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Hemp Expecting Largest Response to Stock Show As Big Day Approaches

List of 35 Premiums Announced; Committees Meet Friday for Final Plans

Upper Moore County this week was teeming with interest over the forthcoming Annual Livestock Show in Hemp, Saturday, August 30, which promises to be one of the largest and liveliest of its kind, with an address by Governor J. Melville Broughton highlighting the day's activities.

Stock raisers were informed that they could enter mules, horses, cattle or sheep in the show this year, in any one of 35 classes, allowing for entries of all ages.

With thousands of farmers and other interested spectators expected, the judging of entries is planned to get underway about 11:30 o'clock daylight, or new, time, or 10:30 o'clock, standard, or old, time. Most farmers are still on standard time.

Governor Speaks in Afternoon

Because Governor Broughton had a previous morning engagement the day of the livestock show, his address is slated for 3:30 o'clock, new time, or 2:30 p. m., old time. This is the first time that a North Carolina chief executive has appeared at one of Hemp's shows, which have been annual events since 1938.

A casual survey among some of the livestock growers in upper Moore this week revealed considerably widespread interest in the show this year and some excellent stock that will be on display. According to E. H. Garrison, Jr., Moore County Farm Agent and secretary of the Moore County Breeders Association, inquiries concerning the show have come in from many surrounding counties.

Started in 1938 as a means to create further interest in the raising of good farm stock, the "horse show," or "mule show" was so successful that it was decided to continue the affair as an annual event. As far as could be learned, this is the only farm stock show of its kind in North Carolina, there having been one similar to it in Iredell County several years ago; but this did not continue.

Officers of Association

The show is sponsored by the Moore County Breeders Association, organized to encourage the breeding of mule colts, of which C. A. Hussey of Hemp is president; T. G. Ragsdale of Pinehurst, vice-president; Mr. Garrison, secretary; and T. L. Blue of Carthage, treasurer.

To make final preparations for the show, a meeting of finance, grounds, and entertainment committees has been called for Friday night, August 22, in the community building at Hemp at 8 p. m., daylight, or 7 p. m., standard.

New Premium List

The premium list for this year, as approved by officials of the livestock show, is as follows:

Mule entries: (1) Best mule colt under three months old, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prizes; (2) best mule colt from three to six months old; (3) Best mule colt one to one and a half years old; (4) Best mule colt 18 to 24 months; (5) Championship mule colt under two years old; (6) Best single mule from two to three years old; (7) Best mule over three years old; (8) Championship mule over two years old; (9) Grand championship mule any age; (10) Best pair of mules under six months old; (11) Best pair from six months to two years old; (12) Best pair of mules from two to three years old; (13) Best pair of mules three years old and over; (14) Champion pair of mules two years old or under; (15) Champion pair of mules two years old and over; (16) Grand champion mule pair, any age.

Horse Entries

(17) Best horse colt under three months old; (18) Best horse colt from three to six months old; (19) Best horse colt from one year to one and a half years old; (20) Best horse

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Special

The Pilot Next Week to Issue Section Welcoming Governor to Livestock Show

In keeping with its policy of greater coverage of Moore County, The Pilot with its next issue will include a special section, devoted to the Fourth Annual Livestock Show in Hemp and welcoming the Governor and other visitors to the event.

This section will feature news stories concerning the livestock show, pictures of some of upper Moore County farmers and general news. Along with The Pilot's regular section, this will be widely distributed on rural routes throughout Moore County.

The Pilot was asked by the Moore County Breeders Association to assist in giving wide public notice to the livestock show, and the special Hemp section was approved as one of the means of doing this.

PLANS DISCUSSED FOR JOB SERVICE

Sanford Employment Manager Hopes to Increase Service Through Local Office

Possibilities of increased service in Southern Pines by the State Employment Service were discussed here this week by C. A. Spruill, manager of the Sanford employment office, which serves Moore County.

Although Southern Pines at present gets "extension" service one day each week, Mr. Spruill said that with the opening of the winter season, it was likely that more frequent service might be given.

The employment office manager was in Southern Pines to look into requests that the Employment Service assist in making placements for domestic servants.

Mr. Spruill also announced that the local office will be serviced by J. P. Brannon, who is assigned to the Sanford office this week as an interviewer.

Weekly Schedule in Moore

For the present, the weekly schedule of Employment Service extension work in Moore County is as follows: Wednesday morning, 9 a. m. until 12 noon, at the courthouse in Carthage; Wednesday afternoon, 1 p. m. until 3:45, at Hemp town hall; Thursday morning, 9:45 until 12, (Please turn to page eight)

Patrolmen Inspect Autos for Defects

Drive to Eliminate Mechanical Hazards from Highways Underway in County

Automobiles which are beginning to show and look and act their age are being carefully checked by State Highway Patrolmen for mechanical defects, it was learned from Patrolman W. L. McKenzie of Aberdeen this week.

In an effort to remove mechanical hazards from the highways, many cars are being stopped and inspected chiefly for condition of brakes, lights, horns, and steering apparatus, McKenzie said. If the cars pass inspection, they are given an approval seal; but if they require repairs, they are banned from the highways until adjustments are made.

A special effort is being made to check on such vehicles before heavy troop movements start in this area. Patrolman McKenzie advised all owners to check their cars so that they would be in good running order. Older models mainly, are being stopped, he added.

FAKE \$5.00 BILL PASSED LOCALLY BRINGS ARRESTS

Quick Work on Part of Local Authorities Results in Gang Round-Up

MEN HELD IN CHARLOTTE

One bogus five dollar bill, which caught the eye of Richard Hassell, local bank teller, led this week to capture by U. S. secret service men of seven Negroes in Charlotte, charged with possessing and circulating counterfeit bills.

Only one fake bill was passed in Southern Pines, but early reporting of this led to a sharp lookout throughout the Carolinas and the round-up of the seven Negroes who were believed to be only part of a large counterfeit gang, operating along the eastern seaboard.

First trace of the gang began last week when Jim Bethea, West Southern Pines Negro offered a \$5.00 bill for deposit at the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. Hassell spotted the bill as counterfeit, notified President N. L. Hodgkins who turned the matter over to Chief Ed Newton. Bethea said he received the bill from the Broadway restaurant in West Southern Pines. Chief Newton found that the restaurant had been paid this \$5.00 by Wiley Jones, who identified James Boston, Charlotte Negro, as the man who passed him the fake money.

Boston Arrested

Boston was among those arrested in Charlotte as being part of the counterfeit gang. After Chief Newton had reported the fake money in headquarters in Charlotte, other bills turned up in Bennettsville, S. C., Charlotte, High Point and Greensboro.

Around \$350 of the counterfeit were found in possession of the Negroes arrested, and Treasury agents said about \$90 had been circulated. It was believed that the Carolina men were working for a big "hot money" syndicate, which has passed about \$375,000 bogus bills in the past few months from New York through Georgia.

Arrested in Charlotte were James Huntley, Boston, Beatrice Huntley, daughter of James; William Quick, Dewey Quick, Sam Belton and Hannah Rush.

Chief Newton said many of these were former notorious bootleggers, who apparently have changed their ways of making a living.

Local Rotarian Is Named Group Leader

June Phillips, Southern Pines Rotarian, was this week appointed inter-city Rotary group leader for Southern Pines, Sanford, Lillington and Dunn, by District Governor Thomas R. Hood of Dunn. Appointment of Phillips is for the 1941-42 Rotary year.

Rumor, Rumor, Who Started It? Towns Make Peace With Army

Two Moore County towns nearly declared war on an unseen and unknown enemy this week. Town officials were after the guy who started a rumor that one of them—or both of them—had requested that Uncle Sam's soldiers not be allowed within town limits.

And both towns set about to skotch this rumor and to extend the army units every courtesy and "100 percent cooperation."

Aberdeen and Pinebluff both were being blamed for having made this request, and town officials of both places were ready to bear arms against the offender who started the rumor.

At any rate, The Pilot got official statements from Mayor Forrest Lockey of Aberdeen and Mayor Robert Stewart of Pinebluff that the town governments were cooperating in every way. Pinebluff is making available some of that natural spring water which forms the town's water

Army Units Set Up Bases Preparing For Maneuvers

New Englanders Like Southern Hospitality, Accent; Foxhounds Are Mascots

After spending a few days at Candor, a company of the 57th Signal Battalion from Camp Edwards, Mass., under the command of Captain O. L. Perkins, this week made permanent base just outside of Aberdeen on the Pinehurst road.

Telephone and radio communications for the First Army during its fall maneuvers in North and South Carolina will be the chief concern of this outfit, which is already hard at work, putting together telephone poles for stringing communication lines.

Come from New England

The young men, most of them soldiers by virtue of their age and the Selective Service Act, are mostly New Englanders, and came down to North Carolina by truck convoy, making one of their stops at the Civil War battlefield of Gettysburg, Pa.

Here, too, little was known of the maneuver plans, although the men themselves were going about their jobs of pitching camp and preparing for communication lines with real earnestness.

First Sergeant John J. Jasio explained that orders for the company's activities came out of the First Army Headquarters, being established in Camden, and that the Aberdeen camp would be the base for the Signal company's communications work.

Local Officials Cooperate

While the soldiers had been too busy throwing up their six-bunk tents to get out and see the Sandhills country, civilian officials in Aberdeen made plain their welcome to the army. Mayor Forrest Lockey said that the Aberdeen officials were doing everything possible to cooperate with the army units and were glad to have the camp located adjacent to Aberdeen. The facilities of Aberdeen lake were being made available to the

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Rotarians Will See Movie on Phosphorous

Rotarians will see a special motion picture on the uses of phosphorous in plant and animal life at their weekly luncheon meeting in the Church of Wide Fellowship Friday, August 22, at 12:15.

The picture, arranged by Rotarian Warren Smith, will be presented by H. B. Kirkgaard of Greensboro. Scenes selected from travel over 8,000 miles will be shown in the film, entitled "Phosphorous of the Key to Life."

Lowell Thomas is narrator. Last week, Rotarian Arthur Newcomb related some of his experience with French Canadians in the upper woods of Maine.

Signal Corps Company Throws Up Tents Outside of Aberdeen; Pinebluff to Be Base for Quartermaster Outfit; "All Is Well" Reported

The Army's invasion of Moore County has begun and so far the Word of the Watch is "all is well."

Reversing the trick of the Arabs who folded their tents and stole away in the night, the U. S. Army units appeared almost overnight, threw up their tents and were settled before you could say, "Adolph Schicklgruber Hitler."

Two units—a company of the 57th Signal Corps Battalion and the First Army Quartermaster Service—prepared permanent bases for the duration in Moore County this week, the former just outside of Aberdeen and the latter in and around Pinebluff.

Pinebluff's Army Unit

Suddenly switching original plans of establishing home base at Hoffmann, the Q. M. Service and the First Army provisional train moved northward a few miles this week and pitched camp just north of the village of Pinebluff.

Under the command of Col. Louis Lendes, this base will serve as headquarters of the army motor and repair service, as well as for the Salvage Service Company, commanded by Col. F. H. Bannard.

Already 400 men have pitched tents and made camp, while a total of 2,500 are expected to complete this supply unit. Out of this base will be carried on the motor service for the forthcoming Army maneuvers, and around 900 large army trucks will be stationed here.

Fellows in the Field

Col. Lendes took The Pilot reporter for a brief inspection of the camp site, where the soldiers were busily engaged converting a farm field into an army base. Tents were still being raised, and details of housing and feeding the men were still being carried on Wednesday.

"I've never seen any people as cooperative as those of North Carolina," Col. Lendes said. "We've been given every possible kind of help we've needed."

The town of Pinebluff made available to the Army unit up to 10,000 gallons of water daily for cooking and drinking purposes, and turned over the Pinebluff lake for the Army's bathtub.

Mayor Robert Stewart and Town Commissioner Cadwallader Benedict said that Pinebluff was anxious to provide every possible accommodation for the soldiers. Local entertainment is being planned by the town and U. S. O. funds to finance activities for the soldiers are being sought.

Salvage the Equipment

The Salvage Service Company, the first of its kind organized in the country, is getting initial field practice during the October-November maneuvers, according to Col. Bannard.

"Forty-eight percent of steel used is scrap," he said, "and about 52 percent is ore. This shows the importance of salvaging all equipment possible in wartime; and we'll be responsible for making certain that all useable material is reclaimed after the maneuvers around here."

Headquarters of the Quartermaster service and provisional train are maintained at present in an abandoned store building, across from the

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Defense Meeting Is To Be Held Friday

Harrelson Will Speak at County Meeting in Courthouse at 2:30 o'clock

A meeting of County civilian defense officials, as well as town and county officials, is slated for Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Courthouse at Carthage.

Called by W. D. Sabiston, Jr., Moore defense chairman, those attending will hear Dean J. W. Harrelson of State College outline plans for cooperating with the U. S. Army during its maneuvers in the State during the next few months. Representatives of the Army, the State Board of Health and other agencies will also be present.

"Extension"

Nine Little Foxhounds Join Army and Only One of Them Has Name

Nine little foxhounds from Candor have joined the Army.

When a company of the 57th Signal Battalion left Candor, after a few days' stay, and encamped outside of Aberdeen, they brought with them a present from Candor. "A lady" had given the soldiers the nine pups as mascots. So far, only one of them has a name. He received his name on the day the bill extending the length of service for draftees was made a law.

The foxhound puppy is called "Extension."

KIWANIANS SEEK '42 CONVENTION

Club Votes to Extend Invitation to District Convention at Myrtle Beach

The Sandhills Kiwanis Club will make an all-out effort to bring the 1942 Carolinas District Convention to the Sandhills, it was decided at the club's regular meeting Wednesday afternoon.

Upon motion of Dr. E. M. Medlin of Aberdeen, the club voted to instruct local delegates to extend a formal invitation to the Convention, meeting in Myrtle Beach next month, to select the Sandhills as next meeting place.

The official delegates of the local organization laid plans after the regular luncheon meeting to inform other clubs in this district of the invitation and to get pledges for support at the Convention. President I. C. Sledge of Pinehurst, Charles Picquet and Henry Dorn of Southern Pines, and Talbot Johnson of Aberdeen will officially represent the Club, the latter three as delegates.

How to Spell "Success"

Dr. T. A. Cheatham of Pinehurst, himself a Kiwanian, addressed the membership on principles of Kiwanis at the Wednesday meeting, which was held in the Methodist Sunday School Building.

"Success of the Kiwanis club depends upon the fineness of its members," Dr. Cheatham said, "and success depends upon the way you spell it."

The speaker explained that many great men had misspelled success. Napoleon, for instance, and Caesar and Hitler "spell success as 'p-o-w-e-r,'" he said.

"Others spell it 'f-a-m-e' and the greatest number spell success as 'm-o-n-e-y'; but the real idea of success is inherent in the Kiwanis standards of building and service," Dr. Cheatham concluded.

Vance Rowe introduced the speaker. Visitors at the club were G. T. McElderry of Southern Pines, general division superintendent of the Carolina Power and Light Company, and Edwin T. McKeithen, superintendent of Moore County Hospital. Judge H. F. Seawell of Carthage inducted into new membership Carl G. Thompson Jr., editor of The Pilot.