HE VOICES THE

SENTIMENTS OF MANY

Sincerely yours.

League" What To Tell

Mothers of Girls

of Friday, March 10. The

drew up the following resolution:

Carolina term beginning March 20th.

1999 have a letter signed by the Wo-

"We therefore now resolve that if

the Women's Law and Order League

or the Grand Jury of any future term

of Superior Court of this county; that

there will be a thorough investigation

ditions as pointed out by your letter.

Be it further resolved that your or-

ganization take steps and request the

mothers to see that their daughters are

attired in a more modest manner so

"We wish to make our city a better

eration of any organization with this

A SUPPLEMENTARY PRIZE.

The McAdams' Evangelistic Party of-

fers a prize of a family bible to the

"By T. S. MANN.

Foreman.

Elizabeth City, N. C.

March 17, 1922.

THE INDEPENDENT WILL HAVE HOME OF ITS OWN

Contract Let For New Building To House Offices and Shop of This Newspaper and Its Printery

THE INDEPENDENT is to * * * * * * * * * * have a home of its own, contract " having been awarded L. B. Per- a ev of Elizabeth City for the con- * struction of an office and shop for this newspaper. The building will be of brick construction, of My dear Mr. Saunders:-* I have just read your entered a City" and want * o cost approximately \$5,000,

The building will be located a to thank you for it. It is timely Matthews St. between the * and true. The "dissipation" to * residence of A. B. Houtz and which you call attention will cerhe property owned by the or- " intellectual and moral life of our ler of Red Men. The lot has a " citizenship - upon the rising even " rontage of 50 feet on Matthews eration. st, and a depth of 100 feet. It . I congratulate you upon your as a nearly unobstructed view * clear vision and courageous voice Main St. looking toward the sof warning. ounty Court House and U. S. . O. Building, convenient to * * he postoffice, easily accessible the downtown public and in a GRAND JURY RAP sition to be readily spotted by isitors and sightseers.

The building will be 32 feet MMODE ide, inside measurement, by 91 get depth. It will set back five Tells "Woman's Law and Order eet from the sidewalk and will ave a six foot loggia in front. dorned by three arches openig on a brick or tile floor or avenient. The front elevation look after their Flapper daugh-Ill have none of the architec- ters and see that they are more eral marks of a commercial modestly dressed, aforesaid milding, but might be taken for Flappers will not be subjected to public library, club or a studio, rude remarks from the cake-The building will have seven- eaters and other idlers who aseen inch walls on a 28-inch semble on street corners to oting. The floor will be of ce- watch the afternoon parades of eent, floored with wood except silk hosiery. Such is the rehere exposed on a floor level markable advice from the Grand for machinery. There will be Jury in the Superior Court in session in Elizabeth City this n the front of the building, week, tho the jurors didn't use walled off from the work room exactly the language of the main part of the building in newspaper man.

with light from fifteen or more Law and Order League U. S. A. A com- tain counties. another departure from the break up prostitution, gambling, boot- so. cheap, unsightly roofs so much commen in this as in other cities, the yonder in 1850; seventy years later used in the construction of small communication specifically mentioned they were only 3,428 fewer. Which

Frank R. . Hufty, who was an corner loafers. who is as industrious and ambi- its best to identify this Law & Order from 37 per cent in 1850 to 10.4 per League and get some member of it be- cent in 1920. ing as he is in staging an opera, fenders of the law for unspecified of-FENDENT'S building and is Order League, the grand jury with mainly a problem of rural adults in the putting his best into it. Mr. some show of disgust and impatience South. Less than one-twentieth of i Huity says he purposes to show To the Woman's Law and Order In general the Albemarle counties just how much beauty, comfort League. and utility can be realized in "We the Grand Jury of the Superior these times with a modest build- Court of Pasquotank County, North

Starting in a single upstairs men's Law and Order League of U. S. office room fourteen years ago. A. This letter being of an anonymous THE INDEPENDENT has nev- nature, we have exhausted all means of our wits to ascertain who this league er had enough room to accom- or order consists of and what the momodate its growth. In a narrow tive or evidence can be to prompt the tore room about 20 by 70 feet writing of such a letter, to no avail. t has worked for more than 12 years, since it got out of its of U. S. A. will have one or more of riginal upstairs office room. their representatives appear before this

The new building will not only prode more space for the paper's presal improvements to the present plant. iew automatic job press has already to ordered to add to the job printing ipment and negotiations are now bemade for a new, larger and more in newspaper press to replace the on which the paper is now as not to invite the insulting remarks ed. In its new home THE INDE- from the young men of our city as ENDENT will have every facility and charged. the room for the production of a weekly or daily newspaper should place in which to live and the co-op-

be acquire its new building and oth- end in view is earnestly requested. provements this newspaper goes with into debt again, staking much on h in Elizabeth City and Northm North Carolina and upon its bility to serve the publicity and a needs of this city and section - never been a time when THE El ENDENT wasn't in debt, havone in debt successively for presste-setting machinery, other-equipcontract for the new building day. This newspaper supplements the winning couple.



One of the duties of the modern school teacher is not only to teach the young how to read, write and figure, but to teach them how to live. Children are taught to be tidy, to have a care to their personal appearance, to keep hands clean, faces shining and teeth brushed twice daily. Every morning the thoughtful teacher tells her little charges to show their hands. Up go their hands instantly, without hesitation, because the little folks keep them clean under teacher's supervision. The picture is from a Saunders snapshot photo made on the school

TOO MANY ILLITERATE WHITE WOMEN HERE

Census of 1920 Exposes the Illiteracy of Adult White Women in North Carolina.

among white women is 9.3 pe ent which compares with the state' verage of 10.4 per cent. We are, it better than the state average, but woefully behind the national average of 28 per cent of white illiterate female 21 years old and over. Here are the If Elizabeth City mothers will agures for several Northeastern coun antributors to the University of North

Cuttoning News					
County.	Per	C:	Illit.	No.	Hiit
Chownn 7.3		92			
Beaufort 8.0			317-1		
Gates S.0			100		
Hertford 8,0			131		
Currituek 8.3			0.4		
Washington 8.6			117		
Canaden		9.5		- 10	1.1
Pasquotank		9.3		2	12
Perquimans		10.3		13	10
Carteret		10.4		3.	11
Hyde		10.5		1:	33
Tyrrell)1
Dare		16.7		15	56

New Hanover County, of which Wilmington is the county sent, leads the state with only 3.1 per cent illiterate The grand jury's indictment of im- white females, while Wilkes, far up in The work room, 32 feet wide modest dress is mentioned incidentally the mountains, is at the foot of the 73 feet deep will be flooded in a reply to a communication from list with 25.3 per cent illiteracy. The something calling itself the Woman's greatest illiteracy is found in the moun-

steel sash windows glazed with munication from this mysterious league. In round numbers there are 44,000 double strength glass. Nepon- was published in this newspaper, issue illiterate native-borne white women in set slate composition shingles munication was sent to the grand jury, census. If assembled they would fill have been specified for the roof, insisting that the jury do something to a city the size of Charlotte, or nearly

legging and other immoral practices. They numbered 47,327 away back rude remarks being addressed to young means that illiteracy, like landlessness, ludies on the streets of the town, by poverty, and feeble-mindedness, is a self-perpetuating social ill. The actual engineer and architect before he The grand jury, of which Tom Skin- numbers are little changed from year became a musical director, and ner Mann of this city is foreman, tried to year, although the ratios dwindle;

in designing and supervis- fore the jury. Grand juries can't bring More than nine-tenths of the white ing the construction of a build-bills of indictments against unknown of-illiteracy of North Carolina is in the country regions, and almost exactly fenses against the law. Being unable four-fifths of it is adult illiteracy. Ilthe architect for THE INDE- to get a line on the Woman's Law & literacy of all ages, races, and sexes is

is in our towns and cities. make the best showing, the mid-state counties the next best showing, and the worst showing of all is made by the tous Tidewater, and the mountain counies. New Hanover with its countyvide school system stands out as a brilliant exception, both in 1910 and in the average of native adult white female illiteracy in the country-at-large -3.1 per cent in New Hanover against 2.8 per cent in the United States.

FREIGHT TRAIN ENTERS DEPOT FOR ITS ORDERS

Norfolk Southern southbound freight No. 81, with engine No. 225, in charge pare for many contemplated additions of any charges made and all means in of Conductor Bernard; Ferret, enginour power will be used to better coneer; Howell, fireman, and White, flagman, backed into the N. S. depot at Edenton, about 5 o'clock Tuesday morn ing, practically demolishing the baggage oom and starting into the lunch room.

Engineer Ferrat thought he was on the main line but instead was on the side line leading directly to the side of the depot. The box cars struck the depot, which is of concrete and wood construction, with such a force that the bumper on one was completely wrecked. The cars were backed up on the pavement going thru the concrete of the outer wall into the baggage room, pushing the ice box out of its way, breaking down the chimney and bulging the partition between the baggage room and

No one was hurt. Dick Ferriboult, the colored porter, had just left the baggage room or he would have probmarried couple who will bring the larg- ably been killed. Altho the damage est number of children of their own to has not been estimated, a new roof, and the lot on which it will build, the tent on Parsonage St. next Sun- new walls and new chairs are needed. One man said that we are living in or its completion not later than offer by offering one of Mrs. Margaret a fast age new for a freight train to 1. 1922. Construction will begin Sanger's books on birth control to the greento the station to get its own or-

the lunch room an arch.

Municipal Ownership Committee Functioning Amicably Again

ommittee and bring about the resig ation of Mayor Goodwin himself.

we similar committees from the Chamer of Commerce and Retail Merchants over all the facts and submit a recommendation to the Board of Aldernet. The Aldermen were to be relieved of all the work of listening to experts and getting figures and the Aldermen were to finally pass upon their work. But last week some of the Aldermen listen in and hear everything that was going on. At this point Mayor Goodmonious now and all the Aldermen can ing upon Col Dabney Maury, water and ewerage expert who once before made survey of the public utilities properties here. Col. Maury is expected here any day now. Upon his suggestions and report the committee may recommend some definite action. Several members of the committee are inclined to favor the suggestion thrown out by this newspaper last week; to proceed with the building of an electric light and power plant and thereby force the Crooke companies into a respectful attitude toward the city's offer to buy the water and sewerage plants.

NO ONE SEEMS TO WANT THIS \$4 PER DIEM HONOR

No Candidate For the General Assembly Has Announced Himself in Pasquotank

No one seems to be begging for the nonor of representing Pasquotank County in the next session of the N. C. General Assembly. With the June Primary only ten weeks off, no candidate has yet announced himself or her-1020, but even New Hanover overtops self for this office. F. F. Cohoon is feeling around with a view to announce ing himself a candidate and James Hollowell has been suggested by some of his friends. C. A. Cooke, who represented the county last time says doesn't want it any more. The office pays a salary of four dollars a day. which is a dollar a day less than a at the state capital.

W. O. Saunders, who represented the county in 1919 says he doesn't want the office again

AND NOW FOR ANOTHER RETAIL GROCERY STORE

D. R. Morgan & Sons have leased the stand corner of Main and Road Sts., opposite the Southern Hotel and will open a retail grocery there within the next 30 days. The stand is owned by Dr. L. S. Blades, and is now occupied by the Studebaker automobile agency. It was formerly occupied as a grocery and is considered one of the best grocery locations in the city. It is also reported that the Morgans have acquired a new interest in the downtown retail grocery of Ira B. Parker & Co. With the wholesale store of D. R. Morgan & Co. behind them, the Morgan retail stores promise to make lively competition when they get going.

Stout Men don't have to worry any have them here for you in sizes up to

D. WALTER HARRIS.



EDGAR A. TOWE

put in a smile with every scoop of suand gets that store going before it is finally turned over to a resident man- struction work? He is now in charge of the Pender store at Elizabeth City but expects to be called off any day to start the Elizabeth City store and making a native of Chapanoke, Perquimant

GOVERNOR MORRISON TO SEE THE SHAD CAUGHT

Executiive and Fisheries Commissioners to Make Trip Over Fishing Grounds Next Week

Edenton Monday afternoon, March 27, ry Road to make it stand up under Island till they got there. The three going on inside the committee meet- at 3 o'clock p. m., at which all members traffic for a period of several weeks, ings and all the Aldermen wanted to of the Commission are expected to be And so that is the problem confrontings and all the Aldermen wanted to of the Commission are expected to be present. Governor Cameron Merrison will join the Commission at Edenton its engineers. Engineers are trying Church Island project and would see win's patience was nearly exhausted and the Governor and the Commissionand he threatened to resign rather than ers will make a trip over the upper be eternally in a row. But something North Carolina Sounds studying shad happened and Mayor Goodwin will not fishing operations and the industry genresign. Everything seems to be har- erally. The party will touch at Manteo would have to wait for the traffic from He left McDonald and Wilson in jail, and possibly other points, concluding the other end to move over. attend the committee meetings if they the trip at Morehead City or Beaufort | The construction of a new bridge

Poplar Branch, N. C., and W. O. Saunders, Elizabeth City. Fisheries Com- City. That is the problem. missioner John A. Nelson himself will convey the party over the Sounds on the Fisheries Commission yacht Atlan- ELIZABETH CITY GIRLS

CLEAN UP, PAINT UP AND DRESS UP AT SAME TIME

Elizabeth City Will Merge Two Celebrations in One During Week of April 2 to 8

home and dress up your surroundings" is the slogan for Dress-Up Week to be observed in Elizabeth City from April 4 to April 8. Elizabeth City merchants have bestirred themselves during the past week and are still bestirring themselves to make the biggest The writer of this newspaper had to possible showing of new spring mer- wait his turn in a Main Street barber chandise in their respective stores dur- shop the other day with three young Monday night Jones talked freely of ing the advertised week. Dress-Up Week will not be a week of special sales, but a week of unusual merchandisc displays at reasonable prices to able for keeping their hair trimmed and Pugh for their attorney, telling them make everybody's thoughts turn to new properly shampooed and the younger that Pugh stood in with the Judge and appareling, new home furnishings, decorations and the like. National Clean-Up and Paint-Up Week, April 2 to Apself respecting man wants to live on ril 8, ties right in with Dress-Up Week and Elizabeth City is going to paint up and clean up, as well as dress up. Full particulars of what promises to be one of the biggest events staged in Elizabeth City will be published in this newspaper next week. Don't miss next

SURFMEN'S MUTUAL TO MEET HERE IN APRIL

Annual Convention of Men From U. S. Coast Guard Convenes April 18

The Surfmen's Mutual Benefit Association, the fraternal and benevolent as sociation of U. S. Coast Guard, will hold its annual convention in Elizabeth City on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 18 and 19, 1922. Elizabeth City wifl provide entertainment for the visitors as is its custom, but there will not be such an elaborate program this year as last. The Coast Guard will dispense with their customary program of water more about getting a suit to fit. We sports and life-saving demonstrations DR. J. D. HATHAWAY and devote themselves more to the bus iness and social features of their con-

They Show Them Because They're Clean EVERY GROCER SHOULD NORFOLK CAPITALISTS **BACKED THIS BIG STILL**

So Say Men Caught with Prize Outfits on Churches Island, but Commissioner Wilson Lets Man Who Knows Go Under a \$300 Bond

STATE FACING A

Ferry Road Without Bottling Us Up?

out of Elizabeth City while up in this profitable game. THEY call him "Smiley." The smile engineers who have been work- state. It was a pretentious outfit built revealed in the picture wasn't just ing on the problem for several liver a daily output of a hundred wears it in and out of business hours months have reached no definite gallons of pure whiskey. The still was and takes it to hed with him nights. solution of the problem yet. Will being installed and was not ready for And that smile ought to make him a fortune in the grocery business, because Elizabeth City be bottled up for were found in the house with the disfortune in the grocery business, because people who patronize a grocery store a period of several months this tillery. They were Walter Jones, a expect the man behind the counter to summer while the only desirable man about 38 years old; Chas, McDonroad connecting this city with ald, 28 years old, and Wm. Wilson, 32 gar and every bar of soan. Edgar lowe is a store manager for the Pend- the lower and more populous arrested and brought to Elizabeth City er Stores. Wherever D. Pender drops sections of Camden and Curri- to stand trial at the April term of Feda new chain store, Edgar Towe goes in tuck counties is blocked by con- eral Court. At the preliminary hear-

a new Pender Store in another town. dation for the road that now exists and There is no evidence that Jones was In meantime that smile is illuminating it is utterly impracticable to build a either a moonshiner or a bootlegger. new road alongside the existing road. He claimed to have been a navy yard friends for Pender's. Edgar Towe is leaving the old road for the use of traf- mechanic and he was on Church Island County, is 22 years old, single and sustant The state must build on the present parties. McDonald and Wilson were ceptible. Photo by Zoeller.

The state must build on the present parties. McDonald and Wilson were road bed. Even this roadbed is not young men he claimed to have brought

going? It can't turn off the road into job. Jones says he took the job bea fathomless marsh. There is the old cause he had been out of work for impassable and considerable eries Commission Board will be held at would have to be put on the Lamb Fer- they were supposed to do on Church

to work out a plan by which one side of the new road may be built at a time, leaving a single track road on one side. Traffic on one end of the road

Elizabeth City presents no such prob-The members of the Commission are lem. The new bridge can be built to leave them here to turn state's evi-J. K. Dixon, Trenton, N. C.; S. P. Han- alongside the present bridge, leaving dence. McDonald says he will tell evcock, Beaufort, N. C.; E. H. Freeman, the old bridge in use until the new erything he knows if the parties who Wilmington, N. C.: Dr. J. C. Baum, bridge is completed. But how to build

TAKE TO BARBER SHOPS

Misses Get "Bobbed" and Shampooed.

Just when the increasing popularity barber wonder whether his customers cluding the Argonne, the Verdun Sector are about to desert him and drive him and Toul Sector. After the war he "Dress up yourself, dress up your to find some other vocation or line of was with the Army of Occupation from employment, the barber begins to find Nov. 18, 1918 to April 16, 1919. He profit from a totally unexpected direc- personal bravery in action. tion. Women are beginning to patronize Elizabeth City barber shops now Donald claims to have been a volunthat boxed hair has come into style. teer, but never went overseas. women in the chairs ahead of him. The himself and of his arrest. He says set are not at all bashful about going could get them off. to a regular barber. The older girls and women will follow their example in that Pugh stood in with the Judge and time and it is not at all improbable that could get him off. Jones said the officer we will see quite as many girls and women as boys and men in the barber Babb, whose headquarters are at Elizashops of the future. You're next!

CHEAP LENSES

There are no bargain days nor substitutes for good eye glasses. Cheaper materials can be substituted for almost anything except a correctly fitted lense. "Cheap" lenses oftentimes cause trouble of a more serious nature than the defects they are supposed to correct. Only people who have been trained to recognize defects of vision and to know how to make a proper correction are capable of advising on such an important subject as lenses. Avoid trouble by consulting reliable professional people and taking their advice.

Optometrist

The release of Walter Jones under a \$300 cash bond by order of U. S. Commissioner Tully B. KNOTTY PUZZIE Wilson of this city may have lost an opportunity to the Federal authorities to uncover one How To Hard Surface Camden of the most formidable moonshining and bootlegging operations ever attempted in Northeastern North Carolina and bring How to handle traffic ir and to book some of the men higher

building the Camden Ferry Road and, Currituck County, last week revis a problem confronting the enue officers captured one of the most State Highway Commission and elaborate out fits ever found in this ing last week their bonds were fixed at \$500 each.

Nearly two miles of this road is thru But Commissioner Wilson reduced warsh and swamp. It has taken nearly Jones' bond to \$300 this week; Jones a quarter of a century to get the foun- forked over the cash and left town. fie while the new road is being built. to install the big distillery for Norfolk sufficient and much of it will have to be to the island with him as helpers. The piled heavily before the hard surface three of them landed on the island one night and were under arrest the next But while the state is building on afternoon before they had gotten a lay the present roadbed, where is traffic of the land or done very much on the

Lamb Ferry Road two miles farther up weeks and had to do something. Mcthe river, but that road is at present Donald and Wilson tell the same tale, work only adding that they didn't know what ing the State Highway Commission and them out of their dilemma or they would know the reason why. And sure enough, Jones received \$300 from some source Tuesday morning and left town. a sore pair. But they will get out too at | if there is anything to the story, because the men higher up are not going

got him into the mess don't get him that road without bottling up Elizabeth out. But it is evident that the man who knew most was the first one out. Ex-Service Men.

Both McDonald and Wilson are exservice men. McDonald is a clean cut, sober, healthy young man of pleasing address and some education. He has Mere Man Must Wait For Shave While a wife and two children. He relates an enviable war record. He says he volunteered in August 1917 and went over seas three weeks after his enlistment, with the 94th Aerial Squadron. of the safety razor begins to make the He says he served on five fronts, ina new line of customers and source of says he has two medals to show for his

Wilson, four years older than Mc-

Tell One on Pugh. In his cell in the county jail here

hobbed hair girls have discovered that that the revenue officers treated them the male barber is the best hand avail- fine and advised them to employ C. R. Asked what revenue officer told him

who told him that was Deputy T. C. beth City. Mr. Babb denies emphatically that he told Jones any such thing,

It would be interesting to know whether Mr. Pugh has an arrangement with Revenue Officers to pimp or tout for his law business? Mr. Pugh is himself a Federal employe in the department of the U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue, but no one in Elizabeth City -unless it is Mr. Babb-ever heard of C. R. Pugh standing in with Judge Henry G. Connor or being in a position to influence Federal Court decisions by reason of the Federal job he holds. Anyway, Mr. Pugh didn't get a retainer in the case of Jones. Pugh was out of town when the men were landed in jail here and they got another lawyer, W. L. Cohoon in fact.

LITTLE BOY DIES

Kitt Mullen, age 6 years and 7 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mullen Wilson, of Weeksville, this county, died Friday morning, Mar. 17. The child had been ill with pneumonia and spinal meningitis. The funeral was at the home last Saturday and interment Bradford Bldg. Elizabeth City, N. C. in Hollywood Cemetery.