

FEDERAL COURT IS IN SESSION

Little Work For District Attorney Though Tedious Civil Case is Taking up Much Time

An interesting case in Federal court, now in session here, was that of the United States vs the Lake Drummond Canal & Water Company and W. E. and C. L. Hinton. The government seeks to have one or the other of these defendants, or both of them, remove certain obstructions in Turner's Cut, a link between the Lake Drummond Canal and the Pasquotank river.

Some sixty years ago this cut was dug by the Dismal Swamp Canal Company. It intersected a road in use at that time and which had been leased by the county to a man named Abbott, who was to have privilege of collecting toll from those using the road on condition of his keeping it up. The Dismal Swamp Canal Company put a bridge across the cut at its intersection of this road and for many years maintained the bridge and paid the bridge keeper. Later the Lake Drummond Canal Company purchased the Dismal Swamp Canal, but did not, as is their claim, purchase Turner's Cut. Within recent years the bridge was swept away by some vessel which passed through when the draw was closed. The abutments, however, still remain and the Government engineers say that they are a menace to navigation.

The Hinton, to whom Abbott's lease of the road intersected by the cut passed claim that the canal company should remove the obstructions while the canal company has sought to show that the Hinton should remove them. Judge Connor, when court adjourned yesterday, had not passed on the issue, but had intimated, it is stated, that he would probably hold that the Government should bear this expense.

C. W. Roughton of this city, arrested some time ago for devising a scheme to defraud by use of the mails, and who later skipped bond for his appearance in Federal court, submitted to the charge against him before Judge Connor Tuesday.

Two bills of indictment were presented to the Federal Grand Jury by the District Attorney, Judge Winston, but no true bill was found in either case. Parker and Perry, the defendant involved, both of Currituck, and before the court on the charge of the illicit handling of liquor were therefore discharged.

The rest of the time has been taken up with the trial of the case of R. B. Stringfellow of Alabama, vs. Richmond Cedar Works. The plaintiff is trying to show legal title to lands in Tyrrell county which the defendant company is now in possession of.

THE COTTON MARKET

There has been little change in the cotton market since Tuesday's issue of the Advance. Prices quoted at the various gins in the section yesterday afternoon at five o'clock were as follows:

Weeksville Ginning Company	5.00
A. Sawyer, Belcross	5.00
L. M. Sawyer, Burnt Hill	5.00
Hulford, Jones & Pugh, Old Trap	5.10
N. Bright, Woodville Closed	
Gregory & Farles, Shiloh	5.00
W. G. Stafford	5.00
W. S. Berry, Belcross	5.00
W. T. Wright Shiloh	5.10
G. W. Towe, Chapanoke	5.25
R. R. Keaton, Camden	5.00
Peoples Oil & Ginning Co.	5.00
Elizabeth City Milling Co. No Report.	

A NEW BANK AT HERTFORD

Hertford, N. C., Oct. 13—It is probable that a new bank will soon be known in the business circles of Hertford, N. C. A prospectus is being circulated securing subscriptions to the stock issue and as a goodly portion has been already subscribed, it seems only a matter of a few days when the entire issue will be taken and the organization completed. It is proposed to begin with a minimum capital stock of \$25,000.00 and a maximum capital stock of \$50,000.00 divided into shares of the par value \$100 each. The new bank is being promoted by H. C. Sullivan of Suffolk and others.

WANCHESE BRIEFS

Wanchese, Oct. 12—Mr. Dameron Midgett is recovering from a three weeks illness.

Miss Aretta McGrath of Crisfield, Md. spent Sunday here with Miss Mary Honaker.

Messrs Gus Montague, Spencer, Preston and Roscoe Daniels were here Sunday.

Mr. Everett Midgett and son, Everett, Jr., of Chester Conn, who were formerly residents of Hyde county and have returned to make their home at Belhaven, are spending a few days with relatives here.

Messrs B. G. Crisp, and A. H. Davenport of Manteo spent Sunday here.

Mr. Gus Montague left Monday for Baltimore after spending a short time here with his parents.

Miss Sophronie Meekins continues very ill at her home here.

Royce, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Daniels, is very sick with fever.

The school ball team and the Wanchese team met and played a game on last Saturday. Wanchese winning by a score of seven to five.

Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Freeman who have been boarding with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hayman have moved to the old home of Mrs. Sarah Etheridge.

Mrs. I. N. Davis and daughter, Miss Laura, went to Manteo Tuesday on business.

Mrs. C. Daniels left Tuesday for Norfolk where she will enter one of the hospitals.

Mr. Jim Montague who has been employed on the Bush Bluff Light Ship is at home for a few days.

Mr. Sam Davis who is attending the county high school at Manteo spent the week end at his home here.

WILLIAM BELANGIA DEAD

Bertha N. C., Oct. 13—William Belangia, a young man of twenty years, died from typhoid fever at his home between here and Grandy last Friday. The funeral was conducted Sunday by Rev. E. T. Liddell in the Baptist church at Grandy.

Mr. Belangia was sick for three weeks and suffered a great deal during his illness. His father and mother are heart broken, yet in the hour of their grief they are comforted by the life that their son had lived. Converted at the age of fourteen, he was a member of the Disciple church, an earnest christian and a most gentle and lovable personality.

He is survived by his father, mother, two brothers and one sister. Besides a host of loving friends and relatives who mourn his untimely death. He was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Belangia.

Mr. Alviston Belangia is seriously ill at his home in Grandy.

Miss Carrie Belangia is seriously ill at her home in Grandy.

WANTED—Regular and table boarders. Phone 846 L. 415 South Water Street. 3t pd.

CHASED TRAIN AND CAUGHT NEGRO

When Mr. J. R. Pierce of Winfall found a load of cotton missing Tuesday morning he went to Hertford to inquire about any cotton that had been sold there on that day and found that a negro had stolen his cotton, taken it to Hertford at three o'clock in the morning, walked back home and back to town again later to sell the load.

The darkey saw Mr. Pierce and the officers coming for him at his home and jumped out the back door just in time to get out of their hands.

A telephone message to Elizabeth City called J. W. Shores and his dogs to the spot, from which place the negro was trailed to Cisco. Here it was learned that the thief had boarded the local train for Suffolk. In an automobile Mr. Shores and the officers pursued the train, overtook it at Sunbury, got their prisoner off and took him back to Hertford where he was lodged in jail.

POPULAR BRANCH BRIEFS

Poplar Branch, Oct. 12th—Miss Carrie Parker has returned to resume her work as Intermediate teacher here.

Miss Ella Bray has returned to her home at Sugo.

Messrs Clinton and Johnnie Woodhouse and Miss Ella Bray were guests of Mrs. L. C. Baum on Monday and Tuesday.

Misses Elizabeth Robertson and Odessa Lewark went to Elizabeth City Saturday.

Quite a number of people from here attended the boat races at Coinjock Saturday.

William Belangia died at his home near here Friday after a severe case of typhoid fever. His funeral and interment took place on Sunday.

Misses Beatrice Parker, Pauline White, Mary and Evelyn Kinsey and Mary Barco spent the week end with friends and relatives at Coinjock.

The McIver Literary Society will meet Friday afternoon. Among the interesting features will be a debate on the query "Resolved that the constitution should be so amended that women should vote under the same qualifications as men." The debaters will be: Affirmative, Beatrice Parker, Elizabeth Robertson, Eunice Jerome Gladys Saunders and Annie Twiford; negative, Pauline White, Gladys Evans, Ethel Gregory, Maud Griggs and Odessa Lewark.

LEWIS-TAYLOR

Roper, October 13—Mr. L. L. Lewis of this place was married last Wednesday to Miss Hattie Taylor of Gatesville.

Mr. Lewis is the son of Mrs. Sallie Lewis of Roper and is held in the highest esteem by the people of this section. Miss Taylor has been music instructor at the Roper High School for several years where she has made many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will make their home at Roper.

GOOD SERMONS AT FIRST METHODIST

Much interest is being taken in the revival services now being conducted at the First Methodist church. It is said that the sermons being preached there are among the strongest ever heard in this city.

WEATHER FORECAST

Generally fair weather is the forecast for this section, with temperatures near and slightly above the seasonal average.

R. C. Abbott who has been in the Elizabeth City Hospital for the past two weeks is improving.

FITTING UP COUNTY HOME

County Commissioner, E. M. Walker, of Currituck stated, while in the city Tuesday morning that the Currituck County home is now being fitted up and will soon be ready for occupants within a few weeks. Currituck County has had no county home since the war and the monthly benefit list in the course of a year, Mr. Walker says, has been in the neighborhood of three thousand dollars. He has been most active getting the county to purchase a home and have it fitted up for the county poor. He is confident that this step will save the county a considerable sum each year.

SECURES AGENCY FOR POPULAR CAR

That the Elizabeth City Buggy Company has the agency for a new car will be of much interest to autoists in this section.

Dodge Brothers of Detroit are the manufacturers of this machine and it has been on the market for only a year, but during that time has won favor as a car of popular price and good workmanship. Twenty thousand of these cars were sold during the first six months in which they were put on the market and the 1916 model is said to embody many new and attractive features.

CHAUTAQUA GUARANTORS MEET

The guarantors of the 1916 Chautauqua held their first meeting Wednesday evening at half past six o'clock in the offices of C. R. Pugh in the Hinton Building. Rev. C. A. Ashby was elected president, W. Ben Goodwin secretary and W. G. Gathers, Jr. treasurer. The chairman of the various committees were also appointed.

SIXTH CHAPTER OF THE GODDESS

The sixth chapter of "The Goddess" will be shown at the Alkrama night. Movie fans who have followed the story throughout its preceding chapters will be intensely interested in the developments in the next instalment. Last Friday night the chapter closed with the young heroine ministering to the poor on the East Side in New York City.

MEETS TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The D. H. Hill Chapter, U. D. C. will meet Tuesday afternoon at half past three with Mrs. E. R. Outlaw Sr., on Riverside Avenue. All members are requested to be present.

TO SPEAK AT SOUTH MILLS

Herbert Peele, editor of The Advance, will deliver an educational address in the new Camden County High School building at South Mills tonight. Students, patrons of the school, and the public generally are cordially invited.

BITTEN BY DOG

Henry Wells, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Wells, was bitten under the chin by a dog belonging to Sidney Etheridge Wednesday afternoon. Dr. O. McMullan entered the wound.

The boy playfully blew his breath in the dogs ear and the animal snapped at the boys throat. Henry says he will not try the experiment again.

Mrs. Fleetwood P. Snowden of Snowden and daughter, Marjorie Bell, are in the city visiting Mrs. C. M. Stevens on Main street.

Captain F. S. Creel of Sycamore was in the city Tuesday.

W. A. C. Caboon of Columbia is here on business.

NEW STORE OPENS TO-MORROW

To-morrow is the date announced for the opening of the new store on Poindeexter street next to Quinn's Furniture store.

The name of the new firm is the People's Bargain Store, and they will carry a full line of dry goods, shoes, clothing, and notions, featuring sample lines from a number of manufacturers.

The People's Bargain Store promises to prove to the public that it can cap the climax on low prices and real bargains. The price list which will appear next week in this newspaper will be, therefore, read with extraordinary interest. adv

ROPER BRIEFS

Roper, October, 13—The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Williams and family formerly of this place but residing at Robinsonville for the past few years, are glad to learn that they have moved back to the farm of Mrs. William's father, Mr. Warren Spruill.

Mr. Elmer Gilroy, left Saturday for his home in Hazelton, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jacobs and little son, Harold, returned from South Mills Wednesday after spending a few days with Mr. Jacobs' mother, Mrs. Addie Jacobs.

Mrs. W. H. Cotter and little girl, Catherine, of Gilmerton, Va. are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mitchell.

Mr. Raymond Markham of Weeksville, has accepted a position as assistant book keeper with the John L. Roper Lumber company.

Mr. J. W. Buchanan has just received a carload of autos.

Mr. R. T. Chesson has recently unloaded a carload of Maxwell's.

Swains Lodge, No. 2, of the Charitable Brotherhood, was honored with the presence of the grand president, William Chauncey, of Washington, Monday night. Mr. Chauncey delivered a most interesting address in behalf of the Order.

Mr. J. O. Highsmith was called to Robinsonville last week by the death of his mother.

After a several days stay here on a visit to his wife at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lucas, Mr. Charles Misseth returned to Norfolk Tuesday.

BLACKWELL MEMORIAL CHURCH

Rev. I. N. Loftin will return from Clark, La. where he has been conducting revival services for the past ten days, in time to fill his regular appointments on Sunday. Mr. Loftin will preach on Sunday morning from the subject, "God's Powerful Gospel" and at night from the subject "Jesus Passeth By".

THOMAS MORGAN DEAD

Rev. E. F. Sawyer has returned from Perquimans county where on Tuesday he conducted the funeral of Mr. Thomas Morgan of that county. The services were held at eleven o'clock in the morning at Mt. Sinai Baptist church, near Winfall, and interment followed in the old Speight burying ground not far from the church.

Mr. Morgan was sixty eight years old and had been in failing health for some time, and death came on Monday night. He was a native of Pasquotank county, but went to Perquimans in early manhood where he married and became one of the most well known citizens of the county. He was a member of Mt. Sinai church from its organization, and was a man held in high regard by all who knew him. A large number of people from Hertford attended the funeral.

Mr. Morgan is survived by a wife and four children. The children are Mrs. Fleetwood of Hertford, and Thomas, William and Ernest Morgan of Perquimans. S. N. Morgan of this county is a brother.

SPECIAL TAX WINS AND LOSES

Newland Goes Forward But Salem Refuses to Take Step For Better Advantages for Children

The plan for establishing a central school in Newland township seems now in fair way to be realized. The voters of that township by a vote of 69 to 45 declared themselves on last Tuesday in favor of a special tax for that purpose. The number registered for the election was 132.

In Salem township the same proposition was defeated by a narrow margin. Indeed there was one more vote cast for the tax than against it, the actual vote taken from the ballot box being fifty five in favor of and fifty four against the special tax. However, the registration in the township was 139, and nothing short of a majority of the qualified voters would have made the special levy legal.

The cause assigned for the defeat of the measure in Salem is the recent increase in taxes in the county. Had the proposition been put before the people before the recent tax agitation, many think that it would have passed without difficulty.

IN POLICE COURT

Walter Dual, colored, was sent to the roads Wednesday for thirty days for vagrancy.

J. R. Bright of Mt. Hermon, P. D. Jones of Newland, Geo. D. Sherlock of Nixonton, and Cadet Griggs of Providence were up before Judge Sawyer in police court Tuesday on presentment by the grand jury for throwing dirt from ditches into the road. The defendants submitted but claimed that they were in ignorance of the law when the offense was committed and showed that since the grand jury had acted on the matter they had removed the dirt. The case against the defendants was therefore, dismissed upon the payment of the cost by them.

Simultaneous Revivals Begin

On Sunday, October 24th, simultaneous evangelistic services will begin in the Baptist churches of the city. Dr. Henning will be assisted at the First Baptist church by Dr. H. W. Virgin, of Roanoke, Va., evangelist J. W. Ham will assist Mr. Loftin at Blackwell Memorial Church. An earnest invitation is extended the public to attend these meetings.

CHRIST CHURCH

Bible class at 4 p. m. today. The new heating is now being installed in the church, so the class will meet in the parish room. This class is for the ladies of the congregation.

On Sunday morning Mr. Ashby will preach on the family.

W. I. Halstead of South Mills is here attending federal court.

J. B. Burgess of Old Trap is here attending Federal court.

Mark Majette of Columbia is here on professional business in Federal Court.

Mrs. C. L. Gordon and Miss Gertrude Forbes of Lilly are visiting relatives here.

W. F. Owens, C. W. Tatum, B. P. Caboon, J. A. Swain, W. N. Norman of Columbia are here attending Federal court.