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Y. M. C. A. BANQUET POORLY ATTENDED

Dr. Charles O'H. Laughinghouse, of Greenville, Made Fine Talk to The 16 Persons Present

Mr. Witherspoon, Y. M. C. A. Secretary for the eastern division of North Carolina, spent several days in Williamston last week.

Mayor R. L. Coburn was master of ceremonies and Professor Seymour, of the local school, made a short talk, as did Mr. Witherspoon.

Barber Missing; So Is Car He Rented

Harry M. King blew into town about two months ago as a barber, with Morehead City and Norfolk experience.

Sunday he rented W. L. Manning's car and so far there is no further trace of him, though efforts are being made to locate him.

Many Carp Caught In Last Few Days

Carp fishing has been fine for a few days, with the swell in the river which sent the water up the little ravines and low places along the river banks.

The carp is not considered a very desirable fish, yet he is perhaps one of the most valuable fish as a food that we have.

Mr. and Mrs. John Getsinger and children, of Dardens, were visitors in town Sunday.

STRAND THEATRE WEDNESDAY Dick Talmadge in "Jimmie's Millions" Lloyd Hamilton in "Waiting" THURSDAY Thomas Meighan in "The Man Who Found Himself" Yes—it's a Paramount

Williamston School Is High Scorer in Contests at Group-Center Meet at Jamesville

heads Big Corporation



After 23 years of service, starting as office girl, Miss Mary Dillen becomes President of Brooklyn Boro Gas Co. Years ago upon her promise not to marry she was made manager, but higher promotion freed her from her pledge.

WILDACRES PARTY LEAVES THURSDAY

Leave Washington Thursday Morning By Bus for Thomas Dixon's Development Project

The first party from Williamston, including Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Manning, Mrs. Jack Booker, Mrs. J. B. H. Knight, and Mr. Harry A. Biggs, for Wildacres will leave Washington at 8 o'clock Thursday morning by motor bus.

The object of the company in promoting these caravans to Wildacres is to put the place and development before the people of the State. There are inestimable benefits to be won in that desirable spot, and it is the purpose of the Wildacres Development Co., of which Thomas Dixon, the well-known writer, is head—to give the people of our own State an opportunity to partake of these advantages before they are garnered in by foreign capitalists.

79 Of 121 Boys Read Salacious Literature

Durham, April 20.—Seventy-nine out of 121 Durham boys questioned as to the kind of reading they do, said they read magazines of the true-story type, admitting it was because of the highly suggestive pictures they carry.

No Cases Before Recorder Today

Recorder's court had no cases for trial at today's session. This is the second session of the court that there have been no cases for trial. There were only four cases on the docket, and they could not be tried on account of the sickness of some party necessary in the trial.

Schools Not As Well Represented As At Oak City Meet

The score sheet returning winners from Group Center II, comprising Williamston, Griffins, Bear Grass, Jamesville, and Williams Townships, reflect credit on teachers, pupils, and patrons. This day presented to many teachers the opportunity to show the people how much they had tried to serve their communities; to the pupils a chance to practice what they had learned during the session; and to the patrons a time to rejoice with their children in splendid attainments.

There were not so many schools represented as in the Oak City group-center meeting. Some teachers were sick, others had failed to encourage pupils to be present, not appreciating the significance of this great work.

However, a happy crowd came, and among them the most loyal supporters of the schools. First honors in schools of six or more teachers went to the Williamston school, which took two first places. This was unusual, in that at Oak City no school of this size took more than one first place.

The Jamesville school won first place in the spelling contest and in addition to entering this may enter the pageant and choral contests.

The total score made in the group center was as follows: Williamston, 13; Jamesville, 10; and Bear Grass, 7; Bear Grass is to be congratulated, as Jamesville, on the splendid showing made. This was the first entrance of Bear Grass School into county commencement activities and while no first place was taken, the splendid children contesting showed the school will be a strong contender for first honors next year.

The contests in Group II schools went by default. Farm Life, offering no opposition, Sandy Ridge will have a choice of entering any contests she wishes at Robersonville.

The contests in Group III schools also went by default. Dardens, Angeltown, Poplar Run, Coopers, Griffins, Lileys, and Macedonia offering no opposition, Smithwick School, under the untiring leadership of Mrs. Fannie M. Hardison, may enter any contests she desires at Robersonville. These schools which defaulted may enter recitation and singing contests and on any other Mrs. Hardison will give them the privilege to enter out of good sportsmanship.

Mrs. J. S. Jones Dies At Scotland Neck

Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock Mrs. J. S. Jones died at her home in Scotland Neck after several months' illness of acute brights disease. She was in her sixty-ninth year and was highly esteemed and loved throughout her community.

More Road Work Now Being Done Than Ever

According to an announcement by the Hon. Frank Page, there is more road work going on in the State now than ever before at any one time. About 600 miles is now being hard-surfaced besides almost as much of the cheaper types of roads. He says this will be our biggest year in road building so far, and estimates that we will have more than 3,000 miles of hard-surface roads completed by the end of the year.

SURPRISE REUNION OF REVELS FAMILY

Fifty-nine Relatives Gather at Home of Mr. W. R. Revels on His 3rd Birthday

As the sunset skies of a well-spent life were throwing their shadows of joy across the pathway of Mr. W. R. Revels on his seventy-third birthday Thursday, April 15, and while he was quietly but honestly performing the duties of life, suddenly all his children rushed to his home with all the equipment for a real picnic and presents to make the heart of an old man glad.

There were present, in all, the father, mother, six daughters, and two sons: Mrs. Ben Ward and husband, Mrs. James R. Corey and husband; Mrs. James H. Revels and husband; W. S. Revels and wife, Mrs. W. B. Harrington and husband, John A. Revels and wife, Mrs. Alonzo Rogerson and husband, Mrs. Slade Stallings and husband, of Enfield; there were 38 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, in all fifty-nine. This was also the birthday of two of the children of Mr. Revels.

It is interesting to know that in all the family of eight children, the youngest now past 30, there has never been a death, nor has there been a death among the grandchildren except three infants and two accidental deaths; one boy being killed by a falling tree, and another killed by the accidental discharge of a gun.

It would be interesting to study the life of W. R. Revels, who struggled with real hardships in raising his family. The small farm which he owned would not produce a living for the family, and back in the years gone by he was one of the men who worked for 40 cents a day; and those days ran from sun to sun and men worked. Those were the "good old days" when men worked because they needed something; they work now because they want something.

Neighbors tell of the time when Mr. Revels had a sick child, in the days when there were no automobiles and but few buggies. So Mr. Revels walked the 9 miles to Williamston to get a doctor. While the doctor was hitching up his horse, Mr. Revels concluded it would be better for him to hurry back to the bedside of the sick child, so he walked the 9 miles before the doctor could drive the trip. After the diagnosis was completed, and the medicine compounded and the doctor had gone, and a neighbor's dog, a mile away, was heard barking at the passing doctor, it was found that the family had failed to inquire the size of the dose of medicine to give, so Mr. Revels set out to catch the doctor, and overtook him before he was three miles away. It may be that this part of the story is stretched a little, yet the people who know the man best believe it most.

Although the life of Mr. Revels has been one of hard work and many struggles he and his wife and every child are loved and respected as good citizens and are ardent church members. All but two are members of the Primitive Baptist Church at Smithwick Creek.

It is in this type of service, honesty, and trust that makes men the salt of the earth.

The occasion was fittingly carried out in every detail, and was closed with an address by Elder W. B. Harrington, and the prayers of the entire host for many other such occasions.

Picnic At Burroughs School Saturday

The term at Burroughs School, Williamston Township, closed more than a week ago, but owing to the unfavorable weather, the picnic dinner, which had been proposed, was not arranged for until last Saturday. Mrs. Luke Lamb taught this school, and patrons and pupils agree that the session was one of the most pleasing and successful in the life of the school. The enrollment is small; therefore, the grades are not high, but the interest this year has been marked. The picnic was very enjoyable, the barbecue and other establishers were pronounced to be most excellent, and there were visitors who praised the splendid hospitality of the patrons and the teacher.

Elder F. C. Denny Died Sunday Night

Elder F. C. Denny, of Wilson, died Sunday night. He had been a Primitive Baptist minister for many years. Elder Denny was well known in Martin County, where he had made many visits, especially in attending the sessions of the Primitive Baptist Association.

State Health Nurse Finds 40 Per Cent Of School Children Have Diseased Tonsils and Adenoids

Miss Geneva Sykes, the efficient State nurse, has now three more weeks in the county to complete the examination of the school children. Up to date she has found approximately 60 per cent of the children with defective teeth; 10 per cent with defective eyesight; 10 per cent with defective hearing; 10 per cent are underweight; 40 per cent with diseased tonsils and adenoids.

The North Carolina State Board of Health would not advise anything to be done in any of its citizens that would in any way be detrimental to its citizenship; therefore, the parents or guardians of these children that are suffering as a result of their diseased tonsils need have no fear of any harm coming to them.

COTTON CO-OPS GET CHECKS THIS WEEK

Approximately a Million Dollars Being Mailed Association Members; New Contracts Being Signed

Checks amounting to approximately one million dollars will be in the hands of members of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association this week. These checks represent the spring distribution on the crop of 1925. Assistant Secretary F. B. Webster put the first checks in the mail Tuesday and states that all of the checks will have been mailed by the end of the week.

The management of the association closed its books for the receiving of the 1925 crop on April 15. The total receipts for the season to that date were 160,661 bales, which is 44,000 bales more than was handled last season.

The 1926 crop will be the last crop handled under the old contract. No great noise is being made about it, but the members are now signing a new six-year contract, and a well-defined program of re-signing its membership was started by the association after holding a State-wide meeting of members at Raleigh on March 4.

No whirl-wind campaign or high-pressure methods are being used in putting on this re-sign-up program, and it is significant to note that the work is being conducted by the regular field forces in carrying on their regular duties, and without any extra expense to the association.

Snow and Ice Hurt Gardens and Fruit

Fruits and early truck have evidently suffered much from the cold wind and freeze last night. Two furries of snow struck through the county early yesterday morning and the continued cold has turned beans and potatoes black in many sections. It is generally thought that most of the peaches in this section were killed also.

OLD COLORED EVANGELIST TO BE AT BETHLEHEM APRIL 27

Joshua L. Griffin, the old colored evangelist, of Williams Township, says he will be at Bethlehem colored Church April 27, where he hopes to be visited by his friends whom he wants to serve.

Mr. Avery Gaylord Dies At Asheville

Mr. Avery Gaylord, a former Plymouth man, and a World War Veteran died at Asheville this week and was buried at Plymouth this morning. He was the son of the late Asa W. Gaylord. He lost a leg in the World War and was severely gassed, which was possibly the cause of his death. He lived and practiced law in Greensboro until recently, when his health forced him to give up his work.

Colored Bishop to Be Here Sunday

Bishop H. B. Delaney, D. D., of the Protestant Episcopal Church, will preach and confirm a class at the colored Methodist church Sunday, April 25th, at 7.30 p. m. Our white friends are invited to come out and hear the bishop.

GOVERNOR LOWDEN TO SPEAK IN STATE

To Be in Charlotte Friday, April 23, and in Raleigh Following Day; Talks Are for Farmers

Former Governor Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois, is to deliver two addresses in North Carolina this week. He will be in Charlotte Friday, April 23, and will speak at noon. He will also speak in Raleigh Saturday, April 24, at noon. These addresses will be outstanding events in this State, and every man, woman, and child should hear one or both of them.

Governor Lowden is one of the outstanding figures of the country, a statesman whose stand for the farmer and farming interests has won him widespread renown. He is known as one of the chief defenders of the farmer as a fighter for benefits for the farmer. Just at this time, when Congress is deeply interested in farm relief legislation, it will be very informing to hear Governor Lowden, who has given close study to the several proposed plans for relief. The Illinois statesman is also much interested in the problems of farm surpluses and will discuss the question in his addresses.

STATE FERTILIZER BILL IS ENORMOUS

North Carolina Leads United States in Value of Fertilizer Used; \$64,179,000 in 1920

The University News Letter says: We wonder how many people are aware of the enormous sum of money this State spends each year on commercial fertilizer? Or how North Carolina ranks as a consumer of what commonly goes by the name of guano. The 1920 census reports that the State fertilizer bill for the year 1919 was \$48,797,000. This sum was exceeded by only one State, South Carolina, which put under her crops, mainly cotton, \$52,847,000 worth of fertilizer in 1919.

The National Bureau of Economic Research, basing its findings on the American Fertilizer Handbook and the United States census of agriculture, reports that North Carolina's fertilizer bill for 1920 was \$64,179,000, while South Carolina's was \$65,958,000. In 1921 North Carolina ranked first in the value of fertilizer used, and probably has continued to hold first place since 1921.

The three States of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia consumed nearly half of all fertilizer used in the United States both in 1919 and 1920, and approximately two-fifths of the total for 1921. North Carolina in 1919 bought 15 per cent, or more than one-seventh, of all fertilizer sold in the United States. Ordinarily it takes considerably more than half of the gross receipts from our tobacco crop to pay our annual fertilizer bill. Our fertilizer bill in 1920 did not fall far short of the value of our tobacco crop in 1925. The 1920 fertilizer bill was approximately as much as the value of all school property in the State in 1925.

Sandy Ridge Local And Personal News

Mrs. Herbert Taylor and Mrs. T. A. Peed were in Williamston on business Friday afternoon. Miss Beatrice Cherry spent Friday night with Miss Bernice Riddick. Mrs. W. J. Cherry spent Saturday with her sister Mrs. Neal Godard. Misses Louallie and Eva Pate visited Mrs. Herbert Taylor Sunday. Master Felix Peed returned to Enfield with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thomas Sunday.

Six Killed in Klan War at Herrin, Ill.

Six persons were killed at Herrin, Illinois, Tuesday when an election riot broke out in which many persons participated. The trouble was said to have started when John Smith, a garage man and a Klan leader, was struck liquor on the face with a pistol in the hands of a man called "Blackie" Arms. Smith ran into his garage and barricaded it and much shooting followed. Later in the day the battle was renewed, resulting in the death of six men, three of them Klansmen and three of them anti-Klansmen.

Play At Everetts Tomorrow Night

Members of the Everetts School will give the play, "Mammy's Lili Wild Rose," Wednesday night, April 21, in the school auditorium. The public is invited. Admission 15c and 25c.

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