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Making Progress Here On Drainage Projects

About 300 Men Working In Ten Crews are Undertaking To Reduce Mosquito Propagation. Over 800 Now Employed On Various CWA Projects. Pay Roll Shows Substantial Increase.

MAKING PROGRESS D C

According to reports from the office of Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, CWA State Administrator, more than \$824,000 was paid out last week to some 67,536 workers in North Carolina. This pay roll was \$200,000 greater than the previous week's pay roll. A good many new projects have been approved which enlarges the scope of the work and increases the number of employed.

In Carteret county a good many CWA projects are under way and a very considerable number of men and women are being employed on the projects and in other ways. The total number of those who have registered for work is 2699 and something over 800 persons have gotten work. The payroll in the county has increased each week since the work started. Last Saturday more than \$13,000 was paid out in this county and it is not expected that it will be any less this week, possibly may be more.

The salt water drainage, with the object of decreasing the mosquito pest, is one of the largest undertakings in eastern Carolina. In the district embracing Carteret, Craven, Brunswick and New Hanover counties a total of 1024 men are working. In Carteret county 300 men are working on these drainage projects under the supervision of Philip K. Ball, Dr. R. W. Isby of the Bureau of Entomology, is the state director and Morgan Hand with headquarters at Wilmington, who is a mosquito expert, is looking after the district work.

The men working on drainage jobs in Carteret county are in crews of about 30 men in each crew. They have been working at Cedar Point, Pogue, Newport, Narrows, Harker's Island, Crab Point, Calico Creek, Davis Shore, Marshallberg, Sea Level, Atlantic, Merrimon and Lenoxxville. A survey is being made for the New Bern road section to Harlowe and also for the east and west sides of North River. The public is invited to inspect any of these projects, especially the one at Newport Narrows, which is one of the largest in the county.

CENSUS OF AMERICAN BUSINESS

The government of the United States is at present taking a census of business. The following have been appointed as census enumerators: Beaufort, Adrain Rice; Morehead City, Mr. J. T. Willis, Carteret county, Rev. H. A. Welker. Mr. Thomas J. Marriner of New Bern, district supervisor of the Federal Business Census, was in conference this afternoon with those appointed to this office. The work is to be completed in a month or so. We, therefore, ask the business men to give their hearty cooperation in order that the enumerators may get the correct information and have the work well done.

SEVERAL OLD BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN CONDEMNED

At the insistence of Building Inspector D. M. Jones, a number of old, unoccupied buildings have been torn down and others will be demolished. The building known as Stanley's Auditorium at the corner of Cedar and Pollock streets and formerly used occasionally by colored people has been torn down. Another is the Ike Vann building on Cedar street.

A dwelling on Turner street near Ann, belonging to the C. L. Dickinson estate, has been demolished and the old store building at the corner off Ann and Live Oak streets, the property of Dr. C. L. Duncan, has also come down. This building, however, was taken down by the owner before it had been condemned by the building inspector. There are several others that will probably be condemned soon. If a building of this sort is not in the fire district it may be repaired if the owners desire.

A carload of 24 mules brought cooperatively for cash by farmers of Alamance County saved the purchasers approximately \$50 per mule.

Well Known Beaufort Citizen Died Sunday

Following an illness of several years, Mr. Peter D. Garner, died Sunday morning at Potter hospital where he had been a patient for ten weeks from arthritis. Mr. Garner, a son of Alexander and Charity Nee Garner, was born in Beaufort, and was 69 years old. He spent his life here and was in the government service. Early in life he married Miss Ida Russell and to this union four daughters and one son were born. One daughter and the son died a few years ago.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ida Russell Garner, and three daughters, Mrs. J. R. Ball, Mrs. A. T. Smith and Mrs. B. A. Bell; several grandchildren, and a brother, W. H. Garner, and sister, Mrs. Ed Simpson of Beaufort. He had a great many friends who greatly regretted his passing away.

Funeral services for Mr. Garner were held from the home on Cedar street Monday afternoon and was largely attended. The Reverend C. B. Culbreth, pastor of Ann Street Methodist church, held the service, and combined choirs sang "In the Hour of Trial," "I Will Sing You a Song" at the house and at the grave "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Interment was in Ocean View cemetery.

Pallbearers were Messrs. C. R. Wheatly, Henry Weeks, Henry Styron, C. G. Austin, John C. Rice, H. W. Nee.

The flowers sent from sympathizing relatives and friends were numerous and unusually lovely.

ANOTHER RADIO BROADCAST BY THE BEAUFORT TRIO

By A. R. RICE

The Beaufort trio consisting of Billie King Taylor, Troy Johnson and William Willis gave another of their delightful fifteen minutes programs from Station WRAM, Wilmington Sunday afternoon. Numerous requests by telephone, telegram and letter have been following these boys on their many broadcasts from this station and WEED, Greenville. These requests cause the studios to regard the singers with high favor and in view of the fact that a large northern concern is being negotiated with in an effort to get an advertising sponsorship for this trio, the more requests sent in to Wilmington, the better.

Sunday week, the 21st, the time has been extended to half an hour's program, probably starting at 3:00, so get your letters or cards in early. Last Monday as part of an athletic meeting at the high school, the trio rendered the following program which was received with much applause:

Theme song: "We've Got Rhythm."

"Thanks," solo by Johnson.

"You're Gonna Lose Your Gal," by trio.

"Just a Year Ago Tonight," by trio.

"Give Me Liberty or Give Me Love," solo by Taylor.

"Tiger Rag," by trio.

"We've Got Rhythm," theme song.

As a seeming reversal of the trio's good form, the high school basketball team was snowed under by the very unimpressive score of 27 to 3, Tuesday night at Swansboro. A large delegation of local fans followed the squad and were much disappointed by the showing made by Coach Potter's hopefuls. They promise better results against Smyrna at the latter place tomorrow, Friday, night. Hill accounted for the only action score of the Sea Dogs and Chadwick the foul shot. It was just an off night, it seems, as shot after shot rimmed the basket only to fall out, while Swansboro showed rare aptitude in looping them.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses issued for week ending January 9, 1934:

Leslie D. Brinson and Edna C. Bennett, Morehead City.

LeRoy K. Guthrie and Annie Mae Parker, Morehead City.

CWA PROGRAM MAY BE MUCH LARGER

A Planning Commission Appointed to Recommend Various New Projects

In anticipation of a considerably enlarged program for CWA work a planning commission has been established in Carteret county. This commission, or committee, was appointed by the board of county commissioners. The names were submitted to Mrs. Malcolm Lewis, CWA director in this county and were approved by her. The members of the commission are F. R. Seeley, Beaufort; A. D. Ennett, Peletier; Leon A. Mann, Newport; H. C. Taylor, Sea Level; C. H. Davis, Davis.

A meeting was held of the newly appointed planning commission at the courthouse Saturday the 6th and an organization was effected and some plans made. F. R. Seeley was chosen chairman and L. A. Mann, secretary of the organization. There was a general discussion as to what should be done but no program was effected. On Saturday of this week another meeting is to be held and some details will be worked out. As soon as the board can get up its plans they will be submitted to the CWA authorities for approval.

The members of the committee represent the various sections of the county and each one is expected to pay special attention to the interests of his community. Of course their work is county-wide and the projects are expected to be of such a nature that they will be beneficial to all the people in Carteret county. It is the purpose of the committee to recommend projects that if they are carried out will be of lasting benefit. Such things as docks, fresh water drainage, community houses and various things that will be really useful are to be considered. It is generally expected that Congress will make a large appropriation for public works and if so Carteret county's quota may go into a large sum. The members of the committee do not receive any remuneration for their services and the work they will do will be for the public good rather than for any advantage to themselves. If Congress makes the expected appropriation and the new projects are authorized it will mean the employment of a large number of people in this county.

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FOUR YEAR OLD CHILD DIES OF DIPHTHERIA

Funeral services for little Laura Frances Gillikin, daughter of Allen H. and Sallie Gillikin were held from the home Sunday afternoon and interment was in the family burying plot at Otway. Little Laura Frances was four years of age and died Saturday at St. Luke's hospital from diphtheria, where she was taken for an emergency operation.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Brooks of Harkers Island, Thursday, January 4th, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hardy of South River, at Potter hospital, Saturday, January 6, a daughter.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Earle W. Webb and wife to Earle Wayne Webb, Jr., Memorial Inc., 3 Lots, Morehead City. Consideration \$100.

John A. Nelson and wife to Earle Ray T. Pigott, 1 tract Straits. Consideration \$10.00.

MILTON LEWIS NOT TRIED

In the December 21st issue of the News it was stated that Milton Lewis was tried in police court for refusing to aid in making an arrest. This was an error. Mr. Lewis was not in court on any charge and the News regrets that the mistake was made. The man tried was Milton Woolard.

LIQUIDATION OF BANK MAKES GOOD PROGRESS

The News is informed that a favorable showing was made in the liquidation of the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company during the quarter beginning October 1 and ending the first of January. The income for that period was 45 per cent greater than the expense. W. A. Allen is in charge of the liquidation of this bank and also other banks in the county.

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FARM WORKERS MAY REGISTER

The Reemployment Office Offers Its Services to Landlords and Helpers

Mr. C. B. Wade, manager of Carteret County Re-employment office, announces that his office is now ready to register landlords and farmers who are in need of farm labor of any kind. Likewise, families desiring to rent a farm and unemployed farm labor are urged to register. Families who left farms for work in towns or factories and are now interested in going back to the farm are urged, Mr. Wade said, to register and give the government a chance to help them find the kind of employment they prefer.

There may be some families applying for farm placement who do not have enough food and clothing to "run" them until the crop is made. Under certain conditions, provision will be made to extend help to such families, he said.

The National Reemployment office also stated this week that it is very important that every person who has registered prior to January 1st, and who is now unemployed and wants to be considered for employment come to the office either in Morehead City or Beaufort and register. As stated in a former notice this is being done to "weed out" from the files any person's card who has already found work in some other line or is moving out of the county. After January 31 only those who have registered since January 1st or who may have registered in 1933 and have re-registered since January 1 will be considered as applicants to their files.

ONE CASE TRIED BY JUDGE WEBB

Dave Bell Gets a Road Sentence; Several Old Cases Disposed Of

There was only one trial in recorder's court Tuesday. This was the case of Dave Bell, colored, of Morehead City charged with an assault with a deadly weapon on George Johnson, also colored, from Beaufort. A few other matters brought over from previous sessions of court were disposed of by Judge Webb.

Julian Piver of Beaufort, who had pled guilty to violating the prohibition law, was given a suspended sentence of nine months on the roads, provided he pays a fine of \$35 and costs. As soon as he gets a job he is to pay at the rate of \$5 a week.

Herman Smith, who used to run the "Log Cabin" near Morehead Bluffs, and had formerly submitted to the charge of selling liquor, was sentenced to 60 days on the roads, judgment suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and he agrees not to violate law for two years.

Milton Woolard of Beaufort, charged with non-support. He is trying to get a job and the court continued his case for further consideration.

The trial of Dave Bell resulted in his conviction and a sentence of 90 days on the roads to be worked under the supervision of the highway commission.

Dave was his own lawyer and put up a good defense. He has had much experience in court and knows a good deal of the technique of lawyers. His cross examination of witnesses for the state was quite keen but the trouble was that his own witnesses did not help him much.

The testimony of George Johnson and two or three other witnesses, was that George and several others from Beaufort attended a party in Morehead City, that a fight between George and a Moreheader started and that Dave used a knife or razor on George and cut him rather severely. He bled a good deal and was taken to the hospital in Beaufort and fourteen stitches were taken in his wound. He now appears to be in good condition. Dave denied the cutting but the court decided that the evidence showed his guilt. Dave did not take an appeal to superior court and said he would serve the sentence. He has already been in jail a month and has a conviction on a liquor charge hanging over him besides the other.

Cooperative sales of chickens and turkeys by Chatham County farmers have brought them about \$8,000 in cash during the past month.

Former Carteret Man Killed By Automobile

NEWPORT, Jan. 8.—Last Thursday night, Dec. 28, about 11:15 o'clock Samuel W. Garner and his son-in-law, James Roy Gould of Wilmington, were killed in an automobile accident. The car was driven by a negro by the name of Johnnie Bryant, and he was arrested and will be tried later. He was driving the car over speed. Samuel W. Garner, 56, was killed almost instantly, and James Roy Gould, 28, died in James Walker Memorial hospital about four hours later. They were struck by the negro driver on the other side of Wilmington in Brunswick county near the bridge.

Garner and Gould were standing on the highway talking with the occupants of another car at the time they were struck. The officers said after viewing the scene, that the negro's car struck Garner dragging him several feet away and Gould was crushed between the two cars. Garner died en route to the hospital and Gould was found to have suffered very much with both legs fractured. The doctor who performed a hasty examination of the left leg, said he never had seen a case in which the patient was more horribly mangled.

Mr. Garner and his son-in-law had gone to Brunswick county to join in the car of Mr. Garner's son, Aden Roy Garner, who with him were three more young people, one boy and two girls. They were on their way to Wilmington with the car when the tow rope broke and they stopped, got out, and were discussing the best way to arrange the tow.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec 31, at 3 o'clock for both at the Episcopal church near Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. Gould was a member of the Episcopal church and Mr. Garner was a member of the Free Will Baptist church.

Mr. Garner is survived by his step-mother, Mrs. Esther Garner, his widow and seven children, Mary Belle, Aden Roy, Joseph, Hubert and Leland; Mrs. Roy Gould all of Wilmington, and Mrs. Roy Simmons of Newport; three brothers and two sisters also survive. They are E. J. D. B. and C. H. Garner all of Newport, and Mrs. Betty Mundine and Mrs. C. P. Pringle of Newport, and five grandchildren. He had nieces, nephews and very many relatives of Newport.

The Gould family lived with the Garners. The widow and a 11-months old daughter, Avelita Mae, survive the father. Mr. Gould is survived by a father, Carmie Gould, three brothers, Rupert, Dewey, and Eddie Gould of Newport; four sisters, Mrs. Matilda Cannon, Mrs. Bettie Glancy, Mrs. Annie Garner and Mrs. Lona Hill of Newport. He also had nieces, nephews and other relatives in Newport. Also both of them had many friends in Wilmington.

They say that it was the largest crowd that they had any record of in Wilmington being to a funeral attended their funeral Sunday. They were buried in a twin grave and there were many pretty flowers that covered both graves.

WESTERN CARTERET ROADS ARE TO BE IMPROVED SOON

It appears that citizens of the western part of the county who have been earnestly desiring to get some road improvements in their section are in a fair way to get them. Thursday the 4th a delegation of men from the west came to Beaufort and had a conference with state highway district road men, Gardner and Hart in regard to this matter, and were successful in getting their projects approved.

One of the projects under consideration was that between Piner's Store and route 24, the new paved road to Swansboro. This is a short stretch, about two miles and is also a short piece about 250 yards from the highway to the water front. The dirt road to Stella and Peletier from the highway is to be widened and put in good condition. It is said that this will give the people of that section much better road facilities than they now have.

Thar's gold in them thar sands! George Pickens, unemployed of Santa Cruz, Cal., gets gold from his front yard instead of the gravel beds of the mother lode country. Pickens' "front yard" is a sandy beach on the Pacific ocean. He has pocketed a sand strainer which recovers lost jewelry and coins from beach sands.

MUCH CRITICISM CAUSED BY AUTO LAW ENFORCEMENT

Governor Raked Fore and Aft Because They Had to Buy Plates By Jan. 1

MORE SOLD THAN LAST YEAR

By R. M. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Jan. 8.—Wave after wave of resentment has passed over the state for more than a week because Governor Ehringhaus, having warned the citizens in newspapers, by radio and picture house notices, in addition to the direct by mail notice, for more than a month that 1934 license plates would be required on all automobiles on and from January 1, did not relent as other governors had done and extend the time for one, two or four weeks.

Newspapers are almost unanimous in scathing editorials for the unnecessary and embarrassing arrest of citizens and carrying them before magistrates, who usually taxed them with the costs and required them to buy the licenses. The statute makes the fine \$10 to \$50, which may be suspended, the attorney general holds. The Raleigh News & Observer, reversing its usual position, praises the governor for his firm and fearless stand and, having taken a position, sticking to it, in spite of the criticism of the almost unanimous press of the state.

The papers say there was no necessity for the drastic measure at this time of leniency in other matters in forcing citizens unable to buy their tags at the moment, to raise the money before they can operate their cars on the highways. It is described as high-handed and an abuse of authority, also causing a loss in revenue from the gasoline tax when automobiles are not in operation for lack of tags. Also, it is charged that the license stations were not open late enough Saturday to accommodate those seeking to buy licenses to comply with the law.

It is pointed out, in answer, that warning was given in ample time that the new plates would be required, the license stations were open for a month with the new plates and owners were urged to buy them early to avoid the last-minute rush. Governor Ehringhaus points out that the law sets the time and he has no authority to suspend it, and that it is only fair to those who have bought their plates in time. Those who have been arrested were able to pay the costs, in addition to the price of the tag; therefore, they could have bought the tag in the first place. The plea for more time is made not so much for the man unable to buy a tag, but for those who have neglected or purposely delayed complying with the law.

And the contest rages on. Police officers, legislators and other officers were arrested, along with the ordinary citizen, for disobeying the law.

Auto Plates Sales Large

Automobile license plates for 1934, sold and reported at the closing hour Saturday had reached 227,429, as compared with 111,974 at the same date in 1933, only 245,548 had been sold up to February, Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell reported. This causes him to estimate that 1934 tags sold Saturday and not reported will bring the total so far close to \$300,000, an unusual record and not reached during the balmy days. This record is directly the result of the announcement of Governor Ehringhaus that all automobiles must have 1934 plates on and after January 1—and then the enforcement of the order. Reports are that 1500 owners have been arrested, which is about one out of each 100 who have bought plates since January 1. Governor Ehringhaus is being "cussed," but no suggestion is made that the law has not been enforced on all alike, as police officers, legislative representatives and other officers have been taxed with costs and required to buy the licenses.

Governor Ehringhaus has issued requisition upon the governor of New York to turn over to this state Wallace Scales, son of a prominent Greensboro family, wanted in Winston-Salem on a charge of breaking into a bridge party at the home of his kinsman, A. H. Galloway, and at the point of a gun, robbing the assembled guests of jewelry valued at \$5,000, on a night in March, 1931. Scales, serving a sentence on the N. C. roads for run-running, was tried on the charge later and because it involved a capital felony, Solicitor

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