

FUQUAY FIDDLIN' CONVENTION HELD

Joe Collins Successfully Defended His Title As Fiddlin' Champ Against All Comers

Fuquay Springs, Aug. 1.—"Fiddlin' Joe" Collins is still the uncrowned king of the fiddlers of more than a half dozen counties in this part of the State. At the big convention in the local school auditorium last night, which was succeeded by "Fiddlin' Joe" successfully defended his title as champion fiddler against expert fiddlers from Cumberland, Wake, Durham, Sampson, Harnett and other counties.

No such playing was ever heard in this section. The champion first played "Arkansas Traveler," and as a second, played "Naches Under the Hill." He was accompanied by Will Page, banjo picker.

Mr. Henry T. Faupeux, assisted by Messrs. W. H. Fayette and Will Green, second fiddle and banjo, played "Mississippi Sawyer." Mr. W. H. Fayette played "Cindy," and his splendid rendition of this familiar favorite won much applause for Harnett's register of deeds.

Mr. S. H. Stephenson, of Swift Creek, assisted by his brother, Mr. A. D. Stephenson, on the guitar, played "Army Number One" for his first, and "Savannah River" and "Dixie" for his second pieces.

Mr. Add Buice, of Fayetteville, introduced as the "Crimson-crested Gladiator of the Cape Fear," played for his first piece "Whistling Rufus," and for his second, "Pop Goes the Weasel."

Mr. Cal Page, of Kennebec, the home of "white lightning" and good fiddlin', assisted by his son, Will Page, made quite a hit with his easy old-time fiddling.

One of the most enjoyable features of the entertainment was the unusually

skillful playing of Messrs. Will Butler and L. G. Jackson, of Fayetteville. Mr. Butler has long been a favorite in this section. His first selection was "Bill Board," and his second, "Ocean Drops." He was accompanied by Mr. Jackson.

Mr. Jackson played selections of his own composition, "Ragged Bill," and "Down the Road." He was assisted by Mr. Will Butler. An unusually interesting thing about the playing of Mr. Jackson and Mr. Butler was the fact that each was contending for the same prizes, and each playing the accompaniment for the other, was trying to help the other win. In fact, it is said, these excellent musicians had a bet up on the proposition. Both bet the other a day's work against a five dollar bill that he would win the prize. Mr. Jackson lost, but his mastery playing of the guitar, accompanying Mr. Butler in playing the "Ocellis Waltz" certainly contributed in no small degree to the winning of third prize by Mr. Butler.

The clog dancing contestants carried the house by storm. Mr. Henry Spears, of Lillington, led off, and gave such an exhibition as is seldom seen in this day and time of new-fangled dancing. He was followed by Mr. Jimmie Lawrence, of Fuquay, who surprised his hearer with all sorts of fancy steps, gallops and glides. Next came S. G. Stephenson, champion fiddler of other days; prize banjo picker and clog dancer pay excellence. Mr. Stephenson started off like a "White steamer," and gracefully added one frill after another until he had the whole house guessing on which foot he was standing if on either.

Charlie Adams, of Angier, a clogger from clog-town, started off just like a rip-saw, and the audience didn't know what he was going to shake loose first. He gave a good exhibition and won liberal applause. The prize, five dollars in gold, went to Mr. Stephenson. The judges of the contest were Messrs. Zeke Young, of Panther Branch township, Wake county; D. H. McCallers, Clayton; and Mr. D. M. Wpence, of Fuquay Springs. They awarded first prize in fiddling to Mr. Joe Collins; second, Mr. Cal Page, and third, Mr. Will Butler. First prize for best banjo picker went to Mr. Will

Page, who put up a fine performance. Mr. W. F. Blount, of Fayetteville, was master of ceremonies, and his witty remarks and skillful handling of the contestants kept the large crowd in excellent humor. Mr. Blount himself was forced to respond to calls from the audience for several selections on his fiddle, and during the intermission he gave a number of stunts, ranging from a family concert from the pig sty to a true-to-nature imitation of the water being forced through an old rusty pump and then running back down before you can get the dipper under the spout. Mrs. Blount accompanied many of the selections on the piano. His imitation of a wild goose was also fine, and their presence added greatly to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Y. M. C. A. Man Returns.
New York, August 1.—E. M. Striver, of Farmville, N. C. returned from ten months services overseas today. As a secretary for the American Y. M. C. A., he has made an enviable record for himself in charge of the big Red Triangle Hut near La Rochelle, France.

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EMPTY GUN PUTS STOP TO SHOOTING AFFAIR

Tarboro Man Donates Fifteen Hundred Dollars For Playground Equipment

Tarboro, Aug. 1.—Wednesday afternoon at Leggett's, Mr. Arthur Fountain and Mr. Wiley Fountain had a dispute over a potence barn. Thursday morning the affair was taken up by Mr. Frank Leggett, a brother. Seeing Mr. Fountain, he stepped in a store, bought a pistol and started to attack Mr. Fountain, who, being unarmed, took refuge in the residence of Mr. Rurik Gammon. Mr. Eugene Allbrook interfered, whereupon Mr. Leggett fired twice at him, inflicting a slight wound in Mr. Allbrook's thigh. Mr. Charlie Fountain then came to the rescue with an old gun (which was said not to have been loaded). Mr. Leggett fled.

Fifteen hundred dollars worth of playground equipment, donated by Mr. George Howard and the town, is rapidly

being placed in the commons, and for the past week the commons, with its magnificent trees has been filled with children of all ages, swinging, sliding, see-sawing, in fact, doing all the numerous playground stunts. The commons has always been a joy to the town because of its beauty, and now the pleasure it will give will doubly increase its value. The present plan is to have a playground instructor, who will direct the play so that the greatest amount of good may be derived from it.

No Market News Service.
Elizabeth City, August 1.—Word has reached here from the Bureau of Markets at Washington, that the Market News Service cannot be furnished this section daily during the sweet potato season. The funds available for this service have been reduced in the agricultural appropriation bill. The government hopes to furnish a semi-weekly service later.

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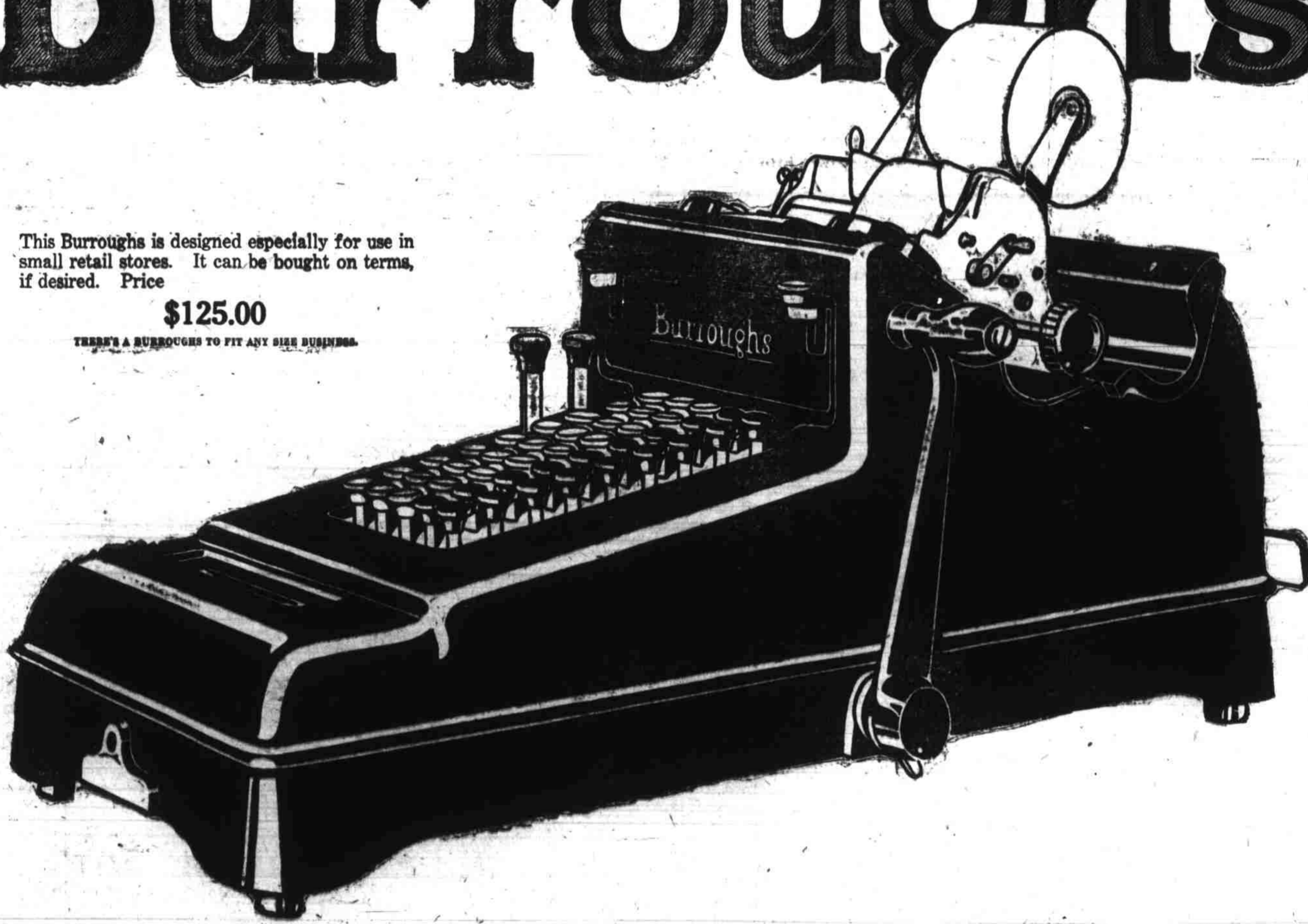
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