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## Everything Points To A Big And Successful Fair For Farmville and Community Wednesday, Oct. 25

### A FORMER JOURNEYMAN PRINTER

Rev. W. P. Jordan, pastor of the Christian church, and who will lead his church in an evangelistic campaign beginning next Sunday, October 8th, was, before entering the ministry three years ago, a common printer, news reporter and magazine writer. He has seen life from all sides, points and angles. Besides working at his trade in twenty-one states in the union, he served as a lieutenant in the United States army, seeing active service in the Philippine Islands, and his duties, while abroad, taking him to China, Japan and Korea, has fitted him largely for his task in soul saving. Three years ago he graduated out of The Phillip Bible Institute, of Canton, Ohio, and since has been constantly engaged in the ministry. He

### IS A RUBBER STAMP SIGNATURE VALID?

IMPORTANT QUESTION CONCERNING USE OF LITTLE LABOR-SAVING DEVICE.

#### WHERE DIFFICULTY ARISES

Any One Who Signs Any Document in Any Way is Bound By His Signature.

Is a rubber stamp signature valid? Considering how many of them are going out of insurance offices daily, how many agents affix them to policies and riders, and the almost general use made of this labor-saving, authority-delegating device, it is well to attend the reply recently made by the Journal of Commerce to the inquiry of a subscriber on the point. "Any one," says our contemporary, "who indorses a check or signs any other document is bound by his signature, whether it is made with pen or pencil, with a rubber stamp, or in any other way. The difficulty arises only when an attempt is made to show that the signature is his. If he admits it, he is bound without further controversy. If he declares that he did not append the signature to the document, it will be necessary to prove that he did make it, and this is the point at which the whole difficulty arises. A written signature can be compared with others known or acknowledged to have been made by a certain person, and the correspondents of that person or handwriting experts can testify with a considerable degree of accuracy as to the genuineness of the signature. No one can say with assurance, however, whether a rubber stamp was in the hands of one person or of another, when it was in use for the making of a disputed signature. For this reason no one can reasonably be asked to adopt a signature so difficult to prove as that made with a rubber stamp."—Insurance and Commercial Magazine.

#### SIGNS OF THE TIME.

One of the important indications pointing to a general awakening in the direction of fire protection and prevention was the recent action of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and Engineers, advocating a more extensive use of automatic sprinklers, and urging the passage of ordinances requiring automatic sprinklers to be installed in buildings where conditions favor the inception and spread of fire, especially where the safety of life is menaced. The resolutions of the fire chiefs included the appointment of committees to consider the compulsory requirements to installations of automatic sprinkler systems and to investigate ways and means whereby automatic sprinkler systems may be used to best advantage by fire departments as fire defense auxiliaries. Surely the work of fire protection and prevention is growing in popular esteem.—Fire Facts.

#### STRAWBERRY PLANTS FOR SALE.

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Your plants will reach money in 24 to 30 days. We will guarantee to replace any plants that do not arrive in good condition. The best collection of plants ever sent.

### A BIG PARADE PLANNED BRASS BAND AND FLOATS

Fair Committee Meets at Call of President Thorne and Appoints Special Committees and Marshalls. Farmers and Merchants Actively Interested In Exhibiting Products and Wares.

### LARGE NUMBER OF PREMIUMS TO BE GIVEN BY MERCHANTS AND FRIENDS

Products and Commodities of All Kinds Are Wanted on Exhibit, and Everybody in a Radius of 25 Miles, and Further, is Invited to Come and Help Make the Fair a Grand Success.

Wednesday, October 25th, 1918, promises to be a gala day for Farmville and this community, for everything points to a successful Fair. The interest that has already manifested in it has given the greatest encouragement to the officers and promoters of the Fair Association. Already the merchants are planning their exhibits and the farmers have begun to select their products. A large list of premiums have been offered by the loyal merchants and business people of the town and community. This list is now being prepared and published in program form. As soon as it is completed it will be published in these columns.

The Fair Committee composed of the officers of the Fair Association, the Agricultural Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and the officers, directors and Committees of the Chamber of Commerce met at the kind invitation of Mr. G. M. Shirley in the rooms of the third floor of the W. M. Lang Co. building on last Thursday night and mapped out the final plans for the occasion. The Committee decided to charge no fee for exhibits and no admission fee for the Fair. Everything is free—it being the public's Fair and not any private corporation's or individual's. Space has been secured and will be reserved for any individual or firm who desires it and all assistance possible will be given in arranging exhibits. A special Exhibit Committee is to be named who will aid in this particular work. Everybody is urged to bring an exhibit. The various schools of the town and surrounding community are asked to put on an exhibit and join in the parade.

This includes the schools in this and adjoining towns which will join in the parade, but most especially the schools in Greene, Wilkes, and Watauga counties, in a radius of at least 15 miles from Farmville.

### CLEANING THE HOUSE FROM CELLAR TO ATTIC

WHEN YOU CLEAN HOUSE CLEAN ATTIC FIRST AND FINISH WITH THE CELLAR.

Mrs. Bladenmore was cleaning house, assisted by the hired girl. "What shall I do with this mattress, Mrs. Bladenmore? It seems almost too good to throw away, and yet it ain't good enough to use."

"Oh, stow it away up in the attic somewhere; it might come in handy some time."

"And what about this stuff that's set out here in the corner of the back porch, this box full of excelsior and sack of rice and that bottle of linseed oil?"

"Oh, put them up in the attic, too, I guess."

And so it goes until the attic floor is full of boxes of excelsior, old mattresses, old clothes, old rags and paper and all manner of other combustible material. And then some dark day someone comes up into the littered place to find something and lights a match to see by.

Or a spark from a crack in the chimney, or loss from the top of someone else's chimney, floating in through an open window, does the business when there is no one around to send it down the stairs.

When you clean house, clean the attic first. Get rid of all that trash that you are always saving and never use. It is in the way, anyway, and it is a nuisance. Put your things every hour that you allow it to clutter up the attic.

Make your house clean from cellar to attic, inclusive.—HARRIS F. M. BULLOCK.

Fair and not a County Fair. All are urged to take a part in it. The Committee also decided to have a big parade with a Brass Band and floats of all descriptions. Mr. Walter Sheppard was elected Chief Marshal of the Fair and the social stunts of the occasion. The Chief Marshal together with the President of the Fair were empowered to appoint assistant Marshalls for the occasion. A number of Farmville and the country and a number from each of the neighboring towns will be appointed. This list will be published together with the Committees in next week's issue. As a matter of information to the public, it was decided to have some publicly located place as a Bulletin Board for posting all official appointments, etc., and the Committee decided on the glass front of Mr. Walter Sheppard's office. These bulletins will be published as soon as appointments are made.

The Merchants of the town have generously come to the aid of the Committee and offered a fine list of premiums for the best exhibits. Any who care to do so may offer premiums and these will help to make the occasion a bigger success. Farmers as well as Merchants are urged to join the list of contributors.

The Committee was strong in its desire to emphasize the fact that any and all products and commodities will be gladly received on exhibit and that the territory is confined to no one county but to all the community at large.

The speaker for the occasion is not yet accepted; the invitation. Announcement of this will be made in a subsequent issue.

### FIRE PREVENTION DAY OCTOBER 9TH

Prevent Fires. A large part of the fire waste of this country is directly due to untidy conditions and other faults of management. Heavy losses naturally increase cost of insurance. A careful inspection of your entire premises daily will assist in bringing about a lower insurance rate.

Let all our people observe FIRE PREVENTION DAY by a general cleaning-up and removal of rubbish, trash and waste from their premises. Start an inspection and clean-up week.

Let the Chief of Fire Department and municipal authorities arrange for public exercises—public speaking, parades of fire department, and other exercises.

Let all heating apparatus and chimneys be carefully gone over and placed in a proper condition for winter use. Let all public and private institutions, hotels, hospitals, factories, and theatres, be carefully looked over on that day, and, when necessary, any changes made that will prevent fires and further insure the safety of the occupants.

Let the local authorities give attention to better building regulations, fire protection and prevention, as well as additional apparatus for fire fighting.

Let fire drills be held in institutions, factories, and in public and private schools and let teachers instruct their pupils through short talks and proper programs on dangers of fire and the simple means of fire prevention.

A Few Suggestions for the Prevention of Fires and Loss of Life.

ASHES should be kept in metal receptacles and never in paper or wood on a barrel or box.

DIRTY RAGS OR WASTE should be kept in standard metal waste cans and contents removed and burned each day.

FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS should be accumulated in or near buildings. CAROLINE, NAPHTHA and other flammable oils, should not be kept in buildings, and used only with extreme care.

STEAM PIPES should be kept clear from all wood and other combustible material.

OPEN FLUE HOLES should be protected with sheet iron, or better, be bricked up.

ELECTRICITY, when improperly installed, is hazardous; lamp cords should not be hung on nails or wrapped around any piping; paper shades should never be used. Confer with your City Electrician when changes are contemplated. Do not allow employees to tamper with electrical installations.

STOVEPIPES should be securely riveted and run direct to brick chimneys and never through floors or partitions; protect floors under and about stoves with brick, cement, or sheet metal.

STAIRWAYS should be kept clear and clear at all times; never place any stock or shavings thereon.

FIRE DOORS AND SHUTTERS should be closed every night, and should never be placed to hinder the ready closing of these fire doors. Better to use metal frames and sash with wire glass.

SEE THAT ALL FIRE EXTINGUISHING APPARATUS is in good working order.

FLAME LAMPBLACK will promote safety faults. So will slack and pulverized coal and charcoal when wet.

NEVER USE PARLOR MATCHES, always the safety match; they cost no more.

REQUIRING ALL DOORS TO SWING OUTWARD in public buildings, schools, theatres, etc., may prevent the loss of many lives.

All buildings over two stories high should be provided with FIRE ESCAPES and STAIRPIPES for Fire Department use.

Aid us in the Prevention of Fires and Loss of Life.

JAMES B. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner, Raleigh, N. C.

### VALUABLE FARM LAND OFFERED AT AUCTION TUESDAY

The Albert Carr Place Near Farmville Has Been Sub-divided and Will Be Sold on October 10th. One of the Most Desirable Farms in Pitt County. Terms of Sale Will Be Easy.

The Albert Carr Place, one of the best pieces of farm land in Pitt or in any other county in Eastern Carolina, has been sub-divided into small tracts and will be offered for sale at auction on next Tuesday, Oct. 10. This valuable property is located three miles from Farmville and about twelve miles from Greenville, and each tract has a good road frontage.

The location is in a good neighborhood, and but a half mile from the schools. There is no crop grown in this section but what this farm will produce a large yield. The soil which is a heavy top soil with a subsoil of clay, is well adapted to any of the crops.

The sale will be open to white people only, and a golden opportunity for the man that is now a tenant, to own a farm of his own. And the easy payments will enable him to meet his obligations and make each payment through the allotted time without any inconveniences.

A free barbecue dinner will be served on the ground and the all Star band of the Atlantic Coast Realty Company will be on the scene to furnish the music for the occasion.

Get on easy street by attending this sale and buying one or more of these farms. Don't forget the date, October 10th, at 10:30 a. m.

#### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services next Sunday, both morning and evening. Morning subject will be "Letting Your Light Shine." Evening subject, "God's Eternal Purposes in the Scheme of Redemption." Remember our meeting will begin next Sunday and continue for two weeks, services at night only. Bro. J. M. Perry, of Kinston, will be the leader of song. All ranges are now ready for a great campaign. Prayer services have been held each afternoon this week, better fitting all of us for the task of bearing the message to the unsaved. Be with us from the start. Had get all that's coming.—W. P. Jordan, Pastor.

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