

FIRST OF COLLINS FESTIVAL PROGRAMS



The Madrigal Singers will present the first of the series of four Collins Entertainment programs at the high school building here Thursday of next week. Sponsored by the Plymouth Lions Club, proceeds of the festival will go to the charity fund of the local club. Other programs will follow on successive Thursdays.

250 Farmers Signed Farm Practice Plans In County Last Week

Local Scouts Will Canvass for Books

The Plymouth Boy Scouts, under the direction of Phil Liverman, will make a house-to-house canvass for books, including elementary readers and primers, which local people are asked to donate to the library. The canvass will be made Saturday of next week, September 27, between 9 and 12 o'clock in the morning. The movement is sponsored by the Plymouth Junior Woman's Club, officials of which urge local people to clean off their book shelves and share some of their books with the school library.

Bargaining Rights Sought by Union Of Office Workers

Conferences Are Being Held With Pulp Plant Management This Week

Conferences are being held this week by officials of the North Carolina Pulp Company and representatives of the American Federation of Labor, the latter having requested the pulp company to grant Local No. 22,681, of the office workers' union, bargaining rights for about 60 employees in the office, forestry and chemical laboratory departments.

A. E. Brown, of Durham, a representative of the American Federation of Labor, is here conferring with officials of the local union, and is also taking part in the conferences with plant officials. Also present for the conferences has been Robert W. Knadler, field examiner of the Baltimore, Md., fifth regional office of the National Labor Relations Board.

Crop Rotation System for Six Farms Very Pleasing

Results of a crop rotation system worked out for six farms in Washington have been very pleasing, according to W. V. Hays, county agent, who said this plan of rotating crops is growing in importance each year and increasing in common usage.

E. R. Lewis, J. L. McAllister, L. E. Hassell, Sam D. Spruill, E. H. Liverman and R. H. Lucas are reported to be well pleased with the method of rotation worked out and adapted to their farms during the current year.

Madrigal Singers To Present First of Collins Festival Programs Next Week

The Madrigal Singers, appearing in the Plymouth High School Auditorium Thursday night of next week, September 25, marks the first of four performances to be given here by the Collins Entertainment Festival on successive Thursday nights, under the sponsorship of the local Lions Club. Proceeds from the festival will go to the charity fund of the club.

The Madrigal Singers will open their program appropriately in old English costumes of the Drur, Lane period, singing the traditional madrigals of the sixteenth century. They will also sing some of the modern madrigals, including the well-known

"Brightly Dawns Our Wedding Day," from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado."

The second part of the program is given over to a salute to Pan-America, singing the well-known conga and tango rhythms of these countries, performed to the staccato rhythms of the morrocos and rhythm drums.

The third part consists of song hits from light operas and recent motion picture successes, lovely ballad numbers, and the stirring march songs of Broadway and Hollywood productions in appropriate costumes.

The troupe is made up of Marion Huebner, soprano; Marjorie Moore, contralto; Fred Topping, tenor; and Robert Phillips, basso.

Kehukee Primitive Baptists Will Hold Meeting in County

Annual Associational Gathering at Concord Church October 4, 5 and 6

Preparations are being made for the convening of the Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association for its annual meeting with the Concord Primitive Baptist church, between Creswell and Cherry, Washington County, for three days, on October 4, 5, and 6, according to an announcement by Elder S. Gray, of Kinston, pastor of the host church.

There are about 19 churches in North Carolina and Virginia that will send delegates to the yearly meeting, in addition to about 50 preachers who are expected to come from the churches which are members of the association.

The Kehukee Association is one of the oldest church organizations in the United States, having been formed at Scotland Neck in 1770, when the association first met with the Kehukee Primitive Baptist church from which it took its name.

Postmaster John W. Darden, who is active in church affairs here, is assisting members of the Concord church and officials of the association in arranging for the event.

Elder E. B. Denson, of Rocky Mount is moderator of the association, and Elder B. S. Cowan, of Bear Grass, in Martin County, is clerk.

Elder Gray and Mr. Darden this week stated that an invitation was extended to everyone to attend the three-day association meeting, and people of the county are asked to cooperate in taking care of the association by attending and carrying baskets of food and otherwise generally helping with the meeting.

Few Dog Owners Have Paid Taxes

Chief of Police P. W. Brown said today that \$112 had been collected in town dog taxes, but there were still about 200 dogs in Plymouth whose owners must pay the tax at once or be subject to additional expense when the dogs are impounded.

Joe L. Nobles has been appointed by the town council to enforce the dog ordinance. Chief Brown said today that "the first thing some people know, they will have their dogs to get from the pound at heavy expense and they are also subjecting themselves to arrest by permitting their dogs to run at large."

17-A Designation of Sound Bridge Route Favored in Section

Postal Cards Being Sent to Highway Commission By Many People

Approximately 300 of the 2,000 postal cards printed have reached State Highway and Public Works Commission at Raleigh, urging the highway officials to designate as 17-A the route from Washington through Plymouth and over the Albemarle Sound bridge to Elizabeth City.

If such a designation was made, according to W. L. Whitley, local attorney who is active in the campaign, the route would be made an official alternate route to that part of U. S. 17 which goes through Williamston, Windsor and Edenton.

It is understood here that the Southern Albemarle Association, whose membership consists of people in Washington, Dare, Hyde and Tyrrell Counties, is behind the movement to secure the alternate designation for the route through Plymouth.

Mr. Whitley says it is "inconceivable to think that the State Highway and Public Works Commission could fail to grant the request for traffic to pass over a bridge which was built at a cost of almost a million dollars."

Chairman Ben Prince, of the Highway Commission, said that most of the cards—which have a space for the sender to sign his name—came from persons in the Albemarle Sound area, which has been benefited by traffic routed over the sound bridge while the Williamston fill was being repaired.

Mr. Whitley said the cards had been distributed in Beaufort, Washington and other counties adjoining the highway or which will be benefited by the alternate route designation.

Council Receives Report On Recent Town Audit

The Town of Plymouth Council held a special session here Tuesday night of this week to hear a report on the audit of the town's finances for the past fiscal year, with a representative of Williams & Wall, certified public accountants, who made the audit, reporting on their findings.

Mr. Williams, who did the work, said that all of the accounts of the tax collector and the water department were in order. "Every department made a fine record," said one of the officials after meeting.

18 Houses Occupied At 'Little Richwood' Development Here

Work Continuing on Other 20 Homes; Electricity Is Made Available

Eighteen families have moved into the new homes being completed in the "Little Richwood" development, located on property formerly known as Brinkley's woods, just west of the Plymouth town limits. Work continues on the remainder of the 38 dwellings to be constructed there.

Each of the families now has electric current available, as employees of the Virginia Electric & Power Co. completed installation of the necessary lines and equipment Monday, and C. C. Hardison, local VEP manager, was "cutting in" circuits to the completed homes yesterday and today.

Several of the 18 houses were not completely finished, it was stated, but the owners plan to do much of the work remaining themselves. However, eight of the houses have been or are now being painted on the outside, with interior painting to be done later.

The houses were built for employees of the North Carolina Pulp Company, which arranged financial assistance for the workers in paying for their new homes. Some of the owners are understood to be planning to apply for loans through the local building and loan association.

Each occupant will become owner of the house in which he lives after a certain number of years, the money paid as rent being applied on the purchase price.

A half acre of ground is available with each of the houses, which have five and six rooms. Pumps have been placed on the lots to supply water.

Few Parents Attend First Meeting Here Of Parent-Teachers

Plans Made at Session Yesterday for Increasing Membership

Only a small crowd of parents were present Wednesday afternoon for the first meeting of the Plymouth Parent-Teacher Association of the new school term, held in the auditorium of the high school here. Plans were made for a membership increase, monthly programs were worked out and a general discussion of school work was held.

Principal R. B. Trotman talked to the parents and teachers for a short while on the departmental work of the school, including the commercial department, handled by Mrs. Irma Hough, and the manual arts department, under the direction of W. S. Moore, vocational agriculture teacher.

It was reported at the meeting that about 4,000 quarts of vegetables and fruits were canned by Work Projects Administration employees during the summer for use in the school lunch rooms, which are growing in importance and patronage each year.

Mrs. W. A. Davidson is president and Mrs. Irma Hough secretary of the organization. A list of committee appointments will be released for publication as soon as it can be prepared.

Bombing Targets Located in Sound

Bombing targets have been established by the United States Navy in Albemarle Sound, it was learned today from Captain W. J. Keester, of the Coast Guard, commander of the Norfolk district, who urges mariners to guard against the danger of approaching too near the targets.

Target "A" is in 14 feet of water, 4,600 yards 134 degrees true from Laurel Point light; "B" is in 16 feet of water, 4.9 miles, 32 degrees true from Laurel Point light; "C" is in 15 feet of water, 59 degrees true from Alligator River lighthouse; and "D" is in 5 feet of water, 5.1 miles, 153 degrees from Wade Point light station.

The officer stated that white reflectors were installed on bombing targets and adjacent pile markers, and red reflectors were installed on "B" and adjacent pile markers. The targets were reported to have been established Monday.

Home of Lloyd Barnes Burned Near Creswell

The home of Lloyd Barnes, near Creswell, was destroyed by fire recently, causing a loss of about \$1,000 in furniture and household effects and clothes, in addition to the value of the dwelling. Origin of the blaze is not known. The dwelling, which was owned by Cicero Phelps, was completely burned to the ground. It was valued at about \$1,000.

There was reported to be some insurance on the furniture, but Mr. Barnes did not know whether or not there was any insurance on the house. Mr. Barnes said that no one was at home during the day when the dwelling burned.

\$9,000 Damage Done By 5-Day Forest Fire In Lees Mill Township

First Grid Game Here Next Week

Arrangements are being made to play the opening football game of the season at the Kieckhefer Park here Friday night of next week, September 26, when the Morehead City and Plymouth High School teams will get their first test.

Since this will be the first opportunity for the local squad to show its wares, a large crowd is expected to attend. Interest in football is greater than at any time in recent years here, and the local boys will be ready with new equipment, new plays and almost a new team to give the home folks a treat.

Three Cars Involved In Wreck Tuesday Due To Smoke Pall

No One Seriously Injured But \$300 Damage Done To Cars

Two automobiles and a trailer loaded with tobacco were damaged about \$300 worth Tuesday morning, when they were involved in a wreck on Highway 64, near the Macedonia colored school. Only one of the several occupants was injured, it was learned from Sheriff J. K. Reid, who investigated the accident. Smoke from a forest fire south of the highway is reported to have been so dense that it was difficult for the drivers to see any distance ahead of their cars.

It was stated that a car operated by Dennis A. Sawyer ran into the rear of the trailer loaded with tobacco attached to a car operated by J. Henderson Dail, of Edenton, who had stopped on the highway. In the car with Mr. Sawyer was Arthur Spruill, Lester Snell, Robert Spear and Howett Wynn. Mr. Snell received two slight cuts over the eye.

Another car, driven by Cornell Furlough, ran into the rear of the wrecked Sawyer car and the tobacco-loaded trailer. Riding with Mr. Furlough were Cecil Craft, Robert Sawyer, Nathan Phelps and a colored man, Robert Lee McCrae. None of them was seriously hurt.

Sheriff Reid said that still another car, operated by a stranger whose identity could not be established, ran past two guards placed 200 yards back of the wreck to signal motorists, and hit the pile of tobacco in the middle of the highway, scattering it, and continued on his way. Most of the tobacco was salvaged.

Registrants Urged To Correct Defects

"Consult your physician and your dentist to correct any remedial physical defects before you are called for examination by your local board, Edward S. Blount, chairman of the selective service board here, urges all Washington County registrants.

Mr. Blount said that statistics show a high rate of rejections of registrants for physical disabilities which can be remedied, and he urged local registrants awaiting call for military training to endeavor to fit themselves for acceptance not only as a patriotic duty in a period of national emergency, but also in the interest of personal health as well as for their own personal well-being.

It is not only a question of improving one's physical condition so that there will be a greater certainty of passing the local board and army physician tests," said Mr. Blount, "but every man in this county will better his own way of living and contribute a real service to the public health if he will take definite measures to have his disabilities corrected."

Aircraft Warning Posts and Observers For County Are Designated This Week

Washington County's four aircraft warning posts are prepared for the Army Air Corps maneuvers in northeastern North Carolina, according to P. W. Brown, local legionnaire, who was instrumental in arranging the aircraft spotting system in this county under the direction of the State Civilian Defense headquarters in Raleigh.

The entire state is to be dotted with about 700 observation posts, and those in this county are now ready. It is understood that the designation of observation posts is lagging in the western part of the state.

Posts in this county and observers are: No. 1, at Wenona, J.

Equipment of Pulp Plant Used to Bring Fire Under Control

Cause Unknown; Warden S. F. Darden Continuing Investigation

A forest fire has been raging for the past five days in Lees Mill Township, doing damage estimated by Forest Fire Warden S. F. Darden at about \$9,000. A crew of 30 men has been engaged in fighting the fire, and it is believed the flames have been brought under control.

Warden Darden said yesterday that spread of the blaze had been checked on three sides, and that efforts are now being centered on keeping the fire from spreading to the Big Dismal Swamp. A fire lane blocks the fire on the east near W. H. Thompson's farm; open fields and Highway No. 64 have cut it off on the north; and the men working under the direction of Mr. Darden have cut a lane through the woods at the head of Garrett's Island across to Jim Bateman's place on the west, but no water is available to control the blaze on the south, where the danger of spreading to the Big Dismal Swamp is greatest.

Mr. Darden was high in his praise of the fine work done by the foresters and equipment of the North Carolina Pulp Company in helping to bring the blaze under control. The fire warden said that the tractor-pulled used for making fire lanes by the company did the work last Sunday in a few hours that would have required the labor of 200 men. He said the company not only loaned the use of its equipment but sent experienced men to help with the fire-fighting work.

The fire originated in Skinner's Ditch, on the north side of Highway 64 in Lees Mills Township, last Friday morning, but the cause has not yet been determined by the warden, who is continuing his investigation.

The fire fighters toiled all night Friday, all day Saturday and half of Saturday night and all day Sunday in an effort to prevent spread of the big fire.

Lions Club Members Make Tour of Pulp Plant Last Thursday

Also Hear Lecture by Frank Heyward, of Conservation Association

The Plymouth Lions Club and a number of guests, totaling about 30 persons, went on a conducted tour of the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here last Thursday evening with four employees of the firm directing the visitors through the plant and explaining the operation of each department.

T. W. Earle, manager of the wood land department, and Dr. E. A. Harper, chief chemist, led the visitors to the office of Harry Gray, general superintendent, who welcomed them in a short talk prior to the tour of the plant.

The group was taken to the de-barking drum, chipper, digester, diffuser, wet room, caustic house, power building and the paper mill, following the route of the wood as it is transformed into pulp and paper.

After the tour, the group went to the Pines for its dinner meeting, where Frank Heyward, jr., general manager of the Southern Pulpwood Conservation Association, made an illustrated talk on the proper cutting of pulpwood and showed by pictures the loss to forest owners caused by fires each year.

The club meets tonight, with Dr. S. V. Lewis and T. C. Burgess in charge of the program.

L. Rea; No. 2, in Roper, J. E. Phelps; No. 3, Pleasant Grove, J. C. Tarkeinton; and No. 4, Creswell, Earl Davenport.

Reports from the posts in this county will be made to Raleigh office, where the route of the "invaders" will be charted on large maps. The command post at Wilmington, to which data will be relayed from centers such as Raleigh, will study the attack and issue orders to defending aircraft, civilian air-raid wardens and others.

Washington County is in the First Interceptor Command, which includes Tyrrell, Martin, Beaufort, Chowan and other surrounding counties.