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County Board Lets Contract For Roads

Road To The East And One To The West Are To Be Paved. About Ten Miles In All. Simmons Corporation Successful Bidder. \$300,000 Worth Of Bonds To Be Sold

As a result of action taken by the Board of County Commissioners at the regular monthly meeting on Monday two sections of paved roadway nearly ten miles in length will be constructed very shortly. One of the roads is from Newport to the forks of the Newport river, about four and three quarters miles and the other is from Beaufort to North River which is about five miles. The contract was let to the Sommons Construction Corporation of Charlotte. The work is to be done in 90 working days.

All of the members were present Monday at 11 o'clock when the board convened. Some other business was transacted and shortly after twelve o'clock the road bids were opened, read and tabulated. The board then went into executive session to consider the bids. The bid of W. P. Bennett of Whiteville was the lowest of the four but was not accepted because the board did not approve of the bond offered by him and because he did not file any statement as to his financial condition. The type of road to be constructed is sand asphalt, which is the same as the Morehead City-Newport road. The bids on this type of road were as follows:

Davis Construction Corporation bid on other types, but not sand asphalt.

F. J. McGuire sand asphalt (oil) \$216,125.00

Simmons Construction Corporation sand asphalt (oil) \$193,346.00; sand asphalt (lake) \$209,746.00

W. P. Bennett Sand asphalt (oil) \$180,403.00; sand asphalt (lake) \$197,623.00.

Commissioners Huntley, Taylor and Hall voted in favor of letting the contract to Simmons and Commissioner Whitehurst voted against it. A motion offered by Commissioner Huntley authorizing the clerk and the county attorney to arrange and advertise the sale of \$300,000 worth of road and bridge bonds was passed. Commissioner Whitehurst voted against the motion and the others voted for it. The bonds are to be sold July the 6th.

A motion was offered and passed instructing the clerk to notify the Board of Education that the Board of Commissioners assumes the \$20,000 in notes given by the Board of Education. The same is to be charged against the 1924-25 budget of the Board of Education.

County Engineer Brooks was instructed to survey and get an estimate of the cost of a new bridge over East Ward's Creek at a near location. Mr. G. L. Arthur of Morehead City was appointed Commissioner of Navigation for the next two years. Mr. D. W. Sabiston came before the board and put in a claim for damages to his land by the highway. He stated that he would start an action in 30 days if something was not done about the matter. Mrs. Melvina Gillikin and Mr. Bill John Gillikin were allowed \$5 each from the county poor fund. A motion was passed authorizing the chairman, the clerk and the county attorney to sell the T. M. Thomas Sr., farm to C. R. Wheatly for \$8,500.

CITY BUDGET ADOPTED.

The budget for the expenses of the town of Beaufort for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1926 has been adopted. This was done at a meeting held in the city hall Tuesday night. The budget is now on file at the city hall for public inspection and will remain there until the first Monday in July when a public hearing will take place. Any citizens who are interested in the matter are invited to attend the hearing on the first Monday in July and make any suggestions which they see fit.

W. L. STANCLIL, Treas.
Town of Beaufort.

CIVIL MATTERS OCCUPY COURT

Taylor Suit Results in \$1500 Verdict For The Plaintiff. Other Cases Tried

The big criminal docket got out of the way last week and Superior Court has been engaged in the trial of various civil cases this week. Although it has been rather warm in the court room at times, Judge Barnhill and the lawyers have kept steadily at work and considerable business has been dispatched. There was another round of the tick controversy Tuesday which grew out of the killing of cattle on Core Banks. A compromise was reached between attorneys Abernethy and Abernethy representing the cattle owners and attorney A. D. Ward for the State and an order made by Judge Barnhill in regard to the matter, which order is published on another page in the News.

The principal civil action of the week was the case of Gladys Taylor against George G. Taylor. This suit for \$5000 for personal injury grew out of an accident at a cotton gin in which the girl who was about eleven years old had her hair caught in machinery and was badly hurt. The defendant brought in a verdict of \$1500 for the plaintiff and the News was informed by defendant's attorneys that they would appeal. The plaintiff is represented by Attorneys Luther Hamilton, Alvah Hamilton and C. R. Wheatly. Attorneys J. F. Duncan and A. D. Ward are appearing for Mr. Taylor.

Other suits tried up to the time of this writing are Warrenton vs Hardisty suit to recover for mules sold. Plaintiff got a judgment for \$75 and interest.

An order was issued by the court allowing Wallace Guthrie and his wife to live separately. She is to have the custody of their five year old son Elmer Lee. The husband is not to contribute any thing to her support but is to help support the boy and see him occasionally.

Fannie B. Willis vs Thomas H. Willis divorce granted for five years separation.

Pepsin Gum Co., vs Ramsey Grocery Co. Plaintiff got judgment for \$170.20.

Pearl Moore vs Will Moore, divorce allowed for statutory offense.

Alice Hoffman vs Henry Willis, et al. so Alice Hoffman vs David John Willis, both actions dismissed.

D. W. Morton, admr. vs Hettie Ann Davis vs Willie Turner plaintiff got verdict \$336 and interest.

J. W. Warrington vs R. T. Hardisty, judgment that plaintiff recover \$175.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Reverend and Mrs. George William Lay announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Nancy Rogers to Mr. Charles Alexander Waite on Tuesday June 23rd twelve o'clock noon, at St. Paul's Church, Beaufort, N. C.

No invitations will be issued in Beaufort or Morehead City and all friends of the family are hereby cordially invited to be present at the church.

GUY HAMILTON AWARDED A COLLEGE DEGREE

Boston, June 15—Eleven hundred degrees were awarded today by Boston University at its fifty-second annual commencement. Among the recipients was Guy Hamilton of Atlantic, N. C., who was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology from the university School of Theology.

Today's exercises, at 10:30, filled Symphony hall to overflowing with relatives and friends, and the brightly colored hoods worn by candidates for the higher degrees, and by faculty members, made a colorful scene. An academic procession preceded the ceremonies. No honorary degrees were given.

President James Lukens McConaughy of Wesleyan university gave the commencement address. Bishop Noe opposed repealing the law. The William F. Anderson, acting president of the university, presented the diplomas.

GOOD ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN BY CHAUTAUQUA YESTERDAY

Rain, thunder and lightning somewhat marred the pleasure of the large crowd that attended the opening night performance at the Chautauqua tent last evening but still the audience got a great deal of pleasure out of it. The Borsheim Company opened with a concert that lasted for about forty five minutes. Song and recitals piano and violin solos with the performers in Russian costumes made up the entertainment which was very good. The main event of the evening was the lecture by Sam Grathwell "Pessimist" who lived up to his reputation as a speaker. Mr. Grathwell has nothing sensational to say but had a most attractive way of presenting old truths. His subject was "Getting By Your Hoodoo" and he showed how it is possible to overcome the obstacles that confront people. His address was filled with humor, good sense and some pathos. The audience by frequent applause showed that the address was highly appreciated.

Miss Lena I. Will of Sabina, Ohio is the Chautauqua Superintendent this year. She is a graduate of the Ohio State University and has been with Swarthmore Chautauqua for a number of years. Miss Will has a very pleasing personality and is a very capable Superintendent. The other members of the Chautauqua staff are the Junior Leader, Miss Minnie Exum Sugg of Greenville, N. C. who is a graduate of St. Mary's School in Raleigh. Mr. Edward Livesay of Lewisburg, W. Va. who is a student at the university of West Virginia. Mr. John Crothers of Roy, Pa. who is a student at Drexel University.

This evening the attraction will be the comedy drama "The Next Best Man" presented by a capable cast.

RUM CHASER MAKES QUICK TRIP TO CAPE

The Fort Macon Coast Guard Station's rum chaser has not captured any prizes of war yet but if a booze runner should come around this way he will stand a good chance of being overhauled. At any rate this is what a party of visitors who had the opportunity of taking a trip in the vessel Monday thinks about the matter.

At the request of Congressman Charles L. Abernethy the station's boat over Monday for a trip to Cape Lookout. At a quarter past five the chaser left the Inlet Inn dock and at a quarter past seven was back at the same wharf. The trip of about twenty eight miles was back at the same wharf. The vessel was of sixteen knots was attained which however is not full speed for the craft. Her 180 horse power engine can drive her along at 20 knots or better when desired. She carries a machine gun too and other weapons which make her a very dangerous antagonist for the rum runners. A similar vessel does duty at the Southport. Those in the party Monday were Congressman Abernethy, Judge M. V. Barnhill, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. L. Abernethy Jr., Messrs N. W. Taylor and W. G. Mebane. The boat's crew consisted of Messrs Allen Mason, Monroe Gillikin and Walter Willis. The chaser is what seamen call an "able" boat that is she is strong and seaworthy. She is also very comfortable to ride in. Nobody got seasick on the trip Monday.

BATH SUIT ORDINANCE HAS BEEN REPEALED

The bath suit ordinance which went into effect a few days ago has been repealed and bathers may wear as much or as little as their fancy permits. In the language of the motion adopted by the board of commissioners the matter is "left to their own consciences."

A special meeting of the board was held Tuesday night for the purpose mainly of adopting the town's budget for the coming fiscal year and a little other business was transacted. The change in the bath suit ordinance was favored by Commissioners Smith, Parkin and Wheatly. Commissioner Noe opposed repealing the law. The Mayor and Treasurer were authorized to renew some notes amounting to \$25000. The Mayor was instructed

WILL INSTALL I. O. O. F. OFFICIALS IN ATLANTIC

An installation of officers for the I. O. O. F. and Rebekah Lodges will take place in Atlantic Friday July 10th. The exercises will begin at 10 o'clock and will take place in the school auditorium. Congressman Charles L. Abernethy will make the address of the occasion.

At a recent meeting of Concordia Lodge I. O. O. F. Beaufort the following officers were elected:

Noble Grand W. O. Williams, Vice Noble Grand R. D. Whitehurst, Treasurer D. M. Jones, Secretary J. R. Jinnett. Officers for Miriam Rebekah Lodge were elected as follows: Noble Grand Mrs. H. H. Lewis, Vice Noble Grand Mrs. C. T. Chadwick, Treasurer Mrs. L. P. Hudgins, Secretary J. R. Jinnett.

RAISE SALARY FOR SECRETARY

Fees May Give Governor McLean's Secretary Two Thousand More A Year

(By M. L. Shipman)

Raleigh, June 16th—A ruling by the Attorney General's office "boosts" the salary of the Governor's private secretary a couple of thousand a year, it is said, or fifty cents on each commission issued. The Legislature of 1907 passed an act abolishing all fees and allowing the secretary a straight salary of \$2,500 a year. In 1921 the salary was increased to \$3,000 and "no more". But Assistant Attorney General Nash has discovered that the Code Commission failed to bring forward the statute relating to fees of the Governor's secretary in the recent revision of laws. The last Legislature increased the fee from \$4.50 to \$5.00 and the extra fifty cents goes to Secretary England. The automobile bureau under Commissioner of Revenue Doughton shows a saving of \$13,808.28 in operating expenses the past two months, according to a report made to the Governor by State Auditor Durham on Saturday.

The last contingent of the Baraca-Philathea convention bade the State capital adieu yesterday afternoon when President Penny and the Baraca quartette departed for Hendersonville. The convention came to a close with annual convention sermon preached by Dr. Kenneth J. Pfohl, dock and at a quarter past seven was back at the same wharf. The trip of about twenty eight miles was back at the same wharf. The vessel was of sixteen knots was attained which however is not full speed for the craft. Her 180 horse power engine can drive her along at 20 knots or better when desired. She carries a machine gun too and other weapons which make her a very dangerous antagonist for the rum runners. A similar vessel does duty at the Southport. Those in the party Monday were Congressman Abernethy, Judge M. V. Barnhill, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. L. Abernethy Jr., Messrs N. W. Taylor and W. G. Mebane. The boat's crew consisted of Messrs Allen Mason, Monroe Gillikin and Walter Willis. The chaser is what seamen call an "able" boat that is she is strong and seaworthy. She is also very comfortable to ride in. Nobody got seasick on the trip Monday.

New automobile licenses to motorists went on sale yesterday at the Department of Revenue and at its three score sub-stations in various cities and towns of the State. The license bureau has been working overtime to meet the usual rush for license plates and congratulates itself on being in a position to serve all comers in a position to meet State requirements. The Department expects the sale of licenses to bring to the State not less than \$5,000,000.

MR. WILLIS AND MISS MASON WED

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Davis on Front street Saturday evening at 9 o'clock Mr. Grady Willis of Marshallberg and Miss Prudence Mason of Atlantic were quietly united in marriage. Reverend W. W. Lewis performed the ceremony. A number of friends from Atlantic, Newport and elsewhere were present for the ceremony.

The State Highway Commission received 103 bids on twelve road projects during the week. Approximately \$2,000,000 is to be expended on something like 100 miles of roadway around fifty miles of which is to be hard-surfaced. This is only about one-tenth of the mileage the commission expects to complete this year. This is conditioned in the decision of the Supreme Court relative to the acceptance of loans from counties to the State to be refunded

TREASURER WILL NEGOTIATE LOAN FOR STATE DEBT

Total Of Nineteen Millions Needed For Deficit, Schools And Roads.

ISSUE SHORT TERM NOTES

(By M. L. Shipman)

Raleigh, N. C. June 15—The capital city of the State has the past week been the Mecca of the Baracas and Philathea bible classes of North Carolina, while in administration circles the debit balance in the State's general fund has advanced a step higher, and "ways and means" have been provided to handle the situation temporarily. The Attorney General rules on the question of flogging convicts, the State Highway Commission received bids for the construction of a number of road projects, the Governor rewards heroism of a colored prisoner and other events of little make up a weekly period with interest of outstanding significance to relate.

The annual convention of the Baraca-Philathea bible classes of the State was in session here from Thursday until Sunday night. It was the organization's Silver Jubilee and the delegates were pronounced in the conclusion that no previous convention afforded more interest or pleasure. The local committee under the direction of John D. Berry, had planned well and found no difficulty in providing for the comfort of all who came either as guests of the convention or representatives of the hundreds of bible classes throughout the State. The convention was honored by the presence of Marshall A. Hudson of Syracuse, New York, founder and teacher of the first Baraca Class in 1898. Other notable speakers were: Robert N. Sims, founder and teacher of the first Baraca Class in North Carolina twenty years ago; W. N. Everett, Secretary of State, who delivered an address of welcome; Evangelist M. F. Ham of Kentucky; Dr. T. A. Robertson, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. The visitors were given a sight-seeing trip over the city on Friday afternoon and banqueted the same evening. All business sessions of the convention were held in the auditorium of the Tabernacle Baptist Church.

The Council of State has authorized the State Treasurer to borrow around \$19,000,000 from the First National Bank of New York \$9,000,000 of which is to be borrowed against the general fund on long term notes bearing 4 per cent interest to take care of the deficit. Two short-term notes of \$5,000,000 bearing interest of 3 1/2 per cent are to pay notes previously issued in anticipation of school building bonds authorized by the General Assembly, and on account of Highway bonds to be issued as a part of the \$20,000,000 provided by act of the General Assembly. These notes mature in January 1926.

The Attorney General's office decides that county convict camps are not subject to the regulations of the State Prison Board, one of which forbids the flogging of prisoners. This opinion was prompted by a charge of Judge Sinclair in the Nash superior court to the effect that flogging in county convict camps is forbidden by an order of the State Prison Board. Two guards of the Rocky Mount convict camp were convicted of beating a prisoner to death and sentenced to twenty years each and "extenuating" circumstances brought out in the legal interpretation by the State Department of Justice.

Road Bids Received

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