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ZOO PRIDE

"There are certain months in the year I like," said Mrs. Bison, otherwise known as Mrs. American Buffalo. "And what, pray tell, are they?" asked Mrs. European Bison.

Mrs. European Bison is of the buffalo family and is a near relative of Mrs. American Buffalo. Her legs are longer, her body shorter, the hair on her head and back is not so thick, while that on her tail is thicker. She is a good deal shorter on the whole.

Mr. and Mrs. European Bison lived in a yard adjoining that of the American Buffalo family. They were all quite friendly.

"Tell me," said Mrs. European Bison, "why you are so fond of certain months of the year."

"I will do that gladly," said Mrs. Bison, or Mrs. American Buffalo. She was usually known as Mrs. Bison while her neighbor was always called Mrs. European Bison.

"Also please tell me which months they are," Mrs. European Bison further requested.

"That I will do gladly, too," said Mrs. Bison. "The months I like are the late spring and early summer months. I believe they call them July, June and May."

"They do," said Mrs. European Bison, "but you are speaking of them backwards. Folks usually speak of them forwards."

"Pooh!" grunted Mrs. Bison, "what care I for folks! Nothing! There!"

"Do continue with your tale," said Mrs. European Bison.

"My tail is quite long enough," said Mrs. Bison. She was a little angry. "I didn't mean your tail—I meant your story. They are the same words



"Here is My Darling Bennie."

when you pronounce them but have different meanings according to the way you spell them."

"But you didn't spell them," said Mrs. Bison.

"I thought you would understand from the way I used the word. Well, don't let's argue. Go on with your story."

"I like the months I have mentioned," said Mrs. Bison, "because they are the months when the baby buffaloes are born into this big world or this big zoo."

"I shed my coat in the spring and am all ready to look my best. See? Here is my darling Bennie Buffalo Boy," she ended proudly, as she pointed to a buffalo calf not far away. She was certainly a very proud mamma.

Not far away from these yards there was a tree in which was the Raccoon house. And in this tree Daddy Raccoon was now talking with pride.

The little raccoons were twisting their bushy tails and smiling such nice, pleasant, happy smiles.

"We have ten rooms in this house," said Daddy Raccoon, and Mrs. Raccoon smiled, too. "It's a very good sized house and they wanted to show us the honor of giving us a fine home because they think we're an addition to the zoo and because we're smart. They like our tricks and ways."

"The house is no trouble to take care of," said Mrs. Raccoon, "for the keeper sees that it is kept warm and clean and also sees that the rain can't come in."

"He makes your housekeeping very easy, doesn't he?" asked Mr. Raccoon.

"He does, indeed," said Mrs. Raccoon. "Underneath our house there is our dining-room of a nice wooded floor which he always keeps clean, too."

"Yes," said Daddy Raccoon, "and he brings us our food. You don't have to think of the marketing or what you will get for dinner, or anything like that. Nor do I have to think of it!"

"In other words," said Mrs. Raccoon, "to live in the zoo is to live where housekeeping is made easy."

"No worries, no thoughts of where we shall get the next meal."

"Just sleeping and eating and enjoying our smooth tree and each other all the days of our raccoon lives."

"These are our joys and our comforts."

And Daddy Raccoon and all the little raccoons agreed to what Mrs. Raccoon said.

Joseph's Show

Teacher—Can any boy tell me the earliest reference in history to a theater?

Tommy—Yes, teacher; we read in the Bible that Joseph was taken from the family circle and put into the pit.—Good Hardware.

NORTH RIVER RIPPLES.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Phillips and Mrs. Alex Wade returned Friday after spending the week at New Bern and Oriental. They were accompanied back by Miss Georgia Wade.

Mrs. P. B. Beachem spent Sunday in Beaufort visiting friends.

Mrs. Mason Nelson and children of Morehead City is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Nelson.

Miss Georgia Wade left Monday for Oriental where she is attending Summer School.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Phillips left Sunday for their home in Greensboro after spending two weeks with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wade.

Mr. Maurice Pridden of Chapel Hill is here on a visit to his family.

Mrs. Chas. Norcom and son from Greensboro are spending a few days with Mrs. Norcom's mother Mrs. Mary Nelson.

Mrs. Chas. Simpson from upper North River spent the week end with her sister Mrs. Chas. Mason.

Mr. Tom Gibbs, Misses Lillian Piver and Ruth Gibbs spent Friday in New Bern.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Arthur from Beaufort spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Belchel Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Whitley returned to their home in Raleigh Monday after spending a week with Mrs. Whitley's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Morton.

MERRIMONS NEWS ITEMS.

Rev. J. M. Carraway returned home Monday after filling his regular appointments in the East.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance S. Carraway of Norfolk are at home this week visiting his father E. F. Carraway.

Donald McIntyre of Rocky Mount is here this week visiting his grand parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carraway.

Rev. Mr. Lee Pastor of Harlowe circuit was down Sunday and filled his appointments at Adams Creek in the morning and Merrimon in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ball and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ball were here Sunday visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ball.

Messrs. D. M. Salter and E. S. Martin made a motor trip to New Bern, Kinston, and Goldsboro last week.

Farmers have about got all their tobacco in and it is said to be a good sample.

Miss Florence Carraway and Miss Mildred Salter returned home Friday after visiting relatives and friends at Rocky Mount, Graham, Raleigh and other places.

Mrs. Dan Eubanks has been quite sick for several days but is said to be much better now.

Messrs Roy Carraway Mr. and Mrs. Vance Carraway went to Beaufort Monday afternoon.

SOUTH RIVER ITEMS.

We are having some windy weather nowadays.

Miss Myrtle Gaskill of New Bern was the guest at Miss Georgia Cannon's Sunday night and Monday.

Miss Aliene Hill of Atlantic is visiting her aunt Mrs. J. A. Hardy.

Miss Lillie Wallace and Miss Vera Eubanks spent Sunday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Dixon.

Mr. Edd Ball and family motored

to Atlantic Sunday.

Mrs. Don Eubanks who has been sick for some time is better.

Miss Lilly Mason spent Saturday night with Miss Lillie Wallace.

Miss Myrtle Gaskill, Miss Lillie Wallace, Miss Georgia Cannon and Mrs. Ellen Dixon went on a fishing trip Monday and reported a nice time.

Mr. Ivey Pittman and Mr. James Hardy of Lukens were visitors over

here Sunday afternoon.

A short course for Negro Club members of southern North Carolina will be held at the Red State Academy, near Lumberton on August 18 to 21. The course will be directed by Prof. C. R. Hudson of State College, assisted by John D. Wray, Negro Club Agent, and S. Brooks, local agent of Roberson County.

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STATEMENT

The Honorable Board of Trustees, Beaufort Graded School, Beaufort, N. C., Gentlemen:—

I beg to submit herewith a report on an audit of the books and accounts of the Beaufort Grade School for the 1924-25 term.

I wish to call your attention to the item of Uncollected Revenue \$5,710.40. This represents the balance uncollected Special Tax for two years, and will be subject to revision in the final settlement with the Sheriff. The Sheriff will be entitled to credit for insolvents, error and his commission for collecting.

Respectfully submitted,
W. L. STANCLIL,
County Auditor.

STATEMENT

of Receipts and Disbursements Beaufort Graded School Term 1924—25

RECEIPTS

Balance in Treas. June, 30th, 1924	\$ 152.10
Board of Education—Bal. 1923-24 Budget	2,945.05
Board of Education—1924-25 Budget	15,890.00
T. C. Wade, Sheriff—1923 Special Tax	2,000.00
T. C. Wade, Sheriff—1924 Special Tax	7,500.00
Tuition	756.48
Borrowed Money	1,900.00
OVERDRAFT, June, 30th, 1925	13.88
	\$31,157.51

DISBURSEMENTS

Teaching & Supervision	\$19,577.42
Administrative Expense	1,121.96
Operation & Maintenance	2,397.19
Capital Outlay Payments	1,191.94
Fond Interest	1,002.50
Interest on Loans	466.50
Loans Paid	5,400.00
	\$31,157.51

DETAIL OF DISBURSEMENTS

TEACHING & SUPERVISION		
Salaries White Teachers	\$13,052.91	
Salaries Colored Teachers	3,809.25	
Supt. Salary and Expense	2,715.26	\$19,577.42

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE		
Salary Supt. Bldg & Grounds	930.00	
Office Expense	69.41	
Sect'y Salary	75.00	
Election Expenses	47.55	\$ 1,121.96

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
Fuel & Janitor	374.73	
School Supplies	941.88	
Rent and Insurance	277.15	
Transportation of Pupils	585.00	
Water & Lights	218.43	\$ 2,397.19

CAPITAL OUTLAY PAYMENTS		
Repairs	577.02	
Furniture & Apparatus	595.13	\$ 1,172.15

ALL OTHER		
Tax Refunds	19.79	
Bond Interest	1,002.50	
Interest on Loans	466.50	
Loans Paid	5,400.00	\$ 6,888.79

Total Disbursements \$31,157.51

REVENUE ACCOUNT

EXPECTED REVENUE		
Tuition	756.48	
1924-25 Budget Board of Education	\$15,890.00	
1923-24 Budget Board of Education, (Balance)	2,945.05	
1924 Special District Tax Levy	10,631.70	
1923 Special District Tax Levy (uncollected balance)	4,578.70	\$34,801.93

COLLECTED REVENUE		
Balance 1923-24 Budget Board of Education	2,945.05	
1924-25 Budget Board of Education	15,890.00	
1923 Special District Taxes	2,000.00	
1924 Special District Taxes	7,500.00	
Tuition	756.48	\$29,091.53

UNCOLLECTED REVENUE		
Balance 1923 Special Tax Levy	2,578.70	
Balance 1924 Special Tax Levy	3,131.70	\$ 5,710.40

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES

Bonds Outstanding	\$20,000.00	
Notes Outstanding	4,500.00	
Due from Revenue Account		5,710.40
Sinking Funds		3,238.48
Net Debt		15,551.12
	\$24,500.00	\$24,500.00

ARE YOU ON THE SUCKER LIST?

Doubtless you have heard about the sucker list. On this list are the names of those who are regarded as easy picking by the smooth talking stock promoter—by the clever salesman who promises big profits—the man who'll make you rich in a day but instead makes you poor—who'll double your worth over night but doesn't.

Perhaps your name is on the list, who knows? Anyway investigate before you invest. Get the facts and get them from a reliable source.

If you do this, you will never lose your savings. Consult your banker before investing. He can get you reliable information.

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