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NO SPEECH AT THE OPENING OF THE FAIR

Mr. McLean Notified by the Management to This Effect.

Two weeks ago we mentioned the fact that A. W. McLean had been invited to speak on the opening day at the Chatham County Fair.

The following letter has been mailed to Mr. McLean by the manager and the secretary of the County Fair:

"Dear Sir:—From a recent copy of the Chatham Record (clipping enclosed) we learn that you have been invited and have accepted an invitation to make an opening address at our fair.

"We knew nothing of this arrangement and had made no provision in our program for any speaking and are therefore writing to suggest the inadvisability of your coming.

"With our present program plan as arranged two weeks ago, we cannot give the time for a speaker. However, should an opening occur we will wire you in time for you to fill the engagement."

"Mr. McLean is a good orator. He is entertaining and would impress an audience anywhere, but we compliment the management of the Fair on their action. It is no time nor place for a prospective candidate to make an address. It would have been a well chosen event to have had an agricultural expert make an address.

OCTOBER—BRILLIANT MONTH

Change in Sunday School Hour—Other News of Interest.

Brickhaven, Oct. 8.—Miss Vera Richardson of Apex, spent the week end here with her aunt, Mrs. N. T. Overby.

Mr. Herman Mims, of Durham, accompanied by Mr. Will Marks, a Trinity student, and Mr. Saunders, a N. C. State student, were week end guests here of friends and relatives.

Miss Marguerite Thomas, who is attending Cary high school this term spent Saturday and Sunday here as the guest of Misses Annie and Hilda Utley.

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Marks motored to Sanford Monday and returned with a new five passenger Chevrolet.

Mrs. C. H. Marks, who has been a patient at a hospital in Raleigh for the past few weeks, came home today. Neighbors and friends expressed their pleasure on her return by preparing a nice 6 o'clock dinner and serving it warm a few moments after her arrival.

Mrs. Hettie Richardson returned Saturday from a several weeks stay with relatives at Seabulon.

Miss Kate Marks, of Olivia, spent Saturday and Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. R. H. Overby.

Miss Leon Luther, a former teacher here, is expected Friday to spend the week end with Mrs. Kennedy. While here, Miss Luther will attend Chautauqua.

Sunday school will open next Sunday at 10 a. m. During the summer months the opening hour was 9:30, thus eliminating the afternoon services on the first Sunday in each month. Under the new regime Sunday school will now open at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on the first Sunday.

It is hoped that the mothers who have small children, will remember that the Beterment Ladies, of Corinth and Brickhaven, are planning to have a nursery and the babies may be taken care of so the mothers may enjoy the Chautauqua. Efforts are being made to take adequate care of the tiny tots.

October, the most brilliant month of the year is here, and would that we had the ability to express the thoughts that the lovely Indian Summer days always bring. The days are filled with golden radiance, yet there is a haunting, melancholy beauty that suggests past loveliness and at the same time gives a beautiful promise of beauties yet to come. October is a lingering good-bye to the fullness of summer beauty and a promise of the great awakening that comes with the Springtime. Peace and tranquility comprise the key note of October's beauty, and the mystery and witchery of life are depicted in nature's matchless language.

RE-ELECTED AS MODERATOR.

At the recent meeting of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association in Moncure, Mr. Victor R. Johnson was re-elected as Moderator for the fifth consecutive time.

Mr. J. Q. Seawell, cashier of the Citizens Bank and Trust Co., in Siler City, was re-elected as Clerk and Mr. C. H. Smith, of Sanford, was re-elected as treasurer.

These young men are of the highest type of citizenship and the Association has honored itself in honoring them. They are very painstaking and will fill the positions with credit to themselves and to the Association. The Association will meet next year at Aberdeen.

THE CHATHAM FAIR OPENS TUESDAY, 16TH

Fine Exhibits and Many Attractions Scheduled for the Week.

The Chatham county Fair will open on Tuesday, October 16th, at 10 o'clock for its annual October event and will continue through Friday, the 19th.

The grounds and the buildings have been put in excellent condition for the occasion and with great electric white way and broad mid-way things begin to take on a decidedly holiday appearance.

Carpenters, electricians and yard men have been at work, the exhibitors will soon begin to adorn their booths and prepare for a display that will rival the wares of many and a much larger Fair.

There will be the usual school exhibits, including the school room work, pantry and dairy and fancy work, arts and various other departments.

Live stock will have a fine share of attention and for the first time a dog show will be held. Poultry exhibits bid fair to outshine other years with honey and many new and unusual attractions of country life on hand. One attraction will be the most daring aviators, or the Texas Co., with a large plane will do hair raising stunts several times Thursday or Friday.

An automobile will be given away at the Fair ground Friday afternoon. All school children and old soldiers in the county will be admitted free Tuesday. Every 50c. admission at gates entitles you to draw at the new Ford car to be given away Friday, October 19. Every day a big one. Tuesday school day, Wednesday live stock, Thursday dog day, Friday home coming or everybody's day.

Smith greater shows have the mid-way with the cleanest and best amusement of any show on the road. The "Caterpillar," the most sensational ride, will be one of the features. "Scotty Young," the world's champion strong man, will also be on exhibition. The "Chinese Dragons" can be seen with many other curiosities. Make entries early as the books will be closed Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock for judging. No entrance fee on anything. All people living in or near Siler City must make entries Monday to avoid rush. For accommodation of the public the management will sell season tickets at \$2 for adults and 1.25 for children.

All who possibly can are requested to get entry tags for their exhibits next Saturday, October 13, from the secretary, Mrs. P. H. Elkins, at her office. This will help you and the fair management in avoiding the rush and delay on Monday.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Henrietta Austin, daughter of Wm. Austin, colored, who lives on Hickory Mountain, was accidentally shot by her little brother Thursday "who did not know the gun was loaded." The load of bird shot entered the left arm and breast but it is not thought the wound will prove fatal. Dr. W. B. Chapin was called in and dressed the wound.

BROKE HER ARM.

The 11-year-old daughter of Mr. J. A. Speagle, who lives on route 1, while returning from the Pittsboro High School last Thursday, fell into a ditch on West street and broke her left arm just above the wrist. She was taken to Dr. Chapin's office by Mr. Ira Gilmore where the arm was dressed. The little girl is getting on as well as could be expected.

OFFICE ADVANCED. ASSOCIATION IN SESSION

Postmaster Has Increase in Salary—Other Local Matters of Interest.

Moncure, Oct. 8.—Mrs. S. V. Hoot spent last Thursday in Raleigh. Miss Mary Vail Utley spent last Friday in Sanford.

The Sandy Creek Baptist Association which convened here in annual session closed last Sunday. It was well attended and representatives were here from the different churches. The \$75,000,000 campaign and many other questions of great interest to the denomination were discussed. The lectures by Dr. Poteat and Dr. Vann were greatly enjoyed.

Miss Zula Patterson, the assistant high school teacher, was visited by her parents last Sunday.

We are glad to state that Mrs. Lois Womble, who has been sick with cold and rheumatism, is improving.

Don't forget to go to the Chautauqua at Brickhaven on October 11th, 12th and 13th.

Farmville ball team played Moncure boys last Saturday afternoon. The score was 6 to 0 in favor of our boys.

The Moncure postoffice has been advanced from the fourth class to that of third class, effective October 1. This is a result of increased business and puts the office on a permanent basis and the postmaster will receive a standard salary, with an advance over the former pay. Mrs. W. W. Stedman is postmistress at this time.

Mr. S. D. Creswell, who was a civil engineer at the Phoenix Utility Co. fell through an opening on the first floor to the basement about twenty-five feet and was bruised very badly about the head. The fall was broken by some scaffolds. He left for his home in Charlotte Monday, but will return the latter part of this week.

We are glad to state that Mrs. J. R. Ray, who has been sick with a cold, is much better.

Mrs. S. J. Moore, who is living with her sons, Messrs Ben and Irwin Moore, celebrated her eighty-sixth birthday on October 1st.

Moncure school is progressing nicely. Several new students come in each week. Capt. J. H. Wissler was called to Lancaster, Pa., last Monday on account of the death of his nephew.

PRAISES THE EDITOR.

In a letter from Cottondale, Alabama, of October 3, 1923, Rev. A. H. Andrew, has the following to say:

"Enclosed find check for one dollar and fifty cents to pay for my paper another year. I can't find a paper with the date on the label and don't know whether my time is about out or paid ahead.

"I am so thankful for the stand you take for the right in all things and your good moral and religious articles. I see you back up the ministers who are trying to save precious, never-dying souls and to break up sin of all kinds.

"God will continue to bless and reward you in your work. All editors have untold opportunities to do good and to reach people, but I am sorry to say some of them don't seem to care much about religion or the eternal soul.

"I want to write you an article for print some time."

(We will be glad to have the article from Rev. Mr. Andrews to print and hope that he will send it in.—Editor.)

Mr. N. J. Dismukes, of Saxapahaw, is spending this week in Chatham visiting relatives. He came over last week to attend the Baptist Association at Moncure.

THE FAIR SPECIAL VISITS OUR LITTLE TOWN

Nearly 100 Raleigh People Stop Here About 30 Miles.

The Fair special, which has been so extensively advertised by the Raleigh papers, came to Pittsboro Wednesday of last week, arriving here about 5:50 p. m. It contained a gondola, a coach and two sleepers and had on board a band and nearly 100 of Raleigh's representative citizens. Among them were Governor Morrison, H. M. London, former townsman, and many other well known people.

On their arrival here they were met at the depot by a large number of our citizens and many from the country. Short talks were made by the governor and others.

After the speaking the band played lively music to the gratification of the small boys and many of the colored people who were also present. Ice cream packages were thrown from the car and the small boy was seen in all his glory. Advertising matter by the different Raleigh merchants was also given away.

Pittsboro people enjoyed the short stay of the Fair special and its many gentlemen and wished they could have had time to look over our little town and see the many improvements that have taken place in the last few years.

The special left about 6:30 having had to wait here for the Pittsboro train.

THE SANDHILL FAIR.

The premium list for the ninth annual Sandhill Fair at Pinehurst, was received here Thursday, all departments having been revised and substantial premiums being offered, many of them in excess of any previous offers. The Fair will open October 30 and will close November 2.

As usual the races will be the outstanding features of the occasion provision being made for harness and running races the last three days of the Fair. Both the harness and running races have been completely rebuilt. The harness races, two each day on a standard half mile track, will be under the rules of the national trotting association while the running races, two each day on a five furlong track, will be under the rules of the Pinehurst Jockey Club.

AWARDED PRIZES.

At the meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, held in Greensboro last week, prizes were awarded to several people, among them Mrs. John H. Anderson, of Fayetteville, a daughter of Mrs. H. A. London, of Pittsboro, who captured four that were offered by Mrs. P. S. Rothrock, of Mt. Airy, state historian. Three of these awards were presented last Thursday to Mrs. Anderson, who was highly complimented for her excellent historical work, she having turned in more creditable essays than any one person in the State.

OPOSSUM AND TATERS.

The editor has been invited by Mr. T. J. Griffin to go with him 'possum hunting. Mr. Griffin went out for a short while the other night and brought in six of the marsupial quadrupeds. If he keeps up that much longer there will be no use going out to his home to 'possum hunt.

Reports from other parts of the county are to the effect that one man in Hickory Mountain caught seven and another three. 'Possums are plentiful throughout the county and night hunters who love the sport are getting out of it all the enjoyment in it that is possible.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE FOR KILLING ROB FARRELL

Large Crowd From Eastern Part of County Here at Trial.

Last Thursday the court house here was about half filled with Chatham county people who came here to attend the trial of Lerner Lasater, Ollie Holt, Charlie Sauls and Newton Hearn who were charged with the killing of Robert Farrell by knocking him off the bridge over New Hope Creek, about eight miles east of Pittsboro a few days ago.

There were many witnesses examined by the State and the defendants and the trial lasted from 10:30 a. m. to 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

After all the witnesses were examined and the lawyers argued the case before the three magistrates, J. R. Bland, Will Gilmore and A. E. Cole, the magistrates turned the last three defendants loose and bound Lasater over to the next criminal court which convenes October 22, under a \$1,000 justified bond, charged with manslaughter. He gave bond and was released from custody.

Sauls, Hearn and Holt were required to give a bond of \$50 each to appear here as witnesses against Lasater.

Other Cases.

Squire Blair had before him Dunbar Knight, charged with false pretense. He was bound over to court in a bond of \$200. It seems that Dunbar had bought groceries from Boone Bros and they wanted their money. The darkey was working for Mr. Fred Nooe, who became responsible for the bill. Dunbar failed to do the work hence the arrest.

Last summer Bernice Hatley was arrested charged with rape. He gave bond for his appearance at the last term of court. He skipped his bond and Thursday Mr. J. R. Lasater, of Cape Fear township, arrested the negro and brought him to Pittsboro and now he is resting quietly behind the bars of Hotel de Burns.

Virgil Davis, colored, commonly called "preacher," was up before Squire Blair charged with threatening Laura Dowd and doing her bodily harm. The trial was held in the court house Thursday night and at the finish "preacher" was put under a \$100 peace bond and had to pay the cost in the case.

It seems that "Preacher" had a sweetheart, a young colored woman, and he wanted to marry her, but the woman did not want to marry, especially "Preacher," and he threatened to kill her, or whip her or do her some bodily harm, and the lovely damsel had "papers tuk out agin him." He was arrested and tried before Magistrate Blair with the above results.

Laura Dowd also "took out papers" against Virgil in another case. She charged Virgil with peeping into her bedroom against the law and statutes. Squire Blair thought the charge was malicious and non-suited the case against the "preacher."

This was a day of holding courts. Squire Blair began early in the morning and, with an intermission of only two hours, never ended until late in the night.

In the peeping case there was much merriment created among the spectators at the evidence given in by the prosecutrix and defendant; in fact, Squire Blair had to stop court for a few minutes when some of the evidence came out.

A GOOD WOMAN PASSES.

Mrs. Catherine Womble, widow of the late Peter Womble, died in a Charlotte hospital Wednesday, October 3rd, and was buried Friday in the cemetery at the Fair Promise Methodist church, in Moore county. Her remains were taken to Glendon, her former home, Thursday, from which place the funeral was conducted.

Mrs. Womble was the mother of 14 children. Those living are Mrs. Jas. Gilliam, Sanford route; Mrs. Henry Jordan, Jordan, N. C.; Mrs. Lydia Campbell, Siler City; J. S. Womble, High Point; Joe Womble, Carthage; Will Womble, Greensboro; Mrs. Angus Campbell, Long Island, N. Y.; Mrs. Will T. Johnson, Pittsboro; Mrs. W. I. Stockdon, Glendon, the deceased making her home with the latter. The immediate cause of her death was pneumonia. She was about 80 years of age.

Mrs. Womble was a good woman, a gentle mother, a loving wife and a fine neighbor, and will be missed by her many friends who have been acquainted with her for so many years.

MISS ELLINGTON DEAD.

Miss Mary Ellington, daughter of Mr. R. G. Ellington, died in Carrboro on Monday, October 1st, as a result of typhoid fever and was buried at Emmaus Baptist church on Wednesday, October 3rd, she having been a member of this church for a long time.

Miss Ellington was a young lady of many splendid attainments, loved and honored by all who knew her. She had gone to Carrboro to enter school and shortly after her arrival there was stricken with typhoid fever. She lived only three weeks after her arrival there. She was in her teens, but was an apt student and was well advanced in her books. Her pure, Christian spirit and her cheerful, pleasant disposition will be missed in her community.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET IN REGULAR SESSION

Pass on Many Bills Made During September.

The county commissioners met in regular monthly session Monday, September 1, and transacted the following business:

- Chatham Oil and Fertilizer Co., fertilizer for county home \$45.84.
- W. F. Beard, hay for county home, 25.00
- Mrs. John W. Johnson, sewing at county home, 8.00
- W. F. Beard, hay for county home, 15.00
- J. W. Johnson, salary as superintendent of county home, 75.00
- Laura Johnson, cook for county home, 16.00
- J. W. Johnson, extra work at county home, 21.20
- Chatham Hardware Co., supplies for county home, 12.75
- Pittsboro Cafe, supplies for county home, 25.15
- Chatham Hardware Co., ice for county home, 5.85
- T. W. Bland and Co., supplies for county home, 33.25
- W. L. London and Son, merchandise for county home, 42.59
- G. R. Pilkington, medicine for county home and highway, 17.75
- R. M. Connell, supplies for county home, 60.35
- Lacy Johnson, still, \$10.00
- S. T. Johnson, still complete, 20.00
- J. R. Lasater, still, 15.00
- C. T. Desern, 1 worm, 5.00
- R. H. Mills, 2 stills, 30.00
- John Little, 1 cap & worm, 10.00
- T. C. Dezern, 1 still comp., 20.00
- J. H. Hackney, account no. 37, 6.00
- J. J. Hackney, ticket to Winston Salem, 6.12
- H. S. Woody, witness fee, 2.70
- H. D. Gunter, express, 1.22
- F. P. Nooe, hauling liquor to jail, 5.00
- National Office Supply Co., supplies C. S. C. office, 32.40
- J. Dewey Dorsett, clerk hire, stamps and salary, 179.00
- Edwards, Broughton & Co., supplies for C. S. C. office, 3.87
- Paragon Press, tax notices and envelopes, 56.25
- Chatham Record, ad for tax sale, 67.10
- James Stanley, 2 cords wood, 6.00
- Brooks and Eubanks, outside poor, 51.00
- B. M. McIver, salary ferry keeper, 29.00
- C. C. Poe, salary and postage, 160.00
- C. C. Poe, part payment making tax books, 300.00
- W. F. Beard, lumber for county home, 4.75
- Seaman Printing Co., tax receipts, etc., 175.35
- Dr. W. M. Burns, free vaccination, 77.75
- Dr. R. M. Fields, free vaccination, 106.75
- Virgil Davis, janitor for September, 25.00
- G. W. Blair, Gulf township road bonds, 1,500.00
- W. H. Gurley, repairs, work at court house, 23.05
- W. H. Gurley, supplies and repairs at court house, 38.85
- Bonlee Telephone Co., phone rent court house, 23.10
- G. W. Blair, a difference in county orders, 18.00
- G. W. Blair, sheriff Chatham, 6 percent coupon, 30.00
- G. W. Blair, salary and clerk hire, 358.00
- G. W. Blair, stamps and ink, 26.51
- Paragon Press, 300 jury summons, 4.75
- G. H. Langley, for Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, outside poor, 5.00

LETTER FROM MR. FARRELL.

Haw River, Oct. 3.—Mr. Editor: I can't help saying a few words in The Record if you will please allow me to do so.

About two weeks ago I was down in my good old home—Chatham. I went on a visit to see my only brother and sister, Mr. F. M. Farrell and Mrs. Nellie Mann, and I did enjoy my trip so much. I found so many improvements to what there was when I once hauled so much over the back roads, and now you have the best road I ever traveled over. I can enjoy my rides so well. I love to go to my old home county and see everything looking so good.

I believe you have one of the nicest county homes in the state. If I ever have to go to one I want to go to the Chatham County home. You have a good man and companion to look after it. May the Lord bless you all in the future as he has in the past. My best wishes to the editor of The Record and the people of Chatham.

W. P. FARRELL.

ANOTHER GOOD LIST.

During the past week the following good people have subscribed for The Record. We highly appreciate every one of them:

- W. S. Goodwin, J. A. Woody, Oran S. Rives, Duncan S. Owen, Floyd Hendley, R. T. Mann, Miss Aisley Poe, J. L. Reynolds, Roy Cole, A. K. Norwood, G. D. Vaughan, J. J. Norwood, A. M. Mann, E. M. Edwards, N. H. Heritage, E. M. Lindley, Ernest E. Harmon, A. H. Andrew, Guy Daurity, W. A. Sloan, Mrs. E. S. Pickett, L. L. Wrenn and A. W. Hackney.

CHAUTAUQUA

C. M. EICHELBERGER
A young orator who has become well known in Chautauqua circles during the past few years because of his brilliance, earnestness and clarity of thought.
Afternoon—"He Can Who Thinks He Can."
Night—"The Red Horizon."

THE COLLINS DUO
Mr. and Mrs. Collins delight everybody with their music and impersonations. Cornet, violin, saxophone and vocal solos and duets, along with their humorous sketches, fill up their programs and make this Duo a most popular Chautauqua organization.

THE MYSTERIOUS IRWIN
Mr. Irwin is an optimistic exponent of the Law of Laughter. He employs magic and mystery as his vehicle for mirth and merriment, and all the time keeps up a running fire of clean wit and humor.

GUY MORSE BINGHAM
A very popular educator, lecturer and world traveler whose lectures are entertaining, instructive, thrilling and inspirational.
Afternoon—"The Fundamentals of Business Prosperity."
Night—"Your America—What Will You Do With It?"

STANLEY UPTON MOCK
Lecturer, word painter and orator. Very few speakers can equal him in his discussions of vital topics, for he is a master of the art of dealing with big problems with unusual simplicity.
Afternoon—"The High Mission of Woman."
Night—"Male Street vs. Broadway."

PERRY'S YE OLDE NEW ENGLAND CHOIR
Costumed sketches from the music of the Pilgrims to the present day, with the old songs we love, are found on this program. Four beautifully blended voices make this organization one which you will remember long after the Chautauqua is over.

WALTER ECCLES AND AL PEARSALE
"The Jesters"
As this name indicates, fun and laughter are the predominant factors in this unusual entertainment of music and story. Just a touch of the serious is added, however, to properly balance a perfect program.