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County Superintendent And Friends Bombard Board of Commissioners

Make Strong Plea For The Children And Six-Months Term

PLEAD FOR AN INCREASE IN TAX RATE

Monday the Board of Commissioners met in their regular session, and almost the entire time of the board was taken up by the Superintendent of public schools, and those who were pleading for an increase in the tax rate so that the schools might run six months. One of the commissioners, stated that he doubted if there was such an array of speakers before any board of commissioners in the State.

Mr. S. G. Winstead, county superintendent, Messrs. W. D. Merritt, F. O. Carver, W. R. Wilkerson, Jack Crutcheff, R. C. Garrison and Rev. G. H. Elmore, and possibly others, appeared before the commissioners and made most eloquent appeals for the children of the County, stating it would be a calamity for the schools not to run six months. Mr. Winstead gave it as his opinion that it would be impossible for the schools to run six months on the amount allotted by the State and all of the speakers plead most earnestly for an appropriation from the County. To meet the request of these gentlemen it will necessitate an increase in the tax rate, and the rate necessary to meet the requirement will be \$1.07%. The Commissioners did not take any action in the matter, but adjourned to meet next Friday when the rate will be fixed.

Low Price Paid For Tobacco In Georgia

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 8.—Tobacco sales for the sixth week of the 1931-Georgia season were reported today by Marcus McWhorter, chief statistician of the State Department of Agriculture, as 2,437,457 pounds at an average price of 3.02 cents a pound, making a total for the week of \$73,565.96.

The total crop to date, McWhorter said, amounts to 60,725,000 lbs., representing sale value of \$3,883,323.54.

Last year the total through five weeks of the season amounted to 106,402,351 pounds which sold at an average price of 9.87 cents, bringing a total of \$10,500,117.44.

VOTE FOR HIM

The Pilot Life Insurance Company of Greensboro, N. C., notifies that B. B. Knight, agent, of Roxboro, has not only qualified for a trip to Havana, Cuba, but has qualified for one of the Vice Presidents of the Pilot Club. This position is honored by being one of the highest producers in all of the Southern States.

The Club year ends October 31, and if he continues to hold this position, he will receive a Loving Cup. It will be quite an honor for him, for Roxboro, and for the community.

If you anticipate buying any more insurance, take out a policy with him, thus giving him the vote and help towards bringing this honor to Roxboro.

Pilot Life Insurance Company.

Gardner Takes Cleric Off Roads

A minister who was sentenced to the county roads of Forsyth County for six months this summer for selling liquor was Tuesday paroled by Gov. O. Max Gardner on recommendation of Trial Judge William Warlick and interested citizens in Forsyth.

The minister is Rev. Thomas F. ("Thunderbolt") Pardue, who figured in the sensational newspaper headlines a few years ago, when Alma Gatlin, of Rockingham County, was tried for the murder of her father. Miss Gatlin was alleged to have "confessed" to the Rev. Mr. Pardue, who told officers and Miss Gatlin was arrested.

Pardue was sentenced in May, to serve six months on the roads.

Forty-three bushels of wheat an acre from 60 acres planted is the record of master farmer S. L. Carpenter of Gaston County this spring.

Mr. Winstead's House Led The Whole State

Mr. H. W. Winstead, who conducted a warehouse in Tifton, Ga., during the season which has just closed, says his house led the state both in quantity and price. The average made on his floor was practically 7 cents.

Mr. Winstead is recognized as one on the very best warehousemen in the country, and will again have charge of the Piedmont Warehouse in Danville.

NASH FARMERS WOULD CLOSE SALES HOUSES

Red Oak Auxiliary Believes Time Has Come To Test Tobacco Situation

WOULD SELL NONE OF THIS YEAR'S CROP

Henderson, Sept. 7.—Demand that the warehouses be closed and that the farmers "go on strike" and "refuse to sell any 1931 tobacco or plant any in 1932, until we are assured of receiving a living price for the 1931 crop" was made in resolutions adopted last Saturday in a meeting of the Red Oak auxiliary of the Nash county Farmers Club, a copy of which has been sent to the Daily Dispatch for publication. The resolutions were sent by C. F. McIntyre, the secretary, and are as follows:

"The Red Oak Auxiliary of Nash county Farmers Club, in regular meeting assembled, September 5, passed the following resolutions:

- 1.—That we endorse the resolutions adopted by the Nash county Farmers Club on September 4.
- 2.—That we believe the time has come when it has become necessary to go farther than merely passing resolutions and protesting against the starvation prices that are being paid for our tobacco.
- 3.—That we believe the time has come to demand that the warehouses be closed, and that the farmers go on strike, and refuse to sell any 1931 tobacco or plant any in 1932, until we are assured of receiving a living price for the 1931 crop.
- 4.—That we pledge ourselves to take any steps with the cooperation of North Carolina tobacco farmers to bring about better conditions.
- 5.—We urge all tobacco farmers of North Carolina who have the best interest of their homes, families and of their state at heart to hold community meetings and join us in this movement.

"Red Oak, N. C., Sept. 5, 1931."

Assails Farm Board

Sedalla, Mo., Sept. 8.—Assailing the Federal Farm Board as "that huge and costly lemon," Gov. Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania said in an address here today that the "welfare of America depends upon justice to the American farmer—justice as the farmer himself understands justice—and not some alleged panacea devised by men who neither know his problems nor comprehend his point of view."

Looking Over Proposed Golf Course

The citizens of Roxboro are very much interested in a country club, with golf the principal attraction. Mr. Marshall Orichon, Hope Valley, and Mr. Clark, green keeper at Hope Valley, are here today looking over the proposed grounds and will make a report as to the advisability of the course and the estimated cost of same. The report will be submitted by the committee appointed by the Rotary club, and then a meeting of the citizens will be called and the matter definitely decided.

Returns Home

Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Long and son, Billy, who have been here for the past three months at their summer cottage on Route 48, have returned to their home in Greensboro.



THOMAS C. BOWIE
Candidate for nomination of U. S. Senator.

Claude Bowers on the Hawley-Smoot Tariff

From a speech before the Indiana Democratic Editorial Association while the Tariff Bill was pending in Congress.

"The system itself is antiquated, for the infant industries no longer need a bottle. It is superannuated, because we have become an export nation depending on foreign markets, and we cannot sell if we refuse to buy. It is dangerous to business, because if we close our markets to other nations they will close their markets to us. It is a menace to the peace of the world, for as surely as we persist in our present policy we shall force all Europe into a customs union which would mean an economic war between two continents. It is stupid, because we have loaned billions of dollars across the sea, and our bankers cannot collect if the debtors have no money to pay, and they cannot get the money if we refuse to take their products."

Bard of Person County

Mr. A. B. O'Brian, of the Allensville section, might well be called the bard of this County. He has the knack of writing in rhyme, and can roll it off almost as fast as he can write. He has another one of his rhymes in this issue.

No Cotton For State Farms To Be Planted

Have Only 1,300 Acres This Year Compared To 3,600 Acres In 1929

OVER 171,000 BUSHELS OF GRAIN MADE THIS YEAR

Raleigh, Sept. 7.—North Carolina is giving notice to the world that no cotton will be planted on state-owned farms next year, cutting out completely the staple in which the prison farms planted 3,600 acres in 1929, 2,600 in 1930 and 1,300 acres in 1931, in a statement issued by Governor Gardner.

NO IMPROVEMENT IN WEED PRICES

Markets Report Increased Sales at Prices Received Little Better

MOSTLY LUGS OFFERED

Farmville, Sept. 8.—Offerings of tobacco were light here today with 70 per cent of the sales graded as lugs, most of which were on the priming side. Leaf grades sold were mostly medium to common. Cutters were scarce but were in good demand.

Prices per grade:
Orange leaf, fifth quality, 11.40 cents per pound; sixth quality, 3.40.
Orange lugs, second quality, 14.90 cents per pound; third quality, 7.20.
Lemon grades were higher in price than orange.

Quotations are on tobacco officially graded by the tobacco section of the United States Department of Agriculture.

OFFICIAL AVERAGE IS \$15.63 AT FAIRMONT
Fairmont, Sept. 8.—Official sales of tobacco yesterday at Fairmont, (Continued on last page)

61,000 DISABLED VETERANS OF WORLD WAR OUT OF JOBS

Out Of Nearly 300,000 On Compensation Roll 46,424 Are Employed

11,278 UNEMPLOYABLE

Washington, Sept. 8.—More than 61,000 disabled veterans of the World War were reported today by E. C. Babcock, National Commander of the disabled American veterans, as out of jobs.

Babcock's announcement was based on a questionnaire sent by the Veterans' Administration to nearly 300,000 men on its compensation rolls. Returns from nearly half of them showed 46,424 employed, 61,666 out of work, and 11,278 unemployable.

The veterans' organization made arrangements in July for co-operation between the Veterans' Administration and the Federal Employment Service to find jobs for the partially disabled qualified former servicemen.

The questionnaires were sent out by the Veterans' Administration returnable to the labor department, which is attempting to find jobs for the men through the employment service.

Meanwhile, President Hoover's unemployment relief organization emphasized its plans to meet the distress problem through local agencies.

Walter S. Gifford, national relief director, issued a statement saying the organization "is not instituting a campaign for a national fund, but plans nation-wide support of local appeals for local funds."

The relief organization has recommended all relief fund campaigns be conducted between October 19 and November 25.

"Insofar as all local campaigns are scheduled within this period," Gifford said, "the President's organization hopes to render the maximum assistance and co-operation by mobilizing all national agencies for stimulation of interest in local efforts."

Gifford was expected to appoint an assistant today to be responsible for this "stimulation of interest in local efforts."

SCHOOL BUS AND TRAIN COLLIDE; TWO BOYS KILLED

Driver Of Bus Seriously Injured; Only 2 Passengers Die Instantly

BUS NOT ON REGULAR RUN WHEN CRASH CAME

Wake Forest, Sept. 8.—Two students of Wake Forest High School were instantly killed and another seriously injured here early this morning when a school bus and a fast Florida-to-New York Seaboard Air Line Railway locomotive collided at a grade crossing in the heart of the town. The three boys were the only occupants of the bus, which was hurled high in the air and almost completely demolished.

John Caddell, Jr., 18, and Robert Garner, 17, are the dead youth, and Cameron Shearon, 17, driver of the bus at the time of the accident is in Rex Hospital at Raleigh in a serious condition. Caddell and Garner died before witnesses to the accident could reach them.

J. A. Fleming of Raleigh, was engineer on the train.

Coroner Lawrence M. Waring reached the scene soon after the wreck occurred and began an investigation. He summoned a jury, and, after hearing several witnesses, continued his inquest until tomorrow afternoon at 6 o'clock.

Shearon regained consciousness late this afternoon, and, questioning about the accident, declared that he could remember nothing. He said he could not even remember from which side he approached the tracks.

Shearon suffered five broken ribs, a fractured pelvis, and possibly internal injuries. Attending physicians consider his condition extremely serious.

Several witnesses to the wreck who declared that the bells and lights of the automatic safety signal, which guard the crossing, were operating when the bus approached the tracks and that Shearon, the driver, evidently could not stop the truck or did not see nor hear the signal. There was no indication, however, that the brakes of the truck had been applied.

The three youths were thrown clear of the wreckage by the impact. The school bus was demolished and parts of it scattered along the tracks for some distance. At the time of the crash, the truck was approaching the crossing from the west side.

Caddell was the only son of Coach John G. Caddell, baseball menter at Wake Forest College. Garner was the son of R. H. Garner of Wake Forest, and Shearon resides a few miles east of the town.

Transferred

Mr. Hester Wagstaff, who has been in the insurance business here for several months, has been transferred to Henderson and will leave Thursday. This is a promotion for Mr. Wagstaff and his friends rejoice with him in his success in the insurance field.

U. D. C's To Meet

The Person County Chapter of the U. D. C. will meet at the home of Mrs. Ralph Cole on Tuesday afternoon, September 15th, at 3:30 o'clock.

Number of Patrolmen Busy Here Now

Mr. G. C. Robinson, the patrolman stationed here, was joined the first of the week by several other patrolmen. Mr. Robinson says the principal trouble with the drivers around here are they are driving with only one license tag and defective lights.

Many Given Work

Detroit, Sept. 8.—Between 15,000 and 20,000 former employes of the Ford Motor company went back to work today. Letters were sent out last week asking the workers to return. Ford officials said they planned to have 50,000 men at work by the middle of September.

Popular Music To Be Taught

Miss Louise Pulliam will conduct a class of popular music this session. If interested please call phone 10-158 or see her for further information.

Lespedeza is now being grown to sufficient extent in Edgecombe County for the growers to organize a farm tour for studying the crop.

Deserts, Old Bosses



Ramsay MacDonald, English prime minister who has formed a new cabinet from all the big parties, has been read out of the Labor Party which made him great.

NORTHAMPTON FOR SPECIAL SESSION

Commissioners Call On Governor Gardner To Call Legislative Meeting

HALIFAX JOINS REQUEST

Jackson, Sept. 7.—At the regular meeting of the county commissioners of Northampton county Monday resolutions were passed calling upon Governor Gardner to call a special session of the Legislature to consider restricted cotton legislation in cooperation with the other cotton growing states. Secretary N. C. Bartlett of the Eastern Carolina chamber of commerce appeared before the board and asked that this move be taken, if the Texas legislature meets Tuesday as stated in papers Sunday.

Representatives Archie Gay of Northampton appeared before the board with the secretary of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce and urged the passage of this resolution. The resolution passed are as follows:

"Whereas, there is a prospect, according to the government estimate of nearly sixteen million bales of cotton being produced this year;

"And whereas, there is a movement on foot among the cotton growing states to call their respective legislatures in special sessions, to consider restricted production by legislation for nineteen thirty-two;

"Now therefore, be it resolved that the board of commissioners of Northampton county in session this September seventh, 1931, do hereby endorse this movement and petition the Hon. O. Max Gardner, governor of North Carolina, to call a special session of the North Carolina Legislature to consider this proposition, and to as far as it is expedient cooperate with Texas and the other cotton growing states in any restrictive legislation they may pass.

"Adopted this September 7, 1931. J. G. Stancell, J. T. Bolton, W. T. Liles, the board of commissioners of Northampton county, North Carolina."

HALIFAX COUNTY BOARD ASKS EXTRA SESSION

Halifax, Sept. 7.—In a petition forwarded to Governor O. Max Gardner today, the Halifax county board of commissioners ask that a special session of the general assembly be called to restrict cotton production in 1932 and to fall in line with plans made by Texas and other cotton growing states in their efforts to remedy the present low prices of cotton.

Mr. B. B. Knight Continues To Lead

Mr. B. B. Knight, who is the district representative here for the Pilot Life Insurance Company, continues to lead in producing business for his excellent company. He has won a trip to Cuba, which will be given some time during the coming winter, and also has the honor of being one of the vice-presidents of the Pilot club.

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Patronize The Ladies

The Ladies' Aid Society of Concord Church will sell cakes, chess pies, dressed chickens, and vegetables in the building formerly occupied by Moore's Market Saturday, September 12th, from 8:30 a. m. until noon. Come and buy your Sunday dessert. Your patronage will be appreciated.

Cyprials were first found in the Greek islands in the 14th century.

CITY SCHOOLS WILL OPEN TOMORROW MORNING AT 9 A. M.

Everything In Readiness And A Large Number Will Enroll First Day

TEACHERS MEETING THIS AFTERNOON

The Roxboro City Schools will open for the winter term tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, and every parent is urged by the Supt. to see that their children attend the first day, and make a perfect attendance record if possible.

The corps of teachers is complete, two having been added since our last issue, as follows: Miss Lillie Adams Hayne, of South Carolina, will have charge of the business course at the high school, and Miss Emily Barnett, primary department at East Roxboro.

The first teachers meeting will be held this afternoon and every teacher is expected to be present.

Notwithstanding the middle of finances Supt. Davidson is looking forward to a most successful term, and with the co-operation of the parents there is no reason why this should not be the best in the history of the school.

Post Office Force Served Stew Monday

Monday being a holiday and the post office closed Postmaster Clayton, his office assistants and the rural carriers honored their friends with a brunswick stew in the grove near Mr. Clayton's home. There was quite a gathering of friends and the stew was thoroughly enjoyed. We do not happen to know who made this stew but we do know it was just about the best we ever tasted.

After the stew short addresses were made. Postmaster Clayton called upon the writer to lead off and he very graciously, and willingly, introduced Rev. T. A. Sikes, who was very happy in his remarks; he was followed by Rev. W. F. West and Mr. W. D. Merritt. After the speech making the entertainment ended with some most excellent vocal music by the post office choir, assisted by some of the guests.

Rotary President and Secretary Report

The Rotary meeting last Thursday night was given over to reports from the president and secretary on their recent trip to the State meeting at Bayview. These reports were very interesting and much enjoyed by the club.

The president expressed the pleasure of having had Miss Margaret Hannah Critcher to preside at the piano during the summer months while the regular pianist, Miss Mabel James, was on her vacation. As an appreciation she was presented with a gift.

Popular Young Couple Married

Last Sunday morning two of the most popular young people of Roxboro, Miss Flora Newton and Mr. Eddie Perkins, stole a march on their friends, and quietly slipped away for the day, as their friends thought, and were married in Halifax, Va. They immediately left for their honeymoon trip through the Valley of Virginia and northern cities.

Gave Bad Checks

Recently one Mr. Ed F. Ward was in Roxboro and while here he gave several bad checks. He was located in Smithfield, his home, and yesterday Chief of Police, Mr. S. A. Oliver went to Smithfield and brought him back here. He will probably be given a hearing this morning.

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