

Alton Matthews Is Best Dairy Judge

Wins Trip to White Lake in Contest Sponsored by Young Tar Heel Farmers

By Eugene M. Hicks

The dairy judging class sponsored by the Vass chapter of the Young Tar Heel Farmers made a great success in dairy judging for the season. The boys judged at the following places: Leslie, Suggs, Davis and Royal Pines dairies, and at the Moore County Agricultural Fair. Alton Matthews holds highest score for the year and Bill Goodman the second highest.

The scores in the contests were as follows: Alton Matthews 82, Bill Goodman 81, Ernest McNeill 80, Harry Laubscher 75, James Lee Blue, Harry Cortis Thomas 77, George Dyer 75, Coyne Cameron 74, Bernice Graham 74, Remond McCraney 73, Atlas Eastwood 72, Edwin Causey 70 and Russell Thompson 61.

The first prize, a trip to White Lake, is given by the teacher of vocational agriculture and the second prize of \$2.50 is given by the merchants of the town.

The teacher of agriculture is preparing these boys for the national dairy contest at St. Louis next year, sponsored by the State organization of Tar Heel Farmers.

CAMERON

Miss Margaret McLean was a weekend guest of Miss Loula May Lancaster at Flora McDonald College, Red Springs.

Miss Eloise Starr of the Greenwood School, Lemon Springs, spent the week-end with Miss Mary Emma Thomas.

Miss Katherine McDonald, who has been teaching at Needham's Grove, is home for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McIver spent Saturday in Fayetteville, guest of Mrs. Agnes Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLean spent Sunday in Siler City, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Headen. Mrs. Headen before marriage was Miss Thelma Spiers, who taught in our school for several years.

W. M. Muse of Durham had the misfortune of falling from a ladder last week, and an X-ray revealed a fractured pelvis bone. He is doing as well as could be expected, but suffers greatly. Mr. Muse lived for a number of years in Cameron, and his many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shoals of Angier, Mr. and Mrs. John McIntosh and Mrs. P. Seawell of Lemon Springs were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. McNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Weaver, Misses Bruce and Quim of Springfield, Mass., spent a few hours with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Snow. They had spent the winter in Florida and were returning home for the summer months.

M. J. McFadyen of Fayetteville spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Flora McFadyen.

Charlie Loving, who was operated on in Highsmith's Hospital at Fayetteville, is recovering rapidly.

Roger Matthews returned home last week from Norfolk, Va., where he has been spending several weeks with relatives and friends.

Prof. E. S. Temple, Mrs. A. J. McRae, Misses Mary Emma Thomas and Mrs. M. D. McIver completed their Extension Course under Dr. McKee. The Rev. M. D. McNeill and Mrs. McNeill are attending Presbytery in Dunn this week.

Miss Bessie Cameron of Cameron R. F. D. was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Jewell Hemphill complimented her son, Andrew Muse Hemphill, who is finishing high school this year, by entertaining the High School faculty. Mrs. E. S. Temple, M. D. McIver, Misses Annie McFadyen and Minnie Muse and Jefferson Wannamaker at dinner Tuesday evening. The dining room was decorated in rose and silver, the Senior Class colors. Covers were laid for ten and handpainted place cards in apple blossoms, and miniature corsages further emphasized the class colors.

EMMANUEL CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 10 o'clock tomorrow, Saturday morning, at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Southern Pines. The Sunday morning services are announced as follows: Holy Communion at 8:00 o'clock, church school at 9:30 and morning prayer and sermon by the Rev. F. Craighill Brown at 11 o'clock.

FOOD SALE

Circles Nos. 1 and 4 of the Aberdeen Methodist Missionary Society will have a Food Sale tomorrow, Saturday morning, beginning at 10:00 o'clock, in the vacant building next door to the Postoffice. Proceeds will go towards defraying expenses of the society.

Legislators Oppose Nuisance Tax For Fear They'd Be Taxed as Nuisances

Carl Goerch, Thinks 1938 Will See End of Present Session—They'll Run Out of Members To Name on the Conference Committees By Then, He Figures

By Carl Goerch

Seven different varieties of plagues were necessary before the Egyptians finally consented to let the Children of Israel leave the Valley of the Nile. There were locusts, boils, darkness and other things. If the Lord had threatened to send a legislature to Egypt and keep it in session for more than 110 days, discussing revenue measures, no other plagues would have been necessary. The Children of Israel would have been told to get out of the country immediately, if not sooner, in order that such a catastrophe might be averted. Not only that, but the Egyptians probably would have left with them.

The session in Raleigh is now approaching its close. The end is bound to be in sight. Members of the house and senate are almost exhausted. Human endurance cannot withstand much more. But then, there are grave doubts whether some of the crowd really are human.

The revenue bill is still up for discussion. A good many of the legislators are opposed to a so-called "nuisance tax." The reason for their opposition is that they, themselves, probably would be classed as nuisances and, therefore, would be taxed accordingly.

Governor Gardner will probably announce his new highway commission during the next day or two—if he hasn't already done so by the time this appears in print. Judging from what I heard in Raleigh this week, it looks very much as though Leslie V. Ames would be the new highway engineer. It is evident that the Governor has no intention of making a political machine out of the highway commission. He has been taking his time about announcing the personnel of the commission. And here's something else you may not have thought of—North Carolina is the first State in the union to adopt a State-wide system of highway control. Every State in the union is going to be watching to see how the thing pans out. That's one reason why Max is being so careful in working out the details. And remember too, if you please, that this fellow Ames is the chap who resigned his Louisiana job because the Governor of that State wanted to make a political tool out of him.

Praises Highway Measure

After all, the legislature has accomplished a whole lot of good. The highway legislation is outstanding

among the noteworthy accomplishments. If given a fair trial there is no question but that it will work out O. K.

The conference committee on the revenue bill spent several days behind closed doors. What a fine opportunity for a little poker game! They made their report this week, which probably will mean that either the house or the senate—if not both—will promptly vote against it. Then another conference committee will be appointed, and it's offerings, too, will be rejected. By 1938 there won't be any more members left to name on the committee, and the legislature probably will adjourn.

In the mean time, our ad valorem taxes will run on as usual.

It takes a real honest-to-goodness farmer to size the thing up accurately. Last Saturday I made a talk at the closing of the school at Everetts Cross Roads down in Beaufort county. Prior to going inside the building a group of men were standing outside, discussing crops, weather conditions, prohibition and other topics. Finally one member of the group turned to me and asked:

"Well, what do you think is going to be the outcome of things in Raleigh?"

I confessed frankly that I didn't know and that I doubted if anyone else had an accurate idea on the subject at that particular time. Another member of the group spat accurately and with much force into a small patch of violets.

"It looks to me," he said, "as though the legislature went ahead and bought a mighty fine plough. They agreed on the price and they also agreed on the style of plough they wanted to purchase. Everybody admired the plough a whole lot. Then they turned their attention to buying a horse to pull the plough. That's when the trouble started. Some of them wanted a white horse, some of them wanted a black horse. Others thought that a mule would be best. Still others wanted to buy a tractor. They fit and they tussled, and they argued and they fussed, but they couldn't reach any agreement. In the meanwhile, the plough is a-settin' up there and it ain't worth a darn because they can't decide what to use to pull it.

"The MacLean law is the plough. There she sets. But it might just as well be a sewing machine for all the good it's a-doin'."

MISS CAMERON OF VASS A BRIDE IN WASHINGTON

Coming as a distinct surprise to the bride's many friends here was the marriage of Miss Maggie Cameron of Vass and Neill Clark of Washington, D. C., which was solemnized in a Methodist church in Washington on last Friday evening.

Miss Cameron is a daughter of D. A. Cameron of Vass and is a graduate of the high school there. She spent some time in Washington last fall with her sister, Miss Agnes Cameron, who has a government position there, and it was during this time that she met Mr. Clark. Her friends here wish for them much happiness.

PINEBLUFF

Albert Fowler left for Syracuse, N. Y. last Thursday.

Mrs. A. G. Wallace is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. S. Reynolds at the Jefferson Inn, Southern Pines.

Mr. Remington has returned to his home in Cazenovia, N. Y.

Herman McNeill, well known sculptor of New York city, is visiting his sister, Miss Alice McNeill.

Mrs. S. Morris and her mother, Mrs. Edwards of Candor, were the luncheon guests of Mrs. Pagget and Mrs. Little Tuesday.

Mrs. J. D. Suttentfield spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. McMullin entertained at cards Monday evening, honoring Herman McNeill of New York.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church met with Mrs. Parker Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Achorn entertained a large number of friends at a musical party on Sunday afternoon. The Bordjes quartet of Southern Pines assisted Mrs. Achorn.

Dick Shaw will return to New York City Monday.

Mrs. Folley's son and two friends of White Plains, N. Y., arrived Saturday to spend a few days with Mrs. Folley.

Mrs. Jannaris entertained Wednesday evening in honor of Herman McNeill.

MRS. R. A. BUIE, ILL MORE THAN YEAR, DIES

Mrs. Delphia Buie, wife of R. A. Buie, died last Friday evening at the Moore County Hospital where she had been six months. She had been ill for over 12 months, suffering from goiter and complications. Mrs. Buie is survived by her husband, R. A. Buie, three daughters, Mrs. R. A. Stutts, Misses Myrtle and Lena Buie, three sons, J. D. Buie, Robert and Murphy Buie, also four grandchildren, two sisters and two brothers.

The funeral was held Saturday afternoon at Bethel Church, and interment was at the old home place near Lillington.

GREENSBORO HOSTESS TO WOMEN'S FEDERATION

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and afternoon sessions, but the monotony of reports was broken by several groups of vocal selections by Greensboro artists. At 4 o'clock, cars were on hand to convey the entire delegation to the lovely home of Mrs. W. C. Tucker where a beautifully appointed tea was given through the courtesy of the Guilford Battle Ground Chapter D. A. R., Guilford Chapter U. D. C., American Legion Auxiliary, and Euterpe Club.

At 6:30 o'clock the delegates and visitors were guests of the North Carolina College for Women at dinner, and to the many alumnae present this was one of the outstanding pleasures of the convention.

The evening session, which was a fine arts program, was held in the beautiful new Aycock auditorium at the college. A delightful program was given by the Madrigal Club, which is composed of public school music students of the college. Miss Anita Browne of New York city, chairman of poetry of the general federation, was the principal speaker.

An interesting feature of this program was a pageant staged by the district presidents, and the Sandhill women were proud of the way in which their district president, Mrs. T. B. Upchurch of Raeford, carried out her part. Mrs. John F. Sippel, presi-

dent of the general federation, was presented at this meeting.

To the delight of all, Mrs. E. L. McKee, the Federation's own senator, was able to leave her legislative duties long enough to spend a part of Thursday at the convention and to make her report as chairman of the foundation fund. In bidding Mrs. McKee adieu, Mrs. Land laughingly remarked that that was the first opportunity she had ever had of kissing a senator. Mrs. W. G. Bragdan reported on the Sallie Southall Cotton Loan fund, and pledges totaling well over a thousand dollars were made from the floor. One hundred and twenty-four girls have been aided in securing an education with this fund, and not a penny has ever been lost on one of them.

The report of the nominating committee was heard with interest, and the straight ticket was unanimously elected. Officers chosen were Mrs. J. M. Hobgood of Farmville, president; Mrs. George E. Marshall of Mount Airy, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. T. E. Browne of Raleigh, 3d vice-president; Mrs. J. B. Joyner of Farmville, corresponding secretary; Mrs. E. M. Land of Statesville, State federation director; Mrs. T. Palmer Jerman of Raleigh and Mrs. Thomas O'Berry of Goldsboro, trustees.

The annual Federation banquet, which taxed the capacity of the hotel ball room, was the final and crowning event of the convention. Of unusual interest was the inspiring address of the distinguished guest, Mrs. John F. Sippel, who in spite of her many duties as president of the General Federation—a body of three million women—is able to say that "nobody but his wife has ever darned John Sippel's socks." A cotton style show presented by the Cotton Textile Institute showed many attractive costumes, and added cotton enthusiasm to the already cotton-minded convention. Mrs. Sippel was presented some Carolina-made cotton sheets by the State president.

The Sandhill section, to the delight of ninth district women, was much in the limelight. There was a beautiful display of Jugtown pottery and interesting hand woven garments from Moore county; Heke county's farmer-sculptor had a most creditable exhibit of his sculpture; Mrs. Jasques Busbee was one of the speakers at the art luncheon conference; several pieces of Jugtown pottery were used as art prizes; Mrs. Sippel was given a lovely vase and Mrs. Land a pottery garden tea set from Moore county, and Miss Tuttle of Southern Pines was winner of one of the art prizes.

MARKED PROGRESS BY SCHOOLS OF COUNTY

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er increase, the figure for 1928-29 being .9 of one college year and that for 1930-31 exactly 2.0 college years, an average gain of 1.1 years.

College Trained Teachers

The present teaching personnel of the rural schools, though not as good, will compare rather favorably with the special charter districts of the county. As indicated by the records on file in the office of the County Board of Education, the aver-

Home Demonstration Club Notes

By Mrs. W. L. Ryals

Miss Mary E. Thomas will conduct the next Leader's School at 10:00 o'clock on Thursday, April 30th, in the office of the Home Demonstration Agent. Yeast breads will be the subject of study.

Another meeting of interest will be held on May 16th, when Mrs. W. G. Stancil of Washington, N. C., a specialist in Food Conservation, will give a demonstration in canning.

The Curb Market at Southern Pines is still making satisfactory progress. New tables have been built to accommodate the good things brought in for sale.

Seeds have been furnished to 111 families through committees in the Home Demonstration Clubs and they are still working on this project.

Girls who are eligible to get their certificates in clothing this spring are urged to get busy and complete any unfinished part of the work so that awards may be made on May 28th.

age white teacher in the Aberdeen charter system, employing 13 white teachers in 1930-31, was 3.1 college years, while that of the 9 colored teachers was 1.4 years. The Carthage charter district employed 15 white and 9 colored teachers for the same year, whose college education averaged 3.3 and 3.1 years respectively. Southern Pines city school district employed 13 white and 13 colored teachers the same year, whose training beyond high school graduation was 3.6 years for the white, the highest of any group in the county, and 3.3 years for the colored. Vass-Lakeview charter district, which operates a white school only, employed 14 teachers in 1930-31, whose college training averaged 2.7 years.

The percentage of the enrollment in the average daily attendance in the rural schools for the county increased from 73.5 per cent in 1928-29 to 77.7 per cent in 1929-30. Of the 4846 children enrolled two years ago 3568 attended every day, while 3,675 of the 4,725 enrolled last year attended every day. This shows a net

increase in the attendance of 4.2 per cent in the one year period. The statistics on attendance for 1930-31 are not yet available, but evidence seems to justify the prediction that the gains made last year over the year before will be slightly increased.

Increase in Promotions

The percentage of the rural school enrollment promoted has gradually increased during the past two years, and at the same time a high standard of scholarship in the grades has been maintained. Of the 4846 children enrolled in 1928-29 only 2957 were promoted, making a percentage of 58 compared with the promotion of 61 per cent or 2,815 of the 4725 enrolled in 1929-30. Present indications justify the expectation of a small increase in the promotion percentage this year over last year.

The transportation service for the rural children has been gradually improved without adding much to the total expenditure for that purpose. Meanwhile, the per capita cost has decreased slightly. All of the ancient, small type bus bodies have been discarded for spacious and comfortable buses of the most modern design. The new type bus costs less and carries a larger number of passengers with greater safety and comfort. The use of larger buses has made it possible to combine small loads at Cameron, Carthage, Glendon, Horshoe and other districts, thereby reducing the number of buses in operation from 35 to 31, and eliminating almost a dozen second and third loads. The great increase in the number of children accommodated by first loads has contributed to economy of time for the pupils and simplified supervision and administration for the principals, while the anxiety of parents over the long absence of their children from home caused by waiting for buses, has been greatly relieved. In 1928-29 the total expenditure for the six months term for transportation of 1346 rural school children was \$21,517.63 or \$16.03 per capita, compared with an expenditure of \$23,750.00 for the transportation of 1623 children at a per capita cost of \$14.63 in 1930-31. The net reduction in the per capita cost of transportation for the six months term was \$1.40 in the period under consideration.

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