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## HERTFORD HAVING HER BIG DAY NOW

Visitors from Wilmington and New Bern as Well as Edenton and Elizabeth City in Perquimans Capital.

Elizabeth City moved upon Hertford something like 200 strong Thursday morning to attend the big Coastal Highway meeting at Hertford, and something like 600 visitors, all told, from this and other cities on the highway, according to a long distance telephone message from Hertford Thursday afternoon, were in attendance. Including in the cities sending delegations were Wilmington and New Bern, both of which had chartered a special Pullman, which was used as headquarters for the delegation during its stay in Hertford.

During the morning session a permanent association to be known as the Albemarle District Auxiliary of the Coastal Highway Association was formed to promote favorable consideration of the eastern route for this highway, with P. H. Williams of Elizabeth City as chairman. This organization is in no way to be affiliated with the chambers of commerce of the respective cities interested, but is to be a separate and independent organization having but one purpose in view and that the matter of looking out for the interests of Route-50 as part of the Coastal Highway. Effort for the present will be centered on strengthening the organization.

Chairman Page of the State Highway Commission was the principal speaker of the day and among the other speakers was P. H. Williams of Elizabeth City.

Ample preparations for the entertainment of the visitors had been made including an abundance of barbecue.

Delegations from South Mills and Moyock are also said to have been in attendance on the meeting.

### DEMPESEY FIGHTS WILLS ON SEPTEMBER SIXTH

(By The Associated Press)  
New York, May 1.—Tex Rickard today announced that he had matched Jack Dempsey and Harry Wills for the world's heavyweight championship fight at Boyles Thirty Acres, Jersey City, September 6.

### MCCRAY ENTERS PEN

Atlanta, May 1.—The day after resigning as governor, Warren McCray today entered the Federal Penitentiary here to serve a ten years sentence for using the mails to defraud.

### COOLIDGE HONOR GUEST CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Washington, May 1.—Coolidge today accepted the invitation extended him by the United Confederate Veterans to attend the Confederate Memorial Day ceremonies May 25 at Arlington.

### METHODISTS DESIRE NO MODIFICATION DRY LAW

Springfield, Mass., May 1.—A petition to Congress to permit no modification of the prohibition amendment was approved unanimously today by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church meeting here.

### Says Did Not Fairly Represent Tennessee

Washington, May 1.—Major E. B. Stahlman, publisher of the Nashville Banner, today told the Senate agriculture committee that the testimony given by the other Tennessee witnesses did not represent the true sentiment in that state regarding Muscle Shoals. He said one of them, Dan McGugin, had conducted propaganda against the Ford bid.

### MANY DELEGATES AT BELHAVEN DRAINAGE MEET

Belhaven, May 1.—Meeting in its fourteenth annual convention practically on the site of the first great drainage project in North Carolina, the North Carolina Drainage Association was the guest of Belhaven this week with delegates representing all the major drainage districts of the State.

### THIS ACTOR NEVER SEES HIMSELF ON THE SCREEN

Bert ("Daddy") Woodruff, character actor who plays an important role in "Children of Dust," Frank Borzago's Associated First National picture at the Alkrama theater today has seen himself only once or twice on the screen and furthermore he never attends film shows!

Sounds incredible, but it is a fact.

Mr. Woodruff, who is of the old time stage school, declares that he can get into the part much better if he goes before the camera just as he faces an audience—without having seen himself on the screen as others see him. He feels the part and plays to the camera as if it were a thousand people.

## ELKS' FISH FRY IS ONE JOLLY BIG TIME

With J. W. Hobbs, Candidate for Sheriff, Looking After Fish, and the Elks After the Fun.

Hobbs' Fishery was the stamping ground of half a hundred of Elizabeth City's B. P. O. Elks Wednesday evening, the occasion being a fish fry with all the accessories to provide a typical feast of the sort that is provided by fish cooked just out of the water and eaten in the atmosphere of good fellowship that always prevails when a bunch of regular fellows,—which Elks are certain to be nothing else but—get together.

A shower in the afternoon and an overcast sky thereafter delayed the departure of the feasters somewhat and for a time threatened to break up the party altogether. Hardly more than a score of Elks were in the first detachment of automobiles that left the Elks Club shortly before 6 o'clock, but stragglers followed until the number had doubled by the time the first fish were served and had increased to 50 before the last panful were done to a crisp and appetizing brown.

Hobbs' fishery is at the back gate of J. W. Hobbs, the same Hobbs, by the way, who is candidate for sheriff of Pasquotank, and it was Mr. Hobbs who provided the fish and the paraphernalia for frying them. Said paraphernalia consisted of a pan about five inches deep and as big as about four old-fashioned biscuit pans, of the size in common used when the average American family frequently ran up to 10 or 12 children, and four stakes which were driven into the ground at such intervals that one stake would support each corner of the pan. Fire was built under the pan and when it got hot a 10-pound stand of lard was dumped into it. Into the hot lard were then dropped slices of bacon which were cooked to a crisp brown. Then the fish—shad for the most part and shad row—were dropped into the hot lard, which was always kept deep enough to cover them completely.

Elks who watched the preparations for the feast were ravenous before the first piece was ready to be served and for a while the cooks were put to it to keep up with two score and ten healthy appetites. Finally, however, the most insatiable appetite was satisfied and there were still fish and to spare.

"If Hobbs," said an Elk on the way home, "would make as good a sheriff as he is a fisherman, he certainly would be a crackerjack and ought to have the office for life."

Julian Selig was scheduled to be master of ceremonies but another engagement prevented his presence, and his place was filled by Aubrey McCabe, Ira B. Parker and Claude Ives.

## DEMOCRATS FIGHT FOR SIMMONS BILL

Washington, May 1.—Democratic senators in caucus yesterday determined to push for the adoption of the Simmons tax measure instead of Mellon's and other substitutes which the Republicans are urging. This means a hot fight on the revenue bill.

## WHITE MAN CONVICTED OF SELLING LIQUOR TO MINOR

Will Stroud, Mill street, was found guilty of selling brandy to a minor, Leroy Duncan, next door neighbor of Stroud, in recorder's court Thursday morning and was sent to the roads for four months. Stroud noted an appeal. The boy's mother testified that she saw the transaction.

## GEN. CARR'S BODY ON WAY TO DURHAM

Chicago, May 1.—General Julian S. Carr's body left Chicago this morning for his home in Durham, North Carolina.

Durham, May 1.—This community mourns the loss of its greatest citizen, General Julian S. Carr.

## FUNERAL MISS RUSSELL

The funeral of Miss Sack Russell, aged 87, who died Monday morning at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Julian Russell of Norfolk, was conducted by Rev. G. F. Hill at Christ Church, Wednesday morning on the arrival of the morning train and interment made at the Episcopal Cemetery.

The pall bearers were: R. B. Martin, J. T. McCabe, Louis Selig, R. T. Whitehurst, Dr. S. W. Gregory and Dr. A. L. Pendleton.

Miss Russell is survived by a number of nieces and nephews among whom are M. R. Griffin of this city.

Among those from out of town to attend the funeral were: Miss Eva Russell, Mrs. Julia Tatum, Mrs. Edward Wright, Mrs. Charles Calroe, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Walter Russell of Norfolk, Ned Russell of Ocean View and Miss Mattie Griffin of New Bern.

## VERTON-BOSWOOD

Mrs. Katie Boswood and Mr. Hardy Verton, both of Coinjock, were quietly married at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. J. C. Reid, 502 Hunter street, by Dr. N. H. D. Wilson. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for a bridal trip to Washington, Baltimore and other points. Upon their return they will make their home at Coinjock.

## National Publicity Edition To Be Issued By The Advance

ENDORSED BY MAYOR



The Daily Advance, Elizabeth City, N. C. Gentlemen:

The Advance has decided to issue a National Publicity Edition, and plans now are to have this edition off the press in the near future, probably some time in June.

Realizing the advantages that Elizabeth City has to offer manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers in practically any line of business and the unsurpassed resources of its fertile back country, The Advance feels that it should do its part to tell the world what these advantages are, and this big edition will be issued with that end in view. Copies of the edition will directly find their way to reading tables and files of Chambers of Commerce throughout the Nation and thus this data on the advantages of the Albemarle will be accessible to interested inquirers from one end of the country to the other.

It is the purpose of The Advance to make this edition a frank, truthful and comprehensive presentation of the Picture City on the Pasquotank and its claims upon the favorable consideration of the home seeker or the enterprise seeking a favorable business location. In it all phases of the business, industrial and social fabric of the city and its environs will be covered, and the endeavor will be made to present the story in such a way that it will command immediate interest and attention. The value to Elizabeth City of such an edition sent broadcast throughout the country is too apparent to require elaboration.

The success of the edition will of course in a measure depend upon the co-operation of the business and civic interests of the city in the undertaking. The Advance does not issue editions of this sort frequently. It has been a matter of about ten years since the Diversity Edition made its appearance here. With the proper degree of co-operation on the part of Elizabeth City interests, it is the purpose of this newspaper to make the National Publicity Edition as far superior to the Diversity Edition of The Advance as is The Daily Advance of 1924 superior to the semi-weekly Advance of 1914.

Your plans for a National Publicity Edition of The Daily Advance are in line with efforts made by the city to secure publicity for Elizabeth City, so that the world may know of the splendid resources of this city and section. Cities and communities have been built on publicity and what it has done for other places it will do for Elizabeth City, Pasquotank County and all this section.

This is a propitious time in which to herald in a large edition of your paper the opportunities of Elizabeth City. It will be read by thousands and will add more prestige to the city as a commercial, industrial and agricultural center. It is necessary that you have the combined support of the community to make the edition effective. To that end I highly commend the object in view in the hope that this edition may be made fully representative of the wealth and resources of the city and community which it serves. I stand ready to assist you in any manner possible to make the National Publicity Edition the greatest single piece of community advertising ever attempted here.

Very truly yours,  
W. BEN GOODWIN  
Mayor.

## BUSINESS VARIED MIDDLE OF APRIL

Both Favorable and Unfavorable Factors Discernible, According to Monthly Review of Federal Reserve.

Richmond, May 1.—The business situation, at the middle of April, of the Fifth Federal Reserve District was complex, both favorable and unfavorable factors being discernible, according to the monthly review issued by the Fifth Federal Reserve Bank of this city. In comparison with the corresponding period last year, when business was developing a speculative tendency, March business this year was marked by conservatism at best and by distant hesitancy in several important lines, says the review. The greatest contrast between business in March 1923 and March 1924 in the Fifth District is seen in the textile industry, which is at present operating on restricted time and without sufficient orders to absorb even the limited output of the mills. It was pointed out, while at this season last year the mills were running full time and had sufficient orders on hand for several months ahead. Business failures in March exceeded all previous months, in habits involved, due, however, it was said to one large failure. They were 5 per cent more numerous than they were in March of 1923, it was declared.

The review states that the coal mines of the district are not averaging more than 40 per cent out of their capacity due to the lack of orders. The farmers claim that labor is scarce because they cannot pay the wages offered by the road construction forces, according to the review.

The wet and cold spring has prevented the preparation of the soil for planting, says the review, and this will greatly delay the crops. This is now a more important factor than ever before. It was further stated, due to the invasion of the District by the boll weevil, "It is gratifying to find, however, that an examination of the favorable factors plainly visible in the Fifth District shows that they outweigh the unfavorable one enumerated in the preceding paragraphs," the review states. "First the careful study of the apparent weaknesses reveal encouraging features. During the past two weeks some signs of better demand for textile mill products have developed and stocks of goods and hands of jobbers and retailers are not large. The record liabilities involved in the March failures were due entirely to

the difficulties of one very large company and these difficulties are not indicative of present conditions since the company's adversities began in 1920. The poor demand for coal is relative, the aggregate demand being large, but the needs of war time encouraged the opening of too many mines for sufficient business to keep them all operating profitably in normal times. Previous accumulation of supplies also effect present demands. Labor, while scarce for farm work, is plentiful for all construction and industrial purposes and the scarcity of farm hands will tend to prevent over-production of certain crops. The unseasonably cold and wet spring delayed the budding of trees and the present outlook for commercial fruit growers is better than for several years.

"The banks as a whole in the District are in a position to finance the year's normal needs without strain, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond has extended liberal credits and is almost in the same position it occupied a year ago. The volume of business as by debits of individual accounts in clearing house banks, in the District was greater during the four weeks ending April 3, 1924, than during either of the four weeks periods ending March 12, 1924, and April 11, 1923.

"Cotton prices have recently shown a rising tendency, and foreign demand for cotton appears to be gradually improving. Virginia's tobacco yield turned out larger than last fall's estimates. Building operations continue at all near record levels, with no signs as yet that any material decline is impending, and dealers in all kinds of building materials are enjoying a large volume of business.

"Retail trade is indicated by reports from 29 large department stores was one-tenth of one percent less during the first three months of this year than during the first quarter of 1923, a very satisfactory volume of business when it is remembered that Easter came on April 1st last year but not until April 29 this year, a condition that would cause a considerable amount of retail trade that occurred in 1923 to occur in 1924.

"The variation in the date of Easter also influenced wholesale trade to some extent, postponing all refilling and last orders until April this year. Cumulative sales in wholesale groceries, hardware and furniture were greater during the first three months of 1924 than during the corresponding period last year, but sales in dry goods, shoes and drugs were less. The decline in drug sales was small, and it is worthy of mention that spring sales in dry goods and shoes were very large last year, which doubtless accounts for a considerable part of the declines noted in those lines this season.

## Woman's Influence Now More Potent Than Ever

Will Have More to Do and to Say About Platforms Adopted by Both Political Parties at National Conventions This Year Than Ever Before in History

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Buffalo, N. Y., April 30.—Women will have more to do and say in the Republican and Democratic national conventions this year than at any other Presidential nominating conventions that have ever been held.

## NORTH CAROLINA TORNADO VICTIM

Storm Swept Southeastern States With Total Toll of 95 Deaths Reported Including Several in This State.

Rocky Mount, May 1.—A tornado yesterday swept a path 12 miles long and a quarter of a mile wide through Martin county, doing damage of more than a million dollars and injuring more than 40 persons, some seriously and one fatally, while several are missing.

The Red Cross has organized for relief work and doctors were rushed to the scene.

Chapel Hill, May 1.—A tornado struck Paces Mill, nine miles from here, yesterday, killing three and injuring eight and doing heavy property damage.

Atlanta, May 1.—With 95 persons known to be dead, more than a score missing, approximately 500 injured, some perhaps fatally, and hundreds homeless, the Southeast today set about to relieve its region stricken yesterday by the worst storm in history.

Damage estimated at \$10,000,000 was caused by tornadoes which descended with devastating violence upon widely separated sections of South Carolina where 66 were killed, Georgia 13, Alabama 11, North Carolina 3, Louisiana 1, Arkansas 1 and Virginia.

The storm's effect in Virginia was confined to property damage and injuries to four persons.

A picture of desolation and wreckage was left in the wake of the storm which traversed a path estimated at more than 1,000 miles long and with many points still completely isolated additional casualties are feared.

Atlanta, May 1.—The tornadoes and storms which swept the southeastern states this week took a toll of 93 lives with more than 500 injured, more than a score missing, and property loss estimated at ten millions.

South Carolina was the heaviest sufferer while North Carolina suffered least.

## TORNADO IN MARTIN

Chairman Frank Page in the city Thursday enroute to Hertford, where he was principal speaker at the Coastal Highway meet, is reported as having said that the tornado of yesterday did serious damage between Williamston and Tarboro, and that several victims of the storm are in the Tarboro hospital.

## POISON GAS HINDERS WORK OF RESCUERS

Wheeling, W. Va., May 1.—Poison gas in Benwood mine of the Wheeling Steel Corporation has retarded the work of the rescuers who continued their efforts today to locate the 59 missing miners. Fifty-one bodies have been recovered.

Thirteen additional bodies were found during the morning by rescuers who had to fight their way through gas fumes and water and they expected to locate the 46 others behind a huge cave in at the entrance to the mine.

## OIL COMMITTEE ON LAST PHASE OF JOB

Washington, May 1.—The Senate oil committee for the first time in its inquiry into the leasing of the naval reserves took up in detail the situation in Reserve No. 2 on Buena Vista hills in California today.

Assistant Secretary Finney of the Interior and Director Bain of the Bureau of Mines were called for questioning in what the committee members said was the last phase of the long investigation.

## DR. CHAS. MANLY DEAD

Gaffney, S. C., May 1.—Dr. Charles Manly, president of Furman University from 1881 to 1897, died here today at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Watson.

## COTTON MARKET

New York, May 1.—Spot cotton closed steady today, advancing 50 points. Middling 36.30. Futures closed at the following levels: May 29.96; July 25.35; October 24.50; December 23.92; January 23.57. At two o'clock this afternoon futures closed at the following levels: May 29.78; July 25.23; October 24.50; December 23.90; January 23.55.

Although the National League of Women Voters in annual session here is a non-partisan body, a canvass of the delegates shows that many have affiliated directly with the two major parties and that several will be active in the drafting of platform planks and the balloting of the state delegations.

Talking with various members of the league here, one gets the impression that the women of the country have not yet gone into organization activity with the same intensity as their brother voters nor have they been able to accept the present form of party organizations as particularly attractive. Most of the women are tempted to remain independent of party affiliation and the task of the party leaders is to reform their own organization methods so as to draw to their side more and more women voters. In the convention here may be seen the leaders in political work in America among women. They go about their convention with serious manner and they apply themselves earnestly to the program of principles. They took no action on extreme proposals. They did not go on record for peace-at-any-price, or total disarmament or even birth control. They did not fail, however, to support the World Court and it was significant that whenever the League of Nations was mentioned the outbursts of applause were overwhelming. President Coolidge may consider that the country has finally rejected the League of Nations but judging by the mood of the convention here, the women have not disposed of it finally at all.

There was a definite undercurrent of thought on the question of international co-operation. Peace still remains in the minds of the women as something not to be neglected except in the hour of emergency. They think about it long before the emergency arises. Both the Democratic and Republican national conventions could do little better than if they adopted in its entirety the set of humanitarian principles proclaimed by the National League of Women Voters. The social justice planks which are always so difficult to get into party conventions are made to order for the major conventions this year. The recommendations for legislation are not in violation of the tradition of either the Democratic or Republican parties.

Incidentally, there is no mistaking the sentiment of the women on the prohibition question. The sentiment of the delegates is "dry" and they want the two parties to stay dry though no platform to that effect will probably be asked for by the women assembled here.

The men will fight that out. But the wetness or dryness of any candidate named will be a subject of much discussion by the women and the great body of independent voters will be influenced to no small extent by the manner in which the candidates and the parties handle the prohibition question.

There are indications that women will take an active part in the campaign following the national conventions. But they will pay no casual attention to party platforms. They are still in the "show me" attitude toward the major parties with an occasional thought about the possibilities of a third party though the advocates of the latter were in a minority here. The mention of Senator LaFollette's name at one of the mass meetings was greeted by prolonged applause. The big parties have not yet captured the imagination of the newly enfranchised voters.

## EARL GRIGGS MANAGER

Earl Griggs of this city has succeeded N. Howard Smith as manager of the Carolina Potato Exchange. He has had several years experience in the Carolina Potato Exchange office as assistant to Mr. Smith. Mr. Griggs is a native of Point Harbor in Currituck County and is the son of Albert Griggs, prominent farmer of Point Harbor.

## EXPECT REDUCTIONS OTHER RESERVE BANKS

Washington, May 1.—Reduction of the discount rate by the New York Reserve Bank yesterday from four and one-half to four per cent is expected at the Treasury to be followed by similar action by reserve banks at Boston and Philadelphia.

## DIRECT TO CONSUMER MILLS ON TWO SHIFT BASIS

Atlanta, May 1.—(Special).—The Lullwater Shirt mills here which sell direct to consumers, are working 56 hours a week for the day shift and 60 hours for the night shift.