



WANT TO PUT IN GAS PLANT

Parties From Norfolk Petition Aldermen for Franchise

CANT GET WATER

DARE LUMBER COMPANY SAYS THAT THE CITY PROMISED THEM FIRE PROTECTION AND THAT WATER COMPANY REFUSES TO EXTEND MAINS, THEY THEREFORE ASK FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

The Board of Aldermen met last Monday night. The following members were present: J. H. LeRoy, N. R. Parker, T. B. Hayman, T. P. Nash, C. W. Grice and Anderson. Mayor Thompson presided.

Messrs. M. N. Sawyer, J. C. Brooks and J. Haywood Sawyer were appointed a citizen committee to act with the legislative committee from the Chamber of Commerce and the committee of the board of Aldermen to formulate necessary changes in the city charter to be presented at the next session of the legislature.

The street commissioner was instructed to pave South Road street from Church to Shepherd, and to pave Pennsylvania avenue from the railroad to the mill.

Messrs. Fritchman, Lemedin and Feed, of Norfolk and Suffolk, Va., applied for a franchise to install a gas plant in this city.

Mayor appointed the following committee to take the franchise matter under consideration and report at the next meeting of the Board: J. H. Leroy, N. R. Parker and City Attorney Spence. On motion Mayor Thompson was added to the committee.

Attorney Thos. J. Markham appeared before the Board in behalf of Mr. W. R. Brothers asking for extension of market license for three months, owing to the fact that Mr. Brothers had lost that much time on account of fire. The extension was granted.

Mr. N. Frank appeared before the Board and called attention to impassable condition of the sidewalk in front of his residence on Pearl Street and asked for relief. The street commissioner was directed to remedy the condition of affairs at once.

Dr. J. H. Hathaway appeared and asked that the clause in the old charter putting tax on oculists and opticians be placed back in the charter.

On motion this course was adopted and referred to the legislative committee for attention.

Alderman Parker said that it would take condemnation proceedings to widen Lawrence street. Alderman Leroy moved that mayor appoint jury, motion adopted.

The matter of additional street lights brought in considerable talk. It also resulted in the appointment of a committee to whom hereafter all requests for additional street lights is to be referred. The mayor appointed Aldermen Grice, Leroy and Parker as this committee.

Monthly reports were filed.

A communication from the Dare Lumber Co. was read stating that the town had offered that enterprise fire protection when they were considering locating here. That the city water company had refused to extend its mains to their plant. In view of this they asked the city to reimburse them to the amount of \$6,000 as they considered the fire protection a part of the inducement to locate here. They referred to an ordinance in which they claimed the city promised this protection.

The city clerk did not have his minute book present and so action went over until next meeting.

Alderman Grice said that he did not

remember the language of the ordinance with reference to the promise of fire protection but that he was in favor of doing everything the city had promised and even if the city had not promised fire protection he was in favor of doing the very best the city could do.

Mr. Guerkin, vice-president of the telephone company filed a communication with the clerk which was read, stating that the company had complied with all the recommendations of the Norfolk expert with reference to the changes in the fire alarm, except placing the wires on top of the poles and as the telephone company was going to cable the wires and this change was unnecessary. The statement was accepted as satisfactory.

Superintendent Lewis called attention to the fact that irresponsible parties were wiring houses in town. He thought the practice dangerous and that the city should require license to practice trade.

Alderman Leroy moved that the White estate be placed on the city tax list at the same amount fixed by the county commissioners. Adopted.

Alderman Parker moved that the house of Jno. Lewis Hinton, occupied by Geo. Madrin, which rests partly on the sidewalk be condemned and that a jury be appointed to assess the damages. Adopted.

The clerk was instructed to get the money from the county due the city on the chain gang.

FIRE AT AKISKO

Perry Mercantile Co. Store and Stock Burned.

A fire at Okisko Tuesday, burned the establishment of the Perry Mercantile Co. The loss was about \$4,000. Insurance on stock \$2250 and on building \$600. An adjoining building caught but the fire was extinguished before much damage was done.

A dwelling occupied by Mr. H. C. Bright and wife, Mrs. D. B. Bright, on Ehringhaus road, took fire Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. It caught from a defective flue.

The fire was extinguished quickly. The damage was about \$50.

BIG MOCK TRIAL.

Will be Presented at the Court House Friday Night.

The big Mock Trial Court will be given at the Court House Friday night.

It is a most laughable play and every moment is filled with fun.

The cast is a large one and embraces our best local talent.

It is given under the auspices of the Ladies Parsonage Aid, Society of the First Methodist church.

The indications are that it will be greeted with a packed house.

It is a breach of promise suit in which Mr. Bill C. Sawyer is the defendant and Mrs. J. G. Fearing the plaintiff.

Col. A. V. Newton, of Worcester, Mass., will appear as counsel for the plaintiff and Mr. I. M. Meekins as counsel for the defendant.

RECEIVED GOLDEN REPORT.

Javisburg, N. C., Dec. 9.—The following is the report of the pupils for last month:

- Clarence Wright 95, Arnold O'neal 95, Mary Forbes 95, Sadie Forbes 95, Maud Caroon 95, Paul Tillett, Bryan Fisher 95, Julian Newbern 95, Rebecca Gallop 95, Rossie Walker 95, Charlie Wilson 95, Mattie Cohoon 95, Elsie Scott 95, Pearl Scott 95, Charlie Garrenton 98, Copeland Newbern 95, Sara Newbern, Julian Newbern 95, Raymond Gallop 95, Vernon Cherry 96, Sallie Agrenton 96, Marshall Forbes 96, Annie Newbern 96, Maud Merrill 96, Alethea Caroon 96, Parron Gallopp 97, Cora Sutton 97, Lela Harmon 97, John Cherry 97, Willis Gallop, 97, Henry Garrenton 98, Ida Owens 99, Maud Sutton 99.

The \$17.56 Watch as catalogued by some jewelers is KIGHT AND BRIGHTS \$14.50 Watch.

The Christmas gift problem is easily solved at KIGHT AND BRIGHTS.

ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICE

HELD IN THEIR HALL LAST SUNDAY AFTERNOON. WAS IMPRESSIVE, BEAUTIFUL AND TOUCHING. FINE MUSICAL PROGRAM AND FINE ADDRESS BY REV. C. F. SMITH.

The Elks' Memorial service held in their hall last Sunday afternoon was a most impressive and beautiful ceremony.

The hall was filled with a large audience of ladies and gentlemen. There was a full turnout of the membership and these occupied seats in a body on the right of the rostrum which was occupied by the officers and the choir. The rostrum was decorated with potted plants. The back ground was draped with an American and State flag while in the centre was a standard of the local lodge. The window shades were drawn and the hall lighted by electric lights, which gave an effect befitting to the occasion.

The regular officers of the lodge occupied their respective stations, exalted Ruler J. C. B. Ehringhaus presided.

The exercises were opened with the hymn, "Jesus My Strength," which was beautifully rendered by a choir composed of the following ladies and gentlemen: Miss Mary Ehringhaus, Miss Byrd Kramer, Mrs. R. M. Griffin, Miss Hattie Harney and Messrs. J. C. B. Ehringhaus, W. C. Sawyer, L. E. Skinner and J. W. Foreman.

Prayer was offered by Rev. C. F. Smith, rector of Christ Episcopal church.

Mr. J. C. B. Ehringhaus rendered in his usually fine manner "All Ye Who Seek" as a bass solo.

The opening lodge ceremonies were performed and the secretary called the roll of the departed brothers. These are Alexander Huckle, Geo. M. Scott, Jr., Thos. G. Skinner and Benj. F. White.

The lights in the hall were turned out and in the semi-darkness the "Vacant Chair" was rendered in a sweet and impressive manner by the following male quartette, members of the lodge: W. C. Sawyer, L. E. Skinner, J. C. B. Ehringhaus and J. W. Foreman.

At the conclusion of the song, the solemn hour of 11 was struck, its significance explained and the lights flashed on again.

The opening ode was sung in which the audience joined. The quartette then rendered "In the Hour of Trial."

Exalted Ruler Ehringhaus presented Rev. C. F. Smith, a member of the lodge, who delivered the memorial address.

Mr. Smith made a splendid address. He illustrated how the aspirations of man have always been upward. He brought beautifully the principles of the order, showing how justice and charity worked hand in hand.

At the conclusion of the address, the choir rendered, "New the Day is Over," Abide With Me, "was sweetly rendered by Mrs. M. R. Griffin.

The closing ode was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. C. F. Smith.

TO HOLD BAZAAR.

The Ladies of City Road M. E. church will hold a bazaar in the store on Water street, No. 6, next door to Tozey and Company, beginning Thursday Dec. 10th and continuing through Friday and Saturday.

Oysters in any style and salads, also ice cream and cake will be served. Regular meals at popular prices. Call and see the fine exhibit of fancy work, spend a pleasant evening and help a good cause.

The orchestra will be present and discourse sweet music.

Solid Gold Signet Rings from \$1.50 up, at KIGHT AND BRIGHTS.

KIGHT AND BRIGHT are giving away a beautiful standard. You for the asking.

ELECTRIC CAR LINE PROPOSED

To Run From this City to Lister's Pier

TO SURVEY ROUTE

PEOPLE ALONG THE PROPOSED ROUTE ARE DEEPLY INTERESTED.

WOULD EXTEND FROM HERE VIA WEEKSVILLE. LINE WOULD BE ABOUT 14 MILES LONG.

An electric car line from Elizabeth City via Weeksville to Lister's pier at the mouth of Little River is a project which is now under consideration and which is meeting with favor.

Mr. D. G. Wilson, of Weeksville, was in the city a few days ago discussing the project with influential citizens.

The purpose now is to get a survey of the route.

The promoters want practically an air line route from here to Weeksville, than to Lister's pier at the mouth of Little River, which opens on Albemarle Sound.

The Weeksville people and the people of the county along the proposed route are very much interested in the matter and hope to see it accomplished. The people in lower Durant's Neck are also enthusiastic. In that section Mr. L. C. Relfe is the prime mover who wants to make Lister's pier the shipping point for the truckers of that section. At the terminus of the road there is a beautiful grove of original growth. The length of the line will be about 14 miles. It is understood that the people along the route are willing to give the right of way.

The line would be of great benefit to Elizabeth City, and our people should take an active interest in the matter.

SHARPS AND FLATS

ITEMS OUT OF THE ORDINARY, MOSTLY POINTEDLY PERSONAL.

WHAT A "PULLY BONE"

Children are interesting creatures. Even a crusty old bachelor finds them so sometimes.

The way they catch on and knowledge dawns upon them, furnish some interesting incidents.

One of these incidents was furnished Thanksgiving Day by Martha Kight the little seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kight of this city.

Everybody knows the sentiment which clings around the pully bone, the "wish bone" or whatever you want to characterize the chicken breast bone. Little Martha has a particular fondness for the pully bone and when chicken is the dish at the Kight home she always has to have this bone.

On Thanksgiving Day as a matter of course turkey was served. It never dawned on the little one that turkeys had pully bones. When the meal was about finished Mr. Kight slipped the large turkey wish bone in front of her plate without being noticed.

When little Martha turned and beheld the giant, to her, pully bone, with dilated eyes and astonishment she exclaimed:

"Gee, whiz! What a pully bone!" And then as it dawned upon her little imagination she exclaimed:

"Papa, do all birds have pully bones?"

The miser is in a happy frame of mind when surrounded by gold.

A man select his wife, but he can not pick out his own mistakes.

12 size, 24 year gold filled open ace watch with Waltham or Elgin movement for \$12.50 at KIGHT AND BRIGHTS.

OFFICERS FOR THE NEW BANK

MR. GEO. M. SCOTT ELECTED PRESIDENT AND MR. JOHN Q. A. WOOD BECOMES VICE-PRESIDENT. NAMES OF OTHER STOCKHOLDERS.

The directors of the new bank, the Mercantile Bank of Elizabeth City met last Friday afternoon and elected their president and vice-president, Mr. George M. Scott was elected president and Mr. J. Q. A. Wood, vice-president. For cashier the directors have several applications under consideration.

The bank expects to begin business about the middle of January.

The following are the names of the stockholders who were not published in the list last week: W. P. Wood, C. B. Mason, W. C. Jackson, J. G. Fearing, C. W. Morgan, C. T. Scott, J. W. Derickson, Jr., Paul F. White, W. E. Dunston, S. W. Gregory, M. L. Sanderlin, I. M. Meekins, William Mardre, of Hertford, R. R. Taylor, of Gatesville, Dr. R. N. Cartwright of Fairfield.

ROBBED ON PUBLIC HIGHWAY

STOPPING MR. HINTON AND SAID THAT HE WANTED TO PAY NOTE. WHILE MR. HINTON WAS EXAMINING PAPERS THE YOUNG ROBBER GRABBED WHOLE BATCH AND TOOK TO THE WOODS.

A bold hold-up and robbery was perpetrated in Camden County Tuesday.

Mr. John Lewis Hinton, while traveling the public highway about 11 o'clock was confronted by a young white man and asked to hold up as he wanted to pay a note which he claimed he owed him. Mr. Hinton stopped, took his large batch of papers out of his pocket and was going through them to find the name given by the young man, which was evidently a fictitious one, when the highway grabbed the entire bunch of papers and took to the woods, leaving Mr. Hinton dumb-founded. No bodily injury was inflicted.

HONOR ROLL HIGH SCHOOL

The High School pupils of this city are making splendid progress under the direction of principal Kendrick.

It is quite an honor to get on the honor roll of this school only eleven were successful, math before last. The report for the last school month showed a marked increase, 22 having their names enrolled there.

Boys.

Jno. Hall, Wm. Halstead, Copeland Harrell, Clifton Pritchard, Ray Tozey, Milton Love, Leslie Towle, Jno. Thompson, Percy Pritchard, Roy Chesson.

Girls.

Ethel Hunter, Estelle Johnson, Eula Wood, Eugenia Stone, Irma Symonds, Minnie Nash, Clara Mae Thompson, Gracie Strahl, Callie Perry, Metia Pritchard, Amy Pinner.

Frankfurter Sausage, Armour's 10c lb., Shafer's 12c lb CHAS. DAVIS AND CO., Phone 215.

Best native beef 12 1-2c lb., CHAS. DAVIS AND CO., Phone 215.

New-Corned Pork 12c. CHAS. DAVIS AND CO., Phone 215.

Armour's all-pork sausage 12 1-2c., CHAS. DAVIS AND CO., Phone 215.

The \$15.50 Watch as catalogued by some jewelers is KIGHT AND BRIGHTS \$12.50 Watch.

KIGHT AND BRIGHT are selling some Rogers tea spoons for

GEORGE M. SCOTT MADE CHAIRMAN

New Board of County Commissioners Organized Monday

GRANDY ROADMGR.

SAMUEL JARVIS ELECTED KEEPER OF COUNTY HOME — J. MONROE BRIGHT, STANDARD KEEPER— E. F. AYDLETT, SUBSTITUTE TRIAL JUSTICE — COUNTY OFFICERS FILE OFFICIAL BONDS WHICH WERE ACCEPTED — ROUTINE MATTERS.

The new board of county commissioners met Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

There were present Messrs. Geo. M. Scott, Elihu Only, W. P. Williams, N. G. Grandy and George D. Sherlock. All are new members except Mr. Sherlock.

The members were sworn in by Register of Deeds J. C. Spence, an acting Justice of the Peace.

The Board organized by electing Mr. Geo. M. Scott, chairman. There was no opposition to Mr. Scott for this position.

Mr. N. G. Grandy was elected manager of Roads. This position carries a salary of \$25 per month. The road supervisor works under his direction and it is also the duty of the Road manager to purchase the supplies for this department.

Mr. Samuel Jarvis was elected keeper of the county home for the aged and infirm. This carries with it a salary of \$200 per year and board. There were nine applicants for this position.

Mr. J. Monroe Bright was elected Standard keeper. The compensation in this position comes through fees. There were three applicants.

Mr. Louis Selig was reelected keeper of the town clock, salary \$59 per year.

Mr. E. F. Aydlett was elected substitute Trial Justice.

The following county officers presented their official bonds which were accepted: J. C. Spence, registrar of deeds, Charles Reid, sheriff; Dr. Isaac Fearing, coroner; J. P. Thompson, treasurer. Mr. N. C. Hewitt, constable for Newland township, gave his official bond.

Among the routine business transacted was the following:

The Norfolk and Southern Railway asked for rebate on taxes deferred till next meeting.

Kramer Bros. petitioned the repair of the draw bridge over Charles Creek. Deferred till next meeting.

The annual report of the keeper of the county home was filed, as was also the monthly report of Dr. Griggs superintendent of county, health.

CRAP SHOOTER GIVES UP.

Will Zachary, colored, a crap shooter, became tired of trying to escape the officers of the law, gave himself up.

Week before last, Zachary and two other negroes were caught in a game of crap. One of the negroes was caught, while Zachary and the other escaped.

Last Friday while Deputy Sheriff Raper was standing in front of the court house, Zachary appeared on the other side of the street. He stood staring at Mr. Raper. Mr. Raper called him over. He came across and asked Mr Raper where were the cops. Mr. Raper asked him what he wanted with the cops, Am I not cop enough? He said he was tired of being around and wanted to 've himself up. He let them do what they were going to do with him.

He was turned over to the authorities and fined \$10 and cost by the Trial Justice.