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Globe Purchases Lincoln Textile Plant

Parade To Open Durene Festival

Bicycle Event To Be An Attraction For Throngs

The bicycle parade which will be a part of the parade to be held on Saturday, August 26 preceding the week-long Durene Festival, is going to be one of the biggest sections in the line of march from all indications, chairman J. B. Thompson told News reporters this week. Youngsters who own bicycles have been asking about the parade since the first tentative announcements were made, Thompson said, and while all details are not yet complete, application blanks for entry in the bicycle parade are printed in this edition of The News.

Prizes will be given to the three entries adjudged best, Thompson said. The first place prize will be \$7; second place prize will be \$5; and third place prize will be \$3; Thompson said. The deadline for entry in the bicycle parade is Saturday, August 19, Thompson stated, and application blanks must be filled out and turned into General Chairman Kenneth Davis at the Gaston Theater before that date.

Winners in the bicycle parade will be judged on the attractiveness of their bicycles and if the bike owner desires, small floats to be pulled behind the bicycle may also be constructed. Thompson stated, although decorated bicycles are expected to be entered in the majority of cases. A little thought and planning by youthful entries in the contest will in all probability be assurance of a cash prize for some entry, Thompson said, and he is encouraging all youngsters who plan to enter the contest to file their applications now and begin planning their entry.

In addition to the bicycle parade, a number of bands are expected to be on hand to take part in the parade, and this event is expected to open the Durene Festival with a bang.

Boys Club Drive Short Only \$1200

Paul Springs, listing drive reports for the Mount Holly Boys Club drive last week, told News reporters that the drive is still going slowly, but that it is hoped that the approximately \$1200 still needed will be donated to the Boys Club within the next few days in order that the drive total of \$2600 can be reached.

Among donations received during the past week were the following listed by Springs: Mount Holly Jaycees - \$75; Ken Davis - \$20; Mr. Auten - \$1; and Ivey Henkle - \$10.

SALEM CHURCH PLANS HOME COMING

Homecoming services will be held at Salem Church near Lowesville Sunday, July 30, it was announced this week, and a cordial invitation goes to friends of the church and members of the congregation. Mr. Caldwell Nixon will speak to the young and old adults during the Sunday school hour. The Rev. M. C. Elierbee will conduct the eleven o'clock services, and lunch will follow at the church. In the afternoon many groups of singers from various places will complete the program.

Everyone is welcome at Salem, so bring the family.

VISITED PARENTS

W. H. McElduff of Asheville, spent Tuesday of this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McElduff, at their home on North Main Street in Mt. Holly.

IN KINGS MOUNTAIN

Miss Nancy Beatty is in Kings Mountain visiting her aunt, Mrs. Gordan Beatty and Buddy.

Church Ice Cream Supper Friday P. M.

On Friday night, July 28, beginning at 5:30, the Methodist Youth Fellowship is sponsoring an ice cream and cake supper on the lawn of the church. The sale of ice cream and cake will continue throughout the evening. There will be all flavors of ice cream and cake. Everyone is cordially invited.

Durene Plans Keep Growing

Plans for the annual Durene Festival are still growing daily, general chairman Ken Davis announced this week. The baseball game scheduled between the Riverbend Old Men and the Mount Holly semi-pro outfit may turn out to be a fan pleasing double header before the final plans are announced. Ivey Henkle, chairman in charge of the baseball game which will be played Saturday night, September 2, told News reporters this week that the Riverbend Girl's Softball team has issued a challenge to any girls teams in Mount Holly to play one game at the Saturday night meet, making a double header that is guaranteed to draw fans from miles around. Henkle said that the girls have not yet received any answers to their challenge but that he thought a team was being organized in town to meet the Riverbend Girls.

The chairman of the baseball game arrangements also announced that a large number of fine prizes would be given away to fans attending the ballgame, although a list of the prizes has not yet been released. Foremost among the prizes which may be won by local residents during Durene Week is a Hardwick gas stove which will be given to some lucky person attending the street dance which will be held Thursday night, August 31.

Also growing rapidly in importance in the list of Durene activities this summer is the boxing matches which will be held Tuesday night, August 29. A number of boys who are well known to local fight fans for their showing in past events are working out already to get in shape for the matches. Although a complete list of fighters who take part in the matches was not yet available, some of the boys familiar to fight fans who will take part are Jim McManus, Lee King, Cecil Ballard, and Pug Maters.

The golf tournament is expected to prove even more popular than in past years with approximately 150 entries expected in the tourney and chairman Harold Henkle, in charge of the Farmer's Day program, reported this week that this annual event is being greeted with enthusiastic reception by those who will take part in the afternoon program. Farmers Day is always one of the outstanding events of the Durene Festival, attracting farmers from miles around to Mount Holly to see the latest in farm equipment demonstrated and the latest methods and techniques explained.

Plan now to attend each and every one of the events which the Jaycees are planning for Durene Week. You'll enjoy them.

VISITS ROOMMATE

Miss Sally Clark spent several days last week with Miss Jean Johnson, her college roommate, at Camp Sequoyah, near Weaver, N. C.

Highland At Superior Next

Superior Yarn Mills, finally snapping out to show some baseball to patient fans who have been following their hard luck season this summer, will play host to Highland Park here tomorrow night (Saturday) at 8 p. m. A new addition to the pitching staff, Homer Grandy, will probably start for the locals in his first appearance at Superior Park tomorrow night and Superior fans will probably be in for a pleasant surprise. Grandy, a former State College pitcher and a member of the Gastonia Browns squad earlier this year, is rated highly by manager Doyt Morris and will probably prove to be a valuable addition to the twirling staff already holding the fort for Superior.

"Lefty" Kerr, the old reliable of the Superior pitching crew, hit top last Saturday night to cinch a Superior win over Granite Falls 7-4 with the southpaw dropping 15 Falls batters. Granite Falls has topped Superior a number of times this season and the definite Superior win was sweet vengeance for the locals although they promptly lost to Granite Falls Tuesday night of this week in the second encounter with that team. With a good crowd on hand to see what they hoped would be the second Superior triumph over Granite Falls in succession Tuesday night, the Superiors came up on the short end of the 3-2 final score, but the game was plenty good and primed the locals for their encounters with Highland Park in Charlotte last night and here tomorrow night.

Superior is trailing the six other teams in the Piedmont Textile League in team standings at the present time, but hopes to add enough wins to the credit side of the ledger to qualify for playoffs which at present seem to be definitely sewed up by Highland Park, Carolina Mills, Cramerton, and Belmont.

Four Members On All-Stars

Four members of the Mount Holly semi-pro baseball team have been picked to play in the Gaston Textile League All-Star game to be played at Gastonia tomorrow (Saturday) night, at 8 p. m. it was announced this week. The four local ball players, Dean Brooks, Alfred Homesley, "Bub" Sipes, and Bob White, will play on one of the All-Star teams that will clash at Simms Park in Gastonia tomorrow night in the first Gaston Textile League All-Star game this season and a large number of fans from towns represented in the league are expected to be on hand to see the game.

Also on the semi-pro slate for the coming week is a trip to Lenoir Sunday where the locals will clash with the Lenoir Red Wings, a semi-pro team which met the locals here two weeks ago. Another game in Mount Holly between the Red Wings and the Mount Holly nine is tentatively slated for the following Sunday, August 6, it was announced. Both games will probably be played at 2 p. m.

Last Tuesday Clover, one of the regular Gaston Textile League teams, whalloped the Mount Holly squad 6-3 in a thriller played here which saw the locals in one of their infrequent losses. The Mount Holly team is still high in the league and will in all probability be among the top teams in the playoffs, competing with Clover and other members of the fast league.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lathan of Charlotte and Bill Spray of Spartanburg, S. C. were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Spray.

Main Offices For Plants To Be Local

Globe Yarn Mills, one of our local textile plants, has recently contracted to purchase the Carter Mills Division of A. B. Carter Company in Lincoln, it was announced this week. That plant is equipped with over 14,000 spinning spindles and is currently manufacturing single carded knitting yarns. The property includes approximately 64 acres of land and 70 dwelling houses. The purchaser expects to get possession of the property on or before September 1.

The local management of the Globe Mills Company has advised the News that operations will be resumed as soon as possible after September 1, and the production will be confined primarily to single carded knitting yarns although combed yarns will probably be added to the line of the goods manufactured at a later date. The accounting and executive offices of the firm will be maintained in Mount Holly.

Although the purchase price of the property was not stated, a statement was made to the effect that the purchase price and immediate improvements would amount to considerably over \$500,000. The name of the Carter plant will probably be changed to the Lincoln Plant of Globe Mills, Inc., a spokesman for the Globe Mills stated.

Polio May Not Show Up Here

Keep those fingers crossed, parents. It may be that Polio, otherwise known as Infantile Paralysis, is going to bypass Mount Holly entirely this summer. Things are quiet thus far on the polio front in Gaston county according to Health Department officials, who state that only three cases have been reported in the county this year and that two of these are in Belmont while the third is in Cherryville. Both the Cherryville case and the most recent Belmont case, discovered last week, are in a Greensboro hospital which is adapted especially to the battle against polio.

The first Belmont case was discovered and reported early in the summer and is responding to treatment satisfactorily, officers of the health department said, and from all indications at present, Mount Holly may be entirely without a case of the dread disease this summer.

However, such was not the case two years ago, in the summer of 1948, when this section of the state carried the heavier part of the polio epidemic in North Carolina; or even last summer, when a few scattered cases were reported. The skipping pattern taken by polio, which may jump from one state across two others to strike in an unexpected place, is one of the most curious features of the disease which has baffled modern medical science, and this summer it seems to be concentrated in Virginia and in Charleston, South Carolina, where more than 100 cases have been reported.

VISIT IN MOREHEAD CITY

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Whiteside visited their daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Parker, at Morehead City during the past week-end.

RETURNS FROM VISIT

Miss Carolyn Alligood has returned home after an extended visit with relatives and friends at Roanoke Rapids.

Midgets Enter State Contest

18 players from the Midget league of the Mount Holly Boys Club will be chosen to go to Albemarle August 9-12 to take part in a single elimination tournament with similar teams in the state, Athletic Director Dick Thompson announced this week. The Boys Club is planning to send 18 of the best players in the Midget 12 year and under age group to the tournament to compete with other teams including Charlotte and Greensboro for the state midget title. Last year the Boys Club Bantams, entering a Bantam tournament at Raleigh, copped the state title from teams representing much larger cities of this state and the Midgets will be shooting for top place also, Thompson said.

Boys born after June 1, 1937 are eligible to play in this tournament, Thompson stated. The tournament to be used in the tournament will be only four-fifths regular size, with the distance from pitcher to home plate set at 50 feet and 72 feet between bases. Six inning games will be played during the tournament. This is the first time the Boys Club has entered a Midget team in a tournament.

On the home front in Midget baseball, only 4 more games remain of the 16 game schedule which has been played this summer and scheduled for the coming week was released by Director Thompson Wednesday. On the schedule for Monday are two games—one between American-Town and Superior Monday at 9:30 a. m. and one between Woodlawn-Nims and Adrian-Madora Monday at 2 p. m. Tuesday the American-Town boys will play the North Belmont nine at 9:30; Wednesday Woodlawn-Nims will play Superior; and Thursday North Belmont will play Adrian-Madora at 9:30. The Adrian-Madora team is still leading the Midget league with Woodlawn-Nims running a close second. Third place is held by Superior and fourth is held by North Belmont. Fifth place is held by American-Town.

Vets See Group Of Combat Films

Members of the Mount Holly post of the V.F.W. saw three combat films at their regular meeting which was held at the V.F.W. Tuesday night of this week. The three combat films, entitled "The Liberation of Rome," "The Liberation of San Pedro," and "The Battle of New Britain," were impressive and extremely entertaining to the veterans.

A delegation is expected to go from the local post of the V.F.W. to the Thirteenth District Meeting to be held Sunday, August 6, at Matthews, Commander Kenneth Davis announced this week. A large number of the members of the local veterans organization said at the Tuesday night meeting that they planned to make the trip and plenty of transportation will be available for those who wish to go but do not have cars, Commander Davis stated. The veterans planning to attend the meeting are asked to meet in front of Summey's Drug Company at 1 p. m. Sunday, August 6.

GUESTS HERE

Mrs. J. M. Freeman and daughters, Gail and Barbara, from Flushing, New York, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Williamson.

SUNDAY VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Truslow of Charlotte spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Parrish.

Town Board Sets Date On Election For Sept. 19th

Dr. L. S. Clark To Speak Sunday P. M.

Dr. L. S. Clark will preach the sermon at the quarterly Fifth Sunday Service which will be held at the First Methodist church Sunday night at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Carl Fisher, pastor of the church, announced this week.

Bantam-Stanley Here Wednesday

The Mount Holly Boys Club Bantams will play host to Stanley here next Wednesday in a public header that will give the Stanley nine chance to avenge the beatings the Boys Club has handed them in the past and which may see the locals falling from first place for the first time. The Bantams have held first place in the Gaston County Baseball League for Boys all season with only one loss to North Belmont to mar their record. Today the locals travel to North Belmont at 3:30 to give North Belmont a second shot at displacing them in the team standings. Wednesday of next week a tentative game has been scheduled with the Red Shield Club of Gastonia to be played at Hutchison-Lowe Field and Friday of next week a second game will be played with the Red Shield Club visiting Hutchison - Lowe Field.

The Bantams have narrowly missed losing two recent games to Gastonia nines, when the Red Shield Club bowed to the locals 3-2 in a terrifically close game last Wednesday and the Boys Club topped the Optomist Club 7-4 Friday of last week. Both games were won by the Boys Club on errors by the visiting team and in the Red Shield game Bantam Luther Hall gave the Red Shield team 9 hits to the 2 collected by the locals. In Friday's game, a minor tragedy for the Optomists occurred when their catcher dropped two balls on the third pitch in the 10th inning, allowing Boys Club batters to get on base. Before the Optomist catcher dropped the game with his fumbling the score was tied at 4-4 in the tenth and the locals were figured to come out on the short end. Pitchers McManus and Carpenter worked for the Boys Club in this lucky win.

CHARLOTTE VISITOR

Mrs. G. L. Ward of Charlotte is spending this week with her son, R. L. Ward, Mrs. Ward and family.

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mount Holly have called for an election for the extension of the Town Limits to be held on September 19th. The voting and registration will be held at the Women's Club Building at Lawing's store on Woodlawn Road extension.

Only those persons living outside the town limits and in the proposed area to be taken into the Town shall vote. A majority will decide the issue. The election is expected to rather spirited but clean in every way.

The entire rules of the election are being run elsewhere in this paper as an advertisement. The area to be taken in is also described and includes several textile plants and villages.

Stanley Drives For Park Lights

In an all out drive which will start July 31, Stanley's High School Athletic Council will be the motivating force behind an effort to obtain lights for the Stanley athletic field. The drive, which is being supported by the American Legion, the Stanley Lions Club, and the Women's Club among other organizations, is expected to be one of the fastest-moving civic projects to take place in the neighboring town and proponents expect it to be a great success. The drive is being supported by numerous individuals who are interested in the athletic activities of a high school at Stanley and a number of the Stanley residents have made statements backing the drive to the hilt.

Asserting that Stanley High School needs lights to carry out its growing athletic program, the Athletic Council is publicizing the drive widely in Stanley and announces that any and all donations toward installing lights will be appreciated.

LADY OF THE HOUR FRIDAY, JULY 28, 1950

Miss Annie Kelly, sister of Mrs. D. C. Hager of this place and Mrs. Lester Barker of Lucia was chosen as Lady of the Hour Friday, July 28, 1950.

Left motherless as a young girl, with a whole family of younger brothers and sisters, our LADY OF THE HOUR gave up her own plans for the future to give her life to them. She cared for the children as though they were her own. Always one to "stand by" in time of sickness, bereavement, or trouble of any kind, our LADY OF THE HOUR had given generously of her time, her efforts, and the money that she had. "A Christian in the true sense of the word, she is dearly loved by all who know her."

Application For Bicycle Parade

I wish to enter the Durene Festival Bicycle Parade which will be held on Saturday, August 26th.

Name _____
Address _____
Age _____

Fill Out - Take To Gaston Theatre