

WEATHER

Probably showers to night and Friday. Rising temperature; fresh east shifting to south winds.

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City Council Authorizes Second Survey Of Plants

McCrary Engineering Company, of Atlanta, To Prepare Figures on Worth of Existing Utilities—Cost of Extensions, And Expense of Constructing Adequate New Plants

The City Council in special session Wednesday afternoon following a joint meeting with the Utilities Committee, passed a resolution to employ the J. B. McCrary Engineering Company, of Atlanta, to make a survey of the light, water and sewer plants of Elizabeth City, and to furnish approximate valuations of the existing properties, along with estimates of the cost of improving and extending them to meet the needs of the city. The company will also be directed to supply cost figures on the erection of new plants.

The McCrary figures will be used along with the Maury survey, made a year ago, as a basis upon which to arrive at a reasonable estimate of the valuation of the local utilities. It is the disposition of the Utilities Committee and the Council, as expressed by members of both, to offer the companies every dollar that their holdings are worth, and not a cent more. It is the alternative of their refusal to sell at what appears to be a reasonable figure, Committee and Council members say that the city will probably build its own plants.

It is pointed out that, should the city construct utility plants of its own, everything would be brand new, the plants would be fully adequate to meet the existing needs, and would be so built as to take care of any future requirements, and could be operated far more economically than the present utilities. A considerable decrease might be expected in cost of maintenance, and replacements to say nothing of the elimination of vexatious delays to the public necessitated by the breakdown of machinery and boilers long past the state of effective usefulness.

As a result of the motion passed Wednesday afternoon, the McCrary Company will be authorized to make immediate surveys and recommendations with a view to settling Elizabeth City's utility problems as is feasible. The cost of the survey is fixed by the company at \$1750, with the understanding that this sum will be refunded in full should they be employed to handle the engineering end of a possible construction of municipal plants here later.

State Clinic Opens First Week In May

Will Treat Defective Tonsils And Adenoids Of School Children Of Three Counties

The tonsil-adenoid clinic to be held by the State Board of Health at Elizabeth City for the treatment of white school children in Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck Counties, will open on Tuesday, May 2, according to information received Thursday by County Superintendent M. P. Jennings, of Pasquotank. A nominal fee covering the actual expense of the operation, and hospital care overnight, will be charged for children whose parents are able to pay. No charge will be made for other children.

"At least 550 school children in Pasquotank County," says Superintendent Jennings, "will receive the tonsil-adenoid treatment, and probably a corresponding number from Camden and Currituck. The original arrangement of the State Board of Health was to allow two weeks for the work in this county, but later it was decided to hold the clinic here for the other two counties as well, and it is probable that the work will continue over a longer period."

Dr. J. M. Boyette, dentist employed by the State Board of Health to treat the teeth of Pasquotank County white school children, expects to finish his work here sometime early next week. He has done dental work free of charge for about 400 children, many of whom otherwise could not have had the treatment. Approximately 160 children in the rural schools have had work done, and in every school except one Dr. Boyette says that he has had excellent co-operation from teachers, pupils, and parents.

AUTO LINE TO NORFOLK

Are you expecting company? If so, inform them of Edgar's Auto Line leaving Norfolk 4 o'clock, arriving here 7 o'clock. Isn't that better?
EDGAR WILLIAMS.

STRIKE LEADERS DISCUSS PLANS

Will Likely Send More Union Organizers Into Coal Fields At An Early Date

Indianapolis, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Plans for pressing the work of organizing the non-union West Virginia miners to support the nation-wide coal strike were considered in a conference here today between William Green, secretary-treasurer of the Mine Workers Union, and Lawrence Dwyer, of Beckley, W. Va., a member of the union's executive board. Financial matters, and the sending of more union organizers into the fields were also discussed, it is understood.

Strike Situation Clearer
Charleston, W. Va., April 6 (By The Associated Press)—The strike situation in the southern districts is becoming gradually clearer, the claims of operators and miners being less conflicting. The former maintain, however, that the daily tonnage is being held, while union chiefs report steady accessions to their ranks from the unorganized.

New York, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Week-end sessions of the anthracite miners and operators sub-committee on wage contract negotiations were agreed upon today by both parties in an endeavor to settle the hard coal strike.

Teachers Exams Here Next Week

State examinations for teachers will be held at the office of County Superintendent Jennings in the Kramer Building at this city on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, April 11 and 12. The examinations will begin promptly at nine o'clock each day, and all applicants are required to be present promptly on the hour. Examinations must be taken strictly according to the published schedule, which may be obtained from county superintendents, or from the State Department of Public Instruction, at Raleigh.

Grammar grade, primary and high school principals' certificates can no longer be obtained solely on the basis of examinations, and, according to the rules, no papers will be accepted which contain simple grammatical errors, or are written in poor English. Only academic credits are issued on the basis of examination.

The professional credits now required of teachers applying for elementary certificates can be obtained by three five-hour courses at an approved summer school, or by four courses at a county summer school. The academic credits required for the elementary certificate, and which may be obtained by examination, must include grammar and composition, English and American literature, arithmetic, geography, American history, North Carolina history, and civics. Two subjects must also be selected from the following three groups, and each subject must be chosen from a separate group. The first group takes in English history, general history and European history. The second is made up of Latin, French and German. The third comprises chemistry and general science, physics and biology.

The group plan of examinations has been abandoned. Applicants must now pass on the entire examination in the same examination period, and a grade of less than 70 on any subject means failure on the entire examination. For further information, prospective applicants for examination are advised to get in touch with Superintendent Jennings at this city.

JURY TAKES MURDER CASE

New York, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—The case of Olivia Stone, charged with the murder of Ellis D. Kinkead, of Cincinnati, went to the jury before noon today.

EIGHTY ON HUNGER STRIKE

Lisbon, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Eighty syndicalists went on a hunger strike against imprisonment here today.

To Mark Lusitania's Grave



This is a model of a statue proposed to mark the spot off the Irish Coast where the Lusitania was torpedoed. It is by Georges DuBois, noted French sculptor. Frenchmen who propose the monument would have it set on a floating raft representing wreckage and anchored at the scene of the disaster. Cables to shore would permit its illumination at night.

Jailbird Flirts Though Censored

Wilmington, Del., April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Flirtations between men and women prisoners at the New-castle County workhouse have reached such proportions that Warden Plummer has established a jail postoffice and a board of censorship to pass upon all love letters.

Honor Memory Of Admiral Peary

Washington, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—President and Mrs. Harding, members of the cabinet, high officials and Arctic explorers joined in the tribute in memory of Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary today at the memorial unveiling at his grave in Arlington.

Signs Of Struggle Where Officer Shot

Bottles And Sliced Oranges Scattered About Room Where Beck And Woman Struggled

Oklahoma City, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Various phases of the slaying of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Ward Beck at the home of Jean P. Day developed today, county officials declaring that they were investigating possible hidden angles of the tragedy. X-ray photographs settled the question of whether Beck was shot, as fragments of a bullet were disclosed in the head.

Coroner McWilliams announced that bottles and sliced oranges were scattered about in the room where Beck and Mrs. Day struggled. Day said nothing stronger than non-alcoholic apricot cordial was served at the party.

McADAMS MEETING IS TO CONTINUE ANOTHER WEEK

The McAdams party has been invited to stay in Elizabeth City another week and the majority of the pastors will co-operate in the last services. The McAdams party is very appreciative of the invitation and its members declare that they expect to do their best work during these last days. Prayer meetings will be held all over town. On Friday morning at ten o'clock the prayer meeting will be held at Pender's Store.

KING OF SERBIA ILL

Belgrade, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—King Alexander, of Serbia, is confined to his bed by an illness, the nature of which is not known.

INDICTED FOR BIGAMY

New York, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Joseph Donald Grafton, son of a wealthy furniture manufacturer, whereabouts unknown, was today indicted on a charge of bigamy.

ARBUCLE DEFENSE RESTS

San Francisco, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—The defense in the Fatty Arbuckle manslaughter trial rested its case today. The last witness was Arbuckle himself.

Miss Lillian Gregory of Norfolk is visiting Mrs. Jack Newbold on North Main street.

Shiloh High School Studies Plants Here

Students Visited City Wednesday To Observe Practical Business And Industrial Methods

Thirty-five students of Shiloh High School, accompanied by N. E. Gresham, principal, and Rev. Joel S. Brown, assistant principal, spent Wednesday in Elizabeth City in an inspection of practical business and industrial methods, as practiced here. The high school classes represented have been giving considerable textbook study this school term to industrial education, and the trip to this city was arranged by Prof. Gresham in order that they might co-ordinate the theories studied with the practical application of the principles involved.

During the morning, the party visited the First and Citizens National Bank, where all were shown the many vaults and the extensive book-keeping department. The retail business of the Quinn Furniture Company was next visited, and afterwards the students went to the Wine-kream plant to observe the manufacturing processes used in making ice cream.

The shop of The Advance next came in for inspection, and the boys and girls expressed great interest in the mechanical perfection of the Linotype machine, the Ludlow typograph, and the large newspaper press, all of which were in operation. After lunch, the party was planning to visit various Elizabeth City mills, wholesale houses, and retail establishments.

The study of business and industry has now become a recognized phase of the teaching of community civics in progressive high schools in all parts of the country; and by observation of local enterprises, Prof. Gresham, of Shiloh High School, hopes to impress more strongly upon his pupils the practical application of the theories they have been taught.

Supt. Chadwick Died

Supt. Edgar Chadwick died Wednesday night at the Marine Hospital in Buffalo, New York.

He had been ill for only a week or ten days. Besides his widow, he leaves five children, the eldest 17 years of age and the youngest two years. Their names are Mary, John, Margaret, Elizabeth and Ruth.

Supt. Chadwick was born at Mantoo. He entered the Coast Guard service and served as keeper of Coast Guard Station 164, Little Island, Virginia, as Coast Guard Captain at Virginia Beach, as Superintendent of the Coast Guard District of Elizabeth City, and was at the time of his death Superintendent of the Coast Guard District at Buffalo, New York.

It was in 1915 that Supt. Chadwick came to Elizabeth City and in October, 1920, he was transferred to Buffalo.

Relatives and friends here think that his body will be taken to Virginia Beach for burial, but when this paper went to press no definite announcement of the time and place for the funeral had been received here.

IRISH SITUATION GROWS DANGEROUS

London, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Indications that the situation in Ireland is becoming dangerous in consequence of a growing antagonism of the Republicans toward the supporters of the Free State are given in dispatches to newspapers here.

Camden Ranks Third In Per Capita Wealth

Big Bragging Counties Like Mecklenburg, Robeson And Sampson Must Yield First Place To Alleghany And Tyrrell When The Average Wealth Of Citizens Is Basis Of Comparison

By John Paul Lucas

Raleigh, April 6.—What county in North Carolina has the greatest per capita wealth?

One would most naturally assume that Mecklenburg, Guilford, Johnston, Forsyth, Sampson, Wake, Cumberland, Edgecombe, Wayne, Robeson, or some of the other counties in the State whose crop values each year are high in comparison with those in other counties would claim the distinction. Such is not the case, however. These counties produce the greatest wealth, but their purchases of food and feed stuffs from other sections have always taken the largest part of what they have produced each year.

As a matter of fact, the counties whose per capita wealth ranks highest are not in the cotton or tobacco belts at all. The mountain county of Alleghany has the post of honor, and next in order are Clay, Tyrrell, Camden, Graham and Orange. Most of the mountain counties and a few in other sections which have often been viewed with some degree of condescension by the counties which have considered themselves wealthier are really more fortunately situated in the matter of accumulated wealth.

North Carolina as a whole, according to the last figures published by the Federal Census Bureau, ranked 47th among the 48 states in the matter of per capita wealth, being saved from bottom position by the state of Mississippi—this, in spite of the tremendous wealth which we produce each year and which places us fourth among the agricultural states in the Union and well on toward the head of the list among the industrial states.

An analysis of the situation reveals the fact that counties in which the production of food and feed crops has been neglected and practically all acreage and energy devoted to the production of money crops are poorer than the counties which by nature are less fortunately situated and in which the people, perforce, or from choice, have raised their living at home.

This situation is an indictment of the ordinary farm practice in the cotton and tobacco sections, and is no less an indictment of the intelligence of the farmers of these sections. If the wealth which has been produced in Johnston, Wayne, Robeson, Sampson, Halifax, Wilson and some other counties which are so copiously blessed with soil resources had been kept at home during these past years through the simple expedient of producing at home the food and feed stuffs for which this wealth has been squandered they would be rich beyond their wildest dreams of 1919. Land in those counties would be selling at from \$200 to \$500 per acre.

Their soil resources are so great that, even at ordinary prices, they will be able to make tremendous strides in the matter of wealth accumulation if they will even now adopt the common sense plan of raising their living at home as the first consideration of their farming practice. In every county and on every individual farm it is not income that counts, not gross income.

MILLION JOBLESS IN ENGLAND SOON

London, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Over a million persons will be without jobs unless a settlement is speedily reached in the engineering and shipbuilding industries, according to the American Chamber of Commerce summary of business conditions in England. Lancaster cotton manufacturers have served notice of a 75 per cent reduction in their standard price lists.

Garner Says Blanton Should Be Kicked Out

Washington, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Representative Garner, Democrat, of Texas, declared in the House today that if permitted by the rules to speak what was in their minds every member except one in the House would say Representative Blanton of Texas was a disgrace to the House and ought to be kicked out. The statement coming after Blanton had finished defending himself against a newspaper article, threw the body in an uproar, and the speaker's order prevented a personal clash.

MINE MULES NOW ENJOY DAYLIGHT

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., April 6 (By The Associated Press)—Once taken into the deep recesses of the mines where cars cannot penetrate, mine mules are never removed except in case they are stricken, their average life underground being fifteen years. These humble beasts of burden are not worrying over the length of the coal strike. Brought up thru the shafts, they are seeing daylight for the first time in years, romping about kicking and biting each other good-naturedly.

MILK-FED CHILDREN GAIN TEN PER CENT

Weights For March At Primary School Show Conclusive Benefits From Adoption Of Plan

An average gain of ten per cent in weight is shown in the twenty-eight retarded children for whom the milk distribution plan was specifically undertaken in January at the primary schools for white children at this city. The report for the month of March, which has just been made public, and which gives the weights recorded, shows that two pupils gained five pounds; two, four and one-half pounds; two, four pounds; four, three pounds; one, one and a half pounds; five, one pound; two, one-half pound. One showed no gain, one lost a pound by reason of illness, and two were not recorded, being absent when the weighing was done.

Altogether, the sum of \$231.43 was spent for milk for distribution among approximately 175 primary school children during January, February and March. Of this total, \$146.40 was collected from pupils able to pay for milk they receive. Donations amounted to \$57 for three months, and a total of \$90 was contributed by the City Council, the City School Trustees, and the County School Board. There is now on hand from the above sources a balance of \$61.97 over the total expended.

To indicate how the work of milk distribution has grown, it is interesting to note that, whereas only \$39.20 was spent during January, the February expenditure jumped to \$88.30, and for March the total reached \$103.93. And, too, from the January total must be deducted \$11.40 which was invested in a table, drinking glasses, dish pans, and other essential equipment for the work. Since January, the only money paid out other than for milk and crackers has been \$1.80 for additional glasses.

The school authorities express much gratitude to the Parent-Teachers Association for the loyal assistance of the ladies in the daily distribution of the milk. Their work has helped to eliminate all confusion and has altogether kept up any additional expense that might necessarily have been incurred in this phase of the job, had no assistance been rendered.

Superintendent Sheep, Miss Sallie Beasley, supervisor of the Primary school, and the teachers generally are enthusiastic over the results of two and a half months of milk distribution. The children themselves are the most enthusiastic of all. Many have learned to like milk who never drank it before, and it is believed that the aggregate benefit wrought by the plan will justify the financial outlay many times over.

French Delegation To Go Uninstructed

Paris, April 6 (By The Associated Press)—The French delegation will go to the Genoa conference without full powers, according to Premier Poincaré's final instructions. This decision is being much discussed in political circles, where it is looked upon as likely to develop complications in view of the powers to negotiate given to the Russian delegates.