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## Plans Are Completed For 2nd Gallopade May 28-29

Thursday and Friday, May 28-29, were chosen, as the dates for the second annual Gallopade at a meeting of the board of directors of the Gallopade association at which time committees were appointed and a tentative program adopted.

These two days were found by an investigating committee to be the most advantageous to hold the good will carnival, which last year attracted thousands of visitors to the city.

A tentative program of entertainment was endorsed by the board of directors. The present plans call for a barn dance at a local warehouse Wednesday night for the benefit of the farmer friends of the city. Thursday will feature the Gallopade parade and in the afternoon the new city stadium will be dedicated with appropriate exercises. The Rocky Mount Red Sox and Durham will play that afternoon. There will also be a band concert at the stadium. Friday afternoon will feature entertainment at the Rocky Mount airport. The festival will close Friday night with the Gallopade ball, which according to present plans will present a nationally known dance orchestra. The ball will be a costume affair.

The various committees are as follows:

Finance—E. H. Reaves, chairman; L. B. Aycock, R. W. Bauer, C. G. Smith, J. L. Cummings, W. G. Robbins.

Publicity—George Arrington, chairman; Vernon Sechrist, Avery Wynne, C. M. Edson.

Parade—B. H. Bunn, chairman; Herman Blount, Arthur Weathers, D. O. Bulluck, A. L. Tyler, and George Arrington.

Dance—Ben Arrington and C. D. Eatman, co-chairmen; George Arrington, A. L. Brandon and J. P. Bunn.

Dedication—A. J. Mims, chairman; J. L. Horne, Jr., I. D. Thorpe, R. R. Gay, T. W. Coleman, L. B. Winslow, and T. L. Simmons.

Amusement—C. M. Edson, chairman; George Arrington, Ben Arrington, N. Y. Chambliss, C. G. Edger, C. H. Arrington.

Band—C. L. McCullers and H. Vernon Hooker, co-chairmen; R. R. Braswell, J. A. Harper, and R. S. Conyers.

Air circus—J. L. Horne, Jr., chairman; M. F. Jones, F. P. Spruill, R. D. Wimberly, E. Epstein, I. W. Mangum, and R. C. Brake.

J. L. Williams is president of the association, A. J. Mims, vice-president; L. B. Aycock, treasurer; and E. H. Austin, secretary.

## Doctor Says Vaccinate Now

Dr. Allen Whitaker, head of the city health department, issued a plea that the people of Rocky Mount be inoculated against typhoid now instead of waiting until the summer months.

Dr. Whitaker pointed out that the dangers of contracting the typhoid germ are greater in the summer because of the fact that one comes in contact with bad water during that time. He said that the general belief is that vaccination should be done during the summer and stated that this, in reality, is the worst time to take the typhoid preventative treatments.

The city health office will vaccinate against typhoid without charge and urges that the children especially become inoculated within the next month.

## Jesse Taylor Laid To Rest

Tarboro.—Funeral services for Jesse Taylor of Conecote, Edgecombe county were held from the home Friday at 3:30 o'clock by Dr. J. L. Peacock, pastor of First Baptist church.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Ida Taylor of Conecote; four brothers, Jerry and Clayton of Conecote, William Taylor of Weldon, and two sisters, Mrs. Joe Satterwaite of Ayden and Mrs. Bud Taylor of Conecote.

## Joe T. Burgess Buried Saturday

Tarboro.—Funeral services for Joe T. Burgess, 70, were held from the home of his son, Walter Burgess, in No. 1 township of Edgecombe county at four o'clock Saturday afternoon. Burial followed in Greenwood cemetery.

Rev. Betram E. Brown, rector of Calvary Episcopal church, was in charge of the final rites.

Mr. Burgess, a long time resident of the county, died Friday after more than a year's illness. His widow survives him.

## TEST PROVES EXPENSIVE

Columbus, Ohio.—Biting a quarter to make sure it was not counterfeit cost Charles E. Stoops, manager of a concession stand at Ohio State University, a tooth.

## Dramatic Class Wins At Raleigh

Local High School Wins Right To Enter State Finals At Chapel Hill

Receiving the unanimous vote of the judges, the Rocky Mount high school won first place in the preliminaries of the state dramatic tournament Saturday and thus won the right to represent the eastern section of North Carolina in the final competition at Chapel Hill during the state dramatic festival which will be held during the first week of April.

The dramatics class, which is under the direction of C. M. Edson, presented "Drums of Death." Other schools competing were Needham Broughton high school of Raleigh with "Madame Butterfly," Chapel Hill with "Peggy" and Henderson, with "The Grapes." The trials were held in the auditorium of Needham Broughton high school in Raleigh.

Joe Hollowell, Nellie Speight, Tom Avera, Jr., and Bobbie Williams formed the cast of the winning production. The stage crew was composed of A. W. House, Haywood Taylor, and Allen Whitehead. Other students connected with the production were Mary Osborne Ellington, business manager; Frances Walker, prompter; and Hilda Harper, make-up assistant.

Judges for the preliminaries were Professor A. T. West of Duke University, Mrs. Everette of Seaboard, and Miss Sarah Faulkner of Southern Pines.

## Mrs. C. C. Hunter Buried Sunday

Well Known Young Matron Is Interred At Spring Hope

Spring Hope, March 16.—Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock from the Spring Hope First Baptist church for Mrs. Charles C. Hunter, 32, formerly Miss Catherine Baines of this city, but who had resided in Rich Square and more recently in Oxford since her marriage.

Rites were conducted by Dr. W. R. Cullum, assisted by Rev. M. F. Hodges and Rev. Mr. Tarlton, of the Baptist church at Rich Square. Interment followed in the lot of her parents in Pineview cemetery here.

Mrs. Hunter succumbed at near 6 o'clock Saturday evening in an Oxford hospital, following an attack of influenza complicated by pneumonia and low blood pressure.

She was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Baines of this city and is survived by her mother, Mrs. Annie Cone Baines; her father, well-known hardware merchant of Spring Hope; two sisters, Mrs. Raymond K. Bass of Raleigh and Miss Virginia Baines of Spring Hope and the Goldsboro high school music department. Mrs. Hunter's twin brother, Clarence, died in infancy. One grand parent, Mrs. Octavia Cone of Richmond, also survives. Mrs. Hunter's immediate family consists of her husband, prominent in the mercantile business in Oxford, and one 5-year old son, Charles Cree, Jr.

Pallbearers were friends of Mr. Hunter's from Rich Square.

## R. R. Taylor Buried In County

R. R. Taylor, 73, of Castalia, who died at home about 8 o'clock Sunday night, was buried in the family grounds after rites at the graveside with Rev. F. G. Walker, pastor of the Baptist church at Castalia, officiating. Mr. Taylor was the brother of Sid Taylor, Rocky Mount police officer.

The Castalia man had been in ill health for some time but his death came unexpectedly. He had farmed when he was physically able.

Besides Police Officer Taylor here, Mr. Taylor leaves one daughter, Mrs. Gladys Bowling, of Castalia; three grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Lucy Winston, Youngsville, and Mrs. E. B. Johnson, of Dallas, Texas.

Services were conducted at 4 o'clock.

## TO RIVAL CAPITAL

Cincinnati.—Five thousand flowering Japanese cherry trees have been presented to this city by the Japanese Government, giving it the largest collection of blossoming Japanese cherry trees in the United States, rivaling the famous cherry trees along the tidal basin in Washington, D. C.

## ROOMMATES IN HALL OF FAME

Athens, Ga.—Once roommates at the University of Georgia, the sculptured figures of Alexander H. Stephens and Crawford W. Long stand side by side in the nation's Hall of Fame, in Statuary Hall, in Washington.

## Nash-Edgecombe Pension Group Is Formed In City

Nearly 1,000 Persons Attend Gathering Here To Hear Well Known Speakers

T. T. THORNE IS ELECTED ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Speakers include S. D. Daniels of Littleton, Charles U. Harris of Raleigh, R. T. Fountain of This City and Bruce Carraway of High Point—Met On Sunday

Nearly 1,000 citizens of Rocky Mount and vicinity poured into the high school auditorium Sunday afternoon to hear well known eastern and Piedmont North Carolina speakers discuss various phases of the proposed North Carolina old age pension law and also to form a Nash-Edgecombe old-age pension association.

Speakers of the meeting suggested since the state government has assumed many functions in the past quarter of century or more, it should also assume the care of the aged and infirm and indigent over 60 years old by making a state law to conform with the federal security act.

Those speaking included Samuel G. Daniels, of Littleton, the president of the state association for old-age pension laws; Charles U. Harris, of Raleigh; R. T. Fountain, of this city, and Bruce H. Carraway, of High Point, Mr. Carraway presided.

## Leaders Named

Officers elected included T. T. Thorne, of this city, president; Joe Cutchin of Whitakers, vice-president from Edgecombe county; L. L. Davenport of Nashville, vice-president from Nash county; and W. C. Walston, this city, secretary. A board of directors of ten will be named by the officials later.

This action followed the talks and a successful motion to form a Nash-Edgecombe unit of the old-age pension association. Both white and Negro people attended.

Mr. Thorne, opening the meeting, which had been moved from the recorders court room, to the auditorium in order to accommodate the crowd, spoke of the purpose of the meeting. It was, as he explained, to help create sentiment for passage of old-age pension, legislation to conform with federal laws.

The federal laws provide payment of up to \$15 per month for indigent people over 60 years, provided the sum is matched from state sources with an equal amount.

President Daniels, first to speak, made his talk brief. He said old people "are entitled to a comfortable ending of a useful life."

Mr. Harris, relative of Superior Court Judge W. C. Harris, of Raleigh, who has just completed serving in the sessions in Nash and

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## Wilson Farmers Seek Control Plan

County Agent Says They Are 100 Per Cent For Tobacco Control

Wilson, March 16.—Wilson county farmers are almost a hundred per cent behind any control program that will be presented to them for tobacco, according to W. L. Adams, county farm agent here Saturday, and he said that 90 percent of the farmers will sign the new government program when and if it goes through.

"Wilson County farmers are behind anything," said Adams Saturday, "that will control the acreage this year, and I am sure that if this new government program is a good one and is put before them that 90 per cent of them will sign up with the voluntary program and stick by it."

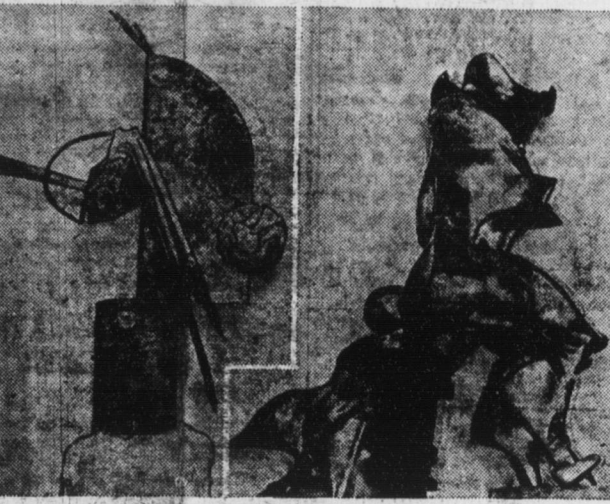
Contrary to reports, according to the farm agent, very few farmers in this section will increase their acreage this year or even come contemplating it, and this statement was verified by a number of prominent Wilson county farmers Saturday.

"If there is any increase," said T. J. Wiggins, 68 year old Wilson county farmer and one of the most prominent in this section, Saturday, "it will be so small that it will make no difference at all. I have seen and heard very little evidence of an increase in production this coming year, even if the proposed government program fails to go through. There is less work being done in this section at the time of year than I have even seen and this is due to the recent bad weather. It is going to retard crops this year I am afraid."

He voiced his confidence in the farmers of this section and said that he was sure that there would be very little if any increase in tobacco acreage in this section during the coming year.

Much interest is being evidenced in this section over the newly organized Federal Farm Bureau branch here, and during the last few weeks around 400 farmers have joined this body with many more expected to join before the season actually starts this year.

## Would You Call These Things Art?



Here are pictured two of the 19 pieces of abstract art which the Museum of Modern Art attempted to have admitted to this country under a section of law which admits art objects duty free. Customs inspectors in New York declared "these ain't art." The object on the left is called "A Head" and that on the right is supposed to represent "spiral expansion of muscles in action."

## Old Age Pension Act Must Go Into Effect

There is no doubt that our people are much concerned over the question as to when the Social Security Act or what is known on the streets, as the Old Age Pension Law, is going into effect.

More than 800 are estimated to have attended the meeting here last Sunday with very little time given to advertise the meeting.

Our old people are vitally interested in this act. Our State should give immediate consideration to this question. A state that can spend \$30,000,000 on roads, can certainly provide \$2,000,000 for this Security of our elderly people.

We are not opposed to roads, but we are more opposed to having our old people go hungry and without the necessities of life.

There was one thing that was noticeable about this meeting. 95 per cent of the people that attended this meeting walked; some with sticks, some with crutches.

We wish that more of the younger people could have attended this meeting. It would have given them another viewpoint on life. Many of these older people have helped to build these fine highways and the great school buildings throughout the state.

We must put this act into effect. Other States have done it and North Carolina can do it, and must do it.

## WPA INVESTIGATION

Senator, Rush Holt, the Democratic Senator of West Virginia, desires a "thorough and searching investigation of the Works Progress Administration."

We trust that the public will not confuse the attitude of the President in trying to help the needy and unemployed with some of the criticisms which have been aimed at the Administration of the Act.

It is not expected that the President could give oversight to the many details and from the many charges of favoritism and politics under the act. Where there is so much smoke there is probably some fire.

We were informed this week that WPA investigator was going from county to county, writing poems magnifying and praising high office holders in this state who had given him the job, giving the poems to county newspapers.

We are not advised as to whether he had any other duties or not, but certainly this is a matter of local concern, because if the President knew about it, he would frown upon it. There is no doubt that many people have resigned responsibilities and lucrative positions to become connected with the relief, who are not in need, when there are many out of work and in need who can not get on.

This is local and state politics and should not under any circumstances be imputed to the President and the Congress.

## STATE BAR ACT QUESTIONED

There is an intimation in the recent decision of the Supreme Court, passing on the case of disbarment of James D. Parker, Johnston County attorney, that the constitutionality of the North Carolina State Bar Act is questioned by the court itself.

The decision of Chief Justice Stacy dismisses the case against Mr. Parker, and reverses Judge Small's judgment.

We are not advised as to the grounds on which the court questioned this act, but we expect the question that will be raised will be the broad and general powers which this act undertakes to give the bar committee. It almost undertakes to make this committee a legislature, and a court, in addition to giving it general executive powers, added to its status as an examining committee.

The Liberty League group, which has talked so much about the constitution, might look into this act. It goes farther than the AAA.

Many young would-be lawyers will watch this decision with interest.

## DOG RETURNS PURSE

Boonville, Mo.—Recently Mrs. Powell Clayton lost her purse, containing some money and valuable papers. A police dog, owned by C. Dyer, a policeman, who lived with the Claytons, found the purse on a downtown street, recognized it as belonging at his home and returned it.

## AGED FATHER AND SON

Carlinville, Ill.—F. M. Stayton and his son, W. F. Stayton, applied for old age pensions at the same time. The father is 92 and his son 67.

Cotton group asks \$27,000,000 more for soil act compliance.

## MISSES FIRST FIRE

Anchorage, Alaska.—John Anderson, new fire chief, celebrated the occasion by sleeping through the first fire. Not even his wife, who was a night telephone operator, nor the first siren, which aroused the whole town, could awaken him.

## BANS ANTO HORNS

Greensboro, N. C.—The blowing of automobile horns between the hours of 10 P. M. and 8 A. M., except in cases of emergency, is strictly forbidden under the terms of a new ordinance recently passed by the city officials.

## PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

### Local Bonds Are Sold In Raleigh

Athletic Field And Nash School Bonds Sold By Commission

Bonds of three governmental subdivisions and notes of two others were sold by the local government commission in the state capital Raleigh.

The full commission met in a routine session and approved a proposed \$50,000 refunding bond issue of Goldsboro and a \$65,000 Wilkes county school issue.

Rocky Mount's \$30,000 worth of athletic field securities were sold to Kierhofer and Arnold of Raleigh at a premium of \$57.20 with interest at 3 1/4 per cent and a Nash county \$54,000 school issue went to the Nash county sinking fund at a premium of \$1,500 with interest at four per cent.

Nash Superintendent L. S. Inasco explained the Nash school bond issue was for the county's portion of the funds to be used in the school building program of the Public Works Administration.

The Rocky Mount issue is the one for the athletic field or stadium at Briles field.

A Kingston \$27,000 school refunding issue was sold the Branch Banking and Trust company at a premium of \$15.11 with interest at five per cent.

The Farmers and Merchants Bank of Tabor City bought a \$9,000 note of Columbus county at par with interest at 2.90 per cent and the Bank of Enfield took a Scotland Neck \$4,500 note at six per cent interest.

### Numbers Operator Beaten And Robbed

Tarboro, March 15.—Police today sought two assailants of Eddie Allen, Negro, of Newport News, Va., alleged numbers game operator, while Allen, robbed of a large sum of money, lay in a local hospital in a critical condition, his skull beaten to a pulp with the butt of a shotgun.

Allen, who was acquitted here three weeks ago when he was tried on charges of operating a lottery, told police he thought he had been between \$500 and \$600 on his person when two men waylaid him in the hall of a Negro rooming house here early Saturday morning and beat him over the head with the shotgun. Only \$50 was found after the attack. This sum, found on the floor, was overlooked by the robbers.

Officers questioned John Nelson, operator of a Negro cafe here, who admittedly was associated with the Allen Negro, in the numbers racket. Nelsons vest and trousers revealed brownish stains which police at first said was blood but later decided was something else. Nelson was released after showing he was at home asleep at the time.

### WALLACE SAYS DECISION "LEGALIZED STEAL"

Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace last week submitted to the Senate the evidence on which he termed the Supreme Court's return of \$300,000,000 in AAA taxes to processors "the greatest legalized steal in American history."

The information was in reply to a request by Senator George W. Norris, Nebraska Progressive, who had called the release to the processors of the impounded taxes "the greatest gift since God made salvation free."

Explaining that \$180,000,000 was handed back directly as a result of the court's ruling, and that \$120,000,000 had been retained by delinquent taxpayers, Wallace said the money had enriched three principal groups—cotton manufacturers, millers, and hog packers.

The "steal" or "gift," according to Wallace, represents about three and a half times the profits of the three groups during their most prosperous years.

For the hog processors alone the unpaid taxes were approximately about eight times their average profits from hogs before the depression. By increasing their operating and profit margins during the period when the processing taxes were in effect, Wallace contended, the processors collected every dollar and more from either producers or consumers.

### ABANDONS HOUSING CASE SEIZING TELEGRAMS BLACK DEFENDS COURSE BUSINESS MEN GATHER RAILROADS AND LABOR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES PRE-CONVENTION STRATEGY THE TAX DISCUSSION

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

The administration has abandoned its appeal to the Supreme Court in the Louisville housing case and apparently accepts the decision of an Appellate Court, holding that the Federal Government has no power to condemn property for low-cost housing purposes. The action of the Government resulted in considerable speculation, some contending that it was to avoid an adverse decision and others maintaining that no such power is now desired by the Administration, which plans to abandon direct Federal construction and leave the job to local authorities, financed through Federal loans and grants.

While twenty States have passed enabling acts, permitting counties and municipalities to set up housing authorities, only twenty-three communities have done so. The Department of Justice said the action was taken because the cases "had become moot" since no funds were available for the Louisville and Detroit project under fire. However, this is no explanation why, only two weeks before, the Government fled its brief and that more than a dozen State and local authorities had appeared as "friends of the Court" in the two cases.

Quite a stir has been raised by the discovery that the Black-Lobbying Committee had secured from the telegraph companies copies of "lobbying telegrams" and that in many cases the senders of the messages were unaware of the step taken by the Committee. The issue was raised by Silas H. Strawn, Chicago lawyer and former President of the American Bar Association, and of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, who secured a restraining order to prevent the telegraph companies from delivering to the Committee copies of the messages to and from his law firm.

The right of the citizen to be free from unwarranted search and seizures is asserted by the contention that no government official should be permitted to go on a "fishing expedition." The admission is really made that the governmental agencies have the right to size specified messages and correspondence, but this, say the objectors, does not include any general examination of documents in order to ascertain whether or not valuable information is to be found in them.

Senator Black, of Alabama, head of the Lobby Investigating Committee, and defending the action taken, points to the revelation that many companies which opposed the Holding Company Bill, burned all telegrams and letters dealing with their campaign. In such cases, information as to messages sent and received can only be obtained from the telegraph companies' files. Moreover, the Alabama insists that it is not possible for an investigating committee, seeking evidence of activity, to give accurate information as to telegrams which have been exchanged but destroyed and denied by those concerned.

Around a thousand business men recently gathered in Washington to influence Congress to take favorable action on the so-called "anti-chain" measure, known as the Robinson-Patman bill. As precedents they had the "farmers' march" last year to support the amendments to the AAA, and the "business men's march" for a revival of the NRA. The measure concerned is presumed to benefit and protect small retailers, but is also being backed by wholesalers who think it will help them to regain business lost to the chains and to buying pools which secure quantity discounts and lower prices through mass buying. The bill applies to a huge range of commodities, including groceries and drugs, and would apparently reverse some of the price controls of NRA.

Impetus to such legislation has been given by revelations that certain chain store organizations have been receiving special prices, discounts, allowances and advertising funds from manufacturers who make no such concessions to small purchasers.

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