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WILL OPPOSE EMERGENCY JUDGE ACT WHEN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETS

Considerable Talk That Judiciary Is Cheapened By Method Of Appointing Judges. Election Returns Show That Both Parties Lost Votes

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 20.—The three football games of the past week, it may be said, attracted more attention in Raleigh than any other matters last week. The escape of Otto Wood from State's Prison, the new attacks on the Newton road proposition, the filing of proceedings against the cotton co-ops and the vitriolic answer of the Association and other matters also held interest.

The Capital sow Wake Forest lose all hopes of a state title when State College defeated that team and heard with regret of Virginia's victory over Carolina. The victory of Davidson over Duke which gave Davidson its first state title also was of considerable interest. The football season here was a great success from the standpoint of attendance at the six games played by State College and her opponents.

Otto Wood, murderer-extraordinary, made his third escape from State's Prison during the week. The one armed murderer this time evidently bribed a guard to assist him, for he went out of a gate from which the catch had been removed. Wood wrote a book of his life last summer and told how he believed it best for every man to serve out his sentence and he had decided to do this. He was in solitary confinement at the time for his last escape effort and when this book was published the soft hearted prison board ordered him removed from solitary confinement and he made the most of this freedom of the back yard of the prison. No trace of him has been found by authorities.

Governor McLean spent a relatively quiet week. He stuck close to his office the first part and then on Friday went to Baltimore to handle some personal affairs. The Executive has been working hard on his plans to submit to the forthcoming legislature and there is every indication he will have a full program to submit dealing with state reforms in legislation. Among his activities was the appointment of several emergency judges including Felix Alley of Waynesville. A. W. Cook of Greensboro, D. L. Ward of New Bern, Philip C. Coker of Asheville, T. L. Johnson of Lumberton, J. H. Matthews of Windsor, H. L. Godwin of Dunn, Percy J. Olive of Raleigh and S. W. Black of Bryson City.

There is talk about Capitol corridors that the emergency judge act will meet with considerable opposition in the General Assembly though the Governor is satisfied with it. The view of many is that it is cheapening the judiciary and this should be avoided. No definite move has been started for its repeal so far as is known but there is considerable talk of such a move. The various rumors afloat about the division of the new General Assembly with the forces opposed to Governor McLean's policies to be led by Tobe Connor of Wilson, led Mr. Connor to make a statement on Saturday denying he was leading opposition to the Governor, asserting he still favored several important laws initiated by the Governor and further that so far as he knew any division in the general assembly would be based on personal opinions of the general assemblymen rather than on opposition to the Governor fathered by any one man.

The Governor during the week extended the lease on life of Booker T. Williams and Robert Lumpkin, negroes convicted of murder and sentenced to die last Friday. He wants the case more thoroughly investigated before he lets the negroes die in the electric chair. He also issued Thanksgiving clemency to 18 prisoners, mostly long term killers, who had no friends to plead for them. These prisoners for the most part had been at Prison for years and years and in the opinion of the Governor, had paid well for the crimes they committed. Taking exception to statements to the effect that the Governor was not friendly to the State Board of Health, Dr. Chas. O'H. Laughinghouse and Dr. G. M. Cooper of the Board issued a statement to the effect Mr. McLean was friendly to the Board.

The attack of citizens of Newton on the proposed road through their town was continued this past week when a new contract was let for the road to run through the town in accordance with the Supreme Court's decision. The citizens of the town got out a new injunction to prevent

MANY DEEDS RECORDED SHOW ACTIVITY IN REALTY

Considerable activity in real estate is evidenced by the deeds recorded recently at the office of the Register of Deeds. Most of the transactions however were caused by the sale of property for delinquent taxes. According to the records several lots at Morehead Bluffs have changed hands recently.

Luther Hamilton Com. to R. E. Chaplain 1 lot, Beaufort for \$50.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to R. E. Chaplain part lot Beaufort \$100.

M. R. Geoffrey and wife to H. L. Potter 16 1-2 acres Beaufort Township for \$100.

W. S. Chadwick to C. R. Wheatly 65 acres Lenoxville for \$800.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to J. F. Duncan, 1 lot Beaufort for \$60.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to Mrs. G. A. Lupton, 1 lot Beaufort for \$65.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to W. H. Taylor 1 lot Beaufort for \$60.

James R. Hancock et al to Sallie G. Hancock 4 acres Beaufort Township for \$10.

Manly Springle to Gertrude Hancock 22 acres Russell's Creek for \$85.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to A. L. Hamilton, trustee 8 acres Beaufort Township for \$85.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to A. L. Hamilton 1 acre Beaufort Township for \$40.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to A. L. Hamilton, trustee 12 acres Beaufort township for \$70.

E. M. Gaskill, adm. to Mary F. Gaskill 2 acres H. I. for \$75.

Luther Hamilton to A. L. Hamilton trustee, 1-4 acre Harkers Island for \$80; 1 acre Harkers Island for \$100.

1-4 acre Harkers Island for \$30; 1 acre Harkers Island for \$35; 1 acre Harkers Island for \$25; 1 acre Harkers Island for \$70; 3-4 acre Harkers Island for \$150; 1 acre Harkers Island for \$80; 2 acres Harkers Island for \$85; 1-2 acre Harker's Island for \$85; 1 acre Harker's Island for \$125; 1 acre Harker's Island for \$105; 1-4 acre Harker's Island for \$75; 1 acre Harker's Island for \$125.

Morehead Bluffs, Inc to J. W. Sauls 2 lots Morehead Bluffs for \$1200.

J. W. Sauls to L. H. Brown et al 2 lots Morehead Bluffs for \$3060.00.

Luther Hamilton, Com to A. L. Hamilton, Trustee, 1 lot Morehead City for \$300.

J. C. Mown et al to Roanoke R. R. & Lumber Co. 2 tracts timber, Merriam Township for \$3200.

NEW MINISTER ARRIVES.

The Reverend Leland L. Smith and Mrs. Smith and their four children arrived last Friday afternoon and are living in the Methodist parsonage on Queen street. Mr. Smith came from Bethel where he was pastor of the Methodist church in that town. He conducted services last Sunday both in the morning and evening at Ann Street church and preached to large congregations. Those who heard the new pastor seem to have been very favorably impressed with him.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

For several weeks since the fishing season opened up police court has been held Saturday night instead of Monday afternoon as is the usual custom. Four offenders, all colored, were tried Saturday evening on the charge of drunkenness. They were Ellis Baxter, Polk Johnson, Wright Stanly and Pete Davis. They were let off with a suspended judgment and the costs.

TEN DRY AGENTS WILL LOSE JOBS IN STATE

Charlotte, Dec. 1.—Ten federal prohibition agents in North Carolina probably are dismissed, the Observer tomorrow will quote R. Q. Merrick, administrator, as saying in a long distance telephone conversation from his home at Richmond.

There are 41 agents now in the state.

Mr. Merrick, the Observer story will say, stated that he expects to notify Ben C. Sharpe, deputy administrator for Western North Carolina, and A. G. McDuffie, deputy administrator for Eastern North Carolina, to reduce their forces by the middle of the week.

Apple growers of Avery County made a trial shipment of 700 bush of apples to Florida and were well pleased with the returns.

COUNTY SCHOOLS SHOW PROGRESS

Work During The First Three Months Has Been Good. Attendance Very Good

(By School Official)

This week closes the third month of school in Carteret County Schools. The progress in these schools is being noted not only by patrons in the local communities but all of North Carolina is watching to see the results of the eight months school term in Carteret county.

So far, the attendance has been good. Teachers and pupils are trying to make better attendance records this year and to reach a higher standard in classroom work. As far as is possible the progress in classroom work is being measured by standard tests. This enables the pupil to measure his own progress and compare his work with the work done in other schools of the county and of the state. The library work is receiving special attention this year. Pupils who read the required number of books will be given Read-Circle Certificates at the end of the year. Permanent Reading Circle Record Cards will be kept to show the reading done each year.

More library books are needed in all schools. Many schools are making money to buy these books. Some schools have secured "Travelling Libraries" from the State Library Commission. Some of the boys at Camp Glenn and Marshallberg have made book shelves for their classrooms.

Most of the county schools have Victrolas. Only the larger schools can afford to have special music teachers. This year Smyrna, Newport and Atlantic have Public School Music teachers.

Camp Glen School has been having some splendid results from supervised play which they carried on this year.

Sea Level and White Oak School have made special improvements in their school yards.

In general the teachers have showed a splendid cooperative spirit. Teachers and pupils are now adjusted to the situation. The work during the first three months has been good. The work during the last three months should be equally as good or better.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGES.

As it usually does the Post Office Department is beginning to urge people to get their Christmas packages ready for early shipment. This is done of course to avoid the congestion of the mails as much as possible. Packages can be sent any time and endorsed "Please Do Not Open Until Christmas." Packages should be marked very carefully with the sender's name in the upper left hand corner and that of the recipient in the usual place and plainly written or type written.

YACHTS PASSING THROUGH.

Capt. W. F. Eden of Port Washington, L. I. N. Y. Commanding three A. C. F. yachts arrived into the harbor Monday and will lay here until Friday before putting to sea for Palm Beach. Besides these three a large number of yachts have been in the port this week.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following permits to wed have been issued by Register of Deeds since last week:

Arthur G. Davis and Margaret Noe Beaufort, N. C.

Lester Morton and Lola May Howland, Morehead City.

SONG RECITAL TONIGHT.

The song recital given under the auspices of the Community Club will take place in the auditorium of the public school tonight. Miss Francesca Kasper Lawrence who is to sing is reputed to be an artist of unusual ability.

PAGEANT AT ANN STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday evening at 7:30, The Voice of the Future, a pageant will be given at Ann Street Methodist Church. The public is cordially invited to be present.

BAPTIST CHURCH BAZAAR.

The ladies of the Beaufort Baptist church will hold a Christmas Bazaar Tuesday and Wednesday, December 7 and 8th. The place will be I. N. Moore's brick store on Front Street. The hour 3 P. M. Come in and buy your Christmas gifts—Good eats.

CROP PRODUCTION SHOWS INCREASE

Purchasing Power of Farm Products Drops to New Low Mark for Season

Washington, D. C. Dec. 1.—Total crop production this year is above the average in quantity but below the average in quality, says the Department of Agriculture in its December report on the agricultural situation released today.

The department's index of purchasing power of farm products is placed at 81 for October, a new low for the season, compared with a pre-war base of 100.

The total production of all crops, according to the report, is apparently about 3 per cent larger than last year's, and in proportion to the Nation's population about 2.4 per cent above the average per capita production of the last five years. The composite quality of 15 important crops, excluding cotton, fruit, winter wheat, and sweet potatoes, appears to be about 5 per cent below the last 10-year average.

The drop in purchasing power index to 81 October is attributed in part to lowered cotton prices, "although the downward trend," says the department, is not explainable in terms of any single crop. Some products are showing good returns this year and some exceedingly poor. It is, perhaps, roughly accurate to say that the season has been favorable to livestock producers as a whole, but it has brought discouragement to growers of such important cash crops as cotton, fruit, and spring wheat.

Discussing conditions in the South, the department says:

"The cotton situation still looms large. The cotton market has steadied in recent weeks and is seemingly adjusting itself, with minimum fluctuation to the prospect of large supplies. Reports indicate that ample credit is available to prevent any general forced liquidation by growers. So far as this season's crop is concerned, it would appear that the South is in position to send it to market in orderly fashion, and so realize as good a return as possible in view of the general supply and demand situation.

"Cotton exports from August 1 to mid-November ran about 150,000 bales ahead of the same period last year, and domestic mill consumption was around 175,000 bales greater. Stocks of cotton goods are low. The general demand situation is reasonably strong. But the climax chapter in this cotton story remains to be written next year. In the cotton situation there is a clear warning for next year.

"Cheap cotton has its reactions in other fields. Cheap cottonseed means a lowered price scale on concentrated feeds; such feeds for a typical dairy ration now show the lowest price index in four years. It means competition for land, so much that land now sells down near the same price per pound as the live hog. It may have some meaning for wool growers. Cotton and wool prices usually move in fairly close relationship but in recent months cotton has been selling at a considerable disparity. This fact, coupled with the evidences of steady expansion in breeding flocks throughout the West, may well have some attention from sheep raisers who are disposed to look ahead."

THIRTY DAYS IN JAIL FOR "SASSING" THE JUDGE

Laurinburg, Nov 30.—A taste of rum, a distaste for jury duty, and a lingering antipathy toward a late occupant of the judicial limelight will cost Joe L. Lee 30 days in jail unless Judge T. B. Finley, who presided over the Cole case, relents and forgives pointed remarks concerning the Rockingham affair.

Lee, summoned to appear for jury duty in superior court here, appeared before Judge Finley, before court convened, primed for a show-down.

He supplemented his introduction with a general and profane summary of his aversion to juries, to courts, to judges, and especially to the jurist who sat in judgment over W. D. Cole. He announced further that he would serve under no such judge and begged to be excused.

Judge Finley excused the petitioner and took 24 hours off to meditate on the proper course of procedure when a sore spot is touched in such a flagrant manner while one is on the bench.

Despite his admission from Lee today that he was under the influence of liquor at the time of his discourse and signed a statement of apology. Judge Finley's final conclusion relegates him to the jail for one month, to be served unless a subsequent order of release is signed by the court.

MAN SOUGHT IS LIQUOR DEALER

Warrant Charging Murder Has Already Been Issued for Hunted Suspect

RALEIGH, Nov. 31.—Twenty especially detailed policemen and sheriff's deputies are tonight scouring the city in search of a fourth defendant in the case growing out of the alleged murder last Wednesday of L. G. (Mighty) Forsythe, whom officers believe was killed while riding in an automobile with Robert Separk, Evelyn Britt of Durham and Robert Stephenson.

Expecting the arrest at almost any moment of the latest suspect in the case, Coroner L. M. Waring declined to divulge his name, but said that he had already issued a warrant charging him also with the murder.

Raleigh Man

"I will say that he is a Raleigh man and that he handles liquor," Coroner Waring said, "And further investigation of the case has disclosed to me that he man I am seeking was near the spot in the vicinity of Clayton at which Forsyth met his death at the time his death occurred.

"He and Separk, I am led to believe, had a common grudge against authoritative information in my possession, stole a carload of whiskey which belonged jointly to Separk and the missing fourth defendant, two weeks prior to Forsyth's death.

Threatened Life

"The man I expect to have in jail before the night is over was heard to say that he would get Forsyth 'in less than a week.'

Forsyth's body was brought to a local hospital Wednesday by the operator of a filling station, several miles from Raleigh, and a neighbor. They said it had been turned over to them, presumably alive, by Separk and a man and a woman they did not know, after the party had driven to the filling station and awakened the operator, saying that they were out of gasoline and could not continue the trip to the city.

Separk is in jail here on a warrant charging him with murder. Evelyn Britt, of Durham, who has admitted that she was the woman in Separk's car, is under \$5,000 bond on a murder charge. Robert Stephenson, whom Separk and the Durham woman said was the third man in the automobile, also faces murder charges, but is still at large.

Death From Fall

Separk and the girl told officers that Forsyth met death by a fall through the rear curtains of the automobile to the hard surfaced highway between Clayton and Raleigh.

The Britt girl, through counsel, offered at the second session this morning of the coroner's inquest to tell her story of the tragedy, providing that it would convince the jury that no crime had been committed and making the provision that the charges against her be withdrawn and she be allowed to assume the status of a state's witness.

W. E. Evans, circuit solicitor, who sat beside the coroner, declined, with the remark that the case would probably be taken out of his jurisdiction and tried in Johnson county, inasmuch as Forsyth apparently met his death in that county.

MRS. J. W. S. HELLEN DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. J. W. S. Hellen, a venerable and highly esteemed resident of Beaufort, died Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Helen Russell her sister on Turner Street. Mrs. Hellen was the widow of the late J. W. S. Hellen and was his second wife. Her maiden name was Sarah Chadwick. She was seventy four years of age last March. About nine years ago Mrs. Hellen had a stroke of paralysis and has been an invalid since that time. Despite her long illness she had always been patient and cheerful. About ten days ago she was confined to her bed and grew weaker and weaker until the end came Tuesday.

The funeral services conducted by the Reverend Leland L. Smith pastor of Ann Street Methodist church took place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Many friends and relatives from both in town and elsewhere were present at the funeral. The burial was in Ocean View cemetery. Among those who attended the funeral services were Miss Bertha Hellen of Raleigh, Mr. J. B. Hellen, Vanceboro, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hart of Greenville, Mrs. A. V. Anderson, Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hellen of Durham, Mr. E. W. Hellen of Greenville.

FREIGHT RATES ON POTATOES TO BE MADE HIGHER

New Schedule Will Go Into Effect On December 12th.

WILL RESIST ADVANCE

According to a schedule of freight rates which is to go into effect December 12th there will be a considerable advance on the cost of shipping potatoes to the middle western states. This applies to both white and sweet potatoes. The increase in freight on a barrel of potatoes from Washington to Chicago for instance will be about twenty cents and in like proportion to other western points. It is considered likely that if these rates continue in effect that an effort will be made to advance in the eastern part of the country also.

The facts mentioned were brought out at a meeting of potato growers wholesale grocers and others held in New Bern yesterday. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Eastern Carolina Wholesale Dealers and Manufacturers' Association. It took place in the rooms of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce. Representatives of a half a dozen or more counties attended the event. Carteret county was represented by President Wiley H. Taylor of the Beaufort Chamber of Commerce, C. G. Gaskill potato shipper and W. G. Mebane, J. W. House of Wilson who is president of the association presided over the meeting and W. L. Thornton Jr. was secretary. These two officials and several others discussed the freight situation with reference to potatoes in particular and also other sorts of freight. After considerable discussion it was decided that the proper thing to do is to ask the Interstate Commerce Commission for a rehearing on the potato rates. The association is somewhat limited in funds and an appeal was made for new members. Several were secured and efforts will be made to increase the membership of the association. Speakers showed that the work of the association has already been very valuable to eastern Carolina and is capable of doing a great deal more. Wholesalers, bankers, truckers and other business men are to be urged to join the association.

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED LAST SATURDAY

The marriage of a very popular young couple occurred here last Saturday afternoon when Mr. Thomas Edwin Kelly of Charlotte and Miss Clyde Neal of Beaufort were united in the bonds of matrimony. The wedding took place at 4:30 at the home of the bride's mother Mrs. J. H. Neal. An improvised altar in the hall, which was beautifully decorated in white and gold, was made and before this the wedding vows were taken. The Reverend Mr. Crain, pastor of the First Baptist church of Morehead City officiated. Miss May Belle Neal sister of the bride was maid of honor and Mr. S. S. Kelly of Statesville, brother of the groom was the best man. The bride was beautifully and becomingly attired in a going away gown of blue poire twill trimmed with brown and hat to match. The wedding march by Mendelssohn was played by Mr. Theodore Webb of Morehead City. A large number of friends and relatives of the couple were present for the nuptials. After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Kelly motored to Raleigh and other cities where they spent several days. They expect to make their home in Beaufort for some weeks where the groom holds a responsible position with the Simmons Construction Company.

Orthopaedic Clinic Saturday.

Another meeting of the orthopaedic clinic held each month in New Bern will take place Saturday in the court house there. These clinics are held for the benefit of crippled people and are free of charge.

A good cellar where there is no furnace is a fine place to store apples and root crops, say horticultural workers.

Good yields of molasses are reported from some counties. A farmer of Montgomery County produced 393 1-2 gallons of fine syrup on one and one half acres.

Tom Tarheel says the milk in his family doesn't need is feed to the pigs and chickens which makes the cow, hog, hen plan of farming a success.

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