

## COUNTRY CLUB READY FOR USE IN FEW WEEKS

Brilliant Reception to Mark Formal Opening Early in October, Committee Announces

### MEMBERSHIP FILLED

Many Already on Waiting List; Widening and Grading of Road Finished by Camden Authorities

Completion of the Elizabeth City Country Club building by October 1 is virtually assured, C. O. Robinson, chairman of the building committee, stated today, adding that plans were under way for a brilliant reception shortly after that date. A substantial opening of the club. Construction of the building is being supervised by L. B. Perry, a local contractor.

The resident membership of the club, originally fixed at 200, has been subscribed and there are already many names on the waiting list, Mr. Robinson states. The majority of the members live here, but there is a substantial representation in Edenton and Hertford as well. Thus far there has been no intimation that the membership would be increased at any time in the early future.

For the convenience of members, a private copper circuit is being run to the club house from this city, a distance of five miles, affording the same telephone facilities, both for local and long distance calls as are provided here. A large electric lighting system is being installed also, along with modern plumbing fixtures, providing running water and sewerage.

### Golf Expert Coming

A golf professional, employed in New York City upon recommendation of A. G. Spalding & Sons, is expected to arrive Monday to shape the course and look after other details preliminary to the opening of the club. The man employed is said to have had seventeen years' experience in the work, and has had charge of several clubs in New York and New Jersey. His wife will have charge of the housekeeping at the club.

Camden County road-building forces have graded and widened the highway from the end of the paved road to the Camden Court-house to the club property, and it is declared to be in excellent condition, making the driving distance from this city to the club a matter of about 15 minutes at ordinary speed.

A large force is at work on the grounds, cleaning up and putting the golf green into condition for play next month. Handson furniture has been ordered for installation in the next few weeks, as soon as the interior of the building is finished. All in all, the work of making the club ready for use is progressing most satisfactorily, according to Mr. Robinson.

There are many scuppernon and James grape vines on the club property and members who have made jaunts over there in the last few days have enjoyed them to the full. Besides there are several hundred peach and other fruit trees which bear abundantly in season.

### Tennis Courts Ready

Incidentally, Mr. Robinson states that the tennis courts laid out at considerable expense near the club building will be in condition for play by October 1.

Maintenance of the golf course and grounds is supervised by Cleveland Harrell, who took over the work upon the resignation of A. Q. Bell, originally employed to look after this phase of the job.

Members of the building committee besides Mr. Robinson are O. F. Gilbert and W. B. Foreman. W. F. Duff, president of the club, is ex officio member of all committees.

The Elizabeth City Country Club tract comprises 200 acres of cleared and wooded land in Camden County, on the shore of Pasquotank River. It is five miles by highway from Elizabeth City, and has an unique topography in that it is covered with hills, in sharp contrast to the level sameness of the surrounding terrain. The club house is situated on a high hill overlooking the southward sweep of Pasquotank River, and is surrounded by native shade trees. Its situation is the more pleasant by reason of the fact that the summer breeze mainly comes from the south in this part of the country. Workmen employed there through the last few months declare the breeze has blown steadily almost every day.

### The Golf Course

The nine hole golf course, now practically in condition for play, was laid out by Joseph P. Knapp, millionaire publisher of New York City who maintains a hunting lodge on Knotts Island, in Currituck County. Mr. Knapp is a golf enthusiast, and in designing the course embodied in it many of the best features of courses in various parts of the world on which

## CLOTHING NEEDED FOR CHILDREN TO START TO SCHOOL

Clothing is needed immediately for children of the following ages, in order, that they may enter school next week:  
One boy, 13 years old.  
Three boys, 10 years old.  
One boy, nine years old.  
One boy, six years old.  
Two girls, 13 years old.  
One girl, 10 years old.  
The mothers of these children, in every case, are either widows or have been deserted by their husbands. The cases are worthy of help, and the need is urgent.  
(Clothes should be sent to the Chamber of Commerce rooms without delay.)

## FINAL SESSION SOCIAL EVENT

### Training School at First Methodist Church This Week Fine Success

The Standard Training School for Sunday School Workers at the First Methodist Church held its final session last night. Instead of the usual two study periods with a general assembly between, the two periods were held without break and the assembly was held in the social hall of the church. The ladies of the church served delightful refreshments and the closing exercise of the school was blended with social enjoyment.

At this time the pastor acted as master of ceremonies. Miss Keene presented the plan and the importance of the observation of Children's Week. Superintendent Gobel made the report of the school. J. A. Hooper, superintendent of the Sunday School expressed the pleasure and profit which the local church had received and extended a hearty invitation that the school return another year. Presiding Elder Culbreth added to this his own appreciation of the value of the work and stated that the board of managers had definitely decided to have a school next year. All the students seemed delighted with their instructors and eager for further opportunity to study.

The plan of the school calls for 12 study periods. Any one who enrolls and attend at least half of these periods is counted as "enrolled." Quite a number of visitors were in attendance each night, some of whom had they desired might have qualified as enrolled, who did not do so. But 110 from 19 schools were enrolled. Each one who attends all 12 of the periods (except absences offset by extra individual work not counted against one) and does the required work receives a credit of one unit toward the diploma which the Church issues to those who fulfill the requirements. Seventy nine from 16 schools won credits. The presiding elder, 1: Kitty Hawk Circuit, 2: South Camden Circuit, 3: Salvo, 4: Wesley's Chapel, 5: New Hope, 6: Fall Creek, 7: Mt. Hermon, 8: Kitty Hawk, 2: Newland, 3: Stumpy Point, 4: Union, 4: South Mills, 6: City Road, 22: First Church, 27.

The same faculty will conduct a school in the First Methodist Church, Rocky Mount, next week. "Elizabeth City heartily congratulates Rocky Mount on her privilege. It would give unanimous satisfaction if the same faculty might come to Elizabeth City next year. Not only in the class room but in social intercourse they have won the esteem and affection of our community," says Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, pastor.

## CHRIST CHURCH PLANS MANY IMPROVEMENTS

The board of vestry of Christ Episcopal Church announces that the extension of the chancel, long under consideration with a view to improving the interior of the church, has been authorized. The chancel will be deepened about 15 or 20 feet.

The vestrymen also have decided to remove the unsightly piping on the interior walls of the church, used for heating, and to install wall radiators, covered with attractive grillwork.

The building committee of the church has adopted plans and specifications for five stores to be erected on the church property fronting on South Poindexter street. Contract for construction is to be let on Monday, September 28, at noon, Rev. G. F. Hill, the rector, announces.

## FRENCH HAVE TAKEN ONE TRIBAL CAPITAL

Fox, French Morocco, Sept. 12.—Amyot, capital of the territory of Beni Zeroual tribesmen, has been captured by the advancing French armies converging from Terroual and Tafant.

## COTTON MARKET

New York, Sept. 12.—Spot cotton closed steady with an advance of 30 points, middling 24.25. Futures closing bid: Oct. 23.95, Dec. 24.35, Jan. 23.85, March 24.15, May 24.47, July 24.80.

## They Sleep With Nation's Heroic Dead



With impressive ceremonies the bodies of several victims of the Shenandoah disaster were buried on the beautiful wooded slopes of Arlington National Cemetery near Washington. Not far away is the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The picture shows the flag-draped caskets containing the bodies of Lieutenant Commander Louis Hancock, Lieutenant Edgar W. Sheppard and Lieut. J. B. Lawrence.

## W. S. NEWBERN GETS ROAD TERM

### Prominent Currituck Farmer Sentenced in Affray Case

Sentences of 30 days each on W. S. Newbern, prominent Currituck County farmer, and Noah Cartwright, and fines of \$50 and costs each on Graham and Dexter Snow were imposed by Judge Thomas H. Calvert late Friday after conviction of the four on a charge of participating in an affray. Newbern and Cartwright noted appeals to the Supreme Court. The judgment came at the close of the September term of court.

Judge Calvert originally imposed sentences of six months on Newbern and four months on Cartwright in connection with the affray, but upon a plea by their attorneys, seconded by Solicitor Small, he reduced the terms to 30 days each, to be worked on the roads.

In passing sentence, he accused Newbern of helping to select jurors chosen in the trial of liquor cases during the term of court just closed, and referred to the fact that he was on the bond of several of those accused.

The evidence in the case was to the effect that the Snows, Cartwright and Newbern went to a store at Mamie, in Currituck County, and engaged in an altercation with W. N. Garretton and Charles Parker, the outcome of which was that Cartwright and Dexter Snow beat up the two. There was testimony to the effect that Newbern told Snow and Cartwright to stop beating Garretton and Parker, that they had given them enough, and should let them up. Garretton and Parker were defendants in the case also, but were dismissed.

The road sentences imposed on Newbern and Cartwright were received in the courtroom with considerable surprise. Despite all appeals, Judge Calvert refused to substitute fines.

H. B. Cherry was fined \$50 and costs on a charge of creating a public nuisance. Foster Forbes was fined \$50 and costs and Jim Lilly, colored, \$25 and costs on a like charge.

Willie Jones, alias Osborne Taylor, and Willie Williams, both colored, convicted of storebreaking and larceny, were given minimum terms of three years and maximum terms of four years each in the State Prison. They were convicted in connection with the robbery of a store in Norfolk last month.

A sentence of six months on the roads, with a proviso that the capias would not be issued if the defendant paid his jail fees and the costs in advance, was imposed upon C. S. Crain, convicted of assault with an automobile and of operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor. Crain was charged with having run down Spence Spry, aged resident of Coinjock, on the Coinjock bridge last March, inflicting painful injuries.

## SQUIRRELS ON CLUB TRACT BEING SHOT

Although this is not the season for shooting squirrels, a number of the furry little animals on the Elizabeth City Country Club tract in Camden County have fallen victims to thoughtful hunters in the last few days, according to C. O. Robinson, chairman of the club's building committee, who warns that further depredations of the kind will result in the offenders being arrested.

Mr. Robinson and others interested in the Country Club want to keep the squirrels on the property, and are disturbed over the prospect that they are of the opinion that those who have been shooting are trespassers upon the property, holding no membership in the club.

## Dollar Down And \$1 A Week Plan Growing In Favor Here

What articles do people buy on credit nowadays? A representative of The Daily Advance went out yesterday afternoon and asked half a dozen Elizabeth City business men the foregoing question, together with a few others with reference to how credit transactions are handled.

to the credit business, which one merchant emphasized. "People are using the goods before they are paid for," he explained, "and therefore the merchant must sell a hard job getting his money, or course the merchant, on the other hand, safeguards himself by holding title to the merchandise until it is paid for."

Within recent years, the installment game literally has come to dominate the business of selling lower priced automobiles. It used to be that a man who wanted a car would come in and plunk down the full cash price. Now, according to C. W. Gaither, manager of the Auto & Gas Engine Works, 75 per cent of all Ford cars are sold on the installment plan. And usually the buyers manage to meet their payments as they fall due.

In many of the cities, enterprising dealers are selling even tires and automobile accessories on the deferred payment plan. And furniture dealers say that 60 per cent of their sales are handled in this way. "We just couldn't get along without the installment business," one leading local furniture dealer declared. "It enables us to keep up the volume of our sales to the point where we can hold prices down to a reasonable level."

There are hundreds of Elizabeth City folks who even buy money on the installment plan. The Hood Industrial Bank makes many loans each day, to be repaid in weekly or monthly installments—and thereby performs a highly valuable service for a multitude of salaried workers, who, every so often, find themselves much in need of more ready cash than they can lay their hands on conveniently otherwise.

The installment system is of additional value in that in many cases it has the result of inculcating the thrift habit into many who otherwise would be inclined to let the future rainy day take care of itself. The installment buyer gets into the habit of setting aside fixed sums at regular intervals, and often, when he has completed a particular purchase, he finds that he has adjusted his income to his expenses in such fashion as to make it far easier to save a definite amount each week or month.

Thousands of North Carolinians today are building homes on the installment plan, through the building and loan associations, without which they probably would remain renters all their days.

Everything considered, while the installment plan occasionally may tempt one into an unwise or extravagant purchase, those who have observed it in operation agree that its benefits far outweigh its disadvantages—otherwise it never would have gained its present vogue.

## FIRE RECORD BROKEN IN WESTERN SECTION

Asheville, Sept. 12.—All records for forest fires during the month of August were broken in Western North Carolina last month when 23,926 were recorded, according to a partial monthly report today by Thomas Alexander, forest warden.

## INVITE GERMANY TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Geneva, Sept. 12.—The allied powers today forwarded to their ambassadors in Berlin an invitation to Germany to participate in a conference to consider the proposed security pact. The invitation which is brief suggests the desirability of a meeting of allied and German foreign ministers early next month. No site for the conference is specified.

## HUGE SEAPLANE AND DIRIGIBLE HERE THURSDAY

Special Aerial Attractions Assured for Gates County Road Celebration, Weather Permitting

### PLANE LIKE PN-9 NO. 1

Other Aircraft Similar to Fated Shenandoah, which Fell in Ohio With Loss of Life

Exceptional attractions for the "get acquainted" celebration to be held here Thursday, when Elizabeth City will play host to the people of Gates and other counties of the Albemarle district, are assured through a visit by Dr. M. S. Bulla, of the entertainment committee, and Secretary Job, of the Chamber of Commerce, to the Portsmouth Navy Yard and the Naval Base at Norfolk Friday.

A flying machine of the type of the PN-9 No. 1, which has figured prominently in the newspapers in recent weeks in connection with its non-stop flight from the Pacific Coast to Hawaii, and whose crew was rescued after having drifted helplessly about in the Pacific for nine days, will be on hand for the celebration. It has been promised by officials at the Naval Base.

A large dirigible, the same type of craft as the Shenandoah, which crashed to earth with heavy loss of life in Ohio a few days ago, is coming from Langley Field, if the weather permits. This airship, of course, is much smaller than the Shenandoah, but will afford many visitors at the celebration their first opportunity to view a lighter than air flying machine.

The plane which is coming will be the largest ever to visit North-eastern Carolina. It is of the British ferry type of hydroplane, and carries a crew of five, including two pilots, mechanics, and a radio operator.

The Navy Yard Band will be on hand for the event also. This was promised definitely by officials at the yard. Supplementing the Navy Band and the Southland Jubilee Singers, already arranged for, will give assurance that there will be plenty of music—and the best music obtainable in this part of the country. The Navy Yard Band is regarded as one of the finest organizations of the kind in the South.

Official visitors here for the day are expected to include Capt. W. T. Tarrant, commandant at the Portsmouth Navy Yard; Lieutenant Commander H. H. LeTourneau, aide to the commandant; Capt. H. C. Cooke, commanding officer at the Naval Base Air Station; General J. P. Jervey, city manager of Portsmouth, and others. It was largely through General Jervey's assistance that the committee was able to gain the cooperation of the Navy officials in providing the band, the dirigible and the big seaplane for the celebration.

Dr. Bulla and Mr. Job motored to Norfolk Friday in Dr. Fearing's car, loaned them by the trip, with Dr. Fearing's son, Billie, as driver. They reported an altogether successful and pleasant trip.

Meanwhile the work of raising funds for the celebration is proceeding, though somewhat more slowly than earlier in the week. Additional donors reported up to noon Saturday, as the number of visitors they will entertain are as follows:

Donor	Guests
E. City Cotton Mills	20
Southern Roller, Slave & Heading Co.	50
R. C. Abbott	20
G. W. Twiddy	40
Twiddy & White	10
Sedberry Drug Co.	5
Pritchard & Jackson	4

In procuring Hallett S. Ward, former member of Congress from this district, as the principal speaker of the day, the committee bore in mind not only Mr. Ward's oratorical gifts but also the fact that he is one of Gates County's best known native sons.

Preparations for the barbecue and other special features of the day are taking final shape now. An abundance of good things to eat for all the visitors is promised. The latter are reminded, however, that in order to be given first consideration at dinner time, and to gain free admittance to the afternoon baseball game and the motion picture which will be shown, they must wear badges setting forth that they are guests. Committees at various points on the roads leading into the city will issue the badges that morning, and others will be distributed from a booth at the courthouse grounds to those who for one reason or another may fail to get theirs on the way here.

## FIRE IS RACING AT WEST PALM BEACH

West Palm Beach, Fla., Sept. 12.—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin is raging in the black belt of this city, having destroyed ten houses up to 11 o'clock this morning.

## GOVERNOR McLEAN SETS ASIDE SUNDAY TO PRAY FOR RAIN

Raleigh, Sept. 12.—Governor McLean today issued a proclamation setting aside tomorrow as a "day of humility and prayer to God" for rain. The proclamation urges "our people as they may have occasion in closet and public assemblies of worship to offer up their petitions to Almighty God, the giver of every good and perfect gift, until the drought is broken and sufficient rain sent to relieve the needs of our people."

## Fliers Resting From Adventure

### Read Letters From Relatives and Prepare to Give Out Official Story

Honolulu, Sept. 12.—Rested, happy and asleep, America's heroes of aerial navigation, were at Pearl Harbor today recovering from their strenuous cruise in which they were cast about by vagrant winds in mid-Pacific for nine days on the seaplane PN-9, No. 1.

Honolulu, Sept. 12.—Commander Rodgers and his four companions of the ill-fated non-stop flight from San Francisco to Honolulu today rested in the Navy hospital after grueling hours spent on the Pacific.

Lihue, Island of Kauai, Sept. 12.—Decision to have Commander John Rodgers issue an official statement of the events of the flight of the PN-9, No. 1, was made today, following a conference of the seaplane's crew as Rodgers and Connell had both been deluged with offers for an "official story."

Mountains of messages from friends, relatives and well wishers everywhere were placed before the West Coast-Hawaii aviators today by a relieved world.

The first message read by Commander Rodgers was from his mother.

## Mrs. J. R. Bowden Figures In Crash

While motoring in Norfolk Friday morning with her sister, Mrs. J. R. Bowden, of this city, Mrs. A. L. Sawyer, of that city, sustained a number of painful cuts about the face when Mrs. Bowden's car was struck by a taxicab operated by R. M. Harrell, 413 Monticello avenue. The collision occurred at Westover and Colonial avenues, and Mrs. Sawyer is thrown through the windshield. She was cut by flying glass. Mrs. Bowden escaped injury, though her car was practically demolished.

The driver of the taxi was arrested on a charge of reckless driving. According to information received from Mrs. Bowden, who is still in Norfolk, she was driving south on Colonial avenue and was in the act of making a left hand turn into Westover avenue when the taxi, going north on Colonial, struck the right rear wheel of her car.

Mrs. Sawyer is a daughter of Mrs. W. J. Morse, of this city. News from the hospital Saturday morning was to the effect that she was rapidly recovering from her injuries.

## TRY EXPEDITE RATES ON BITUMINOUS COAL

Washington, Sept. 12.—To expedite the making of railroad rates on bituminous coal from West Virginia and Pennsylvania to the Atlantic seaboard territory, the Interstate Commerce Commission today set aside the usual requirements for 30 days' notice of the new rate schedules.

## FORD DECIDES NOT TO BID FOR SHIPS

Washington, Sept. 12.—Henry Ford has decided not to bid for the Pan-American Line ships now operated by Matson Company from New York to South American ports.

## SELECT AMBASSADOR DURING NEXT WEEK

Washington, Sept. 12.—Selection of the new Japanese ambassador will be made after President Coolidge has conferred with Secretary Kellogg, probably next week.

## MODERN HOECH FACTORY

Durham, Sept. 12.—One of the most modern and up-to-date hoeh manufacturing ever captured in this section of the State was that recently located by Sheriff J. M. Conklin and Federal Officers Cates and Langford. On the bank of Little River, they explain, they found a 200-gallon steam outfit, while nearby was some 1,500 gallons of raw material in process of fermentation. A considerable quantity was also found, the officers report.

## MORALE FELL WHEN TREATIES WERE SIGNED

Navy Men Thought in 1922 That the Treaties Fixed Status But Found They Were Mistaken

### CUT AFTER CUT

Force Has Been Reduced, Funds Have Not Been Provided, and Navy Has Even Been Short of Fuel

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(This is the second and last dispatch by Robert T. Small on present day conditions in the Army and the Navy.)  
New York, Sept. 12.—The low-ered morale which has been observed in the American Navy today is due in large part to the disappointments growing out of the limitation treaties signed in Washington in the spring of 1922. Navy men as a whole thought these treaties fixed the status of the Navy virtually for all time. But Congress failed to provide the funds necessary to keep the American establishment on a 6-5-3 basis with Great Britain and Japan.

Attention was called to this fact time and time again but Congress failed to heed. Instead of improving conditions in the Navy, there has been a tendency ever since the treaty ratifications to cut the Navy down. The enlisted force has been reduced far below the number necessary to keep the American fleet on a parity with Great Britain and ahead of Japan. Funds have not been provided for keeping the necessary number of ships in commission. The Navy has been so short of fuel expenses at times that it has been necessary to abandon maneuvers one year in order to hold them on something like a proper scale the next year.

You will not hear Navy men bitterly complaining of this condition. They merely state the facts to you if you ask what is the matter. They say that if it be the policy of the American people to have a weak Navy, that policy should be openly and publicly declared so that all may know it and so that conditions may be readily understood. In some respects it is stated the American Navy is barely keeping pace with that of Japan. In other respects, it is not keeping pace. Navy men are asking if there was not an implied obligation to Great Britain to keep the American Navy at a five unit basis instead of a three. Great Britain, in return for this treaty, denounced her alliance with Japan.

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The cruise of the Pacific fleet to Honolulu and Australia was arranged for much the same purpose, as well as to insure the Amphibious of our interest in Pacific affairs.

So far as the Army is concerned, the best that can be said of it is that it has stood still since the Armistice—stood still in equipment but not in the loss of morale. Major General Charles P. Summerall, commanding the Second Corps area, at Governor's Island, New York, said in order to keep the Bullard in the post, and that there has been no progress, except perhaps in the working out of a scheme by the general staff for mobilization of men and resources. Mobilization Day, or defense day as it was afterward called because of the offense the word "mobilization" brought to the pacifists, was a success in 1924 when it was undertaken on Armistice Day, which brought the world to mind. This year the White House directed that there should be no more such morose on Armistice Day. The date was transferred quickly to the Fourth of July, but partly because of lack of sufficient time and partly because there was a feeling that the "authorities" did not look with favor upon the scheme, the test this year was almost a fiasco.

In stirring all the animals at Washington, Army and Navy men agree that Col. Billy Mitchell may be building better than he knows. His interest is almost wholly in aviation. But if Congress and the public begin to pry into aviation they will find what is the trouble elsewhere.

Congress, it is known, will take no particular interest in the armed service until public sentiment is aroused. Perhaps it will be by the Mitchell "Affair." The Army and the Navy today are grabbing at straws. The proposed \$50,000,000 cut in their appropriations for next year would just about drown them. If Congress wants them to drown that is something else again. But if Congress and the people expect the services to be up-to-date and "ready" a different policy will have to be adopted.