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"If It Concerns Harnett, It's in THE NEWS"

EMINENT JUNIOR TELLS OF WORK OF JUNIOR ORDER

Has Maintained Youthful Spirit and Enthusiasm in Promotion of Patriotism, Virtue and Liberty

(From The Fayetteville Observer)
The district convention of the eighteenth district of the Junior Order of American Mechanics is being held in Fayetteville this afternoon and tonight, with delegates present from the local councils in Cumberland, Harnett and Sampson counties in attendance. The order has about 1,500 members in three counties. District Deputy Councillor G. H. Allran, of Fayetteville, is in charge of the meeting, and State Councillor M. W. Lucke, of Nashville, is present and will be one of the principal speakers. Other leading members of the order are also scheduled for addresses.

A business meeting is being held this afternoon, and there will be an open meeting tonight in Odd Fellows' Hall, to which the general public is invited.

The meeting of the convention naturally arouses additional interest in the order and its history and purposes. The following statement was recently issued from national headquarters:

The Junior Order United American Mechanics, today one of the strongest fraternal organizations in existence, had its origin about 1853, having been founded at Germantown, Pa. From its beginning the order was successful, and interest of its founders resulted in growth by leaps and bounds, with the result that its membership now is found in almost every state of the Union, with active councils in practically all cities and towns.

The word "Junior" in the title has no relation to the age of members, according to official documents of the order. Nor is the word "Mechanics" to be construed literally. It refers in no manner to artisans, but embraces every pursuit. The organization is Junior as an order and not individually. It is stated, having had subsequent origin to another fraternity of similar name.

The general object of the order is given as follows: "To inspire in the hearts of all native-born Americans a greater love of country and fealty to its constitution and institutions; to remind them that they are of one blood, and that they should not hesitate to shed it in their country's defense."

The special objects of the Junior Order United American Mechanics are four in number:

- First: To maintain and promote the interests of Americans, and shield them from the depressing effects of unrestricted immigration; to assist them in obtaining employment and to encourage them in business.
- Second: To provide for the creation of a fund or funds for the payment of benefits in the case of sickness, disability or death of its members, their legal dependents or representatives, and to issue certificates of membership for the same.
- Third: To uphold the American free public school system; to prevent any interference therewith, and to encourage the reading of the Holy Bible in the schools thereof.
- Fourth: To promote and maintain a national orphans' home.

Organization

Prior to the organization of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, there existed an order of somewhat similar name, which had for its minimum age limit 21 years. It was composed mostly of artisans. In the families of its members there were many young men whose desire to become affiliated with a fraternal organization with declaration of patriotic as well as fraternal principles, resulting in the founding of this order. The first meetings were held in a school house at Germantown, Pa., and here the tenets of the order were established, including a provision that a native-born American, 18 years of age, and of acceptable character, should be eligible for membership.

The new order soon had a large roll, and was proving exceptionally active. When its members became 21 years of age they were reluctant to leave their first love, with the result that they continued to hold membership, and a new and stronger order was given to the nation. Throughout its life the Junior Order United American Mechanics has been interested in patriotic matters and has been instrumental in elevating the standards of the American public school system.

It has been active in securing pas-

LOCAL CLASSES TO TREAT SEEDS FREE FOR FARMERS

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The Lillington agricultural classes will treat all tobacco seed sent into their laboratory free of charge. Other disease prevention measures can be easily followed by the farmer himself if he wants to produce tobacco free of leaf spot disease.

Just what tobacco prices will be next fall, no one can safely predict. With prospects for an increased acreage of tobacco this year, over last, we may see low prices for average grades of tobacco. The season may be unfavorable and a lot of low grade tobacco be produced. But regardless of season or prices paid for the general crop, we can always be assured of good prices for quality tobacco that grades high. Why not then make every effort to make the tobacco that is produced be of best quality? One of the largest factors affecting the quality of the leaf is insect or disease damage. To avoid this injury the following recommendations have been made by the specialists in disease control:

1. The plant beds should be made up each year on new ground and should be so situated that they will not become contaminated by drainage water from old tobacco fields or beds.
2. Avoid the use of poles and boards that have been used previously on plant beds, and of manure containing the refuse from a tobacco crop.
3. Select seed from disease-free plants. If there is any reason to suspect that the seed are contaminated, they should be treated before planting.
4. Treat seed by cooking them in disinfectant for exactly ten minutes. Either formaldehyde (one tablespoonful to a pint of water) or corrosive sublimate (1 part to 1000 parts of water) is equally effective as a disinfectant.

Treat as follows:
(a) Put seed into cloth sack.
(b) Prepare disinfectant in fruit jar.
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- (d) Rinse the sack of seed immediately in running water or in tub of water.
- (e) Spread the seed out in thin layer to dry as soon as possible.
- (f) If seed are not to be planted within a few hours, store them in a paper bag, not subject to recontamination. Be sure to treat for ten minutes only and to wash well after treating, otherwise some of the seed will be slow to germinate and others may fail to germinate.
5. Use new covers for the plant beds each year. If old cloths are used, they should be boiled for at least ten minutes.
6. Avoid contaminating the beds while weeding, while pulling the plants, or by visiting the neighbor's plant beds. The disease germs may be carried on the hands and shoes of workers.
7. If possible, avoid planting in fields which have grown a diseased crop during the previous year. Rotations are always advisable. The danger of growing tobacco after tobacco is largely eliminated if the tobacco stalks are plowed under as soon as possible after harvest. Disease-free plants set in such a field are not likely to become seriously diseased.
8. Do not set plants that are manifestly diseased nor buy nor exchange plants with a neighbor unless they are known to be disease-free.
9. Inspect the field soon after transplanting, remove and destroy all diseased plants and reset healthy ones.

OHIO CONCERN OFFERS PRIZES IN PENMANSHIP

The Zaner-Bloser Company, Columbus, Ohio, publishers of the Zaner method of writing which is state-adopted for use in the public schools of North Carolina, is co-operating with the State Department of Education of Raleigh in staging a penmanship contest in which all of the state are urged to compete.

The contest this year is open to all seventh grade pupils. Prizes for the best writers are being offered as follows: First prize, \$15; second prize, \$10; third prize, \$7.50; fourth prize, \$5.

A bulletin containing complete information to teachers and superintendents for giving this contest can be secured without charge by writing to the North Carolina Handwriting Contest Editor, Zaner-Bloser Company, Columbus, Ohio.

This contest has been approved by A. T. Allen, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and by the majority of school superintendents. Over 90 per cent of the school superintendents in the state replied to a questionnaire to the effect that they would give this contest their hearty support.

In view of the importance of handwriting in school, in business and in life, we are much pleased that a contest is to be conducted, and we trust that it will stir up considerable interest and enthusiasm in the subject.

ORGANIZATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

On Thursday evening, January 21st, the young people of the Presbyterian church met with Mrs. Ross to organize a Young People's Society. Mr. Menius presided at the meeting and made a splendid talk explaining the purpose of the organization—fellowship and service.

The following officers were elected: President, Miss Cornelia McLaughlin; Vice President, Mr. Register Parker; Secretary, Miss Virginia Moss; Treasurer, Miss Rachel Rich. Eighteen members were enrolled.

The next meeting will be Friday evening, January 29th, with Miss Virginia Moss at the Killigrey Hotel.

Tom Tarheel says he enjoys his work as a member of the county board of agriculture, but it made him hustle to do the things on his place that he was pushing for the county.

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CHILDREN FOR ADOPTION

We now have ready for placement approved foster homes the following children:
Ten babies, ages 1 month to 12 months.
Five boys, ages 3 years to 10 years.
Five girls, ages 6 years to 10 years.

We invite applications from Christian families who desire to brighten children's homes with North Carolina's greatest asset—a child.

Children's Home Society of N. C., Inc., John J. Phoenix, State Superintendent, Greensboro, N. C.

AUTOMOBILE BUSINESS IS LARGEST INDUSTRY

The automobile business is the largest industry in the country, according to the United States Department of Commerce, the rating being based on the wholesale value of the products.

The wholesale value of the record 1925 production is estimated at \$3,000,000,000. In the opinion of President Charles Clifton, president of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, the year 1926, viewed from the immediate automotive standpoint of the nation, holds a world of promise.

It will provide:
Low-priced, high-quality motor transportation.
More efficient, more comfortable means of travel.

Continued development of our national economy, which will help the trade of ourselves and of the world.

NEXT CLINIC AT FAYETTEVILLE FOR CRIPPLES SAT'DAY

Several Cases From Harnett Being Treated—New Cases Taken—Application Should Be Made Now

Dr. Alonzo Myers, orthopedic specialist in charge of the clinic for cripples, held in Fayetteville every fourth Saturday in each month, will hold the January clinic, next Saturday, the 30th. Such cases as need attention from the clinic should be reported to the Welfare Department of the county, or they may be taken direct to Fayetteville Saturday between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock.

Several cases from Harnett county are being treated at the clinic and some of these are already advanced in improvement, having taken one or more of the treatments. Much good is resulting from the clinic, it is reported, and it is the desire to have everyone needing the treatment to attend the clinic. Miss Dora Beck, county welfare officer, is urging that all cases needing attention be reported to her office. She has two cases in hand now to be carried before the clinic Saturday.

In a letter to Miss Beck, Dr. Myers cited the cases from Harnett already treated, showing the improvement being wrought in each individual case.

DIRECTORS OF CO-OPERATIVES SHOULD KNOW PROBLEMS

One of the serious weaknesses of many agricultural co-operatives is the tendency of members of boards of directors to shirk responsibility in the matter of management.

Too frequently, says the United States Department of Agriculture, the individual member looks upon his elevation to the office of director merely as a recognition of his standing in the community. Such an attitude is unfortunate, and until every director comes to feel that he has accepted a trusteeship for the cooperative conduct of the business, cooperative enterprises will fall of attaining the full measure of success they wish to achieve.

This trusteeship, says the department, obligates every director to inform himself thoroughly respecting the operation of the business with which he has become vitally connected. In addition he will need to understand fully the broader principles of a thorough working knowledge of which depends to a large extent, the degree of success and progress of the business.

"If lack of interest is a weakness," says a department economist, "the wrong kind of interest is equally bad. Too frequently one finds the board interfering instead of directing. It is the duty of the board to formulate policies and to see that these policies are carried out by the executives."

Dictation by the board of the petty detail of day to day operation is not "formulating policies." It is interference. Such interference can only result in unstable and unsatisfactory management.

Probably the most frequent cause of unwise management, he points out, is a lack of essential facts, or if these be at hand, an unwillingness to face the facts. To the extent that the board of directors makes a real effort to understand the demand for its products, and to formulate price and merchandising policies on the basis of all the facts, rather than on the basis of mere opinion, he says, will its activities contribute to whatever measure of success is achieved.

Twelve boys who are members of the cotton club in Lee county made an average yield of 1,499 pounds of seed cotton per acre last year.

CO-OPS HANG UP SEASON'S RECORD IN DELIVERIES

Last Week's Deliveries Best of This Tobacco Season—4,500,000 Pounds, According to Headquarters

(By S. D. Frissell)

Members of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association made the largest deliveries of the entire season to their warehouses in North Carolina and Virginia last week, amounting to a total of more than 4,500,000 pounds of tobacco, according to the statement of General Manager Richard R. Patterson.

This is considered a remarkable showing of loyalty on the part of the membership, particularly in view of the recent report of the Federal Trade Commission and the suit of Wiley M. Person of Franklin county, North Carolina, against the association.

In view of the fact that the financial affairs of the association were reported by Oliver J. Sands, chairman of the executive committee, as being in the best condition since its organization at last week's meeting of the board of directors, the suit of Person who has repeatedly busied himself in making speeches and calling meetings against the association, is regarded as an extravagant play for publicity.

The attitude of the directors towards the report of the Federal Trade Commission which largely ignored the charges of tobacco farmers from various parts of the two Carolinas, and Virginia made against the Imperial and American Tobacco Companies and severely attacked the methods by which the organized growers have protected their own business and maintained higher prices for all tobacco farmers of this section in the past three years, was expressed in the following statement at last week's meeting of the association's governing board:

"The board of directors of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association has spent a day hearing detailed statements on the redrying situation with particular reference to the activities of General Manager Patterson and Warehouse Manager Watkins as co-partners in the Edmondson Tobacco Company, said statements covering items brought out in the report of the Federal Trade Commission and it has been made clear that the members of this board have been in general approval of the prior policies of this board in permitting and encouraging our directors or officers or managers to engage in redrying activities in preference to placing such business with the enemies of cooperative marketing; and it has been made evident that the members of the board of directors with a few exceptions were not aware prior to June, 1925, that managers Patterson and Watkins had an interest in the Edmondson redrying activities for the 1922 crop, and that most of the directors did have general knowledge of such activities for the 1923 and 1924 crops, and this board here expresses its approval of such activities and reiterates the resolution adopted August 18, 1925, and here states that it would have approved the said activities of 1922 had it known of them as being in accord with its general policies at that time; and that other employees and directors such as Mr. Williams and others were redrying tobacco for the association under standard contracts with the knowledge and approval of the board generally, including all of the actual facts about the policy of not selling green tobacco to dealers, and expressly including all the actual facts and evidence to show that the executive committee had good reasons to believe that there was in the spring of 1923 a real attempt to raise the cost of redrying against this association, with full knowledge of all these facts the board approves of all such activities; states that there has never been any intentional concealment thereof; states that the contract price and profits have been in line with similar competing companies and were proper in view of the hazard and the particular service; and further states that it does not see any ground whatsoever for any claim of any kind against the persons involved in these transactions."

A loan fund to amount to not less than \$10,000, for assisting students in four Class A normal schools in Alabama, has been established by the Birmingham News. The fund is to be administered by the presidents of these institutions.

HOME OF W. J. SALMON BURNED LAST THURSDAY

Last Thursday about noontime, as the family were sitting down to dinner at the home of Mr. W. J. Salmon of Summerville, was discovered to be burning. Although it is not known how the fire started, it is thought some sparks must have gotten there. The house and its entire contents were destroyed. It is not known how much insurance Mr. Salmon carried on his home, but it is understood that he had some.

The house was a two-story structure and the blaze went high. Nearby woods caught on fire, but was extinguished.

TWO HARNETT MEN ARE ASKING FOR LAW LICENSE

Joseph H. Naylor and John O. Harris of Dunn are among the 108 applicants for license to practice law who took examination before the Supreme Court at its semi-annual sitting on Monday of this week. Others near here who took the examination include Carl C. Phillips of Sanford, Gilbert A. Shaw of Fayetteville and John T. Davensport of Sanford.

It will probably be several days before the court hands down its decisions to the various applicants.

AGRICULTURAL LEASONS AT THE NEWS

Chattel Mortgages at The News.

Pencils and Tablets at The News.

POLICEMAN GRIMES TAKES RABBIT IN HIS'N, PLEASE

Early last Sunday morning Lillington's night policeman, A. T. Grimes, set out in his Ford for Clayton to spend the day with his homefolk.

"Twas not yet in the break of dawn when the officer started on his journey, and of course he had the lights turned on his car. As he was passing one of the embankments near Kipling he spied a rabbit jumping and skipping and scampering along the roadway. As the engine came dangerously near his royal cottontail Mr. Bunny began to leap for the tall timber. It was high time, also there was a high embankment immediately in front of him. Not having time to detour, he attempted to scale the embankment, but he was buffeted back by the high wall. His next leap was for the other side of the road. And there—

Here's the story Mr. Bunny sprang amidst his winter-faltered body, lunged against Mr. Grimes' car with such force that the officer felt the impact distinctly. Applying his brakes, the officer stopped his car and went back to review the damage. The Ford was still intact, but the poor cottontail was not in statu quo, which is to say there was game in the bag for the policeman. Grimes continued his homeward way, slowly and happily, for the Grimes family. There was a nice dinner of succulent rabbit stew for them that day. Don't believe it? Well, the officer is a great big fellow, and the editor of The News would not dare dispute the story.

NO EXTENSIONS FOR FILING INFORMATION RETURNS

Heretofore taxpayers have been urged to file their income tax returns early. The filing of returns this year is delayed pending the enactment of the new revenue act now passed by the Senate, which, as it passed the House, contains changes in regard to rates and other features. However, there is nothing to prevent taxpayers at this time from closing their books and computing their net income. Such computations will not be affected by any provisions of the new act. The actual preparation of the return itself, after the computation, requires, in a majority of cases, but a few minutes. Therefore, it is advised that all figures and data be assembled pending receipt of blanks by taxpayers. When released, blanks will be sent to taxpayers and also may be obtained at the office of the S. Collector at Raleigh, North Carolina.

Forms 1099 and 1066 used for making information returns, also partnership returns Form 1065, are now available at the office of the S. Collector of Internal Revenue and branch offices. Such returns are required of persons in whatever capacity acting, who made to a single person during the year 1925 a payment of \$1,000 or more, or to a married person a payment of \$2,500 or more. Such payments include salaries, rent, interest, or other fixed or determinable gains, profits and income.

While no extensions may be granted for filing information returns, you may make application before the filing date of March 15th, direct to the S. Collector at Raleigh, North Carolina, for an extension to file income tax returns, provided you give good and sufficient reasons for such extension.

Parents who understand will see that their children are right in their judgment and management. This will make the teacher's task easier. Mrs. John D. Johnson talked to the newly formed associations on "What the Parent-Teacher Association in Lillington has done and is still doing."

This was a very enthusiastic talk and showed that Mrs. Johnson had put across very effectively that which she intended. It was a very cold night and a very few were present, but they were very wide awake and interested, and the meeting proved quite a success.

They will meet again next Friday night for a report from the nominating committee and at this time one of the classes will give a little program on Lee-Jackson Day.

It is hoped that every father and mother who has a child in Lafayette School will be present at the meeting on Friday night.

MR. HENDRICKS VISITS HERE

Rev. Harris Lindsay Hendricks, recently pastor of Lillington Methodist church, but who was removed to the pastorate of Scotland Neck by the last session of Conference, visited here last Friday and Saturday. He was the guest of Messrs. H. T. and Marshall Speare. Mr. Hendricks says that he is beginning to like his new field fine. His hosts of friends here were exceedingly glad to see him. He had come over to Raleigh to attend the conference of Methodist pastors. Mrs. Hendricks and the children did not accompany him. They are in splendid health, he says, and getting along nicely in their new home.

The intelligent use of lime will improve the soil and will help to produce better yields of legume crops in North Carolina. Magnesium limestone, under tobacco makes better quality and yield of weed.

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