

Council Session Livened By Brisk Balloting Over School Board Vacancies

J. C. B. Ehringhaus and W. W. Woodley, Jr., Elected, Latter After Numerous Deadlocks

AYDLETT LOSES SEAT

Chairman of Board Eliminated Through Seemingly Unbreakable Tie Vote With D. G. Brockett

Strongly reminiscent of the last Democratic National convention was that part of last night's session of the City Council which was devoted to the election of two members of the Board of Graded School Trustees.

The retiring members are E. F. Aydlett, Sr., chairman of the board for many years, N. S. Leary and C. E. Thompson.

At the start of the balloting, J. C. B. Ehringhaus, D. Guy Brockett, W. W. Woodley, Jr., and E. F. Aydlett, Sr., were nominated.

On the first ballot, Mr. Ehringhaus received six votes, constituting a majority and was duly elected.

When the eleventh ballot had resulted like its predecessors, Councilman P. C. Cohoon moved that 26th candidate be dropped.

At that juncture, Mayor McCabe reminded the Council of a recent request from the Women's Club that at least one female member be added to the School Board.

On the first vote, Mrs. Cohoon and Mr. Woodley received three votes each, and Mr. Brown two.

SUBMARINE S-51 ON WAY WITH VICTIMS

New York, July 6.—Bearing the bodies of some of its crew the United States submarine S-51 was on its final journey today.

It was being towed in Long Island Sound from Block Island, Rhode Island, to New York, a torn bulk of a once famous shipwreck, buoyed by ungainly pontoons.

SUBWAY STRIKE IS INCONVENIENCE TO MANY THOUSANDS

New York, July 6.—This metropolis today was in the throes of a strike on its principal subway system which daily transport more passengers than comprises the population of Chicago.

Reports assembled nine hours after motormen and switchmen of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company went on a strike at midnight for increased wages showed that curbed service was being maintained by strikebreakers and that there was some congestion at the morning "peak" rush hour.

Service to Brooklyn was temporarily abandoned. No violence was reported. Nearly 7,000 policemen were assigned to strategic traffic points to maintain order.

Can't Stop Him



Fences, no matter how high, can't stop "Duke," German police dog owned by Edwin Barthel, Larchmont, New York, when he's after an intruder.

Defendant Escapes Meshes of Net In Sprout Mystery

A carefully spun web of circumstantial evidence failed to hold John Moore, colored, who faced Trial Justice Sawyer in recorder's court Tuesday morning on a charge of having stolen a quantity of sweet potato sprouts from R. O. Chappell, elderly resident of Maple street, on the night of June 12, last.

Mr. Chappell testified that on Sunday morning, June 13, he discovered that someone had made a raid on a bed of choice Hayman potato sprouts in his garden.

The horse whose tracks he had followed, Mr. Chappell declared, apparently was shod except for one front foot. At Moore's home, he admitted under cross-examination by Walter L. Cohoon, who represented the defendant, he found no evidence of any recently pulled potato sprouts, but on a visit there several weeks later, he saw a number of "scalded" sprouts which he believed were his own.

Although positively declaring at the start that these latter sprouts were of the Hayman variety, Mr. Chappell later admitted that he could not determine the species of a small bunch of specimen sprouts which Moore had carried into court. He admitted also that he had not examined the feet of Moore's horse to determine whether the animal had been shod in a fashion to correspond with the suspected tracks.

Police Officer Anderson, next on the stand, testified to having seen Moore driving out Locust street and into Parsonage, obviously on his way home, towards 1 o'clock on the morning of June 13, with a number of lard cans in his cart. He said he did not see what he called Holmes then told of having examined the feet of Moore's gray mare, and of having found that only the left hind foot had been shod. Moore, himself on the stand later, testified that only the right hind foot had been shod during the past year, the other three feet having been "bare."

The defendant claimed he bought the questionable sprouts from Carrie Barnett, colored, who lives on First street. He was corroborated by her as to the purchase of a quantity of them for 25 cents.

A case in which P. H. Small and Tom and Simon Storey were charged with assault, and with possession, transportation and purchasing liquor, was continued to Wednesday morning in the absence of one of the State's witnesses.

W. R. Moore submitted on a charge of being drunk, and was fined \$5 and costs.

COUNCIL TO AID ON EXPENSE OF TAKING THE AIR

City Fathers Donate \$100 Toward Cost of Trip for Broadcasting Program in Richmond July 15

TO ADVERTISE REGION

Various Minor Matters Disposed of in Session; Albert Spence Promised Cure for Insomnia

A donation of \$100 toward the expenses incident to a trip to Richmond next week by a party from here to take part in a radio broadcasting program from Station WRVA there on Thursday night, July 15, was allowed Monday night by the City Council, in response to an appeal from the Chamber of Commerce, presented by Martin B. Simpson, local attorney.

The program that night will be devoted to a portrayal of the resources, advantages and opportunities offered in Northeastern Carolina, and to several musical numbers. Hertford and Edenton will join Elizabeth City in giving the program, Mr. Simpson announced, asking that the Council appropriate \$150 toward the cost of the trip for these cities from this city. He stated that the Board of County Commissioners would be asked to give \$100 at their regular meeting Thursday.

This section will broadcast for two hours, under an arrangement effected by the Chamber of Commerce here with Elmer F. Hazlett, studio director at WRVA. A similar program was given a week ago by the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, and this prompted the negotiations which resulted in the arrangement for Northeastern Carolina to "take the air" on the night of July 15.

Mr. Simpson explained that a careful record would be kept of the expenses of the party on the trip, and any part of the appropriation not actually so used would be turned back to the Council.

The board granted a request from State Senator P. H. Williams, on behalf of C. W. Ward, living on North Road street, that the city relinquish its right to a small "jib" of land which was intended to form a continuation from Sixth street diagonally to Road, but which had never been opened. It was stated that Mr. Ward had paid taxes on it for a number of years, and had paid for the street improvements abutting it.

The Council heard without definite action a petition from C. R. Pugh, representing the New Hollywood Cemetery Association, that the city pave Peartree Road from the end of South Road street to the city limits. Mr. Pugh declared the street was so rough it would shake the corpse out of a hearse if they undertook to hold a funeral in New Hollywood now.

City Manager Ferber explained that the proposal to pave this connecting link had been held up through the refusal of the older cemetery association to sign the street paving petition, which thereby lacked the necessary 51 per cent of property owners and wardens that in the event the city could not pave the street, as good a dirt road as possible be built there.

A request from the Standard Oil Company for the repeal of a city ordinance against the erection of gasoline storage tanks, presented by T. J. Markham, attorney, was tabled for further consideration. Mr. Markham stated that the Standard proposed to erect large and attractive tanks somewhere on the waterfront, with projecting dykes, adding that the company had obtained an option on the old Cotter shipyard property on Riverside avenue.

In requesting the repeal of the ordinance, Mr. Markham stated that properly constructed gasoline tanks were not regarded as a hazard in other cities, and did not increase insurance rates. He cited the existence of such tanks in Raleigh, New Bern, Norfolk, Edenton, and other towns and cities. The Council evidence a disposition to let the City Planning Commission pass on the matter.

A complaint from Albert Spence, assistant postmaster, that he was awakened rudely at all hours of the night by automobiles stalling in the sand on Broad street, near his home, was met with assurance that City Manager Ferber would relieve the situation.

ROANOKE HOTEL NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gallop, recently of Jarvisburg but originally from Camden County, have taken over the management of the Roanoke Hotel in this city. Mrs. Gallop is managing the hotel and now has everything in readiness for patrons.

Fighting War Over Again



Ex-soldiers from all parts of the nation gathered at Atlanta, Georgia, for the convention of Disabled American Veterans of the World War. Photo shows left to right, Colonel William L. Clayton, head of the organization in Georgia; General John B. McQuinn, American Legion Commandant; W. T. Ayers, chairman of the convention; and Ava Warren Chandler, American Legion national commander.

Telling the President



Commander Richard E. Byrd of the United States Navy, describing his flight to the North Pole and back before a meeting of the National Geographic Society which President Coolidge attended. Byrd is speaking, with the President and Secretary of the Navy Wilbur seated directly behind him.

And Then He Said "Goodbye!"



"A picture? All right, but just one. And make it snappy—I'm in a hurry," said this silver fish in fish language to the angler who hooked him off Fort Lauderdale, Florida. "Me, too!" cried the little sucker fish clinging like a black spot to the tarpon's side. "Snap!" went the camera. Then "Snap!" went the line.

POTATO AWARDS ARE ANNOUNCED

Winners of the awards in the Potato Day contest Monday were announced Tuesday by the committee in charge of that phase of the day's festivities, headed by J. T. Stallins, manager of the Southern Gas Improvement Company here. Mr. Stallins announced also that 13 barrels of potatoes were donated by the exhibitors, and that these were sold to N. Howard Smith, produce broker, for \$45. A half basket, also donated, was sold for 25 cents. The \$45.25 was divided between the Boys' Band and the local fire company on an equal basis as the old custom would permit.

Twelve prizes were awarded exhibitors of barrels of potatoes. In order from the first prize to the twelfth, the winners were: M. W. Scott, Weeksville; W. F. Gregory, Route 4; A. J. Jennings, Weeksville; D. W. Morgan, Route 5; E. Coppersmith, Route 1; Seth Moore, Route 5; Steve Sawyer, Camden; Victor Morgan, Route 5; James Bright, Route 5; J. D. Scott, Weeksville, and Lloyd Winslow, Route 3.

Six prizes were given in the potato contest, in order as follows: Seth Morgan, Route 5; Frank Jennings, Weeksville; D. W. Morgan, Route 5; A. F. Jennings, Route 2; R. O. Chappell, city, and D. W. Cartwright.

Potato plate awards follow: Alfred Davis, Route 3; G. R. Davis, Route 3; Frank Jennings, Weeksville; A. J. Jennings, Weeksville; H. C. Ferber, Camden; and Seth Morgan, Route 5.

D. W. Williams, of this city, displayed the biggest single potato in the contest, and thereby

Downpour Spoils Latter Part of Spud Festival But Day Proves Success

MRS. J. A. HOOPER DIES SUDDENLY

Funeral Services for Wife of Postmaster This Afternoon at Four

Taken suddenly in Sunday night after supper, Mrs. Jethro A. Hooper, wife of the postmaster of Elizabeth City, died at 9:55 o'clock from cerebral apoplexy. Until stricken, she apparently had been in as good health as she had had for several years.

Mrs. Hooper was 56 years old, and with her husband and family had made her home for the last 30 years, having moved here from Avon, Dare County, where she was born. She was a devoted member of the Methodist Church and was active in all branches of its work.

Besides her mother and husband, Mrs. Hooper is survived by two sons, Dr. Vance Hooper of Baltimore, and Percy Victor Hooper of this city. Two daughters, Miss Gillian Hooper, of this city, and Miss Evelyn Hooper, who is attending the University of Maryland, at Baltimore; a brother, John B. Quiddy, of Cape Charles, Virginia; and four sisters, Mrs. Amelia Gray and Mrs. Rebecca Keaton, of Avon, Mrs. Angeline Miller, of Huxton and Mrs. Mary Gray, of Huxton.

Funeral services for Mrs. Hooper will be conducted at the home on Riverside avenue this afternoon at 4 o'clock, by the Rev. F. S. Love, pastor of the First Methodist Church. Burial will be in Hollywood Cemetery.

The active pallbearers are: H. G. Kramer, L. R. Foreman, W. C. Sawyer, Ira B. Parker, C. R. Pugh, M. Leigh Sheep, Frank M. Harris and Arthur Mann. The honorary pallbearers are: Federal Judge I. M. Meekins, Judge J. B. Leitch, W. H. Weatherly, Sr., Andrew Sanders, Miles Jennings, S. B. Parker, George M. Wright, L. E. Thomas, C. O. Robinson, B. S. Sawyer, J. Kenyon Wilson, D. Walden Harris, Jr., George T. Bailey, J. Wesley Foreman, J. J. Hughes, W. J. Wodley, Sr., E. M. Stevens, W. Ben Godwin, R. B. Sheely, and Robert R. Taylor.

Dr. Z. Vance Hooper and Miss Evelyn Hooper arrived from Baltimore yesterday.

PUBLISHERS MEET IN ASHEVILLE TODAY

Asheville, July 6.—Approximately 200 delegates representing all the Southern States in attendance, the twenty-fourth annual meeting of Southern Newspaper Publishers Association convened here today for a three days session.

The gathering was called to order by the president, Walter C. Johnson of the Chattanooga, Tennessee, News, and the business of the convention then began. After the roll call and the introduction of guests the president read his report.

Former Ambassador FROM GERMANY DEAD

Essen, Germany, July 6.—Died Otto Ludwig Wiedfeldt, former German Ambassador to the United States and director general of the Krupp works, died Monday.

STORM ENLIVEN'S TRIP FOR LOCAL FISHERMEN

Reporting a decidedly uncomfortable experience in Albemarle Sound during the heavy wind and rain storm which swept this section Monday afternoon, a party of five returned early Monday night from a week-end fishing trip to Oregon Inlet aboard the "Sea II".

The members of the party were Miles L. Clark, skipper of the "Sea II"; Dr. William Parker, W. B. Foreman, Oliver Gilbert and Junior Gilbert.

The fishing was none of the best, on account of unfavorable weather, according to Mr. Gilbert, but the party had an enjoyable trip, just the same.

NAVY OFFICER NAMED DRY ADMINISTRATOR

Washington, July 6.—John D. Pennington, former lieutenant commander in the Navy, was named prohibition administrator at Pittsburgh today by Assistant Secretary Andrews.

MOTHERS CLUB MEETS WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Mothers' Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock at the Community House on Fleetwood street. This is the first meeting in several weeks and all members are urged to come.

Crowds Enjoy Band Concert, Baseball Game and Other Events During Morning of Potato Day

MOCK TRIAL HELD

Crowd Marooned in Court-house by Storm Holds "Solemn" Proceedings Over Big Spud Grower

As in the case of Elizabeth City's Potato Day celebration a year ago, a tremendous downpour yesterday afternoon spoiled the latter part of the program and sent hundreds of holiday guests scurrying for cover wherever it could be found. Nevertheless, the day was a success, the guests and their hosts alike agreed.

The morning program went along smoothly, as had been arranged. By 10 o'clock, dozens of barrels and baskets of fine spuds had been placed on display in front of the courthouse, and soon attracted many admiring spectators. Large displays of baskets and barrels, attractively banded on each side of the spud exhibit, fitted appropriately into the scene.

Dainty young girls in booths on the grounds distributed thousands of oiled paper bags of crisp potato chips, together with other thousands of little booklets telling of the spud, the choicest ways to cook it, and giving many entertaining facts about Elizabeth City and the Albemarle.

The morning's events started on schedule with a baseball game between Colerain and Elizabeth City, which drew hundreds to the diamond at the rear of the Grammar School. Other hundreds gathered on the courthouse lawn for a concert by the Boys' Band and the Masonic Band at 10:30 o'clock, and for a life saving demonstration by Captain John Lewis Reese, of the American Red Cross.

It was almost mid-afternoon when the storm broke. It drove many of the visitors into the courthouse auditorium, and to while away the time, the crowd arranged a mock trial, in which C. W. Ives, progressive farmer living in Providence township, near this city, was directed to substantiate his claim that he obtained a crop of 60 to 1 on his potato yield. Of course, it was a little unusual, this business of making the accused prove his innocence, in a way, but nobody objected, and the trial went on.

Clay Ferber, of Camden, served as judge, and Cam W. Melick, of this city, was impressed in to service as sheriff. The defendant was represented by L. P. Lewis, and Mr. Lewis requested a trial by jury. The request was granted, and J. L. Alexander, Murray Stokely, J. L. Alexander, H. C. Ferber, Jr., Will King and G. A. White took their places in the jury box.

The prosecution put on Scott James, potato grading expert, who testified that Mr. Ives used under-sized barrels, packed stones and clod of dirt with his potatoes, and otherwise "stretched" the yield.

Mr. Ives' only witness was Roy Dewey, of this city, who after stating to the court that he would pay no attention to the truth in the serious matter under discussion, testified that he had seen thousands of barrels of potatoes in Mr. Ives' field; that he had an army of worker gathering and packing potatoes, and a fleet of trucks hauling the crop; that there was not a stone on Mr. Ives' land, and that the potatoes were graded carefully and packed well.

Mr. Britt held the audience spellbound with his eloquent presentation of the State's case, and made a telling rejoinder. After due consideration, the jury rendered a verdict of "guilty."

The judge then solemnly rendered the judgment that Mr. Ives must eat potatoes three times a day for 365 days in succession, but later changed it to a sentence requiring that he raise potatoes in his community as long as he could get the seed and fertilizer necessary. Furthermore, he was commended for his outstanding success as a potato grower.

WITHDRAW SUPPORT OF SESQUICENTENNIAL

Philadelphia, July 6.—The Presbyterian Church through Dr. Lewis Seymour Mudge, states clerk, today notified Mayor Kendrick that the denomination has withdrawn its support from the sesquicentennial exposition because of the policy of keeping the exposition open on Sunday.

COTTON MARKET

New York, July 6.—Spot cotton steady, middling 18.46 a decline of 15 points. Futures closing bids: July 17.85, Oct. 16.23, Dec. 16.42, Jan. 16.36, March 16.58.

