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## A. & C. CANAL NOW A FREE HIGHWAY

Deeds Conveying It To the United States Government Formally Executed.

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Sale Marks Notable Event—The Realization Of the Efforts Of Over a Century.

Norfolk, May 1.—Deeds conveying to the United States government the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal, a section of the intra-coastal waterway, were executed last night and Colonel E. E. Winslow, U. S. A. engineer in charge of this district, announced yesterday morning and discovered that she was lifeless.

The price paid by the government was \$500,000 and that sum was turned over to the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Company last night when the conveyance of the property was formally consummated and the deeds were filed for record. Colonel Winslow, through whom the transfer to the government was effected, stated last night that it is the purpose of the government to proceed immediately with preparation for beginning the improvements contemplated in the plans adopted for the Norfolk-Beaufort link of the inland watercourse. Surveys are even now in progress, he said, and it is the desire of the government to have some of the work under contract before the end of the current year.

The appropriation available for the section of the waterway between Norfolk and Albemarle Sound is \$800,000. In accordance with act of Congress providing for completion of the Norfolk-Beaufort link, some of the appropriation was available prior to the transfer of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal to the government.

Washington, D. C., May 1.—After having received a telegram from Colonel E. E. Winslow, army engineer in charge of the Norfolk district, Representative John H. Small of North Carolina made the following statement: "Today there will be consummated the purchase of the Chesapeake and Albemarle canal property by the government of the United States and forthwith this canal will become a free canal and dedicated to commerce. This canal is a part of the route of the inland waterway from Norfolk, Va., to Beaufort inlet, North Carolina. It connects Elizabeth river on which Norfolk is located with Albemarle sound in North Carolina.

"This is really a notable event. It marks the realization of the efforts of more than a century. There are about sixteen hundred miles of navigable river in North Carolina, excluding the Cape Fear, which empties into the inland sounds. There are no navigable outlets from these rivers to the ocean except at Beaufort inlet, and as northbound commerce from that inlet must pass Cape Hatteras, this commerce is in reality denied access to northern points. The fathers, even before the beginning of the last century, appreciated this condition and the States of North Carolina and Virginia through private capital authorized the construction of what was known as the Dismal Swamp canal. Later the Albemarle and Chesapeake canal was constructed, also largely by private capital. The exaction of tolls and inadequate facilities induced shippers and public spirited citizens many years ago to begin an agitation for a waterway free to all commerce. A number of men in former years most of them now dead, waged an active propaganda for this subject, among the most notable of whom was Commodore Marshall Parks of Norfolk.

"Being familiar with these conditions, I resolved when first elected to Congress in 1898 that I would devote my efforts to the consummation of this most important work, and in an humble way have persistently followed that resolution. The delegations in Congress from North Carolina and Virginia have co-operated, but it can be said without the risk of invidious distinction that Senator F. M. Simmons of North Carolina, has been peculiarly effective by reason of his membership on the Senate committee on commerce.

"The entire waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort is to have a minimum

## FINDS MOTHER DEAD.

Mrs. Carrie Meekins Giles Succumbs To Heart Disease.

After receiving no reply to repeated calls Mrs. Nellie Jordan entered the room of her mother, Mrs. Carrie Meekins Giles, at No. 5 Moore's avenue yesterday morning and discovered that she was lifeless.

Mrs. Giles, who was about fifty-five years of age, had appeared to be in good health on the previous night and her sudden demise was entirely unexpected. Heart disease caused her death. The deceased is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Jordan, and one son, Benjamin Meekins of Norfolk, Va.

The funeral service will be conducted from the home this afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. B. F. Huske, rector of Christ Episcopal church, and the interment will be made in Cedar Grove cemetery.

A. L. Brown, who has held position as baggage agent with the Norfolk Southern Railway Company at their local office several years, has resigned and accepted a position with the J. S. Miller Furniture Company. H. E. Brown, who has been employed in the ticket office at the union passenger station, has been promoted to fill the position of baggage agent.

## TO SHOW CHILD WELFARE EXHIBIT

CONSERVATION OF CHILDHOOD TO BE FEATURED AT KNOXVILLE EXPOSITION.

Washington, D. C., May 1.—A Committee on Child Welfare is being formed to prepare an exhibit for the National Conservation Exposition to be held at Knoxville in September and October of this year. Miss Julia C. Lathrop, Chief of the Children's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor, is chairman of the committee and is in full charge of plans and preparations for the exhibit. Miss Lathrop made the announcement from this city today that she has already received acceptance from the following committee members:

Dr. S. S. Crockett, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Charles A. Perkins, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. T. R. Henderson, Greenwood, Miss.; Mr. Sherman C. Kingsley, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Elizabeth C. Kane, Memphis, Tenn.; Miss Adele Brandeis, Louisville, Ky.; Mr. S. McC. Mamm, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Ellen C. Babbitt, New York City.

The latest and most interesting aspect of the work of conservation is the conservation of childhood.

The Knoxville Exposition has given the child welfare committee carte blanche as to its plans. The child welfare exhibit will co-operate with the educational exhibit and with the public health exhibit, but will be housed in a separate building, to be known as the "Children's Building". This building will contain in addition to charts, photographs, and wall material, of the type already used in the city child welfare exhibitions, many floor exhibits of new and striking character.

Congressmen will never cut out the Record as long as it continues to print their speeches in full.

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People's Bank—Soundness.  
New Bern Banking & Trust Co.—An appreciated account.  
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depth of twelve feet, which will involve the deepening and widening not only of the land cuts of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal, but of the natural waterways along the route.

"After the purchase of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal there will be available \$500,000 for continuing the work of improvement during the coming fiscal year. It is estimated that about four years from this date will be requested to complete the entire length from Norfolk to Beaufort, at a total cost of \$5,400,000.

## STATE MEETING WOMAN'S CLUBS

Eleventh Annual Meeting Will Be Held In New Bern Next Week.

WILL BE AUSPICIOUS EVENT

An Elaborate Program Has Been Arranged For The Occasion.

On next Tuesday morning, May 6, the gates of New Bern will be thrown open to the many visiting delegates who will be here to attend the State Federation of Woman's Clubs which convenes here on that date for its eleventh annual session.

For weeks the local club and its several departments has been making preparations for this momentous event and it promises to excel any ever held in North Carolina. Nothing that will increase the pleasure and entertainment of the visiting ladies while they are in "The City of Elms" will be left undone and the entire population of the city will co-operate with the local club in entertaining the visitors during their four days' visit.

The first day's session will be taken up mainly with business sessions. The first session will be held at 10:30 o'clock. At 1 o'clock there will be a luncheon and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a meeting of the Board of Directors in the Elks' Temple. At night there will be addresses in Griffin auditorium by Mrs. R. R. Cotton, president of the North Carolina Federation, and Miss Julia Lathrop, chief of the National Children's Bureau. Following this the visitors will be tendered a reception.

The first business meeting on Wednesday will be held at the Elks' Temple and at that time the delegates will present their credentials. At 1 o'clock the visitors and local members will go by boat to Glenburnie Park where luncheon al fresco will be served. At 2:30 a business meeting will be held at the park, after which the return trip to the city will be made. Wednesday evening is to be known as "Fine Arts" evening and the exercises arranged for that occasion will be held in Griffin auditorium.

On Thursday morning another business session will be held at the Elks' Temple and at 1 o'clock luncheon will be served. In the afternoon a business session will be held and in the evening Judge Walter Clark will address the Federation in Griffin auditorium, after which there will be a reception.

Friday will be the last day and there are a number of interesting events planned for that day. As on the previous days a business session will be held at the Elks' Temple first, and this will be followed by a meeting of the Board of Directors. This meeting will be one of the most important held during the week. At 3:00 o'clock the entire delegation of visitors and also the local members will go on board the revenue cutter Pamlico for a cruise down Neuse river and this will end the program for the week.

Arrangements have been made to entertain a large number of visitors and it is expected that several hundred will be in attendance.

## Committees Announced.

The following committees of arrangements for the luncheons of the Federation have been appointed and are requested to meet at the Parish House Tuesday morning at ten o'clock:

## Luncheon Committees.

Mrs. Walter Duffy, Chairman.  
Wednesday, Mrs. R. B. Nixon, Sub-Chairman, Mrs. T. J. Roberts, Mrs. Uzzell, Mrs. J. B. Hurley, Mrs. Danerott, Mrs. A. E. Pitman, Mrs. Vernon Blades, Mrs. W. K. Baxter, Mrs. Geo. Caton, Mrs. K. K. Chapman, Miss Alice Duffy.

Thursday, Mrs. B. E. Moore, Sub-Chairman, Mrs. C. D. Bradham, Mrs. G. C. Speight, Mrs. J. S. Cox, Mrs. Ernest Wood, Miss Faith Brock, Mrs. A. T. Dill, Mrs. T. P. Ashford, Mrs. Ernest Warren.

Friday, Mrs. John Davis, Sub-Chairman, Mrs. Chas. Hall, Mrs. J. F. Rhem, Mrs. L. C. Tolson, Mrs. A. Newberry, Mrs. H. M. Bonner, Mrs. Isaac Cohen, Mrs. L. H. Cutler, Mrs. Joseph Hahn, Mrs. Chas. Dockham, Mrs. Owen Dunn.

Glass and Dish Committee, Mrs. D. E. Henderson, Mrs. Nelson Angell.

## WAS BUSY DAY IN FEDERAL COURT

Rapid Progress Being Made In Disposal Of Cases On The Docket.

SESSION MAY ADJOURN TODAY

R. C. Cleve Found Guilty Of Retailing And Is Sentenced To Jail.

Rapid progress is being made in the disposal of the cases on the docket of Federal Court which is in session here this week and in all probability the term will come to an end this afternoon.

Yesterday was a busy day for all connected with the court and although not such a large number of cases were disposed of, there was not an idle moment during the day. Unlike the previous day when many of the defendants either submitted to the charge or appeared without attorneys to represent them, the majority of those before the bar of justice yesterday were represented by legal talent and the taking of evidence and the argument consumed some time.

A session of Federal Court always attracts considerable attention and at all times the court room is crowded with spectators, some who have friends or relatives on trial and who are on the qui vive while others are present merely to hear and see what is going on. It is indeed a cosmopolitan crowd that one will find there, white citizens and colored people are seen and there is no discrimination in the nationalities. On one seat may be found a son of sunny Italy while on another one will see a placid-looking Chinaman. However, all are interested and the strictest attention is paid to the proceedings.

During yesterday the following cases were disposed of:  
Braddock Hensley of Onslow county, pleaded guilty to a charge of retailing but owing to the physical condition of the defendant who is afflicted with palsy, Judge Connor suspended judgment and dismissed the case.

R. C. Cleve who lives near Vanceboro was found guilty of retailing and was sentenced to four months in jail and fined one hundred dollars and also taxed with the costs of the case. This defendant had three attorneys exerting every effort to clear their client but their work proved of no avail.

E. W. Rogers of Wayne county entered a plea of guilty in a charge of retailing and was sentenced to serve four months in jail, taxed with the costs of the case and fined one hundred dollars.

Champ Benton of Craven county, and Will Tew of Goldsboro, Wayne county, were tried on a charge of retailing but the evidence was not sufficient to convict and the juries returned a verdict of not guilty in each case.

Rob Jones of Lenoir county was found guilty of retailing and sentenced to serve four months in jail, taxed with the costs of the case and fined one hundred dollars.

The city is improving the appearance and condition of Change street by placing a number of boxes of oyster shells on it. This street has been in pretty bad shape for some time past and the improvements will be of great benefit.

Silver Committee, Mrs. Geo. Moulton, Miss Edna Speight.  
Flower Committee, Mrs. Wade Meadows.

Ice Committee, Mrs. Geo. Henderson, Jr.  
Meat Committee, Mr. J. B. Dawson, Mrs. McBenett, Mrs. John Tolson.  
Tea, Coffee, Sugar and Cream Committee, Mrs. S. E. Sullivan, Chairman.

Thursday, Mrs. J. L. Williams, Mrs. D. E. Henderson.  
Wednesday, Mrs. Jas. Biddle, Mrs. D. L. Ward.  
Friday, Mrs. Hartsfield, Mrs. Chas. Ellison.

Ice Cream and Cake Committee, Mrs. W. K. Styron, Mrs. J. A. Jones, Mrs. N. W. Jones.  
Bread and Cracker Committee, Mrs. Chas. Dockham, Mrs. John Weddell.  
Salad Committee, Mrs. F. Sawyer, Miss Sadie Hollister.

Transportation Committee, Mrs. T. J. Roberts, Mrs. T. A. Uzzell.

## NAMER LOST, BUT INTELLIGENT

Patient Suffering From Aphasia Four Years Formerly In Navy.

St. Paul, Minn., May 1.—The famous "Richard Roeck", who for nearly four years has been in the hospital for the insane at Rochester, Minn., unable to tell his name or address, is an intelligent man in the opinion of C. J. Swendsen and Ralph W. Wheelock, members of the State Board of Control, who returned from Rochester today. "Roeck's" case is to be taken up with the Navy Department in an attempt to discover the man's identity.

"I asked the man to write his name", said Mr. Swendsen, "and he put down the initials 'J. C. B.' He also was able to write the date he left San Francisco, May 27, 1907, to return to his position in the navy at Annapolis. Although partly paralyzed, he is able to walk about and, despite his inability to speak or express himself, he seems to be rational in every way and looks like an intelligent man."

The State has interested itself also in the attempt to identify the man. Mr. Swendsen declared that the man had been examined by expert physicians but no pressure sufficient to cause loss of speech or memory was found on the brain.

## FOR BRYAN TO SUCCEED WILSON

SENATOR MARTIN SAYS SECRETARY WILL BE LOGICAL CANDIDATE.

St. Louis, May 1.—If William F. Bryan, Secretary of State, is a candidate of the Presidency, to succeed Wilson, nothing in the world can surprise him from being elected, according to Senator James E. Martin, of New Jersey, who came here as a member of the Congressional delegation from Washington to attend the dedication of the Jefferson memorial.

"Bryan will be the logical candidate", he said, "People have come to know and to understand him better. People think that he has become more stable in his views—struck an equilibrium, as it were. The fact is, Mr. Bryan is just as radical today as he was 20 years ago, but the people have grown up to him."

He said that the fight on the tariff bill which is now being debated in the House of Representatives undoubtedly would keep the Senate in session all summer, and probably there would not be a recess until next October.

## SEASON'S FINAL MEETING HELD

PIANO AND VIOLIN CLUB WILL MEET NO MORE TILL NEXT FALL.

The last meeting of the Piano and Violin Club for the Spring term was held Tuesday afternoon, the greater part of the program being rendered by the beginners, who showed a good deal of progress due to the careful training they had received.

In addition to the usual musical program, two papers were read, one on Beethoven and one on Kathleen Parlow, these making the meeting more entertaining as well as more instructive.

The program follows:

Piano solo.....The Puppets.....Van Giel

Mary Gray

Piano solo.....The Echo

Harriet Dunn

Piano solo.....The County Band

Kathleen Caton

Piano solo.....Melody.....Rogers

Piano solo.....Souvenir.....Jadasohn

Lavinia Fols

Sketch of Beethoven.....Agnes Toy

Piano solo.....Clownish Pranks.....Harding

Emily Parker

Piano solo.....Melody.....Schumann

Hattie May Cohen

Piano solo.....The Indian Boy

Dolly Hyman

Sketch of Kathleen Parlow.....

Albertina Jones.....

Piano solo.....Waltz.....Stoddard

Margaret Bray

## CHILDREN WILL HAVE PLAYGROUND

New Bern's City Beautiful Club To Make Childish Hearts Glad.

WILL BE ON CRAVEN STREET

Work of Putting The Ground In Shape Was Started Yesterday.

The children of New Bern will soon have a play ground where they may romp and play to their heart's content without the least molestation. This play ground will be located on the vacant lot just north of R. B. Nixon's residence on Craven street and is being put in shape and will be at all times under the supervision of the City Beautiful Club.

For some time the City Beautiful Club has had the matter of preparing a playground for the children of the city under consideration but were unable to secure a suitable place until a few days ago, work of clearing away the rubbish on the lot was begun yesterday and within a day or two the appearance of the place will be entirely transformed.

This lot is very wide and runs far back into the block, making an excellent place for the children to amuse themselves in childish ways. Many articles which will add to giving the children pleasure will be placed on the grounds. There will be swings, dinky-boards, swings, rustic benches and pyramids and a small ball pond will also be placed on the grounds.

When the City Beautiful Club made known the fact that the ground adjoining this lot into a playground a member of the local musicians and musicians came to their aid and offered to furnish the music, again demonstrating the love that the citizens of New Bern have all times ready to assist in improving the city and making it the best in the State. The lumber which will be used in the construction of the pyramids, swings, and seesaws will be furnished by the Broadus & Ives Lumber Company and the John L. Roper Lumber company while the hardware will be furnished by the Gaskill Hardware Company and the J. S. Basnight Hardware Company.

The work will be under the supervision of the members of the City Beautiful Club and they will exert every effort to have the grounds completed and in use by the time that the State Federation of Woman's Clubs meets in this city, which will be on next Tuesday.

## BALTIMORE WEEDS OUT ITS SALOONS.

Baltimore, Md., May 1.—At midnight last night approximately 160 Baltimore barrooms closed for good, because of the refusal of the liquor license board to renew their licenses. Taking the stand that there were too many saloons in the city the board began a crusade of elimination which touched every section of the city. The loss in tax revenue will amount to about \$160,000.

## PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

### VAUDEVILLE.

Blanche Aldrich & Co.  
Introducing several character impersonations, intermingled with original songs, clever dancing and witty repartee. This is an excellent act—a packed house roundly applauded them last night.

### PICTURES.

Our feature picture today is a Biograph entitled

"Drink's Lure"

This is a subject full of heart interest, showing where fate prevents a downfall and removes temptation. None better than a Biograph.

"Training A Tightwad"

One of Lubin's latest and best comedies.

"Wild Man For A Day"

This is also a splendid comedy.

"His Birthday Jacket"

A screamingly funny farce comedy by Essauy.

This is a big Friday's bill and will satisfy most anybody.

Matinee daily at 3:45. 2 shows at night. 1st starts at 8 o'clock 2d at 9:15. Observe the hours and you will always get a desirable seat.