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BEAUTY SHOW IS TONIGHT

Double Header Ball Game Tomorrow Nite

Farmers' Day Is Set For Saturday

Grady Cole Will Make The Principal Talk Here

Many prominent farmers, agriculture leaders, and local residents interested in seeing the latest in farming methods and machinery are expected to be at the Jaycee lot on the Stanley Highway at Woodlawn Circle tomorrow to take part in Farmers' Day, one of the biggest of the annual Durene festival events. Farmers' Day will begin at 1 p. m., chairman Harold Henkle announced, with Grady Cole, one of the outstanding farming enthusiasts of this section, and radio station WBT commentator, on hand to meet his friends of this section. Mr. Cole will not be able to come to Mount Holly until about 2 p. m., he told Mr. Henkle this week, but stated that he is looking forward to Farmers' Day this year as one of the biggest to be held here.

A large scale display and demonstration of the very latest types of farming equipment and machinery is expected to be one of the most outstanding attractions of the festival. Many farm implement and equipment companies are sending demonstrators to the event, chairman Henkle said.

Among those expected to show equipment are Morris Farm Equipment Company, Massey-Harris Equipment Co., Godley Brothers Implement Co., who will demonstrate Allis-Chalmers equipment; Summey Hardware and Implement Co., who will display John Deere equipment; Abernathy Equipment Company with Oliver equipment; the R & A Tractor Company with Ford tractors and equipment, Massey-Clark Hardware Company, and others.

An irrigation demonstration with the latest irrigation equipment for planned cultivation will be put on by H. B. Owsley and Son of Charlotte. This demonstration in itself will be worth the attendance of all farmers at the big program. A pond for the demonstration has already been constructed by the G & C Grading Company of Mount Holly.

The program is expected to last approximately 3 hours and every minute will be packed with interesting displays and demonstrations for all attending. Mr. Henkle and his committee have worked up an outstanding program with the whole hearted cooperation of all who were asked to help make the day a success.

City Purchases Two New Vehicles

The purchase of two new motor vehicles for the Town of Mount Holly has been approved by the Board of Aldermen. It was announced this week by Town Attorney Max Childers. Following a request for bids on an automobile to serve as police car and a pick-up truck to be used by the Water Department, it was announced that a 1950 Chevrolet automobile and a 1950 Chevrolet pick-up truck have been approved for purchase by the Board.

The delivery date on the two new vehicles has not been announced yet but they will be put into service as soon as possible, it was stated.

Error: Miss Marlin Goes To Shelby, N. C.

Miss Ruth Martin, who resigned her work as sixth grade teacher in the Mount Holly Public schools, has accepted a sixth grade position in Graham City School of Shelby, N. C. instead of Stanley as was announced in this paper last week.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE!

Square Dance To Be At Stanley High

Stanley will have the first square dance of the fall season on Saturday night. The dance will be at the High School Gym and is being sponsored by the Stanley Woman's Club for the benefit of the athletic field. The public is cordially invited to attend and bring friends.

A.Y.P. Employees Picnic Is Set

Approximately 1500 reservations have already been made for the Durene Picnic to be sponsored by the American Yarn and Processing Company for employees of the nine local plants tomorrow (Saturday) at Hutchison-Lowe Field beginning at noon. In addition to a barbecue dinner with all the accessories which is being prepared by Rogers Barbecue of Charlotte, many contests will be held during the two and one half hours the picnic is expected to last. A tug of war between teams from each of the seven plants of the American Yarn and Processing Company will be held for a \$100 cash prize with many other \$5 and \$10 cash prizes to be awarded winners of other contests during the afternoon.

Among the prizes to be awarded are prizes for the oldest man at the picnic, the oldest lady, the youngest married couple, the oldest married couple, the man with the biggest shoes, and contests which include the husband calling contest, the egg tossing contest, and prizes for those having birthdays on September 2.

Johnny York, News Editor of the Mount Holly News, will be Master of Ceremonies at the picnic.

A. W. Bell, General Manager of the American Yarn and Processing Company, will welcome the employees of the company to the first Durene Picnic to be held in Mount Holly.

Mt. Island Plans Big Homecoming

The annual Mountain Island Homecoming will be held at the usual picnic grounds at Mountain Island on Sunday September 10. A grand program is being worked up now and will be announced next week. Those in charge stated that a much larger crowd than usual is expected to attend.

The public is invited. There will be speaking, singing and genuine good time for all. Everyone is urged to bring a picnic basket and be prepared to spend the day to take in everything.

Four outstanding preachers have notified the committee that they will be present. Other outstanding citizens and friends of the community will likewise be present.

Mrs. Ray Davis has returned from a few days visit in Cedar-town, Ga. with relatives.

New Books Are Added To Library

Mrs. J. W. Holland, town librarian, has announced this week a new and extremely interesting selection of books which have been bought for the library—a number of religious and inspirational writings of both the fictional and non-fictional type. These books are placed on a special table for patrons interested in this type of literature. Among the noted authors represented in the works are Glenn Clark, Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, Dr. O. Halleby, Leslie D. Weatherhead, Dr. Norman Vincent Peale and Dr. Smiley Blanton, Helen Smith Shoemaker, Emmett Fox, Fulton Oursler, Dr. Daniel A. Poling, Dorothy Clarke Wilson and Louise Stinetorf. The library also has the Natural Bent by Dr. Paul B. Barringer who at one time was a practicing physician in Charlotte.

A number of new books for teen-age boys and girls, and for small children have also been placed upon the library shelves.

The library is repeating its call for overdue books, and urges all patrons to search their homes for any overlooked books which should be returned to the library. Inventory is being taken by both the local library and the Gaston County Library, and books must be located. Also, the increased circulation at the town library demands prompt return of books so that other patrons may be afforded an opportunity to read them.

The library is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, 9 to 11 o'clock.

Hawks Looking Good For 1950

Looking even better with each passing day, Mount Holly High School's Hawk have decreased slightly in number but those left are smoothing into polished performers under the hard driving of Coaches Beam, Hips and Ellis this week. Coach Beam told News reporters Wednesday that he hoped to be able to arrange a scrimmage with another school prior to the opening game with Lincolnton on September 15 to let the Hawks get a taste of actual gridiron combat, but no game had been definitely scheduled Wednesday. The three coaches have been concentrating on pass defense and offense this week and while light rains were interfering with practice Wednesday, the Hawks looked fairly good.

A few boys have dropped out after the first few practice sessions when it became evident that plenty of work on the practice field was going to be the key word this season, but more than two complete teams are still out each afternoon.

The Hawks showed fans last year that they had the ability to play some of the best defensive ball ever seen in high school when the occasion demanded it and held powerful Cherryville to such a narrow margin win that the coach of the Ironmen called it one of the toughest games of his season when it should have been a pushover. The Hawks are combining that defensive talent with offensive drive this season and should give fans plenty to talk about soon.

LARGE CONGREGATION

One of the largest congregations to worship at a service at Tuckasee Baptist Church in some time assembled Sunday evening for the Young People's Night observance, a regular fourth Sunday evening feature on the church calendar. The Rev. O. B. Reel, pastor of the church, reported that this was a most successful service.

Large Crowd Expected At Night Event

An ever-growing list of prizes to be given away at the double header baseball and softball game which closes the 1950 Durene festival Saturday night is expected to be one of the attractions which will draw a huge crowd to this last Durene event, chairman Ivey Henkle announced this week. New to the list of prizes to be given away since the last edition of The News, Henkle stated, are two casting rods, one donated by DeWitt Beatty and the other by the Western Auto Stores, a basket of groceries to be donated by Jones Brothers Super Market, a prize of ten dollars cash being donated by American Yarn and Processing Company, and two tables and lamps which were donated by the Lawing Furniture Company.

Also donated to the ball game, but to be won by players only, is a \$7.50 bill fold to be given for the most hits and a \$5.50 set of cuff links and a tie clasp to be given for the first home run.

Prizes listed before which will be given away at the game include a four quart electric ice Cream freezer, an electric percolator, a pen and pencil set, a 17 jewel men's wrist watch, a five cell flashlight, a razor, a living room chair, a years supply of light bulbs, and a wash, grease, and oil change, Henkle said.

The ballgame, though last on the Durene itinerary, is expected to be one of the biggest events on the calendar of Durene activities. With a game scheduled between the Mount Holly Girls and the Riverbend Girls and another between the Riverbend semi-pros and the Mount Holly semi-pros, the games alone are expected to draw large crowds.

Rev. Dickson To Preach At Westview

The Rev. J. Walter Dickson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Belmont, will deliver the sermon Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Westview Presbyterian Church here, it has been announced by the Rev. Donald O. McInnis, pastor of the local First Presbyterian Church. At this service the commission for organization will complete the work of forming a full fledged Presbyterian Church at Westview, which has been a chapel begun under the guidance of the First Church here. Members of the commission are Dr. P. D. Patrick of Kings Mountain, chairman, Rev. R. H. Ratchford of North Belmont, the Rev. Mr. Dickson and the Rev. Mr. McInnis. Elders of the commission are D. R. LaFarr of Gastonia, Clarence Dixon of Belmont and J. Milton Craig of Mount Holly.

LEGION BOX SCORE

Previously Acknowledged
43. A. E. Ellington
44. Brooks L. Beatty
45. Henry D. Scoggins
46. Samuel A. Johnson
47. Malcolm Bruce
48. William W. Stowe
49. Robert C. Rhine
50. Purvey B. Summey
51. Avery M. Smith
52. William A. Durand
53. Charles E. Landrum
54. Caldwell A. Mundy
55. Robert A. Trexler
56. James E. Cannon
57. William P. Howie
58. Robert A. Hanna
59. Archie Armstrong
60. Charlie M. Killian

TOTAL TO DATE 60

Schools Open On Wednesday

The Mount Holly Schools open next Wednesday, September 6, for the 1950-51 term, Principal of Schools S. H. Helton announced this week, with all students reporting to school on Wednesday except first grade students who will report a weeky morning. The first grade students will stay in school one half day Tuesday and will not return Wednesday, the regular opening date, Mr. Helton stated. However, they will return to school on Thursday and resume the regular schedule.

The primary grade children will remain in school only one half day for the first week, Mr. Helton said, since the new building is not yet completed and ready for occupancy. It is hoped that the high school can begin the full schedule after the first day, Mr. Helton said.

Recalling attention to the requirements for children entering school for the first time this year, Mr. Helton pointed out the fact that the child must be six years of age on or before October 1, 1950 to enter school this year. The child must be vaccinated for diphtheria, smallpox, and whooping cough, Mr. Helton said. These vaccinations can be obtained from the family doctor or from the Health Department which sends representatives to the City Hall in Mount Holly each Thursday.

A.Y.P. Increases Employee Benefits

The American Yarn and Processing Company has recently inaugurated changes in the group insurance plan which a majority of the company employees carry that will materially increase benefits to the employee at no extra cost to the individual, it was announced this week. In a letter addressed to the employees of the company, President R. S. Dickson stated that a recent study of the insurance program which the employees of the company are eligible to carry had prompted the company to make arrangements which liberally increase benefits while no increase in cost to the worker will be necessary. The American Yarn and Processing Company will bear the entire additional cost for the additional benefits, the letter stated.

The new benefits are already in effect, Mr. Dickson stated, since they began on August 1, 1950. Those employees not yet insured under the plan, he pointed out, would be contacted by representatives of the company carrying the group policy and any employees not carrying the policy would be eligible for the insurance without waiting period and regardless of health if they desired the policy with only maternity cases excepted.

A partial list of the increases in benefits obtained by the company as listed by Mr. Dickson includes the increase of the maternity benefit from \$50 to \$75; the increase of surgical expense insurance from \$75 to \$112; and an increase of \$1 per day on the benefit covering hospital room and board expenses.

Ill At Durham

John Tucker, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Tucker of this place is a patient at Duke Hospital in Durham where he is receiving treatment. Mr. Tucker, a student at the University of Alabama Dental College became ill while visiting his brothers, Jack and Shufford Tucker at their homes in Fayetteville. His wife has gone from their home at Birmingham, Alabama to Durham to be with him.

Twenty Four Beauties Entered In Big Event

Stores To Close On Monday, Labor Day

The Riverbend Merchants Association has announced that all local members of the association will be closed for Labor Day. The large majority of the stores will also close a half day Tuesday it was announced. The firms are doing this in order to give their employees a holiday. So make your purchases Saturday for Monday.

Many Streets Being Resurfaced

Every paved street in the city limits of Mount Holly is slated for resurfacing in the street program recently approved by the Board of Aldermen and which has already begun here. Summit street, Glendale, East and West Central Ave., and other streets are among those which had already been resurfaced by presstime this week and the equipment was being moved from one job to the next as quickly as possible and with the minimum traffic delay.

This street resurfacing program was approved by the board after an engineer recommended immediate action to prevent further damage to the streets of the town several weeks ago.

Also soon to be put into action is the plan to pave every street in the city limits which the Board is petitioned to pave by property owners concerned. A number of the streets to be paved under this program have already been listed by Town Attorney Max Childers and he stated that others will be considered by the Board as soon as possible. Streets which have already been approved include River Street, Piedmont Street, Hill street, Pine Street, Oak Street, Cedar Lane, Elm Street, and Alexander Street, Childers said.

To be considered by the Board under the plan which was inaugurated recently, petitions had to bear the names of owners of more than fifty percent of the property on the street concerned, it was understood.

The Board of Aldermen believe that the resurfacing of the streets which were already paved is a step which will save the Town of Mount Holly money over a period of years, since the streets were rapidly becoming filled with holes and apparently needed work done immediately to preserve the investment which the town has in its paved streets.

Teacher Goes Into Government Service

Miss Mary Summerell, first grade teacher at the Mount Holly Elementary School for the past two years, has accepted a position as teacher in the schools at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, Principal of Schools S. H. Helton announced this week. Miss Summerell leaves immediately to assume her new teaching duties. Schools on Marine Corps bases are operated by the Federal Government and Miss Summerell worked for the government for years before she came to Mount Holly. The first grade vacancy had not been filled Thursday morning.

Jerry Harris spent the weekend in Charlotte with his cousin, Ed Harris.

Listed by chairman Emmett Venning as contestants for the title "Miss Durene of 1950" in the beauty show Friday night at 8 p. m. at the high school auditorium are the following local girls and their sponsors:

Sylvia Fowler-Grier's Dry Cleaning; Earline Toomey-Paul Derr; Nelda Smith-Western Auto Store; Muriel Broome-Sumney Drug Co.; Joanne Cline-Charlie's Florist; Betty Jordan-Edna Black; Florist; Verlene Waldrop Holland's Drug; Joanne Helms-Mounty Store; Jackie Nixon-Mounty Holly Furniture Co.; Marlene Thompson-Clark-Noles Jewelry; Esther Ward-Massey-Clark Co.; Millie Taylor-Cathey-Campbell; Nancy Barrett-Mount Holly Ice and Fuel; Willie Wallace-Young Men's Store; Peggy McKinney-Holly and Gaston Theater; Peggy Stack-R and W. Shoe Shop; Ina Jean Snapp-Madora Mill; Wilma Rick-Adrian Mill; Barbara Evans-American Plant; Marlene Smith-Woodlawn; Anna Belle Cox-Rush; Grace Duckworth-Holly Knit Finishing; Phyllis Baker-Knit.

Master of Ceremonies at the beauty show will be Fletcher Austin, well known radio station WBT announcer who regularly helps present Kurt Webster's "What's Cookin'" show.

During the intermission, two local dancing schools, the Davis Dancing School and the Craig School of Dance will present students in selections. To be presented by the Davis Dancing School is "Tapping Toes", Carl Fisher, Linda Harris, Phyllis Rankin, Shirley Rudisill, Linda Funderburk, Lane Runderburk, and Larry Jenkins.

"Stepping High" will feature Paulette Howard, and the Rhythmicettes, who will be featured in the third number will include Julia Fuller, Jane Rhyme, Linda Beatty, Judy Harkey, Barbara Allen, Peggy McKinney, Barbara Howard, and Peggy Stack.

The Craig School of Dance will present "Ain't We Sweet", a novelty number featuring Tommy McConnell, Phyllis Davidson, and Janice Davidson. "The Tin Soldier and the Doll From France" will feature Cindy McConnell and Billy Davidson, and Suzie Bach will be featured in "Balling The Jack". "Ragtime Tap" will present Dixie Jones and Jean Hunt.

Surprise presentation on the Craig School of Dance intermission program tonight at the beauty show will be "Pas de Deux" by Bette and Anne Craig and "Fascination Rhythm" by Christine McConnell.

Pianists for the beauty show and intermission presentations will be Billy Thompson, Frank Rankin, Delores Rhyme, and Julia Fuller.

Judges for the beauty contest have not been announced, but it is understood that out of town judges are being obtained by Mr. Venning for the occasion.

The beauty contest this year has more entries than any of the previous shows have ever had and is expected to draw an audience even larger than that which attended the show last year.

RETURNED TO PHILADELPHIA
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Donatelli and daughter Judy have returned to Philadelphia after spending 3 weeks with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pettus, Jr. and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pettus, Jr. and children, Jane and Johnny returned with them to Philadelphia for a week's visit.

The Pettus family also visited in Atlantic City, N. J.

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