

**WEATHER**  
 Partly cloudy tonight  
 and Tuesday. Possibly  
 showers near the coast.  
 Gentle variable winds.

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## Would Put City On Barge Line

### Vice President Warfield of New York Canal And Great Lakes Corporation Asks Freight Guarantee of \$100,000

Through night service between this city and Baltimore, at a maximum rate of twenty per cent less than the present railroad freight rates, will be furnished by the New York Canal and Great Lakes Corporation, which last week purchased the government barge line operating between New Bern, Washington, Norfolk and Baltimore, if Elizabeth City merchants will guarantee to ship sufficient freight to provide an annual revenue of \$100,000 to the company, according to E. G. Warfield, vice president of the corporation, who was in this city Saturday and Sunday to confer with Secretary Job, of the Chamber of Commerce, and others.

If Elizabeth City is included in the barge route, Norfolk will no longer be a stopping-point for the line, Mr. Warfield indicates. He states that it is not the intention of his company to compete with local water transportation interests, but rather to provide additional facilities to Baltimore and points north not served by them. He is specially interested in Elizabeth City for the reason that it is the terminal of a number of short boat lines operating to points in Currituck, Hyde, Perquimans and other counties, bringing in a considerable aggregate of freight, much of which is consigned to Northern points served by the corporation he represents.

The New York Canal and Great Lakes Corporation has recently bought 84 boats from the government, and is operating them on canals and other waterways in the North. Mr. Warfield declares that if the Washington-New Bern-Elizabeth City-Baltimore boat line is not a success, these boats and barges will be diverted to traffic lines in the North. The corporation has asked guarantees of \$90,000 in freight revenue of Washington and New Bern, and the fact that \$100,000 is demanded of Elizabeth City indicates that the company is expecting a much larger volume of business from this city by reason of the number of smaller water transportation lines converging here.

It is pointed out that neither Washington nor New Bern has any considerable local water traffic to and from these cities which the corporation might handle. Mr. Warfield was accompanied to this city by E. M. Walsh, a Baltimore attorney who is interested in the promotion of transportation companies along the Atlantic coast.

Before leaving Sunday night, Mr. Warfield wrote the following letter to state the position of his company as to the inclusion of Elizabeth City in the barge line:

To the Chamber of Commerce and Shippers of Elizabeth City, N. C. Gentlemen:

Having been requested by my associates, the new owners of the government barge line now operating between Baltimore, Md., and New Bern, N. C., to make a survey of your city with a view to whether these boats should be continued in this service or elsewhere, we suggest an agreement based upon conditions showing a mutual benefit to and the good faith of both parties.

First, that the company is to provide not less than a weekly service from Baltimore to Elizabeth City, at a rate of rates, twenty per cent less than the rail rates as a maximum; the schedules of service to be subject to the usual conditions beyond human control, such as the acts of God, the enemy, etc., and that the company will furnish a satisfactory surety bond to you for its faithful performances.

Second, the shippers of Elizabeth City agree to ship a sufficient volume of business to provide annually not less than \$100,000 of revenue in

## WILL SOON HAVE THREE RAILROADS

### Plymouth, Down in Washington County, With Actively Working Chamber of Commerce, Is Getting On Map

The city of Plymouth, in Washington County on the broad Roanoke River, is up and doing things, according to C. A. Krause, secretary of the recently-reorganized Chamber of Commerce there. Mr. Krause says that the Plymouth organization will be expanded into a county Chamber of Commerce as soon as the territory can be worked over.

Plymouth is now served by two railroads, the Norfolk Southern and the Atlantic Coast Line, and a third is being built by the Blythe-Harrison interests to give their holdings in Hyde County ready access to rail and water transportation for the marketing of crops. This road is now within six miles of Plymouth, the right of way to the city has virtually been guaranteed, and, although the construction of the road is temporarily being held up by lack of funds, it is believed that its completion is only a matter of a relatively short time.

With fifteen feet of water at its docks, with its railroad facilities, and with its actively functioning Chamber of Commerce, the city of Plymouth, with its 2,500 inhabitants, is rapidly making for itself a place on the map. Mr. Krause, who is acting simply as temporary secretary of the Chamber, states that as soon as the membership has been sufficiently increased, a full-time paid secretary will be employed.

### IN POLICE COURT

Andrew Barnes, colored, charged with being drunk, was fined \$5 and costs in police court here Monday morning.

John Spellman, colored, and his wife, Christian, were fined \$5 and costs each for engaging in a family quarrel. They were charged with affray.

James Dance, the colored driver of the Brockway truck whose speed was tested on the brick road Saturday, was fined \$10 and costs for speeding. The truck made 27 miles an hour in the test trip.

such proportions as you may agree among yourselves, and provide surety bond to the company covering such obligation.

Third, this agreement is to remain in full force and effect for a period of one year, subject to renewal.

For your information, New Bern and Washington, N. C., will be required to agree to ship a sufficient volume of business to provide annually not less than \$90,000 of revenue, and to provide like bonds.

Business compels my return to New York, where you may communicate with me at 27 Pearl street on or before July 12, at 12 noon, as to your intentions in this matter.

Thanking you for your hospitality,

Yours truly,  
 E. G. WARFIELD.

## IS INTERESTED IN CIVIC CENTER

### Enthusiastic Response and Practical Suggestions Made For Making Home Town Beautiful and Prosperous

Editor The Advance:

Just at this time our School Board is giving more or less serious consideration to the question of locating the new high school building they hope to build as soon as the bonds which were authorized can be satisfactorily sold. The committee appointed by the board favors the purchase of a piece of land fronting on Road and Dyer streets known as the Ehringhaus property and also the land in the rear of the present High School fronting on Parsonage street and presumably extending to and including the old house formerly the residence of Mr. J. C. Commander. The latter piece of property appeals to me if it can be bought at a reasonable figure. In the event this is done and a school building erected thereon Parsonage street should be widened and surfaced with some soft material.

I believe, however, that the purchase of the Ehringhaus property for a school site would be a very serious mistake. This tract is bounded upon one side by the Suffolk and Carolina railroad tracks and a little road of public driveway. Located immediately at this property is one of the sewerage pumping stations. The objection to the railroad and pumping station is obvious and both of these are likely to be fixtures for years to come. In addition to these objections to this location there is this: that this property bounds what might be termed the prominent negro section of the city. Immediately to the rear is the largest church auditorium in our city, a negro church. While it is admitted that there are some nice homes of white people near this property it is not a fact that a very large part of the residents of the whole section just beyond are colored people, quite a number of whom own homes? Is it advisable to build one of our best public buildings in such environment? Shall we intentionally build where we know that such objectionable things will be for perhaps generations to come? Is it not wise, very wise, indeed, to locate one of our best public buildings in such surroundings as shall appeal to and develop the esthetic nature of our young men and women along with the intellectual and physical? Would not the splendid school we contemplate built in splendid surroundings appeal to the pride of our children which would find expression in their finer civic life and help to mould their characters aright?

It has been said this is the best available and most suitable site for our school; to build it there would enhance the value of the property in that section; that this property can be bought at a "reasonable" figure.

I submit that no site for this handsome school building short of the best is good enough or ought to be seriously considered. Would a man build a very handsome home costing thousands of dollars upon a poor site located in what may be a permanently unattractive and objectionable neighborhood? This building is to be center of the higher educational life of our city to which will be added as future needs demand, we are building not for today but for the future generations as well.

Now as to cost. What is a "reasonable" figure? Is a piece of property cheap at any price for the site of our High Schools, which ought to be the pride of our city, if it is not the best site obtainable for the purpose? Shall we "economize" (save the word!) to the extent of a few thousand dollars and place our fine buildings, school buildings, remember, upon so-called "cheap" sites? Would you do it if you were erecting a fine home of your own? Would you not, if you did, be penny wise and pound foolish?

For the sake of our children, for the sake of future generations, for the sake of the growth of our City Beautiful and Progressive and Prosperous, don't let us make so serious a mistake! You may not be able to measure the loss and damage but it would be tremendous, nevertheless.

There is just in front of our present high school a tract of land known as the "Davis property." On the south side is an open drainage canal which is an eye sore and a menace to our health. This property extends back several hundred feet to Pool or  
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The faith cure is a grand thing but faith must be taxed to its utmost when imagination is required to furnish a substitute for a hootch prescription.

## STATE'S HISTORY WILL BE FILMED

### And Beginning Will Be Made On Roanoke Island In September With Reenacting of History of Lost Colony

History is to be re-enacted on Roanoke Island in September, preparations for the undertaking are going on apace and plans even now are beginning to take definite and final form.

On the steamer to Manteo Monday was Albert O. Clement, of Goldsboro, originator of the idea of the pictorial history of North Carolina and director of photography for the Department of Education and the State Historical Commission in all matters connected with the proposed pictorial history. With him were Miss Elizabeth D. Grimball, pageantry director; and Frank Wood of Edenton, representing the North Carolina Historical Commission. Though now of New York City, Miss Grimball is a native of North Carolina and thoroughly familiar with the State's early history. Besides experience at large in pageantry she has already staged quite a bit of historical pageantry in North Carolina.

Mr. Clement, Miss Grimball and Mr. Wood were on their way to Manteo to arrange the proper settings for the pictures which are to be taken in September. Old Fort Raleigh, with its stockade, is to be restored. The log cabins of the early settlers are to be restored. Vessels are to be re-rigged to represent the ships of Amadas and Barlow and of early colonists. In the Brooklyn Navy Yard is a reproduction of one of these ships, and an effort will be made to secure this vessel when the picture is staged. Col. Fred Old is in correspondence in an effort to secure additional vessels from England. If the vessels themselves cannot be brought here, they will be taken as patterns for the ships used in reproducing the scenes of the landings of the various expeditions that anchored off Roanoke Island in connection with Sir Walter Raleigh's attempt to colonize the island.

In the reproduction of the fort and the cabins drawings of Governor White himself will be used as guides. Mr. Clement has already taken photographs of the scene of the landing of the first colonists, and filling these in with the figures of the watching Indians and the arriving colonists has a definite picture of the scene to be staged when the moving picture film is set in motion.

The first scenes put on the film will portray in moving pictures the early Indian life before the coming of the settlers.

Then the first two ships to arrive, those of the expedition of Amadas and Barlow, will be shown approaching the island and the explorations of these discoverers will be followed.

Then the arrival of the first colony, composed entirely of men, in their fleet of seven vessels, will be staged and the fortunes of the colonists followed until their return home on the ships of Sir Francis Drake.

Finally the tragic history of the "Lost Colony" will be portrayed and its story set forth from the arrival of the little company in 1587 to Governor White's unavailing search for the lost colonists over two years later. Among the scenes that will be depicted and put into motion picture film will be the christening of Virginia Dare and the christening of the friendly Indian chief, Manteo, from whom the seat of Dare County takes its name.

Local talent will be used in staging the scenes, and in this work the Department of Education and the Historical Commission are leaning heavily on the co-operation of the people of Roanoke Island under the splendid leadership of Miss Mabel Evans, county superintendent of public instruction. The co-operation Miss Evans has been able to secure in her work as county superintendent of Dare would seem to justify the confidence of the Historical Commission and the Department of Education in her qualifications for leadership.

All of this is but the beginning of the undertaking to present to the people of the State a vivid depiction of its history through moving pictures. This history began on Roanoke Island, and so here the first pictures are to be made. But of the making of these historic pictures there is to be no end until such epoch of North Carolina history has been re-enacted down to the present day.

## Young Woman Makes New Record

### Drops Over Fifteen Thousand Feet From Aeroplane With Parachute Today

St. Paul, Minn., July 11.—Miss Phoebe Fairgrave, 18, and Miss Helen what is believed to be the world record today for the parachute drop for women when she dropped 15,200 feet from an aeroplane today.

## HARDING INVITES NATIONS CONFER

### Appreciation Expressed by London Press and Dominion Premiers—Subject Will Be Disarmament, of Course

London, July 11.—Newspapers here today printed prominently the announcement that President Harding has asked Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan to confer at Washington on the question of disarmament. Editorial comment is appreciative.

Ambassador Harvey is understood to have conveyed President Harding's suggestion to Premier Lloyd George. The Dominion premiers expressed hearty appreciation of the effort.

## ENLISTED MEN ARE ASKING FOR DISCHARGE

Newport News, July 11.—More than fifty per cent of the enlisted men stationed at Fortress Monroe, Langley Field and Camp Eustis have applied for discharge.

## Made Their Escape By Silver Spoon

Newark, N. J., July 11.—Four prisoners escaped from jail here today. They secured their liberty by prying a hole in the metal ceiling with a silver spoon.

## Robbers Get Part Of Baseball Money

Chicago, July 11.—Robbers blew open the safe at Comiskey Park here today following the game yesterday between the White Sox and the Yankees and secured \$3,000, receipts from concessions. Gate receipts amounting to \$30,000 had been removed to a bank.

## ASKS BE BURIED WITH COMRADES

### Laurence L. Kent, Historian Graves Registration Service, Found Dead in Paris Today By Own Hand

Paris, July 11 (By The Associated Press)—Laurence L. Kent, historian of the graves registration service, who was gassed when serving here with the American army, was found dead here today with a bullet in his heart.

He left a letter asking to be buried with his fallen comrades of the Second Division in Belleau Woods.

## A MOST EXCITING GAME OF BASEBALL TUESDAY

Lovers of baseball will be given an opportunity to witness a thrilling exhibition of the great game on the West Main street diamond Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, when the team of the Blackwell Memorial Young Men's Bible Class will meet that of the City Road Wesley Bible Class. Many old-time stars will be seen in action in this game for the first time in years. The batteries for the City Road team are Webb, Bray and Rogers. The manager of the Blackwell Memorial aggregation is E. E. Pritchard, and of the City Road outfit, E. L. Rogers. The regular admission fee will be charged.

## ADOPTS SLOGAN OF WARLESS WORLD BY '23

New York, July 11.—The new slogan of the Christian Endeavor societies will be "A Warless World by 1923" and all the forces of Christianity will be enlisted to prevent war.

placed upon the film of the motion picture machine and so preserved for the people of North Carolina for all time.

## EXTREMISTS MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

### Truce Between Crown Forces and Irish Republican Party Effective—De Valera to London Thursday

London, July 11 (By The Associated Press)—It is officially announced here today that De Valera will come to London Thursday to confer with Premier Lloyd George and discuss a basis for settlement of the Irish problem.

The truce between Crown forces and the Irish Republican army is effective, but apprehensions are expressed that it may be difficult to control extremists on both sides.

**Curfew Law Relinquished**  
 Belfast, July 11.—The curfew law was relinquished here today as the result of disorders. This is the only place in Ireland now under this law.

## Warships Have Left Tampico

Mexico City, July 11.—The United States warships, Sacramento and Cleveland, have returned from Tampico. No explanations have been given as to why they have been withdrawn.

Washington, July 11.—Receipt of orders from the Navy Department for departure from Tampico has been acknowledged by the cruiser Cleveland and the gunboat Sacramento, the department said today. The orders were not urgent which accounts for the ships' failure to sail before this time.

## Lifeless Body Of Negro Boy Found

Augusta, Ga., July 11.—George Dunbar, 14-year-old negro boy, was found here today lifeless with his head almost severed from his body.

## SERVICES ON SUNDAY AT THE COUNTY HOME

Sunday afternoon at four o'clock religious services were conducted at the County Home for both the white and the colored people.

C. J. Ward and David Simpson were in charge of the service for the white people, and the students of the State Normal Summer School led the service for the colored people.

## TAFT IS SWORN IN AS CHIEF JUSTICE

Washington, July 11.—William Howard Taft was today sworn in as chief justice of the United States.

## Farmers Union Head Asks Investigation

Washington, July 11.—Investigation of operations of the Federal Reserve Board, the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the great trusts such as the steel, coal, credit and money trusts, was asked of the Joint Congressional Committee by C. S. Barrett, president of the National Farmers' Union. The committee today began its survey of agricultural conditions.

## SAYS DEMOCRATIC ATTACK AMOUNTS TO NOTHING

Washington, July 11.—Debating the permanent tariff bill, Representative Tilson, Republican, of Connecticut, declared today that the Democrats' attack on the bill amounted to substantially nothing.

## B. Y. P. U. TONIGHT

The B. Y. P. U. of Blackwell Memorial Church meets tonight at eight o'clock. All members are asked to be prepared for Bible quiz.

## CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

The Young Woman's Club will meet in regular session at the Community Building Monday night at eight o'clock. All members are especially urged to be present, for important matters affecting the summer program for the club will be dealt with.

## TO DELIVER MESSAGE ON BONUS IN PERSON

Washington, July 11.—White House officials today indicated that President Harding would deliver his message to Congress on the bonus in person.

**FIRST BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 Excursion is Thursday, July 14. Tickets are now on sale at G. W. Twiddy's Grocery Store and at Culpepper's Hardware Company.