

## Elizabeth City Extends Glad Welcome To Gates County Folks and Others At Day's Festivities

### Rare Opportunity Offered For Friendly Intercourse And Profitable Dealings

A City of North Carolinians, for North Carolinians, Whose People Have an Interest That Is More Personal Than Commercial, and Whose Stores Have Attractive Wares at Reasonable Prices

Elizabeth City today welcomes the people of Gates County and the Albemarle district into her confines, and bids them make merry to the fullest. Nowhere on the coastal plain of North Carolina is there a city of comparable size that has richer natural resources, more attractive stores, or better facilities for friendly and profitable intercourse.

First of all, Elizabeth City is a North Carolina city. Folks from Gates County, as well as from elsewhere in the State, are at home here. They deal with neighbors, not strangers. They find an interest that is more personal than commercial, and is imbued with the spirit of neighborliness that makes business transactions something more than a mere exchange of dollars for commodities.

Elizabeth City has retail stores that are the pride of this section of the State, and that vie in attractiveness with the best that nearby cities can offer. Rents are relatively low here, living expenses are not excessive. Hence the merchants are enabled to do business at lower cost than in many other cities. The customer gets the benefit of this in lower prices. Old American Stocks.

Shaded with venerable elms, Elizabeth City is a city of homes whose beauty and refinement greet the eye of the visitor with refreshing proof that this is a city pre-eminently a city of the future. Unlike many a Southern metropolis, Elizabeth City today is imbued with a spirit of progressiveness that promises many things for the years just ahead. Many worth while enterprises are in the making of this strictly North Carolina city, a city of and for North Carolinians.

One of these is the taking over by the Government of the Dismal Swamp Canal, a historic waterway surveyed by George Washington and maintained as a private enterprise for a hundred years. Congress already has authorized the purchase of the canal, and it is to be opened as a toll free waterway by next spring or earlier, when details incident to the purchase have been completed.

Elizabeth City is on the route of the South Atlantic Coastal Highway, a great north and south transportation artery traversing the coast country from Washington, D. C., to Jacksonville, Florida, 200 miles shorter than any other route between these points, and already having more miles of hard surfaced road than any other. The State has authorized a bond issue of \$600,000 for construction of a bridge near Edenton which will prove a vitally important link in this highway, and will bring additional thousands of tourists this way.

A country club representing an initial outlay of \$50,000 has been launched in Elizabeth City, and the clubhouse now is nearly finished. It will be opened formally in a few weeks, and is added proof of the progressiveness of the city and section. Its fine hole golf course on which play the year round is an exceptional feature is declared to be one of the finest in the South. This alone is expected to attract many worth while visitors to this part of North Carolina.

### "AL" SMITH IS POPULAR HERO WITH NEW YORK

Single Note Arises From Both Democrats and Republicans and That Is a Note of Praise

HE DID THE JOB  
Governor Set Out to Put Hylan and Hearst in the Ash Can and He Did It Very Thoroughly

By ROBERT T. SMALL.  
New York, Sept. 17.—"Al" Smith still reigns supreme. Any doubt as to where he stands with the Democracy of Greater New York—which is the Democracy of the empire state—has been swept away. The governor made good his promise to put Hylan and Hearst "in the ashcan" and the job was so successfully and overwhelmingly accomplished that no one was particularly interested to-day as to whether or not the defeated mayor would determine upon an independent candidacy. It has been made plain that a third party ticket, headed by Hylan and financed by Hearst, would have no backing at all within the Democratic organization. The most loyal of the Hylan leaders have announced their intention of staying "regular" and settling behind Senator "Jimmy" Walker, the nominee, whom Hylan tried to belittle as "a Broadway butterfly."

There is but a single note in the city today. It arises alike from Democratic and Republican sources. It is a paean of praise to Governor Smith for his work in the campaign. Without him it is frankly admitted that Mayor Hylan would have been re-nominated and re-elected. Republican papers in their joy over ridding the city of "Hylandism" are intimating only in a roundabout way that they are hoping to defeat the new Tammany candidate at the polls in November with their candidate, Frank D. Waterman, pen manufacturer, who says he would give the city its first "business administration" in half a score of years.

It may be possible that the Republicans can win the election in November, but it is not probable, even if the defeated Hylan and Hearst combination do their worst to upset the Tammany apple-cart. Among the enrolled voters of the city the Democrats outnumber the Republicans by something more than 270,000. Of course this does not mean quite as much (Continued on page 2)

CONFERENCE FRIDAY ON PROBLEMS OF AIR  
Washington, Sept. 17.—A special board appointed by President Coolidge next Thursday morning to inquire into the air-traffic situation was organized to-day with selection of Dwight W. Morrow, New York financier, as chairman.

Washington, Sept. 17.—The much debated question of the adequacy of American air power entered another stage today with the convening at the White House of the special board appointed by President Coolidge to investigate the subject.

COTTON MARKET  
New York, Sept. 17.—Spot cotton closed quiet, middling 24.65, a decline of 5 points. Futures, closing bid: Oct. 24.40, Dec. 24.75, Jan. 24.05, March 24.33, May 24.63.  
New York, Sept. 17.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: October 24.65, December 24.95, January 24.25, March 24.60, May 24.90.

### Views of Downtown Section of Elizabeth City



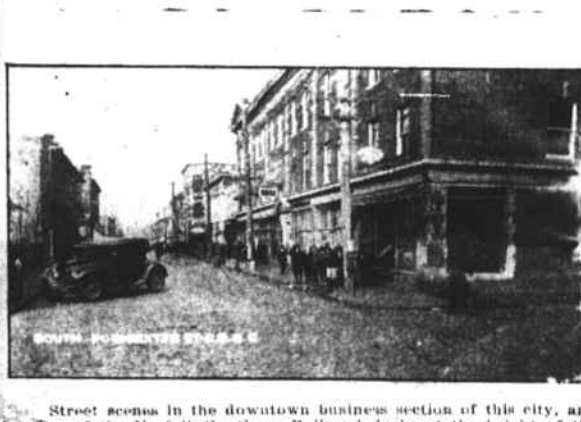
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### HIS LATEST PHOTO



Here undoubtedly is the latest photograph of Hallett S. Ward, former Congressman and principal speaker at the celebration today. It was snapped by John Pease, 10-year-old son of the editor of The Daily Advance, at Currituck Court last week.

### SUNNY SKIES MARK OPENING OF EVENT

With sunshiny skies and a foretaste of autumn in the air, Elizabeth City's gala "get acquainted" celebration marking the joining of hands between Gates and Pasquotank counties across the new Acorn Hill Highway began this morning under the most favorable of auspices. The crowd had begun to arrive by 8 o'clock, and long before 10 o'clock, the hour for beginning the program, there was a liberal sprinkling of red and blue tags, denoting visitors from Gates and other counties, to be observed in the steadily increasing throng downtown.

The Southland Jubilee Singers, eight talented colored entertainers, arrived early in the morning, assuring that their part of the program would begin on time. Before 10 o'clock, the monster Navy seaplane of the type of the PN-9 No. 1, world famous through its flight across the Pacific, had arrived and was circling over the city to an accompaniment of droning motors. The eighty-four pigs to comprise the major element in the barbecue to be served at noon had been baked and shimmered all night long over live coals in the cooking department prepared for them at the rear of the first department headquarters, and long before noon were waiting an appetizing aroma for blocks around. Dozens of Elizabeth City folks, attracted by the bonfire which supplied the coals, gathered about the chefs in charge of the barbecue last night, and many remained until well toward morning. The various committees were on the job early in the morning, looking after the well being of the visitors in a multitude of ways. Everywhere there was orderly haste, but nowhere confusion. The early stages of the celebration moved along with a well oiled precision that harbored no ill for the day.

A lively air by the Elizabeth City Boys' Band opened the day's festivities in stirring fashion promptly at 10 o'clock. The boys were resplendent in their white uniforms, trimmed in gold, and the sunlight glanced in fitful shafts from their brightly polished band instruments. By that time the crowd had begun to assume major proportions. With eight thousand pounds of barbecue, a ton of potato salad, veritable acres of tasty cornbread, cooked Dixie style, and regiment upon regiment of tasty pinonuts and ham sandwiches, to say nothing of many thousand bottles of cold drinks, every indication was that the monster throng would be fed to veritable repletion.

The Southland Jubilee Singers and the Portsmouth Navy Yard Band contributed a liberal quota of vocal and instrumental melody during the morning, after the Boys' Band had opened the program, and the speech-making began promptly at 11 o'clock, with C. R. Pugh as master of ceremonies. Hallett S. Ward, former member of Congress from this district, was the principal speaker. Former Congressman John H. Small, of this district, also made a short address.

### BILLY MITCHELL TO BE CHIEF WITNESS IN AIRCRAFT PROBE

Washington, Sept. 17.—Colonel William Mitchell, stormy petrel of the air controversy, probably will be the chief witness before the Naval court which is to inquire into the wrecking of the Naval airship Shenandoah.

### KELLOGG BARS ONE BRITISHER

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### FOUR NEW AIR MAIL ROUTES APPROVED

Washington, Sept. 17.—Postmaster General New has approved petitions for air mail service on four additional routes and will issue a call shortly for proposals from prospective contractors.

### CONFERENCES WILL DECIDE UNIFICATION

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 17.—Pittsburg conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which meet in October, with the big Houston and Louisville conferences which convene September 20, will largely determine the success or failure of the pending unification plan.

### CAN FIND NO TRACE OF REPORTED WRECK

Asheville, Sept. 17.—Reports early today that a motor bus had turned over between Asheville and Johnson City, Tennessee, killing seven people, are thought to be without basis, as no trace of the accident can be found.

### FLIERS WILL SAIL ON FRIDAY MORNING

Honolulu, Sept. 17.—The tentative sailing time of the ship which will bear the fliers of the PN-9, No. 1, back to San Francisco has been set for eight o'clock Friday morning.

### WATER SURROUNDS 9 HUNDRED TOWNS

Peking, Sept. 17.—Nine hundred villages are surrounded by water in consequence of the break of the south dike of Yellow river at Yuan Chen-shan, official advices from Shantung state.

### Queen Of the Albemarle Bids Neighbor Folks To Visit and Be Convinced

Strategically Situated at Foot of the Dismal Swamp Canal, and Enjoying Excellent Rail, Water and Highway Connections With Outside World, This City Anticipates Rosy Future.

Elizabeth City is undisputed queen of the Albemarle district—that part of North Carolina bounded on the east by the Atlantic, on the south by Beaufort and Hyde counties, on the west by Chowan River and on the north by Virginia. It is situated approximately in the center of this rich district, on Pasquotank River at the foot of the Dismal Swamp Canal, which soon will become a toll free waterway maintained by the Government.

### THIS STATE IS SENDING FOOD TO AID FLORIDA

While Florida People Are So Rushed With Boom of Business North Carolina Helps  
PRICES HIGHER  
Chickens Shipped to Jacksonville Sold for Two Cents a Pound More Than in New York

Raleigh, Sept. 17.—While Florida people are busy making money, North Carolina is helping to supply them with food. This was pointed out today by the division of markets of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. A shipment of 8,000 pounds of poultry from Henderson to Jacksonville was cited as an example. The prices obtained for this particular shipment averaged about two cents higher than the New York market. It was stated.

The division of markets is just now launching a campaign to "put North Carolina behind the hen" and to encourage increased poultry production in this state. There will be an inspection of hatcheries, with a view to encouraging the production of certified flocks. It was recently announced by the division.

Eastern North Carolina farmers are being urged by the division to invest some of the money that is coming in from cotton in fences, looking toward the production of more feed and livestock. More dairy cows are urged.

"It seems that our Eastern North Carolina farmers are to have the benefit of a good cotton crop this year," said an official statement issued by the division today. "So far, weather conditions have been good for getting out the crop and no doubt a good price is in store for the producer. One of the best things that could be done with a part of this cotton money, by our farmers, would be to purchase fencing materials to fence their farms and be in position to get full value for the crops that are grown."

Sooner or later, the statement advises, "our cotton growers are to find out just what a good crop of weeds can do, and a wet year, following a dry one like this has been, is likely to occur at any time. Our producers are growing more crop like velvet beans, soy beans, and tame hay that can best be used with livestock. With more crops like velvet beans, soy farms must come more pastures, whether permanent or temporary, and with pastures must come more fencing."

In discussing the need for more dairy cows, the statement says: "Many of our eastern North Carolina farms places hundreds of miles away, to be made into ice cream to furnish food for our folks, when this might be furnished by our own farmers. At present, the dairy sections of the state are found in the Piedmont and mountain counties. There is a ready sale in the state for all milk and dairy products."  
SUCCEEDS BRYAN  
Philadelphia, Sept. 17.—The appointment of W. M. Coby of Birmingham, Alabama, as member of the Presbyterian General Council to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William J. Bryan is announced by Rev. Dr. Charles Erdman, moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly.