

THE WEATHER
Cloudy, local thunder-
showers Friday and to-
night. Gentle, variable
winds.

SCHOOL OPENS SEPTEMBER 17

Trustees Decide Not to Delay Opening White Schools — Colored Schools Will Open September 24.

The board of school trustees decided Tuesday night not to delay the opening of the white schools until October 1, but to open them on September 17, the original opening date, using the relay system until the new high school building is ready for occupancy. The new furniture and equipment are here and ready to be installed as soon as the building can be got ready for them.

The colored schools will not open until September 24, because the sanitary equipment is not yet completed. The board of school trustees at Tuesday night's meeting decided to build their own power line to the new colored school building on Body Road.

WOODMEN START JAPANESE FUND

Evergreen Camp, No. 778, Woodmen of the World, Wednesday night started the ball rolling in Elizabeth City for Japanese relief.

Generous response followed immediately after the matter was brought before the meeting, and the treasurer was instructed to forward the contribution at once to Red Cross headquarters at Washington, D. C.

COUNTY SCHOOLS TO OPEN MONDAY

Riverside, Fork and Newland Ready for Work, Weeks- ville, and Other Schools to Open Later in Fall.

Riverside, Fork, and Newland schools of Pasquotank County will open next Monday.

Riverside has a nine months' term with two teachers, Miss Blanche Cannon of Hertford, principal, and Miss Myrtle Land of Winfall, assistant.

Edward R. Spruill, formerly of this city, but more recently of Rocky Mount, is principal of the Fork school, which has an eight months' term. The other teachers are Mrs. Mary McCoy of Elizabeth City, Miss Annie Jessup of Winfall, and Miss Winifred Bodie of Thomasville.

Newland has an eight months' term with B. L. White of Woodland as principal. The other teachers are Miss Iona Wells of Edenton, Miss Emily Stafford of R. F. D. 4, Elizabeth City, Miss Lillian Pritchard of Weeksville, Miss Blanche Griggs of Poplar Branch, Miss Lillie Stiterson of Roper, Miss Willo Stiterson of Roper, Miss Myra White of Belvidere.

Weeksville high school will open the last of September, the opening date not having yet been definitely decided upon. This school has an eight months' term.

The other schools in the County have six months' terms and will open about the first of November, depending upon cotton picking in these various communities.

WOULD NOT CONVICT ON RELFE TESTIMONY

Trial Justice Spence in the recorder's court Thursday morning spent something like an hour in hearing the recital of the details by which it came about that J. H. Casper of Pasquotank County was charged with attempting to hire the two young sons of Joshua Relfe to poison a hog on the premises of Jim Morgan, Pasquotank farmer, it being the contention of Casper that the hog belonged to him.

After listening to the Relfe version of the affair, as given by Mr. Relfe and his two sons, and then after hearing the defendant's version, supported by the testimony of his brother, the court held that there was insufficient evidence to convict, especially in view of the fact that the alleged offer was made more than a year ago, and dismissed the case.

The only other case disposed of in the recorder's court Thursday was that against Stephen C. Sawyer, colored, for failure to list taxes, Stephen paid taxes and costs.

ARRESTS IN WILMINGTON

Wilmington, September 6 — A total of 178 arrests were made here during August, according to the monthly report of the chief of police. Eighteen of the persons arrested were indicted for drunkenness, and 40 gallons of whiskey were confiscated, the report states.

CONSTABLE WILL RESIGN

Greenville, Sept. 6.—Constable Ernest Allen, following a citation signed by Judge Horton in superior court notifying him to appear before the court to answer charges filed by Mayor D. M. Clark, who asked for his removal from office, failed to appear before the judge, but informed the court that he would present his resignation to the county commissioners in the near future.

GUESTS ESCAPE SCANTILY CLAD

Narragansett Pier, Rhode Island, Sept. 6.—The Imperial Hotel here was destroyed by fire today, 40 guests escaping scantily clad. The loss was half a million dollars.

Headquarters Are Moved from Raleigh

Near East Relief in North Carolina Will be Handled from Charlotte

Raleigh, Sept. 6.—State headquarters of the Near East Relief for North Carolina were moved from this city to Charlotte today. Economy of operation and future consolidation of state offices of this great humanitarian organization were given as the reason. New offices will be located at 300 North Tryon street.

Col. George H. Bellamy, state chairman, in a statement issued on the eve of leaving the state capital for the Queen city, expressed the appreciation of his organization to the people of Raleigh for their courtesy and cooperation during the five years an office has been maintained here.

Last winter when the office outgrew its quarters in the Citizens Bank Building and no other office space available, the Y. M. C. A. through courtesy of Daniel W. Glover, general secretary, tendered use of their board of directors' room at rental far smaller than the prevailing prices in this city.

"Our stay in Raleigh has been most pleasant," Col. Bellamy declared, "and we appreciate all of the many things the people and merchants of Raleigh have done for us. However, we find that we can operate so much cheaper in Charlotte as to make such removal the only justifiable course to an organization which asks the public for funds and which has been proven to operate on a smaller overhead than any other charitable organization in the world."

"Besides, the time is coming when with reduced quotas it will be necessary to consolidate state offices and in Charlotte we will be in the logical location to handle the work of the two Carolinas at a much reduced overhead."

REX THEATER AT HERTFORD BURNED

The Rex Theater at Hertford, operated by Burgess and Joyner of Raleigh, was destroyed by fire Wednesday night, according to news reaching the Alkrama Theater at Elizabeth City Thursday morning.

The cause of the fire is not known. It is believed to have started behind the curtain just before the hour for the beginning of the show.

The building is owned by J. Broughton and Bros., of Hertford and is a two-story brick structure with a grocery store, barber shop and poolroom on the first floor and the movie theater on the second.

The upper story was entirely destroyed, and the stock in the lower story was damaged to the extent of \$1,500 by the water used in extinguishing the flames. The total damage is estimated at between \$7,000 and \$8,000, with \$6,000 insurance. It is not believed at Hertford, according to a long distance telephone message from there, that Burgess & Joyner had any insurance on their theater equipment.

OFFICIATES AT WEDDING OF HIS TWIN BROTHER

Rev. Romulus F. Hall has returned from New Bern, where he officiated at the marriage of his twin brother, Rev. Remus J. Hall, to Miss Pearl Chadwick. The bride is the attractive and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chadwick of New Bern and the groom is pastor of Winter Park Baptist Church at Wilmington. They will be at home in Wilmington after October 1.

MELVILLE'S COMEDIANS COMING NEXT WEEK

Melville's Comedians, probably the most popular theatrical company playing under canvas that now visits Elizabeth City, is to be here for a week, beginning with Monday, September 10.

An entirely new show, with new scenery, new costumes and new people, is promised by the management, and in all probability the usual large crowds will attend the performances. A special offer under which ladies accompanied by an escort with paid adult ticket will be admitted free is outlined in an advertisement on page four of this issue.

SHOULD REGISTER FRIDAY

Miss Minnie Nash will begin her music classes Sept. 17. All pupils should register Friday, Sept. 7, at 10 a. m.

RETURN FROM RICHMOND

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Selig have returned from a motor trip to Richmond, where they visited friends and relatives. Mr. Selig stated on his return that he found the roads in a very satisfactory condition.

Mrs. E. L. Hampton of Poplar Branch is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Child Well After Lightning Stroke

Reported Dead But Was Only Slightly Burned And Un- conscious An Hour

Gaither Williams, four and a half years old, is alive and well today at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Williams, four miles from South Mills, in Camden County, although reports had gone out over considerable territory that the little fellow had been killed by lightning in Wednesday afternoon's storm.

The reports reached Elizabeth City late Wednesday, but telephone lines between here and South Mills had been so disturbed by the storm that it was impossible to get in direct communication with the home.

Thursday morning Fred Brothers, who lives near the Williams home and is the undertaker for that section, came to the city, and gave the story to The Advance as it really happened.

The little boy was playing indoors during the storm and just as he ran and jumped on a trunk at the window, a bolt of lightning tore out the window and so stunned the child that he was unconscious for an hour. Messengers were dispatched at once for both the doctor and the undertaker and the news went about everywhere that the child was dead, which seemingly was true.

But the little boy's mother in the meantime was administering first aid to her child. Her presence of mind, her faith and untiring efforts were rewarded in about an hour, and by the time that neighbors had arrived the little boy was again conscious. His clothes were badly burned, he suffered some burns on the left shoulder and a singed eyebrow, but was not seriously injured.

KINSTON WOMAN IS KILLED IN QUAKE

Washington, Sept. 6.—The State Department yesterday received advice that Miss Elizabeth Dodson, aged 54, of Kinston, N. C., who was traveling in the East, was killed by the Japanese earthquake.

GREEK FLEET AVOIDS BATTLE

Receives Orders to Retire to the Gulf of Volo and Keep Out of the Way of the Ital- ian Fleet.

Athens, Sept. 6.—The Greek fleet has received orders to retire to the Gulf of Volo to avoid conflict with the Italian fleet. It is learned here on good authority today.

Paris, Sept. 6.—Brazil and Uruguay are said to have instructed their delegates at Geneva to make common cause with Italy and withdraw from the League of Nations if she does, asserts a Milan dispatch to Le Matin.

London, Sept. 6.—A Central News dispatch from Rome today says reports are current there that the Italian forces have occupied the islands of Merlera, Fano and Mathraki.

JAPAN SPINDLES UNABLE OPERATE

London, Sept. 6.—Thirty per cent of the cotton spindles of Japan are unable to operate, says a dispatch from Kobe.

PRESBYTERIANS REPORTED SAFE

Nashville, Sept. 6.—All Southern Presbyterian missionaries in Japan are safe, according to a cablegram to the church's executive office here today.

MUSCLE SHOALS ARE AGAIN CONSIDERED

Washington, Sept. 6.—Negotiations were resumed today between the Government and Henry Ford on the latter's offer to acquire the Muscle Shoals power plants and nitrate properties.

Ford and his son, Edsel, and one of his engineers conferred with Secretary Weeks and later with President Coolidge.

Home Demonstration Work By No Means A Soft Job

Mrs. Jane McKimmon Tells How Farm Women Learn by Doing and Learn the Joy of Living and Doing. With Home Demonstration Agents Bridging the Chasm

Raleigh, Sept. 6.—In an interview, today, Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, director of home demonstration work for North Carolina State College and the Department of Agriculture, outlined the work of the department, she heads, telling of the activities of the numerous county demonstration agents and how they endeavor to better the homelife of the farmers of North Carolina, not by talking and telling them how to do things, but by showing them how by doing the things themselves. The position of the county home demonstration agent is no "soft job," according to Mrs. McKimmon, but she said there are very few home demonstration agents who would change their work if they had the opportunity.

"I once asked a home demonstration agent, she said, 'How do you get so close to the woman and girl in your county?', and the reply came quickly, 'I believe it is because I make myself a bridge between that woman and her opportunity.'"

"As I see these busy county workers going from community to community," she continued, "I am 'minded of the many bridges they are making over which women cross to fellowship with their neighbors, contact with the outside markets, a better understanding of their responsibility in knowing the proper foods to build young bodies, and a knowledge of how to plan work that time may be saved for the higher things of life."

"The tangible results are many and can be easily counted, but who can measure the inspiration and courage that comes to that girl who sees the way toward college opening straight through the cans she has filled and put on the market, or the joy to that woman who sees her home growing into a thing of beauty and comfort because of the instruction she has received and put into practice."

Illustrating her statement that the work of the county demonstration agent is one of action, and not of words alone, Mrs. McKimmon cited an interesting incident. "An enthusiastic woman applied to me for a position as home agent after she had seen the work in one of the counties," she said. "I asked what were her qualifications for the job. 'Qualifications! Qualifications!' she exclaimed. 'I assure you I can talk.' That was evident enough but what I wished to know was what she could do. 'Oh!' she said, 'I don't want to do the cooking and the canning and the sewing. It is the uplift I am interested in. I have been a society woman, flitting here, flitting there, lighting anywhere.' And now I

thought, she is going to light on us. I hastened to tell her that the trouble was, we uplift by the cooking and millinery. If she had had the opportunity of attending the conference of home demonstration agents at Blue Ridge in July and had heard those practical women discussing with each other the practical methods of doing their jobs, she would have caught a vision of what real uplift means and what it takes to produce it."

"It is the agent who can take from a fireless cooker a chicken which she herself has roasted who convinces a group of farmers that this device might be a good time saver for them to make for their wives, and it is the agent who can teach the farm women to produce salable articles and organize them for marketing these who proves she can add to the community enough income to make it possible to secure some of the joy-giving things of life."

The director of home demonstration work told of another interesting incident, illustrating the work of the home demonstration agent. "The home agent in an eastern county," she began, "was on her way to give a canning demonstration to a group of women at the school house and as she passed a small unpainted house a woman walked between the cotton plants to the road. 'Are you coming to the meeting?' the agent asked. 'No,' said the woman. 'I haven't anything but cherries to can.' 'I see,' replied the agent, 'you have five trees hanging with fruit and you and I may get together on an order we have received for cherry preserves from State College. Bring some of your fruit to the school house and if you learn how to put up a standard pack I can assure you a sale.' The woman appeared in the afternoon with a half bushel of cherries, was very quick to take suggestions, and went home to gather and preserve all the fruit on her trees. The finished product netted her \$85, more cash than she had ever possessed at one time in her life."

"When the agent asked her what she was going to do with the money, she replied, 'I am going to build me a porch. I always have wanted one.' The husband became interested, did the carpentry, went further and painted the house white. And when the beauty of a lawn and flowers was impressed upon him he gladly gave all the ground from the house to the road for the purpose, and added a vegetable garden at the back. Today, that little house stands as a monument to awakened ambition; it is joy to the passer-by and demonstration to the neighbors of what can be done from a small beginning."

ISLAND SINKS; ANOTHER FORMS

Peking, Sept. 6.—The police of China report a new island off the peninsula, while they say that the island of Choshima is inevitable and is feared to have come down with its 10,000 or more inhabitants. There is still no news from the Bonin Islands and catastrophic changes there are feared.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO HOLD REUNION

Every Denomination in Cur- rituck, Camden, Pasquo- tank, and Dare Invited to Meet at Point Harbor.

Harbinger, Sept. 6.—Every Sunday school in Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank and Dare counties is cordially invited by Powells Point Baptist Church to meet in a Four County Sunday school reunion at Point Harbor on Saturday, September 22.

The reunion will be held on the lawn of Alex Owens, and each Sunday school attending has the privilege of conducting a special program. Everybody is asked to bring lunch. Refreshments will be sold on the grounds, the proceeds to defray the expenses of the day. Every denomination is invited. The purpose of the reunion is not to make money, but to unite the churches and Sunday schools in fellowship and friendliness. Powells Point Church owes no debts and will make nothing from the proceeds of the day.

There will be good speeches and a good time for everybody.

SEAPLANE HERE TO CARRY PASSENGERS

Opportunities for 15-minute seaplane flights above Elizabeth City will be offered here Friday of this week if the plans of the Jackson-Worrell flying circus, booked for exhibition flights at the Elizabeth City District-Fair do not miscarry.

A long distance telephone message from Mr. Jackson of the circus reached The Advance Wednesday night in the course of which Mr. Jackson said that he would be here with a big seaplane Friday to look the ground over and while here would take passengers for 15-minute flights above the bay at very reasonable rates.

Mr. Jackson expected to reach Elizabeth City early Friday morning.

COTTON TAKES JUMP

New York, Sept. 6.—Cotton for October delivery today sold at 26.25, or 78 points above yesterday's closing.

CANNON TO TAKE OVER THE DAVIDSON MILLS

Charlotte, September 6.—Martin L. Cannon and associates will take over the operation of the Delburg-Linden cotton yarn mills at Davidson about October 1, it is reported. The mills recently were sold to Mr. Cannon and his associates at a price said to be in the neighborhood of \$250,000.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DOUBLES IN CHARLOTTE

Charlotte, September 6.—During the past ten years school attendance has almost doubled in Charlotte, according to records in the office of the superintendent of public education, showing that in 1913 there about 6,000 students enrolled in the schools of the city, while this year there are over 11,000 pupils attending the public educational institutions here.

STATESVILLE ROAD IS ALMOST FINISHED

Charlotte, September 6.—Hard-surfacing of the Charlotte-Statesville highway is expected to be completed within a few days. Only a few small links between Huntersville and Davidson remain to be paved before the road will be open from one end to the other.

ASHEVILLE FIRE LOSS IN AUGUST WAS \$812

Asheville, September 6.—The total fire loss in Asheville during August was \$842, according to reports of Chief A. L. Duckett, of the city fire department.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Sept. 6.—Spot cotton, closed quiet. Middling 27.35 an advance of 55 points. Futures, closing bid, Oct. 26.10, Dec. 25.68, Jan. 25.78, March 25.93, May 25.95, July 25.85, trading.

New York, Sept. 6.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: Oct. 25.78-73, Dec. 25.68-71, Jan. 25.45-37, March 25.51-55, May 25.55.

N. C. Newbold of the State Department of Education at Raleigh is in the city for a few days.

DIRECT NEWS IS HAD FROM TOKIO

First Dispatches Coming Straight from City Indicate Loss of Life Is Nearly One Hundred Thousand There.

Washington, Sept. 6.—The first direct dispatches were received from Tokio last night and indicated that Tokio is devastated with a loss of 80,000 to 100,000 and Yokohama is even more terribly affected with a greater loss of life and heavier destruction.

Money Is Saved
Osaka, Sept. 6.—All money in the Bank of Japan vaults was saved from destruction in the fire which followed the earthquake and tidal wave.

Recapitulation of the earthquake and fire today showed Yokohama as its center, extending north and south about 100 miles and east and west about 140 miles. This area included 33 counties and five large cities inhabited by 7,000,000 people who were caught in the disaster.

It is estimated that 70 per cent of the cities and towns in the stricken area were destroyed. Yokohama, according to reports received here, was totally destroyed, and only about one-fourth of Tokio remains.

Foreigners Killed
Peking, Sept. 6.—About 40 foreigners were killed when the earthquake in Japan destroyed the famous Fujisa hotel and wiped out the adjacent village of Miyanoshta, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Osaka today. There was a volcanic explosion at Kowakidani in the same region.

Chase-Up Confusion
Iwaki, Sept. 6.—(By Radio Corporation to Associated Press.)—The Japanese home office took the first steps today toward attempting to clear up confusion and speculation regarding the actual number of dead and injured in the earthquake and fire in Tokio when it announced that 30,000 were dead, 100,000 injured, and 350,000 homeless.

Korean Uprisings
Moscow, Sept. 6.—Dispatches from Harbin and Peking today say that Korean revolutionary elements in Japan are taking advantage of the catastrophe and have started uprisings in Tokio, where there is fighting on the streets.

Road To Be Built Soon As Possible

Portsmouth, Sept. 6.—The construction of Route 12X from Deep Creek to the North Carolina line, connecting with the South Mills, N. C. link of the North Carolina State highway system was assured, it was learned yesterday, when the state highway commission passed favorably on the recommendation of Chairman H. G. Shirley to the effect that the road be built as soon as possible.

The road from Deep Creek on to the Carolina line will be constructed of gravel instead of bituminous macadam or concrete as was originally planned. The road from Portsmouth and Norfolk to Deep Creek is of bituminous macadam construction. Plans are now being drawn, highway officials say, and bids will be advertised, and contracts let as soon as possible.

The commission, Chairman Shirley explained, delayed, pending word from the North Carolina authorities, in accepting the loan of \$130,000 as to whether they would connect with the Virginia road by building a highway from South Mills, N. C., to the Virginia line. Assurance that they would do this was recently received, he said.

TEN KILLED WHEN TRAINS COLLIDE

Berlin, Sept. 6.—Ten persons were killed and 15 injured in a collision today between the Berlin & Amsterdam, and the Dresden & Amsterdam express trains near Hanover.

MR. STACK'S MOTHER DIES NEAR GREENSBORO

Rev. E. L. Stack's mother, Mrs. David T. Stack, died at her home near Greensboro Tuesday, after a lingering illness. Mr. Stack was called to her bedside week before last and remained until the end. He expects to return in time to fill his Sunday appointments at Newbegin and Union, and to conduct the revival at Halls Creek next week.

Mrs. David T. Stack is survived by her husband and eight children, all of whom were with her when the end came. The children are: Mrs. W. A. Smith of Raleigh, Mrs. Pearl Layton of Greensboro, Mrs. Blanche Coitane of Trinity, Rev. E. L. Stack of Elizabeth City, T. E. Stack, C. E. Stack and Clarence Stack of Greensboro, and C. O. Stack of Jonesboro. The funeral and interment took place at Rehoboth Church near the home Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. She had been a member of and a worker in this church for more than 50 years. The church is noted for the number of preachers it has sent out, there being nine ministers actively at work now who received their early religious training in Rehoboth Sunday school.