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CHARLIE PICQUET SEES ROARING GAP

Good Roads, Good Vittles, Big
Mountain, Fine
Ride

Charlie Picquet, who puts in his life trying to make things enjoyable for folks in this section, has been up to Roaring Gap, where Leonard Tufts and some others are building an attractive new hotel. The hotel is not yet finished, but it seems conveniences are provided there for folks to get enough to eat, and the roads are as smooth as a sidewalk. Charlie writes of his trip:

"I have just returned from a Sunday trip to Roaring Gap and had the surprise of my life. The road up the mountain side is so wonderfully graded that I hardly realized I was going up the mountain until I was on top and the hotel site is far superior to the May View Manor site in every way.

"We ate dinner in the new tea house and what a glorious dinner it was! I predict if Mrs. Miller continues to run this place that she will have a waiting list extending half way down the mountain every Sunday."

Possibly Roaring Gap may seem a little out of the way as far as the average Sandhiller is concerned, but Mr. Picquet talking about his venture up in the mountains does not think so. He argues that North Carolina is swiftly becoming a great out-of-doors amusement enterprise for hundreds of thousands of people, and that Roaring Gap is a legitimate annex of Moore county, for it is not so far away but that it is accessible in a drive of five or six hours, and it is connected with Pinehurst through the relationship that exists through Mr. Tufts' management as head of the venture. The road from Moore county to Roaring Gap is in good shape all the way with paving on much of the route. The location of the hotel, golf course, lake, and all the adjuncts, is on the top of the broad mountain, with the world in sight in all directions, and Mr. Picquet says if the other advantages did not put the place prominently in the front as a vacation site for the people of this part of the state the shorter distance would. He is enthusiastic over the future of the Roaring Gap prospect, as he is of all the state.

BIG REVIVAL AT OLD CULDEE

Meeting Held the First Week
in September by
Rev. Roberts

One of the best revivals which has been held in the Sandhills came to a close Saturday night, Sept. 5th. This meeting was conducted by Rev. J. K. Roberts, of Conestee, South Carolina, who is in the Extension Work of Enoree Presbytery. In a letter to The Pilot he had this to say about the meeting:

"We had the biggest meeting at Culdee I ever held. Last Saturday night friends from fifteen Presbyterian churches were present to hear me. I appreciated it very much. The house would not hold the congregation from the first night; and the crowds grew larger as the meeting progressed.

"There were 48 conversions, over 350 re-consecrations by church members.

"The congregation read the Bible between services, and brought the number of chapters and verses with them to church which were collected and tabulated every night.

"During the meeting they read over 1,700 chapters and over 54,000 verses, or a total which nearly equaled reading the Bible through twice, as there are over 1,100 chapters, and over 31,000 verses in the Bible."

It will be remembered that Rev. Roberts served the Presbyterians of Moore county for about twenty years

PATRIOTIC ORDER WILL STOP IN SOUTHERN PINES

The society of the Patriotic Order Sons of America holds its national convention in Salisbury in this state on September 22. A large delegation from the Eastern states is coming by the Seaboard which will bring them into Southern Pines on Monday, September 21, on the morning train at 6, and give them until the Shoofly goes out at 11:22 to see Southern Pines and the neighborhood. This society is a fairly strong organization of men of a good type, chiefly in the North although it has a number of locations in the South. It is a pretty good bunch of men to receive with a welcome, as the class of which the society is composed is representative in all the communities where the society is in existence. Southern Pines is the only stop that will be made in the state except where a change of cars is made at Charlotte.

SPECIAL REVIVAL SERVICES

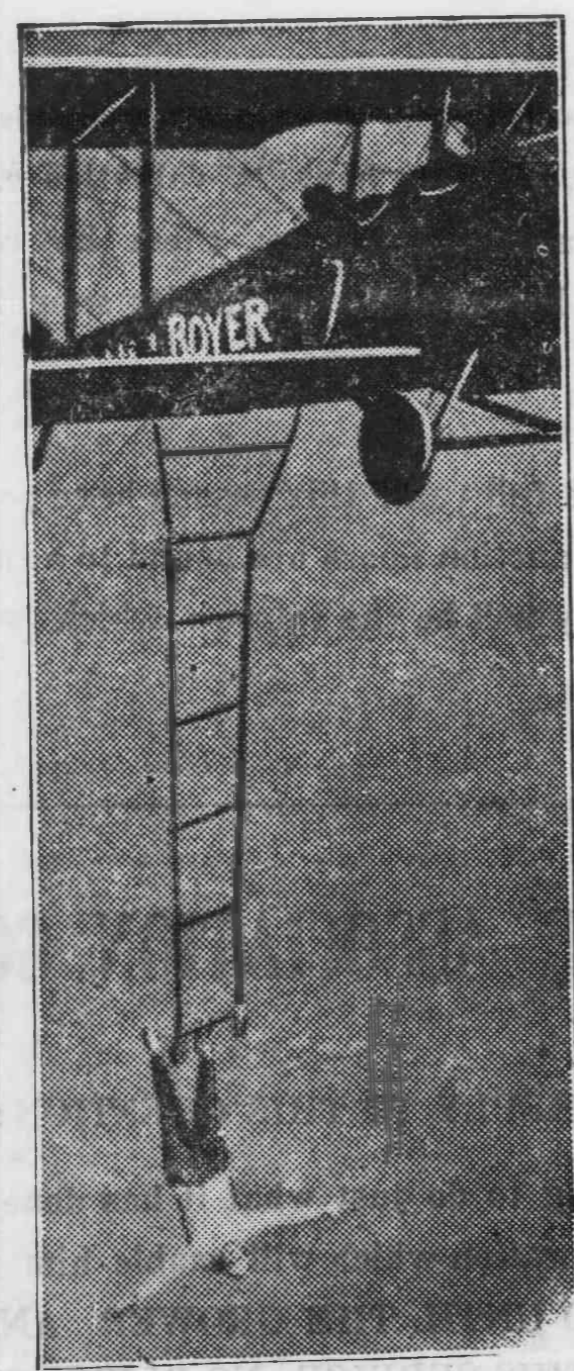
The local Methodist Pastor is out with the announcement of a Revival at the Methodist Church, beginning Sunday, September 20th.

A unique feature of this meeting is that Rev. V. R. Gaston, of the Presbyterian church in Aberdeen, will do most of the preaching, arriving on Monday. Mr. McWhorter and Mr. Gaston have been close friends for some years, and they seek to assist each other. Rev. Mr. Monroe will also cooperate, and the choirs of all the community are invited to aid in the singing.

"EMPRESS OF THE AIR" SANDHILL FAIR

Lillian Boyer Booked For Last
Day of Fair, Friday
October 30

All four days of the Sandhill Fair will hold attractions surpassing anything heretofore offered, but the real "thriller" has been saved for the last day, Friday, October 30, when Miss Lillian Boyer will give her exhibitions in stunt flying. Miss Boyer's super-sensations in the air have earned the admiration of audiences everywhere.



She seems more like a beautiful society bud than an aerial dare-devil, and her demure and soft-spoken manner have won her special stories by feature writers in practically every large American city. She is not a flapper,—she hasn't bobbed hair nor radical clothes nor a flippant manner. Just a sweet, friendly, real American girl admired by everyone she meets. Not at all the type one would expect
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WALTER B. GRAHAM



Walter B. Graham is a pretty fair example of what a young chap of this country can do if he has the desire. Walter started out on the farm not far from Vass, and when he was big enough to want to get out into the world he found a job with Will Britton down at Lumberdale where he earned somewhere around four or five dollars a week working. He didn't merely have a job. He worked, and work around a saw mill is work. When he wanted to come up to see the home folks the sandy road was wide enough for him to walk it, which he did time after time, and without shedding any tears over the hardship. He was advanced at Lumberdale, and when he finally separated from Britton he was experienced enough and had saved some money to allow him to begin to do things himself. It is not a great while ago since Walter Graham was a young chap starting to climb, but he has made the grade. He is now a factor in the Vass Cotton mills, in the Mercantile company, in a lumber plant of his own, in South Carolina and Virginia interests, in the social and community affairs of his own neighborhood, and in all his work he has maintained a clean character, and a highly enviable standing as a good citizen and a good neighbor.

He didn't get where he is by any accident. He simply made use of good sense, energy, square business methods, and persistent work. And besides being a sound and successful business man and representative in this community Walter Graham is a cordial human creature and a companionable and wholesome member of his neighborhood.

STATE FAIR BOOSTER TRAIN WILL STOP HERE

The State Fair Booster train will stop at Vass, next Thursday, Sept. 24, for five minutes. Will arrive at 5:45 P. M., leaving at 5:50

We would like for everyone in the community to meet this bunch of boosters, and we have a communication from them, stating that they are desirous of meeting us.

GOOD TABLE POULTRY SCARCE IN MARKETS

"Many housewives are complaining that the table poultry which they get from the markets is not fattened and is of poor quality," says Dr. B. F. Kaupp, in charge of the Poultry Department at State College. "This seems to be true throughout the State and the better quality poultry and eggs are being shipped into the State in large quantities simply because we are not on job.

"One of the greatest needs of North Carolina farmers is to provide modern poultry houses, learn the proper method of handling and feed so as to meet the demand. Poultry when put on a business basis will pay a good profit and is one of the best money crops, bringing in cash every week. Why not organize and produce high grade table poultry and keep the money at home where it belongs?"

"In the mid-west states, commission houses have been established in many
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MISS MARY E. SEAGROVES BRIDE OF H. T. MATTHEWS

Of interest to the many friends of the contracting parties was the announcement of the marriage of Miss Mary E. Seagroves, of near Sanford, to H. Turner Matthews. The wedding took place in Albemarle Thursday of last week, the vows being spoken before Rev. C. M. Pickens, pastor of Central Methodist church.

The bride, who is a beautiful young woman, was becomingly attired in brown with grey accessories.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Matthews left for a trip through the western part of the state. Upon their return they will be at home in their attractive new bungalow near Sanford.

Mrs. Matthews attended Sandhill Farm Life school, near Vass, where she was very popular.

Mr. Matthews is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Matthews, of Vass, and has held a position at Coal Glen for some time.

MANLEY ORGANIZE TO PROTECT SCHOOL CHILDREN

An Association was organized Tuesday evening at Manley school house. The object of this Association is to co-operate with the Southern Pines School.

Since the consolidation of Manley school with the Southern Pines school there has been a great deal of trouble in connection with the school truck. The parents have decided that a radical change of some sort is necessary, therefore, a meeting will be held Friday evening, September eighteenth at eight o'clock in the Manley school house. Everyone interested in welfare of the children of this vicinity are urged to be present.

TITLE OF WINNER TO BE CHANGED

Winner in Voting Contest to Be
"Miss Liberty" Instead of
"Miss America"

The first ballot of the voting contest for the most popular young lady in Moore County to represent "Miss Liberty" in the Parade of All Nations" at the Sandhill Fair on Thursday, October 29th, will be found in this issue of The Pilot.

The title of the winner of this contest has been changed from "Miss America" to "Miss Liberty" due to the fact that the Float representing The United States is to be sponsored by the D. A. R. and it will be both historical and patriotic, making "Miss Liberty" much more appropriate to the spirit of the Float.

Each ballot is good for ten votes. The votes will be counted each week and the standing of the candidates will be published from week to week until October 15th.

All ballots must be mailed to the Secretary of the Sandhill Fair at Pinehurst, and must be in his hands not later than Tuesday morning of each week in order to get credit.

It is hoped that each community will concentrate their votes on one candidate. People like to vote for a candidate whom they think will win and the candidate who has the most votes to start off with always has the "jump" on the others. Get your votes in early.

"Big News" Next Week

Watch next week's issue of this paper for "big news on the Sandhill Fair. The Secretary has whispered to us that he has secured the biggest attraction ever seen at any Fair in the State and that it is the only appearance of it in the State.

Farmers from Palmico County recently made a tour through the western part of the State for the purpose of visiting and inspecting the seed potato belt in that section. Much valuable information was secured and many of the party saw the mountains for the first time, states County Agent R. W. Galphin.

NATION-WIDE SURVEY OF PEACH

U. S. Department of Agriculture
To Supply Growers With
Information

The United States Department of Agriculture is at present engaged in a nation-wide survey of the Peach Industry. The object of this is to supply growers with the information that they have needed in the past to make reasonable profits growing peaches. Much difficulty has arisen from the fact that plantings have been made without a knowledge of the amount of competition in the markets between varieties in one area and those in another, and without sufficient information as to the buyers, likes or dislikes in the matter of variety and quality of peaches. In other words, growers planning new developments have often been going it blindly. This, to a considerable extent, has been unavoidable because the necessary information was not to be had.

With this in view, the United States Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the state experiment stations, state departments of agriculture, state horticultural societies, various marketing agencies, railroads, and individuals has started a thorough study of the entire peach industry. Enthusiastic support has been given by all organizations, but the success of the survey will depend upon how carefully and promptly the growers lend their support.

A part of this study is a complete census of all peach trees on farms of 100 trees or more, and an inquiry has been sent to all commercial peach growers in North Carolina and other states calling for a classification of their trees according to age and varieties.

This study is to be completed at an early date. Prompt reports from all growers will save much time and expense for follow-up work. Schedules was sent out from the Cooperative Crop Reporting Service at Raleigh on September 11th. In case any grower has failed to receive one of these, it will be appreciated if he will request one from the Crop Reporting Service at Raleigh.

This report is intended solely for the growers' benefit, and the Department of Agriculture requests the enthusiastic cooperation of all North Carolina peach growers.—N. C. Cooperative Crop Reporting Service.

SEABOARD WILL MOVE OFFICES

Will Start Moving Operation
Department at Once—May
Not Be Permanent

Temporary removal of the operating department of the general office of the Seaboard Air Line railway company from Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va., to Savannah, Ga., was announced on Wednesday by M. H. Cahill, vice president in charge of operations.

Mr. Cahill will head the first contingent to move next week, and other sub-departments will go to their new headquarters just as soon as it can be arranged.

The official announcement follows: "To meet the operating requirements of the railroad at the present time, due very largely to the activities in Florida, it is necessary that the operating department move to Savannah, Ga., at least temporarily.

"The following officers reporting to Mr. W. H. Cahill, vice president in charge of operations, constitutes the operating department: J. E. O'Brien, chief of motive power and equipment; W. D. Faucette, chief engineer; J. L. Kirby, engineer maintenance of way; C. E. Hix, superintendent of transportation; W. F. Williams, superintendent of telegraph; W. G. Slaughter, chief special agent.

"This transfer of operating officers for the purpose above stated will
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