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IN TWO SECTIONS  
THIS WEEK

YESTERDAY  
TO-DAY  
AND  
TO-MORROW  
By "W. O."

## JESUS CHRIST PAYS HIS FIRST VISIT TO AMERICA

### The Roman Catholic Church Says So And Fed His Body and Blood To A Million of Its Followers in Chicago

By W. O. SAUNDERS

"What is the meaning of this Eucharistic Congress?" in Chicago, queries a reader of this newspaper who can't seem to figure it all out from the daily newspaper accounts of the biggest, costliest, most dazzling and most impressive piece of pageantry ever staged in the United States.

Let Cardinal Mundelein, who explained it to the worshipful Catholic hosts in Chicago Sunday, explain it here in his own words. He said:

"When a powerful King of old came into his dominions, the heads of all the States and the chiefs of the tribes that owed him allegiance would gather to greet him, would come with many retainers and precious gifts to give testimony of their loyalty and allegiance. Today Christ, the King of the world, clothed in the white garb of the Eucharistic species pays his first ceremonial visit, makes his first triumphant entry into a city of the United States. Until now He has been imprisoned in our tabernacles, kept on our altars, closed in our churches, but now we bring Him forth, do Him royal honors, bear Him in triumph amidst the multitudes, proclaim publicly our loyalty, profess our faith, pour forth our adoration, present our petitions, offer our love.

"And as the youngest daughter of the great Catholic family, with all the enthusiasm and energy of youth we proposed to make this our feast day a memorial one; we have planned and labored without ceasing for many weeks; we have sent forth the call to the children of Holy Church the world over, we have asked them to come and with us honor the Son of God as He has never been honored before in this new land of ours. And behold they have answered our call, and from every land under the sun they have come, the Prince, the prelate, the priest and the humble pilgrim."

History of the Eucharist

The Eucharist is one of the ancient names given the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Jesus said: "I am the living bread which cometh down out of heaven, that a man may eat thereof and not die. (John vi 51.) When asked "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus answered: "Amen, Amen, I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, ye have not life in yourselves. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood abideth in me and I in him."

The Eucharist or eating of the bread and wine was practiced early in the life of the Christian Church. St. Paul insisted upon the celebration of the Eucharist but had a lot of trouble with his followers who would rush into the church and guzzle up all the wine and eat all the bread before the crowd got there, turning it into a drunken revelry. He had to direct that when the faithful met to observe the sacrament they should all wait for one another; if any were too hungry to wait they should eat at home.

Not New To The Pagans

The Roman Catholic Church came upon the world's stage at a time when the temporal powers of the white man's world were on the wane. The Catholic Church came into a pagan world accustomed to religions of dazzling splendor and impressive symbolism. The feast of Bacchus, the god of the vineyards had been celebrated for ages in great festivals in which the celebrants drank of the wine, symbolical of the blood of Bacchus. The feast of Ceres, goddess of grain, to whom the farmers owed their prosperity, was likewise made the occasion of a great holiday on which occasion the celebrants ate of the broken bread symbolical of the beautiful body of their goddess.

Eating the bread and drinking the wine; eating the body and drinking the blood of gods wasn't a new idea to the pagan world. The Catholic church, picking up the words of Jesus, gave the eating of the bread and the drinking of the wine a new meaning. Instead of fabulous festivals in which ever-

## Honeymooning This Week Also



MRS. WYATT R. AYDLETT  
THEIR marriage took place Wednesday. Before her marriage, she was Miss Phoebe White, sister of Miss Lula White of this city and a teacher in the Weaverville High School. She is a graduate of East Carolina Teachers College, of Greenville. Mr. Aydlett is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, and holds a responsible position with the First & Citizens National Bank. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Aydlett, formerly of this city, but now of Valdosta, Ga.

## ACTION BEGUN OVER ALLEGED HOSPITAL RENT

### Dr. Saliba, Owner, Seeks \$6,000 of Catholic Sisters Who Operated Hospital

Rumblings of what constitute the biggest shake-up in the changing career of the Elizabeth City hospital, began Wednesday of this week when the owner, Dr. John Saliba, swore out a warrant of attachment against property of Mother M. Agnes, and others of the Sisters of Humility of Mary, charging them with attempting to remove their property from this state with intent to defraud him.

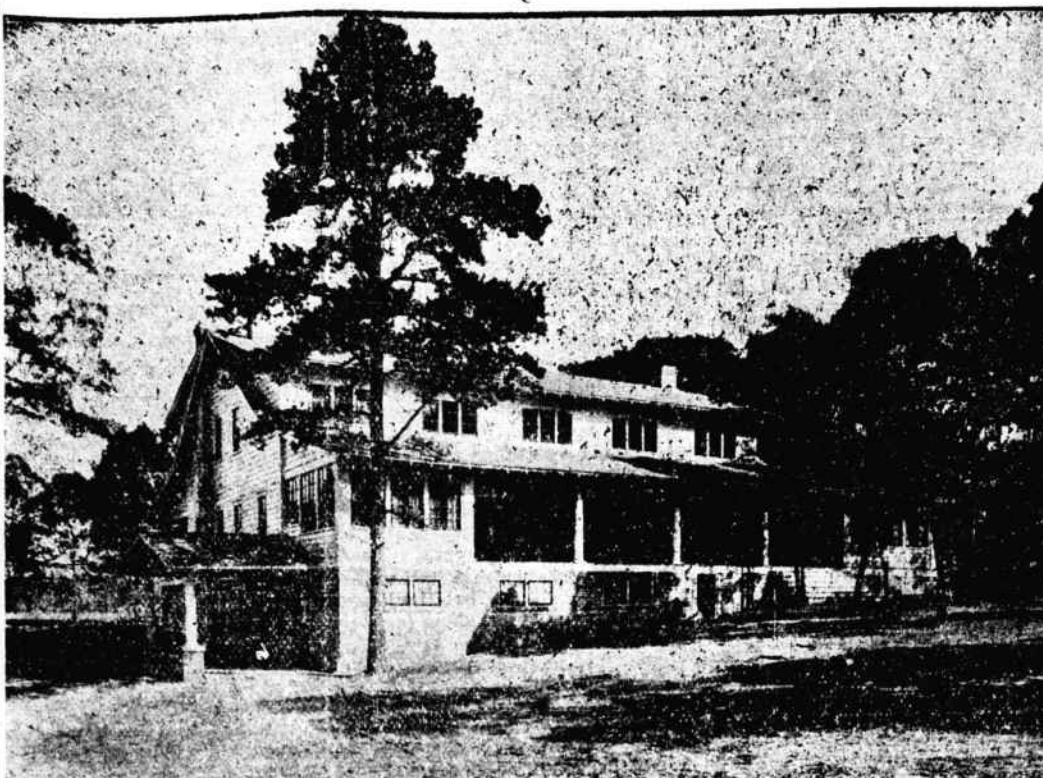
Dr. Saliba further alleges that the defendants owe him \$6,000 interest in the hospital. Mother Agnes insists on the other hand that she and the Sisters have put back for more into the hospital than they have attempted to take out. The Sisters have the sympathy and good will of the community and have the most powerful organization in the world back of them. It is an unique situation that Elizabeth City will stand on tiptoes to watch.

Calvin B. Morrisette, of the Apothecary Shop, signed with Dr. John Saliba as bondsman, the action being brought against "Mother M. Agnes, the Sisters of Humility of Mary, Sister Rita, and Sister Mary Joseph." The warrant was sworn out by Dr. Saliba, when the furniture was turned over to a Norfolk concern, and it was being taken out of the state. The truckload of furniture was retained by Sheriff Carmine on the Newland road Wednesday. Warrants have been served on the sisters by the Sheriff, and the sisters, in tears, hired a lawyer, to defend them. Ebringhaus & Hall will represent the defendants, while McMullen & LeRoy, represent the plaintiff.

Dr. Saliba's action created a furore in Elizabeth City yesterday, hundreds immediately taking sides with the Sisters without anybody knowing the exact facts.

"I regret the necessity for the action," declares Dr. Saliba. "I have nothing to say against the Sisters; they are the victims of an organization that compelled them, first, to break their contract with me, throwing up a lease that expired not until June 1927. Then they seek to defraud the hospital by removing from it my own property to which they have no legal right. I had to protect my rights and the community

## A Social Center for Five Counties



THE beautiful home of the Elizabeth City Country Club, faces the Pasquotank River, five miles from Elizabeth City, and is the social home of a membership residing in five counties of northeastern North Carolina. Its spacious ball room, sun parlor and porches, make it a delightful place the year round. In this, and future issues of this newspaper, will be found much of interest about this outstanding Elizabeth City attraction. Photo by Zoeller.

## WHITE WAY FOR PLANS PROCEED ELIZABETH CITY FOR POTATODAY

### May Transform Main St. Into Dazzling Thoroughfare From River to Railroad

Elizabeth City's Main Street may be transformed into a white way from Pasquotank River to the Norfolk Southern railroad, a distance of over a mile, if the Utilities Commission vote favorably on the adoption of a plan that has been submitted them. The improvements cost in the neighborhood of \$22,000.

The Utilities Commission, have secured estimates from several contractors on the cost of installing an elaborate lighting system, to be erected on pedestals. Because of its beautiful trees, Main street could not be lighted by arches, and pedestals, as were used on lower Main street some years ago would be adopted.

Current for the lighting of Main street would be furnished by the Utilities Commission. A street so brilliantly lighted, would then be a great attraction for Elizabeth City, lighting for more than a mile, what is a part of the state highway system, which on one end is among the finest residential streets of the town, and on the other, the city's principal business thoroughfare.

Eye strain causes wasted nerve energy. Let us look after your eyes. Dr. Hathaway, Hinton Bldg. adv.

### Much Rejoicing Over Better Potato Prices; To Celebrate July 5

The changing fortunes of the Irish Potato, northeastern North Carolina's greatest truck crop has spread joy thruout the town and countryside, and while farmers this week are up to their eyes in the height of the movement, the Elizabeth City merchants are getting deep into plans for Potato Day, to be celebrated here Monday, July 5.

Irish Potatoes jumped to better prices last Saturday, and have maintained steady for a week, sales being quoted at \$7.50 in New York Thursday for U. S. No. 1, standard barrels. The great gain in prices is attributed largely to machine grading and careful packing.

The potato movement is at its height, with produce men and growers working night and day, and all available labor employed to ship something like 100 carloads a day from this city. Twelve thousand to 20 thousand barrels of potatoes a day from Elizabeth City section, brings the farmers \$50,000 to \$75,000 a day, which means much to local trade channels.

Because you can see well, it's no reason your headaches are not caused by your eyes. See Dr. Hathaway, Hinton Bldg. adv.

## Youngest Hotel Operator



J. HAYWOOD DUKE  
HERE then is perhaps the youngest hotel lessee and manager in North Carolina. Haywood Duke is 22 years old. He has leased the new Hotel Garrett at Ahoskie, N. C., which will be opened in a few days. The Garrett is a new 64 room hotel that will eclipse anything in this part of the State until Elizabeth City's own Virginia Dare Hotel is built. Its builder, J. R. Garrett is a wealthy Hertford county banker, merchant and planter. He wanted to do something big and notable for his town, so he built a hotel—a big, roomy, modern hotel with electric elevator service, high grade plumbing, modern kitchen, equipment, beautiful furniture and all the rest of it. And then he had to have a lessee to operate it. It is a splendid testimonial to the State wide fame of this Elizabeth City boy as a hotel manager that the owner of the Garrett Hotel gave him the lease. Young Mr. Duke has been manager of the Duke Inn in Elizabeth City for two years. His mother, Mrs. Manie Duke founded the inn and made it one of the best hotel properties in Northeastern North Carolina. Haywood Duke grew up with the business and when he took over the management of the Duke Inn two years ago things began to happen. The Duke Inn has become the most popular traveler's hotel in this part of the State. Representatives of the Hockeubury system of hotel promoters had already spotted Haywood Duke as a born hotel man capable of mastering bigger opportunities and he might have been called to the management of a big hotel almost anywhere if Ahoskie hadn't got him. Elizabeth City loses an enterprising and level-headed youngster to its up and coming sister town of Ahoskie.

## THEATRE CONTRACT NOT TO BE LET UNTIL TODAY

Letting of contract for the new Carolina Theatre, was deferred at the meeting last Friday, and postponed to Friday of this week, when it was found that estimates for a structure as magnificent as had been planned, would cost \$25,000 more than was anticipated, and time was called to obtain a revision of the plans. The contract will be definitely let today, it is announced.

## SMALL POX FATAL TO PASQUOTANK CO. GIRL

Miss Katherine Virginia McPherson, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McPherson of city route three, was stricken with small pox several days ago, and died Friday at the home of her parents. Miss McPherson, was a beautiful and lovable girl, known to many in town and the country, as she had been an employee of the Geo. M. Williams store on Water Street for several months. There seems to have been an epidemic of small pox in the Berea section. Funeral services were conducted Saturday.

We examine the eye's and furnish glasses the same day. See Dr. Hathaway, Hinton Bldg. adv.

## 19 MILLIONS INVOLVED IN THIS RECEIVERSHIP

### Most Far Reaching Court Order, State or Federal, in History of North Carolina, Issued by Judge Meekins at Elizabeth City

## WOOLWORTH'S IMPROVEMENT COST \$18,000.00

### Elizabeth City Has One of The Finest 5 and 10c Stores in the South

\$18,000 is the sum spent by the F. W. Woolworth Co. in improvements on its 5 and 10 cent store in the McMorine St. corner of the Kramer Building in this city within the past few weeks. And to-day, Friday, June 25th, the public will be permitted to step in and see how the money was spent in giving Elizabeth City one of the biggest and best equipped exclusively five and ten cent stores in the South.

"Not many large cities can boast a bigger and better outfitted five and ten cent store than Elizabeth City," says L. P. Kilpatrick, of Atlanta, District Superintendent of the F. W. Woolworth Co. who is in town to witness the opening to-day.

To begin with, the entrances have been enlarged and the windows rearranged. The plate glass, marble and tiles for the front run into a handsome figure. A new ceiling, a new floor, new plumbing and electric light fixtures, new signs, new awnings, new counters and display fixtures, new paint, new everything. And on the second floor a delightful rest room for the girl employees of the store has been fixed up, just as in the big city stores. The \$18,000 spent by the Woolworth Co. in improvements on a rented store is some measure of the faith of this great national organization in Elizabeth City and evidence of its sound judgement when it planted a five and ten cent store in Elizabeth City 16 years ago.

To-day will be a great day for the kiddies at Woolworth's. The store will be open for inspection from 3 to 5 P. M. and 7 to 9 P. M. No goods will be sold, but there will be music by a five piece orchestra and free toys for all the children. To-morrow, Saturday, the 26th the store will open for business at 8 A. M. and the manager, Daney Davis is anticipating a record-breaking business. There will be no end of special values to-morrow to celebrate the re-opening—large enamel ware, decorated crockery, big towels and other values typical of Woolworth's—and nothing over 10 cents as usual.

Manager Davis is proud of his store, and pleased with Elizabeth City. He has been with Woolworth's for only three years, but has been stepping up regularly since he got his start with the Greensboro store. He is a native of Virginia, but has been associated with Woolworth stores in North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Pennsylvania. He is only 26 years old, but he gets ahead by attending to nothing but strictly business, and knows the art of making friends.

## MEEKINS LOOKS UP TO TAFT

Judicial patronage, that receivership; but no State Republican and no friend of Judge Meekins in Elizabeth City benefitted thereby. Judge Meekins may have disappointed his political friends, but one who knows him well said: "Meekins takes a peculiar pride in the judicial position which he occupies; he will never abuse it. He owes his appointment to the Federal Judiciary to William Howard Taft. President Taft made no mistake in going over the heads of Republicans and appointing Judge Henry G. Connor to the Federal Judiciary in North Carolina at a time when he was compelled to declare that there wasn't a Republican in North Carolina who could measure up to the appointment. At a later date when Judge Connor is removed by death, Taft, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States saw in Isaac Meekins judicial timber worthy to succeed Judge Connor and used his influence with President Coolidge to secure Meekins' appointment. It was a great compliment Judge Taft paid Isaac Meekins and no one appreciates it more than Meekins; Meekins will never disappoint his friend Judge Taft."

History of the Litigation  
The Tri-State Tobacco Growers Cooperative has had hard sledding. (Continued on page three)

## Notice to Tourists and Vacationists

The Elizabeth City section is rich in historical interest, natural beauty, and offers bathing, fishing and boating, to make your vacation a pleasant one. Elizabeth is the central point for the seacoast country of Northeastern North Carolina and many transportation lines serve the points that afford good bathing and fishing.

This number of *The Independent* is devoted to recreation. It carries the advertising of stores that handle items of especial interest to vacationists. Read these advertisements, and the articles. Learn something also of the Elizabeth City Country Club, with its golf course, its tennis court, and splendid dance floor, to which a considerable portion of this newspaper's space is devoted this week.

And be sure to take in the Elizabeth City territory on your next motor trip, or your vacation.