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TO CONCENTRATE BONDED LIQUORS

Move will Reduce Expenses and Make Prohibition Enforcement Easier

WASHINGTON.—The Federal Prohibition bureau is making a survey of all liquor held in bond for the purpose of concentrating it in a few warehouses. There are now 804 warehouses in the United States in which liquor may be stored. These are divided into three classes,—distillery warehouses, general bonded warehouses and special bonded warehouses. Distillery warehouses, as the name would indicate, contain only the liquor produced by the distiller. The general bonded warehouses contain various sorts of spirits and were used in order to facilitate a better distribution of liquor. The special bonded warehouses at present contain only brandy.

Owing to the stoppage of the manufacture of all sorts of spirituous liquor and the constant drain upon the amount that was in storage there are a great number of warehouses which contain a very small amount of spirits. Data at the Commissioner of Internal Revenue's office shows that there are 124 general bonded warehouses that contain less than 100,000 gallons of spirits each. If all such warehouses were discontinued and the liquor now stored there were concentrated in a few bonded warehouses, the government would save at least \$500,000 a year by the reduction of warehouse guards, store keepers, gaugers and other overhead.

The law under which this concentration of liquor may be ordered is a part of the appropriation act approved February 17th. Although the act makes appropriations for the Treasury department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1922, one of the provisions of the act, effective as of the date of its approval, authorizes the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to remove from any internal revenue bonded warehouse to any other such warehouse any distilled spirits. It also provides that such spirits may be bottled either before or after the transfer from one warehouse to another. This provision does not affect the existing laws relating to the bottling of distilled spirits. The bottling-in-bond act provides that spirits must be at least four years old before they can be bottled.

After the selection of the centralized warehouses and after proper bonds have been given for safety and care of the spirits to be moved and stored, the transfer of liquor to the designed central warehouses will begin. The expense of such transfer will be borne by the distillers and owners of the liquor. In order to safeguard the parties concerned prior to the transfer of any liquor a receipt will be made to determine the contents of barrels its proof and quality.

The three states of Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Maryland contain the major portion of the 38,000,000 gallons of whiskey now stored in warehouses. It is now being withdrawn at an annual rate of less than 2,000,000 gallons.

The new provision will not necessitate any additional warehouses. The government bonded warehouses in Kentucky alone have a capacity in excess of all spirits now stored in bonded warehouses in the United States and the capacities of warehouses in Pennsylvania are also sufficient to handle the liquor now in bond.

While the primary object of the legislation is to economize in government expenditures, the system of concentration of all liquor in a few government warehouses after it has been regauged and inventoried will assist the Prohibition bureau in stopping any illicit removals of liquor by the means of permits which will facilitate the tracing of illicit liquor.

It is with pleasure that the members of the First Baptist Church will be glad to assist the Prohibition bureau in its efforts to reduce the consumption of liquor by the means of permits which will facilitate the tracing of illicit liquor.

CHAUTAUQUA COMES IN JUNE THIS YEAR

The Swarthmore Chautauqua which entertained the people of Beaufort and vicinity successfully last year will be here again, this time on or about the 8th of June. Last year the Chautauqua was here in May but by request of many citizens it was deferred this year to June.

The Chautauqua this time will last seven days instead of five as it was last season. The price of the tickets will be the same as last year however, \$2.50 for a season ticket. By getting a seven day contract Beaufort moves up to the Wilmington, New Bern, Raleigh circuit. This will give those who patronize the Chautauqua an opportunity of enjoying the most and best attractions which it can offer.

In order to get the Chautauqua it was necessary as before to guarantee a fixed amount and a number of citizens have agreed to become responsible for any deficit that may occur. The list of the guarantors is as follows:

- W. R. White, C. R. Manson, Julian Hamilton, Claude Martin, F. L. King, Bayard Taylor, Jno. Chadwick, E. M. Willis, J. W. Mason, E. W. Hill, C. L. Swindell, H. C. Jones, C. A. Clawson, Jno. G. Jones, C. P. Tyler, Jos. House, J. F. Owens, W. R. Longest, E. F. Barbour, Geo. J. Brooks, I. N. Moore, Leon Rice, H. L. Potter, W. H. Taylor, D. M. Jones, Mrs. N. W. Taylor, C. P. Dey, R. L. Davis, C. V. Felton, W. A. Mace, C. W. Norcom, A. J. Cooke, W. L. Stancil, G. W. Lay, W. G. Meffine, G. W. Duncan, Troy Morris, F. R. Seelye, C. S. Maxwell, J. O. Barbour, H. A. Day, M. Leslie Davis, A. F. Doane, N. F. Eure, J. A. Brickhouse.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following realty transactions have been recorded at the office of the Register of Deeds:

- Hannah and Martha Taylor to Lewis H. Taylor 4 acres in Hunting Quarter township, consideration \$10.
- Julius F. Duncan trustee to Homer S. and Henry O. Piner 50 acres in Smyrna township, consideration \$300.
- Jno. G. Piner and wife to Elijah B. Whitehurst 7-1-4 acres in Smyrna township, consideration \$900.
- E. B. Whitehurst to W. I. Willis 7-1-4 acres in Smyrna township, consideration \$1000.
- William A. Harris to Kelly Gillikin 1 acre in Smyrna township, consideration \$500.
- Joel Joyner and wife to Paul and Viola Fenderson lot on Marsh street, Beaufort, consideration \$90.
- D. A. Smith and wife to Isaac Noe lot on Fulford street, Beaufort, consideration \$300.
- W. B. Duncan Ex. and others to A. J. Cooke, house and lot on Front street, Beaufort, consideration \$4500.
- Chas. L. Duncan to A. J. Cooke house and lot on Front street, Beaufort, consideration \$3000.
- Geo. T. Duffy and wife to W. R. Guion 2 lots in Morehead township, near Mansfield, consideration \$400.
- Amos J. Phillips to Oscar Kissam lots 6 and 7 in block 50, Morehead City, consideration \$395.
- E. D. Arthur and wife to Thos. Willis lot 12 in block 23, consideration \$95.
- D. B. Gaskill and wife to Mamie S. Webb lots 9 and 10 in block 12, consideration \$500.
- Farmers' Bank to D. L. Stroin 141 acres in Morehead township, consideration \$50.
- Julia Ann Arthur to Martha Ann Willis lot in block 65, Morehead City consideration \$50.
- Cape Lookout Development Co. to R. L. Grantham lots 1-2-3-4-5 in block 156 consideration \$500.
- Zebb Tripp and wife to W. W. Buck and wife 50 acres in White Oak township, consideration \$375.

The order which is expected to assemble at its lodge rooms and march in body to the Church.

A special sermon, and special music is being prepared for the occasion. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

Harry A. Day, Pastor.

Supt. Mitchell Hamilton of Elizabeth City passed through town Wednesday returning home after spending several days vacation at the Leeward. Pass will be reserved for

INTEREST GROWS IN COMMENCEMENT

Big Crowd Expected To Attend Gathering Of Schools Here On The 31st.

Much interest is now being manifested by the teachers and pupils in the county commencement exercises which are to take place in Beaufort on March the 31st. The indications are that there will be a large crowd of people here on that day. Besides the population of Beaufort there will probably be several thousand people from all parts of the county.

In order to make the occasion attractive to the pupils and teachers a number of citizens and business firms of Beaufort are offering prizes for various things. This will add much to the interest of the occasion.

List of Prizes to be Offered.

- Prizes open for rural schools only
- Best Appearance in Parade—\$15 Library or set of maps. Prize given by the Beaufort Banking and Trust Co.
- Greatest Per Cent of Enrollment in Parade—\$15 Library or set maps. Prize goes to school. Given by the Bank of Beaufort.
- Best Chorus Of Twenty Five Voices From the Rural High School—Atlantic, Straits Newport—\$15 Library or set of maps. Given by Gaskill Mace Co.
- Best Speller To Come From the First Three Grades—Each rural school to send one contestant. \$5 gold piece goes to the pupil. Given by G. W. Huntley.
- Best Speller To Come From Grammar Grades—Each rural school entitled to one contestant. \$5 gold piece goes to pupil. Given by Adair and Dill.
- Best Recitation—Contestant either a boy or girl to come from the first three grades. Each rural school to have one representative. Time limit 3 minutes. \$5 gold piece goes to pupil. Given by C. A. Clawson.
- Best Recitation—Boy or girl from grammar grades of rural schools. One allowed to each school. Time limit 4 minutes. Gold medal goes to pupil. Given by B. N. Bell.
- Best Recitation—Limited to one girl from high school. May come from any school doing more than 7 grades of work. One girl to the school. 5 mi. limit. \$5 gold piece goes to pupil. Given by J. H. Potter, Jr.
- Best Declamation—Limited to one boy from each rural high school. Must come from high school grades. 5 minutes limit. \$5 gold piece goes to pupil. Given by Beaufort Drug Co.
- Potato Race—Open to one representative to come from the first three grades of any rural school. \$2.50 prize given by Martin and King.
- Suit Case Race—Open to girls of rural schools above third grade, one to each school. Requires suit case, rain coat, umbrella and cap. \$2.50 prize. Given by Beaufort Coal and Ice Co.

Prizes open to City Schools.

- Best Speller—To come from the primary grades. 10 contestants. \$5 Prize. Given by Bayard Taylor.
- Best Speller—To come from the grammar grades. 10 contestants from each school: \$5 Prize. Given by Miss Annie Morton.
- Best Speller—High school. 10 contestants \$5. Prize. Given by Beaufort Cafe.
- Best Recitation—Primary grades One contestant from each school. Time limit 5 minutes. Boy or girl. \$5 Prize. Given by N. W. Taylor.
- Best Recitation—Grammar grades One contestant. Time limit 8 minutes. Boy or girl. \$5 Prize. Given by Sam Yoffe.
- Best Recitation—High school girls One contestant. Time limit 10 minutes. \$5 Prize. Given by I. N. Moore.
- Best Declamation—High school boys. One contestant from each school. Time limit 10 minutes \$5 Prize.
- Best Chorus—Limited to 25 voices to come from any grades. Prize goes to the school. \$15 Library. Given by Carteret Lumber Co.

General information—Best informed pupil. Common knowledge every one should know. 10 pupils from the school. Open to all grades. \$5 Prize. Given by C. W. E. Pittman.

Prizes open to County, Rural, or

SUPERIOR COURT IN SESSION NOW

Criminal Docket Finished Wednesday Civil Action Action Now on Trial

Nearly three days were required this week to dispose of the criminal docket in Superior Court. There was quite a number of cases and as some of them were contested strongly it took some time to clean up the docket. Probably the hardest fight was over the case in which Earl Dickinson was charged with assault upon Miss Estelle Yoffe. The charge was a technical one only as there was no actual assault. The alleged offense having been that Mr. Dickinson invited the young lady who was a stranger to him to take a ride in his automobile. The jury brought in a verdict of acquittal.

Court convened promptly at ten o'clock Monday with his Honor Judge E. H. Cramer presiding and Solicitor Davis looking after the State's interests. Students and teachers from the High School came to hear Judge Cramer's charge to the grand jury which was an able and impressive one dealing with the fundamentals of the law, the essentials of good citizenship and the duties of jurors. J. T. Ewell was made foreman of the grand jury and Lester Newkirk officer in charge.

The criminal cases disposed of were as follows:

- Lee Fulcher, assault, jury, convicted and sentenced to six months on roads, appealed and gave bond of \$2000.
- f.f.ngyedr mfwy cmfvy cmfcfwbv Bonner Willis, assault, plead guilty, sentence \$25 and costs.
- D. B. Lilly, assault, plead guilty, judgement suspended on payment of costs.

- Luther Lloyd, house breaking and larceny, tried, not guilty. Thos. Noe same as above.
- Jhon B. Willis, assault, no contest, pay costs and give bond for \$300 to show good behavior.
- Isaac Dudley, violating prohibition law, noll prossed, appear at June, October and March terms and show good behavior.
- Ida Chadwick, assault with deadly weapon, judgement suspended on payment of costs.

- C. W. Whaley, stealing a dog, judgement nisi, sci fa and continued.
- T. B. Garner and Luther Garner, trespass continued.
- Eddy Gillikin, larceny, pay costs, appear at June term and show good behavior.
- Jas. Hickman, assault with deadly weapon, plead guilty, prayer for judgement continued to June term.
- Dave Bell assault with deadly weapon, guilty, 2-1-2 years in penitentiary.
- Julius Dunn, larceny, judgement suspended, payment costs and show good behavior.
- John Hester, larceny, judgement suspended, pay costs.
- V. A. Bedworth, assault, guilty pay plaintiff \$30 and costs.
- Jas. Midgett, assault, plead guilty pay costs.
- La Fayette Jones, violating prohibition law, judgement suspended on payment of costs.
- The civil action of Thomas against the Bank of Beaufort is now on trial.

ENJOYABLE PARTY GIVEN.

Mr and Mrs. C. W. E. Pittman gave a unique and enjoyable party Tuesday evening to the public school teachers and pupils of the high school and complimentary to Miss Rebecca Bonner Mrs. Pittman's sister who is visiting her. The affair was called "The Mad Hatters" Party. The rooms were appropriately decorated for the occasion and great variety of hats were furnished for the guests. Games were played and refreshments were served. Altogether the evening was a very enjoyable one.

Town Schools.

- Broad Jump—Open to all grades of all schools. \$2.50 Prize. Given by Beaufort Chamber of Commerce.
- High Jump—Open to all grades of all schools. \$2.50 Prize. Given by Miss Annie May Gibbs.
- 100 Yard Dash—Open to all grad's all schools. \$2.50 Prize. Given by Mayor C. H. Walsh.

PUBLIC LIBRARY MAKES A START.

More fruit from the everbearing tree of the "Community Club" is now ready for the citizens of Beaufort, in the shape of a Public Library. As a result of the appointing of a Library Committee, with its various sub-committees, by the Community Club some time ago, the following announcement will be welcomed by our citizens:

A Library of 120 volumes is now ready for use, located in the office of Mr. Thos. Martin, Librarian, over Martin and Kings Store, Front Street. Library Hours: 11:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. and 3:00 to 4:00 P. M. on Tuesday and Friday of each week. A straight membership fee of \$1.00 per year will be charged. The use of a traveling library will soon be secured, no charge being made for its use.

For a list of books, membership card, or other details, call at the Library during the hours and Mr. Martin will give proper information.

Any one wishing to donate books, cash or library equipment will be welcomed by the sub-committees mentioned below in charge of the various departments.

A list of the Community Club Library together with the sub-committees is given below.

Community Club Library Committees: Mrs. Jno. Forlaw, Chmn., Mesdames; J. V. Caffrey, H. A. Day, A. F. Doane, Chas. Hartsell, J. A. Hornaday, H. C. Jones, H. L. Potter, Sallie Shelton, U. E. Swann, W. R. White, M. L. Wright, and Misses Lottie Sanders, and Laura Thomas.

Sub-Committee on Rules and Management: Mr. Thos. Martin, Librarian, and Dr. Geo. W. Lay.

Sub-Committee on Publicity: Rev. H. A. Day, Chmn., Mesdames J. V. Caffrey and J. A. Hornaday, and Mr. M. Leslie Davis.

Sub-Committee on Ways and Means: Mr. G. W. Huntley, Chmn., Messrs. F. R. Seelye and J. A. Hornaday.

Sub-Committee on Books: Mrs. John Forlaw, Chmn., Mesdames H. L. Potter, Chas. Hartsell, W. R. White; Misses Lottie Sanders and Laura Thomas.

Harry A. Day, Chmn. Publicity Committee.

THE MEETING TOMORROW.

The meeting at the courthouse tomorrow at which a number of specialists on agricultural subjects will speak is expected to draw quite a large crowd of town people and farmers. The object of the meeting is to make the farming business more profitable to those engaged in it and incidentally to help the business of the towns. A similar meeting, at which Governor Morrison and others spoke, was held in New Bern Monday and other meetings are being held this week in Onslow, Jones and Pamlico counties. The meeting here scheduled to take place at ten o'clock at the courthouse and tomorrow night other meetings will be held in the country at the school houses; the points visited being Harlowes, Wire Grass, Straits, Smyrna, and North River. The business men of Beaufort are especially invited to attend the meeting tomorrow morning and show by their presence their interest in better farming in Carteret county.

IMPORTANT SUIT STARTED.

The civil action which started in Superior Court yesterday afternoon entailed Thomas and others against the Bank of Beaufort promises to be a closely contested one. An extensive and able array of counsel is engaged in the case and each side is vigorously upheld by its attorneys. A start was made yesterday towards getting a jury and much maneuvering took place then and this morning some \$15,000 or more is involved in the suit for the purpose of stopping the bank from foreclosing a mortgage on lands of the plaintiff. The lawyers for the plaintiffs are A. D. and W. W. Ward of New Bern, J. D. Parker of Smithfield and Luther Hamilton of Morehead City. The defendants are represented by former Judge O. H. Guion, L. L. Moore and Wm. Dunn of New Bern and J. F. Duncan of Beaufort.

Mr W. C. Moon of Sea Level was a business visitor here Wednesday.

HARD TO FIND CORN MARKETS

Nearly Half of Corn Crop Is Still On The Farms.—Wheat Consumed At Home

RALEIGH, N. C., Mar. 13.—Although the price of corn in North Carolina is reported, on an average, higher than any other state, according to the report just released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, there are many farmers who experience difficulties in finding a market close by for their corn. There is 40 per cent of the 1921 corn crop still on the farms in this state, amounting to 23,642,000 bushels, including corn held for seed. Of the 49,254,000 bushels last year, 95 per cent, or about 41,865,900 bushels were reported as of a merchantable quality. Drought and reduction in the use of fertilizer were factors in reducing the yield.

WHEAT

North Carolina wheat is largely consumed at home as is evidenced by the small amount (2 per cent) which is shipped as grain out of the producing counties. This is by far the lowest percentage shown by any state. Last year, we produced 4,500,000 bushels of wheat, and of this quantity, 22 per cent or 990,000 bushels were still on the farms March 1, 1922 as compared to 38 per cent in 1921, 20 per cent in 1920, and a 10 year average of 25 per cent. As with corn, the average price of wheat (\$1.52) is reported as higher in North Carolina than any other state in the union.

OATS

Of the 3,060,000 bushel crop of oats produced in this state in 1921, about 17 per cent, or 520,200 bushels remained on farms March 1st of this year, against 18 per cent of the 1920 crop on hand March 1, 1921. Only 1 per cent will be shipped out of the producing counties, which is about the same as for the 1920 crop.

LAND VALUES

The reported value of the different types of farm lands in North Carolina shows a marked decline since last year, when every thing was adjusting itself under the new valuation system. On March 1st 1921, the average value per acre of poor plow lands was about \$36.00. This year the same is valued at about \$33.00, and good plow lands, which in 1921 averaged \$76.09 per acre, this year are valued at about \$67.00. The average value of all plow lands in the state this year is \$49.00 per acre. In 1921, \$59.00 per acre, for all farm lands including lands with improvements etc., was considered a reasonable price by farmers. This year, the same land, with improvements, is valued at \$56.00 per acre, while the value of all farm land without improvements is about \$41.00 per acre.

WIRELESS TELEPHONE INSTALLED.

The first radio telephone to be installed in Carteret county was put in a few days ago by Dr. S. Maxwell in his home in Beaufort. On Monday night the apparatus was given a trial and made a satisfactory demonstration of its powers. A concert, a sermon by a Pittsburg preacher and a woman making a political speech were all heard and enjoyed by Dr. Maxwell's family and several of their neighbors. A machine has also been installed by the Old Topail Club but has not gotten in satisfactory working order.

MISS KATE ROBERTS DEAD.

Miss Kate Roberts aunt of Mrs. Chas. Sharkey died at the home of the latter on Queen street at seven o'clock Tuesday evening. Miss Roberts had been blind for 33 years. She was 79 years old and a devout member of the Methodist church. Besides Mrs. Sharkey, Miss Roberts has another niece Mrs. J. E. G. Davis who lives in New Bern. The funeral services were conducted at the home yesterday afternoon by Reverend E. B. Graves and Dr. G. W. Lay. The interment was in the Episcopal cemetery.

Mrs. Frances Felton of Morehead City was a visitor here Tuesday.