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Wiscasset-Efird Picnic Was A Great Occasion

Thousands Present to Enjoy the Day
And Partake of the Goods Things
—Fine Addresses.

The Enterprise man stood with many people Saturday evening and watched the balloon man as he slowly descended in his parachute after a successful flight. This was the last feature of a perfect day in which the employees of the Wiscasset and Efird mills had mingled with each other and with their friends and the spirit of good will had fused all of those present into one happy throng. We could not help saying to ourselves, "What a fine thing this that the mills have done for their employees!"

There were many who helped to make this occasion a notable one in Albemarle's history and without giving their names, we express for the entire community its appreciation of this good deed on the part of the management of the mills.

The picnickers were called to order at the grand-stand by R. L. Smith, Esq., who, after a few appropriate remarks, presented to the audience R. L. Brown, Esq. Mr. Brown in a fitting way introduced the principal speaker of the day, Hon. A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro. Mr. Brooks had reason to feel somewhat at home in Albemarle because of former visits. He had witnessed the ear-marks of growth and progress, and catching the spirit of the occasion made a telling speech concerning education, community spirit and social uplift. Many spoke of the speech as being timely and helpful.

Probably 6,000 people or more arranged themselves along the long tables placed in rectangular shape, and partook of the old-style barbecue, the lemonade, ice cream, etc. The employers, employees, and representatives of every profession and business in this community were to be seen at the tables. The many young ladies who served did their parts nobly and the success of the feast was due in no small way to their efficient labors.

After the barbecue there were races and various amusements to please the onlookers. The heat of the day in no way diminished the ardor of those who participated in the contests which added greatly to the enjoyment of the occasion.

In the ball game between Spencer and Albemarle the Albemarle boys suffered defeat, but this was to be expected as our boys have not been in training this year.

It is to be hoped that the mills will make the picnic an annual feature, but whether this should be the case or not, we feel sure that they will continue in every way possible to make life helpful and enjoyable for their employees.

ABOUT THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The County Sunday School Convention to be held at the First Lutheran church, Albemarle, August 30th and 31st, will hold its opening session at 8 P. M., on the 30th, and the evening program will be as follows:

Devotional exercises, by the pastor, Rev. V. C. Ridenhour, who will extend a welcome to the visiting delegates. C. C. Burris, of Locust, will respond.

Short addresses will be made by Rev. R. M. Taylor, of Norwood, and A. C. Huneycutt, of Albemarle.

The work on the 31st will consist of a few short addresses by such men as A. P. Harris, R. L. Smith, T. A. Hathcock, and others, but the greater portion of the time will be devoted to floor discussions of our problems by the leading Sunday school workers of the county. Many of these have promised to be present and take an active part. One of the features will be the presentation of the lesson of the following Sunday by a lady teacher. All are invited to come.

J. F. SHINN, Pres.

COMPLETE VACCINATION.

Those who have begun taking anti-typhoid vaccination would be doing themselves and the community an injustice if they failed to take full treatment. Dr. Mangum will be in Albemarle just one more Saturday, August 26.

KILLED AND EATEN BY DEVIL DOCTOR

Human Sacrifice and Canibalism—
African Boy the Victim—Murderer
Drinks Poison and Dies in Agony.

Southern Missionary News Bureau.

A boy caught and killed by a devil doctor, his flesh cooked, passed around and eaten, the murderer arrested on suspicion and compelled to drink poison as a test of guilt, confessing the crime and dying in agony—such is the tragic story told by Rev. Walter B. Williams, a missionary to the Kroo people in Liberia, West Africa. The lad suddenly disappeared while walking alone, just outside the village, and could not be found, though diligent search was made. At rice-cutting time, every two years, for ten years past, it had been the custom of the people of Nannah Kroo to dedicate their farms with a human sacrifice. Now it was rice-cutting time again, and a child was lost!

Days past and the horrible suspicion became almost a certainty. One palaver court after another was held and witch doctors from far and near were consulted. Finally suspicion centered upon three men and a woman. They were arrested and as a test of guilt were compelled to drink the poison cup of sasswood. If the accused vomits the sasswood, he is held innocent; otherwise he is adjudged guilty and either dies from the poison or is driven into exile.

Under the present test one died and died quickly—an old devil doctor trained in witchcraft from his boyhood and with a heart as black as pitch. After drinking the sasswood he shouted, "I killed the boy. I killed him. I caught him on the road, hid him on my farm and then killed him!" Immediately the old man went into convulsions and fell over dead. It developed later that he had cooked part of the boy's flesh in palm oil and eaten it with rice, as fish or chicken is eaten, and had even passed portions of it around among his friends! Such, says the missionary in telling the story, "is the witchcraft and savagery practiced within ten minutes' walk of the mission."

HAPPY HOURS WITH LEE MABRY AT PORTER

There was a most pleasant surprise given Lee Mabry Sunday morning when four automobiles arrived. They were crowded with relatives and friends from Concord and Gastonia.

There were twenty-four, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Mabry and four children; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Fox and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mabry and two children; Mrs. Phronia Miller and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Jason Fisher and two children; Mrs. Mary Dry, Miss Joan Mabry, and Messrs. D. W. McLemore, Sam Dennie, and W. C. Ritchie.

They brought well-filled dinner baskets and dinner was served in the grove near-by. This was a very enjoyable occasion and all were sorry when the time for departure arrived. They returned by way of Albemarle and Badin as they were anxious to see the great works going on at the Narrows.

Plans are on foot for a Mabry reunion to be held here in the near future.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Parker left Monday for Charlotte where Mrs. Parker will undergo treatment for rheumatism at the Charlotte Sanatorium. Mr. Parker will visit in South Carolina for several days before he returns. He has suffered considerably recently from an accident sustained a few weeks ago, when a horse he was driving became frightened. The friends of both Mr. and Mrs. Parker will trust that they will return to Albemarle much improved in health.

Men's straw hats at half price at our sale.—Bostian Shoe Company.

—See those 98c ladies oxfords at Bostian Shoe Company's sale.

Just because your blood is impoverished, don't attribute it to the high cost of living.

Whoever You Need a General Tonic
Take Groves'
The Old Standard Groves' Tasteless
chill Tonic is equally valuable as a
General Tonic because it contains the
well known tonic properties of QUININE
and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives
out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and
Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

SATURDAY THE LAST DAY IN ANTI-TYPHOID CAMPAIGN

Saturday will be the last day of the campaign against typhoid fever. Because of the recent heavy rains conditions during the autumn months will be especially favorable for the occurrence and spread of this disease. I most earnestly urge all those who have not already done so to report at the court house next Saturday for treatment.

Those who have begun the treatment must allow nothing to interfere with its completion. Any who neg-

lected to take the third treatment due last Saturday should without fail secure it next Saturday, the 26th.

It is a solemn duty which you owe to yourself, your community, and to those who in any way are dependent upon you.

Come on and complete your vaccination. Anything that is worth doing at all is worth doing right.

CHAS. S. MANGUM,
Physician in Charge.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

—Don't forget the date, August 29, at the Alameda.

—C. B. Poplin has accepted a position with the W. F. Snuggs Co.

—Don't forget Tuesday, the 29th, St. Elmo at the Alameda.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Watkins motored to Pee Dee Monday for a few days' visit among relatives.

—A big treat for the "Movie Fans" next Tuesday night—St. Elmo, at the Alameda.

—Don't forget Bostian Shoe Company's annual clearance sale. Begins Thursday, August 24, and ends Saturday, September 2.

—Mrs. Ella Fraley and Mrs. Salie Miller, both of Salisbury, are guests of Mrs. Fraley's sister, Mrs. H. F. Starr.

—We are still paying \$1.40, cash, per bushel for good, dry, clean, milting wheat, and \$1.00 a bushel for corn.—Albemarle Milling Company.

—Mrs. C. J. Mauney has been confined to her home for several days with a severe throat trouble. Her many friends will wish for her a complete recovery.

—Misses Onnie and Annie Boone Hartsell will return this week from Bennettsville, S. C., where they have been spending some time with their sister, Mrs. J. P. Garrett.

—Our mill is getting to be one of the busiest places in town. It's a grand sight to see the great strings of wagons drive up almost every day loaded with the golden grain. It does not look like a bread famine for Stanley county.—Albemarle Milling Company.

—P. G. Martin, recently of Mount Airy, has opened a wholesale produce stand in the city. He is occupying temporary quarters in basement below the Austin Harness Shop. Mr. Martin has been in the produce business for some time and regards Albemarle a good field for his business. He will handle the famous Stokes county mountain apples and cabbage and other lines of good produce.

—Housewives, if you want a treat, ask your grocer to send you around a quarter or a half sack of our best patent, "Premier Brand" self-raising flour. It's a regular "oven-burster." If you get started on our self-raising flour you will never go back to the old way. We make it up fresh every day and that is why it gives such wonderful satisfaction.—Albemarle Milling Company.

—Prof. Z. B. Trexler, principal of New London High School, and Mr. Leffer, of New London, were in town Tuesday. Prof. Trexler is a native of Rowan and has been until recently superintendent of the Cornelia school. He comes to New London well recommended and the High School is expected to go forward under his management.

—Prof. and Mrs. B. L. Stanley and Prof. F. L. Harkey, of Mt. Pleasant, were here Saturday in the interest of the Collegiate Institute, Mt. Pleasant. We learn from the beautiful catalogue left with us that the Institute will open September 14. The Institute has a splendid faculty, composed of well equipped, college-trained men, and is prepared to do even better work during the coming year than ever before. For years the Institute has been sending to the colleges of the State young men fitted in mind and heart for the arduous tasks that devolve upon the college student. It has lived up to its motto, "Merit, the Measure of Success."

The many friends of Mrs. F. E. Starnes will be glad to know that her condition is now much better and that her return from Charlotte is expected soon.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS AND INFECTED MILK

No progress toward the solution of the problem of the infantile paralysis plague is apparent. The disease has claimed over 5,500 victims in this City and is sweeping on, while experts cling to theories that are flatly contradicted by facts. They are quite determined that the disease is highly contagious, though it seldom takes more than one child in a house or a neighborhood. They scout the idea of garbage or sewage causing the plague, though in a large proportion of the cases the children have been exposed to flies bred in such filth.

But while the experts muddle along, getting nowhere, a philanthropic layman has made a significant demonstration. There are 2500 babies in Manhattan, living in various sections of the City, under all sorts of conditions. But not one of these 2,500 babies has fallen victim to infantile paralysis. In only one particular do these 2500 babies enjoy conditions different from plague victims. That particular is their food. These are the babies fed on the pasteurized milk supplied from the Nathan Straus infant milk depots.

Surely this points strongly to raw milk, or improperly pasteurized milk, as a vehicle for the carrying of the plague infection. Surely this indicates conclusively that Mr. Straus's wonderful philanthropy not only saves babies from typhoid and scarlet fever and other recognized milk-borne diseases, but from infantile paralysis as well.—Wm. Wirt Mills, New York.

BIG LABOR DAY.

Spencer Preparing For Great Celebration to Be Held on September 4.

Spencer, N. C., Aug. 24.—Spencer, the youngest railroad town in the South, is already far-famed on account of her annual celebrations held on Labor Day. This year the celebration falls on September 4th and great preparations are being made to outstrip all former events.

One of the features which has on all former occasions impressed the thousands in attendance, is to be a mammoth street parade starting in Salisbury, three miles distant, and reaching all the way to Spencer where the main events take place.

The principal attractions for the day will include a big barbecue when 3,000 pounds of pork will be consumed, a balloon ascension with double parachute leap, base ball, racing, sports, vaudeville, guinea races, rabbit races, reel races, and scores of amusements for old and young, lasting all day. Fireworks will be a big feature at night.

Extensive advertising is being done inviting 50,000 people to be present on that day.

Hon. Cole L. Bease, former governor of South Carolina, and Thos. L. Wilson, vice president of the International Association of Machinists, and a member of the State Senate in Wyoming, have been invited and are expected as speakers for the day. This alone should insure a record attendance.

"SAINT ELMO."

At the Alameda Airdome Tuesday Night, Aug. 29—A Picture Drama That Has Made a Tremendous Hit Throughout the Nation.

A soul laid bare.

A masterly analysis of the passions and emotions of humanity.

That is what Augusta Evans has given to the world in "St. Elmo," the most popular play and novel ever written in America.

In the screen version of this modern classic, the producers have constructed a film play in which all of the dramatic intensity and realistic characterization of the novel is skillfully retained.

The outdoor settings were made in Southern California and the natural beauty of the wonderful tropic scenery adds greatly to the effect of the picture.

The members of the cast were selected without regard for expense, individual ability being the only consideration, and the result is a performance of unsurpassed artistry.

See this wonderful film play. Admission: 5 and 10 cents. In case of rain, this picture will be shown Wednesday night, August 30. ALAMEDA THEATRE. A. B. Thompson, Mgr.

Announcements Graded School Fall Opening

The Albemarle Graded School will open for work Monday morning, September 4, 1916. It is the earnest desire of the Superintendent and the teachers that all school children be there on the first day and remain throughout the entire school year. No pupil can make a perfect record of attendance unless he or she be enrolled the opening day. Those who are entering school for the first time and those who are of the compulsory school age, 8 to 12 years, are especially requested to be there. Enter now; don't wait for a few weeks or a month or so to pass.

Children who are entering school for the first time are requested to bring twenty-five cents to buy pencil, tablet, crayola, etc. This is done that the teacher may do the buying in order that the wrong material will not be bought. This does not mean that the teacher will buy the necessary books for the child.

Those pupils who were conditioned on some of their studies, those who failed to be promoted, and those who did not take all of the spring examinations can make arrangements on the opening day to take the necessary examinations to remove any deficiency.

School will open at 8:45 o'clock and turn out not later than 3:30 o'clock. The primary grades will get out possibly a little earlier than 3:30. Please note the opening hour, 8:45 o'clock. If a pupil is not in his room at that time he is tardy.

It is indeed gratifying to say that the four rooms and hall on the lower floor of the Auditorium building will be ready for use by opening day. This year we shall use two of the rooms as all the rooms of the old building will be full. All high school pupils are requested to report at this building on opening day.

I wish to make this earnest request to parents who have moved into this city and have not had their children in this school but expect to have them in this year, to please have them meet me (come with them if you desire) in my office at the school building on Friday and Saturday mornings (not the afternoons), September 1 and 2, so that I may classify and give entrance card for the proper grade to which the pupil may go on opening morning. Have the children bring the books which they last studied as this will facilitate much in the grading.

I have just completed taking the school census and judging by it the prospect for a full school is very bright. The census of children of school age, 6 to 21 years, for the city is 826, a gain of 5 over last year. Eleven boys and five girls between the ages of 12 and 21 cannot read or write; 14 males and 16 females above 21 years cannot read nor write. The school census of East and South Albemarle, which is just without the city limits, between the ages of 5 and 21, are 104, a gain of 21 over last year. These, too, have the privilege of attending this school and are requested to be present on opening day.

The teachers for the ensuing year are:

First Grade—Miss Ruth Faison, of Faison, N. C.

"B" Second Grade—Miss Mamie E. Johnson, Goldsboro, N. C.

"A" Second Grade—Miss Mary L. Bostian, China Grove, N. C.

Third Grade—Miss Mary S. McDonald, Smithfield, N. C.

Fourth Grade—Miss Florence Holton, Yadkinville, N. C.

Fifth Grade—Miss Flora McQueen, Dunn, N. C.

Sixth Grade—Miss Lena Spinks, of Albemarle.

Seventh Grade—Jas. K. Higginbotham, Albemarle.

High School—Harrell Baad, of Siler City, N. C., and Thos. A. Holton, of Albemarle.

All the teachers earnestly solicit the hearty co-operation of patrons and friends to make this the banner school year for Albemarle Graded School.

T. A. HOLTON,
Superintendent of City Schools.

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Does Not Grip nor Disturb the Stomach.
In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not grip nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, arouses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.