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MEBANE'S RED LETTER DAY.

Big Barbecue, Industrial Exhibits—Good Roads Speaking—6,000 People Present.

Andrew Joyner in News and Observer.

Mebane, N. C., July 25.—Today will for years be the red letter one in the history of the live town of Mebane. It will be more than that. It will be looked upon as a red letter day in the day of the proud, progressive, wealthy county of Alamance, for the celebration here was big enough, grand enough to make the whole county thrill with honest pride.

The celebration was conceived and planned by the enterprising Business Men's Association, of Mebane, of which D. A. White is president and W. W. Corbett is secretary, principally for the purpose of making an exhibit of the industrial development of the town of Mebane along the manufacturing lines, as well as in mercantile and other matters. This novel idea of a mid-summer fair, coupled with the prospect of a free barbecue, three base ball games, lemonade, etc., proved so attractive, that the date of the celebration had to be postponed until today, letters and inquiries from all points indicating such a large attendance, that the association thought it safest to have a little more time to get ready for the crowd for fear of getting "swamped."

In the meantime, the managers of the good roads campaign now in progress for an election on August 6th to vote a bond issue for \$200,000 for good roads, asked to be allowed to name a "rally" in connection with the fair, and the request was readily granted. The result was, a splendid crowd of six thousand people, a splendid barbecue dinner, where everybody, old and young, little and big, black and white, got all the good eating and drinking they could stuff, the cause of good roads and general development was wonderfully quickened by excellent addresses from such practical, useful, intelligent men as Messrs. David White, J. A. Long and R. W. Scott, of Alamance, M. V. Richards, of Washington, and John L. King, of Greensboro.

The Mebane band gave excellent music and the speaker's stand was handsomely decorated in flags and national colored bunting. The bond issue will undoubtedly be voted for at the election, August 6th. This campaign for good roads was begun by the Good Roads Club of Alamance county, a non-partisan body of the county's leading citizens, the following being the officers: R. L. Holt, president; E. S. Parker, secretary; T. E. McVey, vice-president; executive committee, J. A. Long, J. Zeb Waller, David White, W. H. Holt.

Other leading citizens acting in sympathy with the movement are the Holts, Mebanes, Scotts, Williams, Robinsons, Longs, Whites and others of Alamance's historic family names and characters. Republicans and Democrats without the least friction are siding by every legitimate means to lift Alamance out of the winter's mud and make her roads as good as her schools, her churches, her factories, her people.

THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBIT.

In a large and accessible building on Main street the exhibit was shown. There were manufactured products there, artistically displayed from the following Mebane factories:

The White Furniture Company, the Mebane Bedding Company, the Alamance Furniture Company, the Mebane Iron Bed Company, the Continental Chair Manufacturing Company, Alton Manufacturing Company, Crescent Pillow Company, Nelson Lumber Company, Mebane Brick Company, Triebian Company.

Besides these there was a fine display of farm products, one of the most attractive being the pickle industry of Farmer C. F. Cates, who has developed a new farm industry, and ships car loads of prepared pickles, jams, sour kraut, etc., made from his own raising.

The whole day was full of interest and many were astonished in going through the furniture establishment of the White Furniture Company to find that it was one of the biggest plants of its kind in the world. And the White brothers, David, Arthur

and Will, the builders of this great industry, which has been the parent of all the others, were everywhere during the day, helping to make people feel at home and enjoy themselves. And so Mebane, known all over the South years ago as being synonymous with "Bingham School" still has the great Bingham School, but has grown from a population of 231 in 1900 to 1,100 in 1908, and from one factory in 1900 to eleven big plants in 1908.

No wonder this town could and would give a splendid day to six thousand visitors, besides feasting them royally on the best of the land without a thought of charge, and giving them the privilege of hearing such an array of excellent speeches.

THE SPEAKING

At eleven o'clock the big crowd had assembled and were comfortably seated in the large grove near the railroad station.

There was on a stage a group of distinguished visitors from other counties, and representatives of Greensboro and Charlotte papers and of the Raleigh News and Observer.

Mr. David White acted as master of ceremonies, and everybody evidently took pride in the fact that while he was the oldest citizen of Mebane, he was the youngest, most gallant and handsomest young man present.

In welcoming the large crowd to the participation of the occasion, he made a catchy speech for Mebane, and in behalf of the industrial progress of the whole of Alamance county.

In the audience were people from Caswell, Orange, Person, Guilford and Durham counties, and Mr. White said a good word for all, paying special attention to the charming ladies present, but with less discretion paying the most heartfelt compliments to the Caswell county ladies.

He closed his most excellent short address amid a roar of laughter and applause, by humorously announcing that this speech was his "maiden effort."

Hon. J. A. Long, of Graham, in a brief, meaty address, presented the question of transportation as it related to the ordinary business and social life of the farmers of the land. This subject embraced the good roads principle and he made a strong illustration of its necessity in these days by showing what tremendous strides the county had made by opening the doors of industrial opportunity to Alamance by building the railroad. Alamance today is the greatest manufacturing county in the State, being excelled only by Gaston in cotton manufacturing.

In spite of this great pre-eminence, Alamance was behind in this one important question of an improved road system throughout the county. Railroads have given us an outlet to the outside world, and now the citizens of the county need the modern means of transportation from the homes to the towns and from the towns to the homes of the people.

He then discussed the proposed \$200,000 bond issue for macadam roads, showing how the people, the time the bonds were due, would not realize that a dollar of extra tax had been levied.

He showed how the expenditure of the same amount of money now being expended in trying to keep dirt roads passable would more than pay the interest on the bonds, which would secure permanent and first class road ways.

He then explained the provisions of the act of the Legislature authorizing the bond issue and creating the Highway Commission, closing with the prediction that the people would approve the bond issue by a large majority at the election to be held on Aug. 6th.

MR. RICHARDS SPEAKS.

Mr. M. V. Richards, of Washington, D. C., of the Land and Industrial Agency of the Southern Railway, was the next speaker, being handsomely presented by Mr. T. H. Harrison.

Although dealing largely in statistics showing the tremendous advance of the country on account of improved railway transportation, Mr. Richards literally enthralled his audience with the eloquence of his figures of progress and his masterly manner of marshalling them. No point of America, he said, has succeeded in industrial and agricultural advancement as much as the South in the past ten years. The greatest factor in the development of any country or in any man is persistence. When the industrial campaign in the South was systematically be-

gun by the railroads fifteen years ago it was almost impossible to get Southern people to read literature on the industrial subjects. Thousands of dollars were apparently wasted in printing and distributing literature which was not read. But the campaign was kept up despite the discouraging conditions, until today the South stands foremost in the march of progress and development, and such occasions as this, where industrial and educational and other civic questions are presented, are largely attended by interested, enterprising, intelligent men and women.

Coming to Mebane, as an object lesson of the industrial advance, he declared, after calling over a list of its enterprises, that for the size of it was the biggest town in the South.

EDUCATION AND GOOD ROADS.

Mr. Richards then told of a farm section where lands selling at two and a half dollars an acre thirty years ago, were now commercially valued at \$75 to \$125 an acre, and all owing to the fact that a good school house was located every few miles, in which schools were taught nine months in the year, and every foot of road was macadamized.

He then brought home with telling force the need of the Piedmont section of the South for a good system of good road building to make complete the great achievement already gained by industrial, agricultural and educational development.

MR. KING'S SPEECH.

Hon. John L. King, Chairman of the Guilford County Highway Commission, being introduced by Hon. R. W. Scott, made a practical and instructive talk, confining himself strictly to the subject uppermost in the minds of the audience, that of good roads and the most economical and speedy way of getting them.

Mr. King presented the point that if he were to act from an entirely selfish standpoint he would have remained in Greensboro and not be here assisting Alamance county to secure good roads.

By Guilford alone having good roads her advantage over Alamance was potent, but this was such a selfish view no good citizen would entertain it. If Alamance county, by refusing to vote for good roads, was willing to let Guilford have a monopoly of good roads, all well and good, but by presenting the great advantages of these good roads to the people they could vote on the proposition intelligently, he would feel repaid.

Mr. King warned the people not to be so unreasonable as to demand that a macadam road be built by every man's door or none should be built at all, by emphasizing the fact that this position would prevent for time any advance in good road matters. He told how big a proposition it was to grade and macadamize roads, and how much time and money it took to make progress, and entered into the details of the operation. He illustrated the advantages of the roads by saying that the Guilford people were so well pleased with the results, they were going to continue the work and in five years be the banner good roads county in the South. He said he believed the time was now at hand when the United States Government would adopt the principle of public appropriations for good roads just as it was making appropriations for dredging rivers.

Then appropriations would be made on the basis of the amount expended by each county for permanent good road building, and if Alamance should vote this bond issue and proceed to spend the money on good roads, when this national appropriation was made Alamance, along with Guilford and Mecklenburg, would get a good amount of this fund.

He concluded with an earnest advocacy of a law providing for appropriation by the national government for permanent road building, but warned the audience not to wait for such a law, but to vote for bonds now, begin helping themselves and thus be ready to receive this additional supplementary fund from the government.

"BOB SCOTT."

Hon. R. W. Scott, Alamance's model citizen and farmer, made one of the brightest and best short talks of the occasion, by telling his people that Alamance was surrounded by counties moving on in building good roads, and could not afford to hold back in this march of progress. To do so would not only cause loss of population to the good roads counties, but of trade from Ala-

macance towns as well, besides discouraging the constant influx of population now coming from Chatham, Caswell and Orange counties. This immigration would be finally driven out to Durham, Wake and Guilford where good roads were being constructed, unless Alamance at once went to work grading and building good roads.

The Cost of Weddings.

Baltimore Sun.

A bulletin issued by Federal government says the people of the United States spent \$8,765,892 for wedding presents during the month of June. The trousseaus reached \$22,765,021, and more than \$19,000,000 was spent upon bridal bouquets, wedding breakfast and hack hire. To the 345,675 clergyman who officiated at the 643,890 weddings of the month the bridegrooms paid \$497,365.80, or an average of \$1.434 a head. Upon wedding journeys, music, rice, liquors, souvenir post cards, tips and the hire of portable porte cocheres, a further sum of \$4,557,320 was expended, making approximately \$5,000,000 in all.

The fact that the cost of wedding presents worked out to no more than \$13.00 a wedding may surprise the reader, but several interesting footnotes explain it in a satisfactory manner. It is pointed out, for instance, that only 22 per cent. of the wedding presents displayed by the average bride were actually bought for the occasion by their real or ostensible donors. Fully 60 per cent. of all presents, says the report, are made to do service a great many times. At the start, let us say, an opulent young bachelor is asked to be best man at a wedding, and, with hysterical generosity, rushes out and buys the bride a \$70 clock. Well, six months later, when this bride's third cousin is married, the same clock serves as a wedding present again, and later on, when the third cousin herself is bidden to some other girl's nuptials, it changes hands a third time. Thus the same clock may continue on its rounds for years, until its gilding wears off and its spring breaks. Often, indeed, it is received by the same bride twice—that is to say, at her first marriage and at her second. But such accidents are apt to sunder friendships and cause ill feeling.

The report proceeds to point out that, while most brides display enormous and costly collections of clocks, water pitchers, hand painted pictures, soup ladles, oyster forks and other objects of vertu to their friends, it is often true that many of these things are not actual presents. There has arisen, indeed, a tendency to artificially inflate such exhibitions by borrowing articles from relatives and intimates, and even by hiring them from dealers. Thus the bride who displays 60 clocks may have received, in point of fact, but 30. The rest may go back, the day after the wedding, to the dealer. Often his representative may be observed standing in a corner of the exhibition chamber, disguised as a waiter or a detective.

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The Guilford County Democratic Club was organized at Greensboro Friday night with about 100 members. James W. Forbis was elected president.

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Scattered over the vast ranch are 100 outlying stations, each one of which has charge of a certain portion of the estate. The horsemen, cow-punchers, line riders, shepherds and hunters number 2,000, and the Terrazas ranch is the only one in the world which maintains its own slaughtering and packing plant. Each year 150,000 head of cattle are slaughtered, dressed and packed, and 100,000 sheep. Don Luis personally superintends the different industries on his ranch, covering many thousands of miles on horseback during a twelve month. Don Luis was once governor of Chihuahua, but public life did not suit him; it was too quiet, and he preferred to spend his life riding over the plains and looking after his own enterprises. He is three times as rich as any other man in Mexico, and has the name of being liberal and generous toward his people. Don Luis is a very handsome man, married to a beautiful wife. He is the father of twelve children—seven sons and five daughters. The seven sons are associated with Don Luis in looking after the ranch, while the daughters—said to be the most beautiful women in Mexico—remain quietly at the homestead. All the children were educated in the United States, are highly accomplished, have traveled through Europe and speak several languages.—Ex.

Hearst and Butler.

Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, it will be remembered, in 1884, placed himself at the head of the old greenback party, with the hope of compelling the democratic party to accept him as its leader. He failed of this, and it was then thought by many that he would draw away so many democrats as to insure republican success. Mr. Cleveland was elected, and Butler was supported by the New York Sun and received 130,000 votes. The Nashville Banner points out some resemblance between Butler's party and the one that Mr. Hearst is launching now. It is called the national party. The platform declared: "Never in our history have the banks, land grant railroads, and other monopolies been more insolent in their demands for further privileges—still more class legislation. In this emergency the dominant parties are arrayed against the people, are the object tools of the corporation monopolies." It will be one of the amusing occupations of the summer and autumn to see whether Mr. Hearst, with the same material, can greatly improve the Butler record. Possibly he may, for his newspapers carry his appeal to a very large number of readers, of a kind who usually read little else.—Collier's Weekly.

Notice of Bond Election

Notice is hereby given to all the qualified voters of Alamance county, in the State of North Carolina, that the Board of Commissioners of said county have this day, at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the first Monday in June, 1908, ordered an election to be held in said county, the first Thursday in August, 1908, upon the question of issuing bonds of said county in the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, running fifty years from their date, for the purpose of building good roads in said county. This election will be held at the various voting places or precincts in said county on the FIRST THURSDAY IN AUGUST, 1908, and those voting in favor of said Good Roads Bond issue shall have written upon said ballot, "For Good Roads Bond Issue", and those voting against said Good Roads Bond Issue shall have written upon said ballot "Against Good Roads Bond Issue."

Notice is also hereby given that a new registration of the voters of Alamance county is to be made, and that all qualified voters of Alamance county who desire to vote in said election shall register for said election, otherwise no voter not registered for said election will be entitled to vote in said election. Attention is especially called to the requirements for said election as contained in Chapter four hundred and seventy-seven (477), of the Public Laws of 1903.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of Alamance county.
CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
Reg. of Deeds,
and ex-Officio Clerk of Board.

39,329 R. F. D. Routes.

Washington Dispatch.

The July report of rural delivery, made public by the fourth assistant postmaster general, shows that from 54,764 petitions referred, 15,948 adverse reports have been received; 39,929 routes established—600 of which have from time to time been discontinued, leaving in operation 39,329 routes. Of this number 38,668 render daily service and 661 tri-weekly service.

The 39,329 routes were being served by 39,195 carriers. On many tri weekly routes one carrier renders the service by alternating the trips, thereby earning the same pay he would receive if serving a daily delivery route of equivalent mileage.

After deducting assignments for establishment of rural routes on August and September 1, there will remain for action nearly 1,500 petitions which department officers say will be disposed of as rapidly as possible.

It was recently indicated that the exigencies of the rural service would require carriers this year to complete their leaves of absence by November 1, but Assistant Postmaster General DeGraw is authority for the statement that no change is now contemplated in the standing rule under which carriers after twelve months' service are entitled to fifteen days leave of absence with pay, "to be taken at any time during the year when postmasters can best spare them," which rule, Mr. DeGraw added, is essential to good administration, as it enables carriers on different routes to obtain relief during the periods of intense weather—hot or cold—thus enabling recuperation at times when it is desirable, and in many cases, quite necessary from the viewpoint of health.

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