

## Tells Truth About Most Famous Bear Story Of This Section

Early Settler Of The Crusoe Island Section Gives Inside Story About His Famous Bear Yarn

HIS STORY WAS ONCE WIDELY PUBLICIZED

Buck Clewis Knows The Habits And Life Of The Bear Family Perhaps Better Than Any Man In State



BUCK CLEWIS

Buck Clewis thought he knew bears. In fact, he was practically sure of it, till one day, he had a rude awakening—

And therein lies one of the most interesting stories ever told in this section of the state.

Buck Clewis, as perhaps anybody who has read stories syndicated all over the United States will tell you, is a resident of that very interesting settlement down in Crusoe Island. There he has lived next to nature for so long that he without much effort has gained an invaluable knowledge of the life and habits of birds and native animals.

His specialty, though, was bears. At least, they were until that eventful day six or seven years ago. Here's the story he told to a representative of this paper not so long ago during the course of an interview:

One day, Mr. Clewis lost a large, black hog. He scoured the woods in a vain effort to locate the animal. He came back to his pasture, looked, and still could see nothing of his prize porker.

All at once he espied something in the bushes. Practically sure that it was his missing hog, he took one flying leap in the direction of the partially secreted object in the bushes. That's about all he remembers for quite a while. The hog turned out to be

no hog at all, but a big black bear. The bruin apparently didn't like his manner of approach, and made one flying lunge against a stump.

"Son, that bear thought the devil had him" said Mr. Clewis while talking about the experience, "and if he ran very long like he left me, has was in the mountains before dark."

The aged settler was injured when he was thrown against the stump by the bear, and he says that he still suffers some from that injury.

Thus, was originated one of the most widely-repeated stories in Columbus county history.

## Colored Schools Hold Field Day

First Annual Education Day Program Held Last Monday At Brunswick County Training School

On Monday, May 6, the colored schools in the lower section of Brunswick county held their Education Day Program. The program consisted of field day exercises in the morning and a literary program in the afternoon. The seventh grade certificates were also presented to the graduates during the afternoon session, and prizes to the winners of the different field day events.

The following field day events were carried out in the morning: The 50 yard dash for girls and boys; the running high jump for boys and girls; peanut race; sack race; potato race, and the three-legged race.

The following students were winners in the different events: Vashiti Price, the 50 yard dash; Lawrence Brown, 50 yard dash; peanut race, Edgar Gore; running high jump, Joseph Swain; Running broad jump, Alice Slade, and the potato race, Louis Galloway. All the events were won by students of the County Training School in Southport.

This is the first year that field day exercises have been carried out on Education Day, and because of the interest which was shown in the exercises, it is planned to make them a part of the Education Day program every year.—Reported.

## River Gives Up Corpse Of Man

Asheville, May 15.—The French Broad river this morning yielded up the body of Barnett Lindsey, missing 40-year old cotton mill worker, and sheriff Laurence E. Brown said he expected to fasten a murder charge by tomorrow on one or more persons who were with Lindsey last Wednesday night before his disappearance.

Two youths, Daniel Smith and Earl Calloway, are being held without charges in the case. Both were with Lindsey drinking whiskey in the river bottoms Wednesday night, they have admitted, but each says that the other was last with him.

After the body, object of an intensive search of the river bed ever since Thursday morning, was found by Archie Bishop and Morris Robinson about 30 feet below Smith's bridge, Dr. George F. Baier, Jr., the coroner, held an inquest.

The jury found that Lindsey "came to his death by drowning, apparently after being rendered unconscious by concussion of the brain by blows upon the head

## IT IS TIME TO INCREASE OUR LIVESTOCK POPULATION

(Guy A. Cardwell)

Agricultural and Industrial Agent Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co. The University of North Carolina News Letter, February 20th, 1935 issue calls attention to the fact that North Carolina continues to rank near the bottom among the States in livestock.

In total value of all major forms of livestock on farms in 1935 North Carolina ranks 19th, South Carolina 33 and Virginia 26th. This rating means little however, as on a farm basis the rank would be nearer the bottom and in percentage of income derived from livestock and livestock products we are probably still worse off.

The Carolinas show a large mule population and a small horse population, while Virginia has a large horse population and a small mule population. However, the Carolinas do not produce either horses or mules in worthwhile numbers and the total value of these animals represents wealth that has gone to horse and mule raising states to pay for this work stock.

Quoting from the News Letter: "For the United States the value of cattle, hogs, and sheep is far ahead of the value of mules and horses. For North Carolina the value of mules and horses is two and a quarter times the total value of cattle, hogs, and sheep. Again there are only four states where the ratio of mules and horses, or work animals, to meat and milk animals is higher than in North Carolina.

Once in a blue moon the extremely highly commercialized non-food cash crop system of

central and eastern North Carolina does bring in cash. Experience shows that the cash does not long stick to the palms that sweat it out, and that the standard of living quickly reverts to a low level. If our splendid cash crops could be co-ordinated with enough livestock of the meat and milk variety to give the farmers at least a balanced ration the situation would be greatly improved. It is doubtful if this will ever occur in an area of overwhelming tenancy as in eastern North Carolina, probably the most deficient meat and milk area of all farm regions in America."

We should review our lasts and adjust them rather than to dwell on our firsts. It would also be helpful to recall from time to time the words of that inspired Georgian, Henry W. Grady, in speaking of independent farmers.

"When every farmer in the South shall eat bread from his own pastures and, disturbed by no creditors and enslaved by no debt, shall sit down among his teeming gardens and orchards and vineyards and his dairies and barnyards, pitching his crops in his own wisdom and growing them in independence, making cotton his clean surplus, and selling it in his own time in his chosen market and not at a master's bidding; getting his pay in cash and not in a receipted mortgage that discharges the debt but does not restore his freedom—then shall be breaking the fullness of our day."

To Mr. Grady's colorful creed should be added that harsh statement of a former Governor of

inflicted with a blunt instrument by a party or parties unknown to this jury."

Several bruises were found on the face and forehead and the inner surface of the skin of the scalp showed congested areas corresponding with the bruises on the outer surface of the scalp. The skull was not fractured, but the brain was very much congested.

During the afternoon, sheriff Brown and Deputy Tom K. Brown questioned Smith and Calloway again and a number of other witnesses.

### NOTARY PUBLIC

I have received my commission as NOTARY PUBLIC from Governor Ehringhaus. I am in the Brunswick County Courthouse each day and will be glad to serve the public.

Your Business will be Appreciated

WATERS THOMPSON  
SOUTHPORT, N. C.

North Carolina, Thomas W. Bicknell, harsh because of his desire for the improvement of the condition of the people who had honored him:

"If I were the Czar of North Carolina instead of the Governor, I would issue an edict declaring that from and after five years from date any man who imported into North Carolina any corn or meal, wheat or flour, beef or bacon, should be forthwith hanged and without benefit of clergy. Of course, in the beginning I should be denounced as an infamous tyrant, but after the law had been in effect for ten years the richest state in the union would build a monument to me as the financial redeemer of my people."

## Italy To Double Force In Africa

Abyssinian Situation Becomes More Grave As New Mobilization Is Ordered

Rome, May 7.—Italy moved to double her force of 100,000 soldiers in East Africa today as a government official, with Benito Mussolini looking on, told the Chamber of Deputies that the Ethiopian situation "is a problem of vast importance, embracing the whole European civilizing mission."

A loud roar of approval went up from the deputies.

Orders for the mobilization of new divisions of fighting men, as revealed in an official communique, are expected to provide "a powerful instrument of war."

To Be Doubled.  
The best informed quarters said

Italy's forces already in the colonies, beset by troublesome incidents with the Ethiopian government, now total approximately 100,000 men, and that eventually this number will be doubled.

Colonial Undersecretary Alessandro told the chamber: "Italy has the right to see the aggressions such as that at Abul and Afud, East African border incidents which strained nations' ties) are not repeated and that obligations contained in the treaty of friendship are respected."

"She desires, moreover, that colonies in East Africa may look to the future with secure tranquility, without being preoccupied over the uncertain possibility of a neighboring state which gives no guarantee of living peacefully with other nations."

### LARGE HEN EGG

Mrs. R. L. Johnson brought hen egg that weighed a quarter of a pound into the office of The State Port Pilot last Tuesday. In spite of its unusual size the egg was perfectly shaped. Mrs. Johnson says that she has a dozen Rhode Island hens that have produced 95 and one-fourth dozen eggs during the past months.

An American boy will quit farm to keep from getting up at 5 a. m. After he goes in business in the city he gets up at 4 a. m. to play golf.

Guernsey breeds of Brunswick County are co-operating to form a 4-H calf club by furnishing some of their best calves to club members at reasonable prices. Seventeen poultrymen in Brunswick County have placed 4,000 chickens in brooder houses as demonstration under the direction of the county agent.

## ONE TIME TEXAS TERROR GOES TO ELECTRIC CHAIR

Huntsville, Texas, May 15.—

His face pale, his hands twitching, Raymond Hamilton, the one time Texas terror, became a cowering figure on hearing that all hope had faded of escaping electrocution shortly after midnight.

The 22-year-old desperado, who liked to appear "tough" as he roamed the Southwest with blazing guns had to fight hard for composure after learning the Governor and the courts refused to interfere with his execution for the killing of a prison guard.

"Of course you can't win," he told interrogators who asked what he had to say about criminals. He nervously plucked at the belt loops of his trousers. He could

not stand still.

"But there's no use repeating that old stuff," he stammered as he paced his cell. "It don't do no good."

"What about women—what influence have they had on your career?" he was asked.

"No girl has any influence on me," the gunman blurted out with a flash of his old self confidence.

"That is, except Katie, I love Katie."

He referred to Katie Jenkins, Dalas night club entertainer, who quit a job in California to come here and seek to aid him. She was the latest of his many heart interests.

## Where Money Belongs

Money should be in a bank, of course. But it should not remain in its vault. It should be in the channels of commerce, moving the wheels of industry, growing crops, purchasing goods, employing labor, stimulating business.

We are not happy when a large amount of deposits is in "Cash on Hand." Such money has no earning capacity until it is put to work. And we can't put it to work in Columbus and adjoining counties unless we can lend it here.

Our credit requirements and terms are fair—business-like. And getting a loan at this bank is a simple matter. We want to make more loans and invite applications from responsible borrowers who can use our money to good advantage.

## Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co.

Whiteville Chadbourn Fairmont

## Call For 1934 Tax

I will be at the following places and dates for the purpose of collecting 1934 taxes. Penalty of 4 per cent was added May 1, 1935. All property on which taxes are not paid by June 3, will be levied on and sold. PAY NOW AND SAVE COST.

Phoenix:—Chinnis' Store, May 21st	9:30 to 10:30 A. M.
Leland:—Holmes' Store, May 21st	10:45 to 11:45 A. M.
Leland:—Agnes Childs' Store, May 21st	12:00 noon to 1:00 P. M.
Ed. Gainey's Store, May 21st	1:15 to 2:15 P. M.
Winnabow:—J. L. Henry's Store, May 21st	2:30 to 3:45 P. M.
Bolivia:—Willetts' Store, May 21st	4:10 to 5:00 P. M.
Supply:—Kirby's Store, May 23rd	9:00 to 10:00 A. M.
W. H. Varnum's Store, May 23rd	10:15 to 11:00 A. M.
Jesse Roach's Store, May 23rd	11:15 to 12:00 M.
Jesse Robinson's Store, May 23rd	12:10 to 1:00 P. M.
Shallotte:—Woodard's Store, May 23rd	1:15 to 3:00 P. M.
Edgar Tripp's Store, May 23rd	3:15 to 4:00 P. M.
Grissett Town:—Parker's Store, May 23rd	4:15 to 5:00 P. M.
Hickman's X Roads, May 23rd	5:00 to 6:00 P. M.
Ash:Post Office, May 24th	10:00 to 11:00 A. M.
Freeland:—Post Office, May 24th	11:15 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.
Exum:—Bennett's Store, May 24th	12:45 to 2:00 P. M.

MEET ME AT THE ABOVE APPOINTMENTS AND PAY YOUR TAXES, WHICH CAN BE PAID IN FOUR EQUAL INSTALLMENTS, OR PAY TO MY OFFICE IN SOUTHPORT.

JOHN B. WARD, Tax Collector  
BRUNSWICK COUNTY