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Farm Demonstration Department

Conducted by
W. H. BARTON
Office in Courthouse, Rockingham.

FAIR PLAY.

Doctor Greenin, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, is here in the interest of tuberculosis eradication among cattle in Richmond county.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture is offering to furnish a large part of the necessary expense of the work and in cooperation with the State Department, to indemnify owners for all reacting cattle.

This, according to Dr. Greenin, is the last year these funds will be available to counties for this work; and he says that in all probability the next session of the legislature will enact a law to make eradication compulsory in each county of the State.

If, therefore, we fail to avail ourselves of this fund this year, the probability is that we shall have to do it at double the expense and will also lose the indemnity on all reacting cattle.

Fair Warning.

We have circulated petitions in several parts of the county, but have not had time to reach all the people. We take this opportunity, therefore, for notifying all the people that this question is to be brought before the County Board of Commissioners on the first Monday in July, and all who oppose the same are at liberty to appear and make known such objection. Otherwise, failure to do so will be taken as their endorsement of the same.

W. H. Barton.

LAST CALL.

The long looked for wet-summer is here and cotton prospects are discouraging. Corn, for some reason, looks shabby. Judging from the amount of grass in most of it, I judge that it has been neglected in order that the cotton might be "cleaned." There is much cotton that can't possibly make a profitable yield under any conditions, with the weevil present.

There are but six weeks at the very highest estimate, in which to mature a cotton crop; and it may be less than that. If we make a half crop we shall be doing well. However, the outlook seems dull for cotton production thruout the South, and a half crop may, and should, bring more money than a full crop.

We are not prepared on the question of foods and feds as we might be and yet be if we act promptly.
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CENTENARIAN DEAD

Negro Dies at Age of 101 Years.

Wells Bostick, colored, died at the County Home Sunday, and was buried there Monday. He had been at the Home for the past six years.

Wells was beyond doubt the oldest man in Richmond county. Old residents of the Ellerbe section substantiate his claim that he was around 100 years old, and he himself insisted that he was born Dec. 25, 1822. If this is correct, his age at the time of his death was 101 years, 6 mos. and 4 days.

TORNADO KILLS 100.

A tornado swooped down upon the small city of Lorain, and other points in Ohio, Saturday, and killed 100 people and did property damage to extent of over \$30,000,000.

MANY PAPERS ENDORSE GRIST

SCORES OF WEEKLY PAPERS ARE ADVOCATING FRANK D. GRIST FOR COMMISSIONER OF LABOR & PRINTING. SECOND PRIMARY JULY 5TH.

Commissioner of Labor & Printing:

(Vote for one, making X mark in square opposite name of your choice.)

FRANK D. GRIST
M. L. SHIPMAN

It is rather singular the unanimity with which the weekly newspapers of this immediate section are endorsing and advocating the candidacy of Frank D. Grist for Commissioner of Labor and Printing.

Among those we note the Laurinburg Exchange, Hamlet News-Messenger, Vass Pilot, Troy Montgomerian, Albemarle News-Herald, the Wadesboro M. & I. and Rockingham Post-Dispatch—these being in this immediate section; besides many other papers scattered throughout the State.

In the June 5th primary only 80,000 voters out of a total of 200,000 expressed a preference for Mr. M. L. Shipman. There evidently is a reason why the present Commissioner failed by OVER 40,000 votes of getting a majority in the first primary. Would it have been fair to these 120,000 voters had Grist declined to enter a second primary—especially when in fully 60 of the 100 counties there are primaries for COUNTY officers? The claim from Mr. Shipman or his friends that the state should not be put to the expense of this second primary falls flat when it is realized that second primaries are again being held in over half of the counties.

Grist is worthy and well qualified for the job. He has had 18 years practical experience as a printer; he is a militant Democrat, and combined with his mental qualifications is the physical fact of his splendid service record in the World War—he serving actively many months in France and having been seriously wounded in the face in the Meuse-Argonne Drive which kept him in hospitals for nearly a year.

The statement has come from Raleigh that the newspapers of the state are solidly behind Mr. Shipman. This letter is written to disabuse the public mind of any such idea. As already mentioned, in this southern portion of the state we find the papers in Anson, Scotland, Moore, Richmond, Montgomery and Stanly solidly behind GRIST—and the POST-DISPATCH is constrained to believe there must be a very good reason for this oneness of editorial opinion.

Here in Richmond county it is confidently predicted Grist will receive a handsome majority.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Superior Court for the trial of civil cases will convene at Rockingham July 14th, with Judge Henry Lane presiding. Calendar of cases set for trial can be seen in this issue.

A term for criminal cases convenes July 21st.

MILLS CLOSING DOWN.

Roberdel Mill No. 2 is closed this entire week, as is Midway mill. Roberdel No. 1 closed Wednesday night. Pee Dees and Entwistle, Hannah Pickett will close tonight (Thursday)—as will also Steele's Mills, and all of these reopen next Monday morning. Great Falls closes tonight, and will remain closed for at least ten days.

1890 AUTO LICENSES.

To date (July 3rd) the Rockingham branch of the State auto license bureau has issued 1890 licenses.

COMMUNITY CIRCUS \$255.09

COMMUNITY CIRCUS CLOSED SATURDAY NIGHT. WOMEN'S MINSTRELS A HIT. FOUR LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS CLEARED \$31.88 EACH.

The Community Circus has come and gone. The promoters did not expect to make a fortune from it, and in fact the four sponsoring organizations would have been satisfied to have broken even. But as it turned out, each of the four cleared exactly \$31.88!

Receipts \$1764.23
Disbursements \$1509.14
Balance \$ 255.09

This \$255.09 was divided half and half between Mr. McIver, of the producing company, of Charlotte, and the four local sponsoring organizations, which made Mr. McIver receive \$127.55, and the Firemen, U. D. C., Civitans and Grammar Grade Association \$127.54. This \$127.54 divided into four parts gave each organization \$31.88.

The expenses were kept down very well, and stores etc gave the Circus a close price on articles etc bought. An instance is the 16-page, 2000 copies, program printed by the POST-DISPATCH. This paper charged only \$74.00 for the job, whereas the identical job as estimated by Jos. J. Stone Printing Co., of Greensboro, should have cost \$171.75. The advt in this program brought in a total of around \$375 into the Circus treasury.

The tented enclosure was on the lot just south of the Hotel. The Circus
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PICTURE SHOW CHANGES

H. H. Anderson and M. H. French Now Jointly Own the Garden Theatres and Star Theatre.

Effective July 1st, M. H. French sold a half interest in his Garden theatre leases at Rockingham, Bennettsville and Anderson, S. C., and the Star picture show at Rockingham, to Mr. H. H. Anderson, who formerly owned the Hamlet theatre and who has been in the theatrical business for eight years. He and Anderson have incorporated their new company under the name of The Garden Theatre Company.

It is not known as yet as to the plans of the owners, other than to continue tab shows at the Garden and pictures at Garden and Star, as at present. Mr. Anderson, is understood, will have the general management of all the houses, with headquarters here.

BASEBALL JULY 4TH.

Double-Header, Rham-Hamlet.

The Rockingham All-Stars and Hamlet's best will battle in a double-header baseball game tomorrow, July 4th. The morning game will be at Rockingham at 10 o'clock, and afternoon game at Hamlet at 3:30. Shorly Lawrence is assembling a bunch of players who will knock the Hamlet railroaders into the proverbial innocuous desuetude.

SENATE NOMINEES.

The Democratic nominees for the State Senate from this 18th district to be voted on Nov. 4th are L. M. Blue, of Scotland county, and H. D. Townsend, of Davidson county.

This district is composed of Richmond, Montgomery, Scotland and Davidson, and is entitled to two Senators. Richmond and Montgomery had the Senators two years ago, and now the other two counties get them.

FRIDAY A HOLIDAY.

Tomorrow (Friday) is a legal holiday, and the banks will be closed, the postoffice have Sunday hours, and the Carriers take a day off.

EXCESSIVE RAINS FELL IN JUNE

8.44 INCHES RAIN FELL DURING JUNE. NORMAL IS 4.75. CROPS BADLY WASHED AND ROAD DAMAGE IS ESTIMATED AT PROBABLY \$50,000.

June has been perhaps the wettest month in many years, in this section; and if the old saying of a wet June turning out a poor cotton crop holds true, then Richmond county will fall considerably short of 20,384 bales produced in 1923.

The normal rainfall in June hereabouts is about 4.75 inches. But a total of 8.44 inches fell during the month, according to the records kept by the local government gauge.

On last Sunday night from 9:30 until 11:30 the rainfall here at Rockingham measured exactly 1.97 inches; and almost every afternoon during the past two weeks some part of the county has been visited by hard rainstorms. On the afternoon of June 17th a very hard rain fell across the J. M. Dockery lands, and on the 18th the rains descended upon the basins that empty into the H. C. Wall fish pond, causing the concrete dam to break. These two rains played havoc with the Wolf Pit roads, washing out three fills on the Sandhill road and closing it for a short while.

The rains these past few days have badly washed every road in the county; fills have sloughed off, ridges washed across roads, sand washed from fields across what was once nicely clayed roads, and culverts undermined. A conservative estimate of the damage done to the roads of Richmond county already by the rains is placed at \$50,000—and the rains may not be over yet.

Hitchcock creek that runs on the northern and western edge of Rockingham, was unusually high Monday and Tuesday. On Monday the waters were fully a foot over the bridge, and traffic was suspended westward through West Rockingham.

B. & L. NEW SERIES

30th Series Started July 1st. \$10,300 To Be Paid Out on the 15th. Own Your Home With Rent Money.

The Richmond County B. & L. Association began its 30th series Tuesday, and the indications are that the share-holders will exceed the number of shares (841) that were taken out in the 29th series Jan. 1st.

Shares can be taken out in this new series any time within the next few days, and they will be dated and counted as though taken out July 1st.

The series maturing now numbered 103 shares (started nearly 7 years ago), and the company will pay out on the 15th of this month \$7,600 in paid-off mortgages, and \$2,700 in cash.

The B. & L. is a most excellent way to save and OWN. It is the boon of the man on wages; the weekly or monthly payment plan enables a man to accumulate that which he or she would not have if perhaps tried any other way. If you are interested in this method of owning a home, get in touch with Corpening and get in on this new series that is just starting.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF PENSION BOARD.

The County Board of Pensions will meet in the office of the Clerk of the Court on Monday, July 7th, at 10 o'clock, a. m., for the purpose of revising the pension list, receiving applications for pensions, and to transact any other business that may come before the Board.

E. C. COLE, Chairman.
W. S. THOMAS, Clerk.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

June 28—Alonzo J. Hodges and Ruby Bullard, white.

CONVENTION IN DEADLOCK

McADOO HAS STRONG LEAD IN BATTLE OF BALLOTS. DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION IS TIED UP TIGHT. DARK HORSE MAY WIN. END NOT YET IN SIGHT.

At 2:45 o'clock today, the 52nd ballot stood:

McAdoo 412
Smith 320 1/2
Ralston 93
Davis 59

(McAdoo has lost 93 votes since the 42nd ballot Wednesday night. Ralston has gained considerably. Convention will resume balloting tonight.)

Up until 2 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon the balloting in the Democratic National Convention in New York City was still in progress, with no candidate named. McAdoo was still leading, with Gov. Smith next, and many favorite sons trailing along behind.

It would take a wise man to predict the outcome. There are 1098 votes in the convention, and it requires two-thirds, or 732, to nominate. At the end of the 42nd ballot Wednesday night the vote stood: McAdoo 503.4, Smith 318.6, Davis 67

The convention was called to order June 24th. The first few days were consumed in committees and working out a platform. Finally this platform was submitted to the convention on Saturday, with a vote taken on the League of Nations plank, wherein the convention voted to submit a referendum to their voters at the November election; and the second contested plank was the effort of the
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FOOTBALL PROSPECTS

Rockingham 1924 Schedule

Rockingham Highs had a cracking good football team last fall, and made a record that distinctly placed Rockingham on the athletic map of the state. And viewed from every angle, the 1923 season was a successful one—with Oak Ridge defeated 7-0, State Fresh licked 7-3, Shelby trounced 13-7 and the strong Monroe team held to a scoreless tie.

But Coach Lawrence has arranged just as hard, if not harder, schedule for this coming fall. He will have practically the entire squad of last fall, excepting McDowell, Ammie Webb and one or two others; but Winston Hiner, Stud Ludwig, Lee Ballard, Harry West, Robert and Walter Covington, Jesse Phifer, Cliff Allred, Lish Gibson, Billy Meacham, C. Lisk, G. Maurice, P. Ellerbe, and the other fellows will be going even stronger than last year, and there is one strong player from the Snyder family who moved to Rockingham from Monroe about a month ago to make their home.

Coach Lawrence has made his fall schedule with the idea of having as many games at home as possible. The schedule is a good one, and a winning team is the prospect.

1924 Schedule:

Sept. 26—Hamlet here.
Oct. 3—Fayetteville here.
Oct. 11—Charlotte there.
Oct. 17—Sanford at Pinehurst.
Oct. 21—Aberdeen here.
Oct. 24—Rae ford here.

BABY CLINIC.

There will be a baby clinic at the graded school building at Rockingham Friday afternoon, July 4th, at 3 o'clock. Mothers are asked to bring children under 2 1/2 years old.

NO TAX ON MESSAGES.

Effective tonight at midnight, the federal tax on long distance phone messages is removed. The tax has been 5c for messages over 15c; and 10c over 50c.

COTTON CROP 12,144,000 BALES

GOVERNMENT ISSUED ESTIMATE WEDNESDAY THAT COTTON ACREAGE IS 40,403,000, AND 1924 CROP WILL BE 12,144,000 BALES. CONDITION GIVEN AT 71.2%.

A cotton crop of 12,144,000 bales this year was forecast by the Department of Agriculture in a report issued at 12:30 Wednesday.

The condition of the crop on June 25 was 71.2 per cent of normal, compared with 65.6 on May 25 this year, 69.9 on June 25 last year and 74.8 the average on June 25 for the last ten years.

The area of cotton in cultivation is about 40,403,000 acres, an increase of 1,702,000 acres, or 4.4 per cent as compared with the revised estimate of acreage in cultivation a year ago.

The acreage was estimated at 40,403,000 against 38,709,000 last year, and the indicated yield 12,144,000 against 10,128,478, the final figures for last year's crop, and 9,761,817 two years ago.

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KLAN CONDEMNED, IF NOT BY NAME.

Bryan's Speech Turned Tide That Finally Won For The Majority Plank.

(By Josephus Daniels)

Convention Hall, Madison Square Garden, New York, June 30.—The "dog-fall" in the Democratic convention over the Ku Klux Klan plank was a virtual condemnation of the K. K. K. and any and all other "secret political societies of all kinds." There were only two reasons why the vote was not larger for the minority report.

1. The first was stated by Mr. Bryan that it "was not necessary" also, that it would be dignifying the K. K. K. and that by naming the Klan, would give it increased and send it into every Congressional District.

2. The second one stated by Sena-
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Communion service Sunday morning at 11, with sermon appropriate to the service.

Sunday night begins the first of the union Sunday night summer services, with Rev. Howard Hartzell to preach the sermon.

NEW POSTOFFICE

"Mills Rural Station" is Name of New Postoffice to be Established Aug. 1st at Entwistle Mill. S. Biggs, Postmaster.

A new postoffice, or really a branch of the Rockingham postoffice, is to be opened August 1st at Entwistle mill for the convenience of the Leak, Entwistle and Hannah Pickett villages. S. Biggs, who runs a drug store in the old company store at Entwistle mill, will be postmaster, or clerk in charge.

The new office will be known as Mills Rural Station, Rockingham, N. C. It is supplied by the R. F. D. No. 2 Carrier from Rockingham, who passes the store on his outward trip about 9:30, and again on his incoming trip.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Subject of sermon at Episcopal church Sunday morning will be: "A Challenge." No service Sunday night. Instead the rector will deliver a sermon at the union service at the Presbyterian church on "A Single Purpose."

Holy Communion Sunday morning. Church school at 9:45.

No Respector of Persons

THE TORNADO relentlessly dips down out of the heavens and destroys the savings of a lifetime in a few seconds.

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ARE THE MAINSTAY OF ANY HOME

EVERW COMFORT, every luxury, every article in the household, which makes life so pleasant, is made possible by your best friend, MONEY.

A savings account will enable you to follow the natural course your position in life dictates.

It will be your friend in both fair and stormy weather, and will grow rapidly under the impetus of 4 per cent interest.

If you have no checking account, start one today and learn how convenient it is.

The Richmond County Savings Bank