

SOME DOUBT AS TO SUCCESS OF A PACKING PLANT HERE

Matter Taken up at Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Last Night. Other Projects Discussed.

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held last night, the question of road building was brought up and a motion was passed requesting the county commissioners to endeavor to secure some of the Federal money that has been appropriated for the highways of the State. It is believed that a part of this fund can be secured for improving the roads in this county.

B. G. Moss, chairman of the new industries committee, read some interesting correspondence from wine manufacturers relative to erecting a grape-crushing press near Washington. The various concerns appeared to think very favorably of the plan and it is believed that a press may be secured.

Secretary C. A. Flynn reported that Vergil Walker, representing the new barge-freight line, that is to be established between New Bern, Washington, Elizabeth City, Norfolk and Baltimore, was in the city yesterday and wanted to arrange for a meeting of the Chamber during the early part of October to meet with the general traffic manager of the line. It was decided to call the meeting.

Mr. Moss also read several letters, which he had received from large packing plants all over the country.

These letters were not very encouraging for the establishment of a plant in this section. They stated that it would take over \$100,000 to build and equip the plant, that it was essential that the plant be able to dispose of the fresh meat that it not packed, and that it have a large territory from which to draw hogs and cattle.

Dr. E. P. Yager, who is in charge of tick eradication in Beaufort county, made an interesting talk on the packing plant situation, as he was employed as a government inspector of a number of plants in various parts of the country. He stated that while he did not want to discourage the movement here, he hardly believed the packing plant would prove a profitable venture. Mr. McConnell followed Dr. Yeager with an interesting talk on tick eradication work.

Dr. H. W. Carter brought the public library situation before the meeting and it was decided that the matter be referred to the library association for action.

Carl Goerch reported that he had received a letter from the Wilson Chamber of Commerce, relative to the "pay-up week" project. Upon motion, this was referred to the Business Men's Association.

Local Political Leaders Express Opinions on the Result of Maine Election

Desirous of securing an expression of opinion on the part of Democratic and Republican leaders in this county, a representative of the Daily News this morning called upon Lindsay C. Warren, candidate for the State Senate, on the Democratic ticket, and Hugh Paul, candidate for State representative from this county on the Republican ticket. They expressed themselves as follows:

(By HUGH PAUL)
The Maine election is but a forerunner of what all the other States are going to do. Maine is the thermometer which registers the political situation of the nation.

The Democrats claim that they have gained a great victory in Maine. Well, if defeat means victory, they have certainly gained a victory.

The election was a triumph for the Republican party. It shows that Hughes is the accepted candidate of the people and that he is sure to win out in the election next November. I believe that is the only logical way that the situation can be interpreted, and down in their hearts, I believe the Democrats will admit the same contention.

I look for a Republican national victory by a big majority.

(By LINDSAY C. WARREN)
The Democratic ticket was defeated in Maine by majorities ranging from 7,500 to 12,000. In past years with a united party the Republicans have carried the State by a majority around 40,000. The plurality of Wilson over Roosevelt was only 2,000 in 1912. Whenever the Republican majority has been 15,000 or under, it has always been considered a Democratic victory. The year of Cleveland's first election the Republicans carried the State by 12,000.

This year there was no third party ticket in the field, and the full vote was polled. I see nothing in the result that would indicate that the people of the nation are ready to turn down the Democracy. A rock-ribbed Republican state has had its majority so reduced as to place it in the doubtful column, and it means that the President will poll a great vote in New England, and sweep the northern and western states in November.

NORTH CAROLINA CITIES WILL TRY TO SECURE ARMOR PLANT

125 Towns From New England to Texas Are Making Bid for Location of the Plant

(By United Press)
Washington, Sept. 13.—Representative Carlin today presented to the navy board the claims of Richmond, Hopewell, Alexandria, Petersburg and Norfolk as locations for the proposed government armor plant.

North Carolina cities proposed Newton, Gastonia, Fayetteville, Greenville, Southport, Brevard and Wilmington.

The tales of 125 cities poured into the willing ears of the navy board today, who are charged with picking the site for the new armor plant, which will cost \$11,000,000. The board is headed by Secretary Daniels and consists of Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Admiral Benson and General Straus.

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J. C. Meekins Jr. Expresses Joy Thru Poetry

"Hey, you!"
We stopped short.
It was Mr. J. C. Meekins, Jr.
"C'mere!"
We went.
"Looka thar!"
We looked.
And here was what Mr. Meekins, in his joy over the Republican victory in Maine, had composed:

Have you heard the refrain,
All the way from Maine?
How those
Who oppose
The Woodrow's
Watchful nit, vacillation
Are making the nation
From its friends (?)
To the cuds
That fall amends
May make our good land
Again Republican.
Maine has set the pace
In this year of grace
And duty bids all follow in her
wake
For it's no mistake
Man should make
In whooping up for every one and
all.
Let Jones beat John Small,
Then the great joyful squall
From every man
For this state will be Republican
And then—
Forever when—
AMEN!

COMBLES AND PERONNE SOON TO BE TAKEN

PERONNE HAS BEEN CUT OFF FROM DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH CITY OF COMBLES.

VICTORY IN A FORTNIGHT

(By United Press)
Paris, Sept. 13.—General Foch is nearer to a striking victory over the Germans than at any time since the Somme offensive began. Combles, the main support of the whole German line from Baupenne to Peronne is under fire on two sides and is half surrounded as the result of yesterday's advance. Peronne has been cut off from direct communication from Combles. The French are driving eastward and are getting established on the north side of the city. The capture of both Combles and Peronne is expected within a fortnight if Foch continues his hammer-like blows north of the Somme.

Great Drive Continues.
Paris, Sept. 13.—Continuing their great drive on Peronne and Combles, the French last night captured the village of Bouchevignes, midway between the two cities, despite desperate resistance. Early today they advanced still further eastward, capturing the Bois Lake farm near Peronne, on the Baupenne-Bethune highway. Brilliant bayonet charges resulted in big gains.

Berlin Admits Successes.
Berlin, Sept. 13.—The French have penetrated Seuchevignes in heavy fighting last night, but have been repulsed near Thiaumont and Souville.

Tenton Offensive Halted.
Petrograd, Sept. 13.—The Teutons were unsuccessful in their attempt to take the offensive at Halitz.

Y. E. SMITH SUED FOR \$10,000

(By United Press)
Durham, N. C., Sept. 13.—Following the indictment of Y. E. Smith, wealthy cotton manufacturer, formerly a member of the State Legislature, who is charged with assaulting Mrs. John M. Wyatt, a young farmer's wife of Alamance county, Mrs. Wyatt is suing for \$10,000.

CENTRAL POWERS ARE HOLDING BIG WAR COUNCIL

(By United Press)
Berlin, Sept. 13.—The combined "grand offensive" of the allies will be met with a combined "grand defensive" by the Central Powers when the proper time comes. A great war council is now being held at the Kaiser's headquarters for the purpose of unifying the direction of all the military movements made by the armies of the Central Powers.

Most favorable reports are being brought to the war council from the different fronts. The Russians have been halted at Halitz; the German-Bulgarian invasion in Rumania continues, and the Bulgarians are successfully resisting the allied attacks on the Greek frontier. The capture of the Rumanian stronghold of Sillistra is regarded as of special importance and is considered the "key" to Bucharest.

STIFF WIND CAUSES THE RIVER TO RISE

Water Came up to a Level with the Top of Market Street Dock Yesterday.

Water from the sound was swept up the Pamlico yesterday by a stiff wind, reaching almost gale force, and caused the river to rise several feet. At the Market street dock, the water came up to a level with the dock during the early afternoon, and a few waves washed up on shore. The river was higher yesterday than it has been since the storm of 1915.

CITIZEN SAYS ROAD WORK IS MONEY WASTED

Urges That Halt Be Called, If Value Received Is Not Obtained, It Will Kill Road Building.

Washington, N. C., Sept. 12.

Editor Daily News,
Dear Sir:
I read with a great deal of interest the article which appeared on the front page of your paper the other day, relative to the road work in Washington township.

I agree with you. I think that some of our money is being thrown away, and I believe that a halt should be called. Many others have expressed the same opinion. I am frank to say that I do not believe the people of Washington township are getting value received for the money that is being spent. If we fail to do this, it can mean only one thing, and that is the death knell to all further road building in Beaufort county for many years to come.

Very truly yours,
A CITIZEN.

SEARCH FOR WIFE SLAYER PROCEEDING

Rewards Totalling \$1800 Offered for the Apprehension of Leroy T. White.

(By United Press)
Windsor, N. C., Sept. 13.—Fearing his return to attack two of his wife's brothers, guards are watching for Leroy T. White, who last Friday bent out his wife's brains with the butt of a revolver in the presence of his three-year-old son.

Rewards aggregating \$1,800 have been offered for White's apprehension. Feeling is high in this section and it is expected that an attempt will be made to lynch White if he is found. The murder is one of the most brutal that has been committed in the South for years.

WILL VOTE FOR \$60,000 BONDS IN BELHAVEN

City Takes Progressive Step, Wants to Own its Light, Water and Sewer System.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of Belhaven this week, a bond issue election for \$60,000 was voted for a municipal electric light plant, water works and sewerage. A mass meeting was called by the electric light committee last week in order to get the sentiment of the people in reference to municipal ownership of these public utilities. Only one vote was cast against the project.

CONSTANTINE ACCEPTS ZAIMIS' RESIGNATION

(By United Press)
London, Sept. 13.—King Constantine has accepted the resignation of Premier Zaimis, according to dispatches received today from Athens. The formation of a pro-ally cabinet has begun. Correspondents are confident that Greece will join the allies soon. A lengthy political conference is being held today.

Pope Gives up Hope of Peace For Present

Rome, Sept. 13.—Pope Benedict will make no more effort to end the war until he is convinced that one side or the other is near exhaustion. His Holiness is convinced that it will be useless to renew peace overtures.

EARNINGS OF RAILROADS INCREASED \$30,000,000

(By United Press)
Washington, Sept. 13.—The net earnings of the large railroads for the last fiscal year, increased \$20,000,000 over the preceding year, was the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission today. This is an increase of 26 per cent. The figures apply only to roads with operating incomes of a million dollars or more.

PRESIDENT LEAVES FOR SUMMER WHITE HOUSE

(By United Press)
New London, Sept. 13.—President Wilson today left for the summer White House at Long Branch on the yacht, Mayflower. His sister, Mrs. Howe, is still unconscious. Physicians say that she cannot recover. The President will be kept informed as to her condition by wireless.

REPUBLICANS HAD GOOD ATTENDANCE

Both Republicans and Democrats turned out Saturday night at the Park school house and listened with great interest to J. C. Meekins, Jr., candidate for elector, Hugh Paul, candidate for representative, H. A. Cutler, for sheriff, and O. B. Rawles, for county commissioner.

The house was comfortably filled and the speaking was exceptionally good.

LOCAL MEN GIVE PRIZES FOR THE BELHAVEN FAIR

Number of Washington Merchants Are Helping to Make the Belhaven Fair a Success.

Local business concerns, interested in the development of the community fair at Belhaven, have liberally donated a number of prizes for the winners of various exhibits. Among them are the following:

- E. R. Mixon, one barrel of flour.
- Phillips Fertilizer Co., 5 bags of fertilizer.
- Harris Hardware Co., one set of silver knives and forks.
- McKeel Richardson Hardware Co., cultivator.
- Pamlico Chemical Co., one-half ton of fertilizer.

A number of other firms and corporations, in Belhaven and other cities, have offered prizes, and the complete list is a most imposing one.

TODAYS PROGRAM AT New Theatre

17th episode of "THE IRON CLAW"
"THE LOVE MASK" by Cecil B. DeMille in five acts.
A great opportunity
ADMISSION 5c and 10c