

OF LOCAL INTEREST

KINSTON HIGHS DEFEAT GREENVILLE QUINTET.

The Kinston High School basketball team defeated a quintet from the Greenville High School in Knott's warehouse Thursday afternoon by the score of 26 to 13. The visitors left today for Dover to play the strong team of that town.

IMPROVING THE GUM SWAMP COUNTY ROAD.

A force of hands is busy with the improvement of Gum Swamp road, in Pitt county, a highway well known to the wholesalers of Kinston, whose salesman work that section. The road traverses the progressive Swift Creek township and a prosperous community.

HEAVY WEATHER AHEAD.

A storm warning reported from Jacksonville, Fla., Thursday afternoon forecasted that a disturbance moving east along the South Atlantic coast would cause strong north-east winds or a moderate gale over this part of the country today. Rain accompanied a drop in the temperature in the vicinity of Kinston.

DROWNED IN MOCCASIN RIVER LAST SATURDAY.

A son of Sam Harris, a negro living on Moccasin river, in Pitt county, was drowned last Saturday night, according to a belated report, when a boat in which he and two other men were fishing was capsized. The other two men could swim, but were unable to pull Harris who went to the bottom immediately. His body was recovered.

UNDERWRITERS' MAN MAKES INSPECTION.

E. S. Jenkins, a representative of the Southern Underwriters' Association, was here today making an inspection of the new buildings and the fire department's equipment. He found improvements in the general condition around the city. The underwriters' inspections are made semi-annually.

'THE MAN ON THE BOX' AT THE GRAND TODAY.

Harold McGrath's story, "The Man on the Box," is being shown in five acts at the Grand today, as well as a two-reel Essanay feature, "Whatsoever She Soweth That Will She Also Reap." The Old Heidelberg Company will present one of the best bills of its repertoire, entitled, "The Battle of Not Yet." Night shows begin promptly at 7 o'clock.

COMPLIMENTARY MATINEE AT THE GRAND THEATER MONDAY

The Bijou Stock Company, one of the best in the South, is booked for a week's engagement at the Grand, beginning Monday, matinee at 3 o'clock. The bill for this performance will be "Tempest and Sunshine," and ladies will be admitted free. There will be a change of program each day and the acts are interspersed with vaudeville stunts. Altogether, the week's program promises well.

DULL IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES JUST NOW.

There is practically nothing doing in the Courthouse. Except for preparing for the March civil court, which begins late in the month, the officials are finding it comparatively easy to keep up with their duties. Papers are coming in slowly for recording. Not a marriage license has been issued in nearly thirty-six hours. Tax collections are as slow as everything else, which is a matter that bothers those in the Sheriff's office.

WEB FEET WOULDN'T FIT ROLLER SKATES.

Diabolically ingenious was the idea of two East North Street colored boys who Thursday afternoon tied the wheels of a dismantled roller skate onto a Muscovy duck's feet. The effect was exceedingly ridiculous. The clumsy fowl's gait was a source of amusement to a score of little darkies and pickaninnies who followed the protesting duck through the street. The duck was not a successful skater, but insisted upon making the best of things, with ludicrous results.

Children Cry For Fletcher's CASTORIA

BIDS FOR MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS ASKED

Many contractors will submit bids to be opened by City Council on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 23, for the sewerage and paving extensions to be made out of the \$300,000 voted in bonds by the people last June. Gilbert White, the engineer in charge, is advertising extensively. Mr. White is expected here daily in connection with the work which will be commenced in April. He expects to augment the present sewerage system so extensively that not a house within the corporate limits will be out of easy range of a main or lateral, according to the municipal officials. Sidewalks, as stated before in The Free Press, will be given the next consideration, and after them roadway paving, leaving enough out of the money, of course, to increase the present equipment of the electric light plant, which will be converted into a triple-unit instead of a single plant. The sidewalks will probably be of width enough for two or three people to walk abreast. That is the popular idea for sidewalk construction in the residence sections of nearly all cities now. The sewerage extensions will be made to conform precisely with the present system, which was installed by Mr. White, who is probably more familiar with the system than anyone else. The electric light equipment will be furnished by one of the big manufacturers of New Jersey or Pennsylvania probably, and will be installed under the supervision of experts. The plant, at some seasons now almost overloaded, will be adequate for many years to come with the additional machinery.

CONCERT TO BE GIVEN AT GRAINGER SCHOOL.

The Lenoir Concert Company will give a musical and program of humorous readings at the school conducted by Misses Hattie Daly and Sue Daly near Grainger next Friday night, March 12. A spelling match will be an additional feature, and prizes will be given.

JUNIORS HAVE MUSICAL AND SMOKER AT MEETING

The social committee of Lenoir Council No. 78, Jr. O. U. A. M., pulled off the third of a series of entertainments recently commenced at a boost for the council Thursday evening in their hall in the Hood building. A delightful musical program was

rendered by local talent, and a smoker was enjoyed. A large number of the members were present. The committee promises something as interesting for the next meeting. Since starting the social feature the attendance at the meetings has almost doubled.

SINGERS TO MEET.

The members of the choir and other singers of the First Baptist church are requested to meet in the church at 8 o'clock this evening.

GRIFTON TO VOTE ON HIGH SCHOOL TAX.

Grifton school district will vote on high school tax on April 16. Several other districts in Pitt county will vote on special taxes later in that month.

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