

Record Breaking Crowd On Opening Day Of The Big Cabarrus County Fair

Overcast Skies Failed to Dampen Enthusiasm of the Thousands Gathered for Excellent Program Offered on the Opening Day of Fourth Annual Fair of Cabarrus County.

RACE PROGRAM BROUGHT THOROUGH BREDS TO WIRE

Free Acts, Fireworks and Shows on the Midway Attracted Many While Others Found the Greatest Interest in Exhibits of Products, Hogs, Poultry and Cattle.

Undaunted by overcast skies early in the day thousands of persons from Cabarrus and adjoining counties crowded their way into the fair grounds of the Cabarrus Fair Association Tuesday for the fourth annual event sponsored by the association.

By noon the skies had cleared more and the crowd increased. Later in the afternoon the sun broke through in earnest and when the moon rose clear behind fleeting clouds, bringing assurance of no rain for the night, the crowd increased until the grounds were fairly bulging with visitors when the free acts and fireworks began.

Hundreds of employees who were held by grim duty to their counters or looms during the day, hied to the grounds after closing time, mingling joyously with their more fortunate friends who had been all day frolicking in the wide open spaces at the grounds.

The gates opened at sunrise and soon thereafter came the first visitor, all set for a day of pleasure. The crowd increased slowly for the first three hours and then there was a steady stream of humanity, the peak for the day being reached about one o'clock.

School children, guests of the fair for the day, arrived at the grounds in all kinds of vehicles, and by noon most of them were safely inside, ready for the day that means more to them, perhaps, than any day in the year except Christmas. Among the students were 400 boys from the Jackson Training School, cadets from Mt. Pleasant, and young ladies from Mont Amonea Seminary and Laura Sunderland School.

The crowds were banded without confusion, and most of the autos were parked on the inside, a fact that worked to the advantage of all motorists. The fair grounds are so arranged that the year and all vehicles enter the middle gate. That arrangement, together with the presence of National Guardsmen as traffic men, facilitated matters no little, and even at the crest of the traffic tide there were no long delays and no jams.

When the races began at 1:30 every seat in the two grandstands was taken and other thousands were lined along the fence parallel with the track. Later some of these were allowed to go to the infield and soon the fence there had as its background a seething mass of human faces, all eagerly directed toward the track.

For the most part the crowd was orderly, officials having no more serious duty to perform than warn youngsters, ever anxious to see it all, from standing on the fence. At times, but always during some free act that was staged on the track, the crowd surged across the fences but at a word from the race starter they moved back to their places behind the fences.

Visitors here for the day, and especially horsemen from here and other parts in this and other States, were surprised at the size of the crowd that watched the horses. It is not often, say these men, that a county fair attracts the crowds and they hasten to say that not often does a county fair deserve such patronage.

The Bernardi Greater Shows, offering the attractions on the Midway, found many patrons among the vast crowd. Each of the 25 shows had its quota of business with the motorcycle races, the trained horses, and monkey races and the inevitable freaks enjoying perhaps the children's shows. Scores of children fought for places on the rides with the "Merry-Go-Round," no less popular because of its age.

The exhibit halls, carrying the best line of goods in the history of the fair, were filled throughout the day and night; the hog houses were more popular than ever as was the livestock barn, while so many chickens, pigeons, rabbits, turkeys and other fowl were entered in the poultry houses that eggs used to bring the birds to the grounds had to be pressed into service.

In the big tent are found late model motor cars by some of the most popular manufacturers and in addition there are a few booths advertising various business concerns of Concord.

Many persons stopped and marveled at the school exhibits, showing as nothing else could the manner in which the children are now instructed. This exhibit, certainly, is one of the most popular and deservedly so, in the hall. Other elaborate exhibits there are, all worthy of inspection and all advertising some well known product or showing the handiwork of some individual.

The Wisconsin Band from Albemarle, as staple with fair goes as it sugar with the housewife, is back this season and in addition to its work during the races and acts, gives concerts at various times during the day in the big auto tent.

Mingled with the dash and color of

RACES THURSDAY WILL BEGIN AT 2 AT THE FAIR

The program at the fair grounds tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon, will begin at 2 o'clock. The schedule is moved back half an hour for the benefit of employees of business houses which will close at noon for the day.

The 2:25 pace and the 2:20 trot, with at least eight entries in each, will be on the race program which will start at 2 o'clock.

On page two today is carried the list of business houses which will close so their employees can have an afternoon at the fair.

NUMBER OF DIPHTHERIA CASES IS GROWING

Despite Fact That Counties Have Been Offering Free Inoculation.

Raleigh, Oct. 13.—Despite the fact that the various county boards of health in the state have been offering free inoculations of anti-diphtheria serum the number of cases each week grows, according to the records in the State board of health, where 209 new cases were reported for the week ending October 9th. This is the first week this fall in which the number of new cases has passed 200, although they have been in excess of 100 for several weeks. The State board of health still urges that parents have their children and especially if they have been exposed to diphtheria, as this will do much to prevent its spread.

Charlotte leads with the largest number of cases reported for the week with twelve new cases, while Raleigh comes second with nine. Rocky Mount has eight, and other counties have from one to five. Next to diphtheria, scarlet fever is showing the greatest increase, with 102 new cases reported for the week just past. The bacteriological laboratory of the State board of health is likewise making an anti-scarlet fever serum which it is distributing to the various county and city health officers. Buncombe county has the largest number of scarlet fever cases with fifteen, while among the cities Winston-Salem has the most with nine new cases.

Whooping cough is declining rapidly, only 134 new cases having been reported last week, and but 89 counties and cities having organized health units. There were but 63 cases of typhoid reported, 27 of smallpox and only eight case of measles.

GERMANY MAY REVERT TO MONARCHY AGAIN

At Least Colonel House Sees It That Way in Article Published in Magazine.

New York, Oct. 13.—Colonel Edward M. House, close advisor of President Wilson during the World War, thinks it is possible Germany may revert to monarchy, Colonel House says in an article published in the current issue of McCall's magazine, "Germany: A Warning." "Many competent observers believe that the present republic will finally merge itself into a monarchy with something more of power to the emperor than the king of England holds, and somewhat less than the former kaiser had."

"If Germany should revert to monarchy, it will come about from the need of stability in domestic affairs, and the need of continuity to foreign affairs. It might also come through unwise and inconsiderate treatment by France and the other allies."

COL. E. A. OSBORNE DIES AT CHARLOTTE

Was Confederate Soldier and Retired Episcopal Clergyman. Funeral Thursday.

Charlotte, Oct. 12.—Funeral services for Colonel E. A. Osborne, aged 90, Confederate soldier and retired Episcopal clergyman, will be held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at St. Peter's church here.

Colonel Osborne, who participated in all the principal battles of the war between the states, succumbed to the infirmities of age after an illness lasting several months. He was born in Lawrence county, Ala., May 7, 1837. He joined the Confederacy in 1861 and was wounded three times.

Close to Death



Dr. Afranio Do Amaral, of Serum Institute of San Paulo, Brazil, sucked up snake venom in this glass tube. He was careful not to get it in his mouth, as there was enough to kill ten men. He was doing experimental work at the New York Zoo.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY MEET AT FAYETTEVILLE

Opened With a Banquet Tuesday Evening—Aim to Be Presented by the Children of the Confederacy.

Fayetteville, N. C., Oct. 13.—(AP)—With a host of notables scheduled for participation in one of the most elaborate patriotic celebrations in the history of the state, the North Carolina United Daughters of the Confederacy began their three-day convention on Tuesday.

The opening session was celebrated with a banquet on Tuesday evening at the armory of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry and was featured by the presentation of The President-General of the U. S. C. Mrs. St. John A. Lewton, of Charleston, S. C., presentation of the State district president, Mrs. J. Dolph Long, of Raleigh, N. C., and the presentation of the local J. E. B. Stuart chapter, U. D. C., and others, and response and greetings from kindred organizations in the state, including the Daughters of the American Revolution and the American Legion and Auxiliary.

Wednesday morning there was the roll call of chapters and presentation of district flags. Luncheon at one o'clock was followed by a business session.

Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock the delegates will meet at the Confederate Woman's Home for the purpose of witnessing the presentation of a memorial arch given by the Children of the Confederacy of North Carolina. The arch will be presented by Miss Georgia Gilkey, president of the Annie K. Kyle chapter, C. of C. It will be accepted by Mrs. Lafayette Thayer, Mrs. John Huske Anderson, division historian, will be presented by Mrs. Long.

"An Evening in the Confederacy" has been selected as the name for the observance, which will take the form of recitation and pageant. A complete program has been arranged which includes "Living Pages of North Carolina Women in the Confederacy," portrayed by members of the N. C. Division with the historian as narrator; "Old Time Confederates," portrayed by old soldiers led by J. M. McNeill "Auld Lang Syne," by men and women of the 'sixties, and the presentation of members of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry, veterans of four wars.

The second part of the program will be principally a flag celebration with due ceremony accorded both the Stars and Bars and the Stars and Stripes.

Friday morning adjournment is scheduled to follow a business session.

Wounded Prisoner is Expected to Recover

Salisbury, Oct. 11.—Taft Johnson of Granite Falls, who was accidentally shot by a road force guard several days ago, is improving at the Salisbury hospital and there is hope of his recovery. A rifle bullet entered his head, shattering the skull.

The most highly electrified cloud are the lowest—about 700 yards from the ground. These gigantic thunderclouds are sometimes three miles deep.

DISCUSS PLANS TO AID COTTON PRICE AT MEMPHIS MEET

Leaders From All Parts of the South Meet to Discuss Greatest Economic Problem of the South.

LESS ACREAGE REMEDY OFFERED

Bankers, Merchants and Farmers Meet to Discuss Problem That Is Vital to Success of Each.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Southern leaders conferred here today with the South's great economic problem—the price of cotton—and sought means for profitable marketing of this year's bountiful crop.

Assembled from every cotton growing state, farmers, bankers and merchants considered plans designed to remedy current market depression and proposals for reducing cotton acreage in later seasons to prevent a recurrence of a similar distressing emergency.

The whole subject of production, financing and marketing.

The conference numbering over 500 representatives from cotton growing states, including planters, bankers and merchants recessed to reassemble at 2 o'clock to hear the resolutions which the committee should present.

The resolutions committee embraced three departments which were instructed to consider three phases of the problem, viz.: marketing the present crop in an orderly manner, financial credits, and acreage reduction in subsequent seasons.

Too Many Plans Offered

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 13.—(AP)—The greatest danger to prospects of solving the cotton depression situation is multiplicity of plans, Governor H. L. Whitfield, of Mississippi, declared in opening the southwest cotton conference here today.

"To save the price and defend the 1926 cotton crop is the object of this conference," Governor Whitfield declared.

"We will stay here until we do what we came for," he added, and received applause from the gathering of about 300 delegates.

Mr. Whitfield introduced C. L. McNeill, of Mississippi to deliver his opening statement.

"The key to the situation lies in the hands of the bankers and business men of the South," the statement said.

"They must devise means to take some of the millions of bales from the current market."

C. P. J. Mooney, editor of the Memphis Commercial Appeal, was unanimously elected permanent chairman of the conference, as the meeting prepared to refer the business to committees.

NOTABLES ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF GOVERNOR

Persons in All Walks of Life Attend Funeral of Louisiana Governor Who Died Monday.

Baton Rouge, La., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Representatives of many walks of life gathered here today to attend the funeral of Henry L. Fuqua, governor of Louisiana, who died after a short illness Monday night. A simple burial was arranged at the request of Mrs. Fuqua.

Lasalle State University, and the grammar and high schools of Baton Rouge were closed today in respect to the memory of the dead chief executive.

State business here was suspended, and flags on public buildings flew at half staff. New Orleans schools also were closed.

American Legion to Meet in France

Philadelphia, Oct. 13.—(AP)—The American Legion will hold its 1927 convention in Paris, France.

The pilgrimage will be known as the second A. E. F.

The convention will meet September 19th and continue until the 23rd.

When the delegates return to the United States they will reconvene in New York October 18th and transact such business as has come before it.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady Today at Advance of One Point to a Decline of Three Points.

New York, Oct. 13.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 1 point to a decline of 3 points on talk of smaller offerings in the South, combined with covering and trade buying.

Offerings increased after the call, however, and the market soon eased in, keeping with lower Liverpool cables. December sold off to 13.08 and March to 13.41, the general list showing net declines of 8 to 10 points at the end of the first hour.

Cotton futures opened steady: Dec. 13.20; Jan. 13.28; March 13.50; May 13.72; July 13.82.

Clarence W. Murphy Died Saturday in Paris

Salisbury, N. C., Oct. 11.—Clarence Wainwright Murphy, native of Salisbury, and popular song writer and music composer, died Saturday in Paris while on a tour of the world, according to a message received today by his nephew, Worth W. Murphy. Mr. Murphy was for years traveling passenger agent of the Southern Pacific Railroad and had been a major and a colonel on the staff of two governors of Louisiana.

Latest Royal Visitor



This is the latest portrait of Queen Marie of Rumania, made shortly before she left her country for a visit to the United States.

DENY REPUBLICANS CLAIMS OF BENEFITS

Democrats Point Out Cumulative Sinking Fund Law Was Passed by Wilson Administration.

Washington, Oct. 13.—(AP)—The Democratic administration of Woodrow Wilson, and not the subsequent republican administrations, is entitled to credit for the cumulative sinking fund law under which \$1,740,552,550 already has been paid on the public debt, due to the world war, the Democratic National Committee contended today in its latest pre-Congressional election statement.

"The republicans in speeches and other publicity try to make it out that they are entitled to all credit for payment on the debt," the statement said, adding that the law was "enacted by a Democratic Congress, and signed by President Wilson on March 3, 1919, Carter Glass, now senator from Virginia, being then Secretary of the Treasury."

DETECTIVE KILLED BY UNKNOWN PERSON

Had Just Been Discussing Plans Being He Was Shot as He Entered His Home.

Washington, Oct. 13.—(AP)—Detective Sergeant Arthur B. Scriver, 38 years old, and regarded as the most effective operative in the Washington department, was "the happiest man in the world," he told newspapermen at police headquarters early today, because of his impending marriage this afternoon to Miss Helen Barnes Parker, of McLean, Va.

It was the "celebration" of a romance of years, and the engagement had been kept secret until last night.

But there will be no wedding. For 30 minutes after he had characterized himself as the "happiest man," and just as he was turning into his home, he was shot and killed by an unknown assailant, who escaped in the darkness.

Only one bullet was fired. It entered the detective's heart, killing himself instantly.

FORMER "MOONSHINER" MCKNIGHT ON STAND

Is State Witness Against Alonzo B. Seabrook, Suspended Dry Agent.

Charleston, S. C., Oct. 13.—(AP)—In the notorious Hell Hole Swamp section of Berkeley County, haunt of bootleggers, the trail of testimony continued to lead today at the trial of Alonzo B. Seabrook, suspended Federal prohibition agent, who is charged with conspiring against the dry laws.

At the opening of the trial, Glenn D. McKnight, former "moonshiner," and now a Federal prohibition agent, testified.

The Los Angeles Getting Ready for Fight.

Lakehurst, N. J., Oct. 13.—(AP)—The dirigible Los Angeles was taken to its mooring mast at 9 o'clock today in preparation for its three-day flight to Detroit. It was said the craft would not take off until the sun had given the helium sufficient lifting power.

The Iconoclasts were an Eastern sect of the 8th and 9th centuries, whose objects was to prevent the worship and destroy religious images.

ANNOUNCEMENT

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ONE KILLED, THREE OTHERS AS CAR HITS TRAIN AT CROSSING

Robey Fesperman Killed and Companions Hurt While Returning Home From Cabarrus Fair.

OTHERS ALL IN HOSPITALS NOW

Train Was Standing at the North Charlotte Crossing When Accident Occurs, Train Crew Said.

Charlotte, Oct. 13.—(AP)—One man is dead and two women and a man are in a hospital seriously injured as a result of a speeding automobile striking the side of a motionless Southern Railway freight train at a grade crossing near here today.

The dead is Robey Fesperman, aged 23, a Charlotte city fireman. The injured are: T. W. Black, Charlotte fireman and Mrs. Lillian McVickers and Mrs. Henry Ward, both of Charlotte.

The quarter had been attending the Cabarrus County Fair at Concord and were returning home. Trauma who saw the accident said the automobile was running at high speed and was rammed more than halfway under a freight car which it struck. It was impossible to move the train, it was said, until the automobile had been pulled out.

The automobile is said to have been the property of Mrs. Ward, but Fesperman was said to have been driving. Rural police said they could obtain few details of the accident. None of the injured was in condition to talk.

Fesperman's skull was crushed and he died in an ambulance en route to a hospital. Black sustained a fractured shoulder, and possible internal injuries. Mrs. McVickers' skull was fractured and she is unconscious. Mrs. Ward was injured internally.

The freight train is due from Asheville each day at the North Charlotte yards at 3:40 a. m. It is required to stop before entering the yard, and for a short time each morning blocks the crossing. C. I. Jones, a Salisbury textile manufacturer, was injured on March 18th in a similar accident.

THREATS AGAINST LIFE OF MRS. WISEMAN-SELLAF

Who is State's Witness and Principal Accuser of Alonzo Seabrook.

Los Angeles, Calif., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Threats against the life of Mrs. Lorraine Wiseman-Sellaf, star state witness and principal accuser of Alonzo Seabrook, in the evangelist's preliminary hearing, caused the state to maintain a guard about the Wiseman home today in an effort to assure completion of her testimony.

Mrs. Wiseman, who occupied the witness stand when the hearing was adjourned until today said Mrs. Seabrook asked her to produce false characters to support a story of abduction and hardships suffered at the hands of kindappers last May and June. Mrs. Wiseman declared the Angelus Temple pastor told her she was particularly anxious to have her produce a woman who would admit sharing a cottage at Ormeau by Seabrook, with Kenneth G. Ormiston, former Temple radio operator, during the time Mrs. Seabrook was absent.

WILL LEND 10 CENTS PER POUND ON COTTON

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. Will Aid Farmers Indebted to It.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 13.—(AP)—The Virginia-Chemical Co. announced from its head offices here today that it will lend to cotton growers indebted to it, 10 cents a pound on cotton stored in bonded warehouses at the rate of 5 per cent interest. The loans will be payable May 1, 1927 "when" the company's statement declared "the market for cotton should be so stabilized as to make it bring a fair price."

STEPHENSON TALKS TO THE GRAND JURY

Tells What He Knows About Corruption and Graft in Politics in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 13.—(AP)—D. C. Stephenson, former center of charges of political corruption in Indiana, was taken before the Marion county grand jury this morning.

Scott Gets New Trial

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Russell E. Scott, under sentence to hang in Chicago on Friday for the murder of a drug clerk during a holdup, was granted an appeal by the Illinois Supreme Court today.

Mutiny Among Prisoners Subdued

Media, Pa., Oct. 13.—(AP)—A mutiny among prisoners in the Delaware county jail was subdued today after six of the prisoners had been shot by hastily deputized residents and police.

Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of labor in the new Canadian cabinet, is a locomotive engineer and a veteran trade unionist.

THE WEATHER

Showers tonight, slightly colder in central and west; Thursday partly cloudy and colder. Moderate southwest winds.