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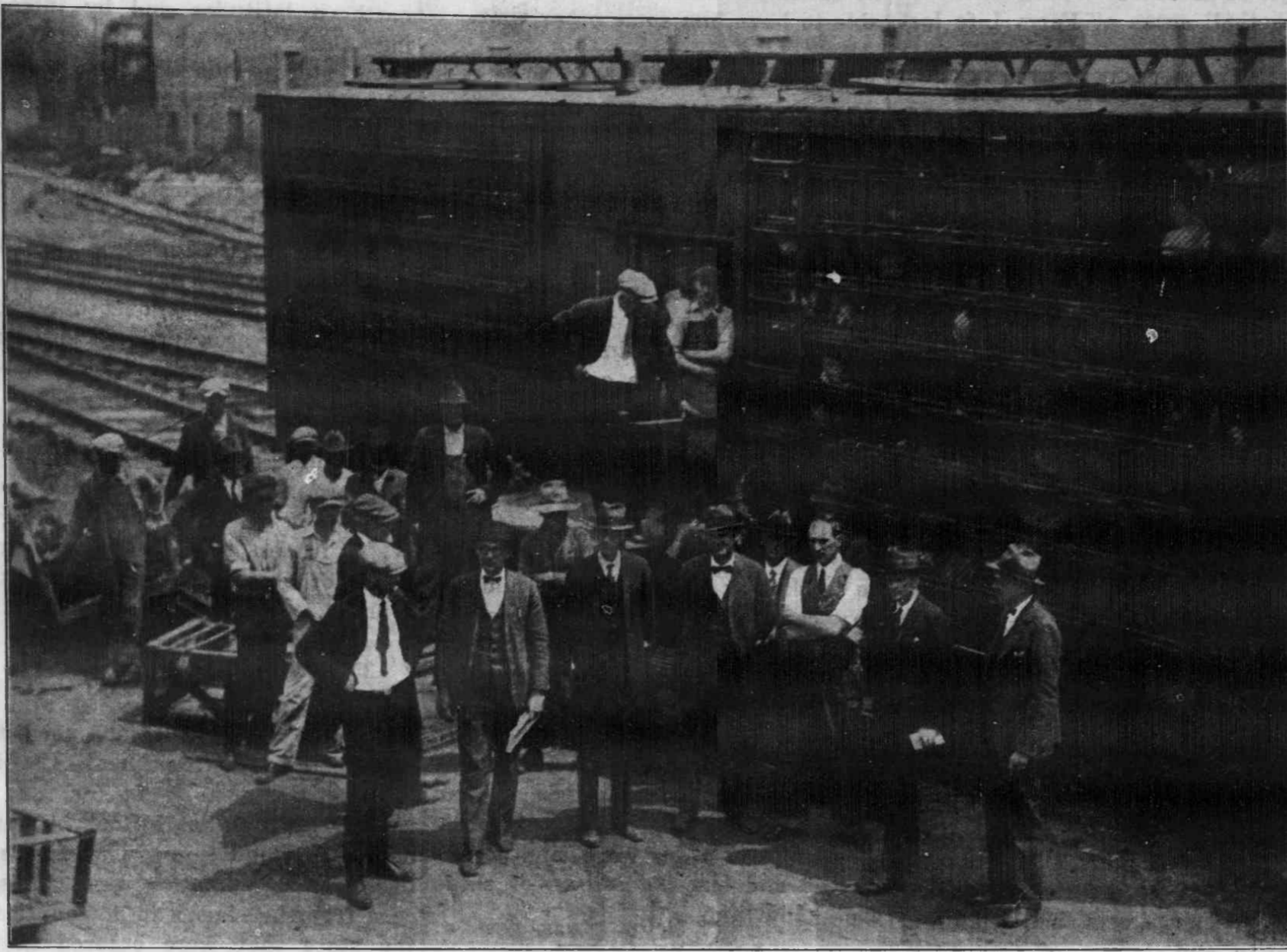
The Thirty-Sixth Meeting of Fayetteville Presbyterial Last Week

(Lula McL. Muse)

This meeting was held April 7-9, in Bethesda Church in Aberdeen. One of the most helpful and attractive programs ever given in our Presbyterial was presented at this meeting, and it was carried out almost exactly as printed—the only exception was the changing of Mrs. Swineheart's place on the program—due to a wreck. Greetings by Mrs. R. N. Page were most cordial and gracious, making each delegate feel that her coming was a real joy. The response, by Mrs. H. R. Cromartie voiced the sentiment of all present, and expressed admirably how glad we were to be the guests of Aberdeen. The official reports were very gratifying, showing that much thought and labor had been given. Our President's message was deeply impressive, revealing her keen and prayerful interest in every phase of the work. Mrs. W. L. Wilson, our beloved Synodical President, gave us a message straight from her heart, the key-note being more prayer and greater faith. Tuesday evening, the pastor, Rev. V. R. Gaston, conducted the Devotional, and again we were given a hearty welcome. A program was rendered by the young people, just as they give them in their Christian Endeavor meetings, this was led by Master Edwin McKeithen, and the recitation, in concert, of the first Psalm by these young boys, in knee-pants, followed with prayer by Master Leland McKeithen, touched all hearts and was truly an inspiration.

Mr. Joseph B. Johnson told of the work at Barium Springs, and gave us a keen insight of the lives of the children. The right man in the right place. Our Mountain work, presented in an enthusiastic manner by Mr. Tadlock proved clearly that every ounce of energy and every mite of money expended in this cause gave manifold returns. Wednesday was

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CAR OF CHICKENS LOADED WITH RUSH

Farmers Come in From all Directions and Market Is Success

The car set on the siding at Vass to be loaded with chickens for the Philadelphia market was so quickly loaded with the number assigned to the Vass neighborhood that the success was a certainty by nine o'clock in the morning. Up to noon there was no stop in the flow of chickens into the car, where they were weighed, checked up and put into the coops of the car provided for them.

Trucks, cars and wagons came from every direction, fetching big and little numbers of fowls. The proportion of hens was overwhelming. Few turkeys and guineas came,

and not many roosters. The quality of the chickens was good, showing that the scrub has not been so numerous in the community as was supposed. About seven or eight thousand pounds of fowls went out on the car, which is the amount assigned to the Vass neighborhood. The agents said that the success of this car will bring the buyers back later for more chickens.

The spectacle during the sale of the chickens and loading the car was interesting, as the open space along the road was filled with vehicles, coops, cackling fowls and people. It was a novel day for Vass.

You should keep THEM on until May 1st.

THE BUCHAN-WAY-BUTLER SHOW AT SOUTHERN PINES

Frank Buchan, who is manager of the Colossal Monohippic Aggregation, the Buchan-Way-Butler shows, that will offer one night's unrivalled attraction at Southern Pines Monday night, April 20, says that no set program has been prepared, as so many stars belong to the big outfit that substitution is frequent. From the vast repertoire the aggregation carries anything will be offered that is wanted, at least until the audience gets its fifty cents' worth. Fifty cents is the price of admission, and as the actors are not likely to get any salary the show is able to operate on this low basis of admission. Carolina theatre Monday night. Show starts as soon as the crowd is packed in the house and everybody has dropped his half dollar in the ticket office slot. It quits when it gets ready, or when the folks have gone away. Those who go out are requested to make no fuss about it, and no money will be refunded if any profess to be dissatisfied. Every hombre may bring as many femmes as he has the half dollar to pay for. It is discreet to include your own wife in the bunch you bring. Sandpaper your face so you can laugh without hurting your features when Judge Way reads Plutch's Lives of Sandhills Celebrities. Amateur jokers must not object if they are searched at the door and relieved of cabbages, old-fashioned eggs, etc., and bouquets will be carried up by the ushers and not thrown on the stage until they have been examined. File complaints with Charlie Picquet. He has had more experience in drowning the kickers than the rest of the show as he has been in the show business longer and can do a neat job.

Now remember the date and particularly the half dollar. If you want the program for any purpose write it down, it takes place Monday night.

REVIVAL MEETING

Beginning April 20th and continuing for several days, Rev. E. J. Isenhower, of Jonesboro, N. C., will conduct a series of meetings in the Baptist Church, at Aberdeen.

EIGHTY HOUSES BY BUILDING AND LOAN

Southern Pines Society Has Helped Finance Many Homes

The March report of the Southern Pines Building and Loan association shows up to the end of the month as follows:

Mortgage loans up to March	
31st 1925	\$115,661.34
Stock loan up to March	
31st 1925	8390.00
Total loans up to March	
31st 1925	\$124051.34
Cash on hand up to March	
31st 1925	1377.01

On March 31st we had 2933 shares of stock in effect being composed of 2,220 shares on the regular weekly plan and 713 shares of prepaid stock. This stock is divided among 242 stock holders on the weekly payment plan and 82 holding prepaid stock.

The Association has assisted in financing to date something over 80 homes all within a radius of two miles of Southern Pines.

The Kiwanis club is backing a large number of boys and girls who are becoming members of the associations in the county, and the money that is paid in by the Kiwanis boys and girls is helping materially to build the eighty homes financed by the Southern Pines association as well as other homes built by the other associations of the county. The club is looking for more boys and girls to start as members, and proposes to keep up the work indefinitely, in order that the young people may acquire the habit of saving and accumulating money, and also to help industrious people to secure for themselves homes in a way they can pay for the property.

All the churches are invited to cooperate. All Christians are urged to help make the meeting a success. All together—praying, working and hoping—to save souls and make this a better community in which to live. Services 10:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M. Jesse Bialock.

Some people are not satisfied to do nothing, even when they have nothing to do.

TAXES COLLECTED ABOUT TWO-THIRDS

Sheriff Reports To County Auditor For The Month of March

A statement from Sheiff R. G. Fry to the county auditor shows that the county taxes are almost two-thirds collected. On the last day of March not quite \$130,000 remained to be gathered in, and if the rate maintained in March can be kept up the lists will be cleaned up by the first of August. Of course the final collections do not rush in like the early ones, and Mr. Bell says the money for the roads, schools, and other purposes is always needed, so he hopes the taxpayers will respond to the

sheriff's willingness to pay out receipts.

Conditions around the sheriff's office the first Monday, looked like a busy place. Taxpayers were numerous, evidently bringing in the coin, and receipts were going out freely. The statement below shows that up to the present time almost a quarter of a million dollars has been paid by the county taxables on the 1924 lists, and that half as much as has been paid is yet to come. The statement is as follows:

Report on the Public Taxes for the Month of March 1925

Subjects	Last Report	This Month	To Date
Ad Valorem and Polls	\$348,547.70		\$348,547.70
Sheriff's Discoveries & Unlisted	4,363.46	2,353.59	6,717.05
Schedule B, Nos.	841.13	17.50	858.63
TOTAL TAXES	\$353,752.29	\$2,371.09	\$356,123.38
Reliefs or Abatements	701.30	640.36	1,341.66
Collected (Down)	188,218.75	36,964.07	225,182.82
TOTAL	\$188,920.05	\$37,604.43	\$226,524.48
Balance, Receipt on Hand	\$164,832.24		\$129,598.90
CASH Collected (as above)	\$188,218.75	\$36,964.07	\$225,182.82
Deposited County Treasurer	178,000.00	39,000.00	217,000.00
Commissions Retained	6,487.70		6,487.70
Balance, Cash on Hand	\$3,731.05		\$1,695.12

I hereby certify that the above is a true account of the public taxes charged to me and returned by me, and that the return is a full and true record of all unlisted taxes collected.

R. G. FRY, Sheriff.

CONVENTION WOMEN'S CLUBS

The program committee has arranged the following schedule for North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs to be held at the Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst, May 4, 5, 6, 1925.

MONDAY, MAY 4th.

- 11:30 A. M. Meeting of the Executive Board—Dutch Room, Carolina Hotel.
- 1:00 P. M. Luncheon to the Executive Board—Private Dining Room, Carolina Hotel.
- 3:30 P. M. Meeting of the Board of Trustees—Dutch Room, Carolina Hotel.
- 4:30 P. M. Meeting of Board of Directors—Ball Room, Carolina Hotel.
- 8:00 P. M. Opening Session of Convention—Ball Room, Carolina Hotel.

TUESDAY, May 5th

- 8:00 A. M. District Presidents, Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, presiding.
- 8:00 A. M. Presidents of Literary Clubs and Chairman of Literature Depts., Miss Marian Blair, presiding.
- 1:00 P. M. Luncheon; Household Economics—Mrs. Rosalind Redfern, presiding.
- 1:00 P. M. Luncheon; Art—Music. Joint hostesses; Mrs. R. L. Gwyn, Mrs. E. E. Randolph.

WEDNESDAY, May 6th

- 6:00 A. M. Presidents of Departmental Clubs—Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker, presiding.
- 8:00 A. M. Education—Civics. Joint hostesses; Mrs. H. W. Chase, Mrs. R. N. Page.
- 1:00 P. M. Luncheon. Health—Public Welfare. Joint hostesses; Mrs. R. L. Allen, Mrs. W. T. Shore.
- 1:00 P. M. Luncheon—Press. Mrs. J. Henry Highsmith, presiding.
- 6:00 P. M. Federation Dinner. Speakers announced later.

The breakfast and luncheon conference will be most interesting and it is hoped a large number of club women will attend, as it will be a rare opportunity to learn of the wonderful educational and welfare work accomplished by the Federation in North Carolina.