

OUR RALEIGH COMMUNICATION.

(By M. L. Shipman.)

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 14.—The continued heat wave in the Capital which broke records standing a quarter of a century, the unflagging energy of Governor McLean in putting into effect his policies, interest in the American Legion election, comment on the latest statement on the deficit by Governor Morrison, the opening of all educational institutions of Raleigh and a renewal of the "mad dog" scare were matters which engaged interest of Capital citizens during the past week. In addition there were a number of comparatively minor matters which were in the limelight for a brief moment each day. Governor McLean in addition to working zealously at the Capital also attended to a host of minor matters. Interest was aroused Friday night in the appointment of the judge to preside over the trial of W. B. Cole at Rockingham.

For three days last week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Governor McLean was closeted at the mansion and orders were that he was not to be disturbed on any account. Newspapersmen were unable to see him during that time and at the same period Secretary Sink of the Salary and Wage Commission was at the mansion. The report was that the two were going over the final report of the Salary and Wage Commission, created as a part of the McLean legislative program by the 1925 General Assembly. Thursday night the Governor labored until the " wee small" hours of Friday on the matter in hand. It is expected that he will announce the wage scales during the coming week after another meeting of the Salary and Wage Commission. Prediction in well informed circles was that the commission and the Governor have no intention of visiting salary reductions upon any large portion of present state employees. Where the Wage Commission will get in its effective work will be when new employees are hired. These will come in a number of instances at a lower rate and an eventual saving in salaries of many thousands is predicted.

Following the hard work of this past week the Executive expects to make a trip into the mountain section for one or two addresses during this week. He will take in the famous Toe River Fair in Mitchell county during his absence.

Raleigh's torrid weather has continued and all records since 1900 were broken on Saturday when the 55th consecutive day with a temperature above 90 degree was recorded. Previously the record had been 54 days in 1900. Though showers were expected, the rain which visited the western part of the state during the end of the week did not reach Raleigh. The local rainfall is about 12 inches less than normal for 1925.

A record breaking school opening in Raleigh caused considerable concern to school officials. The schools cannot accommodate the children, but it is hoped to solve the situation the same time Peace Institute, St. Mary's College, Meredith and State College were getting under way with record breaking enrollments. It looks like a big year in educational circles all over the state according to reports received here of the great demands being made on education accommodations.

Governor McLean has appointed Judge T. B. Finley to try W. B. Cole on September 28 for the murder of W. W. Ormond at Rockingham. The plea of the wealthy manufacturer has not been made public although self defense is surmised.

The election of Harry L. Stevens, Jr., as commander of the American Legion spelled defeat for Colonel J. Hall Manning of Raleigh who was a candidate for the office. Manning last year was accused of carrying the Legion into politics in his efforts to elect Frank Grist as Commissioner of Labor and Printing. The situation brought about a split in the Raleigh post and is believed locally to have been the cause of Manning's defeat.

Two more children were bitten by mad dogs in Raleigh and renewed care was taken by authorities; Governor McLean urged additional landings for North Carolina in the development of aviation. The co-operation of Raleigh was pledged to the deepening of the Neuse so as to open it to commerce. The state instituted civil suit against ice dealers of Raleigh charged with violation of the trade combination restraint law, the latest move being designated to bring the matter to the Supreme Court. Commissioner Graham met with fertilizer representatives working on standardization of fertilizer grades and marking tags. The printing commission will meet Thursday to award state printing bids, the meeting being postponed one week.

Insurance Commissioner Wade and Fire Marshall Brockwell have gone to attend the convention of fire marshalls in San Antonio, Texas. Commissioner Wade will preside as president of the organization and Mr. Brockwell, together with his chief,

was booked for an address. Before leaving Mr. Wade tentatively selected the week beginning October 4th as Fire Prevention Week in the State this year. Governor McLean is expected to give official approval of the suggestion in due course.

During the week Governor McLean designated Superintendent A. T. Allen of the State Department of Education, as a member of the Caswell Training School advisory committee. This committee is charged with the duty of outlining a scope of work for the institution mentioned and is already making a study of the problems to be handled.

Governor McLean announced recently the appointment of two substitute judges for specific work. They are ex-Judge Francis D. Winston who is to hold a two-weeks term of the Gaston County Superior court beginning September 28, and A. Wayland Cook, a brilliant young attorney of Greensboro, as an emergency judge to preside over a term of Watauga County Superior court beginning on the same date.

The Division of Markets, State Department of Agriculture, is authority for the statement that nearly a million pounds of live poultry was handled for North Carolina farmers last year at an approximate saving of \$50,000. The state division operates in co-operation with county farm demonstration agents.

The Bureau of Vital Statistics, Board of Health, reports that there are still a greater number of births than deaths during the twelve months period and that the number of babies is likely to exceed the number of coffins right along. There were 42,090 births in the state during the first half of the year 1924, according to the report, while for a similar period following 42,197 is recorded. Deaths first six months of 1924 numbered 17,746, for the same period this year 16,828, approximately 3,000 of this number being babies less than a year old. It is claimed that 250 mothers of the babies born during the first half of last year died within six months thereafter.

A gift of \$25,000 to the St. Mary's

School of this city is announced by B. N. Duke through his representative W. A. Erwin, a life long friend. The St. Mary's campus is one of the beauty spots of Raleigh and a gateway is planned as one of the improvements soon to be made. The purchase of a new organ is also contemplated.

A shake-up in Raleigh police circles has been determined upon by Chief Winder Bryan to become effective November 1. Three members of the force have been asked to "walk the plank." Reasons not given, but privilege of a hearing before the city commissioner is accorded the three patrolmen effected.

The Confederate cemetery near the Soldiers Home is to be made a beauty spot, if plans of the local chapter Daughters of the Confederacy do not miscarry. Chapters of the organization throughout the state will be given an opportunity to participate in the laudable undertaking.

Governor McLean pardons W. W. Green, a negro army officer residing in Davidson county, who has served already seven years in the State's

prison for attacking a small negro girl while he was military instructor at the Negro Agricultural and Technical College, Greensboro. His long army service and good record as a prisoner were assigned as the reasons for executive clemency. There seems to have been little opposition to the application for pardon.

Deforestation is a menace declares Governor McLean who seeks the co-operation of county authorities in the effort to prevent forest fires. He emphasizes especially the importance

of county assistance until the legislature has an opportunity to enact preventive measures.

The State Fair management expects the poultry show to be one of the features of the big exhibition this year. It will be held under the direction of Allen G. Oliver, extension poultry specialist at State College, the judges to be Charles Nixon of New Jersey and J. P. Kerr of Haw.

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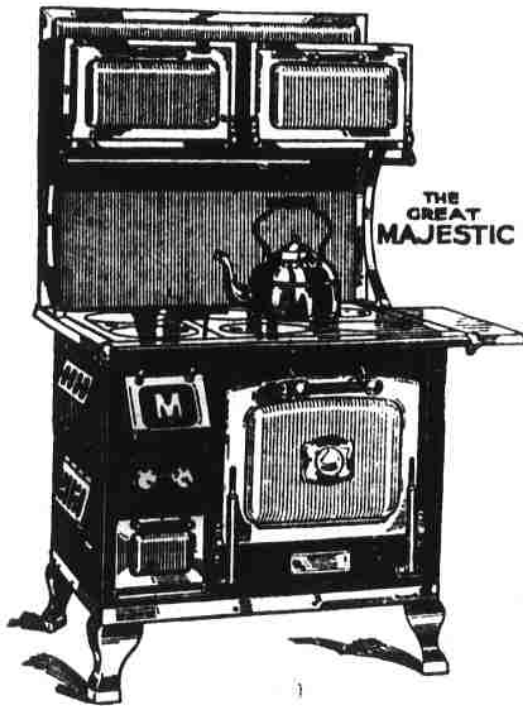
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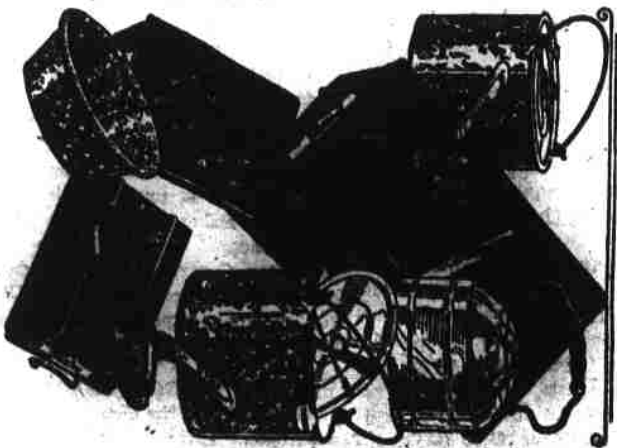
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