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JOHNSTON COUNTY'S GREAT FAIR WILL OPEN OCTOBER 27

Secretary of Fair Puts Best Foot Foremost To Boost The Fair; Premiums To Be Paid Friday Of Fair Week.

FREE ATTRACTIONS

A circus, a menagerie, a theatre, an exposition—all rolled into one stupendous spectacle for the edification, amusement and pleasure of its thousands of friends—the Johnston County Fair.

This the eleventh annual county fair, will open its gates on Tuesday morning, October 27th for a four day and night show which bids fair to eclipse anything that has gone before. Secretary Naron is optimistic over the outlook and it now only remains for the plans already laid to be put into final execution.

Races, fireworks, wirewalkers, trapeze artists, acrobats, clowns and myriad minor and major attractions will make every minute one of thrills. A magnificent midway filled with tents containing beasts of the jungles, phenomena of nature—a midway packed with amusements that required a train of thirty cars to bring them to Smithfield.

All these amusements will have their appeal to the old and young. But the Fair is more than this. Floral Hall with its exhibits of fancy work, canned goods, pantry supplies, farm products of all kinds will be there to interest those who like to see what their county is doing. There will be housed fine cattle and hogs, purebred chickens and turkeys and geese and other poultry, sheep and goats and horses; farm machinery and automobiles; fine cotton, corn, potatoes and other field crops.

FOOTBALL GAME TO BE GREAT FEATURE OF FAIR

The Smithfield high school will stage a good football game during fair week with an eleven in North Carolina that has not been announced at this time. Announcement in regard to this feature will be made at a later date.

BOY SCOUTS WILL ASSIST WITH FAIR

In keeping with "preparedness," which is their slogan, the local troops of the Boy Scouts of America and other troops in the county will assist the management of the fair this autumn. They will be ready to render first aid on the fair grounds; they will assist the police department, the traffic department; they will help the fair officials generally during the week.

There is no use talking, the Boy Scouts organization is one of the greatest assets to any community and the towns in Johnston county that have troops are fortunate.

FREE ATTRACTIONS AT JOHNSTON COUNTY FAIR

The free attractions at the Johnston County Fair October 27, 28, 29, and 30 will be the best ever seen before.

The three famous Russells will be on the midway in dare-devil feats. The "Bucking Ford," the funniest act in the country, will be here for two performances daily. The original "Gus" Hundersson in the "Rube" will be here. He is the funniest clown in the business. The Barlow acrobatic entertainers feats performed are seemingly beyond human possibility.

The fair at Smithfield is for you. See it. Profit through it. Its yours. Use it.

Don't miss the first day or you will miss a big one.

Let everybody be a booster for the fair.

TRAINED DOG AND MONKEY ACT



THE GREATEST of all trained dog and monkey acts will also be another free attraction that will especially interest the kiddies at the Johnston County Fair this year. These dogs walk the tight and slack wire without being beaten, frightened or coaxed. This is a wonderful act.

Hon. Francis D. Winston Will Open County Fair

TRAIN OF THIRTY CARS BRINGS SHOW

Brown and Dyer Aggregation Includes 18 Tent Shows and Eight Riding Devices.

Thirty cars of wild animals, acrobats, actors, freaks, dancers, clowns, riding devices, racing vehicles, tents and all that sort of thing will arrive in Smithfield two days before the opening of the fair on Tuesday morning, October 27 and begin unloading for the great exposition to which thousands of folks will come from Johnston and surrounding counties.

These thirty cars transport the equipment, personnel and stock of the Brown and Dyer Shows, whose attractions will pack the great midway this year. There have been some great shows to come to the fair at Smithfield, but this year will see them all eclipsed. The shows are the greatest ever to come to the local lot. From all the information fair officials have been able to get, it appears that this aggregation is about the cleanest and best to be found in the South for the fair season—no gambling, no unclean shows; just a straightforward amusement enterprise catering to the best and striving to please.

The company has 18 shows under canvas, they carry 8 riding devices, a motordrome and many other popular features. Their rides include the caterpillar, the whip, the aeroplane swings, merry-go-round and the Ferris wheel. Their shows are a plantation minstrel, a wild west show, a menagerie and several other attractions.

DEPARTMENT OF CURIOS AND RELICS

Mrs. W. M. Sanders and Mrs. H. P. Johnson have charge of this feature. This department is always interesting. It shows what used to be in vogue in Johnston county, what our forefathers used in agriculture, in business and in many other vocations of life. Civil war trophies and antiques are shown and many other curios too numerous to mention in this space. These ladies are experienced in this department and will welcome entries from now until October 27.

SCHOOLS, DEPT. E.

(Miss Virginia Puckett in Charge) Miss Puckett is no stranger to Johnston county, having been engaged in the Department of Public Education in Johnston county for the past few years. She is well adapted to this department, and will capably take care of it and do everything in her power to help all entrants in this department.

Big Parade With Prize Winning Floats Will Feature The Opening Day; Sec. Naron Has Planned Itinerary.

SCHOOL FOLKS FREE

One of the outstanding features of the Johnston County Fair this year will be the parade which will be staged on the opening day, Tuesday, the 27th. More attention will be paid to a formal opening than has been in several years, and Hon. Francis D. Winston, of Windsor, has been invited to make the opening speech. His address will be at the fair grounds following the parade. Mr. Winston one of North Carolina's prominent lawyers, and a speaker of unusual ability, needs no introduction to the people of Johnston county. He is an ex-judge of the Superior Court of North Carolina, and has a reputation of being a very versatile speaker. The people of the county should not miss the opportunity of hearing him.

The parade this year will be a big one and to avoid congestion, Secretary Naron has already designated the itinerary. The procession will start on Second Street at the corner of Bridge and Second. It will move down Second Street to the corner of Market Street where it will turn to the left, down Market to Third, then down Third out to the fair grounds.

Prizes are offered this year by the fair association for the three best floats in the parade. Competition is open to all Johnston county citizens, and this will be one of the very best features during the week. It will show the cooperative and constructive spirit of Johnston county people. It will show initiative on the part of her people.

The floats that will be judged in the parade must be decorated and constructed by Johnston county citizens. Competition is not restricted to any special kind of float or to any particular business. The merits of the floats will be considered from a standpoint of general make-up, genuineness of design, originality in conception and adaptation to Johnston county's needs. The first prize will be \$50; the second prize will be \$25, and the third prize will be \$15. Those expecting to participate in the parade should enter by Monday, October 26. There is still time to get busy and help make this the biggest parade ever staged in Johnston county.

On the opening day free tickets will be issued by the fair manager to all bona fide school children and their teachers who are in the parade. They will be allowed to pass the gate if they have these tickets. It will be advisable to call on the secretary in Smithfield and get these tickets at once. Mrs. secretary, can also issue them.

PROGRAMME Johnston County Agricultural Society, Inc. SMITHFIELD, N. C. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday October 27, 28, 29, 30, 1925

TUESDAY Educational Day

11 a. m.—Grand opening parade. School grounds free provided they're in parade. Parade will begin on North Second street at Hospital, thence to Market street and Third street and thence to Fair Grounds.

12 M.—Opening exercises in Fair Grounds. Hon. Francis D. Winston, of Windsor, N. C., to speak.

1:30 p. m.—Harness racing.
2:20 trot.....\$200
2:18 pace.....\$200
Free acts will be intermingled between each race. Four separate free acts.

7:00 p. m.—Band Concert.
7:15 p. m.—Free Acts.

8:00 p. m.—Fireworks and free acts.

WEDNESDAY

9:00 a. m.—Grounds open.
9:30 a. m.—Judging of exhibits.
10:00 a. m.—Inspection of individual farm exhibits.

1:30 p. m.—Harness racing.
2:25 pace and trot...\$200
2:17 trot.....\$200

FREE ACTS
7:00 p. m.—Band concert.
7:15 p. m.—Free acts.
8:00 p. m.—Fireworks and free acts.

THURSDAY Johnston County Day

9:00 a. m.—Grounds open.
9:30 a. m.—Exhibits and Midway of Brown & Dyer Shows.

1:30 p. m.—Harness racing.
Johnston county race \$150
2:17 pace.....\$200
Free for all.....\$200

4:00 p. m.—Popularity contest closes in front of Automobile stand in mid-way Free Acts.

7:00 p. m.—Band Concert.
7:15 p. m.—Free Acts.
8:00 p. m.—Fireworks and Free Acts.

FRIDAY Johnston County Queen and Automobile Day.

9:00 a. m.—Grounds open.
1:30 p. m.—Harness racing.
2:18 trot.....\$200
Free for all.....\$200

4:00 p. m.—Crowning of Queen and awarding of prizes in Popularity Contest.

7:00 p. m.—Band Concert.
7:15 p. m.—Free Acts.

Automobile to be Given Away
You must be on Fair Grounds with correct number to receive automobile. If first number drawn is not present drawing will be continued until number present receives automobile. Be there with your number.

8:00 p. m.—Fireworks and Free Acts.

BIG FIREWORKS NIGHT PROGRAM

Riot of Color, Gorgeous Fireworks Display Furnishes Brilliant Spectacle Each Night.

TO CHANGE NIGHTLY

The public of today loves excitement. It revels in anything savoring of the romantic. It responds with the instincts of the savage to a riot of color, to noise, to the spectacular. And the public gets it all, and more, in a gorgeous fireworks display, a brilliantly conceived spectacle. As an outstanding, compelling attraction, there is nothing that can measure up to modern pyrotechnics at a Fair. The public has come to expect it and we are striving harder this year than ever before to please the public.

The fireworks this year are furnished by the American Fireworks of Philadelphia who are the largest manufacturers in this line in the country.

Beginning Tuesday evening the fireworks program will be started and thereafter each night. The program will be changed nightly.

MRS. GILLETT HAS HOME DEPARTMENT

Will Be Glad To Assist In Arranging Exhibits In Floral Hall.

Home Economics dept. will be supervised by Mrs. R. C. Gillett and Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, home demonstration agent for Johnston county. These two ladies of Smithfield are bending every effort possible to help make the Eleventh Annual Johnston County Fair the best fair that our county has ever seen! They are both familiar with this phase of the fair work in every detail. Miss Garrison is our able county home agent and is always ready to help the good ladies of Johnston county improve their table and pantry according to the best and most sanitary methods known to modern culinary art.

Mrs. R. C. Gillett has been connected in this department of the fair for a good many years and is well experienced in this line of domesticity. She will be glad to render any assistance that she can to anybody in placing their exhibits in the floral hall. She will have sufficient entry blanks to meet all exhibitors' requirements.

ADVERTISERS IN JOHNSTON COUNTY PREMIUM LIST

The advertisers that you see that have used the pages of the Johnston county premium list are business houses of vision in Johnston county. They believe in progress, in a bigger, better and more stable Johnston county. They are patriotic in their motives. They are merchants and business people who give you a square deal and call you again to trade. They boost the Johnston County Fair and Johnston county. They have invested their money in Johnston county in order to accommodate you. You ought to patronize them to the limit. Keep your money in Johnston county. They carry the best the market affords all the time. They will always try to please you.

TEXTILE DEPARTMENT

Mrs. James H. Kirkman and Miss Lucile Johnson will have charge of this department. Mrs. Kirkman has been in Smithfield for a number of years and is acquainted with most of all the good people of Johnston county. She knows the art of crocheting and kindred needlework, and so does Miss Lucile Johnson. Miss Johnson is one of our younger ladies of Johnston county who will work in conjunction with Mrs. Kirkman in this department. They will render every service that they possibly can during the fair to make the textile department one of the outstanding features of the fair.

The Farmers To Get Good Ideas At Fair

FAIR OFFICERS ARE EFFICIENT

Success of Fair Largely Depends Upon Management; Heads of Departments.

ADD NEW FEATURES

One of the chief factors in the success of a fair is its management. The directors did not lose sight of this fact when they selected the officers and heads of the various departments. Men and women who are willing to lend their time and efforts to the enterprise were selected.

Officers of the Johnston County Fair Association are: president, Dr. R. J. Noble, of Selma; vice-president, C. M. Wilson, of the Mills; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Naron, of this city; assistant secretary, Mrs. Beatrice Godwin, also of this city.

The directors are: E. S. Edmondson, Mrs. T. J. Lassiter, H. C. Woodall, J. H. Woodall, R. J. Noble, C. M. Wilson, R. A. Wellons, J. Rufus Creech. The executive committee is composed of J. Rufus Creech, H. C. Woodall, E. S. Edmondson, J. H. Woodall and W. D. Hood. The finance committee includes C. M. Wilson, F. H. Brooks and W. D. Avera. Competent men and women have been secured to have charge of the various departments. R. H. Higgins, assisted by R. H. Lassiter and D. Hooper Sanders, will have charge of Individual Community Farm and Field Crop exhibits. T. W. Ives is superintendent of the livestock department. Hamilton brothers will take care of the poultry department. Mrs. R. C. Gillett is superintendent of the home economics department and Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, county home agent, is director. These ladies will be assisted by Mrs. J. A. Naron, Mrs. J. H. Kirkman and Miss Lucile Johnson. Curious and relics will be handled by Mrs. W. M. Sanders and Mrs. H. P. Johnson. The art department will be in the hands of Mrs. Will Lassiter and Mrs. J. A. Keen. Mrs. C. V. Johnson and Mrs. A. S. Johnston will have the horticulture department. Miss Virginia Puckett will manage the school exhibits.

Several new features that have not hitherto characterized the county fair, have been arranged for the convenience of those who attend. The Carolina Telephone and Telegraph company will maintain telephone service on the fair grounds; the Johnston county hospital in conjunction with the local chapter of the American Red Cross will arrange for an emergency hospital on the grounds; and the Western Union Telegraph company will have a local station in the fair grounds.

The Fair Association last year was unable to meet all its obligations. The premiums were not paid and it was necessary to issue due bills for those. The association hopes this year not only to make expenses of the fair this fall but to have enough in the treasury to pay last year's premium winners.

CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Mrs. J. A. Wellons and Mrs. J. A. Naron have charge of this department. These two ladies are known all over Johnston county. They are capable in every respect and will care for your wants in every way. They are Johnston county fair boosters and one hundred per cent Johnstonians. They are fortunate to be in the canned fruits department because some of the best canned fruits in the world are canned in Johnston county and visitors to the fair have the opportunity as well as the rest of the protunity of seeing some wonderful fruits canned by Johnston county housewives and housewives-to-be.

Fair Officials Are Planning A Fair That Will Be Interesting, Stimulating and Instructive To The Farmers.

LABOR SAVING TOOLS

By C. H. GRADY

The officials of the Johnston County Fair Association have spared themselves in no way to make this Fair interesting, stimulating and instructive to the farmer. Farmers should take advantage of this opportunity of meeting with neighboring farmers and discussing with them plans to improve farming conditions in Johnston county. At the fair one will find many new and improved methods of farming being demonstrated. One will meet many new friends and return home feeling that he has spent a profitable day.

Sometimes a person may be suffering from lack of work or complaining that he wants work. He might work to his heart's content and with no man's leave if he chose to carry stone from the bottom to the top of a hill and back again. The truth is he is suffering from lack of income. He wants work as a means of income not for the love of hard labor. If people wanted work for the sake of work alone then why plough when you could scratch up the land with a stick and thus create more work? Why use a wagon, truck, or railway when it would require more work to drag the load by hand?

The whole world, men, women, and children, require food, clothing, shelter, fuel, and other necessities of life, and today this is being acquired with the least amount of labor possible. The population of the world has so congregated as to aid each other in the saving of labor, improved machinery and labor saving devices are in universal use. The division of labor has largely and increasingly helped man to economize labor. By following a particular line one man became an expert farmer, another an expert carpenter, another an expert builder, another an expert tailor, another an expert merchant, and so on down the line of trades and professions. By reason of this specialization each are able to do better work in their respective fields. Thus man has learned to save labor for each other and secure more income from his efforts than he would if each man tried to be a "Jack-of-all-trades."

In an effort to assist the farmers of Johnston county, the Fair officials will have on demonstration at the fair labor saving farming implements. The farmer must save his labor as well as the other industries of the country. Come to the fair and see them demonstrated.

VARIED LIST OF PREMIUMS OFFERED

The premium list this year of the Johnston County Fair offers in every department a varied list of premiums for first and second prizes on the exhibits brought to the fair. The premiums will be paid this year without fail. Rain insurance has been taken by the officials of the fair so that rainy weather will make no difference, only we want the people of Johnston county and surrounding counties to come to one of the best fairs that ever has been staged in Johnston county. Call for a premium list if you have not yet received one. Call 268 or 189 or drop a card to Box 116, John A. Naron, Secretary, and one will be sent you.

ART DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Will H. Lassiter and Mrs. J. A. Keen will be in charge. This department has some very pretty exhibits in it and these two Johnston county ladies will do everything in their power to make this department foremost during the fair because they know how to do it in the most convincing manner.