

Fisheries To Open Monday

Hampton Fisheries, Kitty Hawk and Slade, Will Begin Operation Monday. Conditions Now Point To Exceptionally Successful Year.

An annual event eagerly looked forward to by people from far and near is the opening of Kitty Hawk and Slade fisheries about 15 miles from here on the Roanoke River.

Mr. W. R. Hampton, the present owner and operator informs us that everything is in readiness for the opening of this season's work, and that if nothing happens he will begin the operation of these fisheries next Monday morning.

High water and other hindrances worked a handicap on this enterprise last year, and the catch of herring was between two and a half and three million, while about one hundred thousand pounds of iced fish, such as rock, shad and perch were shipped to points all over the country.

In the operation of these fisheries two huge nets are employed, each containing about eight hundred yards of seine and approximately two and a half miles of rope. Eight tons are required to make it.

Practically all the work entailed is done by modern machinery, and while the operation is going on in earnest a very interesting spectacle is presented. And consequently great numbers of people from all over this state and Virginia visit the fisheries during the season.

The herring roe is shipped to Hampton, Va., where it is automatically packed into preserving cans and from there placed on the various markets of the world. About one hundred and fifty persons are employed during the season, and at times fish are packed in canneries in such great quantities that it becomes almost impossible to take care of them.

This business, as it now stands, was organized by Mr. W. R. Hampton, father of the present owner, in the year 1870, and since then has been in operation each year.

Improvements have been made constantly until now this organization ranks as one of the foremost herring fisheries of the county. The present owner, a quired the business in 1914, and his personal management of its affairs since that time its tremendous growth is a direct result to his ability in governing such an enterprise.

The working hours are on an average from 4 a. m., to 11 p. m., but there is hardly a minute during this period the workers cease their careful and happy songs.

Proceedings of Road Commissioners

The following vouchers were issued March 2, 1925, for accounts of February:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries for Branch Banking & Trust Co., Leon Davenport, Arthur Vail, Raymond Alexander, Jno. H. Wilkins, Lony Simpson, Herbert Webb, Walker Webb, Frank Clagon, Swain & Davenport, N. H. Davenport, Harry Phelps, Harry Phelps, Harry Phelps, W. T. Alexander, Jack Alexander, Walker Webb, Frank Clagon, Lony Simpson, Herbert Webb, Manson Owens, Arthur Vail, Raymond Alexander, Peoples Bank, W. C. Snell, Harry Phelps, J. R. Davenport, S. D. Holton, John Britton, Milton Basnight, Zrak Chambers, Harry Phelps, Peoples Bank, Spruills Bridge.

33 Years Ago - Washington County

Items gathered from issue of The Roanoke Beacon published Friday, March 18, 1892

Mr. H. A. Blount is having his new dwelling beautified by a coat of paint.

Lots of Shad in market this week selling for 90 cents. After a while they will come down to poor men's prices.

A cutting affray between Willie Pearce and George Bell last Monday night resulted in the death of Pearce. Bell was held for Murder.

Mr. S. Bayno is having lumber piled on his vacant lot at the corner of Water and Jefferson streets, which is giving our people lots of amusement.

Messrs Bissell and Fisher, two very respectable gentlemen in town, who are called a merry-go-round, which is giving our people lots of amusement.

Mr. J. C. Spruill has been north this week to purchase the spring stock for the firm of Spruill & Bro.

THE ROANOKE BEACON

C. S. AUSBON, Mgr. Editor

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes entries for Linseed oil, Labor for 5 men, Labor for 7 men, Jack Screws, Wash Webb, Peoples Bank, Bridge Account, W. A. Mizell, W. T. Alexander, A. L. Brinkley, T. E. Ainsley, N. H. Davenport, Harry Phelps, Harry Phelps, Harry Phelps, W. T. Alexander, F. W. D. Sales Co., Four Wheel Drive Auto Co., Four Wheel Drive Auto Co., L. L. Basnight, S. D. Holton, Harry Phelps, Harry Phelps, Harry Phelps, W. T. Alexander, Roanoke Beacon, W. H. Hampton, C. R. Gaylord, Standard Oil Co., W. F. Midgett, Swain & Davenport, N. Resenthal, W. J. Jackson, White & Bowen, Plymouth Who. Co., Swain & Davenport, N. H. Davenport, Manson Owens, Walker Webb, Herbert Webb, Jack Alexander, Henry Wilkins.

Fire Destroys Child Man Killed

The fire Monday morning that destroyed the home of Willie and Marie Fay, colored, hurried to death their four months' old son. The Fays lived in a house just beyond the A. C. L. railroad track on the Jamesville road and was owned by Ellis Lee.

The mother had left the child in the house alone and had gone into the field to take a cow, and while away the house caught fire from a defective chimney and was beyond saving when discovered. Quick and effective work rendered by neighbors saved the house adjoining.

The feet of the child were burned away, as were other parts of its body, but, strange to say some of its clothing remained almost intact. The house was burned to the ground and was only a heap of embers when the body was recovered from the flames. The unfortunate people lost everything contained in the house.

The alarm was turned in and the local fire company hastened to the scene as quickly as possible. They were greatly hindered in getting away from their quarters because of the fact that the engine of the truck would not start in the usual manner, and it became necessary for the company to push the truck down the street until sufficient electricity had been generated to ignite the gas.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in that certain deed of trust executed by Sansberry Davenport and wife, Mary J. Davenport, to the undersigned Peoples Bank, of Creswell, as trustee, dated December 20, 1923, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Washington County in book 85, page 49, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, the undersigned trustee will, on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Washington County, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash that certain real property described in the said instrument, as follows: In Washington County, Scuppernon Township, and being lots Numbers 23, 24, 25, and 26, containing 385 acres, of the property known as the Somerset plantation, said lots being designated and described by courses and boundaries on the map of the subdivision of the said property made by John B. Respass, civil engineer, and recorded in book of maps, page 30, register of deeds office of said county.

The bidder at such sale will be required to deposit as much as 10 per cent of the amount bid as a guaranty of good faith, pending confirmation of the sale by the court, and the right is reserved to reject any and all bids. This the 4th day of March, 1925. THE PEOPLES BANK. Trustee.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries for Lony Simpson, J. D. Rawles, Mackays, H. E. Davenport, Felton Clifton, L. L. Basnight, Grant Pernell, Grant Pernell, Leon S. Bray.

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Man Killed Near Roper.

Jessie Davis Instantly Killed by Percy Phelps Last Saturday Afternoon Near Roper. Killing Evidently Grew Out of Trivial Matter

In about forty minutes after he received a message that a killing had occurred about three miles from Roper, Sheriff Reid had covered the distance and returned to Plymouth and had his man behind the bars.

Jessie Davis, colored man about thirty years of age, was shot through the heart by Percy Phelps, twenty-four year old negro. Death resulted instantly.

Phelps claimed, in his version to the sheriff, that Davis had threatened to kill him and that in an effort to forestall the intentions of Davis, shot him when an argument ensued Saturday afternoon.

Several witnesses testified in a hearing before the recorder here Tuesday that Phelps was on the road brandishing a gun, and was admonished by Davis to cease such conduct or that he would get into trouble. Phelps replied, so they stated, that he was afraid of no one, white or black, and that he would shoot him; whereupon he began to fire, one bullet taking effect in the heart of Davis. In all six shots were fired, but only one striking the dead man.

Chief of police Allen and Mr. L. L. Chesson of Roper, were notified of the trouble and immediately got in touch with sheriff Reid, and then went to the Backwoods, about three miles from Roper, where the shooting occurred. They found Phelps at his home evidently preparing to make a trip. They had no information, until the arrival of the sheriff, which was only a very few minutes, Phelps was brought to Plymouth and placed in jail.

He was given a hearing before recorder Norman Tuesday. The opportunity of giving bond in the sum of fifteen hundred dollars was offered Phelps, but being unable to give same was placed in jail to await the action of the grand jury which will meet in July.

Scuppernon Township, and being lot Numbers 1 and 2, containing 124 acres of the property known as the Somerset plantation, said lots being designated and described by courses and boundaries on the map of the subdivision of the said property made by John B. Respass, civil engineer, and recorded in book of maps, page 30, in the office of the register of deeds of Washington County.

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WESTOVER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bray and little son of near Roper, were guests of Mrs. T. R. Chesson Sunday. Mr. N. C. Vail, and family and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Barnes motored to Washington Sunday.

DISBURSEMENTS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The following vouchers were issued March 2, 1925, for accounts of February:

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Mr. W. T. Nurney of Plymouth made business trip here Monday

Mrs. John Swain and daughter Marion, of Norfolk, have been spending some time with Mrs. T. R. Chesson.

Mr. Charlie Jackson of Plymouth, spent Saturday with Mr. B. F. Skiles

Mr. Clyde Robbins made a business trip to Norfolk this week. FOR SALE—A few full blooded Duroc Jersey Gilt sows. Rufus S. Sitterson Route 2 Box 60 Plymouth, N. C.