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DATES CHANGED FOR LOCAL FAIRS

Sunnyside Had Its Event As Scheduled, But Others Have Been Postponed

CHILDREN WILL EXHIBIT HERE

The dates of several of the local fairs in Orange county have been changed. Sunnyside, out west of Chapel Hill, held the first meeting just as scheduled, and the Damascus engagement, for tomorrow (Friday) remains the same. But the fair at White Cross is postponed until Thursday, September 27, and the one at Orange Grove until Friday the 28th. Merritt's is down for Tuesday the 25th and Mitchell Hill (Oaks) for next Tuesday the 26th.

The postponements are made because the farmers are extremely busy now cutting hay, pulling fodder, saving pea-vines, and cutting and curing tobacco.

At the Chapel Hill fair, to be held Monday, September 24, at the school, the exhibitors will be children; principally, of course, those who are in the agricultural classes.

R. P. Harris, who is conducting the fairs, finds that the farmers roundabout this section seem to be most interested in poultry. Many of them have acquired pure-bred flocks in the last year or two and are anxious to show what these have accomplished in the way of production.

The chief judges at the fairs will probably be H. N. Kelly, assistant agriculture teacher at the school, and Miss Miriam Frost, the home economics teacher.

The agriculture classes in the Chapel Hill school have started off with great enthusiasm. One section is studying crops and soils, the use of lime being the topic under examination just now. Another section is being taught about the "year-round garden." This group is made up of 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students. They are told what to plant at various seasons; for example, the present month of September is a good time to sow onions, beets, kale, rape, turnips, carrots, spinach, and to transplant celery, cauliflower, lettuce, and cabbage.

Bethel Church Gets Land

The congregation of Bethel church, about six miles northwest of Chapel Hill, have acquired the strip of land between their property and the main road from Chapel Hill to Saxapahaw. This comes about through an exchange with E. A. Brown, the hardware and furniture merchant. The land in front was obtained by the church in return for some that was given up to the side and in the rear. An entrance 60 feet wide is to be built from the highway straight to the church. As it is now, the building has been invisible to people coming from the west, but this will not be so in the future. The church's tract contains 9 or 10 acres and through the straightening of the highway lines, becomes very nearly a square.

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PARENTS

If you have children off at school, remember that they want to know what is going on at home. Subscribe to the Weekly for them at the special school-year rate of \$1. This covers the nine months until they come home next June.

Chapel Hill Chaff

When Lou Rountree drove into town the other day after many years' absence, and I was showing him about the place, we went out along the new Cameron avenue extension. I bade him stop the car in order that I might show him the Forest Theatre in Battle's Park. We walked through the woods a few yards, and there, lo and behold! were Frederick H. Koch and two of his prospective Playmakers rehearsing a scene—I think from "The Taming of the Shrew." I was proud that I could show my guest the famous troupe, or part of it, in action. The actors did not know they had spectators, and the spectators enjoyed it all the more for that. Mr. Koch was laying down the law to the other two, about intonation, gesture, and so on, and we could see their performance improve markedly under his instruction.

It appears that a number of Chapel Hill youths of a generation ago have settled in Durham. The other day I saw there Walter Pritchard and Will Partin and two of the Mason brothers. And two or three of the Kirklands are over there, too. One of the happy consequences of the new road is that these natives of our town find it easy to come back often to their old home.

A letter that came to Mrs. R. L. Gray recently from a friend in New York told of the success there of Miss Elizabeth Baskerville, daughter of the late Charles Baskerville. Miss Baskerville, who lives in New York with her mother and brother, is editor of the magazine, "Woman's Wear." The Baskervilles used to live in the house now occupied by the Kennettes. Mr. Baskerville was famous as a football player in his undergraduate days, became professor of chemistry, and left North Carolina about the year 1900 to enter the faculty of the College of the City of New York.

There is something luxurious and princely about owning an island, and giving a house party on it suggests a flavor, it seems to me, that few entertainments possess. But "Tank" Hunter will be asking why Vernon Howell, owning an island named Durant's, can be so disloyal as to ride in a Studebaker.

The only thing I don't like about the development of the Tenney farm as a residential area is that it will mean the destruction of the fig bushes from which I used to feed so happily on my way to and from the creek. In the last year I have been fortunate enough to buy some of these figs. My recollection is that Mrs. Tenney did not get any revenue at all for those P. H. Winston and I and others ate in the old days.

The Community Club's first musicale of the season will take place at Mrs. P. H. Winston's next Wednesday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Miss Addie Grace Waterman will sing and Erich Zimmerman will play on the violin, both with Mrs. Winston as accompanist. Everybody in town who likes music is cordially invited, and all are asked to be prompt.

CARRBORO PUPILS ARE BANNED HERE

Receiving Protest From Mill Town, Chapel Hill School Will Not Admit Them

16 ENROLLED MUST WITHDRAW

Hereafter Carrboro children will not be allowed to enter the elementary grades of the Chapel Hill school without the express permission of the Carrboro school board.

This decision was made by the Chapel Hill school board Saturday as a result of a formal protest from the Carrboro board against the younger children of that town coming here to school. Fifteen boys and girls from Carrboro enrolled here and studied through the first week, but now they will have to be transferred back home again.

The Carrboro people think it is damaging to the interests of their school to have the attendance cut down by the enrollment of their children in another place. The proposed additional school tax, in the Carrboro district, was defeated in an election a week ago, and it is thought that one reason the voters did not approve, the tax was that many did not want to send any more of their money on a school there when they could send their children to Chapel Hill. The members of the Carrboro board would get more support for the additional special school tax if the children had to go to the town's own school.

The situation with regard to the admission of outside children to the Chapel Hill school is rather queer one. They may come from anywhere in the township except from the Carrboro school district. Therefore, Carrboro parents who do not like this new ruling decide to move just outside of the corporate limits, they may then send their children to Chapel Hill. Whether any of them will take such a step as that, however, is doubtful. Moving is a troublesome business.

School Cafeteria Wins

With Better Facilities, It Is Doing More Business.

The cafeteria of the Chapel Hill school, having added a dining room to its space and spent \$300 for chairs and tables, is doing exceedingly well. It took in \$110 last week, serving lunches only. Since the average expenditure per person is about 20 cents, this means that about 550 were served.

The profit that is being realized is expected to pay for the expenditure upon chairs and tables before the year is out. Not only the children and teachers, but all persons who so desire, are free to patronize the cafeteria. There are several outsiders who come to lunch there regularly.

Miss Schell is in charge. By using the afternoons for buying and other duties connected with the cafeteria, she manages to carry on the work without interference to her teaching. She has a force of capable helpers, including a number of girls who have taken the domestic science course.

Lost, a dog. White setter, brown spots, half of one ear missing. Collar with letters D. J. Write D. J. care the Weekly.—Adv.

Mountaineer May Play Gun Club Makes Ready

Guy West Is Out for Chapel Hill School Team.

A newcomer, with great broad shoulders and thews like steel, has come out as a candidate for the Chapel Hill school football team, and it is hoped that he is going to be a power in the line. He is named Guy West. He comes from the mountains of Western North Carolina and attended last year the school at Banner Elk. He is 6 feet tall, weighs 175 pounds, and appears to have no fat anywhere about him.

The school's first game will be played against the Durham high school Saturday afternoon on Emerson Field. It is not known yet whether West will have earned enough of the game by that time to take part in the struggle. He has not played football before.

Many of the boys who played last year are out for the team again. In the backfield there are: Graddon Pendergraft, Walter White, Sidney McIver, Hubert Farrell, and Beanie Lloyd, and in the line Frank Maddry (captain), Brady McLennon, Frank Mann, Henry Tilley, and Marvin Dawson. Last year's substitutes who are candidates are Bill Sugg and Eric Sparrow in the backfield and, in the line, Bob McIver, Clarence Sturdivant, Thurman Partin, Willie Perry, Robert Pendergraft, Mike Gooch, and William Uzzell.

John Williams and Auburn Wright, who were not playing last year, are trying for line positions. McDaniel, formerly of the Fayetteville high school, seems to promise well as a guard; and Dike, son of the new professor of physics, is taking a ring at tackle. Robert Stone, and Padden, George Hoefler, and Dick Battle are the other aspirants.

C. G. Garrett, the new science teacher in the school, is coaching the team. He played class football at Trinity several years ago when there was no varsity football there, and distinguished himself in other forms of athletics. He comes here from Hamlet.

Bill Fetzer, the University coach, is keenly interested in the Chapel Hill school team, and he has already made it known that he is going to snatch some time from his regular duties to give the boys some pointers. Grady Pritchard, freshman coach, is going to help them too.

Their games will be played on the Emerson field when it is not being used by the varsity or other University teams. During the season the Chapel Hill team expects to meet Henderson, Sanford, Oxford, and the State college freshmen.

Training School Opens Monday

The Orange County Training School for colored children will open Monday morning at quarter to nine o'clock, and at eleven there will be formal ceremonies in the theatre chapel. The public is cordially invited. In the Rock Hill Baptist church, Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, there will be special school exercises. Students are asked to report Monday to the rooms they were in last year. They should bring money for purchasing books.

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Will Hold First Meeting Next Thursday Afternoon

Over on the north edge of town, the Chapel Hill Gun Club will hold next Thursday at half past two o'clock their first meeting of the 1923 season. They will go armed to the teeth, with hotguns, and will slaughter—if their aim is as good as it has been in the past—scores of clay pigeons. Thereafter the club will gather for the sport every Thursday afternoon until November 15. Then the real quail-hunting season begins and the marksmen will spread over the country after quail. Shooting at the clay-pigeons will have made them better able to bring down the real birds.

M. E. Hogan is president of the club, and Clarence L. Willis secretary and treasurer. Members are Robert Neville, Theo. Best, L. D. Lloyd, O. E. Lloyd, P. R. Perry, M. W. Durham, W. S. Hogan, Carl Durham, E. A. Brown, Z. P. Council, Brodie Thompson, E. M. Knox, Charlie Pickard, R. C. Andrews, R. E. Lurch, and E. C. Wilkie.

If proceedings go as expected, and if the weather favors through the fall, there will be about ten thousand shots fired at clay-pigeons by members of the club in the course of the nine meetings.

Personal Property Less

Decrease Offsets Half the Gain in Real Estate Values.

Squire ("Jug") Whitaker, township assessor, having checked and re-checked his figures, finds that the total assessed valuation of personal property in Chapel Hill township has fallen \$595,986 since last year, from 1,733,355 to \$1,137,369.

The decrease in personal property, offsetting the \$1,034,253 increase in the valuation of real estate, brings the increase in the total, for both classes of property, to \$438,267. The big personal property drop is explained in part by the fact that some of the Durham History Mills plant that was entered under the "personal" heading in 1922 was not done this year as really. But it appears, too, that people have been converting taxable property into the kind that doesn't have to be declared.

Mr. Whitaker's complete records show that there are 629 white citizens in the township subject to the poll tax, against 623 in 1922, a decrease of 6. Since everybody between 21 and 50 years old has to pay the poll tax, it would seem that more people emerged from the taxable age by reaching 50 than entered it by reaching 21. But the colored people subject to the tax increased in number from 246 to 255.

The dog population increased from 297 to 398.

Now that the tabulation of taxes is over, Mr. Whitaker turns his attention to the cotton census. He has to gather and turn in to the government in Washington the statistics of all cotton ginned and manufactured in Orange county, week by week.

Warrens Come to Live Here

The two Misses Warren, who teach in Bath, came to the Summer School and liked Chapel Hill so much that they have uprooted their whole family in Allendale, South Carolina, and brought them here to live. Their mother, Mrs. Georgia Warren, with one other daughter, three sons, and a niece, have taken both first- and second-floor apartments in one of Miss Alice Jones's houses on North street, and the garage to boot. Two of the boys will attend the University, and one son and the niece will go to the Chapel Hill school. The family came by automobile from Allendale and made the trip in 12 hours.

STUDENTS POUR IN, LIVEN UP VILLAGE

Summer Quietude Disappears; Streets Crowded; University Activities Under Way

SLEEPING QUARTERS SCARCE

Almost overnight, the sleepy summer calm of Chapel Hill has given place to feverish stir and bustle. The University is opening this week, and about two thousand students have poured in.

They throng the campus walks and the main street. They push in and out of the post office and the stores and restaurants. They exchange happy and noisy greetings. Lugging suit-cases, they seek their rooms and proceed to get settled. They gather in groups and talk about football and fraternities and college politics and then, perhaps, about their studies. With the Pickwick open, at night they clamor for admission to the movies.

Among the crowd in front of the post-office one sees the unfamiliar faces of some older men. These are new members of the faculty. Like the freshmen they are trying to get their bearings. If one of them looks happy it probably means that he has been lucky enough to find a good place in which to live; otherwise, if a disillusioned expression bespreads the features of a just-arrived professor, very likely he is one of those who had to take the leavings after the pick of the homes were preempted. For these are bad times in Chapel Hill for all who seek homes.

Merchants, restaurant-keepers and other business folk of the village are more than delighted to see the place jammed again. It means more trade. Since the Summer School closed buyers have been few and far between. A continuous twelve-months term would be greeted with loud cheers by the commercial community.

Up on the campus carpenters, masons and plumbers work not only through the day, but far into the night as well, trying to get the dormitories ready. Rulings of the State insurance department, that some of the structures must be made safer against fire, have necessitated the doing away with a number of rooms to make space for fire-proof stairways and "smoke corridors." And the reconstruction of the south two-thirds of the Old East puts 24 rooms out of commission till Christmas. All this, together with the increase in the number of students, makes it necessary to put two or three students in a room.

Mr. and Mrs. Towles Arrive

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Towles arrived in Chapel Hill Friday. They were guests of the Bookers a few days, but are moving into the house recently occupied by the Learneds, at the corner of Franklin and Boundary streets. To old-timers, it is known as the Hendon place. Mr. Towles, who went abroad a year ago to pursue studies in Paris, was married this last summer to Mademoiselle Cecile Long, a Frenchwoman.