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NEW COUNTY LAW REQUIRES BUDGET TO BE PUBLISHED

Must Show What County Spent Last Year, Also What It Will Spend Next Year

NEW LAW IS DRASTIC

(County Government Information C. M. Johnson, Executive Secretary)
Raleigh, May 18—Preparation of a budget that will take care of the needs of each county department and activity and stand public inspection in the court house and in the county newspaper is the present task of the county officials throughout the state under the new County Fiscal Control Act.

Preliminary budget estimates are now being prepared on forms already sent out from the office of the County Government Advisory Commission by the department heads and officers in charge of functions in each county. These estimates must be completed and presented to each county accountant by June 1.

These preliminary budgets will show in detail what the department spent last year, an estimate of what it will spend this year, and what it expects to spend during the year beginning July 1.

Based on the figures submitted to him by the department heads, the county accountant will prepare a budget estimate for the entire county and submit it to the county commissioners not later than the first Monday in July, when the budgets will be finally fixed for the year on the basis of the county's income.

Under the new law all counties will use the uniform budgeting system. After the budgets have been finally acted on, the departments will know exactly what they may spend next year. Each line of activity will operate under its own apportionment, as the funds are not transferable from one department to another.

Upon submission of the budget estimate, and at least twenty days before the adoption of the appropriation, the budget estimate shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the board, where it shall remain for public inspection. The law further requires that a copy of the budget estimate be furnished to each newspaper published in the county.

The county officials must also cause to be published in at least one newspaper published in the county a summary of the budget estimate, showing at least the total appropriation recommended for each separate fund or function.

The responsibility for the carrying out of the budget system of handling county funds falls to the lot of the county accountant. No purchase is legal until countersigned by the accountant, who is personally responsible for the purchase orders he approves, and personally liable for orders approved without sufficient funds to take care of them.

The new system is designed to promote economy by setting up a definite amount of funds for each activity and by introducing a uniform system for all transactions, and by requiring each county to live within its income.

Pearle Mitchell's Fate Decided Next Week

RALEIGH, N. C. May 18—(INS)—The fate of Pearle Mitchell, Chatham County inmate of Death's Row, will be decided by the State Supreme Court here next week.

The high tribunal will decide whether the negro slayer is to be given a new lease on life and a chance to prove his innocence at a second trial, or whether he must die in the electric chair on schedule time.

The negro was tried and convicted in Chatham Superior Court for the slaying of William L. Fogleman, country merchant.

Fogleman was shot at his store during the early hours of a Sunday morning, when he was sitting up to apprehend thieves who had been entering his store, he said. A clerk was injured, but recovered.

Twelve other cases come up in the Supreme Court during the week. Ten of them are from the Nineteenth Judicial District. The other two are specially set cases.

PITTSBORO TO HAVE A SECOND ELECTION

PITTSBORO, N. C. May 17—(INS)—Because all the registration books were burned when the London Building was destroyed by fire here recently, Pittsboro will have a second election next month.

The voters will decide whether M. A. Barrell or W. F. Bland will be Mayor of Pittsboro.

BEAUFORT'S FUTURE

Mr. G. D. Potter, formerly of Beaufort but who has been living in Winston-Salem several years is very enthusiastic in his predictions about Beaufort's future as a result of the completion of the State Highway bridge. He says that he can easily make the trip from Winston-Salem to Beaufort in eight hours by motor car. With a paved road every foot of the way from the State's metropolis to Beaufort, passing through dozens of fine cities and towns. Mr. Potter thinks that thousands of people will come down here every summer. The bridge celebration ought to draw ten thousand visitors easily. Beaufort's greatest need, Mr. Potter says, is a modern hotel with about 75 rooms.

FISHING IMPROVES DESPITE WEATHER

Menhaden Boats Doing Fairly Well. Sportsmen Having Some Luck Too

In spite of blustery southwest winds that have been blowing a good deal lately considerable fish have been caught recently in Carteret county waters by professional fishermen and sportsmen. Now and then there is a day of calm weather and when it comes the fishermen get busy.

The boats of the C. P. Dey, Taylor's Creek and Wallace Fisheries have been making some fairly good catches for the past week or so. Some days the menhaden seem to be rather to find. Captain Bonner Willis and plentiful and then again they are hard crew aboard the Charles S. Wallace left early Monday morning for Ferrandina where they will fish for several weeks. The wholesale fish dealers in Beaufort and Morehead City have been getting some right good lots of food fish of various sorts lately. A fine lot of blue fish and Spanish mackerel were seen in B. C. Way's fish house yesterday. They were caught near the Cape by Harker's Island fishermen.

Several motor boats have carried fishing parties from up the country and elsewhere out recently and they seemed to have considerable luck Two days last week Dr. W. L. Hilliard of Asheville and Mr. Buell Cooke of Beaufort were out near Shackelford Banks and came back with a fine lot of pig fish, sea bass, blues and a few nice trout. Mrs. C. P. Dey and her guests Mrs. Edmond Jones and Mrs. George Harris of Petersburg have been out two or three times lately and made very good catches. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Graf of Salisbury were out yesterday for a few hours and caught around one hundred fish of several different sorts. Several gentlemen from Salisbury are expected down Saturday and will be here for about a week on a fishing trip.

BEAUFORT SCHOOL GIRL WINS VALUABLE PRIZE

A Beaufort high school girl, Miss Helen Hendrix, was the winner of a scholarship, valued at \$1000, in competitive examination held recently. Superintendent R. L. Fritz was notified Tuesday in a letter from President H. J. Pearce of Brenau College, Gainesville, Georgia of this fact. President Pearce says "as these examinations were held in a great many high schools over the country, I think the success of your student is a credit not only to her but to your high school." Miss Hendrix took the four year course in the high school here in three years and has made an excellent record in her studies. Scholarships similar to this were won by eleven other girls in Kentucky, West Virginia, South Carolina, Mississippi, Virginia and Georgia.

JOY RIDERS FIGHT AND GET IN COURT

A joy ride that ended in a fight was aired Tuesday afternoon before Justice Henry W. Noe when Isaac Felton, David Felton and Elisha Merrell were tried on the charge of assaulting Moses Gaskill. All the parties are young colored men. The fight took place at a filling station on the Laurel road and grew out of some trifling matter. No serious damage was done and the men were let off with the costs. Attorney E. Walter Hill appeared for the defendants and Attorney M. Leslie Davis represented the prosecution.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Graf of Salisbury, who were recently married in Greensboro arrived here Tuesday and are guests of the Davis House.

A Full Time Welfare Officer Appointed for Carteret County

Raleigh, May 16—Carteret County is now to have its first full-time welfare officer, Mrs. Ida H. Hall who is to be county superintendent of public welfare, having been appointed by the county commissioners the county board of education, to succeed Alvah Hamilton, who has for several years been part time superintendent.

Under the law, a county superintendent of welfare is the chief compulsory school attendance officer, has the care and supervision of the poor, promotes wholesome recreation, keeps up with the condition of persons discharged from hospitals for the insane and from other State institutions, and in general seeks to promote healthful social conditions in the county. The superintendent acts as the agent of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare in relation to any work to be done by the State board within the county.

Mrs. Hall is well fitted for the position. She is a native of Winston-Salem, North Carolina and has recently graduated from the Pennsylvania School of Social and Health Work. She is a graduate nurse and has done public health nursing in several states and Panama, for a number of years.

The county superintendent of public welfare in the various counties of North Carolina are working in cooperation with all the county officials and agencies, such as the county health officer, the home and farm demonstration agents, the school supervisors and officials. The relief work of various agencies is oftentimes made more effective by cooperation with the superintendent of public welfare in order to avoid duplication of effort, and to put dependent families on a self-supporting basis, avoiding pauperization.

LAND DISPUTE ENDS IN FIGHT

Harker's Island Got Some Excitement Out of Fight Friday Afternoon

The value of land on Harker's Island must be increasing considerably nowadays, at any rate it has gotten so they fight over it occasionally. A trial that took place in Beaufort Saturday showed that much interest in real estate exists there. The trouble grew out of a dispute over the title to some land which ended in a free for all fight.

There were two cases tried in fact Saturday, both of which grew out of the same cause. They were heard by Justice of the Peace W. O. Williams in the county court room. A considerable crowd from Harker's Island and elsewhere was present at the trial, which took place in the county court room, and got a lot of entertainment out of the proceedings. The first case was that in which Mr. George Rose, recently appointed deputy sheriff, was charged with an assault upon Captain Eugene Yoemans who is possibly the island's best known citizen. Captain Yoemans was represented by Attorney Graham Duncan. Mr. Rose was defended by Attorney James Wallace Mason. The other case was that in which Captain Yoemans was charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, to-wit a single barreled shot gun, upon Mr. Rose.

The evidence in the case as stated by several witnesses was that Mr. Rose had started to stake off some land which he claimed and that Captain Yoemans, who also claims the land, objected to his doing so. They had some words which ended in a fight in which Captain Cleveland Willis and his son Tilton took a hand. Mr. Rose stated that he hit the first licks but he seemed to have gotten the worst of the encounter as both of his eyes were considerably blackened. Fists were the only weapons used in the fight and nobody was seriously hurt. After the fight had ended Captain Yoemans went to his house and brought out his shot gun. It appeared from the evidence that the gun was unloaded and the captain did not use it any way upon his adversary. Considerable strong language was used but that appears to have done no material damage. Magistrate Williams decided to impose a fine of \$5 and costs on Mr. Rose and bound Captain Yoemans over to Superior Court.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Styron of Wash Woods, Va., and Miss Naomi Goodwin of Lota arrived in Beaufort Monday. They came via Norfolk and made the trip by motor here in ten hours. They will visit relatives at Lota a few days and then return to Virginia.

Men Held For Court For Fight At Newport

Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock a trial took place here before Justice of the Peace Henry Noe in which Andrew Slaughter and David Mansfield of Newport were charged with an assault upon Guy Dickinson of Beaufort. The defendants had no counsel and waived examination. They were held for Superior Court under bonds of \$250 each.

As no testimony was given by either side of the affair the News knows very little about the facts. The trouble occurred at a dance at Newport on Friday night the 6th. Mr. Dickinson, his mother, sister and aunt attended the dance. The fight took place outside of the hall. It seems that some words took place between the men and that they got into a fight. Messrs. Slaughter and Mansfield live some distance out of Newport in the country and the News understands that one of them is a magistrate and the other is a deputy sheriff. After the fight it seems that they arrested Dickinson and took him to Morehead City where he was turned loose by Sheriff Wade and since then no charge has been made against him either by the town of Newport or the State. The matter will be aired at the June term of Superior Court.

Baptists Have Secured Services Of Pastor

The First Baptist church here which has been without the services of a pastor for several months has secured the services of the Reverend J. P. Harris of Fuquay Springs. A call was extended to Mr. Harris several weeks ago but the congregation which he has been serving for some years was reluctant to let him go. Finally he decided to accept the Beaufort call and will come not later than the first of August and sooner if he can possibly arrange to do so. Mr. Harris is a middle aged man and has a family. He comes to Beaufort with fine testimonials as to his fitness to serve the people here.

BEAUFORT WOMAN HIGHLY HONORED

Miss Bertha Hellen Selected As Leading Business Woman of Raleigh

Her many friends here in Beaufort, where she formerly lived, were pleased to learn Tuesday from the Raleigh News and Observer that Miss Bertha Hellen had been named as the outstanding business woman of that city. Miss Hellen won this honor in competition with a number of the leading women of Raleigh. Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon won a like honor as the outstanding professional woman of the city. These two will be entered in a State wide contest and should they win in that would be entered in a national contest, the winners of which will get six weeks free trip through Europe.

Of Miss Hellen the News and Observer said:

Miss Bertha L. Hellen, assistant cashier of the Raleigh Banking and Trust Co., is known as one of the outstanding banking women of the South. She is the only woman in North Carolina to belong to the Association of Bank Women of America, an association composed exclusively of women bank officials.

She is a native of Beaufort, and in 1918 was head teller of the Branch Banking and Trust Company, of Wilson. She accepted a position with the Raleigh Banking and Trust Company in October, 1920, and in December, 1921, was made assistant cashier, the first woman in Raleigh to hold such a position. With the exception of about six months, she has been acting in the capacity of cashier.

In addition to her pre-eminence in the business world, Miss Hellen has taken an active part in the civic and religious life of Raleigh. She is now serving her second term as president of the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Dr. Wm. L. Hilliard of Asheville spent the week end here a guest of the Davis House.

Mr. D. F. Duncan, formerly principal of St. Paul's School here, now living at Jayodan, is here on a short visit.

Real Estate Transfers Show Some Activity

Some activity has been shown recently in the real estate market in Carteret county. Deeds recorded at the office of the Register of Deeds for the current week are as follows: Luther Hamilton, Com. to Henry Green, part lot Beaufort for \$80.

Annie Johnson et als to John Johnson, 1 lot Beaufort for \$1.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to W. L. Jones, 2 lots West Beaufort for \$300.

E. Frank Lee and wife to H. A. Walker and wife, 1 lot Beaufort, for \$10.

Luther Hamilton, Com. to John Robinson, Trustee, part lot Beaufort for \$165.

W. L. Arrington and wife to I. E. Ramsey, Water Lot Beaufort, for \$10.

Henrietta J. Goodwin to Lewis Goodwin, 1-2 acre Cedar Island, for \$20.

Thos. L. Goodwin et al to J. B. Goodwin et al 14 acres Cedar Island, for \$6.

Geo. W. Goodwin to J. B. Goodwin et al, 48 acres Cedar Island, for \$20.

Clifford Lupton and wife to W. A. Lupton, tract Hunting Quarters Township, for \$5.

Sarah J. Eaton to J. C. Banks and wife, tract, Camp Glenn, for \$10.

Bogue Devopment Corp. to Wood Privett, 1 lot M. City for \$100.

T. C. Wade Sheriff to Ernest Martin, tract Merrimon, for Taxes Paid.

Carl Wade and wife to J. A. Hornaday, tract Smyrna, for \$10.

PROHIBITION OFFICERS RAID HAVELOCK FILLING STATION

Morehead City, May 18—Federal prohibition officers raided the filling station run by B. G. Harker, near Havelock, last Friday morning at an early hour. The officers found 33 gallons and one quart of the contraband fluid in Harker's establishment. He was brought to Morehead City and given a hearing before U. S. Commissioner S. H. Newberry. Harker was held for trial in Federal Court at New Bern under a bond of \$500 by Commissioner Newberry.

Mr. Newberry's law office which has been located for some time in the building with Dr. C. G. Ferebee, has been moved upstairs over the Morehead City Drug Company. Dr. Ferebee will use the office formerly occupied by Mr. Newberry.

EDUCATIONAL RALLY AT SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

On Saturday night Dr. George Davis a negro educator and orator of considerable note will address the colored people of Beaufort on a subject of much interest to them and the community at large. While the address is intended primarily for the colored people, all persons interested in the public school system of the town are urged and invited to attend. In addition to the address to be made by Dr. Davis, short talks will be made by several leading citizens and several musical selections will be given. The meeting will be in the auditorium of the white school auditorium beginning at eight o'clock.

Prize Winners Named In Writing Contest

The contest conducted by the Beaufort News for a test of the writing ability of pupils in the primary grades of the rural schools came to an end last week. All of the letters that were received were published. Several of the schools in the county did not have an entry in the contest.

Those who won the prizes were as follows: First prize Mary F. Lewis, Harker's Island school. She gets \$5 and her subject was "History of Harker's Island." The second prize of \$2 was won by Victoria Davis of the 7th grade, Smyrna School. There were three other prizes of \$1 each. They were won by Irene Beacham, Lower North River school, Ethel Hancock, 6th grade Smyrna school and Ruth Russell, 6th grade White Oak school. The articles were widely read and the News heard a good many comments on them. Next week the News will reprint the five prize winning articles. The judges who kindly consented to act at the request of the News were Misses Neva Chadwick Louise Fritz and Nellie Swann of the Beaufort Public school faculty.

JUDGE MEEKINS TO SPEAK AT HIGH POINT COLLEGE

HIGH POINT, N. C. May 16—(INS)—Judge I. M. Meekins of the U. S. Court, District of Eastern North Carolina, will deliver the baccalaureate address at the High Point College commencement exercises here. Judge Meekins' address will be made on Monday May 23.

Miss Daisy Morris of Morehead was in town today visiting friends.

POTATO HARVEST STARTS MONDAY

Dry Weather Has Hurt Crop But Prices Are Good At Present

According to general reports the dry weather has cut short the potato crop in Carteret county this spring. There have been only one or two light rains since early in March and as the potato requires a good deal of moisture the season has not been favorable for a big crop. However prices at present are good and the growers are hoping to get a good price for what they do raise.

It is likely that potato harveting will start here Monday. County Agent Overstreet informs the News that Messrs G. W. Huntley, Will Savage and the Gibbs brothers expect to start digging Monday and it is possible that a few others will start early in the week. In about ten days harvesting the crop will be pretty general. Had there been much rain it is probable that the crop would have been later. Last year a drought which lasted until June the 4th cut the crop short. The quality of the crop last season was good and indications are that it will be good this year. Last season Federal inspectors were in the county for the purpose of helping to properly grade and pack the crop. It is considered very important that the grading shall be done in accordance with Federal requirements as in this way better prices are obtained for the stock. For some reason, poor packing or something, potatoes in Carteret county have not brought as good prices as they have done in the Elizabeth City and Virginia districts. Growers are hoping to get the top of the market this year.

BEAUFORT SCHOOL EXERCISES START

Reverend Richard Bagby Will Preach Commencement Sermon Sunday. Recitation Contest Monday

The Commencement exercises of the Beaufort Public School will soon be under way. The first number will be given on Friday the 20th at eight o'clock. Miss Anna Skarren who graduates in piano will give her recital at this time. On Sunday morning May 22nd at eleven o'clock Rev. Richard Bagby, pastor of the First Christian Church of Washington, N. C., will preach the annual commencement sermon. The Recitation—Declaration contest will be held on Monday night, May 23rd at eight o'clock in the school auditorium. The senior play will be given the following night at the same hour. On the 25th the public school music and piano pupils will give an entertainment, directed by Misses Griffin and Holowell. The senior class exercises will be held on Thursday night May 26th at eight o'clock. On Friday night May 27th the graduating exercises will be held. Dr. N. W. Walker, Dean of the School of Education, University of North Carolina will deliver the address. Dr. Walker is an interesting, as well as a forceful speaker.

DIPHTHERIA TESTS WILL BE MADE ON MAY 21st.

The Health Department will administer Schick test, that is a test to determine whether a child would contract diphtheria if exposed to that disease, at the County Health Department on Friday May 21st, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. We urgently request that every child in this community come to the office for this purpose. The test will be determined on Monday and all positive cases will be given an opportunity to begin Toxin-Antitoxin on that day. All school children from the first through the fourth grades will be taken care of there. Those who have had as many as 3 injections of Toxin-Antitoxin should come to determine whether they will need additional doses on Friday.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Only on permit to enter the state of matrimony has been granted this week by Register of Deeds R. W. Wallace. It was to Robert L. Hagans, Wilson, N. C. and Julia P. Watkins, Morehead City, N. C.