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## STATE DEFICIT OVER A MILLION FEBRUARY FIRST

### Governor Thinks By July First That State Will Be Running Even

### PRESIDENT CHASE MAY LEAVE

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

Raleigh, February 22.—The mounting state deficit, the interest in the situation at Chapel Hill where Dr. H. W. Chase may resign the presidency of the University for a better offer in Oregon, and the selection of foot ball coaches at Wake Forest and Carolina were among the matters which chiefly held the attention in the Capital City during the week. For several weeks now there has been a conspicuous lull in political circles, perhaps due to the fact that the master of Governor McLean is keeping down turmoil and perhaps the calm before the storm of elections scheduled for this summer and the political activity of next fall which always precedes a session of the General Assembly.

The financial statement of the month showed that on February 1, 1926, the state had a deficit of \$1,083,384.26 in the general fund. This was an increase of about three hundred thousand over the previous month but Governor McLean is not worrying. He is confident that by the end of the first fiscal year July 1, 1926 the state will be operating on an even basis. He believes the heavy income tax payments and other taxes due during March will offset the deficit. In this connection it is interesting to note that R. A. Doughton head of the revenue department has a drive for an early collection of income tax payments which are due by the fifteenth of March. Mr. Doughton points out there is no use to delay because of prospective action by Congress because the action of that body will affect only federal and not state income taxes.

Dr. H. W. Chase, president of the University of North Carolina is considering an offer to head the University of Oregon. A reported higher salary and a larger school are the inducements. The trustees of the University through their board of directors or executive committee, have expressed their approval of his administration and have urged him not to leave. The full board will meet early in March to canvass the situation and hear the report of a committee appointed to confer with Dr. Chase.

The Commercial Printing Company of which M. L. Shipman is president, had a disastrous early morning fire during the week, the plant valued at \$125,000 being just about destroyed. Insurance amounts to \$65,000. The plant will be rebuilt and in the meantime temporary offices have been opened in the Odd Fellows Building and through the courtesy of other Raleigh Printers the work is being handled.

Selection of Baldwin as recommended coach for Wake Forest by the Athletic committee was made during the week. It is likely that the college will confirm the recommendation, Coach Baldwin formerly coached Duke University. Over at Carolina several are being considered for the post of coach and a selection is to be made this week.

Railroads are responsible for the actions of their employes who tote guns, the Supreme Court rules and are liable for damages if their employes use said pistols on others. The court handed down this decision in a case affirming a verdict against the railroad for the widow of a man killed by an employe of the road.

The North Carolina Mutual Building and Loan Association has failed but will be able to pay off about 80 to 90 cents on the dollar. Trying to operate on a state-wide basis with heavy overhead expenses is said to have caused the crash.

Employers need not report to the United States Government on salaries of less than \$1,500 for single men and \$3,500 for married men which they paid during 1925 the Revenue Bureau rules. This will save employers of large numbers of men considerable time and trouble.

A flag on every school house, that

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### DUKE GIVES \$25,000 TO BUIES' CREEK ACADEMY

BUIES' CREEK, Feb. 19.—Rev. J. A. Campbell, principal of Buies' Creek academy, today received a check for \$25,000 from Benjamin N. Duke, of New York and Durham, with a letter from Mr. Duke's secretary, A. H. Sonds, stating that Mr. Duke wished the money to be used in equipping the academy with water works and sewerage.

The academy has been without these facilities and the gift of Mr. Duke will mean the moving of a need that has long been keenly felt.

## DREDGING STARTS SHORTLY ON FILL

### Work Expected To Begin Not Later Than March 10th. On Bridge Fill

Indications point to the fact that dirt will soon be flying on the fill for the big Beaufort-Morehead City bridge. Dr. C. L. Duncan of Beaufort, who was awarded the contract for the fill, has recently returned from Baltimore where his dredge is being built and says that she will leave that city next Tuesday for Beaufort. The dredge is being built by the Elliott Machine Company and is a large and powerful one and capable of moving material very rapidly. A car load of pipe for the dredging operations has already been shipped, and is expected here very soon. The pontoons, a fuel scow and skiffs were built here in Beaufort and will be ready when the dredge arrives.

If weather conditions are favorable it is thought that the dredge should arrive in Beaufort in four or five days after she leaves Baltimore. Dr. Duncan expects to begin work not later than the tenth of March. Captain Richard Lewis of Markers' Island will be in charge of the dredge and will have a crew of 18 men. It is thought that the filling can be done in about three or four months. The Sanford and Brooks Company are at work at their plant on the west side of the river. They are making reinforced concrete piles which will be used very largely in the bridge structure. It will not be more than a few months now before the bridge will begin to assume a definite form and by the last of summer a great deal of work will have been done on it.

### FULL DOCKET MONDAY AT POLICE COURT

A full docket and a large crowd of folks were on hand when Mayor Thomas opened court Monday afternoon. The crowd and the defendants were about equally divided between the white and colored races.

A dance that took place in the eastern part of town last Thursday night, and some disorderly incidents alleged to have taken place as an outcome of the affair, brought several defendants into court. However the evidence against them was not strong enough to convict and some cases were dismissed and others continued.

Raymond Springle charge with drunk and disorderly, case dismissed.

Aleck Mason, fighting and disorderly conduct, case dismissed.

John Marshall drunk and disorderly, pleaded not guilty. Convicted and sentenced to 30 days work on the streets.

Carl Gabriel, drunk and disorderly, 10 days work on streets.

Cases charging drunk and disorderly against Grady Perkins, Reuben Whitehurst, Claude Glover, Floyd Robinson, Hubert Springle, and Raymond Springle were continued.

George Felford pleaded guilty to having been drunk and was fined \$10 and costs.

Ed. Collins, negro youth, charged with transporting and selling liquor admitted having liquor in his possession but denied selling. He was held for Superior Court \$500 bond.

Tom Davis, colored, charged with having been drunk and fighting his wife, was convicted and given 30 days work on the streets.

More than 7000 persons have received aid from the associated Charities of Charlotte according to their annual report. Over \$17,000 in cash and donations has been distributed among the poor.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following real estate transfers have been issued by Register of Deeds Jno. M. Hamilton since last Thursday:

Beaufort Banking and Trust Co. to Mrs. H. M. Hendrix 26 acres, Beaufort Township for about 1250.

W. L. Stancil Trustee to Beaufort Realty Corp. 80 acres more or less known as Hall land, Beaufort township, consideration \$1.00.

J. F. Duncau com. to W. L. Stancil trustee 80 acres Beaufort Township known as Hall land for consideration \$8000.

Bank of Beaufort to Fred Mosher part lot 50 old town for, consideration of \$2475.

J. R. Morris et al to E. K. Morris 50 a res in Atlantic for about \$10.

J. C. Pratt and wife to Bogue Development Corp lot no. 19 Morehead City for \$100.

Craven Motor Co. to C. H. Freeman lot 16 Block 113 Morehead City for \$100.

W. J. Hales and wife to Chas. H. Freeman lot 9 Block 63 Morehead City for \$100.

Gilbert E. Davis and wife to W. P. Freeman et al lot 4 and 12 block 143 lot 4 block 107 Morehead City for about \$3000.

Luther Hamilton et al to R. N. Kiel lot 7 Block 44 Morehead City for about \$1000.

N. R. Webb et ux to Pearl L. Brinson lot 14 and 15 block 107 for about \$10.

Duffy Wade and wife to Luther Hamilton Trustee lot 6 block 80, Morehead City for about \$3000.

J. D. Phillips and wife to Alex Lewis lot 14 block 63, Morehead City for consideration of \$100.

Arthur Midgett and wife to E. H. Gorbam lot 10 block 71 Morehead City for about \$100.

W. E. Taylor and wife to Arthur Smith 12 acres White Oak ownership for consideration of \$1.00.

### ALL SIGNS POINT TO CONTINUED PROSPERITY

Washington, D. C. February 25th.—New records were established in many trade and industrial lines in 1925, according to a report just made public by the Federal Reserve Board on economic conditions throughout the country. And these new records of prosperity were established under such conditions that there is every promise that there will be continued stability and progress throughout the present year.

The board especially emphasized the fact that although there was general great activity throughout the year the fluctuation in price levels, in the wholesale lines was less than in any year since 1913. At the end of the year, despite the heavy movements during the year, the stocks in the hands of wholesalers and retailers were but four per cent greater than at the end of 1924. The amount of building during 1925 was twenty-five per cent greater than in 1924, but the cost of building was no higher and the prices of building materials remained about the same.

"Similarly," the board said, "notwithstanding the increased output of automobiles, which was considerably larger than in any previous year, automobile prices were lower at the end of 1925 than a year earlier."

"The large increase in the volume of productive activity in 1925, especially in manufacturing and building, was thus not accompanied by a rise in prices and indicates a high degree of elasticity in the productive power of industry, which has enabled it to supply an increased demand for its products at a relatively constant level of prices."

The board stated that nearly all the important industries were more active in 1925 than in 1924 with the largest growth in the building industry and in the production of commodities required in the construction and equipment of new buildings.

"Demand for goods by consumers it stated, "both urban and rural, was sustained throughout the year and was reflected in a large volume of distribution of commodities, both at wholesale and detail."

Mr and Mrs. W. J. Clark Sr. of Greenville arrived yesterday and are visiting their son Mr W. J. Clark Jr. on Front street.

New York City has more than a hundred languages and over a thousand dialects.

## STATE NEWS

### Items of Interest From Various Parts of State

Formal announcement of the candidacy of Robert R. Reynolds of Asheville for U. S. Senator was announced a few days ago. Mr. Reynolds will run against Senator Overman for the Democratic nomination. He was a candidate for Lieutenant-governor during the last campaign.

On the night of the 18th. fire destroyed the plant of the Liberty Chair Company at Liberty, N. C. The loss is estimated at \$200,000 and was only partly covered by insurance. Liberty has no fire protection.

The influenza epidemic in Greensboro is said to have decreased. At its worst it was estimated that there were 1000 cases daily. There have been very few deaths.

At Hendersonville last week the jury acquitted Buford Nelson a young white man of killing Ralph Gibbs another young fellow. The two had been drinking together and Gibbs was killed. Neison claimed that the shooting was accidental.

Last Friday the three masted Dutch schooner, Pioneer, was towed into Southport by the tug Blanch. The vessel had lost one mast, rigging was blown away and sails were torn into shreds. She was loaded with fertilizer and was bound for Norfolk.

Reports from Moore county say that sentiment in favor of Al Smith for President is growing. Four Democratic leaders there say they will support him if he is nominated.

A suit has been started in Franklin county seeking to put the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association in the hands of a receiver. Wiley M. Person, a lawyer who has been fighting the association for several years is the main man in the suit and has secured the names of twenty five farmers to act as plaintiffs.

Chief of Police O. P. Hobgood of Oxford committed suicide Monday. He went to the cemetery and shot himself in the temple. He had joined the Baptist church the night before. Ill health is supposed to have been the cause of the suicide.

Mayor C. E. Houston of Monroe cut his throat at his home Sunday. He was taken to a hospital and died shortly thereafter. He is said to have been in poor health for some time and had worried a good deal about his business affairs.

A novel debate will take place in Greensboro on March the 2nd. on the question of abolishing capital punishment. Two preachers and two lawyers will do the debating. There will be a preacher and a lawyer on each side. It will be held in the court house and open to the public.

Students from the University, State College and Wake Forest held a meeting in Greensboro last week called "Youth Week." Problems which are of interest to young people were discussed. About 100 students were present.

Last Saturday G. M. Jackson a well known farmer of Wake county killed his wife, his daughter Miss Eldora and then shot himself. He was 76 years old and a well to do man. Temporary insanity is thought to have been the cause of the man's terrible deed.

It turns out that Holmes Morris of Monroe who has been missing for several days is not dead according to sheriff Clifford Fowler. His car had been found with bullet holes in it and his hat also damaged and it was thought he had been murdered. The sheriff says that Morris has deserted his wife and two children and run off with another woman.

Using an acetylene torch to cut a hole in the back of a safe robbers stole from the Bank of Stokes county at King about \$8000 in cash and a considerable lot of stocks and bonds. They cannot use the latter though. The job is supposed to have been done by experienced safe crackers.

### HANCOCK-HUNTLEY COMPANY MOVES TO NEW QUARTERS

The wholesale grocery firm of Hancock-Huntley Company have commenced moving their stock into their new building located out near the northern end of Live Oak street. The building is finished except for painting and some work in the interior. It was built by Mr. John Chaplain and his force of workmen. The structure is quite a large one, 48 by 120 feet, one story high. A large stock of goods can be carried in it without trouble. It is located near the same firm's potato curing house which is of the same size. The two buildings have or will have, a railroad siding at their rear doors. The erection of these two houses makes a decided improvement in the appearance of things in that section of town.

The building on Front street which the Hancock-Huntley Company has occupied for several years has been sold to Messrs F. M. Simmons and W. D. Adams of Charlotte. What they intend to do with the property has not yet been disclosed but the impression is that they bought it for an investment and not for any particular use.

## HEALTH OFFICER BEGINS HIS WORK

### Dr. J. H. Britt Came Sunday. Will Have Offices In City Hall

After a lapse of several years Carteret county again has a health officer. The board of commissioners that preceded the present one discontinued the office as a measure of economy and the new board took no action on the matter until a few months ago. Dr. T. C. Britt, originally of Lumberton lately of Wilmington, arrived Sunday and is getting things ready to begin active work.

Dr. Britt was recommended to the county Board of Health by the State Board of Health and comes highly endorsed. The county Board of Health is composed of J. E. Woodland chairman of the Board of Commissioners, J. H. Workman, County School Superintendent, Mayor T. M. Thomas Jr., of Beaufort, Dr. B. F. Royal of Morehead City and Dr. C. S. Maxwell of Beaufort. The county's health budget is six thousand dollars a year. Of this amount 30 percent is paid by the State, 20 percent by the Rockefeller Foundation and 50 percent by the county.

Dr. Britt is a graduate of the Jefferson Medical School of Philadelphia which is recognized as one of the best medical colleges in the United States. He has had a year and half experience in tuberculosis work and for a year or so has been assistant health officer of New Hanover county and the city of Wilmington. He is a comparatively young man; is married and has two children. The Britt family live in the Rice house on Craven street. Dr. Britt's office will be up stairs in the city hall building. About the first work that Dr. Britt expects to do will be among the school children of the county. He will make physical examinations, give vaccinations and so on. He will also later on take up the study of conditions as regards tuberculosis, malaria and hookworm.

Anti-hookworm and malaria campaigns may be started during the year.

### PLAN ELIMINATION OF GRADE CROSSING MENACE

High Point, Feb. 19.—The city engineer has been requested by the mayor to draw plans for the elimination of railway crossings in the city limits of High Point, and these plans are to be submitted to the Southern Railway company. Henry W. Miller, vice-president of the Southern, has caused plans to be drawn, embodying the views of the railway company on eliminating crossings, but several city officials think these plans do not entirely cover the situation.

Mr. Miller's plans, which are on display at the local chamber of commerce, provide for the establishment of one large overhead bridge and several underpasses or tunnels. The cost of the project is estimated at about \$350,000.

## MOREHEAD CITY LETS CONTRACT FOR CITY HALL

### New Structure To Cost Around \$40,000. Building To Be Tile and Stucco

### WILL HAVE NEW WHITE WAY

Morehead City, N. C. Feb. 25th.—The sealed bids for the new city hall were publicly opened Tuesday evening at the meeting of the town commissioners and the general contract was awarded to Jones Bros. of Wilson, N. C. The electric contract to J. H. Thompson of Wilson and the heating and plumbing to E. L. Davis of Beaufort, N. C.

The site for the building is located on the corner of Evans and Eighth Streets, a block from the city dock. The land was recently purchased from Charles S. Wallace for \$11,500. It will be a tile and stucco structure and is estimated to cost \$40,000. It will contain a mayor's court room, tax collector's office, jail and store room for the city's equipment. And it will also house the fire apparatus, part of which will be a new La France motor truck of the latest model. The city already has one fire truck.

The grading of Morehead Bluffs started Wednesday morning February 24th. with a large number of mules and workmen. Mr. Platt has contract for grading. Contracts amounting to \$100,000 have been awarded by the Morehead Bluffs Inc. to J. F. Mulligan and Company of Cleveland, N. C.

Bids advertising for the second "white way" will be opened this week. This way will intersect at 21st. street, the one which extends to the Atlantic Hotel on Arendell Street.

The indoor circus put on by Mansfield and Balbanie was held at the school auditorium Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Social Service department of the Womens' Club. A street parade was held at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon headed by the Morehead City Band. The proceeds of this entertainment will be used to furnish glasses to school children needing them.

The construction work on the electric light and power plant is progressing rapidly and Mr. Guthrie, contractor, states that it will be completed about April 1st. The structure is being entirely rebuilt and will be much larger than the old one, and the cost of erecting it will be about \$8,000. It has recently been equipped with two mammoth oil engines of the Fairbanks and Morse type one of 360 H. P. and the other of 240 H. P. The large engine and generator from the old equipment of the power plant has been sold to Mr. Allie Cook of New Bern. This machinery was shipped to the western part of the state, where it will be installed in a cotton mill.

The following ladies left Saturday for a trip to Florida: Mesdames D. G. Bell, R. W. Taylor, R. W. Taylor Jr., J. C. Taylor and Miss Mildred Wallace.

On Monday a number of ladies left for a tour of Florida cities, featuring Hollywood and Coral Gables. In the party were: Mesdames S. S. Willis, F. S. Hodge, Henry Goodwin and Misses Carita Wade and Isabelle Cecil.

Mr. W. F. Dowdy of New Bern will open up a furniture store in this city within the next few days to be operated by Mr. R. H. Dowdy who formerly conducted a furniture store on the corner of Arendell and 8th Streets. The new store is opposite the Charles Hotel building recently occupied by George Willis.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Register of Deeds Jno. W. Hamilton since last week:

Alton Robinson, Morehead City and Drusilla Swain, Morehead City.

Pilgrims to the number of 1,250,000 visited Rome during Holy Year