# VTC-Union Second Parley On Wage Set

### Streetcar Fare Boost Hearing Scheduled

A "second conference" on wage negotlations between Virginia Transit Company and union representatives from three cities has been set for 10 A. M. May 9 in the company offices here.

Formal notification of the date for the conference was sent Gov-ernor Tuck yesterday, E. M. Boggs State Labor Comissioner, will represent the Gavernor.

Meanwhile, the State Corporation Commission announced yes-terday that it will hear testimony Friday morning on the utility's proposal to boost streetese fares in Richmond. The subject of raising bus fares will be discussed at a public hearing of the Richmond City Council at 8 P. M. Friday.

# Split Jurisdiction

Under the State law, the SCC has jurisdiction over streeter fares while the City Council re-tains control over hus faces and

Union locals of the Amalgamared Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach
Employees (AFL) in Richmond,
Norfolk and Portsmouth, are involved in the wage dispute. The
transit interests in Portsmouth are
operated as the Portsmouth Transit Company. #it Company,

The Governor was notified yes-terday that the first conference hetween the transit company and the union had opened April 25 and collapsed April 29.

A current agreement signed in the State Corporation Commission offices March 2 contains a clause taying that the contract would ex-May 31 at midnight unless an additional 34 cents an hour is added to the present wage scale.

If at any time between now and May 31 the company grants the 34-cent boost, the current agreement automatically stands to De-

On February 3 the State selzed VTC operations to avert a fle-up In service after the union had filed a strike notice. The properties were returned to the company, however, when the utility and union agreed to a 4-cent hourly wage increase retroactive to Jan-

### Sole Condition

In addition, the contract offered the union the extra 3à cents if Janus and when fare increases sought by the company are granted in Richmond and Norfolk. Company of ficials have repeatedly said this said: is the only condition on which they will be able to grant the additional money to the operators.

"Just a minute, Mr. Dillow, I am indicted in this thing the same as my brother Ralph and I refuse

Both the SCC and the Richmond to testify."

City Council have been asked by the VTC to eliminate tokens, now selling six for 50 cents, and set the cash fare rate at 10 cents. Authority also has been requested to raise the weekly pass to \$1.73; Samuel has been a shopper-theater passes to \$1.15 arate trial in the c and achool tickets to \$1.20 for 24 for it has been sot.

Last week a Council committee recommended approval of the VTC's request for fare increases, but suggested that tokens be sold at the rate of six for 55 cents and that school lickets continue to be

## Wage Parley Requested In Newport News

tain next day.
Soon after he was jailed. The Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway and Samuel was quoted as felling of-Motor Coach Employees' union licers he shot Katheryn to death has nollfled the Governor's office in the Newberry farm had be then has notified the Governor's more in the Newberry farm nome near it has requested that negotiations on contract changes heght with Clizens Rapid Transit Company, of Newport News, at 10 A. M. the near-by mountain, officers re-

The first conference talks would he was quoted that be held in the company offices at no part in the crime. Newport News,

The union proposals include a request for a wage boost "to compare favorably with those general ly in the transit industry."

## Horologists to Drive For Licensing Law

Watchmakers of the Horological Association of Virginia, recently Association of virginia, recently mitted as evidence a statement reorganized, will meet this Sum-Samuel made to State police last mer to plan a campaign for State examinations and licensing of members of the trade, according to C. R. Knowles, newly elected president.

"As it is now," Knowles said, "The prosecution has contended throughput the trial that Ralph's wife was not dead when her head was cut off. Two medical withcomes and have a pair of tweezers testified that in their opinion she was alive at the time. The Commonwealth holds that the was never shot, but was prob-

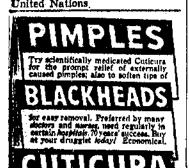
"anyone can buy a pair of tweezers and a bench, take out a retailer's license, and open his doors as a

The association was formed in 1939, and was instrumental in bringing a bill for examination and licensing before the General As-sembly in 1942, but it was not acted upon, Knowles said.

# Blake Will Address Federalists Meet Here

Preston Blake, of the Richmond branch of the United States Fed-eralists, will speak at a meeting of the organization at 8 P. M. to-day at St. James's parish house.

A movie, "Quest for Tomorrow," will be shown at the meeting. Blake's speech will altempt to summerize United States actions leading to strengthening of the





NEGOTIATIONS AT TRAIL'S END-M. C. Smith, vicepresident of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, affixes his signature to a new contract with production and maintenance workers here yesterday, At Smith's

Case Today

in today's session, when Samuel L. Newberry, 31-year-old brother

Second Witness

He did not answer when At-torney Walter G. Burlon, of the prosecution asked him if defense

counsel had instructed him to re-

fuse.

Samuel has been granted a separate Irial in the case. No date

Blamed On Samuel

Introduced by the prosecution Friday was a statement in which Rainh blamed the crime on Sam-

uel. The statement, allegedly made to State police on January 12, said Samuel was responsible for

both the killing and beheading.
The defendant was quoted as

she was never shot, but was probably badly beaten before she was beheaded. There has been little

lestimony bearing on a possible motive for the crime.

Asked Reason In answer to the question, "What caused your brother to do

this," Raigh was quoted thus in his statement to State police:
"Beats me. She took care of him, did his washing and ironing,

and said nothing about it."
One witness testified that once

following a quarrel in which Raiph severely choked Kalheryn, Raiph said. "Some of these times I'm going to kill her."

Samuel, who was indicted joint-

of Raiph, refused to testify,

right is M. M. Price, secretary of the workers' bargaining committee, and at his left is H. M. Ware, chairman of that committee. In the background are Vepco officers, representatives of the State, other members of the committee.

not forget the Chinese.

Wherever he traveled, Dr. Clarke found American aid greatly appreciated. He was greeted by six bands upon arrival in Canton and received appreciase affection.

ton and received numerous gifts

from the orphanages he visited.,
"I talked with everyone from

Chinese leaders to cooltes," he said. "I made more than 30

speeches in China. In every case,

found gratitude for what Ameri-

cans have done. There is no oues-

tion that the Chinese do appre-ciate America."

A Hustings Court grand jury

Edward O. Andrews, 25, of the

300 block West Cary St., was in-

terday.

Brothers, Inc.

Co-op to Boost Rates

The Chesapeake Islands Electric Co-operative, of Accomac, received

permission yesterday from the State Corporation Commission to boost its rates. The rate boosts were made effective as of May 1.

# Jury May Get | Dr. Clarke Foresees Failure For Communism in China

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expect business to continue as of Ralph A. Newberry, on trial for the murder and beheading of his

usual.
China's Children Fund, a philan-thropic organization which has es-tablished 64 orphanages in that country, has adopted the same general attitude he added.

in Bland County Circuit here tomorrow.

The end of defense testimony came with unexpected swiftness on the seventh day of the trial. Attorneys for the husky, 37-year-old farmer rested their case late in the morning, after only two definitions in the morning after only two definitions.

The organization of the country in the organization of the country in the property of the constructing a \$50,000 building in Hongkong. More land is being purchased at Foochow.

Dr. Clarke believes "even the Chinese Communists leaders will resent it if Russia tries to discuss the construction of the country of the construction of the cons

Attorneys spent the entire after-He feels communism in China noon in chambers arguing instruc-lions to the jury before Judge V. will be greatly modified and will be far different from that in Rus-

L. Sexton, Jr. The instructions sia. If not, he foresaw revolt or sia. If not, he foresaw revolt or sia. If not, he foresaw revolt or strong passive resistance, strong passive resistance, actually, Dr. Clarke doesn't exmorrow.

A dramatic moment came early people under the Communist rule. He did feel, though, that starva-tion will be even more prevalent than today.

itian today.

"The American public," he warned, "will make a great mistake if they say 450,000,000 people have gone Communistic and forget them. Americans must work dependently between the leader of the control of th Handed Down ly with Ralph in the murder of Katheryn S. Newberry, 37, last January, was called as the second defense witness. As Attorney J. Livingston Dillow began to question him, Samuel intercupted and said. By Grand Jury rom the bottom to teach democ-

Pacy."
Dr. Clarke found that the poor people "don't worry about the Communist Invasion. There is so much hardship in China already they believe things cannot be worse."

worse."

The people with money, however, fear the Communists but can do nothing about it. They have no place to go and no way to dispose of their goods or property, but they are afraid that the Communists will confiscate their wealth.

mes, Price Called
The defense opened its case tothe day by calling as a witness Mrs.
Hattle Price, wife of the Bland
Id County sheriff.
She testified she was present in the Price residence on the first floor of the county jail here when Samuel Newberry surrendered there the night of last January 10, It was then, officers said, that he gave directions which led to discovery of the slain woman's headless body on Big Walker Mountain next day.

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Johnny M. Johnson, 18 of 2020.

to the most stable type--but no charge of storebreaking. He was alleged to have stolen two radios from the B. F. Goodrich Company there. It required \$80,000 worth of at 2700 West Broad St.

the official GY, or gold yuan, to purchase one loaf of bread. The stove, and hauled the body up the near-by mountain, officers resported. He was quoted that Ralph had to present the transfer of the present the transfer of the present the control of the present the fear that if the Communists reach Shanghai they would declare them Ruth Jessie Smith, 39, no address given, was indicted on a charge that she "did unlawfully and feloniously seize, take and secrete one Gloria Jones, a child of 6 years" from her father.

lliegal or confiscate them.
This indecision caused prewar Chinese silver dollars to appear on the streets-money which now has been outlawed on the threat of death.

Before Dr. Clarke left Shanghal he found that everyone was trying to figure out what he could get admitting only that he saw Katheryn shot and helped haul her body away. The defense falled Friday in an attempt to have admitted in a stiempt to have a stie

fleutly leaving the city by plane. Air runs were so congested by Chinese trying to get out that it was four hours before the fleld could be cleared for the plane to depart.

The week Dr. Clarke was in Shanghai, prices doubled in Amercan currency. like every individual in were attempting to stock food in anticipation of a long slege of the

city.
With Communists surrounding
Shanghal, Dr. Clarke expects a
million people to be face to face
with starvation.
Although Dr. Clarke feels that

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# Critics of

# Mother's Day

Certain persons, happily few, seem to derive sardonic amusement from the institution of Mother's Day, which they instance as another example of American sentimentality or, worse, of American commercialism. This, however, is the type of person who sneers at the celebration of Christmas and is scornful of July 4th, so it does not require a psychoanalyst to tell us that such a one is suffering from a bad case of superiority, which is merely inferi-ority in reverse. In other words, he wants to be "dif-

This company is glad to disassociate itself from such ab-normal individuals and to take its stand with the overwhelming majority of Americans who next Sunday will pay honor to her for whom the day was instituted.

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# Vepco-Union Pay Contract American polley in China was handled poorly, he says it is now too late to consider that factor. He asks, however, that Americans not forget the Chinage

Continued From First Page ditional increase to come will be

retroactive to April 1. The new contract was signed in the Venco offices in the presence of members of the system council, officers of Vepce, and Commissioner of Labor Edmond M. Boggs. After it was signed, along with a stipulation of arbitration providing for the 2 per cent crease, a telegrum was sent to Governor Tuck advising them that the strike notice was being withdrawn. Notice Withdrawn

Dr. Clarke is founder and na-tional director of China's Children Fund, Inc., organized in 1937 aft-

A union official subsequently said employees seemed well satisfied with the new contract. This spokesman, who declined use of his name, pointed out that the system council originally had asked a "liberal" wage increase, that the company had countered with the company had countered with a "per rules" offer and that the picture was awarened by Referenced. handed down 28 indictments yesa "no rnise" offer, and that the union then had asked for a 15 per

conciliator.

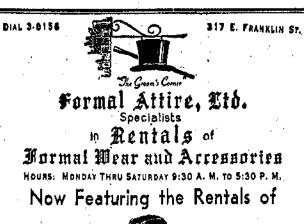
# Airmen Train Here

A contingent of the Seventy-ninth Troop Carrier Squadren, composed of 23, officers and 15 airmen, has arrived at Byrd Field block Lakeview Ave., was indicted on a charge of hit and run driving. from the Norfolk area for a two-week training period. Their training will be under the supervision of the Air Force Reserve Training



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# Court Studies Plea to Ban **Store Pickets**

Justice A. P. Staples, of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, heard argument yesterday on two corporations' plea for a temporary injunction to stop nicketing at 111-113 East Broad St, sife of the Rountree furniture

Justice Staples took no immediate action in the case. After hearing lawyers on both sides, he said he would consider the matter

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Aimed at Contractor

They sought to restrain Painters and Paperhangers Local Union No. 1018, AFL, from picketing or maintaining pickets in front of the building occupied by the furniture firm and owned by the Eanes The union's picketing is aimed

some time ago. Union employees the No. 2 spot on the Democratic of an electrical contractor on the licket, but last week had indisante job have refused to cross the picket line.

Rottnere and Eanes complaints content, in effect, that the two companies are innocent bystanders being injured by the picket ing.

two complaining corporations,
In denying the temporary injunction plea last week, Judge
Fletcher said there had been no disorder or threats,

### Audits Are Submitted To Governor's Office

Audits on five county and Cir-cuit Court clerks were sent yeşterday to the Governor's office by State Auditor J. Gardon Bennett. All were in good order,

Fund, Inc., organized in 1937 after the authreak of the Sino-Japaner the authreak of the Sino-Japaner nesse war. He has spent a great deal of time in that country and in the Near East directing relief work.

Waru, ...

"This is to notify the ment has been reached between the system council of local-union, in the Near East directing relief and Power Company. We, therefore, withdraw the strike notice sorved under date of March 31, man, of Page.

LEXINGTON, May 2-A photograph of the late E. T. Robinson, former clerk of courts, has been presented to the Rockbridge County deputy clerk's office, S. W. picture was presented by Robinson's daughter, Mrs. Douglas Higcent hike.

The present agreement was deputy clerk's office for about 23 reached after weeks of negotiations with S. P. Brewer, of Durham, N. C., serving as Federal



# |Prillaman Pays Fee to Enter Lieutenant-Governor Contest

Nick Prillaman, of Martinsville, GOP sources said Walter John paid his qualifying fee here yesterday to enter the Democratic primary as candidate for Lieuten-land County, probably would paid to the primary as candidate for Lieuten-land County, probably would paid to the primary as candidate for Lieuten-land County, probably would paid to the primary as the primary ant-Governor.

Until Saturday an announced run for Governor, cent of the Lieutenant-Governor's student, has paid his to the S900 salary with Slath Treasurer GOP primary for Lieutenant-Governor

lesse W. Dillon. He now must file his declaration, petitions signed by at least tion yesterday of additional GO 250 qualified voters, and other candidates. If no more than on papers with State Democratic cardidate qualifies for each officers.

Antiorganization Candidate Fran-cis Pickens Miller -a development which Miller said "encouraged and pleased" him.

### Senier Declines

Meanwhile, dispatches from Roanoke vesterday said Dr. E. W. senter, of Salem, definitely had desided not to make the Democratic at a nonunian painting contrac-tor engaged in work on the struc-ture, which was damaged by fire several months ago he would seek

The union holds that its picketing is peaceful and legitimate, being conducted by one man on the public sidewalk and aimed at the contractor without mention of the two complaining corporations, ton Collins, of Marion,
With the qualification deadline

pace today or tomorrow. Three other candidates.—Miller, State Senator John S. Battle and Remmie, L. Arnold—already have There still was no definite word

here on whether Moss A. Plunkett, of Roanoke, would enter the primary for Attorney-General against the incumbent, J. Lindsay Almond, Jr. Plunkett, an old for of the dominant, conservative Democratic organization, said last week he was considering the race McGuire Qualifica

On the other side of the political party fence, with Virginia Re-publicans planning their first State-wide primary this year,

his fee and qualify tomorrow !

c: idate for Governor, Prillaman E. Thomas McGuire, 33-year-of put up the necessary \$18-2 per William and Mary College larcent of the Lieutenant-Governor's student, has paid his fee for the

Otherwise there was no indies and announce his ruling later. papers with State Democratic cardidate qualifies for each office Counsel for the Rountree Corpo. Chairman G. Alvin Massenburg the primary will be canceled an ration and Eanes Building Corpo. not later than midnight tomogray the qualified candidates declare

Electric service was interrupte for approximately 35 minutes i about half of the West End yes terday morning after a power it was snapped by a falling tree.

The power company reporte that service was disrupted about 8:30 A. M. when workmen c down a tree near Kingsway Co and Pepper Avenue and if fe across the line. Service was r-stored at 9:05 A. M.



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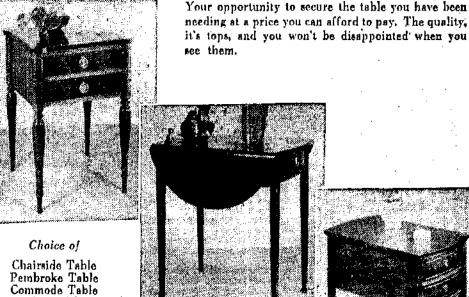
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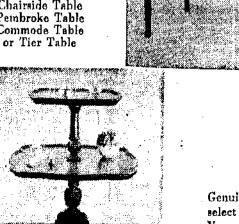
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