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Much Interest Is Shown In Rocky Mount Fair

Intense interest among farmers of Edgecombe, Nash and adjacent counties is shown in the record-breaking requests for premium books from the Rocky Mount Fair, which will be held from September 26 to October 2, Resident Manager Palmer V. Boyd declared today.

A total of \$2,500 in Agricultural premiums is offered, including listings for a big livestock department added this year, Mr. Boyd explained. He formerly was connected with fairs at Danville and South Boston, Va., and is a past commander of the Coleman-Pitt post of the American Legion. All his life Mr. Boyd has been interested in Agriculture, and farm exhibits will be one of the main features at the Rocky Mount Exposition.

In charge of agricultural displays at the Rocky Mount Fair will be Mrs. John Barrett, who has been associated for many years with the farming interests of Nash and Edgecombe counties. She is receiving the splendid cooperation of Mrs. Effie Vines Gordon, Nash County Home Demonstration Agent, and County Agent Suggs.

Starting off with a bang, the Rocky Mount Fair will offer an opening day, Tuesday September 28, the thrilling show provided by Lucky Teter and His Hell Drivers, who will return by popular demand for another exhibition of breath-taking thrills. This troupe of motorized daredevils, who left North Carolinians gasping last year, will come back with an amazing new repertoire of death-defying feats on wheels. Their performances, characterized by sheer foolhardiness, has never been duplicated.

County Agent Suggs will be in charge of the program on Wednesday, which has been designated as Farmers Day. On Friday, September 31, which has been set aside as Children's Day. All youngsters from Nash, Edgecombe and adjoining counties will be admitted to the grounds until 4:30 P. M. without charge. Professional auto races, with some of the nation's best dirt track drivers competing for gold and glory, will be the feature on Saturday.

On the midway of the Rocky Mount Fair will be Frank West's World Wonder Shows, with 155 thrilling rides and 20 novelty shows. Manager Boyd emphasized that nothing but legitimate shows and concessions will be allowed, and that the public will find nothing offensive on the midway.

A feature attraction every afternoon and night will be Hinkle's 40-deer, a Wild West outfit with 40 people and 25 head of stock, who are appearing in North Carolina for the first time this season. Brought here at great expense, Hinkle's Rodeo will present a peculiar display of cowboy and Indian entertainment.

Augmenting the rodeo each night will be the Continental Revue, with 20 girls in the chorus, a sparkling swing band and a galaxy of mirth, maids and melody. In addition, 10 spectacular hippodrome acts, representing some of the finest talent in the country, will be presented before the grandstand each afternoon and night.

Each evening's performance will be climaxed by a thrilling display of fireworks, for which \$1,000 has been budgeted for the week's program.

Already practically all the exhibit space in the Floral Hall has been engaged, according to Manager Boyd. The fairgrounds are being greatly improved, with the grandstand repainted and a new entrance provided.

Premium books will be mailed without charge upon application to the office of Manager Boyd, at Rocky Mount fairgrounds. Thus far, a record-breaking number of persons have applied for the books, giving indications that the Rocky Mount Fair will have one of the finest displays of Agricultural products ever seen in this State, Manager Boyd said.

W. T. REGES BURIED NEAR RED OAK SAT.

Funeral services for William T. Reges, 78, who died at the home of his son near Red Oak Saturday, were conducted from the home at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Rev. G. W. Harrell, pastor of the Red Oak Baptist church, and Rev. R. H. Boswell, pastor of the Primitive Baptist church of Wilson, conducted the services.

Mr. Reges died after a brief illness following a sudden stroke.

He is survived by two sons, R. U. Reges of Red Oak and G. H. Reges of Petersburg, Va., and a daughter, Mrs. M. H. Cookendoffer of Petersburg, Va.

Watches Once Small Clocks
Watches originally were small clocks and were worn hung from the girdle because they were too large for the pocket.

First Plows of Tree Branches
The first farm plows were made of crooked tree branches and worked by man power.

Tragedy Hits Relatives Of Local Man

Local Man's Brother, His Brother's
Wife And Child Killed

Curtis Bacon, of this city left here Tuesday afternoon for Pembroke, Ga., where he attended funeral services for his brother, Herbert Bacon, and his brother's wife and young child.

Mrs. Herbert Bacon and the child were killed instantly in an automobile accident Sunday as they were returning to their home in Savannah from Dublin, Ga., where they had attended the funeral of a relative of Mrs. Bacon. Though he was not at first considered seriously injured, Mr. Bacon died early Monday in a Dublin hospital.

A second child of the Bacons is in a Dublin hospital and their third child, who did not accompany his parents Sunday, remains in Savannah.

Funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Bacon and the child were conducted Wednesday in Pembroke, Mr. Bacon's original home.

Surviving members of Mr. Bacon's family, besides the two children, are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bacon of Pembroke; three brothers, Curtis Bacon of this city, Luther and Orin Bacon; and a sister, Miss Tommie Bacon of Pembroke.

Mr. Bacon's brother who lives in Rocky Mount is employed as a compositor for The Evening Telegram.

City Fire Loss Is Low

With \$900,000 Involved In Fires Last
Month, Loss Is \$224

With six fires in the city last month involving buildings and building contents valued at \$909,025, the fire loss of the month totaled \$225 according to Fire Chief J. R. Sorsby's monthly report.

Sites of the six fires were: the city power plant, which was struck by lightning; a store, two residences, and two automobiles.

The buildings involved in the fires were valued at \$104,175 and the contents, at \$804,850. Insurance on buildings and contents amounted to \$810,250.

BROTHER OF LOCAL RESIDENT IS DEAD

Services For Brother Of John N.
Batts Was Held

Funeral services for Roy E. Batts of Jacksonville, Fla., brother of John N. Batts, manager of the Rocky Mount Furniture Company here, were held Wednesday at 3 o'clock at the old Batts family home near Wallace. He was buried in the family cemetery.

Mr. Batts died at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon in Jacksonville.

Originally a resident of the section near Wallace, he had lived in Jacksonville for about 20 years.

Mr. Batts is survived by his wife and children; one brother, John N. Batts of here; and four sisters, Mrs. C. C. Jenkins, Mrs. Willie Bradshaw and Mrs. Myrtle Cavanaugh of Wallace and Mrs. Edgar Brinson of Beulahville.

FUNDS PROVIDED FOR SANATORIUM

State Senator L. L. Gravelly announced that he had just received PWA confirmation of a \$110,000 loan which has been sought for the completion of the state tuberculosis sanatorium in Buncombe county.

This sum, Senator Gravelly said, will be added to the \$137,500 appropriated for the completion of a patient wing and \$20,000 made available for a nurses' home by the 1937 General Assembly.

The Nash county legislator, who played the leading role in securing the sanatorium for the state, declared, "We can now finish the entire plant which will accommodate 380 patients."

Senator Gravelly served as chairman of the sanatorium committee while another Rocky Mounter, K. D. Kettle, was chairman of the site committee.

COBB APPOINTMENT IS MADE PUBLIC

Robert B. Cobb of Nash county will manage the Greenville branch office of the North Carolina state employment service, R. Mayne Albright, director of the service, has announced.

Albright, in announcing Cobb's appointment, said it had the approval of the North Carolina unemployment compensation commission.

The Greenville office serves Pitt county and is a branch of the district office in Rocky Mount.



IN WASHINGTON
WHAT
IS
TAKING
PLACE
BY
R. R. Reynolds
UNITED STATES SENATOR

The first session of the Seventy-fifth Congress is now a matter of history. During the next few weeks there will be many reviews of the legislation enacted and its effect on the daily life of our people. Economists will figure new laws in the light of the cost to business and industry. Emphasis will be laid on total appropriations as compared with Federal income. And organizations and groups will begin to form their lines to press for more legislation when the Congress again convenes in January.

Few will contend that, from the standpoint of new legislative accomplishments, the session just ended was worthy of great significance. But it can be stated accurately that the session was adjusted to the needs of our people, with the exception of the failure to enact farm legislation, which is the first order of business for the next session.

It can also be said that the Congress met at a crucial time in national affairs. Our people had hardly absorbed the great mass of new laws enacted during the period of the depression. Recovery was on the way and is gaining daily. Thus it was for the best interest of the country that the Congress adopt the trial and error method of considering legislation. This was done and it has helped lay the foundation for the things that contribute much to the permanent stability of the country.

Adjournment found virtually all members of Congress in agreement that farm legislation is needed. And the failure of Congress to put through quickly some law of a temporary character will work out for the best interest of the farm population. It means that members will come back with a fresh view of farm needs, with talks with "dirt" farmers clearly in their minds, and with first-hand information on the actual condition of the farm.

Members of Congress are in agreement that the President's insistence that farm legislation be taken up as the first thing in January is assurance of the condition of agriculture is of extreme importance to the Administration. There is every reason to believe that this will meet the demands of farm spokesmen.

One of the most hopeful signs on the horizon for the taxpayers of the country is the keen interest being shown in an effort to simplify the national tax structure. Much "behind the scenes" work has been done by Congressional committees and by the Treasury. There is growing belief that our present system of levying taxes is overburdened with inequities and taxes that are not justified by the revenue produced. There is also reason to believe that tobacco prices are greatly affected by the duplicate taxes imposed by the Federal and state governments. Some contend that the Federal Government collects unusual heavy taxes on the one hand and then attempts to aid the farmer on the other. Therefore, if new tax legislation comes at the next session there will be a strong fight for a complete overhauling of the whole tax structure. It would undoubtedly mean much to taxpayers, whether corporations or individuals.

PRESENT REGAN FOR NAT. COUNCILMAN

W. S. Wilkinson addressed the Rocky Mount chapter of the American Institute of Banking at its annual organization dinner meeting here this week, at F. P. Spruill delivered a welcome to out of town guests.

J. C. Braswell presented a resolution endorsing J. A. Reagan, cashier of the Peoples Bank, as a candidate for national councilman.

Educational courses to be offered by the chapter, were announced: Wiley W. Mears will instruct a course in bank administration and Jack Murchison will instruct a course on negotiable instruments. M. F. Jones urged all members to enroll for the courses.

LIFE EXPECTANCY IS NOW 60 YEARS

According to statistics just released by one of the large insurance companies of the country, people are living longer than ever before. The figures show that in 1936 the expectation of life at birth reached the all-time high record of 60.31 years and marked another advance in 25 years of steady mortality improvement.

Tobacco Market Opens With Large Sales and High Prices

Good News For Rocky Mount

At the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen there was expended for acquiring park sites and playgrounds for the City of Rocky Mount.

Rocky Mount has been sadly behind in its development of parks and playgrounds and we would like to commend the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen for this great forward step in placing this substantial sum of \$22,000 in the budget to be used for acquiring park sites. These parks and playgrounds will be used by all of our people and Rocky Mount will never experience an expenditure that will give more profit to the people for a like amount than this sum properly expended.

The Mayor in his address to the people upon taking office of office advocated more parks for the City and the Junior Chamber of Commerce has given its support to the project. It looks like we are indeed making headway in Rocky Mount on a project that will prove beneficial to everybody. Rocky Mount has had large sums of money spent on other projects, many times greater than herein mentioned, but this sum will produce vastly greater benefits to the public than any former sum. We have seen for many years back, the serious need of this proposed development.

MARKET OPEN IN ROCKY MOUNT

We attended the opening of the Tobacco Market this morning. There was a large quantity of tobacco on the floors, and Rocky Mount was honored with the presence of citizens from fifteen or twenty counties. Streets were lined on all sides with automobiles from the depot to Tobacco Town. While most of the offerings were of the early curings, yet the quality of the tobacco seemed to be good.

At the time of the writing of this article, we have not heard what the general average will be for today, but the prices seemed to be running good. Rocky Mount conducts four sales which assures the tobacco farmers an early sale and generally a first sale when they bring their tobacco to Rocky Mount.

OLD AGE PENSIONS

We have heard many criticisms of the manner in which the Old Age Pension Law is being put into effect throughout the State. The aged people in the last campaign were led to believe and given hope that they would receive something in the neighborhood of \$30.00 per month. From this fund, the United States Government was to put up half and the State the other half, but from the way this fund is being administered in North Carolina, we doubt whether the average will be \$10.00. Some few will get more and many will get less.

We know of a case which we have mentioned in this paper before, which comes directly to our knowledge. The old man is eighty-four, sick, requiring constant care of somebody to nurse him and wait on him, yet his allowance has only been \$10.00. He is without children, without a wife, without property and his days cannot be long. In North Carolina, the part that the State was to put up to match the Government's half, has been divided between the State and the County. This pension law should not be administered solely to take care of the indigent of the county. It should be administered so as to give relief to our old people that the President of the United States intended when the law was passed. Of course, we would not advocate giving it to the old people who are able to provide themselves with comfortable necessities.

KINSTON GREEKS IN SAD PLIGHT

Couple's Small Daughter Barred
From United States By Immi-
gration Law

Kinston, Aug. 25.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tambacos were in a sad plight today and friends of the couple said they would appeal to officials at Washington to aid them. Tambacos has lived here for years. Several years ago he went to Greece, his native land, for a visit. When he returned he brought a bride. He had married a widow in the old country.

They left behind the woman's small daughter, now 10 years of age. They were informed the immigration authorities at New York would not permit them to bring her into the country. The child remained with poverty stricken relatives in Greece. Tambacos promising to send for her when he was assured she would be permitted to land.

More than two years have elapsed since he returned, accompanied by his wife. The child remains overseas. The immigration authorities have not consented for her to join her mother and stepfather.

Tambacos is a partner in a restaurant business. "I am well able to provide for the child," he said. "She grieves for her mother. We have had many letters from her. My wife is in tears for days at a time. The last letter indicated the girl had missed many meals because the people with whom she is staying are unable to secure food at times. I am anxious to bring her here and make an American of her. I am an American citizen. I cannot understand the regulations which permitted me to bring in my wife but would not let me bring in my stepdaughter."

LEAF FIRMS GET PRAISE OF ADAMS

District Social Security Office Here
Is Prepared For Tobacco Season
Rush

"The tobacco industries are extremely cooperative with the social security act," George N. Adams, manager of the field office of the Social Security Board here, declared after a conference today with warehouse and tobacco factory representatives.

The tobacco men discussed with Mr. Adams details of the social security act as it applies to seasonal tobacco workers, in preparation for the market opening here tomorrow. "Every worker must have a social security account number," Mr. Adams said.

As its own preparations for the tobacco season rush, the social security office here can point to an increased personnel and to an arrangement by which the office now issues social security account numbers over the counter on its own authority instead of relaying them from Raleigh or Washington.

Mrs. Ruth G. Duffy, detailed to the office here from Washington, joined Mr. Adams' personnel this week as junior administrative assistant. The other members of the office staff are Mrs. Lurline D. Lewis and Miss Nan J. Robertson, junior stenographers. The office staff may be increased to ten persons later as it takes over the complete administration of the social security accounts in the 20 counties of this district.

Mrs. Adams' office here now issues account numbers to those who call at the office, on the third floor of the new municipal building, within a 24 hour period. The numbers requested by mail are still issued from Raleigh, however.

Dozier Is Asst. City Manager

A. D. Dozier, well known local man who has been connected with various governmental agencies in the capacity of auditor, has been selected to fill the newly-created post of assistant city manager of Rocky Mount.

In making the announcement, City Manager L. B. Aycock said, "We feel that we have secured the best man available for the job."

The post was created by the board of aldermen at a recent session. Mr. Dozier, a native of Nash county, lived in Rocky Mount for many years and owns a home here. Recently he has been connected with the WPA at Statesville.

TEACHERS NAMED IN NEGRO SCHOOL

Four New Teachers Will Be In-
cluded In Facilities Of City Negro
Schools

Facilities for the Negro schools of the city will include only four new teachers, Superintendent R. M. Wilson has announced.

The new teachers will be Miss Georgia Mae Dawson, teacher of English and music at Booker T. Washington school; Miss Fannie L. Taylor, fourth grade teacher at Lincoln school; Mrs. Lucile Battle Davis, second grade at Annie W. Holland school, and Miss Minnie R. Lawrence, first grade at Holly street school.

Professor O. R. Pope will continue as supervising principal of the Negro schools, as well as principal of the Booker T. Washington school.

Other members of the faculty at Booker T. Washington will be: Miss Anna E. Brown, history and Latin; Miss Onelia A. Davis, science and math; Mrs. Ernestine E. Davis, home economics; Samuel L. Dudley, industrial arts; James A. B. Hubbard, science; A. R. Lord, assistant principal, science; Miss Esmeralda Rich, history; William R. Tweedy, English; Miss Lois P. Turner, English and Latin; Mrs. Annis W. Bryant, French and Latin; Miss Pocahontas Whitley, math; Miss Ethel Wyche, math; Mrs. Mary L. Backus, third grade; Mrs. Martha B. Townsend, third grade.

The faculty members who will return to Lincoln school are: Professor C. T. Edwards, principal and seventh grade; Miss Georgia T. Pugh, first grade; Mrs. Annie W. Neville, second; Miss Petty L. Brown, Mrs. Nettie W. Brake and Mrs. Mary W. McKoy, third grade; Miss Essie M. Eetzer, fourth grade; Mrs. C. A. Battle, Mrs. Corleese F. Morgan and Mrs. Helen C. Redding, fifth grade; Alexander H. Bryant, Miss Annie K. Flournoy and Miss Vinie O. Murray, sixth grade; Miss Ella L. Battle, sixth and seventh grade history; and Miss Ethel Lucas, seventh grade.

Those returning to Annie W. Holland school will be: Principal Boyd L. Ancrum, who will teach seventh grade; Mrs. Mary R. Wimberley, first; Mrs. Lillian W. Reeves, third; Miss Martha Evans, fourth; Mrs. Lendora Y. Brown, fifth; Miss Mabel B. Coote, fifth; Mrs. Lottie L. Cradle, sixth; and Miss Julia O. Pitt, sixth and seventh grade English.

Faculty members expected to return to the Holly street school will be Mrs. Lucy W. Pridden, principal and first grade teacher; Mrs. Susie A. Hagans, first; Miss Lizzie A. Pittman, first; Mrs. Threse Pittman and Lia K. Wood, second.

The faculty of South Rocky Mount Negro school will be: Mrs. Annie R. Williams, principal and teacher of fourth and fifth grades; Miss Mary C. Porter, first grade; Mrs. Lillian P. Thigpen, second and third grades; Miss Lillian I. Smith, third and fourth grades.

At Mount Herman school will be Mrs. Lena R. Davis, principal and teacher of second and third grades; and Mrs. Sarah W. Sorrell, first and second grades.

Wore Prince Alberts
In the "nifty nineties," most United States senators wore Prince Alberts. The frock coat was a symbol of statesmanship and a beard was the mark of a man of maturity and substance.

A steady stream of bright leaf tobacco in trucks, trailers, wagons, and carts has flowed into Rocky Mount until the tobacco on warehouse floors has reached over a quarter of a million pounds according to the estimate of George P. Arrington, Sales supervisor of the Tobacco Board of Trade. "Tobacco is coming in good," remarked Mr. Arrington.

The opening sales, which were broadcast over Rocky Mount's radio station, WEED, at 9 o'clock from the warehouse floor, brought thousands of growers from all parts of the bright leaf tobacco belt.

Rocky Mount warehousemen and market officials have made every preparation to elench a successful season and to surpass the total figures of the 1936 season here both as to number of pounds sold and the average price. Mr. Arrington declared. Last year Rocky Mount sold 39,927,982 pounds for an average price of \$23.12 a hundred pounds, paying to farmers a total of \$9,216,407.99 for the 1936 crop.

SUMMER SCHOOL ENDS AT E. C. T. C.

Large Number Of Students Receive
Degrees; About 700 Attended

Wilson, Aug. 21.—R. B. House, dean of administration at the University of North Carolina used the topic "A Good School" in a commencement address before 700 summer school students of Atlantic Christian College Friday night.

With a large enrollment during the summer session, officials said the fall registration, which begins September 1, is expected to exceed previous years.

Those receiving degrees were: Annie T. Duffy, Catherine Lake, Daisy Gay Browne, Wilson; Ruth Tingle Basnight, Vanceboro, cum laude; Milton Lee Basnight, Vanceboro; Mary Lucile Swindell, Edward; Mary Moore Wetherington, Vanceboro; John Holland Manning, Route 1, Erwin; Mattie Ward Sailer, Seven Springs; Bertha Irene Morton, Jacksonville; Verdia Maurer Hobson, Dunn, cum laude; Ruth Strickland, Elm City; Richard West Richardson, Vanceboro; Lou Bell T. Williams, Beulahville; Alice Ruth Killebrew, Falcon, cum laude; Mattie Lee Gaine, Dunn, cum laude; Hazel Louise Gunter, Coats, cum laude; Bertie Mae Bass, Black Creek; Vera Robinson, Atlantic; T. R. Ainsley, Creswell, Mrs. Julia S. Avery, Cove City; Cinney Crisp, Pinetops; Mavelle O'Neal, Bailey; Ralph Whitfield, Luceana.

WILSON FARMERS TAKE PART IN FARM TOUR

60 Representative Planters Engage
In 75-Mile Tour

Wilson, Aug. 25.—For the first time in the history of farming in this section a group of 60 representative farmers of the county took a farm tour through 75 miles of Wilson county farm lands yesterday and had a good as well as instructive time doing it.

They were accompanied by W. L. Adams, county farm agent, J. A. Marsh, assistant county agent and M. E. Evans, of the farm agent's office here as well as W. C. Warner government soil conservation expert and member of the tobacco staff of the extension bureau of State College.

Starting at 9 o'clock yesterday morning the farmers first stopped at the farm of A. S. Barnes near here and inspected a v-shaped drag for terracing and the other various masses of terracing in the fight against soil erosion.

After a number of stops in the morning the farmers and others gathered at Dixie Inn for lunch and several speeches and ended up their tour at 4 o'clock at the court house here.

During the day's trip they studied dairying and pasture work at the Fairfield dairy; the hog feeder and farring house at W. R. Roger's farm at Stantonburg; the trench silo at R. W. Roger's farm; crop rotation, pasture and cattle at the farm of Dr. S. H. Crooked; forestry thinning, corn variety test, cotton seed treatment and other things at the farm of agent Adams; green manure crops at P. L. Woodard's farm; and after lunch studied poultry, cotton seed treatment at J. C. Tomlinson's farm in Black Creek; lespeedia and corn variety tests of F. W. Boswell's farm; terracing and forestry at C. A. Brame's place and farm management at Howard Watson's farm.

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