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## LITTLE RIVER MAY BECOME BIG ASSET

It Has Dependable Supply of Good, Clear Water all the Year Round

An enthusiastic inhabitant of Moore county last week unfolded a dream of Little River, a stream he says Moore county can expect a lot of profit in the days that are not too far ahead. "Look at the geography of the county and of that stream," he advised the newspaper man, "and see what you can see. That stream is practically all in the sandy section, which tells you that it runs a clear stream all the time, and that it is less affected by dry weather than the streams that are in the clay and the shale."

"You come from Southern Pines," he continued, "and go out toward Glendon, for instance, in a dry time. You notice the Little river main stream and feeders are running pretty fair with water, but the minute you hit the streams above Carthage that come from the shale and clay region and you see the dry bottoms of the run. That continuous flow of water is one of the most valuable features of Moore county good fortune. The water powers on the streams of the Sandhills are the most permanent of any powers of the State. The sandy soil is absorptive, and takes up the rain fall. The slate section is so close that it sheds the rain and the water runs off. Those streams soon dry up in dry weather. But the sandy section gives out the water from the springs and small heads and the streams are persistent in their flow. For that reason a small stream in the Sandhills make a much more valuable water power than a much larger stream anywhere else in the State."

"But that is not all," this enthusiast further said. "Some of these days the manufacturing establishments of the North that are looking for Southern locations, which is going on all the time, will happen to discover that the water of Little river, coming out of the sandy soil is always clear and free, and fit for chemical and industrial uses. Did you ever think that all over North Carolina a disadvantage is met in the muddy water of too many of the streams? But in the Sandhills the water is always clear. Little river does not know what muddy water means. Now suppose a paper mill, or a chemical factory, or a

## SAD ACCIDENT AT ABERDEEN

J. A. McNeill and Little Grandson Fatally Injured When Auto is Struck by Train.

John A. McNeill and his little grandson, Willie McDonald, were almost instantly killed Saturday morning at Aberdeen, when a car in which they were riding, was struck by a South-bound train. The accident occurred at the railroad crossing on Maple street, just a short distance from the Aberdeen Crate and Box factory. Young McDonald was driving the car and it appears that several box cars on a side track obstructed the view of the on-coming train. The car was completely demolished and the bodies of the two occupants badly mutilated. Dr. Alex McLeod rendered first aid and immediately placed them on the train for the hospital at Hamlet, but both Mr. McNeill and his grandson died when only a few miles out of Aberdeen.

Mr. McNeill was 66 years of age and a member of one of the oldest and most prominent families in that section. He lived on his farm about two miles from Aberdeen.

Willie McDonald was 11 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McDonald, of Aberdeen.

Interment took place at Bethesda church Sunday morning. Mr. McNeill is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Joe Kelly, of Pine Bluff, Mrs. A. D. McDonald, of Aberdeen, Mrs. A. P. McDonald, of Vass, and Mrs. Alonzo Blue, of Carthage; one brother, M. B. McNeill, of Red Springs, and one sister, Miss Belle McNeill, of Red Springs.

## HOISTED FLAG ON THE 4th

On the 4th of July, the workmen on the new court house hoisted the United States flag to a height of 90 feet, to the top of the high tower at the building. The flag was furnished by W. A. Muse, inspector of the court house, and was raised by D. M. Jones, superintendent of the construction.

## ROBERT BURNS GETS WRITE-UP

State Papers Give Him Credit For Being Best Amateur Pitcher in No. Carolina.

Bobby Burns got a big write-up in the State papers Sunday, when they gave him credit for being one of the greatest, if not the greatest, of amateur baseball pitchers in North Carolina. Bobby is playing with the Shelby team this summer, a team made up of college stars and having the reputation of being the fastest baseball aggregation in the Western part of the State, and one of the best teams in the State. Young Burns has set up a record with the Shelby team that few, if any, amateur pitchers in the State can surmount.

Quoting the Charlotte Observer: "Young Burns of Carthage, who, by the way is only 18 years old, is one of (Continued on page Eight.)"

## WILL WRITE BOOK ON OLD CHURCH

F. S. Blue Gathering Material For History of Sandy Grove Church and Section.

Frank Blue, of Carthage, is gathering material for a book on the Sandy Grove section over in Hoke county. Sandy Grove was one of that chain of old churches that was established in the upper Cape Fear country early in the last century, and from which many able men and women went out into the bigger world. It is a big factor in the history of the development of the section in which it arose, and now that Camp Bragg has taken the land on which the old Sandy Grove church stands, and scattered the people of all that territory to the four directions, the folks who were associated with the church, and with the life of the Sandy Grove region (Continued on page Eight.)

## CARTHAGE TO VOTE ON SCHOOL BONDS

\$65,000 Bond Election to be Held, Tuesday, July 11th. Building Badly Needed

## BOYS AND GIRLS GO INTO CAMP

The Club Will Study Many Interesting Subjects During 4 Days at Parsons School.

The boys and girls clubs under the supervision of Miss Nora Bradford, home demonstration agent, and M. W. Wall and E. L. Parrott, county agents, began their four days' encampment Tuesday at the Parson's school near Pinehurst. The membership is made up of about fifty boys and girls from all over the county. The Parson's school is an ideal place for the encampment as it is a large building, sufficient to comfortably house a large number with lots of room for demonstration and indoor work, and the grounds are large enough to afford a wide range of outdoor work and recreation.

A very interesting program has been outlined for the four days. The club members will be instructed along general lines in farm work, stock raising and judging, canning, domestic science, interior and exterior planning and decorating, plant life, and recreational games. Those in charge have so planned the encampment that the boys and girls will have expert instruction and at the same time they will have plenty of time for good, clean recreation and sports.

During the encampment, members of the State Department will deliver lectures and give instruction on various phases of club work.

A detailed report of the club encampment will follow in the next issue of the News.

## CURING TOBACCO

The farmers over the county are firing up their tobacco barns and soon another crop of tobacco will have been cured. The frequent rains have caused the weed to ripen early and from now on it will be a busy time with the tobacco farmers. The tobacco outlook is good this year and the prospects are that a good grade of weed will be produced generally and will command a good price.

The registration book for the Carthage school bond election was closed Saturday with a total of 401 registered. Next Tuesday, July 11th, the election will be held and the people will vote for or against an issue of \$65,000 in coupon bonds for the erection of a school building adequate to meet the needs of the town and community.

If ever a town needed better school facilities Carthage needs them. The school building is inadequate to say the least, and conditions are fast approaching a deplorable state. Those who have attended the commencement exercises for the last few years have had reason to realize that the auditorium is too small, but this fact is the least serious part of the situation. Commencement only comes once a year, and even the fact that one-third of the students have to stand up in chapel every morning because there is no room to sit down, might be passed up without considerable thought, but if all those who attend the commencement exercises could have or would have paid a visit to the school during the last term and seen the crowded conditions of the school rooms, and the handicaps under which both teachers and pupils labored the bond election would go over the top without a dissenting vote. Every available space in the building, except the furnace room, the attic, the belfry, and the front porch, has been converted into class rooms. The two basement rooms, which were never intended for class rooms, are being used as such. These rooms are poorly ventilated, they are damp and it is almost impossible to rest them comfortably. The two small dressing rooms back of the auditorium, have been turned into a class-room. Yet, even with this additional room, poor it is it, it was necessary in several instances last year for two pupils to occupy a single-seated desk, and for three pupils to occupy a two-seated desk, and several had to be denied the privilege of attending the school because there was no room for them. Is this a healthy state of affairs? What can a community expect of its boys and girls under such conditions? Situations like this tend to paralyze the

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## REVIEW OF THE PEACH CROP

A review of the peach crop up to last Saturday, shows that again the peach crop has been greatly favored by ideal weather conditions. Intermittent rains and warm, sunny days are speeding up the late varieties and putting size and color over the fruit being picked, or about to roll. There are still no indications of any number of the second batch of curculio. This means worms will be reduced to a minimum and Brown rot an improbability. The excellent work of the government men stationed in the area is largely responsible for the elimination of the dressed pest.

Carmens are now rolling in carloads, the first car moving from Sauratourion on the 29th, inspected and labeled the "Redskin Brand." The stock was good size and highly colored, promising to hold the high standard set in previous years by the Redskin peach. Carmens will continue to move from Eagle Springs. Slappeys are also moving in small lots and the early part of week car

## McIVER AND FRY ARE NOMINATED

Large Vote Cast and the Race is Close. Phillips Has 5000 Majority in District

Those who predicted a lack of interest and a small vote in the second Democratic primary held last Saturday, were greatly surprised. Not only was there an increased interest shown in the primary, but 101 more votes were cast in the second than in the first primary. The primary was closely contested and the majorities received exceptionally small.

The closest race was that for sheriff, R. G. Fry receiving the nomination by a majority of only 42 votes over his opponent, T. A. Cole.

J. Alton Melver was nominated as clerk of the court for a fifth term by a majority of 192 votes over his opponent, A. B. Cameron.

A total of 2,223 votes were cast.

The vote by precinct follows: East Carthage: Fry 168, Cole 118, Melver 159, Cameron 127. West Carthage: Fry 307, Cole 100, Melver 206, Cameron 195. Bensalem: Fry 132, Cole 81, Melver 147, Cameron 64. Spencerville: Fry 8, Cole 10, Melver 10, Cameron 8. Spiess: Fry 15, Cole 6, Melver 14, Cameron 7. Acorn Ridge: Fry 38, Cole 32, Melver 34, Cameron 33. Ritters: Fry 22, Cole 42, Melver 29, Cameron 33. Prosperity: Fry 20, Cole 66, Melver 54, Cameron 28. Deep River: Fry 27, Cole 70, Melver 59, Cameron 39. Cameron: Fry 121, Cole 85, Melver 78, Cameron 135. Eureka: Fry 38, Cole 49, Melver 35, Cameron 53. Vass: Fry 24, Cole 66, Melver 40, Cameron 49. Southern Pines: Fry 32, Cole 123, Melver 55, Cameron 73. Aberdeen: Fry 24, Cole 103, Melver 18, Cameron 78. Adder: Fry 28, Cole 28, Melver 35, Cameron 52. Pleasant: Fry 17, Cole 48, Melver 28, Cameron 37.

West End: Fry 80, Cole 64, Melver 107, Cameron 39.

Total: Fry 1132, Cole 1090, Melver 1205, Cameron 1013, Phillips 1362, Russell 724.

It appears that Phillips has been nominated Solicitor for the district by a majority of about 5,000 votes.

## FEDERATED MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY CLUBS

The Community Clubs of Moore County will hold a federated meeting in the office of the Carthage Board of Trade Saturday, July 8th, at 11:00 a. m. for the purpose of outlining a definite program of work for the county clubs and deciding on dates for the community fairs.

Representatives of any community which has not as yet organized a club are invited to attend this meeting and get information and assistance in holding a fair if they so wish.

## MARION W. WALL BACK

His many friends are glad to see Mr. W. Wall back again, after an absence of several weeks. Mr. Wall has been at his home in South Carolina recuperating from his recent illness. Though still a bit weak, his characteristic pep is not lacking, and he states that in a short while he will be able to fully assume the duties of his office. Arrangements have been made for Mr. Parrott to remain until Mr. Wall has regained his strength completely.

Mr. Wall has scores of friends over the county and especially in Carthage and they are all mighty glad to have him back.

## 'SQUIRE FRY MAKES IT 225

'Squire Fry performed his 225th marriage ceremony last week, when he united in matrimony Howard Kennedy and Miss Beatrice Lane, both of Vass.

## EUREKA SCENE WEDDING FARCE

In Which Donald Blue Becomes the Blushing Bride of Chas. Deaton. Well Acted.

A very amusing womanless wedding took place at Eureka school last Friday night when Charlie Deaton became the hen-pecked husband of D. J. Blue. The bride looked to be a good match for almost anybody, Jack Dempsey included, and those who attended the wedding are quite sure that she will not allow two words for one from Charlie.

Every member of the bridal party did his part well and the wedding was a source of a great deal of amusement. A good sum was realized and the proceeds will go to the school at that place.

Those who made up the wedding party were: Preacher, C. R. McDonald; bride, D. J. Blue; groom, Charlie Deaton; mother of bride, Duncan Blue; father, Martin Blue; ring bearer, Zeb Blue; flower girl, Hugh McNeill and John McLeod; colored mammy, F. L. Mabry; the two twins, Willis Blue and Butler Corbett; maid of honor, Francis Dwight; matron of honor, J. W. C. Blue; the bride's maids, Thaddea Blue, Joe Blue, Walter McNeill, David McNeill, Fernan McNeill and Cary McLeod; old maid aunts, John Martin Blue, and Garrett Dawson; music, Jim Deaton; ushers, Waylan Blue and Marvin Davis; grooms, Frank Harding, Henry Blue; Mrs. Harding, Addison McKense; Gop. Morrison, John Deaton; Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Joe A. McLeod.

Mrs. C. T. Gray assisted in getting up the wedding.

Mrs. John Phillips, of Aberdeen, was in Carthage Monday.

## UNION REVIVAL MEETING ENDS

Rev. W. C. Barrett Conducted a Two-Weeks' Series With Very Much Success.

The union revival meeting, which was conducted by Rev. W. C. Barrett, of Gastonia, was brought to a close Wednesday night, after a very successful series of meetings. The services were largely attended both morning and night, and at times the church was crowded to its utmost capacity.

Each one of Rev. Barrett's sermons were forceful and they accomplished great good in the community. His sermon to the old people will long be remembered by all those who heard it, for the inspiration and comfort which it gave them. No less effective was his talk to the young people on Tuesday morning.

All of Rev. Barrett's sermons were marked by his characteristic frankness of speech. He spared no effort in making each of his sermons hit the mark. He expressly urged more activity and devotion on the part of church members, and scored those who are allowing worldliness to come before Godliness in their lives.

Many professed faith during the meeting. The success of the revival, however, can be measured not only by the number of professions, but by a decided uplift in the religious spirit of the community as a whole.

## HAYES SHIPPING TOMATOES

J. F. Hayes has been shipping tomatoes from his farm near Carthage. He has a big patch of them and is finding a good market. Mr. Hayes made quite a success with his cabbage in the spring and he is duplicating it with tomatoes.

## LAY PLANS FOR APPLE PROJECT

Many Locations Offered at Agricultural Board Meeting. Expert to Choose Site.

Quite a big discussion took place in the county agent's office last Monday when the Board of Agriculture took up plans for putting in some demonstration apple orchards in Moore county. The Board was met by many farmers who have grown interested in the proposition.

The general plan is to select one or more farms of fifty acres of adaptable land and plant this fall such early maturing varieties as will bring best results. Several propositions were offered by individuals from Hemp, Glendon, Halison and Carthage and many more will come in a few days. The idea now is to organize an apple growers' association which will take control of one or more of the larger tracts and in the meantime encourage all the smaller farmers to plant from 5 to 10 or more acres of apples and let these orchards be under the supervision of the association.

It will be necessary to employ an expert to look after the proposition. A specialist along with the county agent and one or more selected farmers will visit and make a close study of the locations now offered to the Board. They will report their findings at an early date, and in the meantime they would like to know what any property or proposition that would be suitable for a demonstration orchard. After this investigation a fuller report will be published.

It was reported that a bass, two feet long, and weighing about one pound, was caught in Keweenaw Mill last week. The race was against a fish, two feet long, and weighing about one pound, was caught in Keweenaw Mill last week.