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WILSON COMPANY PLANS TO HOUSE 100 EMPLOYEES

Temporary Building at Carthage to Meet Problem Until Homes Are Provided

TO BUILD MESS HALL

The immediate construction of temporary quarters to take care of from 75 to 100 employees of the Wilson Furniture Manufacturing Company, now operating in the old plant of the Tyson & Jones Buggy Company in Carthage, is the probable solution of the housing problem arising over the starting up of the plant in the Moore county capital, it was stated there Wednesday.

Superintendent Wilson of the Wilson plant at Carthage said that the same arrangements would have to be made at once for housing and feeding the workmen, and that he had recommended to President Wilson of the furniture concern that a temporary structure of approximately 75 or possibly 100 small rooms, with a mess hall nearby, be built. Mr. Whitaker claims that with such an arrangement the employees of the furniture plant can be fed at approximately \$4.50 per week each.

The quarters will be constructed of the cheapest possible material, as it is believed that as soon as the Carthage people find out that small houses are needed and will be occupied by the employees and their families, there will be sufficient numbers built to take care of the demand from time to time. It is also possible that out-of-town people will purchase lots and construct small houses on them for rent to the employees.

In a conversation with Colin G. Spencer, Mr. Whitaker stated that he did not expect people in Carthage to put up houses for rent until they were assured of the permanence of the furniture plant's operation and the demand for such houses. Mr. Spencer assured him that the community and outsiders would respond to a demand for houses just as soon as they found the need for them was of a permanent nature.

The plant, which went into operation recently, is reported as busy, with bright prospects for the future.

ABERDEEN BOY SCOUTS OFF FOR ANNUAL HIKE

Nine Aberdeen Boy Scouts, accompanied by the Rev. E. L. Barber and William Carter, Jr., left by bus for Chimney Rock Tuesday for their annual outing. Chimney Rock is only the first stop. From there they go on to Montreat where they will make their encampment. They plan to return by way of Kings Mountain. Asked on leaving how long they were going to be gone, the boys said, "As long as our money holds out." They were hoping it would hold out for ten days.

Those making the trip were Elbridge Park, Billy Bethune, Henry Lewis Johnson, Jesse Carter, John Edward Pleasants, Lawrence Cliff, Jerry McKeithen, Richard Boggs, and Fred Stevenson.

PILOT MISINFORMED ABOUT SHOOTING NEAR CAMERON

In a news item in The Pilot last week, mention was made of thefts of watermelons from Ira Thomas's patch near Cameron, resulting in the shooting of Will Cameron by Mr. Thomas's brother, Milton Thomas. It develops that The Pilot was misinformed in the matter, that Ira Thomas does not own a watermelon patch and that it is not known who did the shooting. The Pilot regrets publication of its correspondent's misinformation and apologizes to the Messrs. Thomas.

—The Editor.

PINEHURST STAR LOSES IN ARCHERY TOURNAMENT

Robert Hoggerhyde of Cold Water, Mich., won the championship of the men's division of the Midwestern Archery Association, held at Peoria, Ill., defeating the defending champion, Carl G. Thompson of Pinehurst.

Hoggerhyde won both American style rounds, but was beaten at York style. Robert Jackson, Geneva, Ohio, was third.

'Squire Jesse, Patriarch of Carthage, Lifelong Resident of County, Dead

Born in 1846, Jesse Fry Led Interesting Life of Service to His Community

Many interesting lives have been spent within the bounds of Moore county, but few of greater interest than that of 'Squire Jesse Fry, who on Wednesday morning of last week passed away at the home of his son, Ed Fry, in Carthage.

Jesse Fry was born on November 26, 1846 at what was known as Horsepen Branch in Carthage township and his entire life, with the exception of about a year, was spent in the county of his birth. He was one of the nineteen children of Absalom and Clarissa Fry. His father was a schoolmaster of the old type, and as most schoolmasters of his day, was a strict disciplinarian. It was from this, father that young Jesse received his schooling, and along with it some sound principles of honesty and application to duty which greatly influenced his later life.

As a youth of less than fifteen, he saw the beginning of the War between the States, and endured the hardships which attended the years of struggle and for a time his home was saddened by the absence of several of the older sons who were at the battle front.

A Good Speller

As a young man, Mr. Fry entered the teaching profession, and his work was characterized by thoroughness. He himself could spell every word in Webster's Blue Back Spelling Book, and he required his pupils to master every word before proceeding farther. In those days, free school terms were very short, but these were supplemented by subscription schools, and the teachers drew the munificent salaries of from twenty to twenty-five dollars per month for their services.

Later, he became a justice of the peace and served in this capacity for nearly half a century. Mr. Fry was a man of much native ability, very intelligent, unusually energetic, and the soul of honesty. He could not tolerate dishonesty and if he owed a penny, could not rest until it was paid. Possessing these qualities, it was only natural that he should take the performance of the duties of his office seriously and that he should win the confidence of those with whom his business brought him in contact. He wrote many deeds and mortgages and presided over a multitudinous number of court cases coming under his jurisdiction, and that his decisions were wise is indicated by the fact that his record is remarkably free from reverses in the Superior Court.

"The Marrying 'Squire"

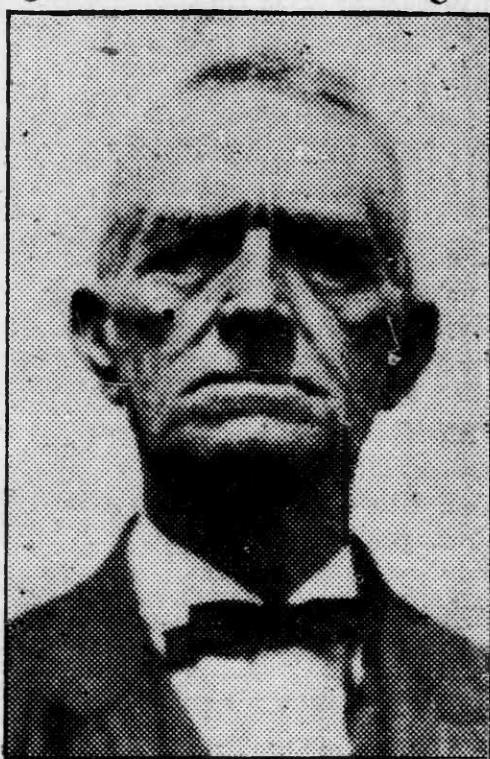
But it is as the "Marrying Squire" that 'Squire Jesse is known best. He has united in marriage well up towards five hundred couples, 432, to be exact, and he officiated with much dignity. His knots bound together people from the various walks of life, and his fees, likewise, were of various denominations. None, however, were very large, nor did he expect them to be. Once he performed a ceremony for some millionaires from a neighboring resort and the happy bridegroom handed the 'Squire a twenty dollar bill for his services. 'Squire Fry remarked that he would have to go to the bank to get the change, whereupon the newlywed told him to keep it. This was his largest fee. 'Squire Fry was very witty, and his friends tell an amusing incident which bears this out. An exceedingly ill-favored would-be bride and her equally un-Adonis-like swain presented themselves before the 'Squire to take the vows of matrimony. He solemnly performed the ceremony, then said: "You are now at the end of your troubles, but I don't know at which end!"

'Squire Fry was twice married. His first wife was Miss Mary Ann Muse and to them was born one child, who died in infancy. He later married Miss Nanny Muse. To this union, eight children were born, two of whom, Ed and D. Carl Fry, both of Carthage, survive.

Had Host of Friends

Since the death of his second wife several years ago, 'Squire Fry has made his home with his son, Ed. Both sons have done much to contribute to their father's happiness. For a num-

In His 84th Year



'SQUIRE JESSE FRY

D. R. Coker to Address Farmers at Carthage

Agricultural Authority Secured by Kiwanis Club for Big Meeting August 13.

As has been heretofore noted in the papers, the Agricultural Committee of the Kiwanis Club has been most fortunate in securing David R. Coker, of Hartsville, S. C., to address the farmers of Moore and adjoining counties at Carthage on Wednesday afternoon, August 13.

Mr. Coker is perhaps the greatest authority in the South on improved farming methods. As almost everyone knows, he maintains and operates several large experiment farms around Hartsville and in other sections of South Carolina. His work in seed culture, in combatting the boll weevil, and generally all along the line in improving farm conditions has been of incalculable benefit to the farmers throughout the South. He is an impressive speaker and always brings a message worthwhile. It is indeed fortunate that the farmers are to have this opportunity of hearing Mr. Coker and no doubt a large number of them will take advantage of it.

The speaking will be held in the Court Room at Carthage. Remember that the date is August 13, and the hour is 1:45 p. m.

At last Wednesday's meeting of the Kiwanis Club Allison Honeycutt, governor of the Carolinas district of Kiwanis International, talked to the members of the Aberdeen club on the benefits of Kiwanis clubs to a community, particularly along agricultural lines, and he complimented the local organization on the splendid work it had done along several lines of civic improvement. Mr. Honeycutt was accompanied here by his wife, and they were accorded a warm welcome by the Sandhills Kiwanians.

Congressman William C. Hammer of this district will tell the local club about the recent session of Congress at next Wednesday's meeting.

ber of years they have entertained annually at a birthday dinner honoring their father, and the guest list has been made up of his friends, doctors, lawyers, preachers, bankers, men from the various walks of life some thirty or forty strong, who were pleased to do this venerable citizen honor. 'Squire Fry's popularity was not confined to any one class or party. He was a Democrat, but when he ran for office, practically everyone in his township, regardless of party affiliation, voted for him. He had been a member of the Methodist Church for a number of years.

Funeral services were conducted from the home on Thursday morning by the following ministers of Carthage: Rev. W. S. Golden, Rev. J. H. Buffalo, Rev. J. E. Ayscue, and Rev. Frank Blue. Interment was in Cross Hill cemetery. Among the number of beautiful floral offerings was a design sent by the lawyers of the town, who had been so closely associated with 'Squire Fry throughout the years. In addition to the sons, Rannie Muse, a twin sister of the deceased, survives.

250 ATTEND BLUE FAMILY REUNION NEAR OLD HOME

Descendants of Duncan Campbell Blue Hold Picnic at Lakeview

CAME HERE BEFORE 1770

A good many years ago there was born in Scotland a boy to whom the name Duncan Blue was given. In his young manhood he was united in marriage to a Scottish lassie called Margaret Campbell and together they decided to cast their lot in far away America, the land of freedom and promise, and thereby hangs the story of a most delightful family reunion which was held in Lakeview on last Sunday.

The exact date of the coming of the Blues and of their settling at what is now Lakeview is not known, but that it was previous to the year 1770 is well established, as records show that fifty acres of land was granted to Duncan Blue in that year by King George III. To this couple were born six children, three daughters, Polly, Kattie and Effie, and three sons, John, Patrick and Duncan Campbell, the last named being born in this country in 1780.

The annual reunion of the descendants of Duncan Campbell Blue was held in the picturesque old pine grove near the Blue homestead, with approximately two hundred and fifty present to participate in the happy exchange of greetings and reminiscences, and a bounteous picnic dinner was served. Those present to enjoy this delightful occasion included:

Among Those Present

A. C. Blue, Lakeview; Mrs. G. H. McCallum and family, Cameron; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Blue and family, Cameron; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cameron and D. A. Cameron, Hamlet; Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Day, Pinehurst; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Byrd, Albemarle; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith, Lakeview; Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Cameron, Morrisville; Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Autrey, Varina; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Guen, Southern Pines; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Keith and Miss Kate Keith, Cameron; Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Blue and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Blue and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Richardson and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cox and family, Duncan McInnis and family, Lakeview; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Buchan, Kingston; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sharpe, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. Clem Everett and family, Lakeview; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Blue and family, Vass; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Autrey and family, Cameron; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bethea and family, St. Pauls; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blue and family, Raeford; Mr. and Mrs. Garland Moon and family, Graham.

Mrs. Florence Gillis and daughter, Greensboro; Mrs. H. C. Trexler and daughter, Somerset, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wynne and daughter, Gibsonville; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Blue, Rocky Mount; Miss Jessie Ferguson, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. Mac Cameron and family, Cameron; Mac Parsons and Miss Sallie McDonald, Lakeview; J. A. Keith, Vass; Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Causey, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cole and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coore and family, Lakeview; D. K. Blue, Raeford; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McFayden and family, Vass; John Baker, Miss Maggie Blue, Miss Mattie Blue, Dan J. Blue and John C. Blue, Cameron. Among the visitors present were Mrs. Charles Garthwright, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Moon and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Swearingen.

5,000 VIEW AUSTIN CAR

Five thousand persons visited the showroom of the Austin Automobile Company in Charlotte at the opening on Wednesday of this week, and Jesse W. Page Jr., of Aberdeen, president of the company, reports the sale of ten cars. The showroom is at East Trade and Caldwell streets.

EASTERN STAR PICNIC

Members of Magnolia chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, enjoyed a picnic supper under the pines beside Mrs. Beck's May street residence Wednesday evening, nearly sixty being present.

Huge Army Ordnance Truck Crashes Through Bridge Over James Creek, Southern Pines

Eight Tons of Government Equipment Almost Disappear in Sand and Mire of Stream's Bed as Old Bridge Gives Away

RESCUE CREW LOST IN RESERVATION

Ration Truck Also Slides off Road and 34th Ordnance Outfit is Marooned Over Night on Outskirts of Southern Pines, Sleeping in Woods Through Heavy Rain.

With an eight-ton United States Army equipment repair truck firmly stuck in the mucky bottom of James Creek, a ration truck, loaded with kitchen equipment, well imbedded in another stream nearby, and the crew of a tractor, sent from Fort Bragg to rescue the marooned equipment, lost in the wilds of the government's largest artillery reservation, the 34th Ordnance Company, enroute to Morrison's Bridge for encampment, spent a wet and sleepless Wednesday night in the woods surrounding the old Buchan field, just outside the city limits of Southern Pines.

The huge repair truck went through the bridge over James Creek, just beyond the Buchan field, and settled in the soft sand and mire. At about the same time the kitchen equipment truck slid off the road into a branch of the creek not fifty yards behind the repair truck. There were some forty olive drab artillery trucks of the 34th Ordnance Company in the procession. They had passed through Aberdeen during the forenoon, coming from Fort Bragg by way of Fayetteville and Raeford. They went out Connecticut avenue, Southern Pines, with a view to camping at a point in the reservation out the old Southern Pines Raeford road, but finding unsatisfactory conditions upon arrival there, Captain J. W. Orcutt, regular army officer in charge, ordered a return to Southern Pines, with Morrison's Bridge as the destination for encampment for the night.

Goes Through Bridge

It was while the long line of heavy artillery trucks were making their way toward Southern Pines that the hoodoo started to work. Trucks began to sink in the soft sand at first, and several had to be helped out. Then the huge equipment truck, toward the end of the line, went through the James Creek Bridge, and left no doubt in the mind of engineer or layman that it intended to rest there for some time. There was nothing left of the bridge, and the truck looked for a time as if it might sink out of sight. Officers and men had considerable difficulty in digging out beneath the truck so that some leverage might be gotten under it to keep it from more complete inundation. Then word was sent to headquarters at Fort Bragg to send a tractor and crew to aid in pulling it out.

The hoodoo continued to work. Not only had the ration truck gone into the muck irretrievably in the meanwhile, but the tractor failed to appear, and after the hours rolled by a detail was sent to look for it. It was found out in the reservation with two of its cylinders out of commission, but there was no sign of the crew. Every effort to locate the men failed, and it is not known whether they are lost in the wilds of the huge reservation, or whether they succeeded in making some nearby farmhouse for the night. In any event, their whereabouts were unknown at time of going to press.

Sleep in Woods

The Ordnance men spent the night along the roadside, those who couldn't crowd into the already well loaded trucks sleeping in the woods near the Buchan field despite the heavy downpour of rain. Yesterday morning orders were sent to the Fort for another tractor. Captain Orcutt stated that it would be necessary to use a ten-ton tractor to haul out the heavy equipment truck. This truck is fully equipped with machinery for overhauling guns, rifles, pistols, etc. It is the heaviest piece of rolling equipment used in the Ordnance department. It is a four-wheel drive truck.

How long it would be before the company could extricate its mired equipment, Captain Orcutt could not state yesterday. One of the side lights

of the excitement was that with the company were 12 Reserve Corps officers, attached for training, and, as Captain Orcutt said, "getting plenty of it."

Large numbers of residents of Southern Pines drove out the old Raeford Road yesterday to see the disabled war machines, and the sight was worth seeing. Despite the signing of the new Peace Treaty in Washington but a couple of days before, it looked as if War had come to the Sandhills.

Reach Peak in Peach Shipments This Week

Over 500 Cars Cleared Through Aberdeen To Date.—Demand and Quality Good

The peak will be reached in peach shipments from the Sandhills peach belt this week, with Georgia Belles and Elbertas moving by train and truck in large quantities. The fruit continues to be of the finest quality shipped from here in a long time, and the demand is heavy. Prices are ranging from \$2.00 to \$3.00 over the country, with sales at \$2.25 and \$2.50 predominant.

Five hundred and six cars have cleared through Aberdeen to date, of which 276 have come from the Norfolk & Southern, 65 from the Aberdeen & Rockfish, 150 from Marston and Hoffman and 15 from Southern Pines. Throughout the country shipments were heavy the forepart of this week, reports showing 600 cars shipped Monday, 750 Tuesday and 800 Wednesday.

State Patrol Report Pleases Kiwanis Club

The report of Captain Charles D. Farmer of the State Highway Patrol, published in The Pilot last week, was a source of gratification to the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen, which was one of the original sponsors of a State police force for highway control. In a letter to members of the club this week, Secretary Herbert D. Vail reports for the Automobile Legislation committee as follows:

"A few years ago our club had its usual good foresight into the future and saw the necessity of control for motorists on the highways. The club appointed a committee headed by R. N. Page to work towards obtaining a Highway Patrol. This committee found work to do and they did that work well.

"U. L. Spence, when a member of the 1929 State Legislature, has told us of the work which he and others accomplished during that term of legislature. Members of our Committee on Auto Legislation appeared for hearings before a committee which drafted the present Bill. The Bill which passed was but a compromise, a tryout. The idea of having a State force patrol the highways had not entered the minds of the majority, they had not become educated to the necessity of it.

"Our part in getting this small report submitted by Captain Charles D. Farmer, printed in The Pilot last week, showed clearly the great amount of good this force accomplished in one year and proves the need for increasing the force. There is even greater need for our Committee to continue its good work."

Southern Pines golfers defeated Pinehurst 13-0 in a low foursome played Wednesday afternoon on the Southern Pines course, Bill Woodward starring for Southern Pines with a Pinehurst 13-0 in a low ball foursome vis Ferree's 77.