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To Study Courts



Governor Kerr Scott has appointed Willis Smith, former president of the North Carolina Bar Association, to head a study of the state's court system and make recommendations for its modernization. Scott has announced he plans to streamline the North Carolina's court procedure through legislative measures.

Director of the "Southerners" quartet and is choir director at Oak Grove Baptist Church near Canton, led the group singing. He was as- sisted by Joretta McCreary, daughter of S. B. McCreary who was on the tour. (She is pianist at the Oak Grove Church.)

While all this was going on and the flat fire being fixed, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Robinson were figuring the cost of putting a white board fence around their farm near Hay- erdam. They, like many others on the tour, were amazed at the fact that a good fence can lend to any field.

Sam Jackson, who works at Champion and does some good farming on the side, and Lawrence Hall, who resides on a Canton route, agreed that nothing on the tour was prettier than those fences.

Mrs. Ma Mae White occupied herself during the wait, sketching the profile of Roy Robinson.

The lateness of the dinner hour did not mar the enjoyment of the Tar Heels who ate at a Huntington hotel on the last night of their tour.

This gala occasion featured music by the quartet, composed of Charles Isley, Jack Noland, Wayne Edwards, and Earl Haglen. Corporal Roberts gave a final rendition of his immortal "When the Saints Go Marching In," as he led a chorus of all persons who had traveled in cars on the tour.

A contest then developed to see which group could do the best stunting. Red Rhinehart's bus load won first place. Roberts with his car

passengers ran a close second. Buck dancing by Dave Boyd, Arthur "Little Abner" Mahaffey, Dr. Rhea, ended the entertainment. But long before the program ended J. S. Harrell was seen heading up the stairs—wondering if those people were going to dance and sing the rest of the night.

Saturday morning Sgt. E. A. McKee of the Ohio highway patrol, who had led the tour through Ohio, headed back home. Wayne Corpening said that of the 19 patrolmen who had led the procession through the various states since it left North Carolina, this one had done the most perfect job.

The route back through Kentucky's coal mining towns answered the question of a number of the tour members who had wondered if there were any poor land or people in the state. The picture here was vastly different from lush blue grass and white columned mansions, was colored with dirty little houses crowded along rail-road tracks.

Saturday was election day in Kentucky and the roadsides were plastered with campaign signs of candidates ranging all the way from county sheriff to judge and mayor. Every little town and school bus it was surrounded by mobs of people.

The Haywood County group became deeply interested in the election events, especially after one service station operator warned them to hurry out of the state before the afternoon came and shoot- ing started.

After lunch at Jenkins, coal mining center which was the tour's last stop in Kentucky, the motorcade headed down the mountain to Kingsport, Tenn., where the small group of carsick people had a 15 minute rest stop.

At Greenville, Tenn., there was a 30 minute stop to inspect the Earl Tennis, ex 4-H Club Camp, which is valued at approximately \$100,000. The recently completed camp, which includes 23 acres and a new \$28,000 swimming pool, was built by donations of farm people in 23 Tennessee counties.

A few persons, who have seen the 4-H camp under construction, here felt that certain features of the local camp are superior to the Tennessee one.

Ice cream from Pet Dairy in Waynesville had been sent down for a treat at the 4-H camp.

Final event of the day was presentation of gifts from the tour group to County Agent Corpening and his assistants, Wayne Franklin and Herbert Singletary. Miss Mary Cornwall, county home demonstration agent, Miss Mary Medford, secretary to Mr. Corpening, and Corporal Roberts, state highway patrolman, who last week was transferred from Waynesville to Lenoir, and to bus drivers, Gordon Rhinehart, Rubin Justice, and C. E. King.

R. C. Francis, chairman of the Haywood County Community Development Organization, in making the presentation, expressed the appreciation of the Haywood farmers to the leaders who had conducted the seventh annual out-of-county farm tour to such a happy ending.

TOUR SIDELIGHTS
A number of out-of-county persons were on the tour, although it went strictly under the name of Haywood County.

Mrs. Norman James with her two sons, Ted and William, came all the way from Statesville to join friends and relatives for the tour. They formerly lived at Fines Creek. Her daughter, Mrs. Mark Ferguson of Route 1, Clyde, was also along.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allison of Caldwell, Idaho, who were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ferguson at Dellwood when they heard of the tour, just couldn't resist the opportunity to do a little traveling. Already this summer they had driven more than 11,000 miles on an around the country trek from Idaho down to California, east through Texas, and covering Florida. Mr. Allison, a brother of Mrs. Ferguson, hadn't been back to his old home on Jonathan Creek in 20 years.

John F. Corbin, agriculture teacher at Silva High School in Jackson County, was the first person to sign up for this year's tour, he said.

Morris Bumgarner, who is a seaman stationed with the U. S. Navy in Jacksonville, Fla., was home (Route 2, Canton), and used part of his leave to make the tour with his brother, Ted, and his uncle, Fred Bumgarner.

Mrs. Sally Ferguson of near Clyde was visiting her daughter, Ruth, in Trenton, N. J., when she read in the paper about the farm tour. She rushed back home to get ready to go.

There were many regrets expressed that Decatur Justice (Old Buckshot) of Pigeon was unable to make the trip this year.

A staunch defender of the cap-

At The Strand Wednesday



Final Warning: Barbara Hale and Arthur Kennedy tell little Bobby Driscoll he will be punished if he makes any fantastic stories, in RKO Radio's suspenseful "The Window." Paul Stewart and Ruth Roman are their co-stars in the spine-twitching drama opening at the Strand Theatre Wednesday.

At The Park Wednesday



Grace McDonald and David Bruce are shown in a scene from "Gung Ho," starring Randolph Scott with J. Carroll Nash and Alan Curtis. This picture shows at the Park on Wednesday.

abilities of Haywood County farmers. Elmer Hendrix commented that it's not fair to compare them with the level land farmers of Kentucky and Indiana.

C. J. Remond's his vote for the traditional flat houses and beautiful women of Kentucky, when deciding the most impressive sights of the tour.

George Wright of the Truckee Community said he liked the houses better than anything he saw.

Lawns, pretty flowers, and home-drew the interest of Mrs. Ruth Robinson.

"The black cattle and the good

the movie star—was the topic of a great deal of conversation and the object of many side-long glances from the Purdue University co-eds.

Mrs. Earle Butz, whose husband is agricultural economist at Purdue University, and addressed the Haywood group at a banquet Wednesday night in a former North Carolina home demonstration agent and native of Sampson County.

The name Waynesville wasn't entirely foreign to Miss Amabelle Claussen, district home demonstration agent with the Purdue University extension service. She said that she has been in North Carolina, visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Crews in Waynesville.

Of the 81 men and 73 women on the tour, there were 23 married couples. There were many family combinations—father and son, mother and daughter, brother and sister, uncle and niece, aunt and nephew, cousin, and a great many too many, somebody said, mothers-in-law.

In one family group were Mrs. C. C. Willis, Mrs. Dee Clark, and Dr. Rhea, all brothers and sisters. Mrs. Willis' son, Jack, was along and of course Mrs. Clark's daughter, Mrs. Wayne Corpening, was on the trip to lend a helping hand to her county agent husband. Mrs. Ruth Corpening, who was taking her first farm tour, is a sister of the county agent.

Florence A. Allen, noted U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals judge and author, somehow failed to impress Glenn James with her speech before thousands of people at Purdue Wednesday night. We asked Glenn just what the judge discussed. "Well," he replied, "she talked a lot about rhubarb." The comments ended there.

Representatives of the county farmers co-operatives or federations, who made the tour, were Roger Ammons, manager of the Canton Farmers Federation and Julie Noland from Waynesville Co-op.

Running true to form by doing the unexpected, these women surprised us by their sincere interest in the same things that the men liked on the tour. They were more interested in barns and chicken feeders, horses, and farm machinery than in flower beds, fancy lawns, and big front porches.

Many of the women folks were highly insulted because they were left at Purdue University to see a weaving exhibit and cooking dem-

onstration, while the men rode on wagons to see a farm of 10,000 turkeys. (The men seemed to enjoy that afternoon heat of all.)

Mrs. Vernet Swanger didn't talk about pretty houses where she looked like she would fit in instead she raved about the stretching fields of tall corn. Mrs. Hugh Rogers said that the women wanted to see the same things their husbands were looking for: pretty horses and livestock, good farm management.

Somebody commented that so few tenant homes were seen in the Mid-Western states. Fuller Justice gave a satisfactory explanation: "Tenants aren't needed where the farming is so badly mechan-

ized." Driver C. E. King's bus had its share of the young people. Mrs. Myrtle Smalley and Mrs. Kenneth Lowe had their hands full (and a lot of fun, too) keeping a bunch of teen-age boys from driving the other passengers crazy with their noisy chatter and pranks. Lined up on the long back seat, throwing grains of corn at the ears of the sleeping passengers.

The farm tour participants looked as if they'd just gotten back from doing their week's grocery shopping when they unloaded in Waynesville Saturday night. The Morgan Packing Company, where the tour stopped in Austin, Ind., (Continued on Page 6)

WAYNESVILLE DRIVE-IN THEATRE PROGRAM

Shows Start at 8 P. M.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, AUGUST 15-16

THE PLUNDERS

A Truecolor featuring Ilona Massey

PLUS — SELECTED SHORTS

Including "Doc Bluebird"

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

SOUTH OF TAHITI

With 50 Sarong-Clad Goddesses of Love

Starring Brian Donlevy, Andy Devine and Brod Crawford

— Also a Comedy —

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, AUGUST 18-19

Irving Berlin's famous

EASTER PARADE

Starring Judy Garland, Fred Astaire. This is a Technicolor.

— Also Shorts in Sports —

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TUESDAY, Aug. 15 - 16

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WEDNESDAY, Aug. 17

The Marines... G HO!

PH SCOTT

Curtis-Noah Beery, Jr.

THURSDAY, Aug. 18

FLASHING BRASS KNOCKLES!

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A TONE

Max Lawrence

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MONDAY - TUESDAY, Aug. 15 - 16

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PLUS — Color Cartoon • News

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Daringly Filmed ON NEW YORK'S TEEMING EAST SIDE!

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Entertainment
ALL GENTLEMEN MUST WEAR COATS WHEN VISITING CLUB

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