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WILLIAMSTON FAIR TO GET UNDER WAY MONDAY

Thousands of Farmers Expected at Big Rally Here Next Wednesday

Hoping To Perfect Strong Organization To Back Legislation

Congressman Expected To Review Legislation for Benefit of Growers

Looking ahead to another marketing season, thousands of farmers from this and adjoining counties are expected here next Wednesday morning for a big farmers' day rally when the present farm situation will be reviewed and proposed state and national legislation will be explained by legislators and agricultural leaders.

The Hon. Lindsay C. Warren, first district Congressman, will be the main speaker of the day, offering a concise review of the part the Federal government is taking in behalf of agriculture and in improving the rural areas of the nation. While the Congressman has not announced his speech topic, he is expected to briefly review future national legislation as it will affect agriculture.

In addition to Mr. Warren's address, there will be four other speakers who will discuss the present agricultural situation, especially in connection with the marketing of the current tobacco crop and proposed plans for state compacts in the coming season. Messrs. J. E. Winslow, president; and E. F. Arnold, secretary, of the State Farm Bureau Federation; J. W. Goodman, assistant director of the State Extension Service; and W. W. Eagles, member of the state tobacco advisory commission, all well posted on the present tobacco-marketing situation and proposed plans for state compacts, will also address the assembly that is being brought together by the Farm Bureau to advance the interest of dirt farmers.

The rally is being recognized as one of the greatest starting events ever planned to advance the interest of the farmers, to perfect a strong organization that its voice may be heard in the legislative halls of state and nation.

Cooperating with the Farm Bureau the Williamston Fair management has reduced its admission to all farmers one-half, and will lend the use of the grandstand free. Entertainment will be provided by the fair without cost to the sponsors and special considerations will be made available to farmers attending the rally.

Mr. H. S. Everett, president of the Martin County Farm Bureau unit, stated last night that hundreds of farmers from other counties are planning to attend the rally that will be held in the grandstand, beginning at 10 a. m. next Wednesday morning. "We are looking for several thousand farmers, and the rally has the promise of meeting with great success," Mr. Everett added.

Present indications point to the most extensive array of farm and other exhibits seen at a fair in this section in a number of years, and the management assures the farmers and other patrons a pleasant visit to the annual event next week.

Acting Postmaster For Everetts Named

Congressman Lindsay Warren today announced the appointment of Dillon C. Peel as acting postmaster at Everetts to succeed his father, the late J. S. Peel.

Carnival Train Will Arrive Here Late Sunday Afternoon

The special train carrying the Cetlin & Wilson Shows, playing the Williamston Fair next week, is scheduled to arrive here Sunday afternoon at 4:20 o'clock. Advance Agent Crump said this morning. However, there may be a variation of a few minutes in the schedule, on account of possible delays to keep regular train schedules open, Mr. Crump explained.

The train will be made up of 13 or 14 special 72-feet long baggage cars, the show representative stating that the management had discarded the old-time wagon and trucks and other amusements to and from the train. In addition to the special train, the show

Three-Day Program

Monday, September 28—Opening Day

4:00 P. M.—Gates open. No admission charged at main gate Monday afternoon and evening.
4:30 P. M.—Midway shows open and 13 rides start operation.
7:00 P. M.—Grandstand opens with concert by Smith's Band. Free acts program, including four daring acts and the Winter Garden Revue.
9:00 P. M.—Elaborate fireworks program.
9:30 P. M.—Midway running full blast.
12:00 Midnight—Gates close.

Tuesday, September 29—Special School Day

9:00 A. M.—Gates open. All school children under 16 years of age in this and adjoining counties admitted free when accompanied by parents or in groups accompanied by teachers, up to 4:30 P. M.
10:00 A. M.—Reviewing and judging exhibits starts in all departments.
10:30 A. M.—Cetlin & Wilson Shows and midway open.
12:00 P. M.—Grandstand opens.
2:00 P. M.—Special program of events by young people under direction of Miss Lora Sleeper, Martin County Home Agent, including bicycle, pony, potato, and bag races and other contests.
3:00 P. M.—Grandstand attractions, followed by visits to Cetlin & Wilson shows and rides.
7:00 P. M.—Grandstand opens.
7:30 P. M.—Winter Garden Revue, and other attractions.
9:00 P. M.—Fireworks program.
12:00 Midnight—Gates close.

Wednesday, September 30—All Farmers' Day

9:00 A. M.—Gates open. Admission reduced half at main gate.
9:30 A. M.—Exhibits review.
10:00 A. M.—Big Farmers' Rally gets underway in grandstand, with Hon. Lindsay C. Warren, J. E. Winslow, president, and E. S. Arnold, secretary, State Farm Bureau; J. W. Goodman, of the State Extension Service; and W. W. Eagles, member State Tobacco Advisory Board, taking part in program. Entertainment furnished by fair management. Grandstand free.
10:30 A. M.—Cetlin & Wilson shows and rides open.
1:00 P. M.—Grandstand opens for afternoon program.
2:00 P. M.—Horse racing.
3:00 P. M.—Complete schedule of grandstand attractions.
4:00 P. M.—Midway running full blast.
7:00 P. M.—Grandstand opens with concert by Smith's Band.
7:30 P. M.—Grandstand attractions, followed by fireworks display.
12:00 Midnight—Gates close.

FAIR HEAD



Norman Y. Chambliss, operating manager of the Williamston fair, stated today he was well pleased with the prospects that point to one of the best fairs ever held here. The event gets underway next Monday.

Store of Margolis Brothers Observe Holiday Saturday

The store of Margolis Brothers here will be closed tomorrow until 6 p. m. in observance of Yom Kippur.

Fay and Not Foy Rogers Wrecks Robersonville Jail

The Rogers man reported in jail a week or two ago was not the Foy Rogers, of Williamston, R. F. D., Mr. Rogers explained yesterday.

Mrs. L. C. Roberson Dies Here Thursday After Brief Illness

Funeral By Rev. Edward F. Moseley at 4 O'clock This Afternoon

Mrs. L. C. Roberson, highly respected citizen, died at her home on East Main Street here early last evening following an illness of only a few hours. A victim of rheumatism, Mrs. Roberson had experienced poor health since last January, but her condition during the past few weeks seemed improved until yesterday afternoon when she suffered an attack of acute indigestion which is believed to have caused her death.

The daughter of the late Jas. B. Waters and wife, Mrs. Roberson was born in Washington County 57 years ago. She moved with her parents to this county when quite young, locating in Jamesville, and later moving to Williamston. She was a skilled milliner, but retired from that work some time ago. In 1918 she was married to L. Cross Roberson who survives with one son, William Roberson, of Washington City.

Mrs. Roberson was a good woman and a thoughtful neighbor and one who enjoyed the friendship of everyone and found pleasure in doing for others.

She leaves three sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Woodhouse, of Marietta, Ohio, Mrs. Ida Mae Moore, of California, and Mrs. Mattie Walker, of Newport News, and two brothers, Will and Clyde Waters, of Windsor.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock by Rev. E. F. Moseley, rector of the Church of the Advent. Burial will follow in the local cemetery.

Native of County Died Last Tuesday in Roanoke Rapids

Alfred Thurston Cross, a native of this county, died at his home in Roanoke Rapids last Tuesday evening and was buried there yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Sarah M. Price and Mrs. Eliza Mobley and Jesse T. Price attending the last rites from here.

Mr. Cross, son of the late Ben Cross and wife, was born and reared in the Gold Point section of this county 76 years ago. In 1899 he left this county, locating in Tarboro, later moving to Roanoke Rapids. Several children survive.

PROCEEDINGS IN MARTIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Leavister-Corey Cases Set For Trial Next Week; Adjourns Thursday

Completing the criminal docket on Tuesday at noon, Judge Henry A. Grady, presiding, started work on the civil calendar Wednesday morning. Work on the civil calendar was interrupted on account of illness of an attorney, but the court turned out several cases before quitting for the week yesterday noon.

Just what the court will do next week cannot be determined, present indications pointing to the trial of the Leavister against Corey cases and the continuance of the case of Davenport against Ewell and others. Administrators of John Leavister and Marshall Andrews are suing J. Lloyd Corey for \$65,000 damages alleged to have resulted in the death of the two young men in an automobile-truck wreck near Robersonville, more than two years ago. The case was tried before Judge Moore here in March, 1935, and the verdict, allowing total damages of \$400, was set aside. Plaintiff John A. Davenport is asking \$20,000 damages from Steve Ewell and 19 other defendants for alleged defamation of character as a result of the circulation of a petition demanding the removal of the plaintiff as registrar of Hamilton precinct.

Civil cases handled by the court so far are:

A consent judgment was entered in the case of Tamer Biggs and others against Paul Rogers.

Settlement having been effected, the case of Lizzina Goss, administratrix of Thomas Goss, against J. G. Station was ordered off the docket, the plaintiff to pay the cost. Young Goss was fatally hurt while dynamiting stumps for the defendant some months ago.

A consent judgment was entered in the case of Frank Barnes and others against Dan Howell.

A survey was ordered that a dividing line in certain property might be determined in the case of Z. D.

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Grandstand Acts To Be Featured at Fair

The grandstand acts program at the Williamston fair here all next week offer one of the most varied entertainments seen at a fair here in recent years, according to Manager Harvey Walker. Additional acts have been booked to supplement the large program, and several of the entertaining artists have already arrived here.

The attractions include the Looping Nixons with their "wall of death act." These artists perform in a cage and offer real excitement.

Then there is Carlos with his dog and pony show, another high spot in the entertainment program. Probably the most sensational act is that of "The Great Paul Jones" who performs high in the air. Wilson's comedy act, recognized as one of the finest on the road this season, guarantees pleasing entertainment. And the high spot in the program is the "Winter Garden Review," featuring new and original dances and unusual lighting arrangements.

Smith's band, one of the largest engaged by a fair in the South this season, will play for the acts in addition to the regular concert program twice daily at 3 and 7 p. m. in the grandstand.

OPPORTUNITY

Under a ruling by the government, all farmers can now qualify for soil conservation payments, provided immediate action is taken to meet the requirements. Those farmers who reduced their soil-depleting crops and who failed to plant the required conserving crops can now plant vetch, Austrian winter peas, or clover on those lands where cotton, peanuts, or tobacco was harvested this season. The planting must be completed by next Thursday, October 1, however.

Indications Point To Largest and Most Successful Exhibition Ever Staged in History of Local Fair

Local Tobacco Market Passes 2,000,000-Lb. Mark Friday

Passing the two million-pound mark today, the local tobacco market showed added strength, prices soaring as high as 62 cents a pound. While that price was a rarity, the reports were agreed that the tobacco of quality were commanding more money than probably at any time this season. But the bad feature is the large amount of inferior tobacco that is being offered for sale, the prices for this type of leaf hardly holding its own, and naturally the averages do not appear very at-

tractive. As far as prices are concerned, however, comparisons show that all grades of tobacco are selling just as high on the Williamston market as they are anywhere.

Yesterday the market sold 111,050 pounds for an average of around \$19.70. Today the sales will total around 115,000 pounds with a slight increase in the average expected.

Exclusive of the sales today, the market here has sold 1,933,682 pounds for \$408,826.26, a resulting average of \$21.15 for the season.

Exhibits Will Start Arriving Saturday; Shows Here Sunday

School Children of Section To Be Guests of Fair Next Tuesday

Opening here next Monday afternoon for a solid week, the Williamston fair is certain to show one of the largest collections of agricultural and garden products ever seen at a district fair in this section of the State, Manager Harvey Walker stating this morning that more applications had already been received for exhibition space than the main building can well accommodate. Other space is being provided, however, with the prospect that this section will offer the largest and most varied exhibits possible to assemble.

All departments are attracting more than usual attention with the 4-H club boys and girls, women's home demonstration clubs, young Tar Heel Farmers and others taking more interest in the prize competition than probably at any other time since a fair was established here. Live-at-home booths will be added features, and numerous individual exhibits are being entered already.

The swine and poultry departments are also attracting exhibitors from a wide territory, and tomorrow and Monday will see the farm coming to town in a big way.

Manager Walker explains that the fair program is well balanced this year and points to the varied grandstand attractions and the Cetlin & Wilson shows for entertainment. The grandstand entertainers are arriving daily direct from the North, where they have been playing the largest fairs there, and a complete program will be offered Monday evening.

The Cetlin & Wilson Shows, rated with the largest operating in the South this season, will leave Blackstone, Va., early Sunday, arriving here that afternoon between 4 and 5 o'clock, according to present schedules. The 14 rides and an equal number of shows occupy 14 extra-length railroad cars, the management stating that in addition to the equipment handled by rail, much will be brought in here by trucks. Placed in a single row, the Cetlin & Wilson parade would extend the greater part of a mile. The vast organization is manned by 800 people, and its equipment is the most up-to-date on the fair circuit this season.

The shows will play the Wilson, Rocky Mount, Henderson, and other fairs in this state before continuing South to play State fairs.

Renewed Interest Reported In School Band This Year

With an increased membership, the local high school band is making progress again under the directorship of Charles L. McCullers. Regular practices are held twice each week, and there is a renewed interest in the organization, reports from the high school state.

Added Teacher Sought For Elementary School

Attendance Record First Two Weeks Is Over Requirements

Delegation Will Appear Before State Commission Tomorrow

Local school authorities will apply to the State School Commission in Raleigh tomorrow for an additional teacher in the elementary department here, the average daily attendance during the first two weeks of the present term almost justifying a claim for two extra teachers in that department. The local high school, with an average daily attendance of 181.2 pupils almost has a valid claim for an extra instructor, but one for that department is not expected. However, the elementary school has about 24 more pupils than are necessary to support a claim for an additional teacher, Principal Anderson pointed out after checking the attendance records for the first two weeks of school.

The elementary department, with an enrollment of about 190 pupils, reported an average daily attendance of 563 pupils during the first 10 days of school. Of the 185 pupils enrolled in the high school, 181 attended regularly during the first two weeks ending yesterday, the principal said.

At the present time there are 15 teachers in the elementary and 6 in the high school. While the State commission may arbitrarily increase the teacher load and render invalid any claim for an additional teacher, local school authorities believe the attendance record in the elementary department here justifies one more teacher.

McLaren will appear at the plant of the Lindsley Ice Company here the same morning at 11 o'clock and the public is invited to see him in action on a big log.

To Make Campaign For Library Books

Finding the high school library here inadequate to meet the needs, local school authorities are planning a canvass for books here each afternoon during next week. The entire high school and seventh grade pupils have been enlisted to make the canvass, and the cooperation of the public is urged.

Divided into two groups—the Reds and the Blues—the children collecting the largest number of books will be given a half holiday, and a successful canvass is predicted.

The school will accept any and all types of books, including discarded texts, Principal Anderson said. It is hoped that some good books can be gathered for the library, which is now far below the standard. Any cash donations will also be welcomed.

FAIR MANAGER



Harvey Walker, resident manager of the local fair, who assures the people of this section that the fair all next week will be the best ever held here.

Champion Chopper To Be Here And At Jamesville

Peter McLaren, holder of the world's woodchopping record and who holds \$50 for any man who can out-chop him, will give an exhibition free to the public at Davenport and Hamilton's store in Jamesville next Monday morning at 10 o'clock and in Williamston at 11 o'clock. The chopper makes every tick count, and a study of his skill applied should prove of great help to Martin County folks this winter if the weather is as cold as it was a year ago. Competition is open to any one, and no entrance fee is charged.

McLaren will appear at the plant of the Lindsley Ice Company here the same morning at 11 o'clock and the public is invited to see him in action on a big log.

Peanut Digging Under Way On Farms of Martin County

Peanut digging, one of the dirtiest jobs on the farm, is getting under way in this section, reports stating that Farmers Dawson Lilley and Joshua L. Coltrane started the work this week. Others will start digging operations shortly with the work getting underway on a fairly large scale about the middle or latter part of next week. Over in Bertie County many farmers are said to have already completed the first work in the harvesting of the crop.

Present indications point to a short crop and one of poor to medium quality. There will be exceptions, of course, but the outlook is for a far smaller crop this year than

last, some believing the production will not exceed 60 or 65 per cent of the 1935 output. Others are of the opinion that the reduction will not be so great, but all are agreed that the current crop will not be as large as the one a year ago.

Just what prices the new crop will command is an unknown quantity, but it is reasonable to believe the growers will get at least a fair return. Prices were strong at the close of the last marketing season, and, with a small crop assured this year, the market should not weaken. Probably the deciding factor will be some proposed control program for another season.