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WEATHER
Generally fair tonight and Friday, not much change in temperature, gentle variable winds.

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BIG DRAINAGE SCHEME ON FOOT AMONG LITTLE RIVER FARMERS

Drainage District Being Organized For all Lands Lying To South and East of Suffolk & Carolina Railroad

The farmers of the Little River section of Mount Hermon township have on foot plans which, if carried out, will result in the formation of a big drainage district embracing the land in this county to the south and east of the Suffolk & Carolina railroad.

Two big canals will drain the district, one emptying into Little River on the south and the other emptying into Knobb's Creek on the north.

Thousands of acres will be included in the district which will embrace the lands of T. S. Ownley and sons, J. W. Foreman, William Jennings, Oscar Bundy, Edwin Brothers and many other large land owners in Mt. Hermon township.

It is reported that a similar enterprise is being advocated in Newland township in the Tadmire section.

These undertakings, if successful, would be the first steps toward redeeming the 93,000 idle wilderness acres in Pasquotank. Equally as important as the reclamation of new land would be the increased values of lands now under cultivation but inadequately drained.

RENNER CABINET WILL RESIGN

(By Associated Press)
Vienna, July 31.—The Austrian cabinet headed by Dr. Karl Renner has decided to resign.

Austrian governmental affairs recently have been in rather unsettled state.

The Peace Terms presented by the Allied and Associated Powers to the Austrians at St. Germain have been stoutly protested against in official circles and predictions made that Austria is likely to be driven into bankruptcy.

AMERICAN DEAD REST IN FRANCE

General Pershing Against Removal From That Country to The United States of Bodies of Fallen Heroes

(By Associated Press)
Paris, July 31.—General Pershing told the newspaper correspondents here today that he would advise against the removal to the United States of American dead in France.

The American Commander in Chief said that he was arranging a conference with American artists for the beautification of a permanent cemetery in France for the American dead.

RECOMMENDS TRIAL BY HIGH COURT

(By Associated Press)
Paris, July 31.—Trial by high court of Joseph Calliaux, former Premier, who has been under arrest for a year and a half charged with having had treasonable dealings with the enemy, is recommended in the conclusions of Theodore Lescouve, Attorney General of the Republic.

JITNEY RUNNING to bathing park starts at 4 o'clock runs till eleven. Fare 10c. Leaving Southern Hotel and Mitchells corner every 20 minutes. Phone 845-L. Call for you anywhere in the city. J.31-3tp
TRANNIE CRANK.

H. M. Pritchard of Weaverville was in the city Tuesday.

PRES. CONSIDERS COST OF LIVING

Deeply Impressed by Statement of Warren S. Stone Regarding Unrest Thruout Country

(By Associated Press)
Washington, July 31.—President Wilson is giving deep and very thoughtful consideration to the high cost of living, it was announced at the White House today, and all branches of the government that might aid in solving the problem are at work.

The President is understood to have been deeply impressed by the statement presented to him yesterday by Warren S. Stone, Chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, describing the unrest over the country caused by the decreased purchasing price of the dollar.

President Lee of the Brotherhood of Railway trainmen announced today that unless the Railroad Administration takes some action by October 1st on the demands of the Brotherhood, that wages of trainmen be increased or the cost of living reduced, steps looking to the enforcement of the demands must be taken.

MEN NOT TO STRIKE

Representatives of six railroad shop unions who are in conference here with the railroad administration officials telegraphed shop employees over the country today not to strike. Pending settlement of their demands the workmen were informed that the administration consented to enter a national agreement covering rules and working conditions.

RETURNS FROM MARKETS

M. Leigh Sheep returned Thursday from northern markets where he has been for the last ten days purchasing goods for the M. Leigh Sheep Company.

BRING OUT SILVER HAD BEEN HIDING

Coblenz, July 5. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Civilians in Coblenz have recently been bringing to light their stores of silverware and jewelry which have been in hiding most of the time since the Americans came to Germany.

Pressing the American army of occupation were wild reports regarding the khaki clad soldiers and most of the civilians, expecting their homes to be plundered, hurriedly placed their valuable in safety deposit vaults in the banks or in their backyards.

Now that the Germans have learned to trust the Americans they are telling how and where their treasure has been hidden all these months.

AUTOMOBILE SERVICE—ELIZABETH CITY TO EDENTON. Fare \$2.00. Leave Southern Hotel 4 p. m. Leave Edenton 7 p. m. Phone 24. LEVY CRANK. J.31-3tp

LEFT—IN END ROOM OF BATH house last night a shirt to a bathing suit. Finder please return to R. E. Quinn & Co.

A FEW MORE Manhattan Shirts at the old prices. If you expect to get in on this, don't wait another day. Weeks & Sawyer.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their kindnesses and sympathy during the illness of Captain Peter Davis and for the flowers and automobiles at the funeral.

HIS CHILDREN.

Mrs. Russell Chappell of Edenton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Barlow Harrell.

PATRIOTISM NOT CHALLENGED

So Long As Men Think Above Partisan Lines, Declares Secretary Lane in Address On League of Nations

(By Associated Press)
Washington, July 30.—Patriotism of men who hold differing views on the wisdom of ratifying the peace treaty including the League of Nations covenant is not to be challenged "so long as they think above the plans of partisanship," Secretary Lane declared here tonight before a mass meeting of government employees.

"It is not an easy question to answer," Mr. Lane said, adding that it was one "to which we wish an American answer."

"And it takes courage," he declared, "whether we stand still and risk the scorn of a waiting, eager world, or break through our inertia and take the step that leads to a multitude of new relationships and possible obligations."

The view of the ordinary citizen the Secretary said he thought was that as many obstacles as possible be put in the way of nations desiring to make war "but to be left as free as possible to follow our own designs, knowing that these do not endanger the peace of the world."

"We will not hazard our national life or the right of our people to determine their own institutions and destiny," he said. "But with these safeguarded we will go far for the sake of the world."

"Democracy after all is but a counting of noses," Mr. Lane said, "and we may presume much for a policy which the chosen leaders of the two hundred and fifty million of the most civilized of the world's people have endorsed."

Mr. Lane said he believed everyone would have preferred that the League should have been born "in a different way, at a different time." When Theodore Roosevelt returned from his trip to Africa, he added, the former President made the strongest appeal any national leader had then voiced "for such a league."

"Then was the day for its creation," Secretary Lane continued. "But the world did not see the danger it was in."

Such men as President Taft and Mr. Root committed themselves to the project then, Mr. Lane said, but "the stern figure of the Kaiser backed by his standing army of two million men" stood in their path. William Jennings Bryan, as Secretary of State, had moved in the same direction with his negotiation of arbitration treaties, Mr. Lane continued, adding:

"Let us be frank. We of America did not take these efforts of Mr. Bryan with any degree of seriousness. We thought him a noble-minded visionary. Yet his plan is incorporated in the first step of the program of the present proposed league."

It was not until the war came that any but tentative steps could be taken toward the formation of a peace league, Mr. Lane said, and if the President had not made the effort to secure it "we would have said he was a quitter."

Secretary Lane said, he had been unable to find in the covenant any surrender of American rights more than every existing rule of international law involved. It was, he said, "essentially a gentlemen's agreement," based on the assumption that each party to it honestly desired to adhere to the principles for which the league stands.

FRENCH WOMAN WRITES THANKS

Mr. A. B. Walston of Elizabeth City has received the following letter of appreciation from the mother of a little French orphan which he had adopted:

Please have the bounty to excuse me for being late in thanking you, because I was without your address until today, when I make haste to thank you from the bottom of my heart. Please accept, sir, my sincere salutations.

MRS. ROGER BUNT.

SHIRT SPECIAL.

 Oxford shirts in beautiful patterns and guaranteed colors. Special price, \$2.00. Weeks & Sawyer.

E. F. SPENCER HAS FINE PLAN

Will Build Colony of Artistic Homes in Elizabeth City and Help Supply Increasing Demand

One of the most desirable pieces of property on Main street, 300 foot frontage, and running back to Cherry street, with 12 beautiful bungalows built around a court of grass, flowers and shrubs, with a fountain plying in the center, is what E. F. Spencer mentally visualized before purchasing the tract of land which adjoins the property of C. R. Pugh.

Mr. Spencer is forming a \$50,000 stock company to finance the undertaking, and expects, when the property is developed, to show Elizabeth City a little colony of artistic homes in the midst of attractive surroundings. Indeed, such schemes as Mr. Spencer has in mind have been worked out in thousands of other communities, which owe their charm chiefly to the results wrought by men who have actualized like dreams of homes and home environments.

The bungalows when completed will be for rent, or any who may wish to purchase will be given an opportunity to do so on easy payments.

When seen by The Advance reporter Mr. Spencer said: "Elizabeth City must face and solve the housing problem. It is next to impossible for people to secure houses here. Many have gone elsewhere because unable to find satisfactory residences. That is my chief interest in undertaking this building venture. I want to see my town grow and prosper. I know how seriously the want of houses is effecting this community. But I also believe that the right sort of homes will rent for enough to make the building of them a profitable investment. Other towns are forming Housing Corporations, and going ahead with their building plans. We can and must do the same. And I believe there are enough public-spirited men in Elizabeth City to help me put my bungalow project through, and I know I can rent all of them long before they are ready for occupancy."

"The day has passed when people expect to get an 8 or 10 room house for \$18 or \$20 per month. The average family of today prefers a 5 or 6 room house, and expects to pay \$25 or \$30 monthly rental. Indeed, small bungalows, with modern equipment, will more easily rent for \$25 or \$30 per month than the old time 8 or 10 room house will for \$15 or \$18."

"I have enough faith in my convictions as to what people want today, and enough interest in the future of my town to try to put this scheme of building bungalows over. And I expect to prove that such an investment is a wise one."

BACK TO OWNERS AT MIDNIGHT

Government Control of Telegraph and Telephone Systems Ceases Tonight

(By Associated Press)
Washington, July 31.—At midnight tonight government control of telegraph and telephone systems that began June 22, 1918 when the lines were taken over as a war measure, will be turned over to their private owners.

ENGLAND WORKS FOR PROHIBITION

(By Associated Press)
London, July 31.—In connection with the prohibition campaign in England the members of parliament who sympathize with it will conduct an energetic secret movement to maintain existing liquor control regulations established during the war, especially restricted hours of sale.

AUTO LINE TO OCEAN VIEW

My cars leave Sunday morning at 8:00 o'clock for Norfolk and Ocean View, \$5.00 round trip. Make your reservation now. Phone 55. EDGAR WILLIAMS.

POTATO GRADING BETTER THIS YEAR

And Prices Will Be Good As Long As Grading is Properly Done Says Mr. Shumaker

Word has reached here from the Bureau of Markets at Washington that the Market News Service cannot be furnished this section daily during the sweet potato season. The funds available for this service have been reduced in the Agricultural Appropriation Bill. The government hopes to furnish a semi-weekly service later.

Mr. Gorrell Shumaker of the Inspection Department is busily on the job of seeing that sweet potatoes are properly graded and reports much improvement this season in grading. "There are no strings found in the potatoes for markets this year," says Mr. Shumaker, "tho we still have a mixture of the two higher grades. We are writing growers and packers that it pays to grade potatoes properly and that prices will slump when this is not done."

"Prices are good this season, and we are trying to keep them good. Potatoes are good, too. Proper grading will mean a splendid sweet potato season in this section."

A BATTY TALE

Henry Martin, an old colored man better known as Martin Mann, who lives out near the Colored State Normal on Southern Avenue extended, was reading his copy of The Advance Elizabeth City's daily newspaper, Tuesday, as is his custom. Suddenly he felt a bite on his leg, but was too deeply interested in the day's news and the editor's views to pay much attention to such a trivial matter. Then there was a second and sharper nip, and Martin brought his hand down on the spot. He was amazed at the size of the varmint and called aloud for help to the female members of his household. They came to his rescue and tied up the young bat, for such it was—in the trousers leg. Then Martin took off the trousers and hung them out on the back of a chair on the piazza. He didn't care to let loose the bat in the house at night, and thought it might as well stay where it was until morning, when he would investigate the culprit by light of day. But next morning, Little Mr. Bat had cut his way thru the trousers to liberty. And Martin says, if you don't believe this story, he will show you the hole in his trousers leg.

SPORT PROGRAM OF S. S. PICNIC

Following is the program of the athletic sports feature of the Methodist Sunday School picnic to be held Friday afternoon at the old Fair Ground park.

Base ball game between the First Methodist and City Road Church.
50 yard race (girls under 10.)
50 yard race (boys under 10.)
50 yard race (girls from 10 to 14.)
50 yard race (boys from 10 to 14.)
50 yard race for girls over 14.
50 yard race for married ladies.
Peanut race.
Cracker race.
Fat men's race.
Nail driving race.
Rope jumping race for boys.
50 yard race for men over 25.
Water Sports.
Water baseball game.
Water wrestling.
100 yard swim.
Tug-of-war.
Swimming races for different ages.
The names of the winners of each of the above events will appear in Saturday's paper.
The athletic contests will be in charge of Messrs V. R. Gilmore, Frank Kramer and Raymond Sheeley.

ATTENDING MISSIONARY MEETING

Mrs. S. C. Newbold and Mrs. M. E. Trueblood are attending the Woman's Missionary meeting at Hertford this week as delegates of the W. M. S. of Blackwell Memorial Baptist church.

ANOTHER SHIPMENT

 of the Shirt Garter. Holds your shirt down and your hose up. Don't wait. They sell quick. Price 50 cents. Weeks & Sawyer.

LIQUOR LOCKED UP IN THE JAIL

Capt. Gaskins And Son Out on Bond, And Numerous Throats Athirst Following Police Raid on Schooner

The most interesting craft that has docked here in some time is the Jessie Irving, a two-masted schooner, which was towed into dock at the foot of Main street Wednesday night.

The boat attracted a crowd as the somebody had been drowned and was still the object of much interest on Thursday morning. Yet there was nothing extraordinary in the appearance of the Jessie Irving. The excitement centered about the boat's cargo and the fact that the police were in charge.

The Jessie Irving came into the harbor Saturday afternoon from Baltimore bound for Washington and New Bern, stopping here to put off canned goods and vinegar, which were a part of her legitimate cargo. The boat was lying to the westward of Machelhe's Island. The police got suspicious, for some reason, and Monday afternoon Chief of Police Holmes with Officer Roughton and Captain Simmons, went aboard with a search warrant.

What they found was 267 quarts of the stuff. Five cases were in the forward hold and the rest was back aft under the berths. The brands were Four Roses and Penwick, with one case of Dry Gin.

Capt. Ben Gaskins was in charge of the Jessie Irving. His home is on Hunter street of this city. The police believe that the liquor's destination was Elizabeth City and that the boat was waiting for a good chance to put it off.

The case came up in recorder's court at nine o'clock Thursday morning.

Capt. Gaskins appeared and thru his attorney W. A. Worth said that he was not ready for trial. He was bound over under \$500 bond for a hearing on Aug. 12th. J. E. Gaskins, his son, was held under \$200 bond, and August 12th. J. E. Gaskins, his son, was held on \$200 bond. Both the Gaskins had been under bond overnight of similar amounts. L. C. O'Neal member of crew, who was under \$200 bond till morning was released for lack of sufficient evidence.

The liquor is locked up in jail. The case of "Dry Gin" was exhibited at court Thursday morning and was gazed upon with hungry eyes by on-lookers who crowded into the jury box.

The boat has been permitted to proceed to its destination.

NEGRO QUARTERS NOW PATROLLED

Four Nights of Race Rioting Caused Thirty Deaths. No Deaths Reported Last Night

(By Associated Press)
Chicago, July 31.—The main negro quarters of Chicago today were patrolled by six thousand soldiers following four nights of race rioting that caused thirty deaths,—17 negroes and 13 whites—and the injury of more than 500 persons, two hundred of whom were severely hurt, and a dozen of whom may die. No deaths were reported during last night but many injuries and fires are recorded.

EAST LAKE MAN AWARDED CROSS

Dare County Private Among Those Rewarded For Distinguished Service Overseas

(By Associated Press)
Washington, July 31.—General Pershing has awarded distinguished service crosses to the following privates:
Alfred W. Smith, Stanfield, N. C.
Elwood Twiford, East Lake, N. C.
Wm. J. Turbeville, Turbeville, S. C.
Mrs. R. A. Raper and little daughter Mary are visiting her son, Oils B. Raper in Baltimore.