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LOOK FOR LARGE CROWD TODAY AT CRESWELL MEET

Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs Hold Semi-Annual Session

Creswell—Women from all over Washington County are expected to gather here today (Friday) in the Creswell High School auditorium at 2:30 o'clock to attend the annual meeting of the Washington County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs.

The meeting will be opened with a song by the congregation, with the Rev. W. H. Hollowell, pastor of the Baptist church, pronouncing the invocation. A violin duet will be rendered by Misses Sally Carter and Elizabeth Brum. Mrs. L. S. Bray, of Roper, will act as secretary.

Mrs. F. D. Wilson, of Roper, will talk on "Every Day Work." Rev. W. H. Winstead will sing a solo. Miss Georgia Pland, home agent of Tyrrell County, will speak on "Landscape Gardening." Other speakers are expected to be on the program, including Miss Eugenia Patterson, home agent.

A chorus, including Mrs. Walter Starr, Mrs. W. H. Hollowell, Mrs. A. S. Holmes, and Mrs. Roy Hopkins, with Mrs. Herbert Bateman at the piano, will render an old folk medley. Mrs. William Harrison, of Pinetown, president of the organization, will preside.

Mrs. George Bowen, of Plymouth, a member of the Alba Club, will award the trophy to the club having the most members present in comparison to the number of miles traveled. Miss Patterson has urged that all club members be present.

Other outside speakers will be on the program, and other matters not known at this time will come up before the meeting in the business session.

EASTER FETE AT REHOBOTH

Program Is Presented As Prelude To Egg Hunt Sunday Afternoon

Skinnerville.—An Easter service and egg hunt was enjoyed at Rehoboth Methodist Protestant church on Sunday afternoon.

The program was called "The Easter Vision," and was presented by the Sunday school pupils. Mrs. D. P. Pharr and Miss Alice White were in charge of the music. Miss Eva White was in charge of the program.

A talk was made by the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Russell. Prayer was led by Rev. W. H. Hollowell, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist church. The offering was taken by Misses Margie White and Hazel Biggs. This is to be sent to the Board of Missions of the Methodist Protestant church at Baltimore.

Children of the different Sunday schools took part in the egg hunt. Prizes for the largest number of eggs found were awarded to Grayson Everett, of the Oak Grove Baptist church and to Elizabeth Blount, of Roper.

Pickles, crackers, eggs, and candy were enjoyed by every one present.

"Behind The Mask" At State Monday, Tuesday

"Behind the Mask," a story of mystery and horror, produced by Columbia pictures and coming to the State Theatre Monday and Tuesday, features an interesting mechanical device, which plays an important part in unfolding the plot.

This instrument keeps members of a dope ring in communication with their powerful and mysterious leader. They work for him loyally without knowing who he is, because they know what it means to cross him. Eventually they learn the identity of their phantomic master, who kills them.

Participants in this thriller include Jack Holt, Boris Karloff, Constance Cummings, Edward Van Sloan, Wilford Robertson, Claude King and Bertha Mann.

Kills Fox Caught in Act Of Stealing Chickens

Roper.—Mrs. B. C. Bray has been missing chickens. Last Tuesday morning she heard an unusual noise on the front porch of her home, which is in the Mill Pond section. Rushing to the front she saw a big fox with one of her chickens. Acting quickly, she rushed into the house and got a double-barreled shot gun and killed the animal.

Barn Blown Down and Mule Is Killed Sunday

A barn at the rear of the home of T. C. Burgess blew down Sunday night during the storm, killing a mule that was kept in there by Shelton Bowser, colored.

District Meeting of U. D. C. Held Here

SERVE HOT LUNCH

Pupils of the city schools in Plymouth are being provided with lunch in the courthouse twice a week by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brewer, welfare workers, and A. H. Stier, president of the Washington County Welfare Association, is well pleased with their work.

The pupils are served these lunches with soup being a predominating food at each meal. Also Easter eggs with fruit and cakes were served Tuesday. The children sing and play after meal time. They are served in the basement of the courthouse.

D. O. BRINKLEY WILL FILED FOR PROBATE HERE

Bulk of Property Is Left To Nieces and Nephews Here

Paul W. Brinkley, a nephew, was named executor to serve without bond in settling the estate of David O. Brinkley, who died here recently, it was revealed in the will of the deceased, which is on record in the Washington County courthouse here. Also Mr. Paul Brinkley came in for a good portion of the property.

The first item in the will asked that the expense of his funeral be paid out of the first money that came into the estate. His brother, James T. Brinkley, was given the sum of \$1,000, but it has been learned that his brother died before the will was filed.

Paul Brinkley was named heir to the hotel property on Water and Washington Street, with all furniture and fixtures and hotel equipment. Also he came into ownership of property lying south of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad called "The Beasley Tract," including and embracing the cemetery opposite the county home.

His nieces, Nora B. Newman and Jennie Brinkley, are to share alike as tenants in common in the residence and lot on the corner of Main and Jefferson Street, together with the household and kitchen equipment, also the house and lot lying between that residence lot and the lot of L. S. Landing on Jefferson Street, known as the old home place.

These two places are to belong to the named nieces during the time of their natural lives, and the survivor of each other during their natural life. At the death of these two recipients the property is to go to Julian and Frank Brinkley, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Brinkley, who are to share equally in it.

All the rest and residue of the property, including real, personal, and mixed, is to be sold to the best advantage and the results divided between the children of David Brinkley's brothers and sisters.

Witnesses to the will were Zeb Vance Norman and Lloyd E. Gilbert. This will was made out on March 15, 1924, and filed March 19, 1932.

Attend Showing of New Ford Models in Norfolk

Marion Ramsey, service department manager and S. A. Ward, general manager, of the Buchanan Motor Company, attended the meeting in Norfolk Tuesday, at which time all the new features of the New Ford Model V-8 and the car itself were revealed to the representatives from all the agencies of the Ford plant. A very interesting moving picture was shown demonstrating the speed and operation of the new car.

Lincoln County farmers have purchased a cooperative carload of nitrogen fertilizer to be used as a top-dressing for small grain.

TESTIMONIAL

The value of newspaper advertising was, this week, pointed out by the Monticello Drug Company, following a national contest conducted recently by that company. It said: "The 666 Salve Contest recently conducted owes most of its success to newspaper advertising. No radio or billboards were used in this campaign. This contest was of national scope and thousands of entries were received from every state in the union."

One of the prize winners in the contest was Miss Carrie Louise Manning, of Williamston, R. F. D.

TALKS ARE MADE BY DISTRICT AND STATE OFFICERS

Delegates Attend From All Chapters of Fourteenth District

By Mrs. MARION RAMSEY
Beacon Society Editor

The Major Charles Louis Latham chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy was hostess Tuesday to the annual meeting for the fourteenth district, comprised of chapters in Elizabeth City, Edenton, Hertford, Windsor, Gatesville, Aulander, and Plymouth. The meeting convened at 10 a. m. in the morning and adjourned at 1 p. m., with Mrs. T. L. Bray, president, presiding.

The Methodist Episcopal church was used for the meeting, and was beautifully and appropriately decorated for the occasion. Two large Confederate flags and an American flag were draped as a background for the mantle of Easter lilies that were artistically arranged about the chancel proper, flanked by stately white candelabra bearing cathedral candles.

The opening hymn, led by the Methodist choir, was followed by the invocation by the Rev. Richard Lucas, pastor of the local Baptist church. A special musical program by the Methodist choir was rendered, with Lloyd E. Gilbert presiding at the pipe organ.

Attorney Zeb Vance Norman, made a welcome address on behalf of Plymouth people, followed by a welcoming address on behalf of the Literary Club by Mrs. J. B. Edmundson. The president, Mrs. T. L. Bray, bade the guests welcome on behalf of the Major Charles Louis Latham chapter of the U. D. C. The response was given by Mrs. E. L. Galin, of Windsor.

The business session and address by the director of the fourteenth district was presided over by Mrs. F. M. Dunstan, during which she gave a brief review of the business accomplished and work done in the chapters of this district for the past year. At the close of Mrs. Dunstan's remarks the State president, Mrs. Glenn Long, of Newton, gave an address on the work of the chapters throughout the State of North Carolina. Mrs. Dunstan promises to visit each chapter in this district and give an address on the work of the individual chapters at some future date.

A report was given from representatives present of each chapter in the district, which proved very interesting. Mrs. Roy Hollowell, of Aulander, read a very entertaining paper, followed by brief addresses by Mrs. Charlie Glover and Mrs. A. B. Phelps of Windsor, and Mrs. Nathan Tucker, of the Hertford chapter, read a paper of much interest.

A most interesting talk was made by the State historian, Mrs. R. W. Isley, of Snow Hill. After Mrs. Isley had concluded, the choir, joined by the Daughters, sang "Abide With Me" and at the close of this hymn the most impressive feature of the service took place, with Mrs. J. H. White, State chaplain, officiating. This was the memorial hour, during which a big white cross appeared in the center of the chancel, which was brilliantly lighted, and all the tapers about the church, lighted by the pages, lent their soft luminous glow to the scene.

The place for the next annual district meeting will be in Aulander, the representatives from that chapter having extended a most cordial invitation. The courtesy committee expressed the thanks and appreciation of the Daughters to the Plymouth chapter for the manner in which they were received and entertained. Mrs. T. L. Bray was made district director, Mrs. H. S. Midgett appointed district secretary and Mrs. E. L. Galin, State chaplain.

Announcement was made by Mrs. F. M. Dunstan that a prize of \$5 would be awarded the Daughter who could prepare the best paper on "How to Memorialize Fort Raleigh from a Confederate Standpoint." Any member in this district may compete for this prize.

All chapters in the fourteenth district were well represented at the convention, with Elizabeth City having the largest delegation. At the close of the meeting, the guests of both the visiting chapters and the Washington County chapter were served a delicious luncheon sponsored by the Major Charles Louis Latham chapter.

Bertie Farmers Forced To Replant Tobacco

A number of Bertie County farmers have found it necessary to replant their tobacco and tomato seed beds, due to the recent freeze.

EAST CAROLINA FIREMEN MEET HERE APRIL 12

Plans Are Being Made for Elaborate Entertainment of Many Visitors

Final preparations are being made here this week for the entertainment of the East Carolina Firemen's Association, which will meet here April 12, with about 400 firemen from a score of towns in this section expected to attend, it was learned here today from L. W. Garkin, chief of the local department.

Special arrangements have been made for the association to visit the historic Kitty Hawk and Slade fisheries that are located on the converging point of the Roanoke and Middle Rivers about two miles from here. W. R. Hampton, proprietor of the fisheries, will serve a meal to the visiting volunteer firemen.

Those wishing to take advantage of this trip are urged to report at the local firemen's quarters not later than 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when boats furnished by the fishery organization will take them to the plant free of charge. An old-time fish supper will be served at 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Sherwood Brockwell, of Raleigh, chief fire marshal of North Carolina, will be at the principal speaker for the occasion. Local attorneys will participate in the welcoming of the visiting men. John L. Miller, of Concord, secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Firemen's Association, will also be here.

The firemen are expected to be here from Ayden, Belhaven, Beaufort, Farmville, Greenville, Kingston, La-Grange, Morehead City, Mount Olive, New Bern, Plymouth, Robersonville, Bethel, Raleigh, Snow Hill, Washington, Williamston, Columbia, and Goldsboro.

R. A. Joyner, of Farmville, secretary of the East Carolina Firemen's Association is expected to be here also.

LEGION TO MEET AT ROCKY MOUNT

Head of Legion Auxiliary Will Be Speaker April 4

The First Area conference of the American Legion Auxiliary, meeting in Rocky Mount on the afternoon of April 4 will be addressed by the national president, Mrs. Frederick C. Williams, of Tuckahoe, N. Y. Mrs. Williams was chairman of the National Child Welfare Committee and was directing the auxiliary's nation-wide activities for the expressed benefit of the dependent children of World War veterans when elevated to the highest place of leadership in this organization of half a million American women, at the Detroit convention in 1931. "She is an orator of distinction and in her addresses throughout the country she has dramatized the Legion's ideals and purposes and given new understanding to them everywhere."

The meeting will be held in the Masonic Temple on North Church Street and will be presided over by Mrs. Chas. Dunn, of Scotland Neck, chairman of the First Area. The meeting will open at two o'clock and will be followed in the evening by a Dutch dinner to which members of the Legion are invited to meet Mrs. Williams. The first area comprises the counties of Nash, Edgecombe, Halifax, Bertie, Wilson, Pitt, Martin, Beaufort, Washington, Tyrrell, Dare, Hyde, Northampton, Gates, Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan and Hertford.

Few Have Perfect Teeth Clinic At School Shows

Only 4 out of 27 pupils examined in the dental clinic being held in the city schools in Plymouth Wednesday morning were found with perfect teeth, leaving 85 per cent with diseased mouths, it was announced today by E. H. Hicks, superintendent.

This work will continue with Dr. R. L. Whitehurst in charge until every child in the city schools has been examined. Records of the mouth troubles are being kept for future reference by the doctor. Pyorrhea is being found in many children.

Cotton Ginnings in County Nearly Same As Last Year

Almost as much cotton has been ginned in Washington County for the crops of 1931 as there was up to this time in 1930, it was learned here today from figures compiled by the Bureau of Census in the Department of Commerce of the United States. Up to this time in both years there was a difference of only 36 bales, with a total ginned of the 1931 crop of 1,215 bales.

Commissioners Order Salary Treasurer Cut to \$50 Month

TELL WHAT CLUB MEMBERS GET FROM MEETINGS

Mrs. W. B. Chesson Outlines Number of Benefits

By Mrs. W. B. CHESSON

Pleasant Grove.—To attend our home demonstration club meetings is a source of great inspiration to the most of us in a number of ways.

We gain a great knowledge, learn many things we did not know before. We get into a race where knowledge counts and learn the habit of seeking the requirements for success.

We get the habit of enthusiasm, which is one of the chief qualities of success. There is nothing like a contest to develop enthusiasm. You will catch the fiery spirit of club work.

Too, we learn the lesson of perseverance under the inspiration of trained leaders. Emerson once said that "the great use of a friend is to make us do what we can." The friend encourages us to higher thoughts, nobler ideals, gives us faith and a will to high endeavor.

Getting sympathy in a contest with others helps notably to develop the same qualities.

To attend our club meetings, we obtain self-confidence. We learn to express ourselves without timidity, new knowledge, new and unused powers. We find ourselves doing bigger things better things than we would have thought possible. "You will tap new sources of energy."

We get training in leadership. The great need of the rural south today is leaders. We have plenty of capable women of ability, if we only had leadership to draw them out and put their unused powers to work. Club work is a great agency for developing leadership. If some one else leads, then why not be loyal helpers, boosters, instead of knockers? Let no jealousy or envy prevent us from wishing them great success and backing up their efforts to achieve it.

We, too, will get from our club meetings comradeship. After we have done the best we can for ourselves, we can give generous encouragement and friendship to our leaders. Give ungrudgingly praise and recognition to the club members who may surpass us. This is one of the finest tests of nobility of spirit. "To win without boasting, to lose without squealing."

Then we get through our club work help financially. Our esteemed and capable demonstrator teaches us how to buy and sell to a great advantage, aids us in the sales of our home products, canned goods, eggs, poultry, and fancy work. Teaches us how to can and preserve our fruits, vegetables, and meats for the market; how to prepare and serve meals in the most appetizing manner; how to decorate and beautify our homes economically; how to get trained in business, which makes your work a science, saving labor and saving lives instead of having it a matter of hit-or-miss muscular effort.

We feel that it is the greatest organization the county has and renders the rural people the most wonderful aid. And, best for last, we get love, friendship, kindness, courtesies, and life-long cooperation with an enthusiastic community spirit. We feel deeply indebted and grateful to our home demonstration agents, as well as to our district agent, for the aid they have rendered us. May we continue to attend our club meetings and encourage the cooperative spirit.

Lodge To Honor Soldiers And Sailors Next Tuesday

Throughout North Carolina Masonic lodges are holding special meetings honoring ex-service men. In keeping with this idea, Perseverance Lodge, No. 59, here, will pay honor to its war heroes next Tuesday evening. A barbecue dinner will be served, and an interesting program has been arranged, with good speaking and other entertaining features. All Master Masons are especially requested to be present. Visiting brethren will also be welcomed.

Driver Is Hurt While Cranking School Bus

Piney Grove.—H. O. Chesson, driver of school truck No. 12 in the Piney Grove section, is expected home Saturday from a Washington hospital, where he has been for more than two weeks suffering from pain caused by a broken leg.

The youth's left leg was broken when he was cranking his school truck. The vehicle was in gear and ran into him before he could get out of the way.

PRAISES AD

"The advertisement which appeared in your interest is one of the clearest and best reproductions that has ever come to our attention from a weekly newspaper, and the Roanoke Beacon should be complimented on their service."

The above is a paragraph taken from a letter to J. O. Highsmith, of Roper, from W. D. Jenkins, of Norfolk, manager of the sales department of the Woodhouse Electric Company, referring to an ad on Majestic radios run in the Beacon on March 18.

VICTORY FUND DRIVE ENTERS FINAL MONTH

Total Nears \$10,000; Plan To End Campaign By April 15th

With a total of \$8,472.35 in hand, the campaign of the Democratic party to secure funds through its Victory Fund drive with which to wage the 1932 campaign has entered upon its final month in North Carolina, it was learned today through T. J. Swain, chairman for Washington County.

"I expect to close the campaign in North Carolina by April 15," said C. L. Shuping, of Greensboro, state manager, in a recent letter, "and then spending the 15 days from that date, May 1 in winding up the canvassing in such counties as do not complete the work by that date."

Mr. Shuping expressed the belief that the object of the campaign would be attained. He stated that John W. Davis, national chairman, had advised him that more than \$550,000 of the goal of \$1,500,000 had been collected, this representing contributions received from every section of the nation, but that no state had completed its work.

"For instance," said Mr. Shuping, "we have collected \$8,472.35 in North Carolina, but the canvassing has been waged intensively in only 23 of the 100 counties. I have this week advised all county managers that we have only about 30 days in which to complete the work, and have urged upon them the necessity of making a thorough canvass of the State in that time. When we have complete reports from all 100 counties, I feel certain that the amount already received will be more than tripled."

FARMERS STICK TO COTTON AND TOBACCO CROPS

State College Man Says N. C. Planters To Always Produce Them

North Carolina farmers will always grow cotton and tobacco. They know how to grow these two crops; they are trained and equipped to grow them; and they know that during any given series of years, these two crops have returned the highest acre income.

In this manner, C. B. Williams, head of the department of agronomy at State College, sums up the question of whether Tar Heel farmers should plant cotton and tobacco this year. Mr. Williams contends that prices below the cost of production are no new thing. This has been true since 1630, when the early colonists of Virginia said that only the best quality of tobacco paid the cost of production.

"But," says Mr. Williams, "despite these low prices, farmers have reduced their acreages, have made good yields on what acres they have planted, and, when increased consumption came about, the ruinous prices did not usually remain for any great length of time."

Mr. Williams suggests seven points for consideration by the cotton and tobacco farmer this year. These are: Grow the two crops on land best suited, which in itself will cause a heavy reduction; prepare this selected land better than it has ever been prepared before; plant at the right time and in the best manner of varieties adapted to the section; use the kind and amount of fertilizer suited to the crop and the soil; space the rows and the plants on the row to the fertility of the land or the fertilizer used; cultivate thoroughly, and use the best methods of harvesting and preparing for the market.

BOARD ORDERS OTHER SALARIES TO BE REDUCED

Action Is Taken at Public Meeting Here Last Friday

The successful candidate for treasurer in Washington County next year will receive a salary of only \$800, with \$200 of this going to pay the annual premium on his bond, it has been decided by the Washington County Commissioners.

This is the reduction from a salary of \$1,500 that is being paid today. Sentiment is strong in the county for abolition of the office so that this money can be saved, as it is argued that it is unnecessary. This salary starts December 1, 1932.

It was also decided to retain the services of the farm and home agents. Salaries in other departments will be cut, but no announcement as to this could be made at this time.

Abolition of the recorder's court as well as the treasurer's office was advocated by speakers in a meeting here last Friday of about 400 men and women, who demonstrated their wish that the home and farm work be continued. There might be a change in the personnel of these offices.

The commissioners have not the authority to abolish the office of treasurer, as this was inaugurated by legislative action, but the commissioners do have the power to fix the salary. This office will pay under the new schedule \$50 monthly, which is \$62.50 less than it pays at this time.

In the meeting last Friday, presided over by Carl L. Bailey as county attorney, there were a number of speakers, including Captain C. E. Mizelle, John W. Darden, J. T. McNair, Harrison Pritchard, Mrs. William Harrison, president of the Washington County Federation of Home Demonstration clubs, and others.

SAYS LAND IS BEST BUY NOW

Representative Norman Believes Values As Low As They Will Go

By ZEB VANCE NORMAN
Washington County Representative

Land has less value from the standpoint of production and of borrowing power than at any time in the past 30 years. It has for a long, long time been recognized as the best grade of security for borrowers, I believe that land values are as low as they can go, and it is universally recognized that land values are bound to improve, and when the improvement becomes evident, values will climb more rapidly than they declined.

Therefore, I believe that every man who can possibly buy a home or a farm ought to do so now. People are anxious to sell and are willing to do so upon any kind of terms.

In the past 10 years, people have neglected to buy homes and farms, but have bought automobiles and continued to live in rented houses or as tenant farmers. That is one condition that has contributed very largely to the present depression and to the bankrupt and impoverished state of many families today.

It is to be hoped that at this tremendous expense and costly experience we have learned that in order to stabilize our position in the agricultural, commercial and social life of our communities we must apply more common sense to our method and manner of living and recognize that pleasure only is not prosperity. I recommend to every family in Washington County the slogan, "Be a home owner and a home builder."

Play To Be Presented At Roper School Tonight

Roper.—A three-act comedy-drama entitled, "Go Slow, Mary," will be presented by the seniors of the Roper High School Friday evening at 8 o'clock, April 1, in the school auditorium. Miss Sally Taylor is directing the play.

Included in the cast are Jack Hassell, Grace Windley, Blanche Asby, Clara Marriner, Pearl Tarkenton, Opal Chesson, Christine Sprull, Margaret Everett, Elizabeth Lilley, Lloyd Atkinson, Clinton Tarkenton.

Oak Grove Sunday School Enjoys Easter Egg Hunt

Skinnerville.—The Baptist Sunday school of Oak Grove church held an egg hunt on Saturday afternoon. Services were held Sunday morning by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Hollowell.