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THE LIFE OF FARMVILLE!

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A special musical program, rendered by Mrs. M. V. Jones, soloist, with Mrs. Haywood Smith as accompanist, and a quartet, composed of Rev. L. R. Ennis, John and Elbert Holmes, and C. F. Baucom, rendered an enjoyable musical program.

Mrs. R. S. McGeachy, of Greenville, past department president and membership chairman of the Area, Mrs. Chas L. Dunn, of Scotland Neck, past Area president, and Mrs. W. M. Willis of the Farmville Auxiliary, who is district committeewoman, were present and made short talks.

Dr. Stevens Opens Offices on Main Street

Dr. A. H. Stevens, practicing physician, who recently came here from Wilmington, and whose headquarters has been at the Davis Hotel, opened up offices in one of the Davis buildings on Main Street, in May.

Dr. Stevens is a graduate of the University of Georgia Medical School and received hospital training at the James Walker hospital and the Babies hospital at Wilmington.

Farmville Candidates Elected In Primary

Farmville voters went to the polls at the Democratic primary, in June, in record numbers to choose candidates for the various offices of the county and legislature and two State offices.

Both of Farmville's candidates were elected: B. M. Lewis receiving 4,878 votes for County Commissioner, and John Hill Paylor 3,525 for House of Representatives. Paylor's opponent called for a second primary, in which the Farmville candidate again won by an overwhelming majority.

At a mass meeting of Democratic voters of the township, held early in June, Dr. P. E. Jones was elected as Democratic chairman of this precinct, Mrs. J. L. Shackleford, vice chairman, and J. W. Holmes, secretary, these members together with J. B. Lewis and J. W. Joyner composing the Democratic executive committee.

Observes Half Holiday

Farmers, housewives and others of the community cooperated with the business houses of Farmville, which fell in line, in June, with other towns and cities of the State in giving their sales people a half holiday, in a praiseworthy effort to afford them some time for recreation and pleasure during the summer months.

East Carolina Printers Meet

East Carolina printers met here June 18, at the Davis Hotel, for a supper and special meeting of the association, called to discuss matters of interest to the printing industry of this section, demanding immediate action.

The following new officers for the ensuing year were elected: president, G. A. Rouse, Farmville; vice president, W. G. Robbins, Rocky Mount; secretary-treasurer, H. W. Renfrew, Greenville.

Representatives from a majority of the larger towns, comprising the district, were in attendance.

Medicos Host

The Pitt County Medical Society met here in June with Dr. P. E. Jones and Dr. W. M. Willis as hosts at a supper served in the Rotary rooms.

Dr. T. G. Basnight, of Stokes, presided, and informative and interesting papers were read by Dr. W. M. Willis and Dr. J. N. Johnson, of Goldsboro.

Drs. S. M. Crisp, G. G. Dixon, Paul Fitzgerald and P. E. Jones led discussions of matters pertaining to the profession.

Dance Draws Thousands

Three thousand dancers and onlookers crowded Planter's warehouse for the June dance, which had been anticipated by the social set in Eastern Carolina for some weeks, and which proved to be one of the most successful of any of preceding affairs of this nature held here.

Jan Garber, "idol of the air waves," and his orchestra, were the center of attraction and his appreciative listeners were generous with their applause.

Graduate From College In Pitt County

Among the 190 graduates of the East Carolina Teachers College in June were the following young ladies from Farmville: Miss Margaret Smith, Miss Margaret Walter, A. B.; Miss Dora DeGrace Rountree, Miss Eva Mae Turnage, two year normal; Miss Rachel Lewis, A. B., March 10; Miss Lucy Barrow, two year normal, March 10.

Lumber Company Has Heavy Loss

With a high wind blowing from a favorable direction and assistance from the Greenville Fire Department, local firemen succeeded late Wednesday afternoon, June 18, in controlling flames which at one time threatened to destroy the entire plant of the Farmville-Woodward Lumber Co., situated just beyond the town limits.

Smouldering heaps of ashes 20 feet high, marked the racks where an estimated 500,000 feet of the finest pine and gum were piled, representing a loss of around \$15,000.

There was between 2,500,000 and 3,000,000 feet of dressed lumber on the grounds, the safety of which depended altogether on the prevailing winds of the succeeding 12 hours.

FERA Playground Opened Here In July

The Farmville Playground, under Federal sponsorship, FERA, opened in July with an enrollment of 59 children, which increased to around 150. The work here was organized and gotten underway quickly with the same director, Miss Vivian Case, assisted by Mrs. Jack Smith, and the same playground site as the previous summer.

Business firms of the town and the City Fathers cooperated in providing equipment and the children manifested much interest and enthusiasm in the project. Folk dances, singing, games and story telling, together

with plays provided the children with entertainment and swimming in the municipal pool built by CWA, was a weekly privilege allowed by the management.

Electric and Tax Rate Reduced

At a recent meeting of the Town Board composed of Dr. W. M. Willis, George W. Davis, J. W. Joyner, L. W. Godwin and J. T. Bundy, and headed by Mayor John B. Lewis, an appreciable decrease in the electric and tax rates was made by a unanimous vote. This action was warmly approved by citizens.

Masons Hold District Meeting

The district meeting of the Masons, comprising the towns of Greenville, Ayden, Grifton, Grimesland and Farmville, was held here in August with J. B. Eure, District Deputy Grand Master presiding, and Atty. John Hill Paylor, master of the Farmville lodge, acting as host.

The well planned program was featured by the exemplification of the third degree by the Greenville lodge, of which W. J. Bundy is the master.

A sumptuous barbecue dinner was served at the picnic pavilion at the swimming pool.

Physician Resumes Practice

After a critical illness of several weks, Dr. W. M. Willis, beloved physician of Farmville, well known and held in highest esteem throughout Eastern Carolina was able to return from a Rocky Mount hospital and resume his extensive practice here the first of September.

Davis, Hutson, Lanier Visit Farmville Tobacco Market

Speaking from a truck in the Planters Warehouse here and briefly reviewing the changes which had taken place since exactly one year ago today, September 3, when he and J. B. Hutson met with North Carolina delegates to discuss the situation, in regard to the low prices being paid for flue-cured tobacco, Hon. Chester G. Davis, head of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, told the several hundred farmers gathered to do them honor upon their visit to the Farmville market about noon Monday, that they themselves deserved most of the credit for the success of the tobacco program.

Stating that nothing beats an auction sale of leaf tobacco when the prices are right, and they are "about right now." J. B. Hutson, chief of the tobacco section of the Department of Agriculture, spoke of the problems he had found while problem hunting in the Bright Belt.

J. C. Lanier, tobacco code administrator of Greenville and Washington, said, that he would remind the farmers of the challenge, which they accepted, and of the promise made by the government to them last year, and of the happy results to be seen today, expressing his confidence in the growers supporting any future program offered it by the government.

John T. Thorne, introduced each of the men, whose remarks met with enthusiastic applause from the farmers and tobacconists, who adjourned sales in honor of the occasion.







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