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County Board Offers All Roads To State

If State Highway Commission Accepts The Proposition of Board of County Commissioners All County Roads Will Be Under State Control; Two Pieces of Road Are to be Part of State System.

The Board of County Commissioners had recessed meeting Monday morning, as was stated in this newspaper last week, for the purpose of considering the matter of turning the county roads over to the State Highway Commission.

The meeting was quite short. A resolution which had been prepared in advance was read to the board and with very little discussion it was approved and accepted. The resolution in full is printed below. The purpose of it is that if the State will incorporate the Beaufort-Atlantic road into its system as a part of route 10 and the road from Mansfield to the Onslow county line as a part of route 24 and will maintain all the other public roads in the county that it will turn over to the Highway Commission the county's share of the gas tax money. The amount of this fund is estimated to be around \$26,000 more or less. As a result of the adoption of the resolution the county road question is now mainly in the hands of the State Highway Commission. The News has heard a good many citizens as hoping the Commission will accept the offer.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, under date of December 28, 1929, Hon. C. R. Wheatly, member of the State Highway Commission, addressed a letter to Mr. M. S. Lee, member of the Board of Commissioners of Carteret County, in which letter, referring to a Mass Meeting held in the Court-house in the Town of Beaufort, June 17, 1929, Mr. Wheatly makes the following statement:

"At this meeting the following offer was made, to-wit: That if the Commissioners so desired, the State Highway Commission would take over the entire road system of Carteret County. That the road from Beaufort to Atlantic would be added to the State System as an extension of Route No. 10, and thus make Atlantic the terminus of Route No. 10, and the road would be maintained from general road fund of the State and not from the one cent gasoline tax which the county was entitled to receive; that the road from Onslow County line through western Carteret County to Mansfield would be added to the State system just as soon as mileage was available, which would be in 1930, and thus be made a part of Route No. 24, and when this was done the road would be maintained from the general road fund and not from the one cent gasoline tax which the county would be entitled to receive; that with these two roads added to the State system it was my opinion, and I am still of that opinion, that the remaining roads of Carteret County could be maintained for \$10,000.00; that the county would be entitled to between \$26,000.00 and \$30,000.00 from the one cent extra gasoline tax and that all moneys allocated to the county could be paid on these two roads, to-wit: the Atlantic road and the Swansboro or Stella road, and with any amount retained to the county from the \$30,000.00 or \$26,000.00 not used in maintaining the roads could be applied to the indebtedness of the county. In other words: I told the Mass Meeting, that with the Atlantic road and the Stella road maintained from State funds and not from (Continued on page seven)

U. D. C. MEETING.

The Fort Macon chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will hold its regular monthly meeting at the home of the President, Mrs. C. A. Clawson Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. As this is the observance of Lee-Jackson birthdays there will be a special program and all members are urged to attend.

GOVERNOR SPTAKS AT KINSTON

Governor Gardner is booked to deliver a speech at Kinston Friday afternoon January 17 at 2 o'clock. The subject of his address will be "Live at Home." While intended primarily for farmers all others who are interested in the subject are invited to be present.

BIRTH OF SON

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Piver, Jr., Monday a son.

The Bank of Beaufort Is In Fine Condition

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Beaufort was held Thursday, January 9th, with a good attendance. The report of operations through the past year were very encouraging, showing the bank in fine condition and its prospects for growth good.

The following were elected Directors: W. A. Mace, John Forlaw, T. C. Wade, W. P. Smith, D. M. DeNoyer, F. R. Bill, C. S. Maxwell, Joseph House, J. A. Hornaday.

Upon adjournment of the stockholders meeting the Directors met and re-elected the former officers and employees, to-wit: President, W. A. Mace; Vice-President, John Forlaw; Cashier, J. A. Hornaday; Assistant Cashier, Mrs. Mary Tillett; Tellers, Mrs. Neva W. Dail, and Mrs. Ivy M. Cooke.

CHORAL CLUB ORGANIZED

The Music Department of the Beaufort Community Club has been planning for some time the organization of a choral club, in which the choirs of the different churches and others interested in music could take part.

A meeting attended by over twenty was held at the residence of Rev. J. A. Vache on Tuesday evening and it was there determined to organize a choral club and invite every one who could and would sing, to become a member.

Rev. J. A. Vache was elected director of the club. Miss Lillian Duncan Sec. and Treas.

Mrs. O. B. Moore—organist.

Mrs. Joseph House—pianist.

The members present determined to hold meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 P. M.

The club plans to commence work on an Easter Cantata at once.

The next meeting will be held Monday evening January 20th at 7:30 at the residence of Mrs. F. R. Seeley.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

J. B. Blades Lumber Co., to W. W. Quinn, tract Newport Township, for \$175.

H. L. Meinicke and wife to W. H. Billings, tract Newport Township, for \$10.

C. T. Doughton, Trustee to The Deposit & Savings Bank Inc. 13 lots Morehead Bluffs, for \$1000.

R. W. Gwyn to Bank of North Wilkesboro, 25 lots Morehead Bluffs, for \$1000.

J. B. Williams to North Wilkesboro Ins. Agency, 5 lots Morehead Bluffs, for \$500.

Ezra L. White and wife to E. C. Willis, 5 lots Morehead City, for \$10.

B. P. Way and wife to B. C. Way, 3 lots Morehead City, for \$10.

Trustees M. E. Church to I. E. Hunter and wife, 2 lots Wildwood, for \$300.

L. C. Carroll to Geo. M. Piner, 2 lots Morehead City, for \$10.

Beaufort Realty Corp. to George Katzin, 6 lots West Beaufort, for \$1244.

HEARING POSTPONED UNTIL JANUARY 27

The county hearing before the Judge at New Bern has been postponed again. The next date set for it is Monday January 27 at nine thirty o'clock. The reason the case was continued again was that a murder case was in progress Saturday and was not finished in time to take up the Carteret county matter. Attorneys Hill, Mason, Gorham and McLenhon representing the county were in court Saturday afternoon and Mr. A. D. Ward representing the defendants were present also. It was agreed by all that the hearing should go over until the 27th and Judge Cowper signed the order to that effect.

HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION

Mrs. W. L. Lawton, who has been chosen to make the survey for highway beautification, will give her illustrated lecture in Beaufort, Thursday evening January 23rd at the High School building at 7:30.

Trust Company Makes Very Good Showing

The stockholders of the Beaufort Banking & Trust Company held their annual meeting in the directors' room of the bank Tuesday afternoon. A large per cent of the stock was represented. The report of the officers showed a very satisfactory result for the past year. Considering the general business depression, the net earnings of eight and one half per cent on the Capital Stock was very pleasing to those present. Instead of paying out to the stockholders the earnings, the directors feeling that their first duty is to the depositors in keeping the assets of the bank absolutely sound, used a part of the earnings in charging off a few small notes which are of questionable value, and carried the remainder as Undivided Profits.

The State Bank Examiners and also a committee from the directors have recently made an examination of the bank and it was the expressed opinion of all concerned that the bank is in splendid shape and compares favorably with the strongest banking institutions of this section.

Considering the acute situation brought about by the recent failure of a bank in a neighboring county, it is a source of much pleasure to the stockholders and friends of this bank that public confidence in well managed banks is, as a whole, unshaken. The loyalty of the customers and friends of the Beaufort Banking & Trust Company is greatly appreciated. Such loyalty means a continuation of the past splendid record of this institution. Few banks in North Carolina can boast of a more successful record and none can show a greater real interest in the public good or in the service rendered.

The following stockholders were elected as directors for another year: R. L. Davis, C. P. Dey, C. L. Duncan, C. G. Gaskill, J. H. Potter, Sr., N. W. Taylor, W. H. Taylor and U. E. Swann.

With this strong board of Directors to guide the destiny of the institution and with a policy of conservatism and safety for the depositors, it is expected that the institution will grow in favor and real service to the people of this section.

BEAUFORT YOUTH DIES SATURDAY

The funeral of Walter M. Parsons, who died Saturday morning after a two weeks illness was held from his home Sunday afternoon conducted by Reverend R. F. Munns at two o'clock. Interment was in Ocean View Cemetery, attended by a large number of sorrowing friends. Mr. Parsons was just twenty five years of age, and leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Parsons, and three sisters, Misses, Mavis and Vivian and Mrs. Catherine Hare of Goldsboro, to mourn his passing. He also leaves two aunts Mrs. Annie Runley of Washington, N. C., who was here at the time of his death, and Mrs. Bryan Arthur of Beaufort. Pallbearers were William Adair, Henry Wilson, Charles Case, Alfred Hooper, John Springle and Dave Poole. There were many and beautiful floral designs.

BIRTH OF SON

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bailey, Thursday, January 9, a son.

TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tides at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. Some allowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the heads of the estuaries.

High Tide	Low Tide
Friday, Jan. 17	
9:51 A. M.	3:22 A. M.
10:24 P. M.	4:00 P. M.
Saturday, Jan. 18	
10:44 A. M.	4:20 A. M.
11:00 P. M.	4:55 P. M.
Sunday, Jan. 19	
11:20 A. M.	5:20 A. M.
11:39 P. M.	5:46 P. M.
Monday, Jan. 20	
12:19 A. M.	6:23 A. M.
12:36 P. M.	6:38 P. M.
Tuesday, Jan. 21	
1:19 A. M.	7:28 A. M.
1:36 P. M.	7:31 P. M.
Wednesday, Jan. 22	
2:20 A. M.	8:35 A. M.
2:38 P. M.	8:27 P. M.
Thursday, Jan. 23	
3:20 A. M.	9:40 A. M.
3:38 P. M.	9:25 P. M.

County Agents Met In Raleigh Last Week

(By Hugh Overstreet)

The annual County Agents' Conference was held in Raleigh last week. The Extension agents from all counties in the state were present. These conferences or meetings are the purpose of passing out first hand information to the agents on the latest recommendations from the Experiment Stations relative to seeds, plants, and the varieties best suited to the various sections of the state.

Governor Gardner's live-at-home program was stressed at this meeting, and it is planned to make a five-year program of work in each county in the state where there is a county agent. The plan is to produce as much food for family consumption and feed for live-stock as is practical on the North Carolina farms. With this object in view, it is hoped to greatly improve the living conditions on the average farm in the state.

The one-arm system of agriculture practiced in North Carolina, especially in Eastern North Carolina, was vigorously attacked by Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, in an address before the Southern Live-stock Association. Dr. Poe says that we in the South must have a better balanced system of agriculture before we can hope to improve conditions on our farms. He says we must increase our live-stock to the point that one half of all of the farmers revenue come from the sale of some form of live-stock.

Dean I. O. Schaub explained the policy of the Federal Farm Board in assisting the farmer and made it clear that the board will not assist the individual farmer, but will only work with organized groups.

The benefit the agent derived from personal contact with other agents in the service is well worth the time taken for these conferences.

CLOTHING FIRM FAILS

Duncan and Willis, well known clothing and gents furnishing firm in Beaufort filed a deed of assignment for the benefit of their creditors yesterday. C. R. Wheatly was named as assignee. An inventory of the stock is being taken today. The assets and liabilities are not known at this time.

City Police Court Does Some Business

City Police Court last Friday was not such a large affair as the week before but still there was a plenty.

William Vann, colored, disorderly and fighting. He submitted and was given the option of paying \$5 and costs or working 15 days on the streets.

John L. Newkirk, drunk, was not present but had left \$10 with the Chief from which was taken \$5.50 and costs.

Charles Chadwick, colored, submitted to a drunk charge and was fined \$2.50 and costs. He was also tried on the charge of trespassing on the property of W. J. Johnson. Mayor Chadwick withheld his decision for further investigation.

Matthew Bailey, colored, drunk, submitted. Second offense and was fined \$5 and costs.

Howard Rhoads, colored, disorderly and fighting, denied the charge. His sister Viola and Lilly Bailey said he did and he got a fine of \$2.50 and costs.

On the charge of having liquor in his possession and transporting Howard Rhodes was put under a \$50 bond for his appearance in the Recorder's Court.

NORTH CAROLINA RANKS HIGH IN INCREASED HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

14 SAPS— (State Superintendent Public Instruction)

Raleigh, Jan. 13—North Carolina ranks second among the states in per cent increase in number of pupils in high schools from 1920 to 1926, according to the January issue of the Journal of the National Education Association, it was learned from the office of the State Department of Public Instruction today.

This Journal devotes a page of statistics, prepared by the Research Division of the National Education Association, to the development of the public high schools in the several states. Four separate years are treated: 1900, 1910, 1920, and 1926. According to this table North Carolina had 943 pupils enrolled in public high schools in 1900; 8,500 in 1910; 30,868 in 1920; and 84,569 in 1926. During the six year period between 1920 and 1926 the enrollment in public high schools of this State

TOR SIMMONS MAKES STATEMENT

Is In The Senatorial Race But Will Not Make Personal Fight

Interest in the Democratic Senatorial primary contest was increased considerably Sunday the announcement of Senator Simmons in the daily newspapers. The Senator set at rest all rumors that he would not be a candidate. His opponent Mr. Bailey has not so far issued any formal statement as to his candidacy, although he did state briefly to several newspaper reporters that he would be a candidate. It is expected that he will have something to say very soon. Senator Simmons made the following statement:

"More than a year ago I announced that I would be a candidate for reelection to the United States senate, and pursuant to that declaration, I shall, in due time, file notice of my candidacy for the democratic nomination in the primary of June 7, 1930. In offering for renomination I feel it is due my friends and supporters to advise them of the reasons why I shall not be able personally to conduct or finance an active primary campaign.

"In the first place, the congress which is now in session, will not finish its work until after the primary contest is over. The party and my democratic colleagues in the senate have honored me with important responsibilities, and I regard it as imperative that no personal considerations shall be allowed to interfere with the proper discharge of these official duties in the interests of my constituents, party and country. Neither would my physical strength, which must be conserved for the effectual discharge of my duties in the senate, be sufficient to carry, at the same time, the added burden of an active campaign on my part.

"Furthermore, having spent the best years of my life in the public service, I now have no money to finance a state-wide campaign. In these circumstances and for these reasons, I am obliged, but quite content to leave my candidacy in the hands of my friends and the people of North Carolina.

With profound gratitude to my party and to the people of my state, I enter this, my last primary contest, promising only consecrated service, guided and directed by conscientious devotion to duty, and earnestly indulging the hope that nothing may occur in the campaign which might create or revive division or discord in the ranks of the democratic party in North Carolina.

"I have been in active political life for the past 40 years. My life is an open book and is known to the people of North Carolina, and I am entirely satisfied thus to leave it to them to say whether or not they wish me to remain in the senate longer than my present term."

D. M. JONES INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

While on his way to attend the district firemen's convention at Washington Tuesday evening D. M. Jones of Beaufort was slightly injured in a car accident. He was driving alone at the time and the News has not been able to learn how the accident happened. Mr. Jones was taken to the hospital in Washington but expects to return home Friday. Others who attended the convention from Beaufort were Julian Arrington, William Longest, John Hill, Sterling Chadwick, Gherman Holland, Hardy Lewis Jr.

LENGTHY SESSION OF COUNTY COURT

Liquor Cases Vigorously Contested; James O. Harris Banned From State

Recorder's court had a lengthy session this week. It held forth all day Tuesday and until nearly four o'clock Wednesday, recessing then to meet again this morning. The number of defendants was not unusually large but there were several cases involving one of them, James O. Harris, and several of the cases tried were vigorously contested.

The first case taken up was that of Calvin Taylor of Sea Level charged with an assault upon Lloyd Gaskill also of Sea Level. About ten witnesses were examined.

Lloyd Gaskill, who said that he is eighteen years old, said that he was at the Sea Level school house on the night of December 26, that Taylor came up, they had a few words and Taylor struck him on the jaw and broke his jawbone. He said he was examined by Dr. F. E. Hyde who sent him to Dr. B. F. Royall for treatment and that he had been under his care for 22 days. His head was swathed in bandages while in the court room. Attorney Luther Hamilton represented him.

There was also a charge of disorderly conduct against Gaskill and it was decided to consolidate the cases and try both at once. Attorney C. R. Wheatly appeared for Taylor and solicitor Duncan prosecuted them both.

Dr. Hyde testified that he examined Gaskill and found that his jaw bone was fractured and that it would never again be perfectly straight.

John Hamilton, Sea Level merchant and Mrs. Hamilton testified that shortly before the occurrence Taylor said that he was going to the school house and break somebody's jaw. Mr. Hamilton said both parties had good characters.

Edward Taylor testified that some boys were shooting firecrackers and that Calvin Taylor came up and wanted to know why there couldn't be better order around there. John Wallace Hamilton, 14 years old boy, said the boys were shooting firecrackers and that Taylor came up and after a few words the fight took place.

Freeman Salter said that Calvin Taylor came on the scene and commanded the peace. After some words with Charlie Taylor, his half brother, and Gaskill he struck Gaskill.

Graham Taylor, a small boy testified as to the fight and the quarrel.

Professor Leoland Davis said that a school entertainment was about to start and that there was a great deal of disorder around the building. He said that disorder at Sea Level meetings was a very frequent occurrence. He said that he sent for Sheriff Davis. That Charlie Taylor and Lloyd Gaskill were very disorderly and that Calvin Taylor came up and asked "If that is the best order you can have here?" The men then had some words and the fight followed. Afterwards there was more disorder inside the building.

Several other witnesses testified as to the character of the parties and as to disorderly conditions. Judge Hill said there was too much of this disorderly conduct and he thought somebody ought to be punished for it. He then fined Calvin Taylor \$10 and costs and gave Lloyd Gaskill a 30 day jail sentence and costs, the jail sentence not to go into effect if the costs were paid.

James O. Harris Sr., colored, was tried on the charge of having liquor in his possession for sale and also for selling it at his cafe. He denied the charges and his attorneys G. A. Barden of New Bern and Jas. W. Mason of Beaufort fought valiantly to acquit him. After several hours of legal forensics Harris was convicted, on the testimony of Police Officers Longest and Holland and Deputy Sheriff Gaskill who watched Harris' place and raided it on the night of January 2nd. They saw sales being made and found considerable evidence of a liquor business. Harris has served several road terms for selling liquor.

Judge Hill after listening to considerable argument on both sides decided that Harris was guilty. He first gave him a sentence of 15 months on the roads. Yesterday after listening to pleas of attorney Mason he decided that if the Solicitor would consent he would continue prayer for judgment for four years and give Harris 24 hours to get out of the county and 48 hours to leave the State. He is also to pay the cost amounting to about \$111.00 in three cases.

George Kirby, who worked for Harris, was convicted of retailing al-

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