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COMMITTEE ON MERCHANT MARINE AND PISHERIES.

IS IMPORTANT

Will Effect Every Coast City Be-tween Florida and Virginia. Does Away With All Compulsory Pilot-

Washington, Feb. 2.-Friends of the Small bill, which if passed will do away with compulsory pilotage for barges in tow of tugs, had what they termed a very successful hear-ing before the house committee on merchant marine and fisheries. The bill is of vital importance to Wilmington and all coast cities between Virginia and Florida. Mr. Small believes the bill will be adopted by believes the bill will be adopted by both houses and that its passage will greatly stimulate and encourage barge shipping to eastern Carolina points.

Every seaboard state north of and including Virginal has abolished all compulsory pilotage on coastwise shipping of every kind. Congress shipping of every kind. Congress more than 40 years ago passed a law pllotage, leaving exempticul, seffeoners and barges. With the recent establishment of barge traffic from Wilmington, Charleston, exempted under an act of Congress, county commissioners will have any ought to be sent back to the system as an illustration of the burden thus trouble in selling The bonds next rocks and be made to throw their imposed, it may be stated that on a Monday, when they will now for cargoes overboard. He added that

This barge traffic is in its infancy and there has been a well grounded BIG WHITE SALE WILL fear that this annecessary burden. BEGIN ON TOMORROW would operate in the discontinuance of these barges. There were present today at the hearing, and who advocated the bill, sepakers from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Charleston and Savannah. Mayor Moore, of Wilnington, was also present.

Mr. Small also submitted resolutlook in favor of the bill from the chambers of commerce of Norfolk, Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah and Jacksonville. There were general expressions to the effect that the hearing made a strong showing In favor of th bill. It was demon strated by witnesses that state pilots on the barges rendered no service

nd were not necessary.

It has always been pentended that the establishment of a free waterway inside of Cape Hatterns would develop a harge traffic between ports of Hatteras and those northof Hatterns, and Mr. Small emphasiaed the great importance of encour-agins this traffic, and insisted that "ought not to be throttled for the

Lumber Co, Suing T, E, Allen Being Tried Today.

An important suit, involving the title to more than 1,000 acres of land at the lead of the Pungo river and in which nearly every resident of Pungo river section is interested in oither as a party or witness, is being tried in Federal court today with Frank Bryan acting as referee. Mr. Bryan was appointed referee in the case by Jules Conner Federal. the case by Judge Connor, Federal Judge.

The auit is that of the John L. Roper Lumber Co. vs. T. E. Allen. The hearing will probably take thre or four days. The law firm of Small, MacLean, Bragaw & Rodman is representing the plaintiff; while Wilford Whitley, Ward & Daniel & Warren, John Paul and Harry McMullan are representing

Month. Believed I Will Sell Above Par.

Three hundred and eight inquirthe recent establishment of barge traffic from Wilmington, Charleston, ice regarding the Washington Town, ice regarding the Washington Town, Savannah and Jacksonville to Nor-blin good reads bonds, have been the bond reads by County Attorney Lind are being brought into Washington through the Norfolk-Beautort inlet asy Warren since the election was is causing considerable comment on waterway inside of Hatteras, it was carried a month ago. From the fact watched the loads that the boats are found that each of these sauthern waterway inside of flatters, it was carried a month ago. From the fee part of those citizens who have found that each of these southern number of inquiries and the fact watched the loads that the boats are ports attempted to enforce computing that the bond market is in particularly good condition at the present morning that there were four boats of the tugs, although the tugs were time, it is not believed that the in port and that three of these boats are computed to the tugs at the condition of the tugs at the condition at the present time, it is not believed that the in port and that three of these boats are computed to the condition at the present time, it is not believed that the in port and that three of these boats are computed to the tugs at the condition at the present time, it is not believed that the in port and that three of these boats are computed to the tugs are computed to the condition at the present time, it is not believed that the loads that the condition at the present time, it is not believed that the loads that the condition at the present time, it is not believed that the loads that the condition at the present time.

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Many Bargains in "White Goods" Being Offered at Store of James E. Clark.

On another page of today's issue, James E. Clark is advertising the opening of the annual white sale of that store, which will begin tomorrow. A great number of exceptional values will be offered during this sale. A few of these are being pub-lished in their advertisement.

W. C. T. U. MEETING. The W. C. T. U. will meet tomor-

row afternoon at four o'clock with Mrs. O. B. Carmait. Members are requested to bring their annual dues (seventy-five cents) with them. Several important matters will be brought up for discussion and it is carnestly hoped that every member will make an effort to be present.

at which time additional evidence pilots, The further hearing was continued pose the bill.

WHEN A FELLOW NEEDS A FRIEND.



HAVO BOOK RECEIVED SINCE Election MUCH COMMENT OVER THE OYSTER SITUATION

the charges in and out of Besufort will be sold above par. Due to the before the oyster beds would be enlasted amount to \$135. The charges fact that bonds of the r the charges fact that the r the

In speaking of the matter this and Jacksonville are substantially tax, they are even more desirable morning, R. B. Weston, who is oy, the same. ter inspector for this port, made the statement that he believed the cargoes of the boats were alright, and that he was powerless, under the law to do anything. The law on question reads as follows:

"All oysters taken from the public grounds if this State shall be culled and all oysters whose shells measure less than two and one-half inches from hinge to mouth, except such as are attached to a large oyster and cannot be removed without destroving the small oyster, and taken with the said oysters shan be returned to the public ground when and where taken; and no oyster shall be allowed 'y the inspectors to be marketal -hich shall consist more than ten per cent of such amali oysters and shells, excel-"coon" oysters and oysters largely covered with mussels; Provided these muss-led oysters must not contain more than five

GROUND HOG IS UNABLE TO SEE HIS SHADOW TODAY

Today is Ground Hog day-not the again seeks its place of winter abode,

in the ground—and see its shadow will abandon his hotel and go out in on the ground toady, the snimal will the world, which, according to the have a stroke of apoplexy, neural-gia, grippe whooping cough, or some of fair and bright weather for the other malady which will necessitate coming forty days. other malady which will necessitate coming forty days.

its staying in its before-mentioned. Seeing that it rained all day today and that the sun couldn't throw a place of residence for the balance of any kind, residents of

Tradition has it that if the ground if the second of February proves to hog comes out of its winter quarters be a cloudy or rainy day, so that which quarters consist of a hole in the ground—and see its shadow will abandon his hotel and go out in

shadow of any kind, residents Themistocles, Alexander the Great, Eastern Carolina may put their rain

ed to be at the meeting promptly at them.

SAYS BAKER.

the job when it comes to a real show civic affairs for the last fifteen years down, as to finish and quality of whatsoever, for it is common knowl-work. If you have never visited edge in the community that no promteams will be formed and a sories of our studio, come up and take a look, inent citizen has been less active contests will be played off. There We have a real nice place, and lots than he within this period, so he are a number of excellent bowlers of beautiful pictures made up in all harps to the past hoping to make an in the scity and some interesting the latest styles and of the best pecple of our community. We are here find some excuse for this act. He All those who are interested in with the goods. BAKER'S STUDIO. places no importance upon the fact

J. H. MCMULLAN JB. RAPS Gonfrestivan John Small Candidate for Office of Postmaster at Edenton Believes Injustice

HITS AT BOTH SMALL AND McLEAN

Has Been Done

The following letter was written that there has not been one year by J. H. McMullan, Jr., of Edenton, since I came of age when I was not regarding the appointment of Mr. in NON LUCRATIVE official service Bond as postmaster of that city. Mr. of the party. Within this period I

To The Patrons of The Edenton

Gentlemen:-I take this my first opportunity to tund of notif ng Mr. Sm Branning Man and pastiout er. I realize mitton I h ough over of the office · +ha last point me

nugh the our y Democrat ; accutive Dancil; COST y think excep-In r store. the Mrectors eath bu es of ever, hist muon, except the Branning Coursely, with not over orainence paired of the office who

election, every minuter of the goskind of ground hog that goes into housewives might as well plan to Mr. Small to use a sladuence to the sausages, but the saimal which also is known by the name of woodchuck.

Tradition has it that if the ground. the county. If there were other en-dorsements which influenced him the Albemarie Observer giving his EXCUSE for this repudiation makes in oreference to endorsements what-Julius Caesar, or some other of those coats, umbrellas and rubbers in hock off-timers, by the employment of for the next month and a half and would have the people of this comastronomy, blology and theology, begin to air their Palm Beach suits found that when Mr. Ground Hog and white seeks. ie work for the party in 1898-1900, is work for the party in 1898-1990, he would have my endorsors stultify themselves by admitting that they were home asleep while his appointpowling and who desire to secure a themselves by admitting that they place on the teams that will be were home asleep while his appoint-formed tomorrow night, are request-techerolarly carried the election for tec heroically carried the election for Of course Mr. Bond did his duty then, and so did every other white man who had red blood in his veins, or the slightest patriotism; but he didn't do it all. Mr. Small could not certify that Mr. Bond had convince you we are thoroughly on taken any interest in politics or the job when it comes to a real show civic affairs for the last fifteen years

McMullan himself was a candidate have served the party as either Pre-for that office and claims to have cinct Chairman, or County Chairman been endorsed by the big majority of continuously, and since I have been Mr. Small's constituents in the Edenton district:

Ounty Chairman have out of my own pocket paid on an average of over \$25 a year for local party adver-tising, etc. He places no importance tising, etc. tpon the fact that I served as Pres-ident of the Bryan-Small Club, and also of the Small-Wilson Club. He thank the D mocratic patrons of places no importance upon the fact Edenton posito-see who so generously that I have been an active worker supported m for the appointment. For civic reform ever since I have While I was not appointed to the been in politics. By ignoring any office still I are happy in the conso-reference to my record, and by aplation that I received the over-pointing another for alleged greater whelming endurgement of those who party service, he has in effect said have to do hat ness with the office, that I have not been a patriotic par-And right here I wish to state that ty worker. And by repudiating your I would rather have this testimonial endorsement he has in effect said of your esteem without the office, that you who have lived with all the of your essent without the once, that you wan have the disc without pour candidates all your life are not candidates are not life are not candidates are not like it is a support of saying who has rendered appointment no responsibility would the most party service—who is most and not to a little entitled to the office. He has in ef-wire pullers. Know- fest said that you people don't know theerviency to the what's right, and what you want so of iring Company, it was up to him to make you take Mr. J. R. Wheel- the medicine which was good for with their oppo- you. If this was the reason actuat-iphill fight even ing Mr. Small why didn't he take onthis the patrons the public in his confidence before ed for Small he made his final decision rather seed that he ap- than after it was too late. The position. Even meely thing for him to have done as to meet the people of this comexcept Mr. J. munity in mass meeting and lay bemaker County fore them his reasons, and then left county fore them his constituents, be the arbitrary form, his constituents, be the arbitrary form of the matter. But he preferred that the county form of the matter of the preferred that the county form of the second that the county form of the county form. Bran- sa open and general meeting. I

.. ave gone into this tedious ref rence to the reasons given by Mr. Small cause I know it is not his real reason-and it is due the public that tarmer of any I give them my reasons for this convoted for Mr. Small in the county ment should we concede that Mr. in the last election in all twenty. Small is honest in his reason assignfour more D nectal patrons of the ed, is he consistent when upon re-office than the total vote east for view of his record in making ap-Mr. Small in the county in the last polyments in the District there is election, every himself of the goal pel in Educate x 27 one, and he has given this as a reason for his was neutral, unqualifiedly endorsed selection. I have in mind an instance no single other instance in which he ms for the appointment and asked in which his action was just the an.

Mr. Small to use and laftuence to this, tithesis of the reason he gives in end. I make the assertion that Mr. this instance. I refer to his ElizaSmall was actuated solely by the
beth City appointment. There Col.
conformerent of Wheeler and the
Branning Company in reputiating
the petition of the Democratic voters
who were responsible for his vote in
the resp best years of his active life in pat-riotic service to his party and his he owes it to himself and to the community, after receiving a much public to let them be known. But larger public endorsement than Dr. Mr. Small in writing the Editor of Pendicton for the appointment, was Pendleton for the appointment, was turned down for Dr. Pendleton, and over, and bases his decision upon the vised that Dr. Pendleton was not

WHEN YOU WANT TO FIND A TENANT

if your vacant property is desirable—if it is the best place for ome family to live, or the Best place for some man to conduct is business—then it is "rentable."

"Season" may have something to do with the "demand" for your house, or for your business property; but "season" does not shut for you the door of opportunity, or make your tenant-quest

Rather than lose a few more months of rental income, spend part of one month's rental for classified advertising. Do not quit if the first insertion, or the second insertion, of your "ad" does not find your tenant for you. But HOLD TO YOUR TASK, and within a reasonable time, and with a moderate expenditure, you'll rent

our property,
AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THE NEWS WILL HELP.

BOWLING LEAGUE TO BE FORMED

A meeting of bowling enthusiasts of the city will be held at the Monarch allesy on Market street tomor. row evening at \$:30 o'clock. At this time arrangements will be made for the organization of a city league.

It is expected that a number of

games may be looked for.

A visit to the Baker Studio may

