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Marsh Drainage Work Has Been Suspended

Suspension Order Lays Off 300 Men; Much Work Has Been Done; Efforts Being Made To Have Work Continued Under State Control; CWA Work Going Forward

MOSQUITO CONTROL WORK WILL KEEP GOING

Since writing the above the News is informed that Mr. B. A. Phelps received a telegram today from Dr. Leiby, who is in charge of the work in the State, that the Mosquito Control work would continue. No details were given and there will probably be something more definite about the matter next week.

Unless some new arrangement can be made it appears now that the stupendous task of draining many of the salt water marshes in Carteret and other counties, for the purpose of eliminating the mosquito pest, will be stopped. Like a bolt out of a blue sky yesterday a telegram came to B. A. Phelps, County Supervisor of Salt Marsh Drainage, from Dr. R. W. Leiby, State director of the mosquito control work, instructing him to stop work. These instructions of course applied to all similar projects now in progress, in fact according to reports 29,000 men engaged in this work have been laid off.

A great deal of progress has been made on the drainage work but a great deal yet remains to be done. Efforts are being made to have the work continued until that which has been started can be finished. Many telegrams were sent yesterday to Mrs. Thos. O'Berry State CWA Director asking that the drainage work be taken over by her department. At this time it is not known what will be done. The repair work which has been going on at Camp Glenn was also stopped yesterday. Mrs. Malcolm Lewis, County CWA director, informed the News today that she had received no instructions to lay off any of her quota of workers as yet. There are about 395 engaged in CWA projects in this county and many of these projects are yet unfinished.

A reporter for the News yesterday inspected the marsh drainage being done at the narrows of Newport river. There over a vast area of 3000 acres ditches are being cut. Many miles have been cut but a great deal more ditching will have to be done there to complete the job. Work started at Calico creek some weeks ago and is proceeding up Newport river. The ditches leading to the river are 20 inches wide and two feet deep and the lateral ones are 10 inches wide. The work has been well done and already the territory covered by this vast net work of canals which was under several inches of water a few weeks ago, is now well drained. Similar work has been going on in other parts of the county and 300 men have been employed. Drainage has been in progress near Beaufort, Morehead City, Stella, Davis, Atlantic, Merrimon and Harker's Island. If these projects and others are ever finished engineers say that they believe that these localities will be relieved of the mosquito pest to a very large extent.

WORLD WAR VETERANS GET SOME BACK COMPENSATION

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Back compensation for World War veterans in the amount of \$3,049.83 and monthly increases of \$707.75 a month in pensions of 21 veterans were secured during January by the Veterans' Bureau of the N. C. Department of Labor, Commissioner A. L. Fletcher, reports.

Major Fletcher reports that F. A. Hutchinson, State Service officer, and Jack P. Lang, assistant, handled 429 old cases and 104 new cases for veterans in January, in addition to securing the increases noted above.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher R. Taylor of Bachelor, February, 9, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Romain Scott of Beaufort, at Morehead City Hospital, Friday, February 9, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Mason of Harlowe, Monday, February 12, a daughter.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Manly Massey, Wednesday, February 14, a son.

TENANT FARMERS ARE LOSING OUT

Tobacco Acreage Reduction Causes Many To Leave Farms

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Indications of "chisling" on the part of tobacco growers on the tenant farmers, as a result of the tobacco acreage reduction campaign in North Carolina is being received at the State-federal reemployment office in Raleigh. Capus H. Waynick, director, reports adding that it creates a situation which may be serious for the tenant tobacco growers.

"These acreage reduction contracts the owners of tobacco farms have entered have cut down the work on tobacco plantations in this State by some 30 per cent and it appears that the tenant farmer, in some cases, at least, are being forced off the farms or compelled to look for other means of livelihood than tobacco growing, as the landlord discovers he can plant his reduced acreage and cultivate it with a smaller force," Mr. Waynick states. "We are seeing evidence of this in reemployment offices in some of the tobacco growing centers."

"The contracts that the government is making with the tobacco farmers offer substantial compensation for acreage reduction, and they provide that this compensation shall be distributed as their interests appear among the tenants on the land. These contracts, also, stipulate that the landlord is not to use the fact of acreage reduction as a reason for reducing his number of tenants. However, the contract is made applicable to the land with the land-lord, and the loophole in it seems to be that the landlord can rid himself of a tenant for any other reason he may find. In other words, there is no guarantee in the agreement that really protects the tenant tobacco grower."

"How serious will be the effects of this violation of the spirit of the contract our reemployment office records do not indicate, but they do appear to indicate that the tobacco acreage reduction will have the effect of forcing a considerable number of tenant farmers to seek other employment."

"One city where a reemployment office is located finds that many empty houses on the outskirts of the city have been filled recently with tenants from the farms, some of whom have been let out of their ordinary places because of this limitation on crop production. The spirit of the contract of the tobacco acreage reduction unquestionably is against the practice of dropping the tenant and the terminology of the contract seeks to prevent it, but neither the spirit nor the letter seems to be protecting all tenants against the desire on the part of some landlords to get hat production is allowed done with as little labor as possible and thereby to restrict the distribution of the benefits of parity prices and controlled production."

CARTERET COUNTY HAS SUCCEEDED IN GETTING MANY PROJECTS APPROVED

A large number of CWA projects have been approved for Carteret county and work is going forward on many of them. The funds have been allotted for these two projects and they will all be completed. A great deal of the work is being done on school buildings and school grounds throughout the county. Some of the other jobs are building docks, streets, sidewalks, laying sewers, drainage of ponds and creeks, roads, sanitary privies and so on.

For the information of readers of the News a list of projects approved up to about a week ago is printed herewith. As new projects are approved from time to time they will be published in this newspaper. The list is as follows:

ATLANTIC—Draining ponds; Mosquito control work; Work on Teacherage; Work on building and grounds of school.

Beaufort—Colored school, repairing boiler; Colored school, drilling well; Graded school, drilling well; Sidewalks of Beaufort Graded school; General repairing of Graded School; Material; Nurse for CWA services, Dr. Maxwell's office; Imp. of U. S. Fisheries Biological Station and American Legion Hut; Imp. grounds and building grand stand colored school; Repairing interior of Graded School; Material for above work; Colored School, drilling well; Imp. Graded school grounds; Material; Building grand stand and imp. athletic field; Material; Extension of

CAPE LOOKOUT MEETING HELD

Delegation Went To Raleigh Wednesday To See Governor Ehringhaus

Another step was taken Wednesday in the attempt to get Federal aid for the construction of a highway from the mainland to Harker's Island and Cape Lookout. Efforts along this line have been going along for more than a year and a great deal of work has been done. Plans have been made by engineers, much data bearing on the question have been assembled and the whole thing has been brought before various boards and officials time and again.

Wednesday men from Beaufort, New Bern and elsewhere went to Raleigh and had a conference with Governor Ehringhaus, their object being to get the Governor to go to Washington and use his influence there in favor of the project. County Commissioner W. P. Smith, Dr. C. S. Maxwell, Dr. H. M. Hendrix, J. F. Duncan, C. R. Wheatly from Beaufort, Mayor Scott, Thos. D. Warren, R. E. Whitehurst of New Bern, John Dawson of Kingston, R. H. McNeill of Washington, Harry Grier of Statesville attended the conference. Governor Ehringhaus expressed his sympathy with the undertaking but did not promise to go to Washington.

In addition to getting a highway built to Cape Lookout backers of the enterprise went to get the Norfolk Southern railroad extended there. The object of this of course is to establish a deep water port there. The water is already there but the railroad and highway are conspicuous by their absence. The potential value of the harbor there is very great, according to Captain J. T. Beveridge an experienced mariner of Beaufort who recently told the News that in his opinion it is the best natural harbor along the Atlantic coast. Ships going in there for coal or other purposes could save quite a sum in pilotage and also mileage. There is plenty of room there for a large fleet of vessels.

DEFENDANT HELD FOR COURT ON CHARGE OF LARCENY

Several defendants were put on trial in the Mayor's Court Monday night and several cases were continued. There was only one conviction.

Dave Mason on the charge of larceny of some \$40 to \$50 from the store of Dave Lewis was held for Superior Court under a \$500 bond. Grady Perkins, charged with being drunk and fighting admitted the drunk part but denied the fighting charge. The case was dismissed.

Jones Lewis, fighting, acquitted. Bonzell Lewis on a fighting charge was also acquitted.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Roland R. Barbour Morehead City and Mattie E. Arthur, New Bern. Hubert L. Fulcher and Vera Beds, worth, Morehead City.

CWA Wage Scale For North Carolina

The News has been asked to print the rates of pay for CWA workers, by the local CWA office.

Unskilled Labor	\$.45
Brick Layers	1.10
Brick Layers Apprentice	.75
Mortar Mixer	.50
Carpenters (Finish)	1.10
Carpenters (Rough-Framework etc.)	.75
Plumbers	1.10
Plumber Apprentice	.60
Electricians	1.10
Electricians Apprentice	.60
Skilled Iron Workers (Ornamental)	1.10
Skilled Iron Workers (Structural)	1.10
Hoisting Engineer (On Elevator)	.60
Plasterers	1.10
Plasterer Apprentice	.60
Plasterer, Mortar Mixer	.50
Lathers (Metal)	.60
Roofers and Sheet Metal workers	1.10
Roofers and Sheet Metal Apprentice	.60
Steam Fitters	1.10
Steam Fitters, Apprentice	.60
Painters	1.10
Painters (Primers, etc.)	1.10
Tile and Marble Setters	1.10
Cement Finishers	.75
Mixer Operator (small)	.60
Truck Driver (1 1/2 ton and under)—see tonnage	.45
Truck Driver (over 1 1/2 tons)	.75
Glaziers	.75
Pipe Layer	.75
Caulker	.60
Blacksmith	1.10
Apprentice Blacksmith	.60
Machinist	1.10
Apprentice Machinist	.60
Skilled Foreman	1.10
Semi skilled Foreman	.60-.80
Unskilled Foreman	.50
Timekeepers	.50
Tool Checkers	.50
Quarry Drill Operators	.75
Tree Surgeons	.80

HIGHWAY PROJECTS

Unskilled Labor	.30
Skilled Labor	.40
Truck Drivers (1 1/2 ton and under)	.30
Truck Drivers (Over 1 1/2 ton)	.40

(Wage rate is determined by the nature of work which worker is performing).

NORTH CAROLINA CIVIL WORKS ADMINISTRATION

COAST GUARD MEN RESCUE FISHING CREW

Portsmouth, Feb. 14.—Early Friday morning on leaving Ocracoke, Capt. Charles Smith and crew of Morehead City were on their way home for the week end. But fate seemed to be against them the hard laboring fishermen along with the high winds and fast falling snow. For after reaching Ocracoke inlet the oil pipe to the motor suddenly became clogged up and the motor refused to give further service.

While patiently working to try to get the engine to start the cold became so fierce that Capt. Smith found it to be getting the best of him, and finally had to give up and let come what may. His fellow workers who were on board with him made every effort to save their brave captain while the small boat drifted on and on into the raging waters of the dangerous Atlantic ocean.

Was the brave Captain and his faithful crew to meet their fate in those angry breakers? No. Thanks to the Coast Guard station of old Portsmouth and its dutiful crew. For they lost no time in trying to rescue the perishing fishermen. They were not equipped with a boat suitable to reach the men, but called for the Ocracoke picket boat and soon were on their way to do their duty.

Though Capt. Smith was almost unconscious and his boat after lodging on the sand shoal and being tossed by the strong winds and high waves, was badly damaged. Capt. Smith and his crew were brought safely to the Portsmouth station where the best service possible was rendered them, along with quite a number of other fishermen who left their boats and sought refuge at the station, from the terrific cold weather of Friday and Saturday.

SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

There is a class for adults every afternoon from twelve thirty to four thirty, also evening classes from six to seven thirty Mondays and Wednesdays in the book room of the Graded school building. These classes are for those who have stopped school earlier in life and now feel the need of more help.

Please try to attend one of these classes each day and do what you can to interest others.

Mrs. H. A. Welker.

BEAUFORT SCHOOL RECORD REVIEWED

Member Of The Association of Secondary Schools in The South; Good Records Made

By LENA DUNCAN

Senior Class Teacher
As the new year gets under way each person usually takes an inventory either consciously or unconsciously. Since the school is a collection of individuals we, too, have taken an inventory and have scanned the years to see if we have measured up.

We became a member of the association of Accredited Secondary schools in the South in 1929 and have maintained that membership. To be put on this accredited list we had to meet certain physical as well as mental standards. To keep this membership they graduates of the schools re followed up and if they do not make good the school is taken off the accredited list. We are proud that we have been able to hold this membership which means that graduates of this school may enter any college or university in the South without taking examinations.

The students who have been graduated from our school and who did good conscientious work and have continued their education elsewhere have taken their places at the top and have sent back records of which we are proud.

Hattie Lee Humphrey is president of the Student Government Association at E. C. T. C. This the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a student because it shows that the student has measured up with the students as well as with the faculty and can be trusted to handle all disciplinary problems which may arise. We are justly proud of her record.

Laura Eure during her freshman year at E. C. T. C. was one of two who have represented her society in an inter-society debate and was on the winning side. She was on the student council and was also house president while there.

Elizabeth Haywood, another of our graduates, also went to E. C. T. C. and made an enviable record. She was editor-in-chief of the college paper and I have been told that the paper improved wonderfully under her leadership. On graduating she was voted by the student body as being the most industrious as well as the most intellectual senior.

Ernest Snowden and Allen O'Brien passed the entrance examinations at Annapolis Naval Academy after graduating from this school. Many boys who have had two years college training have failed to pass this examination which is considered very hard. Ernest entered the Academy and was graduated with honors. He was commissioned an ensign upon graduation. About two hundred of his class mates failed to get their commissions.

Many of our girls have entered the nursing field and have held their own in the large Northern hospitals where only the best are kept after the period of probation is over. Among these are Lettie Pake, Fannie Caffrey, Mildred Brooks, Sidney

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High Tide	Friday, Feb. 16	Low Tide
10:02 a. m.		3:48 a. m.
10:23 p. m.		4:06 p. m.
	Saturday, Feb. 17	
10:45 a. m.		4:37 a. m.
11:01 p. m.		4:49 p. m.
	Sunday, Feb. 18	
11:09 a. m.		5:28 a. m.
11:27 p. m.		5:37 p. m.
	Monday, Feb. 19	
11:53 a. m.		6:20 a. m.
12:08 p. m.		6:25 p. m.
	Tuesday, Feb. 20	
12:39 a. m.		7:14 a. m.
12:53 p. m.		7:18 p. m.
	Wednesday, Feb. 21	
1:32 a. m.		8:11 a. m.
1:45 p. m.		8:15 p. m.
	Thursday, Feb. 22	
2:38 a. m.		9:10 a. m.
2:15 p. m.		9:14 p. m.