

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McCallum have two cottages at Nags Head, where Mr. McCallum, local Texaco distributor, spends much of his time. One of the cottages is rented one month each season to an official of a large tobacco firm at Richmond.

Sam Trkula, Rocks outfielder, discovered a fellow-Serbian on the baseball team from Wake Forest last Sunday. It was Shortstop Galovich, and the two held a conversation in their native language.

H. H. McLean, superintendent of public instruction of Washington County, is away on his vacation. While away he will attend a superintendent's conference at Boone. He is expected back on July 29.

E. H. Liverman has carpenters working on the remodeling of the interior of his store in the ladies' dress department, and when completed this will be one of the most complete dress departments of any store in this section.

C. Earl Cahoon, secretary of the Albemarle Bridge Celebration central committee, came through Plymouth today and Vice President John W. Darden joined him on a trip to interview Congressman Lindsay Warren at Washington, relative to the program of the Albemarle Sound bridge opening.

North Carolina has an average length of school term of 161 days. The average term in Washington County is 165 days. The state ranks seventh in the Southern States, Oklahoma ranking first with 175.

O. F. Magee has a dime dated 1865, making the coin about 73 years old. It was in circulation shortly after the War Between the States. The coin came into his possession through the regular channels Monday and is worn slick with usage and age.

Abram Styrons, new janitor for the courthouse and agriculture building, is a wrestler of some note. He has wrestled men in circuses here and also wrestled a strong and well-known colored man. Mr. Styrons has won consistently in his matches, although he admits his knowledge of scientific wrestling is limited.

Washington County Commissioners cannot determine the tax rate until returns are had from the state as to valuation of railroads and also from the government as to which of their holdings in the county are non-taxable.

Already a number of persons have made inquiries about the job as tender at the draw on the new Albemarle Sound bridge. So far as can be learned the selection has not yet been made by the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

Enters Suit for \$2,900 Against Pulp Plant

Suit has been started in Washington County Superior Court by Henry F. Schaub, of Mobile, Ala., against the North Carolina Pulp Company, charging breach of contract and claiming damages of \$2,900.

The complaint sets forth that Mr. Schaub was once employed by the company, at a salary of \$300 monthly, to purchase wood and that upon agreement he entered into a contract to buy wood for them on a percentage basis, with traveling expenses to be paid by the company.

Schaub claims nothing was said about limiting the amount of wood to be bought by him, but after he had purchased a lot of wood he was notified by the officials that there must be a limit placed on his purchases. He claims limiting his purchases reduced his earnings and placed him in an embarrassing position with those from whom he had contracted to buy timber.

Charge Conspiracy To Murder Spouse

The sordid tale of a wife's unfaithfulness, which eventually led to an alleged attempt to poison her husband, was unfolded in recorder's court here Tuesday, in the case of Mrs. Pauline Swain, who was charged with mixing lye with Abijah Swain's whiskey. The warrant charged that the wife, also accused of fornication and adultery with Walter Skittleharpe, conspired with Randolph Morris and Skittleharpe to murder her husband.

Hold Tyrrell Couple For Federal Court

Charged with removing and concealing intoxicating spirits on which tax had been paid to places other than a distillery warehouse, as provided by law, and with unlawfully using the empty bottles, George and Agnes Barrow, of Tyrrell County, were ordered held under bond for Federal court at Elizabeth City by U. S. Commissioner John H. Leggett at a hearing this week. Evidence was introduced that the defendants had removed tax-paid whiskey from labeled bottles and then used the bottles for illicit whiskey, on which no tax had been paid, but which yielded a greater profit to the seller.

Earl Westerling Acquitted Of Hit-and-Run Charges

A jury in Washington County Superior Court last Thursday afternoon late acquitted Earl Westerling, young white man, who had been charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Minnie Spencer, negro, who was fatally injured by a hit-and-run driver in April.

The trial was begun last Wednesday and lasted until 5:30 Thursday, when the jury rendered their verdict of not guilty after less than an hour's deliberation.

Superior court adjourned for the term after completion of this case.

Successful Cucumber Season Ending Today

39,337 Bushels Bring Growers in Section Total of Over \$30,000

55 Per Cent of Deliveries No. 2 Grade, Which Reduced Returns Materially

A total of 39,337 bushels of cucumbers have been delivered to the plant of C. C. Lang and Son here during the season which closes today. This amount is about 11,000 more bushels than were delivered during the 1937 season.

For this amount of cucumbers a total of \$30,500 was paid to the growers. In addition to this, salaries of those who worked in the plant and expenses for supplies and materials add greatly to the worth of this plant to the community.

Safe Cracker Caught In Hertford Lodged In County Jail Here

Brought Here for Safekeeping, German Has Lengthy Criminal Record

Brought to the jail here this week for safekeeping is Kurtweid von Wischom, 33 a German resident of Norfolk, who is being held by Sheriff K. Reid for authorities in Hertford, Edenton, and Elizabeth City, on charges of robbery. Wischom, married only three months ago, was arrested in Hertford last week by a policeman who found him in the act of cracking a safe. His arrest came after a wave of safe-cracking on the north side of the sound.

Pair Mules Owned by Clyde Davis Winner Of Wenona Contest

Yoke of Oxen Second; Event One of Features of Field Day Program

A pair of mules owned by Clyde Davis "went into their collars" last Thursday in the pulling contest at the Wenona field day and pulled 1,850 pounds on the dynamometer, a machine used to measure their pulling strength, and which is equivalent to pulling 14 tons a distance of 28 feet, to win the first prize.

A mule owned by W. J. Vaughan pulled 850 pounds on the dynamometer, equivalent to pulling a load of 7 tons 28 feet, to win first prize in the single-hitch contest. Golden Williams' mule won second prize and L. E. Stotesbury's mule third award.

In the double-hitch event, Golden Williams' team won second award and W. J. Vaughan's pair took third place.

A yoke of oxen pulled 1,800 pounds in their official test, taking second place to the mule team which pulled 1,850 pounds. The oxen, after three trials, rendering their mark unofficial, did pull 1,850 pounds, the same as the mules, but the added trials prohibited this mark from counting officially.

\$2,450 Awarded in Workman's Death

A compensation of \$7 a week for 350 weeks was awarded the parents of Samuel L. Johnson, son of Nancy and J. J. Johnson, of Plymouth, by Buren Jurney, commissioner of the Industrial Commission, who heard the case in Washington June 23. Young Johnson was fatally injured while working down the county, loading logs on a barge for the Foreman-Blades Lumber Company, of Elizabeth City, several months ago.

To be deducted from the \$2,450 awarded Johnson's parents was \$300 to be paid to H. S. Ward, as attorney for Johnson. Funeral expenses totaling \$200 were also to be paid from the sum.

Funeral Service Held Last Thursday for Miss Martha Dixon

Died Wednesday at Home in Long Ridge Section After Brief Illness

Funeral services were held Thursday for Miss Martha E. Dixon, 55, who died Wednesday at her home in the Long Ridge section of Washington County after a short illness.

The Rev. Mr. Arnold, of Washington, conducted the final rites. Interment took place at the Jackson family cemetery near Plymouth.

Miss Dixon was a life-long resident of Washington County and was well known in the section in which she lived.

Surviving are the following nieces and nephews: Mrs. John Carlyle, Plymouth; Mrs. Nathan Daniel, Durham; Miss Annie Dixon, Elizabeth City; Woodrow and Sammy Dixon, Plymouth; and David E. Dixon, of Rockingham.

Tatem Ill; Delegates Darden and Byrum To Handle Big Event

Chairman of Bridge Celebration Confined To Home In Columbia

Illness which has kept him confined to his room for several days has also caused C. Wallace Tatem, of Columbia, chairman of the central committee on the Albemarle Sound Bridge Celebration, to shift part of his duties to the two vice presidents. The men who will be in direct charge of supervision of the details of the celebration, working in cooperation with Mr. Tatem, are John W. Darden, of Plymouth, chairman of the program committee; and W. W. Byrum, of Edenton, vice president for the north side of the sound.

Mr. Tatem's letter requesting these men to take active charge was not presented in the form of a resignation, but explained that he wished they would accept the more stringent duties of steering the activities of the celebration while he continued ill, suffering with carbuncles.

Mr. Darden and Mr. Byrum met Wednesday of this week and began their duties, dividing the burden as nearly equally as possible between them at a conference which lasted for some time.

Mr. Darden and Mr. Byrum have been leading workers for the celebration under President Tatem since the idea of the big event was first conceived. Both men are active in the civic affairs of their respective sections, and it is believed they will do a good job.

Mr. Tatem would have probably insisted that his resignation be accepted, but these men urged him to continue as chairman, expressing their willingness to do the vast amount of detail work which his physical condition will not permit him to do.

Health Officer Offers \$25 Cash Prize for Visitors To Offices

Award Will Be Made by Dr. Lewis To Stimulate Interest in Health Work

Dr. S. V. Lewis, district health officer of Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington Counties this week announced he was offering a prize of \$25 in cash, to be paid during the month of December, to the lucky person among visitors to the health offices between August 6 and November 26. This money is not being paid out of district health department funds, he explained, but is being paid by the health officer personally.

The purpose of the project is to induce the general public to visit the offices of the health department in the four counties and learn something about what the health department is doing in each of the counties. Questions regarding the health department are solicited, and Dr. Lewis says it will be a pleasure to answer any and all requests for information relative to the operations of the department in the four counties.

Rules and requirements for a chance at the cash prize were announced as follows: Visit the office of the Health Department in your county on any Saturday between the hours of 8:30 in the morning and 12 o'clock noon and have the clerk in the office register your name, which will have a number. You will be given the number corresponding with the number beside your name on the registration sheet.

Registration of names will begin on August 6 and end on November 26. During the early part of December there will be a meeting of the county board of health in your county. At that time, they will have some child who cannot read or write draw one number from the entire lot registered in your county. Following the drawing, the four numbers drawn, representing each of the four counties, will be placed in a box or hat and one of the four numbers will be drawn, which will be the winning number. It is planned to have the final drawing in Plymouth, the town in which the headquarters office of the health department is located.

It is hoped that this drawing may be arranged at a meeting of some civic club or other organization in the vicinity and that a public health program may be arranged for the occasion. The final drawing will also be done by a small child who cannot read, write, or recognize numerals.

Every citizen in the four counties is requested to participate; white, colored, young and older people; but, in order to win, the person must be a bona fide resident of one of the four counties comprising the health district. Otherwise, there are no strings attached, except the same person is not entitled to register more than one time. The final drawing is to take place prior to December 25, in order that the prize may be awarded before that date.

Saturday mornings were designated as registration days because all department members are in the office at that time and will be able to give you any information you may request relative to health department activities. County officials, persons employed by the health department, and their families are not eligible to receive the prize.

Will Hold County-Wide Contest For Selection of Queen To Be on County Float at Bridge Opening

Series Vaccination Clinics For County Is Announced

Monday, August 15. The places and hours' vacations will be given on these dates were listed as follows: Gin house (John Phelps Estate) at 9:30 a. m. Cherry, 10 a. m. Creswell, 11 a. m. Pritchett's Store, 1 p. m. Mackeys, 2 p. m. Roper, 2:30 p. m. Macedonia, 3:30 p. m. Westover, 4 p. m. Intersection of Pantego (Turnpike) Road with No. 97, 5 p. m. Those desiring these vaccinations are urged to be present at the places nearest them at the hour designated.

County Agent Wants 2,500 Acres of Vetch Planted in County

Sets Goal at That Figure But Says Twice as Much Should Be Planted

A goal of 2,500 acres of vetch planted in Washington County during 1938 was announced today by County Agent W. V. Hays, who believes that this goal can be reached if farmers rotate their crops as they should.

"The 1933 crop report records showed 63 acres of vetch planted for soil-building purposes, and in 1937 we had a record of 1,000 acres planted to vetch for the same purpose," Mr. Hays said.

"Vetch is the best winter legume for tobacco and most of the peanut-type soils in upper Washington County. It is not especially recommended for the heavier black type soil in the lower part of the county. Small grains as cover crops will serve similar purposes in the lower part of the county."

"It has been established by soil specialists that a good crop of vetch turned under puts into the soil plant food value to the extent of from 600 to 800 pounds of nitrate of soda."

"I saw a piece of tobacco planted where vetch had been turned this spring that was as good or even better than a piece of tobacco on an adjoining farm under and around which had been put one ton of high grade tobacco fertilizer and 400 pounds of nitrate of soda. This practice of following tobacco behind vetch is not recommended except in a three-year rotation plan."

"Vetch does work well where high analysis phosphate and potash are used in the tobacco fertilizer. Wonderful corn can be made following vetch. This should then be followed by peanuts and the third year it would be all right for tobacco," the county agent says.

Says FSA Borrowers Should Start on 1939 Farm Plans at Once

Early Rental Agreement First Step in Starting Well-Rounded Program

"Now is the time for farmers expecting to borrow from the Farm Security Administration for 1939 to begin making their farm plans," C. H. Rabon and R. E. Dunning, who are in charge of the FSA rehabilitation program in Washington, Hyde and Tyrrell Counties, said this week.

"The plans should provide for seeding winter cover crops, winter legumes and fall grains this fall, in addition to a balanced farm plan for 1939 and thereafter. In order to make satisfactory plans for fall planting, it is advisable if possible for tenant farmers to make rental agreements during July and August," the supervisors said.

"If loans are needed to assist in financing these plans, the FSA is prepared to make small loans to farmers who are unable to secure adequate financing elsewhere," they pointed out.

Explaining that the task of the Farm Security Administration is not only to help disadvantaged farmers by lending them money but by assisting them to adopt successful farming practices, Messrs. Rabon and Dunning stressed the need of starting early.

"Our goal is to try to get every FSA borrower, whether tenant or owner, to have his farm plan worked out during late summer and early fall," he said. "Hard work, combined with convenient credit, good equipment and good farming practices, in most cases, mean the difference between failure and success, but in order to get good farming practices underway we have to plan ahead," they added.

Queen of Albemarle Will Be Chosen From Winners in Counties

Money Raised by Contest Will Be Used for Expense of Building Floats

There was a meeting of a committee, composed of representatives of the Woman's Club, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Junior Woman's Club, Merchants' Association, Lions Club, and a delegation from Creswell, held Monday night to discuss the method of raising money to build a county float for the celebration which is to be held on August 25, formally opening the Albemarle bridge. The cost of the historical float, which will depict the Confederate ram "Albemarle," will be \$150, and incidentals in connection are expected to add another \$50. There will also be a float for the "queen" of Washington, who will be selected in a county-wide contest.

Of the amount needed, the Merchants' Association has agreed to donate \$50, the Lions Club will be responsible for \$50, and the Masonic Lodge is donating \$15.

Since the other counties are unofficially entering a queen who will ride in the parade from the north side to the south side of the bridge, it was decided that Washington County would also enter a queen and use the money needed for building the Albemarle float and decoration of the queen's float.

The Woman's Clubs of Creswell and Plymouth and the parent-teacher association of Roper will sponsor this contest. The entrance fee for contestants, limited to young unmarried ladies from 15 to 30, will be \$1, and votes will be sold at 1 cent each. It was announced by the Creswell representatives, C. N. Davenport, Sr., Fred Smith and Mesdames A. H. Tucker and E. S. Woodley, that the Creswell Woman's Club guaranteed a donation of at least \$15 and to enter at least one girl in the contest.

A boy and girl between the ages of 6 and 8 will also be selected from Washington County to ride on a float which is being sponsored jointly by all of the counties in the Albemarle section. These boys and girls will be dressed in Colonial costumes and from the entire group one boy and one girl will be selected to cut the ribbon at the drawbridge, after the formal presentation of the bridge to the public by the North Carolina Highway Commission. The Junior Woman's Club of Plymouth will sponsor a contest to select these representatives for the county, and there will be a special representative in Creswell to sponsor the contest there. It will cost 10 cents to enter each child and votes will be sold at 1 cent each. Boxes will be placed in all the drug stores, and a scoreboard will be kept daily to show which contestant is ahead.

"The Queen of the Albemarle" will be selected from the group of queens composed of one from each county. This is regarded as an exceptionally high honor, and local people hope to see the entrant from Washington County declared the winner.

The celebration marking the formal opening of the bridge is expected to be one of the greatest events in the history of Washington County, and everyone is urged to contribute to the success of the event by supporting both of the contests, to select the queen and the boy and girl to ride on the district float.

Number Inmates in State Institutions

There were 19,582 inmates of state penal, charitable and correctional institutions on May 1, according to a report made public recently by Dr. J. Wallace Nygard, director of the Division of Institutions and Corrections of the State Board of Charities and public welfare.

By far the largest number, 9,728, were confined to the Central Prison and the various prison camps of the state. There were 7,290 mental patients as follows: State Hospital at Morganton, 2,262; State Hospital at Raleigh, 2,238; State Hospital at Goldsboro, 2,094, and Caswell Training School, 696.

A total of 936 juvenile delinquents were in five state institutions for that type of offender; there were 1,542 physical defectives, and four Confederate veterans and 42 widows of Confederate soldiers were in the two homes maintained for such persons.

Creswell Woman's Club To Donate \$15 To Float Fund

Mrs. A. H. Tucker, president of the Creswell Woman's Club, called a special meeting of the executive committee Thursday afternoon, at which time it was decided to contribute \$15 toward the expense of the Washington County float, a replica of the ram "Albemarle," in the parade at the opening of the Albemarle Sound Bridge on August 25.

Plan Sunday Night Union Services for Month of August

Beginning the first Sunday night in August, and continuing throughout the month, union services will be held in the Methodist, Christian and Baptist Churches. Regular morning services will be held at each church.

Rev. C. T. Thrift will preach at the Christian Church Sunday evening, August 6; Rev. N. A. Taylor will preach at the Baptist church Sunday evening, August 13, Rev. P. B. Nickens will preach at the Methodist church on Sunday evening, August 20, and the Rev. R. H. Lucas will preach at a church to be announced later on August 27th.

The pastors urge all the members of these churches to cooperate in attendance and help make these union services a success.

Outing Planned for Lions and Families At Beach Next Week

Supper To Be Served Picnic Style; Seven New Members Added

Members of the various committees of the Plymouth Lions Club were named this week by President W. L. Whitley, as the Lions prepared for an outing at Albemarle Beach with their families next Thursday night, July 28.

No formal program has been arranged for the outing next week, and the members will rather at the beach for the sports to be enjoyed there and will have a supper served picnic style later.

President Whitley stated he hoped to have about seven new members ready to attend the next meeting, the names having been presented and accepted for membership by the club. Committee assignments for the new year were announced as follows: Attendance: Z. V. Norman, chairman; Dr. W. H. Johnson, T. C. Burgess, W. V. Hays, J. R. Manning, and P. W. Brown.

Constitution and by-laws: C. L. Bailey, chairman; W. M. Darden and Dr. S. V. Lewis.

Extension: R. H. Lucas, chairman; A. J. Riddle, W. J. Mayo.

Finance: A. L. Owens, chairman; J. W. Norman and A. E. Davenport. Membership: Dr. T. L. Bray, chairman; L. S. Thompson and E. H. Liverman.

Members of U. D. C. Are Urged To Attend Program Saturday

Historical Day Exercises To Be Held at Fort Raleigh, Roanoke Island

Members of the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy are urged by the president, Mrs. John W. Darden, to attend the historical day exercises at Fort Raleigh, Roanoke Island, Saturday, at which time all historical societies of the State will gather.

Among those planning to attend from here is Mrs. Claudius McGowan, recorder of crosses in the State U. D. C. organization, who will leave Friday to be present at the ceremonies.

The exercises will begin at noon, lasting for an hour. There will be speaking and greetings from chapter presidents present. Music will be provided by the Westminster Choir. Many will remain over to attend a showing of Paul Green's "Lost Colony."