

## BIG FIREWORKS AT COUNTY FAIR OCTOBER 6-10

Huge Fireworks Demonstration to Be Put on Daily By The Ohio Fireworks Co.

Announcement was made today by Secretary Elmore that an elaborate fireworks show has been contracted for to be presented in connection with the Rutherford County Fair to be held October 6-10.

The contract for the fireworks display has been awarded to the Ohio Display Fireworks Company of Cleveland, Ohio. This company makes a specialty of presenting mammoth night fireworks shows.

Further announcements will be made shortly concerning the fireworks program in detail.

A special fireworks expert will be sent here to look after the entire fireworks program that is to be shown in connection with the County Fair. Word to this effect was received here today from the Ohio Display Fireworks Company which was awarded the contract of presenting the mammoth show.

An entire change of program each night was also promised by the company. An abundance of 1926 fireworks creations is the promise of the company.

Secretary Elmore stated today that with the weather man playing no tricks, the biggest crowd that has ever been seen at an outdoor performance, during the history of the county will be present at the gigantic fireworks exhibition, which will take place each night of the fair except Saturday.

"Young folks, old folks, everybody come, come along to the fireworks show and have a lot of fun." This will be the slogan on the lips of everyone on the evening that the Fair Association has arranged to have the giant fireworks show begin October 6.

It surely will be fun for everyone. Little Johnny will be tickled to death when the bombs explode with a roar that nearly makes one deaf. Mom and Grandpop will be highly pleased and entertained by the rare color beauty and realistic affect of the stupendously large floral numbers that are included in the program.

This is only one of the big features of the County Fair. Remember the dates October 6-10.

## REVIVAL AT FOREST CITY M. E. CHURCH

Next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock the pastor, Dr. W. R. Ware, will begin a series of services. It is earnestly desired that these services will result in a gracious revival of religion. Each day there will be service at 10 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. Everybody is cordially invited. You will be assured of good singing and earnest, evangelical preaching. We give special and fraternal invitation to all the pastors in town and community to be with us as often and as regularly as possible.

Rev. Clifton Ervin, of Rutherfordton, will have charge of the singing. When you have heard Mr. Ervin once you will want to hear him again. The pastor will, by God's help, do the preaching.

Rev. J. Chalmus Grose will preach in the absence of the pastor at Pleasant Grove church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Mr. Grose is a ministerial student at Duke University. He expects to return to this institution in a few days to complete his studies. He is a fine young man. Give him a large and prayerful hearing next Sunday.

## WARNS AGAINST WASTE OF WATER

City Manager Webb has asked The Courier to warn the public against needless waste of water and says that conservation must be practiced until we get much needed rains.

There must be no washing of cars, sprinkling of lawns or gardens or other waste of water. Police have been instructed to watch for offenders and those caught breaking the rule will suffer the penalty of having their water cut off, according to order of the board of commissioners.

## YOUNG MAN IS KILLED BY TRAIN SATURDAY NIGHT

Rufus Miller, of Lockhart, S. C. Mangled By Train in Bostic Yards When Thrown Under Box Car.

A very distressing accident, occurring Saturday night, at Bostic yards, claimed the life of Rufus Miller, 18 years old, of Lockhart, S. C. Rufus had been visiting a relative, James Miller, of Caroleen. Saturday afternoon they walked from Caroleen to Bostic, as Rufus was planning returning home on the evening C. C. & O. train. While waiting for the train, about 9:00 p. m., he was leaning against a box car. The C. C. & O. freight was shifting on the yard and coupled to the car against which young Miller was standing, throwing him under the wheels, dragging him about four car lengths before Mr. James Miller, who was standing a short distance away, succeeded in attracting the engineer's attention and having him to bring the train to a stop. The jar of the cars coupling over-balanced young Miller, throwing him under the wheels, which cut off both arms and injured one shoulder considerably. Dragging him farther down the track both legs were severed from his body. After removing him from the tracks, Dr. Bostic was summoned, but could give very little aid, owing to the great extent of his injuries. He remained conscious until about 11 p. m., during which time he gave instructions as to where he should be sent. He died on the yard about 11 o'clock. Hovis and Keeter, undertakers of Rutherfordton, removed the body to their establishment early Sunday morning and carried it to his home in Lockhart, S. C., Monday.

Little was learned of his family other than his mother died about six months ago, and that his father and other relatives reside in Lockhart. He was unmarried.

## COUNTY CLUB TO MEET SEPT. 15

Regular Monthly Meeting To Be Held In Kiwanis Hall, Forest City—Excellent Program Arranged.

The September meeting of the Rutherford County Club will be held in the local Kiwanis Hall, Tuesday, September 15th at 1 p. m.

The program, as arranged, will be along the lines of knowing Rutherford county better.

Several speakers will be present, among them will be Prof. W. R. Hill, who will tell of the educational progress of Rutherford county for the past five, or more, years.

Mr. O. C. Erwin will discuss the Recorder's court and the county fair activities.

Mr. F. E. Patton, county demonstration agent, will talk on the agricultural growth of the county, while Miss Gladys Perry, county home agent, will tell of her work in the county.

The program committee announces that another possible feature will be special music for the occasion.

All are urged to attend.

## LEADER STORE ENLARGING SPACE

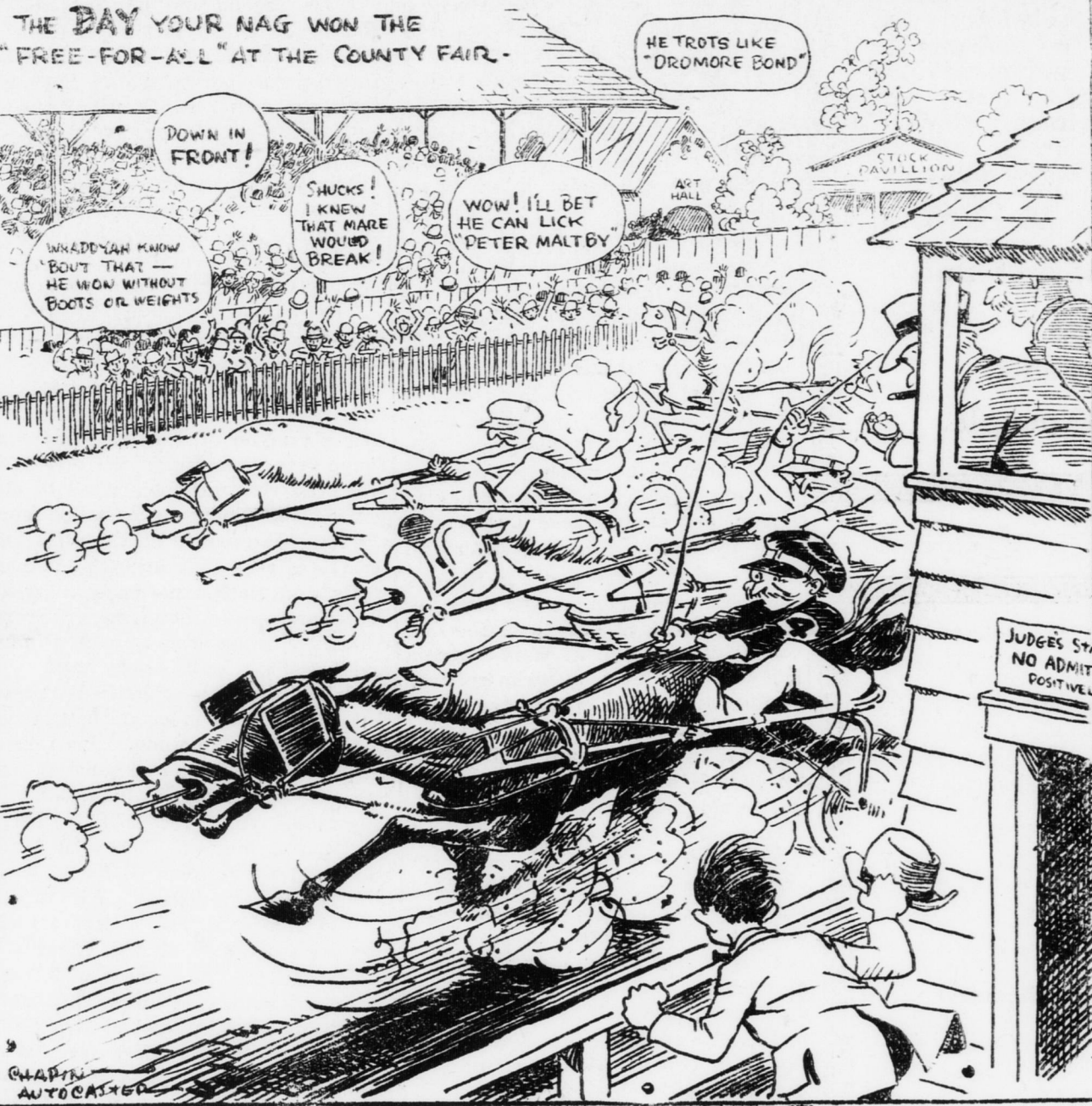
Mr. Jack Michalove, popular manager of the Leader Store, is having his store building enlarged. Forty feet of space is being added in the rear, while the entire store room is being remodeled. Increasing business makes the addition of more room necessary, says Mr. Michalove.

## NOTICE TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

All new high school students and last year's seventh grade are requested to meet at the Forest City Grammar Grade School Friday, Sept. 11, at 3:30 p. m., to make out their schedule of work.

## RED LETTER DAYS

By A. B. CHAPIN



Our County Fair Will Be Held Oct. 6-10. Everybody Will Be There. There'll Be Some Spirited Races, Too.

## CITIZENS ASKED TO PRAY FOR RAIN

Methodist Ministers' Association Calls For Day Of Prayer On September 12.

I am asked by the Methodist Ministers' Association of Rutherford County to make the request and to announce to all the citizens of our county that a day of prayer be and is called for Saturday, September 12th.

My dear fellow-citizens, let us of any and all denominations, of every race, class and creed open our eyes to the conditions as they are and let us call our people together at our churches, our mills or our places of business at 10 to 11 o'clock a. m., or from 3 to 4 o'clock p. m., to have an hour of repenting, of confession and of faithful, earnest prayer that God of our fathers, the God of Elijah, may have mercy upon us and let fall upon our parched land showers of refreshing rain.

Let us further request and announce that if before the day and hour appointed for prayer, a kind Providence should visit us with refreshing showers we meet at the same appointed hour for songs and prayers of thanksgiving to God, the giver of all good things.

Sept. 8, 1925. J. O. ERVIN.

## A Personal Word to All.

First of all, lest some stranger or misguided one should say: "He is in his dotage; he is old-fashioned and out of date, or he is pessimistic," I want to mark all of that and any such like with the stamp of ignorance or falsehood, and to announce to all strangers that I am a strong, fast-running, high-jumping man of middle life, and am red-headed (not gray), warm-hearted, bounding and bouncing, ready to fight the devil and all his gang. Ready to go over the top or to die, if need be, in the trenches in defense of the church of God and for the things which make for righteousness and for clean and noble living.

Under this preamble or preface, let me say we are living in a fast and an awful day when passion and pride and love for worldly and sinful pleasure is the order of the day and the established custom of the hour for seven days in the week and twenty-four hours in the day.

It is a good time to cry out with the apostle, "Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead and Christ shall give thee light."

It is time to rescue the holy sabbath from the godless mob that it be not a day of feasting and joy-riding and picnicing and a free-for-all day

in revelling and dissipation. More cars should be parked at the morning and evening hours of worship in front of the church and fewer of them in front of hotels, boarding houses and out along the public highways at these hours.

When a pastor who is prayerfully and honestly trying to lead his young people out of the common place and out of the merely ordinary and mediocre way of living into higher and holier paths of service and to bigger and better lives, I say when a pastor has such desires and announces and re-announces subjects for discussion that seem to lead to this end and when the hour for such services arrives to know that the very people for whom the message was prepared are out joy-riding and feasting, singing and picnicing and desecrating the day of the Lord and turning their backs upon that sacred institution—the church of God which they have sworn in the presence of God and man to stand by and to support by their means and by their presence, yes, may we hear it again, "Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead and Christ shall give thee light."

Again, when it comes to pass that among our high school boys and girls and older ones, of course, that there are only two forms of amusement—one the inspiration of which is the sex instinct, and the other the heart of which is the gambling instinct. And when the children rush into these hell-born and devil-directed activities to dwarf and to kill out in them the higher and holier God-given instincts and impulses and we, as parents, sit supinely and sinfully by and allow or even go far enough, as some mothers do, to encourage such things, then it is time to cry out with the repenting Psalmist, "Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness, according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out all my transgressions. Against thee only have I sinned and done this evil in thy sight." Psalm 51.

J. O. ERVIN.

## A Special Call to the People Of Forest City:

Dr. Ware and Dr. Ayers request their people and all others who will do so to meet at the Methodist church next Saturday morning at ten o'clock to unite in prayer to God that He may send rain upon our thirsty community. The Methodist Ministers'

Conference issued such call in their meeting last Monday also. Let the business men close their business for a few minutes and come to the church promptly at ten o'clock Saturday morning.

W. R. WARE  
W. A. AYERS.

## KIWANIS CLUB HAS GOOD MEETING

Will Entertain Rutherford Club Next Monday Evening—Kick On Telephone Service.

Quite a good sized crowd was in attendance at the meeting of the Kiwanis Club Monday evening. Two new members were received—Prof. Sutton and Mr. Wm. S. Hartley. Several members who have dropped from the club have indicated their desire to become reinstated with the advent of cooler weather.

It was decided to entertain the Rutherford Club on next Monday evening. This entertainment is due them for beating the local baseball team in a series of games. A large crowd of visiting Kiwanians are expected to be present.

Several talks were made in regard to the inefficient telephone service that Forest City is getting at present. A resolution was passed ordering the secretary to take the matter up with the local manager and ask for better service and a quicker response when calls are put in. No blame is attached to the local manager, who is doing his best, but the appeal is to the Piedmont Company to provide the manager with better equipment and more experienced operators.

The matter of an appropriate marker for the grave of Lieut. McClellan, Revolutionary war hero interred at Brittain cemetery, was discussed and passed to the educational committee, to make report at the next meeting.

Mr. G. E. Morgan, popular county commissioner, was a guest of the club and invited the Kiwanians to meet with them at the Mt. Vernon community fair on Oct. 2. An effort is being made to put the Mt. Vernon school on the accredited list, which no doubt will be accomplished.

Rev. Geo. R. Gillespie was introduced and made a spirited short talk. He was especially profuse in praises of the merchants and citizens of the city for their uniform courtesy and noted particularly the spirit of cooperation and service manifest on all sides. He thinks Forest City has a wonderful future. Rev. Gillespie has been warmly received on all sides and is a valuable addition to our citizenship.

## POPULAR COUPLE ARE MARRIED AT RUTHERFORDTON

Wedding Of Miss Bertha McRorie and Mr. John W. Dalton Takes Place at M. E. Church Tuesday.

The First Methodist church of Rutherfordton was the scene of a lovely wedding Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, when Miss Bertha McRorie became the bride of Mr. John W. Dalton of Forest City. Rev. J. O. Ervin, pastor of the bride, officiated, using the impressive ring ceremony.

The interior of the new church was made more attractive by decorations, the altar being a bank of artistically arranged potted plants intermingled with baskets of purple and white asters, tied with white tulle bows.

Prior to the ceremony Rev. Geo. Clifton Ervin of Greensboro, with Mrs. W. C. Logan, organist, sang, "At Dawning" and "Till Then." The organist was gowned in orchid georgette and wearing a picture hat of old rose velvet. The wedding party entered to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march.

The ushers entered as follows: Dr. F. Bobo Scruggs, of Cliffside, with Mr. W. C. McRorie, Jr., and Mr. G. C. Shuford, of Cliffside, with Mr. Chas. Dalton. They were followed by the bridesmaids, Misses Effie Dalton with Florence Edwards and Martha Twitty of Asheville with Julia Justice. In becoming costumes the bridesmaids added much to the beauty of the scene. Miss Dalton, cousin of the groom, was strikingly handsome in a dress of orchid georgette. Miss Edwards wore a lovely dress of pinks georgette while Misses Twitty and Justice wore dresses of blue and yellow georgette, which emphasized their girlish charms. All wore picture hats of black velvet and carried huge armfuls of lavender and purple asters. Next came Miss Lois Justice, maid-of-honor, wearing a handsome dress of Nile green georgette with silver trimmings and large hat of black velvet carrying an armful of lovely asters.

Master Warren McRorie, brother of the bride, cunning in a Lord Faunteroy suit, entered bearing the ring on a dainty silver tray. The bride was very charming as she marched down the aisle upon the arm of her father, Attorney W. C. McRorie, who gave her in marriage. She was met at the altar by the groom, who entered from the right with his brother, Mr. George D. Dalton, best man.

The organist softly played, "To A Wild Rose" during the impressive ceremony. The bridal party left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's.

The bride's dress was made of white georgette, with real lace trimmings. Her long flowing veil was arranged coronet fashion and caught around the forehead with orange blossoms. She carried a huge shower bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McRorie. She has friends and schoolmates throughout the entire state who will be interested in her marriage. She is a graduate of the North Carolina College for Women, Greensboro, of the class of '24. She is charming and industrious. She was a popular teacher in the Henrietta schools last year.

The groom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Dalton, of near Forest City. He is a native of Rutherford county. He was educated at the University of North Carolina and is now manager of Dalton Bros. Department Store of Forest City, a rising business firm. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Forest City and is a young man of sterling character and public spirited. He is a most promising young business man.

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple drove to Charlotte where they caught a train for Washington, D. C., Atlantic City and other points to spend their honeymoon, after which they will be at home on Carolina avenue, Forest City.

The many handsome and useful gifts received by the couple bespeak their popularity. The church was overflowing with friends and relatives from all parts of Rutherford county and adjoining sections to witness the ceremony. They have the best wishes of a host of friends.