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FEDERAL COURT CONVICTS MANY

Judge Meekins Settles Cases In Rapid Manner; One Gets Three Years

New Bern, Oct. 15—Expediting his work as presiding officer over the week's heavy docket of criminal cases in federal court, Judge I. M. Meekins handled a score of cases this morning at the federal court room and discharged the grand jury impaneled yesterday. The grand jury considered 28 new bills today, finding 25 of them true bills.

One of the heaviest sentences of the morning went to Eddie McCoy, charged with violation of the national prohibition laws, as were most of the morning defendants. He was sentenced to three years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. W. T. Brinson, arrested at the same time with McCoy, was found not guilty.

Archie Warren was sentenced to a year and a day in Atlanta, after a jury had found him guilty of prohibition law violation, upon instruction of the court. Henrietta Pelham, negro, arrested in the recent prohibition round-up, was given ten days in the county jail.

The long pending case against Berkeley G. Harker, for manufacturing liquor some time ago, was heard. A sentence of one month was suspended upon payment of five dollars. No new bills were preferred against him in connection with his recent attempt to break away from custody at the local federal courthouse, while he and his brothers were signing bond for his appearance at this term. (Continued on page four)

Ernest Martin Slays Big Brawny Wild Cat

Carteret County does have its wild and woolly parts, judging from the wild animals and other creatures that are killed every now and then by some resident of this section. Deer, large snakes, fox, possums, rabbits and other denizens of the wilds seem to be in abundance in the less populated places hereabouts. Only Monday morning Ernest Martin, of Merrimon, brought a rather large wild cat to town that he had killed. Wild cats must abound around there, for they are frequently shot by Merrimon and South River folks.

Retraction of Statement Demanded by J. J. Day

Captain J. J. Day, of Oriental, formerly of Cedar Island, came into the News office Monday afternoon and demanded that a retraction be made of the statement in last week's issue of the News that he was to be tried in Superior Court this week for assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill.

A reporter for the News last week went to the office of the clerk of the Superior Court and obtained from the criminal docket a list of the names of persons thereon. On this list there appeared the following entry: "J. J. Day, A. D. W. with intent to kill." This item was printed along with all other items on the docket. It appears, however, from later information obtained from the Clerk that Captain Day's case was not to be tried this week, but it was on the docket for some settlement of the fines and costs, the total of which amounts to \$554.75.

Readers of the News will remember that Captain Day was tried the latter part of last December in Recorder's Court on the charge set forth in the foregoing and was convicted. He took an appeal to the Superior Court and was tried in June by jury and again was convicted. Captain Day then took an appeal to the State Supreme Court, but the appeal was withdrawn before it could be acted on. A motion was made, however, for a continuance for the purpose of retaxing the costs; which means that there will be a hearing before L. W. Hassell, Clerk of the Superior Court, and if the settlement is not agreeable, it will be taken into Superior Court for a final settlement.

It is not the purpose of the News to take sides in any controversy, but to report news as accurately as it is humanly possible to do so. In the case of court news, all of the cases are reported on as equally as possible. And in the case of Captain Day, his name appeared with all the rest on the docket in a fair and impartial way. In its dealings with people, the News tries to deal impartially and with fairness to all concerned.

Mrs. D. M. Jones Died Suddenly Yesterday

Beaufort people were saddened yesterday afternoon when it became known that Mrs. Ruby Stevens Jones, wife of D. M. Jones, had died suddenly at her home on Marsh street. Mrs. Charles Smith was with her at the time and her mother Mrs. Charity Morton was nearby. Mrs. Jones had been critically ill for about two weeks but had shown some improvement in recent days. In fact she had been able to sit up at times. However she had been a sufferer from heart trouble for a good many years and this was the cause of her death. She was forty one years of age. Mrs. Jones was a woman of an amiable and attractive personality, a faithful member of Ann Street Methodist church and had a wide circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones were married twenty five years ago and their marriage had proven to be a congenial and happy one. Of this union two sons were born, Calvin and David M. Jones, Jr. Besides her sons Mrs. Jones is survived by her husband and her mother Mrs. Morton, a brother Charles Stevens of Morehead City, two sisters Mrs. C. Alexander of Charlotte and Mrs. J. M. Willis who lives in New Jersey.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jones took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Ann Street Methodist church and were conducted by the pastor the Reverend Robert F. Munn, the regular burial service of the church being followed. "Jesus Lover of My Soul" was sung by the choir and "The Old Rugged Cross" a solo was rendered by Mrs. Buell Cooke. The service at the church was concluded with the hymn "The Home of The Soul" and at the grave "Rock of Ages" was sung by the choir. The pallbearers were: R. B. Wheatly, W. H. Taylor, Ed. Potter, L. N. Moore, T. M. Thomas Jr., L. J. Noe Sr. The floral tributes sent by friends were unusually profuse and beautiful.

SUPERIOR COURT IN SESSION NOW

Suit Against Luther Hamilton Will Probably Come Up For Trial Tomorrow

Judge Clayton Moore of Williamsport is presiding over the Superior Court in session here this week and Solicitor D. M. Clark is prosecuting the criminal docket. Judge Moore's charge to the grand jury explained fully the duties of that body. He laid especial emphasis on the importance of seeing that school buses are kept in good condition. Also that drivers for the buses should be capable and careful persons. The judge said all citizens should observe the laws but that wealthy and influential people should be very careful to do so. He said all laws should be enforced whether popular or not. He does not believe in excessive punishment and holds that prisoners should be treated decently. J. Harry Davis was appointed foreman of the grand jury and James Glover was appointed special officer to look after the jury.

Although Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were set aside for trying the criminal cases of this one-week term of mixed court, the criminal cases have run over into Thursday. This has been caused by a large docket, there being thirty-odd criminal cases to come up this time. At this writing (Thursday morning) there have been a good many cases disposed of, none of which were of a major nature, however, and only two sentences passed.

Large crowds of people have been attending court this week. Especially was this true Monday morning when court was convened at nine-thirty o'clock.

Rodman Guion, of New Bern, and Mr. Hedrick, of Durham, and local attorneys have been in conference with the county Board of Commissioners and C. F. Delamar and his public accountant assistants last night and this morning in preparation for the County vs Hamilton suit that will probably come up for trial tomorrow. It was scheduled to come up today, but owing to the fact that the criminal docket had not been disposed of yet it had to be deferred. The county is suing Luther Hamilton, former county attorney, for information regarding the penalties collected along with the face value of the tax certificates that were collected during his tenure of office. It begins to look as if the county is going to put up a rather stiff fight in this suit.

Wednesday the trial of Charles W. Willis and Rufus Gray for the larceny (Continued on page four)

REGISTRATION ALMOST OVER

Only two more Saturdays remain in which persons may be registered for the coming election. Saturday the 25th is the last day for registration. The books are required to be kept open at the polling places on registration days for the convenience of the people who wish to register. The registrar may register a voter any day that he pleases up to and including the 25th. Saturday November 1 is Challenge Day and any one who wishes to do it may challenge any person that he thinks has no legal right to vote. The books must be kept open from nine in the morning until three in the afternoon for the inspection of the public.

Morehead Fishermen Capture Huge Whale

The episode of Jonah and the whale was perhaps one of the most thought of passages in the Bible over the week-end hereabouts, for the catching and displaying of the sixteen-and-one-half-foot blackfish—as that species of the whale is sometimes designated—caused many people to view in on a dock in Morehead City.

Friday Captains David and Armida Willis, of Morehead City went "outside" fishing. They saw this whale out in the ocean floating on the surface obviously floating, so they went closer to investigate. They got up close and before the whale could become active and retaliate, they slipped a rope around its body back of its lateral fins and made it fast.

Then the Captains Willis began towing the huge mammal toward Morehead City. Quite a lot of curiosity was aroused in that community when they saw the boat bringing in the live sea monster that was lashing the water in a rather vehement manner. All day both Saturday and Sunday hundreds of people from all around this section went to the dock in Morehead City and viewed the whale. Most of the time the cars were lined up on both sides of the street for over a block near the dock, while their occupants went to take a look at the giant.

This is the first whale that has been around here since one of the same species came ashore near the ear end of this community about a half a dozen years ago. This mammal is scientifically known as a Globicephala; it gets this name from its globe-shaped head. This coal-black mammal is similar to man insofar as both have lungs and breathe air; consequently whales have to come to the surface to breathe. This variety of the whale often travel in schools, but rarely are they caught in this vicinity.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Civics Department of the Community Club will meet Friday night at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. M. L. Davis. Every member is urged to be present.

Mrs. M. Leslie Davis
Secretary.

Increased Enrollment Makes More Teachers Necessary

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By M. R. DUNNAGAN

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No additional teachers were allotted to Carteret county. Figures just compiled show that Carteret county will receive a total of \$78,798.63 from the State school fund this year, of which \$59,813.23 is for the con-

TRAIN BEHEADS CHARLES HENRY

Coroner Claims Passenger Train Caused Death of Local Negro Saturday Evening

Sunday morning the body of Chas. Henry, a colored man who was around sixty years old, was found on the railroad track on the "Y" near the corner of Cedar and Hedrick Streets with his head severed from his body and his left arm cut about half into. The first one to find him was the colored woman who cleans out the train, but she was too scared to go up to him so she went after the fireman. He too would not approach the scene. Shortly after Will Lupton, engineer at the light plant, came upon them and when he saw the body he called up Chief Longest and summoned Coroner L. J. Noe.

The Coroner's jury visited the scene of the tragedy and later held an inquest Sunday evening at eight o'clock. They examined a good number of witnesses and finally reached the conclusion that he was killed by the Norfolk-Southern passenger train No. 10 that came into town at about 7:15 Saturday evening. The head of the victim was found on the outside of the track and the body had been dragged down the middle of the track twelve feet. Blood was all over the track and it was evident to the Coroner that the head had been severed from the body by the wheels of the train passing over the victim's neck.

Charles Henry was a married man and had seven grown children—three sons and four daughters. He always seemed to be a quiet, well-liked man who tried to attend to his own affairs. He opened oysters and claims that he caught the year around and retailed them for a livelihood.

Town Commissioners Have Short Meeting

An adjourned meeting of the Town Board of Commissioners was held Monday afternoon at two o'clock with Mayor C. T. Chadwick presiding and Commissioners Maxwell, Taylor and Willis present. On account of the inability of procuring a quorum on the first Monday of the month, the regular monthly meeting was deferred until the following Monday afternoon.

Commissioner Willis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to permit the local Standard Oil Station to move its loading rack from its present location to the side, which is only a few feet away. Motion carried.

Commissioner Willis offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Maxwell to advertise for sale the light and water facilities and to receive bids for these at five o'clock p. m. on the fifth of November. Motion carried.

A motion was made and carried for the clerk to pay all bills as read, except that of J. J. Whitehurst.

BIRTH OF DAUGHTER

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Simpson, of Cape May Point, N. J., Thursday October 9th, a daughter, Irene Elizabeth. Mr. Simpson is a former local young man, while Mrs. Simpson came from Marshallberg.

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Business Drops Off In Municipal Court

After trying four offenders in Municipal Court for various breaches of propriety, Mayor C. T. Chadwick voiced the opinion that the fishing has fallen off during the past few days, judging from the definite decrease in the number tried now against those tried during more lucrative times.

William Vann, a sheikish young colored fellow, who appeared in court wearing knickers, sport sweater and sleeved head, was haled into court for being drunk and also fighting on the fifth of October. He admitted his guilt. This was his second time before His Honor, so he was meted out a sentence of seven-fifty and costs or fifteen days with the street force.

"Coot" Willis admitted the charge of cursing and disorderly conduct on the fourth of October. He was given the privilege of paying one dollar and costs or serving five days with the street force.

Joe Fulford (Fisher), colored, who has been up four times in about two months, came before the mayor for being drunk on October 4th. He readily admitted his guilt and asked for the mercy of the court; whereupon Mayor Chadwick informed him that there was no mercy. Joe must either pay the town twelve-fifty and costs or work on the streets for the ensuing twenty days.

Lucius Jones, colored, submitted to the charge of drunkenness on the 4th of October, and was fined two-fifty and costs or ten days cleaning the streets.

Cases continued were: Tom Sandler, Ike Simmons and Allan Parker.

Now Digging Major Sweet Potato Crop

Carteret County's Porto Rican potato crop is now being harvested in earnest and the yields are considered to be very good. There were about twenty-five hundred acres planted in these tubers, a large portion of which are in the eastern section of the county. The last report of the national potato crop was even less than first estimated, which is below any crop in the past six years and the fourth lowest since about 1860. As a result of these conditions the growers hereabouts are looking forward hopefully to receiving at least moderately good prices for their potatoes. Few of these have been shipped so far; the major part of the Porto Ricans will not begin to move until about the first of the year and then continue until about the first of June.

Close up to a dozen modern and up-to-date storage houses have been built in Carteret this summer and fall so that the chances of saving the potatoes will be greatly increased. The prices for storage-cured potatoes are somewhat high, too, than the bank potatoes.

There are two of these modern houses being built at the present time, both of which will take care of six thousand bushels of potatoes each. George and Raymond Ball, of Harlowe, and K. W. Wright, of Wire Grass, have storage houses now under construction.

Tobacco Growers Held Meeting Last Friday

Quite a number of Carteret County tobacco growers gathered last Friday afternoon in the theatre in Newport for the purpose of having the terms of the new government contract explained to them. They are still somewhat cautious and seem to think that the major growers of the weed should be the first to sign up for the tobacco crops. It is not likely thinks County Agent Hugh Overstreet, that the co-operative association will begin to function in time to take care of the present crop. However, he thinks that a goodly number of names may be obtained in Carteret for the contract for the 1931 crop.

SEA FOOD CAFE MOVES

The Sea Food Cafe owned and managed by Captain John R. Willis on Turner street for several years has moved into new quarters. The cafe is now located across the street from its former home in the brick building that was used as the postoffice for a number of years.

WILL ORGANIZE FARMERS' CLUB

It Will Bring Together Farmers From Different Communi- ties in Carteret County

Within the next week or two there will be a Carteret County Farmers' Club organized for the purpose of bringing together farmers from the various sections of the county so that they may come to know each other better and understand what is being done in other than their own communities. The progressive farmers from each community are expected to join this organization.

In order to insure a good membership and a large representation at each monthly meeting, these meetings will take the form of dinners or banquets. At each of these affairs it is planned to have a speaker of authority on some phase of farming to come from State College or some other similar institution and address the agriculturists. In this way many things will be learned about how progressive farmers in this county, the state and nation are raising better crops and live stock.

A similar club was organized in Craven County about six years ago with about thirty-five members. It has grown now until there is a membership of about eighty or eighty-five. This sort of "get-together" meeting has been found extremely beneficial in the adjacent county, and it is hoped by County Agent Hugh Overstreet to have a live-wire organization formed here shortly.

The various Women's Clubs will be helped by this idea. The Farmers' Club will rotate from one community to another and the Women's Clubs will be given the opportunity of serving the dinners at a nominal price. In this way the various Women's Clubs will be given the occasion of learning more about the scientific preparation and serving of dinners.

Farmers Planting Seed Now For Cabbage Crop

Cabbage seed for the crop next spring have already been planted and are now up and growing. These were planted in rows close together and sown thickly. Later these will be transplanted and the 1931 cabbage crop will begin to take visible form.

The cabbage crop brought approximately a hundred thousand dollars to Carteret County this past spring. Between three hundred and fifty and four hundred acres were devoted to the crop, and from the outlook now the same number of acres will be planted this season.

Although the acreage will not be increased hereabouts there will be an increase of about twenty per cent throughout the whole cabbage producing area. One of the things that made the crop last year sell so high was the result of the damage caused by the cold snap the 31st of last November. Local farmers did not suffer materially from this change in the weather.

BIRTH OF SON

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Claus Harvey of Sea Level, Wednesday, October 8, 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, Oct. 17	
3:37 A. M.	9:33 A. M.
4:08 P. M.	10:28 P. M.
Saturday, Oct. 18	
4:39 A. M.	10:41 A. M.
5:08 P. M.	10:58 P. M.
Sunday, Oct. 19	
5:34 A. M.	11:10 A. M.
6:00 P. M.	11:41 P. M.
Monday, Oct. 20	
6:25 A. M.	11:58 A. M.
6:50 P. M.	12:36 P. M.
Tuesday, Oct. 21	
7:13 A. M.	12:43 A. M.
7:37 P. M.	1:27 P. M.
Wednesday, Oct. 22	
7:50 A. M.	1:28 A. M.
8:23 P. M.	2:15 P. M.
Thursday, Oct. 23	
8:45 A. M.	2:11 A. M.
9:08 P. M.	3:01 P. M.