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License Plates To Go On Sale Here June 1st

J. D. Woolard and N. C. Green to Handle Plates

License plates to go on sale June 1. J. D. Woolard and N. C. Green have been named managers of the Carolina Motor Club branch office here to handle license plates during the months of June and July, it is announced by C. T. Matthews, assistant manager of the club, who is here making arrangements for the distribution of State automobile tags. The office is located at the Williamston Motor Co.

Plates will be available June 1, and Motor Club officials will urge motorists to procure licenses as early as possible after this date.

"This will be the fourth year the Carolina Motor Club, which inaugurated the idea in the South, has handled plates," Mr. Matthews said. "The last three years we have handled more than 2,000,000 plates and titles valued at between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. It has been our experience that car owners prolong purchase of plates until the last minute. We will maintain an adequate force at this and all other branch offices, but we can not force the plates upon the car owners. If it appears that the motorists do not want to come after the plates the staff will be cut, and the office closed, if necessary."

"R. A. Doughton, commissioner of revenue, has informed the Carolina Motor Club that there will be no change in the system of issuing the plates. The applicant will be mailed a white registration card from Raleigh. Plates will be issued for only six months at this time, in order that the issuance date may be changed from a fiscal to a calendar year basis. The State has levied a service charge of 25 cents in addition to the license fee, in order to absorb the cost of changing issuance date. Effective January 1, 1928, plates will be issued for 12 months and the special fee will not apply."

Baptist Church Announcements

Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock, the commencement sermon will be preached in this church for the class of '27. Rev. A. J. Manning is special preacher for the occasion. This being a community service, the entire public is invited to be present. The seating capacity is ample, and many hundreds can easily be cared for at the service.

The pastor of this church has been given a leave of absence for some time, through the generosity and thoughtfulness of the church. He regrets that he will be unable to be present at the services Sunday morning. The graduating class are more than welcome in our church; every one will be happy to have them. And not only the church but the entire community will be glad to hear Bro. Manning on this occasion.

The pastor being away, no service has been announced for Sunday night.

Gold Point School Closed Tuesday

Commencement exercises last Tuesday brought to a close a most successful term for the Gold Point school. On Monday evening the primary grades had charge of the program. Tuesday the school presented a play and a May Day festival. Professor L. B. Wynne presented certificates of graduation and attendance.

With the hearty cooperation of the school committee of which Mr. J. L. Croom is chairman, the school has had a most successful year.

STRAND THEATRE

SATURDAY

BUCK JONES

in

"Whispering Sage"

Fists, fights, riding, and everything that makes a Western.

Serial and Comedy

Always a Good Show

Nat Reiss Shows Are Booked For Roanoke Fair This Year

One of the Largest Shows to Come South This Year; Will Play Roanoke Fair September 27-30

The Nat Reiss Shows, one of the largest to come South for the 1927 fair, has been booked by the Roanoke Fair Association to play here September 27 to 30. Editorially endorsed by the press, personally praised by the clergy, and well patronized in past years, the Nat Reiss Shows will carry the amusement feature of the Roanoke Fair here this year to its highest peak. Fair officials, when asked their opinion of the shows for this year's fair, stated they felt as if the people in this entire section would be pleased with the contracted for by the fair association.

With more than 350 people handling the affairs of the show, it has been classed as "The show with a worthwhile reputation."

John L. Rodgerson, the fair's new manager, is considering the booking of the best free acts ever seen at an eastern Carolina fair. These announcements will be made within the next few days.

Ten Cases in County Court

Fines Total \$625; Half of CasesAppealed to Superior Court

Recorder's court Tuesday attracted a large number of people. Though not very many cases were tried, several of them were hotly contested.

Most of those tried were not satisfied with Judge Bailey's decision. Of the 10 cases finally disposed, half of them were appealed to the superior court. Fines for the day totaled \$625.00.

The following cases were disposed of:

State vs. Moses Hopkins; carrying concealed weapons. Judgment suspended upon payment of the costs.

Samuel Boston was found guilty of distilling and fined \$50. and the costs and sentenced to nine months on the Edgecombe County roads. He appealed to the superior court.

Jesse Whitehurst appealed to the superior court after he had been found guilty of reckless driving and fined \$25.00.

A no pros was entered in the case charging Jesse Whitehurst with transporting liquor.

Dave Rogers and John Little were found guilty of violating the liquor law. Each was fined \$50 and half the costs.

Abner Green was adjudged guilty of larceny and fined \$50. He also appealed to the superior court.

Warren Cotanch, haled before the recorder on a charge of larceny, was found to be under 16 years of age, and was remanded to the juvenile court.

J. H. Whitfield plead guilty to violating the liquor law and was fined \$150 and the costs and sentenced to six months on the Edgecombe roads on the first charge. On the second count he was given a 12-months suspended sentence conditioned upon his good behavior while serving the first term.

Cases against Dan Moor and John Yates for hunting without a license were continued for one week.

Brown Will Case Now Being Tried in Beaufort

The Beaufort County court is now going full swing in the Geo. H. Brown will case. Involving title to property valued at \$560,000 it required from early Monday morning until noon Wednesday to select a jury. It is thought now that it will certainly take all of next week to finish the trial. Several of the Martin County attorneys have been over to observe the trial, which is attracting State-wide interest.

Buy Roberson Milling Co. at Robersonville

The Taylor Mill & Gin Co., Inc., of Robersonville, recently bought the cotton gins, saw mill, planing mill, and other machinery from the Roberson Milling Co., also of Robersonville. The new firm, with Mr. W. W. Taylor as its president, and Mr. Eli Rodgers, its secretary and treasurer, has already started operation. Mr. Rodgers will have charge of the department making tobacco flues, and Mr. Taylor will have charge of the mills, gins, and lumber.

Some of Robersonville's most prominent citizens are stockholders in the new firm.

Noted Walker-Lecturer Here For Few Days

"Happy Jack" Caves on Last Lap of 100,000-Mile Walk

and they announce this year will find them with the greatest show yet offered. With a train of 30 double-length railroad cars loaded to the brim with modern wholesome amusements, the Nat Reiss company brings to the Roanoke Fair its largest carnival. Not less than eight modern riding devices; not less than 20 high-class meritorious shows will be seen at the fair grounds here September 27-30. Two brass bands accompany the shows, besides the regular one contracted for by the fair association.

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Firemen Meet At Greenville

Number Local Firemen Attend; Next Meet Here in July

A large number of the Williamston firemen attended the regular meeting of the Eastern Carolina Firemen's Association at Greenville Tuesday night.

The Greenville fire company entertained the association with an elegant rock stow and other things to match, including the Sheriff Tucker brand of Pitt County ham. The meeting was held in the Greenville Rotary Club building, which, by the way, is the only Rotary Club in the world that owns its own building. Haywood Dail is the present president of the club, and he expressed his delight when he announced that the statement was made in the recent world conference of Rotary in Edinburgh, Scotland, that the Greenville, N. C., club was the only one in the world that owned its own building.

After the dinner, Mr. J. H. Waldrop, of Greenville, made the welcome address to the firemen. Mr. Waldrop made a more practical talk than the customary fancy feather and bouquet throwing on such occasions. He suggested many helpful things to the organized firemen.

The Beaufort fire company made application for membership and was received by a unanimous vote. Every town in the association was represented by large delegations except Snow Hill.

The resolutions committee submitted resolutions of respect for Captain James D. McNeill, who was North Carolina's greatest fire fighter for 40 years, continuing in the service until his recent death at Fayetteville.

A voluntary collection was taken for the flood sufferers, which amounted to \$34.06, which was turned over to the Greenville chapter of the Red Cross.

The meeting was one of the best held by the association. The next meeting will be held in Williamston on the second Tuesday in July.

"Truth Stranger than Fiction" is the title of the book he is now writing describing his journey as he goes along,

CLOSING EXERCISES AT LOCAL SCHOOL START SUNDAY WITH SERMON

Rev. A. J. Manning to Deliver Sermon at Baptist Church

That Williamston is on the wheelbarrow route around the world was made certain this morning when "Happy Jack" Caves, globe trotter extraordinaire, pushed his wheelbarrow and 230 pounds of equipment down Main street. Caves is nearing his goal, Boston, this being his last lap of the 100,000 mile wheelbarrow trip.

Caves was born in Lapland 66 years ago. He came to America when he was 20 years old and applied for naturalization papers under President Garfield which were completed and issued by President Cleveland. His father, 114 years old and his mother, 113 years old are living in the homeland. He has a family; his wife, five children, several grandchildren, and a few great-grandchildren are living in Boston. "Happy expects to reach Boston in the early fall and receive \$39,000 of a \$90,000 prize offered by a medical association at Johns Hopkins university. He left his home in Boston in April, 1919 with his wheelbarrow, frying pan and a little tent. The outfit has served as his bed room, office, library parlor, kitchen and dining room for the more than six years on the road. He has worn out 85 pairs of shoes, the style and dress regulated by the association. The purpose of the trip is to further study man's endurance and reliability. Thirty wheels have been worn off under the load of 230 pounds; twenty-eight axles and 286 roller bearings are among the other repairs made to the wheelbarrow.

His walk has carried him over paved highways, mud roads, along the shady lanes, yet much of the time he has been walking and pushing his wheelbarrow across the sands of Africa, the rough roads of Jersey, the wide plains of Australia, up the steep slopes of the Alps. He has been on every sea traveled by ships.

When he left home he was penniless, and could not beg, borrow, sell or steal anything. He is permitted to ask the use of a telephone, and may only means of existence comes thru lectures, for which he is generally compensated.

The rules of the contest require him to procure proper credentials from the ruler of every country he visits also from every governor of every state in the Union. He gets certain papers signed by some officer of every county he travels in. Fifteen of those entering the contest have already fallen out, and while "Happy Jack" is wearying of his walk, he hopes to complete it. He is about 6 feet 3 inches, muscular with a No. 12 or 14 foot and a powerfully large and honest heart. He speaks more than 20 languages. In all the wars the United States have fought during the past forty years, he has had a part. He is a member of the Episcopal church and goes to Sunday school frequently.

"The Wren" is a drama full of interest, action, and the heart beats of humanity. Appropriate costumes and stage settings will contribute towards a good presentation of this play. An excellent religious program Sunday night and a very fine literary program Tuesday evening are being anticipated.

Everybody in the school district and in the neighboring communities is cordially invited to attend all the exercises of the commencement.

The Hamilton school finals will begin on Sunday, May 15, and end on Wednesday, May 18. At 8 o'clock Sunday night, the commencement sermon will be preached by the Rev. E. P. West, pastor of the local Baptist Church. Monday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, the elementary school will present "The Brownies' Whispers," a floral cantata.

The commencement address will be delivered Tuesday evening at 8:15, by Dr. M. C. S. Noble, Jr., director of the division of information and statistics, State department of public instruction. The exercises of the evening will also include the senior class program, presentation of certificates.

Wednesday evening, at 8:15 o'clock, the high school will stage "The Wren," a comedy in four acts. The charges for admission to this play will be 25 and 35 cents. All other exercises of the commencement are without charge.

Elaborate costumes are being prepared for the floral cantata to be given Monday evening. It is a musical dramatization beautiful in its charm and mysticism.

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Train Doesn't Hesitate

The train did not even stop in Virginia, but kept right on to Boston. From then on the program was all work and no sleep. Once in a while David sat down for a rest, but the penetrating chill started him going again, "Never saw ice melt so slow in all my life," said David. Finally the train came to a stop in the Boston yards, but even then David's exertions were not at an end.

Nobody came to open the door. He danced from daylight till dark and was just beginning to think that the scientists were wrong in saying that freezing to death was a pleasing way to end it, when a car inspector came along. He opened the door and there was David with his teeth flying up and down like a trap drummer doing a roll. So David was taken to court for trespassing. He couldn't stop his teeth chattering long enough to tell his story to the police. Only when Judge Duff asked him what he was shivering about could David tell his story and that won him probation with orders to the probation officer to see that David got back to sunny Hamilton, North Carolina, free.

Kiwanis Minstrel Revue Tonight

Mr. Henry McIver is very optimistic over the Black and White Minstrel revue here tonight. Almost every seat is reported sold. The local comedians and solists promise a world of fun when the curtain rises at 8:30.

Practice has been going on for the past ten days, and the latest dope on the rehearsals indicates a rip-roaring production. Some of Williamston's best talent is in the show, and it is safe to say the minstrel will be easily worth twice the admission.

Baptist Philathreas

In Regular Meet

The Philathreas Class of the Baptist Church met with Mrs. Joe Pendleton Friday night. After the business of the class was discussed, centering around the annual convention to be held in Mount Airy in June, the hostess served strawberry shortcake with whipped cream.

Mrs. J. P. Hall invited the class to meet with her next month.

Oak City High School Closes Its Best Year

Ten Graduate at Closing Exercises Friday; Award Prizes

The commencement address made by Hon. V. B. Martin, of Plymouth, at the Oak City school last Friday marked the close of one of that school's best years. To the ten young graduates, Mr. Martin stressed character training, stating that it was to be desired over all wealth. At the conclusion of the address, Supt. R. A. Pope delivered certificates of graduation to the ten seniors.

The commencement, which is always a splendid feature of the successful Oak City school, was underway Sunday, May 1, when Rev. Theodore Partrick, of Scotland Neck, preached the annual sermon to the school and its graduates. Mr. Partrick's text, "Freely you have received, freely give," was well received by a large audience.

The Wednesday evening program, deemed to be the feature of the entire commencement, was more than enjoyed by a packed house. Appearing in three classical numbers, the Oak City orchestra that night brought praise from the audience and clearly showed that marked progress had been made in the music department of the school this year.

Friday morning will see the parting of the seniors when they are given certificates of graduation at the conclusion of the commencement address to be made by Dr. Robert H. Wright, president of the East Carolina Teachers College.

Appearing under a Boston, Mass., date line, the cold article below tells how one David Green went all the way from this State to Boston, Mass. No one at Hamilton knows by that name, and, since no trains run through Hamilton, it is thought the place referred to might be Hamlet, N. C. The article follows:

Boston, Mass., May 11.—Luckily for David Green, colored, of Hamlet, N. C., when he came before Judge John Duff in Central Municipal court this morning charged with trespass his imposing white teeth where clattering like a set of sacremets in the hands of an andalusian danseuse.

If it hadn't been for that, Judge Duff would not have inquired what made David's teeth chatter, and the story of his chilly ride from Carolina in a refrigerator car wouldn't have been revealed. Moreover, he would probably have got a jail term instead of probation.

Dances for His Life

As it now stands, David is the only living person who ever chartered and blackbottomed the whole route from Hamilton, N. C., to Boston; and David only did it because he was dancing for his life.

It was a nice balmy day when David bade his mother good-by, wrapped two doughnuts in a bandana handkerchief and started out to see the world through the icing port of a refrigerator car. He intended to fare well in Virginia and see whether work on the Virginia farms was as hard as it is in North Carolina.

Once in his sub polar parlor car, David couldn't get out. After the first hour in involuntary confinement, David cleared himself a space among the ice cakes and started to work on perspiration. The first hour of that was by no means the hardest.

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