded this Week... Large Territory Yet to Be Covered... 100,000 Extra Vots Given Until Tuesday

ANOTHER CASH PRIZE TO GO TUESDAY

HOW THEY STAND

Clarence Simpson	500,100
Mrs. C. G. Gaskill	500,000
Dan Chadwick	499,000
Mrs. James Gaskill	499,000
Roy Fulcher	498,000
Mrs. George Brooks	400,500
Miss Ruby Lane, Rt	400,000
Mrs. Robert E. Gardner	399,000

Friday, December 30th, at 4 P.M., is the final closing date of the Beaufort News Subscription campaign. Under our rules we are privileged to close December 24, December 31, or January 7th; not earlier than December 24th and not later than January 7th. So for the reason that the territory has been anything like thoroughly canvassed, the management of this paper deems it good business judgement, both for the contestants and the paper to extend the contest six days or until December 30th.

CLUB MEETING

The Beaufort Community Club held its monthly meeting in the rooms of the Old Topsail Club Dec. 1, 1921. In the absence of the Pres. and Vice Pres. the meeting was presided over by Mrs. H. C. Jones.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved. The chairman of the Civics was absent and a report of that Department was made by Mrs. Cooke.

Mrs. N. F. Eure brought in the following names as applicants for membership: Mesdames, M. S. Sawden, W.W. Shaw and Miss Alice Barbour.

Mrs. Byard Taylor being absent the report of ways and means was made and a good report of the market which was held in the Drug Store window. This committee decided on holding the sale once each month instead of every two weeks.

Mrs. H. L. Potter also reported for the Library Committee. Mrs. Potter said that Mr. Pittman, Supt. of the Graded School offered a room at the school building for the books provided the school children are allowed to use the books.

The chairman of the Entertainment committee asked that each member bring a cup and saucer at the January meeting to be used in the Club.

A plan is on foot whereby several boxes and sacks will be sent to Oteen for the nurses and patients.

Everyone was urged by the presiding officer to buy Christmas Seals to help fight tuberculosis.

Mrs. Swindell was elected a delegate of the Federated Clubs to be held in Kinston, Dec. 1st.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned after which a variety of delightful sandwiches and hot tea were served.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS IN JANUARY

At a meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce held last Friday evening it was decided to hold the annual meeting of the organization some time during the second week in January. A committee will be appointed by the president to make the necessary arrangements.

Secretary Stonell was appointed chairman of committee to map out a program for the association's work during the coming year. A number of matters are under consideration which it is hoped will be carried through next year.

During the year now ended the Chamber of Commerce has accomplished a number of things that were of benefit to Beaufort and adjacent country. A list of these accomplishments was made up by the secretary and published in the News several weeks ago.

Subscribers for the Beaufort News NOW and help your friend win a handsome prize.

Start in New Year right by subscribing to your county paper the Beaufort News.

YACHT ESCAPES PROHIBITION MAN

Alleged Liquor Smuggler Passes Through Before Officer Arrives

Rumor has it that blockade whiskey running along the Atlantic coast has almost reached the stage which smuggling and piracy attained some centuries ago. While not much of this illicit liquor traffic has Beaufort or Morehead City as its objective, yet it is reasonably certain that a considerable quantity of wet goods passes through Beaufort inlet on its way to cities north of here.

On Tuesday a prohibition agent from Salisbury put in his appearance here for the purpose of seizing a vessel said to be coming through laden with liquor. The vessel wanted was the 100 ton steam yacht Saltilla which was alleged to be bound for New York with a cargo of 1500 cases of liquors. The prohibition man was too late however as the bird had flown when he got here. The Saltilla crossed the bar Sunday night, went into the harbor of Morehead City and after staying for thirty minutes and getting a pilot for Norfolk pursued her course. If he Saltilla had the cargo alleged and succeeded in disposing of it at \$10 a quart, the neat sum of \$180,000 would have been realized from the voyage.

Since national prohibition went into effect there have been reports here that various and sundry yachts and other vessels passing through these waters have had liquor aboard. In fact on one or two occasions some of the thirsty about here have been able to get a few bottles of the contraband stuff. As a rule though not much of the blockade liquor is sold here.

A few weeks ago the Polly a yacht that had been converted into a fishing boat and which belonged here, passed through northbound and it was said to be loaded with booze.

An effort was made by the officers to capture her but when it was finally done no liquor was found aboard. The Polly was sold to some men from New Jersey several months ago and it was generally supposed they would use her for fishing purposes. There are some who think that the sort of fish she is now after do not grow in waters nearer than the Bahamas.

EARLY MORNING FIRE DESTROYS MACHINE SHOP

Beaufort rarely ever has a fire but its record was broken last Friday morning with quite a serious one when Barbour Brothers machine shop on Front Street burned down. The total loss of the building and its contents was probably in the neighborhood of \$10,000. Barbour Brothers had insurance amounting to \$2,000 and claim that they have a net loss of \$6,000. The building belonged to Mrs. T. M. Thomas Sr. and was not insured. It was a wooden frame building covered with sheet iron, a part of it was built some years ago and there was an addition which was not much more than a year old.

A few weeks ago a blacksmith shop was added to the plant and it is generally thought that the fire originated in it although nothing positive is known as to how the fire started. It occurred about 3 o'clock in the morning and had gotten a good start before anyone noticed it. Messrs. Thos. S. Martin Thos. Potter and some men who were sleeping in a boat near by were among the first ones to reach the fire. They gave the alarm and after breaking in the doors succeeded in getting an automobile out which was about the only thing saved.

The rescued car belonged to the Bank of Beaufort. Three others were burned and were a Gardner belonging to J. O. Barbour, a Maxwell the property of Webster Russell and an Overland which belonged to a Mr. Lane. The machinery in the shop was all badly damaged but it may be that some of it can be used again. The office fixtures and supplies and many other articles were a total loss.

Shortly after the fire had started and the fire company was on the ground soon had three streams of water going. The pressure was very good and it was not many minutes before the fire was under control. Fortunately there was no wind when the fire occurred otherwise the general impression is that a number of other buildings in the vicinity would have been burned.

SPECIAL SESSION ENDED TUESDAY

A Few Important Bills And Many Of Local Nature Rushed Through Special Session

One hour after midnight Tuesday the Special session of the General Assembly adjourned. Many of the members had left for their homes Saturday and were not present when adjournment took place.

The special objects for which the legislature was called together by Governor Morris was to correct an error in the Municipal Finance Act and to provide for a \$700,000 deficit in the school fund.

State-wide measures ratified before adjournment included the following:

A revised Municipal Finance Act; a resolution authorizing the bonding of a \$700,000 deficit in the State School Fund; an act to validate taxes levied by counties for the support of six months school term, and to fix rate for 1921; an act modifying taxes on banks, and to give Corporation Commissions more control over State banks; an act to repeal cotton warehouse tax; an act requiring all local and State bond issues to be registered in the office of the State Auditor; An act providing machinery for the collection of automobile license taxes.

Among the things the General Assembly refused to do, are included the following:

To pass the Long ejection bill; to repeal State-wide primary law; to abolish or modify capital punishment; to repeal the penalty for non-payment of taxes; to enlarge appropriations to State educational and custodial institutions; to require Revenue Commissioner to give publicity to any proposed reduction of property reduction assessments.

Approximately half the five hundred bills that were offered in the General Assembly had to do with the validating of local bond issues, the authorization of new bond issues or the authorization of bonds to take care of the floating indebtedness in the various counties and cities. Next to these in number were sundry provisions for the better protection of game.

A bill was passed by Senator Luther Hamilton and Representative D. M. Jones to exempt Hog Island and Cedar Island from the stock law; one to repeal the public wharf act of Straits township; to validate county bonds and one to extend charter of the Knights of Harmony to 60 years instead of 50 years as it was before.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds have been filed recently with the Register of Deeds as follows: R. B. Suggs and others to F. H. Eberstein, 3800 acres in Harlowe township, consideration \$25. S. E. Tilton and wife to F. C. Harding and C. C. Pierce 1-10 undivided interest in 3500 acres in Harlowe township, consideration \$5. J. E. Jones and wife to Lizzie M. Jones part lot 68, Oldtown, Beaufort, consideration \$5.

A. A. Garner and wife to Lonnie Smith, 34.90-100 acres in Newport township, consideration \$40000. Sarah C. Stewart and others to Interstate Co. 45 acres in Newport township consideration \$500.

R. W. Willis and wife to R. C. Morris 10 acres in Newport township, consideration \$1000.

L. B. Smith and wife to L. F. Smith lot no. 9 in block 33, Morehead C. E. Lawrence to Theodore Willis City consideration \$25.

5 acres in Straits township, consideration \$100.

Thos. D. Hewitt Ex. to F. C. Jones 195195 acres in White oak township, consideration \$1525.

Elijah Reed to Sidney A. Reed 22 acres in Harrison township, consideration \$2000.

Daisy D. Willis and husband to Geo. W. Adams lots 1-2-3-4 in blocks 162 and 164, Morehead City, consideration \$50.

It is interesting to note that when the fire occurred otherwise the general impression is that a number of other buildings in the vicinity would have been burned.

BIG REDUCTION IN EXPENDITURES

Pledges of Business Methods and Economy in Public Affairs Are Redeemed

WASHINGTON, Dec., 19—Acting under the provisions of the budget act which was put on the statute books by the recent special session of Congress, President Harding has submitted to the Congress a budget for the fiscal year beginning July first next and ending June 30th, 1922. The requests for appropriations to run the government during the current fiscal year show a reduction of \$2,032,285,962, as compared with the total actual expenditures of the government for the year 1921.

In this connection it should be emphasized that the expenditures for 1921 are \$1,250,000,000 less than the Democratic administration, in December, 1919, estimated it could run the government for during the current fiscal year. That, in December, 1919, the executive departments of the then Democratic administration sent estimates to the Congress of what would be required to run the government for the next two fiscal years, under the last one of which we are now operating. The present Republican administration, due to the cooperation of the executive and legislative branches, has made a savings of \$1,250,000,000 as compared with what the Democrats estimated would be needed.

The Republican administration, now that it has got its stride, announces that for the next fiscal year it will cut \$2,000,000,000 more from the federal expenditures, thus bringing the cost of running the federal government in times of peace \$3,000,000,000 lower than the Democratic administration thought would be necessary.

Some of the notable reductions in the estimates submitted in the budget sent to the Congress by the President are: \$308,000,000 in the Treasury department, a reduction of 64 per cent; \$731,000,000 in the War department, a reduction of 85 per cent; \$219,900,000 in the Navy department, a reduction of 34 per cent; \$11,000,000 in the Department of Commerce, a reduction of one third; \$80,000,000 for the Shipping board, a reduction of 62 per cent; \$66,000,000 for various independent bureaus, commissions, etc., a reduction of 79 per cent.

The immense savings which will be made during the next current fiscal year as compared with the present year are possible, not only because of a determination upon the part of both the executive agencies and the Republican administration and the Republican Congress to cut expenses, but also the budget law makes it easy for the executive departments and the Congress to carry out their desire to economize. Economy was impossible under the old system.

DELINQUENT SUBSCRIBERS.

The News has a few subscribers who are in arrears with their subscriptions and they are urged to renew now while the contest is going on. After the contest is over all who are in arrears will be dropped from the lists. Send in your subscriptions now and help somebody win a prize and at the same time keep your paper coming.

COTTON GINNED

The Government ginner report show 880 bales of cotton ginned in Carteret County from the Crop of 1921, prior to Dec. 1st, 1921 as compared with 1076 bales ginned prior to December 1st, 1920.

Special agent, W. J. McCabe Wildwood, N. C.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Licenses to marry have been issued this week by Register of Deeds Troy Morris to the following couples: Marcus McNorris and Ruth B. Moore of Pellisley; R. E. Whitley and Violet Fodrie, Beaufort; R. F. D. Claude Small Newport and Ethel Smith, Ocean; Drew E. Dixon, New Bern; E. B. and Sadie B. Willis, Gloucester.

TOBACCO PRICES AVERAGE HIGHER

In November Prices Were Better Than A Year Ago Crop Is Shorter.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec., 1921—The tobacco crop of North Carolina is largely responsible for the probability of North Carolina ranking third among the United States in total value of crops. Of course the cotton will help considerably. The 1921 tobacco crop has averaged 28 cents to date which is considerably higher than last year. The production was more than was expected.

Comments received with the November sales reports from the tobacco warehouses, indicates that about 65 per cent of the 1921 crop has been marketed. The season's producers sales to date have amounted to 180,921,628 pounds, (including missing reports), while the latest government estimate for the total crop is 295,000,000 pounds.

The recently revised reports from the Department of Agriculture show the 1919 crop as 322,404,654 pounds from 528,460 acres. These were actual sales during that year when the census was made and which showed a production of 280,163,432 pounds, from 459,011 acres. The actual sales were 15 per cent more than the census showed.

The high prices paid for tobacco during the 1919 season which averaged 51 cents, occasioned an over production in 1920 when farmers sales amounted to 431,498,000 pounds from 625,394 acres. Prices for 1920 averaged \$21.28, or less than half of the 1919 average, and less than the actual cost of production.

During November there were 74,409,917 pounds of farmers' tobacco sold (including estimates for missing reports). The price averaged \$27.02 as compared with \$24.71 for November last year. This amount is one fourth of the total crop produced, and the seasons sales of 180,921,628 pounds leaves 114,000,000 pounds to be marketed during the remainder of the season.

The markets bringing the highest prices in November were Fuquay Springs \$33.28, Aberdeen \$34.90, and Farmville \$34.54. The Wilson market has sold 25,330,318 pounds during the season and Winston Salem 14,710,518 pounds. These two being the largest markets in the state.

YACHT VENTURER LIBELLED

The yacht Venturer which was towed into the harbor of Morehead City Tuesday morning was libelled there yesterday for the sum of \$5,000. The libellant was the Captain of the tug Director of Baltimore. The tug's master claimed that the \$5,000 was due him for salvaging the vessel when he got her off a shoal at Cape Lookout and brought her into port.

The Venturer was driven ashore Saturday afternoon in a stiff southeaster that was blowing at the time and being unable to get off was rescued by the tug. Attorney E. B. Gorham of Morehead City appeared for the libellant and attorney C. R. Wheatly for the respondent. A bond of \$5,000 was required which the News understands will be given today.

The Venturer is owned by F. A. Armstrong of Miami, and her captain Jas. E. Kellum stated they were out of New York and bound for Miami. A report which the News does not vouch for, was in circulation here yesterday that the Venturer had a considerable quantity of liquor on her and that it was thrown overboard before coming into the harbor. There was a disposition shown here by some of the local citizens to institute a search for the "wet" goods if such there be, but so far no results have been reported.

TWO DEER KILLED

Two fine bucks were killed yesterday and brought into town by W. E. Blades of New Bern and Jack Lynch of Smyrna. The deer were killed in the Oyster Creek neighborhood where they are supposed to be fairly plentiful.

A nice Christmas present for a friend would be a year's subscription to the Beaufort News.

BASKET BALL GAME

A game of basket ball here Tuesday between teams representing the public schools of Beaufort and Morehead City resulted in a victory for the Morehead City team by a score of 9 to 6. The game was fast and at times quite exciting. The Beaufort team has been practicing only a few weeks and considering this made a very good showing.

Miss Gladys Chadwick now teaching in Kinston has arrived home for holidays.