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\$1.50 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE

100 Poultry Club Members to Attend Kiwanis Banquet Here Friday Night

Boys and Girls From All Parts of County Coming Here—Auction Sale of Prize Birds in Front of Blue Ridge Hotel at 4.30.

A gala time is being looked forward to by 100 boys and girls of Surry County when they as members of the County Poultry Club will be given a banquet in this city at the Blue Ridge Hotel, Friday night, by the Mount Airy Kiwanis Club. And from reports received by County Agent White they are all coming, boys and girls from Westfield on the east, from Bryan in the west and down in Siloson and Shoals on the river. Last year the Kiwanis Club entertained the poultry club members for the first time and the occasion proved so enjoyable that the meeting Friday night is expected to surpass any event ever pulled off here. The bringing together of so large a number of boys and girls from all sections of the county will be a feat never before accomplished by any organization.

The members of the poultry club are bringing along with them one of their birds which will be sold at public auction in front of the hotel at 4.30 Friday afternoon. The proceeds from the sale of these birds goes into a fund for the purchase of pure bred eggs and fowls by the County Agent.

Every Kiwanian is urged to be present both at the auction sale and the dinner that evening and help to give the young folks the best time of their lives.

Operation To Straighten Child's Foot

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burton left Tuesday with their little son Harry for Charlotte where an operation will be performed on the child's foot which was turned as a result of infantile paralysis. If the operation is successful the specialist thinks the little boy will be able to walk naturally when he recovers.

For the past two years the little boy has been under the care of Dr. Miller the surgeon who will operate.

Mrs. Burton will remain in Charlotte until the child is able to be brought home.

Samuel Hollingsworth left last week on a motorcycle trip to Texas where he will visit his sister Mrs. Sam Brown, formerly Miss Kate Hollingsworth.

Coca-Cola Bottling Company Moves Into Their New Plant

Now Located in Handsome Building on Moore Avenue—New Machinery Increases Output and Insures Purity of Drink.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Co., this city, is now located in its new and handsome quarters on Moore Avenue, opposite the city hall. Last spring work was commenced on the building, which is of old Colonial design and has been pronounced by many as being one of the most beautiful business structures in the city. It has frontage of 50 feet, is two story with basement for heating plant and has all the modern conveniences that are necessary to make it one of the best bottling plants that could be erected.

The first floor is used for the bottling machinery. Ample room enables the trucks to drive into the rear of the room and be loaded direct from the conveyors as the crated bottles travel down from the automatic bottler. An electric elevator enables supplies and surplus of bottled goods to be stored on the second floor, so that the company can at all times have a supply on hand to meet any emergency or pressing need.

The syrup room is located on the second floor, surrounded with a screen enclosure, where all the various syrups are prepared and put in containers from which they are conveyed by pipe to the bottling machine.

An entirely new bottling equipment has been installed replacing the outfit used in the old location. The bottles are fed into an automatic soaker where they spend several min-

Township S. S. Convention In Near Future

D. W. Sims, of Raleigh, the popular and widely known General Superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, is scheduled to be one of the principal speakers in the Mount Airy Township Sunday School Convention which will be held on Sunday and Monday, November 20 and 21 in the First Baptist Church, Mount Airy.

For a number of years Mr. Sims has been recognized as one of the leading Sunday school workers in America, and he has the reputation of being one of the most practical speakers on the Sunday school platform. Mr. Sims has attended a number of Sunday school conventions and institutes in Surry County, and is well known to many of the workers in Mount Airy and throughout the county.

Associated with Mr. Sims in the convention will be Dr. M. A. Honline, Pasadena, California, who will give a series of addresses on different themes of Sunday school work. Dr. Honline is said to be one of the most noted Sunday School workers that has ever visited North Carolina.

From the officers of the Mount Airy Township Sunday school association, comes the information that all indications point to a record breaking attendance at this meeting.

Special Meeting of Pythians

On Monday night Nov. 14th at the Pythian Castle Hall, there will be a large class of applicants initiated into the rank of Page, which is the first degree.

This class will memorialize the late Thos. D. Meares, of Wilmington, N. C., who was for more than thirty years, Exchequer of the Supreme Domain of the Pythian Order.

At this time, Past Grand Chancellor C. C. McLean, of Greensboro, N. C. will address the Lodge on some subject very vital to the order. On this occasion there will be special music and refreshments and it is earnestly requested that every member of the local lodge and also every Pythian in reach of here, be present at this special meeting.

utes in a boiling bath of caustic soda. Then they travel past a series of brushes where the outside as well as the inside of the bottle is thoroughly cleaned by the whirling brushes and clear cold water going into the bottles at the same time. Later on the bottles are given a rinsing with two streams of clear, cold water, leaving them as pure and sanitary as human ingenuity has been able to bring about.

From the soaking and cleaning machine the same bottles continue on their journey, without the touch of human hands to the new automatic bottler where the bottles are mechanically fed under the head of the machine. All the time the bottles are free from the contact of human hands and remain pure and clean from the time they leave the soaker until they are capped and placed in the crates. Leaving the bottling machine at the rate of 25 a minute the bottles are conveyed automatically to rear of the building where they are either loaded on to trucks for delivery or stored away for later delivery.

The proprietors, R. E. Herman and W. A. Jackson, have spared no money in securing the best equipment that is on the market and they are justly proud of the equipment and the product that they are able to put out. And they are very desirous that the public visit them in their new quarters and observe how they are situated to serve the trade in their line of drinks.

R. H. Daugherty Methodist Pastor

Many Changes Made by Methodist Conference in Asheville—Mount Airy Gets Three New Men.

In the appointments of the Western North Carolina Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as read by Bishop Edwin D. Mouson Monday afternoon at Asheville where the conference has been in session since Nov. 2nd, two changes were made in the appointments of the churches in Mount Airy. Rev. R. H. Daugherty formerly pastor of the Hawthorne Lane Church at Charlotte succeeds Rev. W. A. Newell as pastor of Central Methodist Church and Rev. G. W. Williams of Ruffin succeeds Rev. J. O. Ervin as pastor of the Rockford Street Church. As announced last week Rev. J. A. Cook retires from the active pastorate and he is succeeded by Rev. H. M. Wellman.

The Rev. Mr. Newell returns to the presiding eldership and will have charge of Shelby District, the Rev. Mr. Ervin goes to Charlotte.

During his stay here the Rev. Mr. Newell has not only filled his pulpit with credit to himself and the church but has organized and lead relief work among the poor to an extent never before undertaken by the local church, constructive work such as making it possible for ailing and defective folks to have medical or surgical treatment to put them in condition to become healthy and self supporting as well as looking after the ordinary cases of illness and poverty. He has enlarged the borders of the denomination by opening up a church at Flat Rock where a fine piece of property has been bought including a granite building where preaching and Sunday school are held and work has also been established at Franklin on route four where preaching service is held in the school building.

He and his family have won many warm friends who will regret that the bishop and his cabinet have seen fit to remove him from the pastorate here. The Rev. J. O. Ervin who has been pastor of the new Rockford Street Church only one year is transferred to Spencer Memorial Church Charlotte, he and his family also have won a warm place in the regard of many of our people.

The Rev. Mr. Daugherty who comes as the new pastor of Central Church is classed as one of the leading men in the conference, a man who has a personality which gives him entrance to the hearts of his hearers, a fine preacher and a great leader of men. Before going to Charlotte he served the West End Church in Winston-Salem for four years.

The Rev. Mr. Williams needs no introduction to our readers, he is the father of the Rockford Street Church and is returning to his own.

The Mount Airy District appointments follow:

E. W. Fox, presiding elder.
Arara, C. A. Morrison, supply;
Danbury, W. J. Hackney; Dobson, Elmer Simpson; Draper, J. W. Vestal; Elkin, L. B. Abernathy; Jonesville, W. J. S. Walker, supply; Lenoirville, M. B. Wooley; Madison, T. J. Rogers.

Mt. Airy, Central, R. H. Daugherty; Rockford street, G. W. Williams; Mt. Airy circuit, H. M. Wellman.

Pilot Mountain, H. A. Howell; Ruffin Hall, W. R. Jenkins; Sandy Ridge, T. C. Williams, supply; Spray, M. W. Heckard; Stokesdale, N. B. Lettich; Stoneville-Mayodan, C. M. Stafford; Summerfield, W. T. Albright; Walnut Cove, E. Myers; Yadkinville, J. W. Cobb.

Among other appointments in which Mount Airy people are interested because the men are well known here are the following: Belmont Park, Charlotte, W. H. Willis; Reidsville, J. H. West; Chastnut Street Church Asheville, George D. Herman; First Church Salisbury, E. C. Sprinkle; Mills River T. V. Crosse; Oakley, M. Q. Tuttle; Hendersonville, Walter B. West; Statesville District, presiding elder J. E. Abernathy.

Masonic Notice

There will be a regular communication of Granite Lodge, No. 322, A. F. & A. M. Tuesday night at 7.30. Regular business and work in the third degree.

W. S. Wolfe, Master.
C. Binder, Sec.

Road Terms For Many At Dobson

Eleven Men Carried to Prison and Roads

Sheriff Haynes and his deputies carried 10 prisoners to the Durham County roads immediately following the close of Dobson court last Friday. One prisoner, Henry Galloway was carried to the state prison at Raleigh to begin serving 12 years for murdering another negro in this city.

Those carried to the county roads were: James Cyzart, col., forgery, 15 months; Bart Cox, col, libed, 4 months; Bandy Jessup, col., liquor 3 months; Leonard Marshall, liquor, 4 months; Robert Montgomery, liquor, 4 months; Dewey Goins, larceny, 6 months; Harry Bowman, larceny, 6 months; Alvis Lawrence, larceny, 3 months; Floyd Hodge, assault, 3 months; Price Atkins, prostitution, 6 months.

In addition to those sent to the roads by Judge Stack the following are now serving a 15 day jail sentence in Dobson jail: Friel Vernon, John McGraw, Howard Clement, Lloyd Wilson, Frank Taylor, Sam Senter and Clyde Alderman.

Soldiers And Wives Hear Stirring Report of Paris Convention

The local American Legionnaires and Auxiliary members were delightfully entertained Friday evening at the Community Building by the visiting speakers the Rev. Dr. Gribbin, Mr. Shapiro and Mrs. Harry Vass, of Winston-Salem, who gave first hand reports of the Paris Convention; the Rev. Dr. Gribbin dwelling in detail on the many courtesies and honors shown the Americans by the French nation and the friendly relation existing between the two nations. He told of the marvelous care shown the graves of the American soldiers buried in France and many other things that stirred the hearts of his hearers.

After the speech making a delicious salad course was served by the ladies of the Legion Auxiliary.

Mrs. Sargent's Relatives Have Narrow Escape In Flood

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sargent will be interested to know of the narrow escape made by one of Mrs. Sargent's brothers and his wife in the recent flood in Montpelier, Vermont, caused by the heavy rains and rising river and the bursting of a reservoir. The home of Mrs. Sargent's brother was in the heart of the flood area and he carried his wife to safety through four feet of raging water which later rose to ten feet.

Another brother and family and all of Mrs. Sargent's friends in Montpelier were among the stricken ones and their homes were flooded. Her brothers were engaged in the furniture business and their business house was also flooded and their stock ruined.

Have Your Children Been Vaccinated Against Diphtheria and Smallpox?

There were 225 cases of diphtheria reported in the state for the week ending November 5th. We should get rid of this dreaded disease, and the only way to do it is to have every child given six doses of toxin-antitoxin. You parents owe it to your children.

Why take the great responsibility, and risk of losing the child's life?

There were 24,000 cases of Smallpox reported in 1926, all cases were people who had not been successfully vaccinated. It is a violation of the law for a child to go to school who has not been successfully vaccinated against Smallpox. If your children have not been successfully vaccinated, have it done at once.

W. A. JOHNSON,
County Health Officer.

Pythian Sermon

Every Pythian in this section is requested to meet at the Blue Ridge Hotel Sunday evening, Nov. 13th at 7.00 for the purpose of attending services at First Baptist Church in a body at which time Rev. E. Gibson Davis will preach a special sermon on the principles of the order.

County Audit More Puzzling; Audit Bill Passes \$5,000 Mark

Talk of Throwing Away the Audits and Marking Slate Clean—Highway Commission Holding Auditor To Contract.

The county audit continues to hold the center of interest among county officials and at the meetings of the commissioners and the highway commission at Dobson Monday J. W. Hendricks was on hand with more claims for work. All the sessions were secret and the public was not supposed to have a look at what was going on inside, but folks will talk and since the meeting, several interesting facts have "leaked" out which in truth should be open and above board. The secret meetings have been so numerous that they are ceasing to be secret as far as the public can learn, and the people are beginning to wonder why such secrecy, when the tax money is being used to pay the bill.

In an effort to reach some conclusion as to what to do with the audit of Mr. Hendricks the plan was put forward by some of those who were let inside to throw away all the auditing effort, wipe a clean slate as far as the county highway commission is concerned, and to start all over anew. To do this however would be to nullify all the work done by the auditor on the highway books and leave somebody the bag to hold, for at the meeting Monday it is said that Mr. Hendricks had further claims for work and is asking \$2250 for the work on the highway books.

The highway commission is not budging one bit. They say they agreed to the employment of an auditor to audit the books of the highway commission and that the audit was to determine how the county highway commission stood with the county commissioners in relation to the tax money. Further it was understood that this should not cost but \$250 and at the most not over \$300. And now comes a bill for \$2250 and the question of a settlement between the highway commission and the county cannot yet be determined. Anyway the audit is made for the highway commission and so far that body has refused to accept the audit. It is ready but not accepted and again members of the highway commission resent what they claim an effort to embarrass them by the comments made in the auditor's remarks accompanying the audit. At one time the comment was very particular in citing where the highway commission violated the law when some years ago they sold an issue of bonds at less than par value. This was brought out in the charges made by the auditor and caused some amusement among officials who knew all about the transaction. It later developed that the county commissioners sold the bonds and when this was made known to the auditor he re-wrote his comments and left that part of the criticism out. And now

they say he has failed to transfer the blame, if there is any blame on any one's part, to the county commissioners as he tried to place it on the highway commission. Furthermore, these in position to talk, say it is preposterous for an auditor to cite matters of law in cases where the best legal talent in the land is called to advise about. In selling the bonds in question the opinion of W. F. Carter, attorney to the highway commission, was secured, and before they could be delivered to the buyer they had to carry the approval opinion of the best legal firms in the north. And for a layman to come forth and doubt the legality of all these transactions furnishes interesting comment by those who are following the events of the past few months.

In the meeting Monday Mr. Hendricks presented his full bill for audit work which included an item of \$1,500 for the county books, \$2250 for the highway commission, another item of about \$750 for the county, another for the highway commission for about \$275, and an expense item of \$79.45, also an item of \$750 for auditing the sheriff's books. The county commissioners have advanced him \$3950 on the work leaving \$917 he claims due him for county and highway auditing and \$750 for the sheriff's books. The whole matter was left open and the boards will meet again next Monday and try to reach some agreement. Five thousand dollars for auditing this year! Whew!!

Driver of Death Car Cleared of Any Blame

At a hearing before Judge Llewellyn Tuesday night William Bowman was absolved of any blame for the death of Harlan Parker, 18 year old son of George Parker of the Quarry section. The Parker boy was killed when the car driven by young Bowman turned over in the road near the old quarry school house. The boy sustained a badly crushed skull and died in a few minutes.

Science Students Visit Devil's Den

The science club of the Mount Airy High school spent a recent Saturday at Devil's Den on Fancy Gap, where they observed the rock formation and explored the cave. They were accompanied by Prof. Brown, Mr. Cubbage and Miss Fisher of the faculty. The party numbering more than twenty enjoyed picnic dinner on top of the mountain.

Interest Was Intense In Virginia Elections on Tuesday

Voters in Carroll and Patrick Split Tickets and Disregard Party Lines—Woman Elected to Legislature in Carroll.

Tuesday was election day in Virginia when all county and state offices were selected. Just across the border line there was more interest in the outcome than in several years. And the result was not any particular victory for either party for party lines were obliterated and the voters seemed to be voting for their personal choice and not following party leaders.

Carroll County elected a lady to the legislature, Miss Vinnie Caldwell, who won over her Republican opponent, H. F. Franklin, by 85 votes in a total of about 5,000 that were cast. Three of the five supervisors in Carroll were won by the Democrats. The Republicans got the offices of Sheriff, Commonwealth Attorney, Treasurer and Clerk of Court. Bud Edwards for sheriff and Glenn Edwards for attorney both received around 500 majority. During the day at Hillsville feeling ran high between the contending factions and while the crowd was leaning around the drug store that night waiting for the returns Tom Burnett attacked

Bud Edwards, striking him across the forehead with a pop bottle, breaking the bottle and cutting a bad gash in Edwards' forehead. It is said that Burnett darted down an alley into the darkness as soon as he struck the blow, but Edwards recovered almost instantly and drew a pistol and fired two shots at the fleeing figure without striking Burnett. The trouble between Burnett and Edwards seems to have been the result of a dispute that had arisen between Edwards and Burnett's father some time during the day and the boy took it up after the polls were closed.

In Patrick the warmest contest was perhaps over the Clerk's office. Much dissatisfaction seems to have existed with the selection of the Democratic candidate, and J. S. Taylor, Republican, won by a large majority. T. J. George, Democrat, was elected to his legislature by 100. L. G. Cokerham, Democrat, was elected treasurer. Frank Hayes got back into the Sheriff's office by 500 majority and R. E. Woolwine defeated F. P. Burton for County Attorney.