

RURAL CHILDREN TO BE ADMITTED IN CITY SCHOOLS

Trustees Suspend Earlier Ruling Shutting Out Primary and Grammar Grade Pupils

EFFECTIVE ONE YEAR

Board Will Await the Outcome of Election for Consolidation of the Districts Around the City

Suspension for one year of an earlier ruling not to admit out of town pupils into the grades below high school in the Elizabeth City schools was decided upon Tuesday night by the Board of School Trustees after some discussion.

The change was made effective for a year to await the outcome of the election to be held September 1 with a view to consolidating the smaller districts surrounding Elizabeth City into one large high school district.

The consolidation would complete the organization of the County's rural schools into larger high school districts, and would assure every child in Pasquotank an opportunity to obtain a high school education without leaving home.

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New York, Aug. 12.—Rival gangs in New York's underworld are arming for war.

BETTER SERVICE ON GAS ASSURED

Company Installing Governors in District South of Church Street

Installation of individual governors in homes south of Church street which are supplied with gas was begun this week by the Gas Company, and will be completed in about ten days, barring unexpected delay.

The improvement is being effected at a considerable cost, Mr. Stallings says, explaining that the governors have been tried out thoroughly by his company in other cities, and have been found to come up to specifications.

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PEARTREE ROAD STILL WORRYING HIGHWAY BOARD

Pasquotank Commission May Go Back to Original Decision in Favor of the Direct Route

THREE DISSATISFIED

Another Hearing on Question Looms as Early Possibility; Lineup May be Changed Soon

Possibility of a re-opening of the disputed issue as to the routing of Peartree Road, soon to be surfaced under the County's "feeder road" program, was advanced Wednesday by H. F. Sample, member of the Pasquotank Highway Commission, who strongly disapproves the routing decided upon by the commission last Saturday, in which the body reversed its original decision as to the routing of the road.

Aligned with Mr. Sample in opposing the present routing are Commissioner Henry Meads and Chairman S. G. Scott. The road, if run according to present plans, will have a double curve permitting it to pass directly by the farms of C. E. and T. L. Overman, and running thence to within 300 feet of Blount's Fork, instead of following approximately a direct course across the farm of Ehringhaus & Small to a point some 1,400 feet from Blount's Fork, as was agreed upon originally.

Mr. Sample contends that the interests of a large majority of those using the road would be served better by following the direct route originally decided upon, and that a saving of approximately \$800 would be effected also. He points out that under the re-routing, a substantial deviation from the course of the old road is necessary in order to take care of the two curves required to pass the Overman farms, and says this will work a decided hardship upon the majority in favor of the new route.

Should either Mr. Williams or Mr. Perry be won back to the original route, Mr. Sample explains, the majority in favor of the new route would be broken. The vote for it at the meeting August 1 was four in favor of, and two against the change. Should either Mr. Williams or Mr. Perry "sway over," the vote would be three-three. In such an eventuality, the chairman, Mr. Scott, would break the tie. Mr. Scott has expressed himself as strongly in favor of adhering to the original routing.

Commissioners Leary and Perry are the only members of the board who have stood steadfastly against the direct route. Commissioner Meads voted with them when the routing first came up, but later changed over to the other side. Commissioners Williams and Lane, on the other hand, voted against them at the start, but subsequently were won over to their side.

Commissioner Leary owns a farm on the road to Nixonton about a mile beyond Blount's Fork. He declares, however, that his stand for the paving of the road past the Overman farms to a point near the fork is prompted only by a desire to adhere to the terms of the act under which the bond issue for the "feeder road" program was authorized.

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Colored Rip Van Winkle Lands In Toils Of Law

He looked like Rip Van Winkle, this nondescript colored individual whom Police Officer Roughton brought before the bar while recorder's court was in session here Wednesday morning, except that he lacked Rip's flowing whiskers and he obviously was not of advanced age.

Questioned by County Judge Sawyer, this strange wayfarer gave his name as Hubie Miller, and said his home was at Welfall, Perquimans County. He explained his letters by declaring that bloodhounds had been chasing him through the woods since Monday. He didn't know why they were after him, he said, adding that there were men with the hounds, and he took to the woods to avoid them. He admitted that he had been accused of being crazy, but contended he wasn't.

That he only had a "travelling mind." Officer Roughton told the court that when he approached the negro, the latter ran and finally took refuge in an old boiler, squirting in so far that Roughton had to poke him with a stick to get him out. The officer said the negro told him he slept in a henhouse Tuesday night. Judge Sawyer held him for Sheriff Whit Wright, of Perquimans.

Floyd Sawyer, white youth charged with attempted larceny, was given 60 days on the rocks. He was charged with trying to steal a quantity of gasoline from a tank at the Coast Oil Company's plant at the foot of Matthews street. Police still are seeking this Sawyer, another white youth whom they charged with participation in the alleged robbery attempt.

The defendant was placed under a \$300 bond for his appearance at the next term of Superior Court.

POU EXPLAINS HE MADE ERROR

Superintendent Prison Relieves Associated Press of Responsibility

Raleigh, Aug. 12.—In a statement issued here, George Ross Pou, superintendent of the State's Prison, said that he had made an error in issuing a statement to The Associated Press last Thursday in which it was said that during his administration "prisoners have been given coffee, sugar and smoking tobacco, which they did not have in any previous administration." In his statement just issued, Mr. Pou admitted that coffee had been furnished prisoners under superintendents who preceded him and said he made the correction "desiring the public to have only the actual facts" and "in justice to former superintendents."

Mr. Pou's statement of last Thursday, he said, was written by a newspaper man. He relieved The Associated Press of any responsibility for the errors when he added: "The Associated Press representative did not write the article for me."

Following publication of the article last week, J. R. Collier, former superintendent of the State's Prison; S. J. Busbee, former warden; Mrs. T. P. Sale, widow of a former warden, and Frank Gough, of Lumberton, and A. E. Smith, of Mount Airy, former directors of the institution, issued statements, which they declared Superintendent Pou was in error with regard to what was furnished prisoners during previous administrations. These statements mentioned "coffee," "sugar" and "tobacco" as having been given to the prisoners in previous administrations. Mr. Pou's statement in regard to this, issued after publication of statements from former officials, did not mention "sugar" and "tobacco," though the superintendent stated informally that he was "making investigation" of past accounts with reference to "sugar" being furnished prisoners.

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CLUB BUILDING HALF FINISHED READY BY OCT. 1

Structure Already Bears Semblance of Beauty It Will Have When It Is Ready for Occupancy

WORK GOING AHEAD

Builders Putting Finishing Touches on Roof; Tennis Courts and Golf Course Being "Seasoned"

Construction of the Elizabeth City Country Club building is progressing rapidly. The work of putting on the roof was being finished today, and the structure already has assumed something of the look of the finished building. The weatherboarding still remains to be put on, and all the inside finishing is still ahead of the builders, who declared the job is about half done now. The clubhouse will be completed and ready for use about October 1, according to present indications.

Meanwhile, the tennis courts and the nine hole golf course on the club's 200 acre tract are undergoing a seasoning process. Much filling in was required for both, the tennis courts alone costing several thousand dollars, owing to the large quantity of clay and sand that had to be used to raise them to a satisfactory level. Workmen under the direction of A. Q. Bell, supervisor of grounds, are daily engaged in spraying, mowing and otherwise looking after the golf course. By autumn this is expected to be one of the finest courses anywhere in the United States. It was laid off by Joseph P. Knapp, millionaire publisher and sportsman, and owing to the sandy character of the soil, will be one of the few courses in the country on which golf may be played throughout the year.

The country club building, now in process of construction, is a large structure of Dutch Colonial type, with wide screened porches on three sides, two of which overlook Pasquotank River. The building is at the top of a considerable hill, adding measurably to the beauty of its location. It is surrounded by native "white pine" trees, and is conveniently accessible to the golf course, the tennis courts, and the pier which gives access to the club property from the river.

The club directors plan later on to construct a more pretentious pier than the one at present on the property, which is decidedly a make-shift affair. This new pier will be built in the general form of a basin, or lagoon, providing secure harborage for yachts and a sheltered place, perhaps, for conservative swimmers.

The resident membership of the Elizabeth City Country Club is restricted to 200 persons, each of whom owns a \$100 share of stock in the enterprise. In addition, the property is bonded to the extent of approximately \$25,000, making the entire investment in the property close to \$50,000.

DR. VYE TO SPEAK TO CONGREGATION

Dr. H. K. Vye of Providence, Rhode Island, will speak at the First Baptist Church tonight at eight o'clock, and the public is cordially invited to hear him.

The First Methodists have called in their regular prayer service at their own church in order that they may not miss this opportunity to hear Dr. Vye at the First Baptist.

Dr. Vye is a friend of Dr. S. H. Templeman, pastor of the church, and supplied his pulpit last Sunday. Tonight offers an unusual opportunity to hear a good speaker and an earnest preacher.

PAGE TO ADDRESS STATE ENGINEERS

Asheville, Aug. 12.—Address by Frank Page, chairman of the North Carolina Highway Commission and A. J. Brownson of New York were scheduled to be delivered today before the State Society of Engineers and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers meeting here.

A joint convention of the two organizations will complete work this afternoon with a final business meeting to hear reports of committees.

Revival at Riverside Revival services at Riverside Baptist Church will begin Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. M. F. Booe of Columbia. Rev. H. K. Vye will speak at Riverside Sunday afternoon at 3:30.

NARROWLY MISSES BURNING TO DEATH

Dr. C. W. Sawyer, who lives on the third floor of the Goldman Furniture Company building on East Fearling street, narrowly escaped being burned to death early Tuesday night while painting the inside of a large metal tank in his living quarters.

Dr. Sawyer was using a paint mixture which carried a considerable percentage of gasoline, and was inside the tank, which is about four feet high. He was using a lighted lamp. Somehow, the lamp was overturned, instantly the whole interior of the tank burst into flame literally enveloping him. He managed to get out, and turned in an alarm of fire.

When firemen arrived, the blaze had gone out of its own accord, the gasoline evidently having burned from the walls of the tank. There was no damage. Dr. Sawyer escaped with a slight scorching.

DRIVER PERMIT EXAMINATIONS STARTED HERE

All Elizabeth City Residents Who Operate Automobiles Must Obtain Cards by September 1 FEE OF \$1 CHARGED

Car Owners Will be Issued City Licenses for 1925-1926 Without Additional Charge

Examinations for automobile drivers' permits, directed by the City Council the first of the month, were begun today. They are being conducted at the offices of City Auditor Snowden, in the Telephone Building, 5 South Road street, a few doors from Main. Mr. Snowden states that an officer will be on hand at all hours of the day to question applicants.

Issuance of city automobile licenses for 1925-1926 will begin Tuesday, Mr. Snowden states. These must be procured by September 1. All applicants for drivers' permits who own cars will be issued city licenses free of charge upon payment of \$1 for their permit.

Permits will be issued upon the basis of an examination in which the individual examined must furnish satisfactory evidence that he knows how to operate a car, and that he is familiar with the city and State traffic regulations. A fee of \$1 will be charged. Permits will not be issued to persons under 16 years of age, the State law not permitting any one below that age to drive a car.

All who pass the examination for a driver's permit will be issued cards which will remain in effect indefinitely unless revoked or suspended for traffic or other violations of the law. The new regulation is expected to make motoring safer in Elizabeth City. Persons operating automobiles without drivers' permits after September 1 will be liable to arrest and prosecution. It is announced.

NEW RATES ORDERED ON COAL SHIPMENTS

Washington, Aug. 12.—Railroads serving West Virginia smokeless coal districts were ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission today to lay down a new basis of rates which will allow movement of such coal to the consuming territory including all of the New England and the Atlantic seaboard.

One reduction in anthracite rates affecting North Carolina points was required.

SAYS KNOWS NOT OF VANDERBILT WEDDING

New York, Aug. 12.—While it has been reported that Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt would marry Earl E. T. Smith, Yale University student, soon after the Christmas holidays, Sidney J. Smith, father of the young man, said today that he "knew nothing about it and neither did his son."

MORE DEATHS BECAUSE THERE ARE MORE CARS

No Longer Is There Any Doubt That 1925 Will Break All Records in Automobile Casualties

INCREASED TRAFFIC

Motorists Associations Say It Isn't Recklessness So Much As Great Number of New Machines

By ROBERT T. SMALL (Copyright 1925 by The Advance) Washington, Aug. 12.—While official figures are not yet available here there is no longer any doubt but that 1925 will outstrip all its predecessors in the matter of automobile deaths. This state of affairs is said not to be due so much to increased recklessness in the handling of cars, but to increased traffic on country roads and city streets. Motorists' associations, having their headquarters in Washington, insist that traffic is better regulated this year than ever before, and also assert that the skill of licensed drivers is more in evidence, but thus far no means have been devised of dealing with the unprecedented number of new machines and new operators.

Already in the District of Columbia several thousand more machines have been registered this year than for the entire year of 1924 and the heavy registration season is still to come. The same condition is said to be true in the various states.

There never has been a summer like the present one for tourists. The roads are fairly black with them. Secretary Hoover, of the Department of Commerce, returning recently from a trip through the West, said that he saw automobile camps everywhere. The same reports come from the South and the East. Hotel proprietors say their business from overnight tourists this year is more than double that of a year ago.

Improved road conditions, greater prosperity of the people as a whole, the presence of what may be called "easy money," and the increasing desire of the average American family for a vacation—all are accounted as factors in the heavy auto travel to be observed everywhere.

August is the real vacation month in the United States and the railroads are reporting heavy travel on their lines in all directions. The increase of train "tripping," however, has not kept pace with the multiplication of vehicles on the roads.

The latter traffic is resulting in far more accidents than were recorded in 1924 and the toll of deaths is mounting daily. There are not only the deaths to pedestrians caused by automobilists but the appalling toll being taken of the riders themselves. Despite all the precautions and warnings on the roads, the percentage of death in this type of crash is running steadily at the flood.

Reckless driving still is apparent on the roads everywhere. The most amazing things the authorities have to deal with in policing the roads is the persistence with which some drivers insist upon driving on the wrong side of the road. This is particularly true in the dangerous curves. The percentage of fatal accidents due to wrong side driving is both startling and discouraging, for this at least is one fault which seemingly could be remedied over night by the motorists themselves.

In many of the states particular attention is being paid to statistics on this wrong-side driving, and when the reckoning finally is made for 1925 the figures are likely to cause a sensation. No one knows just why a driver should "bug" the inside of a curve when turning to the left, nor the outside when turning to the right, but they do it in all too many cases and a machine coming in the opposite direction is too often encountered with disastrous results.

There is very general and very just complaint among motorists that the American roads are not wide enough. States and counties have made an effort to pile up mileage in road construction and in this way have made their highways as narrow as possible so as to string them out as long as possible with the same amount of money. The unwisdom of this course is being realized at last and widening work is in process in many localities. But no matter what the width of the road certain drivers will drift just as certainly and just as disastrously on the wrong side as a moth hovers about a flame.

State traffic authorities are just about at their wits' ends to handle the horde of summer motorists. They say the most discouraging thing in the world is to read the daily records of new car outputs. Where all the machines are going no one can say. There is bound to be a limit somewhere.

DEMAND IS ACTIVE FOR ILLINOIS COAL

Chicago, Aug. 12.—Demand is active for Illinois coal with some of the operators sold out. Prices are strong with lump coal selling from \$2.25 to \$2.50.