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Eat Cow Out of Court. Several years ago N. C. Jesse and F. R. Parker, two ranchers in California, entered an agreement that a Jesse calf be pastured on the Parker premises. Later when the owner went to get the calf his neighbor demanded \$3 a month "board" for the animal. The owner refused to make the payment and started a suit to

IN AND ABOUT THE CITY

BOXING AND WRESTLING TOURNAYES CLOSÉS

Grueling Fistic Performances Are Witnessed By a Record Attendance.—Two Knockouts Registered. (BY JAZZY MOORE)

Kannapolis, Dec. 28.—Jimmy Moore, veteran professional boxer, retained the unofficial middleweight crown of Cabarrus County when Slag Messer failed to check him in a four round headliner of a boxing and wrestling carnival held at the Cabarrus Y. M. C. A. The scrap did not appear to show anything more sensational than a few easy punches. There was much infighting and clinching throughout the bout. Moore had previously knocked out 15 pugilists since including Slaves of Seilsbury, and Bailey from Lowell.

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION TO BE HELD AT Y. M. C. A.

Basket Ball and Volley Ball Games Will Feature Evening's Entertainment.—Talks to Be Given.

Plans are being perfected to put over a New Year's night celebration at the Y. M. C. A. this year which will be one of the best ever given by local Association officials.

A number of events are being planned which will give the people who are present something to watch or do until the stroke of midnight announces that 1926 has begun.

Three ball games are scheduled, informal mass games are projected and a band will be on hand to pep it up. All in all, the evening should be a busy one.

To begin the evening, the Y varsity will take on High Point in a basketball match. The two teams are very evenly matched and a battle royal is expected when the locals attempt to regain prestige lost when the High Point five beat them in a recent engagement.

JOHNSTON LEADS IN COTTON GINNED

State Crop Increase Over Last Year Not as Large as Indicated Earlier, Raleigh News and Observer.

Preliminary reports of cotton ginned prior to December 18th, of this year, show that Johnston county, as usual, leads all of North Carolina's other 90 counties in the amount of cotton ginned.

A preliminary report by the United States department of commerce, through the bureau of the census, is indicative of the big increase in the amount of cotton raised in North Carolina this year over 1924.

Figures for the various counties, however, do not show as large an increase over last year as were shown by earliest reports, the remarkably early ginnings of the present year having partly accounted for the extraordinary increase shown by the earlier ginning reports.

Robeson county this year follows Johnston, with 60,148 bales, Nash is third, Halifax fourth, Wake fifth, Harnett sixth and Sampson seventh.

The counties, with the amount ginned prior to December 13, 1925, and 1924, respectively, follow. Quantities are in running bales, counting round as half bales. Linters are not included:

County	1925	1924
Alamance	1,790	1,613
Anson	23,085	20,592
Beaufort	8,905	6,026
Bertie	13,891	11,015
Bladen	8,088	4,007
Cabarrus	13,130	12,252
Camden	4,353	3,312
Cartaret	280	249
Catawba	10,957	10,586
Chatham	10,584	8,417
Chowan	5,812	4,009
Cleveland	36,276	37,870
Craven	2,791	1,004
Cumberland	29,020	15,858
Davidson	2,080	1,880
Davie	4,321	3,578
Duplin	12,023	6,105
Durham	2,264	1,386
Edgecombe	37,173	27,270
Franklin	30,279	19,054
Gaston	8,270	8,965
Greene	6,432	4,398
Granville	4,148	3,138
Greene	11,275	8,888
Halifax	50,690	26,349
Harnett	47,344	33,844
Hertford	8,328	4,782
Hoke	18,590	9,005
Jeddel	16,816	12,349
Johnston	71,049	48,492
Jones	2,030	1,224
Lee	11,957	7,221
Lenoir	18,211	11,744
Lincoln	11,740	11,052
Martin	7,582	5,884
Mecklenburg	20,989	17,005
Montgomery	5,989	5,180
Moore	8,155	5,611
Nash	54,390	37,824
Northampton	84,234	10,461
Onslow	2,022	1,083
Orange	1,820	1,204
Pamlico	1,876	1,860
Passapatan	3,062	3,010
Pender	1,349	671
Perquimans	7,750	6,023
Pitt	24,724	18,578
Polk	3,480	3,144
Randolph	1,995	1,568
Richmond	18,790	13,821
Robeson	60,418	27,942
Rowan	14,889	12,292
Rutherford	12,562	13,570
Sampson	40,286	27,346
Scotland	30,421	10,394
Stanly	9,272	8,149
Tyrrell	341	493
Union	28,814	23,028
Vance	9,047	6,028
Wake	48,881	32,150
Warren	20,174	8,948
Washington	1,587	1,955
Wayne	36,081	26,143
Wilson	29,470	26,761
All others	6,025	4,400

An estimable attendance of two thousand witnessed this mammoth show, which was begun Thursday night and came to a successful close today. Gruelling, brutal and sensational boxing and brilliant wrestling resulted. Among the most outstanding fustles and dashes were: Belk vs. Russell; Watson against Rogers; Marcus opposing DeMarcus; and Elliot facing White.

Belk, from Charlotte and New Orleans, and Russell of Concord, probably furnished the best fight of the tournament. This pair seemed to have more steam behind their blows and to show more skill than any two of the entire contestants. Russell won by a shade over the reputed Belk, according to general opinion.

Kidd Elliott, of Salisbury fame, registered the first knockout of the show by putting away Speedy White, local slugger, in the second frame of what was to have been a four round clash. The knockout blow was a terrific right to the body, seemingly a foul that escaped the referee's attention.

Dummy Marcus upset all dope by sending Marjell DeMarcus down for a count of ten in the opening round of a scheduled four rounder.

The featured wrestling battle was between Rogers, Kannapolis of wide mat experience, and Garlie Watson, fresh from the navy. The latter grappler lasted but four minutes with the local artist. A half-Nelson hold was used to defeat the Navy champion.

An added attraction of this annual event was the delightful music furnished by the "Frisky Five" orchestra.

Card of Thanks From County Prisoners.

Kannapolis, N. C., Dec. 27, 1925.

We want to take this method of expressing our appreciation and thanks to the people of No. 4 township for the beautiful feast spread for the prisoners of Cabarrus County convict camp on Christmas day. This was one of the greatest treats, we dare say, enjoyed by any camp in the state. These good people do not do things by halves and showed a spirit of good will and cheer by the Christian people of the community in and around Bethpage Church. A short talk was made by Mr. Wm. G. Brown, State Highway Engineer and general superintendent of road construction for the highway commission, as well as road supervisor. He thanked the people in behalf of the highway commission and prisoners, after which Mr. Petera asked the blessing or returned thanks and the boys were told to help themselves. It was a great feast for the prisoners, for which each and everyone of us desire to express our thanks and wish everyone who contributed anything a very successful and prosperous year in 1926 and through life.

We are most humbly yours,
THE PRISONERS OF CABARRUS COUNTY CONVICT CAMP.

"The Keeper of the Bees."

Brown as a berry! A nose that lifts up to Heaven like a pany seeking the morning dew! Tom boyish! Loveable! The perfect boyden. That, in brief, is Gene Stratton Monroe, granddaughter of the famous Gene Stratton-Porter and by way of being one of the heroines of "The Keeper of the Bees" which is at the Pastime Wednesday and Thursday. Little Miss Monroe, who is just eleven years old, is the youngster who inspired the late novelist to write what is generally acclaimed to be greatest work. "The Keeper of the Bees" appeared serially in McCall's Magazine, where it was read by several times the million subscribers to that magazine. And anyone who wants to know just how the "Little Scout" looks in real life can find out by watching Miss Monroe. A splendid cast has been directed with finesse and distinction by James Leo Mehan, son-in-law of the noted writer, and his wife, Jeannette Porter Mehan, assisted him in retaining all the color and flavor of the original story.

To Attend Young People's Conference.

Miss Mary McKinley will leave tonight for Atlanta, where she will attend the Presbyterian Young People's Conference.

Miss McKinley has been president of the Young People's Christian Endeavor Society at Bethpage for the past year and has done wonderful work. We are sure that she and Miss Virginia Parks, who is to accompany her, will be benefitted and will bring back new ideas for the young folks. X.

Corzine Home Damaged by Fire.

Fire this afternoon caused damage to the home of R. C. Corzine on North Union street, but prompt action by firemen prevented serious damage.

The blaze is believed to have started from a chimney as it was first discovered on the roof near a chimney. A large hole was burned through the roof over once room and water damaged other parts of the house.

It is reported that practically all of the furniture in the room over which the fire started was carried out safely.

Mr. Corzine reports that his loss is covered by insurance.

Following the basketball game, a volley ball game is to be held between the local business man's aggregation and a Salisbury Y team. The volley ball team has been making rapid progress in recent months and local fans will find that a smooth working team has been developed here.

During the course of the evening, the Junior basketball team here will take on a similar five from Newells in an exhibition contest.

The Methodist Protestant Band has been secured to do their stuff on the musical instruments and will play at intervals during the entire evening.

Mass games including pillow fights, cage ball and push ball have been arranged and will be used for the entertainment of the crowd during the hours after the other games are run off.

A weiner roast and barbecue will be given on the lawn during the lull in the games, if the weather permits. It is planned to have several speakers to make brief addresses as the new year is ushered in. Those speakers have not yet been chosen.

WARMER WEATHER IS PREDICTED FOR CITY

Rising Temperatures Indicate Back of Cold Spell Has Been Broken In This Section.

Thermometers which registered 8 above zero at 7:45 o'clock yesterday morning were standing 17 degrees above zero at the same hour this morning, indicating that the back of the cold wave in this section at least, has been broken.

Temperatures were decidedly low again last night but they did not get as near the zero mark as they did Sunday night. It is reported that the lowest temperature of last night was 14 above.

A warm sun did much to offset the cold Monday but despite this fact it continued unusually cold. The sun gave the appearance of having heat and while it actually did not raise the mercury to rise very rapidly it made the air seem warmer.

Water pipes by the hundreds had to be repaired in the city yesterday. There were few homes in which at least one pipe did not freeze and many homes were without water of any kind.

Water in autos froze while the cars were being driven, and many other radiator garage men, and many other radiators which froze during the night needed attention from an expert.

It is believed, from weather reports, that normal weather will be the city's lot by tomorrow.

CLINE MABRY KNOCKED DOWN BY AUTOMOBILE

Boy Injured Slightly When He Runs In Front of Car on North Church Street.

Cline Mabry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mabry, was injured Monday when he was knocked down by an automobile driven by a Kannapolis man.

According to relatives, the boy started to run directly across the street and was so close on the automobile that the driver had no time to avoid him. After being knocked down he retained his hold on the bumper of the car and in this manner escaped being run over.

Except for painful scratches and bruises he was not seriously injured. The accident occurred on North Church street directly in front of Mr. Mabry's home.

Earned Praise For the New Judge.

Raleigh Times.

The Asheville Times, in whose community the newest and youngest judge of the Superior Court has been presiding, has the following comment on Judge John M. Oglesby of Concord:

"Judge John M. Oglesby, now ending the last week of his judicial sojourn in Buncombe and the other counties of the 13th District; will leave behind him a splendid reputation for diligence in business and unalterable determination to uphold the law and measure out impartial justice from the Superior Court bench.

"The people of Asheville, and Buncombe will especially remember Judge Oglesby for his charge to the grand jury following the storming of the county jail by a mob in search of a negro who, fortunately, had been removed from the county. His Honor on that occasion delivered a stirring appeal to the jurors for prompt and fearless dealing with a lawlessness which sought to tear down and trample underfoot the very structure of the law itself. Such men as Judge Oglesby are creators and upholders of North Carolina's best judicial traditions."

Not a word too much, either. Judge Oglesby reached the Asheville district at a strenuous season, a perilous time, and the situation rapidly became more serious. We do not know when one of the veterans had so much to do or performed it with more distinction.

It is no perfunctory praise which he is receiving.

SEN. AND MRS. GERRY ARRIVE AT BILTMORE

Will Attend Ball at Biltmore House on Wednesday Night.

Asheville, Dec. 28.—Senator and Mrs. Peter G. Gerry, of Providence, R. I., and Washington, D. C., arrived this morning to spend the remainder of the holidays at Biltmore House.

The couple arrived at 10:55, and were met at the Biltmore station by C. D. Beadle, manager of the Biltmore estate, and Mrs. Gerry's daughter, Mrs. John F. A. Cecil. They went by automobile to Biltmore House.

Mrs. Gerry, before her marriage in London, last October, was Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt.

This is the first visit to Biltmore House by Senator and Mrs. Gerry since their wedding. Following the ceremony in London they spent some time traveling in England, and since retiring to America have been in New York, Providence, and Washington.

They will attend a costume ball at Biltmore House given by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wednesday night. One hundred guests have been invited. On this occasion Asheville people will have an opportunity to meet Senator Gerry.

Infant Found in Basket By Clerk in Goldsboro Store.

Goldsboro, Dec. 28.—John Joseph, clerk at the department store of Fred Maroon, on East Walnut street, picked up a stray basket, neatly wrapped, Tuesday, to place it under the counter for safe keeping. Investigating more closely, however, he discovered a five-day-old white baby snugly wrapped in a blanket. The find was reported to the Welfare Department, but action could not be taken immediately on account of the absence of some of its officials, but Mrs. Harry McLean volunteered to care for the infant until further investigation could be made. Several others offered to care for the baby.

Mr. Joseph gave the only clue to the owners of the baby. He stated that he waited on a man, accompanied by a young woman who bought a doll and left the store about half an hour before the discovery of the child. Joseph recalled having seen the basket in the arms of the stranger. He is said to be about 35 years old and wearing a brown suit.

Membership in the Boston Life Underwriters' Association has been opened to women.

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