

4-H Club Member Tells Of Trip To Electric Contest

Miss Celia Stokes Winner Of Territorial Award In Raleigh

By Celia Stokes

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The excitement really began about a month ago when Howard Bennett and I found that we, along with Mr. J. W. Sumner, assistant county agent, would represent the 4-H'ers of Martin County at the electric contest to be held in Raleigh, October 27 and 28. But even Sunday evening when we left we had no idea of the real thrills we would experience.

About nine o'clock we saw the flash of neon business lights and the cool, carressing glows that guard the park, capitol building and other state interests. The sight itself was thrilling to behold, especially when we saw "Hotel Carolina," which was to be our home for the stay in bright red "Neon" visible far over the city.

By nine-thirty we were registered and assigned to our respective rooms. I found three charming roommates who quickly invaded the room with a homey at-

mosphere. We planned to retire by eleven, but I'll confess it was two before the lights were out.

Monday morning by six-thirty I was up. Feeling a bit drowsy, I decided I would refresh with a cold shower, and such shocking results—well, it was an electric congress!

As soon as I was dressed I rushed down to breakfast, which consisted of anything I desired. After breakfast there was a few minutes to chat before registration at eight-thirty in the hotel lobby, where we were given name tags which identified us as to name and county. At ten-thirty we assembled in the hotel ballroom where we began the congress with a verse of "America," our club pledge and several of Mr. Harrill's jokes. This was followed by a speech "The Need of Better Methods in Agriculture" by Director of North Carolina's Agricultural Extension Service, I. O. Schaub. He pointed out that most of the eastern portion of North Carolina's farmers were making farming only a part-time business and in order to have a year-round income for a higher standard of living it is necessary to institute new jobs to use the farm labor wasted in the season when there is little to be done.

While waiting for Governor Cherry, who was to be our guest speaker, we sang verses of Home on the Range and Old Black Joe. Then we were introduced to all present. Mr. L. V. Sutton, president of the Carolina Power and Light Company, introduced the Governor, who spoke on "Youth in North Carolina Agriculture."

Luncheon was served in the hotel ballroom at twelve-thirty and was followed by real-to-life impersonations of Jimmy Durante, Lum and Abner, late President Roosevelt, Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra given by E. Cullen Johnson. Also some of our lead-

MAY BE FUTURE HOME FOR PRINCESS ELIZABETH



ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL ESTATES in Surrey, Windlesham Moor (above) reportedly has been selected as the future home of Princess Elizabeth and Lt. Philip Mountbatten. The estate, 25 miles from London, has been recently inspected by the betrothed. It is owned by Mrs. Warwick Bryant. (International)

LEADERS MEET ON AID TO EUROPE



BUSINESS, LABOR AND FARM leaders answered the call of Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman and attended a Washington conference, during which Secretary of State Marshall warned that the U. S. must aid Europe. Among the outstanding participants were (left to right): Charles G. Mortimer, a key figure in the food industry; Charles Luckman, chairman of President Truman's Citizens Committee; Eugene Meyer, former head of the World Bank; John R. Steelman; John J. McCloy, World Bank president, and Harry A. Bullis. (International)

ers put on acts. Mr. Sumner was one of the Rebecca, Ramona, and Roberta trio that harmonized on "You Are My Sunshine."

At one-fifteen we divided into two groups and took two tours. First we went to the Taylor Food Company where we saw potato chips, nabs, and other things made. The most fascinating thing there, however, was the machine that bagged peanuts. Next we visited the Pine State Creamery

where we saw milk bottled and ice cream made. Also we were shown a movie at the end of this "thro-trip" of the things we had seen. Both plants were generous with samples which were welcome, for the luscious aromas had made us quite hungry.

We returned to the hotel and changed to our plaids and gaities. In no time at all we were ready to leave for the Tar Heel Club. This was more wonderful than we ever dreamed, being situated out in the country on a slope above a lake. We explored the stand until seven when we were called to enjoy a delicious barbecue supper. Immediately after supper S. P. Vecker, vice-president of the Carolina Power and Light Company, Master of Ceremonies, presented the representatives of the foundations who in turn presented the prizes.

Mr. W. M. Gallant, local representative of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, presented pins to each county winner.

Mr. W. E. Wood, executive vice-president of the Virginia Electric and Power company, presented certificates to each boy and girl of the territory. Also there were given two gold watches, to Robert Dennis Ricks, Jr., of Northampton County and Hazel Garris of Pitt County, second place winners and two one-hundred dollar scholarships to Albert Ellen of Halifax County and "me", good old Martin County, first place winners. Then Mr. Witherspoon, vice-president of the Carolina Power and Light Company, presented similar awards to those of his territory.

We were then honored by a Harvest Friendship Party under

the leadership of Miss Eleanor Barber and Mr. Jesse James. This consisted of games, square dancing, corn-popping, and everything you have ever dreamed of in a fall party. By the time we arrived back at the hotel everyone was overfilled with fun but exhausted enough to retire immediately.

Tuesday morning after breakfast Mr. C. Spellman, Virginia Electric Power Company representative, presided over a program consisting of speeches by Albert Ellen and myself. Then Mr. R. H. Reynolds, Industrial Consultant of the Carolina Power and Light Company, explained and demonstrated "Generation and Distribution of Electricity." Then we visited the Carolina Power and Light Company sub-station. Previously many had been craving samples from the places visited but I heard no one ask for any "juice" while there. Moving ter Methods!

County Girls In Athletic Group

The Women's Athletic Association of East Carolina Teachers college, an organization sponsoring the program of sports open to women students at the college, welcomed twenty-three students as members at a meeting held on the campus last week. Among these were Johnnie Mae Sawyer of Jamesville; and Mary N. Lindsley and Louise Hires of Williamston, all freshmen at the college this fall.

Plans of the WAA for this school year include sports events in which women students will participate at the Royal Bakery we observed all the steps from "flour-to-yeast" in the making of breads, cakes, rolls, and dough-nuts.

Mr. Harrill presided over the luncheon when we heard reports from the winner of the other territory and a prophesying speech on "Where Do We Go From Here" by Dr. D. S. Weaver. Then we adjourned, said farewell to all with hopes of meeting again and even though we were sad that the joyous meeting must close we realized that it was "not sunset, but dawn" and left with eagerness to rush on to search for other better methods and to make our better methods better. We know more than before that 4-H is a marvelous organization and that the Better Methods Offer is one of its most wonderful wonders. So we urge every 4-H'er to enter this project with the thought that if you put enough into it you will receive a great reward, not only materially but your heart and mind will possess an overwhelming joy for the accomplishment of something for the good of you and others. Hats off to 4-H and Betty "juice" while there. Moving ter Methods!

participate in tennis, bowling, basketball, volley ball, soccer, field hockey, archery, hiking, and bicycling. Ten students were elected as managers for these sports and will work with the faculty advisors, Nell Stallings and Thursa Steed of the physical education department, in carrying out a health and recreation program.

Farm Life Pupils At Williamsburg

Williamsburg, Va.—A group of 10 students from the Farm Life School in Martin County were here recently touring this one-time colonial capital city that has been restored to its appearance of the 18th century by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

by Mr. Milton Griffin and were given a special escorted tour of several of the buildings that have been restored or reconstructed to the way they looked two centuries ago and saw the setting in which many significant acts in the struggle for independence took place. Referred to by educators as a "living laboratory" of early American history, Williamsburg is annually visited by more than a half million persons.

The demure young bride, her face a mask of innocence, walked slowly down the aisle, clinging to the arm of her father. As she reached the platform before the altar, her dainty foot brushed a potted flower, upsetting it. She looked at the dirt gravely, then raised her large child-like eyes and screamed—"That's a hell of a place to put a Lily!"

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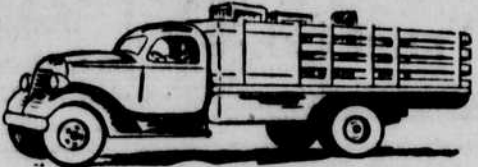
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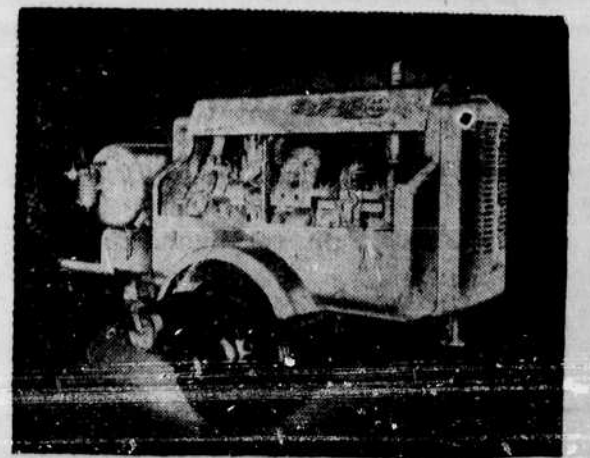
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