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LOCAL MAIL DELIVERY BEGAN THIS WEEK

Local mail delivery began here on Tuesday of this week with Messrs. Herman Alexander and Alton F. Lilley as temporary carriers. An examination was held here last month for the purpose of appointing permanent carriers to begin their duties on the first of this month. The result of these examinations not having been learned it was made necessary for the post master to appoint temporary carriers.

The town is divided in two districts, which are divided by Washington street. The carriers make two deliveries each day, beginning at eight-thirty in the morning and two-thirty in the afternoon.

Five postal stations will also be erected as soon as the receptacles arrive, three of which will be erected on Fourth street and town on Main, for the convenience of the local patrons of the office.

The carriers that are to be appointed by the post office department will assume the duties of that office as soon as advice is received.

BEETS GROW WELL IN EARLY SPRING GARDEN

Raleigh, N. C. March 31.—Beet grow best as a spring or fall crop and a few rows planted now will yield a supply for the home table with some over for sale locally. Success R. F. Payne, extension horticulturist for the State College of Agriculture. To grow the crop successfully Mr. Payne gives the following directions:

Good, deep, loose, sand loam soil is best suited for the crop, but it will grow on a clay soil if organic matter is applied. They will not stand on acid soil but will tolerate an excessive amount of alkaline. A 9-4-7 fertilizer should be applied at the rate of from 1,000 to 2,000 pounds per acre. Frequent side dressings with nitrate of soda should be given at the rate of 100 to 200 pounds per acre, beginning about three weeks after the seed is sown. Fresh stable manure should be applied, but well rotted manure may be used freely.

The seed can be sown directly in the field or may be started in the hotbed and later transplanted to the open ground. If started in the hotbed, they should be sown about one month before time to transplant.

The seed should be planted 1 to 1 1/2 inches deep in rows 15 to 18 inches apart for hand, and 24 to 30 inches apart for horse cultivation. Later the plants should be thinned out 4 to 5 inches apart in the row. Cultivation should be shallow but frequent to destroy the weeds and conserve the moisture.

Detroit Dark Red, Crosby's Egyptian or Eclipse are the best varieties for use.

If any of the beets are put on the market, they should be pulled when they are 1 1/2 to 2 inches in diameter and sold in bunches containing 3 to 10.

Messrs Zeb Vance Norman, R. H. Kirby and C. L. Jackson have been attending court in Edenton this week.

McLEAN DELIVERS ADDRESS IN ROCKY MOUNT

Speaks Before the Current Topics Club of That Place

After drawing attention to the very important contribution which organizations like the Current Topics Club are making to the civic betterment of their communities and the state in general, giving such organizations a large part of the credit for the wonderful development which has taken place in North Carolina in recent years, Mr. McLean proceeded to discuss his main subject, "The Executive Budget in its Relationship to Economy in Government".

He referred to the tremendous investment which the State now has in its public buildings and other plant facilities, its various departments, institutions, both educational and eleemosynary. In this connection he emphasized the fact that during the last half century every great private industry has undergone a complete transformation in methods of operation and management; that as civilization has become more complex the facilities and methods for transacting private business have changed to meet the increased demands made upon it from time to time; that the business of government has grown in complexity and in the number of activities with which it has to deal; that there has been a failure to apply to the business of government new and modern methods which are just as necessary in government as in private enterprise.

Continuing to discuss this phase of the subject he said: "In times past he people have been inclined to give scant attention to more business-like methods of conducting government because revenues were small and were largely derived from indirect sources. At the present time, however, taxes federal, state and local, have become so heavy that they have become directly related to all the economic questions of the day.

"As the cost of government is therefore becoming more and more an important factor in our economic life we are becoming interested in devising plans whereby such cost may be reduced to the minimum, without however, interfering with those wholesome functions of government which are so necessary to the continued progress and well-being of the people.

"It is evident that governments everywhere must take on new functions and engage in every-widening activities in order to meet the demands for a constantly increasing degree of service to the people.

"The great industrial age in which we live with its new methods of transportation and for the transmission of intelligence has imposed new and vast more complex burdens upon government. With the utilization of steam and electric power, the telephone and the radio, the man who would live the life of an individualist avoiding participation in the affairs of society represented in government is doomed to disappointment and gradual decay. To meet these new obligations imposed upon the State, Democratic government, if it is to survive or maintain its position as the best form of government, must show a constantly increasing ability to meet the test imposed upon it, by providing a system whereby government can be economically, honestly and wisely administered. If it does not meet this supreme test, it cannot finally survive because no form of government can endure unless it serves successfully and efficiently the material, social and spiritual needs of mankind.

"Experience has demonstrated that private business success is largely dependent upon the application of certain well-known rules of thrift and business economy. If we will learn to apply the same rules to the business of government as in private business affairs.

"After all, the real purpose should be to live within our income, and produce a maximum of service at the lowest cost compatible with sound policy. During the world war and since, there developed a tendency on the part of both individuals and government (the Federal government particularly) to disregard these simple

CHAUTAUQUA TO BE HERE JUNE 3-7

The local Chautauqua association has just been informed that the Swarthmore Chautauqua, which has been visiting Plymouth for the past several years, will open here on June 3rd.

The local organization is urging that religious, civic and other organizations keep these dates in mind, especially for the purpose of not planning anything of a public nature that would conflict with the plans of the Chautauqua during these dates.

The Chautauqua promises to bring a splendid program here this year, and one that will please local Chautauqua fans.

The price of the season tickets have not been definitely settled upon as yet, or at least the local organization has not been advised of such. As soon, however, as the price is learned we will advise the public through our columns.

Right now is a good time to lay aside the price of as many tickets as you will need. We can assure you safely that the price will not be in excess of the sum charged last year, either for adult or junior tickets.

Read this paper carefully each week for additional Chautauqua information.

and sound principles of political economy. As a consequence, the cost of government has been constantly increasing. The time has come to arrest this tendency to the end that taxes may be reduced, wherever this can be done, without interfering with progressive and efficient public service.

"The most important thing in the way of fiscal reform which can be done now to bring about economy in government is the institution of what is usually termed the Executive Budget System.

"We have had in North Carolina for several years a State Budget Commission, which has already accomplished much good.

"I am strongly in favor of a modern Budget System, because I believe it means intelligent study and business like supervision of the fiscal affairs of the State.

"I believe the present Budget Commission Act should be so amended as to give the Budget Commission enlarged and more effective supervision, creating in effect a supervising department of finance, functioning not only when the Legislature is in session but in the interim between the sessions of the Legislature. It should be converted into what is usually termed an Executive Budget, and the Governor, who is, under the present act, the official chairman of the Commission, should be given the power, as the responsible chief executive of the State, to direct the affairs of the Commission and to initiate the Budget. I see no objection to the present plan whereby the chairman of the Commission on Finance and Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives are authorized to act as members of the Commission. The full Commission should meet periodically and at any time upon the call of the Governor.

"The Budget Commission, functioning as a permanent supervising department of finance, should be authorized:

- To supervise the forms of accounts, financial reports and statements of the several departments;
- To supervise and examine the accounts of receipts and expenditures;
- To investigate as to duplication of work, efficiency in the organization and administration of the departments and to formulate and recommend plans for eliminating defects and for the better coordination of the work of the various departments;
- To prepare and submit to the General Assembly biennially, thirty days preceding the convening of each session, a State Budget.

"In the preparation of the State

KITCHEN IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN

Save mother!
Nothing is any good without mother. Family welfare depends upon having the home maker in good health and spirits. Right location of equipment prevents fatigue. Save labor in order to have more time for pleasure.

In view of the fact that the average woman spends the greater part of her time in her kitchen I have decided to put on a "Kitchen Improvement Campaign". The object of this campaign is to assist the women who enter it to make their own kitchens more convenient thus saving time and labor.

The campaign is open to all the women in the county, and is being carried on through this month. Prizes will be awarded for the greatest improvement of the kitchen at least cost, on Rally Day, which will be held the 25th of April in Plymouth.

A program will be carried out in the morning similar to the Rally Day held here last year. Dinner will be served on the grounds, after which a county field meet will be held in which all communities will participate.

DELANO WILSON,
Delano Wilson,
Demonstration Agent.

Budget, the Budget Commission should be authorized to review and revise the departmental estimates of the various departments and to estimate, both as to proposed expenditures and anticipated revenues, and also to require a general balance sheet of the State's assets and liabilities together with any and all other information which may be of value to the Legislature in making its appropriations.

(e) To prepare and submit for action by the Legislature, proposed revenue and machinery acts embodying the recommendations of the Budget Commission, after having given full consideration to the report and recommendation of the State Department of Revenue, in respect thereto;

(f) To see that the State lives within its income, that unnecessary expenditures are eliminated, and that the accounting and other activities of the various departments are so coordinated as that the situation may be viewed with regard not only to the necessities of other departments but also in terms of the State as a unit.

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PRECINCT MEETINGS TOMORROW

The Democratic Precinct Meetings will be held in every voting precinct in North Carolina tomorrow afternoon.

The time decided upon by the Washington County Executive Committee has been named as two o'clock in the afternoon. Circulars calling attention to these meetings have been mailed to the various precinct committees in the county, and it is hoped that a large number of enthusiastic Democrats will attend and assist in naming the delegates to the county convention which will be held in Plymouth next Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. The county convention will be held in the court house, as is announced on the circulars.

This year is an important political year, and all citizens who are interested in the proper conduct of our governmental affairs should make free use of their right of suffrage, not only in the general election which will be held in November, but through the primary and campaign.

We believe it to be a person's duty to use this right of suffrage, and in any community where all qualified voters cast a ballot general satisfaction is more evident in those communities than where only a small number vote.

Be sure to attend your precinct meeting tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. LeRoy Harris of Edenton, spent the past week-end here.

Mr. George Moore of Scotland Neck was in town Saturday.

Jewel Ayers and Doris Owens motored to Washington Sunday.

Bill Louis Roper was among the visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Walker and daughter, of Plymouth, motored to Roper Sunday.

Mr. Dick Moore of Smithfield spent the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bray.

Miss Vera Ayers of Hertford spent the past week-end with her parent Mr. Mrs. E. W. Ayers.

Miss Minnie Gardon Cahoon made a trip to Washington Sunday.

Mayor H. V. Auston made a business trip to Williamston Tuesday.

Dr. W. L. Davis made a professional visit to Roanoke Rapids this week.

Miss Pauline Lucas and Delana Wilson motored to Washington Sunday.

Mr. E. F. Aydtlett of Elizabeth City, candidate for congress, passed through here.

Mr. T. Ryan Boyd of Williamston has been in our city this week.

Mr. Leland Thompson of Kinston has accepted a position with Cahoon's Quality Shop.

Mr. Herbert Bonner of Washington, was a business visitor here yesterday.

Capt. C. E. Mizelle of Roper, was in town talking politics this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hardison, Garland Hardison and Mrs. Paul motored to Windsor Sunday.

Hon. Van B. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ausbon made a brief business trip to Washington Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Mathews of Windsor spent the past week-end here, with her sister Mrs. D. B. Mizell.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harrison and son, George, motored to Raleigh Sunday and returned Monday.

Mrs. C. W. Bateman of Rocky Mt. spent the past week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bowen.

Mr. Earnest White of Washington spent the week-end here as the guest of his brother Mr. Raymond White.

Judge F. D. Winston and Hon. Hiliary Matthews, of Windsor, were in town on business this week.

Bill Davis who has been visiting friends and relatives here returned to Kinfz business College at Raleigh.

LOST-- Brown fur chester, somewhere in downtown Edenton, on Saturday night, March 29th. Finder will please notify Mrs. Stewart Darden.

Miss Mildred Vail, Russell Harrison Miss Pauline Lucas, and other members of Plymouth High School attended the debate at Pantego Friday night.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that all bills contracted by Mr. N. A. Ayers will be settled, and that after thirty days from this date, March 27th, 1924 no further accounts will be opened or continued by her.

This advertisement is made for the information and guidance of all concerned.

This March 27th, 1924

MRS. N. A. AYERS.

FOR SALE--Single comb Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, \$1.00 per setting. Mrs. W. S. Davenport, Macke s.

\$10.00 IN GOLD

Take these three words (THE ROANOKE BEACON) and see how many words of the English language you can make out of the letters in them. As an example we offer:

Bean—Roan—Bone

You will be surprised to know how many words can be formed from these sixteen letters. A cash prize of ten dollars paid in GOLD will be awarded the person making the greatest number of words, taking care not to use any one letter more than it is used in the words (THE ROANOKE BEACON) in the formation of any one word in this competition.

It will be necessary to send in with each list of words one subscription or renewal to The Roanoke Beacon for a period of not less than one year, which is \$1.50.

This contest will afford a great deal of interest in using your skill in the arrangement of the English alphabet.

Mail your list in to this office with a subscription or renewal and get a chance at the

TEN DOLLARS IN GOLD