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SMITHFIELD UNDERPASS SOON TO BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC

Project Slated For Completion Early In September

Smithfield
The \$125,000 railway underpass being built at the Atlantic Coast Line depot here will probably be ready for traffic between September 1 and 15, construction engineers state. Work on the underpass will be completed about September 1 but most likely it will take 15 days to get it in shape for traffic, engineers said.

The underpass, built by E. A. Triplett Construction Company, is constructed to eliminate two grade crossings. Federal funds were used for its construction.

Yesterday workmen were pouring cement in the gutters which reach East Market street to the outskirts of Belmont, Negro section across the tracks. Six-foot sidewalks will be poured next week and then the road will be paved. The construction company has approximately 30 more days in which to finish the project.

The heavy rains in May and June delayed construction but the underpass will be finished in the time allotted by the government in the contract, it was learned.

The Princeton road crossing and the crossing at the Belmont school will be closed when the underpass is completed. A new road has been built from the railroad tracks to the old Princeton highway about one mile from the city limits.

Besides the underpass, a drainage system was installed from the project to Spring Branch in the southern part of town. Trouble has been encountered since the installation of the ditch, the pipe having filled up several times from silt being washed in by heavy rains. Steps have been taken to eliminate this.

TARBORO MAN IS FINED IN COMPENSATION CASE

Tarboro, Aug. 7.—Austin Everett of Tarboro received a sentence of 30 days on the roads, suspended by Judge Ed Foxhall on payment of a \$20 fine and costs, on charges of seeking unemployment compensation while receiving a weekly check from the City of Tarboro.

According to evidence, Everett filed weekly reports in June that his income was "nothing or 45 cents," while he was receiving \$8.50 weekly from the city.

Nick Bodie, Unemployment Compensation Commission inspector who investigated and had Everett arrested, said the man received no compensation payments.

STERILIZATION IN 1938 MAY REACH NEW HIGH

Eugenical sterilizations for the last six months of 1938 keep pace with those reported up to June 30, this year bids fair to surpass 1937, when feebleminded and mentally diseased persons in North Carolina undergoing operation reached a nine-year high of 178.

Reports reaching R. Eugene Brown, secretary of the North Carolina Eugenic Board, showed 102 operations performed for the first half of 1938, 26 under the total for the entire twelve-month period of 1937.

All but five of the 128 sterilization operations undergone by the feebleminded and mentally diseased in this State last year were consented to in which the parents, guardian, or next of kin of the patient, gave written consent to the procedure.

Members of Eugenic Board
Members of the State board, as at present constituted, the Mrs. T. Bost, commissioner of public welfare; Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, secretary of the State Board of Health; Dr. J. W. Ashby, superintendent of the State Hospital in Raleigh; Harry McMullan, attorney general, and Dr. F. M. Register, superintendent of the Caswell Training School at Kinston.

From 1929 through 1937 a total of 518 sterilizations have been performed, 246 of the number having been persons between the ages of 15 and 174 being 20 to 29 years old. The total is divided 86 males and 432 females.

Two hundred and ninety-four of the nine-year total of 518 cases were inmates of a State institution, being private cases while 30 were inmates of county institutions at the time of the operation.

Plans Suggested For Tarboro Hotel

Junior Order Endorses Move Started By Citizens For New Building

Tarboro, Aug. 10.—The Junior Order of Tarboro voted unanimously last night to support a move started by citizens of Tarboro to build a new colonial type hotel in Tarboro, with money from the PWA, provided the legislature allows municipalities to borrow money without penalty against bonded debt.

Local business men have come forward expressing themselves heartily in favor of the move and have suggested that the City Commissioners consider the possibilities of a municipally owned hotel, make application for \$100,000 (\$65,000 loan and \$35,000 grant), and then put the matter to a vote of the people.

Several people have advanced the word that the hotel could be leased for sufficient to pay bond and interest payments; keep up the property and retire the loan in twenty years.

Many spots have been suggested for the hotel if built, the most favorably by most people being the lots facing on the common, which would give the traveling public plenty of free parking space, with the hotel away from the noise of downtown, yet within one block of the main street stores.

Many people favor the colonial type hotel architecture in keeping with historic Tarboro.

Edgecombe Women Graduate At Farm And Home Week

Two Edgecombe County Home Demonstration club members were among those who received certificates of graduation on Friday at the conclusion of the Farm and Home Week held in Raleigh last week.

Mrs. John D. Lancaster, of the Tarboro club, and Mrs. Nettie Mae Worsley, president of the West Edgecombe club, received their certificates for having attended the conference for four years and for having actively participated in Home Demonstration club work during that time.

Delegates attending the meeting from Edgecombe, besides Mrs. Lancaster and Mrs. Worsley, were: Mrs. R. B. Denson, Mrs. Walter Cherry, Mrs. Frank Edmondson and Mrs. L. J. Mewborn.

While attending the conference the delegates acquired a great deal of valuable information and many new ideas which will help them in their local club work.

Nash Co. Resident Buried at Sandy Cross

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Mrs. Susan Bone Winstead, 79, from Sandy Cross Methodist church. Rev. B. T. Dixon officiated, assisted by Rev. A. R. Flowers and Rev. C. B. Peacock, regular Sandy Cross pastor. Interment was by the side of her husband in the Sandy Cross churchyard. Hunt Funeral Home directed the funeral arrangements.

Active pallbearers were: J. C. Taylor, C. J. Barnes, G. D. Winstead, J. I. Bone, Raymond Lancaster, H. M. Edwards.

Mrs. Winstead, who had been a resident of Nash County all her life, died at 5:50 Wednesday morning from heart trouble that had confined her to bed for some time. She was the wife of the late William Lindsey Winstead and is survived by six daughters: Mrs. F. H. Vick, Mrs. S. M. Vick and Mrs. R. K. Cooper, all of Spring Hope, Route 1; Mrs. Roy Vick of Bailey, Route 3; Mrs. J. H. Abernathy of Vass; and Mrs. Bud Bryant of Nashville. She also leaves two sons, John Winstead of Elm City, Route 1, and Sam Winstead of Spring Hope, Route 1. Other close survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Sallie Winstead of Nashville, Mrs. Hattie Batcheard of Jonesboro; and one half brother, Daniel Bisette of Taylor's Cross Roads.

Radio Station Licensed In Raleigh

The Federal Communications Commission this week licensed a new radio station for Raleigh to handle local programs only. The station will be built and operated by the Capitol Broadcasting Company, organized more than a year ago, and will operate on 1210 kilocycles, with 250 watt power in day time and 100 watts at night.

The promoters have had a long, hard fight to obtain the license, which was contested by WPTF and by other communities in North Carolina desiring stations. FOC found as a fact that there is room here for such a station, and that the engineering and capital backing provided by the new company is adequate.

E. Johnson Neal of Raleigh is president of the corporation, Chas. P. Greene of Louisburg is vice-president; E. O. Marshburn, secretary; L. H. Spruill, treasurer, and A. J. Fletcher, attorney. This group was active in the campaign of Dr. Ralph McDonald for governor in 1936, but they disavowed any political connection for the broadcasting outfit.

Call letters for the station have not been assigned, but WRAL have been requested and will likely be given.

Social Security Birthday Planned

Roosevelt To Make Radio Talk; Rocky Mount Holds Open House For This District

President Roosevelt will speak over a nation-wide radio network August 15, commemorating the third birthday of the social security act. George N. Adams, Rocky Mount district manager of the Social Security Board, was informed Friday by a communication from the President's cruiser Houston.

The place from which the address will be broadcast and the time will be announced later.

The Rocky Mount social security district office, from which the social security administration of northeastern North Carolina is directed, will observe the anniversary by holding open house the night of August 15 on the third floor of the municipal building.

ASSEMBLY PASSES BILLS AT RAPID RATE

Moving along at a speed that amazes them as well as spectators frequenting the lobbies, the members of the special session of the North Carolina General Assembly, which convened Monday, Tuesday gave overwhelming endorsement to legislation Governor Hoey has asked them to pass so the State can share in the spending-lending program as advocated by President Roosevelt as a means to restore prosperity.

By a vote of 98 to 0 the House passed the bill to permit the State to issue \$4,620,000 in bonds to get money to finance the building program to be aided in most instances by 45 per cent grants if they can be secured from the PWA.

And then with Beaufort's Sam Blount casting the only negative vote, the House passed by a vote of 90 to 1 on second reading the measure to permit counties and municipalities to issue revenue-producing bonds to match PWA funds.

FIRST BILL
The first bill measure enacted into laws was the Fenner of Nash and Caffey of Guilford House bill to appropriate \$75,000 in State funds so North Carolina may take part in the New York World's Fair in 1939. The money was made available after private concerns failed to respond to appeals for funds so the State could be represented at the event.

Both House and Senate suspended their rules to pass the fair measure, which had the full approval of Governor Hoey. Mr. Fenner is chairman of the North Carolina World's Fair committee authorized

Crowning President of Bald Head Club



Edward T. Page (left), the retiring president of the Bald Head Club of America, crowns with a cup Frank W. Seymour of Winstead, Conn., who was elected to the presidency for the coming year at the annual meeting and barbecue of the club at Bristol, Conn.

City Needs Rest Place In City—Not Outside

Today, Wednesday, in Rocky Mount is almost as hot as that election box which was said to have gotten so hot that it hatched out votes up in the eighth district. The buildings are hot, the paved streets are hot, the side-walks are so hot the children's feet burn, and they cry out to be taken up. We have provided no place for one to rest down town. The City Aldermen promised to provide a place for mothers with children in the old Municipal Buildings—a place for them to stop and rest. The Aldermen gave this need as a reason for building the expensive new City Hall. The building was vacated by the City, and instead of the mothers and children going in, the Highway Patrol took the back side, and Mr. Austin took the front for the Chamber of Commerce.

Why do these gentlemen need all this space? It seems to us that a little business is being done on too big a scale. Could not the Chamber occupy space upstairs, which is being used but very little of the time?

The City rents park space outside of the City, but fails to provide it in the City, where it will be used and where it is needed. This looks like inconsistency. One would have to have an automobile to use the park out of the City, but the people who must walk need some consideration.

SHOULD DO DUTY WITHOUT GAG RULE

The General Assembly, which has been called into extra session, should have given consideration to the urgent need of reforming our election laws, rather than passing a resolution to do nothing about it. This is much more important to the citizenship of North Carolina than the large bond bill which is being passed. The Legislature has time to do both. It is strange that the state Board of Elections traveled hither and thither, here and yonder, counting and recounting, staying out of Raleigh, lodging in one city one night and another city another night, weighing and considering, and then reconsidering, and did not show up in Raleigh until what has been designated by members of the legislature a gag rule was passed so as to kill any reform in this stealing in elections. Was this just an accident?

OLD PEOPLE ENTITLED TO PENSION

The Old Age Pension will probably keep many old people away from the County Home, but the law was not passed for this purpose.

The law was passed to help old people who are in need. Old people without property or income are entitled to this pension even if some children or grandchildren may give them a place at their table. They need medicine, a piece of candy now and then, a little snuff or tobacco, a pair of shoes or a cheap dress. Many of our old people are sad because they have been overlooked, and denied what the government wants them to have. Some may be on who do not need it, but more are not on who should be.

Final Rites Are Held For Mrs. Minnie Baker

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie Baker, 70, who died at her home near Langley's Crossroads late Sunday, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home, Rev. B. T. Dixon officiated and burial took place in the family burying ground. Mrs. Baker had been sick for several months with the infirmities of old age.

Survivors include four sons, H. M. W. H., A. L., and Edward Baker, of the home; one daughter, Miss Lena Baker, also of the home; and one sister, Mrs. Annie Holly, of Clay Mountain.

by the 1937 legislature. He rushed back here from the Georgia Tobacco markets to expediate passage of the bill.

Advice To Writers For The Daily Press

When you've got a thing to say, Say it! Don't take half a day. When your tale's got little in it, Crowd the whole thing in a minute. Life is short—a fleeting vapor. Don't you fill the whole blamed paper With a tale which, at a pinch, Could be cornered in an inch. Boil her down until she simmers. Polish her until she glimmers. When you've got a thing to say, Say it! Don't take half a day! Wonder if this advice should apply to columns such as this, too. It's not a bad idea, so here is a good place to end this one.

The quality of tobacco cured in Edgecombe County this season seems to be above the average. Farmers are greatly encouraged over the outlook.

Stork Leads Vital Statistics Derby

Outclasses Reaper Two-To-One In City During July

Births ran up higher than usual lead and more than doubled deaths in Rocky Mount during July, according to the vital statistics record released at the city health department.

Fifty-four births were reported in the city during July, against 26 deaths. Half of the deaths were non-residents of the city.

An automobile accident accounted for one death. Cornelia Crudup, Negro woman of Spring Hope route one, died in a local hospital July 2 after being hit by a car in Stanhope. Two of the deaths were homicides, Joe McFadden, local Negro, was stabbed to death July 17 and Tim "Buck" Williams, Negro of Inez in Warren county, died of injuries said to have been received when hit on the head with a stick.

Of the births, 25 were white with girls predominating, 19 were Negro with boys more numerous. Seven were illegitimate births—one white non-resident, four Negro residents and two Negro non-residents.

Farm and Home Week Attracts Big Crowd

With the return of approximately 1,500 delegates to their homes, books were closed last Saturday on the 35th chapter of Farm and Home Week, one of the most successful ever held.

Most of the delegates remained at State College, scene of the annual event, the entire week, while others attended only a part of the program. Separate and joint sessions of the men and women were arranged, as well as classroom work and recreation.

George Sockwell, prominent Guilford County farmer, will head the men's division of Farm and Home Week in 1939. President of the women's division for next year is Mrs. W. E. Neal, Mecklenburg County farm woman. Both were elected unanimously.

Entertainment was mixed with education so as to produce a well-balanced program. Group singing, contests, and other forms of recreation were features of the evening sessions.

Joint sessions and classroom work occupied the delegates during the morning, and demonstrations, exhibits, and tours were featured during the afternoon.

Among the resolutions adopted by the delegates were those calling for sufficient State appropriations to match Federal funds for agricultural research, Federal aid to the public schools, the early establishment of a 12th grade in the public schools of the State, a better farm marketing program for North Carolina, and the transfer of the State prison farm near Meredith College to State College for the "development of real livestock work."

Governor and Mrs. Clyde Hoey addressed the men and women in the State College stadium Thursday night. These two talks were the only ones scheduled for the evening program.

"Never mind where your work is. Never mind whether it be visible or not. Never mind whether your name is associated with it. You may never see the issues of your toil. YOU ARE WORKING FOR ETERNITY. If you cannot see results here, remember that God does see, and if, you are faithful now, your works will follow you. And so, do your duty and trust in God."

KILLS RED SPIDERS
Chemists have produced a new dusting powder for destroying red spiders in citrus groves.

HENRY FORD OBSERVES 75 BIRTHDAY

Detroit Flivver King Is Given A Great Ovation When Fellow Citizens Celebrate His Diamond Anniversary.

Henry Ford, the world's flivver king took a day off from his work Saturday to join with his fellow citizens of Detroit in celebrating his diamond (75th) birthday anniversary, but he made it clear that it was, after all, just another birthday, and that he had no intention of slowing down.

In the morning he participated in a "party" staged by some 8,000 children who sang "Happy Birthday to You" at the Michigan state fair grounds. Saturday afternoon in a private office of his engineering laboratory, he was presented with the grand cross of the German eagle, by a representative of Adolf Hitler's government. At night he was guest of honor at a banquet attended by 1,500 persons in Detroit's Masonic temple.

The decoration was presented to Ford on behalf of the German government by Karl Kapp, German consul at Cleveland, aided by Fritz Heller, German consular representative in Detroit, in commemoration of Ford's 75th birthday and in recognition of his industrial accomplishments.

The decoration is designed for distinguished foreigners. Ford's is the first such award presented in the United States.

"There is much work yet to be done," Ford said in making it clear he had no intention of relinquishing any of the responsibility he carries for the great Ford industrial empire that had its beginning in the little red brick barn that stood back of his home in Bagley avenue, Detroit, in 1893.

Chiefly, Ford pointed out, much of the prosperity he envisions ahead will come "when industry provides a greater market for the farmer." Already, he said, he had taken important steps in that direction in his development of multitudinous uses for agricultural products in his own industrial endeavors.

At 75 the industrialist is a rugged health. He preaches a gospel of back to the soil as the solution of the nation's economic woes. He believes a great era of prosperity lies ahead. His idea of the "key to success is hard work."

Ford was born on a farm near where his vast River Rouge plant now stands. He grew to love the soil and that love has increased through the years. Machinery is his next love. He always has taken things apart to see what makes them run. Watch repairing is one of his chief avocations.

DR. W. T. TAYLOR DIES IN COMA

Baylor University Department Head Suffers Heart Attack; Funeral Today

Como, Aug. 7.—Dr. Walter F. Taylor, former resident of Como, and head of the department of biochemistry and chemical pathology in Baylor University, Dallas, Tex., died suddenly this morning of a heart attack at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Taylor, in Como.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the home of his parents by the Rev. D. J. Robinson. Burial will be in Buckhorn cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maude McCulloch Taylor; two daughters, Jane and Rosalie; and a sister, Mrs. Jack Boyd of Greenville.

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