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## STATES GIVE U. S. NATIONAL PARK

### Over Urged To Attend Sesquicentennial Celebration At Kings Mountain

#### HOLD BIG GATHERING

By M. L. SHIPMAN  
RALEIGH, Feb. 10.—The Capital and the State itself "sat at the head of the table" on the occasion of formally launching the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Washington, D. C., on last Wednesday, when delivery of deeds to 6,000 acres of land lying in North Carolina and Tennessee was made by Secretary of Interior Wilbur by Governor Gardner of this State and Horton of Tennessee. North Carolinians accompanying Governor Gardner to Washington for the occasion were Mark Squires, chairman of the North Carolina Park Commission, Lenoir; Dr. E. C. Brooks, Raleigh; Verne Rhodes, Asheville; D. M. Buck, Bald Mountain; John G. Dawson, Kinston; Plato D. Ebbs, Asheville; Lieutenant Governor R. T. Fountain, Rocky Mount; Stuart W. Cramer Jr., Cramerton; Former Lieutenant Governor J. Elmer Long, Durham; and Harry L. Nettles, Billmore, of the Park Commission, and Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt and Auditor Baxter Durham, representing the State administration, and Judge L. R. Vasser counsel for the Park Commission. In accepting "the tender" Secretary Wilbur termed the presentation of the deeds an historic occasion and assured members of the committees of the two States represented that the proposed National Park measures fully up to the requirements of a national park area because of its high mountains, its deep valleys, its rugged character and its unexampled variety of trees, shrubs and plants. The event is considered "another important step in the establishment of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park" which will ultimately comprise half a million acres of scenic territory in the Southern Appalachian Range.

If President Herbert Hoover fails to attend the Kings Mountain sesquicentennial celebration on October 7th, next, it will be no fault of North Carolina, South Carolina, or Tennessee. Committees composed of distinguished citizens of the three States named recently presented themselves at the White House and extended an urgent invitation to the President to come down and join in the big event on the scene of a Revolutionary conflict staged 150 years ago. Governor Gardner, of North Carolina, Governor Horton of Tennessee, Adjutant General Dozier representing the Governor of South Carolina, Senator F. M. Simmons and Representative Chas. A. Jonas, of this State, did the oratorical stunts which may bring the President to Kings Mountain next October. Barring pressing official duties at the time President Hoover is left absolutely without excuse to absent himself.

Carl Vrooman, assistant secretary of Agriculture the administration of President Woodrow Wilson, delivered the principal address at the annual Chamber of Commerce dinner at Meredith college here on Friday evening. Mr. Vrooman is in the State collecting data for another book recently started.

#### Jackson Day Dinner

A political event of more than passing significance is North Carolina's first Jackson Day dinner, to be held in Raleigh on March 15th, under the auspices of the Young Peoples' Democratic organization of which Tyre C. Taylor is secretary. More than 400 have expressed the intention to attend and the large number of prospective participants helped the committee in charge to the conclusion that the banquet should be held in the city auditorium instead of at the Sir Walter Hotel according to initial plans. Some of the speakers invited are: National Democratic Chairman Senator F. M. Simmons, J. W. Valley, Josephus Daniels and former Governor Byrd of Virginia. Speeches will be limited to fifteen minutes for the "big folks" and to five minutes for the "small fry" who do the "introducing." The five aspirants for the 1932 gubernatorial nomination are to be allowed six minutes each if they want it. The entire program will be broadcast over the local radio station WPTF.

Henry Burke, assistant director of the State Budget bureau, gave emphatic denial to the report that half a hundred State employees had

## Harvest Queen



You can't blame the gentlemen at Utah Agricultural College for preferring Miss Beryl Bown, blond and petite. She became "Queen of the Harvest" by winning the popularity contest at the college's annual Harvest Ball.

## Halifax Officers Give Chase To Car

While searching for evidence in discharge of their duty, Chief of Police Grey and Officer Keeter and Mr. Read of Roanoke Rapids gave chase to a Ford car east of here on Saturday morning about 4 o'clock. The chase led through Weldon on to Halifax where the officers lost their men. They hid in a by-road at Halifax and waited for the reputed bootleggers to return, which they did about 45 minutes later. The officers then overtook the negro men, who at their approach began pouring whiskey upon the car, "and the car was so wet with whiskey, it looked like they had run it through a creek of liquor," one of the officers said.

The officers were unable to find any whiskey on Walter (Slue) Patterson, or on a negro by the name of Wallace, the only occupants of the car at the time of the arrest. The men were carried to Roanoke Rapids and placed under a \$200 bond for their appearance the next morning. The bond was forfeited when they failed to appear. Patterson was found at his home in Roanoke Rapids sick in bed, but Wallace has not been located. Patterson's bond was raised to \$750, and his case will be tried as soon as he is able to stand trial.

## Prepare For Weevil Early This Year

Cotton growers are beginning to realize that control of the boll weevil is a regular part of the routine in growing cotton and that to continue growing the crop at a profit, provision must be made for this work.

"We are receiving hundreds of requests from all parts of the cotton growing section asking for definite information about the boll weevil," says C. H. Brannon, extension entomologist at State college. "Manufacturers of dusting machinery and calcium arsenate tell us that they are receiving orders and indications are that a number of dusting outfits will be sold throughout the State this season. Those who buy these expensive implements must keep in mind one important fact. Dusting must be done exactly right or no results will be obtained."

Mr. Brannon says that in most farm operations there is no exact way of doing things. One must use his own judgment within certain limits about how he shall plow, cultivate, apply fertilizers or harvest; but, when it comes to poisoning the boll weevil by dusting, there is only one way and growers should not jump into weevil control without being adequately equipped and fully informed. Much money has been wasted in the past because poisoning has not been done right. Yet the methods have been standardized since 1917 and are both practical and efficient.

There are a number of North Carolina cotton growers who have poisoned successfully and have produced good crops of cotton despite ravages by the weevil. Mr. Brannon offers to send detailed information about how this is done to any grower who will write him for the information.

The first cooperative car of dolomite limestone for use under tobacco in Caswell county this season was recently ordered by eight growers.

## Auxiliary Comedy Pleases Many At Local Opera House

"Hi-Hat," a musical comedy directed by Miss Frances Cherry of Mar-Drix Co., Tifton, Ga., and sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, was held in the Opera House here on Wednesday night of last week and gave the theatre loving people of Weldon an opportunity to see their own in the rolls of actor and actress. And how they did act! "It was the best home talent show I ever saw," one present declared.

In answer to the questions as to whom deserved the praise in "Hi-Hat," answers have invariably been "all of them deserve commendation, for they all were splendid," but to Emily Joyner, as Billie, the leading lady, and to Sterling Pierce, as Dr. Dick, the leading man, praise has been most generous. The choruses were very good and the costumes beautiful, it was said. While Emily Joyner and Sterling Pierce gave mostly the serious side of the play, the humorous side was well taken care of by Sara Purrington, in the roll of Miss Parksley, an old maid, and by Ernest Jones, as Jason, one who had trouble with his speech. Words of praise were also expressed for Miss Cherry for the manner in which she directed the play.

A committee composed of Mrs. T. A. Whitfield, chairman, Mrs. W. G. Suiter, Mrs. R. T. Daniel and Mrs. W. O. Davis were in charge of the arrangements for the play, in which \$35.00 was made by the Auxiliary. "We wish to express our appreciation to all those who took in the play or lent their efforts in any way toward the success of Hi-Hat," one of the committee said. The cast of characters and members of the various choruses follow:

Cast of characters—Billie, Emily Joyner; Dr. Dick, Sterling Pierce; Becky, Katherine Collier; Pinkie, Alfred Marlowe; Bunch, Walter Allen; Nell, Julia Turner. Jim, Jack Pope; Jone, Mrs. Harry Moore; Miss Parksley, Sara Purrington; Jason, Ernest Jones; Interne Sloviski, Walter Sledge; accompanist, Louise Farber.

Chorus girls—Doris Draper, Mary Jane Zollicoffer, Eleanor Chittendon, Mary Bell Draper, Callie Grant, Laynette Dixon, Mary Letha Barnes, Lillie Mae Carter, Frances House, Jane Bryan Gregory, Anna Harrington and Janice Draper.

Cupids—Ernest Turner, Barbara Hetchel, Eva Frances Coppedge, Helen Jones, Gene Dixon and Emily Jones.

Sunbonnet maidens—Nan Armistead, Marjorie Collins, Frances Earle Mohrnie, Margaret Shepherd, Bernice Collins, Genevieve Gregory, Elizabeth Holmes, and Nancy Suiter.

School day chorus—Sterling Mohorne Jr., Allen Dickens, O. B. Hardy Jr., Bill Davis, Howard Tew, Carl Keeter, Meade Mitchell Jr., Raymond Stephenson Sara West Davis, Lula Hart Draper, Frances Johnson, Isabel Garlick, Nan Anthony, Alice Moore, Betty Suiter, and Marion Browder.

Bathing beauties—Frances Oakes, Alice Whitley, Frances Moore, Virginia Suiter, Mary Virginia Whitfield, Lucile Traylor, Agnes Oakes, Phyllis Whitaker, Julia Harris, Mamie Nash, Barbara Mae Lewis, and Irene Pierce.

## Robbers Raid Oakes Store At R. Rapids

Forcing their way into the back door of Oakes Dry Goods Store at Roanoke Rapids, robbers on Friday night made away with 20 suits of clothes, 20 dresses, \$65 in cash and valuable papers and receipts. The robbery was discovered by Walter Woodruff, manager.

Eleven suits of clothes were found between the band hall and the home of B. S. Webb on Jackson street, and the money box was located by boys at play under the railroad trestle. The papers were undisturbed, but all the cash was missing.

#### ATTEND CONFERENCE

Dr. W. G. Suiter and W. F. Dyer attended an American Legion conference at Durham on Monday night. Commander Leigh of Shaw Post was on the program for a speech but was unable to attend.

## U. D. C. TO GIVE SEVERAL PRIZES

### Organization Seeks To Create Greater Interest In Work In North Carolina

#### LIST OF PRIZES GIVEN

In an effort to create greater interest in the work of the U. D. C., and encourage the work among the young people of the State, leaders of the organization are offering several prizes for best papers and for other work promoting this plan. A list of these prizes, as given this paper by an officer of the local chapter this week for publication, follows:

Mrs. Glenn Long of Newton, third vice-president of the North Carolina division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and director of the Children of the Confederacy, has announced the following prizes for 1930:

1. Twenty-five dollars offered by Mrs. W. Fuller of Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. Ten dollars for the best; ten dollars for the next best; and five dollars for the third best essay on "What Does Confederate Memorial Day Mean?" Open to all school children of the State.

2. Ten dollars in gold offered by Mrs. Alex Cooper of Henderson to the pupil in North Carolina public schools writing the best story of "The Jefferson Davis National Highway," with particular reference to its beautification through North Carolina. This prize is given through the Jefferson Davis highway committee of this division.

3. Ten dollars in gold offered by Mrs. J. S. Welborn of High Point to high school pupil in State for best paper on "True Story of the Loyalty of a Southern Slave."

4. Ten dollars in gold offered by Hon. Josephus Daniels of Raleigh to the pupil in the public schools of the State for the best essay on "Running the Blockade in North Carolina During the War Between the States."

5. Ten dollars offered by Mrs. Charles S. Wallace of Morehead City on "My Favorite North Carolina General in the War Between the States."

6. Ten dollars offered by Gen. Albert L. Cox of Raleigh in memory of his father, Gen. William Rufus Cox, to high school pupil for best essay on "History of the Second North Carolina Brigade."

7. Ten dollars offered by Mrs. Garland Daniel of Greensboro to pupil in public school for best essay on "North Carolina's Navy in the War Between the States."

8. Ten dollars to a high school student of the State for best essay on "First North Carolina Cavalry," offered by Mrs. J. A. Gatherer of Newton as a memorial to her father, Col. Wm. H. H. Cowles, who was in command of the regiment.

9. Ten dollars offered by Mrs. T. E. Sprunt of Wilmington to high school pupil of the State for best essay on "History of the Junior Reserves."

10. Ten dollars in gold offered by Mrs. Walter Crowell of Monroe to any high school student in the State writing the best essay on "Influence of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in Keeping Laws." This prize is offered in honor of the donor's mother, and is to be known as the Frances McMullen Newby memorial.

11. Ten dollars offered by the fifteenth district to the high school student in the State for the best essay on "Life of Zebulon Baird Vance."

12. Five dollars offered by Mrs. C. H. Stearns of Statesville in memory of her grandfather, James Kenneth Land, for best essay on "A North Carolina Heroine in the War Between the States." This prize is offered to members of the Children of the Confederacy of the division.

13. Five dollars offered by Mrs. H. P. Grier Sr. of Statesville to member of Children of the Confederacy for best essay on "The Seal of the Confederate States."

14. A medal offered by Mrs. L. F. Neal of Kings Mountain in memory of her grandfather, Lieut. Alfred V.

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#### LEGION MEETS

The Shaw Post of the American Legion held its regular meeting on Friday night at which time Dr. W. G. Suiter, E. S. Jones and W. B. Joyner were appointed as the Program committee. The Legion is adding a kitchen and making other changes at their hut and other civic organizations will hold meetings there, it was said by one present.

## Rescued From Mountain Top



Lost for three days atop Mount Wilson, 20 miles from Los Angeles, the three University of California students pictured above were rescued unharmed, except for extreme suffering from exposure and lack of food. They became lost while hiking and were the object of the greatest hunt since the Mount Taylor airplane disaster last fall. Left to right, they are: Jack Schwartz, 18; Celia Caplan, 18, and Lawrence Kotkin, 20.

## Young Boy Steals Clothing For Girls In Roanoke Rapids

Unable to raise the necessary funds to provide his girl friends with dainty clothes, Chester Vaughan, 16-year-old white boy of Roanoke Rapids, resorted to larceny to obtain the coveted articles. As a result he and his father were jailed for appearance in court on Monday but failed to appear, and three white girls are in Halifax jail charged with receiving stolen goods.

Vaughan is charged with stealing a dress from Mrs. K. Jenkins store on Saturday and also with the theft of six pairs of bloomers and eight pairs of hose from Oakes store. The clothes were recovered by Officers Grey and Keeter and the three girls arrested.

## Need Poultry Flock On Every Farm

The farm poultry flock is not expensive and because of the excellent food it produces, should be found on every farm.

"During a part of the year, a flock of from 50 to 100 hens will forage for much of their food," says Dr. B. F. Kaupp, head of the poultry department at State College. "The chickens consume bugs and worms which are injurious to crops and clean up waste grain about the cow and horse barns. The flock needs to have a comfortable house which can be kept clean and plenty of mash and grain feed. Corn, oats, wheat and barley to feed the flock may be grown at home and made into a ration that is just as satisfactory as any commercial mixture. Formulas for preparing these rations may be had from the poultry department."

Dr. Kaupp says that every person should eat at least two eggs every day. This means that two cases of 30 dozen eggs each is needed for each person in the State each year. Twenty to 25 pounds of poultry should also be consumed by each person on the farm in a year.

To find out the potential market for poultry and eggs in a county, one should ascertain how many hens there are within its borders. These hens should average at least 100 eggs each. If each hen lays 100 eggs and each person consumes 500 eggs, it would mean that there should be five hens for each person to supply only the home needs. More hens than this should be kept, however, so that a surplus of eggs may be available for sale.

Then, too, says Dr. Kaupp, pullets must be raised each year to replace about one-half of the mature hens. Five eggs to set will be needed for each pullet in the breeding pens. If the farm flock is to be kept at 100 hens, this means that 250 eggs must be set. To do this without an incubator requires 15 setting hens. If the family consumes 200 pounds of poultry on the table, 25 hens and 50 fryers will supply this amount.

#### FINED \$5 AND COSTS

Jimmy Smith, local negro, was fined \$5 and costs here in Mayor's court Sunday morning for being drunk. Smith was found drunk on the streets of Weldon on Saturday night by Chief Crewe.

## BITES OFFICER IN JAW AND IS SHOT

### Negro Is In Hospital At Roanoke Rapids As Result Of Bullet Wound

#### KEETER SEEKS DOCTOR

ROANOKE RAPIDS, Feb. 12.—Ed Arrington, local negro, is in the Roanoke Rapids hospital with a bullet hole through his stomach, and L. E. Keeter, police officer of Roanoke Rapids, is carrying the teeth prints of Arrington, put there when the officer arrested him in Peoples Theatre, here on Saturday night.

Officer Keeter was summoned by a negro employee of the theatre to go up in the balcony and get a negro out who was drunk and disorderly. The officer went up and asked the negro to come out, but was met with a lot of words and a refusal to go anywhere. While attempting to pull the negro from the theatre the officer was struck several times. Hand-cuffs were brought into play, but as they were slipped on one hand the negro jerked loose and attempted to hit Mr. Keeter over the head with them, but failed to do so when E. R. Watkins, who accompanied the officer to the theatre, caught his hand.

The negro then sunk his teeth in the left jaw of Mr. Keeter. The officer reached for his gun and struck the negro over the head in an effort to make him release his hold upon him. With his jaw still in the teeth of the drunken man, Mr. Keeter pointed the gun in the back of Arrington and pulled the trigger, but a move at that second swerved the gun and the bullet sunk itself in the ceiling of the theatre. The officer then pushed the gun in the negro's stomach and pulled the trigger. Arrington was carried to the hospital where he is said to be in a serious condition. The negro's teeth nearly penetrated the jaw of the officer, who was given treatment by a local doctor.

## Farm Tax Burden Is Too Heavy

Farmers are carrying the chief burden of taxes today because taxing systems are based mainly on an antiquated property tax. The only hope the farmer has for permanent tax relief is through a complete and thorough revision of the present tax system in North Carolina and the establishment of an effective tax administration.

This is the opinion of Dr. G. W. Forster, agricultural economist at State college, who made a thorough study of farm taxes for the State Tax Commission in 1928. As a result of these studies, Dr. Forster believes the farmer is unfairly taxed. He advocates a system including a personal income tax designed to reach all personal income derived from whatever source, emphasizing especially the need for reaching intangible personal property, which now in a large measure escapes taxation.

The property tax should be modified so as to relieve property owners and also to eliminate double and triple taxation which is so common now and which is the cause of so much dissatisfaction. Dr. Forster also advocates a business tax or tax on the net income from business enterprises, which is entirely separate and apart from the personal income tax. Such a diversified system of taxation efficiently and justly administered would give farmers real and permanent relief, he says.

Dr. Forster recently declared that the administration of our tax law is inadequate and needs to be revised. The chief defects are irresponsibility of tax officials, inefficient and dishonest personnel, and unscientific methods used in the assessment of property and in the levying and collecting of revenues. The remedy to this, he said, is the creation of a fiscal commission with broad powers to study tax problems and effect the necessary reform.

#### APPOINTED DEPUTY

R. T. Daniel has recently been appointed as District Deputy Potentate of Sudan Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Mystic Shrine. The appointment came through Dr. H. M. Poteat, Illustrious Potentate.