

### POSTER TELLS OF FAIR AT EDENTON HELD IN NINETIES

#### "Balloon Ascension" and "Parachute Descent" Are Main Features

Reminiscences of a fair held in Edenton back in the "Gay Nineties" were found near here today in the home of Mrs. M. J. (Jane) Elliott, 84, in the Skimmersville section of Washington County.

Spread across boards tacked together and used as a fireboard for a hearth was a large advertising poster distributed about this time 44 years ago that carried the information of a fair to be held in Edenton November 11 and 12, 1891.

A steamer in bold black letters across the top of the circular revealed that the chief attraction was "a balloon ascension and parachute descent."

In large pictures were three men in balloons and parachutes ascending and descending from the atmosphere. The balloon was globular shaped with cords attached beneath holding a basket in which the occupant was riding.

It was revealed that Frank Wood was president and John C. Bond, secretary of the fair. The printing was the work of Russell Forham Co., of Cincinnati. The best grade of parchment paper was used, as for the last almost half century the printing was not dimmed by sun, heat or cold in a partly unroofed room.

Mrs. Elliott has in her home many old and quaint items, including old books, furniture, and one bedstead that was purchased when she married her sea-captain husband 60 years ago.

Her son, M. T. (Pete) Elliott, is in charge of an ABC store in Suffolk, Va. Her husband's vessels plied between the United States and Europe from Norfolk and near-by points.

### PLANT NOW FOR SUMMER GARDEN IN THIS SECTION

#### Planting Rotation Assures Continuous Supply Of Fresh Vegetables

A continuous supply of fresh vegetables may be obtained from the garden by arranging the crops so that new plantings will mature as the earlier crops are harvested.

The entire garden may be kept busy by planting again in the areas left vacant by the harvesting of early crops. Sometimes an early crop can be followed by a later planting of the same vegetable.

H. R. Niswonger, extension horticulturist at State College, suggests that succession plantings of beets, garden peas, carrots, celery, and cauliflower may be made in the latter part of April or in May, depending upon the location.

Speaking generally of the western part of the State, he said that sweet corn should be planted as soon as the ground is warm enough. Tomato, pepper, and cabbage may be moved from the plant boxes to cold frames in May to harden them before setting them out in the open garden.

Other May plantings suggested are: snap beans, lima beans, beets, sweet corn, carrots, cucumbers, cantaloupes, okra, parsley, peas, endive, pepper, radish, salsify and squash. Sow tomato seed again for late planting.

### AN APPEAL

An urgent appeal has been made by Chief of Police P. W. Brown requesting that trash not be put on the streets on Friday, as it is impossible to get the trash carts around on Saturday, thus making the trash remain on the streets to clutter up the beauty of the town over the week-end.

Carts will be around for the refuse and debris on each day of the week except Saturday. If residents must clean their yards on Saturday they are urged to retain the trash in their back yards hidden from sight of the front of the house until Monday, when it will be called for.

### Midwife Classes To Be Held at Three Places in County

#### Will Be in Charge of State Nurse; Schedule of Meets Outlined

Group meetings for mothers and expectant mothers on the Weston and Shepard farms in the Skimmersville section of Washington is an added benefit to the annual midwife classes held by the nurses of the North Carolina Department of Health sent here every year about this time.

These group meetings are an idea of Miss Mozelle Hendrix, state nurse, sent out by the department of maternity and infancy, who will give valuable information to the mothers regarding health of mothers and babies.

Midwives are required to attend the meetings in order to get their permits renewed. "Midwives' meetings will be held as follows: Thursday, June 13, 9 a. m., Roper colored Baptist church; Friday, June 14, 9 a. m., Creswell colored Methodist church; Saturday, June 15, 9 a. m., Washington county courthouse in Plymouth.

### New Type Fishing Licenses Are Being Issued Now in State

#### Daily Permits Will Be Sold At Much Lower Cost Than Formerly

Raleigh. — Two new types of fishing licenses, authorized by the 1935 general assembly, in the form of daily permits at a cost of \$1.10 for non-residents and 60 cents for residents have been distributed to wardens and other agents and are now available, J. D. Chalk, state game and inland fisheries commissioner, said today.

Formerly, no provision was made for a daily permit for residents of the state fishing out of counties in which they reside, the purchase of a statewide license having been necessary in such cases. The fee for a statewide season fishing license is \$2.10.

Non-residents have previously been able to fish one day on a permit costing only 60 cents, but the new law adds 50 cents to this amount. Fisheries officials expressed the belief that collections from the increased fee will be substantially larger than from the old license. This type of license has been especially popular in resort areas and near the borders of adjoining states.

### Will Open Beauty Shop at Columbia

The Columbia Beauty Shop, managed and operated by Miss Myrtle Tarkenton, of Maceys, and Miss Elvora Averette, of Henderson, will be opened next week in the shop formerly occupied by Mrs. Dennis Combs in Columbia.

Both Misses Tarkenton and Averette are graduates of the Southern School of Beauty Culture at Norfolk and are well experienced as beauticians. The shop is being remodeled, and they are installing new and up-to-date equipment. Miss Averette has been operating a shop in Tarboro for the last year.

Date of the opening will be announced later.

### Irish Potatoes From Home Raised Seed Best in Tests

Irish potatoes from home-grown, certified seed tested against Northern grown seed are earlier, more uniform in stand and show better growth on the Mountain Branch Station.

Cowpeas and soybeans on all the small grain stubble not in lespedeza is a wise form program, say P. H. Kime, State College agronomist.

### FAMOUS BATTLE OF PLYMOUTH IS FAVORITE TOPIC OF RESIDENTS IN SHOWING TOWN TO STRANGERS

When a native of Plymouth gets into a discussion about the Civil War or brings a stranger to Plymouth, he immediately begins to tell him that the famous battle of Plymouth was staged in his home town. But only a very few can depict a trustworthy account of it. It is the purpose of this article to present a readable account gathered from authentic sources.

The brilliancy and dash of General Hoke's taking of Plymouth from the Federals after the raid of the ram, Albemarle, received recognition in the following:

"Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America, that the thanks of Congress and the country are due and are tendered to Major-General Robert F. Hoke and Commander James W. Cooke, and the officers and men under their command, for the brilliant victory over the enemy at Plymouth, N. C." This joint resolution was approved May 17, 1864.

A further conviction to the reader of the importance of this victory is found in Ashe's History of North Carolina, where the famous historian says, "Among the fortunate results of this most brilliant feat of arms was the cheering effect it had on the people of N. C., turning despondency into hopefulness and allaying that spirit of dissatisfaction which some of the conservative leaders had diffused among the people; and, in particular, it wrested some of the eastern counties from the dominion of the despoilers; revived among the inhabitants devoted patriotism, and opened up a large territory which could supply provisions for Lee's army."

Plymouth was occupied by the Federal troops quite early in the war, General Henry W. Wessels with a large force taking the town in 1862. He found fewer than 500 people, a majority of them negroes. He built intrenchments around the town and placed gunboats in the river. The Federal garrison had a quiet time of it until December 10 when a dashing raid surprised them. "The fighting occurred in the streets of the town, the defenders using the houses as shelters. The Federal gunboats in the river lost no time in pouring in their fire on the assailants and set fire to many buildings. As a result of this fight nearly every house in the place was burned by the shells, not a dozen being left standing. The Confederates succeeded in capturing a number of prisoners and many military supplies, but the gunboats drove them out of the place quickly." Then the Federal troops began to build fortifications. General Wessels became convinced early in 1864 that he was in danger of capture, but his requests for reinforcements were given no attention.

Lee's army was badly in need of supplies, which could be obtained in eastern North Carolina, and since an attack on New Bern had failed, General Hoke, only twenty-seven years of age, but "a brave, able and seasoned soldier" was selected by General Lee to lead an attack on Plymouth. Few men in the army had risen so rapidly. As Plymouth was strongly guarded by land and water, General Hoke was anxious to have some naval aid in his attack. He heard that a strange craft was being built at Edward's Ferry on the Roanoke River above Plymouth. He went at once to see Commander Cooke, who was building the boat. "An open cornfield on the bank of the river was serving for a workshop. There were no helpers except such mechanics as could be picked up here and there and no tools but such as came from country workshops. The vessel was framed of pine timbers so green that the needles on the boughs had not yet withered. She was simply a flat-bottomed boat, sharp at both ends. The prow was solid oak, plated with iron; her shield was slanting and covered with railroad iron, which was sufficient as after experience demonstrated."

Promptly at the end of the promised fifteen days when a combined movement with the land forces was planned, the vessel was partially completed. "The engine had not been tried, nor the crew drilled, yet under the indefatigable Cooke, the Albemarle started down the river with the construction forces still at work bolting on her armor plates." While Hoke was circling the town the iron vessel passed under the fire of Fort Warren. In the rear of Fort Williams, the stronghold of the town, the Albemarle rammed one of two Federal gunboats fastened together. Fragments of shell sent by a gunboat rebounded to the ship that fired them killing one of their men. Having driven off the other vessels the Albemarle now turned her guns upon the fort and the town surrendered the same day. Thus did the navy assist the army in the capture of Plymouth. Without the aid of the Albemarle it would have not been effected. The moral effect of the victory was even greater than its material results. President Davis considered it so important that he wired Hoke the thanks of the Confederacy, adding: "You are a Major-General from the date of the capture of Plymouth."

A few days later the Albemarle went down the river and engaged the Federal fleet of eight vessels. After firing for three hours both sides, battered, were forced to retire. With the iron ship's smokestack riddled, attempts made to blow up the battered ship failed and Cooke, "by using lard and bacon as fuel, that not needing so much draft, was able to make enough steam to get back to Plymouth, where she was tied up to the wharf covered with wounds and glory." In October, 1864, the Albemarle was sunk by Lieutenant W. B. Cushing of the Federal navy "one of the most brilliant exploits in naval annals."

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### WILL ELIMINATE JULY TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT

#### Lack of Urgent Cases and Hot Weather Given As Reasons for Change

Decision to eliminate the July term of Washington County Superior Court from the calendar for 1935 was made by the Washington County Bar Association in session here Wednesday.

"Too hot for court in July, and besides there are no prisoners in jail and no urgent cases," said W. L. Whitley, dean of the local bar, who is getting a reputation for himself in this section and who has been the chief counsel in two important cases in this section recently.

One was the case of Harry and Leslie Blake at Swan Quarter, in Hyde County, who were charged with shooting and robbing Deputy Sheriff Payne. He represented the Blakes. The other was in federal court in Elizabeth City where he defended Dr. S. C. Chaplin, of Columbia, against charges of an illegal operation in a conspiracy plot to prevent the birth of an heir to the deceased A. J. Cahoon. Both cases were mistrials with deadlocked juries.

Also the lawyers in session decided to prosecute "certain justices of the peace and others who are engaged in drafting legal instruments, giving legal advice, and other wise engaging in the practice of law in direct violation of the criminal law."

Below is the resolution adopted: "Whereas, it has been brought to the attention of the Washington County bar that certain justices of the peace and others are engaged in drafting legal instruments, giving legal advice and otherwise engaging in the practice of law in direct violation of the terms of the criminal statutes of the state; and

"Whereas, it is the sense of the bar, in meeting assembled, that such practices should immediately be brought to an end;

"Now, therefore, be it unanimously resolved by the Washington County bar that all justices of the peace engaged in such unlawful practices shall be vigorously prosecuted and the members of the bar bind themselves to bring to the attention of the court all such unlawful practices coming to the attention of any member of the bar. Be it also resolved that the presiding judge and grand jury at the next regular criminal term of the superior court of Washington County be called upon to make such investigation into such unlawful practices as the court shall deem proper, with the end in view of prosecuting all persons found to be guilty of such offenses."

### PLAN APPROVED FOR MARKETING IRISH POTATOES

#### Committees To Determine Amount Certain Area Should Market

An amended marketing agreement for potatoes grown in the southeastern States has been given tentative approval by Acting Secretary of Agriculture R. G. Tugwell, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration announced today. The agreement would apply to potatoes grown in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland. It would provide for period to period proration, regulation of grades and sizes shipped, and price posting by shippers. The agreement is tentatively approved now goes to members of the industry for signature.

Then tentatively approved agreement is intended to bring about a better adjustment of marketings to demand and thus to improve returns to potato growers. Testimony at the hearings on the agreement indicated a strong desire for a program which would include individual allotments to growers. Because the harvesting season is about to begin, however, and because existing legislation does not fully authorize such allotments, the agreement is being offered to the industry for signature without such an allotment provision. The agreement had been drafted in such a way that it will not conflict with any legislation designed to establish compulsory tax exempt sales allotments to individual growers.

Each district would have a prorate committee made up of seven members three growers, three shippers and one chosen by the original six. The prorate committees would be empowered to meet jointly and determine the quantity of potatoes available and intended for shipment during any specified period, and the quantity advisable to market. If the available total exceeded the advisable total, the percentage of supply that it would be advisable to market would be determined and would become the basis for making allotments to each district for the prorate period.

### Club Women Are Studying Care of Clothing in June

#### Efforts Will Be Devoted to Food Conservation in July, August

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

The care of clothing will be studied by the home demonstration club women of Washington in June. "Grooming" will be tied up with this lesson. The importance of keeping clothes clean from the standpoint of appearance, durability and cost will be thoroughly studied. Mice and moths are not as apt to attack clean garments as they might soiled ones. Stains and spots eat into fabrics, sometimes causing holes to come.

Mending and dry cleaning will be included in the lesson also. This will be the last lesson in our major project until September. We hope to put our efforts to the conservation of food in July and August.

Schedule of Club Meets Next Week

The following schedule of club meetings has been announced by Miss Eugenia Patterson, county home demonstration agent:

### CODE SCHEDULES TO BE FOLLOWED BY LOCAL FIRM

#### No Changes in Wages and Hours To Be Made by National Handle Co.

No changes in wage schedule or hours of employment are contemplated by the National Handle Company, local subsidiary of the American Fork and Hoe Company, despite the ruling of the United States supreme court that enforcement of the provisions of the NRA was unconstitutional, according to a signed statement issued by the press by T. F. Connors, resident manager.

"At a recent meeting of the board of directors of this company, they decided to continue living up to all of the provisions of the code, and that they will continue the policy that it has always pursued, to pay the very best wages and giving the best working hours and conditions that prevailing business conditions and competition will permit, and that they do not contemplate any change in their wage schedule or hours of employment at the present time," read the statement.

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### FARM NOTES

By W. V. HAYS, Farm Agent

Saturday, the 15th, is the last day on which Bankhead applications or applications for ginners' certificates can be made. Only about 60 per cent of the cotton growers in the county have made applications to date. Please ask your neighbor if he has made application. No exemption certificates will be granted unless a signed application has been turned in to the county office. We're trying to let every cotton producer know these facts because we will be unable to help you after the 18th of June.

The advances offered by the United Wool Growers Association for our proposed wool sale were as follows: Clear wool, 15 cents pound; light burry, 12 cents; medium burry, 9 cents; heavy burry, 6 cents. The wool market has gone flat and we were not offered a direct sale price. We would believe that the proper thing to do would be to store wool in the association warehouse at Roanoke, Va., since most of the good wool is gone and we do not believe it advisable to hold a wool pool this year. We will be glad to furnish information and assist any growers who have wool on hand in storing this wool.

All tobacco growers, contract signers, and others who produce tobacco are urged to vote for or against the continuance of our present tobacco before June 29th. Ballots will be mailed all producers and these ballots may be returned by mail or the producer may call at the county office for voting. Every one who produces tobacco interested in the continuance of the program should certainly vote. Those who are not interested in the continuance or the welfare of the program are not urged to vote because we know they will vote anyway.

### INCREASE PROFIT BY CULLING THE POULTRY FLOCKS

#### Work Should Be Handled Despite High Prices Paid for Eggs

The high price of eggs and feed this spring has complicated the problem of culling the poultry flock.

While egg prices continue high, many poultrymen will wish to keep in their flocks as many layers as possible, said Roy S. Dearstyne, head of the State College poultry department.

But unless they are careful, he added, they may keep in their flocks a number of birds which are not profitable, in view of the present price of feed.

The flocks should be watched closely, he continued, for the egg production of some birds will slump rapidly in May, and the low producers should be culled without delay.

Birds going out of production in May or June are seldom good prospects for carrying over until the next laying year.

When their laying falls off, most birds show a loss of color in the comb, which becomes dry and shriveled. The comb no longer appears loose and moist, the abdomen becomes hard, and the birds lose their alert appearance.

Broody birds at this season are also poor prospects, Dearstyne added. One broody spell will follow another, with a result that egg production falls off. Since the breeding season is over, he went on, there is no place for males in the flock. Without males, the flock will produce infertile eggs which are of greater value from a marketing standpoint.

Devalitized males, or males which do not produce offsprings with heavy egg producing possibilities, are not worth carrying through the summer, Dearstyne said, and should be culled out.

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Mayor B. F. Bracy managed the visitors, while Chief of Police P. W. Brown was in charge of the locals. Scotland Neck pushed over four runs in the fifth to take the lead from Plymouth, but the locals came back in the latter innings to take the game.