WHOLESALE TRUCK MARKET PLANNED

Proposed F. D. R. Parley Also Talked At Meet Of Farmers-Civic Club

Plans to seek state aid in the erection of a wholesale truck market here, to seek a conference with President Roosevelt in an effort to secure changes in AAA regulations as they relate to truck, and to secure legislation which will insure the retention of the state soil laboratory in New Hanover county were made last night at a meeting of the Farmers-Civic Business Co operative association.

The group heard a report of a committee which went to Burlington to view a market there and after considerable discussion of Florida's state-built truck markets voted to seek state aid in the erection of a wholesale market here.

A committee was appointed to bring the matter to the attention of state legislators from this county and the state senator from his district at a meeting to be held in the courthouse tonight at which citizens will be given an opportunity to discuss proposed legislation.

The club, after brief discussion, voted to back the Farmers club in its move to secure a conference with President Roosevelt relative to AAA regulations as they effect the truck industry in this section and appointed a committee composed of Rod Sparrow, R. W. Galphin, G. S. Currin and Eugene Edwards to work with the Farmers club committee.

A committee was also appointed to bring the matter of the state soil laboratory and its needs before the attention of the legislators at tonight's meeting, composed of one member from each of the three counties represented: New Hanover, Brunswick and Pender.

Dr. H. G. Willis and Rod Sparrow were elected life members of the organization and visitors from Van Eeden were introduced. 2

BRITISH FORCES ROUT ITALIANS

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ly helpful in the transport of British troops.

There was no confirmation of rumors that Salum, the Italian position just within Egypt beyond the Libyan frontier, had fallen to the British.

It was understood that a number of blackshirts (Fascist militiamen) were among the British prisoners, as well as some Libyan natives. Hundreds of officers have been taken.

In addition to attacking the retreating Italians, the Royal Air Force was declared to have kept up a constant series of raids upon all Fascist advanced airdromes in Libya, preventing aircraft from taking off in many instances and destroying planes on the ground.

The Italians appeared to be using their fighter craft mainly in defense against the British pilots who were supporting the British advance. Total Fascist plane losses in three days of fighting were put by the British at more than 40 "for certain." In the same period, the British acknowledged the loss of only four planes.

General Sir Archibald P. Wavell, the British Middle Eastern commander, and Air Chief Sir Arthur Murray Longmore visited advanced headquarters in the desert today for a long conference with General Sir Maitland Wilson and Air Commodore Raymond Collishaw.

CONTRIBUTE TODAY TO STOCKING FUND

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the fund this year. Throughout the day yesterday there was a line of people at the newspaper offices asking that their children be given a visit by Santa Claus. There will be no Santa for these children unless the more fortunate people of Wilmington make it possible through contributions to the Empty Stocking fund.

Through no fault of their own, these parents are unable to provide for their children this year. They have taught their children to believe that there is a Santa Claus—a Santa Claus that visits poor people as well as the rich—and the faith that these youngsters have in them and in all the things they have been taught to believe now hangs in the balance.

Your contribution will go toward making these unfortunate parents and their children happy on Christmas—a happiness that should be denied no one no matter how humble his station in life.

Parents of children must obtain cards for the Christmas packages and these cards must be signed by the child's teacher, their pastor or Sunday school teacher so that only worthy cases will be benefitted.

The Empty-Stocking fund depends upon the generosity of the people of Wilmington for its existence and the sponsors have the hope that no child in the city and county will be overlooked this Christmas.

You may make your contribution either to J. Henry Gerdes, treasurer of the fund, at the Peoples Savings Bank and Trust company, or at the Star-News offices. All contributions will be acknowledged through these columns.

The fund to date:

Previously asknowledged	$336.74
A friend	2.00
A friend	5.00
A friend	10.00
A friend	2.00
A friend	20.00
A friend	10.00
A friend	.50
A Sailor	5.00
George Bailey Autry	3.68
A friend	1.00
Two Sisters	20.00
A Bachelor	50.00
Ladies Aux. No. 64, Order of R. R. Conductors	5.00
Anonymous	15.00
Total	$485.92

Panetti Will Present Organ Recital Sunday

J. Milton Panetti, of Baltimore and Charlotte, will present an organ recital at the Chestnut Street Presbyterian church at 5:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Panetti, who studied at Peabody institute, Hopkins university, and City Collegian, in England, Germany, and Italy, was director of the Charlotte male chorus for a number of years and at present is director and organizer of the Scottish Rite cathedral choir. 4

GERMANS ATTACK INDUSTRIAL AREAS

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A church and a furniture factory were destroyed in one midlands town; incendiary bombs were dropped on a northeastern locality, but the result, authorities said, was not serious.

London's anti-aircraft spoke out at intervals, but there were no reports of bomb damage in the first four hours of the night raid.

HOUSING SURVEY ACTION IS URGED

Trade Body Asks Immediate Steps Be Taken To Compile Data Here

Immediate action on a proposed survey of the available number of vacant houses and apartments in Wilmington which may be used by army officers and others connected with the Holly Ridge training base was urged yesterday in a letter by the chamber of commerce to R. C. Cantwell, Jr., president of the Wilmington Real Estate Board.

Offering the cooperation of the trade body with the survey, Louis T. Moore, manager, stated "We sincerely trust that your contemplated survey can be started at once as it is apparent within a few weeks there will be a tremendously heavy demand for housing accommodations here."

Moore suggested that in the event that the Marine Corps base is located in Onslow county that the housing demand will be greater.

Cantwell said last night that nothing definite has been done on the survey as yet, but that he hopes to work out a plan for the work in the next few days and put it into operation possibly next week.

CITY WILL SEEK LOAN FROM RFC TO BUILD TERMINALS

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has been approved by William B. Campbell, city attorney.

For months Hiers has been securing information to support the application and has filed with the application a comprehensive brief containing all this information.

The brief begins with a general description of Wilmington, its location, transportation facilities, industries, the products of the surrounding territory and the work which the federal government has done to make the Cape Fear river suitable for ocean going ships.

It points out that the shipyard property which the city owns was deeded to it by he federal government only with the proviso that terminals should be erected there when needed and that "No objections to proposed project have been made by individuals, civic groups, or any other bodies. On the other hand, certain civic groups and the officials of the city and county have whole-heartedly and unanimously indorsed the plan to provide the port with modern waterfront terminals."

Relative to revenue producing projects, which would finance the project, the brief points out that "It is pertinent to say at this point that all of the commodities which are definitely anticipated for handling through new facility originate in a territory having freight rates favorable to and from the port of Wilmington."

Anticipated Freight

The brief lists as freight anticipated for handling through the terminal its first year of operation, the following items: Textiles, 6,863 tons; manufactured tobacco, 1,500 tons; plywood veneer, 600 tons; peanut meal, 2,000 tons; blankets, 1,500 tons; knit goods, 375 tons; cast iron pipe, 1,500 tons; hosiery, 75 tons; cedar lumber, 216 tons; furniture, 500 tons and tobacco, in hogsheads, 2,000 tons, all bound for the Pacific coast; 30,000 tons of tobacco in hogsheads, 5,000 tons of cotton, 2,000 tons of lumber and 2,000 tons of naval stores, for export; 10,000 tons of paper, 3,000 tons of tapioca flour, 3,000 tons of cotton and 11,000 tons of wood p'up for importation; and 1,000 tons of canned goods, 1,000 tons of petroleum products (cased goods) and 2,500 tons of miscellaneous merchandise in coastwise commerce. 4

This would make a grand total of 79,634 tons the first year. The brief anticipates an increase of 10 percent the second year of operation, 10 percent the third year and 10 percent the fourth year, which at that time would make the total tonnage per year 105,994 tons.

"As a careful study of the tonnage potentialities and actualities of this port definitely indicates that above figures are conservative in every sense of the word, we shall, for the purpose of showing operating revenues, use 100,000 tons as a safe and sound average basis for determining revenue during the life of the loan," the brief says.

Operating Revenue

On that basis it shows a total operating revenue for the terminals of $138,796 per annum as against total operating and maintenance expenses of $68,846, leaving a net income to apply against the retirement of the loan, of $69,950 annually.

Attached to the brief are photostatic copies of many letters from manufacturers of cotton goods, tobacco products, lumber and other building materials, fertilizer, peanut meal, blankets, hosiery, furniture, paper, and other products and distributors of these products, telling of their desire to use the port of Wilmington if terminals are erected here.

These were received by Hiers over a period of months during which he has been working on the application and getting material to support it.

The brief also quotes Lieut. Col. George W. Gillette, formerly Wilmington district army engineer as saying that "the port of (Wilmington) is not a local proposition and should be developed into the major city for the two Carolinas. More water depth and terminal facilities are needed if Wilmington expects to move forward as a port city.'

Freight rates are also given in the brief, showing the advantage which Wilmington has in this respect over Charleston and Norfolk.

Rate Advantage

The brief says, "To briefly summarize the rate situation and its favorable bearing upon the port of Wilmington, it can definitely be stated that 75 percent of North Carolina's area, in which 90 percent of its agricultrue and industry is located, has a distinct rate advantage by using the port of Wilmington as compared with any other port, and to this can be added a number of thriving towns in the northeastern corner of South Carolina. In addition to the large area where Wilmington has a rate advantage, it must be borne in mind that from and to territory beyond, such as in the states of Tennessee and Georgia and common territory beyond, a general port equalization exists for Charleston, Wilmington and Norfolk."

"There has been only one answer found to the situation that forces North Carolina business through the ports of other states and taht is the lack of suitable warehouse facilities at this point into and through which such commodities can be handled. The facilities here while suitable for the handling of fertilizer materials are totally unsuited and inadequate for the handling of any and all kinds of business that is available in our immediate hinterland. Textiles and tobacco as well as numerous other commodities cannot be stored in space that is damp from long storage of fertilizer materials or that throws off odors that will contaminate goods stored in such space. Insurance rates in existing facilities at this port are exceedingly high. The lowest rate to be found in any facility, which is a limited area, is 65 cents per $100 per year. Rates in other waterfront warehouses in the port run up to as high as $2.65 per $100 per annum.

"It is not the purpose with the construction of the proposed terminals to divert fertilizer materials, gasoline or any other commodity way from the facilities now handling such business; but, on the other hand, to erect a facility that will accomodate North Carolina business now moving through the ports of other states."

The brief also brings out that Fort Bragg, the camp at Holly Ridge and other propo ed national defense projects will be dependent upon Wilmington as the only port which can randle their needs economically. 3

City Briefs

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Christmas parties will be given in the home agent's office today as follows: for 4-H boys and girls at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and for Service club members at 8 o'clock at night.

COUNTY AGENTS CONFER

R. R. Rich, county agent of Pender county, spent yesterday morning in business session with R. W. Galphin, local county agent, discussing best procedure to import a good number of milk cows in the two counties.

SUPPER MEETING

The Brotherhood of Temple Baptist church will hold its monthly supper meeting with a turkey dinner at the church annex tonight at 6:30 o'clock. The Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor of Grace Methodist church, will be the principal speaker.

SONGWRITERS

Mildred W. Robinson of 303 Wrightsville avenue, is one of the amateur songwriters awarded honorable mention by the Song Hit Guild of New York. An advisory board composed of Paul Whiteman, Guy Lombardo, Billy Rose and Kay Kyser found Miss Robinson's manuscripts showed unusual promise despite the fact that they barely missed receiving top honors.

ARRESTED

James Windley, Jr., negro, was arrested by police last night on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon after he allegedly struck Novella Tyson with a broom and stabbed her with an ice pick.

TEMPLE SERVICES

"The Ramparts We Watch" will be the subject of a sermon by Rabbi M. M. Thurman at the Temple of Israel tonight at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend. Saturday morning at 11 o'clock the rabbi will continue his discussion of the Book of Genesis. 4

WEATHER

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. — (AP) — Weather bureau records of temperature and rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 p. m.:

Station	High	Low	Prec.
Asheville, rn	—	50	0.00
Atlanta, rn	65	52	0.04
Boston, cld	38	31	0.00
Charlotte, cld	69	46	0.00
Chicago, cld	36	—	0.05
Cincinnati, cld	60	44	0.59
Detroit, rn	34	60	0.46
Galveston, cld	72	64	0.00
Jacksonville, p c	78	56	0.09
Kansas City, sn	34	32	0.23
Little Rock	66	57	0.35
Louisville, rn	61	49	0.39
Memphis, rn	65	59	0.11
Miami, clr	77	72	0.00
Mobile, cld	70	64	1.11
New Orleans, p c	79	63	0.06
New York, cld	43	38	0.00
Richmond, cld	53	29	0.00
San Francisco, clr	53	35	0.00
Savannah, p c	77	58	0.01
Washington, cld	49	38	0.00
Wilmington, p c	73	49	0.00

A. C. L. ANNOUNCES ARMY COACH FARE

Passenger Rate Cut To One Cent A Mile For Service Men During Holiday

The Atlantic Coast Line railroad yesterday announced a special Christmas holiday coach rate of one cent a mile for all members of the armed forces of the United States on furlough and traveling at their own expense. The normal coach rate is one and a half cents a mile.

The ACL passenger traffic department said the tickets would be on sale from December 14 to January 14 inclusive. The final limit or return is 15 days in addition to the date of sale.

MONTGOMERY, LEE OFFICIALS CONFER HERE

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who will move his family here within a few days, will be local representative for the company.

It was indicated last night that the awarding of the construction contract will be announced today in Washington and that the contractor will arrive some time during the day to set up an organization for the project.

Col. Montgomery was accompanied here yesterday by Lieut. Spees and Lieut. Wilbur H. Turner. The party spend some time studying maps of the camp site and then made a short visit to Holly Ridge in the afternoon.

Six white and two negro anti-aircraft regiments are to be organized and trained at the Holly Ridge firing center, which will have a capacity of approximately 20,000 men.

In a briew interview yesterday morning Col. Montgomery pointed out that Wilmington is going to have a number of problems to face with the influx of people which will result from the erection of the Holly Ridge base. He expressed hope the people of the city would anticipate these problems as far as possible and would solve them before they make their presence felt.

Asked if an early announcement that the first six cadres of 128 men each would be stationed at the camp on Dec. 20 still held good, Col. Montgomery said he did not know, as he was concerned only with the building of the camp.

Transfers Rumored

Meanwhile there were many rumors of transfers of property in the Holly Ridge section but a check with the register of deeds at Jacksonville showed only two have been recorded in that office during the past week. One of the purchasers was C. C. Hines, postmaster at Holly Ridge, and the other was H. M. Ennett.

Hines was busy yesterday making plans for certain construction, including the erection of a theatre, near the camp site and said indications are there will be much private building in that section within the next few days.

Col. Montgomery is an engineer with experience in three branches of the army.

He was born in St. Cloud, Minn., on April 26, 1890, and his home now is in Oklahoma City.

In September 1917 he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the engineer reserve, and in July 1920 became a regular army officer in the corps of engineers. This commission he held until November 27, 1922, when he was honorably discharged as the World war army was reduced to peace-time size.

He retained a reserve commission, however, and subsequently transferred to the cavalry reserve. He is now a lieutenant colonel in the cavalry reserve, and was on active duty at Fort Bliss, Texas, when he was detailed recently to temporary duty with the quartermaster corps, which sent him to Wilmington.

Some stores use soda to brighten the color of fruits and vegetables.

Salvation Army Yule Funds Total $220.44

A total of $83.59 was received in contributions by the Salvation Army Christmas fund yesterday, bringing the grand total to date to $220.44, Brigadier J. V. Breazeale reported.

Of the amount received yesterday $16.59 was taken in the Christmas "kettles" on the streets and $67 was received through the mails.

The fund will be used to help needy families and children at Christmas . 4

Mrs. Zella Soles Dies At Home In Tabor City

TABOR CITY, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Zella Soles, 65, widow of W. M. Soles, died at her home in Tabor city tonight at 7:30 o'clock after a short illness.

Funeral services will be held from the late residence Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with the Rev. Winfrey Davis, pastor of the First Baptist church here, officiating.

Mrs. Soles was a member of Mt. Sinai Baptist church. She is survived by three sons, Carson Soles, of Hampton, Va., Clarence Soles, of Fayetteville, and Claude Soles, of Tabor City; two daughters, Mrs. Chellie Long, of Clarendon, and Mrs. Reba Roberts, of Tabor City; four brothers, Jim Jolly, of Clarendon, Grover Jolly, of Tabor City; Dillon Jolly, of Clarendon, and Ches Jolly, of Freeman; three sisters, Mrs. Ella Todd, of Loris, S. C., Mrs. Allie Hardy and Mrs. Bert Hardy, of Tabor City.

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