

# NEW BERN SEMI-WEEKLY JOURNAL

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## Another Tobacco Warehouse Assured

Practically Certain Second will be in Operation During Coming Season---Virginia Buyer and Experienced Operator Makes Chamber of Commerce a Proposition---Much Interest Manifested

New Bern will next season have a second tobacco warehouse in operation here. This was practically assured when W. P. Lawrence, of Roanoke and Martinsville, Va., and who bought the weed on the local market last year and who also is an experienced warehouse operator, appeared before the Chamber of Commerce last night and made a proposition in regard to establishing this second warehouse.

Mr. Lawrence stated that he spent considerable time in New Bern last season and was very favorably impressed with the city and had decided to come back here during the coming season. He stated that he had made some inquiries regarding the location of a warehouse and had found that he could secure the old ice plant on the line of the Norfolk Southern, also a location on Pasture street owned by Mrs. W. M. Pinnix and in addition to this had been offered the L. G. Daniels building on South Front street.

## PLAN TO HOLD A BIG BAZAAR

Ladies of St. Paul's Catholic Church Arranging for This Event

The members of St. Paul's Catholic church are arranging for a bazaar to be held on April 28 to 30 inclusive, for the benefit of the Coral Sisters of Mercy Convent.

The affair promises to be a most elaborate one, and in addition to the various booths, high class amusements will also form part of the program. An especial feature will be the old time "Country Store" and in this department, bargains that have never been heard of before will be offered for a small sum.

This project is for a most worthy one, and the work accomplished by the Sisters of Mercy in this city is commendable in the highest terms, as it is their main purpose to assist the sick and afflicted and all who are on the road to adversity, always giving the encouraging hand and admonition that the future holds brighter days in store for those whom fate has decreed against.

## SLAYS WRONG MAN, JUST OUT OF HOSPITAL

Selma, Ala., April 13.—Charles Cameron, just out of a Selma hospital, was shot three times and instantly killed by Hayward Melton, at Pineapple, last night. Melton, while under the influence of intoxicants, is said to have been shooting at McDuffie Stallworth, a prominent man from Wilcox county, with whom he had had previous trouble.

Melton escaped before the arrival of the Sheriff from Camden. The dead man's home is said to have been at Midway, Ala.

## THE EXPERIMENT STATION WANTED

Chamber of Commerce to Take Steps to Secure Government Project

Just before the last session of Congress adjourned, Senator F. M. Simmons and Secretary Houston of the Agricultural Department had a conference relative to the establishment of a second agricultural experiment station, the one now located in Iredell county, while being excellently managed, not being sufficient to give the farmers in the Eastern part of the State the proper attention.

This matter has been brought to the attention of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce and at the regular meeting held last night Wade Meadows stated that he thought the local organization should appoint a committee to make some investigation along this line with a view of getting this station located around this city.

Upon the suggestion of Mr. Meadows a committee composed of J. S. Miller, A. D. Ward, D. W. Basnight, W. J. Lucas, J. B. Blades and C. L. Ives were selected to correspond with Secretary Houston and Senator Simmons in regard to the matter.

It is believed that a site can be secured which can be offered the government for this station and every effort will be made to have it located here.

## SWEET POTATO FORGING AHEAD

At Last the Lowly Tuber is Coming Into Its Own

April 13.—As a result of the Alabama crop diversification campaign, which came to a close along the line of the Alabama, Tennessee and Northern Railroad Saturday evening, the sweet potato is coming into its own in the markets of the world.

J. W. Beeson, A. M. L. D., president of Meridian College, has been with the diversification campaigners since they entered the portals of Alabama and he has talked sweet potatoes and the way to keep them from one season to the other with force and conviction. He is the inventor of a potato house which will keep the yellow yams, the Jersey sweets, or any other kind of a sweet potato from one season to the other, at a small cost for building and a trifling cost per bushel for maintenance.

As a direct result of his effort on the diversification tour not less than twenty potato houses will be built at once in Alabama along the lines recommended by him in his speeches and amplified by printed directions, which he distributed at his own expense wherever he went.

Is Not Experimental

Dr. Beeson has shown that at the Meridian, Miss., college sweet potatoes are being raised at a cost of less than 10 cents per bushel with less than 5 per cent loss and a cost for heating and maintenance of less than 3 cents per bushel. Seven years of experience has shown the plan to be no experiment. The government has tested it and pronounced it a success.

At Huntsville a potato house built according to the Meridian college plan will be ready for the coming crop. It will have a capacity of 15,000 bushels. One just planned at Thomasville will have the same capacity. At Seaboard the school teachers association decided to build a potato house as Dr. Beeson directs and to hold potatoes from the time they are cheap and plentiful to the inevitable time when they become scarce and dear, as an investment. Others will be built at Union Springs, Dothan, Ozark, Elba and many other places where the doctor has spoken during the present campaign.

## PASSENGERS FROM STRANDED SHIP ARE SAVED

Kobe, Japan, April 13.—About one hundred passengers from the steamer Minnesota, which ran on a rock off Iwasima Sunday night, were brought into Kobe today by the Oansa. Among them was Mrs. Francis Burton Harrison, wife of the Governor General of the Philippines. They said they had suffered little inconvenience as the result of the accident.

Fifty steerage passengers still are aboard the Minnesota, with the Yakuma standing by. The persons brought here probably will be sent to the United States aboard other steamers.

## COMMENCEMENT IN PAMLICO CO. A BIG SUCCESS

Second Annual Event Largely Attended By Enthusiastic Crowd

## PROF. WILSON SPOKE

Noted Educator Delivered Inspiring Address to the School Children

Bayboro, N. C., April 13.—All of Pamlico county Saturday celebrated its second annual county school commencement under the most favorable circumstances. The time that the school forces had set for this great occasion was one week ago Saturday, but when that day dawned the people beheld show, ice, rain and sleet instead of beautiful sunshine that is absolutely necessary for a successful county commencement but our energetic county superintendent was not to be stopped and within a few hours has posters all over the county announcing that the commencement would be held later.

Hundreds There Early in the morning people commenced to arrive and a continual string of people poured in from all sides until past noon, some came in automobiles, some in carriages, some in buggies, in wagons, in carts, in boats and on the train. At eleven o'clock the parade formed in front of the graded school building and marched to the court house square where the principal exercises of the day were held. This parade was a magnificent spectacle, by actual count eighty per cent of the total enrollment of our schools were present and marching with banners waving, flags flying and enthusiasm abroad on every hand.

## The Exercises

Immediately after assembling on court house square the exercises of the day were begun with County Superintendent T. B. Attmore presiding. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. F. Mumford and Mr. George T. Farnell, a former county superintendent, presented the orator of the day, in the well known and much loved Prof. Claude W. Wilson, of the faculty of the East Carolina Teachers Training school who presented a strong argument for better schools, better paid teachers, better building equipment, more co-operation and better citizenship. No one who listened to this beautiful address could help but go away a better citizen with higher ideals and broader visions of life.

## Diplomas Presented

Immediately after the address Supt. Attmore presented diplomas to a class of fifty-two who had successfully passed the county examination and made them a short talk telling them of their duty and their opportunity of future usefulness. Then came the dinner that was a big feature of the day and after dinner the literary contests were held in the auditorium of the Baptist church, the Methodist church and the court house, while the athletic contest was held in front of the court house. Every seat in all the auditoriums were taken and at least a thousand people were unable to witness any of the exercises. There were twenty-four prizes offered and every one of them were warmly contested. The exhibits would have done credit to any county fair and were viewed by thousands of people all during the day and much admiration was expressed and many high compliments paid Supt. Attmore and his fifty able, competent and energetic teachers for the splendid showing made.

## Oriental Wins

Oriental graded school carried off first honors with Lowland a close second. Vandemere took first prize for drawing while Ben. Miller, a popular student of Alliance high school, carried off the honors for individual work. The cooking exhibit of the Merritt domestic science class came in for much praise from the ladies, while the exhibit of selected seed corn claimed the attention of many of our leading farmers, in fact, this seed exhibit was one of the very best features of the day. It was safely estimated that at least half of our entire white population of Pamlico county were here, and if the interest continues to grow in this work as it has in the past year this town will not be able to hold the people.

## Feels Proud

This county feels very proud of the work that has been accomplished in educational advancement. People who come here from other sections are delighted with our buildings, our equipment, the class of teachers that we have and the number of local schools that we have and the good part of it all is that the students are taking advantage of what the taxpayers are offering and are doing

becoming better trained and better qualified citizens.

List of Seventh Grade Graduates: Grantsboro: Eulis Buck, Sadie Dixon, Ray Tingle, Gladys Banks and Ruby Brinson.

Reelsboro: Essie Lee, Maude Brinson and Carrie Holton.

Stonewall: Carroll Gaskins and Hattie Eubanks.

Merritt: Lallie Ventress and Levi Sawyer.

Florence: Guy Whorton.

Whortonsville: Wardie Woodward, Ruth Whorton and William Silverthorn.

Pamlico: Connie Woodward, Glennie Woodward, Bessie Mason and Lola King.

Alliance: Laura Miller, Lillie Tingle, Ray Vaughn Dixon, Mary Emma Harris, Viola Ireland, Mary West and Carrie Nichols.

Maribel: Clarence Miller, Jennings Flowers, Melvory Holton, and Dewey Harris.

Vandemere: Mildred McOttter and Mary Miller.

Messic: Myrtle Jones and Ashley Carawan.

Bayboro: Gladys Pickle, Sina Riggs, Julia Rowe, Frank Ewell, Glen Gibbs and Graham Ireland.

Hoboken: Ollie Williamson, Ethel Sadder, Herman Pate and Ludia Williamson.

Lowland: Ellis Ross.

Oriental: Emmie Willis, Mitford Lewis, Howard Huddell and Helen Watson.

Penmanship, one representative from each school. Fountain pen, M. E. Whitehurst & Co.; Lola King, Pamlico.

Reading: One representative from each school, first to third grade. Prize one dollar savings account, Bank of Pamlico; Irma Miller, Alliance.

Regular essay: One representative from each school. Essay to contain over 1000 words. Best essay to be read by winner. Contestants to choose their own subject. Prize one year subscription to New Bern Semi-Weekly Journal, E. J. Land Printing Co.; Mamie Cutler, Alliance.

Special essay: "Pamlico County" (its past history, natural resources, prominent citizens and future possibilities.) Subject to same rules as regular essay contest. Prize, fountain pen, E. E. Martin; Vivian Sawyer, Bayboro.

Special Essay: "Care of the Teeth" Subject to same rules as regular essay contest. Prize, "Life and Speeches of Chas. B. Aycock," T. B. Attmore; Myrtle Jones, Messic.

Senior spelling: Age thirteen years and over, one boy and one girl from each school. Prize, pair of shoes, Fowler Supply Co.; Ruby Brinson, Grantsboro.

Junior spelling: Age under thirteen years, one boy and one girl from each school. Prize, dollar savings account in Bank of Oriental; Nina Hodges, Messic.

Senior recitation: Age thirteen years and over, one girl from each school. Prize, \$1.50 book, Mrs. G. T. Farnell; Hattie Sprull, Merritt.

Junior recitation: Under thirteen years, one girl from each school. Prize, \$1.00 savings account, Bank of Pamlico; Olga Tingle, Alliance.

Senior declamation: Age thirteen years and over, one boy from each school. Prize, Winchester rifle, J. W. Cowell; Edward Midgette, Oriental.

Junior declamation: One boy from each school under thirteen years. Prize, \$1.00 savings account, T. B. Attmore; Willie Phippo, Merritt.

Best biscuit: Baked by any girl. Prize, year's subscription to magazine, Mrs. G. S. Attmore; Rena Gilkian, Vandemere.

Best piece of fancy work: By any girl. Prize, year's subscription to Bayboro Sentinel, W. H. Miskell & Co.; Florence Ives, Messic.

Best plain cake: By any girl. Prize, year's subscription to "Good Housekeeping," T. B. Attmore; Ina Whorton, Florence.

Best axe handle: Made by any boy. Prize, handsaw, J. S. Basnight Hardware Co.; Clem Dixon, Arapahoe.

Best ten ears of seed corn: Exhibited by any boy. Prize, good hatchet, J. S. Basnight Hardware Co.; Ray Vaughn Dixon, Alliance.

Pole vaulting: Two boys from each school, any age. Prize, "Life and Speeches of Aycock," E. M. Rice; Jennings Flowers, Maribel.

One hundred yard dash: Age thirteen years and over. One boy from each school. Prize, Junior League ball, T. C. Miller; Wardie Woodward, Whortonsville.

Running high jump: Age thirteen years and over, one boy from each school. Prize, Junior League ball, J. A. Tingle; Roy Carawan, Messic.

## THE TABERNACLE BEREANS BANQUET

The Berean Bible Class of the Tabernacle Baptist church of this city last night made merry and also enjoyed an oratorical feast as well as a feast of good things to eat at the banquet which they gave at the James Hotel.

More than a hundred Bereans and their friends were present and participated in the festivities of the evening and the occasion was one which will ever live in the memory of those present.

The banquet in itself was worthy of especial mention. For days the cooks had been getting in readiness for the event and that their efforts had borne fruit was evidenced by the "oceans" of good things which were spread on the festive board.

A number of interesting talks were made during the evening but that which proved most interesting was made by Rev. R. W. Thiot, pastor of the church who spoke on "The Door of Opportunity." Rev. Thiot is an eloquent speaker at all times but last night he was at his best and he thrilled and charmed his hearers with his remarks and made an impression which will be lasting.

This class is now one of the largest Bible classes in the city and it is steadily growing.

## RELIGIOUS WAVE SWEEPS COUNTY

Results Wonderful in the Way of the Many Souls Saved

A mighty wave of religious spirit is sweeping this country and the very fact that the results have been wonderful in the way of souls saved would seem to be argument enough for the evangelistic work that is going on. However, in every city where a series of religious meetings has been contemplated some man or body of men has been ready to pop up with the query "Does it pay?" Let us not evade this question as one coming from the unthinking for it has been a subject of deep concern for many men.

In the first place let us consider the words of the Divine Master. In the parable of the lost Sheep He states emphatically that there shall be more rejoicing at the recovery of one lost sheep than at the ninety and nine that have never strayed. In other words the Master thought it of sufficient importance to search through the rocky, robber infested mountains for one one-hundredth of his flock that had strayed from the fold.

Again, when the Master was forced to match His mental and spiritual forces against the wiles of a philosophical body of pharisees, He said: "I am come to call sinners and not the righteous to repentance." And still again we hear His voice in the parable of the supper commanding in no uncertain terms to go the highways and hedges and to bring in the lame and the halt and the blind.

The first problem that this series of expressions seems to present to us is that of the Christian, who through the many and varied machinations of the evil spirit, has gradually lost his grip on the things of the Kingdom. This problem faces every church, for it is a well established fact that the devil works hardest where the Lord's work is the strongest and many a person through malignant influences has slipped away from Christ. Accepting the Master's words these are persons that are especially recommended to untiring efforts.

The second fact that comes to our attention is glorious in the hope it extends to everybody regardless of character or condition in life. The sinner, and we are all sinners, inside the church and the sinner who is still in that darkness not yet penetrated by the light of the world, is to receive the personal attention of the Son of God. Think, mind of man, Divine purity to mix with earthly impurity that a soul here and there may be cleansed of its iniquity.

The third problem comes home to us with redoubled forces in these days when sociological workers are presenting so vividly the types of lives all around us that have been unfortunate, physically, morally and spiritually. You and I are commanded with the command of omnipotence to seek those and to bring them into the privileges of christian fellowship.

What is the answer? Do these evangelistic meetings produce results that are worth the effort? Statistical reports show that from ten to thirty per cent of those who confess Christ at such meetings remain true to their vows. If it was worth the while for the Divine Master to search for one per cent it is imperative that we, the

servants of the Master, search and search diligently when our results net, in the terms of business life, from 10 to 30 per cent profit and that in human souls.

From the community stand point morals ascend to a higher level and out of the desire to do the right grows a more industrious people and incidentally—business men please observe—pay their bills. In plain words the flickering flame of conscience fed by the oxygen of the Holy Spirit into a strong light and this is the result desired. Whether this is accomplished through man's emotion or man's reason is of no moment. The world of today wants results.

## WANT VOTE ON THE STOCK LAW

When the Craven Board of Commissioners hold their next monthly meeting in this city they will be asked to call an election on the stock law question for the section of Craven county located on the South side Neuse river. This was definitely decided upon at the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce which was held last night.

J. B. Blades, one of New Bern's most influential citizens, first brought this matter up before the organization. Mr. Blades spoke on the benefits of tick eradication and urged that the section above referred to be placed in stock law territory. State Senator A. D. Ward made a strong talk in favor of the project. Mr. Ward stated that Craven county's soil was just as good as any which could be found in Ohio, Illinois, Missouri and other famous cattle countries and voiced his opinion that if the county had the stock law and the tick eradicated that it would be one of the greatest cattle growing counties in the State. The senator told of Northern men who had planned to come here and raise cattle and to bring money and people here but had become disgusted when they learned that this county was in the quarantined class and had gone away.

After these talks a committee composed of B. B. Wooten and M. D. Lane of Fort-Barnwell, G. K. West and D. W. Richardson of Doxer, E. D. Avery of Cove City, O. H. Wetherington of Tuscarora, G. T. Rubanks of Clark, M. M. Shute, J. D. Williams and Monroe Howell, Jr. of New Bern, R. F. D., L. I. Moore, J. B. Blades, C. E. Foy, J. W. Stewart and A. D. Ward of New Bern and G. T. Richardson and J. E. Daugherty of New Bern R. F. D., were selected to present the petition to the commissioners asking them to call the election. This petition will be prepared and in readiness when that body meets.

## HERE'S GOLD MEDAL FOR BEST ESSAY

Chance for School Children To Win Coveted Prize

The North Carolina Society of Sons of the American Revolution offers a gold medal for the best essay on Fort Dobbs, erected in 1755.

## Conditions of Contest

1. It will be limited to students of the colleges, high schools, public and private, in the state of North Carolina.
2. All essays must be original work of the contestants, giving credit by quotations where verbatim copying is resorted to and referring to book and page from which quotation is made.
3. Essay must not exceed 3,000 words.
4. In all essays facts are to be stated as facts and traditions as traditions.
5. Three typewritten copies are required of each essay, one copy of which is to be sent to Judge S. C. Bragaw, ex-President of the North Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Washington, N. C.; Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution of North Carolina, Winston-Salem, N. C.; and Dr. S. Westray Battle, Asheville, N. C.
6. These essays must be filed with the above named persons before May 15th, 1915.
7. If several students in a college or one high school prepare essays, the best one is to be selected from these by a local contest or in any other way the school authorities may prefer. Only one essay, the best one, from any one college or school, can compete in this contest.

E. A. HARRINGTON, Pres. Greensboro, N. C.

R. T. BONNER, Sec. Aurora, N. C.

## NEW BERN BOYS W/OP KINSTON

Local Baseball Team Won Game By Score of 13 to 9

After suffering continued defeat for years gone by, the baseball team of the New Bern High School boys fair to win the championship for the present season. So far the team has played three games and have won each one of these. Two games have been played with the Kinston High School team, the last taking place yesterday afternoon. Both of the wins were by the local aggregation, the one yesterday being captured by a score of 13 to 9. Another game was played last Tuesday with the Promen's team of the City League and this also resulted in a victory for the local boys. The next game will be played on Friday when the Goldsboro High School team will cross bats with the locals on the New Bern diamond and the contest will be one of the hardest fought ever witnessed here.

## HOMESEEKERS ARE COMING THIS WAY

Two Hundred and Fifty to Pay New Bern a Visit

B. E. Rice, Land and Industrial Agent of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company, is now in the North-western part of the United States collecting a party of two hundred and fifty home-seekers whom he will bring to Eastern North Carolina on an early date. At the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held last night, Secretary George Green stated that he was in receipt of a letter from Mr. Rice informing him of his work in regard to this matter and asking that the local organization arrange to furnish a location for a tent when the home-seekers reached New Bern. Mr. Rice stated that the party will carry along with them a large tent and that they will live in this while on their tour. A crew of cooks and attendants is to be carried along and the trip will be unique in every feature. The party will stop here for three or four days, making this their headquarters for this section and paying short visits to Morehead City, Beaufort, Pamlico county and up to the Kinston and Goldsboro end of the line. The organization discussed the matter and Secretary Green was ordered to notify Mr. Rice that there would be adequate accommodations prepared and that New Bern would be glad to entertain the visitors. The exact date on which the party will arrive is not been announced, Mr. Rice stating that he would let this be known within a few days.

## SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST ALLIES

Claimed That They Are Using American Port As Coaling Station

San Diego, Cal., April 13.—British, Japanese and Australian Warships are using Magdalena Bay, Lower California, Mexico, as a coal and supply base, according to Capt. A. Sommers, of the Mexican auxiliary cruiser Ensenada, just in from Magdalena via Turtle Bay.

"Warships of the allied fleet in the Pacific have been using Magdalena Bay early in March. At that time a two-funnelled cruiser, painted lead color, and with the decks cleared for action, was hovering just outside the entrance entered Magdalena, coaled from a British collier and proceeded to the Japanese cruiser Asama still is around where she struck December 31. Attempts to salvage her have been going on without interruption since she struck. During the operations the fleet of British and Japanese warships anchored in Turtle Bay and their crews assisted in the salvage attempts. The Japanese cruiser Idzumi and Idzumi departed for Honolulu a week ago."

## NEW BERN COTTON MARKET

(By G. W. Taylor & Sons) Middling ..... 12.00 Good Middling ..... 11.50 Low Middling ..... 11.00 Receipts yesterday, 20 bales.