

**MANY ATTEND FARMERS PICNIC**

Hear Good Speeches and Enjoy Social Afternoon at Fair Ground

Probably over half a thousand people, farmers and business men, attended the farmers picnic at Albemarle Park Wednesday.

Speeches in the morning by Dr. Alexander and Mr. Crosby were heard with close attention and the afternoon was given over to social converse, horse racing and a good time generally.

Dr. Alexander spoke along the line of the need of bettering rural conditions in this state. He pointed out the continuous exodus of the best youth of the country into the city and said that this movement could never be checked except by making farming more profitable and farm life more livable. Speaking along the line of making farm life more livable he stressed the need of improved rural credits.

Mr. Crosby made a most practical talk on how to improve farming conditions in North Carolina. He said that the farmers themselves are to blame for existing conditions and that the way to remedy them is to get out and get to work instead of whining over life's hardships. He said that by education of the right sort, by organization and by co-operation the farmers might expect to emancipate themselves from back-breaking drudgery and emerge into days of better life.

The crowd was disappointed in the band's failure to be on hand and in the afternoon the absence of music was especially noticeable. A number of local turfmen were on the race track however and several interesting heats were witnessed, though there were no judges and no purse was offered to the winner. The crowd appeared to enjoy the afternoon, a large number lingering on the grounds till the approach of evening.

It is hoped that there may be more definite organization before another picnic and that this event may come to be looked forward to all over this section every year.

**MEETING AT MIDDLE SWAMP**

Middle Swamp Baptist church in Gates County will have a series of revival services beginning next Monday, in which the pastor, Rev. Josiah Elliott of Herford, will be assisted by Rev. E. F. Lowe of Reynoldson.

**WEATHER FORECAST**

Generally fair weather and normal temperatures possibly during the week except that scattered showers will likely occur the coast is the prediction of the United States Weather Bureau for the week beginning last Wednesday July 28th.

**SERVICES AT CAMDEN**

Services will be held in the Episcopal Chapel at Camden at four p. m. Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Evans and little son, Frank Jr. of Belcross are visiting Mrs. Evan's sister, Mrs. E. J. Mercer on Cherry street.

**POTATO EXCHANGE FOR THIS SECTION**

Charter Granted and Organization Backed by Local Capital

The Carolina Potato Exchange, of Elizabeth City, was chartered Monday by the secretary of State and was one of the five new corporations for which charters were issued at Raleigh on that day.

The Carolina Potato Exchange, is the result of the activities of the Division of Markets of the North Carolina Experiment Station and the work of the chief of the division, W. R. Camp, among the producers of eastern North Carolina. The concern is chartered at \$900 of capital stock part of which was subscribed by F. W. Forbes of Harbinger; N. T. Ayldett of Harbinger, and J. B. Owen of Point Harbor.

The objects of incorporation as set forth in the charter are to act as agents for merchants and others for the marketing of the products of North Eastern North Carolina and to establish and maintain uniform standard of goods and packing.

Mr. W. R. Camp has mailed out to leading Northern dealers letters acquainting them with the organization and inviting trade through the exchange.

**GETS DIVORCE AND CHILDREN**

Mrs. Mary Virginia Webster, whose home is on West Burgess Street of this city has received news that she has been granted an absolute divorce, on statutory grounds, in circuit court in Baltimore, from Carl Pugh Webster, first officer of the Steamer Pokomoke of the Baltimore and Chesapeake Atlantic Railway Company. The couple were married on January 17th, 1912, at Pocomoke City, Maryland and have two children, aged two and three years. The custody of the children remains with their mother.

Mrs. Webster will return to relatives in Delaware to live within a few weeks.

**STEAMER CHARTERED FOR BABIES**

The excursion to Nags Head for mothers and their babies who would otherwise not have been able to afford a day's outing at the seashore is now practically assured.

Roscoe W. Turner stated to an Advance reporter yesterday that the Vanscover has been chartered and the contract to run the excursion signed by the Pasquotank and North River Line. A canvass is being made of the town to obtain the names of those entitled to tickets and a committee of ladies has taken charge of the matter of providing milk, ice, food and so on so as to make the trip absolutely without expense to those taking it. There have come in from merchants and dairymen offerings of donations in the way of fruit and milk, and other things are expected later. "In fact", said Mr. Turner, "I am very much gratified at the hearty response which the proposition has met with."

Mrs. W. R. Owens who has been ill at her home on Broad Street for the past five weeks is now improving.

**TO CONSOLIDATE THREE DISTRICTS**

Important Part of Work of Board of Education in Currituck

R. W. Isley, now Superintendent of Education in Currituck County, was in the city Tuesday and asked for an announcement in the columns of this newspaper of a called meeting of the Currituck Board of Education at Currituck Courthouse next Monday morning at ten o'clock.

One purpose of the meeting is to discuss and formulate plans for the consideration of schools in Crawford township Currituck county. It has been decided that districts 6, 7, and 8 will be consolidated and at this meeting the boundaries of the consolidated district will be designated.

Many other matters of extreme importance will be brought before the board of Education at this time and progress is looked for all along the line in educational conditions in Currituck county.

**CHARLES H. NORMAN DEAD**

Roper, N. C., July 28—On July 20th the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Charles H. Norman and claimed her devoted husband.

Mr. Norman was sixty four year old. He was a member of Hebron Methodist church of this place also a member of the Charitable Brotherhood. Mr. Norman had a number of strokes of paralysis but rallied from each attack until July 20th. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and one daughter, Messrs W. O. Norman of this place, Sheldon Norman of Norfolk, and Mrs. Jessie O. Neskon of this place.

The funeral was conducted by the Charitable Brotherhood and the body was laid to rest in the Norman burying ground near here.

**REFEREE CASE CONCLUDED**

The case of Oyzman vs. Lister, the hearing of which before the referee, D. H. Tillit of Camden, was begun Tuesday morning, was concluded Wednesday afternoon. The referee will take the evidence under advisement and announce his decision later.

Overman is attempting to recover from O. M. Lister about four hundred dollars which he claims as unpaid back rent. Mr. Lister who is still a tenant on Overman's farm claims that he has not only paid all the back rent but also part of that for the current year.

**BIG CATCH FISH**

Messrs John Lamb and Howard Flora, who have been spending some time at Nags Head, report the biggest catch in the season at Oregon Inlet last Friday. The young fishermen went out in the late morning and returned in the early afternoon with seventy-five pounds of fish all of which they had caught with hook and line. It is believed that the fishing around Oregon Inlet is as good as anywhere along the coast.

**GOOD PRICES FOR FIRST SWEETS**

Currituck Potato Growers Busy Harvesting Fairly Big Crop

News from Currituck county is to the effect that the shipping of sweet potatoes has been on in full swing there since the 20th of this month. The market opened with prices extremely satisfactory to the Currituck county shippers, the first potatoes selling for five dollars a barrel on the North River Lane's dock and bringing as high as \$6.50 per barrel on the northern markets. The present price ranges from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per barrel.

Mr. J. W. Fisher, a prominent potato grower and shipper of Jarvisburg, who was in the city Tuesday stated that about five hundred barrels daily were being put on the wharf at Jarvisburg. This probably means that the North River Line is handling daily three or four times that amount. Mr. Fisher stated that though the price had been fairly satisfactory the Currituck crop has not been as good as prospects indicated before digging began.

**BAPTISMAL SERVICE SUNDAY**

The choir of Blackwell Memorial church will render its last program before its summer vacation on next Sunday at the evening service. The pastor will preach, and after the service the ordinance of Baptism will be administered.

**DR. HENNING AT SHILOH**

Dr. B. C. Henning, pastor of the First Baptist Church, is assisting the pastor Rev. Lamb in a meeting at Shiloh this week. Much interest is reported and good results are looked for.

**NICHOLAS BURGESS DEAD**

Mr. Nicholas Burgess of the Old Trap section of Camden County died here Wednesday at the hospital where he had just been received for an operation. He was well known in Camden county and his body has been sent home for interment. He was over sixty years old.

**AT CHRIST CHURCH**

There will be no Sunday School for the next two Sundays, but the members of the school will attend the service at 11 a. m., the school and church worshipping together on these two Sundays.

**FREE SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED**

Supt. W. M. Hinton has received word from the A. & M. college at Raleigh that a free scholarship to that institution is available for some young man in this county who would like to enter there. One scholarship is offered in every county and the one available for Pasquotank county has not been applied for.

Blank applications for this scholarship can be obtained from Mr. Hinton.

**ROBERT F. SIMPSON DEAD**

Mr. Robert F. Simpson died suddenly Saturday night at his home on Lawrence and Road Streets. The end came fifteen minutes after eleven o'clock.

Mr. Simpson was seventy seven years old, a native of Pasquotank county and a confederate veteran, serving with distinction under Captain Alex White. He was also an alumnus of Wake Forest College.

Mr. Simpson was twice married, first to Miss Belle Jackson and the second time to Miss Nannie White, daughter of his captain. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. J. L. Pritchard; a nephew, Martin Simpson, and a niece, Mrs. Harold Overman.

Mr. Simpson had been in feeble health for about two years but for the last week or two had appeared to be gaining in strength and in spirits. He was out Saturday evening and enjoyed a hearty supper. After going to his home for the evening, however, he was taken with shortness of breath, which the physician summoned was unable to relieve.

The funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon by Dr. B. C. Henning, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of which Mr. Simpson was a member. Interment followed in Hollywood cemetery.

**MRS. A. G. WALKER DEAD**

News has been received here of the death Sunday night shortly before midnight of Mrs. A. G. Walker at her home at Creswell in Washington County. Mrs. Walker was the wife of Dr. A. G. Walker, a physician of that place who is well known all over this section and whose son, Dr. H. D. Walker, is one of the leading practitioners here.

The death was extremely sudden. The first knowledge that his mother was not in her usual health came to Dr. Walker here from a telegram announcing her death which he received Monday morning.

Mrs. Walker was about sixty five years old. Before her marriage she was Miss Alice Dillon, the daughter of Capt. Dillon of this city, who was for a number of years in the hotel business here. It was about thirty five years ago that she was married to Dr. Walker of Creswell.

The funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon by Rev. John T. Johnson, rector of the Episcopal church at Creswell of which both Dr. Walker and Mrs. Walker were members.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Walker is survived by four children, Dr. H. D. Walker of this place, Mr. Harry Walker of Creswell, Mrs. Bachman of Edenton, and Mrs. Ida Phelps of Plymouth. Those attending the funeral from this city were Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Walker, Mrs. A. L. Cohoon and her daughter Miss Bessie Cohoon. Mrs. Cohoon is Mrs. Walker's sister.

**NEGROES PLAY FOR CLERKS**

A game of Baseball will be played at Bunnels Avenue Park by the Berkley Swifts and the Elizabeth City 'Dixies' this afternoon. The 'Dixies' announce that this game is being played in honor of the half holiday of the white merchants and clerks who close Friday evening.

Miss Elmer Hall is visiting Messrs Ruth and Alma Winlow at Nags Head.

**MANTEO PICNICS AND PLAYS BALL**

Four Successive Victories in Ball and Almost as Many Feasts

Manteo, N. C., July 28—A large number of people from here attended the Wanchese Sunday school picnic last Wednesday. When the dinner hour arrived a sumptuous feast was laid before the crowd, which was clear evidence that the Wanchese folk have lost none of their old fashioned and far famed hospitality. On the afternoon the interest of the large crowd centered on a good game of baseball between the Manteo and Wanchese boys. At the end of the game the score was 15 to 8 in favor of Manteo.

Last Thursday afternoon in a game between Manteo and Nags Head the score was 8 to 6 in favor of Manteo.

Today was the occasion of a big Sunday School picnic at Manns Harbor and again the chief interest of the afternoon was baseball. There were two games, one between Manns Harbor and Manteo, in which Manteo won by a score of 4 to 3, and one between Manteo and Stumpy Point, in which Manteo won by a score of 3 to 3. Four games won within the past week is Manteo's record—and no games lost.

This morning the picnic crowd assembled in the Methodist Church at Manns Harbor and enjoyed an address by the pastor, Rev. M. B. Cox, music, and an address by Rev. J. F. Usley of Kitty Hawk. There were at least five hundred people on the grounds, about fifty of whom were from Manteo. Stumpy Point and Mashoes were well represented and a number came from Englehart. The good housewives of Manns Harbor loaded the long tables under the shade trees with an abundance of good things and no one was allowed to go away hungry.

**COINJOCK BRIEFS**

Coinjock, July 28—Miss Laura Midgett is visiting friends and relatives at Corolla.

Miss Elizabeth Cembrola and sister are guests of Mrs. Francis Mercer.

Miss Lucile Halstead is the guests of Mrs. Will Boswood.

Revival meetings began Monday at Coinjock Methodist church.

Mr. Earl Hall is spending his vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hall.

Miss Myrtle Talbot spent the week end here with friends.

**JESSE MERCER DEAD**

Coinjock, July 28—Mr. Jesse Mercer died Saturday morning at his home at this place. His funeral was conducted at the home Sunday afternoon at half past three o'clock and interment followed in the family burying ground.

**LITTLE CHILD DEAD**

Anna Bell, the little twenty months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phelps on Fleetwood Street, died yesterday morning at six o'clock.