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EAST CAROLINA IRISH POTATO GROWERS MEET

Meet in Washington To Discuss Organization Of Association

LEFT TO COMMITTEE

Plan To Organize Association Similar To One of Farmers of Eastern Shore of Virginia

East Carolina potato growers held a meeting in Washington this week in an effort to organize a growers association similar to the organization of the eastern shore of Virginia. Representatives from the Bethel, Mount Olive, Pamlico, Aurora, Washington, Columbia, and Elizabeth City districts attended.

R. C. Job, secretary of the Elizabeth City chamber of commerce, was made chairman and J. Leon Roebuck, of Washington, secretary of the committee on organization. Other members appointed were H. D. Andrews, of Mount Olive; M. O. Blount, of Bethel; W. S. Carrowan, of Columbia; B. T. Bonner, of Aurora; and D. C. McCotter, of Cash Corner.

E. W. Ross, of the eastern shore growers, was present and explained the method followed by that section. He stated that a normal crop for his section was around 15,000 carloads, but the yield last year went up to 22,000 carloads, and the allotted time for marketing was 8 weeks. With the crops of North Carolina and Norfolk just ahead of them and the New Jersey crop just on their heels they found themselves in a pocket, but through the association they marketed their entire crop, when previous to their organization abnormal crops had to be left in the ground.

He further stated that they used horse sense by offering their crop no faster than it could be taken, thereby preventing a glut of the market.

Ninety per cent of the growers in the eastern area are members of the association.

The matter of standardized grading was discussed at length. The association members have decided to accept no orders for futures, to be delivered before June 10, for less than \$5.00 per barrel; nor less than 4.50 to June 15; nor less than \$4.25 for the balance of the season.

The delegates present left the final details to be completed by the committee, and the opinion prevailed that the crop will be handled this year through their organization.

PREPARE NOW TO SPRAY ORCHARDS

When and How To Apply To Peach and Apple Orchards

By T. B. BRANDON

Peach and apple orchards should receive applications of spray in the very near future in order to prevent heavy losses from the attacks of diseases and insects. These summer strength sprays are essential if clean and sound fruit is desired.

Following are a few directions as to when and how to apply:

For apples, a spray consisting of 5 quarts of standard liquid lime sulphur to 50 gallons of water should be used. In case aphids (plant lice) were present last season, add one-half pint of nicotine sulfate to each 50 gallons of spray. (If dry lime sulphur is used instead of the liquid, apply in accordance with the manufacturers' directions for preparing summer strength.) This spray should be applied when the pink first shows in the buds.

For peaches, use one pound of dry arsenate of lead plus three pounds of good stone lime slaked in a little water to each 50 gallons of water. Apply this spray immediately after the petals have fallen from the blossoms, and again when the calyxes, or shucks, which surround the small peaches are shedding. Five pounds of hydrated lime may be used in place of the three pounds of stone lime. Mix the materials well by stirring before applying the spray.

Fire Siren Is Being Moved Into Open

No longer will the members of the local volunteer fire company have an excuse for not responding to the call of the fire siren, for Supt. M. S. Moore is moving the alarm signal today from beside the City Hall's tower to an open space on top of the same building. Backed against the wall, the apparatus has not worked successfully since its installation several months ago. That trouble, however, will be eliminated by the move, it was stated by the company's chief.

The first test was made shortly after the noon hour today.

Rains Hold Up Work On Highway No. 90

Work was started again this morning after heavy rains this week had held up construction for several days on Highway 90 between here and Jamesville. Detours are said to have been had, but with a bright sun yesterday and today, traffic has been resumed but little on account of mud since late Wednesday night.

Approximately three-quarters of a mile of concrete has been poured by the contracting company during the few days that operations have been underway.

STRAND THEATRE

SATURDAY

TOM TYLER

And His Pals in "THE FLYING U RANCH"

Also

2-REEL COMEDY

And Serial

"KING OF THE JUNGLE"

GERMAN FLIERS SIGHTED TODAY

Kingsport, Nova Scotia Reports Sighting Them at 10:30 This Morning

According to unofficial reports, the German plane, Bremen, wending its way across the Atlantic, was sighted around 10:30 this morning at King's Port, Nova Scotia. With approximately 1,000 miles to go from that point, the fliers are expected to reach their destination, New York, late this afternoon. The flight was started yesterday morning.

Pete Fowden, local insurance man, attributed the apparent success of the plane to the Irishman aboard.

Elaborate plans have been made in New York to receive the airmen, Baron Ehrenfried Gunther von Huenefeld, the sponsor and passenger-handman, and Capt. Hermann Koehl and Col. James-Fitzmaurice, the pilots.

The flying field was to be policed today by large details of soldiers and police and delegations from New York's fliers' organizations and German and Irish societies made plans for a royal welcome. Mayor Walker appointed Grover Whalen, head of the Mayor's Committee for the Reception of Distinguished Guests, to receive the fliers in the name of New York City.

The Federal Government took cognizance of the flight, Secretary of War Davis instructing the Army Corps commanders at New York, Boston and Philadelphia to prepare to offer every possible assistance and courtesy to the foreign fliers wherever they might land.

Alexander Smallwood, colored, was bound over to the next term of Martin County superior court on a forgery charge by Recorder Bailey here last Tuesday.

Smallwood forged Mr. John D. Tetterton's name to a \$15 check and went to the store of O. S. Anderson & Co., where he bought a hat, trousers, and other merchandise. Posing as a hired hand of Mr. J. O. Manning, Smallwood then went to the J. H. Ward market, where he got several pounds of choice steak. The market owner called up Mr. Manning and learned that no one had been sent there for steak. Smallwood had not gone more than a block before Mr. Ward was out after him, and when he reached the railroad he dropped the steak and increased his speed.

Meeting with success in his first forgery, Smallwood wrote a second check and was caught at a store on Washington Street when he tried to get it cashed. Upon his failure to raise \$750 for his appearance at the next term of court he was placed in jail.

Other cases before Judge Bailey last Tuesday included:

Burt Winberry and John Winberry plead not guilty to an assault with a deadly weapon charge. At the completion of the evidence Burt was adjudged guilty of the charge and a simple assault charge was proved against him. Judgment was continued until the first Tuesday in November of this year upon the defendants paying the cost of the action and entering bond in the sum of \$50 each.

James Coffield plead guilty to an assault on a female charge and was released upon payment of the costs of the action.

The case against Henry Razor, charging him with larceny and receiving, was not pressed, the defendant agreeing to turn back the batteries in question to R. S. Critcher & Sons.

The case charging Richard Cullifer with reckless driving was not pressed with leave.

C. R. Weathersbee, charged with reckless driving, plead guilty. Judgment was suspended upon his paying the cost of the action and \$10 to L. R. Ausbon, prosecuting witness in the case.

The court agreed with Rufus Saied when he plead not guilty to a larceny and receiving charge.

The case against Claud Lynch for giving worthless checks and another against J. S. Jolly, charged with assault, were continued one week.

NEGRO BOUND OVER TO COURT FOR FORGERY

Alexander Smallwood Tries Same Stunt Twice and Is Caught

FAILS TO RAISE BOND

Was Successful in Cashing First Check, for \$15; Other Cases Before Recorder

STEPHEN GRIMES DIES YESTERDAY

Prominent Citizen of County Dies At Home in Gold Point

Stephen L. Grimes, 69, died at his home in the Gold Point section late yesterday afternoon, after suffering from stomach trouble for the past several months. The son of Wm. Grimes and wife, Sarah Grimes, he was born and reared on the same farm where he lived.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon by Elder B. S. Cowing, minister of the Spring-Green Baptist church, of which Mr. Grimes had long been a member. Interment will be made in the family plot on the home farm this afternoon.

The deceased leaves a widow and eight children, A. H., R. L. and Mayo Grimes, of Robersonville, W. J. Grimes, A. C. L. agent, Hobgood, Deputy Sheriff S. H. Grimes, of this place, Mrs. J. W. Capps, of near here, and Mrs. A. D. Cherry and Miss Charity Grimes, of Robersonville.

22 MEMBERS IN AL SMITH CLUB

One of Them Writes Short Treatise on "Why The Democratic Party"

Yes, Al Smith has a large number of supporters in these parts, but that isn't all, he has SOME opponents. Outside of the organizers, the club has now twenty bona-fide members, one of whom says,

"Why the Democratic Party? "American government is what is known as a party government. In all democratic countries, the affairs of the state are run by parties. Students of government as well as statesmen contend that the most efficient party government is where there are few parties. The two party system is placed at the top of the list of well-working governmental instruments.

"Wherein does the advantage of this two party system lie? Simply in the fact that one tends to check the other. The party in power has no small amount of money to spend. Millions and hundreds of millions of dollars are appropriated and spent by each administration in power. Were it not for the other party constantly threatening the life of the one in power, the temptation to grow indolent and spend-thriftly would be too great to overcome. Parties would become dead things and the affairs of government would have nothing to stimulate wise legislation and economical expenditure of public money.

"The checking party must threaten. In other words, it has to be sufficiently strong to be put in power occasionally. Without its getting in power occasionally, there would be no need on the part of the party in power to fear.

"The Democratic Party in the United States is considered weaker than the Republican Party. Possibly it is weaker, but the record of our government from 1912-1920 signifies strength. It has been estimated that more constructive legislation was passed in those eight years than in all the years from Cleveland's administration to Wilson's and since Wilson's. Why this one-sided affair? No doubt because the Democrats had to do something towards making good the promises that the public had been offered "if we get in power."

"The Democratic Party must be kept sufficiently strong to win at intervals. It came near suffering disaster in 1924. Since then it has exerted every ounce of energy to gain back its old strength. Today it stands in a position to add yet greater strength by following the proper star, the star of harmonious effort and centralization of purpose. There is in its ranks a man who embodies those principles and qualities that challenge the party to stand firm upon the party principles. There is but to cast off the petty whims about religion and absurd notions of prohibition to make the party of Jefferson and Jackson a winning party, thereby insuring the country another administration of sound government. Unity in support of these principles with a personality leading that has led and is still leading will give the Democratic Party that necessary faith to grow, to win, and to govern. Let us have unity and the man of the hour to lead us.

"L. H. DAVIS."

Mr. Davis, writing of the Al Smith Club, says,

"To invite a discussion of the present political outlook from the Democratic Party standpoint and to give space for such discussion in the columns of the Enterprise is commendable, and indicative of a wise policy for any newspaper. Martin county should be proud of its county paper. Through the courtesy of this paper, aspects of the question, "Why the Democratic Party?" are presented to the 1600 readers of the Enterprise."

TO TALK BEFORE LITERARY GROUP

B. B. Carstarphen on Program of League of American Penwomen Meeting

Bryant B. Carstarphen will speak on The College Magazine before the meeting of the League of American Penwomen at Washington, D. C., Saturday morning, and in the evening he will speak on Poetry in the College Magazine before the poetry forum of the league. This is one of the big literary leagues of the country, having 46 vice president, one for each State.

Mr. Carstarphen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Carstarphen, of this place, and is completing his senior year in Duke University. The work of Mr. Carstarphen as editor of The Archivist, Duke University magazine, brought the honor of the invitation to speak before this distinguished literary body.

A further honor which has been extended to Bryant is a scholarship at Harvard University next year.

Tobacco Plants Are Now Growing Rapidly

As a result of the rains this week, tobacco plants in this section are growing rapidly, and, according to farmers, the tobacco beds will be ready to give up their plants, before the farmers are ready for them. An early transplanting season is forecast by many farmers in this section.

While some farmers have poor beds, it is the general opinion that there will be no shortage in plants this season.

Sand Ridge School Finals Yesterday

Commencement exercises, bringing to a close the 1927-28 term of the Sandy Ridge school, were held yesterday, Mr. R. J. Peel delivering the main address. A large picnic dinner was prepared by the people of the community, and many friends of the school attended.

The commencement sermon was postponed last Sunday night until next Sunday. Rev. W. B. Harrington will preach the sermon, it has been announced.

Methodists Have Two-Day Meet in Weldon

The Methodists of the Weldon district held a two-day conference in Warrenton Wednesday and Thursday of this week. More than 150 delegates from the various churches in the group attended the session. The local church was represented by Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald and Roger Critcher.

Many New Automobiles Are Delivered in County

While not at all rapid, the delivery of new Fords goes on gradually in the county. This week the Williamston Motor Company delivered two, one, a roadster, to Mr. E. P. Cunningham, and a second, a coach, to Martin County.

The first carload of the new Durant cars was unloaded here last Wednesday by the Barnhill Motor Co., and several of them have been sold. Other makes of cars are arriving weekly.

Next Poultry Car To Be Here On April 24 and 25

County Agent T. B. Brandon, co-operating with the Division of Markets, will load a third poultry car of the season here the 24 and 25 of this month, it was announced this morning.

"This will probably be the last car to be loaded here this season," Mr. Brandon stated and all farmers who have orders in the barnyard are urged to prepare to sell when the car arrives the 24th.

Schoo! Boy Suffers Broken Ankle In Accident Today

Today, while playing at the Griffin school house, Carroll Griffin, the 14-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Griffin, had his ankle crushed when run over by a car driven by Miss Tillie Rieks, a school girl.

Special Meeting of Everetts Woodmen

The Everetts Camp of Modern Woodmen will have a special meeting Monday night, April 16th. All members of the local camp are urged to attend and members of other camps in the county are urged to send representatives, as the meeting will be of interest to all.

Unloading Car of Drain Tile for Farmers Today

The eighth car of drain tile this season is being unloaded today at the station here. Mr. T. B. Brandon, demonstration agent, states that farmers in Martin county have paid more attention to the drainage of their lands this year than in some time.

The tile is bought from a concern in Greensboro, and is sold to the farmers at reduced prices made possible by cooperative shipments.

Complete Repairs To Pamlico River Bridge

The bridge at Washington on Highway No. 30, which collapsed Monday morning with four loaded trucks has been repaired and was opened to traffic yesterday afternoon.

Locals Play Collegiate Institute Here Today

The local high school nine is playing the Washington Collegiate Institute baseball team here this afternoon on the Cunningham diamond.

Harrison is doing the twirling for the locals and Tom Teel is working behind the bat.

Third County Commencement Exercises Held Here Today

1,500 STUDENTS AND PATRONS OF COUNTY ATTEND

County-Wide Contests Get Under Way This Morning At 10 O'clock

DINNER ON GROUNDS

Local Kiwanians and Business Men Provide Refreshments for All Visitors

Martin county's third annual commencement was opened here this morning shortly after ten o'clock with approximately 1,500 school children and patrons from various parts of the county attending.

The first of the exercises was opened by all the schools singing America. Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, of the local Methodist church, led the body in prayer. Mayor Robert L. Coburn welcomed the visitors, Professor L. H. Davis responding in behalf of the schools of the county.

Immediately after the opening exercises, a male quartette from Farm Life entertained the assembly for a few minutes.

The first contest on the program was A-grade spelling with Robersonville representing Group I and Bear Grass, Group II. Two girls, Louise Rawls and Winnie Mizell appeared for Robersonville while Annie Cowing and Ralph Mobley carried the flag for the Bear Grass school. For more than a half dozen rounds, there was not a break; and it looked as if both schools were winners. A mistake, generally permissible in spelling but not in contests, was made and Miss Cowing lost her place. Young Mobley held firm for Bear Grass a while longer, but finally tripped. He was soon followed by Miss Rawls when she twisted the letters in a word the wrong way and was counted out by the judges, leaving only Miss Mizell. It was generally conceded by those attending this contest that the art of spelling is not lost and that each of the representatives deserve honors.

Following the spelling contest, twelve girls from the Robersonville school gave a folk drill with songs, which was very good.

The monologue, Si and I, by Miss Marjorie Roebuck was one of the features of the morning session.

Throughout the contests, the representatives of the various schools performed splendidly, each working earnestly to better his school's standard of efficiency. In the Group A schools, Robersonville led with a score of ten points. Sandy Ridge, in the Group B schools, led with nineteen points, the highest score made in the commencement. Cooper followed at close range with fifteen points, in the Class C schools.

The final scores were:

Group A—Jamesville 8 points, winning first place in geography and second in reading; Wendell Peel and Melba Martin represented the school.

Bear Grass 3 points, Ralph Mobley winning second place in spelling.

Williamston eight points, Julia Everett winning first place in the story-telling contest and Pearl Griffin taking second place in arithmetic.

Everetts, eight points; Hattie Roberson first in arithmetic and Sidney Mallory second.

Robersonville, ten points, Winifred Mizell winning in spelling, and Virginia Bailey gaining first place in reading.

Oak City, three points, Samuel Casper winning second place in the story telling contest.

Group B—Sandy Ridge, nineteen points, Sarah Daniel, first place in spelling; Helen Coltrain first in reading; Alton Andrews, second in arithmetic; Warren Cherry, second in the story telling and Alton Andrews second in geography.

Gold Point, eleven points; Oma Fae Whitefield and Fannie Mae Hurst, first in spelling.

Parmele, ten points; Lula M. Roebuck, first in arithmetic and Jessie M. Matthews, first in story telling.

Smith's, six points; Carrie Stalls, second in spelling; Leon Wynn, second in story telling.

Cooper, fifteen points; Mildred Long, first in spelling; Marie Long, first in spelling and Marjorie Jackson first in story telling.

Macedonia, five points; Marie Peel first in geography.

The Kiwanis club, assisted by the parents-teachers' association, prepared lunch for the visitors. Approximately \$360.00 was donated by members of the club and merchants of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Harrison are in Greenville this afternoon attending the funeral of Mr. W. A. Bowen, prominent merchant of that town.

JUDGE SENDS 2 GIRLS TO PRISON

Judge Clayton Moore Presides Over Bank Robbery Trial in Rockingham

For the first time since he was appointed emergency judge, Clayton Moore, in the Richmond County Superior court Wednesday sentenced two young girls to the penitentiary. The girls, Della Black and Essie Foster, were implicated in a bank robbery in Norman February 21, and were given a minimum of one year and a maximum of four years in the penitentiary. Bill Payne, Jack Borden, and Worth Davis, also connected with the Bank of Norman robbery, were sentenced to nine years in the State prison by Judge Moore at the same time.

According to reports from Rockingham, where the trial was held, the court room was completely filled when the case was called. One of the prisoners, suffering from a shattered leg, had to be carried to the bar of justice on a cot. Essie Foster, bludgeoned by a bullet in a gun battle at Newport, Tenn last month, was led into the court room. From a legal standpoint it was questionable whether the two girls could have been convicted for their part in the Norman robbery trial, but the Foster girl is so badly shot that she felt the penitentiary could give her better medical attention than she would receive outside of prison in a friendless world. A plea of guilty was entered by her.

Baptists Announce Sunday's Services

The pastor will be in the pulpit at both services Sunday. Mrs. Warren Biggs will be back at the organ, and Mrs. Harper Holliday will sing.

The Sunday morning's sermon will have for its text, "How can we know the way?" and is found in the fourteenth chapter of John. At the evening hour, which from this time on is 8 o'clock, there will be a baptismal service.

The pastor feels that there are several others who should and probably will, unite with the church Sunday morning. To such he would like to say that it will be convenient for everyone who wants to be baptized to be ready for the Sunday night service. Therefore, the doors of the church will be opened again Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Baptist church was very happy to have so many of the people in Williamston worship with it on East-ward Sunday morning.

The church is also grateful to Mrs. Willie Watts for handling the organ so efficiently in the absence of Mrs. Warren Biggs.

To both of our services Sunday we invite all who care to come.

Durham Contractor Denies Murder Charge

Durham, April 12.—"I'm not guilty. I didn't leave the city of Durham that night, and I don't think there will be any trouble in establishing an alibi." Such were the words of W. H. Lawrence, prominent local contractor, who was arrested Wednesday night by Chief of Durham Police, Walter F. Doby on a warrant sworn out in Chatham county for his arrest for the murder of Mrs. Annie Terry, Durham dressmaker, at Avent's Ferry bridge on the night of March 24.

The murder of Mrs. Terry attracted State-wide attention, and the developments in the case have been eagerly watched. A large number of officers have been working on the case continuously since the murder, March 24, but the first arrest came Wednesday night.

The car belonging to Lawrence was identified by two fishermen who were near the scene when Mrs. Terry pleaded for her life.

Stolen Car Abandoned After Four-Mile Drive

Hardly more than two minutes after Miss Esther Harrison parked her car in front of her home Tuesday night about 8 o'clock, a thief got in it and drove the new Chevrolet down Haughton Street to Main, where he turned and drove through the main part of town. Miss Harrison heard the car leave and ran out just in time to see it turn the corner. Officers were notified and police in neighboring towns were notified, but nothing was heard from the car until an hour later, when it was found in the middle of Watts Street, a few yards from Main.

The car had been driven about four miles and when found the extra tire, motor, and a few other parts were missing.

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