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WEATHER

Unsettled, probably showers to night and Friday, gentle to moderate winds mostly south and southwest.

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SATURDAY JUNE 28TH WILL BE DATE OF NEW VERSAILLES TREATY

Three O'clock In The Afternoon Set As Tentative Time For Final Act of Drama of Great War

Paris, June 26.—Efforts are being made today to arrange for the signing of the Peace Treaty at three o'clock Saturday afternoon.

CROWN PRINCE MAKES ESCAPE

(By Associated Press)

Paris, June 26.—Frederick William Hohenzollern, former German crown prince, has escaped from Holland and made his way into Germany.

Washington, June 26.—Confidential reports that the former German Crown Prince and also probably the former German Emperor would attempt to re-enter Germany after the signing of the peace treaty were received by officials here some time ago, it was learned today.

This information was given out after the Associated Press dispatch telling of the Crown Prince's escape had been published here this afternoon.

WAS VIOLATION OF ARMISTICE

And Germans Notified That Allies Have Right to Punish Those Responsible For Breach of Conditions Of Peace

(By Associated Press)

Paris, June 26.—Germany has been notified in a note today that the Allies possess the right to punish the persons responsible for the destruction of German ships and to collect reparation for their loss.

The signing of the armistice and a deliberate breach in advance of the conditions of peace.

GERMANS MUST KEEP HANDS OFF

Notified That Government Will Be Held Responsible For Unofficial Support Of Any Movement Against Poland

(By Associated Press)

Paris, June 26.—The German Peace Delegation has been informed in a note from Clemenceau that the German Government will be held strictly responsible for unofficial support of any movement against Polish authority in the territory given Poland in Posen and in East and West Prussia.

POSTPONE ACTION ON HIGHER RATES

(By Associated Press)

Washington, June 26.—By a vote of eight to six the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee today decided to postpone action on the bill of Senator Poindexter proposing to prohibit higher rate charges for long railroad haul than those of shorter routes. The majority took the position that the legislation should be incorporated in the general bill.

SIGN BONDS FOR VIRGINIA DEBT

Charleston, W. Va., June 26.—State Treasurer Johnson and State Auditor Darst leave tonight for New York where they will sign bonds approximately totalling \$15,000,000 to be paid on the Virginia debt.

OH HAPPY DAY FOR POLITICIANS

They Think They See A Way To Get Scalp of Representative Saunders and City Attorney W. L. Cohoon

The political bee has been set buzzing in Elizabeth City since the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Colored State Normal held last week.

W. O. Saunders has just been added to the Board and at Friday's meeting he was elected Chairman.

At the same meeting W. L. Cohoon was elected Treasurer. Now it is being noted around that by suffering these honors to be thrust upon them Saunders and Cohoon have vacated other offices held by them; Saunders that of Representative of Pasquotank County and Cohoon that of City Attorney.

It is Article XIV, Section 7, of the State Constitution that is being quoted to sustain this contention, which Article and Section provide that it shall be unlawful for one man to hold two offices in this Commonwealth.

It seems to be a question of whether the positions to which they have just been elected can be called an office within the Constitutional meaning of the word. Opinions differ but there are those who ought to know who unhesitatingly declare that the particular point in question has been passed upon by the courts and the positions which Messrs Cohoon and Saunders occupy have been held "offices."

Saunders, who is something of a lawyer, is frank to say that it seems to him from a reading of opinions on the point, strictly speaking, he has vacated his seat in the State General Assembly. However, he points out that if this be true so also has Dr. Brooks also vacated his job as State Superintendent of Education. He also points out that if a position on a Board of School Trustees is an office, then Josephus Daniels, who is a member of the Board of the State University, is holding two offices, along with a large number of State dignitaries. He also cites instances of the same man having held two offices in Elizabeth City.

Those who contend that a place on such a board is an office do not deny that certain men have held two offices in Elizabeth City in the past and they say that it's all right if you can get by with it; that is, if nobody makes a kick on it. And they seem to think that Editor Saunders and City Attorney Cohoon will not get by.

Another man who may be affected by the ruling is J. P. Thompson, Clerk of the Federal Court here, who has recently been appointed County Tax Supervisor by the Corporation Commission. Mr. Thompson is said to have written Judge Connor, tendering his resignation as Clerk and to have been advised by the Judge that inasmuch as there was no conflict between the duties of the two offices and as the remuneration for his Federal job was not large he need not resign as Clerk. If this is true Judge Connor must have assumed that there would be no local objection to Thompson's holding two jobs as both his positions are unquestionably public offices.

The discussion, whether it amounts to anything or not, has troubled the waters of politics to turbulence and added much to the gaiety of local politicians.

THE GAS COMPANY ENTERTAINS LADIES

Mr. Joseph D. Taylor arrived on the afternoon train to demonstrate Home Economics at the Gas Company's office. The first demonstration is this afternoon at about four-thirty. The tables are set for the good things which Mr. Taylor will cook. Flowers are everywhere, and smiles also, and there is a radiant welcome awaiting the ladies. Demonstrations will be held today, Friday and Saturday. These demonstrations will be very instructive, yet so happily camouflaged with a good time that the ladies will think they are attending a social affair rather than a school.

Mrs. Cassie Morrisette left Monday for Nags Head to open up her summer cottage.

SPREADING NEWS OF BIG FOURTH

Dodgers And Posters Being Sent Broadcast By Automobile to Neighboring Towns And Counties

Today the countryside is being informed of the great Fourth of July celebration at Elizabeth City a week from Friday.

Automobiles are taking dodgers and posters to neighboring towns to spread the glad tidings.

Dan Morgan is covering Woodville, New Hope and Winfall. Miles Clark started for Hertford and Edenton at nine o'clock. C. D. Gallop is looking after Salem and Weaverville. Joe Kramer visited Nixonton. Walter Wood is covering Old Trap, Camden and Indiantown.

The burden of work usually falls on a few people. Ed Spencer and Leigh Sheep of the publicity committee had considerable work in getting volunteers to help on this big occasion.

There are two routes yet left uncovered. South Mills and Currituck. Anyone who can lend a car tomorrow for that purpose is urged to call up Mr. Spencer tonight.

CHARLTON—WATERS

Norfolk, Va., June 26.—A pretty but quiet marriage was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Romm, 600 West Twenty-sixth St., Norfolk, Monday evening, June 23, at 9 o'clock, when Miss Caroline Elizabeth Waters, daughter of Mr. George Waters, of Elizabeth City, N. C. became the bride of Mr. Frank Wilson Charlton, son of Mr. Wilson W. Charlton, of Northwest, Va. Only members of the family were present. Mr. Charlton is a prominent marine engineer. Mr. and Mrs. Charlton will make their home in Norfolk.

CITY WILL BE SWATHED IN COLOR

American Decorating Company Has Been Engaged to Cover City With Flags And Bunting

Elizabeth City will be swathed in color on July Fourth in a way that will make the most blasé citizen shiver with enthusiasm. The committee in charge of the celebration has engaged the American Decorating Company of Columbia, S. C. to cover the city with flags and banners.

This is the same outfit that has been responsible for the fine display at the great patriotic festive week in Norfolk and has also decorated the streets of Norfolk for the homecoming celebration there.

Second to none has been the motto of this city in all its plans for the big day, and the decorating arrangements accord well with that resolution.

Solomon himself would be jealous of the red, white and blue trimmings which will adorn the city streets; and the oldest inhabitant will rub his eyes at the festive appearance.

Stores and private citizens are urged to co-operate in this decorating plan, as the company's contract just calls for the street work. Every house is asked to hang out its flag.

GENERAL GROENER HAS RESIGNED

(By Associated Press)

Berlin, June 26.—General Groener who succeeded Field Marshal Von Hindenburg as chief of staff has tendered his resignation but has agreed to remain at his post until the situation in the eastern provinces is stabilized.

C. M. B. CLASS MEETS

The C. M. B. Class of Blackwell Memorial Sunday school met with Mrs. J. C. Modlin on Cypress street Tuesday night. Plans were made for regular visits to the County Home, for conducting a Rummage Sale, and other activities. The class went on record as opposing "open Sundays" and the secretary was requested to write the aldermen asking that they vote against the "open Sunday."

CONCERT FRIDAY NIGHT

The Odd Fellows Orphanage Singing Class gives a concert in the high school auditorium Friday night.

The public is urged to hear the little folks and help them in their brave effort to help themselves.

BIG THINGS AHEAD FOR STATE NORMAL

Extensive Improvements And Additions To Plant Planned Which Will Make Possible Vocational Training on Wide Scale

The Elizabeth City Colored State Normal is looking forward to the greatest session in its history next year.

The Board of Trustees are planning for improvements and additions to the school plant which involve an expenditure of over fifty thousand dollars.

Among the improvements planned are a dormitory for boys to be built at a cost of \$30,000, a boys' workshop to cost \$2,000, laundry equipment for the girls' industrial building to cost \$2,500, a practice school building to cost \$4,000, barn and sheds to cost \$2,500, and a principal's cottage to cost \$4,000.

It is also proposed to spend \$10,000 in installing a water and sewerage system for the buildings of the school. The money necessary for the expenditures just set forth will be in the hands of the Treasurer, W. L. Cohoon, on July 1st, and work on the buildings is to be begun as soon as the State architect can prepare the plans for the buildings proposed.

To Conduct Model Dairy With this improved plant the Elizabeth City Colored State Normal will take up vocational training on an extended scale. The school already has a most excellent domestic science department which has already been doing splendid work. It has now planned as soon as possible to secure a high class teacher of agriculture who will also serve as manager of the forty acre farm owned by the school. It is contemplated, among other things, to conduct a model dairy to supply the city with milk from the finest herd of dairy cattle ever brought to Pasquotank County.

The colored State Normal at Greensboro has such a dairy and it is said to supply the leading hotels as well as many of the best white families with milk. As there is no dairy now in operation capable of supplying the milk demand in Elizabeth City it appears that this enterprise stands every chance of being a splendid success.

These improvements and this program are made possible for the Elizabeth City Colored State Normal by the gift of twenty thousand dollars from the General Education Board of New York, by State appropriation and by gifts from Elizabeth City citizens interested in industrial training for the negroes in this section. The fifty five thousand dollars to be spent at the State Normal for improvements does not include the appropriation by the last Legislature of \$13,000 for the running expenses of the school.

Dr. Brooks Member of Board

This program of building and administration was adopted by the Board of Trustees of this school at its annual meeting last Friday. Dr. Brooks, State Superintendent of Education, who has just been made a member of the Board, was present, as were also Prof. L. I. Allen, Supervisor of Teacher Training in North Carolina, Prof. C. W. Wilson of the faculty of the Eastern Carolina Teachers Training School, H. W. Early, superintendent of the Schools of Bertie County, T. B. Atmore, Superintendent of the Schools of Pamlico County, and W. O. Saunders and W. L. Cohoon of Elizabeth City. Prof. N. C. Newbold of the State Department of Education was also present at the request of the Board.

The Board elected W. O. Saunders, Chairman; T. J. Markham, Secretary; and W. L. Cohoon Treasurer. Prof. F. W. Moore was re-elected Principal of the School with an increase in salary as a recognition of his efficient work.

SURFMEN HOLD HAPPY MEETING

Which Comes To Close With Chamber of Commerce Banquet in Masonic Hall Wednesday Night

The meeting of the Surfmens' Association here came to close with the Chamber of Commerce banquet Wednesday night, and the visitors themselves, who look to be excellent judges, declare that the entire meeting was a splendid success, and that the banquet was the crowning glory. The Surfmens were welcomed by Mayor W. G. Gaither Tuesday afternoon, and Mr. C. R. Pugh of Elizabeth City made the response.

Mr. O. M. Maxam, Chief of the Division of Operations, then delivered an inspiring address, and was followed by Commodore Commandant E. P. Berthoff.

On Wednesday morning routine business of the Association was transacted, and on Wednesday afternoon the following officers were elected for the coming year:

John B. Jones of Elizabeth City, President; M. P. Hite of Elizabeth City, First Vice President; John M. Holtzkon of Atlantic City, Second Vice President; Eugene H. Peele of Manteo, Secretary-Treasurer.

The meetings were held in the Red Men's Hall in the Kramer Building.

There was a fine attendance of Surfmens, though the number can not compare with that of the old days when the men were allowed a period of inactive service each year. Now they are on duty all the year and only two men can leave a station at one time, which makes the crowd necessarily smaller than it once was.

The Surfmens were exceedingly appreciative of the city's hospitality. Working through the year in storm and calm and often in lonely places, they welcome the entertainment and fellowship which they find in the meeting place of the Association, at least, in Elizabeth City.

BANQUET TO SURFMEN

The banquet to surfmens given on Wednesday night in the Masonic hall under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce was an enjoyable affair.

Mr. H. G. Kramer, President of the Chamber of Commerce, was toastmaster.

Those responding to toasts were Oliver M. Maxam, formerly assistant Superintendent of the United States Life Saving Service, Captain Edgar Chadwick, Superintendent of the Coast Guard in this district, Captain Cole of the Fifth District, Messrs. Ennis and Long of the War Camp Community Service and J. C. B. Ehringhaus.

Congressman Small and Holland were unable to be present.

BANK ROBBER TO PAY FULL PENALTY

Gordon Fawcett Hamby To Die In Electric Chair Week of July 28th

(By Associated Press)

New York, June 26.—Gordon Fawcett Hamby, who fired the shot which killed Dewitt Compeal, paying teller of the East Brooklyn Savings Bank last December, was sentenced today to die in the electric chair during the week of July 28th. The attorney for Hamby announced that he would ask the appointment of a commission to examine and pass upon his client's sanity.

JUST RECEIVED another shipment of high grade Khaki shirts, regulation Army style, price \$2.50 at Weeks and Sawyer.

pils from the town and county. was decided that henceforth no pupils below the eighth grade shall be received unless their tuition is provided by the city or county from which they come or by the pupils themselves.

Dinner was served the Board at the Normal prepared by the Domestic Science Department of the school, and an elegant dinner it was, say members of the Board who were present.