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MARTIN COUNTY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING FOR MARCH HELD IN LOCAL SCHOOL AUDITORIUM ON SATURDAY

VARIOUS COUNTY COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEES ANNOUNCE SLIGHT CHANGES IN PLANS; RULES FOR ENTERING CONTESTS DISCUSSED.

On Saturday afternoon, March 7, the third regular meeting of the Martin County teachers association was held in the Williamston school auditorium.

At 2 o'clock the vice president, Mr. R. A. Phillips, called the meeting to order.

Rev. C. O. Pardo, of the Episcopal Church, read a part of the fourth chapter of St. Matthew, those verses recording the three temptations of Christ. He then offered a prayer, followed by a concert rendition of the Lord's prayer.

The secretary read the minutes of the February meeting.

Rev. C. O. Pardo asked if the teachers would cooperate in getting a religious census of the families in their districts. He explained that cards would be furnished by the ministers and that the only responsibility on the part of the teachers would be to have the children take them home to their parents to be filled out and then, after they were returned, to see that they were placed on file in the county superintendent's office. The teachers gladly responded to Mr. Pardo's call for aid.

Superintendent Pope announced that each group leader at the next meeting would give a written examination on the work covered by his group during the year. In lieu of the test any teacher who prefers will be allowed to submit a term paper.

The grammar grade examination committee had not been appointed.

Superintendent Pope reported that quite a number of the schools had not filed their census cards. These, he said, should have been sent in the last of September.

The chairman of the various committees for the county commencement made announcements relative to the additions or slight changes made in the rules for the commencement. Mr. H. M. Ainsley asked all those expecting to enter contestants for the spelling contest to inform Miss Hunt, of Robersonville, prior to the committee meeting in Robersonville on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The primary story-telling committee decided to meet in Robersonville on Wednesday afternoon also. Miss Emma Robertson was appointed secretary, to whom names of contestants should be sent.

Mr. J. S. Seymour insisted that the teachers file the number of contestants they wished to enter the arithmetic contest with him.

The committee on pageants decided to meet in Williamston on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

As Rev. D. W. Arnold, chairman of the choral contest, was not present, Mr. Pope asked that he be advised to plan a meeting of his committee at some early date.

Mr. J. L. Jones, of Hamilton, chairman of the singing contest, asked all teachers of group III schools who intended to enter pupils for that contest to notify Mr. J. D. Lilley, of Williamston, route No. 4, before Thursday.

Mr. Pope explained that the exhibit contest and the dramatization contest were free to all schools, regardless of previous grouping.

Mr. R. A. Phillips asked the representatives of the athletic association to meet him directly after the group meetings.

Another argument for a garden this year—"Soak up the sunlight if you want to be strong boned, vigorous, and healthy."

Many farmers have no money to pay high prices for fertilizers this year, and county agents of State College are wisely assisting them in buying the crude materials, working out good formulas, and mixing the fertilizer at home.

Agriculture extension work is having a marked effect on the agriculture of North Carolina. Reports made by the county farm agents show cooperation with hundreds of farmers and statistics show that this cooperation is benefiting both the counties and the State as a whole.

It looks like a good year for the sheep industry, according to predictions made by the United States Department of Agriculture. G. F. Williams, sheep extension specialist for State College, says there is more interest in sheep farming in North Carolina now.

COUNTY SCHOOLS TO PLAY BASEBALL

County Athletic Association Adopts Schedule and Rules and Regulations for Baseball Season

The Martin County Athletic Association had a meeting at the local school Saturday, at which the coming baseball season was discussed.

A set of rules and regulations were drawn up in connection with county championship series for schools of Group I. This group is composed of the schools of Williamston, Robersonville, Oak City, Jamesville, and Everetts.

The regulations adopted follow:

1. To be eligible to represent any high school a player must be in regular attendance at that school at the time of any game in which he participates, and he must have made an average daily attendance record of at least 60 per cent, measuring from the opening day of school in the fall of 1924 up to the time of any game in which he participates.

2. To be eligible a player must have made for the previous school month passing grades on a majority of the studies in some regularly organized course of study in the school which he represents. (Three subjects is considered a majority in high school and four in the elementary school.)

3. No student who became 21 years of age on or before September 1, 1924, shall be eligible to represent his school in the baseball championship series.

4. No postgraduate of a school, that is, no student who has already finished a four-year high school course, shall be eligible to represent his school in the baseball championship series.

The scheduled games are to begin at 3:30 in the afternoon. Whenever a team fails to go or play or scheduled (unless some other date is agreed upon by the two teams concerned) that team forfeits the game with an official score of 9-0. Neutral umpires are to be secured by the team playing at home in each case.

The schedule adopted follows:

March 31: Oak City at Robersonville; Williamston at Jamesville.

April 3: Robersonville at Everetts; Williamston at Oak City.

April 7: Everetts at Williamston; Robersonville at Jamesville.

April 10: Oak City at Williamston; Jamesville at Everetts.

April 14: Everetts at Oak City; Williamston at Robersonville.

April 17: Robersonville at Williamston; Oak City at Jamesville.

April 21: Jamesville at Oak City; Everetts at Robersonville.

April 24: Jamesville at Williamston; Oak City at Everetts.

April 28: Jamesville at Robersonville; Williamston at Everetts.

May 1: Everetts at Jamesville; Robersonville at Oak City.

Farmers Banking & Trust Co., of Tarboro

We are carrying in this issue a tempting invitation from the Farmers Bank & Trust Co., of Tarboro, to do our outside banking business with them. The Enterprise is a home-town booster. We always advocate patronizing home industries; and products, but if occasion arises for outside business we know enough about the Farmers Banking & Trust Co. to highly recommend it to our readers. With resources over a million, and a strong personnel on their banking staff it is one of the strongest institutions in the great northeastern section of our State.

\$2.50 Prize Contest Will Close Friday

The contest which the Enterprise has been running for the past three weeks, giving a \$2.50 gold piece and a 2-years subscription to the Enterprise to the person sending in the best paper on the "Five Things Martin County Needs Most," and a second prize of a 2 years subscription will close with the Friday issue of this paper.

Some of the articles submitted have been very highly commended and they have all been good. Several who have said they were going to send in articles have not yet gotten them in, and we urge them to get busy and have them for Friday's paper.

Competent judges will read the papers and pass on them and the two winners will be reprinted in the paper.

BEGIN EVANGELIST SERVICES ON 29TH

Rev. B. E. Brown, of Tarboro, Will Hold Meeting in Episcopal Church for One Week

Beginning Sunday, March 29, and running through the following Sunday the Rev. Bertram E. Brown, rector of Cavalry church, Tarboro, will conduct an evangelist mission or meeting at the Episcopal church of Williamston.

Mr. Brown is considered one of the strongest preachers in the Episcopal church, and Williamston and Martin County people are fortunate in having the opportunity of hearing Mr. Brown in these services.

It is hoped that many will avail themselves of this privilege. There will be a service each morning at 10 o'clock and each night at 8 o'clock. Special music by the choir and congregation.

POSTAL RATES AND SALARIES HIGHER

New Costs Two Cents to Mail Post Cards, While Rural Mail Carriers Get \$1.20 More Per Day

What is known as the postal bill has been passed by Congress and approved by the President. The charge for registering letters, where the value is under \$50, will be 15 cents, it was formerly 10. Where the value is over \$50 the fee will be 20 cents, the same as before; when a return receipt is required it will cost 3 cents extra in all cases. The rate on the regular United States Postal cards remains at 1 cent, while all other cards, such as picture, comic, and souvenir post cards, is raised from 1 to 2 cents. The fees on postal money orders has been increased from 3 to 5 cents for amounts under \$2.50, and continues a 2-cent increase on orders up to \$50. On orders from \$50 and \$100, which is the largest single order issued the fee has been reduced from 30 to 22 cents. Rural mail carriers will get a 4-cent per mile increase. A carrier who has a 30-mile route will get a raise of \$1.20 per day. Post-office clerks all get raises, some as high as \$300 per year. The newspaper postage will be raised.

CLASS MEETING

Baptist Philatheas Entertained Last Friday at Home of Mrs. Cone

The Philatheas class of the Memorial Baptist church was entertained Friday night with a most clever program at the home of Mrs. P. B. Cone on Church Street. After the regular business meeting was over an automobile romance contest was given in which Miss Sallie Harris won the prize. A fruit salad was served by the hostess at the conclusion of the game.

W. T. CULLIPHER

Dies Monday Morning After Week's Illness With Pneumonia

Mr. W. T. Cullipher passed away Monday at 11 o'clock, after a week's attack of pneumonia. Mr. Cullipher was regarded as one of our most successful farmers, a man who had followed the sound principle of raising enough for himself and a little for his neighbor. He was about 70 years old, leaves a widow and one son, Mr. H. A. Cullipher, and several grandchildren. Mr. Cullipher had long been a member of the Primitive Baptist church and when second Saturday and Sunday came he could always be found at his place at Skewarkee. He was buried in the family cemetery at his home this afternoon.

Coleraine Citizen Is Visitor Here

Mr. John R. Lawrence, of Coleraine, was in town Monday. Mr. Lawrence is one of the leading farmers in this section and is an enthusiastic advocate of the proposition to build the Chowan River bridge at Coleraine instead of Eden House. Mr. Lawrence says the Coleraine route will split fine sections of country on both the Bertie side of the Chowan and on the Hertford County side and that it will also keep the road out of the Albemarle Swamp, making the road construction cost much less than it would at the Eden House crossing. He also claims that the bridge proper can be built at less cost, because the river bottom at Coleraine is much better than the lower river crossing.

Attend Show in Rocky Mount

Messrs. John L. Hassell and Joe Everett attended "Rain" in Rocky Mount Saturday night and were disappointed in the performance.

Meeting of Depositors Has Been Called Off

It has been circulated that a meeting of the depositors of the Martin County Savings & Trust Co. would be held this week. The meeting has been called off, and should there be a desire by the depositors to have one it will be announced for a later date.

DUNN NAMED TO SUCCEED HORTON

Greenville Attorney and Brother of Mrs. John D. Biggs Gets Fifth District Judgeship

Raleigh, March 9.—Albion Dunn, of Greenville, was commissioned judge of the fifth superior court district by Governor McLean this afternoon following the resignation of Judge J. Lloyd Horton, of Farmville, also of Pitt County.

Governor McLean announced the appointment of Mr. Dunn this afternoon and said the Pitt lawyer has accepted the call to judgeship. His excellency received the resignation of Judge Horton Saturday night, but formal statement from the circuit rider did not come until today.

Judge Dunn is a brother of Mrs. John D. Biggs, Jr., of this city.

\$1,000 PRIZES FOR STATE GARDNERS

First Prize, \$500; Second, \$200; Third, \$100; Five \$20 Prizes and Ten \$10 Prizes

Raleigh, Me. 10.—The garden contest begun in North Carolina by the Divisions of horticulture and home demonstration of the State College extension service has received additional impetus by the announcement from the Southern Ruralist of Atlanta, Ga. that it would give \$1,000 in prizes to gardeners of the South. This South-wide contest will run from May 1, 1925, to May 1, 1926, and entries will be received by the Ruralist up until June 1 of this year. Anyone living on a farm in the South may enter the contest by writing to the Ruralist before this date.

The money will be distributed as follows: First prize, \$500; second prize, \$200; third prize, \$100; five prizes of \$20 each, and ten prizes of \$10 each.

The rules governing this contest were prepared by a committee of four southern horticulturists, of which Prof. C. D. Matthews, of State College, is a member. The awards will be made by the same committee.

LENTEN SERVICES

Begin Wednesday Afternoon and Will Continue Through Lent

Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 the Lenten service will be held at the Church of the Advent, with the litany and address by Mr. Pardo. On Friday afternoon the litany and address will be by the Rev. Mr. Dodd, pastor of the Methodist church.

These afternoon services will be held each Wednesday and Friday afternoon at 4:30 during Lent. The public is cordially invited to attend.

GOOD STATEMENT

Farmers & Merchants Bank Shows Best Record in Years

In today's Enterprise there appears one of the best bank statements that a local bank has made since the period of deflation began in the advertisement of the Farmers & Merchants Bank.

Deposits are over a half million dollars, and this is a considerable gain over the last statement. Despite the fact that several banks have closed their doors on account of the short crop of 1924 the patrons and depositors of this bank have held their faith and no withdrawals have been made. What is better, deposits have increased considerably.

Bills payable are very small in comparison with the deposits. They are not quite \$150,000, and with these two items so favorable the bank officials are very glad to invite the patronage and confidence of the people of the county.

Banking and trading in your home county means more prosperity for it, which lightens the burdens of taxation and benefits every inhabitant.

Regular Meeting Masons Tonight

There will be a regular communication of Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, A. F. & A. M., tonight at 8 o'clock. All Master Masons in good standing are cordially invited.

C. D. CARSTARPHEN, Jr., Secretary.

NEGRO INJURED BY ACCIDENTAL SHOT

Charlie Francis Gray Hurt When Pistol in Hands of William Bullock is Discharged

William Bullock, a colored boy, shot Charlie Francis Gray, another colored boy Monday while in Harrison Brook warehouse, where they were supposed to be at work. They claimed to be fooling with the pistol, which fired, striking the Gray boy near the collar bone. The ball struck a safety pin and drove it before it something like three inches under the skin, both pin and ball being cut out together.

Dr. Warren declared it to be a "safety-first" accident, as the safety pin opened up a channel, making a path for the bullet to follow.

While the wound is a jagged, pin-scratched bullet-burned streak, no serious injury was done and the negro is doing well.

The other negro was taken into custody by the police department until further investigation as to the cause of the shooting has been made and inquiries into the rights of the negro Bullock to carry a pistol around with him.

CREDIT UNION LAW AMENDED

Will in Future Be Known as Saving and Loan Associations, According to Amendment

Raleigh, Me. 10.—Credit union will in the future be known as Saving and loan associations, according to a recent amendment to the law, state George Ross, chief of the State Division of Markets. The amendment also increases the power of these local organizations to borrow money, reduces the reserve to be kept on deposit in banks, provides for the guaranty of contract, and makes provision for a strong central organization.

Recent marketing activity by the division will help the poultry farmers of the State in disposing of their eggs at a profit. The division has added an assistant to V. W. Lewis, live stock marketing specialist, and efforts are being made to secure cold storage facilities for surplus eggs. Two carloads of surplus eggs have been sold by the division in the last few days.

BARGAINS

A. R. Dunning and J. L. Hassell Get a Big Five Dollars' Worth

Messrs. A. R. Dunning and John L. Hassell purchased 29 pairs of tennis shoes and 51 work shirts from the Williamston Bargain House for the consideration of \$5. The said purchase was made sight unseen.

We are unable to say whether the Messrs. Hassell and Dunning are planning to "set up" in business or merely adding to their wardrobe.

JOSEPH F. JONES

Died Suddenly Monday Afternoon at Home Near Here

Mr. Joseph F. Jones died suddenly Monday afternoon at his home on the Hamilton road. Mr. Jones had been ill with grippe, but had recovered sufficiently to do some work and said he was feeling much better. While doing some garden work he fell and when his son reached him, he held him that he was gone. Before he could be gotten to the house he was dead.

Mr. Jones was 58 years old last August. He first married Miss Claude Moore, who with their two young children died. He then married Miss Van Perry, she with their six sons survive him. They are N. Oscar and Robert C. Jones, of Jamesville, J. M. C. J. D. Proctor, and Harry M. Jones, of Williamston. Mr. Jones had all his life been a hard-working farmer. He was buried at two o'clock this afternoon at Reddick's Grove, A. J. Manning conducting the service both at the home and the grave.

Judge Winston Speaks at Goldsboro Dedication

Judge Francis D. Winston passed through here yesterday en route to Goldsboro to make the chief address at the occasion of the dedication program of tree planting on the Wayne-Lenoir highway, which took place at the county line today at 3 o'clock.

The exercises commemorated the last planting of the North Carolina long-leaf pine on the Central Highway. The trees have been planted by the Wayne-Lenoir tree planting association, which was organized for the purpose of converting the highway into a veritable shade-covered road, in the hope of eventually making it one of the show places of America.

Town Team to Play New Bern Tonight

The first basketball game of the past two weeks and probably the last one of the season to be played by the Williamston town team will be played at the Dixie Warehouse tonight, when the town team meets the New Bern National Guard, invincible so far this season.

A good game from start to finish is promised local fans. Playing starts promptly at 8 o'clock.

COUNTY CHAMPS ARE DETERMINED

Jamesville Boys and Robersonville Girls Declared Winners in County Basketball

The basketball schedule for the county that was adopted by the Martin County Athletic Association on the 17th of January has been so nearly completed that the winners are already known. In the championship series for the boys' teams the Jamesville high school won the first place and the Everetts high school won second place. In the championship series for the girls' teams the Robersonville High School won first place and the Everetts High School won second place.

The Jamesville High School deserves much credit for having the best basketball team in the county and in this section of the State, having won all games played this season, most of them by large majorities.

The Robersonville girls are due high praise for not only having the champion girls' team in the county but also for winning high honors in the State championship series.

There will be two cups awarded. One to the school winning first place in the boys' contest and one to the team winning first place in the girls' contest. The name of the school will be engraved on the cup and it will remain in possession of the winning school until next year, when the county champions will be determined by another championship series. Then the winners next year will hold the cup until another season and so on. The Jamesville school will, of course, retain the cup that is to be presented in the boys' contest for this year and the Robersonville school will hold the cup that is to be awarded in the girls' series for this year.

We are happy over the fine spirit of cooperation in making this championship series of benefit to the schools of the county. We feel that it has stimulated a fine spirit of sportsmanship, and it has certainly caused the work of the students to be of a higher grade, in spite of the criticism that has come from some quarters that too much time was being given to basketball. Principals of several schools in the county will tell you that some of the highest grade made in a number of the classes in their school were made by those students who have participated in these championship games. Let's get behind the project for a better and bigger program of athletics for the schools of Martin County and boost it from the report of the Martin County Athletic Association, R. A. Phillips, president, L. H. Hubble, secretary.

Christian Philatheas Hold Regular Meeting

The Philatheas class of the Christian church held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J. D. Woolard on West Main Street Friday night. The usual business disposed of a contest was given. Mrs. Woolard served her guests with sandwiches, coffee, and cake.

Return from Washington

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Price returned Saturday night from the inaugural ceremonies at Washington.

Hallet S. Ward Here Today

Ex-Congressman Hallet S. Ward was a business visitor here this morning.

In Washington Yesterday

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Manning motored to Washington yesterday afternoon.

In Robersonville This Morning

Mrs. A. R. Dunning visited her sister, Mrs. R. L. Smith, in Robersonville this morning.

Motor to Washington

Messrs. B. A. Critcher and A. R. Dunning motored to Washington today on professional business.

Poultry specialists say that six eggs should be incubated for every pullet needed in next year's laying flock. This allows for the usual losses in hatching and rearing.

CO-OPS WIN IN LEGISLATURE

All Efforts to Disrupt Tobacco Growers Association Abandoned Last Week

All efforts to disrupt the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association by adverse legislation in North Carolina were apparently abandoned last week when the North Carolina senate referred the substitute for the Grady bill to the senate committee on agriculture. This action was regarded by leaders as ending all chances for an anti-coop bill at this session of the legislature, which is due to adjourn this week.

When the senate held a hearing on the Grady bill members of the association were apparently on hand to testify in behalf of the association, but were not given an opportunity owing to the short time allowed for the hearing.

Congressman Hallet Ward spoke before the senate committee on the Grady bill, and judging by the applause he received the audience was almost unanimously against the bill, which was characterized as "legal murder" of the growers' organization.

The final attempt of those opposed to the association was to get through a substitute bill allowing judges to grant injunctions at their discretion, which would practically annul the rights of the association to require deliveries from members. This was the third attempt during the present legislature to pass a bill against the growers' association. The first effort was the Braswell bill in the House. The hearing on this bill being attended by a large crowd supplied with printed badges announcing "I am for the Braswell bill." Reports reaching Raleigh were to the effect that opponents of the growers' association had spent much money and time in getting this crowd to the hearing on the Braswell bill.

The association announces that final settlement on 1922 old bright belt tobacco and final settlement on 35 grades of 1923 old bright belt tobacco is to be made at all old belt markets on March 16, upon presentation of participation certificates at the warehouses where members made deliveries.

Beaver Dam Local And Personal News

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Raynor and son Richard, and Mr. W. A. Burroughs moved to Washington Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Meeks attended church at Skewarkee Sunday.

Mr. Minga Rogers, of Bear Grass, spent Saturday night with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burroughs and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Raynor.

Mrs. W. H. Rogers spent Sunday evening with Mrs. A. L. Hardy near Everetts.

Mr. Lester Rogers motored to Williamston Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Sylvester Raynor and son Julian, motored to Williamston Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Alonso Wynn is in the Washington Hospital, where she underwent operation for appendicitis.

Many of the local people attended church in Williamston Sunday night.

Our Sunday school at Vernon is growing very rapidly.

In Raleigh Yesterday

Mr. J. D. Woolard made a business trip to Raleigh yesterday.

Spends Saturday in Rocky Mount

Elder Sylvester Hassell spent Saturday in Rocky Mount.

Mr. Frank Hassell Here Sunday

Mr. Frank Hassell, of Wilson, spent Sunday with his father, Elder Sylvester Hassell.

Here Yesterday

Messrs. V. G. Taylor and Andrew Clark, of Everetts, were business visitors in town yesterday.

Return to A. C. C.

Misses Esther and Louise Harrison returned to college in Wilson yesterday afternoon after spending the week end at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Harrison.

Return to Baltimore

Mrs. Matthew Nicholson and son, Cornelius Ward, returned to their home in Baltimore Monday morning after visiting relatives in the County for several weeks.

Some farmers of Union County have reported to Farm Agent Tom Broome that they are receiving as high as \$200 per month from their poultry flocks.