

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. B. A. Sumner is in Hertford this week.

Mr. D. E. Wallace of Kinston was here yesterday.

Atty. H. C. Spruill of Windsor was in town Monday.

Walter H. Paramore spent the week end in Durham.

Bosie Horton spent last Sunday at Virginia Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ainsley spent last Sunday in Mackeys.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Jackson spent the week end in Norfolk.

Messrs. T. L. Swain and John Stillman spent Sunday in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Read and little daughter, Jean, spent the week end in Ayden.

Mrs. J. T. Penney, of Chapel Hill, is spending sometime here the guest of Miss Mavis Thigpen.

Miss Gertrude Norton of Williamston spent the week end with Miss Margaret Ward Jackson.

Mrs. Carl Bateman of Rocky Mount is the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bowen this week.

Misses Virginia Cahoon and Neva Liverman returned Sunday from an extended visit to friends in Norfolk.

Miss Helen Tatem of Columbia has been spending some time here the guest of her sister Mrs. P. M. Arps.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Spruill of Rocky Mount, spent the week end here as the guests of Mrs. E. G. Spruill.

Miss Velna Matthews, of Rocky Mount, returned Sunday after spending sometime here with Miss Mary Spruill.

Miss Edna Earl Nurney and Mrs. Sam Garrett spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Roughton at Columbia.

Mrs. Myrtle Norwood, of Hampton Va., left Tuesday after spending the week-end here with Mrs. E. G. Arps and Mrs. W. F. Ausbon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Nurney, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Edwards of Newport News, Va., were guests of friends and relatives Sunday.

Miss Margaret Brown, Hugh and David Brown returned Tuesday night from Norfolk where they have been visiting for the week end.

Miss Ruby Anderson of Danville, Va., who has been spending sometime with Miss Evelyn Grant, left Wednesday for her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Day Woodard, Miss Ethel Arps and Robert Sydenstricker attended the shriners circus at Rocky Mount during the week end.

Mrs. Myrtle Norwood, Mrs. H. R. Livers, Miss Hazel Ausbon and Messrs. W. F. Ausbon and Tobie Rogerson motored to Washington Monday.

A. & P. To Open Here

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company will open a store here Saturday. This new store will number around 17,000. This is the largest retail grocery firm in the world. The public will be furnished handsome values, consistent service and quality goods at a low price. The formal opening will be some time next week.

LOG THIEF GETS SIX MONTHS SENTENCE

A. Gus Atkinson, 63 years of age, of the Mackeys section was arraigned before Judge Zeb Vance Norman of Recorder's Court, Tuesday, on three charges: larceny, trespassing and violation of a statute prohibiting the cutting and removing of logs from the premises of another person without permission. Evidence in the case tended to show that Atkinson cut and removed from the premises of A. L. Alexander, on the Sherrod Farm on the Albemarle Sound, three cypress and two gum logs in one raft.

Reports reached Mr. Alexander of the cutting of his logs by Mr. Atkinson, whereupon the farmer instructed a tennant to mark the logs so that they could be identified. This was done by driving nails in the heart of the logs. In a few days the logs were missing. They were located in a raft of logs on Mackeys Creek towed there by Atkinson. It was revealed in the cross examination that similar complaints were registered concerning the removal of timber from other places.

A sentence of six months of service on the county road was imposed on the defendant. Solicitor Bailey will also inform the district solicitor in the Superior Court to pray judgment on the defendant as he is now under suspended sentence.

Local Sunday School Host To District Meet

Members of the Martin County-Plymouth district of the Roanoke Baptist Sunday School Association assembled here Sunday in their regular quarterly convention, with the local Baptist Sunday school as host. Paul Salisbury, of Hamilton, president of the district association presided over the convention. Routine business was transacted. Over 100 delegates from the various Sunday schools of the denomination in this section were present.

An extemporaneous program was rendered as proper notification of the meeting had not been made. Those participating in the speechmaking were; Roy Clark of Tarboro, and Mr. Anderson of Williamston. Miss Helen Davenport of Hamilton and Mrs. Louis Lucas, city, rendered the special music that so delighted the assembly. Miss Helen White, city, performed at the piano.

The pennant awarded the Sunday School having the largest percentage of delegates present was presented the Everetts Sunday School. The next meeting will be held at Williamston in November.

E. C. F. A. WILL MEET HERE TUESDAY

Everything is in readiness for the meeting of the Eastern Carolina Firemen's Association that will convene here in the court house Tuesday evening with the local fire department as host. This meeting will be featured by a banquet in the basement of the court house. Pres. W. C. Manning will act as toastmaster. Approximately 150 firemen from the surrounding towns will be entertained by the local department.

Prominent speakers will be on the program for addresses. Judge Frances D. Winston, member of the Windsor fire department will deliver an address. Judge Zeb Vance Norman will make the welcome address. Mayor Walker will also be called on for a speech. Other amusements will be prepared for the event. The principal speaker has not been announced.

Local firemen have spared no efforts in preparing for this occasion. City authorities, the chamber of commerce and the play presented by the department make this occasion possible. Several have contributed to this event by money and other necessary commodities. The committee on arrangements report that everything has been prepared and that the food and other necessities have been amply supplied.

Roper Ladies To Serve Supper

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Roper M. E. Church will serve supper in the building next to Highsmith's store Friday evening. Delicious food and ice cream will be on sale. Proceeds will be used for church purposes. Every one is urged to attend and partake of the delicious food that will be listed on the menu.

MACKEYS NEWS

Mrs. E. S. Chesson of Elizabeth City, is the guest of Mrs. T. L. Wyne this week.

Mrs. Carleton Davenport has been spending some time with Mrs. W. S. Davenport.

Mr. Edison Knowles is spending some time at Everetts with his grandmother, Mrs. Mark Chesson.

Mrs. Ida Hodges is leaving for Baltimore Saturday to spend some time with her daughter Mrs. Russell Holland.

Sickness prevailing among the members prevented the meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Pleasant Grove Church.

Mrs. Mack Spruill of Edenton, returned to her home Sunday after spending the week end here with her mother Mrs. M. E. Tarkenton.

Mackeys School opened Monday morning with the same faculty with one exception, Mrs. A. E. Davenport succeeded Mrs. S. N. Blount.

A series of revival services conducted at the Pleasant Grove Church by Rev. C. T. Thrift of Moyoek, Va., and the pastor Rev. H. A. Chester were closed on last Sunday evening. Rev. Thrift is a fluent speaker and his sermons proved to be very inspirational. New officers were elected for the ensuing year at the church. The board of stewards is now composed of the following members; J. C. Tarkenton, W. S. Spruill, Miss Myrtle Spruill, and Mrs. W. B. Chesson.

There are lots of big boys and small men in the world.

C. OF C. SEEKS LOWER PRICE GASOLINE

The chamber of commerce has accepted the proposition offered them by the North Carolina Historical Commission regarding the marker for the Confederate ram Albemarle and the battle of Plymouth. The ram was sunk during the civil war in the Roanoke River near here. The location of the marker has not yet been announced. Secretary C. L. Groves, John W. Darden and Judge Z. V. Norman were named as a committee to take the matter up with the commission and make arrangements for the marker to be erected as soon as possible. In their proposition the commission proposed to contribute \$100 toward the erection of the marker providing certain requirements were met. They wish a deed for the plot of ground on which the marker is to be erected, also they wish to name the location of the marker and that the commercial body raise the remainder of the price of the tablet which is \$200.

Mention was made of the price of gasoline in the city. Data gathered by the members of the trade body revealed that there has been a discrimination in price of this commodity in this section. In some places this motor fuel can be purchased for 20 cents a gallon, while here it is still retailed at 23 cents. Steps will be taken to correct this injustice.

A delegation of about seven automobiles containing about 35 members of the commercial body attended the celebration of the Tyrell county bridge opening at Columbia Wednesday.

WESTOVER NEWS

Miss Grace Swain and Miss Velma Sitterson motored to Dunn last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Daughtry, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holland motored to Suffolk Sunday.

Miss Lucy Lee Skiles of Portsmouth spent the past week as the guest of Mrs. Louis Skiles.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holland and daughter Mrs. S. H. Butler motored to Greerville Wednesday.

Mrs. Louis Skiles and little daughter, Naomi, are visiting friends in Bertie County this week.

Mrs. John Swain and daughter Marion, of Norfolk, Va., are visiting Mrs. T. R. Chesson this week.

Barton Sitterson who underwent an operation at a Washington hospital last week is convalescing at home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wyatt and Miss Lucy Bosselman, of Suffolk Va., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Holland this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith returned home this week from Pennsylvania where they have been visiting for the past week.

Mrs. T. Gray Coburn and daughters Misses Elencr and Muriel, of Norfolk, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Coburn this week.

Swain school opened Monday with Miss Grace Swain as principal and Miss Iva Chesson primary teacher. A number of visitors were present on the opening day.

Mr. and Mr. Ben Weaver, of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas, of Windsor, Miss Victoria Weaver, of Windsor were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Skiles Sunday.

Mesdames W. F. Ausbon H. R. Livers, and J. S. Brown, Miss Hazel Ausbon and Mr. Tobie Rogerson motored to Rocky Mount Wednesday.

NEW BUDGET CALLS FOR ECONOMY

Washington county commissioners in session here Monday adopted a new budget which calls for marked economy during the current fiscal year. This budget will reduce the expenditures in each department. A. L. Owens, chairman of the board of county commissioners, avers that to effect this budget, tax payers must pay their taxes when due. No accumulating deficit will be allowed. The total amount of money to be expended by the county is given at \$160,502.27.

The budget as adopted consists of the following items: general county fund, \$23,258.76; general road fund, \$25,073.78; school fund \$78,994.89; debt service composed of the following items have been provided for as follows: road bonds \$16,146.53; court house bonds, \$5,422.23; funding bonds, \$12,076.41; school bonds, \$14,897.21; sinking bonds, \$2,072.89 and emergency funds, \$2,459.57.

Property in this county is valued at \$8,000,000. There has recently been a revision upward in the valuation of property in the county. Taxes levied in the last budget have been reduced from \$1.65 in 1926 to \$1.59 in 1927.

During the past few years a deficit of approximately \$174,000 has accumulated in the operating expenses of the schools. The commissioners avow that there will be no further deficit in the accounts of the county.

Services At Roper M. E. Church

Rev. H. A. Chester, Pastor
MORNING SERVICE:
Sunday School, 10 A. M.
P. D. Wilson Superintendent
Preaching Service, 11 o'clock.
Subject: The eighth great "I Am," in the Gospel of John.
EVENING SERVICE:
Preaching Service, 7:30 o'clock.
Subject: "Sin."
Come worship with us. A hearty welcome awaits you.

SKINNERSVILLE NEWS

Miss Sabrie Bateman left Thursday for Norfolk to visit relatives.

Mrs. Pattie Spruill spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Guilford Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter White and daughter Marjie were in Plymouth Tuesday.

Mr. Tom White and son, of Edenton, spent Monday here with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie White.

Mrs. M. J. Elliott has returned home after an extended visit with her children at Willoughby Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. White and family motored to Columbia Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Owens.

Misses Alma Woodley and Jennie Swain nurses at Rex Hospital, Raleigh, are here as guests of their parents.

Mesdames Henrietta Swain and Ida Brickhouse attended the marriage of Mr. Robert Swain at Greenville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. John Felton were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guilford Davenport Monday afternoon.

Mr. Herbert Swain and sisters Misses Ruth and Jennie Swain motored to Norfolk Monday where Miss Ruth entered a business college.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey Clark and Mrs. Mamie Cutrell left for Norfolk Monday to visit relatives before returning to their home in Washington, D. C.

BRIDGE OPENED WITH THROG ATTENDING

Wednesday was a big day in Tyrrell county. Amid festive scenes and an elaborate celebration the \$90,000 bridge which spans the Scuppernon river was officially opened. Over 5,000 were present at the series of gala events that consumed the entire day. State celebrities participated in the speech making. Barbecue was prepared to feed the hungry throng.

A marmoth parade commenced the series of activities that marked the celebration with an impression of elaboration. The queen and her attendants followed by a number of historical floats, with about 2,000 school children trailing along behind constituted a procession over a half mile long. The floats reminded the spectators of successive eras in the county history. Potatoes were among the most conspicuous agricultural productions displayed in the procession, while corn also was exhibited.

An old time barbecue dinner was served on improvised tables. More than enough was prepared to appease the appetite of the hungry celebrators. Some was left to send those that were unable to attend.

Speakers were there from several of the Eastern counties. Mayor W. J. White made the welcome address. Judge Francis D. Winston responded. Frank Page and Frank Kugler represented the State Highway Commission. Congressman Lindsey Warren was the principal orator.

Chief Brown Ordered To Collect Street Assessments

Councilmen in session here at their regular meeting Friday evening appointed Alderman Harry Stell, as a committeeman, to investigate the feasibility of extending the electric light wires on Madison St., in the negro section of the city. This action was taken when the councilmen were presented a petition from the colored citizens asking that the line be extended so that they could have electric lights in their homes and would not have to expend the money to get wires connected from another street.

Chief of Police, P. W. Brown was authorized to build stables and stock barns to care for the horses and mules that are the property of the city street cleaning department. This new stock barn will be located at the end of Adams street near the old National Handle factory.

Chief Brown was also ordered to prepare statements and collect first year's street assessments. These statements will be mailed at an early date and arrangement must be made to pay this assessment. Work has already begun on the statements. No definite time has been announced as yet concerning this, however, citizens should be preparing to take care of this matter.

Citizen Dies In N. W. Jersey City

Mrs. J. S. Chesson, 71, died Wednesday morning at the home of her daughter Mrs. S. J. Jones, at Mountain Lakes, N. J. She succumbed following a short illness. The deceased was a staunch and consistent member of the Methodist Church and was prominent in local social activities. She is survived by a son and four daughters.

Funeral services will be held at the Methodist Church here on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, assisted by other local ministers. Interment will be made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

ALMO THEATRE
TO-NIGHT
Wallace Beery
IN
"Casey at the Bat"

Saturday Night
Zane Gray's
"Man of the Forest"
WITH
Jack Holt

ALSO
FOURTEENTH EPISODE
"The Power God"

Tues. & Wed. Night
Norma Shearer
IN
"Opstige"