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PUBLIC BUSINESS NEEDS ATTENTION OF THE GOVERNOR

Text Book Matter To Come Up. Budget Must Be Prepared. VARIOUS BODIES TO REPORT

(BY M. L. SHIPMAN—
Raleigh, August, 23—Conventions were the order for the State during the past week and these vie with the Virginia Dare celebration in holding interest. For the fourth consecutive week, the Capital City was quiet but there is every indication that the Governor will make it up this week. He returned from his vacation this week.

Mr. McLean looks well after four weeks spent in the woods of Wisconsin. He will find his hands full with official matters. First of all the recommendations to the General Assembly which will convene next January. The Governor also will have to call together the Budget Commission and the matter of going over the recommendations for the next fiscal period of two years will have to be considered. This will be his major business during the fall months and he has indicated when the General Assembly meets, the matters in which he has a hand will be ready for its consideration so that there will be no time lost. The report of the special commission investigating the educational system of the State will be ready this week for his attention and it is expected to contain considerable interest affecting the eight months school term and other educational matters. The report of Dr. W. S. Rankin on his investigation of feeble-mindedness in the State also will be laid before the Executive. Superintendent of Public Instruction Allen will place before him the matter of text book charges in this state as compared with Tennessee. Major Wade H. Phillips expects to consult with him with reference to the appointment of a new publicity director of the Department of Conservation and Development. Action from the Executive also is looked for on the Wyatt pardon case which has been pending for several months. The Executive also has been invited by the State of Washington to join in a test case on whether the states have a right to levy a gasoline tax to aid in maintaining federal roads.

The celebration of Virginia Dare day at Roanoke Island attracted the attention of thousands from this section and the coastal section. Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador, delivered the principal address on the occasion, which was marked by a notable gathering.

The meeting of the Bi-State Boosters Association of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen held here during the week brought such personages as W. G. Lee of Cleveland, one of the leading labor men of the country. Mr. Lee took an important part in the business meetings and also delivered an inspiring address. He spoke of the strides made in labor by its organization and urged the keeping of all pledges as the sure way to advance. A. J. Maxwell made an excellent address as the representative of Governor McLean.

A new set of regulations have been issued by the State Board of Health governing the jails of the State with respect to sanitary conditions. The regulations set forth how the prisoners should be cared for in the way of clothes and baths and also goes into keeping the quarters in condition. Dr. J. Henry Highsmith of the department of public instruction is against the teaching of Latin and geometry in the small high schools he declared in an address this week. He is not opposed to the teaching of the subject as electives in the higher classes, however. Miss Audrey Davis committed suicide last week at the State Hospital for the Insane here, this being the second suicide at the institution in the past few weeks. The cotton co-operative Association has inaugurated the practice of booking orders from mills in advance of deliveries of cotton. This will result in a great saving to the cotton growers as the cotton will be sold at highest prices. Last year the Association had to sell a lot of cotton on a falling market because orders had not been booked but a re-organization this year makes it possible to carry out the booking plan. The tobacco crops are looking fine and the prices paid in the South Carolina Belt encourage growers to think that they also will get good prices when the eastern Carolina Belt opens on September 7 and the old belt two weeks later. The

MISS MOREHEAD WON IN POPULARITY CONTEST

The popularity contest given last week under the auspices of the State Firemen's convention at Morehead City came to a close Saturday night. Miss Zenovia Guthrie of Morehead City won the first prize which was a trip to the exposition in Philadelphia. The second prize, \$100 in cash, was won by Miss Georgia Neal of Beaufort. It is understood that the Morehead City fire company got \$100 also. As to how much money was taken in by those who got up the contest the News has no information but the report is that it was a very considerable sum.

UPCHURCH THINKS SHARPE IS RIGHT

Head of N. C. Anti-Saloon League Says There Is Much Liquor in State Now

Raleigh, Aug. 24—Declaring that his own observations tallied with the recent statement of Ben C. Sharpe, federal prohibition director for North and South Carolina and Georgia, that there is more liquor in the state than there has been in the past three years, Rev. C. A. Upchurch, superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League tonight agreed with the district prohibition head that the curtailed federal enforcement unit was insufficient to curb the traffic in this section.

"I don't believe that General Lincoln C. Andrews fully realizes conditions in the southern states or the difficulties of prohibition enforcement here," Mr. Upchurch stated. "I have commented before Mr. Sharpe made his statement that I didn't believe the prohibition force especially in eastern North Carolina where I have talked with the men and made my observations, was sufficient to uphold the law," he added.

Mr. Upchurch remarked upon the obvious impossibility of nine men preventing liquor from flooding the 52 eastern North Carolina counties in which they were charged with upholding prohibition laws.

"I'm not criticizing General Andrews," Mr. Upchurch emphasized, "but I do think his knowledge of illicit trade is confined somewhat to the conversion of alcohol and smuggling activities in thickly populated areas, and that he does not fully realize the extent of illicit distilling and rum running in the states of this district."

Mr. Sharpe's statement on liquor conditions in the three states under his supervision was made last week, and elicited the reply from Washington headquarters that he should have his curtailed force co-operate more freely with state officers.

MANY SPECTATORS ATTEND POLICE COURT MONDAY

Police court Monday afternoon brought out a large crowd of colored folks. This was due to the fact that most of the cases tried involved persons of that race. The case against Ike Rhodes charged with shooting "Goose" Chadwick was continued as Chadwick is still in the hospital.

A trial that caused some mirth was that against Mamie Davis charged with an assault upon Mary E. Sheppard, called "Boozy" by the witnesses. It appeared from the evidence that Mamie had grown a little jealous of "Boozy" and decided to administer some punishment to her, which she did by slapping her a few times. The defendant, who weighs about 200 pounds apparently, admitted that she did the slapping and said she gave her husband Dave Davis some of the same sort of medicine. Mayor Thomas decided that it ought to be worth \$5 and costs for the satisfaction afforded Mamie.

Three negro boys, Mark Washington, Charlie Chadwick and Alonzo Fulford were in court on the charge of cursing and throwing stones at Charles Gillikin and two or three other white boys. The evidence was rather strong against the defendants and they were given the option of paying a \$15 fine or working on the streets for 15 days.

Hardy Bailey charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, to wit a knife, upon Fred Williams Sunday afternoon denied the charge. The Mayor decided there was probable cause though and bound Hardy over to Superior court. Rosa Belle Pigott charged with disorderly conduct, which consisted in cursing and using abusive language to Liddy Washington received a sentence of a \$15 fine or 10 days in jail. J. H. Dill pleaded guilty to interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty and was let off with the costs amounting to \$3.90.

'NEW NORTH STATE' NOW PREDICTED

Work of Advertising The State Is Now Getting Under Way

Greensboro, August 23—A "New North State" developed by its own people from the Old North State, is the subject of the first official pamphlet issued by the organization committee of North Carolinians, Incorporated, in connection with its campaign for funds to advertise North Carolina to the world.

The folder printed in light blue and conforming to the state's colors, gives in seven pages a not altogether prosaic summary of the plans and activities of North Carolinians, Incorporated, to advertise in a well directed campaign the opportunities and resources of the state through newspapers, magazines and trade journals of national circulation. The pamphlet is being mailed to hundreds of representative citizens in all sections of North Carolina, from temporary organization headquarters at 211 Jefferson Standard Building, Greensboro.

The history of this young organization is dealt with briefly: "For several years progressive business men have discussed the proposition of selling North Carolina to the world through advertising. There has been a most remarkable unanimity of opinion in favor of such an undertaking, but not until this year was the thought crystallized into action. North Carolinians, Incorporated, is the development of many discussions, several meetings and much correspondence among several hundred business men from practically every city and town in the state."

In just as concise a manner does the pamphlet present the reason for the organization's existence. It is "a non-profit body incorporated under the laws of North Carolina, a voluntary organization of citizens, created to advertise the natural advantages and resources of all North Carolina through articles and display advertising in magazines and newspapers of National circulation; and to act as a clearing house for disseminating inquiries resulting from this advertising to the cities, towns and communities co-operating in the movement. It is designed to bring to North Carolina more good people to utilize the unused lands; to build additional manufacturing industries; to attract an ever increasing number of home builders, tourists and pleasure seekers." The sole purpose is to promote the agricultural, commercial, industrial, residential and resort development of the entire state.

The plans follow: "It is planned to enlist state-wide support and interest in order to secure an adequate fund to advertise the natural resources, advantages and business opportunities of the state. To accomplish this, \$150,000 will be required for the first year's operations."

REAL ESTATE SHOWS CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY

Considerable trading in real estate in the county seems to be in progress. Deeds recorded by Register of Deeds John W. Hamilton indicate this and are as follows:

Amy Brown et al to Dannie Murray 5 acres Beaufort township for \$50.

J. S. Duncan et al to J. F. Duncan Trustee 43 1-2 acres Beaufort township for \$1 etc.

M. R. Springle to Sallie Springle lot 82 Gallants Point Beaufort for \$1 love and affection.

M. R. Springle to Sallie Springle part lot 60 Beaufort for \$1 love and affection.

Mrs. Helen J. Russell to Mrs. Helen R. Taylor part lot 16, 17, 18 Beaufort for \$10.

Caroline Willis to Martha Salter 13 acres Sea Level for \$1000.

Ida G. Willis to H. F. Stallings lot 15 block 101 Morehead City for \$700.

J. E. Wallace trustee to F. I. Sutton and wife 20 lots Morehead City for \$10.

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W. B. Blades et al to C. V. Sanderson lot 11 Block T Morehead City for \$335.

Marie Guthrie et al to E. G. Gillikin part lot 1 block 103 Morehead City for \$100 etc.

W. D. Davis and wife to T. W. Davis 2 acres for Love and Affection.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following permits to wed have been issued by Register of Deeds John W. Hamilton since last week: Ernest Peppers, Condon, N. C. and Grace Willis Atlantic, N. C. Carl Benj. Chadwick and Elizabeth B. Rumley Beaufort.

ACTION POSTPONED ON HOTEL MATTER

Committee Not Ready To Report. Board May Call Election

There have been no developments of great interest in connection with the proposed municipal hotel for Beaufort. A meeting of the board of city commissioners set for last Friday night was not held as no quorum was present. Mayor Thomas recessed the meeting until the following Wednesday at which time a quorum was present.

As the committee which was appointed to get up information on the hotel subject was not ready to report the board decided to postpone action on the matter until the regular meeting which will be held Monday, September 6th. It is thought that sufficient information will be at hand then to enable the board to take some action. If it seems advisable to do so a referendum by the voters will be ordered so as to get the will of the people on the question. No matter though which way the election goes no bonds can be issued for the proposed hotel until an act has been passed by the General Assembly authorizing such an issue. All the election can do will be to ascertain the will of the people.

In order to get some light on the subject the News has written to some hotel people and architects for information. In reply Mr. T. L. Bland of Raleigh, who is interested in seven large hotels, says that it will cost from \$2500 to \$3000 a room to build a modern hotel such as is needed here. He thinks it would be well to build a fifty room so designed that it can be enlarged later. Mr. Charles C. Hartman of Greensboro, one of the leading architects of the State, says that a 100 room modern hotel can be erected at a cost of \$2800 to \$3000 a room. He says it would cost more in proportion to build a 50 room house than a larger one and he recommends a building of 100 room capacity. It is also suggested that there should be store rooms underneath the building for renting purposes and that it should be a combination commercial and tourist hotel.

PLEASING TRIBUTE PAID TO POPULAR COUPLE

It was a very pleasing tribute that was paid to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Seeley at Ann Street Methodist church Sunday night. Because of their leaving Beaufort at an early date a reception was held in their honor which was attended by a large number of persons. The affair took place in the Sunday School room which was tastefully decorated with cut flowers.

The evening's program opened with some stories told in a very entertaining manner by Mr. Floyd Loftin. After this the Reverend E. Frank Lee, pastor of the church, explained the object of the gathering and expressed his great regret at the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Seeley. He spoke of the splendid cooperation which they had shown him as pastor of the church and of what a loss the church would sustain in their leaving.

Reverend L. B. Boney, pastor of the First Baptist church, was called and responded very pleasantly and showed how much Mr. and Mrs. Seeley would be missed as citizens, as neighbors and as church members.

Others who paid tributes to the departing couple and expressed their great regret that they are leaving were: Messrs W. P. Smith, D. M. Jones, W. H. Haywood, J. A. Hornaday Jr., Thos. Duncan, B. C. Way, G. W. Duncan, Floyd Loftin, W. G. Mebane; Mrs. W. V. B. Potter and Mrs. J. H. Stubbs. Mrs. Seeley was then called on and spoke of her great regret at leaving Beaufort and expressed her appreciation of the many kind expressions that she had just heard. Mr. Seeley responded to a call by saying that his connection with the church, in public affairs and in every way had been very pleasant. He said Beaufort was the best town, in the best State, in the best country in the world and predicted a great future for it. He said opportunities for service here were very great and he hoped that those who were capable of doing so would take the lead in all good works. He expressed his deep regret at leaving and his appreciation of the kind things that had been said. At the conclusion of the speaking refreshments consisting of cream and cake were served. Mr. and Mrs. Seeley will make their home at Atkinson, about thirty miles from Wilmington.

TAGGED MULLET CAPTURED.

Over a year ago the United States Bureau of Fisheries at its Beaufort station decided to try to find out something about the habits of the mullet. In line with this purpose a large number of mullets were caught, tagged and restored to the water. A few of those have been caught and returned. One was found some time ago along the South Carolina coast. Last week Mr. Harvey Ramsey bought a mullet from a dealer and in examining it found one of the bureau tags on its gills. This fish was caught in Newport River. So far about half a dozen tagged fish have been turned into the station this year. Last year 35 were recovered.

NORTH CAROLINA COTTON IMPROVES

Outlook Favorable For Crop And Price Has Advanced Too

Raigh, Aug. 23—Prosperity apparently dug a new toe hold in North Carolina today with the United States department of agriculture report of an estimated Tar Heel cotton yield of nearly 10 per cent above the national average and the violent upturn of prices on the New York and New Orleans exchanges following publication of the government predictions.

The report that sent prices soaring \$3.50 a bale in New York this morning was distinctly favorable to North Carolina, despite the fact that continued dry weather in the state has given a pessimistic tenor to early crop conditions. The official government figures give the condition of the United States cotton crop as 63.5 per cent of a normal yield and that of the North Carolina crop as 73 per cent of normal.

The condition of the crop in the state was represented as having improved three per cent since August 1, and indicates a yield of 265 pounds an acre.

Million Bales Off

A total United States crop of 15,248,000 bales of 500 pounds each was indicated from the 48,898,000 acres under cultivation on June 25, 1926. This is nearly a million bales less than the 16,103,679 bales produced in 1925.

The report of the North Carolina co-operative crop reporting service, prepared by W. H. Rhodes, Jr. as associate statistician, declares that the crop this year will be distinctly late—anywhere from 15 to 25 days. It states that farmers estimate a yield of from 3 to 5 bolls to a plant, but that further damage may be expected from the weather, especially if the summer drought continues. The estimate declares that 1 1/2 inches of rain are now needed throughout the belt.

Boll Weevil Absent

Absence of boll weevils has been noticeable this year, it was declared. This was attributed to the hot weather, which, it was stated, was probably too much for the young weevils and killed them in infancy. The prediction was that no material damage was to be expected from insects this year.

The report further stated that the abandonment of planted acreage was very small this season. Prior to the June 21st, rains, there was some, but since then weather conditions have not been such as to cause abandonment, it was stated.

The North Carolina yield percentage will be exceeded in the southern belt only by Missouri, with 74 per cent, according to predictions in the federal report. South Carolina and Georgia stood the lowest with only 53 and 56 per cent respectively.

The western cotton raising states showed universally high percentages, California showing 94 and Lower California 95 per cent.

CHADWICK—RUMLEY WEDDING

A beautiful wedding was solemnized Sunday morning at 7:30 at the home of Miss Annie Rumley when her niece Miss Elizabeth Rumley became the bride of Mr. Carl Chadwick Jr. The house was tastefully decorated with ferns and cut flowers. The bride wore a suit of dark blue flat crepe with accessories to match.

Miss Emily Loftin played the wedding march and the Reverend E. Frank Lee performed the ceremony. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal couple left via motor for western North Carolina and from there they will go to Philadelphia to attend the centennial before returning to their home in Richmond.

The nuptials were witnessed by near relatives and a few intimate friends.

BEAUFORT SCHOOL BEGINS NEW TERM ON MONDAY WEEK

Outlook For The School Year Seems To Be Very Favorable

The Beaufort Public School will begin its 1926-27 session on September 6th at nine o'clock. The opening exercises will be held in the school auditorium at this hour.

A good school year is looked forward to, as all new teachers as well as the old ones, are especially prepared for their chosen work and have had experience in the best schools of the State. The faculty is as follows:

PRIMARY GRADES

First Grade: Miss Rose Winstead, Elm City, N. C. Miss Helen Second Grade: Miss Katherine Griffin, Wilson, N. C. Sieg, Hickory, N. C.

Third Grade: Miss Mahala Balance, Currituck, N. C.

GRAMMAR GRADES

Fourth Grade: Miss Lessie Arrington, Beaufort, N. C. Fifth Grade: Miss Louise Fritz, Hickory, N. C.

Sixth Grade: Miss Nellie Swann, Raleigh, N. C.

Seventh Grade: Miss Neva Chadwick, Beaufort, N. C.

HIGH SCHOOL

Miss Lucile Pond, Wakefield, Va. Miss Lena Duncan, Beaufort, N. C. Miss Gladys Chadwick, Beaufort, N. C.

Mr. M. S. Rose, Durham, N. C. Piano: Miss Edith Hollowell, Guilford College.

All teachers are expected to arrive next week in order to be present for the first teachers' meeting which will be held in the school building Saturday morning September 4th, at ten o'clock.

The fee charged for piano lessons will be slightly increased this year, the amount being \$4.00 per month, which is due by the end of the second week of each school month.

There has also been a change in the book rental system. The fees charged this year will be as follows: First grade \$1.50, Second grade \$2. and Third grade \$2.50. These fees are to be paid on the day of entrance as has been customary, however, there will be no fees due at mid-term as the above fees cover the entire school year. Neither will refunds be made at the close of the school year.

All pupils who reside out of the school district, who contemplate entering the public school, will facilitate matters if they will see County Sup't. Workman and secure a permit before the opening date. No out of district pupils will be admitted to the grades, due to the lack of room. Neither will any child be admitted to the first grade who does not become six years of age before the second term begins.

All patrons of the school are cordially invited to attend the opening exercises, and to visit the school throughout the year. Your cooperation for the success of the school is earnestly solicited.

ROBT. L. FRITZ, JR.
Superintendent

SOUTHGATE TERMINAL NOW COMPLETED

The three room building of the Southgate Packing Company on Front street is now practically finished. One of the rooms is occupied by the company for its wholesale fish business and the other two are for rent. The building is a large one story structure with a good looking brick and glass front and makes a very good appearance. It was erected by George Woolard who had the contract for it.

NEW PIER READY FOR YACHTSMEN GOING SOUTH

When the yachts begin coming south this fall they will find better accommodations at Beaufort than they have ever had before. The large and commodious municipal dock in front of the Inlet Inn is now about completed and ready for use. It is understood that the yachts will have the preference in using this wharf as it was built mainly for the purpose of attracting them to Beaufort. A few days ago the editor of the News wrote the editor of "Motor Boat" that the pier would be ready for the yachtsmen when they came South and asked that mention be made of it. He replied and said that he would be glad to give publicity to the matter.

Refrigeration experts predict that within the near future the same pipes that heat homes in winter will be used to cool them in summer.