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A. White Elected Merchants' President

A. A. White, owner of White Motor Sales and former superintendent of the Tabor City schools, was unanimously elected president of the Tabor City Merchants Association at the annual Ladies' Night banquet at the Legion hut Friday night. White succeeds W. B. Webster, president for the past year. Around 125 members of the association and their ladies attended the banquet, at which a delicious ham supper was served by the ladies of St. Paul Methodist church. Elected to serve with White were Wallace Soles as vice president and W. W. Woody as secretary-treasurer. Named to the Executive Board were: A. C. Edwards, Phil Hughes, J. M. McGowan, H. G. Damron, Dr. G. S. Cox, C. G. Westmoreland, Jack Strickland, Billy Whitted, A. E. Goldfinch and B. A. Garrell. In reviewing the association's work for the past year, the retiring president declared that there had been wonderful cooperation between the merchants and the executive committee and that the association had finished what it could call a very successful year. Listed as accomplishments in which the association took part were: 1. Uniform Wednesday afternoon closing program. 2. Credit files more nearly completed. 3. Inauguration of 'Tater' Day in cooperation with Tabor City Marketing Co., Inc. 4. Worked with sweet potato dealers in disease treatment program. 5. Intensified advertising of the market. 6. Secured Highway Patrolman for Tabor City area. 7. Aided in getting right-of-way signatures on road projects—Chadbourne and Pireway. 8. Worked on re-establishment of Star Route discontinued last year with success apparently in sight. 9. Continued efforts to secure National Guard unit. 10. Secured driver license examiner for weekly visits to Tabor City. 11. Initiated efforts to obtain inspection lane for community. 12. Secured Log Rolling assembly of Woodmen of World for April 3. Executive Secretary Hubert B. Davis spoke briefly, outlining the ambitions and goals of the association and declaring that utmost cooperation on the part of all citizens of the community is essential to the well being and success of the association. Superintendent C. H. Pinner of the Tabor City schools spoke on the need for lights and bleachers at the local athletic field and asked the help of individuals toward fulfilling the needs. He was high in his praise of the Tabor City Civitan club for the work it has done to date in providing the new athletic field. Out of town guests recognized included: Mr&Mrs Willard G. Cole of Whiteville, Charles D. Raper of Whiteville, George Comant of Wilmington, Mr&Mrs Gordon Lewis of Chadbourne. Newcomers to town since last year who were recognized included Mr&Mrs Hubert B. Davis, the executive secretary and his wife; Rev. H. F. Surratt, pastor of St. Paul Methodist church; Mrs. Lona Fipps of the City Cafe; Billy Whitted and Lawrence J. Campbell jr of the Tabor City Tribune; Frank Lewis of Lewis-Maurer Directory Co.; Bob Turner, manager of Lees Store; A. A. White of White Motor Sales, and Frank Norris, accountant.

Boxing Team Is Organized At TCHS

Tabor City High school began organizing a boxing team last week. After a lay-off of several years from the pugilistic sport, the school decided to once again organize a boxing team. Principal C. H. Pinner is organizing and coaching the team, assisted by Harold Foville as trainer. Twenty-two men answered the call for boxers and training got underway. Although all of the men are inexperienced, several are showing promise in early workouts. Seven of the promising pugilists have entered the Columbus County Golden Gloves Tournament which gets underway in Whiteville Wednesday and continues through Friday. The school boys who will represent Tabor City in the meet are: B. C. Willoughby fighting at 120, Charles Cox fighting at 125, Orbin Fowler fighting at 150 and Harold Mills fighting at 160. The roster of boxers and their fighting weights are as follows: Jerry Wandell, 96; Flake Hewitt, 95; Bobby Norris, 110; Donald Mills, 116; R. C. Willoughby, 120; Charles Hewitt, 120; Richard Sawyer, 122; Walden Adams, 125; Eddie Wright, 125; Joseph Ray, 125; Charles Cox, 125; Clement Bell, 135; Carlisle Pinner, 136; Ted Fipps, 140; Orbin Fowler, 150; Wilson Lovell, 150; Fred Scales, 150; Bill McCullom, 165; Harold Mills, 160; Donald Williams, 160; Harold Foville, 180; and Elmer James, 185. Manager is Bill Wilson. Greely Long, Tabor City's professional welterweight, gave the boys a few pointers on training and instructions of a boxing ring before leaving for New York two weeks ago. Greely is expected home again before long and is expected to work with the boys, passing along a little of the technique which endeared him to him 33 out of 34 professional fights in the big time.

Overheard

By BILLY WHITTED. We establish a marriage Soles a Red God... The town has put a flagpole up the city... The report is that one man... In his presidential acceptance... At thought the words were... Harry Bell say Jimmyroe... mended him up.

CAKE SALE

The Round Church of the local assembly will have a cake sale Saturday, March 27, in the vacant building next to Cox's Barber shop. They plan to have home cooked cakes, pies and candy and all proceeds will go to the local ambulance fund. The sale is sponsored by Mrs. Sam Butler, mother advisor, and Miss Rebecca Burroughs, worthy advisor of the Tabor City Assembly.

CIVITANS MEET

The Tabor City Civitan Club had their semi-monthly meeting at the Modern Cafe Monday night with 19 members enjoying a chicken dinner. The members heard President Sam Potts urge full cooperation in making the WOW meeting a success.

IN RALEIGH ON BUSINESS

J. Elroy Bell was in Raleigh on business Monday.

CHARLESTON VISITORS

Mr&Mrs L. S. Parham and Mrs. A. O. Wilson were visitors in Charleston Saturday.

HEN LAYS EGGS ON MULE'S BACK

Mr&Mrs Donnie Canady of the Pireway section did considerable wondering after finding an egg in their mule's stable on several occasions. Finally, one day last week, the mystery was explained. Canady happened to walk into the stable while a white leghorn hen was there, laying an egg—on the mule's back.

'King Of Kings' To Be Shown At Baptist Church

'King of Kings' a movie film giving the life of Christ, will be shown at the Mount Tabor Baptist church Sunday evening, March 28, at 8:40. Baptist Training Union officers announced yesterday. The public is invited to see the picture.

Mount Sinai Church Plans Easter Program

The Mt. Sinai Baptist church, north of Tabor City on Highway 701, will present an Easter program Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The Young People's class is presenting an Easter drama, 'The Great Inheritance', and there will be songs and poems by the children. The public is invited to attend the program.

Dramatics Club Presents Play At PTA Meeting

The Dramatics club of Tabor City high school gave a short play, 'The Long Retreat', at the meeting Tuesday night of the PTA. Several selections were rendered by the Junior Glee club under the direction of Mrs. Charles Bethea and the attendance went to Miss Edith Stafford's home.

Duke Students To Hold Easter Services Here

Two students from the Divinity school of Duke University will hold service Easter Sunday at four churches in the Waccamaw charge. Rev. William R. Merriman will preach at Lebanon and Bethel churches on the subject, 'The Living Christ'. Rev. Robert Grumbine will preach at 10 a.m. at Bethesda and 11:30 at Pireway on the subject, 'Seek Ye The Lord'. The Waccamaw charge is being supplied each Sunday by Rev. Mr. Grumbine until a pastor is appointed.

Teacher Problem Is Heniford's Subject In Talk To Rotarians

Citizens of Tabor City and the South must take immediate steps to see that their teachers are better paid or face the fact that their children soon will be under the instruction of inadequately trained personnel, the Tabor City Rotary club was told Monday by Lewis Heniford of Loris, a member of the local high school faculty. Declaring that he was planning to stay in the teaching profession because he likes it, Heniford told his listeners that the economic side of the picture is forcing him to go north where he can make 'more than subsistence.' This will be his last year in the 'Tabor City schools,' Heniford said. Pointing to the fact that the Tabor schools are well staffed at present, Heniford declared that it probably will not be long—maybe this year—before Superintendent Pinner will have to get out and scour the woods for teachers to fill certain positions whether they are well trained or not. The speaker said that Pinner enjoys 100 per cent cooperation from his present teaching staff and that 'if you people can hang onto some of the good people you have teaching here, you're going to have a good school.' However, he pointed out, a \$1,500 salary is inadequate for him and soon others may be forced to take the step he is in seeking a job that offers more economic security. The teacher declared that the local schools have long had the support of the townspeople and expressed the opinion that steps taken to improve the schools further are up to the people themselves. W. W. Woody, program chairman, introduced Heniford. Highway Patrolman Allen, Merchants Executive Secretary Hubert Davis and Horace Bullock of Chadbourne were guests. Reece Burroughs and Richard Gordon were welcomed as new members.

Reynolds And Town Make Settlement

The long-standing dispute between the Tabor City town board and Engineer R. E. (Pete) Reynolds was settled last week when Reynolds accepted an offer made by the town of payment of \$1,700 for completion of plans and specifications for three projects—water, sewer and streets. Reynolds had turned down the offer at a meeting of the town board Wednesday night but accepted Thursday after a different method of payment of the \$1,700 was agreed upon. Originally, the town had offered one half of the \$1,700 upon completion of the sewer project and the other half upon completion of the street project. The revised method of payment is one-third upon completion of the water project (which is already finished) and one-third upon completion of each of the other two projects. The \$1,700 was half of the amount which Reynolds claims was due under contracts between the town and the firm of Eutsler and Reynolds. The town, on the other hand, claims that the contracts had been voided and that in making the agreement with Reynolds for completion of the projects an entirely new contract is being entered into. The three projects for which Reynolds is preparing plans and specifications are a part of a Federal Works Agency program in which towns are furnished long-range plans for civic improvements without immediate outlay of cash. The engineers are paid with funds advanced from the Federal Government and the money is not to be repaid until the town actually starts work on the projects.

Junior Legion Team Planned

The Tabor City Post of the American Legion has plans underway for organizing an American Legion Junior baseball team here this summer and will hold a meeting for boys interested in trying out for the team Tuesday afternoon, 3:30 p.m., at the Legion hut. All boys who can qualify under the following rules are invited to attend this meeting. 1. The competition will be open only to boys who will not have attained their seventeenth birthday before January 1, 1948 (a boy born prior to January 1, 1931 is not eligible), and who are amateurs (that is, boys who have not been paid for playing baseball or who have not played with or against baseball teams where other members of the teams receive money for playing). 2. Boys need not be in school to be eligible and can play on any team of their own choice within the community in which they reside, providing their legal residence in that community was established prior to February 15, 1948; however, if no team is sponsored in the community of his legal residence, he may play with the team geographically nearest to his legal residence. State lines cannot be crossed. 3. Junior high school boys, along with those in lower grammar grades, will be eligible to play on the same basis as boys not in school. Junior high schools shall be considered to include no grades above the ninth grade. The Lewis-Peay Motor company will secure uniforms for the team. So far no manager or coach has been selected.

Doings at . . . IRON HILL

Miss Margie Lee Rockwell of Clarendon was the week end guest of Miss Esther Grey Ray. Miss Mary Velma Ray was the Sunday guest of Miss Thelma Rockwell. Dan Faircloth of Georgetown was a visitor in the Iron Hill section Sunday. Miss Hilda Faye Rockwell was the Sunday guest of Miss Mary Elen Todd of Clarendon. Miss Caul Causey was the week end guest of Flake Hewitt. Mr&Mrs Walter Todd were the Sunday night guests of Mrs. Todd's mother, Mrs. Jenny Garrell. Mr&Mrs J. E. Rockwell were visitors in Whiteville Sunday.

Everything In Readiness For Log Rolling Event Here

Baseball Practice Gets Underway At Tabor High

Baseball practice got underway last week for the Tabor City High school nine as twenty-five boys reported to Coach Caruso. The team has seven regulars returning from last year's squad and several rookies, who are out to make the regulars of last year fight to hold their positions. The two who will not return this year are Kenneth Byrd, a pitcher, and Maxton Spivey, outfielder. The returning veterans are Fowler, Jackson, Fipps, Soles Stanley, Ward, Ford Fowler and Drew Mills. Starting pitchers this year will probably be Ted Fipps and Fred Soles. Fipps and Soles, when not on the mound, play second and short respectively. Bill White is a candidate for the mound staff along with Jennis Turbevill this year. Earl Stanley, regular third baseman who also did some hurling last year, may see some action as a relief hurler. Fipps, possibly the smallest man on the team as he usually is in all sports, has a varied assortment of stuff on the ball. He has a good slow and fast-breaking curve along with a wicked drop and considering his size, a good fast ball. Soles has a fast ball, a good curve and very good control. Turbevill, the only southpaw pitcher on the team, has a good fast ball, but usually is a little wild. Stanley, who hurls occasionally, has a tantalizing curve as his best pitch. Behind the plate it will be Orbin Fowler, a holdover from last year and a very capable receiver. Fowler's understudy is his brother Lloyd, who shows great promise as a catcher. Orbin is starting his third year as a catcher. He has a good arm and is a good hitter. First base will be held down by Sam Jackson, a regular from last year. Sam is a fair fielder and hitter. Bill White will be Jackson's understudy. Second base will be a weak spot when Fipps is on the mound. Although it's highly possible that Burmie Stevens or Andy Jernigan could develop into the man for the job when Fipps is in the box. Fipps is a good fielder and a consistent hitter. He is the fastest man on the team and a constant terror on the base paths. Shortstop will be well taken care of by veteran Fred Soles, who evidently knows his way around the short field due to the fact he had a chance to sign with the Wilmington Pirates of the Tobacco State League. Soles turned down the offer to hold his amateur status. Fred is a good fielder and the heaviest hitter on the team. Maxie Watts is also working out in the shortstop position. Third base will find Earl Stanley holding down the well-known hot corner. Stanley was a regular last season, a good fielder and his hitting improved considerably last summer. This year Earl should be one of the leading sluggers on the team. Ben Elliott is also a candidate for third. In left field will be Harold Ward, a holdover from last year, a good fielder and a fair hitter. Center field will be patrolled by Ford Fowler, who can pull down a long hit ball, and when he connects at the plate, hits a long ball. Right field will be patrolled by Drew Mills, another regular from last year's squad. Last but not least are Managers Bill Rogers and Marion Baxter.

Billy Anderson Dies At Wrightsville; Rites Wednesday

William Harry (Billy) Anderson, 8-year-old son of Mr&Mrs Harry Anderson of Hemingway, S. C., and grandson of Mrs. Louise Anderson of Tabor City, died Monday night at Babies' Hospital, Wrightsville Beach. He was stricken with rheumatic fever about eight weeks ago and had been hospitalized since the attack. The funeral was held at Hemingway Methodist church Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock and burial was in the Old Johnsonville cemetery. Besides his parents, he is survived by one sister; his maternal grandparents, Mr&Mrs Alton P. Rogers of Fair Bluff; and his paternal grandparents, B. B. Anderson of Mullins, and Mrs. Louise Anderson of Tabor City.

Glee Club Plans Easter Program At Baptist Church

The Tabor City high school glee club, assisted by Mrs. Everett Prince and Mrs. W. W. Woody, will present an annual program of Easter music at Mt. Tabor Baptist church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Mrs. Woody will direct the club and Mrs. Furman J. Fowler will be organist. Soloist will be Rebecca Floyd, Eloise Elliott, Mrs. Prince and W. W. Woody. Easter messages will be presented by Lewis Sikes and Monteen Winstead.

'Easter Beatitude' Is Sermon Subject

The St. Paul Methodist church will bring to a close the series of services observing Holy Week on Sunday morning at the regular 11 o'clock service at which time Rev. H. F. Surratt's subject will be 'Easter Beatitude.' Special music, 'The Easter Legend', by Tschaiakowsky, will be rendered by the Junior choir under the direction of Mrs. Charles Bethea. The offertory solo, 'Consider the Lilies' by Felton, will be sung by Miss Mary Jo Cole of Whiteville. Sunday evening the choir will present an Easter Cantata, 'The Music of Easter', by Fred Holt, text by Helen Elliottson, composed of choruses, duets and solos. The soloists will be Misses Rebecca Floyd, Monteen Winstead, Eloise Elliott and Mary Jo Cole.

Rainbow Girls Order Instituted

The Tabor City Assembly Order of the Rainbow for Girls under Letters Temporary was instituted on February 25, by Mrs. Pearl C. McGowan, bearing commission from the Supreme Assembly. Officers for the assembly are as follows: Mrs. Gertrude Butler, mother advisor; Rebecca Burroughs, worthy advisor; Louise Hodge, worthy associate advisor; Mary Frances Prince, Charity; Coleen Singletary, Hope; Catherine Wright, Faith; Catherine Garrell, recorder; Evelyn Canady, treasurer; Annie Pearl Coleman, chaplain; Betty Jean Floyd, drill leader; Hilda Rae Wright, love; Mary Jo Pinner, religion; Melba Mills, nature; Nancy Soles, immortality; Doris Spivey, fidelity; Peggy Spivey, patriotism; Mary Cooper Spivey, service; Pat Grainger, con-observer; Nell Fipps, outer observer; Margaret Jo Jernigan, musician; Hilda Rae Mills, choir director. Members of the choir are: Shirley Fowler, Frances Fowler, Betty Jean Reece, Mary Elen Todd, Janet Watts and Dunes Ann Wright. The above named officers were installed March 17 with members of the Whiteville Assembly acting as installing officers. The Advisory Board of the Tabor City Assembly is made up of the following members of the Eastern Star and Masons: Mrs. Jack Bullock, Mrs. E. W. Bonville, Mrs. Kern Prince, Mrs. R. C. Soles, Mrs. Sam Butler, B. F. Young, Ruy Hewitt, Jack Bullock, Sam Butler, Milton Wright and Willard Garrell. Meetings will be held the first and third Wednesday nights of each month.

Registration of guests and members will take place at the city hall throughout the day, beginning at 10 a.m. next Saturday, when several thousand Woodmen and their families from eight Southeastern N. C. counties are expected to gather in Tabor City.

The program will formally open at 1 p.m. with a parade, to be led by the Whiteville school band. The line of march will be from the Legion hut to Railroad street, south to Live Oak, across railroad and north to 4th street thence east to city hall. At the city hall invocation will be by Rev. H. F. Surratt. Mayor Al Williams will be master of ceremonies and will give the address of welcome for the city, while Frank B. Young will give the welcome for the Woodmen and Mrs. Mae Young for the Woodmen Circle. Response will be by H. A. Melvin, assistant state manager, and Miss Blanche Eakin, state manager Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle. Distinguished guests will include State Manager Nick T. Newberry of Charlotte, National Director Charles A. Hines of Greensboro, and National Vice President R. E. Miller of Omaha, Neb. Miller will present WOW awards to the town. Boy Scouts and band. After the ceremonies at the city hall, the parade will proceed to the school auditorium for the log rolling meeting, to which the public is invited. The meeting will be opened by Leon Smith of Elizabethtown president of the Log Rolling Association, and invocation will be by Rev. P. C. Ganit. Mayor Williams will give the address of welcome for the city. Mrs. Mae Young for the Woodmen Circle and Frank H. Lewis for the Boys of Woodcraft. Response will be by J. N. Clark of Clarkton, vice president of the Log Rolling Association. The afternoon program will be concluded with closed meetings for Woodmen at which time there will be institution of the Boys of Woodcraft and Woodmen Circle, an initiation of members of all camps. A barbecue banquet open to everyone will begin at 5 p.m. and will continue until 8 p.m. Blessing of the banquet will be by Rev. Fr. John J. Harper. The day will close with a dance in the school gym to begin at 9 p.m.

Elizabethtown Man Is New Manager Of Cole Store

Lewis Harrelson of Elizabethtown this week took over the management of the Cole Grocery store in Tabor City. He was formerly with the FCX in Elizabethtown. Mr&Mrs Harrelson and their two daughters, Kathryn, 6, and Judy, 3, moved last week into the Smith apartment on Baldwin street. They are members of the Baptist church.

OUR HONOR ROLL

Recent subscribers to the Tribune include: Tabor City, R. C. Harrelson, Day Jewell, O. L. Coleman, Buck Lupo, Mrs. Kenneth House, L. R. Watson, Pansy M. Brown. Tabor City Route One: W. P. Stephens, Gladys Faircloth. Tabor City Route Three: Ralph L. Norris, Addie Harper. Fair Bluff Star Route: L. E. Hayes. Loris Route One: Shelton A. Harrelson. Whiteville: Fr. Frank Howard. Navy Supply Center, Saipan: Earl B. Foville. Green Sea: Mrs. Aubrey Watson. Indiana, Pa.: Mrs. Howard Baker.