

BIG EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE MEETS IN RICHMOND NEXT WEEK

Questions of Vital Import to Rural People Studied

Farmers, school workers and business men are to get together in a big conference at Richmond next week, which is to assemble on Wednesday and continue in session throughout the week.

On Wednesday the 16th separate meetings will be held for the farmers, for the school workers, and for the business men, respectively; but after Wednesday those attending the conference will meet in a body.

The farmers' conference will be held in the high school auditorium, the morning session beginning at ten o'clock and the afternoon session beginning at half past two.

Co-operation will be the keynote of the discussion in the farmers' conference and there will be told exactly what farmers have achieved by co-operating in other sections. Discussion will show, also, how farmers in other sections have effected a compact organization in various parts of the Union. Clarence Poe, of Raleigh N. C. is the general secretary of this conference.

The business men's conference will be held in the auditorium of the Jefferson hotel. General Julian S. Carr of Durham N. C. is the chairman of this conference. The discussions of this meeting will center around these two topics: "Facts about the Farm Situation in the South" and "What can be done to make Farm Life more Attractive." These questions will be discussed by experts and much new light will doubtless be thrown on them.

There will be various meetings of educational leaders; but these are too numerous to mention in detail. County Superintendents and teachers, however, of whatever rank, will be able to hear and take part in discussions of special interest to them. There will be also on Wednesday a special conference of preachers.

Among the subjects to be discussed in the general conference on Thursday and Friday are Co-operative Local Credit Associations, it being the object of the discussion to determine the best method of co-operative credit for Southern farmers.

Also there will be held on Thursday a special conference on the country church, in which the main topic for discussion is, "How can the Country Church work for Better Farm Conditions?"

The speakers on the various topics are among the strongest in the South and nation. Among them are governors, college presidents, and men standing in the forefront of America in their various professions.

This conference should be one of far reaching result throughout the South; and it will no doubt be worth while of any live, wide awake business or professional man to attend.

A CORRECTION

In the editorial, "Making good" last week, the lint on hand at the end of the oil mill's seven weeks' run would have been valued at \$15,000 instead of \$16,000. The error was typographical, the figures having been correctly given in the printer's "copy".

ANOTHER SUICIDE?

Mrs. John Sawyer of this city received a letter on Tuesday from Fairfield, Hyde county, stating that her husband, Captain Sawyer, had been drowned near that place.

Captain Sawyer has been in bad health for more than a year. Last week he went to work on the schooner William H. Kenney as mate under Captain W. C. Harrison.

Captain Harrison left Sawyer lying in his berth and went ashore. When he returned Sawyer was missing and upon search could nowhere be found. As Captain Sawyer had often threatened to end his life, it is supposed that he committed suicide by jumping overboard. His body had not been discovered when the letter informing Mrs. Sawyer of the tragedy was written.

Captain Sawyer was sixty years old. He had a wife and a number of children in Elizabeth City.

NOTE: Later rumors from Dare are denying the foregoing story.

HAS ACCEPTED CALL

Rev. C. A. Ashby of Amherst, Virginia, has accepted the call by the vestry of Christ Church, and will be here to begin work about the first of June. He is said to be a man of splendid ability, sterling character and of a most attractive personality withal. The members of the church are congratulating themselves upon securing his services.

Mr. F. G. Jacobs and Dr. J. H. White went to Amherst some weeks ago to hear Mr. Ashby at his present charge. They were struck not only with his ability as a preacher and his popularity with his congregation, but also by his magnetic personality which has made itself felt at Amherst both in his own church and throughout the city.

Before entering the ministry, the Rev. Mr. Ashby was a lawyer and had a good practice at Newport News. Men formerly associated with him there in a professional way speak most highly of him.

The new rector of Christ Church is said to be not over forty years of age. He has a family.

WILL PREACH TO JUNIOR ORDER

Rev. J. H. Buffalo, pastor of City Road Methodist Church, will preach a special sermon to the Junior Order on next Sunday afternoon, April 13th at 3:00 o'clock P. M.

A FRESH COAT OF PAINT

has greatly added to the attractiveness of the meat market and fruit stand of Mr. H. J. Gregory at 210 Poindexter street. Everything about the shop now has a spic and span appearance refreshing to see, as is always the case when J. A. Chick has put the finishing touches to a job.

You are invited to call at this stand for your fruits and meats.

(Advertisement)

GOT CAUGHT IN STORM

Manteo, N. C., April 8th—On Tuesday March 25th while out with his little afflicted son, looking after the lights which he has in charge, Mr. Will Lennon of Skyco was caught in a gale that came near being the end of both of them.

The wind, which had been blowing a stiff gale when the two set out, at last came on so hard that they decided to give up the work and make their way home. When in sight of the landing the boat was flooded and the two succeeded in reaching the shore only by the most heroic efforts.

On shore they spent the stormy night without fire, food or shelter. Hungry and cold they watched the gale and put up many signals of distress but so high was the storm that nobody saw their signals.

Mr. Lennon has had a partial stroke of paralysis ever since the adventure; but is now improving.

MANTEO BRIEFS

Mr. D. P. Gray of Buxton, N. C. was here this week visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. W. Midgett.

Mr. Willis Midgett of Croatan was here Tuesday on business.

Mr. L. D. Tarkeenton returned last Friday night from Baltimore.

Mr. Joe Tom Daniels of Waukesha, caught a large sturgeon and a large porpoise last Monday averaging about 150 lbs each.

Rev. J. T. Draper the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church is very much pleased at the rate the members are raising money on the church debt.

Capt. J. R. Williams, dept. Fish Commissioner, is here this week.

Mr. Ellis Midgett who for the past five years has been grocery clerk for the T. S. Meekins Co., severed his relation with this company in order to become the head clerk for S. A. Griffin Company's store the first of April.

Mr. L. D. Hassel has been confined to his room for several days with carbuncles.

Mrs. Will Lennon of Skyco has been sick for some time, confined to bed.

Commander Dryden, of the yacht Tarrago, U.S.N. landed here last Friday night, and found about 25 gas boats under condemnation not being lawfully equipped. He took the owners by surprise and they were right sick as well as surprised.

Miss Edner Chappon of Virginia, the milliner for Mrs. Ben Creef arrived last week and has opened a beautiful line of millinery.

Dare county court is just one month off. The clerk says that the docket is a full one.

Mrs. R. B. Etheridge received a message Monday that her mother, Mrs. Halste, had the misfortune to fall and wound herself very badly. Mrs. Etheridge left Wednesday morning for Norfolk for the bedside of her mother.

Mrs. O. J. Jones has opened up a beautiful line of millinery with Miss Edna Stone for her milliner. Miss Stone is from Matthews, Virginia.

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PLAY WAS BIG SUCCESS

Hertford, N. C. April 8th—The play-loving people of Hertford were highly pleased on last Friday night by the skillful presentation of the "White Shawl", a farce play. The cast was the local talent of the Epworth League, directed by Mrs. Dr. Cox. The spirited acting proved that the play was well in hand and expressed credit to the one or ones rendering it.

The nucleus of the play centered about J. S. McNider, as Dr. Katts and Miss Adelaide White as Aunt Betsy, who at every turn were met by the playful tricks of Arthur Clayton and George Ryall.

Just before the curtains were drawn, Dr. Fields and Miss Mary McMullan, appeared with several well selected character songs which exactly suited the taste of the large audience present and prepared them for what was coming.

The proceeds were to go toward furnishing the Methodist Parsonage. Edenton is to have the pleasure of seeing this play Tuesday night April 15th.

HERTFORD HAPPENINGS

Hertford N. C. April 10th—Miss Fushia Marshbanks left Monday night for her home at Mars Hill N. C. She was called home suddenly on account of the illness of her sister.

She is missed a great deal by her pupils and it will be a hard task to find someone to fill her place.

Charles Campen received a serious hurt while playing baseball on the school green this week. A smaller boy ran against him and his shoulder was either broken or dislocated.

Mr. Webster has gotten a motorcycle.

Mr. W. F. C. Edwards left Tuesday morning to visit his parents and sister in Gates county.

Mrs. Budlong and daughter, Lelia May, who have been spending the winter with Mrs. Budlong's sister, Mrs. George Major, left Wednesday for their home in Belfast New Jersey.

Mrs. Dejos Crary of Elizabeth City, who has been visiting Mrs. Carrol Blanchard has returned to her home.

SCHOOLS CLOSE

Bayside, Epworth and Fork Schools closed last week after very successful sessions.

Miss Mamie Nixon was teacher at Epworth, Miss Lillian Pritchard at Fork and Misses Nina Widgeon and Iona Jones at Bayside. There were closing exercises at Epworth and Fork.

All these schools now have long terms and good teachers. It will be remembered that Fork district has but recently voted a special tax.

GLENN HUDSON DEAD

Mr. Glen Hudson, a prominent young attorney of Greensboro, died at his home Wednesday of Tuberculosis.

This news reached here yesterday. It will be remembered that Mr. Hudson married Miss Pauline Sheep of this city about eighteen months ago.

He had been sick for some time but a correct diagnosis of the disease was not made in time to save his life.

He is survived by his wife and a baby a few months old.

Mrs. Joseph Pike, and little son, Joseph Pike, Jr., are visiting Mrs. Pike's parents in Camden county near Shiloh.

YOUNG MAN DONE TO DEATH IN DARE COUNTY WOODS

Robbed And Left With Head Crushed. Suspect in Jail Here

Another accused murderer, a young white man, is lodged in Pasquotank county jail awaiting apprehension by Dare county officials.

His name is Franklin Stahl and he was arrested here Tuesday night by Deputy Sheriff Raper and Captain P. J. Thomas. The case against young Stahl is not altogether clear; but there is sufficient evidence for his detention.

About a week ago another white man, named John Hartell who was an employee of the Dare Lumber Company at East Lake and working in the company's woods there, strangely disappeared and for several days no trace was found of him.

But on Tuesday his body was discovered in the woods with the skull crushed in. He had about one hundred dollars when disappeared and two empty purses were found on the body. Several coins were scattered around near the body and this led to the discovery.

The murdered man occupied a shanty with Stahl and another white man. Stahl was suspected at once and it was planned to arrest him there; but he concealed himself on a lumber barge and came to Elizabeth City. Officers notified Mr. Brown of the Dare Lumber Company and Mr. Brown notified Deputy Sheriff Raper.

Stahl was arrested as soon as he got here and immediately lodged in jail where he has been ever since.

Stahl denies any knowledge of the murder. He says that his home is in Baltimore and that he is of good parentage, and about twenty-one years old.

Hartell also came from Baltimore.

BARS MUSICAL AUTO HORNS

French Judge Says Law Requires Single Note, Grave, Even Sinister.

Paris, April 8th—The musical automobile horns which threatened to fill the main streets of Paris with snatches of popular or classical airs instead of the usual "honk, honk" have come to a quick finish in France.

A test case was brought against two motorists of Douai, who enlivened the night trumpeting the leitmotif of "Die Walkure," and it has been decided that these instruments are illegal here. The decision brought out a judicial definition of the word "horn" which had hitherto been rather widely interpreted.

"The latter" said the judge, "must be for the purpose of sounding in alarm and be used to warn the public, not to amuse it. It must give forth a single note which should be grave, even sinister in order to call attention to the impending danger."

"The new fanfare horns," added the Judge, "lack seriousness, and are therefore outside the meaning of the act."

STRAYED OR STOLEN

On Sunday night, April the 6th a Jersey Cow, light in color, medium size, small horns.

When last seen had short rope on horns. Suitable reward for information as to her whereabouts.

R. E. LEWIS

T. P. NASH FOR MAYOR

Mr. T. P. Nash, for the last two years chairman of the board of aldermen has definitely announced himself this week candidate for the office of Mayor of Elizabeth City.

Mr. Nash has had this matter under advisement for some time; but has not been willing to commit himself, presumably awaiting Mayor Flora's decision as to whether he would stand for reelection.

Mr. Nash has been a resident of Elizabeth City for thirty years coming here from Camden county. He has been a successful business man and farmer, having been in the mercantile business for fifteen years and a director of the Citizens Bank since its organization.

Mr. Nash has also a creditable political record. He has been elected to the board of aldermen a half dozen times and in the absence of Mayor Flora has acted as mayor, showing himself a good presiding officer.

He will no doubt receive strong support in his candidacy.

DR. AYDLETT WANTS CHILDREN

Says That Under Contract With Wife Children Were to be Allowed to Visit Him and Agreement is Not Being Kept.

Dr. H. T. Aydlett of this city has begun habeas corpus proceedings in the Corporation Court at Norfolk against his wife, from whom, by mutual consent, he separated a little over a year ago.

These proceedings were instituted Tuesday and Judge Allen B. Hankel issued an order requiring Mrs. Aydlett, who is now residing in Norfolk, to produce the children in court on Saturday, April 12th, at 11:30 A. M.

Agelasto and Miller of Norfolk are attorneys for Dr. Aydlett and also Roscoe W. Turner of this city.

Dr. Aydlett alleges in his petition that not only has Mrs. Aydlett failed to keep her agreement in permitting the children to visit him; but that she is using her influence to estrange them from him. He will contend in court, therefore, for the custody of the boy and girl.

Dr. and Mrs. Aydlett had been married for fourteen years when they separated.

PATRONS' DAY

Superintendent Sheep has issued invitations to the patrons of the graded school to attend the exercises of the school on next Tuesday and Wednesday in order to see for themselves the work being done in the class rooms and to give them an opportunity to inspect special exhibits of the pupils' work.

Professor Sheep urges that every patron who possibly can take the time, visit the school on these days and see exactly what their children are doing and how they are standing in their classes. He is sure that a better understanding between parent and pupil will be promoted by such visits to the school on the part of the patrons.