

THE ENTERPRISE

COUNTY BOARD OF AGRICULTURE IS FORMED

Representatives Every Section of The County Will Act Together In The Conservation of Food-stuffs—Everybody In the County Can Aid In The Great Work—County Agent Holliday to Assist.

RAISE ENOUGH FOOD HOME AND ALSO SOME TO SELL

In answer to the call of the State Food Conservation Commission and having been appointed by the Governor of North Carolina, the Board of County Commissioners, Register of Deeds, County Supt. of Public Instruction, the County Farm Demonstration Agent and others have this day organized themselves into a County Board of Agriculture, the present work of which will be to further the cause of food production and conservation in Martin County. Each member of said Board has resolved himself into a committee of one in furtherance of this great work.

According to the directions of the State Food Conservation Commission, this Board this day appoints representatives in each section of the county to push the work in their respective committee. The Board wishes also to say that if there are others in their various sections who will enlist in this work, this Board will be glad to appoint them.

This Board feels that this is one of the most urgent calls that this age has ever had, as upon us, "the producing people," probably rests the fate of the Nation. Today this call comes to us personally and will increase in its urgency as long as this season of world-wide unrest shall last. This Board wishes to urge upon each and every person in the county, man, woman, boy, girl, the greatest responsibility that now confronts us—that of self-sustenance. The West has said to the South: "You must feed yourselves or go hungry." There are 80,000,000 dollars worth of cotton, tobacco and peanut money spent annually for pork, beef, corn, hay, flour and meat, which comes from the West. Push the production of these supplies at home; raise plenty and to spare. Plant cow peas, soy beans, sorghums, potatoes, peanuts. Fertilize the corn, cultivate well and \$10 worth of corn will not disturb us.

Give each boy and girl something that they may call their own, that they may have a part in feeding the world. Let them take up hog raising, poultry raising, canning and fill the barns with corn, the smokehouse with meat and canned goods. Sow oats, rye, wheat and clover this fall for future supply of food and feed.

This Board asks the hearty co-operation of every man, woman, boy and girl in Martin county. If you do not know where to get seed to plant the summer crops, call on the County Farm Demonstration Agent, he can probably give you the information wanted. For the furtherance of this work and in accordance with the request of the State Food Conservation Commission, the Board hereby appoints as its representative in various sections.

Jamesville Township: Mrs. W. T. Coburn, J. A. Getsinger, W. W. Walters, Lawrence Ange, R.

G. Sexton, C. T. Misell. Williams Township: Perly Manning, W. W. Griffin, S. E. Hardison.

Griffins Township: J. L. Coltrain, N. R. Manning, H. T. Roberson, Plenny and L. H. Peel.

Bear Grass Township: W. A. Perrv, A. W. Bailey, G. R. Terry, Henry Peel, H. U. Peel.

Cross Roads Township: Fernanda Wynn, J. A. Ausbon, J. L. Wynn.

Robersonville Township: S. T. Everett, Augustus Williams, W. M. Green, H. T. Brown, J. Henry Roberson, L. L. Roberson.

Williamston Township: A. Anderson, R. G. Harrison, C. H. Godwin, Jas. D. Bowen, McG. Peel, J. L. Oakley.

Poplar Point: Don Johnson, J. A. Leggett.

Hamilton Township: Moya P. Taylor, Harry Waldo, R. W. Salisbury.

Goose Nest Township: T. H. Johnson, W. J. Johnson, J. A. Everett, C. L. Turner.

To those whose names appears in this appointment and to all who will co-operate with this Board, we wish to urge on you the necessity of immediate action, and when a meeting is called for a reckoning in this work that each of you may be able to report much good accomplished. For now is time for all patriotic citizens to do their best.

John L. Hassell, Chm'n.
Joseph L. Holliday, Sec'y.

A Pleasing Recital

Thursday evening at the City Hall, the pupils of Miss Helen Maynard, assisted by Mrs. James S. Rhodes, gave a pleasing recital. Twenty-one pupils appeared in numbers on the program, which contained selections from celebrated composers. Though all the pupils were young; many of them of tender years, they displayed careful training, especially in technique and memory work. Between the first and second parts of the program, the class appeared on the stage and sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" with flags for decorations. The entire audience arose and applauded patriotically.

Mrs. Rhodes, as soloist, was pleasing in "The Swallows" and "Macushla," and was vigorously encored at the end of each, to which she responded graciously.

Mr. W. C. Manning stated at the beginning of the evening that a prize had been offered by Mr. W. T. Meadows for the best time and expression by any pupil, Meadames Warren Biggs and Carrie Williams and Mr. P. F. Apfel being named as judges. At the close of the program, Mr. Manning announced that the prize had been won by Miss Mary Belle Harrell, who played a selection from Rachmaninoff. She also played a duet, "The Old Oaken Bucket," with Miss Maynard.

Shot At Burglar

One night last week, Mrs. Claude Clark, who was preparing to retire about 11 o'clock heard the curtain to one of the back windows drop. She arranged it again, and soon after heard it again. She looked closely and saw the arm of a colored man reaching in the room; quickly procuring a pistol from another room, she fired out the window, but, no doubt, the man had run away and failed to carry the bullet with him. If Mrs. Clark had had the pistol nearer when she discovered the man, there might have been another case for the coroner.

Will Martin County Help?

The food situation in the United States demands the earnest, year prayerful, attention of every farmer in Martin County. That many farmers are treating the situation with indifference, is greatly feared by the thoughtful men and women, who understand what the government is asking and demanding of all citizens. The South is the great agricultural section, and more is to be expected of its people in the task of feeding the country in the extreme crisis of the times. Martin County is a garden spot; here can be raised everything needed to feed man and beast; but will the farmers increase their corn, potato and meat crops to meet the emergency? With the demand great and the price high, every crop now is a money crop. But if the food crops will not bring quite as much as the usual money crops, it is the duty of the farmers even then to plant for food at this time. Do not let selfishness enter the breast of any man; but let every one feed himself and then help to feed others. Plant more this year than ever before; save more than usual; these is a waste in nearly every home which will help to feed someone. Conserve the foodstuffs in every household, and life will be happier from the fact that you will feel that you are enlisted in the great army of Americans, who are helping feed the world.

Pigs For Club Boys

Mr. Joseph L. Holliday reports that the six Duroc Jersey pigs offered to the Pig Club boys of Martin County by the Farmers & Merchants Bank, of Williamston, have been received and distributed to the following boys: Seth Bailey, Ralph D. Lilley, John Harris, Jr., Lloyd Cowing, Ira Rogerson, Henry G. Roberson. These boys, it will be remembered, won in the Corn Club contest last year, and were intitled to the pigs for that reason.

These young farmers of the county will grow pigs now, and will each give a pig to another boy next year. In this way, an endless chain of pig growing will thread the county, until the Pig Club Boys will be a great factor in meat production, which at this time should be of vital importance to every man, woman and boy in the county. It has become necessary that the county feed itself and have some to spare for others.

Mr. Holliday will have something to say to the girls about the offer made by the Peoples Bank, of Williamston, which is of like importance. The offers of these progressive banks mean something, and the results must count later on.

An Infant Dead

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ballard were bereft of their year old boy on Wednesday, May 9th, when the Angel of Death released the soul from its tenement of clay, and now it dwells in the mansions of the blest with the Friend of little children. The child had suffered since Saturday with a disease which failed to yield to treatment, though every attention was lavished upon the little sufferer.

The funeral services were conducted yesterday by Rev. W. R. Burrell, and the body was laid to rest in the Baptist Cemetery.

A Little Child Dead

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Mack D. Mobley, near Bear Grass, was saddened on Friday morning, May 4th, because the soul of their little child was taken away from them forever. This infant, Maurice Taylor, was born on the 13th of January, 1917, and had brightened the home only a few short months. He was taken sick about one week before the end came and the disease sapped his strength despite the attention of physician and mother. God wanted the sweet little soul for His courts above, and called it Home.

The funeral services were conducted by Elder John Rodgerson on Saturday afternoon, and the interment was in the Bear Grass Cemetery.

To Give Dance

Mr. Henry Gurkin will give a dance on Thursday evening, May 17th at the Farmers Warehouse to which everybody in Martin County is cordially invited. Both the old-fashioned and modern dance will be enjoyed. Music suitable for every movement will be furnished. Forbes Orchestra, of Washington, and a local band will be engaged for the entire evening. The occasion promises to be one of the most enjoyable in the history of the town, as Mr. Gurkin is a host who may always be counted upon to please his guests. Dancing will begin at 9 o'clock.

Remember the date, the place and the hour and come to Williamston, where every one will be made to feel that he is at home both by the host of the occasion and the people of the town who will attend.

Town Election

The election of a Board of Commissioners and Mayor was a quiet affair here on Tuesday, as there was but one ticket in the field. On Friday night previous, a town convention was held with W. C. Manning, Chairman, and the following were nominated: For Mayor, B. F. Godwin; For Commissioners: C. O. Moore, W. T. Meadows, Leslie Fowden, G. W. Blount and J. G. Staton. Only two, Leslie Fowden and W. T. Meadows served on the retiring Board.

Silver Tea

On Thursday, May 17th, the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church will give a Silver Tea at the Parish Hall, Mobley Building Main Street from 4 to 6 o'clock p. m. They will have on sale fancy articles of beautiful design which have been contributed by the Society. A silver offering will be taken at the door, and refreshments free. The public is cordially invited to attend, spend a pleasant afternoon and help in a worthy cause.

Caught Fine Rock

Andrew Hoard and Eli Roberson brought a fine lot of rock from the river yesterday, and sold them at 15c the pound. They had twenty-four ranging from four to seven pounds and found ready purchasers. The fish were caught on trot lines baited with herrings. It seems that the fish are returning from the higher waters seeking the sounds and ocean again, and so very few are taken with nets. Stewed rock is a favorite dish with housekeepers here, and it is fit for kings when properly prepared.

OAK CITY NEWS ITEMS

Miss Alma Johnson and sister visited here this week.

Miss Alma House spent a few days here with her sister.

Dr. W. H. House left Sunday for Norfolk and other points.

Mr. Bath, of Wilson, was the guest of R. J. House Sunday.

Henry Early has returned home to remain with his father.

Miss Margaret Fleming, of House, spent a few days here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Weeks were guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Worsley Sunday.

Mrs. Staton Ayers and children of Everetts, spent a few days with her sister here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ansley, of Roper, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Long.

M. H. Savage and S. E. Hines left for Norfolk and Baltimore Sunday to be gone a few days.

Thursday, a barbecue and picnic was thoroughly enjoyed by a large number of people in honor of the school commencement.

Thursday night the pupils of Misses Lambeth and McLean gave pleasing exercises. "Old Fogies" by Eleanor Hines, Christine Piland and Myrtella Hyman was exceptionally good, also "Reuben and Rachel" by seven pupils.

Saturday, May 5th, 1917, Miss Emily E. Hines, daughter of the late J. L. Hines of this place, was married to Frank B. Cartwright, of Cartwrights Wharf, Va. The ceremony took place at the Baptist parsonage in Tarboro, at 1:30 p. m., and was conducted by Rev. Bowden. Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright left immediately for Virginia.

Wednesday night the commencement exercises by Miss Jennie Reid's pupils of the primary department was very fine, each striving to out-do the older ones. Supt. A. J. Manning delivered a short address, and awarded the diplomas to those graduating from the 7th grade. The graduates were, Alta Hines, Dare Daniels, Bertha Piland, George Haislip and Ernest Bunting.

Rev. W. R. Burrell, of Williamston, addressed the audience, saying that all beautiful music from the best masters was derived from the seven primary colors of the rainbow. Thus in life we must practice the seven virtues spoken of by St. John. His ideas were very beautifully expressed and were enjoyed by all present.

Those receiving certificates for good attendance were Bertha Piland, Selma Johnson, Marvin Everett, Sarah Long Johnson, Margaret Hines, Virginia and Eleanor Hines, Helen Hines, Gladys Everett and Nat Johnson. Paul Turner was awarded a gold fountain pen for the best headmarks.

Notice Of Dissolution Of Partnership

This is to notify the public that D. D. Stalls and myself trading as D. D. Stalls & Co., or D. D. Stalls Grocery Co., have this day by mutual consent, dissolved partnership. I will be at the old stand and will appreciate the continued patronage of my friends. All accounts due the firm of D. D. Stalls Grocery Co., will be collected by Oscar S. Anderson.

May 10th, 1917.
M. D. Mobley.

Bank Statements

There are six bank statements in this issue, and a look at them will reveal the truth that they have splendid deposits and loans to show since the last call on March 5th. The Peoples Bank had opened on that date, but made an excellent showing for one day. The present statement is worthy of consideration, and shows marvellous growth for an institution of its age. The people of the county should look carefully over these statements, so as to get some idea of what the financial strength of the county is, and still there are two more institutions not in this week.

The three locals banks show \$679,411.66 in loans and \$601,804.35 in deposits. The loans in the six banks amount to \$840,248.16 and deposits, \$775,772.53. This makes a good showing for the spring statement, when farmers need so much money to begin the season with.

Meeting Continues

The revival services at the Methodist Church are being held every night and morning. Rev. H. M. Eure is conducting them himself, and is delivering some wholesome doctrine for Church members as well as those outside. Good crowds hear him every night. On Sunday morning, there were four accessions to the membership, and the services were very interesting to the congregation assembled.

A Lovely Display

The Thomas Company, of Tarboro, had on display here Tuesday and Wednesday, a beautiful assortment of women's dresses, shirt waists, etc. They were displayed in the lobby of the Britt Hotel, and many women visited there the two days, and a number made purchases. There would have been more sales made, but the women here had already purchased their outfits at Washington, or elsewhere.

May Utilize Team

To reduce expenses, the team used on the township roads might be used in raising feed stuff. Vacant places may be obtained and peas planted thereon for hay. Some one reported that Mr. W. J. Whitaker would donate the use of a parcel of land for this purpose the roads should utilize the team as much as possible in this way.

Embroidery Club

Mrs. John E. Pope was hostess to the Embroidery Club on May 1st, at her home on Haughton Street, at 4 o'clock p. m. The members present were, Misses Deborah Fleming and Anna Pope Mesdames Grover Hardison, John Hassell, Charles Godwin, John Biggs, Jr., A. R. Dunning, Asa Crawford, Henry Crawford; honor guests: Mrs. Rome Biggs, Jr., Mrs. Warren Biggs, Miss Penelope Biggs and Miss Sue Grice, of Elizabeth City. There was the regular business, exchange of books, and work on fancy articles, which is the real purpose of the Club, so as to stimulate the love for needlecraft among the women.

The hostess served refreshments which gave a pleasant finish to the afternoon in her hospitable home.

Monday was the anniversary of the sinking of the Lusitania, when 124 Americans lost their lives.