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MAYOR SENDS FOUR MEN HIGHER COURT

Three Colored and One White Sent to Superior Court \$500 Bond Each

As an aftermath of numerous recent holdups, particularly in the colored section, three colored men were arrested last Saturday and another is arrested last Saturday and another is (Bud) Steven, of Beaufort, and Lonnie Godette, of Harlowe, were tried in Police Court Monday evening for highway robbery and sent to Superior Court under bond of \$500 each, in default of which they will be kept in the county jail until the March term. Al White, New Bern colored man escaped and as yet has not been apprehended.

On November 19th Manly Bailey, Lonnie Godette and Al White held up Andrew Stewart and took his watch and spectacles. A little later the same trio hopped Dave Davis, colored, and took \$2.35 in cash, some tobacco and four cigars, besides striking the victim severely on the head.

Thanksgiving evening Manly Bailey, Lonnie Godette and William (Bud) Stevens stuck a gun in the face of Jim Frazier, took \$16 in cash from his person, and just about beat the colored man to death. Officers got hold of the information of the holdups and warrants were sworn out.

William (Bud) Stevens and Lonnie Godette were easily arrested, but when it came to Manly Bailey the officers had quite a time "treeing" him and then "shaking him out of the tree." Chief Longest and Officer Holland made the arrest of the latter colored man, assisted by T. M. Thomas Jr.

The officers hunted around for Bailey. They were given reason to suspect that he was hiding in the home of Florence Fisher. Florence was working away from her home, so while two of the officers watched her house, the other went in search of the colored woman. When she came, the officers ran Bailey out of the house. He would not submit peacefully, so a persnader in the form of a black-jack was used. This was not sufficient but when Mr. Thomas collared him and stuck a gun in his ribs, Bailey's temperature took a sudden drop. He was then easily incarcerated in the town lock-up.

The three colored men were charged with highway robbery in Police Court Monday evening and sufficient evidence was given to hold them for Superior Court. Unless each of them can give a \$500 bond, they will reside in the county jail until March, when the next criminal term of Superior Court will convene.

At a special session of Police Court Saturday afternoon, John Bunyan Congleton was tried for the indecent exposure of his person the same afternoon of the trial. This alleged act was said to have taken place on the Inlet Inn dock. Congleton was sent to Superior Court for trial, and unless he can give a \$500 bond he too will reside at the county jail until March.

George Johnson and James Stewart, colored, were both tried Monday evening on charges of disorderly conduct. Each reaped a ten day sentence with the street for it.

LAST RITES CONDUCTED FOR MICHAEL HILL AT SEALEVEL

After an illness of about two days, Michael Hill Sr., of Sea Level passed away at his home at 12:50 Tuesday morning. Mr. Hill had seemed to be in excellent health up until he suffered a paralytic stroke Sunday morning. He was well-known throughout the eastern part of Carteret County and had many friends.

Funeral services were conducted from the late home at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, with the Rev. J. P. Harris, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, conducting. Interment was at Atlantic. It was said to have been one of the largest rural funerals ever held in Carteret County.

Mr. Hill was born at Atlantic 62 years ago, and lived there until about fifteen years ago. He worked variously as a farmer and boat and house carpenter. His handiwork was of exceptionally high class.

The deceased is survived by his wife and four daughters and four sons, Misses Julia, Esther, Dora, Thorn and Nellie Hill, and Messrs. Michael Hill Jr., Gaston, Lloyd and Harry Hill, all of Sea Level, with the exception of Michael Hill who resides at Stacy. One brother and one sister also survive Mr. Hill. Charles Hill, of Miami, Fla., and Mrs. Mace Robinson, of Atlantic.

Stormy Weather Swept County Over Week-end

The week end just past was quite stormy in many respects. It started raining intermittently Friday afternoon and that night set in with a downpour. This continued until mid-morning Saturday. About noon Saturday the temperature dropped considerably and the wind shifted from the south to the north and west direction, and blew a gale all night and with little letup until Tuesday. Snow fell scantily all day Sunday, but the ground was too warm for it even to begin to stick.

Tides became a paradox to most of the people in Carteret County. It is said that this is the first time in the memory of the oldest people in the county that north, northwest and west winds have caused exceptionally high tides. Not only around Beaufort were the tides particularly high, but all down Core Sound the water rose to a very high level.

High water and the stormy wind destroyed virtually all the duck blinds in Core Sound. Many hunters were in the section when the tides and wind began their destructive work. They saw that hunting was up for the time being so they went home. The guides in the communities east of Beaufort lost considerable money by the storm, not counting the loss of the duck blinds.

At Sea Level and several other communities boats have been used to go from house to house this week, where the houses were located on the lower land. This, it is said, gave the appearance of gondolas in Venice.

The low farming land around North Rives has been in danger of being flooded by the salt sea water, and some acres devoted to broccoli had had the salt water to come up between the rows.

MacLean Will Address County Schoolmasters

By W. E. POWELL
NEWPORT, Nov. 30—The next meeting of the Carteret County Schoolmasters Club will be held on Tuesday night, December 6, at 6:30 o'clock Sharp at the Villa hotel. The speaker for the occasion is the Honorable A. D. MacLean of Washington, author of the MacLean School Law and Senator-elect to the North Carolina General Assembly from Beaufort County.

The Club feels itself particularly fortunate in being able to secure Mr. MacLean. He is undoubtedly able to tell the public more about the legal side of schools, past and future, than any other person in North Carolina today. There is much speculation as to what the next session of the Legislature will do in regard to the schools. Mr. MacLean should be able to throw more light on plans pertaining to the schools than anybody else. He will no doubt explain his stand on the proposed eight months State supported school term, which he is known to favor.

All teachers in Carteret County, men and women (although only men ordinarily attend the meetings of the Schoolmasters Club), members of local school committees, members of the County Board of Education, County Commissioners, ministers and any one else interested in schools and the educational welfare of the children is invited to attend.

Since the meeting is to be of a banquet nature it will be necessary to know ahead of time how many will attend. The price of plates will be 50c each, a very special price made by the management of the Villa for this meeting. Letters are being sent out to all teachers in the county and those receiving these letters are asked to reply at once whether or not they can come. There are many people who would like to hear Honorable MacLean to whom letters have not been sent. If these will notify Principal W. E. Powell, Newport, Secretary of the Schoolmasters' Club, at once arrangements will be made to accommodate these. But all notices or intentions to attend the meeting MUST be in the hands of the Secretary of the Club not later than Monday, December 5.

HAZEL LAWRENCE INJURED AT SCHOOL THIS MORNING

This morning Hazel Lawrence, ten-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lawrence of this community, was seriously injured at the Beaufort Graded School this morning during the recess period when she and another girl accidentally ran together. The Lawrence child was knocked unconscious by the impact, but recovered real consciousness at the Potter Emergency Hospital where she was taken by Dr. W. S. Chadwick for an X-ray examination. The child's right jaw bone was fractured, in addition to being badly shaken up.

SPUD PROSPECTS SEEM FAVORABLE

Irish Potato Outlook About The Same Now That It Was Last Season

Tuesday morning about half the Irish potato growers of Carteret county met in the office of Farm Agent Hugh Overstreet in the Court-House Annex to hear the discussion of the prospects of the spring potato crop made by A. E. Mercker, Secretary of the Federal Early Potato Committee, and R. B. Etheridge, chief of the N. C. Division of Markets. Much interest was shown by the local farmers.

The growers were told that all indications at the present time point to the fact that the next potato season will be about the same as the past one, insofar as the total crop goes. During the past twelve months the entire crop of the U. S. No 1's raised in North Carolina was marketed averaged \$1.85 a barrel, whereas the primes brought an average of \$1.45 in 1931.

There was a 34 per cent reduction in the national crop last season over the average of the previous five-year period. This was due to the severe freezes in the Gulf States and drought later in Georgia, South Carolina, Virginia and Maryland. Growers will have about the same competition that they had last spring, the farmers were informed. It is expected that there will be as much competition from the sale of old potatoes late this winter and early next spring as there was last winter and spring. All in all there is as good or better

prospects for the Irish potato crop around here, as far as markets go, as there was last spring and summer, the farmers were told. The amount of the total crop is governed also largely by climatic conditions, as in the cases of freezes and drouths the experts said.

Carteret County usually plants from eleven to sixteen hundred acres of Irish Cobblers. A large yield was held to be the farmers main means of making anything on his crop, it was said. And the way to do this is to plant fewer acres but use only the better acres, Mr. Mercker stated. He said that he had not made a thorough investigation of the Carteret County soil, but from his own observation and other information he has received he believes that Carteret County should not devote more than a thousand acres to Irish potatoes; but let those acres be the best there are in the county, he advised.

CHARLIE HILL CAUGHT GIANT EEL WEDNESDAY

Eels are quite common in this section, but an eel like Charlie Hill caught here Wednesday morning was perhaps the largest ever caught in this section. It weighed eleven pounds and was caught on a hook and line designed to land hogfish. It was caught from the wharf back of his store on Front Street. Eels are considered a delicacy in many parts of the country, but few people in this section care to partake of this variety of food.

M. E. CONFERENCE FINISHED MONDAY WITH APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR

The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church concluded its 1932 annual meeting in Rocky Mount Monday morning with the reading of the appointments for the ensuing year. The Rev. T. M. Grant was appointed presiding elder of the New Bern District to succeed the Rev. J. H. McCracken, who was sent to the Elizabeth City District.

Within Carteret County there were two changes. The Rev. R. W. Barfield, who has been pastor of the Newport Methodist Church for the last few years, was sent to the Atlantic field. The Rev. E. L. Hill, formerly of Beaufort, who has been at Atlantic for a number of years was sent to Pamlico.

The Rev. W. P. Watkins relieves the Rev. B. B. Slaughter at Morehead City. The Rev. R. F. Munns, of the Ann Street Methodist Church here, and the Rev. F. B. Brandenburg, of the Straits-Harlowe circuit, remain in the same fields during the coming year.

A complete list of all the appointments in the New Bern District for the following twelve-month period is as follows:

New Bern District
T. M. Grant, presiding elder.
Atlantic, R. W. Barfield, supply;
Aurora, J. W. Sneden; Ayden, H. D.

COST OF SCHOOLS GREATLY REDUCED

Current Expense of County Schools Much Less Than In 1928-29

(N. C. Education Association)
RALEIGH, Nov. 27—Carteret County has reduced the current expense item of its school expenditures \$61,559 in the past three years, or from \$188,167 for the school year 1928-29 to \$126,608 budgeted for the year 1931-32, according to figures compiled in the office of the Superintendent of public instruction.

Total cost of operation of schools in this county has been reduced from \$256,170 in 1928-29 to \$150,068 in 1931-32, a reduction of \$96,112. This total cost is divided into current expense, the reduction in which is shown above; capital outlay, which is the erection of new buildings and permanent improvements, reduced from \$21,707 for 1928-29 to \$2,860 for 1931-32, and debt service, payment of interest and retiring bonds, which was \$46,295 in 1928-29, as compared with \$2,860 for 1931-32.

For the State as a whole the total expense reached the peak of \$50,155,928 in 1928-29, which figure has been cut to a budgeted \$32,463,074 for 1931-32, a reduction of \$17,682,908, or 35 percent in the period of three years. The current expense item, which includes teachers' salaries and salaries of school officials has been reduced from \$31,959,830 to \$24,887,196, in the same period, a decrease of \$7,072,634, or 22 1-2 percent.

Since the State has reached the peak of school building construction and has a fairly well rounded program, the capital outlay item has been reduced from \$9,236,299 four years ago to \$1,380,720 last year, a reduction of \$7,855,579 or 85 percent. Debt service is also gradually lessening, the cost of \$8,959,853 four years ago having been reduced to \$6,195,157 last year, a drop of \$2,764,696, or 31 percent.

While these reductions of more than one-third of the annual cost of the schools were being made in three years, the teachers of the State have been reduced in number by 215, taught 1 1-2 days longer in the average term and taught 47,420 more children in daily average attendance, in 1930-31, as compared with two years before. While in 1931-32 figures are not complete, it is certain that the enrollment and average attendance have again increased, thus heavily increasing the work of the teachers and at a lower teaching cost.

ELECTRIC LINES DAMAGED BY STORM EARLY SUNDAY

The storm Sunday morning tore up some of the street electric wires and caused considerable damage to the electric motor fire alarm air compressor. This motor was taken to Wilmington Monday for repairs, and was brought back Tuesday evening.

EXTINGUISH CHIMNEY FIRE

The chimney on the home of Mildred Sparrow, colored, caught on fire Sunday afternoon. An alarm was sent in immediately and the fire company responded quickly. The fire was extinguished before it spread; no damage was done to the house.

27th. District Meeting Juniors Here Saturday

The Twenty-Seventh District Meeting of the Junior Order United American Mechanics will be held here Saturday afternoon and evening. Beginning at five o'clock with business meeting in the Junior Order Hall in the Duncan Building, this will be followed by supper served to all Juniors registered and paying fee. At eight o'clock there will be a public meeting in the court-room of the county court house. The gathering will be addressed by Lewis P. Hamlin State Councilor, and other State officers. The Twenty-Seventh District consists of Carteret, Craven, Jones, Onslow and Pamlico counties.

Local Juniors Elect New Officers

The following officers were elected at the regular monthly meeting of the local council of the Junior Order held in its hall in the Duncan Building at 8 o'clock Monday evening:

Councilor, John W. Basden; Vice Councilor, J. Elbert Dudley; Junior Past Councilor, B. H. Noe; Chaplain, C. M. Merrill; Conductor, J. D. Biggs; Warden, Otis Willis; Inside Sentinel, Earl Mason; Outside Sentinel, Dave Jarvis; Recording Secretary, W. L. Hattell, Jr.; Financial Sec., C. P. Tyler; Treasurer, J. H. Ives; Trustees, D. M. Jones, J. E. Dudley, C. W. Thomas.

Conduct Funeral For Benjamin Arrington

Following several years of ill health, the last several months of which were severe, Benjamin Bunn Arrington passed away at his home on Ann Street at 12:30 Wednesday morning. Funeral services were conducted from St. Paul's Episcopal Church this afternoon at 2:30 by the rector, the Rev. Worth Wicker, assisted by the Rev. R. F. Munns. Interment was in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Mr. Arrington was born in Wilson 66 years ago. His parents were Geo. W. and Mary E. Arrington. When he was about 20 years old he moved to Beaufort. Mr. Arrington and Miss Theresa Higgins were married October 4, 1899, and to this union was born two children, both of which survive. For many years Mr. Arrington was a loyal member of the Ann Street Methodist Church.

Throughout his life Mr. Arrington was a friendly, likeable man, and made many friends in Beaufort, Carteret County and elsewhere. For more than twenty-five years he worked in the mercantile business of N.W. Taylor here. During the Wilson administration Mr. Arrington was postmaster here for several years. At different times during his life he taught school at various places in the county.

A large crowd of the friends of Mr. Arrington attended the funeral this afternoon and a multitude of flowers attested to the high esteem with which "Uncle Bennie," as he was affectionately known, was held by his many friends here and elsewhere.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Theresa Arrington, a daughter and son, Miss Maggie Arrington and Benjamin B. Arrington, Jr., all of Beaufort, and by two sisters and one brother, Mrs. J. M. Burnett, of Henderson, Mrs. C. B. Taylor, of Boston, Mass., and W. L. Arrington, Sr., of Beaufort. Mr. Arrington is also survived by a number of nieces and nephews, several of which live in Beaufort.

STOLEN FORD RECOVERED

While Charles Hassell and Frank Kugler were hunting in the Wading Creek section yesterday afternoon about three o'clock, the Ford coupe owned by Mr. Hassell was stolen. It was recovered this morning on the Laurel Road, but the battery, tools and floor board were missing. At this time it is not known who the thieves were.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

B. R. Willis and Louisa Wooten, Beaufort.
F. A. Spencer, Akron, Ohio, and Ella D. Crary, Martinsville, N. C.
Linwood Gillikin and Cleo Gillikin, Beaufort RFD.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Iner Lawrence, of Beaufort, Monday, November 28, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Troy Morris, of Morehead City, Sunday, November 27, a son, at the Morehead City Hospital.
Superannates; S. A. Nettles, J. pital.
A. Wright, R. A. Burton.

RECORDER'S COURT PASSES NATURAL

Harkers Island Case Predominates at Last Session of This Court

Recorder's Court died yesterday by limitation after about five years of existence, the last session having been held Tuesday morning. About fourteen or fifteen months ago the Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution abolishing this court the first of December 1932. At the conclusion of the last session Tuesday morning Judge M. Leslie Davis made an order in which all unfinished business of the Recorder's Court was relegated to the Superior Court of Carteret County.

Sam W. Guthrie, Harkers Island man, had a number of charges against him, among which were: cursing, abuse and assault on W. O. Guthrie and wife Ruby H. Guthrie, the use of vulgar and profane language upon the public highway in the presence of two or more witnesses and was drunk and disorderly upon the public highway and did trespass on the premises of the affiant after being forbidden.

The defendant, through his attorney, Alvah Hamilton, entered a plea of guilty to cursing and abusive language on the highway, but said it was not directed at the wife of the prosecuting witness. All other charges were denied. C. R. Wheatly appeared for the private prosecution.

It developed that the defendant tried to borrow an ice cream freezer from the prosecuting witness, but was refused and told that the freezer belonged to his wife. She also refused. Owing to the fact that W. O. Guthrie owes Sam Guthrie about twenty dollars, the latter thought the former should have shown his appreciation by lending the freezer. Witnesses testified that the defendant "appeared to be drinking" at the time they said he cursed and used abusive language.

The following witnesses testified in the case: W. O. Guthrie, Mrs. Ruby Guthrie, Mrs. Claude Guthrie, Harry Johnson, and Stacey Guthrie.

Judge M. Leslie Davis thought there might have been sufficient provocation for Sam Guthrie to get mad, but said that did not excuse the cursing and abusive language. The defendant was found guilty of these two charges and given a 30-day suspended jail sentence upon the payment of the costs, provided he is of good behavior during the next six months.

AMATEUR MAGICIAN PLEASURES ST. PAUL AUDIENCE FRIDAY

Last Friday night "Mac" the Magician entertained a large audience at the auditorium of St. Paul's School. The main features of the program were the Chinese rings, houdini escape, cards from nowhere, and the mystery rabbit.

With the unusual tricks, "Mac," a young man of Morehead City, entertained his audience for one hour. The school band put on a street parade before the performance and carried many visitors to the school.

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, Dec. 2	
11:01 a. m.	4:44 a. m.
11:24 p. m.	5:39 p. m.
Saturday, Dec. 3	
11:59 a. m.	5:49 a. m.
12:26 p. m.	6:36 p. m.
Sunday, Dec. 4	
1:06 a. m.	6:58 a. m.
1:27 p. m.	7:34 p. m.
Monday, Dec. 5	
2:09 a. m.	8:09 a. m.
2:27 p. m.	8:28 p. m.
Tuesday, Dec. 6	
3:06 a. m.	9:15 a. m.
3:25 p. m.	9:19 p. m.
Wednesday, Dec. 7	
3:58 a. m.	10:13 a. m.
4:17 p. m.	10:00 p. m.
Thursday, Dec. 8	
4:46 a. m.	11:03 a. m.
5:05 p. m.	10:48 p. m.