THE INDEPENDENT

# GETTING PLANS FOR

Elizabeth City Aldermen Bring In Expert Conting Engineer Preliminary to Proposed Municipal Projects

most civil and construcincers in the United I sewerage plants.

ship of these vital public mmendation of City Manaof Norfolk that Col. onsulted. Col. Maury is at ime directing the construc-\$6,000,000 water improvethe city of Norfolk.

my was in Elizabeth City this made it plain that he is too man to give his whole million proposition such by Elizabeth City, but to act as an advisory enographical survey. He necessary to establish He promises to submit plans and specifications for an erage disposal and water; While here Col. Maury ant of the Elizabeth City specified that the city might

A reconstrative cotton warehouse will errored in Perquimans county this summer by the Perquimans branch of the American Cotton Association. A total of \$54,000 in stock to finance the as already been sold to justify the Association to begin work on the warecase, which can only be used by memseason is proof positive that the leaders the first organization meeting the pro-Secretary S. G. Rubinow and other officonverging that there is no longer any doubt as to the building of a warehouse

# PERQUIMANS TO

Act to Build Roads in

your out with waiting for a and reads to be built under · District Highway Act, the the Perquinans county Commerce for immediate their regular meeting Monmanineously to authorize the

> ting all the commissioners. and members of the Chamtion of the sale of the

Although \$200,000 is but a small will not build very many

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\$2.00 A YEAR

## WATER AND SEWERAGE

habitey H. Maury, one of WILL CONDUCT REVIVAL ill make preliminary specifications for Elizw's proposed municipal

both City Board of Aldera determined that Elizabeth handle its own water and first step to be taken topographical survey of plans and specifications for The Board wisely deutiously about this all im-

tent, acquiring it by con-

#### PERQUIMANS TO HAVE A COTTON WAREHOUSE \* books.

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could not otherwise be made

County Branch of the American Cotton Association Will Spend \$50,000 on B g Co-operative Venture

and enough and enough bers of the organization. The fact that Papplinan will have a co-operative cotton warehouse by the next ginning of the Corron Association in that county lave here doing some real work since he formation of that body. Soon after osition of building a warehouse in which offer Association members could store their conton and other farm crops at a moninal rate was discussed, and later can of the State Association went to Perquinans to aid in the organization of the ware louise. The results of the comlened efforts of the State and Count; Association officials have been so en

Tired of Waiting For Ferebee That County

> unissioners of Perquimans ged by the good roads com-

> > was dominant, resulting in ed in this week's car load shipment.

hard surface roads, the citizens

flatter on the part of the commissioners night, April 23. Prof. Miller is easily, ward placing the county in debt, but one of the foremost thinkers and speaknow, with the support and co-operation ers of his race. the local chamber, they are determ- Contmencement exercises at the State ined to join the ranks of progressive Normal begin Friday, Apr. 16, concluding Friday, Apr. 23. counties of the state.

AT 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH



REV. J. R. JESTER

REV. J. R. JESTER is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Greenwood, S. C. and one of the more eloquent pulpiteers of the Southern Baptist Denomination. He comes to Elizabeth City this week to conduct a two week's revival at the First Baptist Church of this city. beginning Sunday, Apr. 11.

per publisher or advertising solicitor who lies about his papers cir- \* \* bank. He gets your money under \* false pretenses, by representing to place your advertising before more \* subscribers than he really has.

Fortunately the advertiser can pro- \* tect himself against the circulation \* liar by demanding a show down. \* There is a sure way of finding out for yourself the circulation of any \* newspaper in your town.

1. Ask the publisher to show his

2. Then ask the publisher to show invoices covering his purchases of \* newsprint paper.

3. Then ask the publisher to \* show his post office receipts. The \* postmaster each week, showing the \* amount of paper he has mailed and \* the postage paid thereon.

Some newspaper publishers will \* not show you these things. The pub- \* age as the milkman who charges \* skimmed milk instead.

THE INDEPENDENT will show \* vou anything you want to know \* to do about it. about its circulation. We keep a \* weekly record.

### HOUSEWIVES TO HOLD

afternoon, Apr. 9, in the Rest Rooms has been incurred which has injured the matter of unusual importance to parents have refused to extend further credit. and to the community generally will be discussed at this meeting and a full attendance is expected.

### A REMARKABLE STATEMENT

published by an insurance company is can be rented it will be impossible to City Chamber of Commerce to be held that of the Metropolitan Life published take care of all the children of school in the Masonic Hall this evening proelsewhere in this newspaper this week. This company has more than five bil- of funds to employ competent teachers. lent social event of this or any other gained more insurance in 1919 than any board to ask for a bond issue to secure smacks of more good things than were spiritual and folk song selections Miss other company wrote. It paid more than funds to erect another building, this ever before assembled at one commun-73 millions to policy holders last year, but in taking the preliminary steps ity gathering. But the most interesting fact in its for an election it was found that an act. The guests and speakers at to-nights statement is a reduction in general mor- of the legislature would be necessary dinner will be Rev. C. A. Ashby, pastality of 17.9, due largely to the health before an election could be held, so this tor of the Church of the Good Shephygiene and educational work of the delays the building project another year. herd of Raleigh, N. C., and formerly company itself.

#### A CAR LOAD OF FARM LIGHTING PLANTS HERE

A solid car load of Lalley Farm lightto the amount of \$300,000 ing plants received by the Farm Light Motor Co., of Elizabeth City, this week indicates the interest in farm lighting in these northeastern North Carolina counties. It will only be a matter of a few years when every farmer will have his own electric light and power on his farm. erce, and representative cit. The Farm Light & Motor Co. already present, and the spirit of has orders for most of the plants receiv-

#### PROF. KELLY MILLER TO SPEAK AT STATE NORMAL

Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard Univeroverwhelmed with delight that a sity, Washington, D. C. will make the commencement address at the colored In the past there has been some hes- state normal school of this city, Friday



THREE CANDIDATES THE R PLATFORMS

UNIVERSAL DISARMAMENT EDUCATIO

### WHAT'S WRONG WITH SCHOOLS? First Prainage District on North Caro-

publisher gets a receipt from the \* State Expert To Help Reach Solution of Grave Problem In City School

lisher who will not show you may \* Education of the State University will and gave delegates and visitors a look at safely be called a circulation liar \* be in Elizabeth City next Monday and the tremendous drainage developments and is as unworthy of your patron- \* Tuesday to make a survey of the city's public schools, and on Monday night at you for pure milk and sells you \* the court house he will make a public address in which he will make known what's wrong with the schools and what

> This is a most important meeting and every one interested in putting our schools abreast of the best schools in the State should attend and hear what Dr. Williams has to say.

Our schools have reached a crisis in IMPORTANT MEETING their history. There has always been an insufficient amount of money to run There will be a special called meeting the schools as they should have been of the Housewives League this, Friday run, and in consequence, a large debt of the Hinton Bldg, at 3:30 p. m. A schools credit with the banks, and they

The attendance at the schools has increased to such an extent that the Annual Banquet of Chamber of schools have been overrun with students and the capacity of the buildings has been exhausted. A normal increase of attendance next year will be about 150 Probably the greatest statement ever new students, and unless some buildings

> colored schools. schools and 12 in the colored.

#### YOUNG EYESIGHT IN OLD AGE

You can't grow younger; but vou can enjoy good sight to a ripe old age, if you change your glasses as the advancing years demand.

My eyeglass service is based on · long experience, modern equipment and progressive methods in optometry.

This entitles me to your serious consideration, if your eyes need glasses.

DR. J. D. HATHAWAY Phone 999 :: Eliz. City, N. C

### TO MEET HERE NEXT ALICE NIELSEN DRAINING ASSOCIATION

12 Years Ago

The next convention of the North Car- Famous Singer Will Appear in olina Drainage Association will be held at Elizabeth City, the date to be announced later. One of the most interesting conventions of this association Dr. L. A. Williams of the School of held its sessions at Washington, N. C. Miss Alice Nielsen, known for many in that section.

Carolina was formed at Moyock, N. C., Thursday evening, April 22nd. The cou-20 miles from Elizabeth City, 12 years cert has been arranged by Parsonage ago. Since that time more than 600,000 Society Circle No. 2 of the First Meacres of eastern North Carolina lands thodist Church., and is the first of a have been reclaimed by drainage. The series of similar attractions which they largest of these drainage developments will bring to this city during the coming are in the Belhaven section of Beaufort months. Tickets for the Alice Nielcounty. In the reclaimed lands of that county to-day more corn is grown than Duff's Piano Store next Monday. on all the lands of Pasquotank county.

## FEAST OF GOOD THINGS TONIGHT

Commerce Promises to be Stellar Event

The annual dinner of the Elizabeth It was the inteniton of the School season. The menu as well as program

There are now enrolled in the white paster of Christ Church of this city, schools 1,425 pupils and over 800 in the Major General W. S. McNair, Comman- April 22nd, the Parsonage Society Cir-

> ins. President Harry G. Kramer will announced later. be the toastmaster. The dinner will not be an all talkfest; there will be music to enliven things between rounds, under the director of Christ Church. The music will 14. The public is invited. Foreman and Miss Virginia Hufty, Several instrumental musical numbers will

p. m. till midnight. The committee in charge of the event is composed of J. T. McCabe, Chairman; ber of people. I shall greatly appreciate T. T. Turner, J. T. Stallings, A. R. Nicholson; Mesdames Carl Blades, Howard Kramer and Thorburn Bennett. It is estimated there will be more than 200 covers laid for the banquet

# HERE APRIL 22

a Concert Program of Unusual Charm

years as one of the finest concert singers in America, will give a concert at The first drainage district in North the Alkrama Theatre in this city on sen Concert will be placed on sale at

The Salt Lake Tribune has this to say of Miss Neilsen, who appeared in concert in the Utah city several weeks ago: "With a voice rich in tone color, registering the high notes with fidelity and beauty, and commanding a pianissimo of exquisite charm. Miss Nielsen demonstrated that the brilliancy of her art is undimmed by time, and that the poise and gracious personality on the First Quarter \_\_\_\_\_\$8,110.08 platform are as great as in bygone days. Second Quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 8,233.02 Her program, starting with the beautiful Third Quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 8,364.02 aria, Deh Vieni non Tardar, taken from Fourth Quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 9,986.05 the Nozze di Fiagaro of Mozart, included twenty songs and encores which touched all the varied wells of human emotion. The shimmering beauty of First Quarter \_\_\_\_\_\$9,254.75 age, and at that, there will be a shortage mises to be the biggest and most excelly emotional offerings, and in her negro Fourth Quarter \_\_\_\_\_ 8,894.60 deep insight into the real feelings back JOHN HOLLOWELL BANKS of these songs was amply demonstrated by the absence of freak embellishments which the soloist in concerto often adds, and spoil the elemental beauty of them."

In addition the Neilsen concert of der of Camp Bragg, Fayetteville, N. C.; cle announces the appearance here on There are 38 teachers in the white Rev. Rob White, Jr., Chaplain of the May 21st of Miss Sue Harvard, sopra-21st. Field Artillery, U. S. A.; Rev. E. no. and Mr. Samuel Gardnes, violinist. L. Cole, pastor of Salem Baptist Church; in a joint recital of more than usual Banks was a native of Nixonton town-Hon, E. F. Aydlett and Col. I. M. Meek- merit, further details of which will be ship, this county. He was about 55 years old and is survived by his wife.

### BOX PARTY .

There will be a Box Party at Eprection of Frank R. Hufty, Musical Di- worth School Wednesday night, April

At the earnest solicitation of my many be rendered by the Alkrama Theatre friends, and at their request, I announce Orchestra. From the number of good myself a Candidate to represent Pasthings in store it would not be unreason- muotank County in the next Legislature. thodist Church, and there were no atable to expect the dinner to last from 7 subject to the Democratic Primary.

I belong to no faction, and shall strive to do what is best for the greatest numthose who support me, but for those who may not see their way clear to do so, I shall have nothing less than the warmest friendship.

Yours respectfully. C. A. COOKE. cAp9-tf.

## FEDERAL CENSUS NOT AT ALL SATISFACTORY

Elizabeth City Has Grown Like a Piece of Scandal But U. S. Census Takers Haven't Found It

### STAMP SALES DOUBLE ANYHOW

Elizabeth City Post Office Shows Hundred Per Cent Increase In 10 Years

A hundred per cent increase in declares one citizen. the business of the Elizabeth City post office in ten years is a betcity than is the Federal census.

Dr. A. Pendleton, postmaster at Elizabeth City, has given this newspaper an accurate record of stamp sales at this post office from the quarter ending Apr. 1, 1910 up to and including the quarter

ending Jan. 1, 1920. In 1910 the total sale of stamps was \$17,214.68. In 1919 the total sales were \$34,031.50. The fact that sales appeared lower in the last two quarters of 1919, than in the first two quarters of the same year, may be attributed to the restoration of two cent postage. But note the figures and see the steady and

1	persistent growth of business	month ar-
Į	ter month, year after year.	V V
Ĺ	1st qtr. \$4,276.95 1steuar	shrdlarar
I	1910	
1	First Quarter	84,276.95
1	Second Quarter	4,180.26
١	Third Quarter	3,972.67
1	Fourth Quarter	4,784.80
	Total1911	817,214.68
Ì	1911	
1	First Quarter	\$4,449,44
1	Second Quarter	4.328.24
İ	Third Quarter	3,980.21
	Fourth Quarter	5,098.74
	Total	_\$17.856.63
1	1912	+ -
	First Quarter	84,769.08
ı	Second Quarter	4.796.38
1	Third Quarter	3,465,06
		926.03
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	First Quarter	\$5,203.03
	Sécond Quarter	5.183.40
	Third Quarter	4.741.83
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First Quarter	\$5,203.03
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First Quarter	\$5,600,47
Second Quarter	5.377.02
Third Quarter	5.047.59
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Total	\$22 284.92
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First Quarter	\$5,876,56
Second Quarter	5.494.96
Third Quarter	5.300.54
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Fourth Quarter	8,518.10

John Hollowell Banks, for many years a successful retail grocer of this city. died at his home on Martin St. in this city Friday, April. 2. He had been in ill health for several years, the condi-

#### of the late Daniel St Kramer. BOSWELL-GORDON

A quiet but pretty marriage took place Wednesday afternoon at 2:15 at the home of Mrs. Mary J. Gordon on Souchoir and vocal solos by Mrs. Wesley C. A. COOKE, FOR LEGISLATURE | thern Avenue, when her daughter, Miss | he must bring his car to a full stop. This Janie Gordon, became the bride of Tho- will absolutely do away with any possi-

> J. M. Ormond, pastor of the First Me, also make those street corners safe for tendants. The bride was given away by the streets at those intersections withher brother, C. F. Gordon. She wore a out having to dodge and scamper out of traveling suit of dark blue tricotine, with the way of a continuous stream of rapaccessories to match.

The Federal census report giving Elizabeth City a population of only 8,925, or an increase of only 513 in ten years, has created a storm of protest and is ridiculed by every one who has been in a position to note the growth of this city for the past ten years. "Characteristic of the way government usually does things,"

The Census taker for Elizabeth City is Newton A. Jones, a competent, patient painstaking statician of considter index to the growth of this erable experience. Mr. Jones has two assistants, one of whom took the Second Ward, the other the Third Ward. Mr. Jones himself took the First and Fourth Wards of the city. Mr. Jones is sure he got every human being in the two wards which he worked. He thinks his assistants did as well. But the fact remains that Elizabeth City had an abundance of houses to rent even as late as 1916; Elizabeth City has had several hundred new homes built in ten years. town, there are hundreds of new families in town and Elizabeth City's crop of babies has been coming along at the average rate of more than a score a month. Dr. C. B. Williams, for many years City Health Officer and recorder of vital statistics, is of the opinion that the city's births have exceeded deaths by 1,000 in ten years. And yet Uncle Sam's census takers says our population has increased only 531 souls.

The Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants Association and the Board of Aldermen are actively at work on this census hoax and they are wrong or keep very quiet about it.

One fact has already cropped out in checking up on this Federal census; there are a thousand or more persons not included in the corporate limits of the city, living mostly in the Euclid Heights section adjoining the Fourth Ward boundaries, and on the north side of the Norfolk Southern Rail Road, adjoining the First Ward. People in both these sections are served by the city mail carriers, but are not included in the census of Elizabeth City.

#### O. D. FAILURE HURTS **ELIZABETH CITY TOO**

Discontinuance of Steamers Between Norfolk and New York Will Embarrass Many Shippers

The Old Dominion Steamship Co., for years the principal carrier of fish and truck from Norfolk, Va. to New York City, has been sold out and the service practically abandoned. The announcement to this effect is as deeply regretted by Elizabeth City and section, as by the city of Norfolk · itself. It was via Old Dominion steamers that most of our fish, potatoes and other produce -moved to the New York markets, usually, enabling local shippers to put their goods on the New York market a day earlier than by rail freight.

President H. B. Walker of the Old Dominion line met with the Chamber of Commerce of Norfolk Monday of this week and admitted to that body that his company was "down and out," having operated at a loss for many months, its surplus wiped out. "There is nothing for us to do but to dissolve," declared President Walker. The Norfolkians appointed a committee to see what could be done toward relieving the serious situation which confronts the trucking growers of that section, since the Old Dominion will no longer serve those impor-

# **AUTOS TO STOP**

\$34.031.50 No More Collissions at Three Dangerous Main St. Intersections

> Acting upon a suggestion recently subnifted exclusively by this newspaper, the Board of Aldermen of Elizabeth City have taken a step which will go a long way toward the elimination of automobile accidents at three of the most dangerous corners in Elizabeth City.

Effective Monday April 15, all automobiles must come to a full stop at the who was Miss Annie Kramer, a daughter intersections of Main, and Poindexter streets, Main and Road streets and Church and Road streets. The intersections of these streets will be marked with bands of white and big letters "STOP" will remind the automobilist approaching any of these corners that mas J. Boswell formerly of Edentor bility of a serious collission at any of The ceremony was performed by Rev. these corners. This stop system will

idly moving motor cars. Mr. and Mrs. Boswell left on the three | If the system works advantageously o'clock train for a wedding tour to at these three corners, it will be applied Washington and Baltimore. On their to several other more or less dangerous return they will make their home in street intersections. Ten dollars will be the fine for violating the new law.