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Ex-Gov. Hoey To Be Centennial Speaker Here July 2

Address To Come After Big Parade

Numerous Events for Three-Day Celebration To Follow Home Coming in Churches Sunday, June 29; Pageant in Evening.

Former Governor Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby, has accepted an invitation to appear on the program as the principal speaker of the Henderson "Century of Progress" celebration July 1, 2 and 3. He is to speak on that date, about noon, on Wednesday, July 2. Mayor Henry Powell, director of the centennial, announced today the former governor's acceptance.

During his administration as governor, Governor Hoey was a general favorite in this city and county, as well as throughout the State, and the news could be left for no more fortunate an occasion than to be the principal address.

The centennial event will mark the anniversary of the chartering of Henderson by the State, was founded in 1841 and is the "Kate" anniversary of the formation of Vance county in 1881.

The "Century of Progress" pageant to be given three evenings will be a pict the history of Henderson and Vance county, and will dramatize these events in the prologue to the pageant itself. There will be little dialogue, but some 300 men, women and children will enact the scenes as they are recounted by a narrator whose voice will be heard clear to anywhere. The pageant will be in outdoor setting on the athletic field of Henderson high school, where stands will be erected to add data to the permanent concrete bleachers, to accommodate a total of 2,000 persons.

A golf tournament is to feature one day of the celebration, and an air show also is being arranged. A grand ball will be an evening attraction on the night of the program. Numerous exhibits relating to the history of the city and county are to be set up in a local warehouse for free inspection by visitors.

The celebration will begin with a home coming in the churches of the city on Sunday, June 29. A preview of the pageant will be had Monday evening, and its formal presentation will be set for the following three nights.

Ex-Governor Centennial Speaker

CLYDE R. HOEY

"VICKSBORO", CAN YOU TELL WHY THE NAME?

John B. Watkins, Jr., Leaf Burley buyer, who is compiling historical data of Henderson and Vance county to be used in connection with the "Century of Progress" centennial celebration of the city in July, is anxious to find out how Vicksboro got its name. He says he has interrogated numerous persons, all of whom have been unable to shed any light on how the little community to the east of Henderson at the Vance-Warren county line happened to be designated "Vicksboro."

He will welcome any information, and those who have the desired facts should communicate with the historian.

Floats For Centennial Are Sought

Many Designs Offered for Selections; Various Activities of Celebration Being Accelerated; Less Than Three Weeks Away.

Selections are being made by Henderson business concerns, as well as a number of those outside the city, of designs for floats they will enter in the parade which will be an outstanding feature of the "Century of Progress" celebration July 1, 2 and 3. The line of march is expected to be the most elaborate the city has ever seen.

It is too early as yet to determine the number of floats that will be entered, but there will be plenty, according to present indications. Four or five bands will appear, including Henderson high school, the Junior high drum and bugle corps, bands from Epsom high school, Rocky Mount, and Oxford, according to tentative arrangements. There may be others. Efforts to get the 105th Medical Regiment Band, a group of Henderson musicians, now in service at Fort Jackson, S. C., have not thus far succeeded, though there is the possibility that at the last minute permission may be given for it to return here and parade.

The Watkins G. Hunt organizations of South Boston, Va., has been engaged as director of the parade, including preparation of floats, and Rolling Lambeth, of that organization, is now in Henderson making arrangements for the displays and the line of march. Fred Jewell, Henderson sign artist, is building some of the floats also.

Numerous designs are available for selections, some of them suitable for all types of business.

All activities of the centennial program are taking form rapidly, and are expected to be accelerated sharply as the celebration approaches, the date now being less than three weeks away.

Graduate At State College

Two Henderson young men are among the 825 candidates for degrees at commencement exercises tomorrow at North Carolina State College at Raleigh.

They are John Shedd Lewis, bachelor of science in mechanical engineering, air-conditioned option, and Lester Taylor Stadwell, bachelor of science in textile engineering.

Other from communities in this section to receive degrees at State College include:

Oxford—Lee Roy Barnes, bachelor of science in poultry science; Edwin Orr Young, bachelor of science in electrical engineering; Albert Epps Hicks, bachelor of science in textile engineering, and John Pender Gill, bachelor of science in civil engineering.

Franklinton—Michael Kalen Ber[illegible] Bachelor of science in textile engineering.

Macon—Nathaniel Boyd White, bachelor of science in field crops and plant breeding.

Warrenton—Ralph Benjamin Williams, bachelor of science in chemical engineering.

A note in the program explained that a "minor" is less to give it "grade" but never by the carrying a key.

J. S. Ayscue Dies After Long Illness

Joel Solomon Ayscue, 62, native of Franklin county, but for the past 42 years a resident of Henderson, died at 12:30 a. m. today at Maria Parham hospital after being in ill health two and a half years, suffering from a complication of diseases.

Funeral services were announced to be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Liberty Congregational Christian church at Epsom, with interment following in the church cemetery. The services will be in charge of Rev. S. E. Madren, of Franklinton, former pastor, assisted by Rev. J. Frank Apple, pastor of the Congregational Christian church of Henderson.

Mr. Ayscue is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lucy Gill Ayscue and Mrs. R. B. Hester, both of Henderson; one brother, L. B. Ayscue, also of Henderson, and four sisters, Mrs. Louise Jones, Mrs. J. L. Hoyle, Mrs. L. C. Stallings, all of Henderson, and Mrs. E. L. Clark of Greenville, N. C. His wife died two and a half years ago.

The deceased was a son of William M. Hope Ayscue, who died twelve years ago, and Martha Merritt Ayscue, who has been dead about 35 years.

Mr. Ayscue was employed by the Carolina Logging Company at its plant in South Henderson. He had been a member of the Christian church forty years.

Active pallbearers were announced as follows: Bill Hoyle, Durwood Hall, J. Lee Lassiter, Staley Lassiter, Clifton Stokes, and N. H. Ayscue.

Honorary pallbearers are: Carson Ellis, T. P. Ridout, Henry Beam, J. W. Hayes, Sr., W. B. May, Noel H. Hobgood, J. T. Hunn, Early Smith, John Stewart, G. H. Hall, Leslie Newman, Sollie Ayscue, J. G. Puckett, Howard Hobgood, and W. A. Boyd.

To Give Program.

The Mount Carmel Holiness church of Oxford will render a program at New Bethel Baptist church (colored) Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, according to announcement made today.

Sgt. Adcox Here.

Sgt. Johnny Adcox, of Baltimore, Md., is spending a 15-day furlough here with his parents. Sgt. Adcox is a former carrier-salesman of the Henderson Daily Dispatch.

CAN YOU ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS?

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1. A moron, an imbecile or an idiot, has the lowest degree of intelligence?
2. Who are nomads?
3. On what body of water is the city of Odessa of the Soviet Union?
4. What does the German expression, "Sieg Heil," mean?
5. What famous statue stands on Bedloe's Island?
6. Who composed the opera "Rigoletto"?
7. The capitals of two States begin with the letter "O." Name them.
8. Postage rates in the United States are determined by the Postmaster General, the President, or Congress?
9. In which Epistle does St. Paul discuss women?
10. The term "men-of-war" usually refers to dictators, war cabinets, or battleships?

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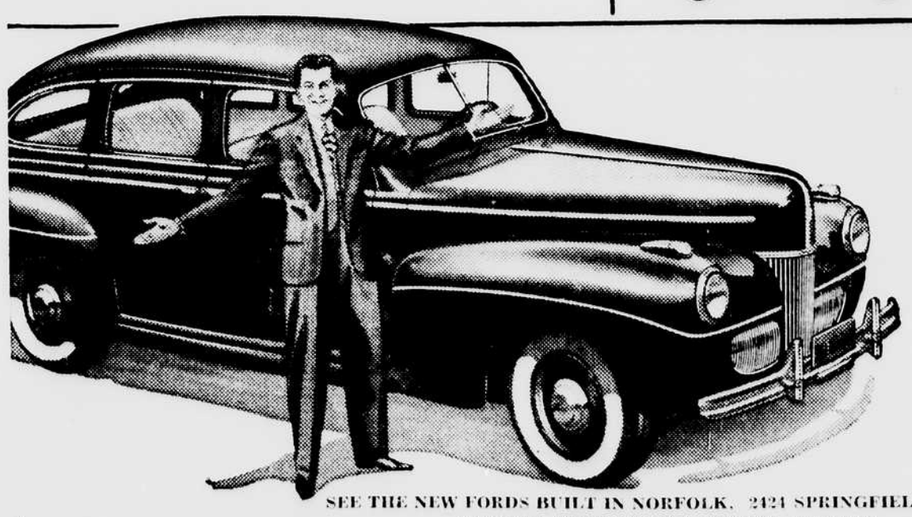

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