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WHIRLWIND TOBACCO SIGN-UP CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY IN STATE

Machinery for Drive Set Up After Farmers Meet

SEEK COOPERATION

Raleigh, March 17.—A "whirlwind" tobacco sign-up campaign seeking the co-operation of Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia planters in an effort to reduce the 1936 flue-cured crop, was launched in North Carolina today.

Machinery for an intensive drive to secure the signatures of 80 per cent. of the growers or of growers owning 80 per cent. of the acreage on which the 1935 tobacco crop was produced was set in motion immediately after a representative group of farm leaders unanimously had endorsed provisions of the proposed contract.

Under the contract, the flue-cured crop this season would be limited to 70 per cent. of the base acreage under the old AAA.

Governor Ehringhaus was authorized by the central steering committee to contact Governor George Peery of Virginia and Governor Olin D. Johnston, of South Carolina, tonight to urge immediate conferences looking to similar campaigns in those states.

Dean I. O. Schaub of the N. C. State College extension service, told the farm leaders a sign-up campaign was started in Georgia today as the outgrowth of meetings held last week, and said he had assurances the program would be backed there.

Named on the central steering committee to direct the drive in North Carolina were: Claude T. Hall of Wooddale, who was selected chairman; J. Con Lanier of Greenville, who was chosen secretary-treasurer; Dean Schaub, J. E. Winslow of Greenville, head of the farm bureau federation; Harry P. Caldwell of Greensboro, representing the state Grange; H. P. Foxhall of Rocky Mount, president of the Eastern Carolina Tobacco Warehousemen's Association, and Titus Currin, farmer of Oxford.

SEED LOANS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Farmers Needing Loans Should Apply At Once

Emergency crop and production credit seed loans are now being granted and all farmers desiring them are urged to make application at the earliest possible convenience, it was stated Wednesday by J. W. Crawford, Surry farm agent. Applications are being filled out at the county farm agent's office at Dobson under the direction of Mr. Crawford.

These loans are from the Federal government and are for the purchasing of seeds to assist farmers to get out their crops where they would otherwise be unable to start a crop for the season.

Details of the loan may be had from Mr. Crawford at his office at Dobson.

Dobson CCC Camp Director Resigns

A. E. Caldwell, educational director of the CCC camp, located near Dobson, has resigned his position at that camp, and left for his home in Tennessee Friday of last week. The vacancy left by his resignation has not yet been filled.

Republican Township Convention Is To Be Held Here Tonight

The Elkin township Republican convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention to be held in Dobson on March 21 will be held here Thursday, March 19, at 7:30 p. m., in the Junior Order hall on North Bridge street.

All Republicans in this township are urged to be present. Ladies are especially invited to attend both the township and county meetings and to take an active part in the affairs of the party.

E. L. Byrd is chairman of the Elkin township Republican committee. C. C. Fulp is secretary.

Talked Too Much



Columbus A. H. Hawraney (above) offered to loan the city \$50,000 when it was announced that a \$900,000 deficit must be met this year. The city declined... but Hawraney's former wife, at Detroit, heard of it and now asks for more alimony.

TWO ARE IN JAIL ON ROBBERY COUNT

Local Pool Room Broken Into and Automobile Stolen

Dunk Vestal, of Jonesville, and Gilbert Smith, Yadkin county negro, of whom local police have been able to learn very little, are in jail at Dobson in default of \$750 bond each as a result of their alleged robbery of the Railroad Lunch, located in the rear of the Casstevens Hardware Co. building here, last Thursday night.

The two were arrested later in Yadkin county by Deputy Sheriff Ruffin Haynes, when several people informed police that they had witnessed the break-in. The robbery occurred about 9 p. m. The loot consisted of a slot machine, cigarettes, candy and a small quantity of wine and money.

Vestal was also charged with carrying a concealed weapon.

Thad Evans, who is said to live on the Boonville road, is also being sought by police in connection with the robbery.

Another robbery occurred here the latter part of last week when thieves entered the rear window of the pool room located in the old Farmers & Merchants bank building and looted a slot machine. No arrests have been made in this case.

Still a third theft took place Saturday night at the Rendezvous, near Jonesville, the automobile driven by Charlie Hanes, of Elkin, having been stolen while outside. The car, it is understood, was later recovered at Elizabethtown.

SNOW STORM DOES NO DAMAGE HERE

Highway From Roaring Gap To Sparta Blocked

An unexpected snow storm which Tuesday morning swept over western North Carolina, left a trail of wreckage and deep snow drifts from Roaring Gap to Sparta, the highway early Wednesday morning having been reported as blocked.

Snow was said to have fallen to a depth of six inches at Sparta, a stiff wind piling it into huge drifts. Power lines were blown down and many fallen trees had to be cut away to open the highway.

The extent of the storm here was marked by a rapid drop in temperature, accompanied by snow, sleet and hail, the rain which had been falling Monday night and Tuesday morning changing into snow late Tuesday morning.

Klondike Iceberg to Greet Admiral Byrd

"Klondike Iceberg," world famous Guernsey bull born while his mother was en route with Byrd to Little America, will be taken to Winston-Salem from Klondike Farm here early Friday morning to greet Admiral Byrd, who will deliver illustrated addresses there Friday afternoon and evening.

Ruohs Fryon, manager of Klondike Farm, will accompany the famous bull to Winston-Salem.

Hold Meeting

The school masters of the county held a meeting in the county superintendent's office Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. There was also a meeting of the colored teachers Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. at the same place.

LATE NEWS from the State and Nation

LITTLE HOPE OF NEW PEACE PACT

London, March 17.—A high British authority said tonight "it was not conceivable" a lasting solution for European problems could be found at the present meeting of diplomatic representatives of Locarno pact powers.

His statement came as Locarno representatives adjourned after another midnight session on the heels of a fresh French "ultimatum" and a Soviet blast against Adolf Hitler.

The diplomatic gloom, temporarily dissipated by Nazi acceptance to send delegates to the League of Nations council session considering violation of the Locarno treaty by German remilitarization of the Rhineland deepened in the face of the British statement.

REFUSES TO VOTE FUNDS

Washington, March 17.—After refusing to appropriate \$12,000,000 for the Florida ship canal, the Senate today involved itself in an indecisive debate over compulsory military training, that deferred until tomorrow a final vote on the \$611,000,000 army supply bill.

By a 39-to-34 vote it rejected an amendment by Senator Fletcher (D), Fla., which would have added \$20,000,000 to the measure, including \$12,000,000 for the ocean waterway begun with relief funds and \$8,000,000 for three smaller WPA-initiated projects.

DR. CONDON COMES HOME

New York, March 17.—Dr. John F. Condon came home today to discover that nobody wanted him after all.

It was a changed man who walked down the gangplank of the liner Santa Inez—a strangely silent Jafsie, who was surrounded by a protective circle of friends and relatives.

"No comment," was his answer to all questions concerning the impending execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann for the murder of the Lindbergh baby.

WORST STORM IN YEARS HITS ASHEVILLE

Asheville, March 17.—The worst blizzard in the memory of older residents here struck Asheville and Western North Carolina today, marooning school children, snarling traffic and tying up business generally. So far as could be learned late tonight no deaths had resulted from the storm. Property damage was confined principally to power, telephone and telegraph lines and shrubbery.

MRS. TOM PITTMAN DIES HERE SUNDAY

Jonesville Woman Follows Husband to the Grave

Mrs. Millie Anne Roberson Pittman, 37, widow of Thomas Pittman, died in the local hospital Sunday evening, following a brief illness from pneumonia and complications. Her death came only ten days after that of her husband.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Brady Shore, of Jonesville; five brothers, Percy Roberson, Whitmel; Winfield Roberson, Winston-Salem; M. H. Roberson, Hudson; Junius and Frank Roberson, Jonesville; and two sisters, Mrs. William Emmerson and Mrs. William Vestal, Jonesville.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Fall Creek Baptist church, of which Mrs. Pittman was a member. Rev. J. L. Powers, of Elkin; Rev. D. G. Reece, of Jonesville, and Rev. James Murray, of Winston-Salem, were in charge of the services. Interment was in the church cemetery beside her husband.

To Hold Free Cripple Clinic In Mount Airy

A cripple clinic will be held in the office of the Surry county health department at Mount Airy Friday, March 27, from 9 a. m. until 12 noon, it has been announced by Dr. Ralph J. Sykes, Surry county health officer.

Dr. R. A. Moore, orthopedic surgeon, will be in charge. Patients will be seen free of charge.

ELKIN MERCHANTS ARE TO STAGE TWO BIG BARGAIN DAYS

Have Worked Out Fine Program; Everyone Is Invited

MARCH 27 AND 28

Elkin merchants, working in cooperation with the Elkin Merchants association, are Friday and Saturday of next week staging two days of value giving and entertainment which, in addition to sensational bargains at the many stores cooperating, will feature a mule race, greased pole climbing contest, boxing bout and battle royal, and many other features, winners of which will be awarded worthwhile cash prizes.

The event, Elkin Bargain Days, will be really worthwhile to citizens of this section and neighboring towns and communities. Elkin merchants have been preparing for weeks by stocking their stores with special merchandise which will mean really worthwhile savings to those who take advantage of them.

Elkin stores offer a wide range of merchandise and everything that can be purchased in larger towns can be obtained here, thus doing away with the trouble and expense of long trips to more distant towns.

The complete program for both big days will be found in an advertisement located elsewhere in this issue. Everyone who is interested in saving money on their purchases and in having a lot of fun and entertainment in addition, is urged to visit Elkin on both trade days.

LOCAL FIREMEN ARE GUESTS OF KIWANIS

Club Continuing Efforts To Get New Post-office Here

Members of the local fire department were the guests of the Elkin Kiwanis club Friday night at their regular meeting at Hotel Elkin.

C. H. Brewer was in charge of the program, and paid high tribute to the firemen, praising them for the fine work they have done here even though handicapped by sadly inadequate equipment. Mr. Brewer stated that he hoped within the very near future the firemen would be provided with modern equipment.

Frank Shaw, chief of the Greensboro fire department, was scheduled to be present as guest speaker, but found it impossible to be here.

Attending firemen, other than those who are members of the Kiwanis club, were Fire Chief W. W. Whitaker, Ted Brown, E. A. Harris and Clarence Holcomb.

During the meeting H. P. Graham, chairman of the public affairs committee of the club, stated that he had received a reply to a letter written Congressman Frank Hancock relative to a new postoffice building for Elkin. The letter stated, Mr. Graham said, that although Elkin and Leaksville are at the top of the list of towns now eligible for a new building, the matter of selecting the town to receive the next one is entirely in the hands of the government inter-department committee, and that Mr. Hancock has absolutely no jurisdiction in the matter.

It was pointed out, however, that if Elkin should not get a new post-office this year, the town will get one within the next two years.

It is hoped that a new building will be constructed here this year as the lease on the present building will expire soon. The construction of such a building is one of the main objectives of the Kiwanis club for 1936.

In Japan the silk worm furnishes whole or partial livelihood for at least 18 million people.

Tribune Is To Be Published One Day Earlier Next Week

The Tribune, in order to cooperate with Elkin merchants in staging Elkin Bargain Days, will be published one day earlier than the usual publication date next week. For this reason all correspondents are urged to get the news of their communities by Monday afternoon.

The Tribune will also appreciate it very much if local advertisers will cooperate by preparing their advertisements for next week's issue as early as possible.

10,000 Gallstones



Philadelphia—Mrs. Dora Kurtzman (above), is feeling quite all right, now that a hospital operation here, removing over 10,000 gallstones, has proved successful. A report is to be made to medical associations.

REPUBLICANS TO NAME DELEGATES

County Convention To Be Held At Dobson Saturday

The Surry county Republican convention will be held in the courthouse at Dobson Saturday, and will be followed closely by the fifth district convention the following Monday, March 23, David L. Hiatt, chairman, and T. W. Davis, secretary of the county Republican committee, have announced.

The fifth district convention will be held in Reidsville at 10 a. m. The county convention at Dobson Saturday will begin at 1 p. m.

The number of county convention delegates in each of the different precincts follow: Bryan 7; Dobson 7; Eldora 7; Elkin 6; Franklin 6; Long Hill 6; Marsh 5; Mount Airy 1, 4; Mount Airy 2, 7; Mount Airy 3, 9; Mount Airy 4, 5; Mount Airy 5, 4; Pilot Mountain 5; Rockford 5; Shoals 2; Shoals 3; Stewart's 6; Westfield 9.

Surry county delegates to the congressional convention and a county representative on the state executive committee will be named at Dobson Saturday. At the district convention the election of a chairman and nomination of delegates to the national convention will take place.

CHARITIES GROUP HAS AIDED MANY

George Royall Is Again Named As Chairman of Association

The Elkin-Jonesville Associated Charities has been very active during the past year and through this organization many worthy cases have been aided. January 1, 1935, the association had a cash balance of \$171.07. The donations during the 1935 Christmas season amounted to \$163.11, making a grand total of \$334.18.

During the past year 25 families were aided at a cost of \$102.28; at the Christmas season 107 families were given baskets, the total cost of which was \$112.23. In addition to this, clothes and groceries valued at \$100, were distributed. A treasury balance of \$119.38 was reported on March 6, 1936.

At a recent meeting of the association the following officers were elected for the year: president, George E. Royall; vice president, Rev. Wm. A. Jenkins; secretary-treasurer, Rev. Eph Whisenhunt; assistant secretary-treasurer in charge of bundles, Miss Edith Neaves; investigating committee: W. D. Holcomb, Mrs. W. W. Whitaker, Mrs. W. R. Wellborn.

It has been requested by officials of the organization that persons who call at homes soliciting aid be referred to the Associated Charities in order that the cases may be investigated and the necessary aid given.

Rev. L. B. Abernethy's Brother Passes Sunday

The Rev. William Ellis Abernethy, 73, retired Methodist minister of Rutherford College, and brother of Rev. L. B. Abernethy of this city, passed away early Sunday in a Hickory hospital after an illness of several months duration.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 3:30 in the R. L. Abernethy church at Rutherford College. Interment was in the family plot in the college cemetery. Rev. and Mrs. Abernethy attended the services.

APPROPRIATION FOR NEW BUILDING HERE INCREASED \$4,697

As Result Town, Will Not Have to Pay School Expense

WORK ON BUILDING

John W. Comer, county superintendent of schools, stated Wednesday morning that the appropriation for the construction of the new school building now being erected on Elk Spur street here has been increased from \$12,120 to \$16,817 by the WPA authorities, and that the increased appropriation by the government organization will allow the completion of the school building without incurring any obligations or expense of the building upon the town.

When the original plans were drawn up an appropriation from the WPA was granted in the amount of \$12,120, which was to have been 45 per cent. of the cost of the building, the other 55 per cent. to be paid by the county. But a necessary alteration of the plans for the building made an increase also in the cost of its construction, which made the original appropriation insufficient for its completion, and it looked for a time that the town would have to pay the added expense.

However, through the efforts of F. W. Graham, M. Q. Snow and Paul Gwyn, of Elkin, who were given wholehearted assistance by Congressman Frank Hancock, the WPA authorities were prevailed upon to increase their appropriation to \$16,817, an amount sufficient to take care of the 45 per cent. of the cost of construction, and the amount desired has been granted.

MRS. R. C. MARTIN CLAIMED BY DEATH

Funeral Held Wednesday From Roaring River Church

Mrs. Mary Lucinda Martin, 87, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Lyons, at Traphill Monday, following a lingering illness. For the past eight years she had been an invalid.

The deceased was a native of Kentucky. She was the widow of the late Elder R. C. Martin, who passed away many years ago. Early in life she joined the Baptist church and lived a consistent member until her death.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 10 o'clock from the Roaring River church, in charge of Elders J. M. Crouse and M. P. Spencer.

She is survived by the following sons and daughters: Mrs. J. W. Lyons, Traphill; Mrs. D. N. Brown, Halls Mill, N. C.; Mrs. E. B. Sykes, Cleveland, Va.; M. G. Martin, Traphill, Va.; Mrs. H. D. Alley, Rushmore, Ohio; and N. J. Martin, of Kentucky, and several grandchildren.

Local Baptist Church To Be Host To Pastors

The First Baptist church of this city will be host on Thursday and Friday of next week, March 26 and 27, to the conference of Baptist pastors in this district. The district embraces Surry, Yadkin, Iredell, Caldwell, Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga counties and approximately fifty pastors are expected to attend.

Those who desire entertainment for the night are requested to write Mrs. S. O. Maguire of this city, chairman of the hospitality committee.

Merchants Push Work On Credit Files of Ass'n.

At a meeting last Thursday of the directors of the Elkin Merchants association, a committee was appointed whose duty it will be to push to completion the association's file of credit ratings.

It is hoped that within a short time the association will have in its files a complete rating on everyone in the entire community.

It was pointed out that it is to everyone's advantage to keep their credit standing good because the records will be available to all merchants from whom credit is sought.