

UNIMPORTANT WEEK AT STATE CAPITAL

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

Raleigh, N. C., June 29. — The absence of Governor McLean from the city a good portion of the week accounts for a rather quiet period in administration circles. However, the decision of the supreme court that county loans to the State for road building are legal, the final meeting of the Salary and wage commission, the meeting of the Judicial conference, convention of the State Veterinarian Association, and the trial in Federal court of a "bevy" of Durham physicians for violations of the Federal narcotic laws, together with happenings of minor importance, contribute a series of events worthy of note.

The Supreme Court rules that loans by counties for road construction are valid which opens the way for highway extension on an extensive scale. Money advanced by counties to the State for road building will be paid back out of funds from future highway bond issues allocated to them. At its meeting on Wednesday the State Highway commission approved for acceptance \$4,220,000 as follows: Halifax, \$1,500,000; Robeson, \$1,000,000; Durham, \$720,000; Edgecombe \$400,000; Columbus, \$400,000; Nash \$200,000. The county of Wake is to propose a loan of \$1,900,000 for the paving of routes 50 and 21, out of Raleigh. The trader must be approved by the voters in a special election called for the purpose.

The Salary and Wage Commission, created by act of the last General Assembly, began its final session on Thursday and is working on its first report to the Governor. It expects to complete its report by the end of the week. Practically all necessary data has been collected and assimilated for the Commission and a close analysis of this is in progress.

The Judicial Conference assembled listened to a very able address by Chief Justice Stacey, outlining the purpose of the organization, declared itself in favor of a more strict interpretation of superior court dockets by the court calendars, decided to hold its semi-annual meetings in Raleigh during the last week of June and December of each year, and ad-

vised. The conference was well attended by the membership constituted by the act creating it and the general reaction to the meeting appears to be altogether favorable.

Half a dozen Durham Physicians have been here during the week on charges of violating the Federal narcotic laws. Four entered pleas of guilty and were fined from \$250 to \$1,000 by Federal Judge Mackins.

One was convicted and a disagreement resulted in another case. In addition to paying fines these physicians may lose their license to practice in the State. The Medical Society has the matter under advisement.

There is to be no postponement of the trial of Jesse Wyatt, former Raleigh detective, charged with the murder of Steven S. Holt, Smithfield lawyer, whom Wyatt shot down on the Garner road some four weeks ago, under the impression that he was trying to escape with whiskey in his car. Wyatt disclaims any intention of shooting to kill, but simply to stop the car by puncturing the tires. He has employed a formidable array of counsel and will vigorously fight the charge of murder lodged against him by the Wake County grand jury.

Secretary of State Everett has stocked the White Creek Pond, near Rockingham, with 9,000 bass from the "Pete Murphy Hatchery" at Marion, McDowell County.

Announcement is made by H. K. Witherspoon, publicity engineer of the State Highway Commission, that the hard-surfaced mileage of the State is now 1846; gravel, slate and topsoil, 3,112; dirt road under State control, 1,044 miles. Total comprising the State Highway System, 6,002 miles, the major portion of which has been constructed since the passage of the first road bond bill by the General Assembly of 1921. Mr. Witherspoon also announces the discontinuance of the State Highway Bulletin of which he has been the editor for the past several years.

Governor McLean and Treasurer Lay made a trip to New York during the week to close the loans arranged on a previous visit to the Metropolis with the First National Bank of that city. \$10,000,000 were borrowed on short term notes at 3 1/2 per cent and \$5,000,000 on long term notes at 4 1/2 per

cent. Four million more will be borrowed as needed later in the year. The Governor's little son, Angus W. Jr., accompanied his father to "take in the sights" for the first time.

Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson, State Commissioner of Welfare, advocates the abolition of all County chain gangs and State care of prisoners whom, she thinks, should be classified according to their mental and physical ability and placing them in the lines of work they are best fitted to perform.

The Coal Glen, Mine Disaster Relief Fund has reached expectations and "gone over the top." Responding to the proclamation of Governor McLean, the people of the State have contributed \$35,404.38, or more than \$400 in excess of the amount said to be needed. The Red Cross is disbursing this fund on the basis of the actual needs of the beneficiaries.

Stacey W. Wade, insurance commissioner, states that the fire losses in the State during the month of May exceeds the "taxable" sum of \$361,400 and that the number of fires reported is 156. Value of property at risk \$1,431,070, of which there was insurance aggregating \$808,920. The larger blazes occurred at Morganton, Burlington, Shelby, Smithfield, Ayden, Hamlet and Wadesboro.

After a recent conference with the executive committee of the Cullohee Normal and Industrial school Governor McLean announced that matters in dispute appeared to be practically settled. An entirely new board is in charge at Cullohee by the appointment of the Governor.

FORD SALES INCREASING

Sales figures of the Ford Motor Company for the Month of May show a continued good domestic demand for Ford cars and trucks, the last ten days of the month showing a substantial increase over the previous ten days. The figures also disclose record-breaking sales abroad and in the high price car field a growing demand for Lincoln cars. In fact, the Lincoln sales in the United States during May went to a new record with 968 deliveries to customers, exceeding by more than 100 the record established in April.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING \$200,000.00 OF STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS BY THE TOWN OF BREVARD, NORTH CAROLINA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Brevard, North Carolina, as follows:

Section 1. That there shall be issued by the Town of Brevard, N. C., \$200,000.00 of Street Improvement Bonds, of which at least one fourth of the exclusive of the cost of paving street intersections, has been or is to be specially assessed, the proceeds of the sale of which are to be used for the purpose of constructing and reconstructing the surface of the streets of the Town of Brevard, whether including or not including grading, contemporaneous construction or reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs, gutters or drains, and whether including or not including grading, such surface to be constructed either of bricks, blocks, sheet asphalt, bitulithic or bituminous concrete laid on a solid foundation, or of concrete.

The said bonds shall draw interest at not exceeding six per cent annum, payable semi annually, and shall be in such denomination and from, and the principal and interest payable at such place as the Board of Aldermen of said Town of Brevard may by resolution determine.

Section 2. That the maximum aggregate principal amount of said bonds to be issued under this ordinance is \$200,000.00.

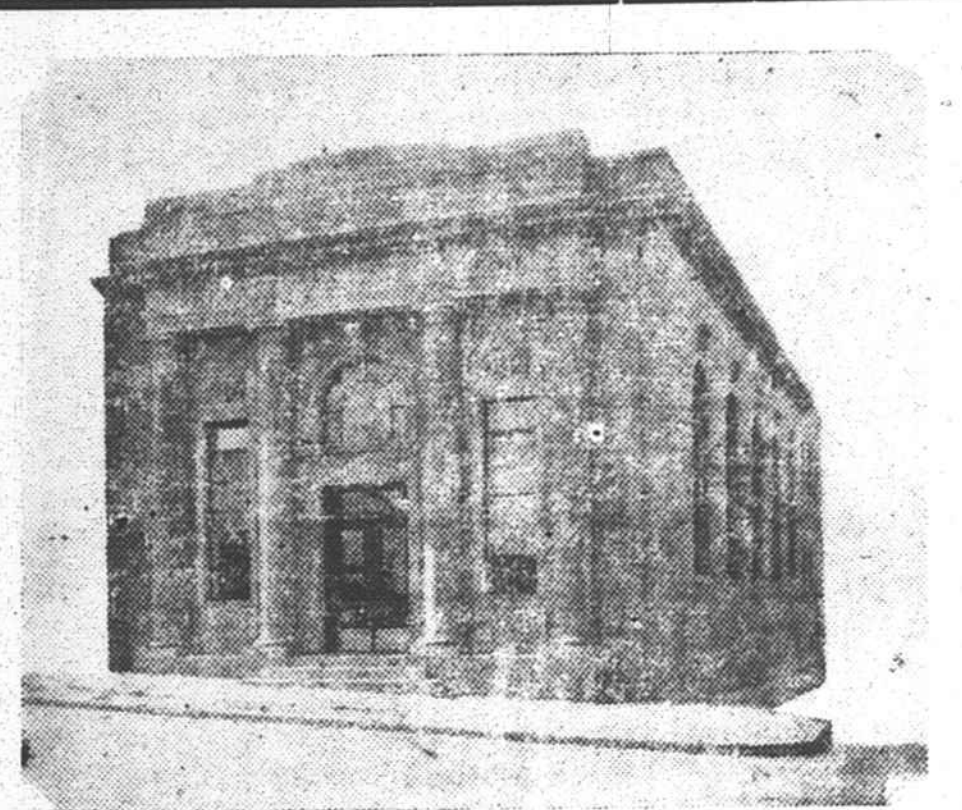
Section 3. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually levied and collected.

Section 4. That a statement of the debt of said municipality has been filed with the Clerk, is open to public inspection.

Section 5. That this ordinance was passed on the 17th day of June, 1925, and was first published on the 18th day of June, 1925. Any action or proceedings questioning the validity of said ordinance must be commenced within thirty days after its first publication.

H. H. PATTON,
Clerk of the Town of Brevard,
N. C.

Figures recently released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture show 29 million pounds less frozen and cured pork on hand than the general average for the last five years.



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