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GOVERNOR THINKS PORT DIFFICULTY WILL BE SETTLED

Expect Federal Funds Will Be Available "Soon;" Final Changes Made in Plans to Meet Suggestions in Washington

STATE TO OPERATE A. N. C.

RALEIGH, March 20—Governor Ehringhaus said today that plans for operation of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad by the state-controlled corporation owning it have been practically completed and that word from Washington approving the plan and finally making funds available for port improvements at Morehead City is expected "soon."

"I am pleased with the way things are going and expect word from Washington in a short time that the contract has been completed and money made available for the port terminals," the governor said.

"A budget for operation of the railroad, by itself as a separate unit, has been approved except for a few changes federal authorities suggested and I have before me the final draft with the alterations made and will send it to Washington at once."

The Atlantic and North Carolina has been under lease for a number of years to the Norfolk Southern but the road has defaulted in its contract.

Federal PWA funds amounting to about \$500,000 have been allocated to the Morehead terminals and another \$1,500,000 has been allotted the war department for harbor improvements if the terminals are built.

Last week Secretary Ickes, PWA administrator, said that reallocation of the funds might be made soon unless hitches holding up the project were removed.

Carteret Still Has Chance For Cannery

That Carteret county still has a chance to secure one of the ERA canneries, is indicated in a letter received a few days ago by Mrs. Wiley H. Taylor formerly on the State Executive Committee, who had written to Mrs. O'Berry sometime ago about this matter.

In part, Mrs. O'Berry's letter follows: "In reply to your question, the canneries that were established for the cattle program will not be abandoned. They will be transferred to the general relief and rural rehabilitation divisions and used for canneries in one of these two programs. We have not as yet made definite plans for these canneries."

From the tone of the letter it seems possible that any cannery abandoned on the cattle program, may be transferred to some section where there is need for such an establishment, and if Carteret truck growers and Carteret fishermen do not need same for their surplus commodities, there is no need for them anywhere else in the State.

SIXTY MILE BICYCLE RACE STAGED

One of the longest bicycle races ever staged in Eastern Carolina, will be sponsored by Ben's Bicycle Shop in Beaufort on Easter Monday. The race course will be over 60 miles, extending from Beaufort to Atlantic and return. If any local bicyclist can stand that grind he should be able to make the round trip in about seven hours, according to Mr. Jones proprietor of the shop sponsoring the event.

Entrants in the race are requested to see Mr. Jones to learn all details, in advertisements that will appear in the Beaufort News and on hand bills.

Anyone can enter. Mr. Jones who conceived the idea for the long race is anxious that as many persons as possible file their application soon, so that further arrangements can be made. Prizes will be given to the three winning riders. First prize will be a Dayton bicycle, second, will be a set of tires and third a set of bicycle lamps.

LICENSE TO WED

William T. White and Viola D. Bell, Morehead City.
Cletus Rose and Nettie Lewis, Harkers Island.
Thomas Taylor and Evelyn Adams, Bogue, N. C.

Three thousand black locust seedlings have been distributed in Lincoln county for the purpose of demonstrating how to grow a local supply of fence posts.

KNIFED HIS GIRL IN JEALOUS RAGE

Dusky Lover Was Jailed When He Could Not Pay Court Costs; Salter Path Trespasser Tried.

The green-eyed monster in him got the best of Owen Henderson when he discovered his girl Mamie Penner in the arms of another man, or anyway if not in the arms, in the company of another man. Not only did he proceed to beat her up but he knifed her. And then in Recorder's Court Tuesday he told the story how jealousy had gotten the best of him and he had stabbed the girl he loved.

She was in court too. She had been stabbed alright and showed other bruises. She told about Owen, jealous Owen. Now Owen (or he was yesterday afternoon) is in the county jail, wondering how an insane moment of jealousy would cause him to knife his best girl. Owen would not be in jail if he had been able to raise the costs of the court, because lenient Judge Webb let him off with a six months suspended sentence, upon condition he remain of good behavior for a couple of years. But the costs amounted to something—something that Owen did not possess due to recent financial investments that may have been for cutlery. Anyway he won't have to do that time if he can raise the costs of the court.

Walter Salter, whose ancestors might have discovered the village of Salter Path from which he hails, was haled into court on a charge of trespass. As usual Harvey Willis, caretaker of the Alice Hoffman estate was the prosecuting witness and as usual, when Salter Path residents get into court the charge was for fire wooding or something on Mrs. Hoffman's property. And further as usual, judgment was suspended on condition the defendant be of good behavior and not trespass on the Hoffman land for a period of two years.

J. O. Darnell was charged with reckless driving. In his case the verdict was: prayer for judgment and continued upon condition the defendant compensate the two injured parties, that had resulted from an accident, the amount having been agreed upon out of court. He was ordered to pay the costs in the proceedings.

W. C. Brown was given a 90 day suspended sentence on condition that he be of good behavior for a period of one year and not violate the law during said period. He was charged with breach of peace—to wit: drunk, disorderly and driving wife out of house.

Bawdy "Blue Heaven" Eliminated Along With "Carolina Villa" And War Against Vice May Be Result

Hostesses of Notorious Houses In Famed "Red Light District" Fined \$500 and Costs and Ordered to Clear Out of County Before April 15th.

Authorities Indicate They Will Clean Up the Land of Enchanting Waters of all Vice Joints.

COURT BACKS CRUSADE

The notorious Julia Nelson, alias Julia Newman and Helen Finley, alias Ruth Hilliard are checking out on or before April 15. They were ordered to do so by Judge M. V. Barnhill last Friday morning after Helen had been sent up for 12 months, but who was saved early Friday when Julia plead guilty to a similar charge. And this may be an important start in a war against vice in the famed "Red Light Bluffs" district a few miles west of Morehead City.

Julia Nelson hostess of the establishment known as "Blue Heaven" and Helen Finley, operator of the "Carolina Villa" both places almost within a stone's throw of the other were booked last October. Solicitor Dave Clark of Greenville had heard too much talk about the places. He ordered a raid. Several were snared in the vice net at the time but Recorder's court had disposed of most of the cases and only the operators were left to tell it to Judge Barnhill.

They left the attorneys both prosecuting and defensive tell most of the story. Given to a jury it did not take long to convict Helen Finley alias Ruth Hilliard. But after being with the jury for over 25 hours the case of Julia Nelson, no verdict could be reached. A poll was necessary and while 11 men voted "guilty" one held out for acquittal. That meant a mistrial in her case, but Judge Barnhill gave no leniency to Helen.

She was sentenced to 12 months with the State Highway, (changing) to be exact. Had she served the sentence she would have been given jobs cooking around convict camps. High pressure efforts were brought forth to free her from this sentence. But there was no listening to any change on the part of Judge Barnhill, unless Julia plead guilty. On Friday she did plead guilty. The sentence of Helen was suspended. Each were ordered to pay \$500 and the costs (total \$550 each) and were also ordered to dispose of their effects and get out of Carteret county. In the latter the Judge was lenient. He could have "padlocked" both houses and sold the places out.

Authorities have indicated that they are going to cleanse the "Land of Enchanting Waters" of other dives, joints and speakeasies, starting on this vice crusade almost immediately. General opinion is that Blue Heaven and Carolina Villa were respectable as compared to some others out in that "reddish light" neck of the woods. Authorities have been given the assurance of Judge Barnhill that he will back them to the limit, in cleaning the section up, and when a jurist of Barnhill's calibre says that, somebody had better be on the lookout. And authorities also have the backing of Greenville's Dave Clark, solicitor for this district — and it might be well to remember by any operating places of an unlawful nature that he does not play in cases of this kind. That was proven last week, when the Blue Heaven-Carolina Villa hostesses turned up to sing their "Swan Song."

Several civil actions were disposed of by the Court during the latter part of the week. None were of an important nature. Carita M. Smith was granted a divorce and the custody of their child James Ray Smith, in the proceedings against her former husband Ray W. Smith.

Divorce was also granted in the case of N. M. Moore vs. Mamie S. Moore. It did not take long to dispose of this case as the defendant was not present to offer objections.

Russell E. Bunch, infant, by his next friend J. R. Jinnett was awarded \$1,600 in the personal injury or damage case against Charles S. Roundtree.

BANK OFFICIAL HERE

In the interest of relieving stockholders in the First-Citizens Bank & Trust Co., of double liability on their stock holdings in that institution, Mr. J. B. Carson from the Examining Staff of the State Banking Department was in Beaufort on March 20, 1935.

Support The Chamber of Commerce

TO OUR READERS

We regret that due to an increased amount of advertising this week (which came in late) that we were compelled to omit publishing several interesting news and social items in this edition. Same will be published in next week's edition of the Beaufort News.

"LORD JIM" SAILS FOR PORTO RICO

The "Lord Jim" two masted auxiliary yacht sailing from Blue Hill, Me., sailed from Beaufort this morning (Thursday) through "Old Top-sail" inlet bound for Porto Rico and a cruise among the island of the West Indies. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nevin, owners of the craft were aboard. The craft encountered a bit of trouble by going aground out towards Fort Macon channel but coastguardsmen soon had her back in deep water so she could continue her voyage with a fair westerly wind.

FISHERIES OFFICIAL IS BEAUFORT VISITOR

Charles E. Jackson, deputy commissioner of the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries in Washington, D. C., was in Beaufort today (Thursday) conferring with Dr. Prytherch on plans to fight oyster pests to which Congress is expected soon to make a \$100,000 appropriation. He came here from Edenton where he conferred with Hatcher officials on plans to increase production of shad, bass and other commercial fish.

FALLS THROUGH ROOF

Willie Godette, colored was treated for lacerations on the face and a sprained arm by Dr. Lewis Wednesday. The accident occurred when he fell from the top of Loftin's garage on which a new roof is being placed.

STATE FIRE CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR MOREHEAD

But whether they actually come to Carteret county for this convention, depends largely upon whether available rooming space can be obtained. Vernon Guthrie, Chief of the Morehead City fire department has negotiated with executives of the State organization, who prefer the Carteret town as meeting place, but first it must be definitely determined that rooms are available.

Morehead City residents are being asked to help the firemen by offering rooms. And Chief Guthrie this week sent an appeal to Beaufort to also help out in the situation. The firemen's organization is a large one. It brings a group of heavy spenders. No one locality profits. Beaufort may not realize quite as much, but after the firemen come, if they do, Beaufort business men and the residents too will know that a convention in a big way struck the section. Chief Guthrie requests Beaufort residents who have available room to get in touch with him, so that he can get things lined up and give the State firemen a real inducement to come to Morehead and Beaufort during the month of August.

ROOSTER TAKEN FOR RIDE SUNDAY NIGHT

Lawrence Hassell, Clerk of the Court, backed his car out of the garage Sunday night, drove around town a bit, and wondered why folks on Front Street pointed at his car and giggled. He investigated. The gigglers pointed to the front bumper of the car. There roosting comfortably between the glaring headlights was a white rooster. But the rooster was not bothered by the curious who gazed and laughed. He slept on through it comfortably.

He remained on the bumper when the car was placed back in the garage. Next morning he hopped off and made himself at home in the Hassell yard. In the meantime the rooster's escapade had gotten circulated around town. But still no one claimed him. That is not until he had chosen the same roost: again Monday night. Then one of the town's clergymen came by, identified the fowl as being his property, and carried him back to his chicken yard.

LOVER JAILED AFTER SHOOTING

George Kirby, Colored, Trys Buck Shot Method When Spurned by Nancy Who Loved Bert.

Bert Lewis was in Dr. Lewis' office having buck shot picked from his back and heel at noon today (Thursday) Nancy Debrix suffered a perforated leg, the buck shot going clear through and George Kirby, would be slayer was reposing in the Beaufort jail where he will remain until given a hearing in Mayor's court Monday on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Jealousy was the cause of it all and this is the second time in a week that the "green eyed monster" has played a role in the affairs of colored people in Beaufort.

Nancy was treated by Dr. Chadwick. Unless complications set in, her condition might not be critical. Of course there is blood poisoning and gangrene to think about.

Nancy told a Beaufort News reporter the story: "George came up to my house and saw me with Bert. He knows that I love Bert. He was jealous. He shot us." That was the brief story she told just before friends took her from the operating table and carried her back to her home.

Bert still has buckshot in his back. The one in the heel had apparently been picked out, because Dr. Hendrix displayed it to the reporter, covering the shooting. It was almost the size of a marble. Dr. Lewis could give no definite report on his patient, much depending on possible complications. He was still picking buckshot out of the back when interviewed.

Postmaster Taylor's Nomination Confirmed

In a telegram received a few days ago from Senator Josiah W. Bailey, Wiley H. Taylor of Beaufort was confirmed as postmaster for the next four years. He has been in the office several months as acting postmaster.

Prior to the receipt of the telegram Mr. Taylor had received a personal letter from Senator Reynolds stating that he had forwarded his recommendation with signature attached as required in the confirmation of all postmasters, adding that it had been a genuine pleasure to have availed himself of the opportunity to do so.

Mr. Taylor succeeded Ray Wheatly who served as postmaster here for several years.

THROUGH STATE Capital Keyholes

By BESS HINTON SILVER

SMART—A lot of folks think proponents of the Hill liquor bill played a smart hand when they sent the measure to the Senate finance committee for reconsideration. It is pointed out that the State revenue and appropriations bills are about two million dollars out of balance and legislative pay has ended. Some observers believe the liquor bill, which would permit twelve or more counties to vote for State-operated liquor stores, will repose in the money committee until the anticipated 100-day dealock on the revenue bill occurs. Then the Hill bill could be trotted out to balance the budget for the next two years. Already pending is an amendment which would put liquor taxes and profits in the general State instead of earmarking it for relief purposes as set forth in the bill.

TALKS AGAINST VOTE—It was generally agreed that Senator Horton, of Chatham, made the most unusual talk on the Hill liquor bill in the Senate. The Chatham Lawmaker said he was voting against the measure because his constituents seemed to want it but warned dry that they "must take their heads out of the sand and face the true facts" concerning liquor conditions in this State. He said he was disappointed in the small votes cast in the 1933 repeal election but added he did not propose to take it upon himself to do for the people what they failed to do for themselves, when the opportunity was at hand.

DECENT—The Senate education committee has given approval to a bill which would require the State to pay actual expenses in the cases of children hurt or killed in school bus accidents. The Committee, headed by Senator Griffin, of Chowan, took the decent that the State should pay the

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TAX SETTLEMENT MATTER ORDERED PROBED BY JURY

S. A. Chalk Not Satisfied With County Commissioners' View on Tax Settlement Matter in January Presented Same to Grand Jury who Orders Further Investigation

L. A. MANN JURY FOREMAN

Investigation of tax settlements was recommended in the Grand Jury report last week, and this may prove an interesting feature of Carteret county government before many months have passed. Quoting word for word the paragraph pertaining to the tax matter as filed in the report, it read:

"S. A. Chalk of Morehead City presented the matter of tax settlement, and stated that this tax was paid in cash and upon investigation we find that it appears from the records settlement was made with the county auditor in bonds and recommends further investigation." Signed L. A. Mann, Foreman, Grand Jury.

This tax matter had come up previously, to be exact it was during the meeting of the board of county commissioners on January 7. Printed in the Beaufort News January 10, the paragraph pertaining to this same matter was:

"S. A. Chalk of Morehead City appeared before the board and gave his version of a tax matter pertaining to property on Harkers Island. During the afternoon Alvah Hamilton, county tax collector, appeared and gave his version of the matter. It was quite a lengthy argument, but in the end the board upheld Mr. Hamilton's side of the matter as Mr. Chalk was advised by Chairman Bonner to notify his clients, the Planter's Bank and Trust Company of Richmond, Va., (payers of the taxes on the Harkers Island property) that they were not due the refund that had brought about that argument."

The foregoing is briefly the situation pertaining to this tax matter that seems to pop into the limelight from time to time.

A few bills of indictment were returned by the Grand Jury early in the week. Later they examined the county offices and county home found both institutions well kept and clean. Likewise the jail was clean and well kept but in need of repairs. (There probably won't be any more jail deliveries there as the little Negro boy who accomplished this feat several weeks ago was sent to Morrison Training School by Judge Barnhill.)

Carteret county has good school busses the Grand Jury found, that is with a few exceptions which will be repaired. Also the school visited were found in good condition.

Local Skeeters Lose To New Bern

New Bern Skeet shooters won in a contest against the Morehead-Beaufort team at a match in the Craven town Tuesday. The Beaufort-Morehead score was 284 points as compared to 290 for the opponents. A return shoot is scheduled for the local field on the causeway between Morehead and Beaufort on April 4.

The local shooters and their scores follow: C. E. Hancock, 38; Clyde Mason, 36; Ben Gray, 32; Wilbur Nelson, 27; Ernest Waters, 16; Arnold Webb, 26; W. H. Taylor, 18; Dr. Ben Royall, 36; Hugh Piner, 26 and B. H. Noe, 31. The New Bern shooters and scores were: Harker, 41; Mayo, 34; Dr. Menius, 29; Hardison, 31; Godwin, 27; Miner, 32; Turnbull, 27; Mitchell, 31; Thomas, 24; Dr. Civils, 24.

STATE WIDE BEAUTY CONTEST NEXT WEEK

Miss Sadie Moore who was chosen "Miss Beaufort" in the local contest several weeks ago will leave for Winston Salem on March 28 to represent her town in the finals of the State Wide Beauty pageant which will be held there on the twenty-ninth. This affair will mark the termination of the movement which began last September for the purpose of choosing "Miss North Carolina," of 1935. There will be approximately 150 towns with contestants in the run running for the much coveted title this year. The winner of the State-wide pageant will be given a trip to New York City.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Willis of Morehead City, March 16th, a daughter.