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## PLAN ADVERTISE EASTERN SECTION

### Secretary Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce Urges Counties of Northeastern Corner to Become Members

A proposal to advertise Eastern North Carolina was presented to representatives of the boards of the County Commissioners of Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck, Perquimans, and Chowan counties at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the Community building Tuesday morning. Dare and Gates, though invited to send representatives, had none present, though this was due rather to the distance to be travelled in getting here than to lack of interest in the meeting, it may probably be taken for granted.

In brief, the proposal, which was presented by Secretary-Manager N. G. Bartlett of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, was that the counties of the Albemarle become members of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, at a cost of \$300, and that in return each of the counties so joining the organization will be given three pages in the Encyclopedia of Eastern Carolina which the Eastern Carolina Chamber is now planning to issue.

In addition, Mr. Bartlett said, the fund raised from county memberships will be used to buy advertising space in Southern periodicals such as the Progressive Farmer, it being his idea that for the present Southern states to the south of North Carolina offer the best sources from which to draw immigrants to develop the resources of this section.

Commissioners present went on record as being favorably disposed to the proposal and on motion of C. W. Morgan, chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County, promised to present the matter at the next session of their respective county boards for discussion and action.

Indications were that at least a number of the counties in this section will take a county membership in the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce and come in for their share of the advertising to be done in Southern magazines and the publicity to be given the section in the encyclopedia of Eastern North Carolina soon to be issued.

First to endorse the proposal and promise his best effort to secure favorable action on it in his county was Chairman C. W. Morgan of Perquimans. No region in the world, Mr. Morgan said, was more rich in natural resources than this section of North Carolina which now boasts the finest crops between Florida and the Virginia capes. The great need of the section, he went on to say, is men to develop it and the only way to get these men is to advertise. Mr. Morgan went on to give some examples of the good that advertising on a limited scale had done in the case of his own town and county and professed himself as thoroughly sold on the proposition that advertising pays. "And if it pays great commercial enterprises," he asked, "why should it not pay a section?"

Mr. Morgan was followed by Chairman Burfoot of the Pasquotank board, who expressed himself as favorably impressed and promised to take the matter up with the Pasquotank Commissioners, all of whom were present except Commissioner Jasper Thompson.

Representatives of the other counties represented then followed Mr. Burfoot's example in promising to see that the matter was presented to the August meeting of county commissioners in their respective counties.

Another matter taken up at the meeting was the proposal of Chairman Burfoot of the Pasquotank board that a home for the aged and dependent of the several counties of this section be established at some central point in order that better care might be taken of those who were diseased and afflicted, in order that a home might be provided for those of the counties who have no county home of their own and in order by bringing the institutions of the various counties under one management that economies in operation might be effected. With a population largely rural many counties of this section have so few dependent on public charity that they do not have enough inmates to operate a county home on an economical basis, it was pointed out.

A resolution was accordingly prepared and endorsed to be presented, through the good offices of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, to the various county boards of the counties North of the Albemarle Sound to see if the proposal meets with sufficient favor and calls forth sufficient interest to call for a meeting of the county chairmen of the various counties to discuss the feasibility of the suggestion and to formulate a plan to be presented to the governing bodies of the various counties.

Just before the meeting closed Chairman Morgan of Perquimans took the opportunity to urge that each county represented join the State Association of County Commissioners which meets annually for the discussion of problems by and the interchange of ideas among members of the various county boards in the State. Membership, he pointed out, costs a county only five dollars and the members of the board of commissioners of any county that is a mem-

## NORTH CAROLINA LOOKS GOOD TO HIM

The finest crops between Florida and the Virginia Capes are right here in the Albemarle region of North Carolina, according to J. A. Harris, native of Pasquotank, but now of Winter Park, Florida. Mr. Harris has just come from his home to visit relatives here. "Crops," says Mr. Harris, "began to get better as soon as I crossed the North Carolina line, and from Hamlet to Elizabeth City the farther this way I go the better the crops looked."

## GREAT DAMAGE IN RICHMOND STORM

### Scores of Persons are Homeless, and Fire Department Spent Six Hours in Rescuing People from Homes

Richmond, July 31.—Thousands of dollars of damage was done by the cloudburst and electrical storm here last night during which the local weather bureau reported 7.26 inches of rainfall.

Scores of persons were rendered homeless, buildings in the lowly sections were flooded, some were wrecked, and much damage was done to bridges, railroad tracks, roads and streets by the water which reached a depth of ten feet in front of the union station.

At other points a depth of 15 feet was recorded, according to fire officials who spent more than six hours rescuing persons from their homes. Estimates of damage ranged from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

## FOUR JURORS WERE SELECTED BY NOON

Cumberland Courthouse, July 31.—Actual work of selection of a jury to try Larkin Garrett, indicted with his brother, Robert, for murder of Rev. Edward Sylvester Pierce, started in circuit court here today.

The veniremen summoned from outlying districts of the county were questioned as to whether they had formed an opinion, if they opposed capital punishment, and if they were friendly with the Garrett Brothers.

Four prospective jurors out of 13 examined had been seated at noon.

## IS FAVORABLE SITE FOR FISH HATCHERY

Secretary Job of the Chamber of Commerce has written a letter to Chairman Dixon of the State Fisheries Commission inviting the committee that is looking into the matter of sites for a fish hatchery in this section of the State to visit Elizabeth City.

Mr. Job believes that Elizabeth City offers a most favorable site for the establishment of one of the hatcheries which it is proposed that the State establish.

## WOULD LEAD BACK TO WHITE HOUSE

Montgomery, Ala., July 31.—Senator Underwood in addressing the joint session of the Alabama legislature today declared that if the state delegation at the next Democratic National Convention named him as candidate for the nomination for President he would do all in his power to lead democracy back to the White House.

## REVIVALS AT MOYOCK

Moyock, July 31.—Revival services at the Baptist Church conducted by Rev. E. L. Wells, assisted by the pastor, Rev. L. L. Johnson, closed last evening. Eight were received into the membership of the church. At a beautiful service seven candidates were baptized by the pastor this morning.

Revival services at the Methodist Church here are expected to begin Thursday evening, August 2, at 8 o'clock. Pastor W. B. Humble will be assisted by Maxwell evangelistic party. Large attendance is expected.

## TWO CLOUDBURSTS DO GREAT DAMAGE

Baltimore, July 31.—Two cloudbursts in Carroll and the surrounding counties last night flooded the villages, causing millions of dollars damage, destroying hundreds of homes and rendering hundreds homeless. No loss of life was reported up to midnight.

Members of the association may attend the annual meetings at his county's expense.

Those present at the meeting included D. N. Bray of Camden, J. T. Satterfield, A. D. Ward and C. D. Webb of Chowan, C. W. Morgan, H. P. White, and D. R. White of Perquimans, J. W. Fisher of Currituck, and Noah Burfoot, H. Cartwright, W. J. F. Spence, P. G. Pritchard and C. A. Ownley of Pasquotank. Some non-members of any board of commissioners were present in response to a general invitation to those interested in the development of the section to attend the meeting and become acquainted with some of the plans of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

## A \$15,000 TROTTER.



"JUNE MARIE. E. ROLAND HARRIMAN DRIVING  
Mrs. E. H. Harriman's sensational range bred trotting mare, June Marie, recently purchased for \$15,000, is expected to make her first start this season in a public race at Endicott, N. Y., and has been entered in the 2:17 class for a purse of \$2,000. She does 2:17 1/4."

## AMERICAN TOWNS DUPLICATE NAMES

### Interesting Story Told of How Town in Missouri Got the Name of "Peculiar" and Stayed That Way on Map.

Washington, July 31.—There is a very peculiar story connected with the naming of Peculiar, Missouri — which is also a peculiar name for a town.

The Federal Government does not name towns and hamlets when they are born or feel the urge for a cognomen, but the Post Office Department does regulate them to the extent of prohibiting duplicating of names within the same state. So when a newly formed community in Missouri suggested a certain name for its post office, the department informed the inhabitants there was already one by that name in their state.

Several other names were chosen by the residents and submitted, but always with the same result. Finally an exasperated official of the department, in refusing the latest choice, wrote the city fathers among other things "that it was mighty peculiar they could not find a good name for their town." Whereupon they received the following reply: "Acting on your suggestion we select the name Peculiar." And so Peculiar is on the map of today.

There is only one rule in the naming of new towns, and that is that there shall be but one of the same name in a state. But that does not prohibit other states from boasting towns of the same name. For in stance, there are 45 names used more than 20 times each to designate towns and cities. Benjamin Franklin is remembered as an inspiration more than any other person, and Franklin as a town name takes the prize, occurring 31 times in 31 states. The others in point of popularity run: Clinton, 30 times; Chester, 29; Arlington, 29; Washington, 28; Troy, 27; Salmie, 27; Madison, 27; Marion, 27; Manchester, 27; Clayton, 27; Glenwood, 26; Kingsport, 26; Newport, 26; Ashland, 25; Centerville, 25; Cleveland, 25; Auburn, 24; Dover, 24; Hillsboro, 24; Lincoln, 24; Monroe, 24; Oxford, 24; Princeton, 24; Springfield, 24; Warren, 24; Union, 24; Greenville, 23; Wilson, 23; Belmont, 22; Buffalo, 22; Canton, 22; Dayton, 22; Eureka, 22; Liberty, 22; Milford, 22; Plymouth, 22; Burlington, 22; Lebanon, 21; Portland, 20; Lexington, 20; Jamestown, 20; Hudson, 20, and Danville, 20.

Duplicated names are the bane of the postal clerk, and the Yankee reputation for originality rises staggering when confronted by the apparent lack of imagination used to name American communities. There are even two Chicagos, six Philadelphias, seven Detroit, and 14 Denvers.

Similarity in names also causes the postal department considerable trouble. Indistinct penmanship might easily confuse Eldora, Ia., with Eldorado, Ia. In Pennsylvania alone there are 13 communities whose names begin with the prefix Green: Greene, Greenbriar, Greenburg, Greencastle, Green Land, Greenoch, Greenpark, Greenboro, Greensburg, Greenstone, Greentown, Greenville, and Greenwald. There is a partiality for Bloom as a prefix in New York state, as for example Bloomingburg, Bloomingdale, Blooming Grove, Bloomington and Bloomville.

## CURRITUCKIANS GO ON CAMPING TRIP

Moyock, July 31.—Prof. T. B. Elliott with his party of young men, made up of continents from Currituck and Poplar Branch, left this morning by motor truck for a 14-day camping trip. Their itinerary will include visits to well known farms near Richmond, Va., and a visit to Asheville, N. C., and vicinity.

## Brilliant Golf Match for Dixie

Nashville, Tenn., July 31.—"The most brilliant golf match ever brought to Dixie," is the way M. B. Frost, a leading Nashville enthusiast, characterized the Jones-Adair-Hutchinson-Godechaux play arranged for August 11 and 12 in Atlanta and Nashville.

The stars represent a collection of some of the leading golfers of the world and the greatest interest is centered upon the match. The first 36 holes will be played on the East Lake course in Atlanta on Saturday, August 11, and the last 36 holes at Belle Meade, Nashville's most exclusive golf and country club.

The special cars will convey Frank Godechaux, of Nashville, rated as seventh best amateur player, and the big gallery from Nashville to Atlanta for the first half to play, and return the Nashvillians and the Atlanta enthusiasts here for the last half of the match.

Bobby Jones, of Atlanta, who won the national open championship at Inwood recently, will be matched with Perry Adair, of Atlanta, southern amateur title holder, against Godechaux, of Nashville, and Jock Hutchinson, of Chicago, one of the most celebrated professionals and once British title holder.

All plans for holding the match have been perfected. One of the leading social features will be a banquet at Belle Meade Club in honor of the stars and Atlanta visitors, when W. R. Cole, of Nashville, will be toastmaster and welcome the guests.

Play will be double nassau. A point will be awarded for the best score in the first 18 holes, the best ball on the second 18 will get a point and the winners of the first 36 will receive third point. The third and fourth 18 will count a point each, and the sixth point will be given for the winner of the second 36, while the lowest scorers for the entire match will receive an added point.

## Persian Ministers Ask For Fish Laws

Raleigh, July 31.—At the request of the Persian Minister at Washington, Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes has written to Governor Morrison asking for copies of all available publications relating to the laws governing the catching of fish in the rivers and other waters of this state. The letter has been referred to the Fisheries Commission.

Secretary Hughes' letter follows: "I have the honor to inform you that I have received from the Persian Minister a note dated July 10, in which he requests for his government a complete collection of the laws, rules, and regulations governing the catching of fish in the rivers and territorial waters of the United States. Requesting copies of available publications relating to the laws, rules and regulations of your state on the subject, for transmission to the Minister, I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant, Charles E. Hughes."

## THE NAVY YARD TEAM PLAYING HERE TODAY

The Portsmouth Navy Yard team plays here today at 5 p. m., weather conditions permitting.

On Wednesday afternoon the Portsmouth Grays will play on the local diamond and on Thursday the fast team from the Cotton Oil Refining Co. of Portsmouth will be here.

Feature Vacation Specials  
In an advertisement in Wednesday's paper T. T. Turner & Co. will feature vacation special for Dad and the Boys.

# President Harding Is Fighting For His Life

Verdict Will be Known in Few Hours, Mrs. Harding Very Brave Under Strain, Is Assisting in Nursing Him

## DEFINITE INDICATIONS OF IMPROVEMENT IN PRESIDENT'S CONDITION REPORTED

(By The Associated Press)  
San Francisco, July 31.—Definite indications of improvement in the condition of the President were contained in the following official bulletin issued at 10 o'clock by attending physicians: "The President had a fairly comfortable night with considerable restful sleep. His temperature at 9 o'clock is 100, pulse 120, respiration 40 and regular. There has been no expansion of pneumonia areas, and his heart action is definitely improved. Nourishment and fluids are being taken regularly. Elimination is satisfactory. He expresses himself as feeling better and less exhausted."

## FIREMAN OF STATE MEET AT DURHAM

### Practically Every Fire Department of North Carolina to be Represented at Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention

Durham, July 31.—Durham will entertain the thirty-sixth annual convention and tournament of the North Carolina Firemen's Association August 6-9.

Thursday, August 9, is to be Tournament Day, when the best teams of firemen in the State will have representatives here. Durham's team will not compete for the prizes, since Durham is host this year.

Following is the program:  
Monday, August 6th  
Registration—Malbourne Hotel.

Tuesday, August 7  
9:00 a. m., parade. All delegates, visitors and teams with or without apparatus are invited to take part.  
10:30 a. m., convention convenes. Durham High School building, J. H. Woods, president, presiding.  
Invocation, Rev. S. S. Best.  
Address of welcome, Mayor J. M. Manning.  
Response, Col. A. H. Boyden, Salisbury.

Address, Gen. J. S. Carr, Durham.  
Address, Hon. Stacey Wade, Raleigh, Insurance Commissioner.  
Appointment of Credentials Committee.

12:30 p. m., adjournment for lunch.  
1:00 p. m., barbecue, Chapel Hill. The convention delegates and visitors will be the guests of the Chapel Hill Fire Department. Inspection of buildings and grounds of the University of North Carolina.

4:00 p. m., afternoon session. Durham High School Building. Report of credentials committee. Regular order of business. Report of officers and committees. Appointment of committees.

8:30 p. m., entertainment, Academy of Music.  
All delegates and visitors invited.

Wednesday, August 8th  
10:00 a. m., final session of convention.

Reports of committees.  
Unfinished business.  
New business.  
12:30 p. m., picnic lunch, High School grounds. Delegates and visitors invited.

2:00 p. m., horse shoe contest, High School grounds.  
3:30 p. m., baseball, Durham vs. Raleigh, Doherty field.

Memorial Exercises  
8:30 p. m., First Presbyterian Church.  
Organ prelude.  
Anthem, "Remember Now Thy Creator" (Custance).  
Prayer, Rev. Treia D. Collins.  
Solo, "The Holy City," (Adam)—Miss Highsmith and chorus.

Address, Dr. Harold D. Meyer, Chapel Hill.  
Anthem, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" (Lorenz).  
Cerebral, "Some Time We'll Understand."  
Benediction.

Thursday, August 9th  
9:00 a. m., reel contests, 100 yds and grab; 100 yard dash.  
2:00 p. m., motor contests, Duke St.  
12:30 p. m., lunch.  
High School gymnasium; delegates and visitors invited.

4:00 p. m., tournament closes.

COTTON MARKET  
New York, July 31.—Spot cotton closed quiet, Middling 22.45. Futures, closing bid, Oct. 21.18, Dec. 21.02, Jan. 20.77, March 20.85, May 20.81.  
New York, July 31.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: October 21.27, December 21.28, January 21.05, March 21.15, May 21.14.

## Presidential Headquarters, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, July 31.—President Harding, characteristically calm and determined, is fighting the greatest battle of his career, a struggle in which his life is at stake.

Arrayed against him are bronchopneumonia, symptoms of which were discovered by attending physicians last night, and also the danger of other complications.

Arrayed in his favor are his calm determination, the subsidence of early abdominal trouble, and the hopes and prayers of the nation.

His handicap is admitted to be weakened resistance. None of the five attending physicians will predict the outcome, although all are optimistic.

## Apparently Better

Presidential Headquarters, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, July 31.—The President passed "the best night, comparatively since he has been ill," Brigadier General Sawyer, his personal physician, said in a statement given out at eight o'clock this morning.

"That augurs well," he added, "and conditions seem to warrant the statement that apparently he has gotten into clear sailing."

General Sawyer confined his announcement to this brief statement upon coming out from consultation with other attending physicians to meet newspaper men.

## Much Refreshed Today

Presidential Headquarters, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, July 31.—President Harding was so refreshed by sleep, which lasted more than six hours last night, that this morning he was able to look at the news of the day and sent out for the morning papers, all of which were devoted largely to accounts of his illness.

## Bronchial Pneumonia

San Francisco, July 31.—President Harding last night developed bronchial pneumonia and his condition was described as "very grave." He is fighting for his life and the verdict will be known in a few hours.

Attorney General Daugherty is rushing from British Columbia to be at his bedside.

Mrs. Harding, very brave under the strain, is assisting in nursing him.

If the President gets well enough, physicians will rush him across the continent on a special train to Washington.

The Panama Canal trip has been definitely cancelled.

## JOHN HENRY CAME HOME BUT HIS STAY WAS BRIEF

Returning home after a term on the roads of Hertford County, during the course of which they became buddies, John Henry Heckstall and George Venters bade each other good-bye as the Night Express was under the sheds of the Norfolk Southern passenger station Monday night, George's home being at Edenton.

George stopped to get a drink of water before going back to his seat and when he got back to it his suitcase was gone and the train, by this time, was picking up speed for its run to the next station. Convinced by inquiry among fellow passengers that John Henry had boarded the car from the other end after their farewells had been spoken and made off with the suitcase, George continued on his way to Edenton to which he already had paid his fare, but this morning he returned to Elizabeth City and laid his case before Police Officer Twiddy. George's suitcase was found reposing beside John Henry's at a negro lodging house and John Henry himself was shortly afterward picked up on the street. He was tried in recorder's court Tuesday morning and returned to the Hertford roads for a period of four months.

John Henry had just completed a term of a year on the roads for stealing a Victrola and certain records, among which John Henry's favorite was "If You Don't Get It, Taint No Fault of Mine."