

# BODY FOUND IN CAPE FEAR RIVER

### White Man Who was Drowned Yesterday Dragged to Surface This Morning

The body of Samuel C. Rivenbark, who was yesterday afternoon, about 5 o'clock, drowned in the Cape Fear river, was this morning brought to the river's surface by means of drags attached to poles.

A mystery surrounds the drowning of Mr. Rivenbark, as it is not known whether he intended going bathing or intended to commit suicide. Arguments both ways have been advanced but according to his brother, Mr. Matthew C. Rivenbark, for whom he worked and with whom he made his home, there was no reason whatever for the young man to have killed himself as he was apparently happy and had no obligations that he could not meet.

Yesterday afternoon a farmer of Brunswick county, who was at the wharf of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, asked Mr. O. E. DuRant, manager of the ferry, whether people went in bathing at the ferry. On replying in the negative Mr. DuRant was told that the clothes of a man were on the side of the ferry boat house and on investigation they were found as reported by the unknown farmer. On finding out what the manager of the ferry was doing a negro woman who was standing in the vicinity stated that she had seen the man throw up his hand a few minutes before in the river about ten feet from shore, but stated that she thought he was diving.

The police were notified and an officer was sent to the scene, but no one who knew the drowned man had seen him. The clothes that he had left were taken to police headquarters and his brother identified them as having belonged to Samuel C. Rivenbark.

The body was found about 25 feet below where the clothes were left and was dragged to the surface of the river by a party who had been in search of the missing man.

Cornet A. S. Holden was summoned and after viewing the body stated that he did not think that foul play had been met with and thought that it was purely accidental. The body was taken to an undertaker's establishment.

Mr. Rivenbark leaves a wife and one brother, Mr. Matthew C. Rivenbark, as well as a host of friends and acquaintances.

# MAY CONSIDER NEW OFFICER

### Board of Health Likely to Take Immediate Steps to Name Dr. Thames' Successor

Most important of the matters to be considered by the Board of Health at the regular meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock will be steps to select a successor to Dr. John Thames, assistant county health officer, who has recently been elected health officer of the city of Winston-Salem, N. C. The resignation of Dr. Thames will also be acted upon this afternoon.

While it is not supposed that the Board of Health has yet selected anyone to succeed Dr. Thames it is most probable that immediate effort to fill the important position will be made as with the opening of the city and county public schools there is a vast amount of work to be done in that connection and it is next to impossible for one man to attend to all the duties of the health officer.

Food Inspector H. R. Aiken has completed his monthly scores and they will be submitted to the meeting this afternoon. They are as follows:

Soda Fountains.	
United Cigar Stores Co.	96.3
The Center	95.8
Elvingston's	94.9
Wilmington Cigar Co.	94.5
Payne Drug Co.	94.2
Chas. P. Green	93.4
Mission Pharmacy	92.9
J. F. Jarman	92.6
Woodall & Shepard	90.2
Mathew's	90.2
Newman's	90.0
Hanover Drug Co.	90.1
Plummer's	89.1
Baxter Tobacco Co.	87.9
Warren's	87.9
E. M. Cheek	83.8
Starkey Bros.	80.6
Bunting's	80.5
Shepard Cigar Co.	77.6
Ice Cream Parlors and Confectioneries	
N. Kostelos	94.5
Xanthos Bros.	87.9
Atlantic Confectionery	80.0
M. Mansuras	77.6
Ideal Confectionery	77.0
Saffo Bros.	75.6
N. Patelos	72.2
John Phillips	71.4
North Pole Confectionery	71.1
Washington Candy Store	68.5
Angelus & Pipo	66.8
S. Alviolatos	63.9
M. Paturis	58.6
Jeff Zonnes	57.3

  

Restaurants.	
Newman's	91.7
Gieschen Bros.	85.9
Olympia	82.5
Star	82.2
New York	82.0
Dixie	81.9
Royal	81.8
Coast Line	78.1
Crumpler & Scott	77.9
Savage & Savage	76.1

  

Bakeries.	
Globe	91.1
Farris	88.8
Royal	86.8

  

Fish Stalls.	
R. C. Fergus	78.5
O. R. King	77.5

  

Ice Cream Factories.	
A. G. Warren	90.6
J. W. Plummer	84.6
The Frost Co.	83.5
Woodall & Shepard	72.2
Xanthos Bros.	68.5
Mathew's	68.2
M. Paturis	64.7
Saffo Bros.	64.4
Jeff Zonnes	63.3
Washington Candy Store	60.0
North Pole Confectionery	59.5
N. Patelos	59.1
Angelus & Pipo	58.8
John Phillips	57.5
S. Alviolatos	55.0

  

Meat Markets.	
New Way	94.5
Nurnberger's	93.0
Davis & Hintze	91.1
C. O. Knox	85.5
Batson's	84.5
Pure Food	82.2
O. H. Kennedy	80.0
J. L. Middleton	79.8
J. F. Sellars	79.5
Peoples Market	79.5
V. W. Sidbury & Son	75.1
Mrs. M. T. Madrin	75.1
L. L. Shepard	69.8
Wilkins & Marshburn	69.5
Todd Bros.	66.6

  

Groceries.	
Wilmington Grocery Co.	89.9
Thomas Grocery Co.	87.1
Albert Steljes	85.1
Rankin Grocery Co.	85.0
Atkinson	84.5
Sanedrs	83.4
Peoples Supply	82.6
B. B. Bryan	82.5
C. H. Bornemann	80.3
Jurgen Haar	80.0
E. S. Banerman (Market St)	75.4
H. M. Tiencken	75.0
John F. McInnis	71.2
L. Southernland	70.9
Chas. E. Collins	69.9
J. E. Marshburn	69.9
E. E. Russ	65.2
H. W. Konig	62.2

  

Deli-cate-essen.	
B. May	80.0

  

Dairy Lunch.	
The Center	94.2

# SCAVENGER DUMP RETARDING GROWTH

### So Says Mr. Chadbourn in Protest to City Council. Annual Audit Received.

Vigorous kick against the use of the sand-shoal at the foot of Martin street as a dumping ground for refuse by the city scavengers was registered with the City Council at their regular weekly session Monday night, by Mr. C. C. Chadbourn, of the Chadbourn Lumber Company. Mr. Chadbourn stated to the meeting that his company had just erected a new plant just north of the shoal at a cost of more than \$30,000 and that the employees could hardly stand the odors during the day. He also stated that he intended to build a number of houses in that section of the city but could not under the existing conditions. He stated that the scavenger dump was retarding the growth of the city in that direction.

Mr. Chadbourn also asked Council to take some measures to stop thefts along the river front at night. He stated that he owned nearly 2,000 feet of water front property at his plant and on the opposite side of the river, and that it was a common thing for river thieves to steal large quantities of logs from his booms at night. In the former matter Councilman W. J. Bradshaw was appointed to make an investigation and in the latter Chief of Police Williams was instructed to take some steps to handle the situation.

Councilman W. D. McCaig, in charge of the Department of Finance, submitted the report of the annual audit of the city's books and it showed that the ordinary receipts of the city during the past year were increased \$50,000 and the ordinary expenses were decreased \$22,000, while the bond indebtedness was decreased \$5,000. It was explained by Councilman McCaig that if the report reflected any credit on the administration that it was due equally to all departments as it was only accomplished through cooperation. Council agreed that it was a splendid showing in the face of the fact that the tax rate is 25 cents less than it has been in several years.

Councilman L. M. Bunting, in charge of the Fire Department, stated that as two more horses are needed by the fire department it might be a saving for the city to purchase a motor truck. After considering the matter the subject was dropped when Councilman McCaig stated that he did not think now was the time to completely motorize the department. Council authorized Councilman Bunting to advertise for bids for an aerial truck for the fire department, such as was authorized in the recent election. The new truck will cost about \$10,000.

Mr. C. E. Clark, on behalf of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A., suggested that in return for free privileges of the Y. M. C. A. to the members of the police and fire departments, that the city give to the association free water and sewerage. This matter was referred to a committee for investigation.

Council revoked the license for dancing at "Reviverview" hotel, a colored dance hall at No. 117 Harnett street, when a complaint from a large number of persons living in that neighborhood was received.

Councilman Bunting was authorized to place fire alarm boxes at Seventh and Nixon and Fourth and Castle streets. Councilmen Hall and Bunting were authorized to advertise for bids for winter uniforms for the police and fire departments. Councilman Bradshaw reported the repairs of several streets. He was given permission to have a drainage pipe put in at Twentieth and Princess streets.

Messrs. George L. Johnson and M. S. Winner protested against a license of \$12 a year for piano-tuners. City Attorney Robert Ruark explained that in cases where the work was done by the individual and not by an employe no license tax would be necessary.

Council decided to discontinue the Monday night sessions and beginning Wednesday of next week the regular sessions will be held at 10 o'clock of that day.

In connection with the annual report of the audit of the city's books Councilman McCaig, in charge of the Department of Accounts and Finance, submitted the following report:

"In presenting report of the certified public accountant covering audit of the books of the city at the close of our fiscal year ended May 31st, 1916, I would call the attention of Council to the following facts disclosed by this report as compared with the financial operations of the previous year:

Ordinary receipts increased... \$50,000  
Ordinary expenses decreased... 22,000  
Sinking fund increased... 6,795  
Current liabilities decreased... 37,513  
Bonded indebtedness decreased... 5,000

"These results have been obtained with a tax rate of \$1.75, which is a reduction of 25 cents from the rate which has been in effect for several years.

"It is only proper to say that if the financial results shown above reflect any credit upon our administration, this credit is due equally to all departments, as it was accomplished only by active cooperation on the part of each.

"W. D. McCaig, Councilman.

In Charge of Department of Accounts and Finance.

Following is the annual report as submitted by the auditor:

"Hon. P. Q. Moore, Mayor, Wilmington, N. C.

"Dear Sir: Pursuant to the request of the Councilman of Accounts and Finance we have audited and examined the books and records representing the accounting system of the city of Wilmington for the year ended May 31, 1916, and submit herewith our report:

"Under Exhibit A is shown a comparative balance sheet of current assets and current liabilities for the fiscal years ended May 31, 1915, and May 31, 1916. The current assets May 31, 1915, exclusive of sinking funds amounted to \$28,066.99, and on May 31, 1916, to \$17,195.48, a decrease in 1916 to the amount of \$10,871.51. Current liabilities have decreased in 1916 to the amount of \$37,513.00, making a net decrease in the deficit May 31, 1916, of \$26,641.59 over May 31, 1915. The decrease in current liabilities May 31, 1916, is accounted for as follows:

Revenue loans outstanding	May 31, 1915, \$100,000, reduced in 1916 to \$75,000, \$25,000.00
Fire engine house note paid	7,500.00
Inclinerator note paid (net)	4,800.00
Accruals and reserves—retention	213.10
Total	\$37,513.10

The records also show that the sum of \$150,000, borrowed during the year ended May 31, 1916, to meet current obligations was repaid prior to the end of the period.

"Under Exhibit B is shown a comparative balance sheet of property assets and bond liabilities for the fiscal years ended May 31, 1915, and May 31, 1916, from which it will be noted that the total property assets have decreased in 1916 to the amount of \$759,641. In order that this decrease may be thoroughly understood we wish to make the following explanation thereof: Departmental equipment has decreased in 1916 to the amount of \$1,878.07 which is due to depreciation charged and the reduced cost value of the inclinerator to the amount of \$1,200,000 paid by the county. Fixed properties have been increased only to the amount of \$1,118.43, this amount being paid on the Carolina Place sewer purchase. However, there was expended for water and sewer construction the amount of \$23,295.90 (see Exhibit D), which has not been added to the value of the water and sewerage plant, it appearing that inasmuch as no depreciation has been charged at this plant the valuation shown is the more conservative. A new pump costing \$1,007 has also been installed at this plant.

More has also been expended for general construction on Queen, Dock, Orange and Red Cross streets, the sum of \$7,176.31, none of which has been added to the permanent streets assets. The amount of \$4,382.44 has been expended in connection with, and drainage of Macumber ditch which is an improvement but has not been added to the fixed properties. These additions were not made for the reason that it is believed the valuations are already exceedingly high.

"Outstanding bonds have been reduced \$5,000 and capital surplus has increased over 1915 to the amount of \$4,240.36.

"Under Exhibit C is shown a comparative statement of receipts and disbursements, general funds, for years ended May 31, 1915, and May 31, 1916. An increase in ad valorem taxes will be noted in 1916 which is due in the main to increased valuations throughout the city and taxable values in the new territory acquired by the city during the year ended May 31, 1916, less the reduction in tax rate. This increase in revenue has a direct bearing on the reduction of current liabilities May 31, 1916.

"It will be noted that delinquent taxes to the amount of \$10,965.48 were collected during the year ended May 31, 1916, as against \$1,814.49 for the year ended May 31, 1915. The greater part of these collections, however, covered 1914 taxes while the tax records show a large amount of uncollected taxes running back several years and it would appear that these items are in bad need of adjustment. The commissions paid during the year ending May 31, 1916, on delinquent tax collections amounted to \$2,709.10. Business licenses of all character show increased collections in 1916, and the records show no uncollected licenses June 1, 1916, denoting efficient service on the part of the tax collector. The balance of Exhibit C will, we believe, be found self-explanatory.

"Under Exhibit D is shown a statement of receipts and disbursements for the water and sewerage department for the year ended May 31, 1916, from which it will be noted that receipts for the period exceeded disbursements of all character to the amount of \$669.95. Water and sewer receipts for the year ended May 31, 1916, amounted to \$69,090.24, as against \$60,945.60 for the preceding year, or an increase of \$8,144.64 in 1916. Disbursements for the year ended May 31, 1916, amounted to \$68,430.19, as against \$81,379.79 for the year ended May 31, 1915, or a decrease of \$12,949.60.

"From Schedule No. 3 will be noted that the sinking fund investments have been increased during the year ended May 31, 1916, to the amount of \$6,795.11 over the amount shown on May 31, 1915.

"As shown in the balance sheet Exhibit A, the fiscal year closed with a deficit of \$40,735.75, which, as previously stated, is a decrease of \$26,641.59 over the preceding year.

"Further in connection with Exhibit D, statement of receipts and disbursements (Continued on page eight.)



## To New York and Georgetown, S. C.

NEW YORK TO WILMINGTON.  
S. S. Cherokee ----- Monday, Sept 11  
S. S. Cherokee ----- Friday, Sept. 22

WILMINGTON TO GEORGETOWN.  
S. S. Cherokee ----- Thursday, Sept. 14  
S. S. Cherokee ----- Monday, Sept 25

WILMINGTON TO NEW YORK.  
S. S. Cherokee ----- Monday, Sept. 18  
S. S. Cherokee ----- Friday, Sept 29

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BALTIMORE	..... 18.00
PHILADELPHIA	..... 22.80
NEW YORK	..... 26.00
BOSTON (via Norfolk)	..... 30.50
ASHVILLE, N. C.	..... 14.09
WAYNESVILLE, N. C.	..... 15.35
LAKE TOXAWAY, N. C.	..... 15.75
BREVARD, N. C.	..... 14.95
HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.	..... 14.05
SAVANA, N. C.	..... 13.50
TRULY, N. C.	..... 13.20

Tickets on sale every day until Sept. 30, good to stop over, limited returning until Oct. 31.

\$18.30 Chattanooga, Tenn. Account Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. Tickets will be sold September 14, 15, 16 and 17, limited returning until September 27.

\$8.00 Jacksonville, Fla. Tickets on sale September 26, limited returning until October 3.

\$10.50 Tampa, Fla. Tickets on sale September 26, limited returning until October 6.

\$11.50 Ft. Myers, Fla. \$33.05 Cleveland, Ohio Account Annual Convention Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Tickets will be sold October 1, 2 and 3, limited returning until October 12.

\$20.95 Jacksonville, Fla. \$21.45 State Camp, Fla. Account the following important National events:

Southern Rifle Association	October 11 and 12.
National Rifle Association	October 13 to 19.
National Rifle Practice	October 20 and 21.
National Individual Rifle Match	October 22.
National Pistol Match	October 24.
National Team Match	October 24 to 26.

Tickets will be sold to Jacksonville and return September 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30; October 1 and 2 and to State Camp and return October 7, 8, 9, 14, 15 and 16. All tickets will be limited returning until November 4, 1916. Reduced fares for parties of ten or more traveling together.

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TO TAMPA	..... \$10.50
TO ST. PETERSBURG	..... \$10.50
TO FORT MYERS	..... \$11.50

PROPORTIONATELY LOW FARES FROM ALL POINTS IN VIRGINIA AND THE CAROLINAS. Tickets sold to Jacksonville will be limited, returning, until October 3rd, and those sold to Tampa, St. Petersburg and Fort Myers to October 6th, 1916. Return trip must be completed by midnight of return limit specified.

For schedules, reservations and further particulars, inquire of T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

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### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Mr. Carr's Resignation Accepted—No Other Important Business.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, held Monday afternoon, no new business was taken up and the members spent the majority of their time auditing the accounts.

The resignation of District Attorney J. O. Carr, former chairman, was accepted, and former Washington Catlett, who acted as secretary, was instructed to send a letter to Mr. Carr in which regret was expressed that he automatically resigned from the Board of Education when he accepted the position of District Attorney.

The meeting was attended by Messrs. B. Solomon and J. G. L. Gieschen. No action toward the election of a successor to Mr. Carr was brought up, but it is thought that it will occur within the next two days, as a successor is required to be elected within thirty days after the resignation of a member, and Mr. Carr resigned the chairmanship on August 11.

### REVIVAL MEETINGS.

Evangelist W. M. Huggins Preaching to Large Crowds at Wrightsboro.

The evangelistic meetings which opened Sunday night in the Baptist church at Wrightsboro are attracting large crowds and much interest is being manifested by the people of the Wrightsboro section. Evangelist W. M. Huggins and his co-workers are assisting the pastor, Rev. W. B. Rivenbark, and the meetings are proving themselves a very great success.

The meetings will continue throughout this week and the public generally is cordially invited to attend.

### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS.

Government Has a Number of Positions Open—Salaries Good.

The government has a number of civil service positions open, for which competitive examinations will be held during October. The positions range from that of brick mason, who will receive \$780 per year, to laboratory workers who receive as high as \$1,000. Examinations will be held at a number of different places in the State and those wishing further information can secure same by applying to the postoffice.

Recorder's Court.—Only two cases were tried in the Recorder's court Tuesday morning. Sis Baldwin, colored, charged with larceny, was discharged on account of insufficient evidence. Jacob Brown and David Willis, colored boys, who were charged with having engaged in an affray, had judgment suspended on payment of costs. Brown was sent to the county roads for 30 days in default. The case of Ross Kennedy, white, who ran over with an automobile Deams Padgett, was postponed until Thursday.

Portly Woman (pushing her way into a police-station)—"I see you have arrested a man whose mind is a blank."

Portly Woman—"Then please bring him out so I may have a look at him. My Henry didn't come home last night, and that's a fairly good description of him."—Puck.

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