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

ADMINISTRATION DEFINITELY FIXES ITS AUDIT SYSTEM

ASSISTANT APPOINTED FOR ACCOUNTANT DUPREE SETTLES DIFFICULT AND EXPENSIVE AUDITS

After searching diligently for the best method of managing its financial affairs, first appointing a county manager, then withdrawing him, and leaving the matter of management to County Accountant J. E. Dupree, who has been on that job since the present administration assumed charge of the county government in Harnett last December 1st, the auditing system of the county has been definitely fixed, according to Accountant Dupree by his appointment of J. E. White of Raleigh as Assistant County Accountant. Mr. White accepted the appointment and went to work for the county Monday morning of this week.

Mr. White has been assisting Mr. R. L. Steele in making an audit of the county's affairs, and in accepting the position with the county he severs his connection with Mr. Steele's accounting firm, whose headquarters are in Raleigh. Mr. White will devote his entire time to the service of the county and will probably move his family here soon.

Mr. White's salary will be \$1,800 per year. With his chief, Accountant Dupree, whose salary is \$2,400 per year, he will be the only force employed in that department, according to Accountant Dupree. It is expected that Mr. Steele will render a report on his audit of the county's affairs at the next meeting of the Board. He was employed to make audit of the fiscal affairs of the county from July 1st to December 1st, 1928. He was also employed to institute a system of book-keeping for the accountant's office, and to do other work of like nature. County Accountant Dupree stated to The News yesterday that after Mr. Steele renders his report he will not need his services any longer and that the heavy expense to which the county has been put in this regard will cease.

County Accountant Dupree states that with the assistance of Mr. White he will have the county's affairs well in hand.

LIST OF LISTERS MADE COMPLETE

The list of appointed list-takers for Harnett county valuations was made complete last week by the naming of listers in Barbecue and Johnsonville townships, to whom the matter of naming these two was referred by the Board of Commissioners at the last session.

The completed list of listers is as follows:

- J. O. Weathers, Varina R. 1.—For Buckhorn township.
- Cyrus Matthews, Kipling.—For Hector's Creek township.
- Paul Turlington, Dunn.—For Grove township.
- McD. Marks, Bule's Creek.—For Nell's Creek township.
- James Pearsall, Dunn.—For Aversboro township.
- W. G. Byrd, Erwin.—For Duke township.
- James A. Shaw, Overhills.—For Anderson Creek township.
- F. D. Byrd, Bunnlevel.—For Stewart's Creek township.
- Malcom Buchanan, Broadway.—For Upper Little River township.
- A. D. Wilson, Angler.—For Black River township.
- Flynn Rosser, Broadway.—For Barbecue.
- D. P. McDonald, Olivia.—For Johnsonville.
- J. O. Sutton, Lillington.—For Lillington township.

The listers are called to meet here May 1st, when they will go into conference with County Accountant J. E. Dupree, Chairman John McLeod of the Board of Commissioners and County Attorney J. O. West to discuss ways and means for listing all personal property in the county in an equitable manner. Articles of personal property in the various townships will be listed at equal value. It is said, wherever it is perfectly patent that the value is the same. For instance a hundred dollar mule in Anderson Creek township will be placed on the books at the same value that his brother in Aversboro is listed.

The listers will begin their work May 7th and County Accountant Dupree states that he will require them to report to him the first Monday in June. By virtue of his office, Mr. Dupree is tax supervisor.

FELIX MCKAY WILL HOLD ERWIN POSTMASTERSHIP

His hosts of friends throughout Harnett and adjoining counties as well as in other parts of the State will be glad to know that Mr. Felix M. McKay will continue to hold the Erwin postmastership. His nomination has been sent to the Senate by President Herbert Hoover and all that Mr. McKay has to do is to accept the job again.

Counting as one of the first of the new President's nominations, the distinction comes to Mr. McKay along with the knowledge that he is one of the most popular men in his home county of Harnett.

DUNN INVITES ESSAY CONTEST THERE MAY 4

PRIZES WILL BE OFFERED BY DUNN MERCHANTS IN ADDITION TO THOSE OFFERED BY CO-OPS

Dunn, April 24.—The Chamber of Commerce is extending an invitation to all high schools of the county who will have representatives in the essay contest being sponsored by the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association to meet here on Saturday, May 4th, for the county contest. Dunn merchants and other business houses are expected to offer prizes for the three best essays, and in addition offer prizes to all who attend the contest, and who are fortunate enough to hold a lucky number.

The plan is for the final contest to be held in the Dunn opera house. The three best essays will be selected by a committee of judges named by the county superintendent of education, and three prizes will be offered for the three best essays. The first prize winner will go to Raleigh, there to compete in the State contest, in which the participant will have a chance at four prizes offered by the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, the largest being \$50. The State contest winner will get, in addition to the first prize, a trip to Baton Rouge, La., where the national contest will be held.

In addition to the prizes to be offered locally for the best essays, a number of prizes will be offered to those who accompany the contestants, and who attend the contest at the opera house. Each person who attends will be given a numbered ticket, the stub of which will be put in a box. There will be no admission fee, and tickets will not be sold but given absolutely free. At the close of the contest, numbers will be drawn, and the person holding the lucky number will get a prize. The prize will be announced, and here's where the fun will come in—the person holding the lucky number will take the prize, no matter what it happens to be. If the prize happens to be a piece of lingerie, it is drawn by a member of the opposite sex—well, it's just up to the person holding the lucky number to take whatever he or she gets. Maybe he or she can swap it with somebody else in order to get something more appropriate, or maybe it will do for friend wife, or husband, sister or brother, or it might do for some of the kids.

Nearly every high school in the county will have participants, and the patrons of the school will naturally pull for their school. It is expected that a big crowd will be on hand that day, although this is the first event of the kind to be staged here.

Last year a similar contest was held in Sampson county, and the Sampson county winner was the participant in the national contest at Baton Rouge, and came very near winning the national prize. Who knows but what some son or daughter of Harnett county will be the successful contestant this year? A number of students are now working on their essays, and the county contest will be a lively one. The subject is "Cooperative Organizing, Standardizing and Merchandising."

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC WAS HELD HERE MONDAY

Pre-school clinics, to be held throughout the county, were begun in Lillington Monday under supervision of Mrs. Anna B. Lewis, welfare superintendent. Out of 27 children examined 23 were found in need of treatment. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday the clinics were held at Angler, Erwin and Dunn. Drs. J. W. Halford and A. T. Wyatt assisted Miss Olive from the State welfare department in conducting the clinic here.

ALL SIX MONTHS SCHOOLS CLOSING FOR THE TERM

FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK WILL END SHORT TERMS—TEN HIGH SCHOOLS STILL OPERATING

Schools operating for only six months term began to close last Friday when about fifty per cent of the short terms wound up the 1928-29 session, and Friday of this week will find the balance of them closing. Only one or two exceptions are noted in the closings, these being late openers last fall.

The ten high schools, namely, at Lillington, Dunn, Bunnlevel, Anderson Creek, Benhaven, Boone Trail, Lafayette, Angler, Coats and Erwin, will close during May. As a rule, the six months schools open a short while after the high school (or 8 months terms) open.

Dunn operates for nine months, being the only school in the county with a term of that length. Bunnlevel high school carries its students through the tenth grade only, and Anderson Creek does the same. At Boone Trail school the term is six months for the elementary grades and eight months for the high school. About one hundred of the elementary students are still going to school to teachers who volunteered to instruct them on subscription. Parents of the students who are continuing in school have agreed to personally pay the expense.

Funds for the payment of salaries of teachers in the six months school have run out, according to Superintendent Gentry, and teachers are being allowed to leave the county and return to their homes without getting their pay. He hopes to have funds in hand to settle these obligations, some, however.

In the case of the high schools (or eight months terms) there is sufficient money in hand to pay salaries because there is an extra tax levy in these districts which furnishes more funds.

STILLS TAKEN BY OFFICERS

Sheriff John Henry Tart and his deputies have been active lately in breaking up liquor stills and destroying the fluid, as the following list of captures will show:

Deputy D. A. Huffines brought in a still from Johnsonville township.

Deputies Byrd, Jones, Harper and Stewart captured a big fine outfit in Anderson Creek.

Sheriff Tart and Deputies Byrd, Jones and Stewart took an outfit in Anderson Creek.

An outfit was brought in from Barbecue by Deputy D. J. Patterson.

A small copper outfit was taken in Anderson Creek by Deputies Byrd and Galtney.

Sheriff Tart and Deputies Byrd and Stewart went out into Anderson Creek and brought in a medium size outfit.

Sheriff Tart and Deputies Byrd and Stewart brought in an outfit taken in Aversboro.

Sheriff Tart and Deputies Byrd and Jones got another outfit in Anderson Creek.

In Grove Deputies Byrd, Stewart, Parrish and Galtney got an outfit and arrested Chester Tart, who gave bond and is to be given hearing next Tuesday in Recorder's Court.

Sheriff Tart and Deputies Galtney and Byrd got an outfit in Anderson Creek.

Sheriff Tart and Deputies Byrd and Stewart found two stills in Anderson Creek.

In these raids 3,000 to 3,500 gallons of beer was poured out. About 25 gallons of liquor was taken.

"A still a day" was the record of the officers last week.

MISS LUNETTE WILDER TIES FOR FIRST PLACE IN MUSIC CONTEST

"A miss is as good as a mile" is not true every time. In the State music contest when the finals were held in the auditorium of the N. C. C. W. of Greensboro last week-end, Miss Lunette Wilder came so near winning first place with her solo, "My Sweetheart is a Fisherman," that she tied three times and won second place. This was indeed a distinction, said Dr. Wade Brown. The mixed chorus directed by Mrs. Caviness Brown won third place. This was an honor, too, and Lillington is proud of her school's record in this contest. If a first appearance will make this showing, just watch her bring home the bacon next year!

ENGINEER SMITH HERE

Engineer W. T. Smith of the State Highway Commission, who is now engaged on bridge projects in Johnston county on the highway leading from Smithfield to Newton Grove, was here Monday. His home is in Dunn.

Engineer Smith supervised the construction of the Lillington-Manchester road, being "borrowed" by Harnett count from the State for that purpose.

STATE WATERS TO BE STOCKED WITH GAME FISH

STATE HATCHERIES WILL HAVE AN OUTPUT OF 4,250,000 FISH THIS YEAR, SAYS HARRELSON

Raleigh, April 24.—An average of more than one game fish for every man, woman and child in North Carolina or a total of approximately four and one-quarter million embryos, "biters" will be released in the fishing waters this year from the State fish hatcheries, according to estimates made by Col. J. W. Harrelson, director of Conservation and Development, and J. S. Hargett, assistant director of the Department, following their return from an inspection of the cultural stations.

The estimated output of four and one-quarter million game fish from the hatcheries, according to the officials, will be approximately one-third greater than the banner year, 1928, when a little more than three million fry and fingerlings were stocked in North Carolina fishing waters. In 1927, the total output of the hatcheries was one and three-quarter million.

Director Harrelson and Assistant Director Hargett expressed a belief that stocking of streams and other waters this year, in addition to being on a larger scale, will be the most effective yet experienced since a large number will be raised to a fingerling size than heretofore.

Hatching capacities at all of the cultural stations, they reported, have been extended and facilities for rearing the baby fry have been enlarged. Then announced that the Conservation Department, through the cooperation of individuals, county and municipal governments, and sportsmen's organizations, has set as an objective the rearing of every fish from the hatcheries to a fingerling size before being released in fishing waters.

Special consideration in the distribution of fish from the hatcheries will be given, it was announced, to individuals and organizations that will rear the fry to fingerling stage and distribute them in public fishing waters.

The officials' inspection tour took them by the State game farm at Asheboro and the Sauratown game refuge in Stokes county. They were accompanied to these places by Chas. H. England, State game warden.

The Club also appointed a committee to look into the matter of securing new industries for Lillington and Harnett county. The Industrial committee, appointed by Professor Anthony, has as its chairman Graham D. Monroe, who selected as his assistants S. G. Howell and J. R. Hood.

J. B. Tugwell, chairman, Henderson Steele, L. M. Chaffin, J. C. Thomson, J. H. Tart, S. G. Howell and J. A. Marsh were appointed a committee on Fourth of July celebration. This committee will confer with the merchants of Lillington in order to get a consensus of opinion as to the best way in which to arrange for a program for the celebration. It is suggested that prizes be offered and other inducements to get throngs of people here. Suggestions by Mr. Howell were well received, and the committee will immediately begin its work in order to get as much publicity for the program in advance as possible.

B. D. Bunn gave an encouraging report on the school library, which the Club helped with other organizations to establish.

That Pope offered valuable suggestions on the proposed Fourth of July celebration and his remarks were received with enthusiasm by the Club.

Lion Pope, chairman, and J. D. Johnson and M. R. Edwards, members of the program committee, will arrange a program for the next meeting and luncheon, to be held two weeks hence, hour and place to be fixed by Tall Twister M. R. Edwards.

The meeting and luncheon were immensely enjoyed by the members present. The luncheon in future will be served by the hotels, Lillington and Killigorey.

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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS IN SUMMER CAMPS

C. M. T. C. AT FORT BRAGG IN JUNE JULY TO OFFER TUITION IN UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Are money difficulties keeping you from continuing your education? If they are, you should read this carefully.

Fifteen scholarships in eleven additional institutions throughout the Southeast and of a total value of approximately \$2,000 will be awarded to deserving students in the six C. M. T. camps of the Fourth Corps Area this summer.

These awards would seem to indicate an established feeling of favor and appreciation for the product of C. M. T. camps in our eight southeastern states.

The thirty day camps this year in this section of the country are to run from June 13th to July 12th at Fort Bragg, N. C.; Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.; Fort Meukrie, S. C.; Fort Screven, Ga.; Fort Barrancas, Fla.; and Camp McClellan, Ala. Students at each camp will have an opportunity to compete for some of these scholarships.

In North Carolina the University at Chapel Hill is to give serious consideration to the award of a scholarship to a trainee selected by the camp commander at Fort Bragg.

From the above it is evident that many boys who have their educational desires curtailed by reason of lack of funds will have an opportunity to solve that problem in the C. M. T. camps this summer, as well as to secure the many educational and physical advantages of the camps themselves. Aside from other requirements the winners will be expected to prove themselves creditable representatives of the Citizens' Military Training Camps.

LIONS CLUB TO OFFER PRIZES

At its bi-weekly dinner Tuesday evening at the Killigorey Hotel, the Lillington Lions Club voted \$50 in prizes for advancement in poultry and hog raising in Harnett county. The prizes are to be arranged and their awards directed by Professor J. O. Anthony, instructor in vocational agriculture in Lillington High School.

The Lions Club has taken note of the splendid progress being made in poultry shipments and the encouragement given to hog raisers by Professor Anthony. Shipments that have gone out of the county under his direction and guidance have netted handsome returns to the farmers who have had offerings, and it is noticeable how the money returns have been beneficial not only to the farmers immediately but to all industry, business and professional life.

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LEE COUNTY OFFICERS CAPTURE LARGE STILL

Jonesboro, April 24.—Probably the largest distillery outfit ever seen in Lee county was captured last Friday night by Sheriff Samuel W. Womble and his deputies, D. A. Groce and Paul Watson.

The still was a crude affair, and was of the submarine type—its capacity being 500 gallons.

It was located on Little River, a few miles from Jonesboro. The officers destroyed two barrels of beer, no whiskey being found. There was no one at the still at the time of the raid but there was evidence that a "run" had been made recently.

TO OBSERVE NATIONAL EGG WEEK MAY 1-7

BEGINNING MAY FIRST FARMERS AND POULTRYMEN TO MAKE EFFORT TO POPULARIZE EGGS

Raleigh, April 24.—National Egg Week will be observed by poultrymen and farmers throughout the State, May 1 to 7, when an effort will be made to popularize the increased use of eggs as a food, announced Dr. E. F. Kaupp, head of the poultry department at State College.

Dr. Kaupp says that the value of poultry and eggs in the United States has now reached the point of one billion and a quarter dollars each year and that the poultry industry is the fifth most important industry in the country. It furnishes a real business to millions of American farmers, but despite the great advances made, the use of eggs in the diet has been handicapped in recent years through the intensive and widespread advertising of competitive food products.

During National Egg Week, poultrymen and college workers will endeavor to popularize the use of more eggs in the diet according to the recommendations of dieticians. By doing so, help will be given to preserve the poultry industry at the same strong economic position that it occupies today. This is very necessary for the poultry growers of this State and for the Nation, says Dr. Kaupp.

Dr. Kaupp says that more people are directly or indirectly interested in the production and consumption of eggs than in any other single food commodity and during the week of May 1, those who can should buy for storage in water glass or other methods for later use.

DEATH OF KIZZIE MURCHISON, FAITHFUL SERVANT

Wednesday morning "Aunt Kizzie" Murchison as she was familiarly called, died at her home in Shaw town, after an illness of three weeks with a kidney trouble and complications. "Aunt Kizzie" was an honest and faithful servant in the homes of many of Lillington's earliest settlers. When cooking became too strenuous for her years, she took up washing and still served her white friends. Funeral and burial services took place Thursday morning at the Methodist church, where a large throng of colored and many white friends paid their last respect to "Aunt Kizzie."

Shawtown school marched in a body to the church and covered her grave with beautiful spring flowers. She is survived by eight children, three of whom are following their mother's chosen profession, and are cooks in Lillington.

HIGH PRESSURE BEING USED BY TAX COLLECTOR

High pressure methods—the highest-known in the art of tax collecting—are now being used by John Green in his effort to cut down the long list of delinquents for 1928 taxes.

Only a few days remain in which to collect taxes now before the list of delinquents is advertised. The land sale takes place the first Monday in June, but before that time the collector must advertise his list for thirty days and he must give delinquents twenty days notice before he sells their land.

Over a hundred thousand dollars yet remains on the collector's books. He is going after this in such manner now, however, as would lead color of belief to his oft-repeated statement that he will trim his list to its normal annual length before the sale day.

Mrs. W. E. Vernon and Little Miss Julia Ann of Raleigh are the guests of Mrs. Tim McCoy.

INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION TO OPEN MAY 13

STATE-WIDE INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION TO BE HELD AT FAIR GROUNDS UNDER AUSPICES OF PACIFIC STATE FAIR

Raleigh, April 24.—North Carolina's progress along industrial lines will be shown here during the week beginning May 13, when the first state-wide industrial exposition will be held at the state fair grounds under auspices of the North Carolina State Fair.

Indications now are that the exposition will be a success, as many of the leading manufacturers of the State have contracted for space in the exposition buildings in order that they may display their North Carolina-made products, according to T. B. Smith, secretary-manager of the exposition.

The manufacturers have responded very nicely to the appeal of Governor O. Max Gardner that they lend their aid in making the first industrial exposition a success. Mr. Smith said. In a list of some three thousand manufacturers in the State, Governor Gardner asked them to display their products at the exposition in order that the people of the State might have an opportunity of seeing just how much progress the State has made along industrial lines during the past several years.

The only distinction between the forthcoming State Industrial Exposition and the State Fair, which is held in October, is that the Industrial Exposition will attempt to show what the State is doing industrially, while the State Fair mirrors the State's progress along agricultural lines. In reality, Mr. Smith said, the Industrial Exposition will be a "summer time State Fair."

There will be plenty of entertainment for those who attend the exposition, Mr. Smith said. Amusement will be provided by a carnival, a Wild West rodeo show, featuring broncho-busting cowboys and cowgirls, and dances nightly in the main exhibit hall at the fair ground. There will also be a fireworks display every night.

PRE-FINAL EVENTS AT CAMPBELL

Bule's Creek, April 21.—Misses Esther Moon of Franklinville, Eunice Mehoff of Fieldale, Va., and May Marshbanks of Bule's Creek were presented Saturday evening in graduating recital in expression, voice and violin by the Campbell College School of Music and Dramatic Art. The program was varied with enough of both the classical and light to make it interesting to the large audience. Miss Moon's "The Day of Dupes," Miss Mehoff's "By the Waters of Minnetonka," and Miss Marshbanks' rendering of the Adagio from Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" were especially charming.

Friday evening, April 26, Campbell College will again take part in a double-header debate when Howard Gardner of Angler, and Tim Savage of Teachey will debate "Wake Forest with a freshman team from that institution on: Resolved, That the Federal Government should own, operate and control the sources of hydro-electric power." Earl Fritwell of Eden and Co. Ouseley of Bule's Creek will represent Campbell College in the local college auditorium the same evening.

Visitors in chapel Friday Rev. I. L. Yearby of Earl Street Baptist Church, Greenville, S. C., and Rev. W. G. Hall, pastor of a Baptist church in Durham. Both visitors, who are alumnae of the college, made talks in which the of the old days of Bule's Academy. Mr. Hall, who left Bule's Creek in 1897, said that if he had been able to sail over the place in an airplane he never would have recognized it because of the many and splendid changes in the college and the village.

BAGGETT LOOKS FOR HOOVER PROSPERITY

Washington, April 22.—J. R. Baggett, Lillington lawyer, here today to visit his son, Venable Baggett, before going to New York on business, said he was looking for Hoover prosperity. His son has a business position here.

"I have the basket, but nothing to put in it," said Mr. Baggett. "I have heard so much about it that I came up to find out about it."