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## COMMITTEE NAMES MEN FOR OFFICE

### Only Contest Was That Over Newport Postoffice Several Were Endorsed

A very well attended meeting of the county Republican executive committee took place here last Saturday. The meeting was called to order at 12:30 by chairman Clem Wade and upon the roll call by the secretary A. L. Wilson, the following members were found to be present: J. F. Duncan, C. R. Wheatly, T. L. Piver, G. G. Taylor and Jos. W. Piggott. E. H. Davis was the only absentee.

The principal business before the committee was that of endorsing candidates for the postoffices at Newport, Morehead City and Beaufort. Besides the postmasterships a few other recommendations for Federal appointments were made. The first matter considered was that of the Newport postoffice. Messrs. W. Haskins, D. N. McCain and Claude Oglesby came before the committee in person and stated their cases. Messrs. Haskins and Oglesby presented petitions signed by a considerable number of citizens who had endorsed them. McCain said he did not understand that it was necessary to file petitions but that he had the endorsement of his precinct committee for the place.

After the other Newport applicants had been heard Mr. Troy Morris offered the name of A. L. Wilson as the most suitable man for the position of postmaster.

The committee decided to hear applications as to the Morehead City and Beaufort offices and then go into executive session to consider them. The only name offered for the Morehead City office was that of Cleveland Willis and the only one suggested for the Beaufort office was that of Raymond L. Wheatly. Both of these were endorsed.

A resolution was offered and passed endorsing J. L. Edwards for deputy collector of internal revenue, Samuel Lilly for deputy marshal, and W. D. Allen for prohibition officer. A resolution was also passed endorsing Irvin B. Tucker, of Whiteville, for U. S. district attorney and also a resolution endorsing C. R. Wheatly for first assistant district attorney.

After passing the resolutions referred to the committee went into executive session to consider the Newport postoffice matter. A short time was spent in deliberation after which the committee announced that A. L. Wilson was the successful candidate for the Newport office.

## RITE OF BAPTISM ADMINISTERED SUNDAY

A large crowd was present Sunday evening at six o'clock to witness the baptismal services which took place at that hour at the foot of Orange street. The rite of baptism was administered to ten persons by the pastor of the Baptist church Reverend H. A. Day. The choir of the church sang the familiar old hymns "Shall We Gather At The River" and "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand" in a very impressive manner after which the baptism took place. The still waters of the little bay dotted with white boats and fishing nets, the white robed converts and the silent spectators on the shore made a picturesque and solemn scene that carried one's imagination back through the centuries to the ancient sea of Galilee and its historic memories.

## MOREHEAD CITY ELECTION

The election in Morehead City last week was a very quiet affair as there was only one ticket in the field.

According to those who are informed about the matter a very good selection of officials was made through and it is thought that they will give the town a good administration.

The election resulted as follows: Mayor T. C. Wade, commissioners R. B. Dowdy, D. B. Willis, Ashton Willis, C. L. Willis, S. A. Chalk.

## COMMENCEMENT AT OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE

The News has received an invitation to the sixty-ninth Commencement exercises of Oak Ridge Institute. L. L. Garner, of Newport, a member of the senior class is one of the managers of the Commencement.

## SCHOOL ELECTION WILL BE HELD

### Question Consolidating Smyrna and Straits Townships Schools to Be Voted On

The proposed consolidation of schools in Straits and Smyrna townships brought a large crowd of citizens from that section yesterday to attend a meeting of the Board of Education here. The full board composed of R. T. Wade, W. Irvin Willis and Wiley H. Taylor was present and in addition thereto County Superintendent M. L. Wright and Mr. L. C. Brogden of the State Board of Education.

The meeting was held in the county court room and began business at about noon. Chairman Wade stated that the board desired to hear opinions from representatives of the different districts affected and many availed themselves of this privilege. Those from Bettie and Otway opposed any consolidation with the other districts and wanted to keep their schools as they are and have a high school of their own. The other districts seemed to desire to keep their present schools and have a high school somewhere that all would be able to use. There was a difference of opinion as to where the high school should be located. After hearing the various speakers the board took a recess and later went into executive session to consider the matter. At this meeting a representative from each district was allowed to be present and have a hand in the proceedings.

After several hours of discussion the board finally concluded to leave the matter to a vote of the people in the territory affected and selected July 6th as the date for an election upon the question of consolidating all the schools into one and locating it either near Straits or Marshallburg. The people will also vote on the question of a tax of 30 cents on the hundred to maintain the school. There is considerable difference of opinion about the proposed consolidation and it is expected that the campaign will be one of the liveliest that the county has ever had.

## CORRECT CENSUS FIGURES POPULATION HAS INCREASED

According to figures given out some months ago the population of Carteret county in 1920 was only a little over 13,000 but at that time a complete census of the rural districts had not been made and therefore the figures published were not correct. County Auditor Stancil received a few days ago from the United States Census Department the information that 15,384 persons constitute the county's population at the present time. This is an increase of 11 and 7-10 per cent over the population of 1910. The white population now is 12,998 and the colored population is 2,386. Beaufort's population is put at 2,968 and Morehead City's at 2,958. Both of the two principal towns of the county show a good increase over the 1910 figures.

## SEALEVEL AGAIN DEFEATS HARKER'S ISLAND TEAM

In a beautiful game of ball last Saturday Sealevel Bulldogs won over Harker's Island on the former diamond in a score of 14 to 10. Despite a few errors on both sides the game was very interesting from beginning to end.

This is the second game of the season with the Bulldogs and each time they took the game.

Quite a large gathering of people witnessed the game including those from nearby towns and all reported as having a good time.

## MAIL AND RAIN YESTERDAY

A squall that came up yesterday afternoon at about two o'clock accompanied by lightning, rain and hail threatened to do considerable damage but so far as the News learns did not hurt things much. Several window lights at the Graded School were broken out and possibly some others in town may have been broken. As to what effect the squall had on the growing crops has not yet been ascertained but as the storm lasted only a few minutes probably not much harm was done.

## SCHOOL CLOSING EXERCISES NOW ON

### Commencement Program Is Being Rendered...Large Crowds Attend.

The commencement exercises of Beaufort Graded School are in progress this week. Tuesday evening at eight o'clock the first of the series of entertainments took place and last night the second which was the recitation contest occurred. The Tuesday evening performance began with three musical numbers played on the piano as follows: "The Contented Fairy", by Ethel Blake, Hazel Noe, Evelyn Chadwick; "Marching Children" by Hattie Fulcher, Swane Wade, Ruth Morrison and the "Trumpet Call" by Martha Longest and Sarah Willis. Then followed a cantata "Midsummer Eve", played by the children of the first second and third grades with one or two from the fourth grade. As they always are the little folks were very winsome and their efforts were loudly applauded. The cast of characters follows:

Dorothy ..... Lillian Springle  
Queen Mab ..... Pricilla Doane  
Herald ..... James H. Potter  
Spirit of the Dawn ..... Mattie Weeks  
Pages ..... Nat White, Charles W. Norcom, Jr.

Arbutus ..... Annette Yonke  
Innocence ..... Peggy Parrott  
Flowers: -Alveta Skarren, Nellie Gray Conleton, Mildred Willis, Mildred Brooks, Mary Lang Ewell, Susan Rumley, Evelyn Chadwick, Aleise Killingsworth.

Green Elves: -Virginia Brickhouse, Lance Smith, Laura Eure, Troy Johnson, Elizabeth Greenleaf, Raymond Paul, Eleanor Jones, Charles Hudgins.

Will-o'-the-wisps: - Laura Mason, Susie Morris, Lela Guthrie, Elizabeth Newsome, Clyde Mades, Annie B. Rich, Janice Earl Peterson, Beatrice Mason.

Last night a large crowd that packed the auditorium was out to hear the recitations and musical numbers which they highly enjoyed. The program was as follows:

Chorus: -"The Call of Summer"  
Sixth and Seventh Grades

"The Soul of a Violin" Margaret Gibbs.

Chorus: -"The Champion Baseball 9"  
4th and 5th Grades (boys)

"A Brave Boy" - Florence Perkins  
"Mince Pies" - Estelle Caffery  
Selection from "Mary Cary", Blanche Barbour.

Chorus: -"Voice of the South Wind"  
4th and 5th Grades

Chorus: -"Blossom Time"  
6th and 7th Grades

"Sellin' a Feller" - Mary Elizabeth Norcom.

Chorus: -"Spreading the News" - Annie Doane.

Chorus: -"Boat Song"  
High School Choral Class

Chorus: -"Good Night"  
High School Choral Class

Tonight the Graduating class will hold the stage and an interesting program has been prepared. Friday evening the commencement closes with a musical recital and the presentation of an operetta "The Pink Parasol".

## BAPTIST MINISTER DECLINES CALL FROM CHARLESTON

It looks as if Beaufort preachers are somewhat in demand in Charleston, S. C. Some months ago Dr. G. W. Lay of St. Paul's church, received a call from Charleston and a few weeks ago Rev. H. A. Day of the Baptist church also was invited to come to that city. Mr. Day was offered the pastorate of the First Baptist church there. The church is 230 years old and the oldest Baptist church in the South. After considering the matter carefully Mr. Day decided to decline the call. He has gotten interested in his work here and likes it and feels that his opportunity for service here is so great as it would be any where else if not greater. Since Mr. Day assumed the pastorate here the Baptist church has had considerable growth and he feels that the future has still better things in store for it.

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## SHORT MEETING COUNTY BOARD

### Proposition As to Short Time Notes Heard and Accepted

A short meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held here last Monday. The principal business considered by the board was that of making arrangements to negotiate some short time notes. The bond market has been in such condition for some time that it has been impossible to sell bonds on favorable terms.

The official minutes read as follows:

Beaufort, N. C., May 9, 1921

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners reconvened in regular session at its usual place of meeting in the Court House in Beaufort, North Carolina on Monday, May 9th, with the following members present, to-wit: C. R. Wheatly, Chairman; J. L. Edwards and George G. Taylor.

The matter of securing funds to meet the present indebtedness of the county and to pay for the bridge and other contracts of the county which have already been let was taken under consideration. Mr. W. H. Banck, of Wilmington, N. C., appeared before the board and offered the following contracts and resolutions, which were adopted, all members present voting in favor of adoption.

On motion duly made and passed, the Board ordered the Hyman Supply Company, of New Bern, N. C., to order a new motor for the Holt tractor and to have the same delivered and installed as promptly as possible.

On motion duly made and passed, the Board agreed to accept the two roads adopted by the State Highway Commission as the State Highways through Carteret County and ordered that the proper resolutions be drawn and mailed to the State Highway Commission.

There being no further business, the Board recessed subject to a call of the Chairman.

## CONFEDERATE DEAD HONORED IN APPROPRIATE EXERCISES

The memorial day exercises here in honor of the Confederate dead were held in the Methodist church Tuesday morning from nine thirty to ten thirty o'clock. Rev. H. A. Day presided over the meeting which was held under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy. A choir rendered appropriate music and Mr. M. Leslie Davis delivered the address of the day which was an interesting and instructive account of the part North Carolina and Carteret county played in the great struggle between the States. Lieutenant E. Walter Hill who was present with a number of ex-service men was called on to make a few remarks about the American Legion which he did setting forth the purposes and ideals of that organization. After leaving the church the procession wended its way to the cemetery and there after several selections by St. Paul's school band the graves were decorated by the members of the U. D. C. Upon the completion of exercises here the Daughters of the Confederacy and the American Legion headed by the band marched to the water front where they took a boat for Morehead City for the purpose of attending the exercises there.

## SKARREN-OBRIEN.

Mr. Bert Skarren, formerly of this city, but now of New York since his return from France where he served two years in that World's War, was married recently to Miss Margaret O'Brien, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The wedding took place in St. John's Catholic church, 21st street and 4th Ave., Brooklyn N. Y., on April 21st, inst.

After spending some time at Atlantic City, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Skarren returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will make their future home.

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## MEMORIAL DAY IN MOREHEAD CITY

### Large Crowd Present To Take Part In Exercises Honoring Soldier Dead.

Tuesday was a big day in Morehead City. It will long be remembered in the annals of the town as one of its red letter days. The occasion was the unveiling of a monument to two heroes of the recent war and also in memory of the Confederate dead. Thus the day had a dual significance. The weather was ideal and nothing happened to prevent a large crowd estimated at several thousand, from being present an enjoying the exercises after they got there. People from all parts of the county by boat, auto and train came and enjoyed the day.

The monument which is handsome marble on, with a drinking fountain on either side of it, stands in the middle of the town's principal street and will be seen and used by thousands in the years to come. It bears on it the names of Irvin Fulford and Leonard Day. Fulford who belonged to the 30th division was killed with many other Carolina lads on the 29th day of September 1918 when the far famed Hindenburg line was broken. Day was a sailor and was one of the crew of the ill fated Cyclops which disappeared beneath the waves of the Atlantic and left no trace behind.

The memorial exercises were given under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy. Mr. Chas. S. Wallace acted as master of ceremonies. The program opened with a concert at 1:45 by the Morehead City band after which America was sung by the audience accompanied by the band. Chairman Wallace then introduced Mr. Jas. Bell a Confederate veteran who spoke briefly but interestingly and presented an old Confederate cap to the local chapter of the U. D. C. Hon. S. M. Brinson was then presented to the audience and for half an hour he held the attention of his audience with an eloquent tribute to the leaders and soldiers of the Confederacy and also set forth the contentions of the South as to the issues which brought on the war between the States. He also paid high tribute to those who took part in the great World War. Following Mr. Brinson Captain Edgar Bain, of Goldsboro was introduced and the audience greatly enjoyed his account of the war and the part played by his company and private Fulford in particular. Lieutenant Luther Hamilton of Morehead City, also a veteran of the great war was next on the program and he spoke in his usual eloquent vein paying tribute to the women and men of the Confederacy and also to those who participated in the later conflict.

A sextet of sailors and soldiers sang "Tenting Tonight" at the conclusion of the addresses and then the monument was unveiled by members of the American Legion. Rev. J. B. Willis presented the memorial to the town of Morehead City and the speech of acceptance was made by Myr T. C. Wade after which Rev. O. W. Dowd pronounced the benediction. When the exercises concluded the Daughters of the Confederacy and others went to the cemetery and decorated the graves of the Confederate dead, which brought to an end the exercises of the day.

## OXFORD SINGING CLASS

The singing class of the Oxford Orphanage will pay its annual visit to Beaufort next Monday. Cards are out announcing that the class will give a concert that night at the Graded School auditorium.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Only one permit to enter the matrimonial state has been granted this week by Register of Deeds Troy Morris. The lucky couple was Andrew English of Beaufort and Dorothy T. Willis of Sealevel.

## BIRTH OF INFANT.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Bowen, of Gallant's Point, a son Saturday morning. The little one only lived a couple of hours.

## CHAUTAQUA WILL BE A BIG SUCCESS

### Tickets Going Fast And It Looks Like Large Attendance Is Assured

The indications all point to the fact that the Chautauqua which begins here Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock will be a big success. At this writing the full amount guaranteed which was \$1,025 is practically in sight and it is now thought that the receipts will be several hundred dollars over the guarantee. Many tickets will yet be sold in Beaufort and besides this there will be some sold in Morehead City and the outlying districts. Miss Frances Maxwell representing the Chautauqua company arrived Tuesday and is putting the finishing touches on the final arrangements. A statement by Miss Maxwell and one by Chairman Day of the ticket committee are given herewith.

## Big Chautauqua Parade

(By Miss Maxwell)  
On Friday afternoon every boy and girl in Beaufort is going to have an opportunity to boost Chautauqua and perhaps win a free season ticket for the entire week of programs. All children will meet at their own school house at 3:30, and when the lines have been joined will march thru the main streets of the city. Everyone is asked to appear in costume of some kind, although absence of costume will not bar anyone from marching. At the close of the parade, each child will be given a slip of paper with a number and a duplicate slip will be placed in a hat. Then the excitement begins! Four numbers will be drawn from the hat and whoever has that lucky number in his hand will win a ticket which will admit him to every morning, afternoon and evening session under the Big Brown Tent. A prize will also be given for the best costume in line. Those of you who do not hold a lucky number will then have to hurry off as fast as you can to get a dollar, and buy your season ticket, for the tickets are going quickly and none will be sold after Chautauqua begins on Saturday. And you don't want to get left!

Please notice this change: The program will begin at 3:30 and 8 P. M.

## Chautauqua Committee Report

(By H. A. Day.)  
Tickets are going fast and now is your time to buy a season ticket for \$2.50. After the doors open season tickets will not be sold. You save \$4.00 by buying a season ticket.

As chairman of the Ticket Committee I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the various teams for their untiring efforts. The success already attained has been due to the faithful co-operation of every member of the ticket committee. While some have been enabled to sell more tickets than others, it must not be overlooked that the territory assigned has had much to do with this result. It is a pleasure to work with our Community Club where all have the interest of our community at heart.

## FORMER BEAUFORT CITIZEN HAS DEVELOPED BIG MINE

"Harnett county is one of the richest counties in North Carolina in sand and gravel for road building. It has the greatest wealth of natural road material of any eastern county in North Carolina. Lillington has the promise of soon becoming the most important sand and gravel market in North Carolina if not in the South."

This information is given in a preliminary report of the North Carolina Economic and Geological Survey. A company known as the Standard Sand and Gravel Company has been organized to mine and sell gravel and is now in operation in the town of Lillington. The president of the company is Mr. Jno. A. Regall who lived in Beaufort for some time and who is a large land owner in Carteret county. A great deal of road construction is now going on in all parts of the State and it is understood here that the company referred to above is running at full capacity.