

Quarter Million in Bonds Authorized by Council for Street Improvements Here

Noah Bright Elected to Succeed L. W. Anderson in Four-Three Vote Over Charles M. Griggs

NEW POWER OFFER

City Fathers to Take Up Latest Tender of Virginia Company With Commission Thursday Night

Passage of an ordinance for issuance of \$250,000 in bonds for improvement of the streets, election of Noah Bright, manager of the Coast Oil Company, to succeed Street Commissioner L. W. Anderson as Councilman from the Second Ward, and adoption of regulations governing the type of gas piping to be laid here in future, and fixing a charge of \$5 per square foot for all paving torn up in the laying of pipes, were the principal doings of the City Council in regular session last night.

In passing the bond ordinance, the Council merely followed up a motion made at the last regular meeting, by Councilman Hughes for issuance of \$225,000 in bonds for street improvements. In this connection, it was voted also to receive bids at noon on Monday, March 15, on 70,000 feet of concrete curbing and guttering with the general paving program.

Disposed of Quickly
As had been forecast yesterday, Noah Bright, manager of the Coast Oil Company's branch here, was elected to succeed L. W. Anderson as Councilman from the Second Ward, and the election proceeded with as swift and well oiled precision that gave it a "cut and dried" aspect, as far as the crowd was concerned. The vote, too, was exactly as had been predicted in yesterday's Daily Advance. As had been expected, Councilman Davis, arriving late from a bridge job across the Sound, presided the deciding factor in the matter.

It was Cohoon versus Cohoon when the vote came up. E. J. Cohoon placed Mr. Bright in nomination, and P. C. Cohoon countered by nominating Charles M. Griggs. Councilmen Morgan, Armstrong and Davis voted with E. J. Cohoon, and Councilmen Kramer and Hughes joined the other Cohoon, making the vote four to three in favor of Mr. Bright. It was all done in a few minutes, and without discussion. Councilman Kramer made a move as though to nominate a third candidate a moment before the vote was taken, but apparently changed his mind and dropped the matter. The crowd looked, listened, and said nothing.

The matter of a new proposal from the Virginia Electric & Power Company, for installation of a super-power line to this city from a point near Suffolk, Virginia, was brought up. City Attorney Leigh offered copies of a tentative contract, and after brief discussion, the Council decided to take up the proposal with the Utilities Commission in joint session Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. The nature of the new contract was not disclosed.

New Gas Ordinance
The Council adopted regulations suggested by City Engineer Olsen governing future installations of gas piping here, taking action after exhaustive discussion. In this connection also was passed a motion to fix a charge of \$5 per square foot for all paving torn up in laying pipes. Councilman P. C. Cohoon explained to the crowd present that the Council had no intention of working a hardship on private citizens thereby, but merely was undertaking to protect them, as far as was practicable, from the continued nuisance of torn up streets.

In his monthly report on general conditions, City Manager Ferebee injected what appeared to have been a bit of entirely unprovoked humor by setting forth that the streets of the city were in good condition, except where they had been torn up for laying sewer and water mains.

At the request of President J. Kenyon Wilson, of the Kiwanis Club, and A. B. Houtz, of the Rotarians, Mayor McCabe appointed City Manager Ferebee representative of the Council on a joint committee to formulate plans for a World War memorial here.

Council Acts

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Elected Noah Bright, manager of Coast Oil Company, to succeed L. W. Anderson on the Council.

Agreed to take up latest proposal of Virginia Electric & Power Company with Utilities Commission in joint session Thursday night.

Voted to advertise for bids to be received March 15 on 70,000 linear feet of concrete curb and gutter.

Adopted ordinance fixing specifications for gas piping to be laid in the future.

Fixed charge of \$5 a square foot for all paving torn up in laying pipes.

Named City Manager Ferebee as Council representative at W. W. Memorial meeting.

PRESIDENT CHASE DECIDES TO STAY
Raleigh, March 2.—Doctor Harry Woodburn Chase, president of the University of North Carolina today declined an invitation to become president of the University of Oregon.

NO MARKED CHANGE IN SAUNDERS' CONDITION
The condition of W. O. Saunders, editor of the Independent, who has been ill for a week with double pneumonia at his home on First street, was virtually unchanged Tuesday, according to Dr. H. D. Walker, his attending physician. Dr. Walker stated Mr. Saunders passed an uncomfortable night, but rallied somewhat in the morning, and was resting better at noon.

FUNERAL REV. H. M. PRESSLY
Charlotte, March 2.—Funeral services were held here Monday afternoon for the Reverend Henry Mason Pressly, 80, one of the best known Presbyterian ministers in North Carolina, who died here yesterday.

Mr. Pressly, since coming to North Carolina from the west, has filled pulpits in Elizabeth City, Mooresville, Newton and Charlotte. He received his education at Monmouth College in Illinois and Xenia Seminary in Ohio.

GEORGE MIDGETT DEAD
News has been received by relatives here of the death of George Midgett of Mantoloking, who died at St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk, Thursday. Mr. Midgett was connected with the Coast Guard Service and was stationed at Gull Shoal, Dare County. He is survived by his wife and six children, by his father, W. W. Midgett of Norfolk, by several brothers and by three sisters.

Mr. Midgett was a nephew of Mrs. N. W. Daily and Mrs. David Pugh, both of this city, and a cousin of A. W. Midgett, North Road street.

His brother, Sumner Midgett, who is in the Coast Guard Service at Southport, was called to Mantoloking to attend the funeral.

Prettiest
Miss Sally Miller of Den Motines, Ia. is one of three prettiest girls at Drake University, according to vote of the students. She is a junior.

ACCEPTANCE OF RESERVATIONS IS NOT IMPORTANT

Whether Latin American Accept or Reject U. S. Reservations Likely Have Little Effect on Court

DELAY MAIN RESULT

Submission of Reservation to Member Nations and Action by Their Governments Bound Take Time

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Washington, March 2.—Reports reaching here that several Latin American countries do not feel warranted in accepting the reservations made by the United States Senate to the protocol of admission of the World Court may develop a discussion as to just what effect a reservation will have in international law.

There has been a disposition until now to regard the American reservations to the protocol as in the nature of amendments to the Constitution of the World Court itself. This would require acceptance by every signatory power. Reservations, on the other hand, need not be acted upon but can be passed over and then by international custom acquiescence regarded as consent.

Some of the American reservations, however, are of such a nature that Latin American countries may not feel justified in acquiescing by silence but they may feel compelled to make reservations themselves taking exception to the viewpoint of the United States. Some of the conventions adopted by the Hague tribunals of 1907 and 1909 were filled with reservations. It is true that some of these reservations nullified the effectiveness of certain provisions, but the general view taken was that more good was accomplished by partial acceptance than complete rejection. Insofar, therefore, as the United States refused to be bound by advisory opinions of the World Court which may be asked for by the League of Nations, America will take herself out of the range of the court altogether. But in all other respects where vital changes have been made in international law, American policy will be to accept such decisions as important precedents.

When the League Covenant was under discussion there was the same dispute as to how far a reservation can constitute an amendment and how far it was a unilateral act. It is really up to the members of the World Court to decide. These seem no question that after the correspondence between the United States and the other governments is completed, which may take a year or more, the American Government will be admitted but at the same time some nations will also insert reservations to the American viewpoint.

The act of admission will simply mean that the United States has expressed a desire for limited participation in the activities of the World Court and it will be so regarded. Strictly speaking, none of the reservations adopted by the American Senate can in any way interfere with the freedom of action of other governments. They can only bind the United States Government here or its representatives abroad. So far as the judges are concerned, they do not represent governments but are simply chosen through a machinery in which governments participate. Thus an American judge can act with the other judges but his opinions are not binding upon the United States Government any more than are the opinions of other judges.

The process will be somewhat complicated at the outset, but ultimately the international lawyers will work it out so that the only restraint is upon the American State Department in the extent of its participation in the activities of the Court. As for the reservations they can be withdrawn or modified at any time by a two-thirds vote of the American Senate.

CHAPMAN APPEALS TO SUPREME COURT
Washington, March 2.—Counsel for Gerald Chapman, convicted of the slaying of a New Britain, Connecticut, policeman and who is under sentence to be executed April three, completed preliminary arrangements today to direct in Supreme Court a petition asking for an appeal. Ray M. Wiley of Springfield, Massachusetts, representing Chapman, visited the court today and arranged for the filing of the papers within the next few days.

STORM WARNING
"Northwest storm south of Delaware Breakwater to Hatteras; disturbance over Connecticut moving Northeastward with increasing intensity will cause strong North-east gulfing to West winds north of Boston and strong North-west winds south of Boston this afternoon and tonight," is the warning issued this morning by the Weather Bureau.

Champion Indian Pony Rider



"Mary Rides Fast" is her name—and she lives up to it. She's the champion Indian pony rider on the Glacier National Park reservation. She uses a switch cut from a bush in place of the leather quirt her sisters use.

Members of Road Body to Pay Visit To Commissioner Hart For Parley On Paving Plans

A variety of relatively unimportant matters occupied the time and attention of the Pasquotank Highway Commission in monthly session Tuesday, together with a discussion of the prospect that the State Highway Commission might fund some \$18,000 advanced by the County on the east of building Pasquotank's share of the Hertford-Edenton Highway, 16 feet wide, instead of nine.

The commission decided unofficially to send a delegation to call upon Highway Commissioner W. A. Hart for a conference on the matter. State Senator P. H. Williams was present at the meeting, and suggested a conference with him as a likely means of obtaining additional State paving in Pasquotank under an arrangement whereby the County would lend the money, to be repaid from State funds later.

THROW BRICKS OF BOTH KINDS AT CURRITUCK

San Francisco's Mayor Hit By Real Ones and the Verbal Variety

By BEN G. KLINE
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Throwing brick bats at the mayor threatens to become a popular pastime here. The municipal chief executive's well known derby bore the brunt of a four pound cobblestone playfully but accurately heaved by a pedestrian a day or two ago and no injury was done except to the official chap and Mayoral dignity.

In the case of the literal brick but his excellency Mayor James Rolph, Jr., and the municipal chaffer promptly clambered out of the official automobile and caught the thrower, but when Arthur H. Briggs, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, showered verbal brick bats at the person of the mayor yesterday, the civic magistrate was unable to pursue the thrower, who left promptly for Los Angeles and Washington, D. C., promising, however, to return.

Arthur Briggs said some rather unkind things about this city's chief executive; to wit: That the mayor is directly, personally and solely responsible for failure of officers and courts in this metropolis to enforce the prohibition law; policemen, and not the offenders, he alleged, are held for trial; the local courts are too lenient and "practically every man in San Francisco is helping to help bootleggers break the law."

All of which the dry leader blamed to Mayor Rolph's "apathy and indifference." And as a parting shot, the Anti-Saloon League threatened to return with his pockets full of brick bats to participate in the next municipal election.

The liquor situation which is being investigated by Federal agents following criticism sent to Washington, is briefly this: Colonel Ned M. Green, Federal administrator, has taken the stand that with his small force he cannot cope with the many petty violations but must concentrate on the distillers and big bootleggers, leaving petty violations to be handled by the local police. Full- and part-time salaried police officers and courts in this metropolis have been found to have cooperated well. He also claims satisfactory progress in getting the big fellows.

CENTRAL SCHOOL CONTRACTS LET; TOTAL \$55,785

Construction of Last Unit in County's Consolidation System to Begin by April 1

NUMEROUS BIDDERS

State Official Expected Here in Next Few Days to Pass Upon Site Chosen by Board

Contracts for construction of the central high school building and last unit in County Consolidation educational system, have been let by the county Board of Education, County Superintendent M. B. Jennings announced today. The contracts aggregated \$55,785 exclusive of the site, he stated.

Incidentally, the informal application of the school to the Central High school has been adopted officially also. The building is to be erected on a site in the vicinity of Central Baptist Church, about two miles from this city, and the school district will embrace virtually all of rural Pasquotank except those parts now incorporated in the Weeksville and Newland high school districts. Construction is to begin by April 1, and the structure is to be ready for occupancy by September 1, for the opening of the fall school term.

John J. Blair, State director of schoolhouse planning, is expected here in the next few days to approve a site for the building. A location has been selected tentatively a short distance beyond Central Church, and it is anticipated that Mr. Blair's approval will be largely a matter of form.

The new school is to be one story high, in keeping with the latest design in construction of the kind, and is to be of attractive modern masonry brick. It will house 17 classrooms, science laboratories, offices, a feminine washroom, rest room, library, music room, and an auditorium seating 200 persons. It will have modern sanitary plumbing, electric lights, steam heat, and other conveniences.

Contracts were let as follows: General construction, \$48,100; to John W. Hudson, Jr., of Tarboro; heating, \$4,245; to R. W. Dixon, of Wilmington; plumbing, \$1,700; to W. Dixon, Wilmington; and wiring, \$1,440; to George W. Ballance, Elizabeth City. Mr. Hudson, who was awarded the contract for general construction, is also handling many similar jobs in various parts of the State.

Plans of bidders were on hand for the letting, which continued well into Monday night. In various minor details, the original plans were modified for greater economy and convenience, with the approval of the architect. There were nine bidders on general construction, their figures ranging originally from \$49,499 to \$66,634; eleven on heating, ranging from \$4,773 to \$4,835; eight on plumbing, varying from \$1,750 to \$2,312; and four on wiring, ranging from \$449 to \$980.

DISTRICT MEETING ABOUT PROHIBITION

Charlotte, March 2.—Prohibition enforcement in the Eighth Federal District comprised of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, will be discussed in a conference tomorrow at Washington, D. C. Assistant Secretary Andrews, Ben C. Sharpe, enforcement director of the district, and Kenneth J. Kindley, third assistant district attorney for Western North Carolina. Indications are that steps are to be taken for more rigid law enforcement.

HEARINGS ON FARM RELIEF POSTPONED

Washington, March 2.—The long anticipated opening of hearings on farm relief legislation by the House agricultural committee failed to materialize today. A last minute shift in plans by farm organization leaders led to postponement until tomorrow, or possibly Thursday.

"MUSICAL BOMBERS" SHOWN AT ALKRAMA FOR TWO DAYS

A "musical bonfire" put on by the Duff Piano Company of this city, and recorded by a movie camera for the Fox Film News, will be shown at the Alkrama Theater today and tomorrow, in connection with the regular programs. M. Shelby Burgess, booking manager, announces.

The Duff Piano Company smashed up and burned 10 to 50 old pianos and organs, recently, when moving to new quarters, and a bit of human interest was added to the ceremony by having several members of Flat's Orchestra "do their stuff" before the camera. Reports from other cities in which the picture has been shown describe it as "unusually funny." Mr. Burgess says the reel is of more than average length.

Camden To Vote On Consolidation With Pasquotank June 5

SAYS CHILD HAS RIGHT O' WAY

County Commissioners in Regular Session Monday Submit Question to Referendum

OUTCOME IS DOUBTFUL

Probably Preponderance Today Against Consolidation but Much May Happen in Three Months

Camden, March 2.—On Saturday, June 5, the people of Camden County will vote on whether Camden County shall become a part of Pasquotank. The Camden County Commissioners, in regular session Monday, named June 5 as an election date to determine whether Camden and Pasquotank shall become one county.

The outcome of the election is uncertain. Probably a vote taken now would be against consolidation of the two counties but a great deal of discussion on the subject—pro and con—will be heard between now and June 5 and just what the attitude of the majority of Camdenites will be at that time is difficult to ascertain now.

Camden was originally a part of Pasquotank County, but became a separate entity in 1877, when an act creating the County was passed by the General Assembly on the ground that the territory of the Pasquotank River was at times so difficult and hazardous as to make attendance of court in Nixonton, then the County seat, work hardly to be endured. As a result of that act Camden courthouse was built on a site within four miles of Elizabeth City.

The river continued to be an effective barrier between the two counties until 1922, when the "floating" road, the Camden Ferry Company bridge and road and made both a part of the State highway system. Later the road was paved across Machelie's Island and the aqueduct that was the river swamp of the Camden mainland, the State styling the ribbon of concrete across the neck a "floating" road. Though time may be said to have demonstrated that the road will not float but is slowly and gradually sinking, it is still, except in times of exceptionally high tide, a dependable highway and brings the courthouse in Camden within 15 or 20 minutes, according to the height of the tide, of the courthouse in Pasquotank.

Naturally when Pasquotank and Camden were united by a free bridge across the Pasquotank River, the fact that Camden became a separate county from Pasquotank by reason of the difficulty of crossing the river was recalled and the idea was suggested that now that this barrier was removed there was no reason why the counties should not be reunited. The idea was not generally seriously entertained, however, until it became known in the course of the last session of the General Assembly that Senator P. H. Williams had drawn up a bill providing for the consolidation of the two counties. There has been general discussion of the proposition pro and con ever since, and the movement for consolidation has finally gained enough momentum to call for the referendum set Monday for June 5.

ANTHONY BIMBA LOSSES AND WINS
Brookton, Mass., March 2.—Anthony Bimba, who was tried for blasphemy under an ancient Massachusetts statute and for sedition won and lost in Plymouth county district court here today.

Judge C. Carroll King, who presided at the trial of the young Lithuanian editor last week, today found him guilty on the sedition phony charge. Bimba was found not guilty on the blasphemy count but not guilty on the blasphemy charge. A fine of one hundred dollars was imposed on the sedition conviction. The maximum penalty under the state law is a fine of one thousand dollars and three years imprisonment. An appeal was taken by Harry Hoffman, counsel for the defense, and Bimba was released on a five hundred dollar bond. The charges were based on utterances at a meeting here January 26.

WOLF OF LASALLE DIES IN PRISON
Atlanta, March 2.—John Whitehouse Worthington of Chicago, known as the "Wolf of Lasalle street," died at the Atlanta Federal penitentiary today where he was serving a term for using the mails to defraud. His death was caused by paralysis. Worthington's operations are estimated to have netted him more than two and half million dollars.

India's Joan
Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Indian poetess is being hailed as the "Joan of Arc of India." She has just replaced the famous Mahatma Gandhi as leader of the "Swaraaj" or Indian national congress.