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 Roe Shad \$1.50 Bucks 75c
 Escallops \$2.50 Gal.
 Jacks 3 1-2c
 Puppy Drum 4c lb.
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RAILROADS FACING BIG DAMAGE SUIT

Norfolk-Southern And A. & N. C. Co-defendants In Suit For 25,300 Sought by Lupton Administrators

One of the principal cases scheduled for trial during the March term of Superior court which starts on March 9, will be the suit for damages amounting to \$25,300 brought against the Norfolk-Southern and Atlantic & North Carolina railroads by administrators of W. A. Lupton estate. Lupton was killed at a crossing in Morehead City last summer when a rail bus struck the car in which he was riding at the time. The \$300 item of the total is for the cost of the automobile which was demolished. The complaint was filed last August and answers to the complaint have also been filed with the Clerk of Superior Court.

There are 19 civil actions on the court calendar scheduled for hearing on March 12 and 13 after a three day criminal term. There are eight cases on the motion docket. Hon. Marshall T. Spears of Durham will be

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BURNS ARE FATAL TO LITTLE CHILD

Rebecca Anne Lewis, 2 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Lewis who live near Newport, died Sunday morning, the result of pneumonia, which followed serious burns about the face, right arm and body received last Wednesday morning. The child had gotten out of bed and while standing in front of a fire, the night clothes she was wearing caught in some manner. Seriously burned she was rushed to the office of Dr. Mason where first aid was rendered. The following day he contracted pneumonia and death came on Sunday.

Property In Morehead City Is Sold by Town

Morehead City has recently sold the Town's interest in a number of lots which have been off the tax books since 1931. Morehead Development Corporation composed of tobacco men in Farmville and Greenville with Paul Cleland of Morehead City were the buyers of the property. They paid approximately \$8,000 for the quit-claim deed to the holdings. H. S. Gibbs, Mayor of Morehead told the Beaufort News that while criticism had come from some quarters, many people are of the opinion that it was a sort of lucky break for the Town. It would have taken several thousand dollars which Morehead City does not have in her treasury to have cleared up the titles, and the street assessments, town and county taxes amounted to over \$35,000. Another deed filed recently shows that Morehead City Properties, Inc., bought over 109 acres from James Howard.

Survey Party Here On Field Work This Week

Lieut. S. B. Grinnell of the U. S. Coast Geodetic Survey and a party of assistants were in Carteret county this week doing field work. The party came here from Washington, N. C. Lieut. Grinnell was at one time stationed with the Coast Geodetic and survey in Morehead City a few years ago. Their work in this county carried them to several stations in the Core Creek area which were established a few years ago.

ALMANAC

- FEBRUARY**
- 26—Victor Hugo, great French writer, born 1802
 - 27—Yuma, Arizona, destroyed by flood, 1891
 - 28—Spanish explorer Pinzon discovers the Amazon River, 1500
- MARCH**
- 1—Abruzzo, the 37th state, is admitted to the Union, 1867
 - 2—French colonies settle in Mississippi, 1699
 - 3—Ponce de Leon sails, striking the fountain of youth, 1513
 - 4—Constitution becomes the law of the land in the United States, 1789

N. C. Fisheries Paying Up To Four Cents Per Pound For "Old Drum"

And we are not talking about the kind of Old Drum that sells for 80 cents per pint. These old drum are sometimes called channel bass, or red drum and anglers from all over the United States have come to the Carolina coast to cast for this species. The kind the anglers like to catch big fellows, which usually sell for about one to one and a half cents per pound are bringing four cents a pound down on Ocracoke Island where Capt. Will Willis is buyer for N. C. Fisheries, Inc., according to John Sikes, head fisher, of the government-sponsored organization with headquarters in Morehead City.

Puppy Drum sold on local markets this year have brought as high as three and a half cents per pound. The adults of this species on Ocracoke have never brought more than one to two cents per pound, but N. C. Fisheries buys them for the steaks. Those steaks are frozen and packed in pound packages and bring at wholesale 20 cents per pound. "Quite a demand is being created for these frozen steaks," said Mr. Sikes "and we are disposing of about 2,000 1-pound packages per week, mostly to consumers in North Carolina."

No part of the adult species of drum which might weigh from 25 to 50 pounds each is wasted, he stated. The head and back bones will be used for making pet food, for which there is a big demand throughout the country.

Two Members of News Staff Ill This Week

The Beaufort News has been short of help during the present week due to two of the employees being on the sick list. Earl Mades, pressman, was taken to Morehead City hospital on Tuesday, suffering from an attack of pneumonia. His condition today was reported as fair. Miss Mary C. Fodrie, office secretary has been confined to her home in Morehead City the result of influenza. Her condition is much improved. Mr. Mades has been an employee of the News for the past 10 years. Miss Fodrie has held her position here for the past 18 months. Both of these young people are very important factors in getting out this newspaper each week.

ATTEND HARBOR APPEAL

City Clerk Murray Thomas, Hugh Hill, Hugh Davis and Wiley Taylor left today for Washington where they will attend the Rivers and Harbor Hearing Friday in connection with the local harbor, and other nearby waterway projects.

Covering The WATER FRONT
 By AYCOCK BROWN

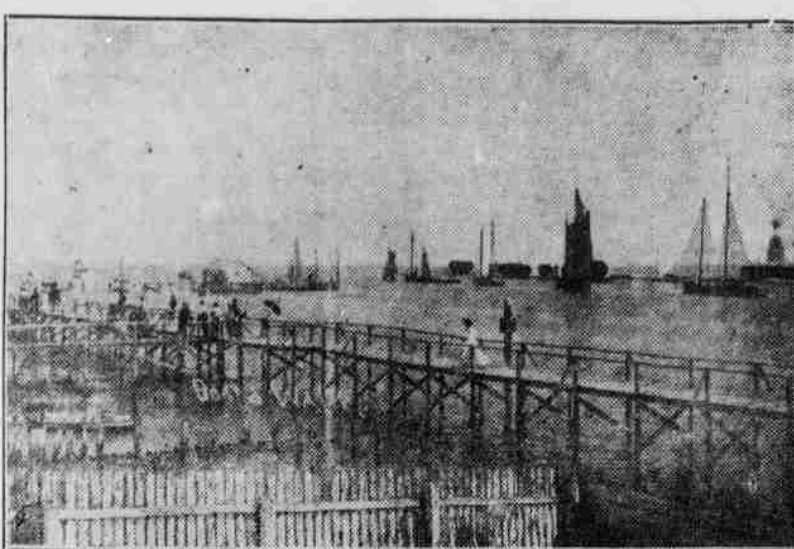
YOU WILL PROBABLY be seeing the photo of that seal which Capt. Charlie Smith and his crew captured over at Fort Macon, in newspapers throughout the country within the next few days. The Associated Press Photo Service wired their representative here to rush pictures of the little fellow that is making news, because it was captured far from its natural habitat. It is getting along nicely in the pool on Piver's Island. Brantley saw the seal, and said it looked like a "stream-lined puppy-dog," which is a very good description.

NOTHING WILL attract attention and give a locality more publicity than good news photos. C. M. Graves of the New York Times has an approval some photos of Morehead City port terminal. He may not use them, but the chances are he will, because they are the first close up photos of "Nazi Steel" piles that have been submitted to a newspaper in the United States. Not so very long ago Morehead City got a publicity break they were not expecting. Alien steel for a PWA sponsored job sort of turned a spotlight on the Morehead City port terminal. I don't claim to know anything about steel, but after seeing the Nazi and American product, I would say that the native product is inferior in grade and quality to the piles which came from Germany.

JOHN SIKES told me how N. C. Fisheries is paying four cents a pound for old drum, or channel bass as the northern anglers call them—and that is the biggest price they have ever brought along our coast. The steaks are taken from the fish, packed in one pound packages and then sold at wholesale for about 20 cents a pound. If a steady market can be maintained for these old drum, the big ones that visiting anglers usually bring to the

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--Back In The Days Of Sail--



Beaufort Harbor Forty Years Ago

Things have changed considerably since the above photograph was made nearly a half century ago. The board walk in the above picture, was where Front Street, one of the prettiest waterfront drives in any North Carolina coastal town, is located today. And the days of sail have passed. Today the boats are motor driven and when on rare intervals one carrying sail does come into our harbor, it attracts attention.

Civic Leaders Discuss Educational Situation

With The Thought of Improving Local School Conditions A Resolution Was Adopted; If Realized Objectives Would Be Helpful to Our Students

The educational situation in Beaufort is not as good as it could be and with the thought of improving conditions the Beaufort School Betterment Association met last Thursday night and discussed the matter and how it could be accomplished. The meeting ended with a resolution adopted and signed by representatives from various civic organizations.

The resolution adopted contains six objectives. If those objectives become a reality, and that is quite possible if citizens will co-operate Beaufort would have an accredited school that would be eligible, for any of the associations the institution should be a member of, or in other words Beaufort's school would be of highest standing.

- The six objectives follow:
1. We favor a nine months school term and urge the citizens of Beaufort to do all in their power to make such possible.
 2. To lighten the teacher load and thus enable both teacher and pupil to get better results.
 3. To increase the teachers salaries so that we may be eligible for membership in the Southern Association of Schools.
 4. Establish in our graded school

a vocational training course for boys and girls.

5. We also recommend that we work towards a twelve grade school, in place of eleven grade school.

6. We also deplore the crowded conditions of our busses and earnestly hope that the same can be remedied by the proper authorities.

The signatures to the foregoing resolution and the civic organization which they represent follow: C. Lambert Skarren, Jr., and Billie Mace, Young Mens Club; W. H. Taylor and B. H. Noe, Chamber of Commerce; M. Leslie Davis and Joseph House, The Rotary Club; Mrs. M. Leslie Davis and Mrs. James Caffrey, Parent-Teacher Association; Mrs. Blythe Noe, Mrs. W. L. Arrington and Mrs. U. E. Swann, Community Club.

Ways and means to realize the foregoing objectives are now under consideration by various civic leaders. Some seem to be of the opinion that local subscription on the part of citizens would make the objectives a reality. Others think that a sounder way to go about realizing the six objects is to throw it into politics and let the next representative to the General Assembly from Carteret pass legislation that would make it a law.

The Mastodon Fossils Turned Out To Be Right Whale Bones

But Is Quite Likely That Someone Will Eventually Find A Complete Skeleton of A Prehistoric Mastodon In This Section of the State, According to Information Given The Beaufort News by H. H. Brimley, Director of The Museum In Raleigh.

From sketches of the bones which Mr. Dunn found buried in blue marl along the shore of Bogue Sound near Edgewater Club a few days ago, H. H. Brimley, director of the State Museum quickly identified same as the scapula of a Right whale. But Museum officials are anxious to have a complete skeleton of a Mastodon and eventually it is quite likely that someone will unearth in this section the remains of one of the prehistoric animals which looked somewhat like an elephant. They roamed the coastal plains a few million years ago before the current and a former ice age struck this area and the land was tropical.

"We have a number of scattered pieces of Mastodon skeletons from various localities in Eastern North Carolina, but the nearest we have ever come to securing a complete skeleton has been from a find in Onslow County, where we secured most of the bones of a fore leg, one hind leg and the skull. It has been our hope for a number of years that sooner or later the Museum would be able to place on exhibition a complete skeleton of this animal," wrote Curator Brimley.

After seeing the sketch forwarded

by the editor of The Beaufort News of the bones Mr. Dunn found Mr. Brimley wrote: "From your sketch of the bones, the scapula is undoubtedly that of a whale, and it seems to conform more nearly to the scapula of the Right than that of either a Finback or Sperm. The other two bones would seem to constitute the humerus which articulates directly with the scapula, but why one part of it should be hard and the other soft, I do not know."

"The scapula of a Mastodon is entirely different in shape and would not be nearly as large," he continued. The bones Mr. Dunn found or the largest and fan-shaped specimen measured about 32 inches from tip to tip. If anyone along the Outer coast should find the bones of a whale or anything they cannot identify, the editor of this newspaper will determine same through the help of Mr. Brimley. That applies to farmers of Carteret who might accidentally plow or dig up the skeleton of a Mastodon at some time.

Dr. Prytherch is planning to start a whale exhibit at the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries and would be grateful for any bones or reminders of whaling days contributed.

Three Men In Dredge Launch Are Rescued By Fort Macon Coast Guard

Three men aboard a launch from the dredge Comstock were rescued early last Saturday morning. Japt. Tom Barnett and a crew from Fort Macon coast guard station, just before the craft which was dragging anchor and drifting helplessly reached the breakers of Beaufort bar. The rescue was made under very unfavorable weather conditions as a raging blizzard of sleet and snow handicapped the coast guardsmen in locating the drifting launch.

Details gained from Capt. Barnett who is in charge of Fort Macon indicated that the men in the launch were enroute from Morehead City to the dredge or via versa when the motor died out and the craft started drifting towards the inlet driven on by a gale from the north and ebb tide. Flash light code signals notified the lookout on duty in the observation tower at Fort Macon of the predicament the small craft was experiencing. The three men in the launch threw an anchor overboard, but the tide and wind made it drag.

The launch was near the breakers of Beaufort bar when it was finally taken in tow by the constguardsmen. Had they arrived a short while later, this probably would have been a different story, but as things turned out the coastguard chalked up another daring and difficult rescue to their credit. The occupants of the launch were not injured, although were suffering somewhat from exposure according to the coastguard report. In Capt. Barnett's crew and helping make the rescue were Surfmen R. F. Tillet, I. N. Lewis, Willie Nelson, C. A. Gaskill, C. M. Willis and Connie Daniels.

Climbs to Top



L. P. Kennedy

He started off his career when still a youth as office boy in a railroad office. During the years he has climbed the ladder serving in various railroad positions and last week he was made general superintendent of all Norfolk-Southern operations. Mr. Kennedy makes his home in Raleigh, but spends much of his time in New Bern. He knows just about every Norfolk-Southern employee and they all like their superintendent.

Will Start Selling Bank Assets Monday

Depositors and claimants of the defunct Beaufort Banking and Trust Company were notified this week by postal card that the remaining assets of that institution will be sold at public auction beginning at 10 o'clock, March 2, in the courtroom of the Court House at Beaufort.

Depositors and claimants will be permitted to use 30 per cent of their claims as if it were cash in bidding on any of the assets offered for sale, says W. A. Allen, liquidating agent, who urges everyone having an interest to be present and protect same. This bank closed on December 23, 1931.

Little Jimmie Willis Is Improving Rapidly

Little Jimmie Willis, 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Willis, is improving rapidly according to reports from his physician today. The little fellow who is one of the most popular small boys in this town was struck by a truck on Ann Street, Monday. Rushed to Potters Emergency Hospital it was determined that he suffered concussions, a scalp wound and injury to his shoulder. It is believed that the little fellow is now out of danger and he will probably be moved from the hospital to his home on Friday.

FARM BUREAU MAY GET NEW MEMBERS

Representative Farmers of Carteret Met in Office of Hugh Overstreet Last Friday and Heard Plan Discussed.

Despite unfavorable weather, a number of Carteret farmers attended a meeting in the office of County Farm Agent Hugh Overstreet last Friday to hear J. A. Holstun, an Alabama county agent, tell about the American Farm Bureau and its work. Mr. Holstun is in North Carolina at the present time in the interest of organizing the Bureau in this State.

He described the Farm Bureau as an educational and public affairs organization, which furnished an organized group and the machinery through which Extension Service of our Land Grant College at Raleigh with its county and home demonstration agents may work in extending the educational and social program of that institution to the farm people.

"It is constantly through the Farm Bureau news and otherwise giving farm people information on economic, legislative and other matters affecting agriculture, and is persistently

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FAIL TO CONDUCT HEARING ON ROAD

Due to the illness of J. C. Nelms, a key witness for the Norfolk-Southern the railroad I.C.C. hearing which was assigned for February 26, 1936 at New Bern, N. C., before Examiner Pritchard, was cancelled. Notices to this effect were forwarded interested parties by George B. McGinty, secretary, Interstate Commerce Commission.

A. & N. C. Directors meeting in Kinston early this week went on record as not approving the taking over of the 3.17 miles of trackage between Morehead City and Beaufort by that organization. They would loan their moral support to anyone who would operate this trackage however, it was indicated.

Paul Grady To Speak Tuesday

Senator Paul Grady, Smithfield attorney and candidate for Lieutenant-Governor of North Carolina on the Democratic ticket is expected to be the guest speaker at the Tuesday night meeting of Beaufort Rotary next Tuesday night. Tom Hood of the First Citizens' Bank has charge of the program Tuesday night and will be responsible for Senator Grady's appearance. During the General Assembly of 1935 he was speaker of the State Senate and is widely known for various activities at that time.

BASKET BALL TOURNEY

Four girls' and six boys' teams will take part in the Carteret County Basket Ball tourney which will be held in the new gymnasium here on March 6, 7, 8. Biggest games of the tourney will be Saturday night, March 8th.

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. 28	Friday, Feb. 28
12:17 a. m.	6:58 a. m.
12:39 p. m.	6:57 p. m.
Saturday, Feb. 29	Saturday, Feb. 29
1:17 a. m.	7:55 a. m.
1:40 p. m.	7:52 p. m.
Sunday, Mar. 1	Sunday, Mar. 1
2:32 a. m.	8:04 a. m.
2:31 p. m.	8:08 p. m.
Monday, Mar. 2	Monday, Mar. 2
3:55 a. m.	10:07 a. m.
4:22 p. m.	10:18 p. m.
Tuesday, Mar. 3	Tuesday, Mar. 3
5:03 a. m.	11:06 a. m.
5:32 p. m.	11:06 p. m.
Wednesday, Mar. 4	Wednesday, Mar. 4
6:00 a. m.	12:00 a. m.
6:14 p. m.	12:00 p. m.
Thursday, Mar. 5	Thursday, Mar. 5
6:47 a. m.	1:00 a. m.
6:50 p. m.	1:00 p. m.
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