STATE FARMERS AND FARM WO MEN WIL GATHER AT STATE COLLEGI. "

JULY 31 FOR 3-DAY MEETING

Program Consists of Discussions By Able Speakers on Farm Financing and Business Problems.

Farmers and farm women of North Jarolina will assemble at the State Jollege of Agriculture and Engineer ng July 31 far a three-day meeting of the twenty-first annual convention of the Farmers and Farm Women,

Addresses by Dr. J. Y. Joyner, pres dent of the Farmers, and Mrs. Lacy Macarthur, of Cumberland county, president of the Farm Women, will feature the opening session. Aaron Sapire, cooperative marketing expert, is expected to be present for the meeting and efforts are being made to have a large attendance of cooperative marketing association members.

On the general program will be dis cusions by able speakers on farm anancing, business problems, commodity marketing, home products mareting, building for citizenship, diversided farming, boll weavil control. The afternoon meeting will be devoted to sectional meetings and demonstrations, while the evening program will be interspersed with music, plays and tocial entertainments.

"No effort is being spared," continued Dr. Joyner, "to make this convention the most instructive, the most entertaining, the most largely attended, and the most representative conference on agriculture ever held in North Carolina. Every farmer and his wife are cordially invited to attend. A special invitation is extended to all members of the Tobacco and the Cotton Growers' Associations. The associations are earnestly requested to advertise this convention through their local and field workers, and aid in securing a large attendance."

What farm women in North Carolina are accomplishing will be the feature of the farm women's section of the convention.

Bidders on 28 Projects Submitted.

Low bidders on 28 projects submitted to contractors by the State Highway Commission brought 128 bids, with the aggregate total of what Chairman Frank Page calls "lowest, not low," bids to \$3,879,143.21 for the second largest letting in the history of road building in the state.

Many of the bids are regarded as the figures submitted and which are former high levels. to be rejected. Contracts will not be signed for several days to come.

Only three major hard surfacing projects were included in the lot and one major bridge which will require many thousands of barrels of cement. The majority of the roads were for gravel or asphalted macadam. The cement market is still too congested to permit the addition of many major projects except where the demand is

On the Wilson-Bynum-Farmville road very nearly 20 miles long, the Commission received the largest single bid that has ever been submitted as a low figure the total for the roadway and bridges reaching \$738,-000. The bid on the Elizabethtown bridge, aggregating \$417,000 is the largest cost for a bridge of that type even submitted.

Governor Grants Respites.

Governor Morrison commuted to life imprisonment, death sentence imposed in Edecombe Superior court against Eugene and Sidney Gupton, convicted of murder in the first degree, and granted respites to W. W. Campbell, of Asheville; Jerry Dalton, of Macon; and Bob Benson, of Iredell, each awaiting execution on the charge

The commutation of the Guptons sentence to die on July 27 is upon recommendation of Judge Frank Danjels who tried them and the jury who convicted. The respite of W. W. Campbell moved up his execution date from July 12 until October 12; Jerry Dalton from June 8 to Septem-ber 20; and Bob Benson from June 6 to October 1.

New Charters lesued.

Charters were filed with the Sec-retary of State for the following cor-porations to do business in North

North State Realty and Auction Company, of High Point, with \$50,000 authorised capital and \$1,000 subscribed by B. C. Albertson, W. H. Albertson, and W. H. Davis, all of High

Kiter Auto Exchange. Inc., of Char-lette, with \$100,000 authorized capital and \$300 subscribed by H. B. Kiser and Charles Blackburn.

Diphtheria Death Rate Doubles

Passled by the alarming increase in the number of cases of diphtheria and the mounting death rate from that cause despite the constant activity of the department, State Health Offiver W. S. Rankin has addressed a letter to every physician in the State asking their co-operation in determining the cause and in making treatment effective.

From 1919 to 1922 the number of cases in the State has increased from 3,519 to 8,136 and the death rate has increased from 242 to 508. Health authorities are unable to fathom the reason, although it has been considered from every angle. Dr. Rankin has determined to enlist the aid of the medical fraternity, and to ask the people of the State to observe special vigilance in treating the disease.

For the past four years the number of cases has begun to swing sharply upward in August, increasingly steady until December when it begins to decline. While the disease is prevalent at all seasons, it is practically dormant during May, June and July. Health officials are unable to explain the reason since it is not primarily a seasonal malady.

Dr. George M. Cooper, assistant secretary of the State Board of Health and editor of the Bulletin, has assembled all the data on the subject available in the vital statistics for the past four years, but frankly confesses that he is unable to arrive at any conclusion that gets anywhere in the treatment of the disease. He is baffied by its prevalence and increasing

Twenty-nine counties having whole time health departments were taken on one conjecture, and the death rate in those counties was worked out a 6.25 deaths per hundred cases while the rate in 71 counties not having whole time health officers was 9.35 deaths per hundred cases. The average for the entire State was 7.66 per hundred. Half the population in the State live in the 29 counties.

Mortality percentages vary widely in the various countles. In a few of the counties, and with relatively small numbers of cases, the death rate has been as high as 72 per cent, while in other counties, with a large number of cases, the death rate has dropped as low as 1.5 per cent. But Dr. Cooper and Dr. Rankin frankly declare they are unable to fathom it, and are calling upon the medical men of the State to come in and help solve the problem.

One reason my lie in faulty diagnosis, some doctors believe, and the delay in administering toxin antitoxin in the earlier stages of the disease, when recovery could be assured by treatment. The State during the past year sent out thousands of treatments free of charge to doctors everywhere, and it is supposed that the treatment was generally used.

The department will institute an intensive campaign against the disease during the coming month in an effort to stay its progress when August and the upward swing sets in. Widespread igilance in detecting the excessive by the Chairman and sev- disease, and in the use of the treateral will probably be rejected on that ment made available by the State Labscore. None have yet been let to con. oratory of Hygiene will be maintaintract. Mr. Page will sort them out ed. Dr. Rankin hopes that the malady and determine which are to be let at will be checked before it reaches its

> Opening the schools in August and September has been advanced by some doctors as the cause of the spread of the disease, but it has not been definitely established that this is the cause of the spread.

Break Record at License Bureau.

Seventy thousand North Carolina motorists are wearing the new "King Tut" license plates and more than a million and a half dollars is credited to the account of the State Highway Commission at the close of business Saturday, June 23, at the license department, and six days for the old green-and-white plates to run. All records have been broken in the rush of the forehanded.

Applications for new licenses are coming at the rate of ten thousand a day, and the department expects that by the end of the week that upwards of 150,000 licenses will have been issued and \$2,500,000 placed in the treasury for the improvement of roads. The old numbers have passed into history at the 188,000 mark and no more of them will be sold.

Last year and the year before the collection of the license fee encoun-tered the greatest reluctance on the part of the motoring public to part with money. Secretary of State W. N. Everett sees in the rush this year an indication of a greatly improved financial situation, and more widespread prosperity. The alactrity with which people pay up is taken as a

good barometer.

More than 100 extra clerks are working ten hours a day to keep up with the rush ,and the mail that goes out every day reaches a total of five tons.

Highway Commission Passes Order. The State Highway Commission meeting with Governor Morrison passed a formal resolution asking the Council of State to borrow \$15,000,000 to tide the road construction work over until next year when bonds will

The action of the commission was by way of complying with legal terms necessary for the borrowing of the money on short term notes for the Highway Commission. State Treasurer B. R. Lacy is in Washington asgotiating for the money.

ACCEPTS AN INVITATION TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL COUNTY PICNIC.

DISPLAY PUREBRED JERGEYS

Committee Announces That Many Nev Features Will Be Found On -Program.

Statesville.-Dr. E. C. Brooks, president of State College, Raleigh, will be the chief speaker at the annual Iredell county farmers' picnic to be held at the Piedmont Experiment station here on Thursday, July 19. Since Dr. Brooks ha srecently assumed the presidency of the State College, his address will be especially interesting to North Carolina farmers. Nowhere in this section of the State would he have an opportunity of speaking to more farmers than at this great annual gathering.

County Agent R. W. Gradber, secretary of the picnic committee announces that reports from all surrounding countles indicate that there will be a large attendance of the farmers. Inquiries as to the date of this picuic have come to the county agent from Asheville, Charlotte, Raleigh, Troy, Catawba, Rowan and Davie, which indicates that all Piedmont North Carolina is interested in the Iredell county farmers' meeting.

The picule committee announces that many new features wil be found on the program this year. One of these wil be an educational display of purebred Jerseys, staged by the North Carolina Jersey Breeders' Association, along with a display by several Iredell county farmers. With this campaign as a starter, a campaign for better cattle will be launched in Ire-

Rexboro Secures a New Cotton Mill. Roxboro.-Soon there will come to this town another large manufacturing plant. Through the untiring efforts of J. A. Long, he has interested the A. T. Baker Company, et Philadelphia, and they with somlocal capital will erect a large cotton mill about two miles north of Roxboro, near the Longhurst plant. The new mill represents about half million dollars at the beginning, and it is hoped and expected that the A. T. Baker Company will be ap well plea, ed with Southern conditions that they will move their entire mill business which represents several million dollars, to this section. Work will be gin in the near future on the buildings, and the whole plant will be rush ed to completion just as rapidly as

Pest of Tobacco Bugs. Kinston.-A scourge of tobacco bugs has come upon this city. Housewives in all parts of town are engaged in a campaign of eradication. They have made little progress so far. The pests find their way into dwellings from warehouses and storage houses scattered throughout the northern half of Kinston. Experts last fall predicted trouble with the tobacco bugs, and recently have warned farmers to take steps to destroy them. They may become destructive to stored weed. Thousands of the insects, made homeless by shipment abroad of warehouse stocks, have imposed themselves upon householders.

Fifty Young People Baptized in Pool. Oxford .- A beautiful sight was witnessed at the Oxford Orphanage, when afty young people were baptized by Rev. J. D. Harte, in the Shriners' pool. Seldom has a more touching spectacle been seen on the noted lawn of this wonderful institution; than the consecration of so many young lives to church work. The solemnity of the occasion was in marked contrast to the gaity generally present at the pool which is a source of much pleasare to the Orphanage children.

Larger Police Force For Greensbore. the extension of this city's limits continue to come up, the latest being necsseity for enlarging the police force. Just how much it can be enlarged awaits tabulation of the property appraisals, now being done by the county taxing officials. The fixing of the city tax rate must also wait upon that. Unofficial estimates are that the total property valuation is about \$70,000,000 in the city. The present tax rate in the city is \$1.12 on the \$100.00 valuation.

Historic Candle Sticks Found. Washington, N. C .- On exhibition in one of the store windows here are two pairs of silver candle sticks placarded "Given to St. Thomas Church at Bath in 1734, by the King of Eng land." These candle sticks were found broken up in a heap of old rubbish and rescued by Mrs. H. W. Carter, who had a silversmith mend them then polished them herself and they will be re-presented to the church by 7. G. Bragaw, Jr., of this city.

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Holds the Record Decorations for

When Secretary of War Weeks pinned on his breast the Distinguished Service Medal, Maj. Edgar Erskine Hume, U. S. A. Medical corps, became the most decorated man in the United States army. His collection of war medals now numbers 28, and he has carned them all by his bravery while exposed to gun-fire and to the danger of contracting the dendly diseases against which he worked.

For a time during the World war Major Hume was stationed on the Italian front. Later he was sent to Siberia, where he organized the American sanitary service and combated the dread typhus fever which was raging there. As evidence of the danger of his work and the value of his services as a physician it was pointed out in the War department's citation that 80 per cent of Siberia's doctors had been killed by the fever.

The following nations have joined in the tribute of awarding Major Hume various decorations: United States, 1; Siberia, 5; Russia, 2; Montenegro, 2; Greece, 4; Poland, 1; Rumania, 3; Panama, 1; Italy, 6; Czechoslovakia, 1; Great Britain, 1 and France, 1.



Helped the Italian Women Get Suffrage



Premier Mussolini, having been induced to abandon his opposition to universal suffrage. Italy has granted to women the right to vote and to hold office, with certain restrictions. It may well be that this result was rought about largely by the holding of this year's convention of the International Woman Suffrage alliance in Rome. Delegates from nearly every country on the globe were present at this gathering and they displayed an earnestness and enthusiasm that could not but have its influence on the premier and leader of the Fascisti.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt of the United States (portrait herewith). president of the alliance, presided over the sessions and was, as always, one of the most active participants in the discussions. However, she refused to stand for re-election as head of the great organization. The alliance determined to carry

on a vigorous campaign to remove giaring inequalities between men and women workers. A report made to a conference on this subject revealed that there are few countries where women are equally admitted to the professions, to pofitical offices and to trade and industry.

Tell England About Prohibition

Bishop Thomas Nicholson of the Chicago area of the Methodist Episcopal church, who is also national president of the Anti-Saloon league, ims gone over to Great Britain with tell the English people how the prohibition law is working in the United States. Despite his predilection in favor of dryness, he is so high-minded a gentleman that he can be counted in to give an impartial report on the fuccess or failure of our authorities in enforcing the Eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act.

At a farewell reception given Bishto Nicholson in Chicago he said:

"Immediately upon . my appointnent by the board of bishops to represent them at the Irish and British Wesleyan conferences I received a wire asking if I would speak on the subject of prohibition in America while I was abroad. I consented and

have taken pains to arm myself with facts and figures." Bishop Nicholson was born in Woodburn, Ontario, in 1862, received his collegiate education in Northwestern university, Evanston, Ill., and after teaching for some years entered the ministry in 1884. He was elected president of the Anti-Saloon league in 1921.



Says He Was a Victim of "Black Art"



Charle B. Manville of New York, vealthy nonogenarian asbestos manufacturer, lost the \$21,000 suit brought against him by Dr. Alonzo E. Austin, but still clings to his story that his counter claim for \$20,000 was valid because Dr. Austin induced him to invest in worthless oil stock, with the ald of a "black art" practitioner, who turned out at the trial to be a spiritualist medium. His attorney characterized him as a "rich old man whose money the gang was after."

On the stand Manville testified

that Dr. Austin persuaded him to visit Miss Buelah Thompson, telling him was a wonderful woman and urging him to ask her questions.

"I asked, 'Is this spiritualism?" Manville testified, "and she said, 'No, this is black art.' Then she told me a lot about my private family affairs, that I was having some unpleasants with my children. I didn't know one outside of my family know about this, and I asked Austin what he had

told her about me. He said 'Not a thing.'

"I asked him what she charged and he said 'Nothing, she takes whatever you like to give her.' Then he told me that Mr. Tiffany, Mr. Schwab and other big men went to her for business advice once a week. I gave her a ten-dollar

"I went back again and asked her about the United States Copper co pany mines in Hanover, N. M. She had told me so much I thought maybe the woman could look into the ground and see what was in there. All she said about the mines was 'Go deeper, go deeper.'

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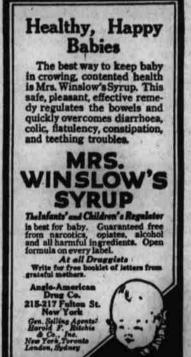
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Successful men as a rule are not superstitious. The man who has got to the top of the ladder isn't afraid to walk under one.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Help That Achy Back!

Are you dragging around, day after day, with a dull, unceasing backache? Are you lame in the morning; bothered with headaches, dizziness and urinary disorders? Feel tired, irritable and discouraged? Then there's surely something wrong, and likely it's kidney weakness. Don't neglect it! Get back your health while you can. Use Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's have helped thousands of alling folks. They should help you. Ask your neighbor!

A North Carolina Case

Mrs. W. L. Atkins, 7 First St. Sanford, N. C. says: "Mornings my back was stiff and Isme and I couldn't bend without sharp catches taking me in my back. Disay apells came on and spots appeared before my syes. My kidneys dn't act right. My ankles and onbs swelled. A neighbor recomended Doan's Kidney Fills, I used ms. Doan's cured ms.

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