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IT IS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY

Saturday Is The Last Day Of The Enterprise Big
Expansion Campaign — Only Few Hours Rem-
ain—Now Is The Time to Win your Choice

Standing today with their faces to the future and the thoughts of "now or never" hovering in their minds, candidates in The Enterprise's gigantic prize campaign are rallying their aids as would a general on the eve of battle; preparing with feverish haste to make their final stand for victory before 9:00 o'clock Saturday night—the last night—while all Pitt and surrounding counties are waiting, watching, wondering—and hustling for the favorites.

Leading candidates are seeking with the hustle of preparation for the final dash and with one accord are fighting valiantly and determinedly to reach the goal—where the big prize automobile await.

The Last Stand
Seven weeks of hard work and anxiety culminate in the closing scene, 9 o'clock Saturday night, at which time the big automobile and cash campaign comes to an official end and the most successful candidates will claim the magnificent prizes—headed by a 1935 model Terraplane Coach.

Success in an event of this kind depends upon the keen judgment and immediate action. Through all history people possessing the faculty of knowing an opportunity when they see it and grasping it at the right moment, have won frequently on the last turn of the cards, the good things of this world, while those undecided and afraid stand back and talk about what they might have done.

To The Candidates
The end is but a few hours away. If you trust your own judgment as to your competitor's strength, based on facts and observations and lay your plans accordingly there is yet time to stem the tide and turn it to sweeping victory.

Are you going to be the one to finish triumphantly with an overwhelming number of votes, or are you going to be content with what you have and see the efforts of those many weary weeks go to waste and the rewards wrested from your grasp by more enterprising competitors. It is up to you now, or let your rivals beat you to it.

Don't try to figure just how many votes it will take to win, for you will surely fail to get enough. Don't be afraid of having too many votes for you can't have too many. It would be better to win by a million votes or so more than to get left by a few thousand.

Better Safe Than Sorry
A few more laps and the course will have been run. Only a short time remains to choose between victory and defeat—success or failure. Don't overlook your chances to win, and always remember that your adversaries, as keen, perhaps and as resourceful as yourself, are racking every acute brains for the same purpose.

It means something to win in a competition of this kind. It is a demonstration of capacity that is extraordinary. Sometimes it will prove up the "yellow" in your bogus friends, but it will reveal the true ones, and it always tests our mettle and measures your strength.

Subscriptions now will count for more than all the regrets in the world after Saturday night.

Huge Still Is Captured

Six Thousand Gallons Of Beer Also Taken by Officers in Falkland

The holiday supply of liquor in the Falkland community was cut short Monday when sheriff's officers captured a distilling plant with 6,000 gallons of beer.

The still had just been fired up for operation when the officers suddenly swooped down and put an end to what would have eventually turned out to be a big load of whiskey to help take care of the holiday demand in this community.

Two men escaped when they were warned by outposts of the approach of the officers.

The still was of a 120 gallon capacity and was constructed of copper. It was one of the finest types used in distillation of contraband whiskey in this part of the country.

About 700 farm boys and girls joined the twelve A-B clubs in Wilson county by farm agents and have returned their marriage cards to the farm agent.

Road Introduces New 'Rail-Buses'

The Specially Designed
Cars, Stream-Lined, to
Operate on Norfolk
Southern

Raleigh, Dec. 16.—New, fast rail service, with the popular stream-lined coaches propelled by internal combustion engines, will be introduced by the Norfolk Southern Railroad early next month on its main lines, it was announced yesterday by L. P. Kennedy, superintendent.

A new type of rail coach, known as a "Rail-Bus," has been developed especially for the Norfolk Southern and two of these modern coaches, providing the latest in railroad passenger transportation, will be delivered tomorrow by its builders, the American Car and Foundry Company. Two additional units will be delivered by early spring.

The new coaches, each self-propelled by internal combustion engines mounted beneath the bodies, will be exhibited at Norfolk, Raleigh, and other stations along the Norfolk Southern between the date of delivery and the first week in January, when they will begin regular runs from Raleigh to Washington, N. C., and from Goldsboro to Beaufort.

The "Rail-Bus" is approximately 57 feet in length, seats 53 persons, and also carry a 12-foot mail and baggage compartment. Built of Corn-Ten Steel and aluminum alloy, it is capable of a speed of 65 miles per hour. A recent test on the B. and O. tracks at Philadelphia demonstrated that it can attain a speed of 62 miles per hour in one minute, from a dead stop.

In comparison with the steam coach, the new stream-lined unit has a much lesser weight. With its own engine, it weighs 38,000 pounds, while a steam coach without power will average 80,000 pounds.

The most luxurious seating equipment is employed, with full leather semi-recliner, air cushioned individual bus seats built by the J. G. Brill Company, the first to be used in railroad cars.

This car has a greater power per pound of weight than any equipment yet turned out by the builders. It carries 216 pounds of weight for each horse power, as compared with the 300 to 400 on the Burlington and Union Pacific's steam-lined Diesel trains.

Estimates indicate that these cars can be operated at a cost comparable with that of buses on the highways and provide double capacity of the average highway unit, with mail and baggage space in addition, as well as providing fast schedules, and safety and comfort.

One car will be operated between Washington and Raleigh, leaving Washington at about 7:45 a. m., reaching Raleigh at 11:15 a. m., returning to Washington about 2:30 p. m., and arriving there at 6 o'clock.

The Goldsboro coach will leave Goldsboro or Beaufort in the morning and return in the afternoon. The new coach passed through Farmville, Thursday afternoon, on its test trip from Norfolk to Raleigh, and was viewed by a large number of local people, who gathered to see it.

PREPARE FOR ENROLLMENT NEW CCC CONTINGENT

An announcement was made at the FERA office today for boys to enroll in the fourth enlistment of the CCC. White boys between the ages of eighteen to twenty-five inclusive, unmarried, who are eligible for relief under this plan may be enrolled. Pitt County's quota is twenty-one. Application for enrollment may be made anytime at the FERA office at the Court house in Greenville.

Final enrollment and entrance in the CCC work will be made at Washington on January 10, where complete physical examination will be given.

Five alternates will also be selected to fill vacancies for rejections and physical disqualifications. Young men who have served a former enlistment will not be eligible for re-enrollment.

K. T. FURRELL, Supt.
Public Welfare, Pitt County.

Over 70 percent of the Wilson tobacco growers have completed their crop and have returned their marriage cards to the farm agent.



Wishing Our Many Patrons
A Merry Christmas

Pitt Pays Defaulted Obligations In Cash

Greenville, Dec. 18.—Pitt County today claimed the distinction of being the only county in the State to take care of its defaulted obligations in cash.

While a number of other counties have been calling attention to refunding operations, it was announced from the courthouse today by County Auditor Coward that Pitt had paid off \$120,000 worth of its obligations in cold cash, and is able to take care of its remaining obligations for the fiscal year in good style.

Mr. Coward said money for taking care of the obligations was on hand last June and had been paid gradually since that time as the county was able to get bonds in hand. Many of the securities, he said, were scattered in all sections of the county, and considerable time was required to get them in. All but around \$2,000 of the total sum has been paid, and the money is on hand at the treasury to take care of this obligation as soon as the bonds can be obtained.

The clerk also made known that enough money is on hand in the county coffers to take care of remaining obligations of the year.

With improvement in the county's financial situation caused by rapid collection of taxes, the county is in better financial shape at this time than it has been in years.

Like every other form of government, Pitt was hard run during the years of depression, but by slashing here and there and reducing expenses wherever possible, the commissioners were able to see their heads above the water when money became easier to obtain, and today were figuratively "sitting on the top of the world."

The commissioners and others connected with the operation of the county government, are proud of the fine record they have been able to establish, especially that of being the only county in the State that has been able to pay off its defaulted obligations in hard cash. It is a record, others probably will sit up and take notice of in view of the unusual amount of publicity which has been given to refunding operations by other county governments.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The Junior Woman's Club was delightfully entertained on Wednesday afternoon by Misses Rachel and Hazel Monk, at the home of Mrs. G. M. Holden.

Miss Elizabeth Davis presided and conducted a discussion of plans for local relief during the holidays, appointing committees to take charge of this work, and of the weekly Story Hour program for several weeks, in advance.

The program for the afternoon included principal events in the careers of Brutus, Kean, Miller, John Hay, Sidney Lanier and John Burroughs by Miss Elizabeth Davis and readings from each by Mrs. Worth Stewart. Miss Elizabeth Fields gave a delightful Christmas reading, "Keeping Christmas," by Henry Van Dyke.

Christmas decorations were effectively used and the season was further emphasized in the refreshments of ambrosia and fruit cake.

WITH THE BASKETBALL TEAMS

GREETINGS TO SEPTUAGENARIANS

Another mile stone has been reached, not only by the youth of our land but likewise by the old, which marks the foot prints of another year—and the older we grow, the dearer and nearer do they seem to cling to the heart strings of nature's handiwork—vibrating with the cords of the melodies, sung by God's children, while marching down the long journey of life.

Indeed, we have always had much to be thankful and grateful for during this season of the year. But especially those of us, who have traveled through three score years and ten, have far more than the average person, when we realize that statistics show that the average age of the population born in the United States is about 45 years—and less than one in a hundred reaches 75 years.

So hats off to those, who have climbed Life's ladder to over four score years—May God temper the winds of winter, which awaits you and us. Whoever or wherever we may chance to be—Let us not forget that all good gifts come from Him, who doeth all things well.

So here is wishing for each and every one, a happy and joyous Christmas, and good luck until we meet next spring at our annual meeting, when we can exchange greetings face to face.

Watt Parker.

A SURVEY OF JUVENILE COURT RECORDS OF PITT

In a survey of the Juvenile Court Records of Pitt county since 1930 it is found that 529 children have gone through the court. Of this number 309 were white, 220 colored. White males were 201, white females were 108, colored males 159, colored females 61. 56 of the white males were charged with stealing and 52 of the colored males with the same offense. 22 of the total group classified as being charged with secret assault. The court made disposition as follows of this group; 134 or 72 white children and 62 colored were placed on probation. 91 white and 108 colored were placed in private homes. 79 were sent to corrective institutions. 20 of this group being colored and 59 being white. 9 infants were admitted to the North Carolina Children's Home Society while thirteen adoption papers were executed.

Twenty of this group were ordered to pay restriction charges for damage to property and all doctor's bills.

This survey covers part of the depression and many children needed the Juvenile Court supervision and guidance—who have not had it.

LITERARY CLUB

Mrs. J. H. Darden entertained the Literary Club on Wednesday afternoon of this week, at the home of Mrs. G. M. Holden, the completion of plans for charity work during the holidays, featuring the business session, and two interesting papers, the program: "Lord Dunsany, English Playwright" written by Mrs. J. Y. Monk, and "Booth Tarkington," presented by Mrs. G. A. Jones.

Mrs. G. A. Jones was winner of the prize in a contest relating to Christmas, which added enjoyment to the social period, at which time delightful refreshments were also served. Miss Alice Coggins was a special guest of the hostess at this meeting.

To Hold Com- munity Service Sunday Dec. 23

Spirit Of Goodwill And
Good Cheer Prevails
Throughout This com-
munity

The annual Community Christmas Tree service will be held at 5:00 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, December 23, under the auspices of the Women's Club, at the Christian church with the pastor, Rev. C. B. Mashburn, Rev. H. M. Wilson of the Presbyterian, Rev. L. R. Emsis, of the Baptist, Rev. John C. Wooten, of the Methodist, and Rev. Jack Tyson, of the Free Will Baptist churches, assisting in the devotional services.

A musical program will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Henrietta M. Williamson, with the choirs of the town singing carols, and Miss Mary K. Jerome and a male quartet, composed of John D. and Elbert Holmes, C. F. Baucum and Rev. L. R. Emsis, rendering special selections. Miss Irma Callahan will give a Christmas reading.

The Annie R. Lang Memorial Tree will be lighted for the occasion and gifts for the needy placed about it.

OPPORTUNITY LIST AGAIN PRESENTED

The list of needy families have been shrinking to a gratifying degree to Miss Tabitha DeVisconti, who has investigated and recommends same, with each succeeding day seeing the various cases of unfortunate men and women and children in this community, being taken care of by individuals or organizations, who are pledging themselves to make the Christmas season one of good cheer for others.

Please notify Miss DeVisconti at once of your choice of the remaining opportunities for service, and clear the list by Sunday.

NEED FOOD, CLOTHING, CHRISTMAS CHEER.

Case 1—Family of six, father unemployed. Taken by Junior Woman's Club.

Case 2—Family of 12, father's health impaired, almost an invalid.

Case 3—Widow, 4 children. All unemployed. Episcopal Auxiliary.

Case 4—Widow, 4 children. All unemployed.

Case 5—Widow, 3 children. Taken by Junior Woman's Club.

Case 6—Widow, 2 children. American Legion Auxiliary.

Case 7—Family of 4. Father unemployed. Literary Club.

Case 8—Homeless girl, 8 years, mother and father separated. Taken by 3 individuals.

Case 9—Three orphans, living with grandfather.

Case 10—Father and 2 children, mother in State Hospital. Taken by Woman's Club, Methodist Sunday School.

Case 11—Family of 5, father unemployed.

Case 12—Family of 3, father unemployed.

Case 13—Family of 9, father unemployed.

HONORED AT TEA

Members of the faculty of the Farmville High school, and of the Junior Woman's Club were honored at a charming, informal tea, given by the Woman's Club on Friday afternoon, and held at the home of the president, Mrs. A. Q. Roebuck.

Mrs. M. C. Williamson greeted the guests as they arrived. Mrs. D. E. Oglesby received at the music room and Mrs. G. W. Davis at the dining room doors. Mrs. J. L. Shackelford rendered instrumental selections during the afternoon.

Beautiful seasonal decorations were used throughout the home on Main street, the dining room being especially lovely with its table centerpieces of silvered yew and pyramidal berries, arranged in a silver bowl. Similar arrangements were used on the buffet and auxiliary tables. Silver candle sticks bore red tapers, with additional illumination coming from a huge snow ball.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

A delightful meeting of the Wednesday Afternoon Club, was held this week with Mrs. Ed Nash Warren as hostess, the attractive decorations in the home and delicious refreshments carrying the red and green colors, and other touches being suggestive of the Christmas season.

Mrs. W. N. Sprull made high score and received a colorful spon. Mrs. W. A. Folland, Jr., and Miss Mary Barrow were special guests of the hostess at this time.

Edgar Aston, Valdwell county 4-H club member, made 77.8 bushels of corn on one acre this year. He had a profit of \$27.60 after deducting expenses amounting to \$50.00.

Holidays To Bring Many Social Activities

Perkins Chosen New Treasurer

County Commissioners
Also Adopt New
Health Budget at Special Meeting

Greenville, Dec. 18.—Vance Perkins, of Greenville, was named County Treasurer to succeed A. T. Moore at a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners here yesterday.

The action followed the inability of Moore to provide bond of \$150,000 required for the post.

In a brief note to the commissioners, Moore, who had held the position of Treasurer for a number of years, explained he was unable to arrange bond and saw no immediate prospects of doing so, and tendered his resignation.

After accepting the resignation the board selected Perkins, who ran second to Moore in the primary in June, and then lost out in the second primary held a month later.

Perkins presumably will take over the post as soon as he can arrange bond, it was understood today.

Moore was not inducted into office the first Monday in December as other county officers because of failure to provide bond, and was given until yesterday by the commissioners to take care of the bond.

In addition to disposing of this matter, the board also concurred in action of the Board of Education in appropriating \$500 a year to the Sheppard Memorial Library of this city because of services which the institution has rendered to the various schools of the county.

Donald Conley, director of education, explained the action of the education department and told of the fine services which the local library had rendered to the public school system by lending books not only to the children but valuable works of references to the faculty members.

The new health budget, carrying total appropriations of \$11,880, was also adopted. The department had been operating on a tentative budget pending settlement of provisions for the various fields of activities.

Of this amount the county appropriates \$9,800, the remainder of the fund coming from State and Federal departments of health. In addition to the budget, the Federal Government also provides \$1,800 annually to defray the cost of employing an all-time sanitary inspector. The amount directly appropriated by the county is nearly twice as great as last year, and opens the way for certain improvements in public health activity throughout the county. The county last year allotted \$5,400 for this purpose.

The board also permitted the courthouse to close Monday noon to give employees ample time for celebration of the Christmas holidays. The courthouse will be re-opened Wednesday morning for resumption of regular business.

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Mrs. A. Q. Roebuck and Mrs. J. Sterling Gates presided over the tea service and Christmas delight plates, with cookies and salted nuts being served by Mrs. W. T. Mottinger and Mrs. Mary M. Patterson.

LETCHWORTH-RIDDLE

Mrs. Alma Riddle, of Greenville, daughter of Mrs. Ann Smith and the late H. J. Smith, and Mr. Jasper Letchworth, of Winterville, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Letchworth, were married on Sunday afternoon, December 16, at 5:30 o'clock, by Rev. C. B. Mashburn, of the Christian church.

Special Music With The Choirs of The Town Singing Carols Have Been Arranged

With the strain of the depression years lessening in this section, everybody is looking forward to a gay and happier Christmas season than any of several years, and the older set as well as members of the younger circle are anticipating many social activities during the next few days.

Incoming trains, buses and motor cars are filled with college boys and girls en route home for the holidays. While here they will entertain themselves and each other with motoring, visiting, partying, and hurrying off to the theatre and dances.

Probably the heaviest, and certainly the most select and varied stock of Christmas goods ever seen on the shelves of the stores of Farmville, indicate that this is to be a big season for Santa Claus.

Shopping is becoming unusually brisk with the passing days, and numbers of extra clerks have been hired to supplement the regular sales forces of practically every store here, in order that prompt and courteous attention may be given to the hundreds of visitors from Farmville's trade territory.

The streets in the business section are more elaborately decorated than ever before, strings and strings of varicolored lights being intertwined with garlands of mountain laurel leaves, these being used also on the lighting and telephone poles.

The town fathers have done every thing possible to give the town a colorful and cheerful atmosphere, and the merchants have followed suit, gaily decorating their windows and presenting displays of their exceptional offers in Christmas gifts. For the past four years gifts have had to be put strictly in the practical class, but this year money is more plentiful and a few joyful gifts, which may be classed a luxuries, will find their way into the stockings of both youngsters and older members of the family.

The residential section is also in Christmas attire; candle lighted windows calling a greeting to passerby; Christmas trees are to be seen indoors and out, and gay decorations visible from the windows, reveal the Christmas spirit inside.

In truth, Christmas 1934 bids fair to be the brightest and best experienced in this community in many moons.

VETERINARY SURGEON OPENS OFFICES HERE

Dr. H. B. Smith, veterinary surgeon, who has recently moved his residence here from Apex, has opened up headquarters in the laboratory of the Municipal Building, and has been very busy for the past two weeks treating cholera conditions found among swine in this section.

Dr. Smith, a native of Vermont, and an ex-service man, who served from 1916-19 in the United States army, the last half of his service being in the medical department, was until recently with the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, by which he had been employed since 1928, with headquarters at Apex, his territory extending to Lillington. Dr. Smith resigned from the Bureau to resume his private practice.

Graduating with a degree of veterinary medicine in 1925 from the University of Georgia, Dr. Smith supervised the building of the State Abattoir at Leaksville, and has since been associated with sanitary projects, military and civil, both North and South, and has studied and practiced extensively the eradication of animal tuberculosis, cholera control and meat inspection.

FIRES OCCUR IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION HERE THIS WEEK

A fire starting from an immense Christmas tree in the reception hall of the Lang residence on Main street, occupied by A. Q. Roebuck and family, did considerable damage to the floor, walls, ceiling and furnishings late Friday afternoon.

Firemen were called to the home of S. V. Lore, on Contentines street, Tuesday afternoon to fight a fire, which was discovered among clothing hanging near the fire place of one of the bedrooms. The material was damaged and clothes of the family, valued at around \$150 were lost as a result of the fire, the cause of which was undetermined since there was no fire in the grate at the time the burning clothes were discovered.

An increased interest in conserving trees and reforestation has been noted in Edgecombe county, says R. W. Gruber, extension forester at State College.