

The Messenger.

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New Advertisements. Always Go—E. Van Lander. This Week—S. W. Sanders. For Sale—W. M. Cumming. Candy Free—D. C. Whitted. Summer Board—J. B. Burwell. White Goods—Johnson & Fore. Special Notice—Hans A. Kure. Dividend Notice—Julius Davis. Masonic Meeting—W. M. Polson. Notice of Election—F. W. Foster. The University—President Alderman. Watermelons—Saunders & Marshall. \$10,000,000 Capital—Mechanics' Home Association.

Weather Conditions.

(Reported by C. M. Strong, Local Forecaster.) U. S. Weather Bureau Office, June 7, 8 p. m. The barometer is lowest from western Pennsylvania south to the central gulf, with showers or thunderstorms reported from nearly all bordering coast states. Light rains are also reported from the lake regions and the central western valleys. The barometer is highest over the central west, with mostly fair weather and rising temperatures reported. Conditions indicate unsettled weather until tomorrow night, then clearing conditions, for the locality.

LOCAL FORECAST.

To 12 o'clock (mid) Tuesday—Showers; cooler; northeast to east winds. FOR THE STATE. Washington forecasts to 12 o'clock (mid) Tuesday—Showers; cooler on the coast; northeast to east winds.

TEMPERATURE.

1897—8 a. m., 71 degrees; 8 p. m., 65 degrees; highest, 73 degrees; lowest, 65 degrees. Miniature Almanac—Sun rises 4:41 a. m.; sets 7:15 p. m.; high water at Southport, 1:52 a. m.; high water at Wilmington, 3:39 a. m. Moon's Phases—First quarter, 8th, 1:54 p. m.; full moon, 14th, 5:25 p. m.; last quarter, 21st, 6:15 p. m.; new moon, 28th, 9:47 p. m.; perigee, 13th, 10:34; apogee, 25th, 5:04.

PITTY LOCALS.

A false alarm of fire was turned in from box 34 Sunday night about 11:30 o'clock. The Messenger contains more reading matter daily than any paper in the south, for the patronage it receives. Fact. The following were yesterday's truck quotations from New York: Potatoes, Southern new, \$3.50 to \$4.50; cabbage, per barrel or crate, 90c to \$1.00. We were shown on yesterday a handsome navy ship made by little Armond Doyle, who is about 7 years of age. The ship was well rigged and in appearance was fit to launch on the ocean wave.

The enterprising new firm of Saunders & Marshall, who began business about one month ago, announce in this issue that they have received a car load of first class "Dixie" melons, and that Dr. Porter, of Rocky Point, furnishes them daily with the celebrated Lady Thompson strawberries. Read their advertisement.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. C. B. Stevenson, of Charlotte, is at the Orton. Dr. William P. Webb, of Rockingham, is at the Orton. Dr. J. B. Wallace, of Charlotte, spent yesterday in the city. Mr. A. E. Bell, of Charlotte, was seen on our streets yesterday. Dr. Clarence Porter Jones, of Rockingham, is a guest of the Orton. Mrs. Winnie Gooch, of Charlotte, was registered at the Orton yesterday. Mr. James Barrentine, has returned from Nashville where he attended the exposition.

SALE OF THE CASTLE HAYNES PHOSPHATE WORKS.

The land, phosphate mines, mill and farm of the North Carolina Phosphate Company, embracing 900 acres, located at Castle Haynes, in this county, was put upon the block yesterday at the court house, to satisfy judgment in behalf of sundry creditors, granted by the superior court of Wake county. Captain J. M. McGowan, acted as auctioneer, and there was only one bidder—Mr. William H. Chadbourne, one of the directors of the state penitentiary. Mr. Chadbourne bid \$16,000 for the property and it was knocked down to him. He stated that as director and chairman of the finance committee of the penitentiary, he made the bid and that he was not personally responsible in any way, shape or form. He also stated that he bid the property in as a trustee in order to secure a part of the debt due the state penitentiary by the North Carolina Phosphate Company.

The debts of the phosphate company amount to \$38,500. Among the creditors are the Citizens National bank, of Raleigh, whose claim amounts to \$31,000; Dr. Hoag, of Goldsboro, whose claim is \$15,000; C. M. Hawkins, of Raleigh, whose claim is \$7,000, and the state penitentiary, the claim of which is \$17,000 for convict labor furnished. For the past few years the penitentiary has leased the farm but this year, the farming operations have been discontinued and the mines are being worked about 40 convicts. Mr. Chadbourne says he thinks the sale will be confirmed and in the event that it is the mines and mill will be operated, the farm will be worked and brick making will be carried on an extensive scale.

The University is steadily growing in popularity, patronage and efficiency. The enrollment this year is the largest in its history. We would like to add some needy boy to get the advantage of scholarship and loans. See ad. in another column.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Regular Meeting of the Commissioners. Extra Term of the Criminal Court Called. The Tax Levy—County School Board Elected—Prof. Noble Elected.

The board of county commissioners met in regular session yesterday at 3:30 p. m., those in attendance being Chairman F. W. Foster and Commissioners Dempsey, Moore, Alexander and Nixon. The minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved. Chairman Foster stated that an investigation is in progress with reference to the beneficiaries of charity, with a view to cutting off such as are being improperly cared for.

Chairman Foster informed the board that Judge Thomas H. Sutton had ordered a special term of the Circuit criminal court of New Hanover county for the Third Monday in July. In accordance with the school law of 1897, the board ordered that notice be given of an election to provide a special tax in the several townships of the county to hold such an election. The notice to that effect can be found in this morning's Messenger.

On motion it was ordered that a desk and six chairs not to cost exceeding \$15, be placed in the office of Dr. William D. McMillan, superintendent of health. The jury list of the county and city was taken up for revision. The names of a number of members of the military and fire companies were presented as being exempt from jury duty, but the revising of the list was deferred to a special meeting to be held Thursday and Friday nights.

On petition, license was granted to Hans A. Kure for the sale of spirituous liquors at Carolina Beach. The board received the resignation of Miss Helen Green as matron of the city hospital, and on motion of Chairman Foster the same was accepted with regrets.

A communication was received from Dr. W. W. Lane, physician in charge of the city hospital, stating that the expenses for the past two months have exceeded the average monthly appropriation. The appropriation is \$2,500 per year. Chairman Foster had read a reply to Dr. Lane stating that the board of managers will not be responsible for any expenditures beyond the appropriations.

Dr. J. C. Shepard, county superintendent of health sent in his reports for May. He states that there are in the county home 27 inmates—7 white and 20 colored; that there are in the house of correction 8 prisoners—6 colored and 2 white. He reports that there are 25 prisoners in jail, and recommends that vegetables be served their risoners at least twice a week.

On suggestion of Chairman Foster, the sheriff was instructed to serve the prisoners vegetables three times a week. Colonel John D. Taylor reported the collection of \$359 in fees. Dr. McMillan, county physician, reported that during May he has treated 168 patients in his office, and paid 99 visits to 71 patients at home. C. W. Norwood, register of deeds, reported that during May he issued 20 marriage licenses and turned over to the treasurer \$110 in fees for the same. The board ordered that \$2 be paid H. E. Bonitz for the laying of tiling in the aults of the court house.

The following tax levy was made for 1897: For hospital 3 1/2 cents on the \$100 valuation, against 10 cents last year; for the bonded debt, 3 cents against 6 cents last year; for roads and bridges 3 1/2 cents, against 1 cent last year; for military 1/2 cent, against 1-1/4 cents last year; for the general fund 2 1/2 cents, against 2-3/4 cents last year. Total for 1897, 32 cents against 47 cents last year. The state and county poll tax was fixed at \$2.56 1/2 of high 125 cents is for the state and \$1.27 1/2 for the county.

Under the public school law of 1897, the board of commissioners, together with the clerk of the superior court and the register of deeds, proceeded to the election of a county board of education. The following was the ballot: Chairman Foster and Commissioners Dempsey and Nixon, 4 each; Colonel W. R. Kenan, Captain W. G. MacRae, and Mr. W. B. Canady, 3 each. The first three were declared elected.

The board of education offered the following which was adopted as a recommendation to the Board of Education, viz: 1. This Board of Education is elected with the understanding that they shall receive not one dollar of compensation for their services. 2. The past management of the schools of the city of Wilmington under the supervision of Professor M. C. Noble having been so excellent and satisfactory, the Board of Education desires his continuance in the same position in the schools of the whole county may be brought up to the same standard as the schools of this county, and he is recommended as superintendent for the county without compensation for this branch of his domestic purposes shall be furnished and that there shall be a pressure sufficient to throw a stream 100 feet high.

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Ex-Mayor Cooper Sentenced. Atlanta, Ga., June 7.—Former Mayor John Tyler Cooper, who was convicted Saturday of embezzling funds of the county while serving as clerk to the board of commissioners, was sentenced this morning to three months' imprisonment and \$500 fine.

Tutt's Pills Cure All Liver Ills. Tried Friends Best. For thirty years Tutt's Pills have proven a blessing to the invalid. Are truly the sick man's friend. A Known Fact For bilious headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation and all kindred diseases. TUTT'S LIVER PILLS AN ABSOLUTE CURE.

THE ALDERMEN.

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting Yesterday—The Police Reorganized—Ten Colored Policemen Elected—Going for the Waterworks Company.

The board of aldermen met in regular session yesterday at 4 o'clock in the mayor's office, at the city hall. Those in attendance were Mayor S. G. Wright and Aldermen E. M. Green, A. J. Walker, A. J. Hewitt, John G. Norwood, H. C. Twining, D. J. Benson and B. F. Keith. The three democratic aldermen, W. E. Springer, Owen Fennell and W. E. Yopp, still absent themselves from the meetings. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Committee reports were called for. Alderman Hewitt reported that the report of front street market needs repairing and recommended that it be repaired. He also recommended that the market restaurant occupied by Kenyon Bryd, colored, be repossessed. The resignation of Captain Michael Griffin, as captain of the police force, was presented and on motion was accepted.

Alderman Hewitt nominated the following police force: Captain—Robert Green. Lieutenant—D. S. Bender. First Sergeant—Thos. Lossin. Second Sergeant—R. F. Gore. Third Sergeant—L. A. Hewitt. Patrolmen—David Bryant, colored, J. Nick McDuffie, colored, H. J. Whitehead, colored, Willis Richardson, colored, H. B. Green, colored, Joseph Anderson, colored, Lewis Geyer, colored, J. H. Sharp, colored, George Bell, colored, F. P. Turner, colored, Rowan Green, J. N. Wells, R. H. Demsey, H. Woesler, R. M. Murray, I. P. Higgins, J. W. Holmes, H. R. Kuhl, L. P. Thomas, Sam Hall, S. D. Gurganus, W. D. George, J. H. McDonald, C. O. Knox, W. J. Harris, J. W. Smith, J. A. Sutton.

The nomination was seconded and the above officers were unanimously elected as a whole. Policeman Lewis Gordon, who was one of the old force, was dropped from the list by this election. He has been specially on duty at the Wilmington Seacoast railway depot. On motion of Alderman Keith, it was decided that the city will furnish Officer Gordon with a uniform if the railroad company will pay his salary, and that he be subject to the supervision of the chief of police.

Alderman Keith, of the light committee, reported that the Wilmington Street Railway Company, the new contractors, commenced lighting the city June 1st, and that he thought the lights will gradually come up to all expectations. On motion of Alderman Walker, the board ordered a gas lamp to be placed on Orange street in front of Abbie Chadbourne memorial hall, First Presbyterian church.

On motion of Alderman Walker, it was ordered that Woods street be opened to traffic from Rankin street. Alderman Green reported complaints of the condition of Third street between Queen and Castle streets. Referred to the streets and wharves committee.

On motion of Alderman Keith it was ordered that the wharf at the foot of Choke street be repaired. On motion of Alderman Green, it was ordered that water hydrants be placed at Eighth and Wooster streets and at Seventh and Swann streets.

Alderman Walker wanted one of the hydrants placed at Sixth and Swann streets and Mr. C. C. Parker appeared before the board and urged Sixth and Swann streets as the location for it. The matter was referred to the water works committee.

Mr. Joe King, Jr., clerk to the mayor, appeared in person before the board and tendered his resignation, laying five pages of written matter upon the clerk's desk, giving his reason for so doing. Without noticing the resignation, Alderman Keith called upon the city clerk to read the contract between the city and the Clarendon Waterworks Company. He said there was complaint that the waterworks company was not complying with its contract to pressure water to the Hemeway school fire, the stream of water for a long time did not reach to the second story of the building. On this account some one had to be dispatched to the water station to tell the superintendent to put on more pressure.

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