

At the CAPITAL

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Political matters are keeping step with the weather and are warming up at a remarkable rate, since it is considered that the primary is still almost a year off. Reactions from the General Assembly session are beginning to be felt and local heroes, favorite sons, are in the center of local boosting.

The governorship, the most important post to be filled, is again coming to the fore. It now seems certain, although the spin-like figure has said nothing, that Allen J. Maxwell, Commissioner of Revenue, will be in the race, and, if so, his entry will cause numbers of realignments. If he gets in it may be expected that some of those potentially in will drop out. And it is just about come to the point of acceptance by local politicians that he will be a contender in the Democratic primary.

Also, it is barely possible that Willis Smith, speaker of the House of Representatives, may enter that race and if he does there will be more readjustments. It is known that friends have urged him and many have pledged support. He might be said to be giving it serious consideration. The four horsemen, Dennis G. Brummitt, J. C. B. Ehringhaus, R. T. Fountain and Albert L. Cox, are still prospective runners in the race.

More attention is probably given the Attorney General post and it looks now as if there will be a flock of candidates for the Brummitt position. It is believed, though not affirmed, that A. A. F. Seawell, named as assistant in place of Frank Nash, who becomes Supreme Court Clerk, will likely seek the chief place. Senator John R. Baggett, Harnett, tax relief advocate, will be a candidate, Tyre C. Taylor, Gardner's private secretary and now executive counsel, is being put forward by Charlotte friends. Senator Peyton McSwain, Cleveland county, is said to be considering such a race. Felix Alley, Wayneville, is receiving mention. Senator John H. Folger, Surrey county also is being talked for the place.

Thomas C. (Tam) Bowie, West Jefferson, is said to be seriously feeling out the pulses relatives to entering the race in contest with Frank D. Grist, for the post occupied by Senator Cameron Morrison. With fair prospects, it is believed Mr. Bowie will become a candidate. If so, this promises to be a colorful race, to say the least.

The expected has happened, in spite of hopes to the contrary. The cut in salaries of all State employees, except elective constitutional and statutory officers, of 10 per cent of the June salaries will become effective July 1, except that custodial and janitorial services will be cut 20 per cent, a letter from Frank Dunlap, director of personnel, advises. In addition, some of the present State employees

have been and will be dropped now or later. The actual readjustments of salaries by Director Dunlap will not start for three months yet, when a complete survey will have been completed.

Governor Gardner, as director of the Budget, has sent a letter to all department and institutional heads suggesting a cut of 20 per cent in the amount of the appropriations made by the General Assembly, in order to save from a heavy deficit. Such a cut would hurt, but in some cases would still give institutions and some divisions and departments as much as the Advisory Budget Commission recommended as appropriations for them. The Governor has the authority, under the Budget Act, to make the cuts, but he is "suggesting" it now—and officials see in the suggestion something of a threat. At any rate, they know to hold down just as closely as possible in expenditures.

W. H. Pittman, superintendent of Edgecombe county schools, has been named by Alfred B. Brower, director of purchase and contract, to head the school division of supplies to be handled by the division for the schools. Until a few years ago Mr. Pittman was with the State Department of Education for several years and is successful in the business and of school management.

Probably 300 short-term prisoners in prison camps and jails of the several counties of the state, prisoners serving less than 60-day sentences for minor offenses, often because unable to pay small fines, will be released on order of Governor Gardner, largely because it would be a heavy burden on the counties to keep them idle in jails. Few of the counties will continue their prison camps. Mecklenburg and probably a few other larger counties, will continue to operate camps, but on a reduced scale.

The State is permitted to work prisoners sentenced for 60 days or more on the highways and about 4,000 will be taken over by the State July 1. The 1931 General Assembly provided that short-term prisoners may be worked on city streets, in addition to in workhouses and on county farms, and later these will be so worked in many of the counties.

U. Benton Blalock, vice-president and general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, was last week elected president of the American Cotton Cooperative Association at a meeting in Washington. The national body is composed of 11 State cooperatives which last year handled more than 2,000,000 bales of cotton valued at more than \$100,000,000. Mr. Blalock will continue to handle the business of the North Carolina association. Other officers of the American association are located in New Orleans.

Sandhills Acreage Available for Development Rapidly Reducing

Turnure's Purchase of Bilyeu Farm Closes One of Last Links of Open Land

By Bion H. Butler

The Turnure development on the old Bilyeu farm is closing one of the last links in the open land available in the country surrounding the villages of the Sandhills community. This property joins the Barber estate on the east and the Pinehurst possessions on the west, and fills in beyond the Midland farms, beyond the Boyd & Buchan property fronting on Midland road, leaving nothing in that quarter for the prospective home-maker on large scale.

Progressing to the eastward from the Turnure estate the Barber holdings continue to the airport, closing around the Knollwood and Pine Needles territory, which in turn joins with the Tompkins lands that run across the railroad and away to Sweetheart Lake neighborhood to connect with the Boyd holding that tie in with Fort Bragg and that boundless acreage forever removed from the market. Weymouth and associates continue to the south along Fort Bragg's boundary, joining in with Callery, Robinson and others coming around below the Country Club. From there across the Seaboard to the west is one not very large gap to the Watson property, and from the Watson margin the big holdings go on past Pinehurst, joining in with the Turnure section again, and working

on a roomy site has now to go some miles outside the villages.

Land Getting Scarce

Recently a well-informed observer of conditions in the Sandhills remarked that faster than we realize the available ground is being absorbed by rural estate builders, and that the problem that is about to face this section is not to find buyers for the land that maybe for sale, but to find land for the buyers who will be seeking locations. People are increasing all the time. Land is not, The Sandhills area is limited. More folks are steadily learning the desirability of this section for attractive homes and for the advantages found here. This same observer just referred to predicted that before we suspect it we are liable to face a shortage of desirable land at prices that now seem moderate, for it is impossible to obtain as much as has already been taken by home makers and builders of country estates without asking for a division of acreage by those already possessors of big holdings.

The Turnure project is another example of that movement which is so prophetic. The old Bilyeu home was one of the well-known farm homes of the neighborhood, a factor in the growth of the community from the pinewoods, the swarm from which a brood was reaped and sent out into the world. It was the cordial center of a little group of neighbors, active in its influence on the territory around, self-contained, typical of the progressive influence of its day. It was a home and institution that compared with the development then in progress. But Mr. Holleyman, the architect, has lost the old house in a fine big creation which he is making, using the older building as a nucleus, but adding east, west, north and south, up and down, expanding and modernizing, until the Bilyeu family would have difficulty in recognizing anything about their old home except perhaps some of the trees that are carefully saved.

That is the way of the architect and of the new home-maker. Money, skill and appreciation have been moving the Sandhills to a wholly new plane. And along with the architect and the builder comes the landscape architect, and he changes the face of the forest and the lawn and the roadside, and that is so pronounced that here once more the old-timer is lost when he comes back to the Sandhills after an absence of some considerable time.

Mr. Turnure is closing the ring that circles the villages with a magnificent development, but he is not setting any final seal on anything. He is merely broadening that force that is inoculating the whole Sandhill area with the microbe of intelligent progress, and out of what he and all the other workers of his type are doing is coming a marvel that none of us is bold enough to yet conceive.

DEWBERRY SEASON ENDS WITH PRICES WELL DOWN

The dewberry season in the Cameron section was of short duration. The last pickings are being shipped this week. The first shipments were made by express only a couple of weeks ago. They brought fancy prices, but after heavy shipments went north the price slumped and the last shipments that have been made dropped to \$2.00 per crate and under. This is considered a low price by the growers. In some cities where a number of cars found ready sale last season only one to two cars were marketed this season. As usual much of the crop was carried north by truck but it is believed the last of the truck shipments have now been made.

VISIT DR. AND MRS. SYMINGTON

Dr. and Mrs. J. Symington of Carthage have as their guests their daughter, Miss Alice Symington of Greenwich, Conn., and their son-in-law and daughter, Prof. and Mrs. J. V. Baker of Marshall College, Huntington, West Virginia.

Weymouth Heights Moves Eastward

Last week the Kiwanis Club met in its regular session at The Paddock, the club house east of Bethesda Road.

Down that way are now the Paddock and the Webster Knight II Club.

The social influences are extending farther over the summit. Next winter both of those centers will be in the heart of much activity.

Bethesda road has moved into Southern Pines. Weymouth Heights is not in the village geographically, but it is a highly prominent member of the community except as regards boundary lines.

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