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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ON SELF SUSTAINING BASIS

Commissioner Graham So Declares. Receipts Come From Sale of Tags and Test Farms. Other News Items From State Capital

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

Raleigh, July 12—The annual meeting of the State meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, the selection of a successor to Judge Bryson in the Twentieth Judicial District, the final rush for automobile license plates, commutation of the death sentence of Alvin Mansel, colored, charged with attack on a white girl in Buncombe county, election of officers for the North Carolina Railroad Company and minor movements of Governor McLean were among the items of interest in Raleigh during a week of sultry weather augmented by the ever presence of a burning summer sun.

The State Board of Agriculture held its annual meeting in the office of Commissioner Graham, heard a helpful address from Governor McLean, listened to a highly constructive report presented by the Commissioner and transacted the business brought to its attention. In his address Governor McLean stressed the importance of dairying and poultry raising, pointing out that on cotton and tobacco to the neglect of other necessities.

Commissioner Graham stated in his report that the State Department of Agriculture is supported by its own receipts on the pay as you go plan and now has a nice little surplus to its credit. Receipts from July 1, 1925, to June 30, 1926, amounting to \$436,138.38, exceeded the expenditures \$4,995.56. Balance on hand, according to the Commissioner, on July 1, 1925, was \$90,274.57, and on July 1, 1926, \$95,787.69. Income of the Department comes from the sale of fertilizer tags, cotton seed meal tags, feed tags, and receipts from test farms, the latter alone yielding the sum of \$45,854.55, while from the sale of serum there had been collected \$15,328.10. Fertilizer tonnage on which tag tax was paid during the year totalled \$1,213,178. Commissioner Graham recommended the establishment of two test farms, one near Albemarle Sound for experimental work in soy beans and potatoes and another in the sand hills on which experiments in fruit could be made.

On receiving the news of the nomination of Walter E. Moore, of Sylva, to succeed Judge Bryson in the Twentieth District, Governor McLean immediately tendered appointment to the vacancy as of July 1st. Mr. Moore, who declined for business reasons. The honor finally fell upon John H. Harwood, of Bryson City, who, since adjournment of the General Assembly, has been one of the assistants attorney general stationed in the Department of Revenue. O. H. Allen, Raleigh attorney and son of the late Supreme Court Justice W. R. Allen, succeeds Mr. Harwood here.

There was a steady flow of coin into the coffers of the License Bureau the law three or four days of the week, the scene around the central office here talking on the appearance of bread lines during the late war. Hundreds stood for hours each day awaiting their opportunity to procure the coveted block of tin which would enable them to scale the highways at moderate speed unimpeded.

After becoming fully convinced that a reasonable doubt existed in the case of Alvin Mansel, negro youth sentenced to die for an attack on a white girl in Buncombe county, Governor McLean commuted the sentence to life imprisonment. The case was thoroughly investigated and the action of the Governor is generally approved.

Stockholders of the North Carolina Railroad Company meeting in annual session at Greensboro during the week re-elected all old officers, heard the report of the secretary-treasurer, Wiley G. Barnes and attended to the usual routine. The officers are: President, Word H. Wood, Charlotte; vice-presidents Alexander Webb, Raleigh, J. Bayard Clark, Fayetteville; secretary treasurer, Wiley G. Barnes, Raleigh; expert Chas. F. Dalton, Charlotte.

Governor McLean, adjutant General Metts, joined a number of National Guard officials on a visit to Camp Glenn on Friday where His Excellency did the reviewing stunt and had a fine time; the Governor attended a meeting of the board of trustees of the North Carolina College for Negroes in Durham during the week and put his "O. K." on the management; at a meeting of inter-

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BUILDING AND LOAN HAS BOOKS AUDITED

Messrs. R. B. Nichols and V. M. Stonebanks of Raleigh are here this week auditing the books of the Beaufort Building and Loan Association. They are doing this in the interest of the association and represent the State Department of Insurance. Messrs. Stonebanks and Nichols audited the books of the association last year about this time.

UNIVERSITY GRADS PLAN BIG REUNION

Morehead Villa To Be Scene Of Reunion Banquet For Alumni

The alumni and students of the University of North Carolina who are resident in Carteret County will have their annual reunion banquet this year at "Morehead Villa," the new hotel at Morehead Bluffs, where preparations are being made by J. R. Koepfer, manager, for the entertainment of sixty odd alumni and thirty students, with their guests. The affair is scheduled for Friday night, July 23rd.

This banquet is organized each year by the Carteret County Club, an organization composed of the Carteret County people who are students and teaching fellows at the University of North Carolina. This is the same organization which promoted the recent Social and Economic Survey of the County.

The committee in charge has secured Professor Harold D. Meyer to represent the faculty with a short speech. Professor Meyer delivered the graduation address at The Beaufort High School the past Spring and made many friends in this section by his polished and effective manner of speaking. The Washington-Duke orchestra will be employed and the banquet hall will be decorated with Carolina banners and pennants.

Practically all the alumni and students living in the County are getting in touch with Ralph Noe, chairman of the committee, and indications point to an almost unanimous attendance.

HERE LAST THURSDAY FIRST MELONS SOLD

Water melons and cantaloupes have been running behind their schedule time in Carteret county this year. This is due so the farmers say, to the late Spring weather that prevailed this year. As a rule water melons are on the Beaufort market on the fourth of July and not infrequently they are on sale by the first of July. This year the first melons brought to town, so far as the News has heard of, were brought last Thursday the 8th. They were grown by Mr. Webster Russell who lives on route 10, or the New Bern road as it is called. The melons were sold by Mr. C. V. Hill at his store on Front street. On Monday Mr. Russell brought in another load of cantaloupes and water melons.

JUDGE HORTON'S DEATH CAUSES GENERAL REGRET

The death of former Judge J. Lloyd Horton, which occurred Sunday afternoon at his home in Raleigh, caused general regret when it became known in Carteret county. Judge Horton was well known and liked here having served as Solicitor and Judge in the courts here for several years. He died of spinal meningitis and was sick only eight days. He leaves his widow and two children, a boy and a girl. He was buried at Farmville which was his old home and several persons from this section attended the funeral.

CITY MAIL DELIVERY BEGINS SEPTEMBER FIRST

Beginning September the first Beaufort will have the status of city mail delivery. It has had free mail delivery for several years already but was in the village delivery class. The two letter carriers Messrs. Dan Darling and Eugene Carrow will get an increase in salary of \$350 per annum. Moreover there is a possibility of their getting a yearly increase for five years until a salary of \$2200 has been reached.

SCHOOL BUDGET ADOPTED MONDAY

Budget Amounts To \$160,499.56. Offer to Buy Beaufort School Building

At their meeting Monday the Board of County Commissioners adopted the school budget for the year 1926-27 and transacted considerable other business. All members of the board, namely J. E. Woodland, G. W. Huntley, T. B. Hall, H. C. Taylor and G. H. Whitehurst were present. The budget covers teachers' salaries, operation and equipment fund, repayment of loans and interest including Beaufort and Morehead City. The total amount of the budget is \$160,499.56.

A motion was passed offering to buy the Beaufort school building and land on the court house square for \$35,000.

Representatives of the East Coast Land Company were present and asked that the board accept the road built by the company from Lynch's bridge to Sea Level. A motion was passed that the board inspect the road and take some action on it at the August meeting. A delegation from Cedar Island asked that some arrangement be made to connect the island with the mainland by a road and bridge. A motion was passed instructing the county engineer to make a survey from Atlantic to the island and estimate on the cost and report to the board. Dr. T. C. Britt, County Health Officer and County Welfare Officer A. L. Hamilton made a report on the county home and made certain recommendations. The Clerk was instructed to have repairs made and to instruct the management to correct errors referred to. A delegation from Mill Creek presented a petition asking that certain improvements be made in their road. A motion was passed instructing the clerk and county attorney to have the old mill building removed from the road right of way. They read jury's report was read and ordered filed.

The contract with Charles S. Davis to furnish shells for the road on Harker's Island was read and accepted. Mr. W. A. Mace asked for some improvements on the Lenoxville road. The board agreed to give the matter prompt attention. Mr. Jesse H. Davis asked that a change of route be made in the highway going through Davis. The matter was referred to the county engineer with instructions to investigate and report later. Some business of a routine nature was transacted and the board then adjourned.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC.

The annual picnic of the First Baptist Sunday School took place yesterday. Quite a party of children and grown folks went over to the ocean beach and spent the day. The weather was pleasant, the water fine and refreshments were good and plentiful so every body had a good time.

FARMERS TOUR IS BEING ARRANGED

County Agent Overstreet Wants Carteret Farmers To Take Trip

We are getting up a party of farmers to make a tour of places of interest in some of the more progressive counties of Eastern North Carolina. We feel that this trip will be well worth while to all farmers who can take a few days off to see what farmers in their sister counties are doing and how they are doing it.

We plan to leave Beaufort on the morning of July 26th, and return on Wednesday July 28th. We have several routes in view but will leave this up to the members of the party before we start, after outlining each. The only cost to this trip will be meals and lodging, which should not exceed fifty cents a meal and one dollar per night for lodging. The transportation will be made in automobile. The county agent will furnish one car and will accommodate four persons.

We are very anxious to get a representative number of farmers to take this trip as we feel that it will be well worth while to them and to their communities.

We are going to ask that all farmers who are interested in taking this trip meet with the county agent Saturday, July 17th, at 11 o'clock, at the court house, Beaufort, or take the matter up by letter or telephone on or before that date.

HUGH OVERSTREET,
County Agent.

BANKERS ENJOY ROUSING SPEECH

Congressman Abernethy Sees No Gloom in Carteret County Future

The bankers from nine eastern counties which compose Group Three of the North Carolina Bankers Association terminated their twelfth regular meeting with a banquet at the Ocean Beach Hotel last night at which time Congressman C. L. Abernethy of the Third District and other prominent men of the section spoke. Mr. Abernethy predicted the future greatness of Morehead City and Beaufort as ports, citing as evidence of his assertion the fact that a group of Morehead citizens were recently declined permission to erect an island in the harbor because of the paramount importance of maintaining deep water. He discussed briefly the section's farming problems and urged the farmers to grow at home more of the necessities of life, saying that the Imperial Valley of California was sapping the resources of the State by furnishing us everything from hay to canned peaches. He sought to dispel whatever pessimism was present and called on the bankers as such to foresee the section's future greatness and loosen up the money coffers to aid in its development.

Mr. U. E. Swann delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the local bankers which was responded to by Mr. A. Hosea of Pikeville. Mr. J. A. Hornaday who is the present chairman of Group Three acted as toastmaster. Mr. Swann extended a welcome to the visiting bankers which he said would be effective not only during the present convention, but at all times in the future when Carteret County would be glad to receive them either as guests or homebuilders. Mr. Swann then took time to outline some of the important problems of finance which faced his colleagues, mentioning as some, the problem of speculative buying and selling, the present fashion of buying and selling, the present fashion of buying practically everything on the "installment plan," often paying excessive rates of interest on the money extended, and the present wave of forgeries and other forms of swindling.

Others who spoke were Mr. L. J. Meyborn, president of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Kinston, Mr. H. M. Cox, chairman of the Agricultural committee of the North Carolina Bankers Association, Mr. W. C. Chadwick, assistant cashier of the National Bank of New Berne, and Mr. T. R. Thigpen, president of the First National Bank of Mount Olive. The local banks were represented by a number of officers and employees.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

C. A. Oden and wife to Geo. B. Monroe lot 30 Beaufort for \$10, etc. W. D. Davis et al to Chas S. Davis 2 acres on Harker's Island for \$200. Mrs. W. N. Bell to Alberta Dickinson 100 acres Harlowe township for \$10, etc. James W. Moon trustee to Sarah C. Stewart et al 300 acres Hunting Quarter township for \$525. J. F. Duncan com. to James W. Mason 300 acres Hunting Quarter township for \$525. James W. Mason trustee to W. A. Mace 40 acres Hunting Quarter township for \$4600. Morehead Heights Inc. to J. M. Harrison lot 41, 42, 43, 44, block 13 Morehead Heights for \$675. Morehead Heights Inc. to G. S. Altman lots 1 and 2 block 13 Morehead Heights for \$400. Scott P. Parhon and wife to Morehead Building and Supply Co. lot 1 Block 22 Morehead City for \$10 etc. J. H. Davis et al to Orion Weeks 60 1/2 acres Newport township for \$100. J. K. Gillikin and wife to W. A. Mace et al 50 acres near Marshallberg for \$100 etc.

CARTERET COUNTY BULLETINS MAY BE HAD FREE

The economics and social survey of Carteret county has been published under the title of Carteret County Bulletin. This pamphlet has a number of interesting facts about Carteret County and those who want a copy can obtain the same free by writing to the Extension Division of the University of North Carolina.

MISS ETNA RAMSEY DIED LAST SUNDAY

The friends and relatives of Miss Etta Ramsey were grieved to hear of her death which occurred in Rex Hospital in Raleigh Sunday July 11th. Miss Ramsey had been ill in the hospital for several months.

YOUNG LADY RECOVERS FROM AUTO ACCIDENT

Miss Helen Fogleman who was injured by a fall from a moving car at the corner of Front and Pollock streets Monday afternoon is very much improved now and considered out of danger. She and several other young people were in a car driven by Miss Helen Hendrix and with two or three was riding on the rear of the machine. When the turn was made around the corner those outside were spilled into the street. Miss Fogleman was badly shaken up and it was feared that she had some serious internal injury. The others who fell were bruised a little but no serious damage was done. Miss Fogleman is from Liberty, N. C. and was a member of a house party entertained here by Miss Helen Hendrix.

BREAKWATER TO BE BUILT SOON

Money For Building It Was Available July The First Mr. Abernethy Says

In a letter received Tuesday from Congressman Charles L. Abernethy the News has been advised that the breakwater in front of the town of Beaufort will be completed soon. A short, experimental section of this structure was built a year or so ago and the news that it is to be completed will be of much interest to Beaufort people and citizens of the county generally. The object in building the breakwater is to prevent sand from drifting in and filling up the channel. Congressman Abernethy's letter reads as follows: Editor of the News:

Please inform the public through your columns that the stone jetty or breakwater in front of Beaufort on the Bird Shoals is soon to be completed. The appropriation for this purpose became available July 1st. I have conferred with the U. S. Engineers and they say the work will start in about a month. I am very much pleased to have served the people in this matter.

Sincerely,
CHAS. L. ABERNETHY.
July 13th, 1926.

SEVERAL CASES TRIED IN POLICE COURT MONDAY

Several offenders against the peace and dignity of the law faced Mayor Thomas in his court Monday afternoon. Dick Mason charged with being drunk and disorderly pleaded guilty. He was given the choice of 30 days on the streets or \$50 and costs and took the latter. Lester Newkirk charged with drunkenness got the same sentence as above and elected to work on the streets.

John French for allowing his dog to run at large drew a suspended judgment on the payment for costs.

Mark Washington colored, charged by Rosa Belle Pigott with an attempt at rape denied the charge. The Mayor reserved his judgment on the matter until next Monday afternoon. Garfield Suggs, colored was charged with an assault, failed to show up for trial. The officers were instructed to get him and require a \$200 bond of him or lock him up.

SCHOOL BUILDING BURNED THIS MORNING

The two story wooden building at the corner of Craven and Cedar streets was nearly destroyed by fire this morning between three and four o'clock. The building belonged to the city and has been used for a long time as a school for colored children. There was no insurance and it is estimated that it was at least three-fourths destroyed. Firemen say they are pretty certain the building was set on fire. The fire started on the south side and swept very rapidly through the building and to the roof. The water pressure was low at first and not very effective for a while. Recently the school trustees had sent men to examine the building with the view of having some repairs made to it. A heavy rain which fell at the time probably prevented various other buildings from catching fire from the burning building.

TWO MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Only two permits to wed were granted by Register of Deeds John W. Hamilton this week. They were to R. L. Daniels and Lela to R. L. Daniels, Lola and Emma Styrton Williamsburg, Va. Alvin Willis and Blanche Tosto, Sea Level.

Mrs. Dorothy House of Bethel who has been visiting her sister Mrs. J. T. Elythe was taken to the hospital at Morehead City today but is not considered dangerously ill.

BOARD TO ACT ON CITY BUDGET TONIGHT PERHAPS

Citizens Invited To Be Present And Express Their Views

MAY PRESENT PETITIONS

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the town of Beaufort is to be held this evening at 7:30 at the city hall. This, as announced last week in the News, is for the purpose of adopting the town's expenses budget for the next fiscal year. Any citizen who is interested in the matter is invited to be present and give his own views about the budget.

The tentative budget, prepared by City Treasurer W. L. Stencil calls for an expenditure of \$81,585.00 for the coming year. Practically half of this, \$40,000, is for interest on bonds. Other items make up the rest of the amount, the largest of which is \$15,000 for the retirement of certain bonds.

It is probable that the matter of the proposed extension of the city's limits to take in a considerable territory east of the town will also be discussed. Petitions opposing the issuance of \$100,000 worth of bonds or lending that amount of money for making improvements in the section referred to, have been circulated and may be presented. The board held a meeting Monday night to consider this matter again. The question of the legality of advancing money for street improvements outside of the town was discussed. It was decided to consult Attorney-general Brummitt about it and City Attorney G. W. Dunlap was instructed to go to Raleigh to see him.

The budget to be acted on tonight is as follows:

| BUDGET. | |
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| TOWN OF BEAUFORT, NORTH CAROLINA | |
| May 31' 1926 to May 31' 1927 | |
| Mayor's Salary | \$670.00 |
| Clerk's Salary | 1,200.00 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 400.00 |
| Commissioners per Diem | 300.00 |
| Police Department | 2,700.00 |
| Street & Wharf Maintenance Dept. | 6,000.00 |
| Interest on all Bond Issues Except Street Improvement Bonds | 17,500.00 |
| Retirement Public Improvement Bonds | 2,000.00 |
| Installments on Sinking Funds | 4,835.00 |
| Interest on \$375,000.00 Street Improvement Bonds | 22,500.00 |
| Retirement Street Improvement Bonds | 13,000.00 |
| Appropriation for Street Lights and Water Hydrants | 4,500.00 |
| Legal Services | 500.00 |
| Office Supplies and Incidentals | 3,000.00 |
| Fire Department | 2,500.00 |
| Total | \$81,585.00 |

DEMONSTRATION CLUBS ORGANIZED LAST WEEK

Last week, Miss Powell, Carteret's new home demonstration agent, organized three clubs in the county. One at Atlantic, with Mrs. D. Mason as president and Miss Challie Fulcher as secretary; one at Harker's Island on July 8th, with Mrs. Sudie Guthrie, president, and Mrs. Pearl Whitley, secretary; one at White Oak consolidated school with Mrs. John Jones president, and Mrs. Ida Dennis secretary.

After a brief outline of the work in Foods, Clothing, and House Furnishing had been given, each of the clubs decided that they preferred to start on some part of the Foods work. The demonstration for Atlantic and Harker's Island will be biscuit and bread making. The people at White Oak wanted their first demonstration to be on canning vegetables in tin cans. This demonstration will probably be given at the home of Mrs. W. F. Taylor at Eogus. The time will be announced later.

Other clubs will be organized in the county as soon as Miss Powell can get to the several places.

CHILDREN'S CLINIC.

A Clinic will be held at the health office in Beaufort, for children from one to six years of age on Monday July 19th, from 9 to 11:30 and on Wednesday July 21st, at the same time. It will also be held at Morehead City July 14th, and Saturday the 16th, at the same hours. Drs. W. G. Byrd and T. C. Britt will have charge of the clinic.