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WAGE REPORT IS EXPECTED SOON

Not Likely That Any Injustice Will Be Done State Employees

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)
Raleigh, September 21—Speculation over the financial condition of State Prison, the awarding of the state printing contract, the centering of all efforts of the Executive Department on getting out the report of the Salary and Wage Commission, and several minor matters were of interest in the State Capital this past week. The Governor was away for the first three days of the week attending the meeting of the Appalachian Scenic Highway Convention at Murphy and addressing the T. O. River Fair at Spruce Pine. The Executive made a fine impression in the Western section of the State and was able to relax slightly from the strain of business he had been under steadily since his administration opened except for his three week's vacation to the Land of Lakes.

The Salary and Wage Commission report probably will be handed down before the first of October. Mr. McLean has given it a great deal of consideration and is determined not to injure any state employe or to do any injustice in salary trimmings. During the past week, at the order of the Governor, Pardon Commissioner Sink, who also is secretary of the Wage Commission, has given his entire time to the Wage report.

The long promised financial statement of State Prison may not be issued for another ten days. The auditors submitted their report early in August and at the request of the Budget Bureau worked up some additional information. Then Baxter Durham, state auditor, wanted it changed again so that the auditors again have the statement to rework. The auditors on Saturday issued a statement explaining that the Budget Bureau and the state auditor, by their demands for additional information were delaying the report.

The state printing contract was awarded Saturday afternoon when all of the competing printers consented to a compromise which divided the printing and gave it out at a figure slightly below the lowest bid made. Under the terms of the contract Edwards and Broughton will get fifty percent, a reduction of ten percent from last year; Bynum Printing Company, Capital Printing Company, Commercial Printing Co., and Mitchell Printing Co., of Raleigh and Observer Printing House, Charlotte, ten per cent each. The amount involved this year and next will be around \$225,000.

Governor McLean met the Scenic Highway Motorcade from Atlanta at the Georgia border last week and went with them along the route to Murphy. The Governor delivered two addresses on the importance of the highway and North Carolina's response and then went to Toe River Fair at Spruce Pine where he urged the citizens to develop their mineral products and thus do their share in the commercial development of North Carolina.

During the week Mr. McLean appointed C. A. Hines of Greensboro and Walter E. Brock of Winston-Salem as emergency judges to hold courts in Haywood and Alleghany counties respectively. Commissioner of Agriculture Graham announced upon his return from Memphis that the cotton states agricultural commissioners had made a survey of the cotton crop and predicted it would be at least one million bales below the government estimate of about 13,000,000 bales. A contract was awarded to a Bennettsville, S. C. firm to connect the central heating plant of the state to the new revenue department building, the contract involving \$12,200.

The State Fair Special will leave here Wednesday for a two day trip into parts of the state boosting the fair which takes place next month. The commission on county government recently appointed by the Governor has been called to meet on September 30 at the Governor's office; the cotton co-ops announce de-

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WEST BEAUFORT IMPROVEMENTS ARE MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

Dredging operations on the West Beaufort real estate development, which have been in progress for several months, are now drawing to a close. Mr. C. W. Hodges who has the contract expects to finish up in about thirty days. The work has been going on for five or six months and many thousands of cubic yards of dirt have been moved. The property has a long shore line on Gallant's Creek and Newport River and it was necessary to fill in the low places along the water front. A driveway running entirely around the property has been laid out and from this tourists and others will be able to get a fine view. Several pretty circles and parks have also been provided for and the streets are all broad and well planned. Several very nice residences are now being erected and the report is that a number of persons who have bought lots intend to build this Fall or in the early Spring. A good many lots have been sold recently and the sale will continue as long as any are left. Some parties who bought lots a year or more ago have resold them at a good profit.

BRIDGE CONTRACT LET IN NOVEMBER

Could Not Get Plans Ready in Time For October Letting

The letting of the contract for the Beaufort-Morehead City bridge, generally expected to take place in October, has been postponed again. This does not apply however to the earth fill a contract for which will probably be let on Monday, October 5th according to an advertisement in this newspaper.

According to a letter to Highway Commissioner C. R. Wheatly, published below from Bridge Engineer W. L. Craven, the contract will certainly be let for the draw bridge in November. The letter which explains the matter reads as follows: September, 16, 1925.

Project 203, Carteret County.
Subject: Status of Plans.
Mr. C. R. Wheatly, Comm. State Highway Commission Beaufort, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I am sorry to advise that it will be of the 15th instant, requesting me to rush the preparation of plans of the Beaufort-Morehead City Bridge.

I am sorry to advise that it will be impossible to prepare plans for this structure in time for the October Letting.

You will recall that two movable spans are required for this bridge and on account of the location, bascule spans are necessary. These bascule spans are largely covered by patents, and in order to avoid any possibility of suit for infringement, it is the practice throughout the Country to have the Bascule Bridge Company prepare plans and specifications for them.

We have been in communication with these Bascule Bridge Companies for a month or more and have received prices and quotations from all the recognized companies with one exception. This one I expect to receive some time this week.

In a bridge of this size, the preparation of plans for both the approach spans and the movable spans requires some time in order to obtain the most economical structure. In the case of smaller bridges our standard plans can be used, which of course, greatly expedites matters.

I assure you I appreciate the importance of this structure and will give it preferential attention so that it will be ready for letting in November.

With best wishes, I am
Yours very truly,
W. L. CRAVEN,
Bridge Engineer

Indians of Glacier National Park raised enough wheat last year to keep two government-built flour mills grinding this grist.

CLINIC FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN IN KINSTON

The public is hereby informed that plans are being made for a clinic for crippled children to be held in Kinston October 1st. This is the 14th of the series held under the direction of the State Department of Public Welfare and the Orthopaedic Hospital; and every parent of crippled children in this county is given the opportunity of taking or sending such children to this clinic for free treatment.

It is my understanding that the only costs to parents will be the transportation of children to and from Kinston, where an examination will be given free, after which those children needing hospital treatment will be given application blanks for admission to the Orthopaedic Hospital.

It is my opinion that parents of crippled children in the past have not availed themselves of the opportunity thus offered. Many parents perhaps are not financially able to meet the costs requisite to private treatment, and for that reason there are a few unfortunate children who must go through life deformed and suffering, while other children, although born crippled, after having the proper treatment, grow up strong and normal, and, instead of being charges on their parents or the county, become healthy and useful citizens. In order to break down this barrier between the rich and the poor, the fortunate and the unfortunate, the State of North Carolina is now offering to parents of small means an opportunity to give their children treatment the results of which may be incalculable, not only to the children but to the parents as well.

Let me urge upon every parent having crippled children that as parents you owe something to those unfortunate, and now is the time for you to pay that debt.

For further information see Alvan L. Hamilton, County Supt. Public Welfare, Morehead City, N. C.

DEER SEASON BEGINS ON NOVEMBER FIRST

County Game Warden B. F. Perkins has recently received a copy of the revised State game laws and the News is publishing it herewith as it may be of interest to a good many people. The laws published below refer only to Carteret county. Some weeks ago Mr. Perkins made the statement through the News that he thought the open season for deer began on October the first. The law however as published states that the deer season begins November first and ends January the first. Any one who wishes a copy of the game law can get the same by writing to H. M. London, Librarian, Raleigh, N. C. It reads as follows:

Deer, Nov. 1-Jan. 1 (violation, fine of from \$10 to \$50, or imprisonment not more than 30 days, or both); squirrel, Nov. 1-Mar. 1; quail (partridge), Nov. 1-Mar. 1; wild turkey, Nov. 1-Mar. 1; dove, Nov. 1-Mar. 1; woodcock, Nov. 1-Jan. 1; blackbellied and golden plover, yellowlegs, Dec. 1-Dec. 16; ducks, geese, wilson snipe, Nov. 1-Feb. 1;

otters, minks, muskrats, raccoons, skunks, Dec. 1-April. 1, except when destroying property (violation, fine of \$10 to \$20, or imprisonment not more than 10 days). Blinds cannot be constructed in Core Sound within a radius of 500 yards of any other blind, and not more than 4 blinds by any one person. Bag limit: squirrel 10 a day (violation, fine \$5 to \$50, or imprisoned not more than 30 days or both). Written permission required in Beaufort, Merrimon, Morehead, and Newport townships, Non-resident of State license, \$10.50; nonresident license on blind, \$10. Violation, fine of from \$5 to \$50, or imprisonment not more than 30 days.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Register of Deeds Jno. W. Hamilton since last week: Robert Millis and Myrtle B. Belcher of Newport.
Leon R. Garner and Nellie E. Simmons Newport.

STATE NEWS

Items Of Interest From Various Part of The State

North Carolina leads all the Southern states in the value of manufactured products. According to figures recently given out the State's manufactured products in 1910 were \$216,656,055. In 1923 they advanced to \$951,910,599.

J. A. Holmes and his wife Sarah Solomon Holmes are in jail at Rockingham where they will be charged with the death of J. B. Solomon the woman's former husband. The man died suddenly about the middle of August and the couple were married shortly after. A chemical examination of Solomon's stomach showed traces of poison.

A cotton co-operative warehouse was burned in Fayetteville last Sunday and about \$8000 damage done to cotton stored there. The loss was fully covered by insurance.

Members of a mob that tried to lynch a negro prisoner in Asheville a few days ago have been arrested and put in jail. About 30 are under arrest. A woman who circulated a petition to have the negro lynched was put in jail but later gave a bond and was released.

The U. S. Engineers' office at Wilmington has received a proposal for a bridge across Bogue Sound near Cedar Point in Carteret county. The proposal for the bridge was made by Frank E. Randolph of Philadelphia.

The trial of W. B. Cole, wealthy cotton manufacturer of Rockingham, for the killing of W. B. Ormond will start next Tuesday. Lawyers for both sides have held several conferences and are ready for the battle. It is expected that a large crowd will attend the trial and that it will be one of the most noted in the annals of the State.

The Made-in-Carolinas exposition is in progress in Charlotte this week. An extensive display of North Carolina products will be shown. The governors of the two states are expected to attend and a great many people from both states will be there.

Charles C. Haines of Forsyth county was killed while working on a well at his home last Saturday. He had set off a blast and then went down the well. The gas remaining in the well asphyxiated him.

Will Broadway of Lexington was put in jail at Albemarle last Wednesday on the charge of having dynamited his mother's home. Several people were sleeping in the house when the explosion happened but no one was killed.

On account of dry weather, fires have been in progress in Dismal Swamp for some weeks and have done considerable damage. Bears and other wild animals have had to leave the swamp and hunt other quarters so the reports say.

North Carolina stands eighth in total hard surface road mileage in the United States according to reports from Washington. The seven states ahead of her are Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Texas, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. All of these states are much larger in area than North Carolina.

WORK STARTS SOON ON SERVICE STATION

Four large storage tanks belonging to the Standard Oil Company came in this week to be used in the filling station which they are going to build. These tanks have a capacity of around 70,000 gallons in all and are to be used for storing kerosene and gasoline. The oil company acquired two lots at the north east corner of Turner and Front streets last January for the purpose of building a service station and they will start work very shortly on it. The report is that the station will be a handsome structure.

FISH SCRAP FACTORY IS AT WORK AGAIN

The factory of the Taylor's Creek Fish Scrap and Oil Company started operations again Tuesday after having been out of business for some time. The plant was almost entirely destroyed by fire but has been rebuilt and is now ready for the Fall fishing. The Wallace Fisheries at Morehead City have been at work for several weeks and the Beaufort Fish Scrap and Oil Company plant has also resumed business.

Menhaden have been more plentiful for a week or so than usual at this time of the year and fishermen are hoping that this means a good business this season. Several of the boats made fairly good catches the latter part of last week and they also did very well Monday and yesterday. On Tuesday a few were caught but the wind got too stiff for the fishermen to handle the nets and so they came in early. The fish being caught now are not the large ones that come along in November but are the kind known as "summer" fish. Yesterday a considerable quantity of mullets were brought in and the Captain Dick caught about 3000 pounds of Spanish Mackarel.

CAR AND CART HAVE COLLISION

Cart Demolished, Mule Hurt And Occupants Shaken Up. No One Killed

The persons who were injured in a collision last Friday evening on the Harlowe road when an auto and a cart came together are said to be getting along very well. Mrs. Susan Ward mother of Mr. James R. Ward, 67 years of age, and Mrs. Ward his wife were the ones hurt worst. The younger Mrs. Ward sustained a broken collar bone and bruises and the elder lady had some injury to one of her hips besides some bruises which she received. Mr. Ward who was driving the cart had one leg skinned rather badly between the ankle and knee. A baby and two girls and a boy in the cart were shaken up but not hurt seriously. Shortly after the accident the people were seen by Dr. C. S. Maxwell who was called and gave necessary attention.

The car that struck the cart was a Dodge roadster driven by Walter Chadwick, son of Mr. C. T. Chadwick of Beaufort. The accident happened at about 7:30 in the evening and it was quite dark at the time. The driver did not see the cart until he was so close to it that he could not stop or avoid it. There was no light on the cart. Mr. W. P. Servin who was in the car with the young man was bruised considerably about the face but not dangerously hurt. Mr. Chadwick had one arm hurt a little. The day after the accident Mr. C. T. Chadwick went out to see the people who were hurt and expressed his regrets at the occurrence. He had Dr. E. B. Whitehurst to make an examination of those hurt and offered to be of any assistance that he could. The mule that was pulling the cart was skinned up considerably and the cart itself was practically demolished.

KINSTON MEN OPNE FORD AGENCY HERE

A new automobile agency has been opened in Beaufort. The Loftin Motor Company, which has the agency for Ford and Lincoln cars and tractors is the new firm. They have not secured a location at this writing but have several places in view and expect to be ready for business by the time the cars which they have ordered arrive here. The new firm is composed of Mr. Floyd F. Loftin and H. G. Loftin of Kinston where they have been in business for some time. They intend to make their homes in Beaufort permanently and think there is fine opening here for their business. They have sold a number of cars already and have many prospects in view.

REALTY SALES CONTINUE GOOD

West Beaufort Sells Number Of Lots. Sales Good In Morehead Township

It used to be that real estate changed hands in Carteret county very slowly but lately this has not been the case. Last week's issue of the Beaufort News carried a long list of transfers that had been recorded by Register of Deeds John W. Hamilton and this issue has a very considerable number. West Beaufort leads this time in deeds recorded. According to the record the Times Publishing Company of Raleigh has bought 14 lots in West Beaufort with a value close to \$2500. A valuable tract of land about a mile out of Beaufort has been sold by J. L. Stanton and wife to Dr. E. B. Whitehurst.

Other transfers recorded are as follows:

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co. lots 12 and 73, block 56, West Beaufort, consideration \$244.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co., lots 7 and 8, block 52 West Beaufort, consideration \$217.50

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co., lots 19 and 20 block 66, consideration \$217.50.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co. lots 12 and 13, block 2, consideration \$600.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co. lots 52 and 53, block 70, consideration \$637.50.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co., lots 19 and 20 block 15, consideration \$217.50.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Times Publishing Co., lots 45 and 46, block 56, consideration \$217.50.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to G. C. Welch lots 14 and 15, block 34, consideration \$220.00.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Mrs. M. C. Browell lots 3, 4, 5 Block 28, consideration \$540.00.

J. L. Stanton and wife to E. B. Whitehurst 35 1-2 acres Beaufort Township, consideration \$10. and other valuables.

Julian Brown and wife to Leroy S. Brown Trustee tract Harker's Island township \$10 and other considerations.

Leroy S. Brown Trustee to Julian Brown and wife tract Harkers Island Township \$10 and other considerations.

Louis E. Wickizer Jr., to Fannie L. Smith lot 8 block 109 Morehead City consideration not shown.

L. B. West and wife to Bogue Dev. Corp. lot 6 block 145, Morehead City, consideration \$100.

Geo. A. Wood to W. J. Haffey, tract Morehead Township, consideration, \$100.

Geo. A. Wood to W. J. Haffey lot 11 block 139, Morehead City, consideration not shown.

Clem H. Wade and wife to Emma H. Dann lot 3 block 71, Morehead City, consideration, \$2,850.

Ernest Smith to Bettie Smith lot 9 West half 8 block 39, Morehead City, consideration, love and affection.

Richard Whitehurst et al to H. G. Chadwick 5 acres at Gloucester, consideration \$1500.

POWER PLANT EQUIPMENT NEARLY ALL HERE

The 240 horse power crude oil engine bought by the city Water and Light Department some weeks ago has arrived and also a circulating pump and other equipment. Another engine of 120 horse power is expected to arrive any day. Work has not started yet on the new building which is to house the equipment. This building contract will be let on competitive bids some time in the near future. When the new plant is completed the city will have a much larger plant than the present one and will be able to meet the demand for electric current for some time to come unless the town should grow very rapidly.

No one knows who discovered that the world is round, but it was after the time of Thales and before the time of Aristotle.