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Mostly cloudy tonight and Sunday. Probably showers. Slightly warmer Sunday. Moderate winds.

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COASTAL ROUTE PROPONENTS TO GATHER IN CITY

President and Secretary of South Atlantic Coastal Highway Association Are Coming September 22

PLANNING PUBLICITY

Backers of Route 30 Will Tell World of Beauties and Opportunities Offered Along Seaboard

As a means of working out a plan of effective cooperation with States to the North and South in properly advertising the South Atlantic Coastal Highway, particularly with reference to its attractions for motor tourists, commercial secretaries and others active in the association fostering development of the part of the highway running through North Carolina will meet at the Chamber of Commerce here Wednesday, September 22.

Frank Miller, of Jacksonville, Florida, president of the South Atlantic Coastal Highway Association, and Fred Ward, of Brunswick, Georgia, secretary, will be honor guests at the meeting, and are expected to take a leading part in working out a systematic campaign to let the people of the United States learn the advantages of the coastal route, and to impress upon the people of the section through which it passes, its vital importance to them.

Assurance that a large delegation from Wilmington, New Bern and Washington, this State, will attend the meeting September 22 has been received from H. M. Jacobs of New Bern, chairman of the North Carolina Route 30 sector of the highway. Word also has been received from Norfolk that Tidewater Virginia will be represented adequately.

Hardsurfacing of the entire South Atlantic Coastal Highway through North Carolina rapidly is nearing completion. There only remain short links on the alternative routes from Norfolk to Elizabeth City, via South Mills and Moyock, respectively, and a stretch of a few miles in the vicinity of New Bern. Construction is in progress on all three of these links, as well as on the Chowan Bridge, at Edenton, and it is thought entirely probable that by the latter part of next year a hardsurfaced highway from Norfolk along the coast will have been completed all the way to the South Carolina line, and possibly beyond.

Offering the shortest motor route from Washington, D. C., and points North to Florida points, and traversing a section rich in scenic beauty and hallowed by a wealth of historic associations, the South Atlantic Coastal Highway is expected rapidly to become the most popular route for tourists going to and from the Far South.

Elizabeth City, Edenton and other cities along the road in this State already have undertaken extensive publicity for the highway through the American motorist and other publications of the American Automobile Association as a means of acquainting this winter's influx of tourists with the section.

PROVIDE FOR THREE TEMPORARY SEATS

Geneva, Sept. 4.—The League of Nations Council today adopted the report of the commission on re-organization of the Council providing for creation of three non-permanent council seats and designating Germany as a permanent seat holder as soon as she is elected to League membership.

Geneva, Sept. 4. — The first meeting tday of the committee of 14 which will carry on the work of the World Court conference, convoked to examine the five reservations to American adjerence to the Court, was devoted to the judicial study of the Court's regulations. The object of the study was to determine how far the regulations as at present framed make it possible to accept the American reservations.

ESCAPED CONVICT AGAIN IS CUSTODY

Orlando, Fla., Sept. 4. — Joe Tracy who recently escaped from guards at Saint Cloud after returning from a trip to the everglades was taken into custody here today and lodged in Orange county jail, the sheriff announced.

HOLIDAY MONDAY AT POSTOFFICE

In observance of Labor Day, the Elizabeth City postoffice will observe the usual holiday hours Monday. The stamp and general delivery windows will be open from 10 to 11 o'clock in the morning, but will be closed the remainder of the day. There will be the usual dispatch of the mails on the various trains.

HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL WITH McADOO FANS

Just As Democrats Were Hoping Convention History Would Not Repeat California Speaks

THE BEST EVIDENCE

California Primary Shows Which Way Wind Blows and Causes Rejoicing in Republican Camp

By DAVID LAWRENCE

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Washington, Sept. 4.—Hope springs eternal in the breasts of the politically ambitious but there has hardly been anything to equal the tenacity with which the followers of William Gibbs McAdoo have clung to his standard. Just as Democrats were beginning to feel that the 1928 convention would not be a repetition of the Madison Square Garden fiasco, the primaries in California arose to indicate otherwise.

For the California primary is the best evidence that could be offered that the breach inside the Democratic party had not been healed and this, by the way, causes no small amount of rejoicing in the bosoms of the Republican leaders who feel even more confident on that account of a continuance of Republican control of the executive branch of the Government.

Whether the responsibility for the revival of the McAdoo-Smith rivalry rests with the Dockweiler wing of the Democracy in California or whether it is the result of local political ambitions on the part of those who fought for McAdoo to control the state machinery, the fact remains that in Mr. McAdoo's own state a battle has been fought on issues not far different from those which kept the Madison Square Garden convention balloting for days and days.

Throughout the country until now there has been among the Democrats a semblance of harmony. The effort to abolish the two-thirds rule was advanced by McAdoo men and concurred in by Smith supporters in the hope that the next convention could nominate by majority ballot.

But the California episode reveals that the sores of 1924 have not been healed and that the fight is on with the same intensity as before. The only advantage of the early outcropping of this rivalry is that it may awaken other Democrats to the folly of further strife so early in the game as to cause the elimination of the two main contenders and an agreement on a compromise candidate long before the convention time is at hand.

The situation is very much different, however, from the one in the months preceding the Madison Square Garden convention. Then the McAdoo managers, confident and aggressive, were talking of the probable majority they would get. Now it is the Smith faction which is confident and on the offensive. The fact that the fight was carried into Mr. McAdoo's own state is a sign of how the McAdoo forces have been placed on the defensive.

Whether the former Secretary of the Treasury really cares about another fight for the Presidential nomination is doubtful. His friends are as eager for him to make the race as they were before because they think he can unite the West and South and perhaps capture a Middle Western state or two because of his strong hold on union labor—a combination of electoral votes something like that which won in 1916. It is a familiar argument and it failed in 1924 to be convincing.

But Presidential politics can be a matter of group strategy as well as individual ambitions. The McAdoo followers may feel able to name their own leaders but there is every sign that they still want to retain their power of veto if not dictation. There are plenty of Democrats of the Wilson wing further East who might absorb the McAdoo strength if it is kept intact. Newton D. Baker or former Senator Pomerene of Ohio may be the heirs of this nucleus depending on how the Ohio election for Senator turns out this fall. It is early to forecast the lines of cleavage in the Democratic party, but the outbreak of Smith-McAdoo rivalry is considered none too salutary a circumstance ultimate Democratic harmony.

MRS. LEWIS VISITS HERE

Mrs. Anna Lewis, formerly welfare officer for Pasquotank County, and now a member of the staff of the Wake County Welfare Department, arrived Friday night for a few days' visit here. She was accompanied by H. D. Ferrell, probation officer for boys in Raleigh.

—Miss Elsie Oneal and her niece, little Miss Geraldine Oneal, both of Raleigh, are spending a few days with the former's father, W. B. Oneal, at his home on Hunter street.

She Wants to Be a Ph. D.

Ruth Lu Tet Yap, Chinese girl, will enter Columbia University this fall to study for a doctor of philosophy degree. She is one of 11 brothers and sisters who are getting their educations in American colleges

Revision Of Dawes Plan Is Important

Berlin, Sept. 4—Revision of the Dawes plan by agreement between the German Government, the Agent General of Reparations and the Reparations Commission, which was announced Thursday night, is far more important than is suggested by the sums involved.

Practically, the German government by accepting an agreement to pay 300,000,000 marks more the coming year, saves a quarter of a million the fourth year and a similar sum the fifth year, and prevents the increase from the third to the fourth year from being too abrupt. This advance would have been made according to the improvement index given by the returns of German controlled revenues for the past two years, which far exceeded the calculations of the experts and rendered Germany liable for increased payments.

The Democratic newspapers blame the former nationalist finance minister, Schlieben who fixed taxes in such a way that more money was raised and the experts were convinced that their estimate was too low.

The Nationalist papers find little to say. They only lament the fact that an agreement has been reached, since in the third year controlled revenues "might have been less." The nationalist Lokal Anzeiger prefers to avoid controversy by noting that "the experts have admitted fulfillment is an impossibility."

The truth is that the present agreement should quiet many voices clamoring for revision by showing that revision is possible within the plan whenever an agreement to that effect is reached.

CONTINUE EFFORTS BRING OUT BODIES

Tahona, Okla., Sept. 4.—Rescue workers today continued their attempts to remove the nine or ten remaining bodies from the debris-filled Superior Smokeless Coal Company's mine which was wrecked by an explosion here yesterday.

Seven bodies have been removed from the mine and others have been located but not brought to the surface.

LICENSES SUSPENDED FOR NINE MONTHS

Boston, Sept. 4.— Licenses of Captain John Diehl and Third Mate Timothy L. Dreyer of the steamer City of Rome today were suspended for nine months as a result of the collision last year in which the submarine S-51 sank with the loss of 34 lives. Both the S-51 and the City of Rome were found at fault in the finding announced today by the Boston board of inspectors of the United States steamboat inspection service.

HE REFUSES TO ENTER PROFESSIONAL RACES

Los Angeles, Sept. 4.—Charles Paddock, holder of many world's records in sprints, has announced his refusal of the contract to turn professional offered by C. C. Pyle, sports promoter, and which would have netted him from $30,000 to $70,000 for three races.

New York is such a fast town a century plant there started blooming every 45 years.

Pope Is Delighted With His New Auto

Rome, Sept. 4.—The high powered motor car which was a gift of a Milanese automobile factory to the Pope, was tried out for the first time Thursday afternoon in the Vatican gardens. Before entering the car, the Pope examined it for fully ten minutes and showed keen interest in the explanation of the technicians when he heard the motor hum.

The Pope blessed all those present and then gently turned a handle of the car, breaking the white ribbon which sealed the doors. He immediately took his first ride in the new car through the shady walks of the Vatican gardens.

DUFF-GORE CORPORATION ENLARGES ITS BUSINESS

Raleigh, Sept. 4.—The Duff-Gore Corporation, formed for the purpose of merchandising pianos, talking machines and other musical instruments and accessories, has established it's principal office in Raleigh. Both wholesale and retail departments are being developed the wholesale department being known as the Duff-Gore Corporation and the retail warerooms in the Dixie Building on Fayetteville street, will be known as the "Knabe Warerooms," and "The Duff-Gore Store."

The corporation has purchased the assets of the Duff Piano Company, of Raleigh. The offices of the corporation are as follows: L. D. Gore, president, treasurer and general manager; J. C. B. Ehringhause, vice-president, and W. P. Duff, secretary.

Mr. Gore came to Raleigh from Norfolk, where he was manager of Chas. M. Stieff, Inc., piano manufacturers. He was with the Stieff company for a number of years, and has spent his lifetime in the music business. Mr. Duff has been a successful music merchant in North Carolina for the past 25 years. Mr. Gore and Mr. Duff are the principal owners of the corporation.

Mr. Gore will remain here in active charge. He said last night following a meeting of the directors, "it is our intention to give to the people of this and adjoining states a real music house, carrying only the leading lines of musical instruments and to provide a way for every person to own some kind of musical entertainment in their home. We welcome the public to our warerooms, and hope that I shall have the opportunity of serving the public for it's musical needs."

The Duff-Gore Store plans to hold an "open house" night in the near future.

CALIFORNIA FLIER WINS ON-TO-SESQUI

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—Fred D. Hoyt of Santa Monica, California, won the "On-To-Sesqui" race, it was announced before the opening air race meet today. He flew from Eureka, California.

LOCAL BANKS ARE TO OBSERVE LABOR DAY

The undersigned banks, comprising the Elizabeth City Clearing House Association, will observe Labor Day and will be closed on Monday, September 6.

Savings Bank & Trust Co.,
Carolina Banking & Trust Co.,
The First and Citizens National Bank.

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DARING ROBBER PAYS VISIT TO McCABE & GRICE

Entering by Second Story Window Adjacent to New Selig Building, Intruder Takes Away Wearables

STORE RANSACKED

Fastidious Criminal Picks What He Wants, After Careful Examination of Stock, With Light on

Breaking in through a second story window closely adjacent to the rear of the new Selig store, now under construction, a burglar last night robbed the department store of McCabe & Grice, East Main street, of a quantity of shirts, shoes, ties and other wearing apparel. Mayor Aubrey G. McCabe, a member of the firm, estimated the loss today at $35, to $50, on the basis of a hasty preliminary check-up.

Mayor McCabe himself discovered the robbery shortly before midnight, when he had occasion to visit the store, accompanied by Dr. J. W. Selig. Upon opening the front door, he noted that a light midway of the store was on, and knowing that it had been turned off when the store was closed yesterday afternoon, he immediately began to investigate.

A brief search of the building disclosed that the intruder had entered by cutting out a part of a window pane which could be reached from the second floor of the Selig store. He had then unfastened the latch, and opened the window, and had crawled into the building through a narrow aperture between two shelves.

In the various men's departments of the store, the robber left indications of his visit in wearables scattered about, and obviously discarded as unsuited to his needs. On the first floor, he left a stack of shirts, two cards of ties and a cap, neatly piled up, indicating that he had been frightened away before completing his haul.

Police were notified immediately, and today were conducting a quiet investigation in the hope of determining the identity of the visitor. The robbery was the second which the McCabe & Grice store had suffered this year, the store having been broken into about six months ago.

On the upper floor of the Selig store, the investigators last night discovered strong indications that the robber had not long departed from the building. It is thought that he carried away only such merchandise as he could take on his person, since the store is in the heart of the downtown retail district, which was more than ordinarily crowded last night by reason of a performance given by a traveling tent show.

Even though the burglar had been in the store when Mayor McCabe and Dr. Selig entered, he would have been in no particular danger, according to the latter.

"If he had said, "Whoosh," he would have had the whole store to himself in half a second," Dr. Selig declared, modestly willing to flaunt his prowess as a burglar chaser.

STUMPY POINT WANTS A ROAD

Dare County Commissioners to Hear Request for Special Tax for Purpose

Stumpy Point folk want a new road through the heart of their idyllic little village, stretching two miles along a narrow peninsula fronting the broad reaches of Pamlico Sound, on the Dare County mainland.

From the edge of the village to the Hyde County line, Dare is building an improved dirt road, eventually to link the coast with the State highway system. Through the village, however, there is only a narrow and unsatisfactory road, flanked on either side by shallow ditches, and Stumpy Point residents want something better—and want it badly.

They have taken up the matter with the Dare board of county commissioners, and have been given assurance that a further hearing will be granted them in the next few days, with the probability that a definite answer will be given them.

The Stumpy Point people want to obtain authority from their county commissioners to levy a special tax in sufficient amount to dig an 18-foot canal along the length of the two-mile road through the village. The dirt from the canal would be used to build the road. In fact, in the lowlands of Dare and Hyde counties, that is about the only way an improved road can be built, since there is little high land from which dirt for "fills" can be obtained.

NO PAPER MONDAY: IT IS LABOR DAY

Monday is Labor Day and The Advance will take its usual holiday, hoping to store up on that day energy and enthusiasm to carry on through the fall season and give its readers better service for having had time to catch a breath after the hot weather and hard work of the summer.

The shop and office will be closed Monday. Joseph Poole is visiting his parents at Clarksville, Virginia, and the editor expects to spend the day at Currituck Court. Telephones, therefore, will ring in vain.

Tuesday morning bright and early, everybody will be back on the job again, and barring accident Tuesday's paper will go out promptly and well filled with news, editorials, advertisements, comics, and everything.

Labor Day Autoists Warned to Obtain City Licenses

Elizabeth City motorists are reminded that they have had several days in which to procure their driving permits and city licenses for the year beginning September 1, and that those who operate their cars Monday without the prescribed blue and yellow tag on the front may expect the worst.

Monday is Labor Day, and a a holiday for some folks but not for the police. Chief Holmes gave fair warning Saturday that those who had failed to obtain their tags and permits might as well spend Sunday in preparing an excuse—for an exceedingly good one would be needed.

The licenses cost $1 each, and may be obtained from City Auditor John Snowden, in the city offices on South Road street, near Main. Those who procured permits last year have only to present them, together with the dollar. Persons taking out city permits for the first time this year must stand an examination to demonstrate their fitness to drive.

Residents of Elizabeth City who drive cars must take out permits each year, regardless whether they own automobiles. The police are preparing to make a check-up over the city to determine whether all who should have automobile or other licenses have taken them out. Those who haven't will be permitted to explain matters to Trial Justice Sawyer.

THIRTY-FIVE DEAD IN JAPAN TYPHOON

Tokio, Sept. 4.—Reports to vernacular newspapers here say that approximately 35 persons killed in a typhoon in central eastern Japan today. The storm was one of most severe in recent years.

SPAIN MAY DECIDE NOT TO WITHDRAW

Geneva, League of Nations leaders plan to elect Spain to a semi-permanent seat in the League council at the forthcoming assembly despite Spain's probable absence from the assembly. They hope this will induce the Madrid government to abandon any idea of resigning from the League.

Madrid, Sept. 4.— The Spanish government will not take any immediate action toward withdrawal from the League of Nations but will await the outcome of the League assembly opening next week.

There have been reports that Spain intended to resign from the League, owing to rejection of her demand for a permanent seat on the League Council.

DOG TAX CASES HEARD

Charged with having failed to pay their dog taxes, Jim Knight and George J. Scott, both colored and both living in the Weeksville section, were required to pay the taxes and costs at the close of a hearing in recorder's court Saturday morning.

FORMER ELIZABETH CITY BOY WEDS GEORGIA GIRL

Although the wedding occurred on June 27, more than two months ago, it is just becoming known in Elizabeth City that C. Adolphus Dean, Jr., son of Mrs. Catherine Dean, of this city, and a highly popular Elizabeth City boy, has taken unto himself a wife, in the person of Miss Helen Lorenzo Hays, of Smithfield, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean are living in Albany, Georgia, where Mr. Dean is employed as a registered druggist. Before his removal to Georgia, he held a position in the Albemarle Pharmacy here, and is generally known and liked.

Victor K. Overman, formerly of this city and now of Omaha, Nebraska, left Saturday afternoon for the Middle Western city after a vacation stay of ten days with his mother, Mrs. J. P. Overman, on East Church street.

WETS MISTAKEN SAY OFFICIALS OF THE W. C. T. U.

Temperance Organization Has Own Way of Knowing Public Sentiment in Every Section of Nation

EDITORS ARE DRY

According to W. C. T. U. There Are Ten Dry Editorials to One Wet and Main Street Is Dry

By OWEN L. SCOTT

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Chicago, Sept. 4.—If anti-prohibitionists anywhere in this country think that they are getting away with something without feminine drys knowing it, they are most likely mistaken.

The women prohibitionists, to back up this assertion, boast that they have just completed an intelligence system that makes the old Army organization look quite sick. With their scheme working, the headquarters officials of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, in Evanston, know almost overnight what the wets are thinking, talking, writing and doing, and that knowledge gives the drys a chance for a quick counter attack.

As explained today by an executive of the W. C. T. U., their new intelligence section consists of 600,000 women located in every hamlet of the country. All are members of the dry organization and all are specifically instructed to gather every scrap of information concerning anti-prohibition activities. The opinion is that there never has been anything quite like it for effectiveness in gathering information.

The intelligence division represents one of the first moves for rejuvenation of the fighting forces available to the W. C. T. U. These women politicians who started the trend toward the Volstead Act by praying outside a saloon at Hillsboro, Ohio, back in 1874, are waking up to the fact that they have another fight on their hands. That explains their recent activity.

"The facts unearthed by the first working of the intelligence service would bring tears to the eyes of wet city politicians," Mrs. Ella A. Boole, national president of the W. C. T. U., declares. "These show that there are about ten dry editorials to one wet expression of sentiment; and the wet editors all seem to live in the big cities.

"Information coming in shows that Main Street is dry and is going to stay dry. It also shows that the farmer will vote just as dry as he has in the past and wants the Volstead Act made stronger if anything.

"The intelligence division brings in reports that show the reaction against the wet policy of condemning the youth of today. To the cry of the politician in Oregon who declares there is more drinking among boys and girls, committees in reply quote an editorial flatly contradicting the statement and reminding the public of the old saloon days when hundreds of kids used to buy drinks freely across the bar.

"Another, an Illinois man, breaks out with the statement that colleges are hotbeds of drunken vice, and from all over the country come letters to the editor in protest."

As an indication of the way the wet and dry fight is developing the W. C. T. U. declares that the whole dry side is turning into a religious crusade.

"Politicians may issue statements declaring their party is going to ignore the wet and dry issue," Mrs. Boole says, "but just as surely as they make such a statement the churches are going to ignore those politicians.

"Reading the church papers and the rural press, one is amazed to find out that the politicians have utterly misunderstood the attitude of the people and the strength of the dry vote. The village church, not the political chairman, is going to rule the election."

WHAT'S RIGHT WITH ELIZABETH CITY?

What's right with Elizabeth City? This is a subject on which The Advance wants its readers to express themselves.

For the best answer The Advance will give $25. Write this newspaper a letter telling "What's Right With Elizabeth City" in not less than 500 words and not more than 1500.

This offer closes September 18. Get busy and write your letter. Anybody can tell you what's wrong with Elizabeth City. It remains to be seen how many Elizabeth City people will come across and tell Advance readers "What's Right With Elizabeth City."

ROAD HISTORY INTERESTING IN NORTH CAROLINA

Study of Road Legislation From Year 1700 Shows Overwhelming Desire for Good Highways

PASQUOTANK WORST

That Was Verdict in Year 1709 As Reported to Earl of Fairfax by the Rev. Mr. Gordon

Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Sept. 4.—As one speeds over the almost endless ribbons of highway that are today found in every section of the State, it is hard to visualize the roads of more than 200 years ago, descriptions of which have been preserved in the historical archieves of the State.

But even 200 years ago the people of North Carolina were interested in providing roads, and a study of the road legislation dating from 1700 to the present indicates an ever-increasing desire on the part of the people of the State for better arteries of transportation and communication. The history of this movement is related most interestingly in a sketch printed on the backs of the new highway maps just issued by the State Highway Commission.

Today it is said that it is harder to lose your way in North Carolina than to find it in other states, but this was not the case in 1704, when the Rev. John Blair of the Established Church, in his report to the Earl of Halifax, secretary for the Colonies in North America said: "There is no possibility for a stranger to find a road again once he has gone astray from it. It is a great hazard. In my journeys I make 30 miles a day on horse back and often sleep in the woods." In other words, travel was possible over the roads of 1704 only in the day time, and was hazardous even then, with 30 miles in a day being about the maximum speed possible. What would the shade of John Blair think if he could come back today and see the thousands of motor cars speeding along the highways at a speed of—usually minimum—of 30 miles an hour? The only provision in those days for highway maintenance and construction, was that they should be worked by the landowners who lived contiguous to them.

In 1709, another minister, the Rev. Mr. Gordon reported to the Earl of Halifax that "the roads are generally very bad, especially in Pasquotank and Perquimans, which makes it difficult for a minister to attend to those two precincts. The Pasquotank roads are the worst in the country."

In 1717 "the people of Chowan precinct, with great labor and at large expense, cleared the main road and kept it clear as the law requires," so the records tell the Governor's message reported to the General Assembly. And in 1733 the General Assembly the then governor, George Barrington, to order the magistrates "to take effectual care of the roads and see that the bridges were repaired and ferries duly kept," declaring that it was extremely hard for the public to attend the General Assembly or the General Court. Governor Burrington, in reply, said that during the winter of 1732-33 he had travelled "in most to the counties, and had found much labor bestowed on the making of new roads and in repairing old ones and that good bridges had been newly built." He said also that during the administration of his predecessor, Sir Richard Everard, the public roads remained "unguarded" and one that had been laid out from Neuse River to Cape Fear River, about 300 miles, was not worked at all. Governor Burrington added that he had "prevailed on the people living along this route to do the work, and that they had responded cheerfully and effectually and had not only built the road and also bridges, and had laid out causeways over the marshes." He said further that he had surveyed this road himself before Everard took office and that it was "the way one travelled from Virginia to South Carolina and that it saved 200 miles distance between the two colonies. And at a speed of but 30 miles a day, that was quite a saving.

Still another step forward was taken in 1755 when the General Assembly directed the laying out of a road from the Orange County court house (Hillsborough) "to a landing on the northwest side of the Cape Fear river near Wilmington."

It must be remembered that in the early days of the colonies, the majority of the roads led to and from Virginia, converging in Virginia at the point where Suffolk is now located. Going south from that point, the main route went by way of Edenton across Albemarle Sound to Mackey's Ferry, thence to the town of Bath, on across Pamlico River and the Neuse to New Bern.