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WALTER L. MAIN'S THREE RING CIRCUS HOLDS STAGE TODAY

West Side Lot Scene of Great Throngs Packing Into Tented City for First Big Show of Season—Parade a Big Feature.

Early this morning the kiddies fed up on the large circus posters that have been around town for the past two weeks were at the circus grounds west of Jefferson street watching with shining eyes the unloading wagons and the town of tents springing up like magic.

At the "White City" the youngsters carried water for the animals and did sundry odd jobs for their tickets for the main performance tonight. The grounds were thronged by children of all sizes who watched the real thing.

The "strangest being alive" held little and no attraction. This was passed coldly by "Serpentina," born without a spinal column, a few could not resist this tempting "barkers" during talk, but a brief curious glance was all the time spent.

With the coveted order they next began to ply the ticket takers with strange questions. "Can I see the animals with this ticket?" "Is this the way to the big show?" "Oh let's wait here for Mabel."

Superb horses carrying knights clad in glistening silver armor led the cavalcade, then a band in brilliant uniform playing wonderful music, splendidly decorated wagons, open beds with strange wild animals, herds of funny cows, more bands of music, huge elephants somberly shuffling along.

Circus hungry Ottawans took in all the side shows, saw the free exhibition of high wire artistry, visited "Serpentina," born without a spinal column, gave the cold drinks, and ice cream cones a stiff battle and then were ready for the "big-show" when it began at 2:15.

A grand march opened the two and one-half hour program followed by a grand march and dancing numbers. Many features new to the circus were seen, paramount was a balancing act by a French family.

Miss Snyder, a diminutive little lady won the admiration and sincere applause of the vast audience. Miss Snyder put a number of huge elephants through their paces and made them dance including the latest shimmy, walk over a small pony, pile up on one another with her feet beneath the mountain of flesh and then to cap it all she put her head in "Chief's" mouth. This was almost as much a thriller as Miss Peterson's slide for

life down a 250 wire suspended only by her teeth. Fancy rolled skating, flying human butterflies, unrivaled bare back riders, unparalleled displays of gymnastics, acrobatic and equilibristic marvels, convulsing and mirth provoking clowns, thrilling hippodrome races, and a lot of other things that go to make up a good circus program of two and one-half hours were seen.

Nothing else mattered but the beautiful ladies and the funny clowns in the three rings, and all eyes were glued on them, and going out everyone said they had had a good time.

MR. R. O. BISSETT DEAD.

The many friends of Mr. R. O. Bissett in Franklin and adjoining counties learned of his death on last Friday morning with much regret. Mr. Bissett was apparently in good health the day before his death but during the night suffered an attack and a physician was summoned, who after administering to his trouble returned home leaving Mr. Bissett resting, as he thought easy and getting along all right.

Mr. Bissett had lived in Louisburg a long number of years, coming here from Raleigh to take a position as bookkeeper in the warehouse of Maj. J. B. Thomas. Afterwards he had charge of the books of the Hill Live Stock Co., and at his death was office Deputy to Sheriff Henry A. Kearney, a position he had held with much credit for years.

FIRE CAUSES LOSS OF \$100,000 AT CASTALLA.

Wilson, Oct. 28.—Fire of undetermined origin early this morning wiped out the business district of Castalla, a thriving town in Nash county causing property loss estimated at more than \$100,000.

The large mercantile establishment of S. J. Bartholomew and Company was destroyed, entailing a loss of \$60,000. The general store of J. H. Coppege and the Bank of Castalla were burned, the damage being placed at more than \$15,000.

MR. SAM JEFFREYS SHOT.

Information was received in Louisburg early Monday morning stating that while he was on his way home Sunday night, Mr. Sam Jeffreys, of the Bunn Section was shot in the abdomen and left in the road for dead. The report was very indefinite in all details except the fact that Mr. Jeffreys was shot. At first it was thought he was stopped for the purpose of robbery, shot, pulled from his car and his car stolen.

TO CLEAN UP THE CEMETERY

The J. J. Davis Chapter, U. D. C. has selected next Monday, Nov. 1st, as the day to clean up the Louisburg Cemetery. All members of the chapter, high school pupils and others interested in this work are urgently requested to meet at the cemetery next Monday morning prepared for a days work.

BARACA-PHILATHEA DELEGATES.

Will all delegates who expect to attend the Baraca-Philathea Convention at Sandy Creek please send their names to Miss Lola Leonard, Louisburg, N. C., Route 2.

MR. FARMER

Read the following questions and their answers and then ask yourself the question "How Can I Contentiously Vote for Anyone else but Cox."

COX ANSWERS FARMERS' QUESTIONS; HARDING MUM

Democratic Candidate Gives "Unequivocal Yes" to Twelve Questions by "Country Gentleman" asking if He Favors Measures to Benefit Agriculture.

The Country Gentleman, a national farm weekly, has put a series of questions to the Democratic and Republican presidential candidates for answer. The questions were published in The Country Gentleman of August 14 and September 25. In its issue of October 30 it will publish the questions and answers as follows:

"Will you commit yourself and your party to the perpetuation of the Federal Farm Loan Banks and the further expansion of their facilities to meet the needs of financing farm business? We want to know this now."

"Will you commit yourself and your party to the unequivocal support of the farmer in his co-operative efforts to obtain cost of production plus a decent living profit for his products?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party adequately to assist the farmer in estimating cost of production, taking into consideration every necessary factor involved and not depending upon vague and misleading averages."

"Will you commit yourself and your party to a program calling for the effective and disinterested control over all great interstate commercial organizations engaged for profit in the manufacturing, transportation and distribution of food products and farm supplies?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to a program compelling the railroads to supply adequate rolling stock and terminal facilities to transport promptly and properly all farm products to market?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to undertake the construction of a national system of highways so planned as to facilitate in the highest degree the movement of food products from the farms to the centers of distribution and consumption?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to a program for the simplification and improvement of marketing methods so as to minimize so far as possible speculation in food products between farmer and consumer?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to a program calling for a full exposition of all that happens in the dark between farmer and consumer so that the consumer may thoroughly appreciate how small is the farmer's margin of gain on the products he sells?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to a program that will depend for the farmer his just share in the apportionment of transportation facilities for the movement of his crops after harvest?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to a program that will give agriculture an equal voice with all other industries in the determination of transportation rates?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to the appointment of a new country-life commission that will study and report upon the grave social problems now involved in maintaining a raw and modern standard of agriculture that will provide adequate homegrown food for the American people?"

"Will you commit yourself and your party to the support of a vitalized United States Department of Agriculture presided over by a secretary who, through training and experience, will have a sympathetic understanding of every phase of the industry of farming?"

Governor Cox's letter, in which he gave his answer, was in full as follows: Columbus, Ohio, October 5, 1920. To the Editor, The Country Gentleman, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: My attention has just been called to a list of questions which you are reproducing in your issue of September twenty-fifth from The Country Gentleman of August fourteenth. At the time these questions were originally printed I found myself in absolute favor of the ideas suggested and have been further influenced as a result of my trip through the great Western country where so much ought to be done in the way of agricultural aid. Based upon my experience in Ohio we have endeavored to work out such results as could be accomplished in a single state. With recognition by personal contact of the needs throughout the country, I am glad to assert to you in response to every question presented that my answer is an unequivocal yes. I regret that physical and time limitations prevent an elaborate and favorable discussion of the issues presented.

PLAY AT JUSTICE.

Justice, Oct. 26.—On Friday evening Oct. 29th the players of the Justice School will give the play "A Kentucky Belle." Many good things to eat will be served after the play. Everybody come and bring your friend with you. Admission 15 and 25c. Reporter.

MR. W. N. FULLER DEPUTY SHERIFF.

Franklin County so efficiently under Sheriff W. H. Allen has been appointed Deputy to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. R. O. Bissett, by Sheriff Henry A. Kearney. Mr. Fuller is a most capable and efficient young man and Sheriff Kearney is to be congratulated upon securing his services.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER. WHITE PEOPLE OF FRANKLIN COUNTY

Raleigh, Oct. 26.—If "Gene" Holton thought he was really "running for the United States Senate, he has probably revised his opinion by this time—especially if he attended the State fair at Raleigh last week and mingled with the tens of thousands of Tar Heel folk here from every section of North Carolina. The Republican candidate who is seeking Senator Overman's job has been banking on receiving "a large labor vote," according to some of his supporters, but diligent inquiry and investigation failed to support that expectation. Holton will receive few votes from men or women identified with the Federation of Labor. A prominent man identified with organized labor, and who knows what he is talking about gives this main explanation of why he is able to speak so positively. He said: "Senator Overman was chairman of the Senate Committee on Immigration for the last several years preceding the capture of the Senate by the Republicans in the last Congress, by one majority. His record in that position was all that labor could ask, and organized labor recognizes and appreciates what he did, and even more so what he tried to do, but which the majority of the Senate would not sustain him in. He was so true an American that the "Reds" and other anarchistic elements sent him a bomb and tried to blow up our junior Senator.

"Now, the subject of immigration will be one of the very greatest and most commanding subjects that will have to be dealt with by the incoming Congress. The enormous influx of unrestricted immigrants is the greatest menace the United States has to meet today. More foreigners, largely of the most undesirable classes, are swarming into the U. S. in greater numbers than ever before in the history of our country. Congress must enact legislation to limit this immigration already too large for "assimilation" and which will "assimilate" us if it grows unchecked for a few years longer. Even the manufacturers are protesting against sending any more of these undesirables to their factories.

"Organized labor and kindred interests are fighting this menace. Overman and more men like him, is needed in the Senate now more than ever. If the Democrats capture the Senate (which now seems probable) Overman will again become chairman of the Immigration Committee—and in any event he can be safely counted upon to be in the forefront of the fight over this question, and on the side of labor. We need him."

Republicans Support "Nigger" Again. The rushing into print by the Republican State Chairman Linney, and Ike Meekins, of Elizabeth City, during the last few days, complaining of the presence of the negro issue in the campaign this year, is the loudest call for the calf rope that the Republican managers have yet made. We might call it the last note of the dying swan—or something of that kind if there were the faintest note of melody in it.

It is the cheekiest alleged argument to say that certain white Republicans "wish" the negro to "stay out of politics," and to allege that the Democrats are responsible for the injection of the "nigger" into this campaign. Everybody knows that the negroes and negro women injected themselves into the campaign, starting with the loud and persistent calls for the negro women to ALL REGISTER "or know the reason why," by the Raleigh negro newspaper edited by the secretary of the negro Republican State committee.

The negro political organ here is still at it, telling the negro women to register and vote, and that if they have any difficulty to apply to some local Republican lawyer, who will help them. Meekins and Linney have no control over the desire of the negro women to vote, and could not stop them if they so desired. But they waited 'till just before the period for registration of women expired and then came forth with that "Lily White" declaration, after the white women had gotten their names on the books in such numbers as to out-vote the negro women.

But, speaking of the negro woman vote, we wonder just how much longer candidate Parker is going to keep up waiting before he "denounces" the "nigger" whom he "denounces" of having "disseminated the Colored Women's Rights circular?" Parker has not and has never had any sort of "evidence" that a Democrat had a hand in the writing or circulation of that document. His references to that circular in his speeches for the last three weeks were intended to deceive Republicans who are bolting the party for reasons along that line.

Farmers Not Despondent. There was no sign of demoralization among the thousands and thousands of farmers who attended the State fair in Raleigh last week. The biggest crowd that ever attended a fair was here, the number of visitors on Thursday being estimated at over 50,000. Your correspondent talked with many business men and farmers from nearly all the counties of the State, and there was no "demoralization" visible or in embryo, that I could detect. The farmers have made money the last two years especially, and are too well fixed to allow a temporary drop in cotton prices and poor tobacco prices this year to discourage them. They are going to hold their product for the most part, and expect to get a fair price for most of it before it leaves their hands for good.

Gov. Morrison In For Finish. Everybody is glad that Governor Morrison's throat trouble was but temporary, caused by overwork. He is back on the stump now and expects to fill every speaking engagement he has until election day. FINAL WORD TO WOMEN VOTERS: Ladies, now that you have your names on the registration books, be sure and VOTE on election day. The fact that your registration was necessary in order to enable you to cast a ballot does not automatically CAST that ballot. It is still up to YOU and you alone to go to the polling places November 2d and VOTE. Otherwise the fact that you registered counts for naught. Give Cox and Morrison the greatest majorities a candidate ever polled in North Carolina, and then be able to join heartily in the shouting. LLEWELLYN