

SIX DAYS OF JOY AT THE TARBORO CHAUTAUQUA JUNE 2nd TO 8th

NOTABLE BUSINESS LECTURE COMING TO TARBORO MAY 28

Chamber of Commerce Makes Arrangements For Famous American Business Lecture

MOTION-PICTURE FILM TO ILLUSTRATE LECTURE

Arrangements have been made by the Chamber of Commerce to bring to this city, on Friday, May 28, at 8 o'clock, in the court house, the most famous American business lecture on the platform, "The Troubles of a Merchant and How to Stop Them." Under the head, Mr. W. H. Farley, well-known business expert, organizer and Chautauqua lecturer, will discuss the various questions that are now more than ever before sources of trouble and loss to merchants and business men everywhere. He will show how co-operation and organization will make for a better community or city. How cooperation and understanding will remove trouble between employer and employe. He will show practical improvements in service and store organization that will please the general public and draw trade. How friendly cooperation and organization among business men instead of petty jealousies and narrowness will aid in bringing prosperity to all. He will show how proper advertising will change losses to profits. How systematic continuous newspaper advertising pays the largest dividend of all. How system that enables a merchant to know at all times about the conditions of his business instead of guessing is more than ever before absolutely essential to success.

With the aid of three thousand feet of moving picture film and about two hundred stereopticon views, Mr. Farley will give a most interesting and timely discussion.

It isn't theory. It isn't over the heads of people. It is solid home sense applied to merchandising. Practical, everyday, concrete experiences given in this way with lecture and pictures make a double impression—through the eye and the ear—that is sure to be of lasting benefit to every business man or sales person that attends this lecture.

Every merchant or wife of a merchant, every salesman or clerk, every business man, and all those interested in seeing Tarboro become a better business center should not fail to hear Mr. Farley.

A glance at this outline of the lecture is sufficient to show its great value.

Town Organization and Cooperation.

Retail Features and Their Causes.

Store Organization.

Newspaper Advertising.

Window Displays.

The Business of Clerks.

Credits and Accounts.

Salesmanship and System.

The Chamber of Commerce has secured this service through courtesy of the National Cash Register Co., of Dayton, Ohio. For many years this company has furnished this famous lecture to Chambers of Commerce and other business organizations all over the United States and Canada. Many of them book it repeatedly, for it is being constantly kept up-to-date and it always deals with fundamental business problems in a concrete way. It is universally admitted to be one of the most popular and instructive exhibitions of business principles ever given. Strong endorsements of its value and interest come from hundreds of organization secretaries and from merchants from almost every county of every state in the Union and from all the important cities of Canada.

Our secretary of the Chamber of Commerce is to be congratulated on securing a date for this notable lecture for Tarboro.

We strongly urge that our business men, merchants and all sales people work to give Mr. Farley a capacity audience the night of Friday, May 28. No charge for admission.

NOTICE TO MERCHANTS.

The city authorities are in receipt of the following letter which explains itself:

"Dear sir: I have just received from the attorney general the following telegram:

Washington, D. C., May 11, 1920. You will immediately announce in your state only, recognizable margin of profit on sugar by Department of Justice, 1 cent per pound wholesale, 2 cents per pound retail. Instructions contained in Circular 38, hereby rescinded, same sent by mistake.

"Please notify the merchants in your county. Yours very truly,"

E. F. AYDLETT, U. S. Atty.

Mayor Hardison wishes to state to the merchants of Tarboro that he has been instructed by the district attorney to enforce this law and that he will do so, reporting all violations.

ROBERT N. PAGE TO SPEAK IN TARBORO

Candidate For Democratic Nomination For Governor At Court House May 24

Hon. Robert N. Page, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, will deliver an address in the courthouse in Tarboro on Monday night, May 24th. Mr. Page is the first of the candidates for governor to make a speech here during the present campaign. He is a man of ability and has the reputation of being a fluent orator. He has many admirers and supporters throughout the town and county, and a large crowd is expected to hear him when he speaks in the courthouse.

FRIDAY, MAY 21, A BIG DAY IN EDGECOMBE COUNTY

Friday, May 21, ought to be a very great day for the agricultural interest of Edgecombe county. Three highly important meetings are scheduled for Tarboro on that day. First, in the office of the farm demonstration, at 10.30, the growers of Durock hogs are to meet to form an Edgecombe Durock association. Don't wait to be invited. If interested, go.

At 11 o'clock in the court house, same day, a meeting that has never been surpassed in agricultural importance, will be held. It is the second, or adjourned meeting of the cotton seed growers. This is a movement of such prime import that it is bound to affect the welfare of the entire county. Whether you are a member or not, whether you are a farmer or not, you are urged to attend.

Finally, at an hour to be named, a speaker of renown will address the farmers and business men in behalf of Virginia-Carolina Peanut Exchange, that has attracted world-wide attention by its successful operation the past season.

These are clean, straight business propositions and are well worth your consideration. ZENO MOORE, County Agent.

THIEF MAKES HAUL FROM E. R. CARTER

Employee Taylor Tobacco Co. Wakes to Find Wardrobe And Money Gone.

E. R. Carter, employed by the J. P. Taylor Tobacco Co., with rooms at the residence of Mrs. C. M. Parks, is minus practically his entire wardrobe today. During the wee-ama-hours last night someone, unknown, entered Carter's room and did make a get-away with one blue flannel suit, one gray suit with green stripes, one pair of slippers, one silk shirt, one pocketbook containing a twenty dollar bill and a one dollar bill, some cards, receipts and other papers, a watch and chain, and a railroad ticket from Tarboro to AShokee.

With it all, the robber, perhaps intending to be generous, left Mr. Carter fifteen cents in change, pearl handled knife, one pair of slippers, and a bunch of keys.

Mr. Carter, in telling of the robbery this morning, stated that the thief must have come into the house by the front door, and on up the stairs to his room. There are two other gentlemen rooming in the house, on the second floor, but upon investigation this morning it was found they had lost nothing. Mr. Carter says he is willing to give any reasonable reward for the return of, or information leading to the finding of, the stolen goods.

TODAY'S NEWS OF TARBORO 20 YEARS AGO

Scrapping and Shooting. For a time Sunday afternoon, the factory side of Hendrick's creek was somewhat lively. James Wells and O. B. Moye had a fight in which the latter's face was cut and bruised. Some hours later Mr. Wells went to the house of D. K. Brees, where a foreman, Fitch, lives, and was shot at five times by Mr. Fitch. Only one ball took effect and that grazed the side.

Trials of the three will probably be held today, when the facts will be brought out.

This communication probably gives the facts or circumstances as viewed by a by-stander:

"The peace of our town has been much disturbed for two or three days by a little siege.

"Yesterday we had two small skirmishes, which were not at all in accord with military laws. The women and children were given no time or warning to retire to places of safety.

"The opposing armies are the Fitch brothers on one side and J. W. and J. M. Wells on the other.

"The Messrs. Fitch, who have recently taken charge of the weaving department in factory No. 2, finding the service of the Wells brothers no longer needed, informed them of the same, which angered them to such an extent that they wished to give battle.

"Friday evening J. W. Wells went to the boarding place of the Messrs. Fitch and used the most insulting language, which the Fitches took quietly, wishing to have no disturbance.

"Saturday evening J. W. Wells repeated the insult in the same language and with the same result. Yesterday the Fitch brothers were followed all day by the Wells brothers, who used every opportunity to insult and if possible to raise a disturbance. In the afternoon E. W. Wells met one Mr. Moye near the Hyatt Springs and took a pugilistic contest with him. Each came out with a few scratches and blood-spots, both had been drinking.

"About sunset while the streets were crowded with children and young ladies, J. W. Wells again went to the boarding place of Messrs. Fitch and began cursing and using very insulting terms. A battle followed, in which three or four rounds were fired at Mr. Fitch, and only one ball took effect, that in his clothing. As there was no one having the power to take them in charge, each side wended their way at will, but leaving the women and children much excited.

"It seems that some one would have enough interest in the welfare of the women and children of our town to give them some protection."

Farrar, May 14. I. D. Gay.

The Town With a Ghost.—Princetonville is now all right, the town has a ghost. Orren James and Grey Lloyd about 9 o'clock Saturday evening, were standing within a few feet of the former's store when a man rushed by them, stooped and crawled under the store. No trace of the mysterious man was seen afterwards.

The report of what these two saw set the superstitious to talking and now it is confidently believed that the strange runner was no other than the disembodied spirit of Edmund Clark, who died suddenly not long ago, in Orren James' store.

For the present there is no need of a curfew in the transpontine suburb.

CONETOE CITIZEN BOOSTS MORRISON

Asks Citizens to Study Political Record of Candidate Before Voting.

"Mr. Editor: For twenty years white people and colored have lived together in eastern North Carolina, and today no race has made more progress financially, mentally or physically than the negro of today with just sixty years of freedom, forty of which were wasted by delusive political ambition. Neither race should forget the great characters who evolved that suffrage amendment, and separated the negro from the political demagogues, so my friends, farmers scattered all over this country district, I tell you we need Morrison, a man with a record of nerve, power, and influence in the west to face the suffrage that will possibly wreck our state laws.

There are others, in North Carolina, able men, versed in the science of government, but pre-eminently superior in political wisdom and love of the state stand Simmons, Morrison and Claude Kitchin. What more love can any man show than to offer up his life for you? Is not Kitchin exemplifying it, fighting great odds in congress. Did not Morrison show it in the '90's and ever since? Fighting physically until incapacitated, and when he did get up again leading hundreds of his neighbors all known as red shirts defying Gov. Russell's threat of martial law, this man asks your indorsement of it now.

Quite promising and pledging but study the political records of the candidates for governor and make up your mind and vote your convictions. Mr. Morrison does not ask a pledge to vote for him.

Very truly yours,
Conetoe, May 11. W. A. Thigpen.

WOULD-BE ROBBER IS KILLED BY POLICE

Man Takes Fortune From Mail Car, But Is Later Shot To Death.

Chicago, May 14.—(By A. P.)—A man today entered a mail car on an arriving train, and at the point of a revolver made one clerk tie up the hands and feet of five others, took several hundred thousands dollars in currency from the safe, and made a break for liberty.

The police gave chase almost immediately. In the fight the robber dropped one bag containing \$100,000. He later took refuge in a building, where for some time a scattered fire of sniping was directed by the pursuers against him. When there was no answer from the houses, the police entered and found that the man had been reached by some of the shots, and was dead.

TARBORO TO HAVE PEANUT MEN FOR EXECUTIVE MEET

Cooperative Peanut Exchange Men Include This City in List For Sessions.

MEET IS OF INTEREST TO EDGECOMBE GROWERS

The Southerner is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. J. Frank Pooshe, general manager of the Virginia-Carolina Cooperative Peanut Exchange. The letter is self-explanatory:

Dear Mr. Editor: It is with pleasure that I am able to announce that a meeting of peanut growers will be held in your county this week, at Tarboro on Friday, May 21, at 10 a. m.

It has been a matter of deep regret to us that we have not been able to push our organization work in your county heretofore. However, our forces have been so limited that it has not been possible to cover the whole of the peanut growing territory in Virginia and North Carolina; so up to this time we have been forced to limit our activities largely to the center of this territory.

It gives me great pleasure to say that we are indeed fortunate in securing the services of Mr. DeCamp for the meetings to be held in your county, and we trust that your growers will take advantage of this opportunity to hear a man who has been identified for a number of years in an active way with one of the most successful cooperative associations in America.

The little that the exchange has done up to this time only serves to emphasize how imperative it is that the peanut growers put themselves in position to protect their own industry. As has been so forcibly stressed by others, the peanut growers are in a peculiar position to organize, because theirs is a highly classified industry, and in these states confined largely to a limited territory.

However, they cannot overlook the fact that peanuts of the same variety that they grow in this territory come largely in competition with foreign peanuts, and that as this importation increases the necessity of their organizing is greatly intensified.

We wish again to express to you the high appreciation our organization has for the generous publicity your paper has given us at all times. While it may be argued that it is to your business interest to encourage this organization work among your peanut-growers, yet the fine spirit in which you have responded to our every request is something that your readers should appreciate, as it shows that you are working first and foremost for the development of your county.

We hope the meeting in your county will be largely attended, and that your growers will readily fall in with us in our efforts to perfect an organization covering the whole of peanut-growing territory in Virginia and North Carolina.

Very truly yours,
J. FRANK POOSHE.

BAPTISTS DOUBLED WORK DURING 1919

Home Mission Board Secretary Makes Report to Southern Baptists.

Washington, May 14.—(By A. P.)—Operations of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention have been practically doubled during the last year, Dr. B. D. Gray, secretary, reported today to the 75th annual session of the convention.

In the general evangelistic work of the board, carried on by 50 white general evangelists and singers, one special missionary to the deaf mutes, and three negro evangelists, more than 16,000 persons were added to the churches during the last year. Evangelistic and educational work among the people of foreign tongues in the south has reached large proportions, this work being conducted in seven different languages.

PHOTO ALBUM CEREMONY GIVES BACHELOR A WIFE

The residence of Mrs. G. L. Heilbroner on St. Patrick street was the scene last night of an interesting and enjoyable social function. No matter what may be said of certain of the bachelors of Tarboro, it can not be said that "Monday" Ruffin has never been through the marriage ceremony, holding the hand of a lady, and taking upon himself the "I do" part of the ceremony.

It was with a great deal of surprise that Mr. T. T. Thomas was discovered approaching the house in question last night about 7 o'clock, wheeling a small go-cart down the middle of the street. It was but one of the many presents for the occasion. It was with much trouble that three men held up "Monday" while Mr. G. R. Rogers said the fatal words that gave to Mr. Ruffin the leading part in the ceremony. In lieu of a Bible, it might be stated that a family photo album was used. Nevertheless, the ceremony went through without hitch, excepting the arms of the three men needed to hitch up Mr. Ruffin's standing qualities, as his knees were noticed to be doing the shimmy.

Congratulations were showered on the anti-groom upon his arrival down in the business section of the city, which took place as soon as he could escape the vigilant eyes and arms of Dr. T. R. Royster, and Messrs. Don Walston, T. T. Thomas (best men), and Mr. Fenn.

EXPRESS ROBBERS MAKE GET-AWAY WITH \$9,000

Spokane, Wash., May 14.—(By A. P.)—Nine thousand dollars were obtained by robbers who kicked an express agent here into insensibility, according to the agent's account. The robbers are still at large.

REBECCA? GERALDINE FARRAR AT OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT

Rebecca? Geraldine Farrar will be heard in one of her master-pieces at "Ye District Skule" tonight. Her voice is at its best.

The reserved seat sale for the play tonight was closed yesterday morning. Nevertheless, for those that have no seats at present it will be good news to learn that the gallery will be reserved for white people, and that as many extra chairs as can be placed in the Opera House will be added for late patrons tonight. These seats will not be reserved, and will have to be purchased at the box office tonight.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S HOME TO BE STORE

Commercial Expansion Gradually Claims Historic Landmarks in Capital City.

Washington, May 14.—(By A. P.)—Admiral Dewey's former home, a gift of the American people for his victory at Manila Bay, is being remodeled into a store, having given way, as have a number of other historical residences, to the spreading commercial section of the city. The Dewey house, at 1747 Rhode Island avenue, just off Connecticut avenue, was disposed of some years ago before Admiral Dewey's death.

The city's commercial expansion is gradually moving northward on Connecticut avenue and has passed beyond the British embassy, which now finds itself amidst a group of fashionable shops. The historic old Corcoran mansion and the wisteria-clad John S. M. house, with their old-fashioned gardens and high brick garden wall, facing Lafayette Park opposite the White House at the beginning of Connecticut avenue, soon will be razed for a modern building for the Chamber of Commerce of the United States of America.

Among the historical mansions holding out against the march of commercial expansion are the famous Octagon house, residence of Colonel Taylor, which was occupied a year by President Madison after the White House was fired by the British in 1814.

REVOLUTIONISTS GAIN AGAINST CARRANZA TROOPS

(By Associated Press)

Mexican rebels apparently gained in the first phase of the battle with the troops loyal to President Carranza, which have been fighting desperately north of San Marcos for the past four days. Vera Cruz-advices indicate a break in the Carranza line. Rebel reinforcements are now being rushed up hourly. The British consul and his party are with Carranza, and attempts are being made to rescue him. French and British warships have arrived at Vera Cruz, and four American fighting vessels are already there.

OFFICIAL RETURNS GIVE UNDERWOOD THE VICTORY

Birmingham, May 14.—(By A. P.)—With two counties still missing, official returns today give Underwood 1,800 majority over his opponents in the race for the senate long term. Hefflin has apparently won the short-term senatorship.

CAROLINA TELEPHONE CO. INCREASES CAPITAL STOCK

The stockholders of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company have authorized an increase in its capital stock from \$400,000 to \$700,000. The funds from this increase will be used in extensive improvements and additional facilities at Fayetteville, Kinston, Tarboro, Wilson and Washington, and also provide additional toll line facilities in connection therewith.

SOUTHERN GIRLS GRADUATE FROM N. Y. SALVATION ARMY TRAINING COLLEGE IN JUNE

Atlanta, Ga., May 14.—Two southern girls—one from Florida and the other from North Carolina—will be among the graduates next June of the Salvation Army training college in New York city.

The Florida girl is Miss Jennie Stevens of 414 Alcaniz street, Pensacola, and is the daughter of W. L. Stevens of Pensacola, in which city she formerly was employed as a bookkeeper by a real estate agency.

The North Carolina girl is Miss Ayesha Flowers of Salisbury, daughter of Captain Flowers in charge of the Salvation Army corps in that city. Miss Flowers helped her mother for years in the organization work in Salisbury.

WOOD ALCOHOL KILLS ONE, SENDS TWO TO HOSPITAL

Indianapolis, May 14.—(By A. P.)—One man is dead and two are in the hospital here as the result of drinking wood alcohol, according to a report made by the police today.

PERSONALS

—M. G. Mann returned today from a business trip to Ohio.

—Mrs. Charles Meighan has returned from Richmond.

—Mr. E. G. Wilson, of New York, is visiting his wife at Mrs. Paul Lawrence.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. Campbell's mother, Mrs. W. L. Barlow.

—After spending several weeks in Tarboro with relatives, Miss Frances S. Horne left yesterday to visit her parents in Winston-Salem, after which she expects to resume her duties in Garfield hospital, Washington, D. C.

ARCHEOLOGISTS ORGANIZE PHILADELPHIA MAYA SOCIETY

Philadelphia, May 14.—(By A. P.)—Distinguished archeologists have organized here the Maya Society, the object of which is the study of the Indian races of Mexico and Central America. Particular attention will be given to the period of civilization when great cities are believed to have been built there more than two thousand years ago, the ruins of many of which dot the forests of Yucatan. First efforts, it was stated, will be directed toward discovering a key to the Maya hieroglyphs.

Whitakers Bettement.

The Whitakers Bettement had one of the most interesting programs of the year on Thursday, May 13th, at which time "Interior-decoration" was taken up by Miss Howell, pictures being shown, and a most interesting lecture on the topic being given.

Registration books close Saturday, May 22. To voters in the county who have not registered to date, it is urged that they take notice of the date of closing and register before the registrars close their offices on Saturday.

County Health Report.

The following have been reported to the health officer as suffering with contagious diseases:

Whooping-cough: Laura E. Wilkins; two children of Joe Shiley; 7 children of Mrs. Mattie Keel; 4 children of Peter Hall; Susie and Arthur Wooten; Gaston, Charlie and Jessie Lawrence; 2 children of Louisa Topping.