

The Daily Advance

WEATHER

Probably local showers tonight and Saturday, moderate winds on the coast, mostly southeast.

VOL. 4

ELIZABETH CITY, NORTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 27, 1919.

No. 152

GOOD ROADS STILL DISTANT PROSPECT FOR PASQUOTANK COUNTY

Highway From Albemarle Sound To Virginia State Line Hardly To Be Built At This Time And Half a Million Dollars All That Pasquotank Is Sure of For Hard Surfaced Road Construction.

Good Roads enthusiasm has been running high in Eastern North Carolina since the signing of the armistice and there has been a great deal of talk of linking up this section with the rest of the State by a system of hard surfaced highways that would extend without a break from Currituck to Wake.

Numbers of counties have issued bonds for the building of good roads and it had been hoped through Federal aid that this dream of good roads for all Eastern North Carolina would be made to come true. It was understood in a general sort of way that there was plenty of Federal money available for roads between county seats and that all that a county would have to do to get such aid would be to put up half the money to build the road.

Judging from the experience of Pasquotank, counties that are banking largely on Federal aid are going to be brought to a rude awakening when they begin to try to get hold of some of this Federal money.

A road in which there has been considerable interest throughout this section was a proposed concrete highway from Albemarle Sound to the Virginia state line. A bill was passed at the last session of the General Assembly creating a District Highway Commission to handle the building of this road and with the passage of the bill it was generally understood here that the building of the road was assured.

However, when the District Highway Commission went before the State Highway Commission with application for Federal aid in building the proposed road they were met by Commissioner Page with the statement that he could not deal with them directly but that he would have to be approached through the highway authorities of the respective counties through which the proposed road would pass. There seems to be some doubt as to this question, however, and it has been referred to Attorney-General Manning.

Provided that the Attorney-General's ruling permits Chairman Page to deal directly with the District Highway Commission there are still difficulties in the way of building the proposed road. The estimated cost of the road is a million dollars. Chairman Page tells the District Highway Commission that the estimate is too low and that the cost will aggregate a half million dollars more. The District Highway Commission has not in sight as available enough money to pay half the cost of the road at that figure. So if the road is undertaken it can not be completed until there are further appropriations. This raises the perplexing question of what part of the road shall be built now and what part later. It raises the further question of whether the county in which no portion of the proposed road would be built would stand for paying its share of a road that did not reach or pass through it.

If the Attorney-General sustains Chairman Page in his contention that he has no power to deal with the District Highway Commission, but that applications for Federal aid for this road must be presented by the highway authorities in the respective counties through which it passes, the difficulties in the way of the construction of the road are increased.

The Pasquotank Highway Commission, for instance, while it favors the proposed road, does not wish to commit itself to foregoing all further Federal aid for Pasquotank road projects at this time by applying for Federal aid for the district highway. The position of the Pasquotank Commission is easily understood in that Pasquotank would find itself cut off from Federal aid for more than six miles of county road.

Conferences of the Pasquotank Highway Commission with the District Highway Commission and with the State Highway Commission have brought out the foregoing facts, and the good roads question in this section is way up in the air. Pasquotank is finding what comfort it can

UNCLE SAM MAY TAKE SOCIAL WORK IN ARMY

(By Associated Press)

Washington, June 21. — Social work in the army in any future emergency should be handled by the government itself through a single, non-sectarian agency, in the opinion of Raymond D. Fosdick, chairman of the Commission on Training Camp Activities, expressed in a report made public today by the War Department. Secretary Baker was said to be "substantially in accord" with Mr. Fosdick's view.

Rivalries engendered by the sectarian nature of the Young Men's Christian Association, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare Board or other societies sharing in the United War Work Campaign fund of \$172,000,000, Mr. Fosdick found to have provided "the worst possible basis for social work with the army," a result for which he held the Training Camp Commission responsible for having turned to these private agencies.

"It seems to me," said Mr. Fosdick, "that the lesson of the war in social work involves perhaps three points: The elimination of sectarian auspices; reduction in the number of agencies employed; and the transfer to the government itself of much of the activity hitherto left to private initiative."

Discussing the work of the six organizations that served abroad with the army, the report said the Young Men's Christian Association, handling 58 percent of the war work budget and with 6,000 representatives in France, was far the largest and "received a great deal of criticism from the soldiers in France."

"Some of this criticism is merited," Mr. Fosdick said, "much of it is due, I believe to misunderstanding." The bulk of the complaint arose from Young Men's Christian Association operation of army canteens, which Chairman Fosdick said was a mistake although it was undertaken as a service to the army and released a large combatant personnel. From early days the canteen had been an army perquisite and the soldiers could not understand why it should be handed over to a "private society which was at the same time raising millions at home for support," the report said and continued:

"Moreover, the personnel of the Y. M. C. A. was untrained for this kind of work and it soon found itself in a maze of business and technical difficulties with which it was unable at first to cope. In the minds of the soldiers, it immediately became a commercial organization and from this stigma it has never succeeded in freeing itself."

So far as the effect of the transfer of the canteens went on the army command, the report continued, "It was a genuine relief to the General Staff that during the fighting days of the army, it did not have to handle the ever troublesome canteen problem."

"The charge that the Y. M. C. A. made money out of the canteen is of course erroneous," said Mr. Fosdick. "However high its prices may have been in individual localities, considered as a business venture the total results show large losses."

Another ground for criticism of the Y. M. C. A. which Mr. Fosdick said was somewhat justified was in the character of its personnel. While many of its men were well qualified for their work, he said, "many others were utterly unadapted to this purpose and had no common ground in mixing with our virile, red-blooded young soldiers." He found also, however, the field of choice was limited, men of proper qualifications being in most cases in the army.

In the fact that the county has sold a half million dollar bond issue for roads in this county and that from the funds made available by the sale of these bonds Pasquotank will get a half million dollars worth of hard surfaced roads.

BOARD MEETING IS ANNOUNCED

Matter of Election of County Superintendent of Public Instruction Comes up Wednesday

The question of the election of a County Superintendent of Public Instruction comes up for final action on Wednesday of next week, Chairman LeRoy having announced that as the date for the regular meeting usually held about the last of June to wind up the affairs of the year.

At its regular meeting on the first Monday in April the Board of Education gave notice to the present incumbent, Superintendent P. S. Vann, that he might look elsewhere for a job after July 1st.

At the June meeting there was a vigorous protest against this action of the Board and various organizations and communities sent in petitions to the Board that Prof. Vann be retained. Members of the Board gave those making the petitions little satisfaction, however.

It is believed, however, that since the June meeting at least one member of the Board has experienced a change of heart. D. W. Morgan, a new member of the Board, whose term begins August 1st, is on record as favoring the retention of Vann. It seems probable, therefore, that Superintendent Vann's friends have gone out in their fight to prevent his removal from an office which to the general public he has appeared to fill to the general satisfaction of the people and to the promotion of interest in education in Pasquotank County.

CHAS. RAULFS' IS HEADQUARTERS

Young Business Man Donates Quarters To Reception of Soldiers On Good Will Day

Headquarters have been secured for the soldiers, sailors and marines for the Fourth of July. Charles F. Raulfs, who was 12 months overseas with the 19th Engineers, has donated the use of his new tailoring shop at 8 South Water street on that day.

The War Camp Community Service will have one of its men on hand at the headquarters all the time and will help the local people to make the place attractive.

The general committee on the celebration of which T. T. Turner is chairman has asked Mrs. J. G. Fearing to be chairman of a committee of ladies of the city who will provide comfortable furnishings for the place on that day and will be constantly on hand to give a welcome to the boys. Mrs. Mary Miller Lamb, Mrs. Cotter, Mrs. Leigh Sheep, Miss Eloise Robinson and others will be among those in charge.

There will be free refreshments served to the men under the auspices of the local Red Cross.

LADIES LEARN GAS ECONOMY

The first demonstration by Mr. Jos. D. Taylor held in the office of the Gas Company Thursday afternoon was most interesting. Mr. Taylor had just got in on a late train but he was on the alert to show the ladies present many important points of gas economy as well as good cooking. There is another demonstration this afternoon at four-thirty. The ladies are cordially invited, and refreshments are served.

There will be no demonstration Saturday as Mr. Taylor must leave town early Saturday morning for Baltimore.

JOHN A. LEACH DIED LAST NIGHT

(By Associated Press)

Denver, June 27.—John A. Leach, age seventy-six, founder of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, died last night of pleurisy.

SIBLEY'S SHOWS COMING TO TOWN

Aldermen Let Down Bars To Carnival To Be Here Week of July Fourth Under Chamber of Commerce Auspices

Another carnival is coming to town.

And coming to town is right. The Sibley Shows, which have an engagement here for the week of June 30th to July 5th will erect the paraphernalia of their business on and in Water street under the very windows of some of the city's residences.

Carnivals, as is generally known here, were put under the ban by Elizabeth City's last municipal administration, and the news that the lid had been put on this form of amusement in Elizabeth City was received with a sigh of relief.

The new city administration, if The Advance is correctly informed, does not intend to repeal the ordinance against carnivals in general. But they have made an exception in favor of the Sibley Shows.

In the first place, it is reported that the Sibley Shows are far superior to the average carnival attractions, and the management has been warned that nothing but the cleanest sort of attractions will be tolerated.

In the second place, the Fourth of July committee of the Chamber of Commerce were looking for more amusement features for the big Homecoming celebration to be staged here on July Fourth. Sibley's Shows promised to provide them.

Finally, the aforesaid committee of the Chamber of Commerce were looking for money to finance the celebration that it is planning for and spending considerable money for. Sibley's Shows offered them help in this particular. So a petition was circulated asking the Board of Aldermen to let down the bars this once and permit the Sibley Shows to show in Elizabeth City.

The petition was signed by a goodly number of downtown business firms and the Aldermen voted to grant it. So the Sibley Shows will show and show under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Elizabeth City Fire Company is making ready for its annual outing to Atlantic City and the impression prevailed in some quarters, even among those who signed the petition to allow the carnival to come, that the Carnival was coming under the auspices of the Fire Company and that the carnival would provide the Fire Company with funds to defray the expenses of the Atlantic City outing. This report was published as a fact in this week's issue of The Independent and Chief Harris was prompt to nail it as an error. The firemen are relying upon the generosity of their home town people to provide funds for their annual outing, Chief Harris says.

REFEREES FOR WILLARD BOUT

(By Associated Press)

Toledo, June 27. — Ollie Pecord will be referee of the Willard-Dempsey bout. Tex Richard and Major Dreza Biddle will serve with Pecord as judges of the contest. Jack Skelly is chosen as alternate referee and Warren Barbour as official timekeeper.

Pecord will be in complete charge of the boxers while they are in the ring. If the contest results in a knockout he will have sole charge of counting, should the contest go the limit two judges will attempt to decide the winner, failing Pecord will cast the deciding vote.

CLOUDBURST TIES TRAFFIC UP BADLY

(By Associated Press)

Roanoke, June 27. — Railroad traffic was badly tied up here today as the result of a cloudburst a few miles northeast of here last night. The Norfolk and Western tracks were washed away and approximately twenty miles were affected.

MERCHANTS RECEIVE HOUSEWIVES CARD

The Inspection Committee of the Housewives League has distributed its first cards of approbation to merchants, markets, and other places where food or drinks are made or sold.

The card reads: "This place inspected and approved by the Housewives League," and it means that these places rank highest in the city in sanitation and have met the requirements of the Inspection Committee, which was taught the gentle art of inspecting by an expert from State headquarters.

The Inspection Committee, in giving these names to the newspapers today, wishes to say that all the merchants have been so kind in allowing this inspection and in co-operating to better conditions wherever needed that they want it understood by the public that other cards are to be given soon, and that this is no boycott against any merchant who has not yet received his card. However, it is an advertisement for the stores who have, and these are as follows:

- Apothecary Shop.
- Albemarle Pharmacy.
- Standard Pharmacy.
- M. P. Gallop Co.
- G. W. Twiddy, Grocer.
- D. R. Morgan Co.
- Hersey Williams.
- Pappendick & Love (In City Market)
- Pappendick's Market (corner Poin-dexter and Matthews streets)

WILHELM PLANS TO MAKE ESCAPE

Wants To Get To Germany Before Allies Get Him And Holland Says He Is Unwelcome Guest

(By Associated Press)

Berlin, June 27.—Former emperor Wilhelm is planning to return to Germany before the Entente can demand his surrender from Holland, according to Stuttgart dispatches to the Neuberlinger Zeitung.

The dispatch states that the Dutch government "thoroughly approves his return as the former emperor is an unwelcome guest."

GERMANY GROWS WORSE AND WORSE

(By Associated Press)

Berne, June 27.—The general situation in Germany is becoming steadily more serious, according to latest reports. A railroad strike is about to extend thru the whole country. Counter revolutions are brewing in the east and news is becoming increasingly alarming.

CUBS vs. GIANTS

The Elizabeth City Cubs will play the Portsmouth Giants on the West Main street ball grounds Saturday afternoon.

THE SUREST ROAD TO SATISFACTION

Is to know what you want when you go to buy. No matter whether it's a house, a tube of toothpaste — a washing machine or a pedigreed pup—you save worry, time and money when you know what you want.

How shall you know?

By reading the advertisements in your favorite newspapers. They put you in touch with opportunities and advantages that otherwise you might miss.

The advertising columns are just as important as the news. Reading advertisements helps you lessen waste and increase efficiency.

It may be the means of adding to your comforts and saving you many a dollar.

SIGN AT THREE ON SATURDAY

German Delegation On Way And Expected To Finish Things Up Saturday Afternoon

(By Associated Press)

Paris, June 27.—Berlin dispatches say that the German delegates understand that they are to sign the Treaty at three o'clock Saturday.

Paris, June 27.—Plans were completed by the Council of Four for the signing of the Peace Treaty at three o'clock Saturday afternoon, June 28th.

No official statement, however, was issued by the Council.

President Wilson received American correspondents at the Hotel de Crillon this afternoon and said goodbye to them.

WILL SAIL SUNDAY

No official announcement has been made up to noon today regarding the time for the ceremony of signing the Peace Treaty.

Arrangements for the event are proceeding on the understanding that it will occur at three p. m. Saturday.

The Council of Four was in session this morning perfecting plans for signature.

If the signing occurs as contemplated, President Wilson will sail at noon Sunday.

DELEGATES ON WAY

Coblenz, June 27.—Foreign Secretary Mueller and Colonial Secretary Bell, two German Peace delegates, passed thru Cologne on their way to Versailles this morning, a telephone message from Cologne reported.

CROWN PRINCE DIDN'T ESCAPE

(By Associated Press)

The Hague, June 27.—Frederick William Hohenzollern, former German Crown Prince, whose escape from Holland to Germany had been reported, was still at his residence at Weirigen this morning, it was officially announced this afternoon.

CROWN PRINCE IS STILL IN HOLLAND

(By Associated Press)

The Hague, June 27.—The fact that the former Crown Prince of Germany is still in Holland at Weirigen was disclosed by official investigation by the Dutch Minister of the Interior.

HERE'S GOODBYE TO DAYLIGHT LAW

(By Associated Press)

Washington, June 27.—Final approval was given by Congress today to the repeal of the Daylight Saving Law, in the adoption of the Conference report on the Agricultural appropriation bill to which the measure is attached.

The bill contains an amendment providing for the labelling as well as the inspection of horsemeat.

ONE DRY BILL TAKES IN ALL

(By Associated Press)

Washington, June 27.—The House Judiciary Committee voted today to report out all prohibition enforcement legislation in one general bill. The measure to enforce the war time prohibition legislation will be part one of the general bill.