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COMPANY WANTS FERRY FRANCHISE

W. A. Mace And E. A. Davenport May Run Ferry To Harker's Island

An application to operate a ferry line between Beaufort, Lenoxville and Harker's Island was made to the board of county commissioners at their regular meeting which took place Monday. Action on the application was deferred to a special meeting which is to take place on Monday the 14th.

The name of the company asking for the franchise is the Harker's Island Ferry Company and it is composed of W. A. Mace and E. A. Davenport. The company proposes to charge \$1.00 for small cars and \$1.50 for large ones; passengers 35 cents each. The application asks for a 20 year franchise.

A resolution recently adopted by the County Medical Society in regard to a county hospital was presented to the board. This resolution asks that an election be called on the proposition. A motion was passed asking the society for information as to costs etc. of hospital.

County Farm Agent Overstreet asked the board to make him an allowance of \$25 a month for traveling expenses. A motion was passed granting the request.

Mr. Herbert Hancock of Smyrna put in a claim for \$250 damages on account of road right of way through his property. The claim was ordered filed for future consideration.

Mr. W. A. Willis of Smyrna asked for \$150 damages by reason of road right of way. The claim was ordered filed for future consideration.

D. J. Godwin came before the board and asked that Ike Springle of Beaufort be relieved of taxes on account of his bad state of health. The request was denied and the County Welfare Officer was requested to get information as to Mr. Springle's condition.

Mrs. J. B. Congleton's application to enter the county home was acted on favorably.

A motion was passed to allow Eason Willis of Stacy \$10 a month from the county poor fund.

I. E. Hunter of Wildwood asked to have a road built from his farm to the highway. The matter was referred to the chairman and county attorney.

Isiah Wade of Davis asked to have road shelled from S. E. Styrton's south to the shore. Action deferred on this matter.

The tolls for the Atlantic Bridge Corporation were fixed as follows:
Vehicle and driver 50 cents, grown persons 25 cents and children 15 cents.

REAL ESTATE SEEMS FAIRLY ACTIVE NOW

Real estate transfers for the week ending Wednesday the 9th are as follows:

Richard Felton and wife to W. P. Smith, part lot, Beaufort, for \$10.
Trustees Anne St. Methodist church to James Rumley, Part lot, Beaufort, for \$10.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to Harmon W. Sullivan, 2 lots West Beaufort, for \$300.

R. E. Chaplain and wife to James E. Oden, part lot, Beaufort, for \$200.

James Rumley to I. E. Ramsey, 1 lot Beaufort for \$5000.

W. L. Arrington and wife to Geo. D. Dail, Trustee, 1 tract East Beaufort, for \$10.

Allison Heirs to D. W. Bailey, Trustee, 12,300 acres H. Q. Township for \$10.

C. S. Wetherington to L. F. Wetherington, 6 acres W. O. Township for \$.

C. S. Wetherington to Sudie Wetherington, 20 acres, W. O. Township, for \$.

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Letha Garner to Arthur Smith, 12 acres, W. O. Township, for \$1.

Morehead Bluffs to C. T. Frazier, 2 lots Morehead Bluffs, for \$1000.

L. W. Nelson et als to C. G. Nelson, two tracts near Marshallberg, for \$5.

J. T. Willis to C. H. B. Davis, interest in tract near Marshallberg, for \$400.

W. F. Taylor and wife to Weldon Pailey, Island of Marsh, Bogue Sound for \$1.

A newspaper that is afraid to express its opinions about public matters is not entitled to the respect of the people and is not likely to have it.

County Schools Commencement Arrangements Being Made Now

Carteret County Commencement will be held on April 22nd. Definite arrangements for the program will soon be completed. The program will be an outgrowth of the real school work but will differ somewhat from the programs of the past two years.

The more the members of a community have in common the stronger the community. Representative people from all parts of the county come together at County Commencement for a common interest—Education.

Besides bringing the parents of the county together so that they may witness the exercises by the children and exchange friendly greetings with one another, it has another value—children become more interested in school work when they see so many people come together for an educational program.

The program which is being arranged for this year will put results of some of the school work before the people and also be a program which they will enjoy.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY VALIDATES BONDS

Several Bills Affecting County Killed In Senate. Morehead City Limits Extended

Perhaps the bill of most interest to Carteret county people passed at the recent session of the General Assembly was the act which validated a bond issue of \$1,250,000. This is the bill which was a compromise between opposing forces and which was published exclusively in The Beaufort News last week. As readers of the News are familiar with its provisions it is not necessary to repeat them in this issue. The General Assembly adjourned Tuesday at about midnight.

A bill validating a bond issue of the town of Beaufort for \$125,000 was passed. This was to fund debts already made. A bill extending the limits of Morehead City was passed. A bill to incorporate the town of North Beaufort was passed through the House of Representatives but was killed by Senators Hargett and Tapp in the upper house. A bill introduced by Representative Bell enabling the board of county commissioners to build roads to Straits, Harker's Island and other places passed the house but had the brakes put on it in the Senate. A hot fight took place over the election of a successor to Wiley H. Taylor of Beaufort on the county board of education. Representative Bell put a bill through the House appointing J. A. Hornaday Jr. of Beaufort in place of Mr. Taylor. The Senators refused to let the bill go through and Mr. Taylor was re-elected a member of the board.

Representative Bell opposed a bill which prohibited fishing with drag nets in Hyde county and succeeded in having it killed.

The Beaufort Public Library has been moved to the room over Mr. Clawson's store. Mrs. S. H. Haywood is librarian and she will open the library on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 4 to 5 o'clock. Books that have not been returned will not be fined if returned this week, those returned later will be fined as usual.

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The Patent-Teacher Association will hold its regular monthly business meeting Tuesday, March 15, 7:30 P. M. at the school building.

Mrs. J. H. Stubbs, Sec.

LORENA D. ALMOST DRIVEN TO SEA IN STORM FISHING GEAR DAMAGED

In the big storm Wednesday a week ago the oyster schooner Lorena D. of Sea Level with her crew of four men came near being lost. Those on the boat were Captain Vernon Taylor, Jim Wallace Taylor, Charlie Taylor and Moody Rose.

The boat had been dredging for oysters Tuesday and had anchored for the night in the bight of Royal Shoals. The storm came on and the wind and a tremendous tide caused the boat to break from her moorings and start on a wild drive across Core Sound to the open sea. The mast was cut away and every effort made to control the vessel but with very little success. She headed right for the inlet but finally by some lucky chance ran upon the shore about one hundred yards from the raging current of the inlet.

Another boat that got into trouble was the Lucy of Sea Level. Captain Jim Tosto and crew thought they would be driven across the banks which were covered with water except in a few high places, but by a tremendous effort they managed to drive the boat on a hill where they stuck and were saved. When the waters subsided the boat was left high and dry a half mile or more from water.

Victor, Clem and Floyd Gaskill of Sea Level also had a thrilling experience during the storm. Their boat the Lucy May was blown from her anchorage and came near being lost. Victor Gaskill, aged 20 and the oldest of the boys, by good seamanship managed to work the boat into the thoroughfare and back within a mile of home where they tied her to a tree and walked to Sea Level. Various other boats suffered considerable damage from the storm and the nets of some of the fishermen were lost or injured. According to all reports the storm did quite a lot of damage to Carteret county fishermen.

Three Candidates For Morehead City Office

The Morehead City postoffice fight has narrowed down now to three contestants. This is the result of a ruling of the Civil Service according to which John A. Cline, Sylvester Gibbs and Cleveland L. Willis the present incumbents are put on the eligible list. From these three a selection will be made before very long. It is probable that one of the three candidates will be endorsed for the place by the county Republican executive. Chairman D. M. Jones has called a meeting of the committee to take place in Beaufort on Saturday.

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P. T. A. NOTICE.

A rotation of crops will aid in combating insects. Where a field is grown in the same crop year after year, there is a natural increase in the number of insects which attack this crop.

WILL BEAUFORT HAVE AN ORANGE INDUSTRY

It is not generally known but it is a fact nevertheless that oranges can be raised in Beaufort. They are not raised in Beaufort either but outside just as other fruits are.

Mr. Sam Morgan has two orange trees at his home on Moore street that are young but bore a dozen or so oranges last year. He is expecting to get considerably more fruit from them this year. Mr. John Wolf has perhaps the oldest and largest tree here and has gotten a good many oranges from it. Year before last he got 226 oranges from this tree. The quality of the fruit raised is good and besides this the tree itself is pretty and ornamental.

FORD TURNS OVER AND LANDS MEN IN DITCH

Preachers have automobile accidents occasionally as Mr. E. C. Gaskill a young preacher from Sea Level will testify. Last Friday he and Mr. Earl Fulcher had a narrow escape from death when Mr. Gaskill's Ford car turned over twice and landed in a deep ditch near the roadside. The car caught Mr. Gaskill under it and also under the water. He came very near drowning and would have done so had not his companion been able to pull him from underneath the car. Gaskill was considerably bruised and shocked but no bones were broken. Mr. Fulcher was not seriously hurt. The car fared pretty badly. The accident was caused by the breaking of the radius rod.

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LOFTIN MOTOR COMPANY ERECTS NEW BUILDING

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The new motor building will be a large one, 60 by 100 feet. It is located on the east side of Craven street between Ann and Broad. It will have a brick foundation and corrugated iron sides and a concrete floor. The office, windows, show room and work shop will be handsome in appearance and conveniently arranged. All in all it will be one of the finest automobile garages in eastern Carolina. Mr. George Woolard has the contract for the building and expects to get it ready for occupancy by the first of June.

LOFTIN MOTOR COMPANY HIGHER STANDARD SET FOR RURAL TEACHERS

The County Board of Education met at the office of Superintendent J. H. Workman Monday. Besides the usual routine matters attended to the principal thing done by the board was the adoption of a standard for rating county teachers. The object of this is to increase the efficiency in teaching in the rural schools. The standard adopted is as follows:

1. In the one-teacher and two-teacher schools no teacher holding North Carolina State Certificate lower than Elementary B will be employed, better certificate if possible.

2. Schools having three to six teachers inclusive, teachers are required to hold a minimum grade certificate of Class A Elementary or equivalent to one year's Normal training.

3. Schools employing six teachers or more, a Primary C or Grammar Grade C. Certificate is required as a minimum.

4. Provided that in a three to six teacher school if there is teacher employed in the year 1926-27 with Elementary B Certificate who has been in the system at least one year and has made good may remain by attending a State Summer School and taking work toward raising her certificate.

5. All teachers who have not attended a State Summer School within the past five years are required to attend during the summer of 1927-28.

OIL TANKER SEAMAN BROUGHT TO BEAUFORT

The oil tanker La Brea laid off the bar several hours Saturday while W. H. Peterman, a seaman on the vessel, was brought ashore for the purpose of receiving surgical attention. Peterman had a fall and broke his right leg. He was carried to the offices of Drs. Maxwell and Hyde and the leg given necessary attention. Captain J. S. Collier came ashore with the injured man and looked after him. The La Brea was bound from Philadelphia to Los Angeles. She has a capacity of 3,000,000 million gallons of gasoline.

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COTTON KILLING STILL A MYSTERY

No Clue Yet To Hit And Run Driver. Big Crowd Attends Funeral

A veil of mystery still surrounds the accident that resulted in the death of Louis Cotton which occurred Saturday. The general impression is that the young man was struck by an automobile while walking on the North River road a few miles out of Beaufort. He was found about 4 o'clock in the morning Friday by Mr. Dan Hill right near his house. Mr. Hill heard some one groaning and upon investigating found Mr. Cotton lying by the road badly injured.

Dr. F. E. Hyde who was called to see Mr. Cotton found that he had a bad laceration on the head, his left shoulder dislocated and several ribs broken. While he was badly shocked of course, Mr. Cotton was not unconscious and said that he did not know how he had gotten hurt. It was evident that the person, or persons, who ran over him did not stop to do anything for him and left him lying by the side of the road. On the advice of Dr. Hyde the injured man was taken to a hospital in New Bern. There he died at 9 o'clock Saturday night. His body was brought back to Beaufort early Sunday morning and interred in Ocean View cemetery at 4:30 that afternoon. Dr. G. W. Lay, rector of St. Paul's church conducted the funeral services. One of the largest crowds that ever attended a funeral in Beaufort was present. Many beautiful designs were sent by sympathizing friends.

Mr. Cotton is survived by his parents Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Cotton, his widow and son and three sisters Mrs. L. T. Mathis of Beaufort, Mrs. Henry Skipper of Marion, S. C., and Mrs. Kate Cooper of Greensboro. The News has heard a good deal of indignation expressed by citizens because of the fact that whoever was responsible for the young man's death went off and left him without doing anything for him.

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MANY CONTROVERSIES AROSE IN LAST WEEK OF LEGISLATURE

Anti-Klan Bill Defeated. Salaries of Some State Officials Advanced. Some Counties Get Australian Ballot Law. Road Bill Passed. Worthless Check Law Passed

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(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

The last week of the General Assembly witnessed many spirited controversies over major measures including the revenue and appropriation bills; Judge Winston's resolution to submit the proposal for a constitutional convention to a vote of the people; the educational bills proposed in the Senate and House which resulted in a compromise providing for an equalization fund of \$3,500,000 demanded by the House committee on Education and the acceptance of the general policies proposed in the Senate bill; salary bills of judges and various State department heads; revise and clarify the State election laws; Senator Grant's bill prohibiting children under sixteen from working in industry for a longer period than eight hours a day; action which resulted in taking out of the revenue bill the revision requiring a tax of