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URGES FARMERS TO ORGANIZE TO BUY CHEAPLY

Farmers Need Business Organization in Every County

There should be in Washington county as well as in every county in North Carolina a farmers' business organization with every rural community affiliated as a unit of the county system, according to information sent here today by L. C. Salter, of the division of markets in the North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

"The problem of the farmers is not only the economical production of crops and livestock but also the economical buying of supplies, materials and equipment needed in production and the economical selling of crops and livestock once they are produced. "It is the farmers' job to set up their cooperative marketing organizations. But there is needed leadership, training and education. And it appears now after considerable thought and study of the work that the organizations generally known as the mutual exchange is the need of Washington County.

"Mutual exchanges are incorporated organizations. Each member shares in the profits of the organization in proportion to the amount of business done through it by him. No individual can own more than 20 per cent of the stock. Each member has only one vote regardless of the number of shares he owns.

"The purposes of the organization are to market agricultural products; buy farm supplies and equipment; develop group marketing and group purchasing, and teach standardization and grading in connection with marketing activities.

"The operation of mutual marketing organizations in any event should be conducted upon sound business principles. Persons of responsibility and integrity should manage the organization. Purposes of the organization should be agreed upon by the membership and should be adhered to strictly.

"The chief functions of these exchanges is to market farm products for its members. As a rule there is not enough volume of each crop to justify commodity organizations. So the farmer is more interested in an organization that will handle all of his crops. Commodities should be handled by departments and dividends from each kept separate.

"In performing the function of marketing one of the best services is the assembling, grading and packing of produce for marketing. This service is invaluable and is performed by the organization more economically than by the individual.

"The chief advantage of these exchanges is the ability to provide markets for the many crops grown by the average farmer. Then, too, it is a local affair and local members can settle their grievances much quicker and more satisfactorily than by a large overhead organization at a distance.

"More of these exchanges are being formed every week. And each county should have one," concluded Mr. Salter.

"The Wet Parade" To Be Shown at State Theatre

He dared to tell the truth—sensationally, dramatically—in one of the greatest stories ever written for the American screen.

A giant romance of the times based on the sensational novel by Upton Sinclair and unfolded in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's new picture, "The Wet Parade" that will be shown in the State Theatre here Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Walter Huston plays the leading part in this supreme thrill of the motion picture screen supported by Dorothy Jordan, Lewis Stone, Neil Hamilton, Myrna Loy, Wallace Ford, John Miljan and Virginia Bruce.

James Cagney and Joan Blondell will be seen Wednesday and Thursday nights in "Blond Crazy" while Tom Tyler comes up for another western thriller on Friday and Saturday nights with "Galloping Through" and chapter six of the "King of the Wild."

Young Boy Jumps Into the Roanoke To Hide Whiskey

Bootleggers here keep close to the water with their wares.

A young boy here suspected of having whiskey in his possession suddenly turned a corner to glimpse Chief of Police Brown riding toward him. So the young man ran toward the river with a bag under his arm and plunged into the waters with his clothes on.

When the young man swam back to shore the bag was gone. And he took no time to search for it. It was Officer Brown's idea that he deposited the "evidence" in the bottom of the Roanoke River.

DANCE RECITAL MONDAY NIGHT

Was One of the Features of the Commencement Program Here

One of the features of the commencement exercises took place on Monday evening at the school auditorium when Mrs. Ernest H. Hicks gave a musical dance recital by her class of boys and girls within the ages of 8 and 12 years.

The minuet was given in costume upon a stage beautifully decorated with roses, sweet peas, and other flowering plants with a background of trailing ivy.

During the first part of the program the class members were dressed in native Scandinavian peasant costumes and gave the following dances: Dance of greeting; the merry-go-round; the Ace to Diamonds; by Cornelia Edmondson and Helen Harrison; Tailor's Dance by Katherine Midgett and Ann Liverman; Washing Clothes, by Mary Bray and Willford Whitley; the Shoe-maker Dance, by Joan Groves and Rebecca Ward; and the Mountain March by six members of the class. The concluding number was "I See You" by the entire class.

Part two was springtime playlet, with Joan Stier, as spring, sitting upon a snow-white throne. The members of the class were dressed in blue, red pink and yellow, with big silver wings to impersonate fairies. Pages were Philip Liverman and Howard Ange. The entire playlet was given with an outdoor scene with the cast costumed in the pastel shades, which mingled beautifully during the attractive dances of the sunbeams, raindrops, and flowers.

Miss Edith Edmondson presided at the piano and rendered a number of delightful selections, while Henry Grey gave several numbers on the trumpet. The affair was largely attended and greatly enjoyed by a large audience.

Will Summarize Salvation Army Work Sunday, 7 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Brewer will give a summary of their work at the Young Peoples' meeting at the Christian Church here Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock. The couple will also sing several songs, it was stated.

The young people at the Christian church had a splendid meeting last Sunday evening when Miss Fionnie Davis led the group. Mr. Whitley made a splendid talk of "Appreciation of Parents." Special music was rendered by the Messrs. Dardens, Mrs. Hilda Gurganus and Mrs. Beulah McNair.

Local Methodist Church Seeks 6,000 Soap Coupons

Mrs. J. B. Willoughby is chairman of a committee in the Methodist church here that is seeking 6,000 Octagon soap coupons to be sent to the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh to aid them in their 2,000,000 coupon campaign that ends August 1. Already 900 have been sent from here.

The producers of the coupon bearing Octagon Soap products, Luzianne Coffees and teas will repair a number of buildings at the orphanage if sufficient number of coupons is sent them. Members of the church and Sunday school and others who are interested are urged to turn their coupons over to Mrs. Willoughby.

SKINNERSVILLE

Skinnerville.—A very appropriate Mother's Day musical program was held at Rehoboth M. P. Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by the Sunday school, with the pastor, Rev. J. C. Russell, delivering a very inspiring Mother's Day sermon.

Those taking part in the program were Miss Mary Biggs, Miss Margie White, Mrs. Mary Pharr, J. B. White, and Miss Eva White.

Mr. and Mrs. Montreville Walker and daughter, of Great Bridge, Va., were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guilford Davenport.

Four ladies of the Albemarle Club, Mesdames Maggie Everett, Annie Davenport, Mittie Basnight, and Lula Mae Furlough, attended the meeting held at Williamston last Wednesday.

Among those from the community attending the commencement sermon at Roper Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Everett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Spruill and family, Mrs. M. J. Elliott, Mrs. Lillie Everett and Miss Christine Spruill.

Deestrick Skule Given at Creswell Last Friday Night

Creswell.—The parent-teacher association of the Creswell High School gave "The Deestrick Skule" of fifty years ago last Friday night.

The play depicted the school scenes, manner of dress and customs of fifty years ago. The event was well presented and thoroughly enjoyed. It was attended by a large crowd.

Rev. Mr. Greer to Preach Farewell Sermon Sunday

Rev. W. Conley Greer, pastor of the First Christian church of Plymouth, will preach his farewell sermon Sunday night, it is understood. Rev. Mr. Greer and family are expected to leave Tuesday for Baldwin, where they will make their new home. Mr. Greer will possibly enter the evangelistic field.

IS GOING AFTER THAT FREE TRIP

Robert B. Campbell Is Out For Big Free Trip To Washington City

Robert B. Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Campbell here, wants to see Babe Ruth in action with his mate, Lou Gehrig, and also to visit Mount Vernon and the nation's capital and view the other places of interest, as well as enjoy the camping trip with all expenses paid, so he has his receipt book and is taking subscriptions to The Beacon.

Today he has more than 60 points as a starter for this trip. He will canvass in this section, where the Beacon is now selling for \$1 a year in advance. This boy is a hustler and he is expected to win a place on this trip in the parlor-car bus. It takes only 550 points to win a place.

There is still room for any other boy who wishes to go in the car. No matter from what section he comes. Boys around Creswell, Mackeys, and Roper and other sections should come in on this work, as they get their commission whether they win a trip or not. But it is not hard for the hustling boy to accompany this crowd of boys on this wonderful trip.

The campaign began May 9 and will end June 18. So boys just out of school had better hustle. Come to the Beacon office and get your receipt book. Renewals are accepted for as much as new subscriptions. A list of delinquent subscribers in each district will be given the boy for a starter. Boys are urged to come in today. Two or three from each community is desired.

Home and Club News

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

Curb Market

Curb market will open promptly from now on throughout the summer months at 8 o'clock. Be on time. Please Notice! Each Curb Market member is asked to not bring more than six chickens to the curb market. This has to be in order that all the members will have a chance to sell their chickens. All sellers are asked to take a place on the table. This is a rule.

Washington County was represented at the district meeting held in Williamston last week by 63 women. One truck and several cars went. We all enjoyed a day away from our regular duties.

PLEASANT GROVE

Mrs. N. M. Spruill, of Edenton, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Myrtle Tarkenton.

Mrs. H. C. Davenport and son, Hodges, of Columbia, spent several days with Mrs. Ida Hodges.

C. E. Tarkenton, of Edenton, was the dinner guest of his mother, Mrs. Mollie Tarkenton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Owens, of Rocky Mount, spent a few days last week with her father, J. S. Davenport. Misses Corinne Bell, Jamie Riddick, and Deanie Spruill were in Williamston Wednesday.

Much Canning in County During the Past Winter

The club women of Washington County have canned during the winter, 1,835 quarts of meats and 913 quarts of fruits and vegetables.

Pleasant Grove Club reported 370 quarts of meat canned, that club heading the list in the county. Swain Club with an enrollment of only 18 members, reports 312 quarts of meat canned during the period.

Summer School Arranged for High School Students

Students who have failed in passing their grades in the Plymouth High School will have an opportunity to make up this work by studying in this summer. A registration will be held at the school auditorium May 14 for those who would like to make up this work this summer. Parents will bear the expense.

54 DEMOCRATS IN STATE CONTESTS, 24 REPUBLICANS

Record Number of Office Seekers File This Year For June Primary

Raleigh.—A record number of candidates for the democratic primary on June 4th was on the books of the State Board of Elections as filing time expired at midnight April 22.

Last-minute filers brought the total number of candidates who are seeking the party's nominations for the one senatorial seat, the 11 congressional seats, and the 13 state offices to 54.

As things stand, with the curtain down until the primary, there are 3 democratic candidates for the senate, 8 congressmen unopposed for renomination, 3 candidates for the gubernatorial nomination and three for the nomination for lieutenant governor.

The names of twenty-four Republicans were on the books, 22 of whom automatically are nominated because of no opposition.

Jake Newell, the Republican convention's nominee for the United States Senate, must go to a primary unless George W. DePriest, a wet, withdraws before June 4.

Late entrants for the Democratic primary included Charles L. Van Oppen, of Greensboro, who brought to seven the number of candidates seeking the party's congressional nomination for the new sixth district, and R. Lawrence, of Winston-Salem, and Fritz Smith, of Raleigh, whose names increased to six the number of candidates for the commissioner of labor nomination.

The filing of D. W. Morton, of Beaufort, for the democratic nomination for insurance commissioner, reduced to four the number of incumbent state officers who will not be opposed in the primary.

There are no democratic contestants for the jobs held by Dr. A. T. Allen, state superintendent of public instruction; W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture; John P. Stedman, state treasurer; and Judge H. Hoyle Sink, judge of the 12th judicial district—the only judicial post to be decided in the elections. No member of the supreme court is up for election this year.

The list of candidates follows: For governor: J. C. B. Ehringhaus, Allen J. Maxwell, and R. T. Fountain, Democrats; Clifford Frazier, Republican.

For lieutenant governor: A. H. Graham, D. F. Giles, and D. P. Delinger, Democrats; Boone D. Tillett, Republican.

For secretary of state: J. A. Hartness and Stacey W. Wade, Democrats; C. R. Brady, Republican. Attorney General: Dennis G. Brummitt, Peyton McSwain, Democrats; H. S. Williams, Republican.

For State Auditor: Baxter Durham, Chester O. Bell, George H. Adams, Democrats; S. S. Jennings, Republican. For commissioner of labor: Clarence E. Mitchell, A. L. Fletcher, John B. Norton, W. H. Davis, R. R. Lawrence, B. Fritz Smith, Democrats; A. I. Ferree, Republican.

For insurance commissioner: Dan C. Boney, D. W. Morton, Democrats. For Corporation Commissioner: Stanley Winborne, E. C. Macon, Democrats; Birge McClure, Republican.

For United States Senator: Cameron Morrison, R. R. Reynolds, Tam C. Bowie, Frank D. Grist, and Arthur Simmons, Democrats; Jake F. Newell and George W. DePriest, Republicans. This is the only state or district office in which the Republicans have a contest, and these are the only names to go on tickets other than county and local races.

Miss Patterson Announces Schedule for Next Week

Miss Eugenia Patterson announces that the following home demonstration clubs will meet next week, as follows: Pleasant Grove, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock; Swain Club, Wednesday afternoon at the same hour; Creswell Club, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock; Alba Club, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

CHERRY

Mr. and Mrs. Louis K. Brown spent the past week at Oak City visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Avril Woodley, of Oak City, is visiting relatives here.

Rev. and Mrs. Poston, of Columbia, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gibbs Sunday.

Noah Hardison, of Williamston, Miss Jones, Dollie Hardison, and Miss Mildred Hardison, of Jameville, were visitors here Sunday.

Miss Lucy Ray Spruill spent a few days this week with Miss Christine Spruill near Roper.

Local School Has Largest Graduating Class in History

The largest number of students to ever graduate from the Plymouth High School went out into the world this week when 36 students graduated. There was not a failure in the class. And this is the first eight-month school term since 1912.

MAKES PROFIT ON SMALL FARM

Reports Reveal Number of Farmers Made Money Last Year

Reports received at State College through the North Carolina Bankers' Association indicate that there are good farmers in North Carolina who made money last year despite low prices and unfavorable economic conditions.

In the last few days, Charles A. Sheffield, assistant extension director, has received 63 reports from farmers who are candidates for the grade "A" certificate as sponsored by the Agricultural Committee of the bankers' organization. Mr. Sheffield has been studying these reports so that certificates might be issued to all those making a grade of 80 per cent and above.

A typical example of a farmer who is living at home and making some money is M. L. Adderholdt, of Lexington, Route 4. Mr. Adderholdt owns 106 acres of land of which 80 acres are cleared for cultivation. Last year he sold \$1,707.04 worth of produce from this place as follows: certified small grain seed, \$510; veal and pork, \$199.44; garden vegetables, \$35; sweet potatoes, \$20; Irish potatoes, \$16; eggs and poultry, \$66.60; fruit, \$35; cotton, \$360, and truck crops, \$400.

In addition to these sales, Mr. Adderholdt grows enough vegetables and fruit for the use of his family and some to save for winter. He grows all the grain and forage for his livestock; has enough pork, milk, butter, eggs and poultry for home use and keeps his land in a high state of fertility by growing legume crops. He times about 20 acres of land each year, using about 500 pounds of limestone an acre to keep the soil in a sweetened condition.

The income of \$1,700 is almost clear net cash and shows the possibilities of farming, even during a depression period, when good methods are followed.

PAY AS YOU GO FARM SYSTEM IN CRAVEN COUNTY

Strict Economy and Wise Planning Called For By New Method

Craven County farmers have started a pay-as-you-go system of farming this season in which they endeavor to pay cash for all farm operations and have enough between season crops and livestock or poultry to keep the farm on a cash basis.

The plan calls for strict economy and wise planning but Craven farmers have had experience in economy since the epidemic of bank failures and other reverses have thrown them largely on their own resources. The record of the Craven County Farmers' Mutual Exchange has already been of inspiration to other groups of landowners in North Carolina and the formation of the new saving and loan association is another movement that is attracting attention.

C. B. Farris, county farm agent of Craven, says it is rather hard to envisage the farmers of his county being on a pay-as-you-go basis when it is realized that 354 of them applied for \$55,235.44 in government seed loans yet it is a fact, he says, that new money to the extent of \$18,203.92 has come to the county by reason of between crops, fat steers, fat hogs, poultry and eggs.

The Gaskins community of near Vanceboro is the best example of the pay-as-you-go type of farming. This is due largely to the inspiration of young Rudolph Gaskins who has found that he can grow early truck and other crops to fit in with his scheme of cash crops without sacrificing anything to the new idea. The income from these sideline crops has already meant \$4,200 to the community and will mean more when the 300 acres now planted to beans, early sweet corn, squash and early sweet potatoes come into bearing.

Other farmers are selling eggs, poultry, hogs and steers to pay their way on a cash basis. Mrs. Mae McIlveen of the Bellair community has put their farm on a cash basis by an income of \$50 a week from sales at the New Bern curb market.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET MAY 22ND

Lees Mill Convention Will Be Held with the Zion Chapel Church

Roper.—The Lees Mills Township Sunday school convention will be held at the Zion Chapel Church on the fourth Sunday in May, it was learned here today from J. Bascom Hurley, who will preside. This meeting is scheduled to begin at 2:30 in the afternoon.

All Sunday schools of all denominations in this township are urged by Mr. Hurley to participate. This meeting is under the supervision of the North Carolina Sunday School Association. A good program of speaking, singing, and kindred entertainments is being arranged for the occasion.

Sunday schools joining in this meeting are Zion Chapel, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, and Holiness in Roper, Saints Delight, Mackeys, Pleasant Grove, Free Will Baptist in the Mill Pond section. An attendance banner will be awarded the school having the most members present.

The meeting will be opened with a devotional service, and then Mr. Hurley will make a statement explaining the purpose of the meeting. There will be a roll call of the schools, number of pupils from each church counted and enrolled and a tabulation made of the number of teachers and superintendents present.

Officers will be elected at the conclusion of the meeting and a date and place for the next convention decided upon. Important Sunday school workers in the county will be on the program to discuss subjects that will deal with a few of the many problems confronting this phase of the church work at the present.

Prayer Services at Baptist Church To Be Resumed

Mid-week prayer meetings, which have been discontinued because of ill health of the pastor, Rev. Richard Lucas, will be held at the First Baptist church every Wednesday night. Mr. Lucas is also glad that the Sunday school attendance last Sunday was perfect.

Fifth and Sixth Grades Enjoy Picnic at Cherry

Cherry.—Members of the fifth and sixth grades to the local school, along with Rupert Ainsley, the teacher, enjoyed a splendid picnic on the shores of Lake Phelps Saturday.

Each member of the two classes present furnished his own lunch, which was spread together and a delightful feast was enjoyed by all of the children. A number of games were played during the day until time to return home, which ended a day of joy and merriment.

Pleasant Grove Club To Hold Meeting Tonight

Mackeys.—There will be a meeting of the Pleasant Grove Community Club Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock in the school house. Men, women and children are urged to attend.

Parents and Teachers Meet at Creswell Tonight at 8

Creswell.—The Creswell Parent-Teacher Association will hold its final meeting of the year Friday night, May 13 at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present at the meeting.

State Deficit of Nearly \$3,000,000 In Prospect

Raleigh.—Though revenue collections for the general fund of the State aggregated \$15,273,722.01 for the first ten months of the current fiscal year, an increase of more than \$3,250,100 over the corresponding period a year ago, the State still faces a minimum indicated deficit of \$2,800,000 as of next June 30.

A. J. Maxwell, commissioner of revenue, released the monthly financial statement recently without comment. It showed collections for April as \$438,477.17 compared with \$374,918.26 in the same month of 1931.

Henry Burke, assistant director of the budget stood for the total ten months receipts were about \$3,500,000, to \$4,000,000 below the original estimated revenue for the general fund for the period.

Highway fund receipts on the other hand are holding close to the original estimates. Mr. Burke said with a 10 months total this year of \$18,091,172.17 or an increase of \$1,837,610, over the same period last fiscal year.

Improvement in Health Of Club Members Noted

Noticeable improvement in the health of 4-H club members examined last year and again this year in the 4-H health contest is noted by authorities of Clay County.

SERVICES OF HEALTH NURSE NOW AVAILABLE

State Board Sponsoring a Campaign Against All Contagious Diseases

Free services of an experienced nurse can be secured from the school health service of the North Carolina Board of Health by Washington County to aid local physicians in a special program of immunization against typhoid, diphtheria, and smallpox, it was learned here today. This nurse will help in making the preliminary arrangements and with the educational work and in many other details. Special literature will be provided by the state. Vaccine for typhoid and smallpox will be given free while a small cost will be charged for the vaccine used in treatment against diphtheria will cost 15 cents.

The State Board of Health is sponsoring a state-wide campaign to last all summer in an effort to get an immunized population. It will provide any assistance within its power, but counties having no health organization providing either full-time health officer, nurse, or sanitary inspector, like Washington County, needs the special assistance much more.

This campaign should be organized on a county-wide basis so that the clinics will cover each section so that as many as possible will have the opportunity of benefiting from this free medical service that will help check the ravages of these contagious diseases, which can be so easily prevented by the proper treatment.

Washington County is one of the 51 counties in the State that have no full-time health service. And State officials are of the opinion that the need is great in getting the people immunized.

Roper Senior Class Stages Pageant In School There

Roper.—The senior class of the Roper High School presented a pageant of the past, present and future in their commencement exercises Monday night. The State decorations represented the spring time of life. Those participating and the parts they took, follow:

Margaret Everett, salutatorian; Clara Marriner, historian; Christine Spruill, spirit of the present; Pearl Tarkenton, prophet; Clinton Tarkenton, testator; Blanche Asby, song; Elizabeth Lilley, gitorian; Opal Chesson, the grumbler; Lloyd Atkinson, orator; Grace Windley, valedictorian.

Rev. Singleton Preaches Commencement Sermon

Roper.—A former Roper boy returned to his old home-town Sunday to preach the commencement sermon to the local high school graduates. It was Rev. Louis Singleton, of Selma, pastor of the Methodist church there. It was here many years ago that Mr. Singleton got his early training. At one time, Mr. Singleton served as pastor of the Plymouth Methodist church.

Creswell To Have Cleanup Week May 16th to May 21

Creswell.—Creswell will celebrate clean-up week between May 16 and 21, with the woman's club leading in the work. The women are anxious that every one help them in this movement. The committee in charge of this is Mesdames C. N. Davenport, sr., and A. C. Harris.

Leroy Harris Represents College at State Meeting

Lee Roy Harris, of Plymouth, a student at Atlantic Christian College in Wilson, represented his college in the third congress of the North Carolina Federation of Student Governments, which met last week in the North Carolina College for Women in Greensboro.

Mr. Harris was appointed chairman of the better relations committee for the "Little Seven Conference," which includes the seven smaller colleges in North Carolina.

Scuppernon Club Meets

Scuppernon.—The Woman's Club of Scuppernon was entertained at the home of Mrs. C. C. Cahoon Monday. Nine members answered to the roll call and three new ones were added. Mrs. Bernice Norman, Mrs. Lindsay Snell, and Miss Sadie Norman.

The meeting was turned over to Miss Patterson, who gave a very interesting talk on laundering. She displayed several sample of lovely upholstering material woven to look like velvet, but which were made of cotton.

After the business was over, several lively games were played. Mrs. P. B. Belanga will entertain the club next month.