

Fifth Annual Yam Festival Opens Here Tomorrow

Coy Tucker To Play At Queen's Ball

Popular musician, Coy Tucker, will bring his orchestra to Tabor City Friday to play for the annual Carolina Yam Festival Ball to be held in the warehouse at 9 o'clock tomorrow evening.



Yandle of Elizabeth City, "Carolina's Yam Queen" will receive a basket of prizes given by the Marketing company during the evening and T. Columbus Superintendent of Education will crown the queen.

The warehouse will be decorated in ball room style in order to attract spectators as well as dancers. The admission to the ball will be \$1.00 to all with children under 12 years being admitted free.

Miss Mary Kemp Griffin of Florence, "Miss South Carolina," and Miss Sylvia Thomas of South Wales, Great Britain, an exchange teacher in Clarkton, will attend the ball as honor guests.

The queen candidates are: Renee Durant of Florence, sponsored by Junior Chamber of Commerce; Edna Jo McMillian of Mullins, sponsored by Zion Home Demonstration club; Ruby Taylor of Tabor City, R. F. D., sponsored by New Life Home Demonstration club; Kay Plyer of Myrtle Beach, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce; Margaret Day Long, of Bethel community, sponsored by Bethel Home Demonstration club; Janice Allen of Crescent Beach, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce; Leslie McKee of Clarkton, sponsored by Clarkton's Woman's club; Rita June McLamb of Little River, sponsored by City of Little River; Doris Williams, of Clarendon, sponsored by Clarendon Home Home Demonstration club; Hilda Ward of route 1, Tabor City, sponsored by East Tabor Homemakers Home Demonstration club; Shirley Ashley of Whiteville, sponsored by Whiteville Junior Woman's club; Patricia Ann Stephens of Clarendon, sponsored by Williams Township school; Aleese Lennon of Elizabethtown, sponsored by Elizabethtown Junior Woman's club.

Miss Betty Jernigan and Miss Sara Williams will serve as official hostesses for the queen candidates and honor guests.

KLAN APPEALS PRESENTED

In rural communities, it will continue as long as religion in its narrowest sense forms a part of the community life. Notwithstanding the publicity attendant on the recent Klan activities, this transgression on the part of the defendants in the instant case was no more than 'church whippings.'

After arguments, the three-man court took the case under advisement.

Those appealing were Early L. Brooks, Robert Hayes, Bobby Brooks, Pittman Foy Strickland, Ross Enzor, Horace Strickland and Carl Richardson.

Attorneys for the men argued that indictments against the defendants did not charge them with violating the kidnapping statute or with the alleged crime of conspiracy to violate the statute.

Government attorneys argued there was substantial evidence to warrant conviction on the kidnapping charge. They contended, too, the men acted in conspiracy because other actions followed a prearranged plan.

But defense counsel argued there was no preconceived plan to transport anyone any particular place. It was contended the home of Mrs. Martin, where the kidnapping took place, is only a mile from the South Carolina border.



T. Ward Guy Speaks At Local P.T.A.

The October meeting of the Tabor City Parent Teachers Association was held in the school auditorium Thursday evening with about 200 attending. Mrs. R. P. Counts, president, presided.

Rev. F. C. Hutchenson, pastor of the Tabor City Presbyterian church, gave the devotional after which Jimmy Winstead sang as a solo "The Lord's Prayer."

A movie film entitled "The Sixth Chair" was shown during the program period with T. Ward Guy, County Superintendent of Education, making a commentary.

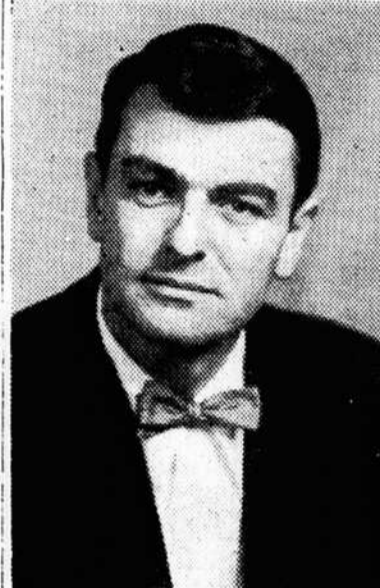
Plans were announced for the P. T. A. to give the Carolinas Yam Festival Press dinner and to sponsor the Halloween Carnival with plans for the biggest event yet.

The door prizes went to Miss Helen Butler and Bill Ratteree, given by Strickland's market and Rogers Auto Service, respectively.

Refreshments were served during the social period by the hostess committee composed of Mrs. Tess committee composed of Mrs. John Soles, Jr., Mrs. Eugene Collier, Mrs. A. V. Elliott, Jr. and Mrs. Leon Fonvielle.

FRANK MCGOUGAN TO PRACTICE LAW IN TABOR

Frank McGougan, son of Mrs. D. F. McGougan and the late Mr. McGougan of Tabor City, has returned to his home town to enter practice of law with Raymond B. Mallard. The law firm will henceforth be known as Mallard and McGougan, attorneys at law.



McGougan attended the Tabor City schools and is a graduate from the Wake Forest Law School. He served four and one half years in the Navy during World War II, and was discharged as a lieutenant.

He passed the North Carolina bar exam this summer and received his license to practice on August 17. He was sworn in October 1.

McGougan is married to the former Helen Lee Stack, of Burlington, is a member of the Phi Delta Theta legal fraternity and Delta Sigma Phi social fraternity.

In so far as is known, he is one of the two Tabor City natives who attended the local schools and then went on to complete his training for the practice of law. It marks the first time that two lawyers have been located in Tabor City.

PRESS DINNER

The official press dinner of the Fifth Annual Carolinas Yam Festival will be held at 6 o'clock p. m. Friday in the school cafeteria with A. C. Edwards, dinner chairman, and honorary festival chairman, in charge.

Among the out of town guests will be the 1952 Carolinas Yam Queen Candidates, Miss Mary Kemp Griffin of Florence, "Miss South Carolina"; Miss Sylvia Thomas of South Wales, Great Britain; T. Ward Guy, Columbus County Superintendent of Education; the board of county commissioners; State College Extension specialists, county agents and agriculture directors, farmers, potato buyers, newspaper and radio representatives.

The program will be informal with a keynote of fellowship Mr. Edwards said. About 200 invitations have been issued.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Prince, co-chairmen for the general festival committee, will also attend the dinner as special guests and appear on the informal program along with Mrs. B. A. Garrell, exhibit hall chairman.

Representatives of many big North Carolina daily newspapers are expected to visit the Yam Festival this year, including the farm editor of the Charlotte Observer who will be here Thursday.

PERMANENT PARK COMMITTEE NAMED HERE LAST THURSDAY

A permanent Tabor Community Park committee was named at a meeting held here last Thursday night and instructed to set into motion the necessary steps for turning a vacant lot into a recreational area.

Buell Lanier, representing the American Legion, was elected chairman of the committee. He has been active in the project for several months as chairman of a temporary committee composed of representatives from three local civic clubs.

Mrs. Eunice Singletary, of the New Life Home Demonstration Club and Tabor City Woman's Club, was elected secretary and treasurer.

Other members of the committee include Phil Hughes, Civitan; Joe Spivey, V. F. W.; Sam Jackson, Rotary; Mrs. R. R. Rogers and Mrs. R. P. Counts, P. T. A.; Mrs. Bill Truitt, Mrs. Bob White and Mrs. S. T. Rogers, Woman's Club; Mrs. Lee Wright, East Tabor Home Demonstration Club; Mrs. Earl Cartrette, and Plain Home Demonstration Club; and Mrs. Paul Stevens, Clarendon Home Demonstration Club.

From this 14 man committee, may be elected through their own action, a smaller number to head

POWELL ANSWERS HAMILTON

State Senator J. K. Powell who recently received a rather blistering letter from Ex-Ku Klux Klan Imperial Wizard Thomas Hamilton, last week answered the correspondence with the following terse statement:

"This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 27th. 'You are correct in your statement when you say that you never personally approached me to represent you in your trial here. However, we were approached the first time on the day you were here to make bond and the other times after you made bond. We were under the impression that the persons approaching us were either your friends or represented you.'

"I trust this clears the matter up for you."

Meantime, the once grand dragon has taken his place among the other criminals of the State and Camp Superintendent John Williams of Prison Camp 303, just off the Castle Haynes road near Wilmington, says "All I know is that he is a prisoner and it's my job to see that he works."



A. C. Edwards who has been named representative of contact for the North Carolina Railroad association in connection with public relation matters for Columbus County.

Edwards, local Atlantic Coast Line Agent, is prominent in civic and church affairs and has been associated with the Atlantic Coast Line for 30 years.

Postal Receipts Show Increase

Postmaster Willard Garrell announced today that receipts of the local post office for the quarter ending September 30, showed an increase over the corresponding period of 1951.

Receipts for this year's third quarter were \$4878.98 as compared with \$4612.83 in 1951.

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PRESBYTERIANS SLATE SCHOOL FOR CHURCH LEADERS

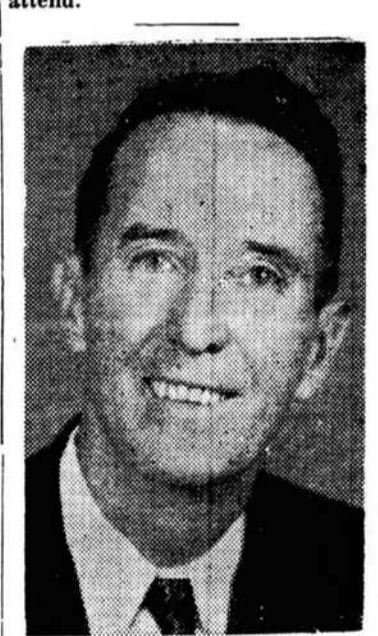


The Planning Committee for the Leadership Training School to be held October 20-24 in Whiteville, welcomes as a member of its faculty Dr. Leslie Bullock. Dr. Bullock is head of the Bible department at Flora Macdonald College in Red Springs. During the Presbyterian Leadership School, Dr. Bullock will lead the Bible Study course, and teach the Book of John.

Mr. Bullock is a native of Texas and received his A. B. degree from North State College. Union Theological Seminary in Richmond has conferred three degrees upon him; B. D. Th. M. and Th. D. He has taught Bible at Flora Macdonald since the fall of 1948. Prior to this time he was Pastor of the Presbyterian Church of The Covenant in Houston, Texas.

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Dr. Price H. Gwynn, Jr. who will assist with the Presbyterian Leadership School to be held in the First Presbyterian church in Whiteville, October 20 through the 24.

Dr. Gwynn has participated in a number of leadership schools and has been in great demand as a speaker and teacher throughout the South since coming from Philadelphia where he was a director of Religious Education for the Presbyterian church U. S. A. He is now dean of Flora Macdonald College.

All Sunday School teachers, officers and laymen of the Presbyterian churches in the Columbus-Bladen district are invited to attend the school which will be held each evening from 7:45 to 10:00 Monday through Friday, October 20-24.

Heath Infant Dies In Loris

Sandra Jean, five day old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Heath of Tabor City, died Monday at 10:30 a. m. in the Community hospital, Loris. Funeral rites were held from the chapel of the Inman Funeral home Tuesday at 10:00 a. m. with the Rev. R. P. Batchelor, maternal grandfather, officiating. Burial was in the Old Soles cemetery.

Other than the parents three sisters survive Mrs. Gracie Faircloth of Tabor City; Laura Catherine Heath and Velma Heath of the home; two brothers, Woodrow Heath, Jr. and Grumary Dorman Heath.

A free chicken bog was served to those in attendance Thursday night but a disappointing number of people were present.

Good weather has been evident in all previous Yam Festivals.

Today, the stage was set and the curtain ready to go up on the Fifth Annual Carolinas Yam Festival in Tabor City.

Tomorrow, at 2:00 P. M. the festivities officially get underway with a long parade featuring a host of visiting bands and with some of the most beautiful floats ever paraded through the local city streets.

Townspeople were on edge today in anticipation of the expected crowd for the rest of the week. Past Yam Festivals have drawn throngs of people estimated at as many as 25000. This year similar attendance is anticipated.

Following the parade on Thursday an invocation by Rev. F. C. Hutchenson and address by Mayor W. A. Williams will precede the cutting of the ribbon to the exhibit hall and the three day event will be underway.

There will be music by Clarence Jackson and his Carolina Wranglers starting at 6:00 P. M. and the annual "Tater Day" football game between Tabor City and Chadbourne will be played at Civitan Field at 8:00.

On Friday morning at 9:00 the exhibit hall will again open with lectures and instructions about the famous yams continuing until 2:00 P. M. An amateur contest is scheduled at that time to be followed by another concert by the Carolina Wranglers.

Garrell's Warehouse will be the scene of the Queen's Ball on Friday night at 9:00 and the big dance with Coy Tucker and his orchestra will continue until 1:00 a. m.

The colored dance will be held at the same time in Planters Warehouse with David Pugh and his orchestra and a Negro popularity Queen will be chosen there.

First attraction on Saturday morning will be sweet potato, pie eating contest in the New Farmers Warehouse at 11:00 o'clock. At 1:00 County Agent Charles D. Raper will award prizes to sweet potato contest winners. At 2:00 Henry Covington of N. C. State College will crown the Mystery Yam King and at 2:30 the \$1250 in prizes will be given to those farmers in attendance. Only persons on rural routes will have an opportunity to win these prizes.

Clarence Jackson's Carolina Wranglers will furnish some more music after the awarding of the prizes. A square dance and cake walk at Garrell's Warehouse at 8:00 P. M. will close the activities of the 1952 festival.

The festival has been directed this year by Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver Prince, co-chairmen, with honorary chairman A. C. Edwards taking an active part also.

Hundreds of people on various committees look forward to Thursday morning as the culmination of weeks of effort that finally will show the results of their handiwork.

Death Claims Dothan Negro

G. C. Faulk, 73, year old negro church father and farmer, died at his home in Dothan Monday at 1:20 p. m. after an illness of several months. Funeral services will be held from the Brister Creek Baptist church Sunday at 2:00 p. m. and burial will follow in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Ida Faulk; four sons, Mace, and G. C. Jr. of Dothan, Paul of Detroit, Mich., and James of Baltimore, Md.; eight daughters, Roma Bellamy, Sarah Faulk, and Cora Lee Givings of Dothan, Gracie Purcell of Detroit, Mich., Rosa Nell Smith and Ella Mae Mitchell of New York, Theresa Mae Pearce of Hallsboro and Athel Frink of Whiteville; two brothers, Andy Long Faulk of Jacksonville, Fla. and Ellis Faulk of Fair Bluff, three sisters, Lizzie Roberson of Winston Salem, Betzella Age of Fair Bluff, and Cora Thompson of Marion.

Mrs. Carrie Mincey Passes Monday

Mrs. Carrie Mincey, 50, of Loris route 1, died Monday at 8:00 a. m. in the Community hospital, Loris after an illness of several hours. She suffered a stroke while attending church Sunday evening.

Funeral services were held from the Mt. Zion church at 4:00 p. m. Tuesday with the Rev. Ralph Johnson officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, J. T. Mincey; three sons, J. C., Eugene and Henry, all of route 1, Loris; one daughter, Miss Willow Dean Mincey of the home; one brother, Will Hodge of McCall; father, Jim Turner of Marion.

Miss Jean Yandle To Give Tea Here

Miss Jean Yandle "1951 Carolinas Yam Queen" will entertain with a tea at the Woman's Club-house Friday afternoon from 4:30 to 5:30 honoring the queen candidates.

About 50 invitations have been issued to the candidates and special guests.

PARADE FEATURE

One of the features of this year's Yam Festival parade will be the U. S. Army Band. The 33 piece band is from Ft. Bragg, N. C., and will arrive in Tabor City Thursday morning at about noon. Several other bands will participate in the parade which promises to be the best and longest parade during the five year festival history.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rowell of Fallsville were the dinner guests of Mrs. Virginia Todd and family last Sunday.