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Injunction Against Board

BEAUFORT NEWS STARTS ACTION ON BEHALF OF CITIZENS

A temporary mandatory injunction signed by Judge E. H. Cramer in New Bern last Thursday prohibits further secret or executive sessions of the Carteret Board of Commissioners, for the time being at any rate. The action was brought by The Beaufort News, Inc., on behalf of itself and all other taxpayers and citizens of Carteret county. The defendants named were Commissioners Joshua Hardy, Edward Fulcher and W. Z. McCabe and Chairman W. P. Smith.

W. O. Williams drew up the complaint which was signed by Aycock Brown, editor of The Beaufort News. It was ordered in the injunction that each defendant appear before his Honor, Judge E. H. Cramer in Greenville on January 20 at 10 o'clock A. M., and show cause if any why the order should not be made permanent.

Since the temporary mandatory injunction was signed, enumerable citizens have praised The Beaufort News for the movement it has started to let all meetings of the board be open to the press and the public generally. Some people seem to have the idea that executive sessions are necessary at times in order to conduct the business of the county. Those people may have the right slant, but the law in the matter says that "All meetings shall be open to all persons."

Ten states border on the Mississippi river.

Covering The WATER FRONT

By AYCOCK BROWN

AFTER THAT editon last week I was sort of nervous when I walked around town, until a few days had passed. And then to my surprise perhaps, I discovered that many people had opinions similar to those expressed through the columns of The News. It seems that the present Board of Commissioners have been making one faux pas after another. And the expression faux pas is another way of saying blunder.

WHILE PEOPLE generally read with interest the stories about the Commissioners violating the law because of their executive sessions, or the various blunders that they have made to date, or the comments about members of the commissioners board by an official of the ABC board, no one it seems saw the front page as your columnist saw it. On page one last week the readers was carried to the four corners of the earth in story. (Continued on page eight)

TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tide at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. Some allowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the heads of the estuaries.

| High | Friday Jan. 8 | Low |
|------------|-------------------|-----|
| 5:08 a. m. | | |
| 5:13 p. m. | 11:25 p. m. | |
| | Saturday Jan. 9 | |
| 5:45 a. m. | 11:28 a. m. | |
| 6:00 p. m. | 12:05 p. m. | |
| | Sunday Jan. 10 | |
| 6:34 a. m. | 12:14 a. m. | |
| 6:43 p. m. | 1:01 p. m. | |
| | Monday Jan. 11 | |
| 7:13 a. m. | 1:01 a. m. | |
| 7:25 p. m. | 1:43 p. m. | |
| | Tuesday Jan. 12 | |
| 7:53 a. m. | 1:43 p. m. | |
| 8:03 p. m. | 2:23 p. m. | |
| | Wednesday Jan. 13 | |
| 8:34 a. m. | 2:24 a. m. | |
| 8:49 p. m. | 3:01 p. m. | |
| | Thursday Jan. 14 | |
| 9:12 a. m. | 3:03 a. m. | |
| 9:31 p. m. | 3:38 p. m. | |

What Will The Legislature Do About It?



Trawlers Reap Harvest Which N. C. Fishermen Fail To Get

Now that another N. C. General Assembly is in session in Raleigh many fishermen along the coast are wondering what, if anything, the law makers and budgeteers will do about allotting funds sufficient for an adequate Fisheries patrol system. During the past 10 years, trawlers from Virginia and other northern states have been coming to the North Carolina coast and reaping a harvest of fish often within the territorial limits of the State where non-resident fishing is forbidden. The N. C. Division of Commercial Fisheries have been handicapped because they have no proper equipment for patrolling outside waters. That is because former Legislatures have allotted no funds for that purpose. Illegal trawling in North Carolina waters is said to have ruined the fishing for sink-netters, pound and set netters of our state. The above photo loaned through courtesy of the Baltimore Sunday Sun, shows a trawler coming about in preparation for landing the net on board. It is the first of a series of similar photos to appear in The News.

Légion Will Sponsor County Fair In 1937



C. L. Beam, President

Carteret Post 99, of The American Legion will sponsor another fair in 1937, starting the week beginning October 11, it was stated here this morning. C. L. Beam, cashier of The First Citizens Bank and Trust Company and Finance Officer of Carteret Post 99 will again be president. The O. C. Buck Exposition of Richmond Hill, New York will be the midway attraction, it was stated. O. C. Buck owner of this exposition is brother to "Bring 'em Back Alive" Frank Buck. A feature of the exposition will be daily free acts, it was stated. Jack V. Lyles, advance agent for the O. C. Buck Exposition was in town today arranging the contract with the fair organization. Lyles is well known in this section, being connected with Atlantic Beach a few years ago.

Rep. Seeley Attends Conservation Meet

Representative Fred R. Seely submitted a request for commercial fisherman of Carteret county asking that the regulations on sponge crab in effect last season be extended to this year, at the meeting of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development meeting in Raleigh Tuesday.

According to a report in the News and Observer on Wednesday, Mr. Seeley expressed interest in working out a new system of taxing forest lands under authority of one of the new constitutional amendments permitting the classification of property for taxation purposes. He pointed out that timber production today is only about 50 to 60 per cent of a few years ago and predicted that the lumber industry would come to an end unless fairer methods of taxation of forest land can be worked out.

NEW SHAD SEASON NAMED BY BOARD

Decide On Season For Other Fish But Fishermen Must Apply For Privileges

Two shad-fishing zones for North Carolina were adopted along with new seasons for this highly valuable fish, at a meeting of the Department of Conservation and Development in Raleigh this week. Although a Federal fish authority had recommend a 30-day season for shad, the committee representing the conservation group said that it was impossible to invoke such a short season.

Instead, the committee recommended, and the board adopted a plan creating a northern and southern zone whose dividing line will be Long Shoal in the Pamlico Sound. Rivers will be classified according to the zone in which their mouths are located, it was stated.

The season for the southern zone will begin on February 1, 1937 for pound net fishing and on January 20 for gill net fishing. The southern zone season will end on April 15. In the northern, pound net shad fishing will start February 15 and gill net fishing on February 5. The northern season will end May 1.

"It is further recommended," the board decided, "that we permit the taking of fish other than shad until May 10 provided the fisherman shall individually apply to some agent of this department, that we may designate, indicating such desire, and after he has read the instruction and restrictions on the taking of shad, shall affix his signature, indicating that they are understood."

A feature of the meeting was the report of Capt. John A. Nelson, commissioner of Commercial Fisheries in North Carolina.

Again Apologies: For Stories Crowded out account of late incoming ads.

Business Association Sponsors Project To Beautify Ann Street

Plan To Set Out Hydrangeas Crepe Myrtle And Other Flowers

Beaufort Business Association, an organization composed of younger business men of the town are sponsoring a beautification project for Ann street. They plan to set Hydrangeas, Crepe Myrtle, Cape Myrtle, Capt. Jasmine and other flowers on plots between the sidewalk and curbing of the street.

Citizens of Beaufort are urged to give cuttings of these plants to the club for the purpose of helping to beautify this street which gives the

Plans Improvements For Cedar Island



CAPT. GUS STYRON

Perhaps the most public spirited citizen of Cedar Island is Capt. A. W. (Gus) Styron retired Coastguardsman. He always takes the lead in anything which will better conditions down that way for the island and the residents of the two communities Lola and Roe. In town last week Capt. Styron said that citizens of Lola would petition the Carteret board of commissioners to build a short cut from the main road to Lola. The short cut if completed would be about 350 yards in length and would save Lola residents a mile or more in traveling the present route. Capt. Styron is anxious too for Cedar Island to be included in a Rural Electrification project and soon he and his fellow citizens will petition Congressman Graham A. Barden to give his assistance along that line.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William W. Gaskill, Beaufort and Lillian Pittman, Morehead City.
 Louis R. Mahrt, Dayton, O., and Mildred R. Johnson, Beaufort.

Board In For More Criticism

Executive Sessions Editorial Comment In The Sun-Journal

Hearing in New Bern the other day the suggestion that Carteret county commissioners were not fully observing the state law in barring the public from those sessions in which much of the county's business was transacted, Judge E. H. Cramer, presiding in Craven superior court, granted a temporary injunction against such sessions. A formal hearing has been set for January 20.

The matter was presented to Judge Cramer on behalf of Aycock Brown, editor of the Beaufort News. Mr. Brown operates the Beaufort News in his own style; a privilege which is his. He appears to present the news of his coastal section fully and in a straight-forward newsy manner which the section is accustomed, but one which pleases the majority of readers anywhere.

And as representative of his readers who are likely as large a group of residents of Carteret county as are represented by any organization or organ, Mr. Brown has as good a right as anyone in the county to ask that it be made possible for him to tell these residents of the county what business is being transacted for them and how it is being transacted. If he and his paper do not do so, no one else, it appears, will. As a matter of fact, there is the suggestion that some of the details ought never to reach the public.

Executive sessions always leave an exceedingly bad taste in the mouth of a newspaperman. Not because the newspaper can't get along without publishing what happens behind closed doors. But because the newspapers are the only outspoken and impartial representatives of the public which pays the bill and a public which has found all too often that the bill is exceedingly high when there are details which must be hidden and kept under cover.—(New Bern Sun-Journal.)

Tug Arrives For Park Duty Along N. C. Coast

A 75-foot tug which passed through inland waters here a few days ago was enroute from Port Arthur Texas to Manteo where it will engage in National Park Service, and be placed into service immediately on beach erosion projects now underway in Dare County. The tug which is under the command of Capt. W. H. Wroten left the Texas port on November 26, making the trip around the coast to Manteo in a total of 34 days, arriving at the latter place on December 30.

Charlie Britton To Open Clothing Store

Charlie Britton will open a haberdashery in the building now occupied by Western Union Telegraph Company some time in February, it was stated here today. The telegraph company's lease expires on February 1, at which time it is understood that alterations will begin on the building to make it suitable for a men's haberdashery. Britton is very popular here in Beaufort and it is generally believed that he will do a successful business. It is understood that he plans to sell a high grade line of clothing.

Dove Hunters Urged To Plug Their Automatics

Game Warden Leon Thomas urges all dove hunters to plug their automatics which take over three shells. The majority of automatics hold more than three shells and anyone caught hunting with such a gun, even if they have only three shells in the chamber are violating the law, it was stated. The dove season in Carteret county is now on, but doves are rather scarce, say some of the hunters who have been afield after these near relatives of the domestic pigeon.

They Failed To Keep Appointment With A Committee

REV. MR. HALL MINCED NO WORDS IN LETTER

Chairman W. P. Smith and his board of county commissioners were the target for more unfavorable comment last week, according to a letter from Rev. Frank Hall, Presbyterian minister of Morehead City and member of the Carteret County Social Council. In a communication to The Twin City Herald the Rev. Mr. Hall said many things which could not be considered of a complimentary nature towards Chairman Smith and his board of commissioners.

A delegation of four persons including Rev. Mr. Hall, the Medical association and two members of Carteret Rotary clubs had been granted an appointment by Chairman Smith to appear before the board at 11 o'clock, Monday, Jan. 4, and discuss the feasibility of employing for Carteret a full time health officer. The delegation was present at the appointed hour, present in the spacious hallway in the courthouse near the door of the room where the commissioners were meeting. There presence was announced, but the board ignored the delegation.

When the Rev. Frank Hall says anything, people notice. He is one of Carteret's most brilliant speakers and is also a leader in civic activities in Morehead City and the

Civil War Days IN BEAUFORT

By (Late) Jas. Rumley Esq.

(Editor's Note: The original diary written in long-hand by the late James Rumley, Esq. was in the possession of Capt. Jim Rumley of The Old Davis House here until several years ago when it was loaned to a Beaufort newspaper man and printed. The original diary was never returned but clippings from a Beaufort Newspaper in 1910 found recently by Blythe Noe of Noe Hardware Company, in an old Bible were turned over to Aycock Brown, editor of The Beaufort News for publication. It will take several weeks to run the series, first installment of which is published today)

ON THE MORNING of Thursday, the 13 of March, 1862, the inhabitants of Beaufort were aroused by the sound of heavy cannonading in the direction of New Bern, which continued, with slight intermission for several hours. This, together with the non-arrival of the cars due from that place the previous night, induced the belief that the Federal fleet, known to be in the waters of North Carolina, had ascended Neuse river and attacked the defensive works below New Bern.

ON THE MORNING of Friday the 14th, intelligence reached us that on the previous day the Federal fleet, after thoroughly bombarding the woods, landed a considerable force on the South Shore of the Neuse, below the river batteries, and on Friday attacked the works in the rear of the batteries. After a sharp conflict the Confederates retreated. The batteries being evacuated, the fleet proceeded up the river and captured New Bern.

SATURDAY, MAR. 15: THE capture of New Bern, by the Federal forces under General Burnside cuts off Beaufort and Fort Macon from all communication by mail with the interior, and probably seals their destiny for the present war. This shuts the back door of retreat upon Beaufort and Fort Macon, which being blockaded and closely watched by sea and sound, may be considered captured.

THE CLOUDS THAT have long been darkening the horizon are gathering over us. The night, whose shades long darkening the Southern skies, foretold its coming, is closing upon us. When will the morning come?

MONDAY, MAR. 17: The Confederate steamer Nashville left this port at 8 o'clock P. M. After passing (Continued on page five)