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BOARD PLANS TO ADVERTISE TOWN

Chamber of Commerce Directors Discuss Publicity Plans for Beaufort—County Agent Harris Present

The regular monthly meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce was held Monday night with a very good attendance. Those present were President Seely, Secretary Stancil and J. A. Hornaday, Jr., G. W. Huntley, S. D. Ford, D. M. Jones, W. A. Mace, W. H. Taylor, W. P. Smith, W. G. Mebane.

Reports were heard from the chairman of various committees and discussions took place on the subjects of roads, waterways, hotels, health and publicity. The matter of electing a director to succeed the late M. C. Holland was deferred to the next meeting.

There was considerable discussion of the matter of marking the Inland waterway with signs directing traffic to Beaufort. The final outcome was the appointment of a committee composed of R. P. Wheatly, G. W. Huntley and D. M. Jones to investigate the matter and report as to the best plan to follow. A committee composed of W. G. Mebane, W. H. Taylor and W. A. Mace was appointed to see about getting up some printed matter to be used in advertising Beaufort.

County Farm Agent A. H. Harris was present at the meeting and was called upon for a talk by President Seely who assured him of the pleasure of the organization in having him in the county and of its cooperation with him in his work. Mr. Harris stated that he realized that in order to accomplish much he would have to receive the support of the business men of the community and that he hoped to get it.

Mr. Harris stated that it was his intention to center his efforts for the next twelve months mainly upon three things; the development of the live stock industry, sweet potato and watermelons. He said that Carteret county is the leading sweet potato county and that it raises the best water melons in the State. He plans to organize pig and poultry clubs, to provide better marketing facilities for the melon crop and to improve the culture, curing and marketing of sweet potatoes. At present he is vaccinating hogs and promoting a Community Fair for Newport. He desires to see a county fair held in Beaufort next year. As to sweet potatoes which are a very important crop in this section, the County Agent hopes to see disease free seed used and cooperative storage houses built. At the conclusion of Mr. Harris remarks the board adjourned.

BOY SCOUTS TAKE A HIKE.

A detail of boy scouts under the leadership of Scout Master H. A. Day took a walk to Gallants Point and return Monday. They spent a good part of the day there, cooked dinner and rested. They followed a trail through the woods coming back and had considerable adventures. Among other incidents they ran upon a small rattlesnake. The boys go on these hiking trips right frequently and get a good deal of pleasure from them.

BIG SEA PLANE SIGHTED.

The giant sea plane Sampa Carreira bound from New York to Rio Janeiro, Brazil passed over Beaufort at a quarter to twelve Friday. She was flying high and travelling very rapidly. The plane carries five passengers. Owing to squalls over Pamlico Sound a stop was made at Manteo Thursday night and the flight resumed the next morning. The voyage from New York to the South American city is 8,500 miles in length. After arriving there Lieutenant Walter Hinton who is in charge expects to make the trip of 7000 miles up the Amazon river.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Only one marriage license had been issued by Register of Deeds Troy Morris so far this week. The permit was granted to Lawrence A. Gasser and Ruth G. Simmons of Newport.

NORTH CAROLINA IS SIXTH IN LONGEVITY

Every North Carolina baby at birth may expect to live to be about 58 years of age. The expectation of life at birth in this state is given at 57.87 for white females.

The span of life, which may be expected in North Carolina is exceeded by only five other states, according to an announcement authorized by the department of commerce.

The longest lived people in the United States are the Kansans, according to the chart, seven southern states are including in the 24 states listed in the chart.

The expectation of life in years for white residents of various states is shown by the following table according to the 1920 census:

Rank	State	Male	Female
1	Kansas	59.73	60.80
2	Wisconsin	58.77	60.70
3	Minnesota	58.54	60.58
4	Tennessee	58.49	58.42
5	Oregon	60.31	60.31
6	Washington	57.82	60.44
7	Kentucky	57.61	60.53
8	North Carolina	57.55	57.87
9	Indiana	56.84	57.45
10	Virginia	56.75	58.35
11	Missouri	56.74	58.95
12	Ohio	56.18	58.27
13	South Carolina	55.76	57.51
14	Utah	56.31	58.41
15	Michigan	55.09	55.94
16	Illinois	55.01	57.57
17	California	54.36	58.32
18	Massachusetts	54.00	56.50
19	Connecticut	53.84	56.76
20	New Jersey	53.77	56.47
21	Maryland	53.57	55.88
22	Pennsylvania	53.16	55.85
23	New York	52.74	55.56

Census experts say that if a record as a standard of comparison be desired, it may be found in the figures for females in the county of West Sussex, England, whose expectation of life, the highest ever published officially by any country, was 63.05 years in 1911-12.

For negro males in the large cities the expectation of life is 37.92 years, as compared with 51.55 for white males, a difference of 13.63 years.

FORMER BEAUFORT CITIZEN VISITS FOREIGN LANDS

After having travelled many thousands of miles as a member of Uncle Sam's navy George B. Monroe a colored native of Beaufort is here on a visit to his relatives. Monroe was here while on his way home by falling through a hatchway and being given a thirty day furlough came from New York to Beaufort to rest up and see his friends.

The sailor man has been in the service fifteen years and eight months and can spin some entertaining yarns about his many experiences in foreign lands. He is a member of the crew of the destroyer Overton which since October 1920 has been cruising mostly in the waters of the Black Sea where with seven other destroyers she has helped to protect American lives and property. In that region there has been much disorder owing to the war between the Greeks and Turks and the activities of the Russian bolsheviks.

Monroe says that while in Odessa, a Russian seaport, he became a millionaire. A dollar of American money is equivalent in that country to four million roubles. So by investing a ten dollar gold piece he became the possessor of forty million roubles, which sounds like a whole lot. It is not so much as it sounds though, as Monroe found upon going in a restaurant that a bottle of wine alone cost a half million roubles and a dinner several million more. The Russians do not fool with small money any more; the lowest denomination of paper money now issued is for one hundred thousand roubles.

While money such as it is, is quite plentiful in Russia, food is very scarce. Monroe says starving wretches would hang around the wharves and pick up any scraps they could find, often using a sort of crab net to get the fragments of food thrown overboard. Sometimes they would just lie down on the wharves and die. Most of the once well to do people have run away from Russia or been murdered. The poor folks are now having an awful time. Only the soldiers and the bolshevik houses are faring at all decently. They eat up most of the food that the farmers raise.

Besides Odessa and Constantinople the Overton called at a good many other ports. The Isle of Rhodes, Messina, Beirut, Joffe, Haifa, Alexandria and other places were visited. At all of these places many interesting sights were seen.

HOUNDS BAY ON FUGITIVE'S TRAIL

Bloodhounds Used in Effort to Capture Escaped Prisoner

Craven County corn which is said on more than one occasion to have gotten people into trouble, emmeshed three young white men in the toils of the law last Saturday evening. The latest instance referred to was that when C. W. Davis, others known as 'Dutch', Lester Newkirk and Robert Hudgins were arrested by Sheriff T. M. Thomas Jr and other officers Saturday night at about eight o'clock on the New Bern road in a car with four gallons of whiskey and three pints of wine in their possession.

During the afternoon Sheriff Thomas had gotten the information that the men were going after liquor and so about dark he went out on the New Bern road accompanied by Sheriff White, Chief of Police Longest and Douglas Whitehurst. Pretty soon they saw the car coming and stopping partly across the road ordered the men to halt. When the liquor stopped the three men mentioned above were put under arrest and all started for town. 'Dutch' Davis and Whitehurst were in one car and the others in the other one. Just before arriving in town the engine of the car Whitehurst was driving went dead and he got out to start it. Davis took advantage of this opportunity and gave leg bail.

Upon arriving in town Sheriff Thomas and the other officers immediately began search for the missing prisoner. A telephone message was sent to Morehead City for bloodhounds and as soon as they could be gotten here they were taken to Davis' room and after getting the scent from some clothing were put on the trail. The baying of the hounds aroused sleeping dogs and they joined in the chorus of sounds that brought many sleepers to their doors to see what all the fuss was about. The dogs followed the trail around town considerably but finally gave it up at the water's edge. From this the deduction was made that the prey had escaped by water which afterwards proved to be true.

Davis it seems had considerable help in making his getaway. Someone took him in a boat, a skiff it is thought over to Fort Macon and from there he made his way to the hotel on the beach. Sunday morning Sheriff Thomas at about six o'clock accompanied by Chas. Manson, Jas. Caffrey and Claude Felton went over to the beach and made a search for the fugitive. At about eight o'clock Messrs Manson and Caffrey discovered that with a female companion Davis had registered at the Beach Hotel under an assumed name. He was arrested and brought back to Beaufort and lodged in the County jail.

Tuesday morning at eleven thirty o'clock Justice of the Peace H. D. Norcum held a preliminary trial of the three men on the charge of transporting and having liquor for sale. Davis entered a plea of guilty, saying that one gallon of the whiskey belonged to him. Hudgins and Newkirk plead not guilty. The trial was short. The evidence of the officers was to the effect that the men were captured in the car with the whiskey and wine as stated above. Hudgins stated that he did not buy any of the liquor, Newkirk made no statement at all. Attorneys Hill and Wheatly who defended Hudgins made an earnest plea to the justice to release him on the grounds that he was not guilty according to the evidence shown. Attorney J. E. Duncan appeared for the State and argued that all the men were guilty and should be held for Superior Court. Magistrate Norcum decided that there was probable cause as to all of them and required bonds as follows: Hudgins \$150, Newkirk \$250, Davis \$500. At this writing Davis and Newkirk have not given bonds and are confined to the county jail.

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HEALTH OFFICER FOR THIS COUNTY

Carteret Will Probably Soon Have Physician to Look After Public Health Matters

A whole time health officer for Carteret county will soon be a reality so it appears from present indications. Except for a few months when the late Dr. P. B. Loftin filled that position the county has not had such an official, although it has had a quarantine officer for some years. The amount included in the budget of the county health department for a doctor, clerical assistant, office, office expenses, travelling expenses and incidentals is five thousand dollars a year. Of this amount the State is to pay half and the county half. The county's part is divided between the general fund and the Board of Education. The board of education has agreed to take one cent of the hundred of its tax revenues and use this for the health department.

The matter was brought before the Board of County Commissioners at its regular meeting on the first Monday of this month and it passed a resolution to pay half the amount if the Board of Education would pay the other. For a time there was some hitch about the educational board's complying with these terms. An effort was made to get the towns of Morehead City and Beaufort to pay a part of the expense and they agreed to do so but it was seen that this would bring on a legal fight in so far as Beaufort was concerned so this plan was dropped.

On Monday Dr. J. B. Long of the State Board of Health came to Beaufort accompanied by R. T. Wade of the Board of Education and the agreements as stated above was reached. Dr. Long stated that the State board of Health would find a suitable man for the place and in fact already had one in view who was thoroughly competent. It remains now for the county Board of Health to meet and elect some one to fill the office. The board of health is composed of Chairman of County Commissioners C. R. Wheatly, Mayor C. H. Bushall, Superintendent M. L. Wright, Dr. C. S. Maxwell, and Dr. B. F. Royall.

A county health officer has considerable work to do and can keep busy if he attends to his duties. He is supposed to examine the children of the public schools, looking out for defects such as adenoids, diseased tonsils, weak eyes and bad teeth. He also keeps on the watch for outbreaks of contagious diseases and administers free small pox vaccination, anti-typhoid serum and diphtheria anti-toxin. He also attends patients in jail and county home. The county health officer takes the place of County Quarantine Officer and County Physician, these two offices being abolished.

NEW STORE TO OPEN.

Beaufort will soon have a new dry goods Store. The new firm will be known as Davis Brothers and will be composed of Messrs Roland Davis and Elmore Davis. Mr. Roland Davis has been for many years a salesman here in the employ of Mr. W. P. Smith and is well and favorably known to many people in the county. The other member of the firm is also well known and particularly in the eastern part of the county. The new firm has rented the store formerly occupied by Guthrie & Company and has bought what was left of the Guthrie stock. These goods will be closed out and a new stock of dry goods, shoes and furnishings put in. It will probably be about October the first before the store will open with its new stock.

DEATH OF MR. PITTMAN.

News was received here last week of the death of Mr. J. J. Pittman father of Graded School Superintendent C. W. E. Pittman. Mr. Pittman's death occurred at his home in Edgecombe just after a visit to his son a few days previous. He had an attack of acute indigestion while here and was very sick but it was thought that he had recovered. His death was from the same cause. Mr. Pittman was 70 years of age and was married to Mrs. C. W. E. Pittman and children were with Mr. Pittman at the time of his death.

SCHOOL ELECTION CONTEST ON CEDAR ISLAND

The school election held on Cedar Island Saturday the 19th was a close one and it seems that a contest has developed from it. Two delegations of citizens from there were here Monday conferring with lawyers and matter is to be brought before the Board of County Commissioners at their next regular meeting.

The registration for the election was 93 voters and of this number 91 voted. There were 50 votes in favor of the special tax and 41 against it. The tax proposed amounted to 50 cents on the hundred and \$1.50 on the poll. Its purpose was to maintain a school on the island.

Those who oppose the tax claim that there were some irregularities in the election. They say the registrar left on the day of the election and turned the job over to his brother and claim it was illegal in some other respects. The contestants have employed attorney J. Wallace Mason to represent them and county attorney E. Walter Hill will appear for the other side.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Gape Lookout Development Co. to J. C. Helms, lot 1 in square 158, Harker's Island township, consideration \$100.

Orin and C. E. Weeks to Bogue Sound Lumber Co, 48 1-2 acres in White Oak township, consideration \$100.

Jas. E. Gaskill to D. W. Hanks 50 acres in White Oak township, consideration \$100.

Sarah Day to Richard Day 46 acres in Cedar Island township, consideration \$5.

Realty transactions recently recorded by Register of Deeds Troy Morris are as follows:

W. J. Fodrie to Lucy L. Fodrie 60 acres in Harlowe township, consideration \$10.

Wm. J. Parker to Jno. R. Ellison part lot no. 99 New town Beaufort, consideration \$10.

H. C. Fodrie to Susie M. Thomas lot 88 Beaufort Heights, consideration \$10.

J. D. Swain to S. A. Swain 15 acres in Newport township, consideration \$10.

Geo. E. Gillikin and wife to Jno. L. Franqui and Rhoda Glover, lot 3 in block 15 Morehead City, consideration \$300.

C. W. Willis and wife to Laurie Gibbs lot no. 9 in block 105, Morehead City, consideration \$600.

BOLL WEEVILS ARE BAD.

Mr. Alex Graham of R. F. D. 2 Newport was in Beaufort Tuesday and stated to the News man that boll weevils are doing much damage to cotton in his neighborhood. On account of the heavy rainfall this Summer cotton is poor any way and the weevils seem to be about ready to clean up with what is left of the crop. Tobacco in the Newport section has turned out better this year than cotton.

BUILDING AND LOAN HOLDS MEETING.

The annual stockholders meeting of the Beaufort Building and Loan Association was held in its offices last Friday evening. The report of the Secretary was heard which showed the association to be in very good shape notwithstanding the hard times of last year and this year. On account of being unable to keep up their dues a number of people have withdrawn from the association but a good many others have come into it. The association has built a number of houses in Beaufort and has about \$50,000 lent out on first mortgages.

The following named were elected directors of the association for the ensuing year: G. W. Duncan, J. A. Hornaday Jr, E. F. Barbour, F. E. Seely, W. P. Smith, W. A. Mace, W. H. Taylor, C. E. Wheatly, W. G. Mebane. A directors meeting was held Tuesday evening for the purpose of electing officers and at this time W. G. Mebane was elected President, W. P. Smith Vice-President. The position of Secretary-treasurer was tendered to G. W. Duncan who has filled that office for three years. Mr. Duncan declined to accept the place and the matter of electing his successor was deferred to another meeting. A finance committee composed of J. A. Hornaday Jr, W. P. Smith and C. E. Wheatly was appointed.

AMERICA LENDS EUROPE MILLIONS

United States is Doing More Than Her Share Toward Rebuilding Broken Nations

WASHINGTON—There is evidence of a renewal drive by European influence to persuade the United States to enter into so-called economic conferences with European nations. It is again asserted that the future of Europe depends upon receiving help from the United States. It is again being asserted that the United States in holding aloof is adopting a very selfish attitude. It is again being asked how can the United States expect to prosper unless she gives liberally of her means to revive business and industry in Europe and elsewhere in the world.

Without going into a discussion of the many efforts of Europe to invade the United States into political entanglements and have her become a partisan in all of the European political quarrels, it is instructive to set down in cold figures just what the United States has done and is doing to assist Europe.

Leaving out of the question the amount of money the United States government as a government, loaned to European governments during the war, it may interest the taxpayers of the country to know that after the armistice was signed when there was no longer any need for "war loans" being made to any European country, this nation advanced to the several nations of Europe the total sum of \$715,626,475. This includes no money advanced by this government to any nation to help prosecute the war. It was all loaned to other nations after the signature of the armistice, some of it being loaned as late as January, 1921. Of this sum, Belgium received in round numbers \$30,000,000; France \$407,000,000; Romania \$13,000,000; Czechoslovakia \$30,000,000; Poland \$136,000,000, and other smaller nations smaller amounts.

There is continual talk in some circles about the duty the United States owes to the new, small nations of Europe which were created at the Paris peace conference and started on their uncertain ways. The records show that the United States is probably the only nation in the world that is really helping any of these new nations.

It is therefore interesting to know that Estonia one of these new nations which we are accused of not helping, has been helped by this country in the sum of \$15,000,000; Finland in the sum of over \$9,000,000; Czechoslovakia in the sum of over \$102,000,000; Latvia in the sum of \$5,500,000; Lithuania in the sum of \$5,500,000; Poland in the sum of over \$148,000,000 and the Serbs Croats and Slovenes in the sum of \$57,000,000.

It should also be kept in mind that financial aid to European countries and to the rest of the world was not confined to what the United States government has advanced. Since the armistice, nations throughout the world, foreign municipalities and private corporations in many countries have been loaned money by financial institutions to the amount over \$2,000,000,000. In the year 1921 American financial institutions loaned to various foreign governments, cities and corporations approximately three quarters of a billion dollars.

Thus far during this calendar year there has been loaned in foreign countries over half billion dollars. Poland has been loaned \$10,000,000; Czechoslovakia has been loaned \$23,000,000; Jugoslavia has loaned a loan in this country of \$25,000,000. French cities, railroads and corporations.

BASEBALL SEASON ENDED.

The Beaufort baseball season came to an end here yesterday with a game between Morehead City and the locals. Morehead City won by the score of 6 to 2. Today the directors have been at work trying to raise money to pay off the club's debts the amount which is something over \$1000. Several of the important players left last week and the others are expecting to go soon. There may be some more games played here by local boys but the season is over.