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At the CAPITAL

Stanley Winborne of Murfreesboro has assumed his new position as Public Utilities Commissioner, created by the 1933 General Assembly, and at the same time the former Corporation Commission and two of its members, Chairman W. T. Lee and Judge George P. Pell, passed from the scene of public service.

Commissioner Winborne will take over the numerous duties in regulation of railroads, power companies, gas and electric light companies, street railways, telephone and telegraph companies, bus and truck lines, enforcing the "blue sky" laws and serving as a member of the State Board of Assessment. These are the same duties performed by the three-man commission, formed in 1891 as the Railroad Commission and reorganized in 1892 as the Corporation Commission.

Mr. Winborne is the youngest member of the body, having taken the place made vacant by the appointment of A. J. Maxwell as Commissioner of Revenue. Chairman Lee has served 23 years and Judge Pell 21 years and both had several years of their six-year unexpired terms when their jobs were abolished by the legislature in its plan of reorganization. The personnel is expected to remain as it has been for the present.

At least four candidates have entered or been entered in the race for the post of State Commissioner of the World War Veterans' Loan Fund, now held by Col. John Hall Manning, who has been recommended and is expected to be appointed assistant district attorney for the eastern North Carolina district.

John M. Stedman, Raleigh, former State Treasurer and more recently head of the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Raleigh; Frank D. Grist, for eight years State Commissioner of Labor and Printing and candidate last year for nomination to the U. S. Senate, and William B. Grimes, Raleigh, are the three entered candidates. Capt. Tom C. Daniels, New Bern, State commander of the American Legion, has been entered by his friends, but has himself endorsed another candidate.

North Carolina supplies about one-third of the water which passes through the Tennessee River to Muscle Shoals, practically all of the water west of the Blue Ridge mountains finding its way to the Gulf of Mexico that way, it is estimated. The Tennessee Valley Authority has provided \$24,000 for improving 16 stations and erecting seven new ones to gage the flow of water west of the Blue Ridge, in order to keep better check on the flow. This will bring the streamflow gaging stations to 76 in North Carolina, H. D. Pantou, water engineer of the Conservation and Development Department, announces.

Nearly four and one-half million dollars more in State revenue was collected in the last six months, the first six of the fiscal year, than was collected in the same period last year, or \$9,691,732.22 in general fund revenue as compared with \$6,788,168.00, an increase of \$2,903,564.22, and \$9,995,339.00 as compared with \$8,482,343.78, an increase of \$1,512,996.22, in automotive taxes, the report of Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell shows.

This means that the taxpayers of North Carolina paid \$19,687,071.22 during the last six months, as compared with \$15,270,511.78 in the same six months period of 1932, an increase of \$4,416,559.54. More than half of this increase, \$2,477,043.62, came from the sales tax and \$185,265.05 from the beverage tax. The balance of the increase, \$1,754,250.77, is due to slight increases in license, franchise and income taxes, amounting to about a quarter of a million, in the general fund, and the balance of about a million and a half in the au-

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tomotive taxes. Largely, this increase can be attributed to better business, although a part of it comes from increased rates in the general fund.

North Carolina's CWA quota has now been raised to 90,000, which includes the women and also workers on the federal projects approved and to be approved in the state. Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State administrator, advises. Present plans contemplate continuing the CWA program until March 1, but movements are under way which are expected to extend the time to June 1, Mrs. O'Berry states. Practically every county has more unemployed registered than its quota, estimates indicating that there are two unemployed persons on the lists for every one on the quota.

The State of North Carolina, in addition to meeting all of its regular obligations, paid in full the \$6,103,842.50 due January 1, of which \$3,009,000 was for maturing bonds and \$3,095,842.50 was interest on bonds, State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson points out, expressing gratification over State finances.

"The financial condition of the State of North Carolina is a source of gratification to me at this time," Treasurer Johnson states. "We now unquestionably have a balanced budget and State bonds are selling on the market higher than they have been at any time since the depression covered the country."

"A year ago we were paying 6 percent interest on our temporary borrowings and this has been cut to 4 1-2 percent, thereby effecting a great saving to the State. This year, for the first times in many years, we have not borrowed any money during the fiscal year. We paid all State employees, including the school teachers, before Christmas and have met all our debt obligations promptly."

"From the viewpoint of the Treasurer, the State is in fine condition. I have reduced the State debt \$3,008,600 January 1, and in addition paid \$3,095,842.50 in interest, making a total of \$6,103,842.50, as well as all the other obligations referred to, and, as already stated, without borrowing any money."

The Revenue Department has turned over to the Highway and Public Works Commission officials a list of all roadside signboards on which the tax of \$1 has not been paid and asked that the highway forces destroy these signs. However, the highway employees dislike the thought of going onto a man's land near the road and removing a sign on which the owner of the property is receiving a rental for fear of violence from the landowner. The revenue department is trying to get the \$1 tax imposed on the smaller signboards, but the highway forces question their right to go off the right-of-way to remove such signs. An opinion from the Attorney General may be necessary to settle the problem.

WEST END

The Sandhill Furniture Corporation of West End provided a joyous Christmas occasion for its employees and their families at the Community House. The large tree with its icicles and lights was most attractive in the darkened hall. There were bushel baskets overflowing with food-stuffs which were presented to each family present. The children were supplied by Santa Claus with dolls, toy trucks and footballs.

Mr. and Mrs. B. U. Richardson and daughter of Washington, D. C., spent Christmas week at their home here. Miss Lucile McGilvery of Lemon Springs attended the wedding of Miss Thelma Auman.

Mrs. A. H. Austin and sons, Fletcher, A. H., Jr. and Edward of Gastonia were recent guests of Mrs. T. J. Fletcher.

A. G. Donaldson of Elizabeth City spent the holidays with relatives here. Miss Mary Beacham and brother of Gastonia spent Christmas with Miss Madge Cox.

Miss Corabelle Donaldson of Danville, Va., spent the holidays with her sister, Miss Maggie Donaldson.

Miss Alice Gattis and mother of Chapel Hill were recent guests of Mrs. J. F. Sinclair.

The West End girls' basketball team recently defeated Raleigh business girls in Raleigh, the score being 32-20.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

A marriage license has been issued from the office of the Register of Deeds to Lester Williams and Bonnie Horner, both of Eagle Springs.

Leonard Tufts Wins Unusual Distinction

His Record Unequaled by Any Other Breeder in the Lifetime of Record Making

Unusual distinction has come to North Carolina through the breeding work done with Ayrshire cattle by Leonard Tufts of Pinehurst, declares Dr. C. D. Grinnells, dairy investigator at State College, who says Mr. Tufts has four cows which have produced over 100,000 pounds of milk and 4,000 pounds of butterfat each.

This outstanding accomplishment was secured without the cows being pointed toward a high goal and was not disclosed until after the records had been completed, Dr. Grinnells says. The Ayrshire Digest for December carries a feature story of Mr. Tufts' accomplishments, and comments on it as follows:

"To Leonard Tufts of Pinehurst, North Carolina, goes the distinction of breeding, owning and testing throughout their lives, four Ayrshire cows that have each produced over 100,000 pounds of milk and 4,000 pounds of butterfat. No other dairy cattle breeder of any breed has ever achieved such success in the lifetime of record-making. Of still further interest is the fact that the cows making these records were not pointed toward such a goal. In fact, their latest achievements, which have followed some eight years of herd testing at Pinehurst, were not disclosed until after the records were completed."

The quartet of cows making this production are: Faustina's Good Luck, 106,684 pounds of milk and 4,280 pounds of butterfat in nine consecutive years; Otero's Favorite Girl, 103,976 pounds of milk and 4,225 pounds of butterfat in ten consecutive years; May Majestic, 110,887 pounds of milk and 4,185 pounds of butterfat in ten consecutive years; and Tootsy Mitchell's Favorite, 101,525 pounds of milk and 4,006 pounds of butterfat in nine consecutive years.

Dr. Grinnells points out that Mr. Tufts is one of the few pioneers with Ayrshire cattle in the South and the leading breeder of these animals in North Carolina.

Scavenger Hunt Again Proves to Be Popular

Many Couples Take Part in Second Annual Search for List of Oddities

The second annual scavenger hunt and New Year's party at the Country Club has been marked down as a big success. Over 200 attended the supper dance at the Club beginning at 12:01 Monday morning and at least 75 of these took part in the scavenger hunt which started from the Carolina Hotel at 10 o'clock.

The prize this year was won by Miss Elva Statler of New York and Jack Rudel of Moneral, who brought in the entire list in one hour and twelve minutes, three minutes less than the time taken a year ago by Miss Statler and William Rudel, when they won the prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foehl, jr., completed the list in one hour and thirty minutes and were given honorable mention.

The list this year was even more difficult than last year's and a great deal of fun was had by those going on the hunt.

Number one on the list was "A Crusty Old Bachelor," and for this number the winners captured Chas. E. Dexter of New York. Number two was a "Handful of Tobacco," number three, "A Large Summer Bird Nest." Number four was the "Most Unpopular Christmas Present," which the winning pair proved to be a bill rendered to J. E. Love on Christmas morning. Number five was a "1933 Massachusetts License Plate," number six, "Something Incongruous," was won by a bottle of milk, while the most unique answer to Number seven, "A Pack of Cards as Old as the Ace of Spades," was brought in by the runners up, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foehl, and consisted of a pack of 52 cards, every one of which was the ace of spades. Number eight called for a copy of the "Constitution of the United States," Number nine for an "Autographed Golf Ball Used in the First Flight Finals of Mid-Winter Tournament," and Number ten called for a "Finicky Old Maid," which was the only item open to criticism, as those produced would not concede that they were either old or finicky.

LANG AGAIN PRESIDENT

J. A. Lang, Jr. of Carthage has been re-elected president of the National Student Federation of America. He is a student at the University of North Carolina.

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The Week in Aberdeen

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Fagan of Bartlesville, Okla., and Mrs. Fagan's sister, Mrs. Wanda Lee Reinohl of Robinson, Ill., are guests of Mrs. J. B. Fagan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Levy of Philadelphia spent last week-end visiting M. H. Polley and family.

Jim McKeithen is recuperating following an operation for appendicitis at the Moore County Hospital.

W. T. Batchelor has moved his family from The Lantana where they have been staying for sometime to the Bryan bungalow.

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Miss Frances Worsham of Columbia, S. C., spent a few days last week visiting her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Worsham.

Miss Josephine Culp of Eldorado, Arkansas spent a few days here the first of the week visiting Miss Miriam Johnson. They both returned to Randolph-Macon at Lynchburg, Va., on Wednesday.

Miss Lida Duke Blue spent a few days in Sanford last week visiting Miss Mary Shaw Rosser.

LeRoy Harrington has been ill at his home for the past week suffering with influenza.

Miss Flora McNeill, formerly on the staff of the Sandhill Citizen in Southern Pines, has accepted a position with the Dixie Printing Company here.

Mrs. George Campbell of High Point and Mrs. James Buchanan of Broadway spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. McLean.

Mrs. J. D. Wimberley and daughter, Frances spent last Thursday in Fayetteville, where Miss Frances attended a meeting of the Y. P. T. Council of Presbytery.

Murdoch M. Johnson of Camden, S. C., was the dinner guest of his aunt, Miss Mary Johnson, last Sunday.

Mrs. J. S. Tomlinson of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. W. H. Allen and R. A. Bobbitt of Louisburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wilder this week.

E. L. Bryan and children, Martha Lou and "Sonny" of Buie's Creek, visited friends here last week.

Miss LaNita Wimberley spent the past week-end in Columbia, S. C., visiting Miss Virginia Gaston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Purdy of Mon-

roe were guests of Mrs. L. L. Johnson and Mrs. M. S. Weaver this week. R. L. Johnson of Pittsburgh, Pa., was the Christmas guest of Miss Mary Wilder.

Mrs. L. B. Brigman and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Brigman have moved from Laurinburg recently and taken the Leavitt place near Aberdeen.

Miss Mozelle Darnell of Hemp visited Misses Josephine and Julia Weaver over the past week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor arrived Monday night from Fort Valley, Ga., and are occupying their bungalow on Page Hill. Mr. Taylor, manager of the Sulphur Plant here, was married during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox Matthews announce the arrival of a daughter on January 1st.

New Year Party

Several young people enjoyed a New Year's party at the home of Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson on the morning of January 1st, ending with a breakfast at Batchelor's Sandwich Shop. Those attending were Misses Flora Lee Freeman, Frances Lee Coviness, Dee Batchelor, Betsy Jean Johnson and Anne Cameron of Southern Pines, and Fred Weaver, Norfleet Pleasants, Lawrence Farrell, Leonard Russell, John Edward Pleasants and Sidney Windham.

Calhoun-Clark

Miss Julia Clark, daughter of Mrs. Edgar F. McCulloch and the late W. Austin Clark was married to Daniel Malloy Calhoun, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Calhoun of Laurinburg, Tuesday, December 26th at the Presbyterian Church of Elizabethtown. They will be at home after January 1 in Elizabethtown. This announcement comes with interest to the many friends of Mr. Calhoun who made Aberdeen his home while acting as principal of the high school here a few years ago.

NIAGARA

Roy Smith of East Hebron, N. H., arrived Saturday to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

There was a meeting of the church board at the library on Tuesday night for the election of officers for the coming year.

Miss Neta Andrews of Chapel Hill stopped in Niagara on Sunday enroute to Rockingham where she holds a position as school teacher in the graded school.

Robert Smith of Tipton spent the holidays with his family here.

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