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MUSIC WEEK WILL BE OBSERVED IN COUNTY ANNUALLY

Sponsors Enthusiastic Over Results of First National Music Week Held In County.

The observance of Music Week was brought to a climax Friday night when Rutherford county assembled for the third public entertainment of the week. Having been officially ushered in by the Shelby board on Tuesday night the brilliant week's program was continued through Thursday and Friday nights.

Public school night (Thursday) brought forth the largest attendance of patrons and about five hundred school children from the county. To an appreciative audience, enthusiastic group of students of the county rendered selections well adapted to the occasion. Preceding the musical program, Miss Katherine Goggans, who presided over the program, introduced Mr. C. A. Erwin, County Superintendent, who addressed the assembly on the importance of music. In his pleasant, characteristic way, he showed the advantage of the child with an understanding of music over the one ignorant of melody, or tuneful sounds.

Rutherfordton, Henrietta-Caroleen, Mount Vernon and Forest City were represented in the program. Because of other plans, Ellenboro and Cliffside were unable to join the group this year; however, it is hoped that all towns will participate next year.

Community night (Friday) was all that its name indicates. The Spindale Band, under its capable director, D. C. Cole, gave a concert that was greatly enjoyed by the large audience. Mr. Cole's splendid musical organization played several difficult selections with precision and grace that would have done credit to many professional bands. Formality was banished, and the people responded in a beautiful way, by participating in the program without thought of ability to sing. Prior to the musical program, Mr. J. W. Eakes made a brief talk, at the conclusion of which he introduced a motion that the celebration of music week be made an annual affair in Rutherford county. This motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Z. Flack and unanimously passed by the assembly. The prospective plan is that the various clubs or civic organizations in each community elect one member as a representative to help from the central committee of the county. This central committee will make plans for the year.

Mrs. Fred Webb, president, of the Woman's club of Forest City, presided at Friday night's assembly. It is regretted that the Kiwanis club of Rutherfordton (a town that was beautifully and artistically represented in every program of the week) did not hear its number called by the chairman, who, due to the acoustics of the building was not understood at the beginning of the program. The music club of Rutherfordton gave two beautiful vocal renditions, expressions of talent and musical merit.

The Kiwanis club of Forest City presented a clever stunt-song which afforded much laughter and merriment for the audience. This Kiwanis club always "comes forth" with something unique.

The choruses and other group singing of both public school night and community night were directed by Mrs. A. M. Glickman and accompanied by Mrs. L. C. Edington.

Appreciation is expressed to the local committee, the teachers, the participants in the program, and to the people of Rutherford county for making the first celebration of music week a success. The movement originated under the direction of Miss Katherine Goggans, president of the music club of Forest City. The entire Woman's club and the Kiwanians were asked to assist. The plans were enthusiastically when the local committee decided to make a county-wide affair of the observance, having other committees enjoy the same anticipated pleasure. The local committee consisted of the following:

Forest City Leads In County



Above is small view of business center of Rutherford County's metropolis and trade center of wide area. New census gives population of 4,062.

Cool Springs Township Schools Close May 30th

A STATEMENT

Some two or three weeks ago, it appeared in the local newspaper of Rutherford county that The Doggett Lumber Company was indebted to The Farmers Bank and Trust Company. Since that time, I have heard it rumored in many places that that was Horace B. Doggett's debt.

Now I have no axe to grind and I have no interest in the political situation other than this. That everyone have a fair deal, and for fear that an injustice will be done Horace B. Doggett, I feel it my duty as a Christian and as a stockholder in said company, to tell the public that Horace B. Doggett had no interest in The Doggett Lumber Company, and never has had, but it is a company organized in the State of Alabama, and was named Doggett Lumber Company.

Therefore, again I wish to state emphatically that I am a stockholder in said organization myself and I say, in order to do justice to all parties, that Horace B. Doggett had nothing in said company, no stock, no interests, nor did he owe the company one penny.

C. C. MOORE.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, County of Rutherford. ss

I, the undersigned, first being duly sworn, depose and say:

That there has been a general rumor around the town of Forest City and over the entire county, that since the Farmers Bank and Trust Company of Forest City closed its doors, that Horace B. Doggett transferred his property and that rumor became so prevalent that I, the undersigned, took it upon myself to go to the Register of Deeds' office in Rutherfordton and, together with the Register of Deeds, W. O. Geer, went through the record and found that Horace B. Doggett has not transferred his property.

And I also found that Horace B. Doggett has plenty of property to pay what he might owe. But this affiant wishes to specifically swear that Horace B. Doggett has not conveyed his property to his wife or to any other person and for fear that injustice might be done the said Horace B. Doggett this affiant invites the public to look at the records for themselves.

A. H. McDANIEL, Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May, 1930.

C. E. ALCOCK, N. P.

My commission expires January 25, 1932.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Calton and daughter Miss Ruby Calton spent the week-end here with Mrs. J. M. Tate and to attend the memorial services at Pleasant Grove church on Sunday.

Mesdames F. E. Webb, R. R. Howes, W. C. Logan, A. M. Glickman, Miss Katherine Goggans, Dr. R. R. Howes and Mr. J. W. Eakes.

Dr. Harold D. Myer, of University of N. C., Will Deliver Literary Address May 30th.

The Cool Springs Township schools will close one of the most successful school years on May 30th. Commencement activities will begin on May 15th, with the Junior-Senior banquet. The week of May 25-30th, will be taken up with the following exercises and activities:

- May 25th.—Baccalaureate Sermon, Dr. W. W. Peele.
- May 27th.—Music Recital.
- May 29th.—Senior play.
- May 30th.—Reading and Declaration Contest, 2:30 p. m.
- May 30th.—Graduating Exercises, Literary address, Dr. Harold D. Myer, of University of N. C.

The Cool Springs high school will have the largest graduation class in its history. Approximately fifty seniors are expected to finish their high school career on May 30th. A large number of high school students will receive perfect attendance certificates for not having missed a day or being tardy during the school year.

CHILD FATALLY INJURED BY FALL

Alice Bradley, Aged 11, Dies on Way to Hospital After Fall From Wagon.

Bostic, R-3, May 6.—Alice Carley Bradley, the eleven year old daughter of Mr. Bradley, of this route was fatally injured last Thursday morning when she fell off of the wagon on which she was riding, and the wheels passed partly over her body. She died while on the way to the hospital.

The child was in the field, assisting her father with his cotton planting by supplying the planters with fertilizer. The wagon was moved from one location to another, and while in motion the wheels hit a stump, causing the child to lose her balance and fall under a wheel. The wagon, loaded with fertilizer, passed partly over her body. An ambulance was immediately summoned and the child rushed to the hospital, but died on the way.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Providence Methodist church, with Rev. Marion Blanton in charge of the service. Interment was in the Providence cemetery.

The child is survived by her father and one brother, Willard Bradley. Pall bearers were Roscoe Queen, Charles Queen, Harley Norris, D. Hooper, Bennie Hooper and Bennie Carter. Flower girls were Misses Elizabeth Marlow, Virginia Halcombe, Mary Alridge, Evelyn Smith, Pauline Enloe, Helen Hunnicutt, Elizabeth Baynard, Ruby Debrule, Mary Willie Toms and Lillian Price.

ELECT OFFICERS FOR COUNTRY CLUB MONDAY

G. A. Williams New President—Bill Goebel to Play Exhibition Match Today.

Rutherfordton, May 6.—At an enthusiastic and largely attended meeting of the members of the Rutherford Country Club, held in the office of M. L. Edwards here Monday evening, officers for 1930 were elected as follows: President, G. A. Williams, Spindale; Secretary, Dr. A. C. Duncan, Forest City; Treasurer, Don Melton, Forest City; Greens Committee, M. L. Edwards, R. R. Blanton, Leslie Taylor, G. A. Williams, Dr. A. C. Duncan. Mr. Don C. Melton was re-elected for another year as greens keeper.

Plans were made at the meeting to make extensive improvements on the course, including probably a club house, shower baths and lockers. A large number of new members were reported as having been received into the club.

The annual tournament was discussed, and it was decided to hold it within a few weeks, announcements to be made later. In order to stimulate interest in the club it was decided to hold soon a "dubbers' tournament, for beginners and non-players. Balls and clubs will be furnished the entrants by members of the club.

On Thursday afternoon (today) at 3:30 o'clock Mr. Bill Goebel, of the Charlotte Country Club, will play in a low ball exhibition match against Dr. A. C. Duncan, R. R. Blanton and M. L. Edwards. Mr. Goebel is the outstanding golf professional in North Carolina, and for that reason it is believed that the match will be witnessed by hundreds of spectators. A small admission fee will be charged.

BARN AND STOCK BURNED TUESDAY

Barn of Mr. Ed Moore, of Caroleen, Hit by Lightning—Livestock Burned to Death.

Caroleen, May 7.—A barn belonging to Mr. Ed Moore, in Beason town was burned Tuesday afternoon when struck by lightning. Mr. Moore lost one mule, two cows, one calf, some fodder, forty bushels of corn and some farming implements in the fire. Lightning hit the barn during the severe electrical storm that visited this section Tuesday afternoon. The fire spread rapidly, and the barn was burned within a few minutes. No fire fighting apparatus was available to fight the fire, but fortunately no buildings were located near the barn, and the heavy down-pour of rain prevented the spread of the fire.

Census Shows City's Population 4,062

Forest City Among Four of Western North Carolina's Largest Towns—Big Gain Over 1920 Census.

GOOD MEETING AT METHODIST CHURCH

The meeting at the Main Street Methodist church is well attended, and the interest is good. Rev. W. B. West, of Hendersonville, who preached in the revival one year ago, still holds the hearts of the people regardless of church affiliations, and all wait upon his ministry with deep interest. He is one of finest, most effective, preachers who has ever come this way. His preaching is Biblical, logical, and convincing. The meeting is to be of short duration, as he can spare us only a little time. It behoves all therefore, to take advantage of the opportunity afforded to them this week.

According to preliminary figures released from the office of Mr. William H. Barkley, census supervisor of district six, of Hickory, Forest City has a population of 4,062, or an increase of 75.69 percent over 1920. Cool Springs township has a population of 7,864, as compared with 4,759 in 1920, an increase of 65.24 per cent.

Bostic has a population of 238, as compared with 204 in 1920. Rutherfordton has a population of 2,020, compared with 1693 in 1920 and 1062 in 1910. Alexander has 831 and Spindale 3,066. Both towns have been incorporated since 1920 census therefore have no comparative figures.

Forest City's rapid gain places the city among some of the largest in western North Carolina. Canton, Asheville and Hendersonville are, thus far, the only cities in western North Carolina whose population exceeds that of Forest City.

Forest City's population in 1910 was 1592. Ten years later, in 1920, it had gone to 2312, an increase of approximately 60 percent.

A total of 3,479 white people reside in Forest City, while 583 of the population are negroes. There are seventeen sets of twins in Forest City, seven sets of females and two sets of males, and eight sets of a male and female. Three sets of these twins are colored and fourteen are white. One white and one colored family have two sets of twins each. There are two blind people in Forest City, both male, one colored and one white. Four deaf and dumb people, all white, reside in town. Two are male and two female, and each couple are married. There are 1950 males and 2112 females in the city.

The census report shows thirty-eight farms within the corporate limits of Forest City.

Mr. R. K. Hollifield was in charge of the census in Forest City, and worked diligently to enumerate every individual in town.

Mr. Hollifield visited 809 houses in Forest City while making the count of Forest City's census, and interviewed 845 families.

Census enumerators in the township, other than Mr. Hollifield, were: Joe P. Hardin, Rufus W. Carswell, Terry Smart, (Bostic), Luther G. Blanton (Alexander.)

The report shows a rapid but substantial gain over a ten years period. With the exception of Forest City's sister city of Shelby, it is extremely doubtful if there is another town in North Carolina which has made the percentage of gain that this city has.

COUNTY VOTES DRY IN DIGEST POLL

Forest City And Rutherfordton Cast 163 Votes—115 For Enforcement.

According to the Literary Digest's poll on prohibition, Rutherfordton and Forest City are overwhelmingly in favor of enforcement. The two towns voted 115 strong for enforcement; thirty for modification and eighteen for repeal.

Rutherfordton cast 36 votes for enforcement, 16 for modification and 7 for repeal. Forest City's vote is as follows: for enforcement, 79; for modification 14; for repeal 11.

The vote for twenty western North Carolina towns, including Forest City and Rutherfordton, was as follows: for enforcement, 2,107; for modification, 1,233; for repeal, 1,042.

COMMENCEMENT AT TWIN HIGH

Closing Exercises Begin Sunday, May 18, With Commencement Sermon—Program.

Henrietta, May 5.—The commencement exercises of the Henrietta-Caroleen high school will begin with the sermon on Sunday morning, May 18th, at 11:00 o'clock in the high school auditorium. Rev. J. A. Hunnicutt of the Cliffside Baptist church will deliver the sermon. The pastors of Henrietta and Caroleen have kindly consented to omit their preaching service and let the people of both places come to the high school for this service. Also the pastor of Avondale will fill Rev. Hunnicutt's pulpit at Cliffside while the Avondale people may hear Mr. Hunnicutt at the Twin High auditorium. A large crowd is expected at this service. At no other commencement have we ever had the sermon on Sunday morning.

Other numbers of the commencement will be as follows: Wednesday evening, May 21st, the senior exercises will be given as an evening program. Thursday evening the graduation exercises will be held. Dr. C. C. Norton head of the Sociology department of Wofford college will deliver the address. Diplomas and awards will be given at this time. On Friday evening, May 23rd, the high school play will be given. This will close one of the most successful years in the school's history.

BASEBALL FRIDAY.

The Cool Springs high school baseball team will play the Cliffside team here Friday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. New admission prices have been made for this game. Ladies and school pupils will be admitted for 10c, while men will be charged 25c.

Local Legion Post To Meet Friday

The Spindale Quartette will be present at the regular meeting of the Willis Towery Post, American Legion, which will be held in the city hall here on next Friday evening, May 9, at 8 o'clock. The committee in charge are also expecting to have some string bands present for this meeting, which is expected to be an unusually good one. Every member of the local Legion post is urged to be present.

Superior Court Convenes Monday

Rutherfordton, May 6.—The May term of superior court will convene here Monday. This term of court will be devoted to the trial of criminal cases. Judge Oglesby is scheduled to preside, but as there has been some exchanges among the judges the past few months it is not known yet who will be designated to preside. Several cases of interest will come up for trial during this term of court. At least two murder cases are scheduled for hearing.