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HIGH SCHOOL TO GIVE PLAY

Frolic of 25 a Six Act Vaudeville Will be Given by Franklin High School Students.

At the hour house Saturday evening at 8:30, a six act Vaudeville bill will be presented that will be well worth the price of admission, 15 and 25 cents. It will be an evening of entertainment for all ages and occupations. Beginning with an orchestra and closing with a black face act. The Frolic of 25 will be a program of song, dance and sparkling fun.

The proceeds will be for school benefit. Merchants of the town are contributing to costumes and stage properties.

Advertising posters are the work of students of the fifth grade.

Makes Money Selling Guernsey Milk Cows

Sandersville, Ga., April 25.—Last week a friend of mine took me to task for advocating dairying in Georgia, saying that he would go into the cattle business himself if he could make any money at it. As a result of this conversation the writer had a talk with W. H. Howell, manager of Fern Crest Guernsey farm at this place and asked him the direct question whether or not the dairy of which has charge is making money. As an answer he showed me the books and told me about recent sales of cattle which they had made. Believing that this information would be of interest to farmers of our county and Georgia at large, I obtained permission to publish the prices received for animals sold recently.

A foundation herd consisting of a registered Guernsey bull and five purebred Guernsey females was recently sold to a man in northern Alabama. The bull brought \$500 and the heifers, at an average age of one year, were sold for \$300 each.

About nine months ago a doctor in Atlanta bought three high-grade Guernsey cows from Fern Crest that had been milking 70 days. At the time they were sold the three were giving 18 gallons of milk a day, an average of six gallons per cow. They brought an average of 183.33. He was so well pleased with these three cows in comparison with cattle bought from other farms that he sent a check for 375 for an 18-months-old registered Guernsey heifer that he had never seen. He was so delighted with this heifer that he was reported to have said that if his cattle bought from certain other farms were worth what he paid for them, this heifer was worth several hundred dollars more than he paid for her.

Week before last this same man came to Fern Crest and selected a pure-bred Guernsey heifer for which he paid \$300 and a 15-months-old registered Guernsey bull at \$500. For months he had been a great admirer of the pure-bred Guernsey cow, Itchen Renter's Constance 110118, which cow was held at \$1,000. At the time of his last visit Constance had given birth to her fourth calf and on two milkings a day was giving approximately six gallons. Since her calf was well worth \$300 he was told that he could buy Constance for \$750, which price he accepted immediately.

Constance, has given approximately 13,500 pounds of milk and 600 pounds of butter fat in a year. She has produced a little more than eight gallons of milk a day. She is cheap at \$750 for with milk at 15 cents a quart she produced \$942 worth last year.

Figuring milk at 10 cents a quart and the calves at what they actually sold for and deducting the cost of feed and labor on the cows and their calves, three cows in the Fern Crest herd have actually made a net profit of a little more than \$1,000 each in 12 months. From these records and figures it is clear that even though the prices paid for Guernsey cattle are high it is easy to make a profit on them from the sale of their milk alone.

The demand for Guernsey is such that the cows and young cattle can be sold for good prices which means a good profit for any one who wishes to engage in dairying.

The three bulls shipped in here in May, 1923 and the one in January 1924, came from Fern Crest Guernsey farm. The one that was placed in the Riverside community is a close relative—probably a full brother—to Itchen Renter's Constance that is mentioned in the foregoing article.

With blood like this, Macon county should make a reputation with Guernsey cattle. Still a few who have not looked into the question or do not know dairy cattle from beef cattle will growl and howl about the county being ruined with Georgia scrubs. Investigate, or SHUT UP!

AMERICAN LEGION PLANS BIG JULY FOURTH CELEBRATION

Entertainments—Ball Games—Horse Races—Fireworks—Dances—Also Home Coming Week For Our Former Residents—Big Times For Everybody—Wants Names and Addresses of Former Macon County People.

July 4th this year will be the biggest occasion of its kind Macon County has ever seen. The American Legion has charge. And when those boys take hold they do things. Witness the late unpleasantness across the water.

Heretofore July 4th celebrations in Franklin have consisted of one, hectic day, everything crowded to death, and usually very little system. This year you'll see a vast difference. The Legion Fourth will cover three days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 3rd, 4th and 5th, with something of real interest going on every minute of the time. These boys have organized, each phase of the affair is under direct supervision of one man or one committee, and you may expect the most without fear of disappointment.

The primary idea back of this three day celebration is to induce as large a number as possible of former Macon county citizens to pay the Old Home a visit at this time, and to make every effort to have a part of them re-locate here. Macon county is now on the verge of a great forward march, and this, it would seem, is the logical time to invite our former sons and daughters to revisit old scenes and renew old friendships. And for this purpose what time is more suitable than July 4th? On this day of loyalty to a great Government and a great Principle why should not the fires of loyalty to the old home and the old friends burn brightest?

The editor of The Franklin Press wants the name and address of every native Macon County man and woman who is living in other counties or states. No matter how far away or how close to old Macon, just so they live, out of the county, we want their names. This is in order that we may invite them to attend the great Fourth of July Celebration and Home Coming Week. Every person who will read this probably knows of one or more former Macon county citizens who are now living in other counties or other states. Send their names and addresses to the editor of The Franklin Press. Elsewhere in this issue, is a convenient coupon prepared for this purpose. Fill it in, clip, and send to the editor. Do this today—DON'T PUT IT OFF!

Aside from the primary object of a Great Home Coming Celebration, it is hoped that this enterprise will create in the citizens of Macon a keener sense of pride and loyalty for their home county. This movement is sponsored by the local post of The American Legion. If there is any profit from the various entertainments which will be put on, this will be added to the Memorial Fund started several years ago for the purpose of building a suitable memorial to the fifteen Macon county boys who gave their lives in the World War.

And, man, there's going to be something doing this trip—or the American Legion promises to draw in its horns! This isn't going to be one of those Fourth's when you get back to the old roost about twelve o'clock at night, plumb disgusted, and wondering what in h..... you bit again for anyway. Not by a long shot. The complete program hasn't been made out yet, but its coming along fast—and it's a whopper! Below we are giving a synopsis of the events already planned. Read 'em—and make your arrangements accordingly!

SYNOPSIS OF PROGRAM

Friday, July 3rd

10:00 A. M., Baseball Game.
12:00 M., Basket Dinner.
1:30 P. M., Address of Welcome.
2:00 P. M., Address by Former Macon County Citizen.
3 to 5 P. M., Music by Brass Band.
8:00 P. M., Local Talent Entertainment.

10:00 P. M., American Legion Dance.

Saturday, July 4th

10:00 A. M., Pageant.
12 M to 1:00 P. M., Street Contests.
3:00 P. M., Horse Races.
3:00 P. M., Entertainment, Court House.
8:00 P. M., Entertainment, Court House.
10:00 P. M., Fireworks.

Sunday, July 5th

11:00 A. M., Union Service, all churches participating. Some distinguished out-of-town preacher, preferably a former Macon County man, will be obtained for this service.

COOPERATIVE POULTRY SALE

Macon County Shipped Her Tenth Car of Poultry on April 10—Was First County to Hold Sales.

A co-operative car of poultry was shipped out of Macon county April 10. This sale proved very successful. 16,180 pounds of poultry were loaded on the car. The sum of \$3,529.16 was paid the farmers for poultry and \$345 for eggs. More than 80 per cent of the car was hens. The peddlers were paying 16 cents per pound for hens just before the sale.

The following prices were paid for poultry at the car door: Hens, 24 cents; fryers, 42 cents; Stags, 20 cents; and roosters, 10 cents. This represents a substantial saving to the farmers of the county and demonstrates what farmers in other sections can do through co-operative effort.

J. V. Arrendale, county agent, reports this as the tenth co-operative car of poultry to go out of the county. The first co-operative car of poultry to go out of the county was April 25, 1923. This was also the first co-operative car of poultry to be shipped out of the state. Mr. Arrendale was called to Central Carolina soon after the first shipment to speak before a group of county agents on methods employed in handling co-operative car shipments of poultry. Since this time many cars have gone out of the State and are making thousands of dollars for the farmers of North Carolina.—Asheville Citizen.

News of West's Mill

Mr. W. W. Potts of Bryson City is visiting friends in West's Mill this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Reid and little daughters, Pauline and Dorothy, of Dillsboro were visiting friends here last week end.

Mr. Carroll Gibson of Bryson City spent Saturday and Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. Ben R. Gibson.

Mrs. Alex Higdon and daughters Dorothy and Maxine of Cullowhee are visiting Mrs. Higdon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Bryson of this place.

Messrs. Horace and Fred Bryson and sisters, Zula and Edwina left Tuesday of this week for Winston-Salem.

Mr. Floyd Gibson of Winston-Salem is here on an extended visit with his mother, Mrs. Ben R. Gibson.

Miss Kate Hyatt of Otto spent Sunday afternoon here with her sister, Mrs. Clyde N. West.

Miss Grace Bryson is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. Craig Stepp of Aquone.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett B. Rickman of Canton visited relatives here recently.

Mr. Carlyle Sheffield who has been in school at Canton for the past year is back at his home here.

Messrs. Glenn Gibson and Jack sharp who have been at Winston-Salem for the last few years spent last week with relatives and friends here. They left the first of the week for a trip through the middle and western states.

Mr. Ross Davis of Otto was a visitor in West's Mill last Sunday.

Mrs. L. C. Stepp and little son, L. C. Jr., were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bryson recently.

Mrs. John Potts visited relatives at Leatherman last Sunday.

Mr. Alex Elmore who is attending school at Sylva Collegiate Institute spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Elmore.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Cowee church is progressing nicely! We have meetings each Wednesday night with good attendance.

Mrs. Buel Mason and children Carl and Jenniev, of Leatherman were visiting Mrs. Solomon Leatherman Monday of this week.

Miss Grace Sheffield has gone to Canton to spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Jessie Rickman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Purnell Bryson entertained the young folks of this community with a candy party last Thursday evening.

TO HOLD BIG LAND SALE

Beautiful "Bidwell Heights" To Be Subdivided and Offered Public—an Absolute Auction.

The Franklin Realty company is cleaning up and subdividing "Bidwell Heights," their beautiful residential property lying along Bidwell and Lyle streets, between Harrison avenue and West Main street. Some time during the latter part of May this property will be sold at absolute auction by the Home Realty & Auction company, a high class local auction concern.

New, broad streets and drives are being built over the property, and it will be subdivided into a number of handsome and well located residence lots. This is probably the best located residential property now for sale in Franklin, lying as it does in the best residence district, one quarter of a mile from Court House, high and airy, with city water, lights and telephone, and much of it being fronted with paved street and concrete sidewalk. It is doubtful if the citizens of this town and county will have another opportunity to secure such property at their own price.

An interesting feature of the sale is the fact that the property owners will give away on the day of the sale absolutely free, to some person present, whether a purchaser of a lot or not, a brand new 1925 Ford automobile. The manager of the sale informs us that every person who attends will receive one free chance on this car. In addition, five extra chances will be given with every lot purchased.

Mr. R. A. Patton, manager of the Home Realty & Auction company, selling agents for this property, assures the Press that this is to be the biggest sale, replete with the soundest opportunities for the home-seeker and investor, that his company has yet handled.

There will be a brass band and other features of interest.

Georgia Road

The Wilson Construction company is making a record for pouring concrete on the Georgia road. This company started work half way between Otto and Tryphosa with two concrete mixers, one going toward Tryphosa and one toward Otto. This part of the road is now finished and will be opened to traffic as soon as the concrete hardens.

One mixer is now coming from the Georgia line to Tryphosa and the other began at a point near the Morrison school and is going toward Otto. These two sections of the road will be completed in a few days when all machinery will be moved to a location near Prentiss and work both ways toward Morrison school and toward Franklin.

Traffic is now being detoured from Prentiss to the Georgia line along the east side of the river.

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR

Governor McLean Sets This Week as American Forest Week—Urges Citizens to Observe Same.

WHEREAS, by proclamation, the President of the United States, has requested the Governors of the several States to set apart the week of April 27-May 3, inclusive, as American Forest Week, for bringing to the attention of all the people the national danger that lies in continued neglect of our forest resources; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina has in the past witnessed a depletion of once splendid forests to the point that the great Naval Stores Industry has been destroyed and the wood-using industries weakened by a continued decline in the amount and quality of timber suitable to its needs; and

WHEREAS, neglect of the forest results in continued fires which destroy seedlings and young trees so that cut over lands that should be producing more timber are being turned by thousands of acres into barren wastes that are an economic burden; and

WHEREAS, timber is a fundamental of civilization entering vitally into the daily life of every citizen and making for his happiness and wealth when plentiful and his economic distress when squandered at the source of supply; Now,

THEREFORE, I urge all public officials, public and civic agencies, industrial leaders, forest owners, and users, and all patriotic citizens generally, to observe, think upon and so far as possible impress the lesson of American Forest Week in aid of our common duty of conservation, protection and renewal for the thrift of this generation and the untold benefits to generations yet to come.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the State of North Carolina.

Done at our city of Raleigh, this 21st day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-ninth.

ANGUS W. McLEAN,
Governor

By the Governor,
CHARLES H. ENGLAND,
Private Secretary.

MR. LEWIS SORRELS DEAD

Mr. Lewis Sorrels, 83, died last Saturday at his home on Mashburn Branch. The remains were interred Sunday at Bethel church, Rev. W. M. Smith conducting the services.

The deceased leaves two sons, four daughters and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

Prior to his death, Mr. Sorrels was one of the very few remaining Confederate Veterans, having served with bravery and distinction for four years in the Civil War in Captain Tom Angel's company of North Carolina troops.

The AMERICAN LEGION JULY 4th CELEBRATION
Franklin, N. C., July 3rd, 4th and 5th
HOME COMING WEEK for our FORMER CITIZENS

EDITOR FRANKLIN PRESS,
FRANKLIN, N. C.

Dear Sir:—Below I list the names and addresses of Former Macon county citizens who might be interested in the AMERICAN LEGION HOME COMING FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION.

NAME

ADDRESS

Sent in by (Name of sender)

Address of sender