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BIGGEST FAIR IN YEARS

Wood School Wins Prize in Parade

MIDWAY CLEAN AND ATTRACTIVE

Exhibits of a High Order; Live Stock Department Great Credit; Secretary Fleming Well Pleased With Results; Wednesday Was School Day Ku Klux Parade Expected Tonight; Large Crowds Attending.

Franklin County Fair is the center of attraction in Lousburg this week and is adding much to the amusement of the large crowds that are attending.

The fair opened without the usual formalities on Tuesday morning with one of the biggest and best midways that has been the pleasure of the officials and patrons in many years. There is no criticism of the usual dirty or obscene shows, but on the other hand they are of a high order and among the most exciting. The Zebra and Polle Exposition shows eight rides and twenty-five shows are furnishing the amusements. In the floral hall can be found some of as nice exhibits as has been shown here or elsewhere. The agricultural exhibit although not as large as has been, is a credit to its exhibitors. There are many articles that show what can be done on the farms in Franklin County if a little more thought and preparation is used.

Possibly one of the most interesting exhibits is that of the curious booth in which Mr. Thos. B. Wilder exhibits around five hundred articles ranging from ancient coins to an old english gun ten feet long. The flowers booth is especially attractive to the many lovers of flowers and is receiving its share of attention.

It was unfortunate for a hungry person to pass along and view the pantry and canning booths with all the good-to-eats ready to serve and prepared for keeps. Needless to say these struck the fancy of all visitors. The needlecraft and art booths were especially pretty and reflected great talent and skill, showing that in Franklin County the ladies could sew the garments that added to their beauty and then paint a beautiful picture of their subject. Both are arts that all should covet.

The negro exhibit was a thing of much credit to our colored people showing that within their race there was to be found both talent and skill only wanting the proper development.

True to their announcements the banks of Lousburg and Franklinton had on exhibit the Mechanical Cow, together with other exhibits of merit all of which were of much interest to all.

The live stock was the delight of many and was far in excess of anything in former years. The quality and number showed the increase of better stock in the county. The Poultry exhibit was fine and attracted much attention from those interested in poultry raising. Wednesday was the school day at the fair and early in the day large numbers of vehicles arrived loaded with children from all parts of the county. Promptly at 11 o'clock the parade moved with fully a thousand or twelve hundred children in line with a large number of floats. The log cabin from Wood and the automobiles decorated with cedars and rocks from Cedar Rock attracted the attention of all. The parade reached from the Court Square to the Fair grounds or about six blocks. The children were given special prizes for admission and these with their parents and friends swelled the crowd on the ground to around five thousand, making possibly the biggest day of the fair. Wood school won the prize in the parade.

Yesterday presented no special features but good crowds attended and the day was one of profit and pleasure to many.

The next big event is the Ku Klux parade that has been promised for Friday night. Many are waiting an opportunity to see the long line of white robed Klansmen move through the streets, in their ghostly attire.

Saturday is the day set apart for the colored people and we learn that elaborate plans are being arranged for a big day on that occasion.

Dr. A. H. Fleming, Secretary of the Franklin County Fair Association is more than well pleased with the success of this year's fair in every way, especially so with the clean and attractive performance given by the several shows and the spirit in which the people generally have turned out and patronized his efforts to give here at home one of the best Fairs to be seen anywhere.

RECORDER'S COURT

Judge G. M. Beam disposed of the following cases in Franklin County's Recorder's Court Monday:

State vs F. H. Cooke, false pretense, called and failed, capias and continued.

State vs Roy Baker, cqw, guilty, fined \$50.00.

State vs Roy Baker and A. J. Bryant, sci fa, nol pros.

State vs Walter Cooper, upw, enters plea of nolo contendere, judgment suspended upon payment of costs and giving a \$200 bond to appear first Monday in January.

State vs Roger Driver, disturbing public worship, guilty, fined \$25 and costs.

State vs Boat Jones, disposing of mortgaged property, continued to October 22nd, 1923.

State vs Roger Thorpe, assault and nuisance, guilty 60 days on roads. Appeal.

State vs Roger Thorpe, assault, guilty, four months on roads. Appeal.

State vs Elijah Wright, cqw, guilty, fined \$50 and costs.

State vs James Wright, George Davis and Elijah Wright, nuisance, guilty as to George Davis, judgment suspended upon payment of costs. Not guilty as to James and Elijah Wright.

State vs Herbert Hayes, val, continued to Monday, October 8th.

State vs James Wright, cqw, guilty 4 months in jail, to be hired to George Wright upon payment of costs.

State vs Will Driver, vpl, guilty, 60 days on roads, execution not to issue until Nov. 1st, upon giving a bond of \$200.00.

State vs Roger Thorpe, incest finds probable cause, to give bond of \$500.

LOUISBURG LOSES TO OXFORD

Louisburg lost its first game on its home gridiron to Oxford Tuesday afternoon by the score of 25x0. Oxford scored two touchdowns in the first half but failed to score point on try. In the second half Oxford also scored two touchdowns and scored a point on the last one by a forward pass. Altho Oxford rolled up a large score the Louisburg boys played a good game. It was a plain case of experience against inexperience. Oxford with its six years of football against Louisburg with its six weeks. Louisburg met Oxford once before on Oxford's home field and held them to two touchdowns. Michael of Oxford scored three of Oxford's touchdowns and Eason scored the other. Oxford gained much of their ground in the first half by line plunges, but very often they would shift to end runs and forward passes. In the first quarter Louisburg kicked off. After that Oxford kicked off both after touchdowns and at the beginning of second half. In the second half Oxford received a scare when kicking off Mills Louisburg's left tackle, took the ball and smashed through Oxford's defense for a gain of fifteen yards. Wilson, right tackle for Louisburg played a good game breaking through the line and throwing Oxford for losses. Bledsoe on left guard also would break through the line and down Oxford. We could not say that any one player played any better than any other unless it was little Jimmie Allen who substituted for King on right end. Jimmie would down Oxford after it seemed as if they were off for a touchdown. Louisburg was penalized twice for off side playing. Murphy played quarter for Louisburg until the last quarter when Yarborough substituted. Wheel called signals after that. Both teams were handicapped by a newly worked field. The whole team played unusually well. Smithwick, Cooper and Alston each made pretty tackles several times during the game. Alston would cut down the interference leaving the man with the ball open to tackles. Williamson has had only about two weeks practice. Of Yarborough, Stovall and Ford, they had little time to "show their stuff." For Coach Underwood sent them in during the last few minutes of play.

The officials of the game were, Referee, Pearce of Wake Forest. Head linesman, Griffin, formerly of Wake Forest. The scribe was unable to get the Oxford line up. Louisburg's line-up was as follows: Left End, Alston, Right End King, Center Williamson, Left Tackle Mills, Right Tackle Wilson, Left Guard Bledsoe, Right Guard Smithwick, Backs Elmore Cooper, Wheelless, Quarterback Murphy. Substitutes, Pearce for Smithwick, Taylor for Pearce, Pearce for Taylor, Allen for King, Ford for Alston, Stovall for Elmore, Smithwick for Wilson, Yarborough for Murphy.

Buying the kitchen equipment for their club was the recent experience of the Blantyre Home Demonstration club in Transylvania County. The home agent accompanied the girls on their shopping tour and gave a lesson in how to select and buy needed materials.

TO GET FINES AND PENALTIES

Consolidates Laurel School With High School

Appoints J. O. Sledge Trustee for Cedar Rock School and John B. Wilder Committeeman for Rock Springs—To Have Accounts Audited—To Get Children to Flat Rock School.

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday with all members present. After reading and approving the minutes of the previous meeting business was disposed of as follows:

After considering two long petitions from the Cedar Rock School District, J. O. Sledge was appointed Trustee to succeed himself.

John B. Wilder was appointed Committeeman for Rock Springs school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. L. Byron.

Upon petition of the people of Laurel school district, which was approved by the school Board, the elementary school was consolidated with the Sandy Creek-Gold Mine High School, the consolidation to take place when the High School begins. The Board agreed to help in the transportation of all elementary children in the Laurel district that live over two and a half miles from the school. The Superintendent was instructed to sell the Laurel school property.

The Mitchner school house and site was sold to C. W. Nicholson for the sum of \$101.00.

The Superintendent was instructed to sell the Concord colored school building.

The Board instructed its Attorney to investigate from every source in the county all fines, forfeitures and penalties and see that they are all turned over to the general county school fund as the law directs.

Supt. Best and Supt. E. C. Perry were instructed to make some arrangements for getting the children that reside in the Flat Rock district, that live too far to walk, to school.

The Board agreed to pay Mrs. Privett, of Pilot, the same price per acre for her land that she gave for the same when it was purchased for that portion that it needs for school purposes. The Attorney was instructed to arrange the deed and if Mrs. Privett would not sign it to proceed to condemn the land.

The Board employed Capt. H. W. Perry, to audit the school accounts for 1922-23.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned to its next regular meeting.

LIST OF JURORS

The following is a list of Jurors for October term of Franklin Superior Court:

- First Week**
- Dunns—Edgar Johnson, T. E. Privett, James Upchurch, W. M. Lewis, Harris—Elmore Horton, J. W. Poythress, R. S. Hester.
- Youngville—J. G. Winston.
- Franklinton—H. S. Daniel, J. T. Johnson, J. H. Parham, R. A. Pruitt, F. G. Morris.
- Hayesville—John H. Lassiter, D. H. Dickie.
- Gold Mine—W. S. Leonard.
- Cedar Rock—J. O. May.
- Louisburg—W. E. Murphy.
- Second Week**
- Dunns—B. F. Pearce, R. M. Privett, J. L. Harris, J. B. Privett.
- Youngville—J. C. Nowell, R. W. Wiggins, W. H. Hight, R. P. Pearce.
- Franklinton—E. S. McGhee, Thomas Morton.
- Sandy Creek—G. B. West, E. N. Williams, J. R. Tharrington.
- Gold Mine—G. M. Raynor.
- Cypress Creek—W. B. Bowden.
- Louisburg—V. C. Cooke, W. H. Perry Jr., P. J. Brown.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

On Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1923, Mr. G. W. Wester gave a delightful barbecue in honor of his son's, Forest, 21st birthday. The cue, cakes and pickles and lots of other appetizing things were served on a large table at the spring under the huge oaks. Those who had the pleasure of being present were: Mr. Lit Wester and sons and daughter Miss Mabel, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Wester and daughter, Mrs. Mollie West, Mrs. H. D. Wester, Misses Mamie Lee and Elizabeth Wester, Mesdames Arthur and Bennie Wester, Mrs. Mary J. Tharrington and Miss Mamie Lou Bredelove of near Louisburg, Mr. and Mrs. Staley Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Mr. H. G. Bredelove and son, Eugene, of Nashville, Mr. Herman Tharrington, of Nashville, Mr. Frank Gupton, Mr. G. W. Wester, Misses Mattie and Annie Lou Wester, Masters George, Willie, Johnnie, Howard and Junius Lee Wester. All leaving wishing him many more happy birthdays.

A cooperative shipment of 6,000 pounds of crimson clover seed has just been distributed in Caswell County by the farm agent. Orders for 1,000 pounds of vetch seed and two tons of lime has been given the County Agent in Lee County.

REFUSE APPROPRIATION TO FAIR

Draws Jury For October Term

Replaces Penalty For Not Paying Taxes on Time—Receives a Number of Reports—Other Routine.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday with all members present. After approving minutes of previous meeting business was disposed of as follows: Nick Wood was stricken from outside pauper list—he being able to work.

The following were placed on outside pauper list at amounts opposite their names: Roena McKnight \$3.00; Allen Cooper \$5.00; Isaac Perry \$2.00; Mary Portis \$2.00.

Report of Supt. E. C. Perry, Public Welfare, was received and filed.

Upon motion the County adopted section 81 of 1923 Machinery Act, adding penalty for not paying taxes.

Report of Miss Addie Bordeaux, Home Demonstration Agent, was received and filed.

Report of Dr. J. E. Malone, County Health Officer, was received and filed. He reports county home in good condition.

Reports of Cypress Creek and Sandy Creek township-road trustees were received and filed.

Upon motion the Board agreed to loan the school fund its credit for a loan to pay the teachers salaries until the taxes are collected.

Mrs. J. E. House and Mrs. Nancy Elizabeth Collins were allowed \$7.50 per month each from the Mothers Aid fund.

Upon motion the Board refused to allow an appropriation of \$500.00 for the Franklin County Fair.

Supt. J. J. Holden, of the County Home, submitted his report which was received and filed. He reports 11 white and 11 colored inmates.

With the assistance of the Sheriff the Board drew a jury for the October term of Franklin Superior Court.

FLOWING UP COTTON STALKS DEPRIVES WEEVIL OF FALL FOOD

Raleigh, October 2.—The reward for ripping up or plowing under the green cotton stalks immediately after picking cotton and before the plants are killed by frost is an increased cotton crop next year, believes W. Bruce Mabee who does extension work in boll weevil control for the State College and Department of Agriculture. Mr. Mabee has just returned to Raleigh from his field headquarters at Dunn, N. C. where he worked with the planters in that section this year. His observations, therefore, are based on considerable experience with the weevils out in the fields.

"There are two reasons for plowing under the cotton stalks," says Mr. Mabee. "The first of these is that the practice destroys a large number of young and immature weevils to be found now in the young bolls and squares still remaining on the stalks. Were these weevils permitted to mature and feed they would better withstand the winter than the other generation. The second reason is that plowing under the stalks removes the weevils food thus making a longer period from the time of their last square meal in the fall until their first meal in the spring. Many of the insects therefore die during the winter." Mr. Mabee stresses the point that this protective measure is only effective when the stalks are plowed under before they die naturally and that its effectiveness is in proportion to the length of time the stalks are plowed under before frost. In a recent letter addressed to the cotton growers of eastern Carolina, Mr. Mabee urges the growers to pick out their cotton and turn under the stalks. College workers point out that this practice also offers an opportunity to sow some fall crops for improving the soil and for small grain.

EMPLOYS AUDITOR

Mr. J. A. Hodges has been employed to audit the County accounts by the County Commissioners, according to information received at the court house yesterday. This audit is to be made at once, so we learn, and all accounts to be closed by the last of November as that is the end of the Commissioners year. Mr. Hodges, no doubt, will make them a fine man for this position as he has a fine knowledge of the art of bookkeeping.

KATESVILLE ITEMS

Miss S. M. Rimer, R. N., returned home from Baltimore Tuesday, where she has been for three months specializing on cases of children. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Strickland and little daughter returned to town Tuesday, having spent a couple of weeks at Mr. Joe Strickland's near town.

New is the time to get the winter garden started. Head lettuce, onion sets, carrots, beets, turnips, radish, cabbage, collards, celery and various greens may all be planted now.

CO-OPS TO OPEN TUESDAY

Prices Advancing On Open Floors

Sales Light But Much Satisfaction Prevails—Louisburg Winning Favor With Tobacco Growers.

Each day the Louisburg Tobacco Market is gaining favor among the tobacco growers of Franklin and adjoining counties. The farmers who have patronized the Louisburg market since the opening on Tuesday of last week have been well pleased and expressed the greatest satisfaction. Although the sales have been light due to the fact that the weather has been pretty and the farmers are busy picking out cotton and not stripping tobacco the prices have been good. They have shown a decided advance and the demand is strong. The Co-operative Warehouse will open next Tuesday, October 9th, making three warehouses for Louisburg. From the information received here from other markets where the Co-ops have already opened the advances are creating the greatest satisfaction among the members, and it is expected that the same conditions will exist here next week.

Get your tobacco ready and bring it on to Louisburg, where the warehousemen and merchants are co-operating to make everything to your advantage.

FLOWERS AT FAIR

Raleigh, Sept. 29.—Flowers of many varieties will be exhibited at the North Carolina State Fair by the florists of the State during the week of October 15-20, but one of the most interesting exhibits will be the one that Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, president of the State Fair, has provided in the way of natural flowers.

Mrs. Vanderbilt is strong for flowers and her estate at Baltimore has a world of them, but when she took charge of the State Fair two years ago the grounds were barren of anything that even smacked of beauty.

Today it is very different. Zennias of all grades and varieties have been planted around Floral Hall, the central building at the State Fair grounds and they have been pruned down with a view to having them in full bloom when the fair comes on. They will provide a wealth of color.

There is a world of dahlias, too, which will be blooming at fair time in all their myriad colors while in front of the buildings will be flower beds with the stately cannas in bright red and yellow to furnish a mellow setting for the scarlet sage and the unique dusty miller, which is used to produce the white to offset the bright colors.

In planting these flowers a color scheme has been observed with a view to showing how flowers can be used to make beautiful premises, so that those visiting the fair can learn something about how to make their home yards attractive. At least that is the idea of Mrs. Vanderbilt, who wants to see North Carolina a place of beauty as well of enterprise and industry.

ANOTHER VOTE FOR LIME AND CLOVER

Straw, N. C. October 2.—Another vote for lime and clover to improve the soils of Carolina has been cast. This time it is by that grand old man of the mountains, A. G. Hendren, who for about twelve years has worked in Wilkes County for the extension division of the State College and Department of Agriculture. Mr. Hendren has always been an ardent advocate of soil improvement and during the entire time that he has served in this county, he has preached the value of lime and legumes as active agents in helping in this work.

Coming to town recently from a trip over the County, Mr. Hendren reports, "I have seen one splendid demonstration this week of what lime and clover will do for poor, red clay land. W. E. Fletcher of Purlear Post Office has a very poor upland farm. One of his fields lies along a main road of the County and was very, very poor. I suppose this soil would average about five or six bushels of corn per acre. Two years ago, however, Mr. Fletcher became interested in the use of lime and clover. He bought four tons of ground limestone and used it on the four acres, sowing wheat in October and planting red clover seed over the wheat the next March. His stand was not so very good but he let it stay as it was until the past winter. He then turned under the second crop of clover and worked the field in corn this summer. It is astonishing to see this corn as compared to that on the other land right by the side of it. This demonstration is in a section where there has been very little lime used before and I believe it will show some of our people the need for using lime and legumes.

A farmer of Perquimans County reports a profit of \$100 from his hogs this year as a result of a feeding demonstration which he conducted in cooperation with County Agent L. W. Anderson.

CO-OPS WIN AGAIN CONTRACT BINDS

Open 55 More Markets October 9th in Old Belt of Virginia and Western North Carolina.

(S. D. Frissell)

Members of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association were prevented by two courts of Eastern North Carolina, last week from selling their tobacco on the auction markets when Judge J. Lloyd Horton at Greenville and Judge Frank Daniels at Smithfield issued restraining orders preventing eight members of the marketing association from delivering their tobacco outside of their own association. These rulings make it clear that the marketing association of 92,000 tobacco farmers will continue its policy and power to protect its contract and punish those who break their agreement.

Old Belt co-ops are eagerly awaiting the opening of 55 more warehouses of the association next Tuesday, October 9, in Virginia and Western North Carolina when the advances to be paid this year by their organization will be posted at every receiving point.

The high advances paid by the association in the face of falling prices on the auction floors of Eastern North Carolina and the South Carolina belt, have resulted in a big gain in membership. More than ten thousand new members have joined the association during the past twelve months and 92,000 have now signed the five year contract. North Carolina leads with over 44,000 tobacco co-ops, Virginia has 37,000 and South Carolina over 10,000 members.

The tobacco association which has already made a big gain in the amount of tobacco delivered by its members in South Carolina and Eastern North Carolina compared with receipts a year ago, is expected to gain a majority of the Old Belt crop as was the case in Virginia last year.

Although twenty markets of the association close in South Carolina and border counties this week, the larger cooperative centers of the South Carolina Belt will continue to operate for some weeks to come.

Virginia co-ops are celebrating the beginning of their second season marketing with meetings in every warehouse of the association which opens next Tuesday when John R. Hutcherson, Virginia Director of Extension, Oliver J. Sands, Executive Manager of the association, T. C. Watkins, Director of Warehouses and nearly every elected director from the state will meet with the members in their warehouses at 23 towns.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks And Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. T. B. Wilder, of Aberdeen, is a visitor to Louisburg.

Ex-Sheriff Sears, of Raleigh, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. T. A. Person, of Greenville, was a visitor to Louisburg this week.

Mr. W. Dalton Leonard returned Monday from a visit to his people at Salisbury.

Mrs. H. H. Dail, of Cambridge, Md., is visiting her father, Mr. W. E. Tucker.

Messrs. H. H. B. Mask and B. T. Leppard, of Raleigh, were in Louisburg Wednesday.

Mrs. M. J. Conalley, of Blackstone, Va., is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. E. F. Thomas.

Messrs. J. C. Anthony and Alfred Plummer, of Henderson, were visitors to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blankenship left Saturday to spend Sunday at his home at Brookneal, Va., returning in time for the sales Monday.

Mr. Geo. W. Conway, of Canton, is visiting relatives in Louisburg. This is his first visit to his old home since he left about twenty-five years ago. His many old time friends here were delighted to see him again and looking so well.

Messrs. W. H. Yarborough, E. H. Malone, J. E. Malone, Jr., and W. Y. Bickett went to Raleigh Tuesday, where the two latter attorneys argued the case of State vs James Allen, before the Supreme Court. This is the case where James Allen was sentenced to be electrocuted for assault and burglary.

Corn yields may be more sure and easily increased by the use of good seed than in any other way. The way to select this seed is from the fields in the fall.