

Fairfax Seeks Talks With Two Towns City Would Engulf

Fairfax County yesterday sought a conference with leaders of the small towns which it might swallow up in its move toward city status.

The County Supervisors offered to meet with Town Councilmen from Fairfax, Vienna and Herndon to discuss their governmental futures.

Unless they become small cities themselves, Fairfax and Vienna would lose their identities in the 400-square-mile city proposed in the Supervisors' court petition Wednesday. Herndon has no choice because it is too small to become an independent city.

The Supervisors' invitation, issued by Board Chairman Anne Wilkins, did not spell out any concrete proposals. However, the proposed city charter permits special taxing districts which could be applied to the two towns, leaving them with the same degree of services and a measure of local identity.

The offer drew noncommittal responses from the town mayors. John C. Wood of Fairfax, which already has petitioned for city classification, said he is willing to talk with the Supervisors—"That's only civilization." But he maintained that Fairfax wants to retain its small-town character.

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Fairfax officials say they have no estimates for a city's costs but claim they could go it alone with the present tax rate or only a slight increase.



These are scenes in the quiet little town of Clifton, Va., whose voters may decide whether Fairfax County—of which their community is a part—will become a city. The photos show (1) a view down Main st., (2) the town's only commercial enterprise, a general store near the Clifton station of the Southern Railway, where two trains make daily stops at the stationmaster "flags" them;



(3) Nellie White, a lifelong resident and (4) a rural scene that may be encountered not more than 100 yards from the edge of the town.

Tiny Clifton Likes Idea of Becoming a Vast City

By Edward Munsey
Staff Reporter

Cows grazing at the corporate limits, a dog ambling down the middle of Main Street, and, except for the cooling of a dove, silence all around.

This is the scene at high noon in the town of Clifton, population 230, which springs into the limelight as the key town in a plan to make Fairfax County the country's second largest city.

Which gave up its pot-bellied stove for years ago—gas pumps, a furniture craftsman, a barber, four churches, an elementary school, post office and the Fire Hall.

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Jenks Elected

Thomas E. Jenks, an attorney who lives at 5944 Millwood lane nw, has been elected president of the Federal Association for Epilepsy.

Most Are Commuters

Some are not enthusiastic but are resigned to the change. "If they didn't take us, I guess Falls Church or some other one would gobble us up," said Nellie White. "But I don't like to see our peace disturbed."

Easton Plans Sewer Needs For 40 Years

BALTIMORE, May 11 (AP)—The Maryland Department of Health has issued a permit to the city of Easton to build a new sewer pipe and treatment center capable of meeting the city's sewer needs until the year 2000.

Mohawk Haircut Schoolboy Shorn

Harvey Kiebler, who was sent home from Arlington's Stratford Junior High School Wednesday when he showed up with a Mohawk haircut, is shorn if not too happy.

Hampton's City Seal Has Everything

HAMPTON, Va., May 11 (AP)—Hampton's new city seal has practically everything—except a Mercury space capsule, an Indian, a barber, four churches, an elementary school, post office and the Fire Hall.

Legal Paper Is Cut Short At Prison

RICHMOND, May 11 (AP)—A prisoner has asked Law and Equity Court here to stop the State from enforcing a new regulation governing issuance of legal size paper there.

Wilson Heaps Named

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 11 (AP)—The State Department today named Wilton A. Heaps as the new director of the Office of the Aging, succeeding Joseph J. Gorman.

Indiana Prisoner Killed in Collision

INDIANAPOLIS, May 11 (UPI)—Owen Foster, 65, an inmate of the State Prison, was killed today when his car struck a food truck churning in traffic.

Memorial to MacArthur Arouses Norfolk Women

NORFOLK, Va., May 11 (AP)—Opponents of the MacArthur Memorial will begin a public drive for the sole use of the General Douglas MacArthur Memorial.

Canada Plans No Bar To U. S. Migrants

REGINA, Sask., May 11 (AP)—Provincial Agriculture Minister I. C. Nollat says his government plans no immediate bar to U. S. farmers into Saskatchewan farming area.

Strike Continues

HOPKINSVILLE, Va., May 11 (AP)—Limited production was maintained today at the National Airlines plant here as the strike of 325 workers entered its third day.

Groundbreaking at AU

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the \$250,000 Art Department Building at American University will be held Sunday at 3 p. m. on the campus.

Armed School Board

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Va.-Md. Briefs State Sifts \$216 Million Fund Bids

RICHMOND, May 11 (AP)—The State Capital Outlay Commission has begun an item-by-item review of capital outlay proposals totaling more than \$216 million for the 1962-68 period.

The Commission last month completed a tour of colleges, mental hospitals, training schools and other state-supported institutions.

C. H. Morrissett, Commission chairman, said yesterday the group has reached the hard part of its work, taking a tentative vote on every item.

Morrissett reported the group has gone through about one-third of the list of new buildings, equipment, land and other items requested by the institutions. The list totals about \$20 million in special funds and \$187 million in general funds.

The current capital outlay program set up in 1958 at the close of the budget year June 30, 1962. Gov. J. Lindsay B. Battle asked the Commission last summer to study needs for the next six years.

RICHMOND, Va., May 11 (AP)—Attorney General Frederick T. Gray ruled today that students in the State Administration hospitals are not exempt from paying Virginia's tobacco tax.

The ruling was in response to a query by Sen. Commissioner C. H. Morrissett. Cited was a state code section exempting inmates of State members of the armed services of the United States.

"Inasmuch as veterans in the facilities of the Veterans Administration are not members of the armed services of the United States, it is the opinion that the tax must be paid upon all tobacco products that are sold to such veterans."

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., May 11 (AP)—A Fulbright scholar in England has been awarded to James McGill Buchanan, a Virginia professor of economics, to enable him to lecture in political science at the University of Cambridge, England, during the 1961-62 academic year.

Buchanan assumed the chairmanship of the University's Department of Economics in 1956 after having served in the same capacity at Florida State University in 1955-56. He held a Fulbright award and did research in Italy as government finance and lectured at the Universities of Rome, Naples, Florence, Milan and Pavia.

Professor on Leave

LEXINGTON, Va., May 11 (AP)—John Harvey Wheeler, professor of physics at Washington and Lee University, has been granted a sabbatical leave to participate in the formulation of a master plan for future editions of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

He will work at the center for the Study of Democratic Institutions in Santa Barbara, Calif., a research center supported by the Fund For The Republic Inc.

The first edition of the Encyclopedia embodying the new concept is expected in 1959.

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Reappointed Mrs. D. Edwood Williams named James R. Bland of the Naval Academy faculty to succeed Mrs. T. A. Allen. The new member of the board is a Republican. Bland is a mathematics professor at the Academy, has