

LOCAL NEWS

Taylor Read left Tuesday for Richmond.

Miss Louise Harrison left Monday for New Bern.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Arps were in Columbia Sunday.

Miss Hazel Ausbon left Saturday for Hampton Va.

Mr. Thomas L. Smith of Weldon was in town Sunday.

Messrs. Lewis and Bosie Horton spent Sunday in Norfolk.

Mr. W. F. Winslow of Washington was in town last week.

Messrs. D. T. Read and Lloyd Horton were in Goldsboro Sunday.

Misses Faith and Hope Harrison are visiting friends in Greensboro.

Messrs. Wesley and Jesse Hardison motored to Columbia Sunday.

Messrs. J. S. Brown and Lewis Hassell were in Washington Tuesday.

Mrs. J. S. Brown and children are visiting friends in Hertford this week.

Mrs. Hubert Chesson and children of Moncure are here visiting relatives.

Mr. Robert Tarkenton left Sunday for Norfolk and other places on his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stillman were at Bayview Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Read and Taylor Read spent Friday and Saturday in Raleigh.

Mrs. F. M. Dickens of Enfield, has been the guest of Mrs. C. V. W. Ausbon this week.

Mr. Everett Burgess and mother Mrs. Burgess were in Elizabeth City Sunday.

Mr. Robt. Sydenstricker and Miss Ethel Arps motored to Pamlico Beach Sunday.

Mr. R. C. Williams of Columbia S. C., is the guest of Mrs. E. D. Carstarphen this week.

Misses Laura and Virginia Keener of Raleigh are guests of Mrs. C. H. Robbins this week.

Miss Lucille Tomlinson of Wilson, will be the house guest of Miss Evelyn Cahoon, on Main Street.

Sheriff J. K. Reid, Mr. W. F. Ausbon and Miss Hermine Ausbon were in Greenville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bowen of Greenville spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tetterton.

Mr. George W. Hardison is back, after a visit to Cofield N. C. and other places on his vacation.

Dr. W. R. White and Marion Ramsey returned from a few days visit to Atlanta, Ga., Wednesday.

Miss Louise Atkinson of Greenville was here this week, as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ausbon.

SCUPPERNONG CHURCH HOST TO MEETING

The Church of Christ at Scuppernon N. C. will be host to throngs of persons, representing regional Christian Churches, on Saturday and Sunday. It is expected that record crowds will attend each service. T. R. Tyer will preside over the convention. Prof. M. G. Darden, local singer, will be in charge of the music. Rev. D. W. Arnold, pastor of the Scuppernon church and secretary of the convention will deliver the welcome address. Rev. W. E. Norris, pastor of Plymouth Church, will respond. A local quartet will delight the congregation with several numbers.

Rev. W. O. Winfield, will conduct the maiden devotional service of the meeting. Rev. Roy Respass will speak on "Old Paths," at the Saturday morning service. "Missions," will be the subject for discussion, in the afternoon, led by C. E. Lee. Rev. Guy Sanders will deliver a discourse at the evening service. John W. Darden, will speak on the "Aim of the Sunday School." Rev. W. E. Norris, will preach the concluding sermon on Sunday evening.

Miller Preparing For Big Fall Business

Mr. O. C. Miller of Greenville spent Wednesday here checking up the Miller store, preparing to leave Saturday for St. Louis, Chicago, New York and other northern markets for values for this and other Miller stores.

Mr. Miller is very optimistic of the fall and expects to show a very exclusive line of fall merchandise and holiday goods.

Mr. Dwight Weathers, manager of the local store, predicts a very favorable fall in the mercantile business in this town and is aiding Mr. Miller in the selection of the stock of goods that will be shown in attractive displays in the local store window as soon as it arrives in this place.

Favorable weather for the crops and other concessions are indicating a very busy fall for the local merchants and this particular store will enlarge its present stock since it recently moved into into a larger building.

Mr. Weathers assures the purchasing public handsome values, consistent service and quality goods at a low price.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Owens are back from Asheville, where they escorted Miss Mildred Owens, back to school.

Rev. C. O. Pardo, of Williamston, will conduct services here at the Grace Episcopal Church Sunday.

Miss Sallie Dickens of Enfield is attending the bank hearing which was started here on Wednesday morning.

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PEANUT MEN MET HERE SATURDAY

Washington county members of the Peanut Growers' Association of North Carolina and Virginia, met here in the court house, Saturday afternoon, in a primary meeting of the sectional members to select nominees for membership on the board of directors of the Association. L. E. Hassell, of Roper, new candidate was nominated and H. M. Williams of Roper, incumbent member of the board, was re-nominated. The successful nominee will be informed of his appointment in a few days. Officials of the organization at Norfolk, will write each member informing him of the nominees and requesting that the member write them of his choice. This will determine the choice of the successful nominee.

While in session, the members proceeded to elect county officials for the organization, which revealed that H. M. Williams, of Roper, was elected county chairman and J. A. Chesson of Plymouth, was the choice of the members for secretary.

John R. Lawrence, of Colerain, field director of North Carolina made a very interesting and instructive address at the beginning of the meeting, concerning the present problems and remedies of the peanut industry. Relating facts and statistics gleaned from reliable sources, the speaker in a masterly manner, presented the aims of the organization. The speaker stated that the price of peanuts directly affects every one living in the peanut belt of the two states and hence all should be interested in any plan or effort which may be made to maintain living prices on this commodity for the farmer.

WESTOVER NEWS

Mr. Cedri Davenport of Roper spent Sunday here with friends.

Messrs. Lillian Long and Merwin Spruill of Williamston were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. J. G. Station and some friends of Williamston were in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stines of Dardens spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stines.

Mrs. Carrie Baldwin of Greenville is visiting her parents here Mr. and Mrs. George Ayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hardison of Williamston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Robbins.

Mrs. S. T. Ayers of Jacksonville, Fla. and Mrs. J. W. Grimes of Robersonville are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Robbins.

Misses Carrie Louise and Liza Coltraine and Mickey Hopkins of Williamston spent Sunday with Misses Blanche and Mildred Robbins.

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HOG PRICES ON THE UPWARD TREND

The price of hogs on the larger markets patronized by swine feeders in North Carolina looks to be advancing. The price on the Richmond market has advanced above the average for this season for the past seventeen years.

"The trend of hog prices now appears to be definitely upward," says W. W. Shay, swine extension specialist at State College. "This means that we shall have good prices again in September. For seventeen years, September has been the month of highest average prices. The timid farmer has been worrying without cause and the speculator who has bought both hogs and corn is worrying with good reason."

Mr. Shay states that there has not been a single year since 1909 when hogs were intelligently fed to a weight of 200 pounds and were sold during April or September, that they failed to bring more than the current market price for the corn which they consumed. In fact, he states, the hogs under these conditions, have increased the profit on corn over 40 cents per bushel.

Despite the fact that cold storage holdings of pork were 38 percent greater on July 1 of this year as compared to last year and that receipts of hogs at the 68 leading markets were 19 percent greater in June of this year over last year, the outlook is still good for the Tarheel hog feeder. The cold storage holdings are only 8 per cent greater than the average for the last five years and the receipts of hogs are 9 per cent less than for the last five years.

Handle Company To Install Sprinkler System

The large Horton elevated tank now being erected on the property of the new \$250,000 National Handle Company plant, will be used for sprinkler service when completed.

The tank is of the ellipsoidal-bottom design and will have a capacity of 40,000 gallons of water. It will set on a steel tower 70 feet high. It is expected that the tank will be erected and equipped for service in the next few weeks.

Young Men Seeking Athletic Club

Over two score names are recorded on the list of those that have pledged to support an athletic club at this place. The first meeting to be held for this purpose will convene at the local fire department building on Water street, Friday evening, August 5, 1927.

On this list are the names of many influential business men. Several other names that will be beneficial to the organization will be secured at an early date.

W. J. Jackson Jr. and Edward S. Blount are promoting this worthy organization that is designed to better the physical ability of the citizens. Chief L. W. Gurkin of the Volunteer Fire Department, is also cooperating with these persons in this worthy organization.

Mrs. O. H. Lyon entertained a number of young guests at a delightful beach party at Davenport's Beach on last Friday evening in honor of her house guest Miss Grace Liverman, of Columbia. About twelve guests were present. Refreshments were served at the beach. Beach sports comprised the amusements of the evening.

SEASONS IRISH POTATO CROP GOOD

The Irish potato crop in this county has finally turned out to be better than the most optimistic earlier reports indicated. Numbers of farmers in the Creswell section of the county have shipped several car loads to the booming markets in the Northern cities. About 7000 cars were shipped in North Carolina despite the early prediction of failure. Early June rains saved the day for many farmers.

Prominent farmers discussing this matter stated that nearly twice as many potatoes are produced in this county this year than was produced at the same time last year. The inclement weather and the varying temperature during the summer months seemed to be favorable to the potato plant.

Reliable statistics show that about \$94,943.00 was realized from the Irish potato crop last year by Washington county farmers. Since doubling this amount would perhaps create an estimate too large to be believed by the most optimistic farmer, we would place this amount at about \$142,414. This is not an exaggeration since it is gleaned from reliable sources. Increasing steadily yearly this will be one of the largest industries in this section in a few years.

Statistics show that about \$95,000 was the price of the tobacco crop in Washington county during the previous year. The Irish potato crop is a close leader to the weed crop in acreage as well as yield and nets the farmers of this section only a small amount more money than the current prosperity realized by potato producers in this county during the last season.

Progressive farmers are thinking of making this crop larger in acreage and as near as possible in yield during next season. Large farmers are anticipating a larger crop of the Irish potato next year on a much larger scale.

SKINNERSVILLE NEWS

Rev. R. L. Hethcox and Mr. G. J. Cherry left Sunday for Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Everett motored to Mackeys Ferry Sunday afternoon.

Mesdames Walter White and John Swain families were in Plymouth Tuesday.

Miss Edna Hethcox of Creswell is spending a few days with Miss Sabra Bateman.

Mrs. Matilda Whitfield of Norfolk, is here the guest of her sister Mrs. Thomas Hopkins.

Mrs. Ida Brickhouse accompanied Miss Emma G. Moorhead to Richmond on a shopping trip this week.

Mr. G. J. Cherry of Charleston S. C. spent the week end at the home of his sister Mrs. Guilford Davenport.

The revival meeting was closed at the Holly Neck Church Tuesday evening. There were six additions to the church.

Miss Alice White has returned to Wake Forest summer school after spending a few days here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. V. White.

A number of ladies of the community attended the encampment at Lake Phelps last week, which was held under the direction of Miss Emma G. Moorhead-county home agent.

The revival meeting at Oak Grove closed Wednesday evening, with a few additions to the church. A good attendance mark has been reached during the series of services.

C. OF C. VOTE TO RATIFY FERRY PROJECT

Members of the chamber of commerce here in their regular weekly meeting Monday evening, duly authorized their president A. L. Alexander, to represent them in signing a petition shown them by George Everett, representative of the Edenton-Mackeys Ferry, relative to petitioning the state highway commissioners, to contribute annually toward the maintenance of this project. There has been no worry over this matter until the Chowan bridge was opened which was built by the state and this ferry company can not compete with this rival.

The ferrymen ask the highway commissioner to appropriate and contribute to them for the upkeep of the ferry the same amount or a partial of the amount it would take to maintain a public highway, and statutes say, that highways shall be kept to connect county seats. The county capitol of Chowan and Washington are on the highway that runs by the ferry. Since it is six miles across the ferry they would ask the state authorities to contribute the same amount that it takes to keep in good condition a road the same distance.

President Alexander was requested to call a special meeting to reconsider the motion on last Tuesday evening. At this time oratory flooded the court house where the meeting was held when two prominent attorneys and prominent merchants battled each other for a victory in the balloting contest.

After a forensic battle the ballot was taken. An official count revealed that seventeen out of the eighteen members present favored signing the petition.

Chambers of commerce in several towns in the surrounding vicinity have already signed it. County commissioners of Chowan, Perquimans, Hyde, Pasquotank and Washington have signed the petition.

Recorder's Court

Judge Zeb Vance Norman, of Recorder's Court, meted out swift justice to the four persons charged with offending the dignity of the state, who were arraigned before him last Tuesday morning.

Johnnie Powell and Elijah Joyner was charged with larceny. This happened Monday morning when J. T. West, had them arrested, charged with stealing \$48 from his pocket-book, in his store on the Southern end of Washington street. In the pocket-book was a check for twelve dollars, which was recognized as the one stolen, by Mr. H. E. Beams, bank cashier, who had been notified of the theft. Powell was held for probable cause, while the case against Elijah Joyner, was dismissed.

Nathan Clarke, was charged with assault with deadly weapon by Cora Davenport, both colored. He was found guilty of simple assault and was fined \$5 and costs.

Bruce Patrick was charged with abandoning a crop. The case was dismissed after the hearing.

There will be a special meeting of the Boy Scout executive committee tonight at the court house at 8:00. Members of this committee are urged to be present by Chairman John W. Darden. Several matters of importance will come before the meeting. The scouts will meet at the same time.