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Two New Banks Open In Carteret County

The First-Citizens Bank And Trust Company of Smithfield Establishes Branches In Beaufort and Morehead City. First Day's Business Very Good. Business Firms Open Up Accounts. Deposits Guaranteed. Opening Pleases Many.

After a lapse of over two years Beaufort again has the facilities of a bank. The Beaufort Banking and Trust Company closed its doors the latter part of December 1931; the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Smithfield opened for business here yesterday. A branch of the same bank opened in Morehead City also. The bank here occupies the building of the Beaufort Banking & Trust Company and in Morehead City it has quarters in the building of the Bank of Morehead City. There was general rejoicing here on account of the bank opening.

The bank here is being managed temporarily by Messrs. J. E. Peterson and James H. Davis of Smithfield. After it gets to running smoothly a permanent organization will take charge of it. In Morehead City R. P. Holding and cashier I. E. Pittman had charge of the opening. Mr. Pittman will remain there in the capacity of cashier. Officials in Beaufort said yesterday that they were much pleased with their first day's business. In fact it was much larger than they had anticipated. It was not generally known that the bank would open but despite the fact most of the leading business firms of Beaufort and a good many individuals opened accounts. There were some out of town depositors. J. P. Betts had the honor of being the first depositor. It is expected that deposits will be heavy Saturday. Deposits are guaranteed up to \$2500.

The News understands that they had a good opening day in Morehead City also.

The First-Citizens Bank and Trust Company has been in business in Smithfield for many years and has been very successful. It has weathered the hardships of the past four years with flying colors and has assets now of around three million dollars. Besides the parent bank at Smithfield branches are maintained at Benson, Clinton, Dunn, Roseboro, Louisburg, Kinston, New Bern, Morehead City and Beaufort.

LARGE CATCHES OF FISH MADE IN THIS SECTION

Fishermen in Beaufort and other places in the county had a break of good luck this week. Large catches of croakers and trout have been made and prices have been considerably better than they were some months ago. It is estimated that about 75,000 pounds were brought to Beaufort yesterday and many were taken to other markets also. Clams are selling at high prices now due probably to severe weather in the northern part of the country.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Willie Dudley, Vanceboro, to Viola Gillikin, Beaufort.
Allen Moore and Matilda Willis Harkers Island.
George Jones and Guyula Jones, Morehead City.
Paul Daniels and Esther Guthrie, Morehead City.
Stacy W. Measamer and Vera B. Thomas, Jonesboro.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Norcom of Beaufort, Friday, February 16, twin daughters. Dr. Chadwick attending physician, says the infants weighed six and seven and a half pounds respectively and are fine babies.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John T. Smith of Beaufort, at Morehead City Hospital, Monday, February 19, a son. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph House of Beaufort, at Potter Hospital, Tuesday, February 20, a daughter.

WANTS CWA CONTINUED

Winston-Salem, Feb. 21—Mayor George W. Coan Jr. has taken his fight against "excessive" CWA cuts here to the white house. In a protest to President Roosevelt, he pointed out that another month of bad weather is to be expected, and that if the scheduled lay-offs occur in North Carolina, local relief agencies will be swamped.

Fishermen Convicted of Illegal Clamming

The only case tried in Recorder's Court Tuesday of was one of a rather unusual nature. Occasionally a case of violating the Fisheries Commission's regulations happens which was the nature of the case tried Tuesday, but it does not occur often.

The defendants in the case were George Austin, Travis Austin, Jas. Jones, Wheeler Gaskill and Ralph Fulcher all of Morehead City. The indictment was for taking clams in polluted waters. Police officers Peletier and Salter testified that they saw the men in a skiff at night near the Morehead City Hospital and they were engaged in clamming. The officers also said that some of the parties admitted that they committed the act alleged. They plead not guilty but were convicted.

Judge Webb told the men that he did not wish to punish them severely but he did want them to understand that they must not violate the fisheries rules any more, because it worked an injury to the fishing industry in Carteret county. Eugene Moore, fisheries inspector, also stated that the State did not wish a severe penalty inflicted upon the defendants but wanted them to observe the law. The sentence of the court was that the men pay the costs and a jail sentence of 30 days was also given; the latter suspended on condition that they do not violate the law again for five years.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

V. S. Bryant, Trustee to Realty Purchase Corporation, 1 lot Morehead City, for \$1,200.00.
G. V. Cowper, Trustee to Bryant Guthrie, 1 lot Morehead City.
V. S. Bryant, Trustee to Realty Purchase Corporation, 2 lots Morehead City, for \$1,750.
Mary Lee Dennis, to D. E. Oglesby 11 48-100 acres Morehead Township, for \$10.
Mary Lee Dennis to D. E. Oglesby 126.6 acres Morehead Township, for \$500.
Lizzie Davis et al to Elbert M. Chadwick, 12 acres Straits Township for \$1000.
Martin T. Davis, to Vivian A. Chadwick, 6 5-6 acres, Smyrna Township, for \$300.

CITY POLICE COURT NEWS

Two defendants faced Mayor Taylor in Police Court Monday, both colored.
Aleck Edwards charged with disorderly conduct said he was not guilty but the Mayor thought otherwise and he was given the privilege of paying \$5.00 or doing 10 days service on the streets.
Mark Washington, charged with throwing a glass tumbler at Rena Fulcher was convicted and given 15 days on the street force, or could pay \$7.50 if he preferred.

GANG OF CROOKS CAUGHT IN RAID AT ROCKY MOUNT

Rocky Mount, Feb. 19—Three men and three women, alleged members of a bandit gang, a complete stock of weapons and burglar tools, \$500 worth of groceries and two stolen cars were captured today when Sheriff Johnson, aided by local police, raided a home in Englewood, near Rocky Mount at 5:30 a m today.

The men captured were worth Proctor, alleged gang leader A. L. Proctor and Eugene Gunter, the latter from Winston-Salem.

The group was heavily armed with automatic shot guns, revolvers of all calibres, two tank acetylene electric drills, hose and cutting torch, three pairs of dynamite caps and one case of dynamite.

The six occupants of the house surrendered without a fight.

Ninety-nine per cent of the land grown to tobacco in Person County has been signed under reduction contracts for 1934 and 1935, reports the farm agent.

WATERFOWL FOOD MAY BE PLANTED

Investigation To Be Made By Biological Survey Shortly

Raleigh, Feb. 17—A representative of the U. S. Biological Survey will make investigations in North Carolina sounds within the next week or so for the purpose of determining the advisability of endeavoring to initiate a program of planting aquatic growth for migratory waterfowl. Bruce Etheridge, director of the Department of Conservation and Development, announced today.

Mr. Etheridge requested the cooperation of the federal bureau in conducting a study of the nature contemplated with the hopes of deciding whether a program seeking to increase foods for migratory wildfowl would be practicable. A number of sportsmen had also suggested that some program to increase the attractions of the coastal section of North Carolina for these fowl be undertaken. It has been hoped that a CWA project involving such a program might be approved.

W. B. Bell, acting chief of the Biological Survey wrote Mr. Etheridge, in response to a communication from the conservation director that in his opinion it would be useless to plant anything in Currituck Sound until water conditions become stabilized following the opening of a new inlet from the ocean into Currituck sound by the storm of last August. This storm, Mr. Bell said, "increased the salt content to such an extent that fresh water plants cannot survive, and salt water forms will perish if the water becomes too fresh."

The acting biological chief was also of the opinion that "because of the disease affecting eel-grass, it does not seem desirable to attempt any planting of this species until this serious condition is past. The only other native good duck food plant that will grow in such salty areas as most of Pamlico Sound is Wiggleon grass, and it has been increasing in this area since the eel-grass was affected in 1931. It is a native plant to the area and is taking some of the places formerly held by eel-grass."

Mr. Cottam, of the division of food habits research of the bureau, according to Mr. Bell will visit the coast of North Carolina shortly and will check on the grass situation. Mr. Bell suggested the possibility of setting out other aquatic plants that might grow near the fresh water streams.

DEMOCRATS WILL SELECT A LEADER

National Committeeman To Be Chosen At A Meeting In March

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Feb. 19—The call issued to the State Democratic Executive Committee to meet Thursday night, March 8, at 8 o'clock in Raleigh, by Chairman J. Wallace Winborne, will set at rest efforts to have the committee meet earlier to select a successor to former Governor O. Max Gardner, resigned, as a member for North Carolina of the National Democratic Executive Committee.

However, it will start with another spurt efforts for the election of this or that man to the post. Members of the committee state that they have been bombarded with letters in past months from various individuals, but suppose all had the same source, or inspiration, Senator J. W. Bailey, or his candidate C. L. Shuping, Greensboro, urging that the meeting be held as early as possible, as North Carolina should not be without a committeeman. Supposedly, this was done with the view that Mr. Shuping's chances would be better if the election were delayed.

But Mr. Winborne would not be hurried and early indicated that the meeting would be held at the usual time in March, when it makes preparations for the precinct meetings, county conventions and the State convention of the party. He makes the election of the national committeeman a secondary matter, and any other business that may come before the committee the third in order.

Mr. Shuping's friends have been "shelling the woods" in an effort to get a sufficient number of promises to elect him. Of course, those efforts might turn, at the last minute, to getting Mr. Shuping elected State chairman, an office he sought two years ago, against Mr. Winborne, but without success. The committee is (Continued on page five)

WILL DROP MANY WORKERS FRIDAY

Cut Of 30 Per Cent Ordered; More Next Week. Investigation Going On

Considerable consternation was created among CWA workers here recently, and the general public as well, when it became known that a good many of those who have been working would be dropped from the pay rolls. The first impression was that it would be 10 per cent but the News was informed today by Mrs. Malcolm Lewis, CWA director in the county, that 30 per cent would be laid off this week and perhaps about the same next week. Approximately 900 have been working in the county on projects and otherwise and the order issued from Washington, and from Raleigh, means that about 300 men and women will be dropped. The pay roll last week was about \$11,000 and it will be practically the same Saturday. Next week it will take a big tumble. The direct relief will be continued so the News understands.

Should Re-register Now
National Re-employment director Byrd Wade informed the News today that persons who registered in 1933 and have not registered again should do it at once. If they do not register before February 28 their names will be dropped from the active list. Those who have re-registered already do not have to register again. The entire registration up to date is 2988, of these 1025 are on the active list and 1051 on the inactive list. So far 912 persons have been placed and 2076 have not been placed. Mr. Wade would like to place as many as possible in private employment and persons who need help of any sort should inquire at the office over House's drug store.

Investigation Going On
All sorts of rumors have been afloat here about an investigation being made into the activities of the CWA organization. The News has no definite information but it seems that a man has been here for 10 days or more and is still in the county conducting an investigation. It is reported that a number of witnesses have been examined and affidavits secured from them tending to show irregularities of one sort or another. It is said that some of the charges allege favoritism in giving out jobs and others are of a more serious nature.

RETAIL CREDIT BUREAU FOR BEAUFORT ASSURED

Special representatives from Washington, D. C., have been in Beaufort for the past ten days and have interviewed practically all business and professional men here who have signified their intention of enrolling and forming a local credit bureau. It was announced yesterday that the enthusiasm of the merchants to date insures Beaufort and Morehead City of having practically 100 per cent membership.

The service comprises a credit guide book for each subscriber, a frequent bulletin and a clearance of old or slow accounts. The credit guide contains the names, addresses and occupations of each and every person in the city and trade territory and will show in code how many merchants the buyers deal with and the exact manner in which they meet their credit obligations.

The representatives come to Beaufort with the strong endorsement of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce, and Chambers of Commerce in other neighboring towns and cities.

Morehead City business men are cooperating in the movement, and it is felt great results will be accomplished in bettering trade and credit conditions. Over fifty members have been secured to date in Carteret county.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

George Washington's birthday was observed here today chiefly by the closing of the postoffice and the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Company. The citizens of that town as a rule went about their affairs as usual. The weather might have done better in honor of the day but it was warm and showery.

Several cars of beef cattle fed by C. A. Brown of Cleveland in Rowan County paid for their feed and have provided him with between 700 and 1000 tons of manure.

The second cooperative order for lespedeza seed was placed last week by Macon County farmers when 46 men ordered 5,000 pounds.

Mrs. C. N. Mason Died After A Long Illness

A large crowd attended the funeral of Mrs. Bettie Olivia Mason, wife of Dr. C. N. Mason at Harlowe Methodist church Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Mason had been in feeble health for several years and the end came Friday the 16th. Mrs. Mason was a her late 70's and she and Dr. Mason had been married for 52 years. She had a large circle of acquaintances and was highly regarded by all who knew her.

Besides her husband Dr. C. N. Mason, Mrs. Mason leaves three sons, Raymond of Indian Head, Md., Roy of Harlowe; Ben of Hopewell, Va.; two daughters Mrs. L. M. Baxter of Petersburg, Va.; Mrs. Carl Whitehead of Morehead City, 19 grandchildren and great grandchildren. The funeral services were conducted by Reverend F. B. Brandenburg, pastor of the Harlowe church assisted by Reverend J. M. Carraway of Merrimon. The pallbearers were Raymond Ball, Lionel Conner, J. S. Morton, Clay Taylor. A special church song "It is well with My Soul and Abide With Me." M. Leslie Davis of Beaufort as a solo sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." Besides a large number of people in the community there were many present from Beaufort, Morehead City, New Bern and elsewhere. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent by sympathizing friends and relatives.

Demonstration Agent Holds Club Meetings

Miss Helen Dry, recently appointed County Home Demonstration Agent, has been holding a series of club meetings in the county. The meetings have been well attended and much interest manifested. Others will be held from time to time. The meetings held so far are the following:

Bettie—February 14th at the home of Mrs. Harry Gillikin. Mrs. Charlie Pake, presiding; song, America. Demonstration Textiles by Miss Dry; Clothing Leaders selected—Mrs. Lucy Pake and Mrs. Harry Gillikin. Present: Mesdames Guila Arthur, Charlie Pake, Harry Gillikin, Gertrude Salter, Lucy Pake, Rena Salter, Florence Salter, C. A. Middlebrook.

February 15th, Crab Point at the home of Miss Alice Laughton, Mrs. Clem Oglesby, presiding. Song, America The Beautiful. Reading—Collect of Club Women of America. Demonstration Textiles—by Miss Dry. Clothing leaders selected, Miss Alice Laughton, Miss Hilda Williams, Mrs. Dan Oglesby Sr. Present: Mesdames C. H. Bennett, Stamey Davis, A. H. Joyner, C. E. Leggett, Lena Meredith, Joseph Morse, Julius Nelson, John Oglesby Sr., Dan Oglesby Sr., Dan Oglesby Jr., Clem Oglesby, George Wheaton, and Misses Alice Laughton and Hilda Williams.

February 19th Marshallberg Home Demonstration Club organized. President, Mrs. Charles Willis; Vice-President Miss Reba Lewis; Secretary, Miss Margaret Royal; Treas. Miss Leida Davis. Clothing leaders, Mrs. Leona Russell and Miss Annie Brown others present—Mrs. Harry Moore, Mrs. Wesley Hill, Mrs. Ulysses Hill, Mrs. Fred Gillikin, Mrs. Hilda Brown, Miss Willie N Hunter, Extension Clothing Specialist, will hold a Leaders' School on Commercial Patterns, Home Agent's office, March 1st.

Davis Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Maggie Willis, Mrs. Maggie Willis, presiding. Clothing Leaders selected Mrs. Morris Bedsworth, Mrs. C. F. Davis. Demonstration—Textiles, Miss Dry, present: Mesdames Maggie Willis, Harold Willis, Elmer Willis, Clyde Styron, Robert Willis, Fred Willis, Allen Willis Manly Murphy, Charlie Alligood, Henry Murphy, Misses Callie Davis, Matilda Davis, Gladys Willis, Alma Lois Styron.

AN ACRE FOR THE LORD

RALEIGH, Feb. 21—A movement was under way here today for a campaign by which North Carolina tobacco and cotton growers would designate one acre of their land as "the Lord's acre," proceeds from which would go to churches. Charles O. Sheffield, assistant extension director at N. C. State college, endorsed the plan, said to have been entered into by a number of state ministers and farmers.

In Beaufort County, 1,568 tobacco growers signed reduction contracts which cover 97 per cent of the acreage planted to the crop in the county.

The low temperatures of recent weeks killed oats and seriously injured the barley and wheat crops of Burke County.

LAND TAX RELIEF PARTLY AFFORDED BY SALES TAXES

Not Enough Realized From Sales Taxes To Offset Property Reduction

MECKLENBURK PAYS MOST

By M. R. DUNNAGAN
RALEIGH, Feb. 20—Property tax relief of \$11,461,595 granted by the 1933 General Assembly was only partially made up in the sales tax collections, which, on the basis of actual collections for the first six months of operation of the tax, indicate the sales tax will be \$6,835,586 which would still leave \$4,826,099 in total relief, according to tables issued by Director Harry McMullan of assessments and collections of the Revenue Department.

The sales tax total is twice the amount collected for sales in the first six months of the operation of the tax, or \$3,317,745, which, officials say, may be somewhat increased when collections for the full 12 months are received.

Included in the property tax reduction are four items: 15-cent statewide ad valorem tax; current expenses for special charter schools, special tax districts and for county-wide levies. The first three were eliminated entirely and the last item except for charges for maintenance of plant and fixed charges for which some of the counties made levies. Reports so far indicate that two-thirds of the county-wide levies for current expenses was eliminated. Also, Mr. Ehringhaus points out, thatable does not include supplements voted in a few counties since the 1933 legislature. Also, he states, taxes on sales for chain stores, paid at one point inside or outside the State, are prorated to the several counties in which sales were made.

Mecklenburg paid the highest tax in six months, \$280,098; Guilford paid \$223,241; Forsyth \$156,896; Wake \$145,797; Buncombe \$143,284; Durham \$118,542; Gaston \$102,007; Clay paid the last \$1,150; Camden \$1,492; Gates \$1,956.

Durham received the highest potential reduction, the property tax reduction, less the sales tax to be paid, the saving being \$427,923; Guilford received a \$377,512 reduction; Forsyth \$374,373; Buncombe \$329,872; Wake \$287,959; Mecklenburg \$218,670.

Carteret county's sales tax paid for the six months amounts to \$13,104.00. That amount doubled would be \$26,208.00 for a year. The property tax reduction for 1933 should amount to \$50,599.00, by which it is seen that this county should pay \$24,391.00 less in sales tax than the total reduction in property tax afforded by the 1933 General Assembly. In only two counties, Caldwell and Pitt, is the sales tax shown to be larger than the reduction made in property tax.

HIGH PRICED BED SPREAD

A crocheted bed spread made by Mollie Davis was raffled off last week and brought the sum of \$20. Mrs. Tom Potter of Morehead City was the winner.

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, Feb. 23	
4:00 a. m.	10:08 a. m.
4:10 p. m.	10:11 p. m.
Saturday, Feb. 24	
5:05 a. m.	11:04 a. m.
5:15 p. m.	10:50 p. m.
Sunday, Feb. 25	
5:53 a. m.	11:06 a. m.
6:07 p. m.	11:56 p. m.
Monday, Feb. 26	
6:33 a. m.	11:59 a. m.
6:45 p. m.	12:43 p. m.
Tuesday, Feb. 27	
7:11 a. m.	12:45 a. m.
7:23 p. m.	1:22 p. m.
Wednesday, Feb. 28	
7:45 a. m.	1:28 a. m.
7:59 p. m.	1:57 p. m.
Thursday, March 1	
8:18 a. m.	2:08 a. m.
8:35 p. m.	2:30 p. m.