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School Children Free At Fair

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Clyde A. Erwin, has notified all county and city school superintendents that school children will be admitted free to the State Fair on Friday, October 18, up until 5 o'clock P. M., when accompanied by parents or in a group accompanied by a teacher. If the teacher accompanies a large group of students, the teacher will be admitted free also.

Mr. Erwin advises that there is no provision in the law permitting the granting of a holiday for attending the State Fair. However, he expressed the hope that the school children will be able to attend.

Schoolmasters Or Edgemcombe Meet

Edgemcombe Teachers Meet At South Edgemcombe—Gresham Talks

Tarboro, Oct. 9.—The Edgemcombe Schoolmasters club held an interesting meeting in the South Edgemcombe school Monday night with an attractive program of entertainment.

The principal address was delivered by Prof. N. E. Gresham, Edgemcombe superintendent of education, who discussed the character of school work that is to be done in the county. He reviewed the work done in the past and pointed out the program for the future, stressing the need for diligent efforts on the part of the teachers in order to have success with the work. The teachers should cooperate in every way with the patrons in school work in order to achieve the best results. Prof. Gresham asked the cooperation of the teachers in securing exhibits for the Coastal Plain fair. He said that the state has suffered on account of so many teachers resigning. The state needs the best teachers in school work.

"Let us make our best efforts to improve our work," he declared. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Prof. J. G. Pezzer, president; S. A. Bowden, vice president; Mrs. Maud Griffin, secretary-treasurer.

The club will meet at West Edgemcombe school in November. Letters of appreciation of their work will be sent to Prof. Gaston Walston, Daughtridge, and Miss Alice Outland, who resigned. Former Superintendent J. A. Abernathy will receive greetings from the club and best wishes for his success in his new field of work. The home economics class was thanked for the elegant supper that was served.

Solons Expenses Are Not Pleasing

Many Teachers And Principals Do Not Like Lobbying Activity Of Warren

The fact that the North Carolina Education association paid a professional lobbyist \$5,200 in fees and expenses for four months work during the recent session of the general assembly—about twice as much as the average teacher gets for teaching the eight months term—has not proved very pleasing to many teachers and principals ever since this fact became known. In addition to paying this \$5,200 to former State Senator Stover P. Dunnagan of Rutherford county, home county of State Superintendent of Public Instruction Clyde A. Erwin for lobbying for measures desired by Erwin and the education association, the association also paid the hotel and "entertainment" bills of two other lobbyists, it was admitted by Jule B. Warren, executive secretary of the education association before a meeting of county school principals in a nearby county, according to reliable reports heard here today.

It is understood that the bills paid for "entertainment" as submitted by lobbyists included some expenditures for liquor used in winning and dining some of the members of the general assembly. At least, when questioned by several school principals as to whether these bills included any expenditures for liquor, it is understood that Warren agreed that it probably did include some such expenditures. But when he was asked if he could say just exactly how much of the association's funds contributed by underpaid principals and teachers had been expended in buying liquor for lobbyists, it is understood that Warren replied that these expenditures were not itemized with the result that he could not say what the "expenses" listed included.

It is also understood that number of these principals asked Warren to tell in detail just what good resulted from the employment of Dunnagan as a lobbyist and what he had accomplished and that Warren had rather a difficult time answering these questions.

A member of the 1935 assembly here today, when asked how much good Dunnagan accomplished, said that in his opinion his work was "not worth five cents."

Senator J. H. Lewis of Illinois, is seriously ill in Moscow.

Thos. W. Fenner Passes At Home

Was Former Corporation Commission Auditor; Funeral In Scotland Neck

Thomas W. Fenner, 81, former auditor of the State Corporation Commission, died at his home here, 214 New Bern Avenue, yesterday afternoon. Funeral services will be conducted at 3 o'clock this afternoon in Scotland Neck.

A native of Scotland Neck, Mr. Fenner was born on November 4, 1853, the son of the late William and Annie Marie Smith Fenner. Most of his life was spent in Scotland Neck, where he was for several terms register of deeds of Halifax County.

In 1909, Mr. Fenner was appointed by Governor Kitchin as clerk of the State Prison and moved to Raleigh. He left the prison post to serve as city tax collector under Mayor James I. Johnson and later became auditor of the Corporation Commission, a post he held for several years.

Mr. Fenner had been in poor health for some time.

Surviving are his widow, a son, Paul Fenner of Raleigh, two daughters, Mrs. E. L. Baker of Summerville, and two grand children, Thomas Fenner Baker and Sarah Baker.

A life-long member of the Episcopal church, Mr. Fenner had been a member of the congregation of Christ church since coming to Raleigh. Service today will be conducted at the Scotland Neck Episcopal church by the Rev. Benjamin Brodie, rector, and burial will be in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers will be W. B. Drake, W. L. Long, R. V. Mason and Commissioner of Agriculture William A. Graham, all of Raleigh; W. E. Smith Isaac H. Smith and Stewart Smith, all of Scotland Neck and Dr. Edgar Norfleet of Roxobel.

There will be no services at the home here today, but relatives and friends who attend the services from Raleigh will meet there at noon.

McDONALD ANSWERS CRITICISM BY HANES

Candidate For gubernatorial Nomination Hits At Special Privileges

SPEAKS AT HIGH POINT

High Point, Oct. 9.—An answer to the assault of Robert M. Hanes on new deal policies made in a speech to Civitans in Winston-Salem last Friday night was essayed Tuesday by Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, member of the North Carolina general assembly, speaking before the same organization in High Point.

"Some liberalism against reactionaries" was the way McDonald lined up Roosevelt and his followers against what he called "entrenched privileges."

"And the battleground is in North Carolina" declared Dr. McDonald. "The same old guard which has enjoyed special privilege at the cost of the general welfare for so long that they now think it is theirs as a matter of right, now fighting Mr. Roosevelt's policies, are being favored in its state by the administration that placed the sales tax upon us."

Mr. McDonald didn't once mention the fact that he was running for the Democratic nomination for governor. Civitan rules do not permit campaigning speeches in its hall but he did get around to saying that when deciding time comes in North Carolina he hoped the might of liberalism, partially cradled within its boundaries, will rise up in its strength and assert itself.

"One of the best proofs of the fact that business is recovering," said Dr. McDonald, referring to the Hanes speech in Winston-Salem, "is to find the patient railing against his physician. Radicalism was growing apace when Roosevelt went into office," he said. "This was no accident. The underprivileged put into that class by the grasping few who are now the reactionaries fighting Roosevelt; were in a desperate situation when he tried anything. Roosevelt by his policies of restoring the buying power to the common man and promoting the general welfare has made this dangerous tendency unnecessary and radicalism is no longer a threat to our peace. What is left is the reactionary, who has plenty of powerful spokesmen not away off somewhere but within our own borders and favored by the Ehringhaus-Graham-Hoey machine against the san liberalism of Mr. Roosevelt."

"Hoover could have found no better way to help the bondholders than did our own state administration which has accumulated a surplus of \$20,000,000 in the state treasury for their benefit and at the same time cut the operating expenses of schools and other institutions beyond that which has been done in any other civilized state," he said.

ADMITTS WRECKING TRAIN

Bloomington, Ill.—Charles Longley, garage mechanic, admitted to officers that in 1934 he caused the wreck of a freight train, explaining that he couldn't live a Christian life without admitting his crime. Alton railroad officials intimated that no action would be taken against the man.

DRAINS ALL WELLS

Warroad, Minn.—When the town drilled a central well, tapping an artesian water supply, residents discovered the other wells had gone dry.

Business gains are reported by large utility companies.

Rocky Mt. Fair Biggest Ever

Rocky Mount's annual October exposition, recognized for the past two years as one of the six best in the State, is again being prepared for a record making week October 21 to 26, when State Fair features will be paraded before thousands of visitors.

Evenly balanced with educational and recreational features, the event this year will offer the full range of farm, home and industrial displays, as well as entertainment attractions coming from many of America's major state and district expositions.

For the first time in a number of years harness racing will be a feature on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Fair officials have joined hands with nine other North Carolina events to offer horsemen combined purses totaling \$20,000, and entry rolls will be congested with fast trotters and pacers.

Championship AAA auto races, sponsored by the famous Hankinson Speedways, will attract many of America's most noted dirt track and speedway kings on Saturday afternoon, October 26.

Night show entertainment will center around the presentations of George A. Hamid's "Sensation of 1935," a colorful open air musical extravaganza to be produced each evening on a huge portable, revolving stage in front of the grandstand. Augmented by 10 circus and hippodrome acts and climaxed by fireworks, more than 50 people will take part in the revue.

On the midway the World of Mirth Shows, the nation's largest portable amusement park, will present half a hundred major carnival rides and shows. A headline feature will be Ripley's "Believe it or not" Odditorium, where Captain Ringman Hach and other human curiosities will be seen.

Furniture Co. Holds Contest

During this week the Enterprise Furniture Company is conducting an old age contest for Majestic ranges. A congealium Gold Seal rug will be given to the owner of the oldest Majestic range now in use in Rocky Mount or the surrounding territory. You have nothing to buy, and the only requirement is that you bring the number of your stove to their store in person during this week. They are conducting a special Majestic range sale this week with Guy E. Bissette, formerly of Nashville, and who at the present time is a factory representative of the Majestic, in charge of this sale.

ACC HAS 40 FROSH FROM THIS SECTION

Nash And Edgemcombe Counties And Surrounding Areas Contribute

Wilson, October 9.—A total of over 40 first year students at Atlantic Christian college from Nash and Edgemcombe counties and nearby areas is registered for the first term, the records of the freshman class show. These students come from eighteen communities.

The students with their respective homes are: Elm City: Virginia Barnes, John H. Bachelor, Estelle Carter, Attie Cobb, Randolph Harrelson, Anna Jackson, Lucille Sharpe, Blanche Short, Madeline Short, Carolyn Wells; Stokes: Dare Barnhill, Frances Gurganus; Plymouth: Nellie Brateman, Ailon Browning, Roseoe Browning, Hugh Respass; Enfield: Lilly Batts; Tarboro: Christine Byant, Howard Roberson; Rocky Mt.: Frank Cherry, Gus Lancaster, Jr., Sallie Melton, Bertram Noble, Della Noble, Martha Agnes Stein; Baitley: Mary Frances Coverell, Leslie Morgan; Spring Hope: Rachel Daniels; Nashville: C. B. Edwards; Fountain: Adrain Gardner, William Thad Lewis; Robersonville: Cleo James, Sara Dobson; Williamston: Marjorie Elizabeth Keel; and Sarah Roberson; Weldon: Sara Murrill; Macesfield: Susan Shelton; Pine-top: Woodrow Sugg; Sharpsburg: Frances Weaver; Ruffin: James Edward Hudson.

PLANS PROGRESS FOR CASTALIA CONVENTION

Plans were progressing today for the fiddlers convention at Castalia school at 8 o'clock Friday night at which time prizes, both cash and otherwise, will be given to the best contestants in a number of musical activities.

Many available prizes, including ones for winners in band, violin, banjo, guitar, mandolin, accordion, harp, piano (solo) tap dancing, clogging and singing, will be awarded at that time, Daisy Hathaway announced today.

Anyone wishing to enter is welcome.

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Cole-Beatty Circus Is A Miniature Traveling City



BETTY STEPHENS AND BLACK DIAMOND

The Cole Brothers-Clyde Beatty city in which the show is to exhibit. Circus is a perfect city in itself. More than 3,000 meals are served every 24 hours, and at these the diners consume approximately 2,000 pounds of fresh meat, 100 dozen eggs, 800 pounds of bread, 100 pounds of butter, 200 pounds of coffee, 10 crates of vegetables, and other items equally as large. For the stock and animal department there are used daily 10 tons of hay, 9 tons of straw, 300 bushels of oats, 1,500 pounds of beef, while no well behaved elephant would think of preparing for parade without his usual morning cereal—a bale of hay.

An immense street parade nearly three miles in length will usher in the day of circus festivities. There will be nearly 500 gaily caparisoned horses; five herds of elephant and two caravans of camels from the great desert along with nearly 100 "vehicular" apparatuses. Five trumpeting bands and two calliope bands furnish music. Doors to the Clyde Beatty menagerie will open at 1 and 7 p. m. The big show will start their marketing daily and in the promptly at 2 and 8 p. m.

Dr. Douglass Death Great Loss

The great common people have sustained a great loss in the passing of Dr. S. E. Douglass, who lost his life Saturday afternoon in an automobile accident having been run into by a truck. The details of the accident have heretofore appeared in detail through the press.

Dr. Douglass, server of two terms in the House of Representatives of North Carolina, clearly brought to the attention of the people throughout the state his interest in humanity and his desire to serve the whole people and not in the interest of a special few. While in both of the last two sessions of the legislature, he was active in trying to see that just tax laws were written and that equality was done to all of the citizens and institutions.

In many instances, in fact he was more often in the minority than with the majority, because he felt that the general sales tax was unjust, unfair and levied a burden upon those not able to bear it, believing that the general sales tax left and lost sight of entirely the consideration of the ability to pay. He was in the minority but he counted it an honor to be classed with the minority in an issue that appeared to him so vital.

There are worse things than being in the minority and at the time of his death he was stronger in the affection of the people, even though he had been with the minority.

He stood by his conscience in what he believed to be a vital matter and not for expediency.

He was the son of the late W. C. Douglass, one of Raleigh's most distinguished lawyers and he received his love and interest in the welfare of the masses of people from his father, who was considered one of the best lawyers of the Raleigh Bar and who had the reputation of appearing for the great common people.

He was a real North Carolina citizen and devoted to his home and his family and sympathy of our hearts goes out to them in their tragic loss of husband and father.

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PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

Nash Board Gets ABC Sale Report

Total Nash Store Sales Are \$48,000—Tax Collections Excellent

The Nash County board of commissioners, convening in Nashville for the October meeting, heard Nash county alcoholic beverage control chairman S. F. Austin, of Nashville, report total ABC store sales from opening day to October 1 amounted to \$48,425.12, for the entire county yesterday.

Judge Austin, who is expected to present a fuller report of the ABC stores' financial condition within a short time, told the board an audit was being made as of October 1, and that more detailed figures will soon be available.

The board met with W. B. Bunting, one of the members absent because of illness. Chairman R. R. Gay of Rocky Mount, presided at the meeting Monday.

The status of 1934 tax collections, Sheriff C. L. Johnston reported, is excellent. The amount of uncollected taxes of 1934 for the whole county stands at about \$10,000, which is the lowest in many years, Chairman Gay showed the sheriff reported. Mr. Gay expressed the hope that half of that will be collected now and the deadline.

The board heard regular reports from the various officers.

Edgemcombe ABC Makes Report

The report of the Edgemcombe County Alcoholic Beverage Control board, showing total sales to the date of the checkup amounted to about \$76,000 and that the gross profit totalled roughly \$15,000, furnished the feature of the long session of the Edgemcombe county board of commissioners Monday in Tarboro, C. C. Ward, local board member, reported this morning.

Mr. Ward said that aside from the customary reports on the various activities of Edgemcombe county and the report about the sales of the ABC stores in Edgemcombe only routine matters were considered.

The board meeting lasted late in the day.

Knights Templar In Meeting Here

Groups Come From Goldsboro, Wilson, Enfield in Division and Raleigh, Tarboro

Knights Templar from Division One and from Raleigh and Tarboro wended their way to Rocky Mount for a divisional meeting last night at the Masonic temple, including a number of high officials from Tarboro and Raleigh a very successful meeting was reported today by D. E. Bulluck, of this city the division commander.

Groups at the session include those from Goldsboro, Wilson, Enfield, and Raleigh and Tarboro.

Dr. J. L. Peacock, of Tarboro, grand commander; William Ritchie Smith, of Raleigh, grand recorder; John H. Anderson, grand secretary of Masons, of Raleigh; and K. W. Parham, the grand master of Royal and select Masons, of the same place, were among the prominent officials at the meeting last night.

Dr. Peacock made the principal address, one of a number, all of which stressed the fact that a revival of interest in the work of the order was being shown in the section.

Special emphasis at last night's session, which was considered well attended, was laid upon the grand commander's meeting in the state capital October 28.

J. N. Batts, local commander, presided at this session which was held jointly with the regular convocation of the St. Bernard commandry of the Knights Templar.

CORRECTION

Last week the Herald carried an ad of the Antique Shop, which is located at 148 South Washington Street. Through an error the ad read 148 Nash St. when it should be 148 South Washington St. You will see their ad in these advertising columns.

ROOSEVELT FISHING FOUR SPEECHES REVIEWED NEW DEAL EXPUNDED REPUBLICANS ACTIVE WANTS PERMANENT CCC

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

Shoving off from San Diego on the cruiser Houston last week for three weeks cruising and fishing, President Roosevelt will rest, read and relax while his lieutenants report upon the results of his speeches and parleys as he made his journey across the nation. Completely covering the opposition for a full week, the President's publicity blanketed their criticism but now that he fishes off Coos Bay the air is resounding with the attacks of his foes.

Undoubtedly the New Deal needed the publicity given its aims by the Chief Executive, past master of approach toward the millions whom he addresses as "my friends." For many months the attackers have had the better publicity and their guns have gradually been shifted directly upon the President himself rather than upon secondary targets. From the day he left the White House, however, until his cruiser steamed into the Pacific, Mr. Roosevelt had the spotlight. How effectively he used it will more subsequently appear.

In his first speech at Fremont, Nebraska, the President drove home to farmers the advances recorded by agriculture, recalling the thirty-cent wheat and twenty-cent corn of three years ago, and contrasting conditions then and now. Pointing out that "for the farmers of the nation the long, downhill road to depression began not in 1929 but in 1920," he insisted that the plan put into practice has "borne good fruit," that the gap between prices for farmers' products and farm purchases has been lessened and that the recession has increased income of \$5,300,000,000 over what the farmers' income would have been if the 1933 level had been continued.

Two days later at Boulder Dam, Nevada, Mr. Roosevelt, speaking at the dedication of that 726 foot wall of concrete, relegated power development to a secondary position and aggressively defended the governmental spending program, which "is already beginning to show definite signs of its effect on consumer spending." He insisted that the government has employed workers and failed, but added that "in two years materials when private employment and a half year have come to the point where private industry must bear the principal responsibility of keeping the processes of greater employment moving with accelerated speed."

On the next day the President stopped to make a short address in Los Angeles. Here he assured his listeners "we have come through stormy seas into fair weather" and appealed to liberals to unite for the same end by "making some concession as to form and method in order that all may obtain the substance of what all desire." In this city, despite reports of a falling off in his popularity, the Chief Executive received what newspaper correspondents termed the "largest reception of his career."

The last of the four scheduled addresses was delivered at San Diego. In this the President reviewed national affairs along the line of his Fremont agricultural arguments and discussed foreign affairs. He found signs of a restoration of confidence in government and in business, largely as a result of action taken by the administration to adjust our currency, strengthen our banks, restore values and relieve burdens of debt. He declared that "an American government cannot permit Americans to starve" and for that reason it had been necessary to give Federal relief. He recited impressive gains: deposits in commercial banks up to \$10,000,000,000 or 30 per cent; total deposits in banks \$50,000,000,000 compared with \$55,000,000,000 in June, 1929; deposit insurance covering 98 per cent of the 50,000,000 depositors; lowered interest rates for government and private borrowings; from March, 1933, through June, 1935, he said industrial production increased 45 per cent; factory employment 35 per cent; rural general store sales 104 per cent; automobile sales 157 per cent; life insurance written 41 per cent and electrical power production 18 per cent.

Calling attention to the cloud of "foreign war" he reiterated the (Please turn to page eight)

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