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GOVERNOR TAKES HIS VACATION IN WISCONSIN WOODS

Tam Bowie's Railroad May Not Be Built After All It Seems

PRISONER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)
Raleigh, August 9.—With Governor McLean in the far off Wisconsin on his vacation, official circles in Raleigh sat back during the week and took things easy. In addition to the Governor, Secretary of State Everett, Director of Conservation and Development Phillips and a number of others throughout official circles were vacationing during the week.

The Capital City was grieved at the deaths of two of its most useful citizens during the past half century. Dr. Richard Henry Lewis and Col. Joseph E. Pogue. Dr. Lewis had served the public health service and the State Board of Health along with his medical practice and had done great things for the State along these lines. Col. Pogue was the guiding genius of the State Fair for more than a score of years and was largely responsible for bringing it from a small institution to one of State-wide scope and influence.

Before leaving the city Governor McLean started the wheels rolling for a number of matters on his mind and in his absence these are being handled by Secretary England and Pardon Commissioner Sink. An invitation to address Alabama Furniture Dealers on the good roads of this state was declined because of official duties. Just before leaving Solicitor Swain who resigned in the 20th. District was complimented on his excellent record and J. Lyle Jones was appointed to serve out the term. Plans went forward for the selection of a Transportation Commission to the next General Assembly on water rail and highway transportation problems and on rates. The Governor will face when he returns the duty of assembling budget data for presentation to the general assembly. While the Budget Commission will handle this duty, the Governor as its directing head is chargeable with seeing that it is completed by the first day of the session.

Pardon Commissioner Sink returned from a trip through the western section of the State where he visited several institutions for the Salary and Wage Commission and attended to several pardon matters. The final report of the Salary and Wage Commission on institutional salaries will be made this fall and before the summer is out Mr. Sink expects to visit practically every institution of the State assembling data.

Harry C. Evans of Des Moines, Iowa pulled a "boner" when he made a report on county homes of North Carolina for several fraternal orders. He took excerpts from reports which were years old and also apparently manufactured some of his facts out of thin air and painted the county homes of several counties as "atrocious" and gave pictures of conditions which do not exist, have not existed as he painted them for a number of years. The report was indignantly denied by the Department of Welfare, the State Board of Health and others interested in the work in the State.

W. L. Ross who got into death row by a double murder of two young relatives in Warren county several weeks ago, attempted this week to commit suicide by starving himself for six days. This evidently was not very pleasant for he then, in some way unknown, obtained some matches and prepared to burn himself to death by setting his mattress afire. This attempt also was foiled when another prisoner in the Row gave the alarm.

The famous Tam Bowie railroad through the Lost Provinces will not be built for the present. The Interstate Commerce Commission ruled against the road on the ground that \$10,000,000 would not build it and there was no assurance it would be able to finance itself after being constructed and it could not approve when no definite route had been chosen. Tam Bowie of Ashe county got the 1923 general assembly to pass one bond issue of \$10,000,000 after some master parliamentary moves which included it was believed at the time some tall swapping of votes. The attorney general has twice ruled the act unconstitutional and the State Treasurer was advised not to pay out funds for its construction until after the Supreme Court had passed on the matter. It has never been

N. C. FISH COMMISSION MEETS HERE MONDAY

A meeting of the North Carolina Fish Commission is to be held in Beaufort on next Monday. This is the first time that the Board has ever met in Beaufort. It has met in Morehead City frequently and also at Elizabeth City, and elsewhere. While here the board will hear any fishermen who may desire to come before it and also attend to other business matters. Citizens of the town are planning to show the members of the board some courtesies while they are here.

TAXES LOWERED BY CITY BOARD

Reduction of Ten Cents on Hundred. Budget Was Adopted

Beaufort taxpayers will not have to pay quite as high a rate of taxation for the current fiscal year as they did last year. The old rate was two percent, that is \$2 on the one hundred dollar valuation; this year it will be \$1.90 per hundred. This rate was fixed at a recessed meeting of the board held on Thursday night the 5th. Those present were Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Maxwell, Smith, Parkin and Whitehurst.

Besides fixing the tax rate the board adopted the budget for the year which amounts to \$81,585.00. The various items of the budget were given in an issue of the News several weeks ago. City Clerk M. A. Hill expects to have the tax books ready by September. A discount will be allowed to those who pay in September, October and November. Beginning February the first a penalty will be charged against delinquents.

The matter of making connections for householders with the city water mains was taken up again and discussed. It was decided to lower the charge for this service. Hereafter it will cost \$6 for a 1-2 inch pipe, \$8 for a 3-4 inch pipe and \$10 for a 1 inch pipe. The rate used to be \$8, \$10, and \$12. A deposit of \$1.50 will be required for a cut in of either water or electric lights. The board recessed subject to the call of the Mayor.

SEVERAL CASES TRIED IN POLICE COURT MONDAY

A pretty full docket was tried by Mayor Thomas in police court Monday afternoon. Three of those tried were colored and two white.

John Sutton, colored, charged with having been drunk and disorderly, pleaded guilty to the same and was given the option of paying a \$50 fine or working on the streets for 30 days. George Copes, colored, pleaded guilty to a charge of drunk and disorderly. He was convicted though and given the same sentence as Sutton. However as his counsel Mr. Hill intimated that he could pay a small fine the Mayor cut it down to \$25 and costs.

The case of James Harris in which he was charged with an assault with a deadly weapon upon Alex. Smith and which was partly tried Monday a week ago was taken up again. Another witness for the prosecution, Sutton Davis said he heard Harris cursing and also saw him point a gun at a car as if to shoot. Harris his wife and Clyde Elliott testified for the defense. Harris said that after he and Smith had had some angry words that Smith went to his car and got something out which he took to be a pistol and cursed and threatened him. Whereupon he ran off and got his gun and came back but Smith had driven away. His wife and Clyde Elliott corroborated his statement for the most part. The Mayor reserved his decision in the matter.

For selling peaches on the street without a license and grumbling about being required to take out a license C. W. Williamson of Oriental was assessed \$10 and costs amounting to \$13.45. Jim Hassell for driving car wrong way on Craven street was let off with the costs, \$3.90.

OLD CITIZENS ENTERTAINED.

Messrs Joe Tom Whitehurst, Robert Whitehurst and William Johnson were given a very pleasant outing last Saturday. Deputy Sheriff R. E. Chaplain and Mr. Leslie Whitehurst took them out to the open grounds on a sight seeing trip. They were given plenty of soft drinks and water melons and as it was their first trip to the Open Grounds they were much astonished and pleased with what they saw out there.

LAND BANK LENDS MANY MILLIONS

In Nine Years Farmers of Carolina, Georgia and Florida Have Had \$77,000,000

Columbia, S. C. Aug. 9th.—Mr. J. R. Jinnett, secretary-treasurer of the Carteret County National Farm Loan Association attended the meetings of the 515 local associations of the Carolina's Georgia and Florida last week held at the Columbia Federal Land Bank for the purpose of discussing the business of making long-term loans. Howard C. Arnold president of the bank, told the delegates that farmers in these four states have borrowed more than \$77,000,000 through these associations since the bank was established nine years ago.

This means that more than 33,000 farmers have been served with first mortgages running in most instances for 33 years, at the lowest rate of interest prevailing in the southeast. Most borrowers have gotten their money at 5 1-2 per cent, the rate prevailing at present. Further, the fees for inspection, searching of title and other work incident to making a loan are the lowest charged anywhere in these four states.

"It has been conservatively estimated that borrowers are saving at least 2 per cent, annually which would mean a total of more than \$1,500,000 each year.

"I am glad to say that farm land in these states is again beginning to sell. We have sold about 100 farms and still have some for sale on very easy terms—20 per cent down, 60 per cent, carried on a long-term federal land bank loan at 5 1-2 per cent, and a second mortgage at the same low rate of interest. A tenant or other farmer can buy these farms on these terms, operate them and pay for them more cheaply than he can rent. The farms are almost all located in Georgia and South Carolina, but we have a few in Florida and North Carolina."

County Board of Commissioners Entertain Visiting Delegates

Some thirty or forty delegates to the State County Commissioners convention, in session in Morehead City, paid a visit to Beaufort Wednesday afternoon. They came in response to an invitation from the board of commissioners of Carteret county.

The visitors were brought here on the big menhaden boat Parkins and arrived at about 4:30 in the afternoon. They were brought in automobiles to the grove in the courthouse grounds where a program of entertainment took place. They were greeted by music furnished by St. Paul's band after which Chairman J. E. Woodland introduced Mayor Thomas who gave the visitors a cordial welcome to Beaufort and introduced Congressman Charles L. Abernethy who made one of his characteristic booster speeches for the edification of the visitors and others who were present.

Mr. Abernethy said that boards of county commissioners were a law unto themselves, that very few of them

NEWPORT FAIR WILL BE COUNTY WIDE EVENT

At a recent meeting of the Newport Fair Association, it was decided that the fair be made county-wide. Directors were appointed from each township in the county, the number depending on the population in the several townships.

A very attractive premium list is being arranged. There is something in it which should appeal to every person in the county. The premium lists will be mailed out to the people very soon now, and they should be saving and planning for the various articles for exhibit.

Several good shows and other attractions will be on hand for the entertainment of the people. This will be one of the very good features of the fair. The people of Newport are enthusiastic over the splendid prospect for the fair and they feel confident that it will be a great thing for Carteret County. The Fair will be on the 14th and 15th, of October.

POPULARITY CONTEST HELD UNDER FIREMEN'S AUSPICES

A Ladies popularity contest is to be held next week in connection with the state Firemen's tournament which will take place in Morehead City. The News has been informed that the object of it is to raise funds to help pay the expenses of the tournament. Miss Georgia Neal of Beaufort has been entered in the contest. Mrs. Fred Whitley Jr., represents New Bern and Miss Zenovia Guthrie Morehead City.

If Miss Neal wins the firemen of Beaufort will get \$100 and she would get a free trip to the Sesqui-Centennial at Philadelphia. Votes may be cast by those who desire to do so at the Beaufort Drug Company's store. Voting begins Friday. The Beaufort fire department will send delegates to the tournament at Morehead City next week but will not enter any of the contests.

BIRTH OF INFANT.

On last Friday the 6th, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Rumley Jr.

EIGHT MONTHS TERM STARTS IN SEPTEMBER

The county board of education did not hold its usual meeting on the first Monday and met therefore on the past Monday. All members were present. The board was in session several hours and transacted considerable business.

An order was passed to have repairs made to the roofs of the school buildings at Newport, Sea Level and Davis. The matter of buying some additional school trucks was discussed and it was decided to buy three new ones. Ford trucks will be bought. The opening date for the county schools will be Monday September the 13th. All the schools will open at the same time and this is the beginning of the first eight months term in the history of the county. Nearly all the teachers for the next session have been secured. The teacherage at Harker's Island is finished and that at Newport nearly so. The one in Atlantic probably will be ready in a few weeks.

TWO MEN SHOT MONDAY NIGHT

"Goose" Chadwick May Lose Leg. Ike Rhodes In County Jail

A serious shooting affray occurred Monday night in that section of Beaufort where the colored people live. Charles Chadwick, commonly known as "Goose" had his leg badly shattered and Ike Rhodes got a few shot in one of his hands. Chadwick was wounded in the left leg below the knee and it was badly shattered. Dr. E. B. Whitehurst who gave him first aid treatment thought that the limb might have to be amputated. The wounded man was taken to the Morehead City hospital and is there now.

It has been difficult to get at the facts of this shooting affray. Officers who questioned various persons in regard to it say they have not been able to get any straight forward account of it. The ones who know something about the affair seem to be reluctant to tell what they know. It has been claimed that the shooting was accidental but there are rumors that whiskey and jealousy were the real causes. Ike Rhodes who was slightly wounded is being held in jail. The shooting took place near Chadwick's house which is the last one on Live Oak street on the left hand side going out of town. It happened around midnight and it appears that several persons were either present or close by when it took place. Officers will make an effort to get at the truth of the affair if possible.

WOODMEN FROM THREE STATES AT CAMP GLENN NOW

Morehead City, Aug 10—More than 350 officers and men of the uniformed rank of Woodmen of the world composed of companies from three states, Virginia, North and South Carolina arrived here Sunday and Monday for a week's stay at Camp Glenn. These men represent the various degree teams of the most active Woodmen Lodges in these three states. Brigadier-General E. B. Lewis of Kinston is in charge of this encampment. He is a Sovereign officer and also disbursing officer and state manager for North Carolina.

The band is from Spartanburg, S. C. is directed by Capt. J. R. Powell. Major B. L. Bingham and Capt. Lotz of Fortress Monroe, Va. are in attendance.

The hospital corps is in charge of Major J. C. Pepper who comes from Easley, S. C.

Atlantic Camp 188, of Morehead City has made great preparations for the entertainment of the visitors during their stay here this week which is under the direction of Advisory Lieutenant Thos. E. Beaman, assisted by a local committee from the camp.

A band concert and dress parade will be held each day at 6 p. m. The camp opened Monday at 9 o'clock and with appropriate ceremonies and raising of the flag.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following licenses have been issued this week by Register of Deeds John W. Hamilton:

Wardie Murphy, Davis and Lydia Stewart Gloucester.
L. C. Baker Richmond, Va., and Thelma Gray Garner, Beaufort.
Frank D. Wilson, Roanoke Rapids N. C. and Doris Moore Beaufort.
W. A. Davis, Davis and Elva Chadwick, Gloucester.

PLANS ADOPTED FOR CITY SCHOOL

Large Building To Be Erected. Bids Will Be Invited Before Long.

Plans for the new school building for the white children of Beaufort were virtually adopted at a meeting of the board of trustees held Saturday night. Mr. J. M. Kennedy an architect from Raleigh was present and submitted his proposed plans for the inspection of the board. The estimated cost of the building is \$95,000 although it may be possible to scale this down somewhat.

As proposed in the plans for the building it will be a very large-structure. It will have a frontage of 240 feet, will contain twenty class rooms and will have an auditorium that will seat 1400 persons. The building will be two stories high and will have a wing at each end extending some distance to the rear. The auditorium will be on the ground floor in the rear of the building.

The board has not taken any action yet in the matter of providing a building for the negro children of the town. The building which has been used for that purpose for a number of years was almost destroyed by fire some weeks ago. The board hopes to get some aid for the negro building from the Rosenwald fund but does not know yet what can be done. The matter of providing a school building for the colored children will be taken under advisement very probably in a short time. Architect Kennedy is working out some final details of his plan for the other school building and will submit the plan again after which very probably bids for constructing it will be asked for.

MEEKINS FAMILY LEAVES.

Judge Isaac M. Meekins, Mrs. Meekins and two daughters Misses Isabelle and Mary left Monday morning after spending most of the Summer here as guests of the Inlet Inn. Judge Meekins went to Elizabeth City and the rest of the family went to Hendersonville accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Meekins who live in that city. Last Sunday Judge Meekins made two very fine addresses here in the morning at the Baptist church and in the evening at Ann street Methodist church. Beaufort people who have met them are very favorably impressed with all members of the family and hope they will come to Beaufort to live.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Laura Mace delightfully entertained her little friends Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 at her home on Queen Street, the occasion being her tenth birthday. After many games out on the lawn an ice course was served the color scheme of pink and white being carried out in the dainty refreshments.

There were fifty three girls and boys who enjoyed Laura's hospitality. On leaving each guest was presented with an attractive favor.

She received many beautiful and useful gifts.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HOLD ANNUAL CONVENTION

Morehead City, Aug 11—The annual meeting of the State Association of County Commissioners was held here Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. It is one of the largest attended conventions in the history of the association, there being on the registration book from 150 to 200 delegates representing most every county in the state.

The first session was opened at 8:30 P. M. Tuesday at the school auditorium with call to order by President Addison Hewlett of New Hanover County. The invocations was made by Rev. J. E. Holden, pastor of the Methodist church of this city.

Mr. Chas. S. Wallace who was introduced by Mr. J. E. Woodland, Chairman of the County Commissioners of Carteret gave the address of welcome. The response was made by Dr. W. W. Dawson, chairman Board of Commissioners of Pitt County. Splendid addresses were made by various speakers holding prominent positions in the state. Among the speakers of note were the following: Dr. E. C. Brooks, President of A. & E. College, J. O. Carr, attorney, Wilmington, Dr. W. S. Rankin, Baxter Durham, State Auditor, A. T. Allen, State Superintendent Public Instruction, Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson.