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**Up to City Council**  
 In the opinion of both County Prosecutor Sawyer and of Trial Justice Spence the City of Elizabeth City has the right to modify as it may see fit the provisions of the new railroad crossing stop law passed by the last Legislature.

It is the express provision of this law that it is not to interfere with regulations as to railroad crossings in cities. Elizabeth City has no regulations whatever as to railroad crossings, and so the State law holds good here.

It would seem, then, to be up to the City Council to enact an ordinance exempting such crossings as are seldom used by the railroad and then used only by shifting engines and cars moving at a slow rate of speed from the provisions of the law. The City Attorney, it would seem, should be able to phrase the law so that it would come within the requirements of the State statute.

The next step after passing such an ordinance, this newspaper respectfully suggests, would be to notify the Norfolk Southern railroad to put up the signs required under the statute at the various crossings not exempted. If there is an accident at a Norfolk Southern crossing before the required signs are set up, The Advance imagines that the railroad would pay rather dearly for negligence in this matter.

Not, however, to save the railroad from the fruits of its neglect, but to save a possible life and to prevent the flouting of the law by a great corporation, The Advance urges action on the part of the City Council in this matter. As to crossings outside the city limits, none of these are to be exempted from the provisions of the law and at all of them the railroad should be required to place signs as required by the State statute. But this is a matter for the attention of the boards of commissioners of the various counties traversed by the Norfolk Southern.

**Not a Camden Project**  
 Commissioner Hart, justifying a nine-foot road through Camden County, says that Pasquotank River State Bridge road and the South Mills road and bridge connecting upper Camden with the Newland road have already exhausted that county's quota of the \$65,000,000 bond issue; this quota being based on Camden's population and area.

But The Advance submits that it is not fair to charge the cost of the floating concrete road across the Pasquotank River Swamp on the Camden side to Camden County any more than it would be fair to charge such projects as the bridge across the Roanoke at Williamston to Martin or Bertie.

That floating concrete road is more an Elizabeth City project than it is a Camden project, and if the State had crossed the river at Lamb's Ferry all the swamp road would have been in Pas-

quotank County. It is also a district project, from the standpoint of the whole Albemarle region, and a State project and an interstate project, and the fact that the river swamp at the particular point of the river crossed all lies in Camden does not justify the charging of the entire expense of this road against Camden County.

The Advance refers to this matter again in order that for not a single moment may the justice of a demand for a 16-foot highway across Camden County be lost sight of.

**No Need of Overstatement**  
 With an utter abhorrence for overstatement, The Advance is willing to modify the assertion made in these columns last week that the Elizabeth City-to-Norfolk road is second in importance "to none in this district and hardly second to one in all North Carolina" to this extent:

This road is second in importance to none in this district and second to few in the State.

We will say further that we do not know of a 16-foot road anywhere in North Carolina more travelled than this interstate highway which the State Highway Commission had begun construction of as a nine-foot road.

Despite such labor outbreaks as that at Herrin last year and such race riots as the less recent disturbances at Chicago, many metropolitan newspapers of the North continue to refer to lynching as a peculiarly Southern problem. As a matter of fact, The Advance believes, lynchings in the South are less prevalent than they would be in the North if the North had the proportion of negro population that exists in the South.

Elizabeth City's record of not a case of drunkenness in the recorder's court on the morning after the Fourth is in striking contrast to that of a number of cities in the State and another testimonial to the safety and sanity of the Old Home Town's celebration of Independence Day.

The Edenton News sighs for some rival in baseball other than Elizabeth City. But one observes that it did not occur to our esteemed contemporary to voice this lament until Edenton had lost to Elizabeth City two games in succession.

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**CALLS AL SMITH**  
**GOLIATH OF WETS**

**Chicagoan Says Wets Present Day Philistines and Governor of New York Their Big Blustering Champion.**

Des Moines, July 9.—Governor Al Smith was called the "Goliath of the Wets" in the address of R. A. Walker of Chicago, at the International Christian Endeavor convention here today.

"The Wets are the Philistines of the present day," said Mr. Walker. "They have won a temporary victory and they have selected as their big blustering champion, the Governor of New York who is heralded as their leader, just as was Goliath, the defiant champion of the Philistines. He is challenging the Drys to battle. The modern Philistines apparently have things going their way and many of the Drys are relatively in the same position as King Saul's forces, fearful of results."

"Have we Drys so soon forgotten that the 'battle is the Lord's?' Are we standing in fear of the results when we have God and truth on our side? Who is there among the Wets that can stand against truth?"  
 "Let 'Goliath' Smith beware. Somewhere in the ranks of the Drys there is a David with mighty faith and a trusty sling. In the sling will be placed the stony votes that will hit Goliath between the eyes—whether that Goliath at the next election be Al Smith or some other champion of the Wets. Whoever the Goliath of the modern Philistines may be, he will be politically dead after election—possibly after the presidential primaries."

"The Wets are like frogs, they make a lot of noise but their noise means nothing."  
 "Let the mighty Christian Endeavor host continue in their prayers and on election day use the sling and stone of their votes to kill the ambition of the Wets to control of this nation."

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Loans and Investments	\$427,838.30	\$1,008,731.23
Banking Houses		27,033.33
Furniture & Fixtures	48,005.39	55,812.89
Cash and Due from Banks	215,289.79	228,587.04
Expense Account	9,057.65	1,865.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$700,191.13</b>	<b>\$1,322,030.32</b>

  

LIABILITIES:	June 30th, 1922	June 30th, 1923
Capital Stock	\$235,982.90	\$ 250,000.00
Bills Payable		50,000.00
Rediscounts		203,265.83
Deposits	464,208.23	818,764.49
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$700,191.13</b>	<b>\$1,322,030.32</b>

  

**DEPOSITS, June 30th, 1922** ..... \$484,208.23  
**DEPOSITS, June 30th, 1923** ..... **818,764.49**  
**GAIN** ..... **354,556.26**

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