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THE TOBACCO MARKET OPENED WEDNESDAY

The local warehouses were filled to their capacity Wednesday morning when the tobacco market opened with a large corps of buyers present. The tobacco in general had an average color but in most cases was poor in texture, the poorer grades predominating. The average farmer received depended upon what he had, some averaging over thirty cents and some under ten.

Prices ranging from one cent to sixty cents per pound will have an average of about fourteen cents. The weather was hot and the houses were so badly crowded the sales were slow as a result. All the Companies were represented and several independent concerns by buyers. The people generally and the buyers think prices would have been better if the weather had been cooler and the floors not so crowded. The Brick Warehouse did not sell as the other two houses consumed the entire day. One thing is certain, that is if the farmer rushes his tobacco the buyer is not going to rush his price he may as well take good care of his tobacco and not dump it on the market so fast that they buyers cannot handle it. Nothing breaks a market quicker than a glut.

If reports can be relied upon the tobacco crop is extremely short and there is no reason whatever for prices to go down if the farmer will only refuse to dump it, in which case he will get about what is coming to him, which is nothing.

BANKERS DAY AT EXPOSITION

Charlotte, N. C. Sept. 8.—At least one day of the Made-in-Carolina Exposition will be of great interest particularly to the bankers and businessmen of the Carolinas. That day will be Thursday, September 22, when Governor W. P. G. Harding, of the federal reserve board, Chairman McLean of the war finance corporation, and Senator F. M. Simmons, of the state, an important figure in taxonomic matters before Congress, will deliver addresses on financial and commercial problems of the present time.

Two thousand bankers and business executives of the Carolinas were extended invitation by letter to be present on this occasion, it was announced at executive offices here of the exposition. Ward H. Wood, president of the American Trust Co., of Charlotte, also issued invitations to a very large list of leaders in the business life of the Carolinas to attend a banquet at one o'clock that day at the city auditorium as guests of his bank. Governor Harding, Chairman McLean, Senator Simmons and several prominent Charlotte business men will make short talks after the dinner, it was announced that the principal address of the day will be delivered by Governor Harding at 3:30 o'clock at the exposition auditorium. Senator Simmons and Chairman McLean also will speak at the exposition. In addition, the usual afternoon musical program by the official New York City concert band, four notable vocalists and one violinist will be rendered.

When the financial interests of the Carolinas are considered, Bankers' Day will probably be the most important of the 19 days of the exposition, which opens next Monday September 12.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

Services the 16th Sunday after Trinity, Sept. 11th.
Church School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon 11:00 a. m.
Evening Prayer and Sermon 7:45 p. m.
A cordial welcome to all services.
ALTER B. CLARK, Priest-in-charge

STRAND THEATRE
—FRIDAY—
BRYANT WASHBURN in "BURGLAR PROOF"
"DOUBLE ADVENTURE"
—SATURDAY—
DOROTHY DALTON in "ROMANTIC ADVENTURE"
"RUTH OF THE ROCKIES"
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Value of Fair is Never Doubted

As to the value of fairs or exhibitions, there are hardly any conflicting opinions. The highest ideals and best results in almost all undertakings are attained through competition, and competition is the very essence of exhibition spirit. They perform the work of an educator in nearly all branches of human effort an educator by practical demonstration, patriotically, commercially, industrially and otherwise. As an institution they are a concrete expression of the districts or nation's material existence, a symbolization of the spirit of the people, a tangible expression of the national culture and life. Because they are for the people, by the people, they stand, perhaps, the most dominant monument to our democracy, the florescence of our social, industrial and educational evolution, and perennially improve and expand with the nation's ever quickening march of progress. And so, therefore, their appeal is ever increasingly magnetic, compelling. In them are fused the interests of all classes. They are all things to all men, women and children, "a complete exemplification of human development in skill, industry and intelligence."

Take just one branch of effort—agriculture—which they say is the basis of all prosperity. Live stock is essential to permanent agriculture, the backbone of the industry in fact. Who will dispute the statement that fairs have been the biggest factor in perfecting the various breeders and dealers to produce the proper types? "What would have been the present status of the livestock industry if there had been no fairs in the last half century, no opportunity for comparison of animals, no real guide to the proper type or essential qualifications?" a leading Canadian breeder was asked.

"Conditions sometimes approaching chaos would have existed but for the education and ameliorating influences of fairs," was the immediate rejoinder. "Each breeder or owner would have contended that his animals and methods were the best, and there being no higher court of appeal, the matter would have remained unsettled. One great benefit of fairs has been the unwritten adoption of certain standards of excellence which have been accepted and judged, thus reducing to an almost exact science."

Exhibitions have been the great testing stations in the very best incentive to the dealer, he continues. "It's a question whether domestic animals could long maintain a high standard of merit without the stimulus and example of fairs and exhibitions. When the country is strong in live stock we see development along other lines. Hence the ramifications of a fair seem hardly to be conceived. It down the line to the various branches of farming and the answer one receives to the question as to whether fairs are of value to agriculture is equally emphatic as that given by the live stock man just quoted. If it is grain husbandry the farmer finds his best lesson and inspiration at the fair; if fruits are his specialty the same thing applies. If he wants to see the practical demonstration of the latest thing in labor saving machinery for the farm equally useful is his fair, local or otherwise. In short there is no branch of endeavor that desires more benefit from fairs and exhibitions than the farming element."

Yet note the inconsistency of the attitude of the agriculturist. It is the farm press, in Canada at least, which invariably leads the chorus when the annual begins to ring out the old story of the decadence of fairs through the alleged prominence or dominance of the amusement end. SMALL BOY HURT

Hubert Britton, the small son of Mr. Frank Britton on the Wheeler Martin Farm, was very badly hurt Wednesday afternoon while playing around a molasses mill in operation. The child was caught between the sweep and the wheel and his head and face were seriously bruised. A slight fracture of the skull was by X-Ray but attending physicians think they will be able to care for it successfully.

SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH
A. V. Joyner, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Dr. P. B. Cone Superintendent.
Sermon by the pastor 11 a. m.
Subject: "A Man with a Great Heart"
Sermon by the pastor 8:00 p. m.
Subject: "Barnabas - a Good Man."
Prayer meeting 8:00 p. m. Wednesday.

You are most cordially invited to attend all these services.
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WILLIAMSTON SCHOOL OPENS NEXT MONDAY

The Williamston Schools open Monday, September 13th at nine o'clock a. m. Parents and patrons be sure to have your children there on time. Unless the child reaches school on time he is handicapped. Children, except first grade should bring promotion cards and books used last year, also a tablet and a sharpened pencil. Lessons will be assigned for Tuesday.

Parents and patrons will please see that pupils study at night. The vacation is over. School time is here. The teachers have pledged themselves to do their part. Several of them are local ladies who of course have much pride in their own school. I shall do everything in my power to give our city the best school it has ever had. Will you do your part?

It is a demonstrated fact that cigarettes are harmful to school children. For this reason tobacco in any form cannot be allowed on the school grounds. Parents please note this fact. Suggestions or criticisms from patrons will be appreciated by the faculty.

The school shall open to all bona fide residents of the Williamston Graded School District between the ages of six and twenty-one years.
2. Pupils must have reached the age of six years by the last of December of the school year in which they enter.
4. No absolute beginner shall be admitted to the first grade after the end of the first month.
5. The daily school session shall commence at 9 a. m., and shall close at 3:45 p. m.
6. No grade or pupils may be dismissed before the regular time except by permission of the superintendent.

MARTIN COUNTY FAIR WILL BE OF GREAT BENEFIT TO ALL WHO ATTEND

Mr. R. M. Jackson, Business Manager of The Martin County Fair Association has returned from a very successful trip to Norfolk and he prophesies that the 1921 Fair will be of tremendous benefit to the people of Martin County. A car load of the finest prizes all over the United States. The race horses will arrive next Saturday from New Bern and arrive seven five horses in the North Carolina Fair Circuit will be here. Now record are being made this year and a great interest in the racing will be taken.

PACK HOUSE BURNS

Last night the pack house and stock barn of Mr. N. R. Manning of Griffiths Township was destroyed by fire. The barn was used as a grating tobacco house by a colored tenant. No one had been in the house during the day however and the origin of the fire is a mystery. It was discovered about eight o'clock but had too much head-heat to be quenched. The loss is about \$1,000.00 with a very small amount of insurance.

NEW CASHIER ARRIVED

Mr. John L. Hassell who was temporary Cashier of The Peoples Bank has returned to his work with J. L. Hassell and Company and Mr. R. M. Riddick, jr. has taken his place as Cashier of the bank. Mr. Riddick is from Gatesville, North Carolina and was for thirteen years associated with the Bank of Gates. For the last few years he has been President of The Planters Savings Bank in Gatesville and comes to us with splendid recommendations. Mr. Riddick will bring his family here soon and will be a helpful addition to the business and social life of the town.

NOTICE

All persons are hereby forbidden from constructing any dwelling house, store out house or other building within the corporate limits of the town of Williamston without first securing a written permit from the Mayor and Building Committee. Anyone violating this ordinance shall be fined \$25.00. Each day that such building shall stand without the owner thereof securing a permit shall constitute a separate offense.

FORD ROADSTER for sale at auction. In A No. 1 condition, can be seen at Atlantic Hotel at any time. HUGH G. HORTON & SONS

Local News and Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Peel and family of Everetts were here for the tobacco opening Wednesday.

Mr. R. L. Davis, the new superintendent from Warrington, has arrived and begun his duties in perfecting in school organization for the opening Monday.

Dr. J. A. White and son, James, jr. of Littleton are here visiting relatives for a few days.

Friends of Mr. Mortimer Harrison of Danville, Va. and Mr. Francis Lott of Waynesboro, Va., are glad to learn that they are on the tobacco market again this year.

Mr. Harry M. Stubbs returned Tuesday night from a business trip to Raleigh.

Miss Mary Little of Greenville is visiting her niece Mrs. J. L. Peel this week.

Miss Martha Louise Anderson left for Greensboro yesterday to continue her course of study at Greensboro College for Women.

Mrs. Jane S. Moore went to Raleigh yesterday for a visit for several days.

Mrs. W. J. Bullock who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Peel and her brother, Mr. John D. Ward, for some time returned to her home in Suffolk yesterday.

Mr. Thurman Cowper has returned to his home in Raleigh after recovering from a light case of diphtheria at the home of his aunt, Mrs. W. H. Harrell.

Mr. Hubert Warren of Durham, buyer for the Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company is on our market again after an absence of a year and his friends are delighted to have him back.

Miss Millie Spruill, of Roper one of the teachers in the primary grades this year has arrived and is making her home with Mrs. Oscar Anderson. Miss Lucille White has returned to her home in Scotland Neck after visiting her cousin, Miss Ethel Harris for some time.

Mr. Thurman Cowper left yesterday for Oak Ridge where he will enter school for the fall term.

Mr. Lawrence Moye of Farmville, teacher of mathematics in the High School, arrived yesterday and is making his home with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford on Haughton Street.

Have you bought your season ticket to the Fair? It is only \$2.50 to see everything at the Fair and secure a chance on a Ford automobile. Don't Miss It.

Mrs. J. L. Williams spent Wednesday night in Giffon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Chapman.

Mr. Minier Hostetler went to Richmond Wednesday in the interest of the Boyle-Robertson Construction Co.

Mr. Marion Inge is in Wedon today on a business trip.

Miss Mary Cook is visiting in Wincon this week.

Now is a good time to drop in and renew your subscription. See our circus day, tobacco days or during Fair week, we will take renewals or new subscriptions on any of those dates.

The sale of building and loan stock in which is known the 10th Series and which opened September 3rd up to this writing is greater than usual. Five hundred and fifteen shares have been sold, a large proportion of these being bought by new subscribers who have seen the benefits derived from Building and Loan Stock by their business associates. This is an opportune time to take a few shares. The Series will close in December.

MISS COOK ENTERTAINS

Miss Geneva Cook and Mr. Jim Cook entertained last night at their home on East Main Street complimentary to Misses Mary-Jessie Gregory and Julia Turner of Weldon, the house guests of Capt. and Mrs. C. J. Rhem. The younger set of the town were present an enjoyable dancing on the porch before refreshments of ice cream and cake were served at eleven o'clock.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A. J. Manning, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Morning Service, 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service, 8:00 p. m.

SHOE REPAIRING
For first class shoe repair work: Come to the Expert Shoe Shop, on Washington Street opposite Atlantic Hotel. All work sent us by Parcel Post will receive prompt attention. E. C. IPOCK, Proprietor.

CITY FATHERS HOLD MONTHLY MEETING

An active meeting of the town commissioners was held Monday night with the following gentlemen present: Altono Hassell, S. R. Biggs, W. T. Meadows, B. S. Courtney, George H. Harrison, Elbert S. Peel, C. F. Page and Frank Gurganus.

It was ordered that the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co. be notified to have the seven rail, in Williamston be evened and fixed with plank at once.

All trucks arriving in Williamston must pull up past the box cars before passengers will be permitted to alight.

The old buildings back of Margolis Bros. and Brooks store have been condemned and will be torn down at once. Two electric street lights will be placed on the school grounds.

Three overflow water places for team will be installed. One of these round iron fountains will be placed back of J. L. Hassell and Cos. store one back of Harrison Bros. store and one at the warehouses.

A committee was appointed to investigate conditions at the Williamston cemetery and confer with the present owners and managers to devise some method of improving it for the benefit of everybody.

A special call meeting of the Commissioners will be held Monday night September 12, 1921.

MUST HAVE LEAGUE BEFORE DISARMAMENT SAYS SENATOR MCCUMBER (Rep.)

While the League of Nations may or may not figure in the debate with Germany, Senator McCumber (Rep., S. D.), ranking Republican member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, has revived that subject in an exclusive statement to the International News Service, in relation to the coming conference on disarmament, the substance of which is that before we can have reduction of armaments of nations bound by a written contract to prevent wars of aggression and to compel arbitration of international disputes.

"Just to the extent that President Harding is able to consummate such an agreement between the powerful nations," said Senator McCumber, "just to that extent will be able to decrease the burden of armaments."

An agreement for a reduction of armaments would be futile, according to the South Dakota Senator without such a league of powerful nations both to prevent war and compel arbitration that is to use force where ever necessary or more specifically speaking a League to Enforce Peace.

Whether or not Harding administration would consent to such a contract is not important. Its face is set against any sort of internationalism and this is intended definitely in the 4th degree.

If this matter is taken up as a condition precedent to disarmament and the Far Eastern diplomatic problems related into the subject are to be solved prior to a disarmament conference will be far from the simple matter contemplated under the Borah resolution. Yet Senator McCumber's position finds many supporters who ask, "What is the use of a disarmament agreement if there is no way to enforce it?"

THE PROPER SPIRIT

The confidence expressed by the people of this county has helped to keep things in a good healthy condition. The people have been square, they have stood firm, they have not shirked and run over. They have paid their bills so far as they are able and now when tobacco money has commenced to stir they are depositing a larger percentage of their checks in the several banks of the town than they have done for several seasons. There is no doubt but that our people have fully determined to travel the safe road and spend their money for something worth while instead of throwing it to the four winds for gaudy toys. We predict that in a short time the pain of the panic will have passed away and that we will all be feeling good.

I will sell at public auction, for cash on Friday, September 16th, at 12 o'clock M., in front of the Post Office in Everetts, one 5 passenger Ford car, known as the Louis Brown car, to satisfy a lien for labor and repairs made on said car in January, 1921, in the sum of \$60.88.

This August 23rd, 1921.
C. H. CLARK.

Regular Session Records Court

The Martin County Recorder's Court convened Tuesday, September 6, 1921 with Judge Calvin C. South presiding and Attorney B. Duke Cletcher prosecuting in behalf of the State.

1. State vs S. E. Byrum - Violating search and seizure law. Safe continued till September 13, 1921.

4. State vs F. F. Guthrie - Driving car with another license. Defendant pleaded guilty. Judgment suspended upon payment of the cost.

9. State vs Kelly Moore - Larceny and receiving continued for defendant till September 13, 1921 under same bond.

12. State vs William Johnson and Mary Johnson - Disposal of mortgaged property. Continued till September 13, 1921 under the same bond.

13. State vs William Johnson and Mary Johnson - Disposal of mortgaged property. Continued for defendants until September 13, 1921 under the same bond.

11. State vs Henry Bowen - Cruelty to animals. Sentenced to County Jail for a term of eighteen months to be assigned to the authorities of Edgecombe County to be worked on public roads of said county.

14. State vs Henry Bowen - Assault with deadly weapon. Sentenced to County Jail for a term of six months to be assigned to the authorities of Edgecombe County to be worked on public roads of said county.

6. State vs June Jones - Violating search and seizure law. Not guilty.

8. State vs Henry Jolly - Violating search and seizure law. Not guilty.

10. State vs James Asa Griffin - Assault with deadly weapon. Not guilty.

7. State vs June Jones - A. D. W. Sentenced to county jail for a term of six months to be assigned to the authorities of Edgecombe County to be worked on roads of said county, from which judgment the defendant accepts and appeals to Superior Court Appeal bond fixed at \$100.00.

Charles Pugh, colored of Jameville was arrested and held in Police Court Wednesday for disorderly conduct on the streets of Williamston. Fined \$3.00 and the cost of action.

North Carolina
Martin County
W. G. Peel
vs
Charlie Spruill

Under and by virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Martin County in the above entitled action I will on Monday the 3rd day of October, at 12:00 o'clock M. at the Court House door of Martin County at Williamston, North Carolina sell to the highest bidder for cash, for the purpose of satisfying said execution all the right title and interest which the said Charlie Spruill, defendant has in the following described real estate and personal property to wit:

One Ford touring car, 10 bushel corn in shuck.

One certain tract or parcel of land allotted to Charlie Spruill in the Charles Spruill, Sr. and division of being lot No. 3, and of record in the Clerk's office in Land Division Book B, page 40 containing 25 1-5 acres.

Dated this 2nd day of September 1921.
H. T. ROBERSON
Sheriff of Martin County.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in a certain note executed by S. S. Hadley, bearing date June 14th 1920, the conditions in said note having been complied with, the undersigned owner of said note will on the last day of October, 1921, at the Court House door, in the town of Williamston, N. C. at 12 o'clock M. offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, the following described personal property:

Note in the sum of \$400.00, executed by W. F. Barber, dated November 7, 1916, due January 1st, 1924.

Note in the sum of \$400.00, executed by W. F. Barber, dated November 7, 1916, due January 1st, 1925.

Above described notes being secured by deed of trust on real estate. This the 7th day of September, 1921 FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK By WHEELER MARTIN, Atty.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of J. S. Green, late of Martin County, N. C., all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to come forward and settle same at once. All persons holding claims against said estate will present same for payment on or before September 3rd 1922, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

This September 3, 1921.
E. J. GREEN
Administrator.

CLOSE RACES FEATURES OF WEDNESDAY'S CARD

At the Fair Grounds Wednesday afternoon an old fashioned race between local horses was held. Dr. W. E. Warren, John Cook and Sheriff Tucker of Greenville were the judges and Dr. E. N. Gordon acted as starter. The first was a match race for a \$500.00 purse and had the following entries: (Name of horse listed first, owner second, and driver last.) Little Benjamin - I. W. Daniel - F. Dunstan.

Golden Guy - Whit Purvis - Whit Purvis.
Martin J. - E. R. Barnhill - B. R. Barnhill.

Martin J., acting as the "dark horse" in the race, to the surprise of both his owner and his rivals came out victorious in the end and now wears the County championship crown which Little Benjamin had been holding for two years. It was not only a fight between the two horses but the skill of the drivers, Barnhill and Dunstan, was on trial as well.

The second race was for a \$200.00 purse and carried the following entries:

King George - J. D. Barnhill - Barnhill.
Chicamauga - Dr. Thippen - Dr. Thippen.

Daniel's Bob - I. W. Daniel - Whit Purvis.
Teddy Bear - F. Dunstan - F. Dunstan.

King George won by a small margin. It is interesting to our people to learn that these horses are making a decent appearance in the races this year and will add to the Fair races some local color.

THE MICROBE OF LOVE

"The Microbe of Love, a clever musical comedy given Tuesday night in the school auditorium by local talent directed by Miss Caryl Brigham of the Wayne P. Sewell Producing Co. of Atlanta Ga. and under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church, was a genuine success and furnished innocent amusement for a large audience.

Mrs. John D. Biggs, Jr. as "Prucilla Prince" made a very effective President of the Spinsters Club. All the spinsters east were good in their regalia and deserved the reward of a husband. Mrs. Louis Bennett established a reputation in the first act as a first-class dancer, tempo de jazz. Miss Brigham as "Madam Cupid" made a charming Madam Cupid.

The Bachelors built up a strong defense for themselves but their impregnable hearts were successfully besieged by the "wifes" of woman aided by Cupid himself in the guise of little Margaret Rogerson, Sarah Gurganus, Billy Liverman and Hogan Gurganus.

Ten chorus girls colored the entire performance and made a lovely background for each scene. Harry M. Stubbs and Mrs. Warren Biggs were just about the happiest looking Mr. and Mrs. Henpeck you ever saw and the "Three Old Maids From Lee" acted their part perfectly even if they didn't look like forty year olds. The music was especially good and Miss Laura Orleans starred in a Chinese love song.

If more entertainment of this character were given in Williamston the talent now lying dormant among us would be discovered and much pleasure could be received both by individuals and the public at large.

NOTE OF THANKS

The Ladies of the Methodist Aid Society wish to thank those ladies and gentlemen who took part in our play "The Microbe of Love" - We deeply appreciate the interest and earnest effort on the part of each in the preparation and the enthusiastic spirit which was shown throughout. We also want to thank Mrs. Williams who added much to the success of the play by her untiring assistance at the piano.

Mrs. HUNTER, PRESIDENT.

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(5) Five notes in the sum of \$400.00. Four Hundred dollars each, dated November 7th, 1916, executed by W. F. Barber, due January 1st, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1926 and 1927. Said notes being secured by deed of trust on real estate. This the 7th day of September, 1921. FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK By WHEELER MARTIN, Atty.