

Columbia's Budget Allots \$10,053 For Year's Expenditure

Tax Rate Slightly Increased As A Greater Fund Is Allowed Expenses

FIREMEN ALLOWED SPEND ONLY \$100

About \$1500 Will Be Expended For Salaries; Spend \$1000 For Upkeep Of Streets; Set Aside \$658 To Pay For Street Sweeper; Revenue From Plant Given At \$3,167

Columbia, Dec. 6.—Operations of the various departments in the local municipal government will have to manage on \$10,053 for the current fiscal year, it was learned today from W. H. McCless, city clerk. This is the total amount allowed for expenditure during the current fiscal year against an expenditure for the previous year of \$7,693 and an even lower expenditure for the fiscal year ending in 1926, according to estimates in the budget recently adopted for the year of 1928.

For the payment of special bonds, principal and interest for the current fiscal year \$5,500 was appropriated in the budget from the revenues. The fund for old liabilities and the general fund will remain about the same. About \$1,500 will be expended for salaries. Street maintenance will represent an expenditure of about \$1,000. Only \$100 is allowed for payment of debts incurred by the fire department during the fiscal year.

A fund of \$658 has been set aside for payment of the interest on the street sweeper; while \$786 will be necessary to pay the note and the interest on the fire truck; and \$509 will be required to pay the interest and the note on the siren. The tax rate is fixed at \$1.95. Relative to the amount received annually from other sources the budget allows \$500 for this revenue department. Revenue from the light plant is estimated at \$3,167.

The estimated expenditure for the electric light plant is given at \$2,875.39. This money will provide for the opening expenses, repairs, building and repairing lines and other improvement work. It is thought that this fund will take care of the expenses incurred from adding equipment which has been necessitated in order for the plant to furnish power to Creswell which officials from the two towns have contracted for. May or W. J. White has been very instrumental in influencing the City Fathers to progressive movements.

CHURCH MEMBERS POUND REV. HETHCOX THURSDAY

Skinner'sville, Dec. 6.—A pounding was given to Rev. R. L. Hethcox at the Rehoboth Church on Thanksgiving night by friends and members of the church. Those attending from Creswell were O. D. Hatfield, Miss Louise Hatfield and sister, and Miss Hooker, a student of the Roper High School.

ALMO THEATRE TONIGHT

Richard Dix
IN
'Easy Come, Easy Go'
AND
M. G. M. NEWS
Saturday Night Only
Tim McCoy
IN
'Riders of The Dark'
ALSO
Seventh Episode of Serial
'Perils of the Jungles'
INK WELL IMPES
MONDAY NIGHT
Lon Chaney
IN
'Tell It To The Marines'

PRESENTS \$500 TO CHURCH SOCIETY

Officials of the Woman's Missionary Society of the local Methodist Church received a check for \$500 from Clinton Toms, of New York City, president of the Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company, yesterday, to aid them in their work for the church. Directly after Mr. Tom's graduation from a college in this State he became principal of the local school which he served for some time. Frequently his name is mentioned in the "32 Years Ago" department in this paper.

Mrs. M. W. Norman was hostess to the members of the Society at her home on Main Street Tuesday afternoon.

After the devotional part of the program various business matters were discussed.

Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. A. L. Brinkley, president; Mrs. A. R. Dupree, vice-president; Mrs. J. S. Norman secretary and Mrs. A. L. Owens, treasurer.

THIRTY-TWO ON MACKKEYS HONOR ROLL LAST MONTH

Mackkeys, Dec. 6.—The names on the honor roll of the local school are as follows:

Primary grades: first, Joseph Cox and Louise Riddick; second, William Riddick, Marie Barnes and Margare Phelps; third, Elmer Styons; fourth, Julia Barnes, Dorothy Swain and Marie Twiford.

Grammar grades: fifth, Iva Twiford, Eloise Patrick, and Grayson Everett; sixth, Lillian P. Mays, Woodley and Sarah Hill.

Louise Twiford, Jabie Conway, Jessie Mae Harrell and Margaret Collins.

High school; ninth, Evelyn Chesson Lancelot Davenport, Fannie Clyde Chesson, Margaret and Virgil Davenport, Audrey Patrick and Blanche Ainsley; tenth, Emily Phelps and Marie Patrick; eleventh, Blanche Hassell, Deannie Spruill and Olive Chesson.

HOKE CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. R. C. JACKSON

Long Ridge, Dec. 6.—The Hoke Demonstration Club met with Mrs. R. C. Jackson this week with Mesdames R. C. Jackson, Ella Morris, W. A. Mizelle, D. W. Wright, H. T. Gurganus and Misses Mary and Martha Pierce present. The meeting was opened by a devotional service. Miss Pratt Covington gave a demonstration on making felt hats.

MRS. BOWEN ENTERTAINED ALBA CLUB AT HOME FRIDAY

Long Acre, Dec. 6.—The Alba Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. J. E. Bowen Friday with twenty-three members present. The meeting was called to order by Miss Pratt Covington, Washington county home demonstration agent. Mrs. R. P. Davenport was appointed on a committee to collect articles for a rummage sale. The proceeds will be used to beautify the courthouse grounds. Gelatine with whipped cream and cake was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. J. H. Allen.

MISS COVINGTON CONDUCTS SCHOOL IN CURRITUCK

In the absence of Miss Willie Hunter, State College clothing specialist of Raleigh, Miss Pratt Covington, Washington county home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration in that making in a leader's school in Currituck county Wednesday.

SIMMONS-CHESSON

Roper, Dec. 6.—Miss Lete Chesson of this place and Alton Simmons of Bethel were quietly married Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in the local Methodist parsonage by Rev. J. Pascom Hurley, pastor of the local Methodist Church. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for Norfolk. They will make their home in Bethel.

CONVICT 3 OF VIOLATING DRY LAWS

Found guilty of violating the prohibition law on three counts by a jury in Recorder's Court here Tuesday, Joe Pritchard was fined \$1,250 and costs; J. A. Bateman, \$500 and costs; and Richard McGee, \$5 and costs by Judge Zeb Vance Norman. The defendants were charged with possessing a large quantity of liquor; having it in their possession for the purpose of sale; and transporting the illicit fluid in a gasoline boat.

The trial came as the result of a raid made on a gasoline boat that was moored some distance from the Sound Side wharf early Thanksgiving morning when Sheriff J. K. Reid, Chief of Police P. W. Brown, and L. L. Basnight seized 670 gallons of whiskey and a gasoline boat and some personal property of Joe Pritchard.

The officers were on the scene where the cargo of whiskey was to be unloaded previous to the arrival of the whiskey laden vessel when about eight or ten automobile presumably owned by confederates of Pritchard were driven up to the shore where the occupants alighted and began to firing shots into the air as signals to the persons on the boat.

About this time the officers threw off all cautiousness and began firing into the air in an effort to frighten the persons on land and in the boat. Those on land darted for their automobiles and made good their escape. Pritchard, who had just rowed a small boat to the shore and had unloaded a large amount of the whiskey was seen by the officers as they closed in on the small skiff. Pritchard had just stepped out when he saw the officers and fled.

The defendants were arrested on the following day or soon thereafter. The immense quantity of liquor was used as evidence against the defendants in the trial. Attorneys H. S. Ward and W. L. Whitley represented the defendants.

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

spending the holidays at home. Misses Thelma Gaylord, of the Norfolk Business College, at Norfolk; Edna and Vera Mizelle, of the Eastern Carolina Teachers College at Greenville; Cecil Blount, Campbell's College, Buies Creek; Charles Mizelle, State College, Raleigh; Raymond Ainsley, University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill and Robert Knowles, Smithell Business College, at Richmond.

Among the teachers that spent the holidays here were Miss Willie Blount, from the Charlotte schools; Miss Beatrice Robinson, from Stokes school; Miss Annie Mizelle, Central High School and Miss Genevieve Williams from the Krispe school.

EXTEND PAVING ASSESSMENT TIME FOR THIRTY DAYS

The time for the payment of the street paving assessments in Plymouth has been extended from the first of December to the first of the year. If the annual assessment has not been paid then the delinquent list will be advertised.

County Teachers Association Meets In Roper School Today

Roper, Dec. 6.—Teachers in the Washington county public schools are expected to attend the meeting of the Washington County Teachers Association that will meet in the local school building Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

It was learned here today from J. W. Norman, county superintendent of public instruction, who was here this week on business. Principal H. L. Swain, of the Creswell School, the newly elected president, will preside over the business session during announcements and other general business sessions, after which the general session will be divided into departments.

In the high school section Principal E. N. Riddle will compare the medians of the eighth grades in the high schools in this county in a short talk. Discussions of the variations in the scores in the test recently given to the eighth grades; what has been learned from these scores that will enable teachers to remedy any existing defects; are

AWAIT ARRIVAL OF BRIDGE SURVEYORS

No word has been received from the State highway officials in regards to the letter that has been forwarded to them this week by Zeb Vance Norman, president of the local Chamber of Commerce, in regards to the resolutions that was mailed to them in which the City Council and the Washington County Board of Commissioners agreed to guarantee equal shares of \$250 as the cost of the survey in anticipation of the erection of three bridges spanning the Roanoke, Middle and Cashie rivers and the construction of a causeway linking the bridges together, thus connecting Washington and Bertie counties.

A special meeting was called by the City Council in which the resolution was adopted to guarantee an amount for their part not in excess of \$125. This money will be paid when the preliminary survey is made and a statement of the findings filed with City Clerk M. W. Spruill. The entire body seemed to be in favor of the undertaking.

Among the first things that the new Board of County Commissioners did was to adopt a resolution pledging to pay their share of the total amount for the survey for the bridges and causeway across the swamp. During this same meeting the new Board of County Commissioners, which is composed of J. C. Spruill, chairman; W. T. Phelps and E. R. Lewis, took their oath of office, which was administered by C. V. W. Ausbon, clerk of the superior court.

This action was taken by the county and town officials following up a suggestion by Chairman Page, of the State Highway Commission, which was made to the Chamber of Commerce officials in a meeting with the highway chief in Raleigh recently, when the commercialists filed petitions with Chairman Page in regards to the bridge which was signed by officials of counties in this section.

DEMONSTRATIONS ON CAKE FEATURES AT MEET

at the Roper school. The demonstrations on cake icing and leader's school that will be held here in the courthouse Monday afternoon. A large number of women from the various home demonstration clubs in the county present by Miss Pratt Covington.

CLUBS OPEN BAZAAR IN PLYMOUTH TOMORROW

Mackkeys, Dec. 6.—Tomorrow, December 8, the home demonstration clubs of Washington county will open a bazaar at Bobbie's Place in Plymouth. Linens, handkerchiefs, childrens clothes, towels, pillows, vanity sets and novelties will be sold.

PLACE NEW BOOK ON LIBRARY TABLE FOR MONTH

"Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" is the title of the new book that will be placed on the library table in the library this week by the Thursday Afternoon Literary Club. The book is by Anita Loos.

Lue Read and W. H. Clark were in Washington Monday.

Mission Workers To Convene Monday In 1-Day Session Here

RUMMAGE SALE PROFITABLE TO CLUB

Pleasant Grove, Dec. 6.—The Pleasant Grove Woman's Club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. W. Snell. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. W. B. Chesson. Devotional services were conducted by Miss Jamie Reddick which consisted of a hymn and prayer. The roll was called and minutes were read by the secretary, Mrs. W. A. Swain. Mrs. S. Z. Waters reported that \$10.90 was made by the club at rummage sale which was held in Plymouth recently.

Mrs. Snell and Mrs. Tarkenton gave a demonstration on making cake icing. A picture was taken of the club by Miss Pratt Covington, with fourteen members present and an additional two members. All the club women who have fancy work to sell are urged to have it in the hands of the home demonstration agent by December 7. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. M. J. Alexander. After the meeting delicious refreshments, consisting of fruit salad and cake was served by the hostess and Mrs. Waters.

COMMERCIALISTS REELECT OFFICERS FOR NEXT YEAR

All the previous officers of the Chamber of Commerce were reelected at the meeting held for that purpose in the courthouse Monday evening.

The officers elected last year were Zeb Vance Norman, president; R. P. Walker, first vice president; L. W. Gurkin, second vice president; J. W. Norman, third vice president; C. L. Groves, secretary; Leland Thompson, Dwight Weathers, C. M. Tetterton, H. E. Beam, C. E. Ayers, L. C. Willoughby, M. T. Bradshaw, P. H. Darden, and O. H. Lyon, directors.

Mackkeys, Dec. 6.—The Mackkeys boys' basketball team outplayed the Roper cagers in a tilt on the Roper court Wednesday afternoon to the tune of 23 to 14 which makes the locals have a clean slate for the entire season. The Roper team will battle the locals on the home court Thursday afternoon.

FIREMEN REPLACE TWO OFFICERS

Because two officers that were elected in a regular meeting for that purpose had apparently lost interest in the welfare of the organization as was evidenced by their failure to attend, the members of the local Fire Department elected L. C. Willoughby, as assistant chief; and J. F. Ausbon as foreman.

The regular roster of officers is as follows: L. W. Gurkin, chief; L. C. Willoughby, assistant chief; J. F. Ausbon, foreman; Raymond Peal, as assistant foreman; J. B. Willoughby, chief engineer; C. L. Windham and Jerry Spruill, assistant engineers. The executive officers are Chief Gurkin, president; R. E. Tarkenton, secretary; Walter H. Paramore, assistant secretary; W. F. Ausbon, P. W. Brown and J. F. Ausbon compose the permanent finance committee.

PINEY GROVE CHURCH TO ENTERTAIN CONVENTION

Skinner'sville, Dec. 6.—The district Sunday School Convention will be held at Piney Grove Church on South Side Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All churches in the district are requested to have delegates present.

BAZAAR AT SWAIN'S SCHOOL HOUSE THIS EVENING

Westover, Dec. 6.—There will be a bazaar at Swain's schoolhouse this evening for the benefit of St. Deighton's Sunday School. Ice cream, oysters and chicken salad will be served at a moderate cost.

Mrs. A. R. Dupree left Monday for Norfolk.

Mrs. J. G. Jackson, of Hinson, and Master Sammie Bateman spent Thanksgiving with friends in Aulander.

Forty Christian Churches In Eight Counties Will Send 200 Delegates

CHRISTIAN CHURCH TO BE HOST AT MEET

First Of Three Sessions Will Begin At 10 O'clock In The Morning; Eminent Mission Speakers Are Slated For Addresses; Conferences And Banquet Are Features

Forty Christian Churches in the eight surrounding counties are expected to send a total delegation of about 200 people to the annual One-Day Convention that will be held here next Monday, when members of the United Christian Missionary Society gather in the local Christian Church. The local convention will be only one among the 201 that will be held in the United States and Canada this year. There will be three sessions including the banquet in the evening devoted to the theme "Sharing With Christ."

The first session will open at 10 o'clock in the morning, which will be devoted to devotional services for the first half an hour; an address by a missionary and an agenda will be used and an opportunity given for discussion. In the afternoon session, which begins sharply at 1 o'clock, there will be simultaneous missionary organizations and religious education conferences and an explanation of literature and quotas by a speaker.

In the afternoon session there will be a presentation of the work in the homeland; the pension system; the work around the world which will contain the facts of a survey followed by an address delivered by a missionary. During the evening session, which begins at 6:30 with a general banquet at which time a missionary will speak. Slight changes may be made in the program to conform with last-minute essentials.

Among the speakers will be Dr. Roy- al J. Dye, a former missionary to Africa who aided in establishing the Congo Christian Mission of the Disciples of Christ at Bolenge, and was the only doctor for hundreds of miles in the Congo region; H. P. Gamboe, who finally decided to go to India while attending Transylvania College, from which he graduate with the bachelor of arts and bachelor of divinity degrees in 1921; and E. B. Quock, of Atlanta, Ga., southeastern superintendent of the United Christian Missionary Society.

ALBEMARLE WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET WITH MRS. HOLTON

Skinner'sville, Dec. 6.—The Albemarle Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. S. A. Holton next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Demonstrations will be given on making a Christmas cake and properly decorating it.

BURGESS FAMILY HOLD REUNION THANKSGIVING

Cherry, Dec. 6.—A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Burgess here last Thanksgiving with most of the children present. Mrs. Burgess is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Woodley.

Miss Mary Worsham spent last week end at her home in Norfolk.

J. S. Shugar and J. T. McAllister will leave Saturday for Tennessee for a few days business trip.

Mrs. Fannie Corden of Washington, D. C., is here visiting her sister Mrs. Maude Hilliard.

Harry Gurkin, Harry Landing, Dale and Joe Tucker Tetterton were home from college during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Dr. J. E. Smithwick and J. A. Get-singer returned last week end from an extensive trip to Southern parts of Texas and Mexico.