

# 300 ATTENDED MEETING LAST NIGHT OVER 250 SIGNED PETITION FOR BOND ELECTION WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS

THE WEATHER—Generally fair tonight. Moderate easterly wind.

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## DISCUSS ROADS FOR TOWNSHIP

### PROMINENT MEN ADVOCATE BUILDING OF BETTER ROADS

Meeting at Elks' Home last Night Was Most Successful Ever Held in this City

#### EXCELLENT ADDRESSES MADE

Local Men and Out of Town Visitors Give Reasons why Bond Election Should be Held in this Township. Fine Supper Served

Over three hundred progressive and enterprising citizens of Washington were present at the "smoker" which was held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce last night at the Elks' Home for the purpose of forming plans for improving the roads in the township. It was declared by many to be the most successful meeting ever held in this city.

The guests began to arrive at seven o'clock and were welcomed by the reception committee, which consisted of prominent members of the Chamber. At 7:30 they were seated in the large hall, where a most appetizing supper was served by members of the Rector's Aid Society of the Episcopal church. Forbes orchestra played a number of selections during the course of the meal.

Judge Stephen Bragaw acted as toastmaster for the occasion and at the conclusion of the supper he called the meeting to order.

Welcomed by Judge Bragaw.

"It is a great pleasure for me to

## EDMUNDSON MAY BE TRIED IN THIS CITY

NOW BELIEVED THAT FORMER GREENVILLE BANKER'S CASE WILL BE BROUGHT UP HERE DURING THE APRIL TERM OF COURT.

(By Eastern Press) New Bern, Oct. 28.—It was definitely announced that the case of F. A. Edmundson would not be tried in New Bern at the present term of court. It is reported as coming from the district attorney that the former Greenville banker will probably be tried at Washington, N. C., when court convenes in that city next April. Edmundson is under \$1,000 bond. The inability of the defense to secure the proper witnesses has caused the postponement of the case.

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E. G. Weston

### KEEPING DOWN HIS WEIGHT



Former President Taft puts in all of his spare time on the golf links in an effort to keep down his weight. He is here seen starting off for the ninth hole.

statement with which Mr. Boykin opened his remarks. "It is a question which comes nearer to touching the welfare of every man woman and child than any other question known. I am glad that the people of Beaufort county are interesting themselves in better highways, and I hope that you will be successful. Many mistakes have been made in the endeavor to improve roads in the past, and millions of dollars have probably been wasted in various parts of the country. We have learned by this time, however, what is the best method of procedure. I especially wish to urge you to use your State department of roads, for they can assist you in avoiding some of the errors into which other counties have fallen.

"You should see that all the permanent factors of your road work are made permanent. By permanent factors I mean drainage, alignment, culverts and grades. The road tax here is very low compared to what it is with other parts of the country and you can therefore easily support an additional tax. The bond issue plan is acknowledged to be the best. When you talk bond issue, however, there immediately arises a great feeling of solicitation for 'future generations.' If you see that every dollar gets its dollars worth, the future generations will derive as much benefit from present expenditures as you yourselves will. Indiana stands first in the highest amount of bonds issued in this country. North Carolina stands eleventh on the list, with six and a quarter million. That was in 1914. The amount has probably been brought up to eight million by this time.

"I want to warn you people, however, that you make sure of one thing, and that is that if you build roads, provide for the maintenance of the roads through a direct tax and not a bond issue."

Cost of the Work.  
Ed. L. Stewart, one of the prom-

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## OFFICER NYE IS GIVEN HEARING AT BELHAVEN

WITNESSES TESTIFY IN CASE, IN WHICH HE IS CHARGED WITH RETAILING. WILL BE TRIED BY JURY WEDNESDAY.

(By Eastern Press)

Belhaven, Oct. 28.—Officer Nye, of the Washington police force, formerly chief of police of this city, was tried before Justice of the Peace George Latham yesterday afternoon on the charge of having retailed liquor, while an officer in this city. The testimony of two witnesses was heard. One stated that he had purchased liquor from Nye himself, and the other that he had bought liquor from Nye's place of business. Another witness, who at first declared that he had bought liquor from the officer, afterwards admitted that he had not. Nye has been bound over for trial before the recorder, J. E. Lee, next Wednesday.

There is an overwhelming sentiment in favor of Nye here and everyone in the city appears to be of the belief that he is the victim of a "frame-up."

## MRS. TUTHILL DIED YESTERDAY P. M.

Well Known Resident of South Creek to be Buried Here This Afternoon.

Mrs. Augusta Rowena Tuthill, wife of Captain E. Tuthill, of South Creek, passed away yesterday afternoon at four o'clock. She was 66 years of age. The remains were brought to Washington yesterday evening. Funeral services will be held this afternoon from the home of Mrs. Latham Fowler, Rev. R. V. Hope officiating. The pall bearers will be B. G. Moss, F. C. Kugler, John McClure, C. M. Little, George Buckman and Dr. J. S. Wells. Interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

## KINSTON VS. WASHINGTON

Football Game at Fleming Park Tomorrow Afternoon. Second Game Between Two Teams.

Kinston and Washington High Schools will play football at Fleming Park tomorrow afternoon. The Kinston team defeated the locals in the first game this season and the Washington boys are determined to even scores tomorrow. A good game is expected and it is hoped that a large number of spectators will be on hand to witness it.

### HALLOWEEN PARTY.

There's a tankard for you all at Mather Meg's. Who, by this spectra taken, begs That you will come and learn your fate.

On Halloween at half-past eight. There's an extra special brew. Bubbling in the pot for YOU.

In other words, you are cordially invited to be present at the Halloween party that is to be given by the Eta Kappa club at the high school auditorium Saturday night.

## 250 VOTERS WANT BOND ELECTION

PETITION CALLING FOR ELECTION HAS BEEN SIGNED BY THE ABOVE NUMBER.

### NOW ASSURED

Exact Date for Election Not Yet Definitely Decided Upon, but Will Probably Be Held During Early Part of December.

Over 250 qualified voters in Washington township have signed a petition asking the Board of County Commissioners to call a special election to vote on the issue of \$50,000 bonds for building better roads.

About a week ago, a number of petitions were prepared by the Chamber of Commerce, asking the board of Commissioners to call for an election for the above purpose. These were distributed throughout the city and a large number of voters signed them. Farmers from the rural districts of the township who came in during the week also affixed their signatures to the documents. About 100 persons signed at the meeting last night.

The voting strength of the township is 950. With 250 names already signed to the petition, it is now assured that the election will be called. Although no date has officially been decided upon as yet, it is believed that the commissioners will be asked to call the election during the early part of December.

### BANK OF WASHINGTON DISTRIBUTING PAMPHLETS

Are of Interest in Farmers. May Be Secured by Applying at Bank.

The Bank of Washington has just received from the State Department of Agriculture a number of pamphlets on selecting seed corn for fields. The pamphlets were sent for distribution among the farmers of the county and all who are interested in them may secure same by calling at the bank.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF MARRIAGE.

Dr. and Mrs. John Herbert White announce the marriage of their daughter Elizabeth Peelle

to Mr. Walter Lowry Small on Wednesday, the twenty-seventh of October, one thousand, nine hundred and fifteen at Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

M. E. Wright, formerly with the A. C. L. office in this city, has accepted a position with the same company at Petersburg, Va.

B. L. Susman, manager of the Washington Horse Exchange Co., and son, David Susman, have just returned from St. Louis where he purchased 32 horses and mules which arrived last night via express. While away Mr. Susman and son visited Asheville and other cities.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hackney, who have been spending some time at Battle Creek, Mich., have returned home.

Elder John A. Shaw expects to preach tonight at eight o'clock at the Primitive Baptist church on Market street. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. Delamar, of South Creek, spent yesterday in the city on a shopping visit.

SAYS BAKER.  
Your photograph as a Christmas gift stands supreme.  
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### MRS. M. B. HUMPHREY



Mrs. Humphrey is the wife of Lieutenant Humphrey of the United States marine corps, now on duty in Haiti. Mrs. Humphrey is a bride of a year, and makes her home in New York.

## CONGRESSMAN SMALL TO CHOWAN COUNTY

Will Assist in Organization of Canning Club in That County. Be Gone for Three Days.

Congressman John H. Small left this morning for Chowan county where in company with some prominent citizens of that county, he will make a campaign for a Canning Club, similar in organization to the one that is to be formed here. Mr. Small expects to visit the homes of two or three hundred residents during his three-day stay in Chowan. There has been considerable talk over a Canning Club and it is believed that it will be successfully organized.

### BARACA CLASS TO HOLD BUSINESS MEETING

A meeting of the Baraca class of the Methodist church will be held tomorrow night in the Baraca room. Every member is urged to be in attendance. There are several matters of vital interest to the class that will be brought up for discussion.

## J. W. LEONARD DIED LAST NIGHT

Funeral Services to be Held in Wilson Tomorrow. Member of Odd Fellows and Red Men.

J. W. Leonard died last night after a long illness. He is survived by his wife and three children, two daughters and a son. The body will be taken to Wilson tomorrow morning, where the funeral services will be held. Mr. Leonard was an esteemed citizen of Washington and had many friends here. He was a member of the Odd Fellows and Red Men. The news of his death will be received with profound sorrow on the part of those who knew him.

Elected Honorary President. The United Daughters of the Confederacy in session last week in San Francisco elected Mrs. W. M. Parsley, of Wilmington, honorary president general to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Stonewall Jackson.

Mrs. Parsley is well known here, being a sister of Mrs. Thomas H. Mount.

Miss Muriel Johnson, of St. Augustine, Fla., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. George Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lewis, of South Creek, were local visitors yesterday.

## NEW BERN MYSTERY SOLVED

J. E. Cannon, AVDEN MERCHANT, ALIVE AND WELL IN O.K. WORD RECEIVED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

### LEFT MONDAY

Hinted That He Ran Automobile on Bridge Himself in Order to Leave Impression He Had Been Done Away With. Carried Large Insurance Policy.

(By Eastern Press)

New Bern, Oct. 28.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of J. E. Cannon, the Avden merchant, whose car was found half off the bridge over the Trent river a few days ago, has been solved. Cannon was not run off the rail as was first suspected. He is alive, in good health and in Norfolk, according to a telegram which was received by the chief of police of this city yesterday afternoon.

When the automobile was found, with Cannon's hat inside of it, it was immediately supposed that he had been killed and robbed of the large amount of money, which it was known he had in his possession at the time. The river was dragged for his body, but no trace of it was found.

Yesterday afternoon, a telegram was received by the police from Cannon's brother in Norfolk, asking that the search for the missing man be discontinued and the reward for the recovery of his body cancelled. That is all the information the police have at hand at present. It was revealed today that Cannon spent Sunday night in a boarding house on Pollock street and that he was seen with a grip in his hand shortly before the train left for Norfolk. It is believed that he left early Monday morning for Norfolk.

It is also known that Cannon carried a large insurance policy. The theory has been advanced that he ran the automobile on the bridge himself and desired to leave the impression that he had been done away with, in order to collect on his policy.

T. W. and T. C. Tilghman, of Wilson, were local visitors yesterday evening.

John D. Biggs and Asa T. Crawford were in the city yesterday evening from Williamston.

### TODAY'S COTTON QUOTATIONS

Lint cotton 11c.  
Seed cotton \$4.50.  
Cotton seed \$10.00.

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