

NEW CHAMPION OF CARTER PROPOSAL

D. R. Munden Denies Impracticability and Sets Forth Additional Advantages of Ferry to Tyrrell.

The Advance of January 18 carried an interview from George P. Carter of Fairfield, setting forth in glowing terms the advantages that would accrue to Elizabeth City, as well as to Hyde and Tyrrell counties, by the building of a road to Listers Pier and by the establishing of a ferry between Listers Pier and Newberrys Landing in Tyrrell County. All that Elizabeth City needed to do, in Mr. Carter's view, to bring Fairfield within 56 miles of Elizabeth City and to annex both Hyde and Tyrrell counties to Elizabeth City's trade territory was to pave the six miles of road from the Weeksville High School to Listers Pier. With a paved road all the way from Listers Pier to Elizabeth City, he was confident that private interests could easily be led to operate the proposed ferry until the State could be brought to take it over.

For a while only favorable comment was heard as to Mr. Carter's proposal, one of the most enthusiastic champions of the practicality and feasibility of the plan being J. H. LeRoy of the Albemarle Fertilizer Company, who has had quite a wide experience in transportation in this section. But a week or so after Mr. Carter and Mr. LeRoy had had their say in The Advance, H. M. Pritchard of Salem township gave this newspaper a statement which seemed to deal a death blow to the whole scheme. Mr. Pritchard said that the ferry between the two counties would not be feasible on account of the exposed shore line at Listers Pier which would make it impossible to build a pier there that would stand the storms of winter, and on account of the dangers of Hog-neck Shoal, which lies just off the mouth of Little River.

Nobody offered any answer as to Mr. Pritchard's suggestion and interest in the proposal lagged. This week, however, a new champion of Mr. Carter's proposal has come forward who has spent the greater part of his life either on the water or at work connected with the operation of water craft, and he is confident that the scheme, with a few modifications, is entirely feasible and that Mr. Carter failed to picture all the advantages that would accrue if it could be put over.

This new champion is D. R. Munden of the firm of Munden & Alexander, who has been in the sail business for quite a number of years and who, prior to going into this business, was engaged in fishing or boating in sound waters. Naturally, then, Mr. Munden is thoroughly familiar with the depth of water and the location of shoals at the mouth of Little River. Though he admits that there is ground for objection to a ferry landing at Listers Pier, he is confident that such objection could readily be obviated by having the ferry landing a short distance up the river. Shoals at the mouth of the river, he points out, would then be an advantage instead of a disadvantage, as that would give the ferry practically a land locked harbor for the pier at which it would tie up at night. "There would be no difficulty whatever," says Mr. Munden, "in negotiating the channel at the mouth of Little River. I have put in at the mouth of the river time and again, and I remember vividly one instance when, caught in a gale on the sound after leaving the mouth of the Scuppernon River, I found shelter in Little River on a night so dark that one could not see the length of the little vessel that I was sailing."

Not only would the establishment of this ferry, in Mr. Munden's opinion, do all that Mr. Carter says it would in the way of giving Hyde and Tyrrell counties an outlet and in the way of bringing trade from these counties to Elizabeth City, but also it would do much to improve lands in Tyrrell that, though now largely undeveloped, are among the richest in this section.

"And not only Tyrrell and Hyde," says Mr. Munden, "but also the very prosperous and progressive Durants Neck section of Perquimans County, would be brought into closer and more intimate relation with Elizabeth City through this ferry." Durants Neck farmers, he points out, now have to go all around their elbow to get to their thumb in coming to Elizabeth City, while a foot ferry from the Perquimans side of the river to the proposed ferry landing would put Durants Neck farmers in touch with a bus line operating from the ferry landing to Elizabeth City. Durants Neck farmers living at a distance from the ferry could leave their cars on the Perquimans side of Little River, cross the foot ferry and take the bus to Elizabeth City.

Mr. Munden is enthusiastic about the possibility of this section of Pasquotank as a summer resort. "I had a fishing camp down there once," he says, "and there was no night of the summer when I stayed down there but what I had to sleep under a blanket. The breeze is as good as it is on the sound side at Nags Head, and the temperature, in my opinion, is lower, as the sun does not beat down upon an open stretch of sand. I am confident that if this six

SENATOR WALSH IS BACK AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Feb. 22.—Senator Walsh, leading figure in the oil investigation, returned today to Washington unexpectedly. Whether the Senator's return forecast any important turn in the oil inquiry remained undisclosed. He had gone to North Carolina for a vacation and it had been expected that he would be absent until Sunday or Monday.

MEXICAN REBEL IS CAPTURED AT COLIMA

(By The Associated Press)
Mexico City, Feb. 22.—General Salvador Alvarado, one of the principal rebel leaders in the West has been captured at Colima, according to reports given out by the war department.

Oliver Gilbert Tells About Drum Fishing

His Article in William Penn Points Leading Feature of February Issue

An article by O. F. Gilbert on Drum Fishing South of the Mason and Dixon Line, illustrated with a picture of Fred Houtz holding in his hands a 44½ pound channel bass caught at Oregon Inlet, is the leading feature of the February issue of William Penn Points, semi-monthly magazine which is the house organ of the William Penn and Fort Pitt hotels in Pittsburgh.

"Drum fishing on the Carolina coast," says the magazine in way of introduction to Mr. Gilbert's article, "will furnish kingly sport for any angler." It is interesting to note in this connection that Colonel C. C. Butler, one of the proprietors of the two magnificent Pittsburgh hotels mentioned in the foregoing paragraph, is a member of The Duck Island Club and a frequent visitor in Elizabeth City on his way to and from the club. It was after having felt the thrill of a 40 pound drumfish on his line that Mr. Butler, on returning to his home, wrote Mr. Gilbert for information about drum fishing that he could pass on to the thousands of guests that stop at his hotels during the year.

"Successful business men," says Mr. Gilbert in the article that he wrote in response to Mr. Butler's invitation, "are about like successful fishermen. Whatever your vocation may be, whether it is that of a merchant, a manufacturer, a doctor or a lawyer, the successful man usually goes into the fundamentals of his particular line of business and studies all the little things pertaining thereto. He does not trust to luck. Drum fishing requires possibly not so much thought or attention to detail as one would devote to his business; but to be a successful fisherman there are several things which can not be ignored and should be carefully considered.

"I hope this article may give some busy man who hasn't had the time to learn by experience information that will enable him to enjoy some of the greatest sport on the Atlantic coast. Once you feel the pull of a drumfish and the swish of the line in his rushes, you will find a thrill that you will never forget."

In the body of his article Mr. Gilbert sets forth with a business man's clearness and terseness of expression and in question and answer style facts the knowledge which have made him a successful drum fisherman. Oliver Gilbert is as good a sport as he is a good sportsman, and doubtless will impart these facts to any reader of The Advance that may be interested enough to ask him about them.

Read by hundreds of Northern sportsmen, Mr. Gilbert's article will be the means of adding to the popularity of the fishing grounds off the North Carolina coast during the coming season.

LEGIÓN COMMANDER AT WINSTON-SALEM

Winston-Salem, Feb. 22.—National Commander John R. Quinn of the American Legion spoke here this morning at the celebration of the American Legion of North Carolina. "Mellon juggles the figures and big business spends a few of its hoarded war profits to fight against the passage of obligations which are pledged to us by the Republican party," said Quinn.

Declaring that railroad wartime contracts and shipyard workers received and still receive bonuses, the national commander added: "Every factor except the veterans who went to the front was compensated for its economic loss and handicap."

miles of road were paved, a ferry between Tyrrell County and Pasquotank would be established on private initiative in short order and it would not be more than a year after the road was opened before a hotel would be built near the ferry landing. This would give us a summer resort within easy access of Elizabeth City, at which Elizabeth City business men could spend all but the business hours of the day with their families."

WANTS HEARING FOR DAUGHERTY

Chairman Republican National Committee Thinks It "Absurd" to Force Resignation Without Hearing.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Chairman Adams of the Republican National Committee today declared that the demand for the retirement of Attorney General Daugherty without thorough investigation appeared to him "absurd."

The chairman and other officials of the National Committee have advised President Coolidge that they believe Daugherty should have a hearing before action is taken.

Republican leaders of the Senate who believe Daugherty should get out at once agreed with the Democrats to place at the head of the committee to investigate his acts some other Republican than Senator Brookhart, of Iowa, one of the LaFollette insurgent group whose members repeatedly have attacked the Attorney General.

Daugherty himself created a stir by appearing in the Senate chamber. He explained that a month ago he promised Senator Willis that he would listen to the reading of Washington's farewell address.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Attorney General Daugherty in the face of Republican requests for his resignation as for the good of his party last night declared again that to resign would be to concede the truth to all the "baseless charges" against him and that he never would be a party to such a proceeding.

MORE HOPEFUL OF SENATOR GREENE

Washington, Feb. 22.—Further improvement in the condition of Senator Greene of Vermont was announced at noon today by Dr. Thomas Linville, who issued this bulletin: "Senator Greene's condition is improved and more hopeful."

Advertising Is Barometer

Newspaper Space Cause of Changes in Local Business Conditions And Indicates What May Be Expected

By ROGER W. BABSON
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Babson Park, Florida, Feb. 22.—A new barometer has been added to the list of factors on which changes can be anticipated;—the relationship between newspaper advertising and local business.

We have long peered a reliable measure of business psychology. My associates having studied and rejected several indices finally analyzed newspaper advertising lineage, both as a cause in changing local business conditions and as a barometer by which impending improvement or decline can be anticipated. The results in this field of investing are exceedingly interesting and pertinent.

In comparing newspaper advertising by months with the volume of local business in thirty leading cities for a period of ten years my associates find that there is a distinct connection between these two factors. An increase in newspaper advertising is paralleled in almost every case by an increase in local business beginning the same month. When the lineage of local newspaper advertising turns and begins to decline the momentum gained carries the general business in the community either from one to three months before it definitely turns downward.

The figures on the city of Chicago, for instance, illustrate this tendency in a larger center. Newspaper advertising in January 1923 was 9 per cent less than that carried in December. General business in January increased over the December figures, the drop forecast by this decline in newspaper lineage however, developed during the first two months of 1923. Both advertising lineage and business increased in March 1923 and advertising turned downward in May. General business followed that same month.

Newspaper advertising turning downward between June and July forecast the decline in general business which started in the following month. Advertising decreased between May and June, business turning down definitely in June. Advertising started up in September with general business. It turned down between October and November and was followed by business activity the same month. In the year 1923, both general business and advertising increased in February and advertising again turned downward in May, general business following in June. Lineage increased in September and was paralleled by the revival of fall business. A decline of the November figures indicated a drop in general activity which materialized after the first of

New Head



Major Wallace W. Kirby of the engineers corps, has been named new head of the Bureau of Engraving at Washington.

MORRISON EXPECTS CALL SPECIAL SESSION

Morehead City, Feb. 22.—Governor Cameron Morrison speaking here last night in the interests of water development of the State declared that he would call an extra session of the Legislature to consider the ship line project if the report of the commission to him, expected to be made next week, is favorable, and added that he expects it to be favorable.

CHICKENS GET COLORED PREACHER INTO COURT

Chickens got a colored preacher in trouble Friday of this week and the case was the only convictions in the recorder's court. The charge was permitting his chickens to run at large and Rev. D. S. Blackwell was the defendant. He was let off with the costs.

England Making France Final Friendly Gesture

If France Misunderstands and Rejects This Overture British Labor Ministry May Fail But British Attitude Will Not Change But Harden

By FRANK H. SIMONDS
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London, Feb. 22.—"Not only is the present the best but it is also the first real chance of a general European settlement since the close of the Paris peace conference."

This opinion, expressed to me by an Englishman of European reputation not connected with the present Labor government, pretty accurately measures the extent of the present optimism in this country. Settlement with France and the adjustment of Europe, these things are generally expected by the British public at the present time.

Ramsay MacDonald's severest critics agree that in the foreign field he has begun well. By a single gesture, by his direct telegram of regret at Lloyd George's shining indiscretion in the matter of the Spender interview, he suddenly brought home to Monsieur Poincare the fact that the new British Prime Minister intended to deal directly and openly. The results were astonishing in Paris.

Of course, MacDonald has the very great advantage of united national sentiment behind him. So far as Europe is concerned, so far as France is concerned, Britain has come down to a definite state of mind. While Lloyd George was in power as many Britons sympathized with France as with the British Premier who was distrusted, quite as much in London as in Paris. During the two recent Tory governments the struggle between Paris and London was carried on by the foreign offices, the British had a distinct, resentful feeling that his was getting the worst of it, but secret diplomacy covered the facts.

Now the British public has made up its mind and MacDonald is beginning to express it. There is no longer any chance of a special alliance with France. The Entente is dead in that sense. There is no more chance of a private British guarantee of French security; that is over, too. All France can get now must be through the medium of the League of Nations; any British guarantee will have to be some form of pledge to carry out the League decision. Consideration of France in terms of war-time sentiment has pretty well expired in British things are back on a business basis. But by contrast, with the advent of a new government, there has been a sudden well-nigh complete end of press campaigns against France; the atmosphere has been cleared; the attitude of querulous suspicion on both sides of the channel has disappeared.

Above all, MacDonald has not tried to go round France and to make any European coalition against her, with Germany admitted. This is what was expected by some, feared by others. On the contrary, he has set out to prepare the ground for general settlement by reaching a livable relation with France. He has warned the French that he cannot see eye to eye with them about many things. They must expect differences. But he has also assured them that his opposition will be open, his whole mind revealed.

London believes a great change is coming over the French mind, it believes a new mood is coming out, that if opportunity is granted Poincare and his successor to follow new lines without violent humiliating of the public and the renunciations of old, much may yet be accomplished. And it tacitly approves the obviously friendly fashion in which MacDonald has approached Poincare. It recognizes the need for a new deal. But when all is said and done, France will henceforth find not only a new spirit, but a united nation when it faces the British. Englishmen, none more than the Labor members, are profoundly humiliated at the fashion in which they feel that their national prestige has been lowered, and that their country has ceased to have influence in Europe. Along with a new recognition of the necessity to deal generously with France, there is an unmistakable determination to deal firmly.

A general liquidation with France of all outstanding differences, a new powerful impulse to the League of Nations—when the moment seems propitious, a new world conference, at least another European conference; that is MacDonald's program.

Believing that financial pressure and other similar circumstances have brought France to a more reasonable state of mind, knowing that the British mind has at last been cleared and crystallized, looking at the European mess with fresh appreciation of the necessity that it be cleared up, there is today unmistakable confidence and optimism in London, there is a blessed surcease of newspaper and political cross-channel bombardments. Sometime this year, the mass of the British people now believe that the whole Ruhr, Rhine, reparations business is

MACREADY IS SAID TO HAVE MADE RECORD

Dayton, O., Feb. 22.—For the second time within two months Lieut. John MacReady, McCook Field ace, took his Lepre biplane aloft at 9:32 this morning in the attempt to wrest the altitude flight record from Sadi LaConte, French flier. MacReady remained in the air one hour and 40 minutes and reached the altitude of 41,000 feet, according to unofficial announcements. Le Conte's mark is 34,000 feet.

Appropriation Is Less for Road Construction

Washington, Feb. 22.—A total appropriation of \$56,758,513, of which \$17,700,000 would be available for improvement of highways during the coming fiscal year, was carried in the annual agricultural bill reported by the House appropriations committee today. The total is \$16,082,940 less than the appropriation a year ago when \$32,300,000 was allocated for state aid in road construction.

AGREE ON INCREASE INHERITANCE TAX

Washington, Feb. 22.—Agreement to increase the estate or inheritance tax and to institute a gift tax in the revenue bill was reached today at a meeting of a group including members of both parties on the House ways and means committee. Treasury experts were asked to figure out a set of rates.

REVOLUTION SEEMS VIRTUALLY AT END

Mexico, Feb. 22.—The Mexican war department announced last night that the revolution has virtually been stamped out and that the remaining task will be to kill off the guerrillas who are acting as marauding bands in several states.

EDENTON HOSEYERY MILL SOLD TO BESTCITY CONCERN

Edenton, Feb. 22.—The Edenton Hoseyery Mill has been sold and transferred to the Elizabeth City Hoseyery Company. The old machinery in the local mill will be dismantled and new machinery installed as quickly as possible, after which operation will start up here, according to information given out by the new owners.

WILL PRESENT PLAY FOR PARENT-TEACHERS

The February Meeting of the Parent-Teacher's Association will be held next Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock in the Grammar School Auditorium. A very interesting program has been planned and all parents and friends are urged to be present.

Miss Emma Willis' second grade pupils will present an attractive playlet, "George Washington's Birthday Party."

The Excelsior Orchestra composed of Miss Linda Delon's sixth grade pupils will render "America, the Beautiful" and "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean."

A flag will be presented to the room which has the largest per cent of parents present.

COTTON MARKET

New Feb. 22.—The Cotton Exchange is closed here today on account of Washington's birthday.

going to find at least temporary adjustment. Moreover, there is a striking belief that British leadership in Europe is again going to count for something useful. If by any chance that hope were blocked by France alone or with friends, then at last I believe the British people would feel the ultimate wartime bond had been severed; the whole nation, without regard to parties or past sentiments, would not only feel but show resentment.

Actually, Ramsay MacDonald is making what may prove the last sympathetic gesture of the British nation to the French. The fact that up to now it has been pleasantly received has brought material concessions, has eased conditions enormously—but of course the main obstacles still remain to be surmounted. If France should misunderstand and appear wantonly to repulse this gesture, the consequences might be tragic for whatsoever party is in power now, but the national attitude hereafter is hardly likely to change—is almost certain to harden, not soften.