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THE WEATHER Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday. Probably local thunder storms in the interior Sunday.

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SAY COMMUNISTS ARE RETREATING

Men Breathless After Running 25 Miles Bring Story of Guns Thrown Away

Oberoblingern, Prussian Saxony, March 26 (By The Associated Press)—Reports that Communists who have been fighting in Eisleben have been driven out after three days battle were brought here today by men breathless with running twelve miles.

They said the Communists were retreating across the fields in good order, but had thrown away their guns.

Uprising at Kazan Stockholm, March 26.—An anti-Soviet uprising is reported at Kazan, 500 miles east of Moscow.

Dispatches say that some members of the extraordinary commission were killed and the commission's headquarters burned. Many other Soviet officials are reported killed.

Insurgents are reported masters of the city and have ordered general mobilization.

Revolutionary movements are also reported in Western Russia and the Minsk region.

THINGS AS ARE NOT AS SHOULD BE

Grand Jury Brings In True Bill Against Provo Charging Assault and Criticises Management of Chain Gang

As a result of the grand jury investigation of the management of the Pasquotank County chain gang a true bill has been found against Superintendent Provo charging assault and a report filed indicating that prevailing conditions at the convict camp are such as need to be corrected and that radical reforms in the system of management are needed.

The report was not available for publication when this paper went to press but will be published next week either in full or in brief form.

BOYS BEAT HERTFORD

With eight men only, the Elizabeth City Red Socks defeated the fast Hertford team Friday in a hard-fought, errorless game by the score of 3 to 1. A better game could not be hoped for among the boys' team. It would be difficult to name any stars because every man on the team played good. Trueblood did good work pitching and Sedgwick made two pretty hits. The line-up is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Position. Includes E. City, Hertford, Ballard, L. Towe, Trueblood, Owens, A. Harris, J. Towe, Jones, Walker, M. Harris, Sutton, Skinner, Small, Gray, Field, Sedgwick, Winslow.

SHOULD GET TICKETS MEMBERSHIP BANQUET

Preparation is being made for the Chamber of Commerce membership banquet Thursday of next week and reservations should be made immediately, as tickets are selling rapidly and only a limited number can be seated.

SPECIAL EASTER SERVICE

All members of Griggs Commandery, Knights Templars, will meet in full uniform in their hall at 7 o'clock Sunday evening to attend the special Easter service at Christ church.

SPECIAL EASTER MUSIC

There will be special Easter music at Blackwell Memorial Baptist church Sunday at both services. At the evening service the choir will sing "The Resurrection Hope," an Easter cantata by Adams.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY MONDAY

The Board of school trustees voted Monday a holiday for the Elizabeth City school children at Friday night's meeting of the board.

CITY CHURCHES

City Road Methodist The session of the Sunday School will open at 9:30 by G. F. Seyfert the superintendent. The pastor, Rev. H. E. Myers will preach at 11:00 and 7:30. At the morning hour parents may present their children for dedication to God in infant baptism. The recognition of children as members of the church and the reception of adult members will take place next Sunday. The Epworth League will hold its meeting at 6:45. The choir will render special Easter music at both the morning and evening services.

First Baptist Church Rev. H. K. Williams, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30, S. G. Scott, superintendent. Preaching at 11: a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. The morning theme: "The Dangers of Insincerity." The night theme: Bolshevism versus Christianity. There will be special music at both hours. The B. Y. P. U. meets at 6:45 Sunday evening. The regular mid-week prayer meeting is on Wednesday evening at 7:30. The Woman's Missionary Society meets at three-thirty Monday afternoon. The public is most cordially invited to attend all these services.

Church of the Good Shepherd Pearl street. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. G. Studson DeLano, at 11 a. m. Special children's service at 4 p. m. Preaching by the pastor at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

Blackwell Memorial Baptist The pastor, Dr. G. W. Clarke, will preach at 11 o'clock Sunday morning from the subject "The Resurrection, Its Sign and Assurance." The evening service will be given over to the Easter cantata under the direction of L. E. Skinner. The public is cordially invited.

Cana Memorial Presbyterian The pastor, Rev. Wm. Mc. Miller, will preach at 11 o'clock Sunday morning from the subject "The Sin Unto Death" and at 7:30 Sunday evening from the subject "The Christian's Possessions." The public is cordially invited.

Calvary Baptist Sunday School meets at 3 p. m., preaching at 7:30 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. R. P. Hall. The public is cordially invited.

Christ Church Rev. Geo. F. Hill, rector. Easter Day. Celebration of the Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m. Sunday School practice for Festival, 9:45 a. m. Morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. Sunday School Easter Festival, 4 p. m. Special Easter service for Griggs Commandery, Knights Templar, 7:30 p. m. Special Easter music at all the Easter services. You are cordially invited to attend all these services and you will be heartily welcome to them all.

First Methodist Everybody is invited to all the services at the First Methodist church tomorrow, March 27th. The Sunday School will meet at 9:30. At the 11 o'clock worship parents who so desire may have their infants baptized and candidates for church membership will be received into full connection with the church. The Epworth League will meet at 6:45 in the annex. At five o'clock the choir will render an Easter concert, and this will take the place of the usual evening worship.

MEETS MONDAY AFTERNOON WITH MRS. CLAY FOREMAN

Cards have been mailed to members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Methodist church announcing the revival of the Literary and Devotional Meeting held every fourth Monday.

The committee is endeavoring to make these meetings both enjoyable and profitable.

Just at this time Miss Mae Edla Smith, president of the State Woman's Missionary Society, is here and will conduct this meeting Monday, March 28, at 4 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Clay Foreman. It is hoped that every member will take the opportunity to become acquainted with Miss Smith.

SERVICE TONIGHT IS ESPECIALLY FOR WOMEN

The revival continues at City Road Methodist church with fine results. This evening at 7:30, the pastor, Rev. H. E. Myers, will deliver a sermon which will be of especial interest to women, though every one is most cordially invited.

Mrs. E. F. Sawyer is greatly improved after a long illness at her home on Cedar street.

EASTER

Build high the tower and make it so strong That time shall have ceased ere it passes away; Bind the bells thereon and measure their song To all of earth's love, on this Easter day.

With all of earth's loves and heaven's combined, With halos of joy, and banners of flame, And purified tears, let the tower be twined— The tower we build in the Saviour's name.

The tower of lives made pure by his path; The tower of hopes re born from defeat; The tower heaven-high, to bring down love's rain On hallowing tears, where God and man meet.

Peal! Peal! All ye bells! That all men may know How Jesus came forth from the tomb on earth; Forever to tell, forever to show, That death is always continuous birth.

Geo. Studson DeLano, 204 Pearl St. Church of the Good Shepherd.

BIG CROWD AT POPLAR BRANCH

And This Year's County Commencement Gratifying Success With Every Contest of High Order of Much Interest

Spite of wretched roads and more or less agony in getting there, all of Currituck County was represented at the County Commencement at Poplar Branch High School Friday, and in the crowd attending were numbers of people from Pasquotank and Camden Counties as well as from Currituck.

The spacious auditorium of the Poplar Branch High School, probably the largest and best rural school in this section of the State, was filled to overflowing, numbers of people having to stand throughout the exercises and more having to remain outside of the auditorium altogether. Yet, a remarkable characteristic of Poplar Branch audiences, the best of order prevailed throughout the day, both on the grounds and in the auditorium.

Conspicuous on the rostrum was the J. H. Ziegler band in uniform, which with lively music lightened the program and prevented it from becoming monotonous.

The Commencement address was delivered at the close of the morning exercises by Rev. J. M. Ormond, pastor of the First Methodist church of Elizabeth City, and at the close of the exercises in the auditorium in the afternoon Mr. Ormond presented the seventh grade certificates of promotion to seventh grade pupils from all the county.

All contests were of a high order and the decisions of the judges, rendered without consultation, gave each contestant a square deal. Notable was the elementary recitation contest, in which so evenly matched were the contestants that the three judges each handed in a different name as winner and in this case had to retire for consultation before awarding the prize. Marjorie Ferebee, Ruth Lewis and Elizabeth Wright each receiving a vote.

Athletic events on the grounds followed the exercises in the auditorium and class rooms and the day was one replete with pleasure for Currituck school children.

Needless to say for those familiar with the Poplar Branch community, the picnic dinner served on the grounds at the noon intermission was an epicurean delight, from the turkey sandwiches to the dessert. There was an abundance of everything, and prepared by Poplar Branch housekeepers, everything was as good as it was plentiful.

Prizes and medals were awarded as follows at Currituck county commencement:

- High School Declaimer medal—Eldon Aydlette, Poplar Branch school. High School Reciter medal—Mildred Dozey Poplar Branch school. Elementary Declaimer medal—George Meigs, Coinjock school. Elementary Reciter medal—Marjorie Ferebee, Gregory school. Fourth Grade Oral Reader prize—Blanche Walker, Poplar Branch school. Fifth Grade Silent Reader prize—Ruth Lewis, Poplar Branch school. Sixth Grade Arithmetic prize—

REGISTER

At noon today registration reports were: Men Women First Ward 150 81 Second Ward 146 81 Third Ward 86 56 Fourth Ward 150 50 Registration books close tonight at eight and no one who has not registered in this registration can vote in the school bonds election April 8. It's up to the folks, whether they'll give the boys and girls a square deal or not. If you're not a slacker, register!

Improvement In Stock Market Noted

New York, March 26.—Despite extensive profit taking further substantial recoveries are recorded on the stock market this week. Marked improvement in steel and textile industries is reported and commodity markets are more stable.

MISS IDA MORRIS IS PRESENTED SILVER SWORD

At the regular meeting of the White Rose Chapter, Easter Star, Friday night, Worthy Patron W. E. Cole announced that as one of the members, Miss Ida Morris is leaving for Norfolk to make her home there next month, she should be presented a silver sword with which to protect herself. Miss Morris, who was greatly surprised at this part of the program, was led into the club room where the sword was arranged upon a table in the midst of Easter decorations. To the sword were attached a number of ribbons at the end of which Miss Morris found lovely gifts and best wishes. Afterwards delicious refreshments were served and every one was presented with Easter favors.

NEW INDICTMENTS FOR THROWING SERIES

Chicago, March 26.—Indictments were returned today against eighteen men after a second investigation of the alleged throwing of the World Series by Chicago ball players. The thirteen men formerly indicted were named and five others charged with participating in arranging the conspiracy. They are: Carl Zerk and Ben Franklin, of St. Louis; Ben and Louis Levi, said to be from Des Moines; and David Zerler, address unknown.

LIEUT. CONEY PASSED COMFORTABLE NIGHT

Nathez, Miss., March 26.—Lieutenant Coney's physicians today said he passed a comfortable night and his condition was the same as when he arrived last night with his temperature a hundred.

MRS. WRIGHT SEEMS SLIGHTLY IMPROVED

Mrs. S. K. Wright, who has been so critically ill this week, now seems slightly improved and it is greatly hoped that she may recover. Her life has been hanging in the balance for several days.

CROWN MAKES REPRISALS

Mayport, County May, Ireland, March 26 (By The Associated Press)—Crown forces engaged in reprisals here today for the recent ambush near here. Continuous gun fire was kept up in various parts of town. Houses and shops were wrecked with bombs and pandemonium reigned among the population generally. Many have been sleeping out doors for several days, anticipating reprisals.

PERSONALS

Miss Neva Owens is spending a few days with her sister, Miss Ida Owens, in High Point. Lev Gurkin, of State College, is spending the Easter holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mae Willey, on West Main street. Mrs. Irving B. Sawyer, of Norfolk, left Saturday afternoon for Belcross, where she will join her husband and they will spend Sunday with relatives in this city. E. L. Wright, of Reidsville, arrived in the city Friday, having been called to the bedside of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. S. K. Wright. John Harney, of Raleigh, is spending the Easter holidays with his mother, Mrs. T. S. Harney, on West Main street.

SENATOR LODGE CHAIRMAN REPUBLICAN STEERING COM.

Washington, March 26.—Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, besides being Republican floor leader, is to be chairman of the Republican steering committee, which has a large part in directing party action, according to present plans. He will succeed Senator McCumber, who was a mild reservationist in the treaty fight.

NOT GUILTY WAS TWIDDY VERDICT

Police Officer Twiddy Freed of Blame For Killing Negro In a Whiskey Raid

Not Guilty was the verdict of the jury which tried Police Officer George Twiddy on a charge of second degree murder in Superior Court here this week.

The verdict was brought in at 1:10 Saturday afternoon when the jury had had the case for about an hour and a half.

The defendant was represented by Aydlett & Simpson and W. A. Worth. The State was assisted in the prosecution by P. G. Sawyer.

When the jury came out to inquire, during their deliberation, what the punishment for manslaughter was, many believed that the verdict would be for manslaughter.

The case was the result of the killing of Henry Spencer, colored, by Twiddy on Christmas Eve night.

The killing of Spencer was the outcome of a raid upon his home on North Harney street by Federal prohibition officers Williams and Ferebee, accompanied by Policemen Twiddy and John Webb. The party surrounded the Spencer home, Williams, Ferebee and Captain Simmons going in by the front way and Twiddy and Webb by the back, Twiddy being in advance of Webb. As Twiddy entered the back door, Spencer started toward him with the evident intention of making his escape. Twiddy ordered the negro to halt and throw up his hands, but the latter kept on advancing, and, according to Twiddy's version of the affair, reached behind himself ostensibly for a weapon. When Spencer paid no attention to a second command to throw up his hands and halt, Twiddy, who had retreated to the edge of the porch, fired at him. Spencer still came on, and Twiddy fired again, the negro falling to the floor. Spencer with two bullets in his breast, died a few hours later.

Investigation of the Spencer kitchen revealed a ten gallon still boiling away merrily on the cook stove. It was a well constructed outfit, with a copper worm and this was exhibited at court during the trial. A blackjack was also found in Spencer's yard the next morning and it was the theory of the defense that this was the weapon that Spencer had in his hand as he advanced upon Twiddy, and that in falling he threw it out and from him. According to local police officials, Spencer served a term on the roads several years ago for carrying concealed weapons, and was later arrested again for stabbing another negro to death. He was acquitted of intent to kill in the second instance upon his plea that the killing was accidental. White men by whom he had been employed gave him a bad name and police officials testified that he had threatened to kill Twiddy if he ever got the drop on the officer. It was also brought out by the defense that Twiddy was reluctant to go when deputized to become one of the raiding party.

The jury took the case Saturday morning shortly before twelve o'clock. The following were the jurors in the Twiddy murder case: Martin Scott, L. E. Wilkins, Gilbert Davis, J. G. Nash, E. D. Midgett, G. A. Reid, J. H. Evans, Warren Bright, W. D. Johnson, C. D. Ferrell, Stark Harris, D. C. Twiford.

Alfred Banks, colored, was given four months sentence for perjury in Superior court Saturday morning. Banks was up for vagrancy earlier in the week and swore falsely as to employment. He got thirty days for vagrancy, the four months term to begin when the vagrancy term has expired.

A decree of absolute divorce was granted in the case of Dance vs. Dance, colored.

The court Friday morning confirmed the judgment of the lower court in the Saunders affray case. Lloyd Crank and Lee Overman pleaded guilty to the charge of operating jitneys without license and were given until next court to pay costs.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Washington, March 26.—A bill to fix the new wage standards for government employees will be one of the first measures considered at the approaching session of Congress.

Salary scales in general, according to the plans will be raised, but wages for several classes may be reduced.