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TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 1924.

The Williamston Chamber of Commerce elected John D. Biggs, Clayton Moore and John L. Hassell, delegates to the meeting of the Coastal Highway Commission to be held at Savannah, Ga., April 7 and 8.

The Savannah meeting is to determine the routing of the Coastal Defense highway, formerly supposed to begin at Norfolk, extend to Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah and on to Florida, and in view of this idea and understanding, many counties made large contributions to the road called No. 30. The Williamston Bridge was built, Martin and Bertie counties paying \$200,000 on same, with the understanding that they were contributing to the United States for the purpose of a coastal defense project. Martin county further contributed \$175,000 as a free gift on the Washington-Williamston road. Beaufort, Craven and other counties have also made large contributions to this project.

Until recently there seemed to be no question about this location. Route No. 40 extending from Wilmington to the Virginia line through Goldsboro, Wilson, Rocky Mount seemed to bob up and claim the right as being the proper route for primary road and the fight now is whether or not the Government will complete its original project of building a real National defense road or whether it will build a tourist's road.

It cannot be denied that for a real defense proposition our ports should be the points touched, because the vital thing in time of war is the ability to bring land and sea together quickly.

We admit it would be very nice to tag a car at Banjo, Maine in the fall from that place to Key West Fla. and then in the spring turn the tag and let it read from Key West to Bangor. All the way there and back on a government road. But of far more importance to the people is to have a road touching the ports, which would be of just as much use to the tourist and of a far more use to the Government as a defense proposition and help more than any other small thing in holding down freight rates as it would put the inland people in close touch with the port base freight rates.

**TELEPHONE COMPANY TO ISSUE DIRECTORS**

The local telephone company is now having printed a directory serving the three exchanges, Williamston, Jamesville and Plymouth. The book will be mailed Thursday morning after leaving the press Wednesday. The directory carries an up-to-date list of all subscribers and it is essential that the subscriber refer to his directory before making a call as there have been many changes made.

The rules and regulations or suggestions have been limited to very few and the company earnestly asks the subscribers to read them carefully. So far there has been only one mistake detected and that is the leaving out of Mr. J. L. Holliday's number which is 1513C. The company expects to print each month a correction to the directory to be run in the columns of this paper so that the subscribers may have an up-to-date list of all its subscribers.

Taking everything into consideration the service furnished by the

local company equals any furnished in Eastern Carolina and gives connections to more points, free of charge, than most of the larger companies. One of the amusing facts as told by the chief operator is that when a party calls another party the person answering most always shouts "hello" just to receive the same kind of a shout back. We asked the operator what should have been said, the reply was "give your name and if by chance the party calling wanted you the conversation would commence, if someone else was wanted he would be asked for." We are ashamed to tell it but we are guilty of shouting "hello" several times and then going ahead with the conversation.

We inquired further as to the weak spots in the service. Such spots were said to be found in operating at times but not as much as the public generally suspected. The spots as told are mainly to be found in neglecting to answer the telephone promptly, allowing children, too small to reach the transmitter, to attempt to use the telephone, eaves-dropping, especially in the several party lines; ringing central and when answered asking if central, these were said to be the cause and poor service the result.

We are not trying to shield the telephone industry, but merely trying to create an understanding between that industry and the subscriber. The calling party would stop and think how many chances there are for the called party not to answer; he could be highly pleased with what service he gets. The telephone industry is like every other industry, it does not work perfectly.

**A PIPE DREAM**

What a wonderful thing it would be for the taxpayers if an honest to goodness business investigation, free from the hampering strings of political party, could be carried on in every department of the government. It is probable that such an investigation, if the investigators had the power to fire and fire as occasion demanded, would result in annual savings to the taxpayers far in excess of any savings that may be hoped for as a result of investigating private business which is subject to private competition and which must sink or swim on efficiency in management.

**TRUCK CROPS**

That North Carolina is rapidly becoming a truck state and regaining much of the ground lost many years ago is evident from the official government figures just released concerning the commercial acreages of this year's truck crops. It is shown that the prospective snap bean acreage in North Carolina will probably be 2,040 acres, cabbage 520 acres and strawberries about 9,000 acres. It is quite probable that a considerably larger acreage is grown in these crops over the state in commercial quantities which do not go through the recognized channels of trade.

The lettuce acreage in the state has been estimated to be 1,230 acres. The watermelon acreage last year was 4,730 acres; canteloupes, 2,300 acres which was considerably decreased from the previous year, the watermelon acreage being only slightly decreased. The strawberry acreage is expected to equal 521,600 acres in the commercial areas of the State. C. C. Line, leading to W. C. Line, from Goldsboro, Faye and the Chesler.

The cold weather in January did considerable damage to the truck crops of the state and particularly to the spinach, lettuce and snap bean crops. The early planted spinach truck was also badly damaged and required re-planting. Farm work is now under full sway after a long period of wet and cold weather which greatly delayed field activities. Farmers in the eastern or trucking section are very busy from dawn to dusk preparing their land for planting.

The fruit crops, particularly peaches have been held back by the continued

cool weather until practically no blooms are open at this date. This does not apply to the recognized Coastal Belt. It is true, however, of the commercial peach area of the Sand Hills; also, northeast and west of that area where most of the fruit is grown.

**LESSENING FERTILIZER COST**

**Nitrogen From Air and Hydrogen From Water Combine to Make Cheap Ammonia.**

Synthetic nitrogen fertilizers using ammonia as a principal ingredient, may be made at prices to compete with those using nitrogen from such natural sources as Chile saltpeter, Charles O. Brown, consulting chemist of Providence, told members of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. The nitrogen may be derived from the air by any one of several processes; the hydrogen, which is the other component of ammonia, may be had from water.

Economy in production of hydrogen from water, which is a well-known method, may be effected, Mr. Brown said, through use of a special type of electric cell and through utilization of electricity from hydro-electric power plants at other times than that of the peak load. It is cheaper, he said, to sell such power at a low rate than to waste it, and the manufacture of hydrogen offers a profitable use for it. Another good source of hydrogen, in the speaker's opinion, is gases of coke ovens. These are two chief sources for what he termed "by-product hydrogen." Such secondary methods of manufacture were the most suitable means of ammonia, may be had from Mr. Brown declared.

Mr. Brown predicted that hydrogen may be produced from coke ovens at the cost of 20 cents per 1,000 feet, and from water at from 28 to 38 cents, depending on the cost of the electricity used. The production cost of anhydrous ammonia, using "by-product hydrogen," he figured as from 3.84 to 6.32 cents a pound, which would enable the production of commercial fertilizer at a lower cost than that now made from natural sources of ammonia and nitrogen.

**ROOTING HURTS THE VOICE**

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of these never have football teams. Voice pupils would be hoarse as soon as the first game of the week following every game and the ears of the rest of the students would be way off standard, due to heavy duty in the cheering section.

This is vouched for by Prof. R. G. Killen, instructor in voice at the University of Minnesota.

Professor Killen says he would never have to attend a game nor read a newspaper to know how a Minnesota football contest came out. He would be able to reconstruct the game as soon as lessons began Monday morning.

Voice students were practically 100 per cent casualties following the Minnesota-Iowa game and at the close of the Northwestern game, in which Minnesota was victorious. Voice lessons went off smoothly the week after Minnesota lost to Michigan a game so far away that relatively few were present.

Professor Killen's keenest disappointment came the week after the Iowa game. One of his pupils is an oboe player in the Minneapolis Symphony orchestra.

He expected this voice at least to be clear and accurate.

When the man tried to sing it sounded like putting the brakes on a train of heavily loaded flatcars.

Even the oboe player had been to the football game.

**Liberty Bell Always on View.**

The Liberty bell, treasured American relic, will be made visible to the public, day and night, summer and winter, under plans being formulated by Wilfred Jordan, curator of Independence hall, where the bell rests. Heretofore thousands of visitors have failed to see the famous old bell because the building is closed to the public during certain hours. Under the new plan it is proposed to place at the rear portals of Independence hall a Georgian grill of wrought iron work, so open in character that the bell may be clearly seen at all times. At night it will be illuminated with floodlights.

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by Henry Carson and wife, Ethelene Carson, on the 27th day of Jan. 1920 which said deed of trust is of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book A-2 at page 438, said deed of trust having been given to secure certain notes of even date and tenor therewith and default

having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by the said deed of trust and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of the said notes, the undersigned trustee will on Monday the 14th day of April 1924 at 12 o'clock M. in front of the court-house door in the town of Williamston, North Carolina offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to-wit:

First tract: Bounded on the North by the Bill Jones (now Henry Carson land); on the East by Ned Lee, and on the South by Ned Lee, and on the West by William Williams land, containing eleven acres more or less and being the same and where the said Carson now lives.

Second tract: Bounded by Ella Smithwick, Henry Knight, Henry Carson and Lizzie Williams containing 30 acres and being same land bought from J. G. Godard. Refer to Martin County Registry for a better description.

Said two tracts of land being free from encumbrance except \$900.00 due J. G. Godard.

This the 13th day of March, 1924.  
W. J. HUNTER, Trustee  
Martin and Peel, Atty's. 3-18-24.

**NOTICE**

Under and by virtue of a Deed of Trust executed by Henry Ward and wife, Sarah Ward, to the undersigned I will on Saturday, April 15th, 1924, at 12 M. at the Court House door in Tarboro, N. C. sell at public auction for cash, the following described property:

A certain tract of land situate in Goose Nest Township, Martin County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Dan Brown, Dina Staton Andrew Wynn, Telitha Pitt, containing 12 acres, more or less, being the only land owned by the said Henry Ward in said Township.

This March 15th, 1924.  
R. M. RAWLS, Trustee.  
3-18-24.

**NOTICE OF RESALE**

Under and by virtue of an order of resale made by the Superior Court of Martin County in the Special Proceedings entitled, J. Frank Weaver and wife, Minnie Weaver, vs. Walter Harrison, Allie Harrison and G. H. Harrison, the undersigned Commissioner, will on Monday the 7th day of April 1924 at 12 o'clock M. at the Court House Door in Martin County, at Williamston, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash that certain tract of land lying and being in Bear Grass Township, Martin County, North Carolina, and described as follows, to-wit: That certain tract or parcel of land

lying and being in Martin County, North Carolina, containing 25 acres, more or less adjoining the lands of J. R. Harrison on the East, Redmond Harrison on the South, Claude Whitehurst on the West and J. S. Peel on the North and more commonly known as the Redmond Harrison Land. This the 22nd day of March 1924.  
WHEELER MARTIN,  
Commissioner.  
3-25-24.

**How to Make Money!**

**PAINT FACTS** Illustration describes how to make **BEST—PURE—PAINT** For \$2.82 a Gallon **L & M SEMI-PASTE PAINT** in White Lead and Costly White Zinc to assure longest years of wear, as proven by 50 years of utmost satisfactory use.

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