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Raeford Dollar Days Show Promise Of Drawing Crowds of Eager Buyers

Merchants Cooperating To Furnish Outstanding Values For Those Who Trade Here On Friday and Saturday, December Fourth and Fifth; Penny-Pinchers Will Be In Their Glory.

Prices in Raeford are due for a decided slash on Friday and Saturday, December 4th and 5th, when the merchants of the town are cooperating to put up bargains that will delight the most penny-pinching housewife, whether she pinches of necessity, or for the love of pinching. Friday and Saturday will be her days, and her dollar will do more than it has perhaps ever done before, even under her expert direction. A dollar on these Raeford Dollar-Days threatens verily to rival its spender in importance, according to advance information on bargains that will be offered. And not only are the housewives to benefit, but anyone—anyone who has a dollar, or even less, to take advantage of real value which will be recognized by all who visit the stores here Friday and Saturday.

A number of people who have read the advertisements of the merchants of their dollar-days offerings, have expressed astonishment at the array of bargains and many have said emphatically that they will be on hand not later than Friday morning to make their dollars "do their stuff." Indeed, judging from comment heard here and there, there will be a crowd in practically every store on the aforementioned days. Those who participate in the Dollar-Days program will not only help themselves, but help the merchants, and the community generally, because of money turned loose. The Dollar-Day idea this year, by virtue of the present business conditions, promises to be of more benefit than ever, and therefore worthy of cooperation from all. The value of your dollar, already greater than it has been in many years, will even increase in value in Raeford on Friday and Saturday. Even the most chronic hard-times talker will not be able to complain of a disappointment on Raeford Dollar-Days—it has been arranged so that he just cannot do it.

REPORT OF RED CROSS ROLL CALL IN HOKE

The recent Red Cross Fifth Anniversary Roll Call which opened on Armistice Day and ended on Thanksgiving Day, resulted in the raising of about \$90 in Raeford and the county. All workers in the drive have not yet reported and it is hoped that the final amount will be in excess of \$100. The amount raised is said to be very good in view of present business conditions here. Dr. R. L. Murray, who had charge of the Roll Call in the county reports that his workers received splendid cooperation, and received many donations less than the usual \$1 membership. The colored people of the county also responded to the Roll Call.

HOKE POLITICIAN TAKES TO STUMP

Mr. Laurie McEachern, Representative in the State Legislature from Hoke County, and aspirant to the Commissioner of Agriculture post, addressed the meeting of the Midouson Parent-Teacher Association on December 1st. He spoke of the workings of the State Legislature, and talked especially of school legislation. They say it was a good speech? ? ?

TWO YOUNG GIRLS KILL DEER WEIGHING 120 LBS.

Last Saturday morning, Nancy Simpson and Alma Seymour, two girls in their early teens, were playing in the pasture at Nancy's home several miles from Vass in Hoke County, when a deer, which had evidently been pursued by hunters for some distance, came running along and in his haste failed to notice the pasture fence and became entangled in it. The girls took in the situation at a glance and speedily got in action. Alma grabbed the deer in a firm hold and Nancy seized a pine knot and killed him. The animal weighed 120 pounds.—News & Observer

WELL TRAINED DOGS VERSUS CONSCIENCE

A few days ago Miss Mattie McLaughlin had a chicken killed and placed on the back porch of her home preparatory to having it dressed for cooking. When she went out to get the chicken it was missing. Being familiar with the well trained dogs of her neighbor, Dr. W. M. Fairley, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, she suspected one of them of removing the chicken. She called Dr. Fairley and advised him of the missing chicken and asked if one of his dogs had shown up with it. He replied that he hadn't noticed either dog or chicken. Several minutes later Miss McLaughlin's telephone rang, and a ministerial voice informed her that the chicken had reached the porch of the manse through the agency of a dog, and that it would be returned forthwith. Now, friends of Dr. Fairley are asking him questions like this: "Did conscience prompt that second telephone call?" "How did you succeed in training your dog so well?" and "What's the use in having well trained dogs and a ministerial conscience?"

MANY AT SERVICES THANKSGIVING DAY

Rev. J. R. Miller Preaches To Large Audience In Union Service At The Methodist Church.

In obedience to custom, to the President's proclamation, to a patriotic duty, and to a feeling of their own personal gratitude, many Raeford people, members of the three churches, gathered, with their visitors, in the Methodist Church at ten o'clock on Thanksgiving morning to take part in a service of thanks to God for His countless blessings to them in the past year.

Following the usual custom, the Thanksgiving service was a union one, in which each Raeford minister participated. Held this year with Rev. W. F. Trawick, pastor of the Methodist Church, presiding. The service was opened with the reading of President Hoover's Thanksgiving proclamation, and prayer, by Dr. W. M. Fairley, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Rev. Mr. Trawick then led the responsive reading of the 107th Psalm. The offering was taken for the orphanages of the three (Continued on back page.)

"WAYSIDE" PROGRAM IS PRESENTED HERE

Harold C. Brown, "Old Wayside," Explains Wayside Movement; Entertainment Pleases Large Audience.

In his own individual style at a "Wayside" entertainment in the Raeford school auditorium on Wednesday evening of last week, Harold C. Brown of Charlotte, better known as "Old Wayside," after he had succeeded in getting the audience infected with his own highly contagious laughter, told at length of his "Wayside Gang" and its work among its shut-in members. He began with the time he himself became a shut-in 6 years ago in Charlotte and felt the need of a different attitude from that which usually exists on the part of the public generally to those who are shut in. At that time he began corresponding with several shut-ins, and in his own particular way, dispensed smiles, among them in a manner altogether different from the accustomed so-called, but nevertheless well-meaning, "cheer" that is passed from the physically well to the shut-in. In only a few years Mr. Brown found himself at the head of an organization, The Wayside Gang, which does a work of spreading smiles and adding to the joy of living to those who are cast by the wayside of life by physical in-

Former Cumberland Officials Sentenced.



JOHN C. GILMORE

DAVID GASTER

Gilmore And Gaster Receive Prison Sentences For Mishandling Of Funds

TUBERCULOSIS SEAL SALE IS UNDER WAY

This Year Marks 25th Anniversary of Christmas Seal; Mrs. H. L. Gatlin Heads Local Committee.

That small but mighty warrior against Tuberculosis, the annual Christmas Seal, is on sale again, and this year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of its contribution to the constantly waged battle against the White Plague. The Civic Department of the Woman's Club will have charge of the seal sale in Raeford and vicinity. Mrs. H. L. Gatlin is chairman, and assisting her on the sale committee are Mesdames Crawford Thomas, A. C. Gillis, D. P. Andrews and Harvey Cole. At the Sanatorium, the Sunshine Club sponsors the Seal Sale, which will be in charge of Miss Sibyl Brabble, Seal Sale Chairman.

Seventy-five percent of the money realized from the sale of the seals will be spent locally, largely for providing more proper food for under-nourished children, who are so susceptible to tuberculosis. The other twenty-five percent goes to the National Tuberculosis Association, and will be used in its research work. Money spent from the seal sale by the National Association has resulted in many discoveries which have aided the fight immeasurably. The twenty-fifth annual seal portrays an old-time stage coach drawn by prancing steeds. On the top or upper deck of the coach is shown a group of people dressed in the costumes of the "good old days" setting out on a round of holiday festivities. One passenger is shown blowing a horn in celebration of the occasion.

During the 25 years of the Seal Sale, great work has been done against Tuberculosis. According to an article in the December Sanatorium Sun "the ravages of the disease have been cut in half; more than 500 sanatoria have been constructed; clinics have been established for early diagnosis, the tuberculin test and x-ray have been perfected. . . ."

The public in buying the seals and using them on its letters and gifts during the Christmas season each year, aids materially in the advances (Continued on back page.)

Gilmore, Former Cumberland Clerk, Gets 2-3 Years; Gaster, Former Treasurer, 4-5 Years; Both Plead Guilty at Trial Monday; Begin Sentences January Second.

Fayetteville, Dec. 2.—John C. Gilmore, former Cumberland County Clerk of Court, and David Gaster, former Treasurer, received prison sentences from Judge Carlant E. Midyette here today in Superior Court.

Gilmore, who admitted lending money he held in trust, to Gaster without proper security, was sentenced to from two to three years in prison. Gaster, was sentenced to from three to five years imprisonment. Both were allowed until January 2nd to begin their sentences to allow them to get their affairs in order. Each was put under \$1,000 bond.

Fayetteville, Nov. 30.—John C. Gilmore, former clerk of the court of Cumberland county, and David Gaster, ex-treasurer of the county, pleaded guilty to charges of misapplication of funds when they were placed on trial here this morning. Gaster's plea was to aiding and abetting Gilmore in the misapplication. Judge Midyette set the hour for judgment to be passed on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, after hearing seven lawyers review the comparatively brief evidence and going over it carefully himself. In doing so he took occasion to inform the county commissioners that if they had done their sworn duty "this would never have happened."

Guilty of Felony. The judge asked for the many bank checks presented in evidence and examined each check paid by Gilmore to Gaster and each one which represented a re-payment of the advances made to Gaster by the clerk. He then stated that both defendants were clearly guilty of a felony. Otherwise he gave no intimation of what his sentence will be.

Commissioners Rebuked. The court's remarks concerning the county commissioners were addressed to W. N. McCaskill, chairman of the board. He reminded the commissioners that the law requires that a county treasurer make a report every thirty days to be posted at the courthouse door, giving an (Continued on back page.)

Angry Tobacco Planters Halt Sale Of Weed In Owensboro On Opening

UNIVERSAL SPEED LAW

In the report of a recent case in the Supreme Court, Justice Brogden asks this question: "What duty does the law impose upon a motorist driving at night when the vision of the driver is obscured by rain, fog, or mist, and the pavement is wet and slippery?" He then proceeds to answer the question and backs up his answer with a wealth of authorities from other States. The authoritative answer is this: "It is negligence for the driver of an automobile to propel it at a rate of speed faster than would enable him to stop or avoid any obstruction within the radius of his light, or the range of his vision."

The learned Judge then comments: "The standard of duty announced is broad, severe, and unbending, but it appears to be a just rule, particularly in view of the appalling destruction of life and limb by motor driven vehicles upon the highways of the State." This rule has been called the Universal Speed Law. It applies with equal force to the crest of the hill, the blind curve, or the smoke laden daylight.

Hurl Apples at Auctioneers And Threaten Destruction Of Warehouses As Protest Against Ruinous Prices; Then Stage Mass Meeting And Resolve Not To Raise Any Tobacco Next Year.

Owensboro, Ky., December 1.—Incensed because of low prices offered them, approximately 3,000 farmers attending the opening tobacco sale of the season here today broke up the bidding after hurling apples at the auctioneers. Then the farmers unanimously adopted a resolution not to raise any tobacco next year. Approximately 78,000 pounds of dark leaf tobacco had been sold at two warehouses for an average of \$4.61 a hundred, compared with an average of \$8.47 on the opening day last year, when close to 500,000 pounds were sold. As the auction continued and rejections became more numerous, the farmers began voicing dissatisfaction. Shouts of "You can't take our tobacco that way!" interrupted the auctioneers. Threats to wreck the warehouses unless the sale was stopped were heard.

Becomes Serious

The demonstration assumed serious proportions when someone hurled an apple at W. G. Crabtree, vice president and general manager of the Owensboro Loose Leaf Tobacco Company, operator of six of the seven warehouses here. Crabtree dodged the apple, but the protests became so threatening the sale was halted. The farmers withdrew and several hours later gathered at the court house. Because of their numbers, it was necessary to hold an open meeting in the court house yard. Unanimous approval was given to resolutions to postpone the sale until next Monday, to appoint a committee to confer with James C. Stone, chairman of the Federal Farm Board in Washington, in an effort to obtain financing for a tobacco pool; and to abandon plans for next year's crop. The farmers also agreed to offer no tobacco for sale before next Monday.

To Resume Sales.

The Owensboro district, known as the Green River District, is one of the largest dark leaf tobacco areas in Kentucky. Its sales were the first of the year in Kentucky, and farmers consider prices offered on the opening day as an indication of what they may expect for their crop generally during the season. Most of the other dark tobacco markets and the burley markets, including the Lexington market, open next week. More than 3,000,000 pounds of tobacco already have been delivered to the seven warehouses here and approximately 1,500,000 pounds are awaiting unloading from wagons. Some of the farmers indicated they would take their leaf back home rather than sell it at prevailing prices.

WOMEN'S CLUBS TO CHOOSE STATE BIRD

Club Women Ask Aid In Selecting Between Chickadee And Red-Winged Black Bird.

The club women of North Carolina are sponsoring the selection of a state bird, and the nomination will go either to the red-winged blackbird or to the chickadee. Practically all states have state birds; Kentucky has the cardinal, Louisiana the pelican, etc., but so far a state bird for North Carolina has not been chosen.

The national bird, of course, is the eagle, though many people think that a bird of prey should not be the symbol of our peace loving nation.

The Chickadee. North Carolina seems to have no more representative bird than the chickadee, which belongs to the Titmouse family that includes a large number of species scattered widely over the northern hemisphere, which are highly servicable to mankind. The chickadee nests in a decayed stump, 2 or 3 feet from the ground, a knot hole in an old apple tree, a fence post, or the deserted home of a woodpecker. Chickadee is a very (Continued on back page.)

STATE OFFERS UNITED FRONT

North Carolina's Delegation To Congress Again To Be One Hundred Percent Democratic.

Raleigh, Dec. 2.—North Carolina's delegation to the 72nd congress will again be 100 per cent democratic, with one new senator and three new representatives.

Two of the new representatives, however, have served in past congresses, and the only "freshman" on the North Carolina team will be Senator Josiah W. Bailey, of Raleigh, and Representatives Walter Lambeth of the seventh congressional district. Senator Cameron Morrison of Charlotte served a short while in the 71st congress following his appointment to succeed the late Lee S. Overman, as did Frank Hancock of Oxford, who filled the unexpired term of the late Charles Manley Stedman, the last Confederate veteran to serve in congress.

Zebulon Weaver, representing the tenth district and Major A. L. Bulwinkle, representing the ninth district, will return to congress after having been unseated for one term by republicans. (Continued on back page.)

COUNTY BOARDS TO MEET

The Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Education will hold their regular meetings at the court-house Monday morning, December 7th.

The Carnegie Commission has awarded nearly 2,500 medals and more than \$4,000,000 in money for deeds of valor since 1904.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

We wish to ask anyone who can furnish one or more days work to please let us know. There are lots of folks who need work and want to work. Any one having any cleaning to be done around their yards or in their houses, or any other kind of work will be helping those in need if they will just call me at the Town Hall and list your jobs with me so that I can place them in the proper hands. Give me your name and the kind of work you want done, and I will send some needy person to do it. Let's all help those who are unfortunate. L. M. ANDREWS, Chairman, Unemployment Committee

POLITICS AND PERSONALITIES

If party harmony were entirely in a party chairman's keeping, what a riot we would have! First, Senator Fess, Chairman of the G. O. P., drew Republican ire by speaking his mind on prohibition. A few days afterward, John J. Raskob, Democratic Chairman stirred up dissension—also in regard to prohibition. Mr. Raskob, who is known for his anti-Volstead views, simply undertook to find out what 1928 Democratic contributors thought of the prohibition question, and he set about it in the simplest way possible. He asked them in writing. The repercussions were not very great, but the dry element in the party, headed by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, was indignant. Mr. Raskob was politely rebuked by a reminder that prohibition was now overshadowed by more important matters, notably the depression.

Senator Fess' transgression was more serious. The earnest little Ohioan declared that the Republican Party would make a "fatal blunder" if it asked for repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. Immediately, three infuriated Republican Congressmen turned their machine guns on the Chairman. Representative Britten, of Illinois compared him to "a director and officer of the Anti-Saloon League." Representative La Guardia of New York called him "the best asset the Democratic party has," and Representative Schafer denounced his "fanaticism." And their remarks for publication are said to be as nothing compared with some of the private comments of leading G. O. P. stalwarts. Wanted: a party chairman without a conviction on the prohibition question.