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BIGGEST FARMER CONVENTION ASSEMBLES AT STATE'S CAPITAL

Probably Nearly Six Hundred farmers From all over the State Gather At Raleigh and Discuss Practical topics--Sixteen Year Old Boy Tells How to Raise Corn.

The first meeting of the Farmers' State Convention, until yesterday in session at Raleigh was held Wednesday morning.

The attendance was a record breaking one. At the opening of the session over two hundred and fifty farmers were present.

So far in advance of all previous records was the crowd that the big A. & M. pantry was taxed to the limit.

Commissioner W. A. Graham, a practical farmer and holder of high position with the state, made the address of welcome.

The first speaker was E. G. Moss, who discussed Quality as Compared with Yield per Acre of Tobacco.

The most interest during the session attached to the address by the sixteen year old boy, Charlie Parker, who undertook to tell the convention how he succeeded in raising 235 bushels of corn to the acre.

The best address of the first day was that made by Dr. C. C. Hopkins of the Illinois Experiment station.

Dr. Hopkins also emphasized the fact that mere rotation of crops will not in the long run result in the improvement of the land.

This speaker also differentiated between experiment and experience, very strikingly. By the first, one is guided by the truth; by the second, many are led astray.

Other speeches and addresses of interest were made on Tuesday night, on Wednesday and on Thursday morning and afternoon.

Farmers from all sections of the state inspected with interest the live stock of the college and witnessed the plowing demonstration given on the A. & M. farm.

The Advance devotes most of its time to the report of the first day's session, because on that day its representative was there in person.

Nags Head News

Mr. and Mrs. William Weathers who have been staying at the Arlington were called to their home in Elizabeth City on account of the illness of their son Edward.

Miss Jessie White of Baltimore is visiting the family of Mr. H. Clay Tunis.

Mrs. William Pailin closed her house for the summer, Monday, and moved back to Elizabeth City.

Miss Mae Wood is visiting Mrs. Zoeller at her cottage on the sound.

Mr. A. H. Worth is spending the week at the Albemarle Cottage on the sound.

Mr. John Martin returned to his home in Elizabeth City Wednesday, after spending some time with his sister, Mrs. J. G. Wood.

ENTERTAINED GUESTS

Master Kramer Walker entertained at his home Thursday evening from seven to nine o'clock in honor of his cousins, Misses Thelma and Helen Price of Norfolk, and Miss Elsie Nixon of Winfall, N. C.

The lawn was beautifully decorated with Japanese lanterns. The little folks amused themselves with various games. Prompt refreshments were served.

Those present were: Misses Thelma and Helen Price of Norfolk, Elsie Nixon, Winfall, Virginia Belingia, Unice Goodwin, Anna Johnson, Margaret Parsons, Ethel Davis, Weymouth Davis, Misses Mary and Virginia Owens Marvin and Seldon Mann, Harvey Goodwin, Thomas Johnson.

VETERANS MEET AT CURRITUCK

VETERANS REUNION AT CURRITUCK COURT HOUSE TO BE HELD NEXT WEDNESDAY AND CORNER STONE MONUMENT LAID--MR. PEELE WILL SPEAK.

Special. Currituck, N. C., Aug. 28. The annual reunion of the Henry M. Shaw camp of Confederate veterans will be held at Currituck Courthouse on Wednesday, September 12th.

At the same time the cornerstone for the Currituck monument to the confederate soldiers of the county will be laid, with appropriate exercises.

A picnic dinner will be served and a large crowd is expected to be present. Those who attend are requested to bring a basket well provided with the good things of the season.

As this reunion is to occur during court week and as the farmers are not so busy just now, an unusual crowd is expected.

Mr. Herbert Peele, editor of the Advance, will make the address of the day. Everybody is urged to come out and hear him.

This celebration is to be given under the auspices of the Henry M. Shaw Camp No. 1034 U. C. V.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS TONIGHT

The Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly meeting tonight at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the Kramer building. A good attendance is desired as business of unusual importance will be considered.

DELIGHTFUL SAILING PARTY GIVEN

A most enjoyable sail was given Wednesday night by Mr. Fred Upton. Delicious refreshments were passed around. A merry evening was spent on the river by the following guests:

- Misses Sophia and Helen Evans, Bertha Chappell, Mary Hart Mary Holmes, Miss Annie Williams of Norfolk, Misses Mattie and Dessie Ward, Carrie Burgess, Linda Mercer, Messrs. Roland Rollinson, Wylie Upton, Bob Stevens, Frank Morrisette, Howard and Walter Midgett.

DIRECTORS HELD MEETING

The Directors of the Fair, at their regular meeting on Wednesday night, made up the following schedule of charges for concessions:

- Restaurant, Meals Only \$50.00 Soft drink and cigar stand 25.00 Sandwich--Coney Island Island Sausage--Cigars 25.00 Pop corn stand, with privilege to peddle 15.00

EXHIBITS:

- Automobiles (each) 5.00 Other Exhibits (per front foot) 1.00 All other concessions can be arranged for with the secretary. Twenty-five per cent of contract must be paid for before space is allotted. The last day, Friday, October 25th, was made special day for the negroes. Actual efforts are being made to obtain flying machine contracts and many other attractions.

WILL COME FROM NORTH AND WEST

NORFOLK SOUTHERN TO BRING HOMESEEKERS FROM MIDDLE WEST AND TOURISTS FROM NORTH TO VISIT THIS SECTION SOON

The Norfolk Southern railroad will run its sixth special excursion to the Carolina coast country from the middle West on Tuesday, September 17th.

On the sixteenth there will be from the North, and these will reach Norfolk on Monday or special rates to Summer tourists Tuesday.

On Wednesday, September 18, the entire excursion party, home seekers and tourists, will assemble at their Norfolk headquarters at the Atlantic Hotel, where they will be met by Mr. A. B. Rice, of the Norfolk Southern Land and Industrial Department.

On Thursday the party will leave Norfolk by special train at eight o'clock, making their first stop at Moyock, where opportunity will be offered to inspect the drainage and development work of that section.

The party will reach Elizabeth City for dinner, and enough time will be given for a brief inspection of the city before the excursion passes farther southward.

The next stop will be made at Edenton, where the excursionists will be met by prominent lawyers and business men and taken on a tour of inspection of the town and of adjacent farming lands. In the evening the visitors will be welcomed by a mass-meeting of the citizens, and a hearty reception is assured from the citizens of the historic city of the Albemarle.

Washington, Beaufort, Pitt and Lenoir counties will also be visited, the party coming to the end of its route at Kinston.

On the return trip the guests will have an opportunity of spending several days at Norfolk, where they will have opportunities of visiting places of local or historic interest and of making a short stay at Virginia's noted seaside resorts.

ENTERTAINMENT PLEASED AUDIENCE

The entertainment by the class of children from the Odd Fellows Orphanage at Greensboro was a very successful one from every point of view.

The entertainment pleased the audience highly and was a credit to the children and their institution.

A good crowd was present out, and the sum of about \$85 was realized as a result of the entertainment.

Mrs. Alexander Wadsworth, who has been visiting Misses Sophia Martin, left for her home in Norfolk on Saturday.

Miss Mary Eason is spending some time at Virginia Beach the guest of relatives.

Misses Mae Wood left Sunday for Nags Head where she is visiting Mrs. Will Zoeller.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Worth left Saturday for a visit to Fayetteville. Mr. Worth's former home. They will also visit Raleigh and Wilmington before returning.

FOR SALE--A Four seated trap used very little and looks good. Will trade for top buggy or a runabout in good condition.

W. E. DUNSTAN, Elizabeth City, N. C. aug 30 11

ALBEMARLE FARMERS MAKE FINE IMPRESSION AT RALEIGH

Complimented by Press of Capital City and Standing First, in Attendance on the Convention, Farmers from North of Albemarle a Representative Body.

The excursion of Albemarle farmers to the Farmers' Convention at Raleigh this week was an overwhelming success.

Leaving Moyock with a good crowd, the number kept increasing until when the train reached Elizabeth City and had taken on the crowd here practically every coach except the one in the rear was filled.

When the train had received the last of the crowd at Edenton it was crowded almost to discomfort, but with the addition of another coach at Mackeys Ferry, there was abundant room for all.

It was a jolly crowd, and the cars were filled with laughter and joke and jest far along the way to Raleigh. Only the last of the journey was found a little tedious, as was attested by the languishing conversation the relaxed figures as they waited for the sight of North Carolina's capital city.

Two hundred and seventy-nine strong the Albemarle farmers reached Raleigh at about six o'clock Monday afternoon. Leaving the depot and coming up to ward Fayetteville street, they made a good company to look at, men with sturdy bodies, clear eyes, and manly carriage. There was a goodly sprinkling of young men among the company; and the confident bearing, clear-cut features and strong faces of these augured well for the future of farming in North Carolina.

Taking the cars at Fayetteville street, the farmers then started out to the A. & M. College, having been assured by Mr. Cohoon that supper would be awaiting them.

But though there was some disappointment when this supper failed to materialize and though there was still more confusion in the matter of finding quarters for the night, the bunch from Eastern North Carolina were a good humored crew. Asking them the next morning how they fared, the Advance reporter heard not a complaint.

The same good humor was manifest on Tuesday, when the A. & M. kitchen was unable to provide edibles, for those who did not get a place at the first tables, quite so promptly as might have been desired. Little impatience was expressed, and only two of the whole company left the tables without having been served. Of course these two were not from this section.

The Raleigh Times of Tuesday afternoon commented on the splendid appearance of the Albemarle farmers; and the representatives of the press at all the sessions of the convention were impressed with the intelligence of the entire body. The farmers listened, with ready comprehension, to technical and scientific terms that were Greek to the newspaper men.

It has been generally suggested that this excursion should become an annual event.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shaw of Oxford, N. C., are in the city, the guest of Mrs. Shaw's sister, Mrs. J. H. White, on Main street.

Mr. John Boswood, of Gregory, was in the city yesterday shopping.

A PICNIC DAY AT REHOBATH

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY HELD AT CHURCH NEAR MAPLE IN CURRITUCK COUNTY--GOOD SPEECHES AND VERY PLEASANT DAY--RALLY WELL ATTENDED.

Rehobath Baptist Sunday school held a Sunday School Rally and Picnic on the church grounds Wednesday of this week.

A good crowd was present comfortably filling the house when the speaking of the day was in progress.

A sumptuous repast, spread under the shade of the trees, was heartily enjoyed by all.

Interesting addresses were made in the morning and in the afternoon, looking toward the improvement of work in the Sunday Schools. Rev. Mr. Crater, pastor of Fourth Street Baptist church, Portsmouth, spoke in the morning and Mr. Herbert Peele, editor of the Advance, in the afternoon. Both speakers stressed the importance of Christian zeal for service and of diligent preparation for the work rather than the application of any particular method of teaching or of conducting a Sunday School.

Mr. Crater's subject was "The Price of Success as a Sunday School Teacher," and his remarks were of especial interest to those teaching in the Sunday School, though suggestive and helpful to all.

Mr. Peele's subject was, "A Gospel of Progress" and aimed especially to interest those who were in the habit of not taking a very active part in the Sunday School work.

TO DEEPEN NEWBEGUN CREEK

A bill is pending in Congress carrying an appropriation to deepen Newbegun creek, and the Farmers' Union of Weeksville will hold a meeting tomorrow, Saturday, Aug. 31st.

Secretary Lamb of the Chamber of Commerce will attend the meeting and assist the residents of that section in presenting their case to Congress in its most favorable light.

WE GUARANTEE a good paying position to every young woman who finishes our course in stenography and typewriting as soon as her preparation has been completed and furnish instruction in English and Arithmetic without additional charge.

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Mr. H. T. Davenport of Columbia and his wife were among those from the other side of the Albemarle who attended the Farmer's Convention this week. Only three from the south side of the sound, Mr. Cohoon says, were on his excursion train.