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ABOUT THE CHATHAM FAIR.

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When the Chatham County Agricultural Fair opened last Tuesday morning, the editor of this paper had a run into with one of the gamblers that were on the grounds early to rake in the coin from the innocent. He was made to give the young man his money back and the authorities soon thereafter closed his "joint" up, but there were some five or six others who operated throughout the duration of the Fair. It is a regrettable fact that we cannot have a Fair without these scoundrels that follow a carnival.

Young people naturally crave a chance to make some "easy" money quickly, and these fakirs afford a splendid opportunity for them to part with a few hard earned dollars, therefore it is all the more important that the robbers should be prevented from pitching tent at our Fairs at all. Not only from the standpoint of losing money, but the questionable influences and demoralizing effect that they have on the folks that attend.

The popular mind judges civic morality largely in terms of density of population, and in a measure it is right. However, there are some things for which the moral consciousness of the big "immoral" city won't "stand" but for which the small town, small city or rural community will. A short time ago, for example, ten men were bound over by a New York City police court for trial in a higher tribunal on the charge of operating an improper amusement feature. Yet the kind of amusement for the production of which they were held, as criminals, is not only permitted in the vast majority of the small towns but is welcomed at places, such as agricultural fairs, where the people from the country come chiefly for diversion and entertainment. The like were at our fair; they were at Mebane, at Asheboro and all the other fairs that have already been held, and they will be in Greensboro, Raleigh and all the other fairs yet to be held.

The ten men referred to operated what is known as a "carnival show." Although it operated under the auspices of an American Legion Post, the New York police arrested the principals who, as stated, were held under bail for trial. Both the governor and the mayor ordered these shows suppressed in New York.

The real reason that these carnival shows come to a town under the auspices of some local lodge, organization, agricultural fair or local cause, is because they all violate one or more sections of the state laws which prohibit lotteries, games of chance, gambling and indecent shows, and they need the influence of some local organization to protect them from police interference. They should be outlawed and we want the effort to start right now before we even contemplate our next Fair, that no shows or gambling devices of any character will be countenanced again in Siler City.

It is the rural section that suffers because the town "boob" is usually on to all these games and is not so easily drawn into the mesh, while the country folks are left to the tender mercies of the sharps who operate the "concessions" which are inseparable features of the traveling carnival.

The traveling carnival is nothing more nor less than a bunch of gamblers, lewd women and robbers. The demoralizing effect of such carnivals is seldom realized by the people of any small town. The distastrous results of the moral and physical health of the young men, where the carnival spends a week, cannot be eradicated by the churches in years to come.

Now, in conclusion, we want to say that the foregoing should not be taken as a criticism in any manner of the management of the Fair. Those in authority were in the same position as we were or anyone else would have been. They were doing everything possible to furnish as much entertainment and make the Fair as enjoyable as possible; it was merely a misfortune that the wrong kind of show folks got here, but we can prevent it in the future.

The Fair was good so far as the exhibits went. Not near so many peoas should made exhibits, but those that did had as creditable showing as can be found anywhere. The stock, poultry, cattle, hogs, sheep, goats and all live stock were well displayed and of a pleasing apearance; it would do anybody good to look at them. The fancy work, exhibits from the home and farm were splendid and some of them deserve especial mention. Fancy work, canned vegetables, and fruits, the local booths and all the desirable entertaining features were good and we are glad that so many people come to see them. The attendance was good and while the Fair did not clear itself financially, it was attributable to causes that could not be controlled, the principal one being that of the extreme dry weather, causing so much dust that the attendance was lessened. Then, too, the best features that had been secured by the secretary did not materialize, the attractions having violated their contract made with the secretary.

Particularly the display of the home and farm by John S. Teague, Ernest Brewer, the Sylvan community, and the many others on display should be mentioned. Mr. Teague had everything on display that anyone could possibly produce in the home or on the farm, and it was tastefully arranged and well displayed, despite the crowded space he had in which to present it. This display of Mr. Teague but represents the condition on many farms in Chatham county. Many others are equally as well fixed and produce as well, but it takes energy as well as civic pride to present it to the folks who attend our own county Fair.

All connected with the Fair, the secretary, and president and those associated with them spent many long hours at hard work and made many tiresome journeys to make the Fair as good as possible, and they deserve commendation from every quarter.

Next week, we hope to be in position to have a list of the prizes as awarded by the judges.

Davie county has nominated a citizens ticket of republicans and democrats who are displeased with "ring rule."

Will Allen White says use "damn" in place of "very." Very fine in some cases, but we'll be very if it always goes.

President Harding is not letting the war in the East worry him. He is getting ready to be in at a big golf tournament on October 26.

Talk about hard times. There's none. People just imagine times are hard when they are really not. Last year, in the eight games of baseball played by the Yankees and Giants, the Giants received $13,635.00 and the Yankees $87,756.67. This year the proceeds from the eight games will be nearly double the above.

PITTSBORO SEES THE LIGHT.

The Fayetteville Daily Observer has the following to say:

"Congratulations to Pittsboro is in order. That old but good town, the county seat of Chatham county, turned on electric lights for the first time Saturday night, and "the citizens of the town celebrated the occasion by closing their places of business and assembling in the court house where very apropriate speeches were made prior to the evening program of the Radcliffe Chautauqua."

It is a source of gratification to the older citizens of Fayetteville that the town of Pittsboro is beginning to show signs of progress. In the days before the railroads, Fayetteville and Pittsboro were closely bound together by the bonds of commerce and trade, which were cemented into bonds of mutual esteem and friendship. Pittsboro's people are fine people. Many of the old families of the town have become greatly decimated or have moved away, but the sentiment and memory remain.

The good roads program is rapidly developing the rich county of Chatham, which not so very long ago was noted for having some of the worst roads in the state. With the development of the county of course will come the growth and prosperity of Pittsboro. The correspondent of the Greensboro News says that Pittsboro is now "one of the best lighted towns in the State." The electrical current comes from the Moncure Manufacturing Company's plant at Lockville."

WISE AND OTHERWISE

Some Our'n—Some Their'n

--Home:—Sleeping quarters next to a garage.

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Tears of joy are just as salty as those of woe.

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Dogs are usually better judges of men than men are of dogs.

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The respectable appearance of most sinners make them dangerous.

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If you think always of your own feelings you'll lose your force.

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Men are obstinate, but women are merely firm in their convictions.

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When we call a man a brick we do not mean he is made of common clay.

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Ten cents in your pocket wil purchase more than a dollar that is owed to you.

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Some folks never stoop to tell a fib. Nothing short of a "whopper" satisfies them.

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Some folks actually think the crash department is the noisest place in a dry goods store.

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Numerous writers tell the world how to make money, but they get little of it themselves.

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The man who marries a woman for her money will work ten hours a day to pay the interest.

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Vass Pilot says the latest fashion hint is never wear taffeta while scrubbing the kitchen floor.

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The State of Vermont is advertising for a calf inspector. The Vass Pilot says in these days of short skirts it ought not to be hard to find a man willing to take the place.

BRIEF, INTERESTING FACTS

Figures and Historical Mention Of Interest.

Out of 2,608 prisoners at Leavenworth more than 900 are narcotic cases.

State Fair at St. St. Paul every year since 1870. Its getting to be a habit with him.

A locomotive engine recently completed 12 years of service, covering 662,000 miles without extensive repairs.

The major portion of the population of Brazil is Portugese and Portugese is the official language of that country.

Sweden has placed a $2,000,000 contract in the United States for a radio plant of "tremendous power" near Gothenburg, on the west coast.

The manufacture of antiques is carried forward on such an extensive scale in Egypt that many collectors are unwilling to risk buying them, and market for the genuine article has become practically ruined.

Nearly 14 per cent of the quail's food for the year consists of animal matter, such as insects and their allies. The quail has no superior as a weed destroyer. It is a good ranger and will patrol every day all the fields in its vicinity in search of food.

A Minnesota man has visited the

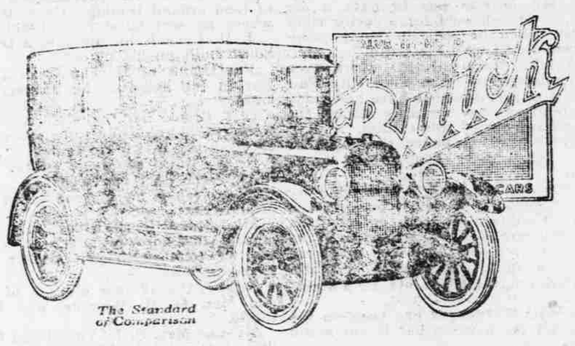
White huckleberries are being raised by H. A. Weaver, of Cloe, Pennsylvania. The berry bush is large and the berries almost transparent. The berries are large and of excellent flavor. This bush is the only bush bearing white berries, though Mr Weaver has picked 2,000 quarts this season on his farm.

It is just 50 years since America's national park policy was inaugurated. Half a century ago Congress voted that an immense tract of land in Wyoming, since called the Yellowstone Park, should be dedicated as a "public pleasure ground and game preserve." Today there are 19 national park reservations in the United States, covering at total area of considerably more than 10,000 squaer miles.

John Perry has moved his family to Raleigh, and he will engage in the dairy business.

DR. S. RAPPORT,

of Durham, will be at PITTSBORO at the hotel, WEDNESDAY, Oct. 18, from 8:30 a. m. to 1 p. m. At SILER CITY at the hotel, WEDNESDAY, Oct. 18, from 2 p. m. to 5:30 to examine eyes and fit glasses. Remember, that you pay nothing for the examination of your eyes in buying glasses from me, and I furnish only the best quality at a moderate price.



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