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WATERMELON MARKET TO OPEN AUGUST 10TH

FAISON ENJOYS SUCCESSFUL COTTON ROAD CELEBRATION

Bells screamed, motorcycles roared, horns blew, banners flew, the big brass bands blared forth, and the Cotton Road Motorcade arrived in Faison Tuesday morning.

The visitors in holiday mood went immediately to the colonial home of Mrs. Marshall Williams, where dignitaries gathered on the spacious front porch to address the crowd with ringing praise of North Carolina in general and Duplin County in particular. Hon. R. D. Johnson presented the speakers, among whom were Mrs. Williams, Mayor Owens of Faison, Hon. Henry Stevens, Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott, Carl Goersch, of Raleigh, Brigadier-General McCloskey, of Fort Bragg, and Governor Roper. Most of the speeches were broadcast over NBC network.

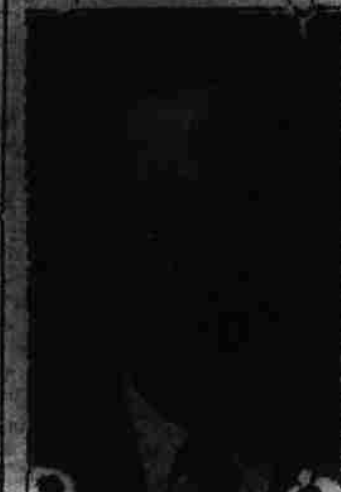
After the speeches and presentation of officials and dignitaries

a representative of the negroes of North Carolina presented, Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw with a large watermelon, bearing a note: "To the next Governor of North Carolina," as a token of their esteem.

Miss Charlotte Williams, granddaughter of Mrs. Marshall Williams, then delighted the assembly with a fine rendition of several old southern songs and an Italian love song.

Officials and just plain spectators answered the invitation to partake of a watermelon feast by streaming forth toward an enormous pile of fine melons on the lawn of Mrs. Williams' home.

As soon as the unfinished business of demolishing the pile of watermelons had been finished, sirens screamed, motorcycles roared, horns blew, banners flew, the big brass bands blared forth, and the Cotton Road Motorcade moved on toward Clinton.



K. C. RANKIN
Secretary of the Lumberton Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

Mr. Rankin (Bob) as he is better known to business men and farmers is supervisor of sales on the Lumberton market. Last season was his first at Lumberton and his efforts were crowned with much success. Bob is a wideawake tobaccoist and is generally credited as being one of the best market supervisors to be found anywhere.

Mr. Rankin is a native of Reidsville, being raised on a farm near that town. For several years he served as secretary of the Reidsville Chamber of Commerce. Before going to Lumberton he served the Whiteville market for one season.

COUNTY BAR COMMENTS JUDGE LUTHER HAMILTON

NORTH CAROLINA DUPLIN COUNTY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Honorable Luther Hamilton, Special Judge of the Superior Court, was assigned to hold the July Criminal Term of Duplin Superior Court.

AND WHEREAS, Judge Hamilton has presided with learning, dignity and dispatch and many cases disposed of, the jail cleared and the work of the Court performed in a highly satisfactory manner. And whereas the Bar feels that the marked ability of Judge Hamilton should be called to the attention of the public and the press.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Bar of Duplin County do now go on record highly commending Judge Hamilton and expressing its appreciation to him for the manner in which he has conducted this term and at the same time thanking the Gov. for having assigned him to hold said term.

Let a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor, one to the press and one to be spread on the minutes of this court.

Unanimously passed by the Bar on this 30th day of July, 1937.

L. A. Beasley
Chairman of the Bar
E. D. Johnson
Secretary of Bar

WARSAW BOY PLACES THIRD IN CONTEST

A public speaking contest was the feature of the day's program at the State Convention of Future Farmers of America, which met in Raleigh Wednesday, July 21. Robert Blackmore, representing this district, known as the Coastal Plain District, took third place out of a field of 8 contestants.

Speaking on the subject, "We the Farmer," young Blackmore built his theme around such important topics as home ownership, the ever-acceleration of price and conservation and soil erosion prevention. He closed by

Bruin Utters His Last Growl

These Beaulieu people don't like to eat the same old thing over and over, at least that is what their actions seem to indicate. They got out Wednesday afternoon and got a bear, cut him up and divided him and the whole community staged a bear feast.

Fact of the matter is they did not have to hunt the bear up. He hunted up a corn field and the owner called Paul Parker of Quinn and Parker's store and asked him to come and do something about it. Mr. Parker and Mr. Bradshaw got their trusty guns, a few dogs, and set about the business of ridding the community of bears.

Chased him all the way down to about two miles below Piney Green, and Mr. Parker shot the daylight out of him. He got the skin and a bear steak for his troubles.

Mr. Parker says that he doesn't know himself, but some say that the bear weighed about 300 pounds. That's right much bear, enough to afford several bear steaks for several people.

It is to be hoped that most of us are satisfied with pork, and are willing to leave bears alone. Sometimes guns don't fire the first time you pull the trigger.

TYPHOID CLINIC DATES GIVEN FOR COUNTY

There will be free clinics for typhoid vaccination held on the following dates at the designated places. Due to vaccinations and other improvements, including better sanitation, Duplin has had only one case of typhoid fever this year. Come get your typhoid vaccinations.

Monday, August 9th, 16th, 23d: P. M.—Hallsville, 1:30; Beaulieu, 2:30; Sarecta, 3:00; Freely Smith's Store, 3:30; Grady school, 4:00; Outlaw school, 5:00; Scott's Store, 5:30.

Tuesday, August 10th, 17th and 24th: A. M.—Warsaw, 10:00; Bowden, 10:30; Faison, 11:30—P. M.—Calypso, 2:00; Beantonus, 3:00; Reeve's Store, 4:00.

Thursday, August 12th, 19th, and 26th: A. M.—Wallace, 9:35; Teachey, 10:30; Rosehill, 11:00; Smith's Store 11:30; Register's Store, 12:00 Noon. P. M.—Magnolia, 2:30; Charity, 3:15; Jerry Teachey's Store, 3:30; Chingupian, 4:30; Jackson's Store, 5:30.

Southerland Clan Hold Reunion in Kenansville

The fifth annual meeting of the Southerland (Sutherland) clan was held in Kenansville at the high school auditorium on Thursday, August 5.

The program began at 11:00 a. m. when President Lawrence Southerland called the meeting to order. After a song and prayer business was taken up and disposed of. A roll call of the family was made, and afterwards the gathering relaxed to enjoy entertainment by talented members of the clan.

The highlight of the program came with lunch, which was enjoyed by all. After lunch the meeting was again called to order for recognition of visitors and out-of-county members followed by another period of entertainment.

The meeting has always been successful, and according to all reports that success will be repeated and improved upon this year.

Important Bumps on Head

Three bumps which are best merely moderate in size, says a physiologist in London Answers Magazine, are those on both sides of the head between the crown and the ears. These embrace optimism, faith, and a love of the beautiful. If too highly developed, they suggest a person content to let things drift, believing that everything will turn out all right without any effort.

To BE-LIEVE or Not To BE-LIEVE

by Hugh Maxwell

YESSIR, boys will be boys! Flavin Williamson, electrician and radio repairman, of Pink Hill, went out to Maxwell's Mill Sunday with a motor he had picked up somewhere, attached it to a boat, and proceeded to send the whole community into ecstatic joy with his antics.

KEPT on 'til night, and probably wouldn't have stopped then if he hadn't slipped in the boat and broken the nails on both big toes.

THEN quietly home and to bed—cussing!

THIS probably shouldn't be told, but it seems too good to keep from you, gentle readers.

LAST week in Superior Court one of our dusky brethren, by name Henry Johnson, was being tried on a charge of breaking and entering and larceny of 43 cents. He plead not guilty.

AN officer took the stand, "Your honor, this boy called to me from a jailhouse window and said that his conscience was hurting him and he wanted to plead guilty to the charge."

"What about that, Henry?" asked the judge.

"I PLEAD guilty, yo honor," Henry retorted, "but not because my conscience hurt me. The bugs in that jail was biting me so bad I wanted to get out even if I had to go to the road."

HE went!

SAW an interesting passage in the Reader's Digest the other day which might be applied to the writing of columns such as this, to wit: "Speeches are like babies, easy to conceive but hard to deliver."

YOU know all these society pages to be found in the Sunday papers. Well—pull your chair up a little closer—just between you and me, don't you think they could find pictures of better-looking girls for us working men to look at on our day off!

AND, by the way, what in the world are people doing still buying so many tobacco flues! Using them for the kitchen stove or something?

Unidentified Car Burns

A Chevrolet sedan, 1934 model, belonging to person or persons unknown, burned on the portion of the Kenansville to Kinston highway in Goshen swamp, about 4 miles from Kenansville, Wednesday night.

The car was found by passers-by about 10:00 at night, burning rapidly. No one was in or about it, the big brass horns blared forth, claimed. The fire seemed to have started in the front end of the car, inside the body.

Willard Westbrook, who runs a filling station nearby, stayed by the car for some time, waiting for the fire to die down enough to allow the car to be moved from the highway. It had been driven partly off the road onto the right shoulder, but the blaring rear end was on the highway. While he was there no person approached the auto who knew how the fire started or to whom it belonged.

Within a mile of the place an unidentified automobile was burned several years ago.

Display Freak Watermelon

A freak of nature in the form of a double watermelon is on display in the window of Loy's Cash Store in Jacksonville. The melon is of the Tom Watson variety, and even though there is just one stem, there are two distinct melons united along one entire side. The combined weight is about 30 lbs. Those who have seen the melon say that it is the only one they have ever seen. John Waters, owner, plans to display the melon at several county and district fairs this fall.