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IMMENSE CROWD ANTICIPATED FOR BRIDGE FESTIVAL

Last Plans for Celebration at Edenton and Eden House Made at Meeting of Committee Heads

AIRPLANES COMING

Stores in Edenton, Hertford and Elizabeth City May Close to Make Occasion General Holiday

Final preparations for the entertainment of the 10,000 to 15,000 visitors expected at a great celebration at Edenton and Eden House next Wednesday, marking completion of the \$600,000 Chowan Bridge, were perfected at a meeting of the central committee at Edenton Wednesday afternoon, with Mayor J. L. Wiggins, of Edenton, presiding as general chairman.

As thrown into final shape, the plans provide for a preliminary welcoming celebration at the Bertie County shore of the bridge at 11 o'clock in the morning, and a general program of speechmaking and music in Edenton, beginning at noon. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon, some 300 official guests will be served luncheon in the Willis Terminal, overlooking placid Edenton Bay.

Besides many notable speakers from this and other States, and besides an impressive bit of pageantry commemorative of the illustrious past of the Northeastern counties, shrine of the State, and of the breaking of the last barrier between this section and the rest of North Carolina, the day's program will include the presence of an army dirigible from Langley Field, with an escort of two land planes and two seaplanes. These will be sent by courtesy of Army and Navy officials at Langley Field and Hampton Roads.

Dirigible and Planes
The dirigible and planes are scheduled to be on hand to arrive while welcome ceremonies at the Bertie side of the bridge are in progress. The Coast Guard cutter Pamlico is scheduled to be on hand also, with a band aboard to play stirring music as a fitting accompaniment to the ceremonial. Lieutenant Governor J. Elmer Long and party, coming from the west, will greet a group of representatives from the counties in the Northeast, appropriately costumed to represent Colonial dignitaries. Then the combined moorings will proceed to Edenton.

At the ancient Chowanoke Willow at the town limits of Edenton, visitors will be welcomed officially by a group symbolic of three of Edenton's most illustrious sons of the Colonial era—Joseph Hewes, signer of the Declaration, Governor Charles Eden, and James Iredell, associated justice of the United States Supreme Court from 1796 to 1799.

State Senator P. H. Williams, of Elizabeth City, will be toastmaster during the program on the courthouse square in Edenton, and speakers will include Lieutenant Governor Long, General A. J. Rowley, commandant at Fort Bragg, Fred G. Wade, of Brunswick, Ga., general secretary of the Atlantic Coastal Highway Association, Frank Page, chairman of the North Carolina Highway Commission, and Albert L. Roper, former mayor of Norfolk.

Construction was begun today on a speakers' stand in front of Edenton Courthouse, which will be built to seat 300 persons. Those in charge of arrangements estimate that at least 5,000 spectators can be accommodated on broad Edenton Common, in front of the stand.

Other Notables

The luncheon session for the official guests will begin at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, with Judge Francis D. Winston, of Windsor, as toastmaster. Speakers are to include Heriot Clarkson, associate justice of the State Supreme Court, Representative John H. Kerr, of Warrenton, and former Representative John H. Small, of Washington.

Because of the difficulties involved in properly serving a throng of 10,000 to 15,000, those in charge of the celebration gave

"JOHN D."— 88 and Mighty Happy



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Eighty-eight and mighty happy in his smiling contemplation of living to be at least 100—that is John D. Rockefeller, Sr., as you see him here. The extraordinarily fine photo of one of the world's most famous citizens was made as Rockefeller left the Tarrytown Baptist Church at Tarrytown, New York, the first Sunday after his eighty-eighth birthday. He had motored to church from his estate at Pocantico Hills. Straw hat, muffler, well-worn overcoat, sharply creased trousers, and brightly-shined shoes marked Rockefeller's appearance. His left hand clutched his spectacles, and twinkling eyes gave expression to the geniality of his lengthening years.

Dedication of Famed Dunes and Shores to Be Held August 18

Dedication of Kill Devil Hill, site of the first plane flights, as the location for a towering lighthouse as a memorial to aviation, and dedication of Virginia Dare Shores to the memory of the first child of English parents born in America, are scheduled as the principal events in a National celebration to be held on the shores, 55 miles from here, on Thursday, August 18, birthday of Virginia Dare.

During the ceremonies, an airplane or squadron of planes, will fly from Kill Devil Hill over to Roanoke Island drop wreaths of flowers upon the site of Old Fort Raleigh, where Virginia Dare was born in 1587, and whence the John White colony sent by Raleigh vanished utterly from human ken.

A large tract on Kill Devil Hill was donated to the Government last year by private interests engaged in developing an all year playground there, and at its last session, Congress authorized erection of a suitable memorial on the tract, as a tribute to Orville and Wilbur Wright, the world's pioneer aviators, and as an enduring memorial to the triumph of man over the air.

The Secretaries of Commerce, War and the Navy were named as members of a commission to decide upon the type of memorial to erect, and were given blanket authority to build it. Tentative plans provide for the construction of a lighthouse of distinctive design, to cost \$200,000 to \$500,000.

Among honor guests at the ceremonies will be the three winners in a contest conducted by W. O. Saunders, editor and publisher of the weekly Independent, and widely known magazine writer, to determine upon a name for the memorial. This contest was launched

PEANUT GROWERS OF PERQUIMANS MEET JULY 26

Farmers, Business and Professional Men Urged to Attend and Discuss Marketing Problems

OTHER MEETINGS

Similar Events in Washington, Chowan, Gates, Hertford and Bertie Counties This Month

Meetings of vital interest to the peanut growers of this section are to be held this month in Washington, Chowan, Perquimans, Gates, Hertford and Bertie counties. These meetings are in the nature of primary meetings to select nominees for directors of the Peanut Growers' Association. While only members of the association can vote, it is very much desired and strongly urged that farmers generally and business and professional men as well attend these meetings in order that they may obtain information as to the peanut industry as a whole and particularly in regard to the marketing of the crop.

The meeting for Perquimans County will be held at the courthouse at Hertford on Tuesday, July 26, at 3:30 p. m. Meetings in the other counties of this section will be held as follows:

Washington County at the courthouse at Plymouth, Saturday, July 23, at 3:30 p. m.; Chowan County at the school building at Smalls Cross Roads, Monday, July 25, at 3:30 p. m.; Gates County at the courthouse at Gatesville, Wednesday, July 27, at 3:30 p. m.; Hertford County at the courthouse at Winton, Thursday, July 28, at 3:30 p. m.; Bertie County at the courthouse at Windsor, Friday, July 29, at 3:30 p. m.

Twenty-five Die In July's Heat Wave

New York, July 14.—(AP)—Twenty-five persons in cities in the East were killed by the heat in the last 24 to 36 hours, it was shown by compilations made here today.

Three others in New England towns were killed in electrical storms which brought only temporary relief to the heat blanketed section yesterday.

Although predictions were for slightly cooler weather today, forenoon temperatures gave little indication of the relief.

In New York where five persons had died since the heat wave appeared, the temperature at 10 o'clock was 80, and climbing and the humidity was holding at 75.

From Pennsylvania came reports that five had died during the day.

HOTEL DELINQUENTS GET WARM REMINDER

Evidence that there are still a number of subscribers to stock in the new Virginia Dare Hotel, now in the last stages of construction, who have neglected to meet their payments on time, is conveyed in a post card bearing the name of the Elizabeth City Hotel Corporation and broadcast over the city in the last few days. It reads as follows:

"Your hotel is now nearing completion. It is necessary that amounts due on subscriptions from every stockholder be paid immediately in order that the building may be completed."

"On July 15, a detailed list will be mailed to each of the 536 subscribers showing the status of each subscriber."

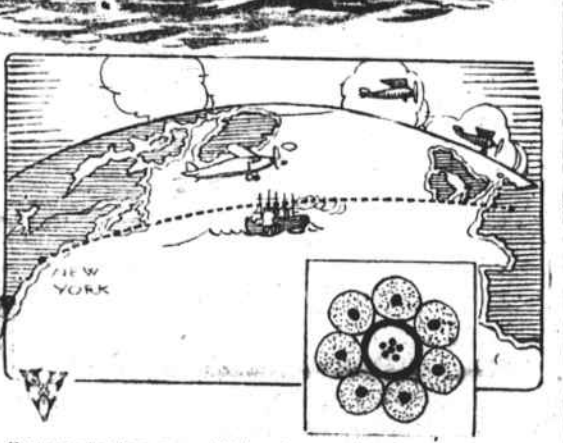
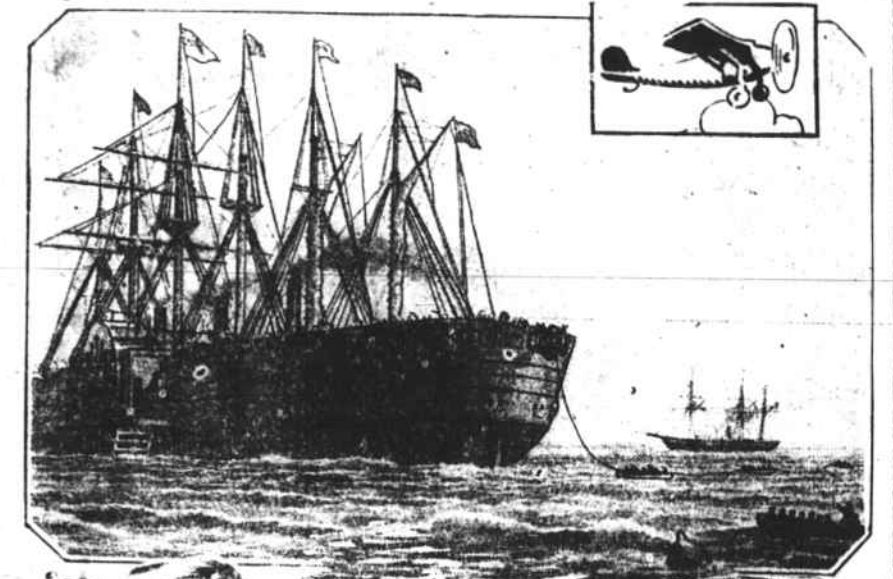
"Have you paid up the amounts that you pledged to build this community hotel? If not, what do you think your fellow citizens who are doing their part think of you?"

TWO ARE INDICTED FOR KLAN ACTIVITIES

Nashville, Tenn., July 14.—(AP)—The Nashville Tennessean today in a special from its Gainesboro correspondent says W. A. Boyd, a storekeeper, and a man named Holmes, have been indicted in that county charged with "commission of misdemeanor," growing out of recent activities of "hooded men" purporting to be members of the Ku Klux Klan.

The correspondent says a "clavert" has been organized in the county "for the purpose of clearing up moonshining, bootlegging and vagrancy." And that several visits have been made on persons suspected of participating in liquor traffic and other violations recently.

Ocean Fliers Follow Trail Blazed By First Cable Ship



The venerable sidewheeler Great Eastern starting on a cable-aying expedition in 1865. The picture is from an old etching. Note the cable "paying out" in wake of the ship. Inset in Captain William N. Napper, believed to be the only survivor of the Eastern's crew, in which he was a carpenter. The sketch at the lower right shows an end section of the three-inch cable.

BOMBING PLANE SELECTION NEXT TASK U. S. ARMY

Dreadnaughts of the Air Are Last Group to Receive Attention in the Selection of Aircraft

AN EXPERIMENT

Several Types of Planes Are Under Consideration By Army Air Officers; Others Being Designed

Washington, July 14.—(AP)—Selection of a standardized type of bombing plane is the next task of the Army in its effort to build up its flying forces.

The bombers, the "dreadnaughts of the air," are the last group in the Air Corps to receive attention in the selection of a standardized type of machine for the pursuit, attack and observation groups already have been equipped with planes considered the best types in their classes in the world.

As yet the selection of the bombing machines is in the experimental stage, a number of planes of varying types have been ordered by the Army but they will only be used in rigid and extensive testing both in flying and in engineering examination. The actual corps equipment will include the furnishing of planes to the heavy bombardment wings of the corps on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts probably will not be ordered until during the next fiscal year.

Several types are under consideration by the Army air officers, including the giant Condor Curtiss bi-plane which has been tested at Mitchell Field, Fokker monoplane, being built by the noted Dutch aeronautic inventor whose machines were used by the Germans in the World War; a heavy bombardment plane under construction by the Keystone Company; and another heavy ship which is being developed by the Glenn Martin Company.

The huge bombing planes are distinct from the other military flying machines both in their size and in their armament. The Fokker monoplane, it is planned, will mount two machine guns and weigh 15,000 pounds when loaded, carrying 2,000 pounds of bombs, while the giant Condor carries six machine guns. In both types the machine guns are housed in steel plated turrets not unlike protective armor of warships' gun turrets.

Two Women; Three Men Arrested In Flogging Case

Florence, Ala., July 14.—(AP)—Two women and three men were arrested here last night on warrants charging complicity in the flogging last week of Mrs. Bertha E. Slay by a band of persons wearing weather masks and robes.

Those under arrest were Mrs. Allen Butler, Mrs. Lucille Lindsay, Allen Butler, Charles Lindsay and Albert Lindsay.

In describing the persons for whom warrants were issued by Water K. McAdory, head of the state law enforcement department, Mrs. Slay stated that she recognized the two women "by their long hair and small feet."

When Mrs. Slay first told authorities of her experience, she neglected to mention that women had a hand in her mistreatment, stating only that she had been taken from her home by a masked band and after her sister and husband had been tied to their beds, she was given a severe whipping with "something like the fan belt of an automobile."

She said the whipping was administered in her backyard while she was tied to a barrel. The reason, she said, she was told, was because she would not confess to "some local scandal."

Almost simultaneously that action was taken here, it became known that a fourth flogging case was being looked into. Jefferson county authorities were investigating today a story told by Arthur Hill, negro, that he had been taken from his home recently, strapped to a tree and lashed cruelly by masked men until he finally agreed to sign away for a minor sum a tract of land which he did not wish to sell. The county solicitor announced that if the negro's story is found true, he will take action against the recorder purchaser of the property and restore it to Hill.

State and County investigators continued their efforts to find members of the two masked bands which flogged Jeff Calloway, 19 year old orphan of Onanta and Eston, Mississippi.

Attorney General Charlie McCull in Montgomery had received no reply from his letter sent to James Esdale in Birmingham. Mr. Esdale is grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan in Alabama, was asked by the attorney general to make public the names of Klansmen implicated in the flogging of Calloway. Mr. McCull claiming that the state knew that members of the Ononta and Tarrant City local Klans were among the floggers.

SMITH HOPS OFF ON FLIGHT TO HAWAII

Municipal Airport, Oakland, California, July 14.—(AP)—The silver winged monoplane "City of Oakland" manned by the Pilot Ernest L. Smith and Navigator Emory H. Bronte took off here at 10:40 a. m. today for a 2,400 mile flight to Hawaii.

No Oil Found But Plenty Liquor Near Wells

Clinton, July 14.—(AP)—Although oil was not produced from an oil well begun near here early last month under partial financing by local people, liquor was produced from a 106 gallon moonshine still within 300 yards of the drilling machinery, and A. Orr, member of the firm promoting the well, and two of his employes have been arrested charged with operating the still.

Sheriff Melv. Morrison of Sampson County holds warrants for other men connected with the scheme, two of whom, Wherry and Marion Carver the promoters, "geologist," are missing. Orr, together with Jackson and Jeter, employes of Orr and Wherry, promoting concern, have been released in \$500 bond each.

Sheriff Morrison has evidence, he says, that the oil operators had been shipping liquor to New Bern and into Virginia.

The well, located about three miles from Clinton, was branded a "wildcat" scheme by State Geologist Herman Bryson when work was started. The drilling operations had reached a depth of 700 feet and the drill point had become lodged in rock, necessitating a delay in the work, the promoters said.

Today no trace had been found of the trio still sought in connection with the liquor manufacturing operations.

AMERICAN LEAGUE MAY MOVE HEADQUARTERS

Washington, July 14.—(AP)—The Washington Post today says that President Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators is endeavoring to secure the establishment of the American League headquarters in Washington. At present the league's headquarters is in Chicago.

The selection of E. S. Barnard, president of the Cleveland Indians, as head of the league, succeeding the late Clark Griffith, indicates that Cleveland may be the strong rival for the headquarters.

TENSION MARKS HOURS BEFORE PUBLIC SESSION

Nobody Seemed Sure As to What Might Happen in Tripartite Conference; Everybody Silent

REAL DIFFICULTY

Hugh Gibson Believes It Consists in the Great Divergence of Nations' Cruiser Figures

Geneva, July 14.—(AP)—Uncertainty and some tension marked the hours preceding today's public session of the Tripartite Naval Conference.

Nobody seemed sure as to what might happen and there were indications that all three delegations were prepared to defend their respective positions in case of attack. Among some conference observers a short adjournment of the conference was looked upon as a possible outcome of today's meeting.

While the American delegation refused to divulge the tenor of the speech of High S. Gibson, head of their delegation, it was believed probably in conference circles that he would not fail to emphasize his contention that the real difficulty consists in the great divergence of cruiser figures of Great Britain and the United States.

This means that from the American viewpoint the British and Japanese, the former seeking what are regarded as high figures and the latter seeking as low as possible, must get together before there can be any hope of an agreement. The American delegation is represented as feeling that the United States occupies the middle ground and as being disposed to move in either direction within reasonable limits.

It was forecast also that Mr. Gibson would dwell upon the contention that it was impossible for the United States to estimate the number of 10,000 ton cruisers that it needs until an accord has been achieved on the total tonnage for Great Britain, Japan and the United States.

W. C. Bridgman, first lord of the British Admiralty and head of the British delegation, was scheduled to speak for Great Britain while Admiral Viscount Ishii, member of the Japanese delegation, was scheduled to speak for Japan.

The meeting was called for the ball room of the Hotel Des Bergues instead of at the League of Nations hall in order to permit more space for newspapermen and the public.

Changes in Motor Laws Pointed Out By Court Official

Preferring to warn rather than to prosecute, if a warning can serve the purpose, Prosecuting Attorney J. Henry Letroy, Jr., is calling special attention to the laws governing the operation of vehicles, motorized and otherwise, here and elsewhere in North Carolina, especially as amended by the recent General Assembly.

The following points in the law are emphasized especially by Mr. Letroy:

An automobile parked at night on a public highway must have a white light in front and a red light at the rear, if not within 200 feet of a streetlight or other illumination sufficient to make it clearly visible.

Cars must not be parked closer than 25 feet to a street intersection. When parked, there must be a width of at least 15 feet of unobstructed passageway in the thoroughfare at the side of the car.

A motorist must not speed up after receiving a signal from an overtaking car whose driver wishes to pass him.

Horse drawn vehicles must bear a light if traveling a public highway after nightfall.

STATISTICS SHOW 670 WERE KILLED IN QUAKE

New York, July 14.—(AP)—Dispatches from Jerusalem to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency say that figures compiled up to the present show 670 persons were killed and 3,000 wounded in the earthquake in Palestine and Transjordan. The damage is estimated at \$2,000,000.

The stricken areas are described as "presenting scenes similar to those of a battlefield. Thousands of tents have been raised to care for the families made homeless while transports of food are being sent from Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv for the sufferers. The Samaritan community of Nablus, where only two streets remain, has appealed to the Jews for help.