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Farmville Soldier Killed In Air Crash in Japan

Jesse Smith Gay One Of 40 Casualties In May 29 Disaster; Details Of Accident Have Not Been Received Here Yet

Mrs. Archie Cayton and Mrs. Mack Abrams, sisters of Jesse Smith Gay, have received from the war department a terse announcement that their 26-year-old soldier-brother was one of 40 killed in an Army airplane crash in Japan on May 29. Details of the crash were lacking but, if the usual procedure is followed, a letter of explanation will be received as soon as all the circumstances surrounding the death are known in Washington.

Gay had been in the Army since October, 1946, and early in January he was shipped overseas. He had been stationed in Korea. Since he was not attached to the air forces, it is thought he was being transferred.

Mrs. Cayton last Sunday received a letter from her brother that was written May 20, just nine days prior to his untimely death. He made no mention of any impending transfer or change of duty. In his letter, he told her that he had been assigned to kitchen and mess hall duties.

In addition to his two sisters who reside here now, the soldier leaves one brother, Walter Gay, Jr., who is seriously ill in the Veterans' hospital, Fayetteville.

Prior to his entrance into service, Gay was employed by the Farmville Radio Shop.

Kindergarten Class Presents Program

Mrs. Florence Thorne's kindergarten presented its annual program at the high school auditorium, Thursday evening with seven members graduating.

The singing of "Welcome Sweet Springtime" by the graduating class opened the exercises. "Good Evening" was sung after which Alex Allen, Jackie Nolen and Jean Farr spoke. The Juniors assisted the graduates in singing "Kindergarten Bells."

Diplomas were presented to Alex Allen, Pat Bergeron, Jean Farr, Jo Ann Gregg, Hadley Morgan, Linda Murphrey and Jackie Nolen.

Recitations were given with the following taking part: Billy Briley, "My Grandpa;" Noel Lang, "My Dolly;" Edgar Murphrey, "Icecream Man;" Shipley Ryon, "That Nibby Bird" Jo Ann Gregg, "My Dress;" Kay Allen, "The Big Broom;" Pat Bergeron, "The Pie;" Linda Murphrey, "A Cold;" Kay Allen, "My Nap;" Jackie Nolen, "Two Girls;" Linda Murphrey, "Stilts;" Hadley Morgan, "Grandma's Garden;" Jean Farr, "Just a Little Salt."

A playlet entitled "Springtime," in which the children taking the parts of animals and flowers welcomed the queen of spring, concluded the program.

The decorating committees wishes to express its thanks through these columns to the Farmville Furniture Company for the use of rugs and furniture.

Western Union Sets Up New Office Here

Farmville's Chamber of Commerce renders the town another service this week when its office in the old bank building on North Main street becomes headquarters for the Western Union.

Officials of Western Union were unable to locate quarters elsewhere, and the town probably would have been without telegraphic services had not the Chamber of Commerce moved over to make room for the Western Union office.

George R. Smith, Jr., will be in charge of the office this summer.

MISS MARY LEAH THORNE AMONG ST. MARY'S SENIORS

Miss Mary Leah Thorne, daughter of Mrs. John T. Thorne of Farmville and the late Mr. Thorne, was among the 69 seniors who were graduated at St. Mary's School and Junior College, Monday, June 2. A program of religious, educational and social events was presented in the chapel and auditorium during the week end and was attended by relatives and friends of the seniors. Mrs. Thorne and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert E. Hart were among those.

While a student at St. Mary's, Miss Thorne was given national recognition for outstanding marks in French and has been a member and taken part in the following organizations and activities:

Glee club, '46-'47; Sigma Pi Alpha, '47; Christmas pageant, '47; Political Science club, '47; Le Cercle Francais, '47; Sigma.

"The Belles of St. Mary's" the college paper, in its issue of May 30 carries an account of a final recital for voice, piano and violin students in which Miss Thorne took part playing "Prelude in E Minor," by Scriabine.

At The Kiwanis Club

Beginning a series of planned inter-city meetings, the Farmville Kiwanis club, 35-strong, rode over to Tarboro on Tuesday night and met with the Tarboro Kiwanians.

Group singing was enjoyed prior to a delicious supper of ham and accessories. Gene Simmons and "Cousin" Willie Clark were special guests of the Tarboro club.

The meeting was presided over by Marshall Staton, president of the Tarboro club, who called on President Alex Allen to introduce members of his Farmville club.

State Senator L. H. Fountain introduced Tom Pearsall, speaker of the House of Representatives, who gave a comprehensive survey of the recent Legislature. After several humorous anecdotes, the speaker discussed in a serious vein the accomplishments of the recent legislature in regards to education, health, highway safety, alcoholic beverages, etc.

W. C. Harrell Heads Gates County Schools

Former Farmville Teacher And Wife Will Move To Gatesville July 1; He Served As Coach Before And After War

Another member of the Farmville high school faculty steps up in the teaching profession July 1 when W. C. Harrell, who taught and coached in the local school before and after the war, takes over the superintendency of Gates county schools, succeeding Henry Overman who becomes superintendent of the Halifax county system.

A native of Gates, Mr. Harrell was graduated from High Point college in 1938 and came to Farmville in the fall of that year as teacher and coach.

In May, 1942, he entered the Coast Guard and received a commission as ensign four months later. He was placed in command of a submarine chaser and served in that capacity for six months, following which he was assigned to a landing craft as executive officer. While on this ship, he participated in the invasions of Sicily, Salerno and Normandy, landing assault troop on the three beaches on "D" day. After serving overseas 20 months, he returned to the United States and was placed in command of a submarine chaser, remaining in this assignment until he was placed on inactive duty in March of last year. He resumed his work in the Farmville schools last September.

Earlier this year, Mr. Harrell had accepted work in Durham. Both he and Mrs. Harrell were members of the faculty. They and their son, Bill, will move to Gatesville July 1.

The other member of the faculty to land a superintendent's post is Supt. J. H. Moore who goes to Elizabeth City as head of the Pasquotank schools the same time Mr. Harrell assumes his new work.

Mr. and Mrs. R. LeRoy Rollins and son, Robert, left Sunday to attend the Rotary International convention in San Francisco. They will visit points of interest in the West before returning.

Interested Spectators

Two very-much interested visitors at the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners Tuesday night were Roland Lang, Jr., and Walter B. Jones, who in July change from the role of spectator to participant.

Elected to membership on the board, the two will begin their new duties next month.

Town Short-Term Note Brings Low Rate Of Interest

Interstate Securities Corporation Of Charlotte Bids 1 Per Cent And Offers Premium Of $1.56 To $35,000 90-Day Note

That Farmville is considered a good risk financially was indicated again Tuesday morning when the Interstate Securities Corporation of Charlotte entered a bid of one per cent for a $35,000 revenue anticipation note and supplemented its bid with a premium of $1.56. Approved by the Local Government Commission, the sale of the note will cost the town about $85 for the use of $35,000 for 90 days. This is equivalent to .982 per cent interest, an attractive rate for any lender.

Three financial institutions bid on the Farmville note. The Bank of Farmville entered a flat bid of one per cent and missed the purchase by the slim margin of $1.56, the premium offered by the Charlotte corporation. The Branch Banking and Trust Company offered to lend the money for one and one-half per cent interest.

Officials of the town were well pleased with the low interest rate obtained. Short-term notes for the Town of Jackson were sold for two per cent interest and the Cumberland county schools issued $116,000 at a flat one per cent rate.

Cleveland M. Paylor, town clerk, and John B. Lewis, town attorney were present in Raleigh when the bids were opened Tuesday.

Commissioners decided to issue the note when it became apparent that the money on hand would not be sufficient to meet the costs of the street improvement program. Payments on street paving assessments, which become due July 1, will enable the town to repay the loan.

FARMVILLE GIRL JOINS BONNER'S OFFICE STAFF

Miss Anne Jones left Sunday for Washington, D. C., to join the staff of Representative Herbert C. Bonner of the First district.

Miss Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Jones of Farmville, is a graduate of Peace College, Raleigh, and Marjorie Webster Business College, Washington, D. C. For the past year she has been employed by the Farmville Leaf Tobacco Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones accompanied their daughter to Washington.

FLY TO INDIANAPOLIS RACES

A. J. Melton and son, Allie, flew to Indianapolis, Ind., Thursday to attend the 500-mile speedway classic. Leaving Wilson at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, they reached Indianapolis at 8 in the evening. They left Indianapolis Saturday morning and were back at home by 2:30 that afternoon.

Farmville Man is Pioneer Type Setting Machine Operator

Waverley C. Holston of Farmville, the kind of fellow who can work for one man part of the year and with a competitor the rest of the time without straining friendships, is one of the pioneer operators of type-setting machines, the intricate pieces of mechanism which make modern newspapers and magazines possible.

Starting as an apprentice back in the days when type-setting machines were few and far between, and very crude in comparison with the streamline models which grace newspaper plants nowadays, Wave developed with the machine, becoming more and more proficient until, as Mrs. Holston puts it, "operating a linotype machine comes as natural to him as breathing."

With the exception of the times he has answered SOS's from The Enterprise and helped out in emergencies, Wave has not been active as an operator since 1941. As a matter of fact, he would have "come back to the country" earlier but the depression forced him back into the trade which, incidentally, ranks at the top insofar as wages are concerned.

There was no adhesive power in the ink he got on his fingers at an early age. During the years he worked at the trade, he and Mrs. Holston resided at various times in practically every town between Baltimore and Texas. A written account of his experiences would make a "best seller." For instance, he worked several months in a Texas oil town which had boomed overnight from a mere village to a city with more than 50,000 inhabitants. He entered the oil business, too, selling stock at handsome profits until the boom, like most others, burst. Then, there was the time he taught a Sunday School class (one Sunday only!) in a rural section of Alabama. He says he attended as a visitor, going primarily to furnish transportation for some of the neighbors. Drafted to take charge of the class, he insists it was because he was the only one in the group who could read, not because he looked or acted like one who could give a learned discourse on ecclesiastical subjects.

During the course of a 12-month period, Wave now holds three different jobs, none of which is closely related to the mechanical phase of newspaper work or printing. From early May until the markets open, he is primarily interested in a tobacco crop. In the marketing season, he works with Monk's Warehouse. From December until May, he sells mules in Fountain with John Fountain who, incidentally, is one of the operators of Farmers Warehouses, competitor to Wave's bosses during the selling period.

Wave's home was in South Carolina but he knows, and is known by, so many people in this section that one finds it difficult to realize he hasn't lived here all his life. But Farmville has a way of making people feel they "belong here."

Since Wave is friendly as a June morning, it was inevitable that somewhere along the way he would become interested in politics. While he has never been a candidate himself, he has been called upon to use his influence with his wide circle of ac-

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Vacation Bible Schools Begin Here Monday

The Bell Arthur Methodist church will hold its annual Vacation Bible school beginning Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Four ministerial students from Duke University—Rev. C. T. Miller, Jr., of W. Va., Rev. Robert Howard of Alabama, Rev. Milton Robinson of Texas and Rev. Pete Spitzkeit of Louisiana—will lead the school, assisted by local ladies. The school lasts one week.

The new church bus will start out on its route at 8:15 each morning to pick up all children, who do not have other means of transportation.

Revival services will be held the same week, in the evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Wade Golston of Evansdale will preach and Rev. Spitzkeit will have charge of the singing.

Starting at 7:15, the bus each evening will follow its regular route in taking members to and from church.

Farmville Methodist

Vacation Bible school at the Farmville Methodist church will open Monday morning. Hours will be from 9 to 11 o'clock, daily through Friday. The theme is "Discovering God in the Universe."

Workers in the school are: director, Miss Bettie Joyner; beginners' department, Mrs. Allen Darden, Mrs. T. E. Joyner, Jr.; primary, Mrs. L. P. Thomas, Mrs. Ed Nash Warren; junior, Mrs. S. T. Lewis, Mrs. Claude Tyson; intermediate, Rev. E. R. Clegg, Miss Betsy Morriss; music, Miss Elizabeth Lang; recreation, Mrs. Marvin Speight, Miss Jane Turnage.

Farmville Presbyterian

Opening Monday morning at 9 o'clock, the Presbyterian Vacation Bible school continues through the week.

Wesley

Beginning June 9, the Wesley Community church will have its Bible school at 4 o'clock each afternoon. The four Duke students who are working in this community will help with the school.

Activities Of Local Church Organizations

Baptist

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" was sung to open the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, Monday afternoon, with Mrs. J. R. Shearin presiding. Miss Annie Perkins, who had charge of the devotional, read Psalm 96, adding that it fits into a universal religion and stresses human redemption and divine glory.

Mrs. G. D. Hathaway spoke about "American Negroes," after which Mrs. Shearin led in a closing prayer.

Hostesses for the social hour which followed were Mrs. S. A. Roebuck, Mrs. J. C. Parker, Mrs. H. D. Johnson, Mrs. J. W. Miller, Mrs. W. A. McAdams, Mrs. W. J. Rasberry, Mrs. A. B. Moore and Mrs. J. R. Shearin. Punch, cakes, sandwiches, pickles and olives were passed.

Christian

Mrs. B. Edison Moore and Mrs. Z. B. T. Cox, program leaders, discussed "Walking India's Road" at the Woman's Council, Monday afternoon. The devotional study, "And a Highway Shall Be There and a Way," was led by Mrs. Clarence and Mrs. Howard Moye.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. Z. M. Whitehurst, vice president, presided, and announced the opening hymn as "Blessed Assurance."

After the council benediction, the members were invited out to the lawn where punch, sandwiches and cookies were served.

Episcopal

Mrs. T. S. Ryon was hostess to the Episcopal Auxiliary, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Jack Lewis, educational secretary, announced that the study for the summer would be lepers; she presented an article "American Mission to the Lepers" as an introduction to the study.

The members agreed to meet only once a month during the summer. Mrs. G. Alex Rouse read a letter from Mrs. Gower thanking the group for taking part on the program at the district meeting, May 22, and Miss Helen Smith, president, gave a summary of this meeting.

Mrs. Will Jones, Jr., was appointed to send news of the parish to the "Mission Herald." The group voted to send another box of clothing and food for overseas relief.

Miss Smith had charge of the opening exercises of prayer followed by the creed and scripture reading. She adjourned the meeting with prayer.

The hostess served iced fruit drinks, pimento cheese sandwiches, ham biscuits and salted nuts.

Methodist

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met in the church, Monday afternoon, with Mrs. Alton Bobbitt presiding. Plans to serve supper to the men's Bible class, Thurday night, to have each circle take turns in furnishing refreshments for the Daily Vacation Bible school which starts June 9, and to have a Youth Fellowship week, June 23-27 were discussed.

After the opening hymn, Miss Bettie Joyner gave the devotional Mrs. L. E. Walston, continuing the study of children, spoke about "Children and the Law."

In New Home

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Candler have the distinction of being the first to occupy one of the new "GI" homes in Victory Park. They moved in the Flanagan home early this week.

The Candlers are new-comers to Farmville, having moved here from Henderson. He is manager of the Farmville Auto Sales Company.

Several of the other homes are nearing completion and the owners are anxiously awaiting the day when they can join the Candlers in having a place of their own.

Rev. Z. B. T. Cox Speaker Sunday At Memorial Services

Songs, a prayer by C. F. Baucom, and a brief tribute by Rev. Z. B. T. Cox, a former Army chaplain, and the decoration of the graves of deceased veterans were included in the Memorial day exercises Sunday afternoon at Forest Hill cemetery. The American Legion and the Auxiliary sponsored the service.

Rev. Cox stated, "We are here today to pay tribute to those men and women who died that we may live. We owe them a debt. This debt is written in our memories and cannot be erased. It must be paid.

"We must work without ceasing to the end that the peace in their hearts may be real. This will call for unselfishness on our part. We cannot fail them. They gave their all; now let us give our best for peace and freedom."

Merchants Vote To Retain Present Hours

The Board of Directors of the Farmville Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association met in regular session on Tuesday afternoon.

The financial statement was discussed and adopted. The trade and commerce committee reported on the plan for the Farmville Bargain Days to be held here on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

The report on the poll of retail merchants as to closing on Saturdays at 6 o'clock and on the basis of the poll it was recommended that the hours remain at 7 o'clock.

Sec. Sam Bundy brought to the attention of the board the annual Merchants' Association Convention to be held in Raleigh on June 16 and 17. Any member of the association is privileged to attend.

Miss Annie Perkins Had Birthday Tuesday

Numerous friends called Tuesday to extend birthday felicitations and carry gifts to Miss Annie Perkins. A veteran educator, "Miss Annie," as she is known to hundreds of former pupils, retired last year after 50 years of service to the schools in this section.

Tuesday was typical of the days "Miss Annie" devotes to serving the community. Most of the morning was taken up with teaching Bible school; in the afternoon she attended a church meeting and that evening she was one of the hostesses to the circle of the Baptist church which bears her name.

The Enterprise proudly adds its names to the list of those who wish "Miss Annie" many more happy birthdays.

C. L. Ivey, Sr., and C. L. Ivey, Jr., attended a meeting of the Home Security Life Insurance agents in Durham, Friday.

Pitt-Greene REA Holds Annual Meet Tomorrow

At The Rotary Club

Charlie Fitzgerald had charge of the Rotary club program Tuesday night and presented Irvin Morgan, Jr., who introduced the guest speaker, Stuart Carr of Greenville. Mr. Carr presented to the club the idea of a new Pitt county hospital, which would cost $900,000, divided equally between Federal, state and county governments.

Mr. Carr explained that in order for this to be accomplished the Commissioners of Pitt county would have to call a special election on issuing $300,000 in bonds for the proposed 142-bed hospital. Since many of the members were hearing this proposal for the first time, they were reluctant to express an opinion. Others, who had given the idea much thought and consideration, freely expressed their ideas on the hospital.

All agreed that we need more hospital facilities to care for the sick of Pitt county but different views prevailed as to the best method of getting the hospital.

The club was glad to have as its guests the Bell Arthur school board. John Lewis introduced Mark Smith, Chester Worthington, G. R. Gurganus, Oscar Erwin and Paul Rasberry. Mr. Worthington and Mr. Smith made short talks.

Marvin V. Jones and Oscar G. Spell were given the club's official welcome to membership and were presented with the Rotary pin.

Robert Rouse received the attendance prize.

Douglas Jones Picked For E. C. T. C. Honor

Announcement was made at commencement exercises Monday morning at East Carolina Teachers college that Douglas Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel R. Jones of Farmville, is this year's winner of the John B. Christenbury Memorial award presented annually at the college to an outstanding student-athlete.

Jones has served for the past two years as president of the Varsity club at the college. For several seasons he has been a member of the basketball and tennis teams at East Carolina.

He has taken part in other student activities also. He is a member of the Varsity club, the Veterans club, and Phi Sigma Pi, national honorary educational fraternity for men students. As vice chairman of the men's judiciary, he served in one of the key positions of the government association on the campus.

This year Jones was one of a small group of students chosen to represent the college in the nationally-known publication "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

As a student Jones is specializing in mathematics and science. He is a graduate of Farmville high school.

'GI' Homes Boost May Building Permit Totals

Building permits issued by the Town of Farmville during the month of May totaled $21,430 and consisted chiefly of the new homes which former servicemen are constructing in Victory Park and elsewhere about the town.

The permits follow:

Howard M. Allen, residence, $2,000; John T. Walston, residence and private garage, $2,500; J. T. Windham, residence, $2,000; W. E. Hardy, residence and private garage, $3,400; H. C. Outland, residence, $2,000; Farmville Oil and Fertilizer Co., storage garage, $500; T. C. Turnage, Jr., residence, $2,000; Joe Blount, repairs to porches, $80; Arthur F. Joyner, addition of room and general repairs, $900; Daniel Tyson, residence, $500 Edward Nichols, private garage and utility room, $250; J. M. Gibbs, residence and private garage, $2,900; Herbert M. Moore, residence, $2,000.

Reports Of Officers And Election Of Three Directors Are Important Items On Agenda; Merchants Donate Prizes

The annual meeting of the Pitt and Greene Electric Membership Corporation, more generally known and referred to as the REA, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Farmville town hall.

Among the important items scheduled for action by the organization, whose membership rolls now contain more than 1500 names, are the election of three directors and receiving reports from officers, directors and committees.

Sam D. Bundy, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, will be the principal speaker and will welcome the visitors to Farmville. Merchants and business firms have made special plans for the REA members.

Present officers and directors of the corporation are: J. Lee Tugwell, Farmville, route 2, president; Seth Barrow, Farmville, route 1, secretary; O. L. Erwin, Farmville, route 2, W. C. Hinson, Walstonburg, route 2, J. E. Mewborn, Snow Hill, route 2, E. E. Nethercutt, Snow Hill, route 2, and J. C. Parker, Fountain, route 1, directors. Mr. Hinson has tendered his resignation on account of ill health. His term expires this year and the committee on nominations has nominatd Sam V. Tugwell for a two-year term. Mr. Tugwell's selection is subject to approval by the membership. Directors re-nominated for additional two-year terms are Mr. Nethercutt and Mr. Erwin, subject to the membership's approval.

Donated by merchants of Farmville and Fountain, prizes will be awarded at the annual meeting. The practical and valuable gifts, with the name of the donors, follow: Western Auto Associate Store, electric fan; The Turnage Company, (prize to be announced later); Economy Auto Supply Company, electric toaster; Southern Supply Company, electric clock; Farmville Furniture Company, electric lamp; Manning Refrigeration and Electric Service, electric broilmaster; Centre Hardware Company, hot plate; Miselle Electric Company, electric toaster; J. B. Company, Fountain, electric iron; R. A Fountain and Sons, Fountain, electric heating pad.

During its short history, the membership has staged a phenomenal growth. An additional 1000 subscribers are waiting to have their names added to the rolls as soon as the town's power plant is enlarged and materials are available.

William Owens Is Crowned Health King

William Owens, of the Farmville Community club, and Pauline Robinson, of the Bell Arthur Senior club, were crowned county seniors king and queen of health in an impressive ceremony Thursday night in the armory at Greenville.

The junior winners were Wesley Manning of the Belvoir club and Marcelene Deal of the Falkland junior club.

Dr. D. L. Moore, Greenville physician who had been very cooperative in making examinations to determine which of the 4-H club members were entitled to reign as king and queen of health, officiated at the ceremony. Dr. Moore made a very impressive talk praising 4-H club members for their health work.

L. R. Harrill, State 4-H club leader, was present for the coronation exercises and made an interesting talk on "Health as a part of 4-H club work."

Kings and queens of the individual clubs in the county were attendants to the king and queen. Each club was represented in the health pageant by ambassadors of good health who brought gifts of good health to the king and queen. These gifts included fresh meats and vegetables, fresh air and sunshine, eggs, milk, and implements of cleanliness.

The girls 4-H Dress Review followed the health coronation exercises, with the winners from the individual clubs entering the dress review. First prize in the senior group went to Hazel Garris of the Lang's club, with honorable mention going to Shirley Rose Buck of the Chicod club. In the junior group first prize was won by Ruth Carol Vandiford of the Fountain Junior club, with Jean Moore of the Lang's Community club receiving honorable mention. Hazel Garris, winner of the senior group, will compete in the state contest during 4-H club week in August. The winner of the State contest will receive a free trip to the National 4-H Congress to be held in Chicago in December.

Judges in the dress review were Mrs. F. F. Hendrix, home economics teacher in Bell Arthur school, and Mrs. R. C. Pippen, former farm home agent in Martin county.

Miss Margaret Smith is leaving Saturday night for New York city on a buying trip for Belk-Tyler Co.

Local Merchants Featuring Special Bargain Day Prices

Farmville merchants are this week end cooperating in the sponsorship of a trade promotion event which they hope will induce more persons in surrounding neighborhoods to make this town their shopping headquarters. Heading the work is Sam D. Bundy, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and the committee on trade promotion and special events, of which Ernest N. Petteway is chairman.

Five thousand advertising circulars have been distributed in neighboring towns and on rural routes which branch out from those sections toward Farmville. Special invitations were included in the notices of the annual REA meeting which went out last week to that organization's 1500 subscribers. Word has certainly gotten around that Thursday, Friday and Saturday are Bargain Days in Farmville.

Merchants are taking care of their end of the program by offering real bargains, and many of them have cut to the cost point on some items.

Persons in rural sections have less money now than at any time of the year but one of the reasons for sponsoring the event at this particular time was to stimulate business in the off season and get people in the habit of coming to Farmville.

The bargains are here and the people have had ample opportunity to know about them. If they don't take advantage of them, Farmville merchants don't know what else they could do to insure the success of the bargain days, unless as one business man stated, "we lend them the money to make the purchase."