

## Mount Airy Fair To Open Next Tuesday

### Balloon Ascensions, Racing and Free Acts Features

#### School Children Get Free Tickets Friday

The Mount Airy fair will be formally opened next Tuesday at 10 A. M., continuing through Saturday with a midway and carnival attraction of 26 shows and riding devices furnished by the W. T. Stone shows. Advance agents of the Stone organization are already here making last minute preparations for the arrival of the complete outfit, now showing in Bristol, Tenn.

Secretary J. H. Midkiff has put the grounds and buildings in good repair, and the appearance of the buildings and equipment has been greatly improved by the addition of a coat of white paint. More than \$3,000 has been expended in repairs and permanent improvements during the past two months. The grounds have been ditched and tile placed where necessary to assure proper drainage of water should it rain during fair week. Workmen have kept up a constant dragging of the race track in order to have a footing for the fast horses that will enable the racers to chalk up record runs.

The exhibition building will house the home and pantry exhibits, and many business houses will have booths for a display of their products. The entry books will be open on Saturday and Monday and those in the city having articles to enter are urged to bring them in early so that the department superintendents can have more time to arrange the exhibits that will be brought in by people from a distance. Positively no entries will be accepted on Tuesday.

An admission charge of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children will be made, with a 25 cent charge for automobiles. No season tickets will be sold and passes to employees of the fair will not be transferable.

Friday has been set aside by the management of the fair as Children's Day when all children of school age will be permitted to enter free of charge. Thursday the soldiers of the Confederate army will be honored by being given free admission. Members of the Daughters of Confederacy will be on hand to see that the old soldiers are given every consideration and the day made enjoyable for them.

One of the most interesting features of the fair will be a balloon ascension and double parachute leap every day. These performances are rarely secured only by the largest fairs as they are rare and costly. But Mr. Midkiff was fortunate in securing a balloonist who had an open date for next week. The balloon is a 90-foot outfit in which the performer is lifted to a height of 4,000 feet and from that point makes a double parachute leap, which is said to be a thrilling feat. A full program of free acts is booked for the benefit of those who attend the fair.

The management promises a most spectacular display of fireworks with many features never seen here before. Several novelty stunts will be performed and the program calls for a

heavy display of bombs and aerial displays.

Practically all the stables have been taken by the race horse entries and with the fine condition of the track indications are that some records will be broken here, as this track has a reputation of being one of the fastest to be found on any fair circuit. About 30 horses have been booked with the list still mounting.

Liberal cash premiums are being offered exhibitors in the various departments, the list carrying a total of more than \$4,000 in premiums. In the Education department a major prize of \$20 each has been offered for the best exhibit put on by any rural school and town school. The Live-at-Home exhibit promises to prove attractive as a first premium of \$35 is offered for this display with additional prizes of \$25, \$20 and \$15 for the next best in their order.

The fair this year is being held under new management with John H. Midkiff as secretary. The old Carolina-Virginia association was disbanded last year and Mr. Midkiff bought the property at a sale, organized the Mount Airy Fair, Inc., and with his assistants feel confident that he can give this section one of the best fairs it has ever had. Certainly the new management has booked some of the best attractions to be had and the many free act features should make the attendance of the people enjoyable and worth while.

#### State Completes Patrick Highway

The force of hands which has been at work on the state highway leading to the Patrick line last week completed their task and the camp and equipment was this week moved to another project in the state. Built of stone and coated with a tar preparation this highway is now one of the best in the county, leading from this city, out by the quarry and to the Patrick county line at the Lewis place.

#### Bannertown School Opens Monday

The Bannertown school will open for its fall session at nine o'clock Monday morning September 16. The school will be in charge of Robert L. Todd, of Yadkinville as principal who comes to the school highly recommended. He was educated at Chapel Hill and will be assisted by Miss Helen Cunningham of Statesville, Mrs. George Welch of this place, and Miss Blanche Jennings and Miss Copenhagen both of Virginia.

#### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hamilton Hunt announce the engagement of their daughter Isabel Northcott, to Laurie Eugene Fountain. The marriage will take place in the early fall.

## Officers To Go After The Fast Drivers In City

#### Declare Motorists Must Slow Down on Streets in the City.

Once again has warning gone out to the motorists of this city that they must slow down. For some months the police have noticed a gradual quickening of the speed on the streets of the city, until there are numerous instances of fast and reckless driving coming to their attention.

The police are warning the public that they are on the look-out for the fast driver in the business and residential sections of the city. Especially are they watching those streets which lead out of the city, connecting with the main highways of the county. In no section of the city is a motorist allowed to make over 20 miles an hour, and these high powered cars have been gliding out of town at a 40 and 50 clip some of the time. This must stop say the police.

Motorists on the highways may also take warning as to the rule for stopping when they come upon a school bus loading and unloading children. The state patrol captain down at Raleigh

has notified every school bus driver in the state to send to him the automobile number of every car that drives by a bus while it is stopped on the highway and prosecutions will be started. The state law has thrown added protection around the children who ride in the school buses by requiring motorists to stop when they come upon such a bus on the highway on the act of loading and unloading. It is needless to warn the public that the courts will be severe with the person who violates this traffic law.

#### Virginia Sheriff On Visit Here

Sheriff and Mrs. Chas. Turnbull, of Lawrenceville, Va., are spending several days in the city visiting their daughter Mrs. C. M. Whitlock, on North Main street.

Sheriff Turnbull has been the high officer of Brunswick County for several years, and his father before him held the same position for 25 years.

#### Community Fair At Mountain Park

##### Farm and Home Exhibits to Be on Display Saturday.

The people of the Mountain Park section of this county will hold their second community fair Saturday, for one day only when they will gather at Mountain Park Institute and put on an exhibit of home and farm products and live stock. Other features are being added to the fair this year, one of them being a baby clinic and prize contest between letter babies. Representatives from the state board of health will be on hand to conduct the clinic.

County Agent V. C. Taylor will be assisted by the agent from Yadkin County in judging the exhibits of the farm and home. In the afternoon the feature will be a football game between Mountain Park and North Wilkesboro.

#### Mother of Bob Belton Passes

Mrs. Sarah E. Belton, widow of the late John H. Belton, died at the home of her daughter Mrs. P. L. Bowman at The Hollow, Va., Monday evening aged 87 years.

Mrs. Bowman had been ill with the infirmities of age for about two weeks though holding her own well until the last illness. She is survived by two daughters Mrs. P. L. Bowman and Mrs. Luther Collins and three sons Robert Belton, popular grocer and Phil Belton both of this city, and Alex Bowman of The Hollow, Va.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon from the home by the Rev. John Hall and interment made in the family burying ground beside the remains of her husband.

#### Hospital News

J. W. Campbell of White Plains is a hospital patient suffering with a leg fracture sustained in an auto accident.

Little Virginia Banks of Laurel Fork Va., is a patient for observation and treatment.

W. H. Holder, of Pinnacle, had a slight operation Monday and is doing nicely.

J. H. Brim, of Laurel Fork, Va., is recovering from a minor operation performed Tuesday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Simpson Sunday evening, he bears the name Page Vaughn.

Mrs. P. O. Gardner, of Willis, Va., is a patient for treatment.

Roy Long of Pilot Mountain is receiving treatment for an infected foot.

Miss Geneva Marshall of Meadows-of-Dan, Va. is improving following an operation for acute appendicitis Thursday of last week.

Miss Bertha Marshall of White Plains is improving after an operation for acute appendicitis Thursday.

Mary Magdelene Poff six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Poff of Mount Airy, R. F. D. who had an operation on her leg last week for bone infection remains a patient in the hospital.

#### High School Receive Valuable Addition To Its Library.

At the morning chapel service in the high school building last Friday the high school was the recipient of a handsome gift at the hands of Judge W. F. Carter, it being a portfolio containing the portraits of the presidents of the United States up to and including Theodore Roosevelt. The work is one of art and beauty, the portraits being of steel engravings accompanied with a brief sketch of the lives of the presidents by noted authors.

Hon. S. P. Graves made the presentation of the gift to the school on behalf of Judge Carter and the gift was accepted for the school by Prof. J. S. Brown, high school principal. Judge Carter has long taken an active and enthusiastic interest in the schools of the city, serving as a member of its board for more than 30 years, and the gift that he has presented to the school is one that is appreciated by the students and faculty.

#### Acorn Store Employs Assistant Manager.

F. D. Feagin, of Lexington, arrived in the city Monday to assume his new duties as assistant manager at the Acorn Store. Mr. Feagin has been connected with the Acorn organization for several years, coming here from the Lexington store. He is an experienced store man and will assist L. P. Fountain manager in the local store.

#### Stokes Officer Is Shot Five Times

##### Will Recover From Wounds Received in Battle With Desperate Negro.

Deputy Sheriff Will George, officer for Stokes County, who lives near Westfield, was brought to Martin Memorial hospital last Saturday night with five bullet wounds in his body inflicted by Jesse Hughes, colored, when the officer attempted to arrest him.

During the day the officer received word that Hughes and some other negroes were coming through with a load of liquor. Mr. George found them a short way below Westfield and ordered them to stop. The Hughes negro has a reputation of being dangerous and the officer first called upon him to give up his weapons. They were standing close together and as the officer reached out to take a gun handed him by Hughes the negro quickly snatched the officer's gun from his hand and began shooting. Five wounds were made in Mr. George's body, one in his hip, one in the leg, one arm wound and two face wounds.

After being wounded the officer wrestled with the negro and gave him several hard blows across the head with the gun he had taken from the negro. They were on the ground grappling for life when Burney Smith, of Westfield, happened on the scene and he helped subdue the negro. He was carried to jail at Danbury where it is said he is in a serious condition from the wounds he received on his head at the hands of the officer. Mr. George is recovering in the hospital here.

The two negroes in the car with Hughes escaped with the car while the fight was in progress.

#### Night School Growing In Interest.

Interest is growing steadily in the night schools being conducted at Rockford street and Franklin schools two nights each week. The Rockford street night school opened with an attendance of about 25 the first night which has grown to 39 and the Franklin night school opened with an attendance of 12 that has grown to 23. The pupils themselves are largely responsible for the increase in enrollment and attendance as a number of the pupils in both schools are working for the grand prize which is a free trip to Washington, D. C., in which bringing in new members count as credits.

That it is going to be a close race between the pupils of the two schools is shown by the fact that one member in each school already has brought in five new pupils.

#### Mountain Park Visited By Kiwanis

##### Dr. R. W. Weaver Heard By Elkin and Mount Airy Clubs

The Kiwanis club of Mount Airy and Elkin met in a joint session at Mountain Park Institute last Friday evening.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, former president of Mercer College, Macon, Ga., and now connected with the Congressional Library.

Dr. Weaver's overflowing humor and wit found a constant outlet at the expense of President J. H. Fulghum and Associate President John K. Williams, of the Mountain Park faculty, both former pupils of the institution of which he was the distinguished head in years past.

In a more serious vein, he recited the appalling information of North Carolina's place in the illiteracy of the nation, information gained by actual statistics which he has succeeded in compiling after careful investigation.

In addition to the eloquent address and the genial fellowship, of the attendant members of the club, a sumptuous three course dinner served by the home economics department of the school was an enjoyable feature of the clubmen, both clubs having a large representation.

Prof. J. K. Williams informed those in attendance that he expected an enrollment of around 325. The members of the club were shown over the new \$75,000 administration building which is almost completed. The new building was made possible by a gift from John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and will be formally dedicated this fall, with a representative of his donor attending. It provides a long felt need of the college, having room for classes, laboratory and administration offices, besides a large auditorium.

#### Mrs. Underwood Club Hostess.

Mrs. George D. Underwood was hostess to the members of her two table bridge club Saturday evening which closed a series of eight games. All the members were present and one visitor Mrs. D. O. Absher played for the hostess. A salad course was served with hot rolls and ice tea.

## Drunken Drivers Heavily Fined In Recorder's Court

### Farmer Prosecuted For Not Having Wagon Properly Lighted On Highway

Local citizens who have formed the habit of driving automobiles while under the influence of liquor are finding that it is an expensive practice when they are summoned before Judge Llewellyn's court by the officers. One man, Ed Lowry, this week paid over \$300 in damages and fines for this offense. He crashed into a car driven by E. C. Cokerham of Winston-Salem, last Saturday night as Cokerham was coming into the city on a visit. Lowry tore up his Ford and demolished the other man's Dodge roadster, and all were painfully cut and bruised. The court required Lowry to pay \$250 to Cokerham as damage to his car and person, \$75 fine to the school fund, and not to drive a car for 90 days.

The police arrested F. R. Jones on the streets for driving while drinking and he paid a fine of \$100, with a suspended sentence of six months under condition that he not drive a car for 12 months.

Daniel Wynar, a jitney driver, and M. M. Pence were arrested as they were coming into the city with a small supply of liquor, belonging to Pence. Pence admitted it was his private supply and each paid a fine of \$25 and cost.

Paul Monday, a youth who was charged with speeding, paid the cost and is not to drive a car for 90 days.

The officers have to watch and see that no one breaks out of jail but Policeman Jarrell had the experience the other night of a fellow trying to break in. At least his start finally landed him there. While the officer was hanging around the police station Jim Morton drove up and said he wanted to sleep in the jail. The officer engaged him in conversation and soon saw that he was gloriously drunk. Then it was that he finally landed in a cell and in the court Monday he was fined \$60 and not to drive for six months. He could not raise the money for the fine and will work it out on the roads, being carried to Dobson Tuesday.

Monroe Harrison was put up for possessing liquor. When the officers searched him they also found an old pistol in his pocket. He claimed some one planted the evidence on him. Fined \$60.

While the state patrol forces are waging a war on cars improperly equipped with lights Judge Llewellyn had a case before him against a farmer with his wagon not properly so equipped. A car coming toward Mount Airy met the farmer's wagon on the Stewart's Creek bridge and a minor wreck resulted. The car owner at once lodged complaint against the farmer for not having lights on his wagon as is required by the new state traffic laws. It was admitted the farmer had no lights but there was conflicting evidence as to whether or not it was dark when the accident occurred. The case was disposed of by the farmer paying the court cost, and the parties to the accident are to settle their claims for damage in the civil courts. The damage was small to both. The windshield to the car was broken out and the farmer had his wagon pole smashed.

Earl Beamer was acquitted of a charge of selling liquor in connection with the operation of the U-Drive-It station on Franklin street. But Loman Edwards was declared guilty and fined \$250 with a sentence of 12 months to go into effect if he is found violating the prohibition laws within the next

two years. Edwards worked at the garage and assumed ownership of the liquor when it was found by Deputy Sheriff John Booker and Constable C. P. Creed. The liquor, consisting of several pint bottles and half gallon cans, concealed in a car parked in the garage.

Roy Cook paid \$25 and the cost for the unlawful possession of liquor. Arthur Towe failed to answer to his name when called for trial and the court was presented with a doctor's certificate that he was confined at home with a fever of 100. Towe was caught with a quantity of liquor in this city a few weeks ago and is under a bond of \$1,000.

#### Walter McCraw's Condition Serious

Suffering from burns received when a match set fire to gasoline on his clothing a week ago Walter McCraw continues in a serious condition. He is a patient at Martin Memorial Hospital and his recovery is very doubtful. His body was badly burned and his general condition has grown worse as a result of the severe shock sustained by his system.

McCraw was filling the auto tank of a Statesville traveling man when he stopped at his garage on the Fancy Gap road. While the tank was being filled the traveling man unthoughtfully struck a match to light a cigaret. This set fire to the gasoline that was being put in the tank and at the same time McCraw's clothing caught.

#### Fox Hunters Return With Their Prize

Those Mount Airy sportsmen who cannot be interested in the hunting game with nothing less than a fox race of several hours who spent last week in Wayne County running down grey fox have returned to the city with eight of their prize. And reports they have made to their friends indicate that they had some hunting trip. The party composed of R. K. Simmons and his two sons, R. C. and H. M., Joe Fowler, Lindsey Holcomb and Joe Hollingsworth, carried with them a truck load of dogs and after reaching Wayne County the number was increased until in their hunts they had from 55 to 80 dogs, dividing them into 3 packs.

The country is level and the hunters had no trouble in running down the fox. In every instance the dogs caught them in the open as there seemed to be no cliffs and dug-outs into which they could run when being chased. The boys had much sport out of the senior one of the party, Mr. Rufe Simmors. Of course he would not be expected to chase after the dogs, but he did just the same, but using his automobile for it, and the boys say it was a slight the way he snapped off the undergrowth as he forced his car through the woods and on after the dogs. One time he became so interested in the music that was emanating from the pack that he ripped off running board, fenders and lights on one side as he tried to swing around a big pine tree that loomed up between him and the chase.

## State Asks For Bids On New Highway Across The County

#### Attend Fulton-Luckenbach Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Holcomb and children, Frances Patti and Bill, have returned from Winston-Salem, where they attended the marriage of Mrs. Holcomb's brother, Daniel L. Luckenbach to Miss Lina Juanita Fulton at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Fulton of the Clemmons Road. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. L. G. Luckenbach, of Clemmons, father of the groom the ring ceremony of the Moravian Church being used. A three course supper followed the ceremony. Mrs. Luckenbach is a graduate of the Clemmons High School and the Appalachian State Normal and Mr. Luckenbach is a graduate of the Winston-Salem High School and Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa. Following their wedding trip as they will be at home at Clemmons. Mr. Luckenbach is with the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co. of Winston-Salem.

The State Highway Commission has issued a call for bids on several projects to be opened at its meeting on Oct. 11th in Raleigh.

One of these projects is 15 miles of grading and building of structures on the new road that has recently been surveyed by the state, running from the town of Pilot Mountain to Fairview, connecting with the road that goes on to Elkin. The survey has been completed and the road to be built by the state is said to travel across the county from Pilot Mountain, leaving that town on the road that goes to the Pilot power house, but it keeps to the right and crosses Ararat river a mile above the Pilot dam, about where the old bridge now stands. From there the road takes an almost straight course to the Mount Airy-Rockford road crossing it about one mile this side of the Copeland school. From that point it continues toward Fairview. The road has been surveyed in almost a direct line from Pilot Mountain to Fairview and is said to contain very few curves.