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## Premium Books Of Rocky Mount Fair Are Ready

PRIZE MONEY FOR NASH AND  
EDGEcombe ENTRANTS WILL  
TOTAL \$1,500; FAIR LATER IN  
THIS YEAR

Raleigh, Aug. 6.—Premium books are now available to exhibitors who desire to enter competition at the Rocky Mount fair, according to an announcement made today by Norman Y. Chambliss, general manager of the North Carolina Fair Operating Company.

Prize money will total \$1,500, an increase of \$250 over last year's total premiums, and will be limited strictly to residents of Nash and Edgecombe counties. Premium books will be available at the fairgrounds office of the resident manager, E. J. Gordon.

Plans for the Rocky Mount fair, which will be held the week of November 2, are rapidly rounding into shape. Heretofore, the exposition has opened the last week in September. The date this year was moved back to enable farmers to devote more time to their exhibits and indications are that a fine array of farm products will greet visitors to the Rocky Mount fair.

In charge of the agricultural exhibits is Mrs. E. J. Gordon, Nash County home demonstration agent. K. H. McIntyre of Red Oak is manager of the vocational agriculture exhibit, always a popular display at the fair.

Tuesday of fair week has been designated as the day for school children of Nash and Edgecombe counties. Children will be admitted to the grounds without charge. The day also will be observed as farmers' homecoming day, under sponsorship of the Farm Federation Bureau of Nash County.

## Vote This Week On Grading

Announcement has been made that the dates of tobacco grading referendum on the Oxford flue-cured tobacco market has been set for August 3 to August 8. The farmers selling tobacco in the season of 1935-36 are entitled to vote in this referendum and if two-thirds of the votes are for the referendum, compulsory grading will be free of charge to either the warehousemen or the farmer.

Only one vote will be allowed to the producer in the state and it is my advice to the farmers to vote on the market where he sells the majority of his tobacco. The referendum has not been called for the local markets but will be called in the next few years and if a farmer votes on the Oxford market he cannot vote on any other market and I think that farmers should give their support either for or against the compulsory grading on his home market when the referendum is called for that particular market.

Miss Dorothy Saunders and Miss Elizabeth Brantley returned Friday night from Virginia Beach where they spent several days.

## County Schools To Open Early

Supt. L. S. Inscoe Announces:

Opening of Nash County schools has been set by the board of education for Monday, September 7, for white schools and Monday, September 14, for colored schools.

The tobacco crop will apparently be harvested by early September and the cotton crop is generally late and will probably not be open enough to pick before late September or early October. The period between the tobacco and cotton seasons is generally about the best attendance period for the school year.

The earlier date for opening this year will put schools out in April if there is no bad weather to necessitate closing of schools as was the case last winter. Farmers generally express themselves as needing their children more during the early part of May than any other time in the year, with the possible exception of a week or two in October at the height of the cotton picking season.

## Lion's Festival Dates Announced

Dates for the four entertainment programs to be sponsored in Spring Hope this fall by the Lions Club have been announced by Hobart Brantley, president of the club here.

The first of the cultural features will appear in Spring Hope October 30, the Di Crosta-Ferrari musicians. "Musical Moments" will be presented by Andrew Di Costa and Lenora Ferrari, who are accomplished musicians on a variety of instruments.

The Cutler-Griffin Company will make the second appearance of the series November 6. In their repertory two ladies and a gentleman will present a melodious program of piano, violin and vocal music.

The third program will introduce an interesting speaker who has a subject for today's audiences Elwood T. Bailey, social economist and manager of the San Diego Exposition, will speak on the topics, "Full Speed Ahead" and "Knee Deep in Opportunity."

A three-act comedy will be the last of the presentations, November 20. An accomplished cast will present "Cricket", a play modern in spirit.

The Lions Club has secured these artists from the Collins Management Services of Rochester, New York. The Lions have undertaken the project for the purpose of bringing to Spring Hope popular entertainment of the better sort, in the belief that people of the community appreciate cultural diversion and will support the Lions' Entertainment Festival.

## Births

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Savage of Rocky Mount announce the birth of a son, William McDonald, July 30 at Sanatorium Hospital. Mrs. Savage formerly was Miss Mackie Lee Price of Selma.

## State Farmers' Conventions Are Praised By Bunn

C. S. BUNN OF SPRING HOPE  
ROUTE 1, DELEGATE TO CON-  
VENTION AT STATE, ADVISES  
ATTENDANCE

The annual Farmers Convention was held at State College on July 27 through July 31 and there were approximately 2000 farmers and farm women at this convention and a very interesting program was given for both men and women. Nash County had quite a few women present at this convention and one man for the entire week.

We had seven representatives present on Thursday at which time a permanent State Farm the tobacco situation was discussed. Bureau was organized at which time Mr. J. E. Winslow was elected State President and Mr. W. F. Woodruff from Avenon community of Nash County was elected Vice-President and E. F. Arnold was elected State Secretary.

A State Tobacco Advisory Committee was elected and resolutions adopted to support the National Soil Conservation Program and to enact compact legislation for the control of tobacco production. Mr. J. B. Watson, Regional Director, from Washington headed the discussion at the tobacco meeting. Each day at the convention a program was carried out with various prominent speakers along all the phases of agriculture.

Mr. C. S. Bunn of Spring Hope R1, the only male delegate from Nash made the statement that the farmers' convention was well worth the time any farmer would spend attending this convention and that every farmer should try to attend this convention annually. He stated that all discussions on all phases of agriculture in N. C. fitted in with the present Soil Conservation Program and that it is his belief if the farmers of N. C. would adopt a sound method of diversified agriculture that the need of control programs would be reduced.

I hope that it will be possible to change the dates of this convention so that the farmers in eastern Carolina can attend either before or after housing their tobacco crop.

J. S. Sugg,  
County agent.

## Auto Accident

J. B. Weaver of Rich Square was injured, though not seriously, Saturday night when the car he was driving ran off the highway and smashed into a concrete wall six feet below.

Weaver was returning from Raleigh about 10 o'clock when the accident occurred. He was treated for injuries to his head and arm in Nashville.

Indicted for reckless driving, he was fined \$25.00 and cost.

## UDC To Meet

U. D. C. will have its regular meeting Tuesday, August 11, with Mrs. Lizzie Brantley at 4 o'clock. All members are invited to be present.

## Amateur and Beauty Contests Announced

### Farm Notes

BY T. H. LeCROY

The 1936 crop of flue-cured tobacco is estimated at 662 million pounds. This may be compared with a 1928-32 average of 680 million pounds and a 1935 crop of a little over 800 million pounds.

Considerable damage has been done to the tobacco crop in general this year by diseases and insects. While some common diseases and insects have not been so prevalent, some of the less common have been found on many farms in this section.

The most common disease found in large quantities this year is what is known as sore-shank which causes the tobacco stalk to rot off at the ground. This disease is associated largely with wet weather. Suggested control measures for next year's crop are; use new beds and new canvass, have well-drained beds and well-drained rows in the field, use none or very little stable manure, and most important of all, rotate tobacco to another field if possible.

A very common insect has been found in large quantities on tobacco on Mr. J. A. Davis' farm of the Taylors Cross Roads community. The insect, small fly-like in appearance, produces young which look like plant lice and suck the leaves of the tobacco. The damage is done by leaving numerous specks on the leaves and sucking the leaf until the quality is considerably lowered. A specimen of this tobacco was sent to specialists at Raleigh and they report that the insect is called Tobacco Suck Fly. The insect has been found in no part of the tobacco belt except in Nash county. Suggested control is the use of a 2 per cent rotenone dust.

Many farmers fail to keep Irish potatoes from rotting every year. All the work of growing and harvesting is lost when they are allowed to rot in storage. Two fundamental principles must be considered in storing Irish potatoes. They are even moisture and even temperature conditions. The drying period is important and the place where they are placed first must be well ventilated and dry. After they are dry, or when the skin fails to peel when rubbed with the finger nail, they should be placed in a cool place where too much drying will not take place and where they will be protected from winter freezing. They can be hilled the same way that sweet potatoes are hilled. Or a shallow pit can be dug, the potatoes put in, a thick layer of dry straw put on and then covered with about three inches of dirt and another three inches just before time for freezing weather. Surface water should be drained away from the pit, but do not put

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### Winners To Get Audition; Trips

BAPTIST LADIES AID CON-  
DUCTS THREE CONTESTS OF  
TALENT AND BEAUTY; MER-  
CHANTS TO SPONSOR COUNTY  
WIDE CONTESTS

Spring Hope will be entertained by a parade of talent and beauty August 14, in the form of a beauty pageant, an amateur contest and a Shirley Temple Contest for young children by the Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist Church.

The winner of the beauty contest, which is open to all girls in Nash County, will receive a trip with expenses paid to compete in the state-wide beauty contest among county contest winners. Winner of the amateur contest receives expenses paid while at a state amateur contest and will be given a free radio audition. The winner of the Shirley Temple contest, which is conducted to select the most attractive young child, will be crowned "Little Miss Shirley Temple" and will receive a Shirley Temple dress.

All three contests are open to residents of Nash County.

Persons who wish to enter any of the contests may notify Mrs. R. L. Pitts, Mrs. A. F. May, or Mrs. L. T. Bartholomew immediately. Girls who enter the beauty contest and children who compete for the title of Shirley Temple will find it to their advantage to register early. The contestants in these two pageants will be individually sponsored by merchants of Spring Hope and the vicinity.

The following rules have been announced for the beauty contest:

1. Entrants must be between the ages of 14 and 25.
2. Evening, afternoon or sport clothes may be worn, but clothing is not a point on which contestants will be judged. Bathing suits and other abbreviated costumes are not allowed.
3. Three out-of-town judges will make the decisions.
4. No local winner may participate in another beauty contest within five years from the date of her election. No state winner may compete again for ten years.

Any little girl of suitable age in Nash County is eligible to enter the Shirley Temple contest. The only qualification for the amateur contest is to possess some ability or talent which might please an audience. It is open to any resident of Nash County.

Merchants will be wise to make their choices of contestants in the beauty show and Shirley Temple contest early, to get the representatives they prefer. Each merchant may sponsor one contestant in each of the two contests.

Mrs. F. E. Squires of Livonia, N. Y., accompanied Miss Frances Daniels home from New York.