

**WITH THE RAILROADS**

**A North Carolina Town Seeks an Outlet by Rail.**

**The Chesapeake & Ohio to Control the Big Four—Checked by the Penns—Rates to the Philippines to Be Raised.**

The citizens of Hookertown, N. C., are moving in the matter of an extension of railway facilities to their town. The proposition is to build a branch from the Atlantic and North Carolina road. At a recent public meeting a strong committee was appointed to further the interests of the town in that direction.

**A RUMOR REVAMPED.**  
It is reported on apparent good authority that at a meeting to be held this week by the directors of the Big Four, steps will be taken looking to a close relationship between that road and the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Arrangements, however, are now said to have been perfected whereby the Chesapeake and Ohio is to assume the role of a leading factor, and this is to take the form of an extension of that company's service to St. Louis by means of trackage rights over the Big Four from Cincinnati. This arrangement insures a through line for the Chesapeake and Ohio from the Seaboard to St. Louis, virtually over its own rails, and means the first step in the direction of the control of the Big Four by the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Regarding the reported retirement of President Ingalls from the presidency of the Big Four, it is said that gentleman placed his resignation with the financial managers of the property, but that it was withdrawn at their suggestion.

**CHECKMATED BY PENNSY.**  
It is understood that the Pennsylvania has decided on an extension of the Pittsburg, Virginia and Charleston from West Brwnsville to the West Virginia State line in order that a big demand for bituminous coal may be met and to forestall unnecessary competition suggested by the attempts of other roads to get into that territory. It is said that the Pennsylvania is interested in the projected Monogahela and Washington, from Monogahela City to Ellsworth, a distance of 11 miles, although the Ellsworth Coal Co. of Chicago, which has extended its possessions in the territory penetrated, has been an important factor in bringing about the construction of the road. When completed, it is to be operated, report says, as a branch of the Pittsburg, Virginia and Charleston.

**RATES TO THE PHILIPPINES.**  
Rates to the Philippines and all other trans-Pacific places will be increased. The steamship companies demand more than the proportion they now receive of the through rates made by the railroads. To consider this matter, the general passenger agents of the trans-continental railroads, so-called, will meet next Wednesday at St. Paul. As none of the railroads are willing to reduce their rates, the only way in which they can meet the demand of the steamship companies for more money is to advance the through rates. Railroad and steamship officials expect there will be many passengers to the Philippines as soon as the insurrection there is ended.

**RICHMOND AND TIDEWATER.**  
Colonel C. P. E. Burgwyn, who is engineer in charge, surveying the route for the proposed Richmond and Tidewater railroad, has returned to Richmond. About thirty-five miles of the route has been surveyed and there remains between forty and forty-five miles of the main line yet to be gone over. The work is being pushed rapidly and it is expected the surveying will be completed by Christmas.

**NEW C. & O. HOSPITAL.**  
The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway company has decided to establish a new hospital for its use. This institution will be located at Huntington, W. Va., and all arrangements for the transfer of the property selected have been practically completed. It is expected that the new hospital will be opened for treatment of patients within the next three months.

The buildings now on the site will be remodelled.

**QUARANTINE RAISED.**  
Traveling passenger agents are in receipt of bulletins announcing that all quarantine restrictions have been withdrawn and that regular train service has been resumed on all lines leading to Louisiana, Mississippi, and to all Florida points, except Key West and Tampa. Only those passengers destined to Key West, and Tampa, Fla., are required to provide themselves with immune certificates.

**PEOPLES' FORUM.**

**NOTE.**—The People's Forum being freely open to all parties, classes, persons, views and capacities, the Virginian-Pilot is responsible for none of the statements nor opinions expressed therein, nor for the style in which they are set forth. The ignorant and uneducated shall be heard here equally with the learned.

**Concerning Norfolk and Her Officials**  
Norfolk, Va., Nov. 15, 1899.

Editor Virginian-Pilot:  
Dear Sir:—Much has been said recently about the great strides that this city has taken in the direction of becoming the trade metropolis of the South; about the fine buildings that are being erected here; about the improvements lately made, being made or under consideration, by her citizens. But it yet remains for some one to complement Norfolk on the spirit of harmony that prevails within her limits; on the way her officials aided her in suitably welcoming the heroes of the North

Atlantic Squadron when they were here as our guests; the way her principal streets are kept in excellent condition, and paved in the latest and most improved way, and on the way that they are having Duke street made a perfectly lovely crazy-quilt (paved, respectively, with vitrified brick, oyster shells, cobble stones and Belgian block), and now the officials are considering whether or not to add asphalt to the list. Bridge street, the entrance to our beautiful residential section, Ghent, is in perfect order, not an uneven spot on its surface (?).

Our fire department has long since out-grown the needs of the city, if it had not, our officials would order more apparatus, and it is awful waste of money to keep so many (2) municipal fire-boats to protect our shipping. Norfolk stands pre-eminently alone on the pinnacle of the Temple of Fame when it comes to water supply. She has a supply of water that cannot be equaled even in the Desert of Sahara. There is more water here than there is in Pungo. But our water officials say that we must use it very carefully, that we must keep a tally on all that we use.

There ought to be a water dispensary here, and every citizen ought to be furnished with a certain number of tickets, which would be good in exchange at the dispensary for so much water. These tickets should represent the amount of water each citizen is allowed to use for one year. If a citizen should use all of his tickets before the year is out, then he should be made to do without water for the unexpired time. There is, nothing like having a system.

If the Divine Power had intended Norfolk to use water, scarcely it would have deprived her of all the natural advantages that she has to supply her with water. She is situated in a section where there is plenty of rain, plenty of lakes and plenty of water. Consequently, Norfolk citizens should have perfect right to use all the water they want to. Opinions of the officials to the contrary notwithstanding.

It appears that the officials think that Norfolk has money to throw away, that she is a very wealthy city, that she has little or no debt, and that their services are so valuable to the city that their salaries should all be raised. It also appears that they will spend a large sum of her money on water metres. These metres cost about \$7 to manufacture, but the officials want to show our sister cities throughout the country that money is no object to a wealthy city like Norfolk, and they are going to have Norfolk pay \$14, or thereabouts, each for them.

Norfolk also has a fine park. This park cost her thousands upon thousands of dollars. It was made for the benefit of people, to be a place where they could go and be free from the turmoil of the city, where the youngsters could romp and play in perfect safety. But the officials consider that it would be better (for Norfolk, of course) if an electric railway company were granted a franchise to run trolley cars through the park. The press and public are kept in the dark as to the reasons why this franchise should be granted, because the committee holds its meetings behind closed doors, in secret. The people are supposed to know nothing and to have no right to know anything, especially concerning the way their servants are performing the duties of their respective offices. But the people do know that certain hands have a grasp on the ropes that "pulls," that those hands are pulling for all they are worth (of course, ever for the interest of Norfolk and always against the interests of trusts and corporations).

There is going to be an election in Norfolk next May. Then the people will reward their servants who have worked so hard, so diligently, so assiduously for the interest of Norfolk, by re-electing (?) them all.

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