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STUPENDUOUS PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY BY THE NEWS IN GREAT SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

List of Prizes Headed by Beautiful Hudson Coach

Fortune in Automobiles and Other Prizes Will Be Awarded to "Salesmanship Club" Members in Gilt-Edge, Business Enterprise Offered by the Mount Airy News.

With a more stupendous prize list than has ever been offered before in this vicinity, in a similar undertaking The Mount Airy News makes formal announcement of the Salesmanship Club in which more than \$2,000 in prizes will be given. A double-page announcement in today's issue gives the details of the gigantic enterprise. The automobiles are of the latest models and the list consists of some of the most alluring and attractive prizes imaginable.

The object of the Salesmanship Club is to increase the already wide and highly creditable circulation of this newspaper to greater proportions and the Mount Airy News is going to pay its friends handsomely for helping introduce it to their friends and neighbors.

The prize list is headed by a Beautiful Hudson Coach fully equipped, value \$1216.00. A Ford Roadster, value \$417.45 is listed as the second grand prize. Other attractive prizes, including two wonderful Flashman radios and 10% commission are given those members competing, making it a perfect 100% business proposition.

Over \$2000 will be awarded to the friends and readers of this newspaper in exchange for their efforts during their spare time in this six weeks drive.

Thousands of dollars worth of prizes and cash awards and commissions will be paid those who take an active part in the Salesmanship Club and do not win one of the grand prizes. The Mount Airy News generous offer far surpasses anything of its kind ever made hereabouts, and the gigantic prize list includes the most attractive and valuable prizes one could think of.

The word "Automobile" is at present

ent the biggest word in the American vocabulary, and just how to make it possible to own a good one has perhaps long been the desire uppermost in the minds of many folks. Those who have automobiles are now contemplating the ownership of bigger and better ones. Those who do not at the present time possess a good automobile are more than likely laying their plans for one in the near future. Here is the opportunity to own an automobile—the cream of the American automobile market today—and without the expenditure of anything save a little time and effort.

A Business Proposition. In offering such valuable rewards to those taking active interest, The News is not playing the role of philanthropist, neither is it a something-for-nothing scheme. It is a business proposition, pure and simple. The \$2,000 worth of prizes will be given in exchange for a well directed effort upon the part of the club members, and the basis upon which they may be secured, and the awards themselves, assure each and everyone taking part that their efforts will bear fruit to the fullest extent.

Early Start is Best. In every man's life there is one big moment when he makes the decision that robs him of success—or leads him on to fortune. The world is full of those who yearn for better things that never seem to come. The action is missing. But let him see and grasp the big opportunity and there will be an amazing transformation in his fortunes. The moment he decides for or against that opportunity—whether he will seize it or let it pass—he decides the whole future of his life.

The main thing in the Salesmanship Club is to get an early start in the race. Phone 141 for particulars.

REFUSES TO UNDERGO AMPUTATION OF ARM OR LEG.

Girl Was Hurt When Train Demolished Auto After Plunge Over Embankment and Dies.

Tryon, N. C., June 24.—Leona Fife, of Richmond, Ky., died this morning in a local hospital from injuries she received in an automobile accident late yesterday which cost the life of her aunt, Mrs. S. A. Turner, of Savannah, Ga.

Doctors told Miss Fife last night they could save her life if she would permit them to amputate her leg or arm. She refused, and, according to the physicians, said she "did not want my life saved that way."

Mr. Turner, driver of the automobile and husband of Mrs. Turner, was only slightly injured when his automobile plunged down a 50-foot embankment onto the tracks of the Southern railway while the party was en route to Spartanburg. It is believed the two women received their fatal injuries when the car was struck and demolished by a freight train a moment or two after it had plunged from the road. Turner heard the approach of the train and attempted to signal the engineer.

Westfield Coon Hunters Offer Dance Hall.

Westfield, June 23.—Crop prospect at Westfield is fine both corn and tobacco are very encouraging. The wheat crop excellent, but lots of smut, some fields a total loss, will not be cut. Plenty apples and peaches.

Sunday was celebrated at the Baptist Church as Children's Day. The program was nicely rendered, much to the credit of Mesdames Bernie Smith and Adrea Tilley the managers.

Judge and Mrs. Stack, of Monroe, made a short visit to friends in Westfield Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. King, of Greensboro, called for a short while Friday on Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Joyce. Mrs. King was in school at Guilford College with Mr. R. T. Joyce a few years and fifty since.

Mount Airy is to be congratulated on adding Willis Jesup, of Westfield, to their police force, it would be hard to make a better selection.

The Coon Hunters Club, of this place, at their Friday's meeting voted unanimously to offer their dance hall to the Commercial Club, of Mount Airy, to use free of charge until such time that their hall shall be reopened by the Mayor of Mount Airy. Razors and whiskey are not very safe things in a hall room and the Coon Hunters Club, of Westfield don't allow it.

Saturday next will be a big day at the Friends Church here, served on the lawn will be various refreshments with lots of music and good singing by all the attending people that can and will sing and a general good community meeting is expected.

A Sunday School picnic will be given at the Baptist Church Sunday. Mr. S. P. Graves will deliver the address. We know what to expect, can't you all come down?

Rev. R. W. George attended service at the Quaker Church Sunday and participated in a very earnest and fervent prayer.

Joe France, a respectable colored man, of Westfield died Saturday, he was about seventy one years of age and belonged to the Primitive Baptist Church at Hatcher's school house.

Big crowd at Toms Creek Sunday services the regular foot-washing day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Christian, of Winston-Salem spent Sunday with Mrs. John Hunter.

Dr. Tom Smith has returned from a several day trip to Waynesville.

Personal Mention of Route 2 Residents.

Mount Airy, Route No. 2, June 29.—The "Ever Ready" Senior Class of the Flat Rock Presbyterian Church, will hold its monthly meeting Friday night at 7:30 at the home of Miss Margaret Gwyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth McHone and daughter, Margaret, Miss Ethel Doss, Bobbie Loftus and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Leitch motored to Piedmont Springs Sunday.

Mr. John Griffith, of Lithonia, Ga., is visiting his mother here for a few days.

Miss Aris Chandler celebrated her birthday by entertaining a number of young friends. She received many lovely presents. Delicious refreshments were served.

Wilson Jones has returned home from King where he visited his uncle, Mr. Abe Jones and family.

Special Service at Moravian Church.

Sunday afternoon at 8:00 o'clock there will be a special sermon delivered to Jr. O. U. A. M. at Grace Moravian Church by Rev. C. D. Crouch. There will be a sacred concert given by a band from Winston-Salem at some time and place place.

The local order will attend in a body leaving their hall at 2:30. Everyone is invited to attend this service and especially the ladies.

Talks By The County Agent

By H. E. White, Surry County Farm Demonstration Agent

Mr. R. S. Brim, of Brim, N. C., is building up a nice flock of white loghorns of the Tanager and Wycoff strain. He is going into the poultry business in a conservative and business like way. His flocks contain about 220 hens and is one of the very few flocks in the county, not having any male birds with the hens. Consequently he is producing infertile eggs which brings a better price because infertile eggs do not spoil or have blood rings like the fertile ones. He is able to sell at about five cents higher than the regular market due to the eggs being infertile, clean and uniform. So many of our poultry raisers do not pay much attention to the three necessary factors and are forced to sell their eggs at a decreased price. Mr. Brim is planning to put in a small incubator to take care of his hatches so he will be able to control white diarrhea by using disease free eggs and having a clean incubator. He also believes in only buying his birds after personally examining the flock and is able to build up the flock more rapidly in this way.

He is having his feed mixed locally and is now making a saving of forty cents per hundred on scratch and ninety cents on the mash and is getting good results as buying the high priced commercial feeds. He has been able to raise 533 chicks from about 600 at the start.

It seems to be a good time to prepare for the second crop of potatoes as our first one has not turned out so very well. If we do not raise a second crop we will have to depend on potatoes shipped in from the north. It seems strange that so large a part of our potatoes are shipped from the colder regions to us in the north.

The land should be well plowed being careful to conserve all the moisture possible. You can buy your seed from seedsmen or use some of your first crop. You should treat for scab with formalin or bichloride of mercury solutions. Some growers in this county advise the placing of the seed on straw under the shade of a tree until they have turned green and started to sprout, then they are planted.

Fertilize at the rate of 600-800 lbs. per acre, using 10-4-4 or 10-4-6, mixing well with the soil in the bottom of the furrow. After dropping the potatoes cover immediately as a short exposure to wind and sun will greatly reduce the yield of potatoes. If you plant when there is plenty of moisture in the ground you will get a good stand easily.

The tobacco report over the Old Belt in Virginia and North Carolina is uniformly bad. A short crop might boost prices but this is likely to be offset by poor quality and low grade. The open warehouses in Eastern North Carolina have issued an edict not to buy scrap tobacco this year.

It is a good idea for farmers to be very careful in buying their seeds. You should get your seed from a reliable house and remember good seed sells at a higher price than poor seed. One farmer in this county reported to me of buying some seed oats and when he harvested the crop he found that it was mainly barley. Many farmers buy cheap clover seed and get a fine stand of buckhorn or narrow leaf plantain. It always pays to be careful in selecting your seedman. Most of our weeds are introduced into our fields through poor quality seeds.

The farmers along Mitchell river are thoroughly alye as to the dangers of the Mexican Bean Beetle. A trip along the river convinces me that they are doing their best to keep this new danger under control and if the season is favorable there should be a good supply of green beans on the market. You will also see an increase in soy bean acreage and that is one of the necessary crops to build up the soil and the dairy industry which is so necessary for a permanent system of farming. Other sections of the county no effort is being made to control the Mexican Bean Beetle nor do you find any plantings of soy beans.

Plans should be made to increase

Southern Power Company Now Owns Electric System

Check Received Tuesday in Full Payment of System—Change Marks New Era in Growth and Development of Mount Airy.

When the Southern Power Company handed over a check for \$144,674.00 in full payment for the electric light system of this town it was one of the most forward movements that has yet been made here. This check was delivered to the city authorities on Tuesday of this week and the formal transfer made of the property to the new holders.

Twenty two years ago this summer the lights were turned on for the first time from the city's own electric power plant. It was early in the month of June, 1904, and marked the beginning of a new day for the town. For many years the streets and residences had been lighted by oil lamps and a poor light it was. The forward looking citizens, and it is with pride that we are able to record that there was little opposition, were tired of the old order and made plans for a system that would furnish electricity for lights and power. Water was flowing down these mountain streams and plunging over falls that would give all the power needed for present use, if only money could be had to make the development. There was not much money here at that date, twenty two years ago, and it was a really big venture when the people voted a bond of one hundred thousand dollars to be invested in a water and light system. The water system was as badly needed as the lighting system, for at that time the water supply of the citizens was the old fashioned open well, and so thickly were the people settled in some sections of the town that the water was of doubtful purity. The people voted the bonds and with the money built the Buc's Shoals power plant and laid water pipes on some of the streets of the town. It was a mere beginning of the system that is now here, for there was not money enough to lay water pipes over much of the town.

The men who headed the movement builded well and from the very beginning the services were good. The town was fortunate in securing men to build the system who knew the business and did the work in a substantial way that has stood the test of the years, day and night, year after year, with almost no bother or delay except when the rains failed to come and the water in the streams was low. Only for this cause the city would have had almost perfect service for all these twenty two years.

With the coming of the new enterprises that wanted power and with the growth of the town the municipally owned plant was not able to meet the needs of the present to say nothing of the future. And so when the Southern Power Company offered to buy out the city owned plant and run its own lines here, thus furnishing an unlimited amount of electric power, there was no delay in closing the deal. The city was able to dispose of its electric light system at its present value, and this was determined by competent authorities. Now that all this is behind us it is interesting to recall that for twenty-two years the town has had a satisfactory system of lights at a reasonable cost. It was able to do this by going into the power business itself, and in no other

our acreage of crimson clover and if the season is favorable we should not have much trouble in getting a stand. Some sow at laying by time and others wait to August 20th and then seed the crop and cover by using a light harrow or small cultivator. Crimson clover is an excellent soil builder and makes a good crop during winter.

Quite a number of farmers have spoken favorably of the suggestion made last week to grow barley and vetch and it now looks like we will get a start this year. One farmer said that he planned to plant about 25 acres. He grew some this year and is well pleased with it. This will make an excellent hay crop for next spring.

way could light in that day have been secured. During all these years of municipal ownership the electric light system has paid into the town treasury enough profit to pay the interest on the bonds and to light the streets without making a charge. Thus the lighting of the streets for twenty-two years has cost the town nothing.

Those who should know tell us that with the coming of the new owners the charges for power will not be greater than in the past. Where much power is used the charges should be less. The big thing for the town is that we are now to have power. It will flow over the lines from the big power plants on the Catawba river and many sources of power in such quantities that power will be here for every enterprise that can use it. There is hardly anything that could be mentioned that would mean more to a growing community than to have power for all purposes at a reasonable cost and in such way that it can be delivered at any point, any where, any time day or night.

All this will surely be the beginning of a new industrial era for this town and section. It will. Our people have the will and the means and the ability to measure up to the new conditions that we now have. They will not be found lagging.

Sunday School Convention at Sulphur Springs.

Mount Airy, Route 1, June 21.—The Annual Sunday School Convention for Long Hill township was held with the Baptist Church at Sulphur Springs, June 20th, which proved to be quite a success. Notwithstanding the rains which all were so thankful to see, the house was crowded all day. The Rev. T. W. Bryant, pastor of the Methodist Church at Ararat opened the convention by preaching a most forceful sermon after which the congregation partook of a feast of refreshments and then the classes from the different schools rendered their programs which were all very interesting. The writer would have been well paid for the day if she had not heard anything except the two leading songs sung by the class from the Methodist Church at Ararat. All were good but this writer was most impressed with the program rendered by one little orphan girl, Jeannette Armstrong, from Simmons Grove Baptist Church. The Sulphur Spring program gave us all a cordial welcome also the Friends program was fine. After all programs were rendered the Convention went into business session and elected Rev. W. H. Norman as president of the next convention which is to be held with Simmons Grove Baptist Church, the third Sunday in June, 1927. After a happy day spent in the service the parting song was sung and all started on their homeward journey, feeling the day had been well spent.—One Present.

Leaps 3 Stories When Chased by Bear in a Dream.

Asheville, June 24.—Tormented in a dream in which he believed he was being pursued by a big black bear in a mountain cave, Harry L. Smith, 21, painter, jumped out of a bed at 4 o'clock this morning and leaped from a three story window at his home here falling 50 feet and crashing against an automobile that was parked in an alley beneath the window.

The young man was in bed today nursing a swollen ankle and bruised feet, but his injuries are not regarded as serious. Only the fact that his fall was partly broken when he caught at the overhanging limbs of a tree and that his feet struck first on the fender of the automobile saved him from death or serious injury.

Feeling at first that there had been an automobile accident and summoned the police.