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## HALF OF COUNTIES TO GET LOANS

### A Million Dollars Ready for Distribution Among the Counties at Once.

Raleigh, N. C.—Just one-half of the counties will get immediate loans from the five million dollar loan fund for erection of school buildings, according to announcement by the state Board of Education today. One fifth of the fund, or a million dollars, will be ready for distribution among the counties on a loan basis immediately, and the remainder will not be available before the summer and fall months.

It was just about a year ago that the State Board of Education notified counties that the special building fund will be available the first of this year, and suggested to them that they go ahead with their building programs. In response to this advice many school buildings were erected and counties borrowed money from the local banks. When an attempt was made to sell these bonds in January, the purchaser, the Fidelity bank, of Durham, was advised not to take them until the courts had passed on the constitutionality of the issue. In the meantime the counties had borrowed about a million dollars and spent this in addition to their available funds for the erection of buildings.

The middle of April of this year the courts validated the bonds and on April 27 the treasurer completed sale of a million dollars' worth of the bonds at 4 1/2 per cent interest. The first loans, therefore, have been made to those counties that had gone ahead with their building program.

Each county in the state will be given an opportunity to borrow its pro rata part of the five million; that is, it may borrow the same per cent of this amount that the school population of the county bears to the state population, and the remainder of the fund will be loaned during the summer and early fall on this basis. Counties are advised by the Board of Education to continue their building with assurance that this money will be available.

An interesting feature of the loans included in the million dollar distribution is that the money is loaned almost exclusively for the erection of high school buildings in rural districts. Only \$40,000 of the entire amount will be used in a city school, and this goes to Wilmington, where a high school will be erected for the entire county. It is at least possible for counties now to secure funds to erect high school buildings for the rural districts. The State Board of Education has recently made appropriations for the purpose of maintaining at least one high school for the rural districts of each county, and with these loans it is possible to supply adequate buildings.—Greensboro News.

## Put An End to the Drive

While all this talk of readjustment is in the air it might be well for the ordinary people, those who come in contact only with the ordinary things of life from day to day, to readjust their common sense and put a stop to the continuous exploitation they suffer from the result of the money-raising fever. The readjustment of "drives" is certainly in order. Many of the so called drives are wholly unnecessary, while many others are equally as necessary, and to make the distinction between the necessary and the unnecessary is where the rub comes. The drain on the average purse for drives is tremendous. Sacrifice and helpfulness are well enough in their way, but imposition should be checked.

There are all sorts of stories regarding the number of persons out of work to be read in the daily papers, but try to find anyone who wants to do any work and you have a job on your hands. Every city tells the same story—park benches filled with idle men, and then the want columns carrying advertisements for men wanted in various lines of work, especially laborers, with no men to be had. The farms are pretty much in the same condition. Help—we no longer dare call them servant girls—is impossible to obtain at any price. You can get a colored girl, maybe, at a big price, but she won't be of much real help. If you will grant her a kind of concession and stand her impudence, she will stay at your house a certain number of hours a day, but she won't be of much real help and will certainly carry off all she can lay her hands on if it is not nailed down.

Let's start a drive—not for money—but for help, real help.—Warren Record.

## Judge Austin At Bailey

Bailey, May 23.—Judge S. F. Austin, of Nashville, and Director of the Tobacco Farmers' Co-operative Marketing Association for this district, spoke to the people of Bailey and this section here last evening in the interest of Co-operative Marketing. He urged the business men to make a complete canvass of this section during the remainder of the week for the purpose of giving every farmer, who has not already done so, the opportunity of signing the contract. He congratulated the people of this section on the large number of farmers in this section who have already signed up, and pictured a great era of prosperity for the small towns that had turned their property over to the association for their use. The owners of all tobacco property in Bailey have done this.

Advertisements are now appearing in some of the leading state papers asking for bids for the construction of the power line from Wilson to Bailey and Middlesex. It is predicted by the authorities in charge that the line can be completed so as to furnish current to Bailey and Middlesex by the first of September. The bonds have been sold and the funds are deposited in the local bank for the payment of this work. This being the most important part of the matter, it can certainly be nothing less than a success.

Assistant Grand Lecturer K. W. Winstead, of the Masonic Grand Lodge has spent several days at Franklinton instructing the membership of Franklinton Lodge, 123, A. F. & A. M.

Candidates for county officers have been frequent visitors in town for the past several days and indications are that June 30, will be a lively day on the "Southside."

Friends of Mr. J. W. Privette are glad to learn that he is improving at the Carolina General Hospital in Wilson, where he has undergone an operation.

Hon. Mr. B. Glover spent a part of Saturday and Sunday in Raleigh, and while there attended to business matters.

State Bank Examiner L. H. Harrison spent Sunday in Bailey with his family.

Mrs. C. G. Westbury and children, of Raleigh, have been spending a few days in Nashville visiting her mother, Mrs. J. H. Baker.

## Let There Be Light.

The announcement that an electric light current from the Rocky Mount plant is to be supplied to our neighbors to the west of Nashville is said to have brought a sense of keen delight to a number of citizens up that way, and to have received much general approval by the business folks of the towns who have been suffering from inadequate light service. At any rate the new plan may necessitate the building of a line over the eight or nine miles to the local plant. However, if the construction is done aright, it will mean a twenty-four hour service for our neighbors, and that is what a thriving, prosperous, growing city like our neighbor deserves. And contrary to the thought of some few who might fear that road matters, new counties and other sort of talk might have an influence at some later time in a talk of a discontinuance, nevertheless it is expressly made plain that it should not, and in fact this linking up is just another effort on the part of Rocky Mount to draw closer in a kindred interest in our neighbors, with whom we have no quarrel, nor are we going to have any.—Evening Telegram.

YOU see what a fine thing it is to have a good road. You see how it helps you to get to school, to church, to work, to the store. You see how it helps you to get to the hospital, to the doctor, to the lawyer, to the judge. You see how it helps you to get to the school, to the church, to work, to the store. You see how it helps you to get to the hospital, to the doctor, to the lawyer, to the judge.

## NEW FLOOD DRIVES 5000 FROM HOME

### Thousands of Acres of Sugar Cane in Louisiana Will Soon be Flooded.

New Orleans, La.—Probably 5,000 homeless refugees will be added to the 60,000 already made homeless or otherwise seriously affected by the floods as a result of the breaks in the levee on Bayou des Glaives, near Hamourg, La., according to estimates made today by Red Cross workers. Today's break increases the total area flooded to more than 5,500 square miles in Louisiana and Mississippi.

A total of 41,000 people are now being fed and clothed by flood relief agencies in the two states, according to these officials, 23,000 in Louisiana and 18,000 in Mississippi. It is expected that at least 2,000 persons who will be affected by the Hamburg crevasse will be added to this unfortunate roll.

The loss of livestock in the area being flooded by the Hamburg break will be very great, as residents of that section did not anticipate a flood and but little time was given for the removal of livestock. Thousands of acres of sugar cane in Avenir, St. Martin, St. Landry and Iberia parishes have either been flooded or will be within the next two days by the water from Bayou des Glaives and the Red river through the break in the levee near Hamburg, now about 900 feet wide.

Reports from the affected area today stated the water had reached and inundated the towns of Moreauville and Paucerville and is gradually rising around the town of Melville, which is expected to go under water early tomorrow. At the present rate it is estimated Palmetto will be inundated by Friday.

The flood at Melville was supposed rising at the rate of six inches an hour.—Associated Press.

## Parcel Post Rates May Be Increased

### Postmaster General Says the Cost of Handling Makes It Necessary.

Washington, D. C.—Postmaster General Work announced today that in view of "the fact that increased costs of handling parcel post mail necessitates a corresponding advance in parcel post rates," he was writing to a large number of parcel post users to get their views on proposed changes.

The changes which have been suggested, Dr. Work said, included proposals to fix a service charge of one or two cents on each parcel mailed, regardless of weight or zone, and to readjust rates by weight and zone.

The Postmaster General pointed out that there has been practically no change in parcel post rates since the service was inaugurated in 1913, although the cost of handling the service amounted to \$300,000,000 more in 1921 than in the year it was started.

## Mr. P. P. Cooper Passes.

The news of the death of Mr. P. P. Cooper, which occurred at the hospital in Rocky Mount early Thursday morning, will be learned with regret by many friends, and the further fact that Mr. Cooper was known to have been seemingly in perfectly good health on Tuesday, his somewhat unexpected demise came as a shock to his family and relations.

On Tuesday, Mr. Cooper was suddenly stricken with appendicitis and on Wednesday was rushed to St. Mary's Hospital, Rocky Mount, for an operation. His condition was then considered very serious and within a few hours after the operation he had passed away.

The deceased was about forty-eight years old and is survived by a wife and several children and numerous relations. He resided on the farm of Mr. N. L. Strickland, near Elm Grove, and was regarded as a hard-working and industrious man and was highly esteemed by his neighbors.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow at the home of his wife, Mrs. P. P. Cooper, near Elm Grove, and will be conducted by Rev. J. H. Baker.

## Asks School Children to Collect Clothes for Armenian Kiddie



School children of North Carolina come to the rescue.

The 3,234 little Armenian children, dependent upon this state for food and clothing, may freeze to death next winter unless we send them our cast-off clothing now. Our people are throwing away their winter clothing now, and this very clothing can save many a child and adult from death through acute rheumatism and pneumonia.

Dr. E. C. Brooks, state superintendent of public instruction, asks that every school child in North Carolina gather up at least garments enough to keep one child or adult in the stricken Bible lands from freezing to death next winter. He is also asking that the children of each school be formed into a committee by their teachers to canvass their community for old clothes.

These should be sent either to the local county chairman or to the Near East Relief Clothing Warehouse, Raleigh. The North Carolina committee is especially desirous of obtaining all of the coats, sweaters, dresses, mittens, boots, shopworn garments, shoes, sheets (for bandages), new cloth and garments possible.

This clothing will be distributed this summer and carefully husbanded by the Armenian children and refugees. Many of them died last winter from acute rheumatism and pneumonia simply from lack of clothing. Others just froze to death. Burlap rags and flour sacks might do them in summer but they do not keep out freezing temperatures.

The Near East Relief cannot use lace, silk, velvet, chiffons, evening clothes, satin slippers, muslin underwear, high-heeled shoes, straw or frame hats or silk stockings. In event any of these articles are donated it is suggested that a community sale or auction be held and the proceeds sent to Robert A. Brown, state treasurer, Raleigh.

## Local and Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Paddison spent Sunday with friends in Warrenton.

The friends of Mr. W. K. Baker will regret to learn that he has been on the sick list for a few days during the present week. He is able to be out again.

Mr. Simon Sheer, whom many Nashville people will remember as a merchant of this city for a few years about twenty-six years ago, but now a well-known pants manufacturer of Baltimore, was a visitor in the city yesterday for the first time since leaving here over a quarter of a century ago. Mr. Sheer was wonderfully impressed with the many decided changes in the old town, which he now declares to be one of the prettiest and cleanest he has seen in many months; with so many new and handsome stores and residences, and the general appearance of everything, the transformation has been wonderful.

The Graphic was in error last week in stating that Mr. Anselm Rackley, who died at the home of her son, Mr. E. K. Rackley, near Nashville, was a resident of Cooper township. Practically all her life Mrs. Rackley had been a resident of Nashville township, living at the old Rackley homestead near town, and during her life was never known to have visited out of the township more than a distance of ten miles. She deceased is survived by three children, viz. Mr. E. K. Rackley, Mrs. E. K. Rackley and Mrs. C. H. Beck. There are five other grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

## LOCAL SCHOOL COMES TO CLOSE

### Supt. Coon, of Wilson, Delivers Unique Address of Great Interest.

A crowd which almost taxed the spacious auditorium of the Methodist Church to its capacity were delighted and highly edified and instructed by the very able sermon delivered on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock by Rev. Eugene C. Coon, of Wilson, who preached the baccalaureate sermon attendant upon the closing exercises of Nashville High School. Taking as a basis of his remarks, "Behold, a Sower Went Forth to Sow," Rev. Coon most beautifully and impressively applied the force of this parable to the lives of the youth who are to-day turning from the school-house doors to take up the active duties of life and to all humanity who are today forming a part of the commonwealth and nation.

The entertainment features attendant upon the closing got under way Tuesday evening in the county court house, where the exercises were held. These consisted of musical selections by members of Mrs. Rose's class and a recitation contest, wherein Misses Nannie Alford, Ida Lee Boddie, Ida Laura Stone and Lois Clark were the outstanding features. Each of the young ladies made a very creditable showing; however, Miss Ida Laura Boddie was winner of the gold medal, Miss Lois Clark coming in for second honors.

The debate for the evening also proved a very interesting feature, the four contestants, viz.: Horace Strickland and Ross Vaughan, for the affirmative, and Misses Beatrice Abernathy and Jackie Austin, for the negative, measured their "words of oratory and argument" upon the subject—Resolved, "That Nash County Government Should be Operated on the Commission Plan." In this contest Miss Jackie Austin proved herself the choice of the judges and was awarded the prize, Ross Vaughan receiving second honors.

After briefly and interestingly reviewing some of the work of the school and high averages made by students of the grades, certificates were awarded twenty six pupils of Miss Leonard's class as having completed the work of the seventh grade and would enter the high school work at the beginning of the next term. Especial mention was made of the two honor students, W. C. Calton, Jr., and Chester Barnes, who attained averages of 93 and 94 respectively.

The "Class-Day Exercises" were held Wednesday evening, and despite the fact that the local electric light plant was out of commission and ordinary lamps had to be employed to light the court room, these exercises proved very enjoyable. The two principal figures of the evening were Miss Annie Laura Walls and Master Theodore Randolph Cooper, who have completed their High School course and were presented with their diplomas by Principal Howard. The Seniors enlivened the events of the evening with several choruses and their attractive costumes added to their personal appearances and the various numbers rendered.

The address of Professor Chas. L. Coon, supervisor of the Wilson and Wilson County schools, varied from the usual stereotyped addresses so commonly inflicted upon attendants upon closing exercises and his review of the education conditions in his own county, which are very much like those of Nash; his appeal for better educational advantages for the schools of Nash, with better trained teachers who were anxious to do real constructive work instead of "having a good time," and some of the "digs" made at Nashville people and the people generally, who squander more money for gas and automobile accessories, etc., than they would think of being taxed for school purposes, were frequently applauded.

Mr. C. R. Fly has moved his family to Nashville from Rocky Mount, and is now occupying a part of the Walker cottage on Railroad street with Mr. J. J. Joyner. The latter will soon move to his new residence at East Washington street. Mr. Fly has charge of the Standard Oil Co.'s gasoline distributing station recently installed just on the outskirts of the city near the residence of Mr. C. L. Hinson.

## Tenant Farming Waning

By JOHN PAUL LUCAS.

Raleigh, N. C.—In analyzing the economic situation in the farming sections of North Carolina, it is interesting to contrast the results that have come from the farming practices in the rich Eastern counties with their large plantations and scores of negro tenants, and those in the mountain and western counties where there has been comparatively less tenant farming and where all farmers, land owners and tenants alike, have had greater encouragement, in as well as necessity for, producing their actual living from the land.

In the east and in some counties in the central part of the state a few plantation owners and supply merchants have grown wealthy at the expense of tenants and small farmers. Not so, but many of these plantation owners and supply merchants have discouraged, even by drastic means, the growing of food for the family, the keeping of cows, hogs, and even the growing of corn and other feed for work stock, for the very simple reason that they made constant and large profits from the handling of these supplies.

In 1920 these folks were caught in their own trap and hundreds of plantation owners and supply merchants in Eastern Carolina today would be bankrupt if they were forced to liquidate under present conditions.

I know one man who was worth more than \$250,000 two years ago. He told me a few days ago that if he were sold out today he would probably not have his home left. This man is a good farmer and a good man, not the sort to take selfish advantage of his tenants. His case is rather typical, but not as aggravated as that of hundreds of plantation owners who supplied their tenants when prices were high constantly increased their land to make large purchases in order to swell their own profits. This type is the worst hurt of all, but every farmer in the cotton sections of Eastern North Carolina is hurt.

## Applying the Remedy

Now throughout the cotton counties land owners, supply merchants and others are realizing that their only salvation under boll weevil conditions is to encourage every farmer, land owner and tenant alike, to produce on the farm their own living and the feed for their livestock. This doctrine has been preached by agricultural leaders for the past 15 years, and yet there were fewer chickens raised in North Carolina last year than there were ten years ago. There was an increase of only five per cent in the number of cattle in North Carolina during the last ten-year period, and a smaller proportion of our farmers were raising their living at home last year than were in 1910.

The only way out for every farmer in the cotton belt is through the "Live-at-Home" program. Any other course is suicidal. He will gradually develop other money crops, but his first efforts must be directed to raising his own living on his own land. He must "grow" into commercial dairying and hog raising. Market facilities must be developed for the handling of these products.

## Mr. Proctor No Candidate

To the Voters of Nash County:

I will not be a candidate for the Legislature as it was recently announced in The Graphic.

I fully appreciate the nomination tendered me by the Committee, but just a few days prior to that time, in a mass-meeting called for the Republicans of Nash County, a majority of the Executive Committee were present and we endorsed several Democratic candidates, as follows:

For the Legislature—J. W. Robbins and H. K. McIntyre.

For Sheriff—T. W. Bartholomew.

For Treasurer—W. J. May.

For Prosecuting Attorney—I. T. Valentine.

For County Commissioners—J. C. Lindsey, W. B. Bunting, C. W. Lassiter, S. F. High and J. T. Manning.

This action was the unanimous opinion of the Republicans assembled in mass meeting, and therefore urge every Republican in Nash County to go to the Primaries on June 30 and vote for these men who we have endorsed as our candidates.

Respectfully,  
W. H. Freeman.

## NEXT THURSDAY "DOLLAR DAY"

### A Day Brimful of Advantages For Multitudes Expected in City.

The Graphic will not attempt to tell the story any more forcibly than is told in the large two-page advertisement appearing within these folds. The progressive business men of Nashville are bringing to you a message of thrift and far-sightedness which should appeal to every intelligent person within a radius of twenty miles of Nashville.

As one who desires to be classed among those who are thrifty; on the lookout for something really worth while; eager to grasp opportunities that are real opportunities, "Dollar Day" in Nashville should cause you to gather about your family and spend that day within the most hospitable and delightful town in the state. Our business men and citizens are looking for you. Come! Spend Thursday, June 1st in Nashville. It will be YOUR day.

## Mrs. Johnson Visits City

Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Commissioner of Public Welfare of North Carolina, was a visitor in Nashville, Thursday, and at eleven o'clock spoke to a fair sized audience of ladies and men in the court house, upon the question of Public Welfare work in the state and in the interest of encouraging the people of the county to vote for the appointment of a Welfare Officer for the county in the primaries to be held on Saturday, June 3rd, when this question will be submitted to the voters.

Mrs. Johnson is a very interesting speaker and during the course of her address gave a brief history of the enactment of the law which made welfare work possible in the state under state supervision, calling attention to the law which is mandatory upon all counties having a population of 32,000, unless exempted under special provisions of the act.

In discussing the merits of the work Mrs. Johnson gave some very interesting statistics regarding the number of delinquent and neglected boys who have been handled by the juvenile courts of the state, this number being in excess of eight thousand. The duties and responsibilities of a Welfare Officer and his relation to the schools, to society and the general welfare of the boys and girls of the state employed in factories, etc., were pointed out and the possibilities for real and lasting service by and through the concentrated work of such an officer.

Following the address of Mrs. Johnson, Miss Lucia Freeman, who has been actively engaged in Red Cross Work as County Nurse, gave an outline of the great work in which she is engaged, and cited many cases in various sections of Nash County where welfare work had proven a blessing to men, women and children in almost every phase of life; cases especially within the scope of activities of a Welfare Officer.

## Why Do the Lights Go Out?

Editor of The Graphic:

Thanks to you for the privilege of answering the above questions in your paper.

Many of you know already that our power plant was practically out of commission when the town began operating it, April 15th.

Dr. Winstead, chairman of the Light and Water Committee, has given his time day and night to the work of rehabilitating the plant and Mayor Russ has given freely of his time also.

Every department of the plant has been inspected by experts and necessary repair parts ordered by wire.

Roller inspection demanded certain repairs last week that made us late with light two evenings. Valves to dynamo engine gave Saturday night at 11:00 p. m., and the best mechanics we could secure have worked steadily on them till 5:00 o'clock Tuesday. This engine is in running shape now but may give down any day until new parts are installed. These parts were ordered by wire five weeks ago. The factory wired today that shipment will be made immediately.

Our misery would seem to be over if we could get all material in hand at once but you may expect short hours on lights at times while repairs are going on. We anticipate a complete shut down for a few nights, when we begin overhauling the dynamo engine.

These repairs are necessary to give service. Moreover, they seem economy in the days of rains.

You have called attention to the fact that we are not doing our best and expect soon to give you better service than you have had in the past.