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JULY 26TH—BARACA PHILATHEA WATERMELON DAY U. S. VETERAN'S HOSPITAL

Baracas and Philatheas were among the first to begin work among the soldiers as they came back from the war sick and needing our help and encouragement, and it is very fitting that we should honor these gallant heroes who are now making an ever more gallant fight to win back their health and strength lost in the world war.

Remember they were our substitutes; they went for us; they fought and suffered that we might live in peace and happiness and the least that we can do is to honor them and express our appreciation in the same effective manner. What's better for a real good time than Watermelons? Plenty of watermelons.

Please send your check or P. O. money order for this purpose to Mr. N. Buckner, Asheville, N. C., who is planning an appropriate program and will serve watermelons, more watermelons, ice cold Georgia watermelons. Money is preferred as we can purchase the melons at wholesale prices and make your gift go farther. Buy cake, candy, fruit or flowers will be gladly accepted.

Remember July 26th is the day please send your message of appreciation to O'Connell Heroes—see as possible so we can go forward with our proposed plans.

Yours to "Do Things" for Christ in North Carolina.
Mrs. N. Buckner, General Sec'y

Q. UER LITTLE DOOR? PARTS MOTHER? BABY FOREVER!

Rid De Janero, July 11, 1923.—One of the most curious institutions in this city is the "Casa dos Extremos," a founding asylum that receives small inmates through a revolving door which is so built in a way that the person operating it from the outside cannot see inside the building nor be seen by persons within.

The purpose of this mysterious door is to enable unfortunate mothers to place their offspring in safe keeping without revealing their identity or whatever secrets may have been connected with their existence.

Most of the foundlings, the asylum officials say, are put within the revolving door at night when there is little or no traffic on the street outside.

With the turning of the door a bell rings, which announces to the attendants that a new guest has arrived.

If a note giving the child's name or other information is pinned to its clothes, it is baptized with that name; but once a baby is placed within the door by the despairing mother, it is never returned, no matter what change in fortune may come to the mother or what claims she may advance to support her reprieve.

The inmates of the "Casa dos Extremos" are raised like orphans and prepared for life with the best care within the ability of the gentle nuns who manage the institution. Many of the children are adopted by childless couples. Founded in 1738, the institution in the two centuries of its existence has furnished more than 45,000 citizens to this city, some of whom achieved renown and high position—and their introduction to the world was a revolving door.

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This, July 12, 1923.
FRANK L. HAMILTON,
Road Tax Collector
Hamilton Township
C. S. Johnson, 59 acres, residence tax and cost \$31.25
Miss F. A. Johnson, 50 acres, Johnson land, tax and cost 12.50
Mrs. J. F. Harris, 150 acres, Barben and W. C. James land, tax and cost 28.75

NOTICE—NOTICE
WANTED: A SUPERINTENDENT of Public Schools for Martin County, North Carolina. Address all communications to K. B. Crawford, Chairman, Williamston, N. C. 7-13-23

"LITTLE TOWN TROUBLES"

Excepting church choir quarrels, there is nothing more universal than small town quarrels. We know of a small town not very far away which is hardly big enough to bank a hill of potatoes, that has a program of not less than thirteen rows that are perpetually in their motion and commotion.

The inhabitants quarrel over their dogs, their chickens, their goats, and especially their children. Their own children are perfect, sweet little things and are being constantly tormented by the neighbor's "little wildcats" who are not fit to play with their "little darlings." The last is to some extent excusable, as we cannot see our selves as others see us.

The next trouble that we look into is that little town leads us into deep water, for one thing brings on another. But even if we do feel shaky, we cannot quit this one for the little town's history will not be complete. And it is not a city that we are talking about but a small town where everybody knows everybody else's business, and a lot that "ain't nobody's business." So they will all tell you that in that town that they "steal over other folks' bands."

Town society causes a near of trouble, too. There are those who will remark, after gazing at the beautiful display of silk hosiery until it turns the corner, that they know those stockings are not paid for. Now isn't it awful to watch an exhibition and then remark such things as, "they let them glad rags aren't paid for," and that "Jones is about to bust because his flappers flapped too high." We will not dwell on this subject for there are too many involved and if this history produces war it would be a big one.

We next take up the "town solution." They are each and every one absolutely "perfect." There was not one among them who did not know all about public roads, buildings, streets and grounds, the best time to plant crops the exact amount of taxes to be levied to please the people and pay the bills. The most of them also knew about the weather and when the fish would bite, but when one tried to force his knowledge on another then there was trouble a-brewing.

Another little quarrel is heard over the schools. The superintendent, each one of the teachers and school committee had been taken up and severely criticised and when the folks who were doing the fussing were asked to write down their charges they said they had no education and could not write, only talk.

Once when attending a funeral in this town, when the town leader had passed away, I noticed that the preacher showed signs of great mental strain every time he uttered a word about the dead brother, and when he said what a good man a great man the departed was, charity was abundant, but when the folks returned home they said, "what a lie!"

The "likker question" did not seem to cause much dissension. There were some who drank and some who didn't, and those who did not did not bother about those who did, just let them keep themselves.

In covering the town there could not be seen or felt much of the influence of religion. Little signs were seen of the spirit of "Love thy neighbor as thyself," but instead one would think there was a maxim, "Hate thy neighbor worse than the devil." But when one visited the churches or conversed upon the subject of religion, you would think that the stopper had been pulled out of a hornet's nest. There were very clever persons who would tell you how well his church was doing and how they were saving the people, but that there was not a chance for the members of the church around the corner, that they would do well if they got on the waiting list. This revealed something to one, that much selfishness, smallness, and envy were church clothes.

That is the one great trouble of the town and many towns that the great institution, the Church which is designed to build up a spirit of "Peace

THE PRESENCE OF RED SPIDER NOTICED IN MARTIN COUNTY

Red Spiders Are Very Destructive During Dry Seasons; Mistaken For Cotton Rust

I have seen two outbreaks of Red Spider this week. Fortunately they were seen before much damage had been done.

The spiders are very destructive during dry seasons, and are often mistaken for cotton rust. However, it is easy to distinguish spider damage from rust, as the spider is present on under side of leaves.

An outbreak of spider is first noticed by a shedding of leaves and bright red spots on the upper side of leaves, and is usually seen near fences and ditches, or other weedy spots around the farm. Polk Weed is one of the worst sources of starting infestation from spider, and with other weeds should be kept scrubbed, as spiders are most always traced from the weed patches to the cotton fields, and have been known to destroy the entire crop infested.

Control
The first thing to do when found in the field, is to arrange oil-soak sacks and pull all badly damaged stalks and pick up the fallen leaves, pick all damaged leaves from infested area and burn them; keep close watch for further damage and new outbreaks.

J. L. Holliday, Farm Dem. for Phillips Fertz Co.

SOUTHPORT TO OFFER LAND TO COMMISSION

Southport, July 11.—A brief is being prepared by the Southport chamber of commerce, which will be presented to the port terminal commission of the state. One offer of land that is being given a site on the Cape Fear river, which also has a side water frontage available, with a total dockage that can be made of nearly three miles. The greater part of this now has a water depth of 30 feet. This land has a very favorable location, it being generally high, specially fine for truckage purposes, where cars can be easily and quickly shunted to warehouses or be sent on a natural decline to docks where loadings can be made direct to steamships and sail vessels. From the rear or land side approaches to this site, it is open for railroads without crowding, so that a number of railroad lines can have space to enter their tracks without confusion or interference and deliver their loaded cars as their freight may be designated for storage or immediate shipment. This site is a mile square, and its value is held at one million dollars.

Translated into food, at the prices the farmer gets, it takes sixty-three and one half dozen, or 762, eggs to pay a plucker for one day of eight hours work in New York City. It takes seventeen and one-half bushels of corn, or a year's receipts from half an acre, to pay a bricklayer one day. It takes twenty-three chickens weighing three pounds each to pay a painter for one day's work in New York. It requires forty-two pounds of butter, or the output from fourteen cows, fed and milked for twenty-four hours, to pay a plumber fourteen dollars a day. To pay a carpenter for one day's work, it takes a hog weighing 175 pounds, representing eight months' feeding and care.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors who so kindly administered help and sympathy to us in our bereavement at the loss of our two children who were killed by lightning last week.—Mr. Mrs. Jos. S. Harrison

"O Earth and God! Will to Men" is being put to the merial task of serving the prejudice of some selfish men. This is also true of cities, and large towns as well as small towns even country communities.

MARTIN COUNTY HAS VOTED OVERWHELMINGLY FOR AGENT

COUNTY DEMONSTRATOR TO BE HAD; EVERY TOWNSHIP REPRESENTED

The Board of Commissioners of Martin County met Wednesday, at 10 A. M. for the purpose of hearing the people on the question of making an appropriation for a county farm demonstrator. The delegations were not large though every township was represented.

Much discussion on both sides was heard and then the county was called by townships, and all present were asked to vote either for or against it. Counting the township votes as a 100 per cent vote, the following result:

Township	FOR	AGAINST
Jamesville	100	
Poplar Point	100	
Williams	66-2-3	33-7-7
Griffins	20	80
Bear Grass	100	
Williamston	100	
Cross Roads	0	100
Robersonville	66-2-3	33-7-7
Goose nest	100	
Hamilton	100	
Total	652-1-3	247-7-7

While the vote from Cross Roads was for the proposition, the representative and he felt that a majority of his people were against it, and for that reason he did not put the vote down for the proposition.

The discussion was general, and a very high order and it consisted of the best of feeling. After the close of the discussion the Board held an executive session and voted to put a demonator in the field.

We believe the action of the Board was wise, and we feel sure that a large majority of the voters of the county are with them in this good work.

MR. COTTON GROWER—USE POISON AT ONCE AND SAVE YOUR CROP

A Timely Word As How To Save The Cotton Crop From The Boll Weevil

The boll weevil infestation and many cotton fields will be almost entirely ruined unless prompt steps are taken to administer poison immediately to the cotton in order that this pest can be exterminated.

From all published accounts there is only one sure remedy, and that is death and this must be administered in some form of mixture.

Never in the history of Martin county, since 1911 have the crops looked so well and produced so abundant a crop. But we must save our cotton which is threatened with destruction. We can do it if we will.

One important thing to do is to pick up all punctured squares and burn them. This can be done at a very little cost. Then keep the poison applied regularly and there will be but very few, if any weevils.

Mr. J. M. Tankard, a farmer at Yeateville, N. C. kept his cotton poisoned. After picking up the punctured squares and burning them, and going over his farms he could find no weevils nor squares that had been punctured or fallen off. But walking across a five acre field of one of his neighbors, who had used poison 150 punctured squares were picked up which had fallen off.

The weevil will undoubtedly be on every farm in the county and the man who waits and does not poison and poison quick will lose heavily.

From 300,000 to 500,000 transient laborers pass through Chicago in a normal year.

WHEELER MARTIN, Commissioner

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. M. R. Chambers, pastor in day school at 9:45 a. m., V. P. Pope, Superintendent. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning 5th, "The New Commandment." Even subject: "The Future and Eternal Punishment of the Wicked." This is not an attempt at an evangelistic mission, but an explanation of the truth of our doctrine of the church. The pastor will preach at 10:57. Epworth League Monday 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8 p. m. Subject: "The return from captivity."

WILL TRY TO SAVE OLD EAST BUILDING

University Trustees' Building Committee Will Do Everything Possible

Chapel Hill, July 12.—All the resources of modern engineering science are to be enlisted in an attempt to save the Old East building, the first building erected at any state institution in America. If the present structure cannot be saved, it is to be rebuilt exactly on the same lines, and continued in use as a dormitory. This is the decision of the building committee of the university trustees, in session yesterday at Chapel Hill.

The committee was impressed by the seriousness of the condition which has been revealed by tearing away the plastering and stripping the vines from the face of the building. The walls are built of brick and mortar of poor quality and are not tied properly either at the corners or at the junction with the cross walls. Long horizontal timbers set deep into the walls at frequent intervals, carry no small portion of the weight. The outer walls, especially on the lower floor, have bulged settled under the strain until gaps of two and three inches appear between them and the cross walls to which they were originally joined.

The committee also inspected the Old West, which is being converted into a modern semi-fireproof dormitory by a reconstruction of its interior. The walls of this building, built at a somewhat later day, are in good condition, and the building has been pronounced safe. It is planned to finish this work during the summer so that the dormitory will be ready for occupancy in the fall.

The sites for the proposed dam and reservoir, which will assure the university an ample water supply, were discussed, and the committee will have before it at its next meeting full data as to both possibilities.

Mr. David Baynor of Belhaven is visiting Mr. Bruce Wynne.

Messrs. Lawrence Stalls, Jesse T. Price, Wm. Maurice and Willie Watts motored to Clinton this morning. They will bring back with them two new Studebaker cars.

Mrs. Fannie S. Biggs, Mrs. Ann T. Crawford, Mrs. Carry Biggs Williams, Mrs. Frances Williams and Harry Biggs will leave on Wednesday for Virginia Beach where they will stay a month.

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This July 12, 1923.
J. E. EDMONDSON,
Tax Collector for Town of Hamilton.
Laura States, 2 res., tax and cost \$3.98
Frank Howell, Sr., 1 house and lot, tax and cost 3.10
Shore, Ham and Dougherty, 1 house and lot, tax and cost 4.47

BIG MINSTREL SHOW AND THE FOLLIES OF 1923, OVER 100 IN CAST

Tuesday night, July 17th High School Auditorium At 8:15

are interesting and instructive entertainment could well be described as the forth coming presentation of the big "Home Talent Minstrel, opera and dramatic offering to be given under the auspices of the Chautauque sponsors.

The Burlesque Melodrama, "The Fatal Cup" as it is designed and arranged is a pellender in tense dramatic interest, showing how the guns were turned on the besieging villains to their own destruction and discomfort.

This special spectacular numbers given by the children representing the "Home Gurus"—Minstrel Minstrel and Indian Arrow Girls—are well worth the price of admission. Their work is interesting and precise in detail, and all engaged are well paid for the training which is a bit outside the ordinary and their work as an attraction and very greatly as a whole to the performance of "The Follies" and big minstrel revue.

The cast of characters are as follows:

The hero—"Uhand her Villian"—Mr. Watts.
The Heroine—"I am no over"—Miss Martha C. Crawford.
The Villian—"Curse you"—Mr. W. R. Orleans.
The Countess—"Sixteen years ago"—Mrs. Z. H. Rose.
The Villainess—"Strike her"—Miss Laurie Orleans.

The big Minstrel Revue featuring the most talented in the city and community, and the song and joke are warranted to please if not delight—about forty selected singers and dancers are enrolled and in active rehearsal for this part of the programme and is considered to be above the average.

The offering of "The Follies" Big Minstrel Opera and Drama, being looked toward as the big event of the season, and well worthy the patronage of the best citizenry and of our community at large.

Don't miss seeing this big attraction, which is full of interesting and instructive entertainment.

"Six Hopkins and her Beau Biliou" is worth the price of the whole show. "The Gas Attack", by Jack and Black is fast and furious and a strong feature of the production of "The Follies" Operatic Minstrel.

The tickets are being offered for sale by solicitation by members of the cast and friends. The performance will be given Tuesday night, July 17, in the High School auditorium.

The following is the cast for the Minstrel show:

Interlocutor
Mistah Bones—Dr. Cone.
Mistah Tambor—Mr. H. M. Stubbs.
Mr. Blacal—Mr. Leslie Fowdler.
Mistah Snobal—Mr. Duke Critcher.
The chorus of song birds and minstrel songs, augmented by an effective grand chorus of minstrel men.

Harrison Brothers and Company's July sale is meeting with the overwhelming approval of the people of Williamston and Martin county, concluding from the evidence shown by the attendance each day. The firm is offering weekly specials which are announced in their regular advertisement in The Enterprise each issue.

The town commissioners have not passed an ordinance against using water to wash cars, though some people in Williamston must think so from the appearance of their cars—a couple of mail carriers, and others.

Margolis Brothers and Brooks' sale is progressing nicely with large crowds attending daily taking advantage of the wonderful bargains that are being offered.

Canadian farmers are importing wasps to fight the corn borer.



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Felix Would Have Been All Ears