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MRS. VANDERBILT HEADS FAIR AGAIN

Location of State Fair Will Not Be Moved; Authorize Bond Issue.

Tuesday, the annual meeting of the North Carolina Agricultural Society at which the election of officers takes place, was held in Raleigh, and more than the usual interest was manifested. We reprint from the account in Wednesday's News and Observer the following extracts:

"Striking a medium somewhere between the deadly routine of pre-Vanderbilt days and the turbulent discord that has peppered many of its meetings since, the North Carolina Agricultural Society yesterday re-elected Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, of Baltimore, president for the fourth term, substituted Henry M. London for Col. Joseph E. Pogue for secretary, committed itself definitely against the removal of the State Fair grounds or the projection of a street through the property and finally authorized a bond issue of \$150,000 to finance the old debt of the society and to erect a grandstand.

"With the troublesome question to move or not to move out of the way, the society re-dedicated to the principle of State operation of the State Fair, the group that came into leadership within the society with the advent of Mrs. Vanderbilt clearly and indisputably in control, the society is promising itself unimpeded progress.

"For its other officers, the Society re-elected Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt, of Chapel Hill, first vice-president; Major W. A. Graham and Josephus Daniels of Raleigh, to sit with Colonel Pogue as honorary vice-president, and the Raleigh Savings Bank and Trust Company to act as treasurer.

"The surprise of the day's meeting was not the election of Mrs. Vanderbilt and it was not the authorization of bonds. It was the final deft pass relieving Col. Joseph E. Pogue, for 23 years secretary of the Fair, from any executive share in its management by the simple process of elevating him to the post of honorary vice-president, and the election of the State's Legislative Librarian as his successor. Two years ago, the year following Mrs. Vanderbilt's accession to the presidency, Colonel Pogue's duties were largely taken over by E. V. Walborn who was brought from Ohio to serve as business manager. Last year, at the time C. B. Denson resigned as treasurer, Colonel Pogue's salary was cut. Now he is lifted into the seat of honor and inactivity.

"The elections furnished the only thrill and all the thrill. With Mrs. Vanderbilt in the chair the routine of reports moved along smoothly, and the largest attendance the society probably has ever had on the occasion of an annual meeting, waited in the crowded Federal court room for the expected opening of hostilities. General Julian S. Carr had virtually announced that he expected to put W. M. Sanders, of Smithfield, in nomination for the presidency. The friends of Mrs. Vanderbilt had even more definitely made it known that they expected to seat her for another term.

"This was the situation when Mrs. Vanderbilt quietly announced that the next matter of business before the society was the election of officers."

After some discussion, however, only Mrs. Vanderbilt's name was placed before the meeting and other business was taken up. Among the items of business was the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved by the North Carolina Agricultural Society that the society is opposed to selling or removing its present location; and further, in the opinion of the society, the opening of a street through its present grounds would make the site unavailable for Fair purposes and therefore, the society should go on record as being opposed to the opening of any street or streets whatsoever through its present grounds.

"But nothing in this resolution should be construed as inconsistent with former resolutions of this society agreeing to turn the property of

Baptist In Session In Gastonia This Week

Gastonia, Dec. 12.—Gains in church membership, collections for all purposes, new pastors and new churches were shown in the annual report of the statistical secretary, E. L. Middleton, of the North Carolina Baptist convention, prepared for presentation to the convention today. The report covers the period since the last convention a year ago.

The report shows total collections of \$4,086,396.93 during the last four years for the \$75,000,000 campaign.

The report shows that there are now 2,263 churches with a membership of 337,258 in 65 associations during the last year. This is a gain of 13 churches and 12,708 members. A number of churches failed to report memberships, the report said, but the average membership of the individual churches is now 150.

During the year the report says, there were 17,787 baptisms in the state and during the last four years 74,804. Six hundred and twenty-two churches failed to report any baptisms.

Jr. O. U. A. M. Has Fine Meeting

Smithfield Council, No. 102, Jr. O. U. A. M., met last Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock with perhaps the largest numbers of Juniors present in six months. There were about forty five members present.

An invitation from the Goldsboro Council to attend a meeting Thursday night of this week was read and about a dozen signified their willingness to attend. The meeting is for the purpose of influencing the National Committee to select Goldsboro as the site for the Junior Order Orphanage to be established in North Carolina as a branch of the main Orphanage which is located in Ohio. The degrees of Virtue, Liberty and Patriotism was conferred upon Mr. V. A. Merritt.

Several applications for membership in order were voted on and referred to the Committee on Membership.

A special collection of \$20 was raised for a brother who is now in the Sanatorium.

IMPORANT NOTICE MEMBERS TOBACCO GROWERS COOP ASS'N.

Our warehouse will close Thursday December 20th, 1923, receiving tobacco through Thursday, and will re-open Tuesday, January 8th, 1924.

We will distribute third payment checks on the 1922 crop tobacco delivered to us on Friday Dec. 21. It is very necessary that members bring their participation receipts, in order for us to deliver their checks.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and all of the blessings of cooperation.

A. G. JOHNSON,
Warehouse Manager,
Smithfield, N. C.

Sunday At Baptist Church

Dr. Charles E. Maddy, corresponding secretary of the Baptist State Convention, will speak next Sunday morning at the Baptist Church. He is one of the greatest men in the State and one of the ablest speakers and all Baptists especially, for miles around should hear him at 11 o'clock, and possibly also at night. He spent sometime in Europe recently, and has a stirring message on the world today as an opportunity for the Kingdom of God.

I am in the midst of the great program of our State Convention, and wish all my people could be here with me to feel the thrill of our great meeting.

S. L. MORGAN.

the society over to the State of North Carolina to be used in connection with the State College of Agriculture and Engineering which we now favor if it can be done."

The society adopted the recommendation of the Executive Committee authorizing a bond issue of \$150,000 to fund the present indebtedness of the Fair and to build a grandstand. The report of Manager Walborn gave the total receipts of the organization \$63,055.56, total expenditures, \$62,897.27, and a balance of \$158.29.

RECORD RECEIPTS AT COOP HOUSES

Markets Will Be Closed From December 20 To January 8 For Christmas Holidays

Raleigh, Dec. 12.—More tobacco of the 1923 crop reached the warehouses of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association last week than at any time this season. Steadily increasing deliveries by the organized tobacco farmers brought the marketing association exactly 8,948,973 pounds of tobacco last week, according to the reports of the warehouse department.

Members of the marketing association in Eastern North Carolina who will be the first to receive cash payments from the three million dollar distribution of the association which begins its third advance on the 1922 crop next week, are increasing their deliveries, the association having received up to within one and a half million pounds as much of the 1923 crop in the East as the total deliveries of 1922 from that section.

Old belt co-ops who will receive a third advance on their 1922 deliveries on January 10th, last week delivered close to six and a half million pounds of bright tobacco to the cooperative houses, this with a million and a quarter pounds of dark-fired and sun-cured tobaccos delivered in Virginia brought the total of the Virginia and Western Carolina growers for last week to over 7,500,000 pounds.

All bright markets of the association in North Carolina and Virginia will close on December 20th and re-open on January 8th. All markets of the association for dark and sun-cured tobacco will close December 20 and open January 2nd, according to the latest announcement from headquarters.

How Government Will Spend Money

Washington, Dec. 10.—Here's how the government's dollars will come and go in the fiscal year of 1925 as estimated by the experts of the bureau of the budget.

Each average dollar of the \$3,693,762,078 estimated receipts, it is expected, will come from the following sources in the proportions stated:

Internal revenue, including income taxes, 73.84 cents. Customs duties, from imports, 13.35 cents.

Miscellaneous sources, including interest and discount, sale of government property, public-domain receipts, fees, fines, penalties and forfeitures, gifts and contributions, repayments of investments, District of Columbia receipts, and trust fund receipts, 12.81 cents.

Total, 100.00 cents.

The estimated expenditures of \$3,298,080,444 would be divided in the following proportion for each average dollar:

General functions of government, including legislative, executive, judicial and general administration, 3.28 cents.

Military functions (36.54 cents) including:

General defense, including army and navy, 16.64 cents.

Military pensions, retirement pay, annuities, World War allowances and life insurance claims, 19.96 cents.

Civil functions (12.59 cents) including:

Promotion, regulation and operation of marine transportation, 1.48 cents.

Public works, including rivers and harbors, 5.05 cents.

Other civil functions, 6.06 cents.

Non-functional operations (47.59 cents) including:

Refunds and drawbacks, 3.39 cents.

Fixed debt charges (41.61 cents) including:

Public debt retirements from ordinary receipts, 14.62 cents.

Interest on the public debt, 26.99 cents.

Disbursement of trust funds, 2.47 cents.

Investments, 0.12 cents.

Total, 100.00 cents.

The foregoing estimates of receipts and expenditures do not include operations of the Postal system except for deficiency in Postal revenues.

CLAYTON NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

Miss Lewis, Wake County Treasurer Speaks To Women on County Government.

Clayton, Dec. 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Herman Whitley and children, visited relatives in Clayton the past week. Miss Lucile Wilder who is teaching school near Bailey, was at home for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Beatrice Lewallen, of Ashboro, visited her sister, Mrs. W. D. McCullers during Thanksgiving.

Mr. Buck Jones, of near Smithfield is spending a few days here with his sister, Mrs. Herman Vinson.

Mrs. J. W. Massey and Mrs. F. G. Gower left Tuesday night for a trip to New York and other eastern cities.

Mr. Cecil Barbour, of Enfield, spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Barbour.

Mrs. M. M. Guley returned to her home at Nashville Sunday after spending some time here with relatives.

Miss Sarah Louise Nixon, of the Clayton school faculty, spent the past week end with relatives at Burlington.

Dr. William Young, of Snow Hill, spent a few days here last week with his brother Dr. J. J. Young.

Miss Helen Atkinson, student at Meredith College, spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Atkinson.

Mr. Kemp Nixon, of Lincolnton, and Mr. Joe Nixon, of Cheeryville, returned home Saturday after spending a few days here, the guests of their sister, Mrs. J. M. Turley.

Miss Jessie Thurston, of Zebulon school faculty spent some time here recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Thurston.

Mrs. S. G. Phillips and children returned home Sunday from Washington where they have been spending a few days with Mr. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett H. Steger returned home Tuesday from a ten days trip to points in the eastern part of the State.

Mrs. J. J. Young was hostess at the meeting of the Woman's Club at her lovely home on Friday afternoon, November 30. Mrs. Young and her daughter, Miss Dorothy Young, received a large number of club members and guests, among the latter, Miss Myers, State Supervising Nurse for the Red Cross, and Miss Lottie Lewis, treasurer of Wake county. The business program was given especial attention and accentuated by the earnest appeal by Miss Meyers for a support in furthering the Red Cross work in this community. An entertainment program was given by Mrs. D. J. Thurston, and assisted by Mrs. Charles Guley, as follows:

Instrumental duet, by Mrs. R. C. White and Mrs. Charles Guley.

Mrs. Thurston then introduced Miss Lewis who very ably discussed the subject for the afternoon, "County Government in North Carolina."

Vocal solo, "Goodnight, Little Girl," by Miss Dorothy Young, accompanied by Mrs. Guley, pianist.

At the conclusion of the delightful program, the hostess assisted by Misses Mary Ellington and Dorothy Young, served delicious refreshments.

Liberty Bell To Be Visible At All Hours

Washington, Dec. 13.—Of all the national shrines of patriotism and pride in history in which this Nation abounds, the Liberty Bell is easily first, symbolizing, as it does, the very foundation of the Nation, and having clustered around it so much of romance and of pride.

Hitherto the Liberty Bell, in Independence Hall, Philadelphia, has only been on view during a part of the day. Now, however, it is announced that the Bell is to be further protected by a wrought-iron grill, and illuminated at night, so that the visitor who wants to see the historic old relic, and imagine for himself what it sounded like before it was cracked and when its voice sent the call of Liberty echoing around the world and down the centuries, may never be disappointed.—Capital News Service.

Wm. A. Pinkerton, Detective Is Dead

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 11.—William A. Pinkerton, world-famous detective, died here this morning at the Hotel Biltmore.

Sketch of Life

One of the first noted American criminologists to advocate and practice humanitarian methods in dealing with felons, William Allan Pinkerton, head of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, was credited with having reformed more safe blowers and bank robbers than any other man in the country.

Primarily a thief-taker, Mr. Pinkerton spent more than 50 years of his life running down criminals of all classes, yet he always stood ready to proffer a helping hand to the unfortunate malefactor whose repentance was genuine and whose desire to reform was sincere.

William Allan Pinkerton and his brother, Robert A., succeeded to the business of their father, Allan Pinkerton, when the latter died in 1884 after founding the detective agency which bears his name. This was before the powerful armor-plated vaults, electrically operated and protected, were heard of, and safe blowers were in their hey-day. Determined to specialize in bank protection, William Pinkerton enlisted the support of the leading financial institutions of the country and then made a detailed study of the men who were preying upon them. He warned noted bank robbers as they were arrested.

"You leave my people alone and I'll leave you alone. If you don't I'll follow you to the end of the earth."

William A. Pinkerton was born in Dundee, Illinois, April 7, 1846. He was educated in public and private schools and when ready for college entered Notre Dame University.

The Boll Weevil Fight Planned for Next Year

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—Farmers and county agents are beginning to look forward to the 1924 fight against the Boll-weevil, and investigation and extension workers are preparing for the fray. During the past week C. A. Whittle, on behalf of the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers, has been in Raleigh securing data and results on the work of the year from the workers in the Division of Entomology and Agronomy of the State College and Department of Agriculture. Similar data is to be secured from other southern states with the object of issuing a general statement of findings and recommendations when the Association meets in January at Birmingham, Alabama.

During the autumn, farmers were encouraged by College workers to make an effort to pick the cotton promptly, and to kill the stalks before frost, as this is known to lessen the multiplication of the weevil in the late fall. The presence of the cotton leaf-worm in many fields helped in the work by destroying the late-season food of the weevils. These things would tend to reduce the number of weevils to survive the winter; but, on the other hand, the mildness of the winter thus far is in the weevil's favor.

For the remainder of the winter some good may be accomplished by a general clean-up along hedge-rows, rock-piles, ditch-banks, or terraces, which are near to the 1923 cotton fields. This may help the appearance of the farm also. Farmers are advised to look forward studiously to the use of the best possible cultural methods for cotton as advised from the Division of Agronomy.

Preparations are now being made by Prof. Franklin Sherman of the Division of Entomology for a series of meetings throughout the north-eastern section of the state early in 1924. At these meetings it is intended to present the best proven methods for avoiding or preventing weevil damage, as well as direct means of control by the use of poisons. The rather light damage by weevil in 1923, combined with a favorable crop and a satisfactory range of prices, gives reason for encouragement, yet should not lull us into a false of security.

NEWS ITEM IN CITY OF PRINCETON

Community League Holds Interesting Meeting; Thief Scared Off.

Princeton, Dec. 13.—Misses Eula and Eunice Baker, Ethel Winstead and Ethel Royster visited relatives in Goldsboro Saturday.

Miss Elizabeth Uzzle visited her parents in Wilson's Mills for the week end.

Misses Gulie and Beulah Toler spent Saturday in Smithfield.

Misses Bessie and Jessie Massey, Mrs. Henry Fitzgerald and Mrs. W. P. Suggs visited friends in Goldsboro Wednesday.

Misses Nell Kirkpatrick and Celia Satterfield and Mr. Alston Worley spent Saturday in Goldsboro.

Mr. Ed Jones, from Goldsboro, spent the week end with Miss Gladys Worley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Miller and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lewis from Goldsboro visited Mrs. J. W. Baker Sunday.

Their many friends will be very glad to learn that Mr. James Rowe and Miss Ettie Creech were happily married last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed A. Holt and family spent Sunday in Smithfield with Mrs. Holt's parents.

An effort was made to steal a bale of cotton from the yard of Mr. Frank Summerlin Monday night. The parties were driving a truck and were making ready to load a bale when a member of the family awakened and made a noise which scared them away. Mr. Summerlin had six bales in his yard all within fifteen feet of his house. After being discovered these parties drove the truck about 150 feet up the road and turned around and then went back by the house toward Neuse river. Although they did not get the cotton two good barrels were missing from the yard next morning.

As a result of a meeting at Tee's Chapel by the Free Will Baptist forty people were baptized last Sunday in the creek near the church.

Miss Allie Snipes has been spending several days with relatives in Goldsboro.

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Woodard from Goldsboro, were in town a short while Wednesday evening on their way to attend the marriage of Miss Sallie Woodard, to Mr. Lonnie Lynch, the ceremony to be solemnized at the home of Mr. Monroe Woodard.

The Community League met last Friday evening, December 7th, at the City Hall. The following program was rendered and was enjoyed by all: Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," by the League.

Vocal solo, "Absent" by Miss Virginia Woodard.

Piano solo, "When the Lights are Low" by Miss Lelia Straghan.

Address, "How we can Train for Good Citizenship" by Mr. J. I. Lee.

Vocal duet, "My Heart Breathes a Welcome" by Misses Alma Pearce and Evelyn Edwards.

Recitation, Miss Evelyn Edwards.

Song, "America" by the League.

It was decided to change the time for this League meeting from the first Tuesday in each month to the first Friday.

Preaching at Court House Sunday Night

There will be preaching at the court house Sunday night, commencing at seven o'clock. Mr. C. Eddie Ruffin of Raleigh has been secured to do the speaking.

The brass band that has just been organized in Smithfield in connection with the Mission work, is expected to play several pieces of sacred music in the service Sunday night.

A MISTAKE IN W. L. WOODALL'S SONS AD

There was a mistake in the advertisement of W. L. Woodall's Sons published in our last issue. The price of forty cent Devonshire should have been 29 cents instead of 25 cents. This enterprising firm is conducting a pre-holiday sale, and their sale is full of bargains.