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Governor Orders Two Investigations Made

Labor and Printing Department and Fisheries Products Company Under Investigation—Governor Says Situation At Tuberculosis Sanatorium Not So Bad as Reported, Cole Trial Soon

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

Raleigh, August 31.—The return of Governor McLean to the State Sunday, August 23 was followed immediately by his plunge into official business. The situation at Sanatorium, the special term of court to try W. B. Cole, the investigation of the Department of Labor and Printing and the investigation of the Fisheries Product Company were among the matters to receive his early attention. Except for brief items of interest there was little news in the capital city during the week. A number of State officials are in vacation and the summer period is being passed with as little effort as possible.

The Governor issued an official statement Sunday morning declaring he had investigated conditions at State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis and found conditions better than heretofore, no reason for alarm, and that the turning out of patients was NOT a new policy. He criticized the Associated Press for sending out a story portraying conditions at the Sanatorium which focussed public attention on the institution. He backed up his statement with letters from the officers of the institution regretting the impression which had gotten out. It was stated that if an emergency arose it would be cared for at any and all state institutions. The Associated Press replying to the Governor's criticism merely contended itself with reciting that its story had been issued with an official statement from Sanatorium as its basis, that fifteen days had elapsed and no denial of the story had been made until the Governor investigated the situation and pointed out that the essential facts that patients were to be turned out was not denied nor was it denied that shortage of room was the reason. The press organization added its regret that the story had been construed to mean maintenance funds were low and stated its basis for this was the statement of the superintendent of sanatorium that no funds had been provided to care for maintenance of prisoners for 1925-1927 while \$37,500 a year had been provided during the previous biennium for each year.

As the situation stands, it is apparent that patients will be required to leave within eighteen months after they were taken into the institution or as soon as possible thereafter. The Governor's investigation has not changed the status of this order of the Board though it explained its reasons for issuing the order. The earlier press reports on Sanatorium cited this as its major fact. Patients will be turned out of Sanatorium because of lack of room.

Cole's Trial This Month

W. B. Cole of Rockingham, who is charged with killing W. W. Ormond will face trial at a special term of court on September 28. The Governor called this term at request of the Solicitor. Cole, who is a wealthy manufacturer, shot down Ormond on the street of Rockingham after some disagreement because of the young man's suit for the hand of Cole's daughter.

Governor McLean ordered a chemist's investigation into the death of J. B. Solomon of Richmond county, who is believed to have died of poison. The effort will be to find out if the man was poisoned or died from food poisoning. His widow married two weeks after his death after aiding the man she married to escape trouble with the insurance money of her first husband.

Kings Business College will re-open its new term this week with 200 to 250 expected. It will be the largest enrollment.

The new Braille book for the blind will cost \$3,000. The equipment will be standard.

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LOCATING BRIDGE CONFERENCE HELD

Officials Reach Agreement As To Location of Structure. Let Contract Soon

According to information which the News regards as reliable a contract for building the bridges and causeway between Beaufort and Morehead City will be let soon, probably early in October. The plan is for the county to let the contract for the dirt fill and the State Highway Commission is to let the other contracts. There have been some hitches in the way that delayed the letting of the contracts, but it appears that these have been about removed.

The original plan of the causeway and bridge was to run it parallel with the railroad track and 30 feet from it. The railroad company objected to this because the highway would be on their right of way. To meet that objection the highway will be moved farther south, about 50 to 60 feet from the railway track. After passing the Atlantic hotel the highway will make a slight curve; as first planned it would have been perfectly straight. A conference was held Tuesday by highway and railroad men at Morehead City and the agreement was reached as to the new route. Those present were Highway Commissioner C. R. Wheatly, Assistant attorney-general Charles Ross, Highway engineers, Crews and Winslow, District engineer Snowden, Norfolk and Southern engineer, Blake, Chairman of county commissioners J. E. Woodland.

The results of the conference have been reported to Chief Engineer Upham and if he approves of the plans they will be adopted. Some changes as to draw bridges required by the U. S. War Department will be complied with and then nothing remains to be done except to advertise for bids on the structure.

POLICE COURT MONDAY WAS WELL ATTENDED

In the absence of Mayor Thomas, Mayor pro tem L. J. Noe presided over police court Monday afternoon. A pretty large crowd of defendants and spectators was on hand. A case charging disorderly conduct against some youths from the eastern part of town was heard first. Several witnesses were examined to prove the charges but none could give the names of any one responsible for the disturbance which was supposed to have taken place at Ann and Live Oak streets near the store of D. H. Lewis and the barber shop of David Whitehurst. The defendants who were Jones Allen Lewis, Mark Mason, Sterling Howland, Garland Willis, Steve Mason, Warren Willis were discharged for lack of evidence. Matthew Bailey and his sister-in-law Ida Chadwick were in court on the charge of fighting. The defendants themselves acknowledged having had a difficulty and witnesses Frank Henry and Jim Chadwick testified that they heard the quarrel and blows struck. It seems that the woman hit the man over the head with a palling, or as she said a stick, a considerable blow and he hit her with his fist and kicked at her. The court decided they were both guilty and fined them \$10 and costs. Several parties were charged with allowing dogs to run at large and got off with a suspended judgment and costs. They were C. P. Tyler, C. V. Hill, Hardy Bailey and Martha Williams. One or two cases were continued.

YACHTS GOING SOUTH.

It is a bit early for the yachts to start South, but due to the Florida boom or something, they have commenced. Two large ones and one small boat have been in the harbor in the past few days bound for Miami. They had been in northern waters all summer and are now going south to spend the winter. The Jennie Fay and the Norma II, which were the names of the large boats, are both owned by Miami men.

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STATE NEWS

Items of General Interest throughout North Carolina

Publication of the names of income taxpayers in North Carolina this week revealed the fact that twelve corporations paid nearly half of the total income tax collected. The R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., who paid about three and a half millions is the largest. W. N. Reynolds is the largest individual taxpayer. His tax was \$243,185.

W. M. Sasseen, 18 years of age, paralyzed from the hips down is operating a filling station in Charlotte to earn a living. About a year ago he fell from a scaffold in Morehead City while at work and was badly hurt. He has been operated on several times and expects to undergo another operation.

On Sunday evening a Southern Railway train struck an auto and killed five people at a crossing in Reidsville, N. C. Those killed were J. H. Carter, Mrs. Eugene Irvin, Mrs. Manton Oliver, Mrs. Lillian Oliver, Mrs. Nina J. Cone. Mrs. Irvin was driving the car and probably did not see the train approaching.

Governor McLean and State Treasurer Lacy left Raleigh yesterday for New York to arrange to borrow a large sum of money. The funds are to be used for building roads and will be paid off when some road bonds are sold later on.

Mrs. Isaac W. Ashburn of Winston Salem died Sunday from injuries sustained in auto accident that morning. The car in which she was riding collided with a bus loaded with colored people. The driver of the bus ran away when the accident occurred.

Chairman Frank Page of the State Highway Commission left yesterday for New York where he sails soon for South America. Mr. Page will visit the various countries down there and attend a big conference of road builders. He will be gone about two months.

Attorneys for the prosecution in the case against W. B. Cole wealthy cotton mill man, held a conference in Rockingham Tuesday. Besides Solicitor Phillips six other lawyers will aid in the prosecution. Cole killed W. W. Ormond, a young man who paid some attention to his daughter. The exact cause of the killing has not been made public. Cole's lawyers say he was justified. The other side say they will try to convict him on first degree murder.

The severe drought in the middle and western parts of the State continues. The precipitation at Charlotte for the first eight months of the year is more than 15 inches below the average. The city of Asheville is suffering great inconvenience by reason of the shortage of water; laundries, hotels, bottling plants and others are having great trouble in getting the water they need.

It is a crime to kiss a girl publicly in the city of Raleigh, according to Police Judge W. C. Harris. At any rate he fined Graham Humphries of Durham \$10 for that offense. A policeman witnessed the kissing which took place in an auto and told the judge about it.

According to recent figures the total resources of North Carolina state banks are \$287,476,807.06. The resources of the national banks in the State are \$192,419,000. This is a big increase over what it was a few years ago.

CATCHING FISH NOW AT THISTLEROY WRECK

Fish seem to be biting good now down about the Thistleroy wreck. Almost every day one or more parties of sportsmen go there and reports are that they have very good luck. One of the best catches brought to Beaufort lately by sportsmen was that made Monday by Messrs A. H. Graf of Salisbury, H. J. Bandy of Chicago, W. K. Hinnant and A. J. Cooke of Beaufort. They went out

NEW DAIRY WILL BE STARTED SOON

Mrs. Hoffman Is Equipping Modern Dairy Plant. Will Have Holstein Cattle

A few years ago there was not a modern dairy in Carteret county. One was established a year or so ago by Messrs S. P. Hancock and G. W. Huntley of Beaufort and now another one will soon be in operation in the western part of the county. The new dairy will be located near Mansfield and will be the property of Mrs. Alice Hoffman. Mrs. Hoffman who owns a large tract of land on Bogue Island, recently acquired considerable holdings on the main land opposite her other property.

Work has been started on the dairy plant and it is expected to be ready for operation before many weeks. A cow barn 106 by 40 feet is going up and other buildings also will be erected. The equipment will be thoroughly modern in every respect. Thirty head of registered Holstein cattle have been secured for the dairy and an experienced man has been put in charge of the plant.

The Holly Grove dairy owned by Messrs Hancock and Huntley will soon be doubled in capacity. County agent Overstreet when in Mississippi recently purchased a fine lot of Jersey cows for this dairy. The dairy already has a herd of 34 cows and with the new ones bought will have one of the biggest dairy herds in the State. The increased demand for milk has necessitated the increase in the plant.

DEALS IN DIRT.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded by Register of Deeds Jno. W. Hamilton since last week:

- Thos. Dudley and wife to Lewis P. Lewis 50 acres Beaufort Township, consideration \$100.
- U. E. Swann and wife to Beaufort Banking & Trust Co., 26 acres Beaufort Township consideration \$10.
- M. L. Piner and wife to Maltie W. Piner lot 10, block 43 Morehead City, consideration \$300.
- B. H. Broddy and wife to W. L. Brogden lot 1, 2, 14, 15, 16, block 39 Morehead City consideration \$400.
- W. B. Blades et al to C. G. Gaskill lot 6, 7, block 28 Morehead City \$10 and other considerations.
- L. P. Freeman and wife to Pearl L. Brinson, lot 3 and 4 block 29, Morehead City, consideration \$400.
- Geo. W. Piner and wife to John M. Ashley lots 1 to 16 block 142, Morehead City, consideration \$100.
- K. P. B. Bonner and wife to W. R. Willis lot 4 block 54, Morehead City, consideration \$225.
- I. W. Davis to W. G. Davis 1-2 acre Straits Township, consideration \$10.
- D. R. Lewis and wife to W. J. Lewis 5 acres Straits Township, consideration \$75.
- S. L. Nelson to Graham Duncan tract Merrimon ownership, consideration, \$250.56.

AUDIENCE WELL PLEASED WITH ORPHANAGE CONCERT

The concert Tuesday night in the Public School auditorium by the I. O. O. F. orphanage band from Goldsboro proved to be an excellent entertainment. A good sized crowd was present and their hearty applause attested their enjoyment. The band of twelve pieces, with W. H. Barden as director, is well trained and played a number of marches, medleys and other selections with spirit and skill. The two comedians, Warren Merritt and William Mims, afforded the audience much amusement. The songs by Misses Hewett, McKinney, Keel and Jenkins were a very agreeable feature of the program.

with Captain Tom Grace Willis in the Inez ant came back with about 150 pound. Among the different sorts caught were some large trout, sheep's head and porgies. They did no trawling for mackerel but others have done so recently with very good success.

CONFERENCE FOR COUNTY TEACHERS

Meeting Next Week of Rural School Workers Preparatory To Fall Opening

Preparatory to the fall opening of the county rural schools a conference of the teacher's of the various schools is to be held on Thursday and Friday the 10th and 11th of this month. The conference will be held in the auditorium of the Beaufort Public School. Several persons from the State Department of Education, as well as others, are to address the teachers on this occasion. The tight months rural schools will open on Monday the 14th and the six months schools at a later date. The following is the program for the teachers' conference:

- Thursday 10:00 A. M. Morning Exercise—Dr. G. W. Lay. "Professional Spirit"—Dr. J. H. Highsmith. "Effect of Normal training on the young people of the community."—Miss Bertha Colertrain, Director Teacher Training, Atlantic High School. "Place of North Carolina Educational Association in Our School System."—Jule B. Warren. Music in the Grades—Victor Co. "What State Courses of Study Should Mean to Teachers"—Miss Margaret Gustin, Supervisor.

Noon Recess—12:30—1:45 High School Conference—J. H. Workman.

- Primary Teachers Conference—Miss Gustin. Standard Work In Grade—Miss Fulghum. Health Program—Dr. G. M. Cooper, State Board of Health. Music—Victor Co. What a Newspaper Can Mean to Your School—R. T. Wade, Editor, Coaster. Grading and Promotion Plans for 1925-26—Miss Hattie Parrott, State Department Education. Friday 10:00 A. M. Morning Exercise. Inspirational Talk—Mr. L. C. Brogden. Accomplishments of Last Year—Miss Ruth Townsend. Program for the Year—Miss Gustin.

- Handbook—J. H. Workman. Music—Victor Co. Group and County Commencement—Misses Gustin & Townsend. Meeting of Group Central Teachers and High School Principals. School Publicity An Aid to Progress—W. G. Mebane, Editor Beaufort News.

- Noon Recess—12:30—1:45 How Parent-Teacher Organizations Help The County—M. L. Wright. Reports from Local Clubs. Plan for Increasing School Attendance—Alvah Hamilton Supt. Public Welfare. Periodicals—Miss Meriel Groves. Giving Out Supplies.

SELLING TOBACCO NOW.

Mr. K. R. Hardesty of Newport, route 2, was in town Tuesday on his return from Greenville where he had been for the opening of the tobacco market. Mr. Hardesty carried a considerable quantity of tobacco which he sold for himself and several neighbors. He says tobacco averaged about 18 cents a pound and that as a rule the farmers seemed satisfied with the prices obtained. There was a tremendous quantity on the market, a million pounds or more.

KICKED BY MULE.

Mr. George Lewis, a young man who works on the farm of Mr. Tom Norris, was kicked by a mule yesterday and was pretty badly bruised on the side of his face. He was brought to town and carried to Dr. C. S. Maxwell's office. It was necessary to take a considerable number of stitches to close the wound, if no complications ensue it is thought that he will soon be well. A few days ago a fine mule belonging to Mr. Norris was taken sick and died.