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Politicians Puzzled By Daniels Attitude

Do Not Understand His Criticism of Gardner Administration And The General Assembly; Some Think He Wants To Be Governor

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

Raleigh, Aug. 3.—Democratic leaders in many parts of North Carolina are beginning to wonder and to ask questions as to how much longer and to what further end will extend the attacks of Josephus Daniels, both on the public platform and through his Raleigh paper, upon the Gardner administration and the acts of the 1931 General Assembly, which in a large measure constitute the record of the Democratic party in the State.

The leaders are not surprised at the attacks upon the Gardner regime. They recall the "Asleep at the Switch" editorials in the News and Observer directed at Governor Kitchen; they are mindful of the "Come Home, Governor" call to Governor Morrison, and memory is fresh as to the numerous thrusts at Governor McLean. Senator Simmons and later Senator Bailey have received their roastings at the point of the Daniels pencil. In every General Assembly for many years that same pencil has expressed the views of its pusher on the acts of the members of the two houses and the programs of the Governors.

But the leaders are raising questions as to why the extension of the attacks on the 1931 General Assembly and the Gardner program, most of which received the general approval of Mr. Daniels a the time, even though there were divergences on methods. Heretofore, they say, he has criticized while there was still time for changes, but when the General Assembly had adjourned and its policies sealed, he would accept its acts as those of the Democratic party and bow to its will.

Now, it is pointed out, long after the General Assembly adjourned, he is denouncing about the State the leadership of his party and describing the work of the overwhelming Democratic legislature as "indefensible," instead of his usual policy of rallying to the support of his party—the party which, some have the courage to say, raised him from a "provincial editor's desk to a mighty seat in the councils of the nation. Some are asking if he is trying to bring about a repudiation of the Gardner administration, the defeat of all members of the 1931 Legislature who may come up for re-election, or is he seeking to foment discord in the ranks of the party which has honored him. That, it is asserted, is a role more suitable to a dashing actor like Marion Butler.

This apparent change in policy is apparently calling for a motive, an explanation as to the objective. Some profess to see in it a desire of Mr. Daniels to become Governor, his "don't choose" statement to the contrary, notwithstanding. They are confident he would not offer for the office unless he was certain in his own mind of attaining it, but they claim it is his method of preparing the soil for that kind of harvest.

In a recent discussion of the possible elimination of present prospective candidates before primary time comes around, the belief was expressed that two of the remaining would be A. J. Maxwell and R. T. Fountain, to which one close to Mr. Daniels remarked: "In that case, Fountain would be forced to withdraw, Mr. Daniels would become a candidate and beat the h—out of Maxwell."

Much Political Activity

Several public gatherings recently have become political arenas. The bar meeting in Chapel Hill was a scene of activity of potential candidates, thus freeing the press meeting at Morehead at the same time from heated politics. But the legion convention at Morehead two days later shifted the scene to that area. Frank D. Grist, Senatorial aspirant, was busy, but Robert R. Reynolds, contender on a modification platform, was noticeably absent. Major A. L. Fletcher, seeking the Labor Department job, was there, as was a new one, Clarence E. Mitchell, Raleigh printer, aspiring for the same berth. Chester Bell was busy letting the boys know he expects to oppose State Auditor Baxter Durham, George K. Freeman, Goldsboro, was quiet about any aspirations he may have to become Attorney General. A. H. (Sandy) Graham, Hillsboro, couldn't keep to himself his hope to become Lieutenant Governor, and Thomas C. (Tam) Bowie was still feeling out the senatorial water. Many others were active, either for themselves or in behalf of others.

Unusually Big Docket In City Police Court

An unusually large number of defendants faced Mayor Taylor in City Police Court Friday afternoon. Most of those tried were colored but several white persons were on the docket also.

Three young colored men, George Perry, Willie Ward and Keys were tried on the charge of fighting. There was no evidence against Perry and he was released. The other two were fined \$2.50 and costs each.

Charles Fisher, colored, on a drunkenness charge plead not guilty but the evidence of Officer Holland was that he had too much aboard and he was fined \$2.50 and costs or ten days on the street force.

George Turner Jr., colored, drunk-ness, submitted and was fined \$2.50 and costs or ten days.

James Foster, colored, plead guilty to a drunk charge and received a sentence of \$1 and costs or five days.

Preston Bryan, colored, convicted of having been drunk was given a choice between paying \$1 and costs or doing five days work.

Otis Edwards, colored, admitted that he was drunk as charged and was fined \$2.50 and costs or ten days.

Guy Smith, charged with having been drunk and disorderly admitted that he was pretty full but said he was not disorderly. His sentence was \$2.50 and costs or 10 days on the street force.

Charlie Chadwick, 15 year old colored boy, charged with disorderly conduct, to-wit throwing a bucket of water on John Stanley was told to behave himself and dismissed.

Tom Noe, charged with fast driving admitted it but said something was wrong with the car. His sentence was \$10 and costs or 30 days on the streets.

Ennis Moore, colored, driving while under the influence of liquor, was bound over to Recorder's Court under a \$25 bond.

Len Thomas, charged with having a fight with Charlie Phillips, was fined \$1 and costs. It seems the difficulty grew out of a collision between their cars.

Arthur Stewart and James Stanley, possession and transporting liquor, held for Recorder's Court under a \$25 bond each.

Young Man Injured When Cars Mix Up

Eugene Brooks of Otway is in the Emergency Hospital here as the result of an accident that occurred last Friday evening on the highway near Otway. The young man has two broken ribs and a cut on his left wrist but is getting along satisfactorily.

The accident referred to was somewhat unusual, even in this day of many kinds of accidents. Young Brooks was riding a pony, it was about dusk, and stopped to speak to a friend in a Ford roadster. Another car came up and behind that came a light truck driven by Henry Guthrie of Morehead City. Brooks thought the truck was going to hit him and jumped from his pony and tried to get in the ditch, but the truck driver swerved to miss the pony and hit the man. The other two cars were also in the mixup and one had its right fender broken and the other had a rear wheel smashed up. The truck lost a fender and a light. The men in the cars and the pony all escaped injury.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED TO BEAUFORT MAN

Announcement has been made this week by the Leopold Schupp Foundation that a cash scholarship of \$375. has been awarded Maurice B. Cree, of Beaufort, to be used by Mr. Cree in the study of medicine at Duke University this fall. Mr. Cree was graduated from Wake Forest College in June, 1928, and was awarded a scholarship for \$365 his Senior year there by the same Foundation—making a total of \$740.00 extended him by the trustees.

BIRTH OF SON

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Willis of Beaufort on August 1, a son, Robert E. Lee Jr.

PLEAS OF GUILTY EXPEDITE COURT

Jury Was Impannelled But Was Not Needed; Rather Full Docket

The expected long drawn out session of Recorder's Court did not materialize Tuesday. Several submissions on the part of defendants cut proceedings rather short. Jurors had been summoned and a jury was impannelled but the jury did not have to pass judgment upon anybody and was dismissed shortly after court convened.

The first case tried was that of Herbert Davis, young colored man formerly of Williston but now living in Morehead City, charged with abandonment. Annie B. Davis, his wife was the prosecuting witness. She and two small children were in court. Attorney C. R. Wheatly appeared for the defendant. Davis admitted he had not contributed anything for his family's support but said he had been in the hospital for some weeks, having been stung by a sting ray. The man and his wife and children were all well dressed and intelligent and Judge Davis said that he thought they ought to live together and avoid any family disputes in the future. Solicitor Phillips and Mr. Wheatly consented and it was agreed that the matter be held open until next Tuesday.

In the case of Mrs. Callie Noles, operator of the Lone Pine filling station on highway 10, a submission to a charge of violating the prohibition law was offered by her attorney D. L. Ward Jr., of New Bern. Mr. Ward first attempted to have the warrant dismissed on the ground that the search warrant was improperly drawn. This motion was denied and the plea of nolo contendere was offered and accepted. Mr. Ward said the woman is poor and that she is a widow with seven children and begged that she be allowed to leave the county. She was sentenced to jail for six months, capias not to issue for 10 days which gives her an opportunity to move away.

Clarence Low, manager of the Log Cabin lunch room at Morehead Bluffs, was acquitted of the charge of violating the prohibition law. The evidence was that officers found two bottles partly filled with "home brew" in Low's place and a large quantity of it in some woods about 150 yards away. There was no testimony that this stock belonged to Low. Solicitor Phillips said he would take a noll pross in the case.

The case of Ennis Moore, charged with fast driving.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Luther Hamilton, Com., to Federal Land Bank, 175 acres, White Oak Township, for \$4,000.00.
R. E. Whitehurst Trustee to Mary Dennis, 128 acres Morehead Township, for \$500.
W. C. Gorham Trustee to E. H. Gorham, 1 lot Morehead City, for \$100.
J. F. Duncan, Trustee to Fred A. Lewis, 5 acres H. I. Township, for \$50.
H. G. Loftin et al to Loftin Motor Co., 3 lots Beaufort, for \$10.
Charlie Hancock et al to Wardie Murphy, 1 acre H. Q. Township, for \$600.
I. W. Davis et al to D. R. Lewis, 1 lot Marshallberg, for \$100.
Craven County 4-H club members held camp at Neuse Forest on September 1 to 3.

SCHOOL HOUSE VALUATION IN N. C. IS NOW OVER HUNDRED MILLIONS

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
Raleigh, Aug. 3.—North Carolina had 5,825 schoolhouses valued at \$110,421,315 during the school year 1929-30, of which 3,460 houses were for white children, valued at \$98,946,273 and 2,365 were for colored children, valued at \$11,474,042 the July issue of School Facts, just issued from the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, shows. While the white school houses decreased from 5,115 in 1904-05 to 3,460 last year, the appraised value of school property increased from \$2,712,112 to \$98,846,273 in that 25-year period, in which the average value of the white schoolhouses increased from \$530 to \$28,597, and the average value per child enrolled increased from \$8.34 to \$162.92. In the negro schools in the same period the number of schoolhouses showed a slight increase, from 2,261 to 2,365, while their value increased from \$470,806, average value per house \$208 and average value per child enrolled \$21.16 in 1904-05, to \$11,475,042, average value per schoolhouse \$4,852 and average value per child \$44.20 for 1929-30.

BOARD DISPUTES BILL FOR AUDIT

Claims Stancil's Charge For Services Is Too High; Tax Levy Not Made

The second monthly meeting of the board of commissioners of the town of Beaufort took place Monday night. Mayor Taylor presided and Commissioners Gibbs, Glover, King and Rumley and City Attorney G. W. Duncan were present. The subject of bills was the main thing considered.

Mr. Charles Hatsell came before the board and requested a donation for the Fire Department for sending delegates to the State Firemen's convention which meets in Statesville on the 24th of this month. He said it was necessary to send delegates in order to share in the Firemen's Relief Fund. Two years ago the board gave \$150 for this purpose. Last year the convention was held in Morehead City and nothing was given. After some discussion a motion introduced by Commissioner Rumley to contribute \$100 for the purpose asked was passed.

A motion was passed to have two notes at the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company renewed. A motion was passed requiring some one to sign an order every time any gasoline is purchased.

A large number of bills were audited and nearly all ordered paid. A bill of \$140 rendered by W. L. Stancil for balance due on auditing the town's books brought on considerable discussion. It appeared that the former board had paid Mr. Stancil \$1095 Commissioner Gibbs took the position that the charge was excessive. In this respect he seemed to be supported by the other members of the board and a motion was passed tabling the bill. Mr. Stancil said that the town paid Dixon, Russ and Carter last year about the same and that two years before it cost the town around \$1900. He said he did considerable extra work besides making the audit.

The matter of fixing the compensation of the City Attorney was taken up and discussed at length. It was finally decided to pay him \$20 a month salary which is in the nature of a retainer and that its charges for any special services should be moderate.

License taxes were taken up and fixed for the coming year. A few changes were made from what they were last year. No action was taken on the budget or on levying a tax rate. The subject of the sale of the water and light plant did not come up at all. The board took recess subject to the call of the Mayor.

SNAKE TAKES AUTO RIDE

The practice of bunning rides is frequent enough among people but snakes rarely ever attempt it. However even that does happen occasionally as Mr. Ervie J. Wetherington of Grant's Creek will testify. Last Saturday he drove to Peletier about fifteen miles, with a two and a half foot black snake coiled up in his radiator. He did not know the snake was riding with him but a chicken saw the reptile and became excited and attracted the attention of Mr. W. T. Holmes who investigated and found the snake snugly coiled up on the radiator.

15 Wounded In Jail Fight

Buenos Aires, Aug. 3.—Fifteen persons were wounded today in an encounter between communists and anarchists lodged in the Villa Devoto jail.

County Commissioners Order 100 Cases Advertised

Tax Collector Instructed To Advertise 1930 Taxes; Budget And Tax Rate Not Fixed Yet, Will Be Attended To Monday; Jury Drawn For Special Term of Court.

Normal July Weather Reported In Beaufort

During the month of July there was a great deal of talk and quite a good deal in the newspapers about hot waves in all parts of the country. In various places in North Carolina temperatures of from 95 to 100 were reported quite frequently. In southern California and other parts of the southwest temperatures of as high as 110 were reported. Beaufort cannot claim any such unenviable distinction.

The report of the U. S. weather station on Piver's Island for the month of July shows that the highest temperature recorded for the month was 94 and that occurred only one day, the 17th. A southwest wind was blowing that day which made it pleasant in the shade. The rainfall for the month was rather heavy, 7.24 inches. For 14 days the wind blew from the southwest. The other two days it was from the northeast and east.

Thermometer figures for the month day by day are as follows:

	Max.	Min.
1.	84	75
2.	85	69
3.	86	68
4.	84	73
5.	84	72
6.	86	77
7.	89	77
8.	89	77
9.	87	77
10.	83	74
11.	84	77
12.	84	74
13.	87	72
14.	85	76
15.	87	76
16.	90	78
17.	93	73
18.	85	73
19.	84	74
20.	83	79
21.	85	80
22.	85	78
23.	83	77
24.	89	78
25.	86	78
26.	87	73
27.	88	74
28.	91	71
29.	89	74
30.	88	79
31.	90	79

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Monnie Davis Daniels, Lola, and Mary Kazura, Colverton, L. I. N. Y. David Felton and Ovalla Murrell, Beaufort.
Calvin Richard Stewart Charlotte, N. C., and Marie Nicola Sellers, Asheville, N. C.

EDUCATION BOARD MEETS

The usual monthly meeting of the County Board of Education was held Monday at the offices of Superintendent J. G. Allen. Matters mostly of a routine nature was discussed. A tentative school budget was adopted and sent to the State Board of Equalization for approval. Nothing has been done yet about electing a School Supervisor. Those present at the meeting were Chairman Wiley H. Taylor, Dennis Mason and Charles V. Webb and Superintendent Allen.

IMPATIENT YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED AT MIDNIGHT

Deputy Register of Deeds J. R. Jinnette is not only ready to issue marriage licenses but when called upon to do so very obligingly ties the nuptial knot for those who desire it. Last Friday at about midnight he was aroused from his slumbers to issue a license to a young couple and then proceeded to make them one. The principals in the transaction were Calvin R. Stewart of Charlotte and Miss Nicola Sellers of Asheville. A well known Beaufort lawyer who was present as best man is said to have been rewarded for his services by being allowed to imprint a kiss upon the lips of the blushing bride.

EDWARD B. HANCOCK

Mr. Edward Bembra Hancock, died Tuesday of this week at the age of 77 years, after a short illness. He was interred yesterday in the family burying ground at Smyrna. Surviving him are his widow and three sons. One son, Ivey Hancock is well known in Beaufort, having managed a chain store here for some time.

Pressure of business this week was such that the Board of Commissioners of Carteret county found it necessary to be in session the better part of two days. Quite a number of matters were given attention by the board and some of them required considerable time. Members present were, C. T. Chadwick, L. C. Carroll, Martin Guthrie, W. W. Styron. In the absence of Chairman Webb the meeting was presided over by Vice-Chairman C. T. Chadwick.

A piece of business of general interest attended to by the board, was the passage of a motion made by Commissioner Guthrie that the Tax Collector be instructed to proceed at once to advertise 1930 delinquent taxes. This action has been postponed for several meetings to give people more time to settle their taxes.

A question that brought on quite a lengthy discussion was that of whether a jury from the county should be drawn for the special term of court convening here on August 17th. County Attorney Luther Hamilton and Attorney Henry Whitehurst of New Bern argued that the law requires that a county jury shall be drawn for any special term of court just as at a regular term. Chairman Chadwick stated that as a special jury from Pitt county would be brought here to try what is known as the "county cases" that he saw no use in putting the county to the expense of having another jury that would not be needed. Mr. Hamilton said there would probably be time to try other cases beside the county cases—the term is for two weeks—and that the law required it any way that a jury be summoned. The matter was first discussed Monday afternoon and then was taken up again Tuesday at which time one of the attorneys for the county Rodman Guion of New Bern came before the board and there was a further discussion of the matter. It was finally decided to draw the jury and this was done to comply with the law.

The budget for the ensuing fiscal year was not adopted at the board meeting. The tentative budget has been prepared and sent to Raleigh for the approval of the authorities there as is now required by law. The tax rate for next year has not been fixed yet but the rate of \$1.80 has been suggested and may be adopted. Bruce Craven of the firm of Craven and Craven who is looking after the matter of funding the county's floating indebtedness was not present at the meeting.

The board had a request that the name of John E. Mason of Stacy, who was stricken from the Poor List recently, be restored to the list. Commissioner Styron was appointed a committee of one to investigate the matter and report to the board. Mr. Willis of the Morehead City Shoe Company came before the board.

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TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tide at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. Some allowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the heads of the estuaries.

High Tide	Low Tide
Friday, Aug. 7	
1:35 A. M.	7:33 A. M.
2:20 P. M.	8:38 P. M.
Saturday, Aug. 8	
2:37 A. M.	8:28 A. M.
3:21 P. M.	9:40 P. M.
Sunday, Aug. 9	
3:38 A. M.	9:28 A. M.
4:19 P. M.	10:40 P. M.
Monday, Aug. 10	
4:39 A. M.	10:25 A. M.
5:13 P. M.	11:01 P. M.
Tuesday, Aug. 11	
5:34 A. M.	11:34 A. M.
6:05 P. M.	11:21 P. M.
Wednesday, Aug. 12	
6:26 A. M.	12:24 A. M.
6:54 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
Thursday, Aug. 13	
7:15 A. M.	1:10 A. M.
7:41 P. M.	1:14 P. M.