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ENGINEERS MAKE ANNUAL REPORT

Many Matters Of Interest To Citizens Of New Bern.

IMPROVEMENTS IN PROGRESS

Major Stickle Divides This District In Three Divisions.

The annual report of the Chief of Engineers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, is being distributed and much information is contained therein. New Bernians will find much of interest in Appendix "M," which is the report of Major H. W. Stickle, the District Officer in charge of the Wilmington, North Carolina, District in which New Bern lies.

Major Stickle has divided his district into three sub-districts for administration purposes, and the New Bern Subdistrict, in charge of Assistant Engineer Harry T. Paterson, includes all the territory lying between Albemarle Sound and New River.

There are twenty-one works of improvement carried on in New Bern sub-district, and the report gives an account of the commerce carried on each of the improved waterways, besides a statement of work done and amounts expended, a brief resume of which follows.

■ Scuppernon River: No work was done during the year, no plant being available. Commerce was 26,650 tons, valued at \$321,000, a decrease of 11,000 tons, and \$28,000 over that of 1912.

■ Shallowbag Bay: No work was done during the year. The commerce was 16,900 tons, valued at \$1,060,000, an increase of 3,700 tons and \$380,000 over that of 1912.

■ Fishing Creek: No work was done during the year, no plant being available. The commerce was 2,760 tons, valued at \$40,900, an increase of 1,030 tons and \$28,700 over that of 1912.

■ Waterway connecting Swan-Quarter Bay with Deep Bay: No work was done during the year. The commerce was 3,960 tons, valued at \$28,300, an increase of 210 tons and \$16,400 over that of 1912.

■ Pamlico and Tar Rivers: The work for the year consisted of contract dredging, under contract of the Norfolk Dredging Company, who removed 157,000 cubic yards of material in the work of providing a channel 200 feet wide and 10 feet deep to the town of Washington. The commerce for the year was 353,000 tons, valued at \$7,430,500, an increase of 15,500 tons and \$480,000 over that of 1912.

■ Bay River: No work was done during the year. The commerce was 17,000 tons, valued at \$405,000, a decrease of 1,000 tons and \$25,000 since the preceding year.

■ South River: No work was done during the year. The commerce was 17,800 tons, valued at \$426,400, an increase of 33,500 tons and \$56,900 over that of 1912.

■ Contentia Creek: The work for the year consisted of snagging operations between the mouth of the Creek and Fool's Bridge, 42 miles above. The commerce amounted to 17,000 tons, valued at \$291,400, an increase of 1,800 tons and \$10,300 over the preceding year.

■ Smith's Creek: The work for the year consisted of dredging, under contract, the contractor removing approximately 138,000 cubic yards of material. The commerce was 142,000 tons, valued at \$255,500, a decrease of 2,900 tons and an increase of \$19,500 over that of 1912.

■ Neuse River: The work for the year consisted of snagging between New Bern and Seven Springs. The commerce was 383,100 tons, valued at \$7,921,000, a decrease of 25,100 tons and an increase in valuation of \$740,000.

■ Trent River: The work for the year consisted of dredging with the United States Dredge Trent, which removed approximately 2,100 cubic yards of rock and 13,000 cubic yards of sand, in addition to many logs, snags, stumps, etc. The commerce for Trent River at New Bern Harbor was 44,100 tons, valued at \$3,311,300, a decrease of 1,800 tons and an increase in valuation of \$222,800. The above portion of Trent River above New Bern Harbor the commerce was 35,000 tons, valued at \$410,200, a decrease of 2,300 tons and \$190,700 over that of 1912.

■ Swift Creek: The work for the year consisted of snagging with the United States Hoist Contentia. The com-

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merce was 26,900 tons, valued at \$304,300, an increase of 4,400 tons and a decrease of \$16,300 from that of the preceding year.

■ Waterway from Pamlico Sound to Beaufort Lines: The work for the year consisted of snagging with the United States Snag-boat Trent, and maintenance of the draw bridge at Core Creek. The commerce was 53,400 tons, value at \$1,719,000, an increase of 12,600 tons and \$176,000 over that of 1912. There were 4,294 vessels passed through the draw bridge during the year 1913, or 310 more than passed through the bridge during 1912.

■ Harbor of Refuge at Cape Lookout: The work for the year consisted of making surveys and the preparation of plans for the improvement of the harbor.

■ Harbor at Beaufort: The work for the year consisted of dredging under contract, approximately 92,000 cubic yards of material being removed by the contractor. The commerce was 90,300 tons, valued at \$2,890,500, an increase of 16,200 tons and \$216,300 over 1912.

■ Waterway connecting Core Sound and Beaufort Harbor: No work was done during the year as the appropriation required of local interests has not yet been made.

■ Beaufort Inlet: The work for the year consisted of dredging on the ocean bar by the United States Dredge Cape Fear which removed approximately 142,000 cubic yards of material. The commerce amounted to 38,100 tons, valued at \$635,000, an increase of 5,800 tons and \$352,000.

■ Harbor at Morehead City: The work for the year consisted of dredging under contract, the contractor removing approximately 33,100 cubic yards of material. The commerce for the year was 15,500 tons, valued at \$973,200, an increase of 6,500 tons and \$216,800.

■ New River: The only work during the year was that of making surveys. The commerce was 37,900 tons, valued at \$290,800, an increase of 1,600 tons and a decrease of \$41,300.

■ Waterway between New River and Swansboro: No work was done during the year, no plant being available. The commerce was 17,500 tons, valued at \$214,400, an increase of 900 tons and a decrease of \$61,400.

■ Waterway between Beaufort Harbor and Swansboro: The work for the year consisted of dredging with the United States Dredge Scuppernon, which removed during the year 153,600 cubic yards of material. The commerce was 62,100 tons, valued at \$929,400, an increase of 6,300 tons and a decrease of \$27,200.

THREE CARLOADS OF AUTOS IN A WEEK

The New Bern garage has received, in the past week, three car loads of Buick Automobiles, and have delivered cars to the following: E. M. Green, a five-passenger Buick; J. D. Williams, a five-passenger Buick, and they have delivered roadsters to Dr. Hawes, of Dover, and to Dr. Barker, of Trenton.

SENATOR SIMMONS NOT AT HOME CHRISTMAS

Senator Simmons will not be able to spend Christmas day in the city. The Senate did not adjourn for the holidays until Tuesday night and as the Senator has a quantity of work to do it was impossible for him to leave Washington yesterday.

Christ Episcopal Church.

Thursday, Dec. 25, 1913, Christmas Day. Holy Communion at 7:45 a. m. Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion, 11 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Crumpler are spending the day with relatives in Pamlico county.

RALPH LOPEZ STILL IN THE UTAH MINE

BULKHEADS WILL NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL AFTER HOLIDAYS.

Bingham, Utah, Dec. 24.—If Ralph Lopez, slayer of six men, is still in the Utah-Apex mine, where he took refuge on November 27, he is securely sealed up and will be held a prisoner there until after Christmas. Not a sound has come from the mine since December 14 when heavy bulkheads were erected in the tunnel mouths to prevent a dash for liberty.

Although Sheriff Smith, now in charge of the man hunt was confident today that the desperado is either dead or alive in the mine many believe he escaped shortly after smudges were lit on December 1 for the purpose of asphyxiating him and the mystery of the mine will not be cleared until the bulkheads are removed and the workings searched for the gunman's body.

Other than the stories of miners who said they had encountered Lopez and talked with him there has been nothing to indicate Lopez's presence in the mine since November 30 following his killing of two deputies in the Andy tunnel.

The pursuit of Lopez began on November 21, after he had killed a Mexican. Before the day ended he had killed the chief of police and two deputy sheriffs.

SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS PAID OUT FOR HOLLY

PAID TO BRUNSWICK FARMERS BY TWO BUYERS—HOLIDAY TRADE GOOD.

Southport, N. C., Dec. 24.—The holiday spirit here this season has found its usual expression in Christmas giving. A few weeks ago there was a feeling among the local merchants that it would be a lean holiday trade for them. But contrary to this there developed a buying which has brought up sales to an equal, if not an increase over last year.

Two contributing factors to this trade to cause its increase, where a falling off was looked for, have been the falling interests of the Carolina Coast Products Co., and the Ocean, where a large force of men have been receiving good wages, and the large sales of holly in this lower section of Brunswick county, one buyer of this holly paying to farmers \$5,000, another paying \$2,000, this being in a sense "found money" to the farmers. Unfortunately, with too many an extra quantity of "old bones" appears to be a necessary requisite to the observance of Christmas. While there is an increase in number of liquor packages arriving here this Christmas, there is a decrease in the quantity, and it might be added, perhaps, in the quality of the wares.

MARINE NEWS

The gas freight boat Nelson left yesterday for Bay river with a general merchandise.

The gas boat Fannie Brown, Gatlin Creek, arrived in port today with a cargo of sweet potatoes.

The gas freight boat Brooklyn left yesterday for Harlowe with a cargo of merchandise and passengers.

The three-masted schooner, Mabel and Ruth is at the Norfolk Southern R. R. Co.'s wharf taking on a cargo of lumber.

Miss Eunice Stewart, of Charlotte, is a guest of Miss Pigott at her home on Hancock street.

SPECIAL DINNER MENUS AT THE LOCAL HOTELS

PALATABLE REPASTS AT NEW BERN HOSTELRIES.

At all of the local hotels, special dinners have been prepared for today and the traveller whose fortune it is to spend the day in New Bern may rest assured that he will have an opportunity of partaking of a repast "fit for the king."

The following menu has been prepared for dinner at the Gaston Hotel: Oysters on the Half Shell.

SOUPS.
Cream of Chicken au Veloute.
Consomme au Riz.

Celery. Mixed Pickles. Queen Olives.
FISH.
Broiled Hickory Shad Maitre D Hotel Potatoes, Saratoga Chips.

Boiled Philadelphia Capon Oyster Sauce.

ENTREES.
Braised Sugar-Cured Ham, Champagne Sauce.
Small Fillets of Beef Mignon.
Green Apple Fritters Wine Sauce.

ROAST.
Roast Prime Ribs of Beef, au Jus.
Roast Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce.

Corn Bread.
Mashed or Boiled Potatoes. Candied Yams. Asparagus on Toast.
Green Peas. Buttered Beets.
Steamed Carolina Rice.

Fruit Salad.
Hot Mince Pie. Lemon Meringue Pie.
Wine Jelly with whipped Cream.
Brandy Flaming Hard & Brandy Sauce.
Peach Ice Cream.
Chocolate Layer Cake.

American Cheese. Saltines.
Mixed Nuts. Layer Raisins. After Dinner Mints. Demi Tasse. Milk Hot Tea. Iced Tea.
Cafe Nipr.

Breakfast 7 to 9. Dinner 12:30 to 2:30. Supper 6 to 8.

It was impossible to obtain a copy last night of the menu at the Gem Hotel and the James Hotel, but at both hostilities elaborate preparations have been made for the occasion.

DIED.

Joseph Slade, colored, died at the home of his parents, No. 10 Ash street, December 23. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Star of Zion Church, M. Spruill officiating. Friends are invited to attend.

GOOD DINNERS FOR THE INMATES OF THE JAIL.

Preparations have been made to give the prisoners in the county jail, and also the inmates of the county home, an unusually good dinner today. In addition to a very palatable menu, fruits and confections will be distributed.

BEST WISHES TO THE HELLO GIRLS.

The Journal desires to thank the young ladies in the telephone office for the many courtesies extended it during the past twelve months, and wishes them a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

BANKS CLOSED TODAY.

All of the banks of the city will be closed today. Paper maturing today will fall due tomorrow.

STORM WARNINGS SENT OUT LAST NIGHT

BAD WEATHER IS PREDICTED FOR CHRISTMAS DAY.

The Weather Man has thus far favored this section during the advance days of the holiday season. However, bad weather is predicted for today.

The following storm warning was received at the local weather observatory last night:

Hoist Southeast storm warning at 10 p. m. Coast to Key West to Cape May. Disturbance Central near Mouth of Mississippi increasing in intensity and will move Northeast attended by high easterly winds on middle Atlantic and high southeast winds on South Atlantic coast during Thursday.

It is not probable that the storm, even if it reaches this section, will be very severe, probably meaning a rainy day with easterly winds.

ALLEGED DISTILLER SENT BACK TO THE JAIL

LEON LAUGHINGHOUSE COULD NOT RAKE UP A BOND.

Leon Laughinghouse, the white man who was placed under arrest at his home near Vanceboro several days ago by Sheriff Lane and several of his deputies on a warrant charging him with operating an illicit distillery, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday afternoon before Justice of the Peace W. F. Hill.

The defendant stoutly protested his innocence, but the evidence brought out by attorney George T. Willis, who represented the State, was of such an incriminating nature that "Squire Hill" found probable cause and bound him over to the next term of Craven county Superior Court under a bond of two hundred dollars.

Laughinghouse made an attempt to secure bail in this amount but failed and was sent back to jail to await the term of Court.

ASK FOR RESIGNATION OF POLICE JUDGE

ASHEVILLE PAPER PRINTS ALLEGATIONS AGAINST JUDGE JUNIUS ADAMS.

Asheville, Dec. 24.—Demanding the "voluntary or involuntary retirement from office" of Judge Junius G. Adams, of the city police court, the Asheville Gazette-News of today carries an article of six columns and a column of editorial matter alleging that while sentencing bootleggers and small dealers in whiskey to the roads the presiding officer's law firm, Merrimon, Adams & Adams, has acted as attorneys for a liquor house in the collection of bills for whiskey alleged to have been sold at the barroom of the Battery Park Hotel, which has been operated for the past two years and which is said to have been closed following the recent investigation by Judge Frank Carter in this city.

Copies of letters alleged to have been written by the firm to W. E. Sevier, proprietor of the barroom, and James L. Alexander, proprietor of the hotel, are published in the local paper together with affidavits from P. H. Thrash and W. S. Dickson, to the effect that Judge Adams collected liquor bills from Sevier, according to the latter's statement.

Congress is its own reward.

OWEN H. GUION IS A CANDIDATE

Ex-Judge Of Superior Court Will Be In The Congressional Race.

MAKES AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Is A Man Of Marked Ability And Sterling Character.

The announcement of Judge O. H. Guion which will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Journal, will be read with interest all over the State. Judge Guion will be in the race for Congress next year along with the several other candidates and his friends believe that he will be the victor.

Judge Guion is a man of marked ability. A shining light in the legal profession of the State and a gentleman of sterling character. It is at the request of his numerous friends that he will make the fight for election as Congressman from this district.

Since his retirement from the Superior Court bench a few years ago Judge Guion has been associated with his sons Rodman and John, in the law business under the name of Guion and Guion. His practice has been large and remunerative and it is by no means for monetary gain that he desires to represent this section in Congress, but on account of the fact that he believes he can be of real worth to this district.

Congressman Faison, the present incumbent; Charles R. Thomas and George E. Hood, who will also be in the race, will have an opponent worthy of their best efforts in Judge Guion and the coming fight bids fair to be one of the hardest waged ever made in this section.

THE MUNICIPAL TREE A COMPLETE SUCCESS

THOUSANDS VIEW SPECTACLE AS THE BAND PLAYS.

New Bern's municipal Christmas tree which was erected on Broad street near the corner of Middle Tuesday afternoon by the City Beautiful Club, was last night viewed by several thousand persons who were down in the business district of the city seeing the sights and mingling with the jolly throng of shoppers.

It might be said that the tree was formally dedicated last night. The Peoples Concert Band furnished music for the occasion and as the melodious strains of several well known and popular selections were wafted on the air, those standing around were profuse in their commendation of the occasion, and the City Beautiful Club who are responsible for the erection of the tree.

Tonight the tree will again be brilliantly illuminated and the band will again render a musical program. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend this event.

Special Christmas PROGRAM

At The Athens Today Majestic Musical Company In Fifty Minutes of Fun and Song. Everything Clean and refined.

SOME PICTURES TODAY. A big two reel comedy by Vitagraph.

"OUR WIVES."

They lead their "angel" husbands a merry chase. Everybody gets in wrong. Luckily at last everything is set right.

"Red and Pete, Partners."

By Biograph. Complete your days' pleasure by coming to The Athens. Remember we give you more for your money than you can get anywhere else.

Matinee at 3:45. Night 7:30. No Advance in Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Stevens and son, Master John DuVal, of Southport are in the city as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jones.