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LOCAL TOBACCO MARKET WILL OPEN WEDNESDAY

DESCRIPTION AND PLAN OF THE BERTIE-MARTIN HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE

North Carolina Federal Aid Project No. 86 between Martin and Bertie Counties, more commonly known as the Williamston Causeway, will, when completed, connect rich agricultural territory on the north and south sides of Roanoke River. It also forms an important link in the Raleigh-Norfolk Highway.

The project is 3.9 miles long, beginning at the city limits of Williamston going north toward Windsor. It consists of 3.09 miles of fill with a top soil surfacing, and 0.81 miles of bridge. The work of clearing and grubbing and constructing the fill is being done by the State Highway Commission, and is well under way. The construction of the bridge is being done by the Boyle Robertson Construction Company of Washington, D. C., and the Raymond Concrete Pipe Company of New York and Chicago.

Plans for the viaduct were prepared by the Bridge Department of the State Highway Commission at the Raleigh office. It will consist of two separate structures, the swing span at Roanoke with its approaches and the bridge at Conine Creek with its approaches. Beginning at the city limits of Williamston there will be an approach viaduct of 922 feet reinforced concrete deck girder spans, the swing span of 220 feet over the Roanoke, and then 107 22 foot spans between the Roanoke Bridge proper and the Conine Creek Bridge there is a fill of 1 3/4 miles. The South approach to the Conine Creek Bridge consist of 28 22 foot spans, then 37 1/2 foot spans over Conine Creek, and finally 39 22 foot spans constituting the north approach. From the end of this project is a fill of 1 1/2 miles. The length of the Roanoke River Bridge is 2773 feet and 6 inches, and the Conine Creek Bridge is 1684 feet and six inches, making a total length of bridge of 4358 feet. The bridge is designed to carry a live load of two 15 ton trucks plus an impact of 30 per cent of the live load. The clear width of roadway will be 18 feet, which gives ample room for two cars to pass at the rate of 30 miles per hour.

Due to the fact that the Roanoke River is a navigable stream, this necessitated a swing span type of bridge in order to be opened at any time to accommodate river traffic. The swing span will consist of a 220 foot steel truss, of the center bearing type, with a cross-tied wood floor and rock asphalt wearing surface. It will be opened from the center of the bridge by one man and is so designed that it can be opened in two minutes. Safety gates will be provided in order to prevent as far as possible any accidents that might be caused by careless drivers. These gates will be located on the approaches approximately 50 feet from the ends of the swing span.

The structure will consist of cast in place and pre-cast reinforced concrete piles, except in the case of the center pier at Roanoke River. The center pier at Roanoke River will be

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Body of Lieut. John Walton Hassell Returned to Native Town For Final Interment

The body of Lieutenant John W. Hassell arrived Saturday from New York, rested in the home of his sister, Miss Clyde Hassell until borne to the Church of the Advent Sunday afternoon where in the presence of hundreds of friends the last earthly rites were administered to honor the young man who was the first boy from his county to make the supreme sacrifice. Rev. Morrison Bethea of Wilson and Rev. Walter B. Clark officiated. J. W. Watts, jr., Elbert Peel, Norman Harrison, Simon Lilley, Mack Jones and Jack Chesson, comrades in arms of the young hero placed the flag draped casket laden with flowers beside the body of his mother, Mrs. Ella Hassell who died last year, her life having been vitally affected by the loss of her only son.

John Walton Hassell was born and reared in Williamston and had a wide circle of friends in North Carolina and surrounding states who loved and respected him. He was for years connected with The Enterprise as associate owner before going to Tennessee in 1911 where he also engaged in the printing business. He was born November 1, 1886.

Answering the call of his country he entered the second Officers Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe, August 27, 1917, where he received his commission on the 27th of November of the same year. After receiving his commission he was given a short furlough which he spent here with his family, and reported for duty at Camp Green, Charlotte on December 15th. Lt. Hassell sailed for overseas duty on April 29, 1918 a month in advance of his company for the purpose of training at the Machine Gun School at Chateaufort. Three days after he rejoined his men, the 68th Infantry, Machine Gun Company of the 4th Division, he was at the front at 4:35 A. M. of July 18th in the second battle of the Marne during a lull in the fight Lt. Hassell with his Captains and other officers were crawling along the ground giving orders to their men when Lt. Hassell was sighted by the German airmen who bombed a near by building, a large piece of stone falling directly upon him and crushing him.

GOOD IMPRESSIONS MADE

Good impressions are being made in Judge Smith's Court upon those who believe law enforcement protects the life and property and promotes the peace and happiness of a community. His verdict today in the two cases against Harry Bowen for assault with a deadly weapon on the shooting of a mule twice while drunk, two years term on the roads is the kind of medicine it takes to bring some men to their senses. He might have said "the poor fellow was drunk, give him a chance," which chance would have only meant another drunk and another mule or perhaps a man, shot. If all the judges after honestly and fairly trying a man and adjudge him guilty would obey that part of the word, "as ye sow so shall ye reap" in their sentences, then men who are nuisances and menaces to the peace and safety of the people would have more respect for law and order and our country would profit thereby.

SHOE REPAIRING

For first class shoe repair work: Come to the Expert Shoe Shop, on Washington Street opposite Atlantic Hotel. All work sent us by Parcel Post will receive prompt attention. E. C. HOCK, Proprietor.

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Local News and Personal Mention

Mr. Joe David Thrower returned to Portsmouth, Monday after spending several days here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Scicoloff of Greenville spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Britt.

President Harding killed the League of Nations and is now trying to kill the League of States. He is sending his troops into West Virginia to whip the folks in line there.

The local banks and postoffice were closed yesterday, September 5, Labor Day.

Miss Emma Robertson went to Kinston Sunday where she will teach in the public school this winter.

Mrs. W. A. Ellison returned to her home in Belhaven after at EK-hed home in Belhaven Monday after attending the funeral of Lt. John W. Hassell.

Miss Bessie Page has returned after having had her tonsils removed at Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount.

Miss Mary Smith spent the weekend in Plymouth, with her parents.

Mrs. J. W. Andrews and daughters, Misses Mary Malisa and Elsi have returned after visiting relatives in Norfolk for several days.

Miss Louise Harrison left this morning for Wilson where she will enter Atlantic Christian College for the fall term.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Simpson have returned from a very pleasant trip to Beaufort.

Mr. Morrison Bethea was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Saunders while in town to attend the funeral of Lt. Hassell.

Messrs. Henry Carson West and Grover Lee of Durham are in town this week visiting friends.

Mrs. J. B. H. Knight Miss Frances Knight and Mr. Will Parker have returned from an extended trip North.

Mr. Clayton Moore is the guest of Mr. John Dawson on a fishing trip at Ocracoke, Manteo and Morehead City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Roberson and children and Miss Kathleen Jackson of Washington are in town today shopping.

Mr. Jack Hunter has been visiting relatives in and around New Bern for several days.

Messrs. James Manning and W. C. Manning, jr., returned to Wilson this morning to resume their studies at Atlantic Christian College.

Mrs. R. J. Peel and son, Francis went to Norfolk Wednesday where Francis will receive medical treatment again.

Messrs. J. G. Staton, Joe Taylor, F. W. Graves and Henry Crawford visited the tobacco markets in Wilson and Rocky Mount today.

Messrs. Lejon Cox and Jordan Ward of Roef Mount spent Sunday in town.

The "Everyday Knocker" composed by Mr. J. Lawrence Peel and set to music by Leopold Richard of the Legler's Music Company of Chicago is one sale at the Harrison Piano Co. for thirty cents a copy. Mr. Peel's friends will enjoy this clever parody.

Poor Governor Morrison. That Concord proposition is hot for comfort and the smoke is still fogging. But you have started this fire Cam, go ahead, send your soldiers, make the folks work, make the sheriff and police resign. That is your democracy, nothing wrong about that. Just hold the peoples noses and make them drink your medicine.

CIRCUS FRIDAY, SCHOOL MONDAY, Tra La La.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

There are over 8,000 of these workers in the Sunday Schools of North Carolina. The Baptist State Convention through its Sunday School Department is planning to hold two Conferences for Superintendents at an early date—Goldsboro, N. C., September 19 to 21 and Marion, N. C., September 21 to 23.

Last year such a meeting was held in Hickory with marked success. There were Superintendents present from the mountains to the sea. This year the two will be held in order to make them accessible to more people.

Mr. E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, will be in charge. He will have the assistance of two distinguished Sunday School workers of the Baptist State Board of Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Arthur Flake, Baldwin, Miss. is one of these and Dr. B. W. Spilman, Kinston, N. C. is the other.

Mr. Flake is Secretary of Sunday School Administration for the Board. There is possibly not a man in America better trained for doing this work than he. He was a successful businessman and has turned his fine judgment and training into the service of his Lord. He is a human dynamo in action for better organization and management in our Sunday Schools.

Dr. Spilman is well known in every section of North Carolina. For twenty five years he has given his life for larger and better Sunday Schools.

Twenty Superintendents are on the programs. There will be time for reports and inquiries in open conferences. Every one can take part and go home filled with enthusiasm for larger and better Sunday Schools.

A Sunday School cannot make a finer investment than to send its Superintendent to one of these meetings for program or further information write

E. L. MIDDLETON, Raleigh, N. C.

MRS. SARAH ATKINSON DEAD

Mrs. Sarah Atkinson, wife of the late William Atkinson died in a Baltimore Hospital Wednesday evening about nine o'clock after an illness of three years with a broken hip. She was the daughter of Jackie and Margaret Brown and was about eighty four years old. For the last twenty five years she had been living in Baltimore. She was buried at Brown's Springs Friday afternoon. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Fate Peel and several nieces and nephews among them are Mrs. C. O. Moore and Mr. Robert Brown of Williamston.

RAILROADS MAY SUE WATTS

It seems that the Railroads had a big tax rebate game started when the Tobacco Companies were playing their royal flush but they were proceeding slowly and with dignity so when Mr. Watts with startling promptness the Tobacco Companies' taxes, the Railroads were not fairly in the game. Behold! when the thunder and lightning struck Mr. Watts it so shocked him and shrunk him by its heat that he is now afraid to play in the Railroad game and for the treason the Railroads have a real grievance against him. Well the wisest of us make no mistake and the bravest sometimes run and Mr. Watts the folks are glad to get scared. It helps us.

NOTICE

All persons are hereby forbidden from constructing any dwelling house, store out house or other building within the corporate limits of the town of Williamston without first securing a written permit from the Mayor and Building Committee. Anyone violating this ordinance shall be fined \$25.00. Each day that such building shall stand without the owner thereof securing a permit shall constitute a separate offense.

LARGER MARKETS OPENED TODAY; PRICES BETTER THAN WERE EXPECTED

COMMISSIONERS HOLD MONTHLY MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners of Martin County met Monday, Sept. 5, with John L. Hassell, Chairman, Henry D. Peel, Joshua L. Coltrane, Dr. B. L. Long and Henry C. Green present.

Ordered that Nancy J. Wynne be allowed \$3.00 per month.

Ordered that Sam Brown (colored) be allowed \$2.00 per month.

Ordered that Stewart Smithwick be allowed \$3.00 per month.

Ordered that Jim Beacham be allowed \$3.00 for the month of September.

Ordered that the sum of \$30.00 for medical service and attention be allowed Charlie Matthews.

Ordered that Nellie Dixon be allowed \$3.00 per month.

THE CIRCUS THRILL

What a thrill the simple word "circus" sends through the heart of the man who is still a boy beneath the shell that his battles with the world have given him. That the circus of the past generation has become the gigantic moving city of canvas covering a myriad of features in exemplified in the Walter L. Main Shows which exhibit here Friday, September 9, and what vision of paradise and joy supreme are these greater amusement enterprises.

Sweet memories of childhood how oft recalled, and among them stands out prominently in the mind's eye the circus day as the star of all glad-some holidays that passed. Do you remember how you watched the men putting up the posters, those fascinating announcements of the pay to come? Do you remember how you fell over their buckets of paste your desire to be the first to see what the aerial artist on the next street was going to do? No fairy story ever appealed to you as did those brilliant pictures on the billboard fence or barn. To be spoken to by one of the actors was glory enough to offset the securing of any job that would allow you to walk into the tent without paying your money for the privilege. You were proud of your distinction and you hugged it to your bosom as you joined the procession and trod the tanbark path into the big show. Peanuts and pink lemonade was food for the immortals and nectar of the gods combined! You went to the circus expecting to be reckless spender and no petty economy could hold you. Out into the glare of the sunlight you came after the concert was over, blinking like an owl in the daytime. Of course, you walked, yet you felt as though you were floating in gong wings through the crowds in a dream. The lot on which the circus had spread its tents was transformed into something new, and strange, and fascinating. You forgot that you had ever played ball on it; you did not recognize anything about it; even the streets in the distance seemed unfamiliar or turned about. But joy complete and permeating every fibre of your being, was yours. Every you must go back to a humrum existence tomorrow to school, or doing the chores about the house, thisthey could never take away from you. You had seen the circus and for days after you would live it over again and again, walking or sleeping. You probably attempted some of the less difficult feat in your own back yard with long stockings for tights and a trapeze made of a broomstick and the clothesline, to keep the dream from fading; but this was only fun and but a shadow of the glorious reality that had gone before. The circus had come and gone, dizzy with happiness that you would never know again you went slowly into the house.

Doubtless when the Walter L. Main Shows come to town you are going "Not that I care for such things," you may say to your neighbor, "but the children want to and they must be amused." That sounds well; but sup-

pose just for once you bestrichly honest with yourself. If you do that you will say: "I am going because I want to bring back a little joy that was mine in childhood's happy days."

THREATENED RIOT IN NEW ORLEANS STARTS

New Orleans, La., Sept. 5.—Armed with shotguns and rifles, more than fifty white citizens of Cretna, a New Orleans suburb just across the river, are reported marching on a negro hall wherein was held an indignation meeting in protest against the beating of several negroes with baseball bats this afternoon. One negro is understood to have been shot and killed by the crowd. The trouble started at a negro ball game a twich a number of white were spectators.

MICROBE OF LOVE FLOATING

The Microbe of Love will be turned loose in the Graded School Auditorium tonight.

The entire program is by local talent and promises to be the best entertainment ever given Williamston by home talent.

Don't miss it.

Car load wire fencing and nails, also carload No. 1 Timothy Hay, just received. Cheap for the cash. C. D. CARSTARPHEN and CO.

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DIPHTHERIA PREVALENT IN MARTIN COUNTY

As your County quarantine officer I wish to call the attention of every other in cheis county to diphtheria. The number of cases of this disease being reported to the State Board of Health is on the increase throughout the State. No epidemic is reported at any place, but one may occur anywhere. We are entering our diphtheria season.

To prevent diphtheria, mothers should take their children between six months and six years to their family doctor for three doses of toxin-antitoxin. As it takes about six weeks for the effect of this treatment to be established, no time should be lost.

Mothers should also bear in mind that croup and sore throat kill too many babies to let a grannie, your neighbor, or themselves treat a child. Assume no risk! Call your doctor, and if he advises diphtheria antitoxin, let him use it.

If the parent of this county would follow these suggestions, money and lives would be saved and sickness prevented.

Yours truly,

Wm. E. WARREN, County Quarantine Officer.

OPERATIVES TO RETURN TO JOBS IN CHARLOTTE

Charlotte, Sept. 5.—All striking textile mill operatives in Charlotte will return to the mills tomorrow morning.

GOVERNOR BACK IN RALEIGH

Raleigh, Sept. 6.—Governor Morrison has returned to Raleigh, after a second grapple with the Concord cotton mill situation and has been congratulated by many on the stand he took, declining again send troops to Concord to "police the town," which is the duty of the Concord and Cabarrus county officers. The dismissal of the chief of police by the Concord board of city commissioners and the demand by many for the resignation or impeachment of the sheriff of Cabarrus county, shows that the Governor was sustained in the position he took by the local authorities there. The alleged mistreatment if true, of two persons, an old man and a woman, did not make a case that deserved the "calling out of State troops," but was a situation that any police chief and sheriff could and should easily have handled, if they were efficient and courageous officers. The settlement of the mill strike there by the operatives return to work Tuesday (today) was additional proof of the wisdom of the Governor's course.

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STRAND THEATRE

—THURSDAY—
MAE MURRAY and DAVID POWELL in IDOLS OF CLAY

—FRIDAY—
BRYANT WASHBURN in "BURGLAR-PROOF" "DOUBLE ADVENTURE"

—SATURDAY—
DORIS DALTON in "ROMANTIC ADVENTURES" "BOTH OF THE ROCKIES"

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