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Construction Starts At Atlantic Beach

Property Bid In By Bondholders For \$200,000; Will Rebuild On A Larger And Better Scale Than Ever; Expect To Open July Fourth.

Work has started on the new buildings at Atlantic Beach and according to information furnished the News by interested parties it is hoped to have them in condition to use by the fourth of July. Mr. A. Witchard of New York, who is the architect in charge of the work, has been in Morehead City for several weeks preparing plans and making arrangements to begin construction. The report is that the buildings will be larger and better than they were before.

The properties known as Atlantic Beach and consisting of a large tract of land fronting on the ocean and also on Bogue Sound, several houses and other improvements and the bridge connecting the beach with the mainland, were sold Monday under a mortgage foreclosure in New Bern. This was done under an order of Federal court. The properties were bid in for the sum of \$200,000 by the Manufacturers' Trust Company of New York holders of the bonds of the original owners.

A new company called the Atlantic Beach and Bridge Company has been incorporated and will own and operate the resort establishment. The incorporators are W. A. Mace, A. D. McLean and C. R. Wheatly. One thousand shares of stock of no par value have been authorized. The president and general manager of the corporation is R. W. Gordon of New York. The principal stockholder in the new organization is the Manufacturers' Trust Company. An agreement was reached between the stockholders of the old company and the bondholders by which the former owners will have a certain amount of stock in the new company. The impression gathered by talks with business men here is that this transaction ends a deal which will mean a great improvement in business conditions in Carteret county. Besides employing quite a force of men in constructing and operating the plant it will draw thousands of visitors who will spend much money and will greatly advertise this section.

Fire Playing Havoc With Open Grounds

The fire in the Open Grounds and the timber lands that border that tremendous open place still continues to burn. This has brought devastation to much timber and death to many deer, bears, pheasants and other wild game that has been finding refuge there. The Open Grounds was leased some time ago by the local Isaak Walton League for the purpose of conserving the wild animals and fowls and to add thereto any other species that would be necessary to convert it into a first-class game preserve. All of these efforts now seems to have been spent in vain.

Beginning some two weeks ago, this fire has been burning ever since. The road through the Open Grounds, which has been used by a goodly number of people in preference to the hard surfaced road, has been undermined by the fire and has caved in many places. It has burned some and endangers much more of the timber lands. If the wind continues to blow the way it has and no rain comes before long, there is no telling how terrible the final outcome of this forest fire will be. As yet, no one has been able to combat it successfully; and now District Warden C. T. Jarvis, of Straits, is trying to enlist more state aid.

The News is informed by Messrs. Clyde Mason and Blakely Pond that they rode through many miles of the Open Grounds yesterday and that it was worse than they had any idea that it was. Several bridges have been burned, thousands of acres of ground burned over, trees and bushes killed and probably nearly all living creatures destroyed except such few as could make their escape to other woods or swamps.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Only one permit to wed has been issued from the office of the Register of Deeds this week. Marcus Mason and Esther Lawrence, Beaufort.

MYSTERY MAN HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED

Former Inmate of Soldier's Home; Will Try To Send Him Back

The mystery surrounding the identity of the person found at Davis about two weeks ago and now residing in the County jail was cleared up somewhat this week when Sheriff James H. Davis received a letter from the governor of the National Home For Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, located at Hampton, Va., which identified him as Stoke Kempton, a runaway inmate of the feeble-minded department of that institution. He left there April 6.

A letter from Mrs. Kempton, who lives in Inskip, Tenn., reveals the fact that Stoke Kempton was insane when confined to the Soldiers' Home. She says she has three children and with hardly any means of support, so she beseeches officers to send him back to the institution. She said she was afraid of him. Kempton sent her a letter from Norfolk about two weeks after his escape.

Kempton was employed for eight years as motorman in a mine at Benham, Kentucky. As he speaks of being in the army and the fact that he was confined in a Soldiers' Home, it is obvious that he is a victim of shell-shock. This is the opinion of the sheriff.

Mrs. Dack Johnson, of Mount Airy, N. C. read the description of Kempton in one of the state papers and informed Sheriff Davis that the man is her brother who left home many years ago and that he had not been heard from since.

It was stated in the last issue of the News how Kempton had been living in the woods near Davis and that he was captured by Mr. I. S. Allgood and brought to town and turned over to the county officers.

Sheriff Davis is trying to find a way to send Kempton back to the Soldiers' Home, as that institution will not pay for his transportation.

Three Men Convicted On Liquor Charges

Two jail sentences to be worked out on the roads were handed out by Judge Hill in Recorder's Court Tuesday. They were both liquor cases. Another defendant was put under a suspended judgment.

Charlie Suggs of Beaufort, middle aged Negro, charged with having liquor in his possession was convicted and given a three months sentence and required to pay the costs. His place was raided not long ago by Police Officers Longest and Holland and Deputy Sheriff Gaskill. They found some liquor buried in his yard and a quantity of empty containers.

Beals Sparrow, colored, who runs a pool room was also raided by the officers and liquor was found there which Beals said he had for his own use. He was required to pay the costs and given four months jail sentence.

George Taylor, a young Negro man who did not seem to know his own age, was accused of illegal possession of liquor and convicted. George came from the North River section and has been living in Beaufort only a few months. The liquor was found in his home and he is (Continued on page two)

CARTERET COUNTY'S POPULATION SHOWS SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE

According to information furnished the News by U. S. Census Supervisor D. P. Henry of New Bern the population of Carteret county is 16,867. The census of 1920 gave the population as 15,384 and the gain therefore in the county's inhabitants is 1,483 which is a gain of nearly ten percent. The figures by township and the total are given below:

ENTRIES CLOSED FOR THE PRIMARY

Race Drawing To Close; Many Have No Opposition

A few more entries were made Friday and the list of Democratic and Republican candidates to be voted on in the June primary is now complete. In most instances the county candidates have no opposition and therefore will not have to be voted on at all. The names of those who are unopposed are certified by the Board of Elections and they will be on the ticket at the regular election in November.

The entries made Friday were, on the Democratic side, Luther Hamilton for the House of Representatives, M. Leslie Davis for County Judge, County Commissioners C. T. Chadwick, W. M. Webb, L. C. Carroll, W. W. Styron, W. H. Bell for sheriff. The Republicans added were D. M. Jones for Clerk of the Superior Court and Eric Gaskill for Register of Deeds.

The contest on Saturday June 7 in this county will be as to the following: Democrats U. S. Senator, F. M. Simmons, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Estep; member of Congress C. L. Abernethy, S. H. Hobbs, Superior (Continued on page five)

Municipal Court Has Three Whiskey Cases

Three whiskey cases featured in Police Court Friday afternoon, and all these defendants were colored men. They were all charged with having possession of various quantities of liquor for the purpose of sale. Through their attorney, C. R. Wheatly the trio pleaded not guilty to the accusations. After listening to each one in turn, Mayor Chadwick bound them over to Recorder's Court under bonds of fifty dollars a piece.

George Taylor's home was searched on the night of the sixteenth of May by Chief Longest, Officer Holland and Deputy Sheriff Gaskill. Chief Longest said that Taylor admitted them to the house and, when they accidentally jostled against each other, bottles were heard to hit together. Before he could be stopped, Taylor broke between four and a dozen pint bottles of liquor.

Beals Sparrow's colored pool room was visited the same night by these officers and about five pints of whiskey were found in various containers and many more containers smelled of alcohol.

On the twentieth of May these same officers called around at the home of Charles Suggs and relieved (Continued from page four)

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES ENDORSE SOLICITOR CLARK

Solicitor D. M. Clark spent several days in the county recently in the interest of his campaign for the Democratic nomination for State Solicitor and expressed himself as confident that he would be renominated by a good majority. Mr. Clark was elected Solicitor four years ago winning the nomination over several opponents. On another page of this newspaper will be found a number of letters from Superior Court judges and others endorsing Solicitor Clark for another term.

MOTORCYCLE THROWS DAN CHADWICK OVER FENCE

Dan Chadwick, youngest son of Mayor and Mrs. C. T. Chadwick, is in the Potter Emergency Hospital as a result of a motorcycle, which he was driving at a fast rate of speed, skidding and throwing him over a fence into an adjoining field just this side of the Beacham farm on North River Road. He sustained a compound fractured ankle, a cut cheek and minor lacerations and bruises. He is now getting along very well.

"ANCHOR" USED INSTEAD OF OLD HITCHING POST

Although a highlander by birth, S. O. Huffman since he moved to West Beaufort a few years ago, has assimilated much of the spirit of this sea-coast town.

Monday morning he drove up to the curb on Front Street in his buggy and anchored his steed with three bricks fastened together with wire. Old Dobbin remained there like a ship at anchor until his owner came to drive him away. When the "anchor" is not in use it is carried in the rear of the buggy.

The scarcity of horses in this section caused by the advent of the automobile resulted in the gradual passing of the old "hitchin' posts" and it was through the sheer ingenuity of this man that he was able to emulate the seamen in this machine age by substituting an "anchor" for those relics of bygone years—the "hitchin' posts."

Beaufort Nine Lost To M. City Friday

The Morehead City baseball team defeated the local nine 6 to 5 on the Morehead City field Friday afternoon. It was a game in which both participants played very good, and which featured the striking out of sixteen men by Dick Springle and a home run by him; to spectacular catches by Norman Skarren in the field; and a home run by Bill Skarren. It will be remembered by fans that Dick Springle pitched a total of 26 games and won 24 of them during the summer of 1927. Both teams made a total of six errors each.

Morehead City scored three runs in the first inning. Then no runs were scored until the third, when Chadwick singled and Bill Skarren knocked one over the fence. Hatsell fanned, "Ticky" Willis followed with a single, went to second on a passed ball, and scored on Ralph Hassell's single.

The lead was then taken by Morehead City until the opening of the eighth inning, when Springle hit a home run and tied the score 5 and 5. In the last of the eighth, McIntosh singled for Morehead City and scored on pinch-hitter Pake's double to right field. Beaufort failed to tally in the ninth inning, so the game ended with a score of 5-6 in Morehead City's favor.

This was the fourth game of the season; the home team has won two games and lost two. Springle joined the nine Friday for the first time of the season. Skarren and Hassell both made two hits each. Batteries—Morehead City; Davis and Ball; Beaufort: Springle and Willis.

HARDWARE CONCERN SOLD

The business known as the Marine Hardware Company, of Morehead City, was sold here Monday at noon under a foreclosure proceeding. It was bid in for \$8050 by W. A. Mace of Beaufort. This includes the lease of the building.

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	Friday, May 30	Low Tide
9:23 A. M.		3:23 A. M.
9:48 P. M.		3:13 P. M.
	Saturday, May 31	
10:18 A. M.		4:15 A. M.
10:43 P. M.		4:10 P. M.
	Sunday, June 1	
11:01 A. M.		5:10 A. M.
11:18 P. M.		5:10 P. M.
	Monday, June 2	
11:44 A. M.		6:07 A. M.
12:25 P. M.		6:18 P. M.
	Tuesday, June 3	
12:50 A. M.		7:07 A. M.
1:35 P. M.		7:31 P. M.
	Wednesday, June 4	
1:57 A. M.		8:05 A. M.
2:45 P. M.		8:45 P. M.
	Thursday, June 5	
3:01 A. M.		9:03 A. M.
3:42 P. M.		9:53 P. M.

GAME AND FISH SURVEY STARTED

Thirty One Counties Being Surveyed, Cartert Among The Number

Raleigh, May 26—Field work was instituted last week on a survey of game, fish and forest in Carteret County through a personal survey by M. W. Haynes, Game Survey Commissioner, and Clyde Mason the local county warden. Mr. Haynes with his assistant Miss Thigpen of Tarboro, representing the Department of Conservation and Development maintained an office at the Davis House where data was collected and compiled which they think will reveal the game, fish and forest conditions of Carteret County. This survey Mr. Haynes is putting on in 31 counties of the state as a beginner, but the official plans are to make a permanent future at regular intervals as part of the game, fish and forestry program.

Details of the study were worked out under the supervision of Col. J. W. Harsell, Director, and State Game Warden C. H. England, with M. W. Haynes, of Tarboro, Edgecombe County Warden, since the enactment of the State Game Law and student of game conditions, as field representative.

As a basis for further study, the (Continued on page eight)

Fowl and Serpent Have Lively Fight

Folks who admire the spunk of the miniature bantam rooster will certainly regret that they were not present with Mr. Fred Mosher when he came upon a fight between a beautiful Chinese cock pheasant and an enormous rattlesnake out in the Open Grounds recently.

Mr. Mosher was going along the road and heard a loud fracas in the bushes near by. He stopped and investigated, because it sounded frightful. The scene that met his eyes would have made a wonderful movie of the wilds. One of the particular Chinese pheasants which were imported into this section about two years ago, was attacking the rattler with surprising vigor and courage. The cock would dive in, take a peck at the snake, and then dart to one side. This he repeated time and again.

The serpent when killed by Mr. Mosher had feathers in its mouth, showing that the pheasant was bitten. At the near approach of the man, the cock made a hasty retreat. Mr. Mosher has the hide of the rattler as a relic of the remarkable fight between the snake and cock pheasant.

SCHOOL EXERCISES IN PROGRESS HERE

Began Sunday With Baccalaureate Sermon; Will End Friday Evening

Some seven or eight hundred people forgathered in the Beaufort High School auditorium at eleven o'clock Sunday morning for the occasion of the Baccalaureate Sermon, which was preached this year by the Rev. A. P. Stevens, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Morehead City. Two anthems were sung by the high school glee club and three hymns by the congregation. Mrs. John Brooks rendered a solo. The Rev. R. F. Munns gave the invocation, read the scripture lesson, and introduced the Reverend Mr. Stevens.

For some forty short minutes the visiting minister spoke to the graduating class and to the congregation on "The Power of a Vision." He took his text from the eighteenth verse of the twenty-ninth chapter of Proverbs: "Where there is no vision, Continued on page five

MRS. FRANK KING INTERRED SUNDAY

Victim of Automobile Tragedy Laid To Rest In Presence of Large Crowd

The funeral exercises for Mrs. Frank King, who lost her life Saturday morning in an automobile accident, were held Sunday afternoon in Ann street Methodist church. The Reverend R. F. Munns conducted the services in the church and Presiding Elder W. J. Patten assisted at the grave. Interment was in the family plot in Live Oak cemetery. The church auditorium and Sunday School room were filled with a crowd of relatives and friends of the deceased. The hymns sung by the choir were Jesus Savior Pilot Me, One Sweetly Solemn Thought and O Love That Will Not Let Me Go. A solo—One Sweetly Solemn Thought was rendered by Mr. M. Leslie Davis. At the grave, Jesus Lover of My Soul was sung by the choir. A profusion of beautiful floral designs covered the grave. The pall bearers active and honorary were the following: Joseph House, W. V. B. Potter, Hal Potter, Jack Neal, W. H. Taylor, J. A. Hornaday, U. E. Swann, R. B. Wheatly, I. E. Ramsey, W. P. Smith, T. M. Thomas Jr., C. T. Chadwick, C. H. Bushall, Aleck Norris, J. R. Jinnette, L. W. Hassell, W. A. Pierce, John Jones, J. P. Betts, C. R. Wheatly, L. J. Noe Jr., J. H. Davis, Chas. Hatsell, W. L. Hatsell Sr., Howard Jones, Ben Jones, Roland Davis, C. V. Hill, C. W. Thomas, I. N. Moore, J. H. Potter Jr., Seth Gibbs, W. O. Noe, C. A. Clawson, Thos. Gibbs, Sam Gibbs, Ben Gibbs.

Mrs. King is survived by her husband Mr. Frank King, a son Frank King Jr., who is 19 years old and is a student at the University of N. C., a brother Mr. W. F. Howland of Henderson and several cousins. Mrs. King was in her 49th year and was a native of Beaufort, the daughter of the late W. F. Howland and his wife Mrs. Orphie Lindsay Howland. She lived in Beaufort most of her life and was known and liked by a great many people in the town and in this section.

The accident in which Mr. King met her death occurred Saturday morning on State Highway number 10 near La Grange. The car in which she was riding was driven by Mrs. John Abernethy. The other occupants of it were Mr. W. A. Mace of Beaufort and his sister Mrs. Eric Abernethy of Chapel Hill. Mrs. King intended to leave the party at Goldsboro and go to Henderson to visit her brother Mr. Howland. In some way or other Mrs. Abernethy lost control of the car and it turned over and caught on fire. All of the occupants managed to get out except Mrs. King who collapsed from shock and fell back in the car while the others were trying to get her out. She was burned somewhat but it is believed that she died from heart failure. Coroner F. A. Garner of Kinston came to the scene of the wreck and stated that it was his opinion that she died from shock. The others in the car suffered minor injuries.

CONSERVATION PICTURES WILL BE SHOWN TUESDAY

The forest, game, and fish pictures of the State Department of Conservation and Development will be shown in Carteret County next week in the following places: Morehead City Monday, Beaufort Tuesday, Davis, Wednesday, Smyrna Thursday, Newport Friday. All of these will be held in the school houses in these places at eight o'clock, except Morehead City where it will be held in the City Hall and Beaufort which will be held in the Court House. The admission will be free.

BIRTH OF INFANT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Caffrey Tuesday, a son.

DARE COUNTY MAKES HIGH RECORD IN PUBLIC SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

(State Superintendent Public Instruction)

Raleigh, May 26—School attendance by white and colored children in the county systems varies widely—from 93.2 per cent in Dare County to 62.4 per cent in Scotland County for white pupils, and from 92.5 per cent in Wilkes County to 50.6 per cent in Halifax County for colored pupils—according to the current issue of State School Facts, publication of the State Department of Public Instruction. It is interesting to note from School Facts that in the matter of School attendance of white children

Dare County has made the highest record for three of the past six years—in 1923-24 with 87.6 per cent in 1926-27 with 92.9 per cent, and last year, 1928-29, with 93.2 per cent. Carteret, Northampton and Camden school children made the best school attendance record for the other three years, 1924-25, 1925-26, and 1927-28, respectively.

During the year 1928-29, the year for which attendance figures are presented in detail by School Facts, two counties, Dare and Camden, made an average of more than 90 per cent in white school attendance, 16 counties (Continued on page five)