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TICKET CAMPAIGN FOR CHAUTAUQUA

Three Day Program Next Week Promises Six Splendid Entertainments

The Chautauqua ticket campaign under the leadership of Mrs. A. S. Johnston is now on. The following ward chairmen have been appointed who will in turn appoint other helpers: First ward, Mr. T. R. Hood, second ward, Mr. W. W. Jordan; third Mr. W. L. Fuller; fourth, Mrs. Thel Hooks. The price of a season ticket which admits to six entertainments, is \$1.50. Junior season tickets are \$1.00. Single admissions for both children and grown ups will be 75 cents.

The program which the Swarthmore Chautauqua puts on is generally very good. We are told that this year it is better than usual. There will be two entertainments each day, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week, one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

The program this year includes a lecture by Harry Hipschman, L. L. D. who speaks on "The Law and the Profits." One newspaper report characterized his lecture as follows:

"It was a strong, patriotic, diplomatic appeal—full of the purest Americanism, and held the vast audience in the deepest and most sympathetic interest until its close.

"This community will be a better place to live in and the fires of patriotism will burn with a brighter glow because of the strong and earnest address of Mr. Hipschman."

Another lecturer is Arthur Walwyn Evans, a Welshman, who came to America about ten years ago as pastor of one of the largest Congregational churches of Southern Ohio. He is now devoting his time exclusively to lecturing and the literary field. The El Paso (Texas) Times comments as follows on Dr. Evans lecture:

"The subject of his talk was 'What America Means to Me,' and if the remaining entertainments are one-half as instructive and entertaining, season ticket purchasers will realize they have made the best investment of their lives."

The musicale program this year consists of a quartette, "The Victorian Maids," Andrew Visocchi, the piano accordionist, and "Happy Hawaii."

The Victorian Maids, out of the "Long Ago" sweep aside the cares and troubles by carrying you back with them through stories and songs to the olden days. The Victorian era is created for you by bringing back to your mind the quaint pictures which through all the years have hung on "memories" wall. The air seems hung with a sweet lavender as the violin and low voiced 'cello sing of "Robin Adair" and "Annie Laurie." You see a dear old couple smile shyly at each other as their lips form the words of "Seeing Nellie Home." The afternoon and evening of this day will long be cherished. It will be a day of delightful vocal and instrumental music, and readings, heart satisfying through and through.

The piano accordionist is a unique attraction. Mr. Visocchi's instrument is made especially for his use. It has a total of one hundred and sixty-five keys. He first learned to play the accordion when twelve years old. Since that time he has played in most of the musical centers of the world. His repertoire is practically inexhaustible. Starting with a medley of grand opera, he carries you through patriotic, sacred, popular numbers, southern melodies, folk songs, running the gamut of musical interpretation.

The evening devoted to "Happy Hawaii," under the direction of Mildred Leo Clemens, a cousin of Mark Twain, is one of the best of the group. Music, lecture, pictures combine to instruct and entertain, and everything will want to attend this program.

Fourth Quarterly Conference

The fourth quarterly conference of Centenary Methodist Church will be held in connection with prayer meeting Wednesday night. The pastor desires a full attendance of the official members especially.

MARK TWAIN'S COUSIN TO LECTURE HERE

All of the talent in the Clemens family seems not to have been centered in Mark Twain, the famous author and humorist, for his cousin, Mildred Leo Clemens, the well-known lecturer, is rapidly gaining an enviable reputation with her lecture-entertainment, "Happy Hawaii."

To the freedom of childhood days spent on a western farm Miss Clemens attributes her delight in nature. Training in the keen observation of human nature and life in its varying phases was early acquired through newspaper and journalistic work, a work, too, that even before high school days were over, had led her into the scenic places of the Great Northwest.

Through extensive travels, Miss Clemens has become intimately acquainted with the American West, its scenic wonderlands, the Canadian Rockies, the Hawaiian Islands, Australia, New Zealand and other parts of the western world. Armed with her faithful camera and note-book, the young lecturer, writer and traveler has penetrated to regions where it takes real courage to go, seeing things that most travelers have not, and her lectures never fail to present, both by picture and story, her vivid impressions of the scenic places or vitally interesting scenes of life, customs and activities in the lands where she has traveled.

Of her lectures it has been said that they compress into an hour and a quarter a story which artists have endeavored to tell with a brush, and writers with pen, but most of these efforts do not measure up to the effectiveness of the motion pictures and colored photographs and the story as told by Miss Clemens. She carries her audience with her and makes them feel as though they are in the midst of the scenes she pictures and describes, bringing a priceless recollection to those who have traveled, while to those who have not she stimulates fresh ideas and broadens the mental horizon.

To her pictures and story, Miss Clemens adds a charming personality, a clear, penetrating voice, the attractiveness of youth, the culture of a college woman, a wealth of Clemens' humor, a fresh and original style and a sympathetic understanding of her audience. All of which combine to make what critics have been pleased to term a rather unusual equipment for the lecture platform and travelogues which do not in any way correspond to the stereotyped travel talks.

MR. TEMPLE WINS AUTOMOBILE AT FAIR

Mr. Howard Temple, of Ingrams township, held the lucky number at the Fair Grounds Friday afternoon and was awarded the automobile given away by the Fair Association. Little Miss Myrtle Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown, of this city drew the numbers from the basket. The owner of the first number drawn was not present, but the second drawing produced a blue ticket with Number 1342 on it, which was claimed by Mr. Temple. Mr. Temple was one of the gate keepers during the fair.

INDIAN GIANT 'APE MAN' CHALLENGES FIRPO

Buenos Aires, Nov. 1.—Luis Angel Firpo has been invited to fight a Bolivian Indian giant, with a height of 7 feet 2 inches and an arm spread of 8 feet, together with a formidable punch and great agility. The "ape man" is said to be a perfect specimen of the natural fighting man. According to a dispatch to La Nacion from La Paz the newspapers have published a challenge from the trainer of the giant, who is an Indian named Camacho.

Camacho is 23 years old and speaks only the language of the Quichua Indians, to which tribe he belongs.

Near Tragedy

Voice in Darkness—"Rastus, you black rascal, get out of that chicken-coop. I've got a shot-gun aimed at you."

Voice from Chicken-Coop—"Fo' de Lawd's sake, colonel, don't shoot! You might kill a chicken!"—American Mutual Magazine.

LIQUOR CASES IN RECORDERS COURT

First Automobile Is Confiscated And Ordered Sold Under New Law

With the exception of one case, Recorder's Court last Tuesday was taken up trying violations of the prohibition laws. The cases disposed of were as follows:

State vs. Roger Snead, larceny. The defendant was charged with the larceny of a pair of pants from the store of W. R. Keen of Four Oaks. He was found guilty and fined \$25 and costs.

State vs. Hollis Ferrell, violation of the prohibition laws. In a raid made by the officers of Clayton upon the pressing club of the defendant on Sunday morning at 2:50 o'clock, about one quart of whiskey in a half gallon fruit jar together with a number of small jugs and bottles were seized. While the sheriff was searching the premises, Ferrell made his escape but was later captured about a mile and a half from town at the home of his uncle, hid in a wardrobe. He was charged with having whiskey in his possession for the purpose of sale, and was found guilty and sentenced to a term of five months on the roads.

State vs. Henry Finch, violation of the prohibition law. At the time of the raid upon Ferrell's pressing club, Finch was caught in the house with a pint of whiskey in his pocket. Finch denied purchasing some from Ferrell but stated he got it from four negroes down on the Southern railway track near Clayton. He was given a sixty day sentence on the roads.

State vs. Jasper Sanders, having liquor in his possession, transporting liquor and driving an automobile while under the influence of liquor. The defendant who had been in the employ of Edwards & Broughton at Raleigh for the past four years stated that he bought the liquor from two negroes near Clayton, some of which he drank. Driving through Clayton, he ran into a delivery boy on a bicycle fortunately causing no serious injury. He was sentenced to thirty days on the roads for having liquor in his possession. On the count charging transportation of liquor, he was given four months, copias to issue at any time within 12 months upon the request of the solicitor and the automobile was ordered confiscated by the court and ordered to be sold. This was the first car in Recorder's Court to be confiscated and ordered to be sold under the new law. The defendant was fined \$50 and costs for driving the automobile while under the influence of liquor.

FORMER PREMIER OF GREAT BRITAIN DEAD

London, Oct. 30.—Andrew Bonar Law, who was one of the strong wartime statesmen of Great Britain and its only prime minister of colonial birth, died at his London home at 9 o'clock this morning. The last year of his 65 years was lived under a cloud of heavy misfortunes.

Only a little more than a year ago he reluctantly accepted the highest political office in the empire, telling his supporters that he was doubtful if his health would long bear the strain of duties and promising to give up the work when he was no longer equal to the burden. Then followed seven months in office—months harassed by pain; whereupon he fulfilled his promise.

"The verdict of the doctors has left me no choice," he wrote to his Glasgow constituents in making his decision to retire.

The next five months were divided between continental resorts and the English seaside in pursuit of relief from suffering. There were several weeks when he seemed to be improving, and his friends hoped against fate that he might regain his strength.

Like General Grant and the German Emperor Frederick III, the late prime minister died from cancer of the throat. There was a parallel between his last days and those of Frederick III's in that both came into brief power with the sentence of death pronounced upon them.—Associated Press.

TEACHERS GATHER IN MEETING HERE

Rural Schools Now Open; Course Of Study Planned for Eight Months

About one hundred thirty-five rural school teachers gathered here Saturday in a meeting called by the County Superintendent preparatory to the opening yesterday of the six months schools.

Miss Mary E. Wells, assistant county superintendent, spoke to the teachers first, explaining the Reading Circle work, stressing special preparation for the seventh grade work, and giving the method of promoting children. The new course of study that has been prepared by the State Department of Education is on a basis of eight months work for each grade, and in order for the children to be promoted they must complete the work as outlined by this course of study. This means that promotion will not be made at the end of six months but at the end of the second month next year. The importance of a long term school is clearly seen, when it takes a child in a six months school three years to do the work that a child in an eight months school will do in two years.

Following Miss Wells, County Superintendent Marrow spoke to those present concerning the duties of committeemen and the community work of the teachers.

Mr. H. V. Rose, County Welfare Officer, then talked on the compulsory school law, and Dr. Thel Hooks, County Health officer, gave the teachers some helpful suggestions as to preventing the spread of contagious diseases.

FIGHT TAKES PLACE AFTER DANCE

Friday night following an altercation at the opera house during the Marshall's Ball, a regular fist fight occurred in the street in front of the home of Mr. J. W. Moore. According to the best report we are able to get, L. O. Horton of Plymouth who was the guest of Richard Moore for the night, and William Sanders, Jr. had some disagreement at the dance, and Chief Cable persuaded young Horton to go home. He did so, but when the dance was over and after Moore had returned home, Sanders with his brother W. Ransom Sanders went to the Moore home and called Horton out to make an apology for the affront earlier in the evening. Moore and Horton went down and a regular fist fight occurred. William Lee Moore, brother of Richard Moore, heard the disturbance and came on the scene with a shot gun, which apparently stopped the fracas. Several neighbors were disturbed by the occurrence and someone summoned the police. When the night policeman arrived, however, one the scene, all was quiet. So far as we know no arrests in the case have been made.

REPARATION PROPOSAL GETS A KEEN SETBACK

Washington, Nov. 2.—Restriction on the scope of the proposed expert committee inquiry into German capacity to pay reparations may render it useless to proceed with the plan. In the view of president Coolidge, as made known today at the White House.

The original American proposal, it was declared, was for a "complete and inclusive" examination of the question and official advice thus far received from abroad have indicated acquiescence in that plan. Press reports of speeches made by President Poincare of France have indicated a desire to restrict the inquiry, however, and it was pointed out that the Washington government was as yet uncertain as to what its attitude would be toward an invitation to participate unofficially in a restricted inquiry.

It was indicated that in the event restrictions were placed on the scope of the experts' inquiry which in the opinion of the officials here, would render its studies not hopeful of good results. American participation probably would be agreed upon only

LOCAL ELEVEN ELIMINATES WILSON

The Smithfield High school eleven eliminated the Wilson Highs from the State Championship race Friday afternoon on the local gridiron by a score of 27 to 7. The Wilson team put up a plucky fight but it was unable to withstand Smithfield's crushing line plunges. Wilson's only tally came in the final period. Parker, Holland and Skinner starred for Smithfield.

The line-ups:

Wilson	Position	Smithfield
Dupree	.....	Hooks
	L. E.	
W. Tomlinson	.....	L. Peterson
	L. T.	
Deans	.....	A. Peterson
	L. G.	
Fysal	.....	Fuller
	Center	
M. Tomlinson	.....	Beasley
	R. G.	
Jones	.....	Patrick
	R. T.	
Lancaster	.....	Honeycutt
	R. E.	
Barnes	.....	Skinner
	Q. B.	
Bent	.....	Wharton
	L. H. B.	
Cheatham	.....	Parker
	R. H. B.	
Gardner	.....	Holland
	F. B.	

Score by quarters:

Smithfield	Wilson
7	0
7	0
6	0
7	7

LONG IS BIDDER FOR STACY'S PLACE

Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville, came to the center of the stage yesterday as the possible appointee to succeed Justice W. P. Stacy in the event that the latter determines to accept the appointment to the deanship of the University of North Carolina Law School formally tendered him by the executive committee of the Board of Trustees Saturday.

Close friends of Justice Stacy are of the opinion that he will accept the appointment at the University before the end of the present week. The belief is becoming general, and three or four candidates are being groomed for presentation to Governor Morrison, though no formal announcement has been made for anybody but Judge Long.—News and Observer.

LLOYD GEORGE TO WRITE ANOTHER SERIES OF ARTICLES

New York, Nov. 3.—David Lloyd George has contracted to write thirty more articles, the first three dealing with his impressions of America, for a New York syndicate. The price paid for articles is said by the purchaser to be "one of the largest sums per word ever paid in the history of the world."

WILSON'S TALK TO BE HEARD ALL OVER LAND

Washington, Nov. 2.—Woodrow Wilson will address the American people on the night of November 10 on "The Significance of Armistice Day."

He will speak from his "S" street home here and his message will be carried to every section of the country by radio. It will be the first time his voice has been heard outside of Washington since he was stricken in the west in September, 1919, while carrying to the country his fight for the league of nations.

The former President had promised to speak for 10 minutes and his friends believe he will devote much of his address to the subject closest to his heart—American participation in the establishment of the peace of the world. They would not be surprised if he should touch upon the present international situation.

Mr. Wilson's message probably will be heard by millions, not only by owners of home radio sets, but also by crowds at public gatherings for which his friends in many cities are expected to arrange.

with the distinct understanding that the Washington government believed from the outset that the effort to settle the reparations questions in that way would be futile.

COTTON SELLING FOR THIRTY CENTS

Cotton Crop is Short; Texas Leads States With North Carolina Second

Washington, Nov. 2.—A decrease of 767,000 bales in the prospective cotton crop as compared with a month ago was shown today in the Department of Agriculture's forecast of 10,248,000 bales, based on conditions prevailing October 25. The report was the first of its kind ever issued in November and had been awaited with interest by the cotton world in view of the scarcity of cotton and the diversity of opinion as to the exact size of this year's crop.

The forecast was based on the condition of the crop on October 25, which was 47.8 per cent of a normal, compared with 49.5 on September 25 this year, 52.6 on October 25 last year and 43.2 on that date in 1921, indicating a yield of about 128.9 pounds per acre.

Various Forecasts

A month ago the forecast of the Department of Agriculture indicated 11,015,000 bales, based on September 25 conditions, while August 25 conditions indicated a crop of 10,788,000 bales and July 25 conditions brought a forecast of 11,516,000 bales. Last year's crop totalled 9,761,817 bales and that of 1921 was 7,953,641 bales. The average production in the five years, 1910 to 1914 was 14,259,251 bales and in the five years 1915 to 1919, it was 11,481,984 bales.

A month ago the condition of the crop was the lowest of that date in 57 years with the exception of 1921, several states reporting the lowest condition on record due largely to the damage done by the boll weevil.

World stock of cotton at the close of the cotton year, July 31, were very low, the Department of Commerce reporting holdings at 6,400,000 bales compared with 9,536,000 bales on July 31, 1922. Ginnings in the United States from this year's crop totalled 6,400,579 bales to October 18, according to Census Bureau reports.

Condition By States

The condition of the crop on October 25 and the forecast of production by states follows:

Virginia condition 88 and production, 53,000.

North Carolina, 70 and 1,010,000.

South Carolina, 53 and 740,000.

Georgia, 31 and 610,000.

Florida, 22 and 12,000.

Alabama, condition, 39, and 615,000.

Mississippi, 36 and 620,000.

Louisiana, 43 and 320,000.

Texas, 57 and 4,300,000.

Arkansas, 37 and 680,000.

Tennessee, 35 and 330,000.

Missouri, 49 and 151,000.

Oklahoma, 43 and 735,000.

California, 86 and 49,000.

Arizona, 88 and 83,000.

Production of all other states is 40,000 bales.

About 86,000 bales in addition to California are being grown in lower California, old Mexico.

RABIES CAUSE DEATH OF DUNN NEGRO

Jesse Sellers, a 15-year-old negro boy died in Dunn Wednesday of hydrophobia. He was bitten by a strange dog about two months ago, but not until a few days ago did he show symptoms of rabies. The brain of the boy was sent to the State Laboratory by Dr. W. E. Coletrone for examination.

FIDDLERS' CONVENTION FRIDAY NIGHT

A Fiddlers' Convention which is expected to be the best ever held in Johnston County will be held in the Opera House here on Friday night, November 9th, at 7:30 o'clock. Plenty of good music will be rendered by some of the best "fiddlers" in the county, and a large crowd is expected to attend. Read the advertisement in regard to this convention which appears in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker Johnson, who have been spending a few days in Norfolk, Va., have returned home.