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COMMITTEE TO PLAN CO. HOME-COMING

Chatham County Home-Coming Suggested in Connection with That Authorized by Legislature for State During Fair Week.

The following letter is self-explanatory:

Dear Sir:

There was a time when several hundred thousand good citizens of North Carolina chose their places of residence in other states of our nation. Those were days when North Carolina hovered near the lower end of all lists giving the ratings of states in their order of accomplishments and progress. Those days, when we thanked God for the one or two states which were below us on all lists, are gone. Now we are setting our pace to keep abreast with the best states of the union.

North Carolina has made unequalled progress during the past twenty-five years and has now reached such a position amongst the states of the union that our 1929 Legislature decided by resolution (Resolution 17, Public Laws of North Carolina, Session 1929) to invite all former citizens of this state who now live in other states to come back for a visit. Therefore, the legislature of 1929 set aside the week of October 13-19 as home-coming week and state fair week.

The central committee on home-coming week met in the governor's office on Tuesday, July 30, and decided that it would be fitting for each county in North Carolina to have a home-coming day on Saturday and Sunday of October 12 and 13. In order that your county may begin plans at once for your county home-coming the committee named in Resolution No. 17 selected for your county the committee named on this letter. The county committee should have a meeting at once, elect a permanent chairman, expand the committee, and appoint additional committees, if it so wishes, and begin work without delay.

It is suggested that the home-coming program for the counties consist of a public meeting at the county seat, public speaking by some distinguished son of the county now living in another state or county, dinner, picnic or barbecue, and a sightseeing trip on Saturday, October 12. On Sunday, October 13, the churches might like to have native sons, now preaching elsewhere, return for sermons in the old home church.

The following committee is named for Chatham county: W. R. Thompson, Dr. J. D. Edwards, O. J. Peterson, J. B. Whitley, E. B. Hatch, C. C. Poe, G. W. Blair, C. D. Moore, T. D. Bray, Mrs. A. H. London.

Yours very truly,
J. W. HARELSON,
Secretary to the Committee
Raleigh, August 3.

Chevrolet Breaks Two World Records

Detroit, Aug. 14.—One million six cylinder Chevrolets have been placed on the road since the first of the year.

This sensational announcement, indicating as it does the great popular appeal of the new six cylinder car, was made at the central offices of the company here today as assembly plants in various parts of the country were operating on the biggest summer production schedule in the history of Chevrolet.

Never in the history of the industry has any other manufacturer equalled the achievement of placing a million six cylinder cars on the road in less than eight months. In fact, according to observers, this is more than three times as many six cylinder cars as were ever produced by a manufacturer during a like period.

It is also significant to note, from automobile registrations, that since January 1, 1927, the Chevrolet Motor Company has built and produced to date more automobiles than any other manufacturer in the world. Also, Chevrolet sales for the first time in the history of the company were greater in July than they were in June, which still further emphasizes the constantly increasing popularity of the new six-cylinder car.

BROTHERS DROWN IN ROWAN COUNTY POND

Two sons of Raymond Funderburk, Rowan county farmer, were drowned Saturday afternoon while playing in a pond near their home. The boys were 13 and 14 years of age, respectively. They were wading in water about waist deep when they stepped off in a deep channel. Being unable to swim they went under and were drowned. Double funeral and burial services were held Sunday.

Man Drowned Trying to Rescue His Wife

Henry Ellington, one-armed produce dealer of Raleigh, and his wife were drowned Sunday in the Neuse river just below Milburnie dam near Raleigh. Neither of them could swim. Mrs. Ellington was in bathing and she got in deep water and called for help. Her husband who was on the bank waded in to rescue her and also got in water too deep. Both were drowned and the bodies were not recovered for several hours. Ellington was 58 and his wife was 35 years old.

Governor Issues Call for Traffic Meeting

Call has been issued by Governor Gardner for all shippers in the state to meet at the capitol next Thursday, August 22, for the purpose of completing organization of a league to carry on the fight for adjusted freight rates. Rates that discriminate against North Carolina in favor of Virginia are costing the people of the state millions of dollars a year, it is said. A central committee named at a former meeting of shippers has worked a plan of organization that will be presented to the shippers next Thursday. This plan calls for raising \$100,000 by the sale of membership at \$25 for active and \$10 for supporting members.

Governors Vacationing in Their Home States

Governor Richards of South Carolina is following the example set by Governor Gardner of North Carolina and is spending his vacation in his own state. The governor left his office at Columbia Saturday to spend a month of rest at his old home in the village of Liberty Hill, near Kershaw. He will go back to his office once a week to attend to pressing matters.

Governor Gardner is spending his vacation at Roaring Gap, in mountains of North Carolina. By remaining in the state he is able to keep in touch with important matters, and still can get the rest he needs. Under the constitution if the governor leaves the state the duties of the office automatically devolve upon the lieutenant governor.

Legion Convention To Be Gala Affair

One of the most colorful float parades ever seen in the state and street decorations equal to any ever attempted is promised for the American Legion convention at Raleigh August 26 and 27. The legionnaires will begin to assemble in the capital city on Sunday, August 25, and the first item on the official program will be a song service that night by combined choirs of the city churches.

Monday afternoon the parade will form on Fayetteville street, and will be composed of floats, decorated automobiles, post bands, etc. Arrangements are being made to have talkie news reels made of the parade. Twenty-two blocks in the business section of Raleigh will be decorated for the occasion.

The convention is expected to be the biggest ever held in the state. More than 2,000 accredited delegates are expected and there will probably be five times that number of service men and visitors present.

STREETS BEING SURFACED

Mr. Speight of Greensboro, contractor for the tarvia and crushed rock surfacing of the streets leading east from Main street, came in with his apparatus Tuesday and the work is in progress. The completion of this work will mean the saving of much dust to homes on those streets and assure a good street to the depot.

Gulf

Misses Blanche Wilkie and Elsie Tyner spent Friday and Saturday with friends in Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Lakey, of Wildwood, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Lakey of Greensboro are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Lakey.

Mr. C. C. Lovelady of Norwood was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hill last week.

Messrs. Fred and Phil Knight received a message from Washington, D. C., a few days ago to the effect that their sister, Mrs. Early, formerly Miss Bessie Knight, was seriously ill. Later news, however, noted an improvement in her condition.

Mrs. Sallie Causey is very sick at the home of her son, Mr. R. L. Causey.

Mr. Bennett Nooe and daughter, Miss Mary Carter of Leaksville, visited friends and relatives at Pittsboro last week, and went on from here to visit Mr. Nooe's sister, Mrs. Aiken, at Fuquay Springs.

GAGING STATION ON HAW RIVER

Water Measuring House Being Erected at Moore's Bridge for Army Engineers

The following article from the Raleigh correspondent of the Greensboro News tells of a matter at our doors, but we let him tell it.

Raleigh, Aug. 13.—Installation of a stream flow measuring station for the purpose of furnishing data to be used in connection with power, flood, navigation, stream pollution, drainage, and water supply problems of the Haw River drainage basin was started last week on Haw river at Moore's bridge on state highway number 90, between Raleigh and Pittsboro, it was announced today by the department of conservation and development.

The gaging station will be installed in a concrete type shelter house about 30 feet high and will be equipped with a continuous instrument for the measurement of the water flow.

L. J. Hall, engineer of the division of water resources of the conservation department, working with the district office of the United States geological survey at Asheville, is in charge of the construction of the building and installation of the instruments.

Cost of the project, estimated at about \$800, is being borne by the United States army engineers who will use the station in connection with power, flood and navigation studies that are now being pursued.

This will be the third stream gaging station established on the Haw river, others now being located near the bridge at the town of Haw River and the third above the mouth of the Reedy Fork creek just north of the Guilford-Rockingham line.

A FATAL ACCIDENT

Negro Killed and White Boy Very Seriously Injured by Overturning of Truck Last Week

The Record received news of the accident by which resulted in the death of Julius DeGraffenreid, colored, and the injury of Floyd White, a 14-year-old white boy near Meronies church, Tuesday of last week too late to report it in the last issue.

Simon Watson was driving a truck loaded with crossties and met another truck on a curve. He swerved so quickly that the truck turned over, pinning underneath it DeGraffenreid and White, who were riding on the Watson truck. DeGraffenreid died almost instantly, and the White youth was very seriously injured. The latter was taken to a Sanford hospital. It was reported doubtful whether Floyd White would recover. Dr. Johnson of Bonlee gave first aid. Coroner Brooks was called, and found about what is reported above.

MRS. POE DEAD

Mrs. Texarkana Poe, the aged mother of Mr. Orren Poe, Pittsboro merchant, died Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock. The burial occurred Wednesday afternoon at Pleasant Hill Baptist church, Pastor R. R. Gordon conducting the funeral services.

Mrs. Poe was a Miss Burgess before her marriage to the late Duncan Poe. Her husband died many years ago, leaving her with three little boys to rear. It was hard times for her and them those days, but the boys have done well. She lived here with her son, Orren, since he moved to Pittsboro till some time ago when she desired to go back to her little home in the country, where she was cared for by a trust-worthy companion.

The sons are O. M., J. M., of Southern Pines, and Robert Poe, of Durham.

EARTHQUAKE IS FELT IN EASTERN STATES

Earthquake shocks felt in five eastern states and several Canadian provinces caused considerable excitement early Monday morning. The center of the disturbance seemed to be in upper New York state. No real damage resulted, although one mill in New York had to suspend operations for several hours due to machinery being thrown out of alignment.

DR. WAKEFIELD DEAD

Dr. W. H. Wakefield, aged 73, said to have been the first optometrist to practice between Richmond and Atlanta, locating in Charlotte in 1895, died there Monday. Several years ago he retired from active practice and devoted his time to flower and seed culture.

MINERS TRAPPED

Four miners were seriously burned and 25 were trapped in a mine at Pottsville, Pa., as result of an explosion there Monday afternoon.

RAISE 800 POUNDS OF FISH TO ACRE

Hargett Proposes Fish Farming as Source of Income for Waste Places

(News and Observer)

Pond fish farming as "aquaculture" is suggested by J. S. Hargett, assistant director of the Department of Conservation and Development, as a method of making use of waste places on farms of North Carolina, producing food, and increasing sport.

The idea brought forward by Mr. Hargett is the rearing of fish either in natural ponds or in artificially created bodies of water in the state by the application of simple processes that have been proved to be successful.

"Throughout North Carolina," said Assistant Director Hargett, who is in charge of inland fisheries administration of the state, "there are areas now unproductive which may be transformed at small cost into fish ponds and made to provide material returns as sources of food and recreation."

"The North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development seeks to encourage the utilization of natural and favorable water areas existing on countless farms in the State, which at present are being put to no use and many of them at present unsightly in appearance and breeding and harboring places for diseasecommunicating insects."

"After providing the pond, the chief problems consist of stocking it with desirable species of fish and the provision of ample and suitable foods. In a successful venture of this kind, it has been shown that as high as 800 pounds of game fish per acre may be produced."

"Small water fleas, about the size of pinheads, have been found to be excellent food for young fish. These fleas have been developed in ponds by means of fertilizers such as manure and decayed fish cleanings dumped into the pond. Another source of food has been developed by placing flood lights with reflectors near the surface of the water, thus attracting flies, moths, and various insects and throwing them upon the surface of the water."

Attempt to Rob Bank at Ramseur

Three hours after a daring daylight robbery of the Bank of Ramseur was frustrated by the quick thinking of the cashier, Everett Ferree of Greensboro and Paul Ferree of High Point, were arrested by a posse of Randolph citizens and lodged in jail at Asheboro. The younger Ferree entered the bank just about closing time Tuesday and asked for some change. The cashier, E. B. Leonard, turned to get it and when he looked back he was looking into a pistol. Ferree ordered him to hand over all the money. Instead of obeying Leonard dropped behind the counter and called for help. Another employee of the bank grabbed a pistol and the would-be robber became frightened and ran. The older Ferree, said to be Paul's uncle, was waiting in a car and they dashed away. Deputy sheriffs and a number of citizens chased them, and a few miles out the Ferree car failed to take a curve and was wrecked. The men were arrested and carried to Asheboro jail where they are being held without bail pending a hearing. It is believed that the automobile was stolen.

Farm Relief Board Hears About Cotton

The federal farm relief board had its first skirmish with cotton men Tuesday when representatives of the American Cotton Growers Exchange appeared before the board at Washington to discuss cotton marketing. Interest rates on money borrowed, term of the notes, and the margin between market price and amount loaned are some of the problems which the farm board must iron out. U. S. Blalock of Raleigh, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Association, is a member of the special committee conferring with the farm relief board.

REVIVAL SERVICES

Revival services will begin at Sandy Branch Baptist church next Sunday, August 18. There will be two services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Services during the week at 2:30 and 8 p. m.

Rev. J. C. Canipe of Siler City will do the preaching. Mr. Canipe was with this same church last year in a meeting. The church was so well pleased with his preaching that they invited him back this year.

In accordance with an old custom, dinner will be served on the church grounds. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Cottonseed was thought to be only garbage in 1860.

Graf Zeppelin Still on World-Round Flight

The big German dirigible, Graf Zeppelin, made the return trip from Lakhurst, N. Y., to Friedrichshafen, Germany, in 44 hours and without mishap. The big ship was scheduled to leave its home port again last night for Tokyo, Japan, on the second lap of its trip around the world. The schedule calls for arrival at the landing field near the Japanese capital sometime tomorrow.

Mills Reduce Hours Now to 55 per Week

Voluntary decision of many of the cotton mills in Gaston and Mecklenburg counties to reduce working hours from 60 to 55 per week without reduction in pay is taken as a forerunner of legislation which will make the 55 hour week the maximum in this state. Under the plan adopted by the Gaston mills employees will be given their choice of working five and a half days of ten hours each or six days of a little over nine hours each. Some sentiment was development also against any night work.

Two Makes Autos Barred from State

Announcement from the State highway patrol is to the effect that all new models of Studebaker and Marquette automobiles are barred from the roads in this state because of the fact that they do not have two independent sets of brakes. When the new Ford was put on the market a year and a half ago it was barred for the same reason and had to be revised to meet the state laws. It is expected that manufacturers of the cars mentioned will soon remedy the trouble and will be allowed to sell them in North Carolina and the other states which have similar laws.

Juniors Are to Hold Their Annual Session

The state council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics will hold its annual session at High Point, beginning next Thursday. The convention will last for two or three days. Reports to be submitted will show an increase in membership during the year of more than 2,000, according to advance information from state officers. It is expected that there will be 500 delegates in attendance.

One of the interesting features of the convention will be a side trip to Lexington to look over the orphan home recently established there. Headquarters for the convention will be at the Sheraton hotel.

Kimbalton News

N. J. Dark and family took a vacation trip to Wilmington last week.

Miss Eulalia Clark of Greensboro is spending this week with her sister, Miss Dora Ferguson.

Revival services will begin at Hickory Mountain Baptist church Sunday. There will be all-day services with dinner on the grounds Sunday. During the week there will be an afternoon and evening service.

The Hickory Mountain Methodist church has just closed a very successful week of revival services.

Rives' Chapel began their revival services Sunday and are continuing through the week.

Joe A. Johnson came home from Greensboro Sunday and reported Mrs. Worth Whit improving.

Mrs. Wade Johnson and three children have joined her husband in Waynesboro, Va.

Mrs. Maggie Justice has gone to Salisbury to stay with her daughter, Mrs. Rufus Dorsett.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ferguson of Gibsonville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Bowers.

Mrs. Bernice White is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Brewer.

Mrs. Joe Johnson was given a surprise birthday dinner Sunday by friends and relatives.

TAX RATE \$1.22

The commissioners fixed the county tax rate Monday at \$1.22, a reduction of 15 cents over that of last year. The reduction is due to the one-cent gasoline tax for roads and the state help for schools. Also some of the school districts get a reduction. The auditor's statement when published will show each of those.

ICE CREAM SUPPER

The American Legion Auxiliary will give an ice cream supper Friday evening, August the 23rd, from 8 to 10 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. C. E. Bryan. Everybody is urged to attend.

THREE MEN DEAD FROM GUN BATTLE

Two Alleged Bandits and Gas Station Owner Slain; Lat-ter's Wife Badly Hurt

Sanford, Aug. 15.—Three men, two of them alleged bandits, were killed and a woman seriously injured in a battle at a filling station on the outskirts of Sanford early today.

The dead men are Ola Birdsong and his brother, Lee Birdsong, said to be from some town in Kentucky, and a man named Edwards who operated the filling station. Mrs. Edwards is in a hospital here seriously wounded.

Mrs. Beulah Montgomery, who, with her 18th-months-old baby, was in a car with the Birdsongs, is held in jail here pending investigation.

The Birdsongs and Mrs. Montgomery drove up to the filling station about 3:30 o'clock this morning, according to the story told by Mrs. Edwards. The Birdsongs got out of the car and approached the station. As Edwards appeared in the door the men demanded money. Edwards pulled a pistol and started shooting at them. They returned the fire. When the shooting stopped both of the alleged bandits were dead and Edwards was in a dying condition.

Mrs. Edwards went to the aid of her husband and was shot in the shoulder and leg.

The Montgomery woman, who said her home was near Fort Bragg, N. C., remained in the Birdsong car. She stopped a passing motorist who took Mrs. Edwards to the hospital and notified the Lee county sheriff.

The Montgomery woman told officers she had been visiting in Kentucky. About a week ago the Birdsongs told her they were coming to North Carolina and offered to take her to the home of her aunt near Fort Bragg. She with her baby came with them. She denied any knowledge of their intention to rob the filling station.

Goldston

Mesdames W. H. Goldston and J. J. Harris joined as hostesses to the Thursday Afternoon Book Club at the home of the former, on August the first. Mrs. B. O. Barber, the president, presided.

The club is now studying the subject: "Know Your Own State." At this meeting interesting papers as follows were read and discussed: "The Natural Resources of the Piedmont Plateau," by Mrs. Jacob Dixon.

"The Hill Country, The Industrial Center of the South," Mrs. A. W. Goldston.

"Pen Pictures of the Piedmont Plateau," by Mrs. J. B. Goldston and read in her absence by Mrs. A. B. Womble.

It was decided at this meeting to entertain the husbands of the members of the club at a watermelon feast on Friday night. After an interesting contest the hostesses served a delicious salad course with iced tea.

Vernon Cheek is ill at his home here.

Miss Winnie Lee Burke of Raleigh is spending her vacation with her parents here.

Mrs. James S. Goldston attended the wedding of her sister, Miss Whanie Braddock to Mr. Clifton Parrish, at Bonlee, on Tuesday evening.

Miss Grace Dark and Miss Elva Bryan, of Jonesboro, are spending a few days at Wrightsville Beach.

Mrs. Lizzie Gardner, of Carthage, is visiting in the home of Mr. F. R. Dark.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Dixon and family have returned from a few days outing at White Lake Beach.

Joseph Phillips, of Sanford, has been visiting his uncle, Mr. H. M. Phillips.

Miss Mary Lois Harris is confined to her home with a case of mumps.

Joe Dark and Herbert Johnson are at Lake Waccamaw on business.

Mrs. J. C. Norman of Greensboro, a former teacher in the high school here, visited Mrs. L. B. Hester and other friends during the week-end.

Mrs. N. E. Batchelor, of Mt. Holly, is expected soon to visit her mother, Mrs. W. L. Goldston.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hester and family have returned from a visit to White Lake Beach.

Mrs. Lizzie Harris is spending a few days at the home of her son, Mr. E. M. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Teague and son of Siler City, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Goldston during the week-end.

Master Jack Womble is spending the summer with his aunt, Mrs. H. P. Goldston, at White Lake Beach.

In this country 450,000 men and a quarter of a million women attend high school.