

WEATHER

Unsettled weather with probably showers tonight and Tuesday. Somewhat lower temperature.

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Pasquotank Has 32 Miles Paved Highway

This Includes Paved Elizabeth City Streets Which Had Beginning 21 Years Ago In Belgian Block Paving On Poindexter And Three Years Later "Brick Street"

With the first twelve miles of the Elizabeth City to Winton highway paved and with the 3.3 mile brick highway to Weeksville completed over a year ago, Pasquotank County now has, including the paved streets of the city, over 30 miles of paved thoroughfares.

It has been 21 years since the paving of the first hard surfaced street in Elizabeth City was laid. A venture of high importance was the \$30,000 bond issue asked by the city for the paving of Poindexter street throughout its length from Burgess street to Church.

However, the bond issue went through and the street was paved. The money for the paving was borrowed on the understanding that it should be returned by the city with interest so as to reduce the principal by one thousand dollars per annum.

But though Poindexter street was paved the paving was not of such a type as to make paved streets popular. The paving material used was Belgian blocks, and though this paving put an end to stilled drays on this thoroughfare it rather added to the discomfort of traffic over it.

It was not until 1903, three years after the paving of Poindexter, that Elizabeth City got its first brick street, and for so long did this remain the only such street in the city that it came to be and even now, sometimes, is called, "Brick Street."

Even then the idea of paved streets for the main residence and business districts of the town came slowly. But it came surely. "Brick Street" was popular. This was before the era of the general use of the automobile, but to anybody who had any sort of a pleasure vehicle to drive, "Brick Street" became very popular.

But in the early spring of 1911 "Brick Street" was still the only paved residence street. The other streets of the town were of Pasquotank dirt.

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May Wed Kaiser



William Hohenzollern will wed Princess Hermine in October, according to cable reports from London. She has learned the watchmaker's art since the death of her husband, the Grand Duke of Saxe-Meiningen, this interesting dispatch further states.

Sentenced To Roads Forbes Notes Appeal

Etheridge Forbes, of Old Trap, picked up by the police Saturday with more than a lawful allowance of intoxicating liquor in his suitcase, was found guilty by Trial Justice Spence in the recorder's court Monday morning on a charge of transporting and sentenced to four months on the roads. He noted an appeal.

William Overman was taxed with the costs for riding a bicycle at night without lights; and two colored boys, Frank Nixon and Will Robertson were given the same judgment on the same charge.

Tom Jones, colored, for cruelty to animals was fined \$10 and costs.

MARYLAND VOTERS AT THE POLLS TODAY

Baltimore, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Maryland voters went to the polls today to choose candidates for senator and congressmen. The Republican contest was for the Senate, Senator France being opposed by John W. Garrett, secretary of the Washington Armament Conference. The Democrats had a three cornered fight for the Senate nomination and contests in five Congressional districts.

U. D. C. Meets Tuesday

A call meeting of the D. H. Hill Chapter of the U. D. C. will be held at the Community Building at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Business of importance is to be discussed and all members are urged to be present.

The Beginning Of Progress But the spring of 1911 was the last spring of unpaved streets. Slowly and surely the demand for better streets had grown stronger and more insistent. And early in that year a \$100,000 bond issue was passed to provide funds for such streets. Then arose the question of the material to be used in the paving.

There was some sentiment in favor of Belgian blocks; considerable sentiment, indeed, surprising as this fact may now seem. Harmony was finally achieved, however, by an agreement that in the wholesale district Belgian blocks should be used.

JUDGE TO HEAR STRIKERS' SIDE

Attorney For Jewell And Scott Makes Plea For Motion Of Dismissal

Chicago, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press) — Arguments on the Government's motion to make permanent the temporary injunction against rail strikers opened at 10:35 this morning before Federal Judge Wilkerson. Blackburn Esterline, assistant to the Attorney General, opened the argument for the Government, reading a list of the defendants on whom service has been obtained. Donald Richberg, attorney for B. M. Jewell and John Scott, called attention to the motion he filed Friday, asking dismissal of the injunction as it relates to his clients. Over the objection of Esterline, the judge ruled that he would hear the strikers' attorney on the motion of dismissal.

CONDUCTOR KILLED TRAIN TURNS OVER

Macon, Ga., Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Conductor B. R. Lasser of Vidalia, Ga., was killed and three other persons were seriously injured when the Macon, Dublin & Savannah engine turned turtle near here today.

RESTORE PROPERTY TO BAPTIST BOARD

Washington, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—The municipality of Saitillo, Mexico, has restored to the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention virtually all the property confiscated in 1917. Acting Secretary of State Phillips informed Senator Harris of Georgia today.

Hertford Personals

Hertford, Sept. 9, 1922 — Miss Evelyn White left Friday for Selma, where she will resume her work as teacher in the city schools there. Miss Arnette Hathaway left Friday to take up her work as teacher in the Greenville High School.

Mr and Mrs. Robert L. Fritz, Jr. arrived Friday on the early morning train. Mr. Fritz will be principal in the Hertford High School.

Miss Lucy Lee Morgan of Corapeake, N. C. returned to Hertford Friday to teach in the graded school here.

Miss Helen Newbold left Friday for Vanceboro, to teach in the school at that place.

Mr. Walter Caley, Jr. of Salem, Va., arrived in Hertford Friday to begin his work as teacher in the high school here.

Miss Kate Blanchard returned home Friday from a vacation to Virginia Beach.

Thomas Nixon, Jr. has returned from Nags Head where he has been on a vacation.

Miss Alethia N. Felton of Beaufort, arrived in Hertford Friday to begin work as teacher in the high school here.

Rev. T. M. Grant has returned home from a visit to relatives in Kinston and will hold regular services Sunday.

Under the management of Meade Fields Jr. a big dance was given at the Rex theatre Wednesday night in honor of the young people of the town who are leaving for school this week and next. About two hundred and fifty were present among whom were fifteen or twenty honor guests from Elizabeth City and Edenton. Jones jazz band furnished the music and a delightful evening was spent by those who participated.

County Agent L. W. Anderson went to Norfolk Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Hugh Elliott and daughter, Elizabeth, went to Elizabeth City today to spend the week end.

Miss Annie White and Miss Hazel Hughes left Saturday night for Greensboro where they will attend the State College for Women.

Injunction Stands Is Rumored Here

A report from an apparently reliable source, but which could not be confirmed as this newspaper went to press, to the effect that the Supreme Court had sustained the injunction restraining the County Highway Commission from building the Mt. Hermon road reached Elizabeth City today.

BACK TO WORK AT OLD WAGES

Scranton, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—A contract that sent 155,000 miners back to work at their old wages was formally signed today by representatives of miners and operators.

STUDY PSYCHOLOGY OF NAVAL OFFICERS

Kure, Japan, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—With a view of placing naval officers in positions to which they are best suited the psychology of each candidate is to be studied. Experiments have been carried out with 10,000 sailors and the results are said to have been satisfactory.

MRS. HARDING HAS A RESTFUL NIGHT

Washington, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. Harding spent a "fairly restful night" but there was no marked change in her condition, Secretary Wallace was informed at the White House when he called shortly after eight o'clock this morning. Secretary Weeks, who also called early at the White House, said that the slight improvement which set in yesterday was continuing with the patient's temperature getting nearer normal. Brigadier General Sawyer issued a bulletin shortly after 10 o'clock saying, "last night was less restless, elimination has increased and complications are subsiding, general appearances indicate improvement. Operation procedure is deferred."

Demands Impeachment Of Attorney General

Washington, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Demand for impeachment of Daugherty for "high crimes and misdemeanors" was made in the House today by Representative Keller of Minnesota, who sought immediate action on the resolution for investigation. By an overwhelming vote the House referred the question to the Judiciary committee.

JAPAN CLEANS UP ONCE EVERY YEAR

Tokio, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Under order of the chief health officer of the city every household during July of each year must have a general house cleaning. Everything in the house must be turned out, chiefly into the streets, and given a thorough dusting and scrubbing. The rubbish that has gathered during the year is thrown into heaps to be carted away. Thus with a poor cartage system the streets of Tokio are littered for weeks with the fotsam and jetsam of her inhabitants. Other cities have other cleaning periods, even the smallest village having to dispose of its trash at least once a year.

COMES TO PLEAD CAUSE OF FRANCE

Paris, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Georges Clemenceau is going to the United States primarily to plead the cause of France, he told the correspondent of Petit Parisien. He expects to start in November and deliver four lectures.

Miss Alma Winslow has returned from Norfolk and Newport News, where she visited friends.

Collection Teller Sykes Short In His Accounts

Highly Respected And Popular Young Man Skips Town Leaving Shortage Of More Than \$20,000 At First & Citizens National Bank—Loss Up To Bonding Company

John D. Sykes, Jr., city collection teller of the First & Citizens National Bank and World War veteran, is missing and an investigation by the bank has disclosed a shortage of somewhat more than \$20,000 in his accounts.

This report, current here in rumor form for the last 48 hours, was confirmed at noon Monday in a statement given out by Charles H. Robinson, president of the bank, which, while it does not disclose the amount of the shortage, declares that the bank is protected by a surety bond of the Fidelity & Deposit Company of Baltimore in the sum of \$25,000, which will prevent any loss to the bank.

John D. Sykes, Jr., familiarly known to his friends as "J. D.," left Elizabeth City on Sunday morning before Labor Day without giving an inkling to anyone here, so far as can be learned, that he was leaving for anything more than a holiday jaunt. Even when he failed to return to his work on Tuesday, and a check-up of his records was instituted, no undue alarm was entertained by the bank officials, as there had been nothing in the young man's conduct to arouse the slightest degree of suspicion. He was modest, industrious, quiet and frugal, apparently living well within his means, and thoroughly normal and sane in every respect. To those who knew him most intimately, he was the last young man whom they would have suspected of the faintest tinge of dishonesty.

Family Stunned By Shock Elizabeth City is shocked and the young man's parents are stunned and grieved—the mother prostrated—by the discovery of the alleged defalcation. The father, J. D. Sykes, Sr., held in high regard throughout the community as a citizen and as a man, is one of the best known men in the community and is a prominent layman of the First Baptist church. Mr. and Mrs. Sykes have five other children, one son and four daughters, all of whom are doing well. The family name in this County is heretofore without stain.

To the father the son's conduct is inexplicable. "I have never found the faintest shadow of dishonesty in any of J. D.'s dealings," he declared Monday morning, "and I cannot conceive that in his right mind he could have been guilty of a grossly dishonest act." Neither of the parents can believe their son was himself when he left the city. Indeed, in the light of the experience through which they are now passing, they realize that his conduct has not been normal for six or eight weeks. "We noticed a change in the boy," said the father, "when he came back from the World War. But as time wore on, and especially this year, when he went back into the poultry business on our little farm, I thought he was once more getting to be the old J. D., and continued to think so up until the last few weeks."

It was hardly more than a year ago, on August 25, 1921, to be exact, that young Sykes burst into the office of The Advance editor, his face flushed with excitement as he held out a tremendous black bass for the editor's inspection and admiration. He had just caught the monster off Machelhe's Island, and it tipped the scales at 7 1/2 pounds, the biggest bass of the season. If not the largest ever caught here, two months later this newspaper carried a story about a prize won by this catch in a national contest sponsored by the sportsman's magazine, Field and Stream.

Little could one have imagined at that time that the next newspaper story in which Sykes would figure would be one involving dishonor for himself, sorrow for his friends and grief and heart-break for his immediate family.

Statement By President The statement issued by C. H. Robinson, president of the bank, at noon today follows:

We regret to announce that one of our trusted employees, John D. Sykes, Jr., who has been in our employ for a number of years in charge of the Collection Department, has recently left town for parts unknown. It develops that by means of false entries and other devices, he has been able to cover up a shortage in his accounts to quite a large amount, but fortunately the bank is fully protected by a surety bond of

WOMEN LOCATED AND MAN CLEARED

Macon, Ga., Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. J. Garnett Starr, nineteen, and Miss Valeria Lamar, fifteen, sisters who were located in Jacksonville yesterday after a nationwide search, in connection with which H. C. Graham was arrested on the charge of abduction, were returned to their home here this morning. Mrs. Starr declared Graham innocent of the charge and Warren Roberts, the girls' uncle, said the charges against Graham would be dismissed at once.

MAINE ELECTING STATE OFFICERS

Portland, Maine, Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—The first state election of 1922 is under way in Maine today with a senator, four congressmen and a governor heading the officials to be chosen. Eight women sought seats in the Legislature, ten are seeking county offices. Senator Hale is opposed by former Governor Oakley Curtis, Democrat.

ARE OPPOSED TO GENERAL STRIKE

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 11 (By The Associated Press)—The shopmen's strike and the demands for a general strike against the Government's injunction were on the program when the executive council of the American Federation of Labor resumed their conference today. Many members of the council, although denouncing the injunction as a "blow to the rail crafts and a threat to all organized labor," expressed opposition to a general strike.

CALVARY B. Y. P. U. ORGANIZED

The young people of Calvary Baptist church were organized into a Baptist Young People's Union Sunday night. The pastor, Rev. R. F. Hall, delivered a stirring message to the young people along the line of B. Y. P. U. work. It was at the close of this message that the organization was perfected. Practically every available seat in the church was taken, the larger part of the congregation consisted of young people.

The following young people were elected by the church as the officers of the B. Y. P. U. and were duly installed into office:

Mrs. Clarence Tatum, president; Miss Margaret Gordan, vice president; Miss Reubell Sanders, recording secretary; Lycurgus Twiford, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Lizzie Davenport, treasurer; Howard Jones, chorister; Miss Ella Simpson, pianist; Miss Ruth Cox, librarian; Miss Edna Sanders, group captain No. 1; Mrs. Sam Hughes, group captain No. 2; Miss Mary Davis, group captain No. 3; Mrs. Minnie Morgan, group captain No. 4.

There were forty-two young people enrolled in the union. The first program will be given next Sunday night at 7:15 o'clock. Miss Edna Sanders, group captain No. 1, will be in charge of the program.

To Picnic Wednesday

The junior department of the First Methodist Sunday school, of which Mrs. W. C. Glover is superintendent, will have a picnic Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 6 at the Old Park. All children of the junior department are asked to be at the First Methodist church promptly at 2:45 Wednesday afternoon and from there they will be taken in automobiles to the picnic grounds.

The Fidelity & Deposit Company of Baltimore, in the sum of \$25,000, which will prevent any loss to the bank.

Police are actively at work on the case and we hope to locate the young man and have him in custody in a short time.

First & Citizens National Bank, CHAS. H. ROBINSON, President.