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LOCAL PEOPLE ARE GUESTS AT OUTING

Approximately Four Hundred Attend Event At Silver Lake Saturday

Approximately four hundred people comprising employees and members of their families, of the Caroumont division of Sidney Blumenthal and company, took part in a picnic and barbecue dinner at Silver Lake on Saturday. The outing sponsored by the Caroumont Athletic Association was the third annual event of its kind.

Dinner was served at one o'clock, following a series of games and contests for children and adults, participants in water sports being predominant due to the torrid weather.

Later in the afternoon guests of the association took part in an old fashion square dance, the music for which was furnished by employees of the company adept with musical instruments.

Following is a list of the winners in the various contests:

For children's games: Elizabeth Davis, Billy Essell, Opal Essell, Herman Essell, Irene Raper and Jasper Ross.

Contests for grown-ups: Annie Pearl Davis, Constance Taylor and Mrs. Stover Bristol, Ernest Taylor, Pete Thompson, Lloyd Harris, Linwood Pittman, W. B. Willis, Buddy Woodward, Tommy Hudson.

Diving contests: Al Inscoe, J. Carmichael, Hubert Sutton.

Swimming contests: Woodrow Hadley, James Ennis, W. L. Parker.

Set-back contests: Mrs. Stover Bristol, Miss Constance Taylor, J. E. Thompson, J. C. Farmer, 1st prize; Robert Drevathan and Walter Edwards, 2nd prize.

Checkers: Mrs. Bristol, Mrs. Denison and Mrs. Sutton, Elvins Simmons, Neils Robinson and F. F. Simmons.

Square dancing: Mamie Campbell and C. W. McArthur.

Tap dancing: Shirley Ellis and Coris Ellis.

NASH HAS ONE GRADE A CAFE

Two Places In Nash County Are Cleaned, Two Others Given 18 Days To Clean Up

Of 14 public eating places in Nash county outside of Rocky Mount, one received grade A in a sanitary inspection just completed by M. Murray Linker of the state board of health. Mr. E. Strickland, Nash county sanitary inspector, Mr. Strickland said today.

Eight places received grade B, one grade C, and four were given no grade for failing to meet state sanitary requirements. Public eating places scoring less than 70 are operating in violation of the state hotel and cafe law, Mr. Strickland explained, and are subject to prosecution unless the management discontinues operating until necessary improvements are made. Two of the places inspected in Nash county were given 10 days to repair and clean up, and two others were ordered to close.

Those places scoring from 90 to 100 were awarded grade A; from 80 to 90, grade B; from 70 to 80, grade C. The State inspectors recommended that the public look for the grade placards in eating places and patronize those places with highest ratings.

The grades and scores of Nash County eating places were announced as follows:

Grade A
Vick's Cafe, Nashville 90.5

Grade B
Hotel Carolina, Nashville 89
Wayside Inn, Nashville, Hy 87.5
Buck Overton's, Nashville Hy. 87
Privette's Cafe, Spring Hope 83
(First inspection July 2; 65.5)
Puroil Station, Nashville 83.
The Spot, Whitakers 81.5
Sea Level Lodge, Wilson Hy. 80

Grade C
Kelley's Lunch, City Airport 71.5
No Grade
Finch's Cafe, Bailey 62
High's Hot Dog, Middlesex 57
Haines S. Station, 29.5
A & E Station, Battleboro —

*Note: Given 10 days to clean up and make necessary improvements. The last two places named were ordered closed.

Prison Camp For Negro Prisoners

White Prisoners Exchanged For Negroes From Smithfield

In consequence of a plan to separate white and Negro highway prisoners, the white prisoners from Captain H. S. Wellons' prison camp here have been transferred to a Smithfield camp, it was learned here today.

Negro prisoners from Smithfield were brought here in exchange. The number of prisoners now at the local prison camp is about the same as before, an official stated today, and the only difference is that only Negro prisoners are kept here.

The plan of segregating white and Negro prisoners was announced by W. R. Brooks of Wilson, superintendent of the fourth district of the state highway and public works commission.

IN WASHINGTON

WHAT IS TAKING PLACE BY

Stunned by the death of the able and beloved Majority Leader of the United States Senate, Joseph T. Robinson, and with faces stern from choked emotions and suppressed tears, Senators are prepared to close their ranks and carry on. Now at his final resting place in the state which gave him to the country for long years of useful service, Joe Robinson would have wished that the things he left undone be finished.

For upon the list of things to which the Congress must give attention is the problem of farm legislation. The President has stressed its importance. The leadership of both Houses is alive to the fact that the demands of farmers that they share in the benefits from legislative approaches to crucial national problems are rightful demands. The farmer has every reason to expect action before Congress adjourns. And it should be sound constructive action.

Fortunately, legislation bearing Administration approval and supported by large farm groups, has already been introduced in the House. A compromise measure, only a slight change from the House bill, is ready to be introduced in the Senate. Hearings may develop shortly. At these hearings those familiar with the conditions and problems of agriculture in the South will see that the rights of the Southern farmer are safeguarded.

The pending legislation frankly recognizes that the production and marketing of major agricultural commodities constitutes one of the great national basic industries and its stability is necessary to the general welfare. It recognizes that agricultural commodities and the farmer who produces these commodities are subject to uncontrollable natural causes. It recognizes that farmers are so situated that they cannot organize effectively, as can labor and industry, for joint economic action. It recognizes that farmers, in most cases, carry on their operations with borrowed money or leased lands.

Equally as important, the proposed legislation recognizes that farmers cannot control existing conditions and excessive supplies without Federal intervention. There is general agreement that disorderly marketing of excessive supplies burdens and obstructs foreign and interstate commerce; interferes with orderly marketing; reduces prices and causes a disparity between prices for agricultural commodities and the industrial products.

Obviously, space will not permit a full discussion of pending farm legislation in the brief space of this column. But the highlights can be cited. The proposed legislation authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to prepare adjustment contracts for submission to farmers, covering operations with respect to commodities planted to be harvested in 1938, 1939, and 1940. It provides for parity payments commencing in 1938 in lieu of soil-conserving payments. It provides for a Surplus Reserve Loan Corporation. And it also provides consumer safeguards.

Perhaps one of the most important phases of the proposed legislation has to do with marketing quotas. It is here that the difference between the House bill and the measure to be introduced in the Senate. The Senate bill would provide for marketing agreements by a two-thirds vote of approval by farmers concerned.

The important section ten (a) of the House bill says: "Whenever on the thirtieth day prior to the beginning of the marketing year for any major agricultural commodity the Secretary (of Agriculture) has reason to believe that the total supply thereof, as of the beginning of such marketing year, will exceed the normal supply thereof by more than the following percentage: cotton fifteen per cent; wheat, twenty per cent; field corn, ten per cent; tobacco, ten per cent; on rice, ten per cent—then the Secretary shall within fifteen days thereafter hold, at a convenient place within the principal area or areas where the commodity is produced, public hearings for the purpose of ascertaining the facts with respect to the total supply of the commodity."

The new agricultural building at Graham has been occupied by extension workers in Alamance County, says W. H. Kimrey, assistant farm agent.

New York—The cost of the New York World's Fair of 1939 will be \$125,000,000 or more, of which sum the Fair Corporation will spend about \$50,000,000 for construction and operation.

Yancey County's cherry crop is the largest in years, reports G. W. Smith farm agent. Housewives are canning the surplus crop.

NASH CRACKS DOWN HARD ON VIOLATORS

Nashville, July 21.—Six Nash county filling station operators found guilty on the evidence of ABC-hired detectives of selling liquor, two of them women, received fines and six to 12 months suspended sentences in Judge L. L. Davenport's Nash county recorder's court today. The suspended sentences were suspended on condition the defendants not violate liquor laws or operate filling stations for two years.

After hearings all day yesterday as to the guilt or innocence of the filling station operators, arrested whole-sale last week-end on the evidence of detectives who said they had bought liquor from them, Judge Davenport heard further evidence today in preparation to passing sentences.

As the evidence had been concluded and Judge Davenport was on the point of issuing sentences to the circle of tense defendants, the court enjoyed a laugh at a strangely prophetic phonograph in a store across the street, from which in through the courtroom windows came the mournful strains of "Birmingham Jail."

Out of 22 defendants arrested in the round-up in Nash county, only one was found not guilty and not prosessed were taken as to three others.

Passing sentence today, Judge Davenport commented, "There is some discussion of the manner of getting evidence. . . I feel the ABC board should spend a certain amount of money in this manner."

Mrs. Alma Hester, pleading guilty to two charges, received \$200 fine and 12 months in jail to be suspended on payment of \$200, and further on condition the defendant be of good behavior and not violate the liquor laws and not operate her service station in the future. The conditions will continue in force, Judge Davenport stated, until Mrs. Hester sells her Nash county service station. If she should prefer to serve a straight jail sentence immediately, he added, a six months sentence would be sufficient.

Grady Bartholomew, operator of the filling station formerly known as the Wagon Wheel on the Battleboro highway, and Leroy Pullen, his assistant, were sentenced to pay together \$200 and also received 12 months road terms each, the road terms to be suspended on good behavior for two years on condition that they not own, operate or work in a filling station after two years. Instead of suspended sentence, Judge Davenport stated, two young men could serve straight six months term immediately, if they preferred.

James E. Westray, operator of Buddie Tom's place on the Nashville highway, and Victor Butning, his assistant, received six month road terms to be suspended on payment of \$50 together and on the condition they do not own, operate, or work in a filling station, do not violate the liquor laws and are otherwise of good behavior, for two years. If they elected to serve road terms now, the judge said, they would get off with four months each.

Mrs. Myrtle Bryant, operator of the old Gillette place, pleading guilty to two counts, was sentenced to pay \$50 and to serve six months in jail, the jail sentence to be suspended on condition she not own, operate or work in a filling station for two years, and that she not violate the liquor laws and otherwise be of good behavior for two years. If she preferred to go to jail, the judge stated, four months would be sufficient.

In the case of Leo B. Stroup, one of the operators of Parkway filling station near here, found guilty on two counts, prayer for judgment was continued until August 3 when Bill Staton, the other operator of Parkway, is to be tried on three counts.

Mrs. Mary Postell Dies In Hospital

Mrs. Mary L. Postell, 47, a resident of Enfield, died at a local hospital early Sunday morning following an illness of four weeks.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. N. N. Barnes, 719 Long Avenue. Rev. W. O. Rosser, Missionary Baptist minister of Whitakers, officiated assisted by Rev. C. W. Goldston, pastor of the Clark Street Methodist church. Interment followed in the family plot at Pineview cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, J. S. Postell; five children by a former marriage, Mrs. N. N. Barnes, Mrs. J. L. Barnes, Mrs. J. T. Duncan of Norfolk; James Watson, and Tom Watson; three sisters, Mrs. George Shearin of Halifax; Mrs. S. O'Neal of Roanoke Rapids, and Mrs. Will Joyner of Roanoke Rapids; and two brothers, John Parker of Robersonville and Herbert Parker of Parkford, Pa.

New York—Along the esplanades and other avenues of the New York World's Fair of 1939, 50,000 comfortable benches will be provided for the welcome benefit of the foot-wearer.

Tommy Westbrook left Monday for Baltimore, Md. to enter a hospital as an attendant.

Plans Oakland-Moscow Flight



Jimmy Maston, of around-the-world flying fame, is planning a non-stop flight from Oakland, Calif., to Moscow. He will use a Lockheed twin-engine transport plane and plans to start about the middle of August. He is undecided whether to take a navigator along or rely on a mechanical pilot, which will be a feature of his new plane.

Old People Need Money Now

It is indeed unfortunate that the administration of the Old Age Pension law was not started in June rather than July. Many of our old people, receiving a bare existence from the hands of charity through the County Welfare Office are being denied this mere pittance during the month of July and it does not yet appear when they will receive anything to keep their body and soul together. We have in mind a case of an old man, eighty-four years of age, sick and helpless, without relatives, who has been receiving four dollars per month, and is being denied his support this month and is forced to depend on the slipshod handouts from such friends as pass by and hand him a morsel. We do not know who is responsible for this condition. The County evidently expected the Old Age Pension law to be put into effect the first of July and that they would be relieved of this responsibility. Whether it is the fault of the State Welfare Department which is administering the Old Age Pension law, commissioners being appointed by the Governor, or not, we are not prepared to say, but one thing we do know is the responsibility for the aged and infirm rests upon the County and it is our duty to see that these unfortunates do not suffer, pending the slow process of putting into effect the Old Age Pension law.

As we have stated before, the law should be administered in the spirit of humanity and in accordance with the true purpose of the act sooner than undertake to make it a crutch to relieve the State and County of the burden of the poor. It was intended to give old age a security, not just to prevent starvation. There are many old people now having to depend on sons and daughters who have large families of their own and are dividing with their parents as they should do. In this instance these old folks, even though they may not be facing starvation, are entitled to be placed on the Old Age Pension list when they are in need and have no property, and particularly, where their keep is having to come from their sons and daughters who have burdens of their own almost too heavy to bear.

SACRED JUDGES FALSE CLAIM

We have always respected our form of Government and its institutions founded by our forefathers, but at no time have we ever read in history where our fathers in establishing this Government contended that what they had accomplished was sacred. Yet, we read in the paper where such men as Senator Glass, Senator Byrd, Senator Bailey and others of like feather are proclaiming through a highly subsidized press in control of the great special interest of this country that the Supreme Court is a sacred institution, presided over by sacred men, most of whom before appointments to the bench were highly paid corporation lawyers. It will be remembered that Blackstone, the great writer, in giving a definition of a corporation, said "it was a man without a soul." Still, these lawyers are classed as sacred gods. Even the chairman of the Judiciary Committee, Senator Wheeler, gave out a statement, requesting the President to withdraw his support to the bill because it appeared that he was fighting God and probably that was the reason that Senator Robinson was taken. In the old days, Senator Wheeler would have been tried for blasphemy as they used to try people in the old country for witchcraft.

Our experience is that most judges are human, some very human, and some greatly lacking in humanity, but we have more faith in the human judge than those who pose as handing down decisions direct from the throne of God. We know that God in times past has used weak vessels to do wonderful things, but this court proposal is the first time that we have ever heard of judges being sacred. If you sit around the court very much, you will soon find out how sacred they are. They are certainly not infallible.

THE BOND ISSUE

There seems to be some confusion in town according to inquiries which have come to us from citizens over the present bond issue. Our understanding is that the money derived from this bond issue will be spent on needed improvements to the electric light plant in order to provide power for Rocky Mount's future normal growth. However, for the last few days, we have had several inquiries from citizens to know if some of this money would not be used for building a depot for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at South Rocky Mount. We informed them that it was not our understanding and in order to clarify this situation, we think it would be well for the Mayor to issue a statement outlining just what this money is to be used for, because there is honest confusion over it from the questions that we have been asked.

POWER PLANT BUILDERS PLANNED FOR EXPANSION

COUNTY GETS \$35,000 FOR SANITORIUM

Tarboro, July 20.—County Auditor M. L. Laughlin was in receipt of \$35,000 today from the PWA at Washington, as part of the outright gift on the new 70 per cent finished county home and tuberculosis sanatorium, near town.

The building when completed in September will cost \$148,000 partly furnished. Of this amount the government gave an outright grant of \$45,000 (\$35,000 received today balance on completion) and the county issued \$75,000 in bonds, and paid the rest from surplus.

Started last October, when completed it will be one of five finest county buildings in the state.

First Old Age Check Is Mailed

Raleigh, July 21.—North Carolina's first check to a recipient of Old Age Assistance went today to Betty Sorrell Adams, 307 N. Maple Street, Durham, N. C.

J. A. Stewart, auditor for the Division of Assistance, officiated at a zinc plate bearing the name and address and the amount was placed in a machine and inscribed on a blank check.

Mrs. Adams' grant was \$10 for July, and she is to get the same amount monthly. Her certified application, Stewart said, listed her age as 71 and her birthplace as Cary. She listed income of 50 cents a week from sewing and property consisting of a few dollars in cash, a few pieces of furniture and her clothes.

Other checks for Durham recipients also will be drawn at once, Stewart said, as that county was first to send in certified applications. The Durham County welfare department will distribute them.

Former Resident Is Minister In Illinois

John H. Westbrook, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Westbrook of here who is well known locally, will assume duties as minister of the Central Congregational church in Galesburg, Ill., Sept. 1, it was stated in a communication received here. Mr. Westbrook has been serving as assistant minister of the Asylum Hill Congregational church in Hartford, Conn.

Galesburg, the seat of Knox College is understood to have a Congregational church of a large and active membership.

Noted Minstrel Here On July 30

Lasses White And Honey Wilds Bringing Cast Of 75 Persons And Orchestra

Lasses White, popularly termed the "nation's number one minstrel man," offering the latest in black-faced comedy, will bring his big show to Rocky Mount on the night of July 30, advance men of the show announced today.

With White will be Honey Wilds, the other member of the inimitable "Lasses and Honey" team who rose to popularity with Al-G. Fields minstrel and later, Lassies White's own show. Supporting them will be a cast of 75 persons, a ten piece orchestra, and 15 vaudeville acts.

The huge cast includes a bevy of chorus girls, Uncle Ezra "Slim" Williams and his radio Barn Dance Revue. The Revue is studded with such nationally known stars as the Cannon Sisters, Red Jenks and his magic trumpet, Stan Stanley and Wyley Kilpatrick, the dancer.

A new interpretation of Hawaiian songs and dances will be presented by "Lamoana" and her troupe of tropical dancers. This troupe has been widely hailed over the large circuits as a distinct novelty and acclaimed as an authentic translation of Hawaiian folk songs and dances.

The show, with comfortable seating capacity for 3,500 travels in a fleet of its own trucks and carries two electric plants for special lighting effects. It will show on the Duke's show ground and doors will open at 7 P. M. The show will start at 8 P. M.

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