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COMMISSION WILL ASK LOWER RATES

Big Power Companies Must Show Cause For Opposing Lower Rates

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Oct. 24.—The N. C. Corporation Commission has issued a letter to the four larger public utilities companies in the State—Carolina Power and Light, Southern Public Utilities, Tidewater Power, and Durham Public Service—to appear before that body on Thursday of this week to show cause why they do not adopt rates for light and power as low as the average for 177 cities of the United States with populations of 50,000 or more, 193 census.

Durham city officials became impatient at the seemingly long time the Corporation Commission is taking in getting rates reduced and came over to have a "session" with the members last week. The commission members told the Durham visitors that they have a plan for reduction but it cannot be "rushed." The commission is seeking rates which the companies will adopt and make effective, instead of trying to force a schedule of rates which they would oppose and fight through the courts, which would take probably as much as a year, when the need for reduction is immediate. The commission announces that it wishes to adopt:

1. A uniform rate that will apply to domestic service of every description.

2. That will apply to similar communities with similar conditions. This is suggested for debate only.

3. To adjust the rates for smaller communities and rural communities by increasing the rates a definite percentage over the reduced rates or possibly increasing the monthly minimum charge. This is suggested for debate only.

4. To adopt a schedule of rates that are so simple that the ordinary consumer can understand them; realize all other consumers are on the same footing, and that such rates are just and equitable to both the public and the electric utilities.

Cash balance of \$3,961,534.86 is shown in the State Treasury on September 30, \$809,859.84 in the general fund and \$3,151,675.02 in the highway fund, combined statement of the State Auditor and Treasurer shows. The general fund had a cash overdraft of \$502,612.43 July 1, beginning of the fiscal year, has spent in the three months \$7,334,614.47 and received \$8,144,474.31, leaving the balance of more than \$809,000. The highway fund had a balance July 1 \$7,130,615.04, has received \$5,102,442.40 and spent \$9,081,282.44, leaving the balance of slightly more than \$3,150,000.

The State Fair showed an operating profit of \$2,439 for the operation two weeks ago, the second year under management of the State Board of Agriculture, Henry Burke, assistant director of the Budget, states. Even with the small profit, satisfaction was expressed that it had not done as usual; gone in the hole. The mild success may determine whether or not the 1933 General Assembly will continue the annual display, or abandon it.

Cheaper Geographies: Maybe

Parents will be able to get geographies cheaper next year, regardless of whether or not the State Board of Education makes a change. The company which now furnishes these books has promised a 20 to 25 per cent reduction if the State will enter into a contract for its books for five years. Other firms will doubtless meet and even better this proposal. The books now in use have been used 11 years, one for the fourth and fifth grade costing \$1.21; the other, for the sixth and seventh grades, costing \$1.69.

Although a great scare is being raised, with some earmarks of the demagogue in trying to save the "poor parent," every reasonable assumption is now the best time to enter into a contract for books, since everything else is low and probably half the cost of these books could be saved on prices that can be secured at this time. The Board of Education will act before January 1 on the recommendation of the State Textbook Commission, which met in Greensboro, Monday. The books will not be changed unless a big saving can be made to buyers, even though the present books are out of date and not entirely satisfactory.

SUSTAINS SPRAINED ANKLE

Mrs. Clarence Whitehurst sustained a badly sprained ankle in a minor automobile accident last Friday. She is still confined to her home on Craven Street by the painful injury.

John E. Robinson Dies After Short Illness

The funeral exercises for Captain John Elbridge Robinson were held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Raleigh by the rector Reverend Theodore Patrick Jr. Interment was in Oak Wood cemetery. Captain Robinson died after a short illness in a hospital at Stamford, Conn., Sunday night. He was taken very ill on his vessel while on the way to Boston, Mass. and was carried to the hospital. He was 55 years of age.

Captain Robinson was the son of the late John Allen Robinson, a native of Beaufort, and his first wife, who was Miss Isabel Bissell and who was born in the state of Kansas. She died at the birth of this son. He and his brother Roscoe Robinson lived in Beaufort several years with their grandmother Mrs. Fannie Robinson. A few years afterwards the two boys went to live with their father and his second wife who was Miss Emma Elizabeth Kness of Bethlehem, Penn. Mrs. Robinson reared the two lads with all the interest and devotion that any mother could bestow.

When he was sixteen years of age John E. Robinson shipped as a common sailor on a sailing vessel. He worked himself up to the position of master and for many years commanded sailing ships and visited foreign ports in all parts of the world. Later he took the necessary instruction to receive a master's license for steam ships and for a long time was in that service. He was in command of one of the first vessels to answer the call of the Titanic when that famous ship was sunk by an iceberg. Recently he has been in the employ of the Lehigh Railroad and was captain of one of their coalers running between New York and Boston. Captain Robinson is survived by his mother Mrs. Emma E. Robinson of Beaufort, a brother Roscoe Robinson of Long Beach, California, two sisters Miss Mary Robinson of Raleigh and Mrs. W. G. Mebane of Beaufort.

LAST CALL !!

Saturday is the last day for registering! All who desire to vote in the general election November 8 must qualify themselves by registering, if they have never registered before. Those who desire to register here in Beaufort must see Richard Whitehurst, the registrar of this precinct before sundown Saturday. This is the last call!

Saturday, November 5 will be Challenge Day. Up to this date only two or three dozen new voters here in Beaufort have qualified themselves for the November election.

HOWARD HILL SUSTAINS FRACTURED FOOT FRIDAY

The automotive jinx seems to be sitting cross-legged over the destiny of Howard Hill. For last Friday at noon he sustained his third automobile injury in recent years and barely escaped more serious consequences. This time it was again his right ankle and foot crushed. Before it had been his broken left leg, and another time it had been his right ankle crushed. Howard seems to have a weakness for vehicular familiarity.

Last Friday when school turned out for the noon recess, Howard—along with several other young fellows—got on the side of Mr. Fred Mosher's Packard sedan to ride home or part the way home. Howard was standing on the back left running board as the car was driven southward on Marsh Street. Just as it reached Pine Street, a Ford sedan driven by Alonzo Williams ran in the left side of the Mosher car. When the collision occurred Howard's right ankle and foot was crushed. He was immediately taken to the Potter Emergency Hospital for treatment. He remained at the hospital for several days, but is now able to be out on crutches. Others riding in and on the side of the Packard escaped injury.

Both the Packard and the Ford cars were considerably damaged as a result of the collision.

CHANGE POLICE COURT TO 7 O'CLOCK MONDAY

The time for Police Court has been permanently changed from 3 o'clock Friday afternoon to 7 o'clock Monday evening by Mayor Bayard Taylor. Those who habitually frequent the city court will therefore have to change their habits in this respect to conform with the mandates of the local officials.

ROOSEVELT PAYS VISIT TO STATE

Democratic Candidate Heard At Raleigh And Other Points by Large Crowds

RALEIGH, Oct. 25.—Franklin D. Roosevelt, the democratic standard bearer was hailed by cheering thousands as he made a triumphal tour through parts of North Carolina today.

Ten thousand people stood in a mist at the state fair grounds here and heard him predict a "clean sweep" for democracy at the polls two weeks from today.

Earlier at Sanford 5,000 others went wild as Roosevelt lauded Governor O. Max Gardner and his "100 per cent liberal administration in North Carolina," and 4,000 at Southern Pines answered with lusty cheers as Gardner asked for a majority of 150,000 from North Carolina for the Roosevelt-Garner ticket.

These were the governor's only personal appearances in North Carolina. However, hundreds of people lined the tracks from Charlotte to Raleigh as the "Roosevelt special" sped along on its long journey from Atlanta to Baltimore, where the nominee speaks tonight.

Immediately after Roosevelt's brief stay here, the seven-car special pulled out for Richmond. A fifteen minute stop is scheduled there this afternoon.

Introduced by Governor Gardner as "the next president of the United States," Roosevelt told his Raleigh audience that he had been getting a great reception on his 36, state tour, not only from democrats but from "thinking republicans who are satisfied the United States will not return to prosperity under republican leadership."

Then he explained that the main object of his long trips is to ascertain the needs of every section, and added:

"When we control the government next year our creed will be to try to restore prosperity, not merely to one section, but to every part of the nation."

Roosevelt concluded by predicting that North Carolina will give the democratic candidates the biggest majority in the history of the state.

Mr. Daniels, Governor Pollard, of Virginia and James Roosevelt spoke briefly when the governor had finished.

Receive Low Bids For Ocean-Swansboro Road

Bids were opened at the meeting of the North Carolina Highway Commission last Thursday in Raleigh for 18 projects, three of which were on route 24 which runs from Morehead Bluffs to Jacksonville via Swansboro. Low bids for the three projects were as follows:

Grading 6.61 miles of route 24 from Ocean toward Swansboro, Lavender Brothers, of Earl, \$25,325.40.

Grading of 1.43 miles of route 24 and approaches to bridges over White Oak River, Harrison-Wright Company, of Charlotte, \$13,452.

Structures over White Oak River, Orrell and Stone, of Wilmington, \$50,007.50.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William E. Branch and Marie Nolan, Beaufort.

NEW N. C. HIGHWAY MAPS GIVE MUCH INTERESTING INFORMATION

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 25.—New North Carolina highway maps are out, giving the once familiar mileage between each two county seats in the State, in addition to a fund of information included under two headings: "Historic places in and about 100 county seats" and "Places to go and things to see."

The new map is not a detour map, since there are so few detours in the State, most of them short and lasting for only a short time. It does show a black network of hard-surfaced roads all over the State, including roads of other types, bearing the new North Carolina and United States numbers, and a marginal index indicating location of towns, cities, and places of interest.

The outside of the folded map shows scenes of "Land of the Sky," with a mountain scene; "The Piedmont," with smoke issuing from industrial plants, and "The Coastal Section," with a lighthouse casting its rays over the waves, along with a reproduction of the seal of the State.

In addition to the table giving distances between every two county

BOARD SELECTS WELFARE AGENT

Mrs. Hilda G. Kite, of Fayetteville, Appointed Carteret Welfare Agent

At perhaps the most important meeting of the Carteret County Board of Public Welfare held in many months Mrs. Hilda G. Kite, of Fayetteville, North Carolina, was unanimously elected by that board on Monday, October 24th, to serve as field agent in Carteret County during the next few months in connection with the distribution of relief funds allocated to Carteret County by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to supplement local efforts. Mrs. Kite will arrive at Beaufort tomorrow and will be busy through October 29th establishing her headquarters and making a survey of the county. Headquarters will be either in the County Courthouse Annex or in the Chadwick building at the corner of Front and Turner Streets formerly occupied by Chadwick's Shoe Shop. Mrs. Kite will not be in position to entertain requests from any source until after she has established herself and her survey of the needs of the county completed.

The Board of Public Welfare which consists of Dr. C. S. Maxwell, chairman, Miss Lillian Duncan, and Supt. H. L. Joslyn, selected Mrs. Kite for this important work not only because of her wide experience as welfare worker in Cumberland and with the State Department but, also, because of the fact that Mrs. Kite is connected with neither Beaufort, Morehead City, nor any other section of Carteret County, is not interested in county politics, belongs to no church in Carteret County, has no friends or relatives here and therefore, can be fully trusted by the people of Carteret County to administer the relief fund without fear or favor. Mrs. Kite is a woman of maturity, excellent judgment, successful experience in dealing with welfare problems, is highly endorsed by the state, and is believed to be a fortunate selection.

Whenever an opportunity to work on public projects at current wages in the community can be provided by Mrs. Kite for those found to be in real need of assistance; wages will be paid on a fixed scale for work done (Continued on page five)

LOUIS H. LOVICK PASSES AWAY AT WILLISTON HOME

Following several months of ill health, Louis Henry Lovick passed away at his home in Williston, October 19, at the age of seventy-seven. Funeral services were conducted at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the Williston M. E. Church by the pastor, the Rev. E. L. Hill and interment was in the adjacent cemetery. A large attendance was present for the last rites and the many floral designs were testimony to the esteem with which Mr. Lovick was held in the community.

Mr. Lovick was a farmer and was well known throughout the eastern section of Carteret county.

The deceased is survived by four daughters and one son: Mrs. S. T. Merrill, RFD, Mesdames Henry Hill, Clyde Willis and Walter Willis, all of Williston; and J. W. Lovick, of Williston.

Wiregrass Women Get Community Club Room

By MILDRED SABISTON (Reporter, Wiregrass Club)

The members of the Core Creek Home Demonstration Club will be the guests of the Wiregrass Club Monday evening at seven-thirty o'clock at a Halloween party that will be given in the new club room of the latter club. Also, friends and members of the families of each club have been extended invitations. An entertaining evening is promised by the hostess club.

Recently the use of the building that was formerly used by the Woodmen of the World Lodge at Wiregrass was acquired by the Wiregrass club women. They have cleaned it up and have converted it into a club room of merit. All meetings of the club will be held there in the future, except when Miss Ann Mason, county home demonstration agent, needs a kitchen stove in performing her cooking demonstrations. Then the club will meet at one of the women's homes. Sometime in the near future the club room may be equipped with a kitchen stove and necessary cooking utensils so that the demonstrational cooking may be carried on right in the club room.

The members of the Wiregrass club hope to make this club room a sort of a community center for both club work and social activities. Some of the members have pointed out that up until the old Woodmen hall was acquired as a club room there was no central meeting place in that community, except the church, which was disqualified as a place of purely social activity. The Wiregrass club members are very proud that they now have a club room which will become the center of the social life of the community, and which will be educational as well as recreative.

CONDUCT FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. EVA J. HAMILTON

Mrs. Eva J. Hamilton passed away at her Stacy home Monday morning following several months of ill health. Funeral services were conducted from the late home of the deceased at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. E. L. Hill. Interment was in the Stacy cemetery. A large crowd of friends and relatives were in attendance. The grave was covered with many floral designs.

The late husband of the deceased passed away about a year ago, death being caused by pneumonia.

Two sons survive Mrs. Hamilton: Leslie Hamilton, of Stacy, and Harvey Hamilton, of Atlantic.

HOLD FUNERAL SERVICES FOR DROWNED OTWAY MAN

After five days of searching, the floating body of Moore Gillikin was found last Thursday just before noon only a few hundred yards away from where the man fell overboard about seven o'clock Saturday evening, October 15, near Dog Island off Bogue Sound about eighteen miles from here. An account of the drowning was printed in last week's edition of the News.

Funeral services were conducted at the grave in the Otway cemetery Friday at eleven o'clock by the Reverend A. P. Stevens, pastor of the Morehead City Baptist Church. A large crowd of friends and relatives were in attendance at the last rites.

Mr. Gillikin was a farmer and a fisherman. As related in the News last week, he was on the way—accompanied by two other Otway men, Ivey and Bryant Gillikin—to the fishery at Brown's Inlet. The victim of the tragedy had told the other two men several times that he was feeling badly, and just prior to falling overboard as he tried to go around the cabin, he told them that one of his legs was becoming numb. After the man fell backward into the water, the other two men endeavored to save him, but were unable to find him. They solicited the aid of a Coast Guard crew but they too were unsuccessful.

His wife, Mrs. Priscilla Gillikin, and nine children survive the drowned man.

NEW EUDY AUTOMOBILE BURNS EARLY TUESDAY

The new sedan in which Howard Eudy was driving about two o'clock early Tuesday morning caught on fire from a mysterious source and burned almost completely up near the Huntley farm on North River road. No injury was sustained by the driver. The engine, wheels and the chassis will probably be salvaged. This was a comparatively new car, the Eudys having had it only a few weeks. Fortunately for the owner, the automobile was insured.

DIAMOND MYSTERY REMAINS MYSTERY

Mistrial Directed in Bullock Case; Nettie Henry Acquitted of Manslaughter

After seven hours of deliberation, the jury in the case of Frank Bullock, twenty-six-year old Atlantic man who was charged with the embezzlement and larceny of over \$4,000 worth of diamond jewelry from the Cherry Hotel in Morehead City June 29, 1932, was called in by Judge Clayton Moore last Friday afternoon and the jurors reported that eleven were for acquittal and one for conviction. Whereupon a juror was withdrawn and a mistrial directed and the case set for retrial at the March 1933 term of Superior Court, which will be the next court for the trial of criminal cases.

No case in recent years has created as much interest among the people of the community in particular and the people of the county in general as the so-called "Diamond Mystery" or Bullock case. The court room was crowded with interested spectators the whole week. The Bullock case was started early Wednesday afternoon, with former Judge E. Walter Hill assisting Solicitor D. M. Clark with the prosecution; the defendant was represented by C. R. Wheatly, Charles W. Stevens and James W. Mason.

All of the evidence was completed shortly after the convening of the afternoon session Thursday and the whole afternoon was devoted to addresses to the jury by the prosecution and the defense. The short humorous speech of Mr. Mason was said by regular court attendants to be one of the best ever made before a Carteret county jury. Owing to the lateness of the hour when the lawyers completed their addresses, Judge Moore decided to adjourn court the next day and the jury Friday morning.

In his thirty-minute charge to the jury, Judge Moore reviewed in brief the testimony and evidence of both the prosecution and the defense. The case was given to the jury at about nine-thirty o'clock Friday morning. When the time came for the adjournment of the October term of court late that afternoon, the jury was still voting eleven to one for acquittal, so a mistrial was declared and bond set at \$500.

Mr. Bullock is quite well known throughout Carteret County and many have expressed their regret at the jury being unable to come to a decision. Popular sentiment, as far as the News reporter was able to ascertain, was in favor of acquittal.

Upon the request of the solicitor, the first-degree murder charge preferred against Nettie Henry, colored, was changed to second degree murder or manslaughter when the case came up for trial Friday morning. Solicitor Clark stated to the court that the reason he asked for the change was on account of the necessity of a special venire should the first-degree charge be accepted by him. Nearly half the court room was occupied by colored spectators from the time this trial was started until the verdict was rendered; and (Continued on page six)

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. 28	
6:11 a. m.	11:51 a. m.
6:45 p. m.	12:35 p. m.
Saturday, Oct. 29	
7:08 a. m.	12:37 a. m.
7:33 p. m.	1:25 p. m.
Sunday, Oct. 30	
7:57 a. m.	1:23 a. m.
8:21 p. m.	2:16 p. m.
Monday, Oct. 31	
8:46 a. m.	2:11 a. m.
9:12 p. m.	3:07 p. m.
Tuesday, Nov. 1	
10:40 a. m.	3:02 a. m.
10:06 p. m.	4:01 p. m.
Wednesday, Nov. 2	
10:38 a. m.	3:57 a. m.
10:58 p. m.	4:58 p. m.
Thursday, Nov. 3	
11:07 a. m.	4:55 a. m.
11:43 p. m.	6:01 p. m.