

WASHINGTON SHOULD BE THE HARBOR OF N. CAR.

Water Terminals and Transportation Is Ably Discussed

Mr. John H. Bernhard, of New Orleans Addressed Citizens and Representatives of Other Towns at The Elks' Hall Last Night. Was a Rare Privilege For Community. Address Was Intellegently Presented and Well Received.

When you get ready to improve your water terminal which you entertain, citizens has only recently voted to purchase I would impress upon you this fact—secure an eminent and thoroughly competent engineer to draw your plans so whatever you may make shall be done in the proper direction—for there is no reason why Washington should not become THE HARBOR of North Carolina. Thus spoke Mr. John H. Bernhard of New Orleans, last night at the Elks Hall to the citizens of this city and representative citizens from the towns of Greenville, Tarboro, Belhaven and New Bern.

The subject of the speaker was "Water Terminals and Barge Transportation" and for over an hour held the undivided attention of his hearers.

Congressman Small, in presenting Mr. Bernhard, stated that he had the privilege as well as pleasure to hear Mr. Bernhard make an address at a waterway convention in Florida some time since and was so impressed with what he had to say that since that time he had been endeavoring to secure him to come to Eastern Carolina and tell the people here something of the workings of the great scheme he has so successfully wrought out during his residence of only eight years in this country. "I regard this occasion as one of great moment to this section," said Mr. Small. "Water terminals are of vital importance if we expect to secure better commerce and have the right kind of water courses. Washington is only town between Baltimore and Jacksonville today that has taken concrete steps towards furnishing water terminals and I wish to say that I am proud of my town. We surely have taken a forward step and I wish to congratulate Washington," stated Mr. Small. The speaker of the evening was then presented.

Mr. Bernhard is a native of Holland and came to this country eight years ago settling in the city of New Orleans. He is regarded as probably the most practical expert in the country today on the subject of water terminals and economical barge transportation. He has been instrumental in the establishment of a successful line of barges between New Orleans and Tuscaloosa, Ala., on the Warrior river, connecting with the famous coal mines of Alabama. He has also established a plant for the construction of self-propelled barges regarded as the highest type of barges for inland waters, both from the point of carrying capacity, speed, safety and cheapness of operation.

Mr. Bernhard from the very first impressed his hearers with the fact that he knows what he is talking about. He made no pretense towards oratory but rather presented his knowledge of waterways, navigation, terminals, etc., in words of few syllables so that everyone present could digest what he had to say. In the outset he gave his audience to understand that he was no speaker but simply an engineer. "This is a new era for navigation, yet notwithstanding this statement, the United States nor your section can hope to develop as a great nation, until you improve your water facilities," said the speaker. "I have visited seventeen countries, before coming to the United States and those visited that are forging ahead are those paying attention to this development. We must take advantage of our natural water courses if we ever hope to attain perfection. There are two kinds of duty—the commercial and the industrial—one helps and aids towards building up a community and the other reduces the cost of living. I had the pleasure this afternoon of

visiting your water terminal and must congratulate your citizens upon the stand they have taken." (At this point of Mr. Bernhard's address he submitted a rough sketch of his idea as to how the water terminal should be improved by the city. His plan suggested that there be two slips—the object being to afford more wharfage. At the end next to the Moss Planing Mill, he suggests that a one-story shed be constructed where is to be handled fish, oysters, vegetables, country produce, etc. At the upper end of the terminal would be another shed with a railroad spur running around the entire terminal connecting with both railroads—this spur should be owned and controlled by the city and leased or rented to the railroads.) "If this plan is carried out stated the speaker, "there is no reason why Washington should not become THE Harbor of North Carolina. Do one thing, however—be sure and find an eminent engineer to draw your plans, for whatever move you make let it be done in the proper direction. "There are more men I find who think they know more about inland navigation than anything else and yet the fact is notorious they know so little."

Mr. Bernhard then gave his hearers some idea of the construction of his self-propelled barge now being used so successfully in southern waters. He said that they were built for freight, which was carried entirely on the deck, the hold of the barge being used exclusively for strengthening purposes. They are propelled by gas engines and the gas is generated on board. Their speed is about seven and a half miles an hour. Told in a graphic style how his barges were enabled to navigate streams where the water was shallow and the stream crooked. "If water transportation is to be revived at all we must come together and combine. Use inland water navigation in the proper way and the future of this great country will be bright."

Running all through the excellent and intelligent address of Mr. Bernhard was a thread of native wit now and then, which caused merriment and laughter. The speaker finished his address by congratulating Washington upon the stand just taken for better terminal facilities and too, his pleasure in coming to this good section.

Congressman Small followed Mr. Bernhard with a few remarks telling those present of what is now being done for inland waterways. He also spoke of the possibilities for Washington when the water terminal is ready for business, how the city market could be located there, fish, oysters, etc., and with both the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk Southern Railways connecting at the terminals we would not be producers but the distributors of products.

The meeting was fairly well attended by the citizens of Washington while a goodly number from other towns were present. Those to hear the address from Greenville were:

- H. A. White, Colonel F. G. James, Mayor J. B. James, J. C. Tumin, A. C. Dupree, Dr. D. L. James, W. Z. Morton, W. W. Outlaw, Roy Taylor, H. H. Morton, C. B. Carr, H. M. White, A. L. Blow, Jr., Conrad Lanier.
- From New Bern—L. I. Moore.
- From Belhaven—J. W. Bell.
- From Tarboro—Mayor Paul Jones and W. S. Clark.

MISS EULA O'NEAL III.
The many friends of Miss Eula O'Neal will regret to learn of her illness, and wish her a speedy recovery.

MISS RHODES AS KATISHA IN MIKADO

One of the most difficult roles in comic opera is that of Katisha in the opera "Mikado." It is for contrast but also demands a high range and with perfect control.

But difficult as is the singing role that of the actor, is by far more difficult for what it might be called "an ungracious part" as the sympathies of the audience are not with the actor.

Miss Ada Rhodes has kindly accepted this role and the laughter of the community is to be congratulated and the public also, for a fine musical and dramatic interpretation of the role can be confidently expected at the hands of Miss Rhodes. Her delineation of the part of Katisha, the lady of the fascinating shoulder-blade and the bewilderingly beautiful left elbow, combined with the rich voice and agreeable manner of Miss Rhodes will combine to make her rendition of this role a performance worth seeing and hearing.

The opera will be given at the New Theater on Tuesday night, April 14th.

PASTOR SNIPES WILL PREACH

Rev. E. M. Snipes, pastor of the First Methodist Church will fill his regular pulpit tomorrow morning and evening at the usual hours of 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school will meet promptly at 9:45 a. m. Good music by the choir at both services. All strangers in the city have a cordial invitation to attend. Seats free.

Tarboro Love Washington Park.

BROTHER OF F. S. WORTHY DEAD IN GA.

Mr. F. S. Worthy of the drug firm of Worthy & Etheridge, received a telegram last night announcing the death of his brother, Mr. Major Worthy, who passed away at the home of his brother in South West Georgia, yesterday afternoon. The remains will be brought to Charlotte for burial, which is to take place Sunday afternoon. Mr. Worthy left on the Norfolk Southern train last evening to attend the funeral.

JNO. L. PAYNE IS ELECTED AN EDITOR

From the Charlotte Observer it is noted in the correspondence to that paper from Davidson College that Mr. John Lewis Payne, son of Mrs. Maggie Payne of this city, has been elected one of the editors of the college magazine for the coming year. This is a distinct honor for Washington's young townsman and his many friends wish him every success.

It's Restful in Washington Park.

"The American Girl Co." Home Education Is Claiming Attention of American Women



Something Good At The New Theatre All Next Week

The olvers of good vaudeville can attend the New Theater next week with the certainty of seeing something above the average. The attraction is "The American Girl Company," being composed of capable artists throughout. Miss Marie Edwards and Miss Juliet Heath, the female leads, are both the possessors of excellent voices. Hy Heath Charles Lewis, the comedians, are exponents of clean and refreshing comedy and they will no doubt furnish more laughs than vocal vaudeville lovers have indulged in for some time. Lewis and Lewis in their dancing specialty will prove a decided treat—they can do things with their feet. Each member of the chorus is a good looking dancer and singer of individual ability. Another feature will be the special scenery and elaborate wardrobe carried by the company. "The American Girl" will be the opening bill Monday night. The management of the theater wishes to announce that the prices will be only 10 and 20 cents. There will be two performances, the first starts at 7:30 and the second at 9 o'clock. There are twelve people in the company. Entire change of program each night during the week.

A More Efficient Rural School Should Be Effort

Is The Child Living In State of Colorado Entitled to Better Opportunities Than The One Residing In Beaufort County. Is The Question.

To the Editor:—I am asking that his circular letter be published in the hope that the good people of Beaufort county, who read it may ask themselves this question: Is the child living in Colorado entitled to any better opportunity than my child? Am I willing that my child should have any but the best? Then if the plan outlined in this circular letter appeals to you, talk it over to your neighbor. Let all our efforts for a better country life crystallize around a better and more efficient rural school.

W. G. PRIVETTE, County Supt. of Schools.

Colorado has been hampered in its efforts to centralize the rural schools into strong, consolidated schools, because of the small district organization which prevails in that state, as in most of the states in the West and Middle West. In spite of obstacles, however, substantial progress has been made for the upbuilding, in the open country, of real community schools. There is no better illustration of this type than the Cache La Poudre Consolidated School, some six miles out from Fort Collins.

Only a year ago some six school houses, scattered at random over a very large territory, supplied 207 families with such school facilities as were then available. Two of the buildings were of native stone, the others of frame; they lacked modern conveniences and were quite unable to offer a modern training for agricultural life. Now a large, dignified, central building, erected at a cost of \$25,000 has absorbed all these outlying schools and is arduously becoming the center of community pride and aggressive community life. All this was not done without a struggle. A great many people here, as in other places, clung tenaciously to the little local school, fighting the changes often in the courts. The majority, however, favored the change, and had their way, thanks particularly to the efforts of Mr. C. G. Sargent, rural school visitor from the State Agricultural College. Many of the people who originally opposed the plan now praise it the loudest; and few, if any, would care to go back to the old conditions.

Four entire districts and parts of two others comprise the new, consolidated district; 207 families live within reach of the new school; 246 pupils at this time enrolled in its 12 grades; 47 being in the well equipped high school department; eight teachers are employed, five in the grades and three in the high school. What appeals particularly to an observer of the school work is that while the universal elements of a broad education are taught the teachers are mindful that theirs is a rural community and that they are preparing Colorado farmers and fruit growers for life work. With this in mind, they are doing everything in their power to root the school work to the soil.

The buildings are set in 4 1-2 acres of good, irrigated land. The playground is ample for all purposes. There are baseball and football fields, tennis courts and play room for the younger children. A small orchard of 5-year-old trees forms the beginning of an excellent experimental plot. With the opening of spring there is a plan to begin work in budding and grafting. The children are to have individual garden plots, and home garden work has also been planned. A good one room school house which was already on the grounds has been remodeled at a cost of \$700 into a very satisfactory six room cottage for the principal of the school. Another one of the old buildings has been made into a good barn and shed for the horses and transportation equipment. The main building is an imposing structure built of native sandstone and pressed brick. It is three stories high and is equipped with steam heat, fan ventilating system and indoor toilets, baths, and bubbling fountains. The janitor lives with his family in a suite of five rooms in the basement, which by the way, is built in such a manner that its cement floors is one and a half feet higher than the grade of the school yard. The building is supplied with the agricultural and biological laboratories, good library, rest rooms for the women teachers, and a large assembly room used, among other things, for community meetings and farm lecture courses, which are being held throughout the year; for, beyond everything else, this is a community school which strives to help the parents as well as the children. Seven transportation wagons of the latest make convey 163 children living at a distance to and from the school. The system has proved a very satisfactory one for all con-

No Science or Profession Is Nobler or More Necessary to the Happiness of Mankind Than That of Home-making. Our Girls Must Have The Proper Kind of Training.

STR. L. B. SHAW FOR NEW BERNE

The steamer L. B. Shaw after remaining in port here for several hours yesterday left late in the afternoon bound for New Bern where in all probability she arrived early today. During the boat's stay here quite a number of business men, and interested citizens paid a visit to the vessel and all seemed pleased with her design and lines. She was designed to carry freight. The Shaw is in command of Captain E. Henry Doak, who is a native of Washington, N. J. The vessel carries a crew of eighteen. On the morning of her departure Mr. Doak was aboard. He is a very clever gentleman and enthusiastic as to the future of his line between Baltimore, Norfolk, Washington and New Bern. In speaking of the venture Mr. Doak said that at first the steamer would make a trip to these waters about every ten days and later on when the business justified it, trips would be made of longer. It is the intention of the promoters of this enterprise to make a freight rate of ten cents on the 100 pounds less than the railroads now handle it for, on all classes of freight from the first to the sixth. The rate on all commodity freight will be made satisfactory to the shipper until the rates can be published. Mr. Doak expects to be in Baltimore next week and he requests all merchants having freight coming from Baltimore to this city to please communicate with him care of the Caswell Hotel.

The Shaw is 163 feet long; 23 feet beam and draws only eight feet of water with 300 tons of freight aboard. She is well equipped for the handling of freight being provided with two hoisting engines.

Mayor Kugler held an interesting court at the City Hall this morning and later on Recorder Windley did likewise, the result being the city treasury is enriched and the county chain gang has an additional member.

DR. E. W. DUNN WILL HAVE OFFICE HERE

Dr. Ernest W. Dunn, Osteopathic physician of New Bern, N. C., is to open a branch office here. His first professional visit will be made next Tuesday he will be here all day Tuesday will be located in Hotel Louise. Dr. Dunn will be in his office Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. On Tuesdays he will be here all day and on Thursday and Friday part of the day. Dr. Dunn has been practicing his profession for the past four years and is a graduate from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy. His professional card appears elsewhere in today's issue.

CASE OF SMALLPOX WITH CARNIVAL SHOW, REPORT

It is reported on the streets that there is a case of smallpox broken out in the Carnival show billed to exhibit here all next week. The authorities should get busy and investigate and if the rumor is correct they should not be allowed to give performances here. The citizens should be careful how they patronize the show until the rumor is denied from reliable source.

There is no tardiness with transportation. Attendance is at the maximum; and the cost for transportation is nine cents a day per pupil.

(By Mrs. Henry Walton Carter, Chair of the Home Economics Department of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.)

The widespread interest that American women of refinement and intellectuality are taking today in all educational subjects pertaining to the home and its welfare is causing a constant demand among the women's clubs of progressive cities for opportunities of instruction in these subjects. No longer are they willing to acknowledge that their servants know more than they do about the preparation of food or household management; neither do they care to sacrifice the health of their families to the ignorant methods of the hired cook. They realize the importance of intelligent supervision over all their household affairs. They know that it is nobler to do the earth that is nobler than necessary to the happiness of the home and that of home-making and none that requires a more thorough education to accomplish the best results. The time is past when our girls take up education without the proper kind of training, the lack of which has without doubt been responsible

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HAVE MOVED
Mr. J. D. O'Neal and family have moved to the residence formerly occupied by Mr. H. G. Sparrow on East Main street.

SENT TO THE ROADS FOR SIX MONTHS

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John King, John Knight, Eslick Edwards and Clifton Eborn were before the mayor for gambling. They were found guilty and bound over to the recorder who subsequently retried them and found them each \$2.00 and one-fourth of the cost.

Frank Hall, colored, was indicted for the larceny of a bicycle. He was adjudged guilty and bound over to the recorder who sentenced him to a term of six months on the roads.

FIRST SERMON ON EDUCATION

The first educational sermon which are to be delivered by the respective pastors of the city during the month of April will be delivered at the Christian Church tomorrow night by the pastor, Rev. R. V. Hope at eight o'clock. The subject of Mr. Hope for his morning discourse will be "Why Go to Church." Bible school meets at ten o'clock. All are cordially invited to be present and especially at the evening hour. Good music.

GROCERY WILL START CASH SYSTEM FOR ALL BEGINNING MONDAY

The firm of J. R. Meekins & Co., announces that beginning Monday, April 6, they will begin selling groceries for cash only and they also announce that goods will be sold at a closer margin. They have on hand a full line of groceries. Orders are filled promptly.

IN THE CITY.
Mr. Wheeler Howard and wife, Mr. C. C. McWilliams, Mr. T. W. O'Neal, Mr. Robert O'Neal and B. G. O'Neal, all of Ocracoke, N. C., are Washington visitors today.