

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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A PEANUT FACTORY.

The Merchants Association held a meeting one night last week to receive a proposition in regard to establishing a peanut factory in Scotland Neck. The proposition was thought well of by the members of the Association present, and to this end they decided to call a mass meeting to be held in the office of the Scotland Neck bank Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at which time the proposition will be discussed more fully and in detail. Every merchant and business man in this community as well as the farmers of this section are urged to be present at the meeting Friday. Lend this enterprise the benefit of your presence. Come everybody and bring your neighbor with you. Our town and community needs this peanut factory because it will enable our farmers to get a better price for their peanuts and besides it will give employment to a large number of people and last but not least it will be one more enterprise for the town. With a little united effort and some cash we can get this enterprise. Then all together. Show your interest by attending the mass meeting Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is a well known fact that Scotland Neck is the largest peanut market in this entire section of the State and there is absolutely no reason why we should not have a factory to handle them right where they are grown. The money is here to furnish what capital is needed and put the factory to work in a short time. We appeal to our business men and especially to our farmers not to let this opportunity pass.

The Commonwealth stands ready and anxious to help in every way possible. Let everybody put their shoulder to the wheel and push and the factory is assured. Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock is the time and the office of the Scotland Neck bank is the place for the mass-meeting. If you cannot come send your proxy.

LARGE HOSPITALS.

We note that Elizabeth City is soon to have a \$20,000 hospital. It has often occurred to us why there are not some large hospitals in this State that the people might go instead of having to go to the hospitals in our sister towns of Norfolk and Richmond. You may talk about the drain upon the State on account of the money sent to Virginia for whiskey, yet we might stop to figure for a little the amount that goes out to various hospitals when most of it could be kept at home if we had some large well advertised hospitals. It is true that a great many of the towns and cities of the State have small hospitals and most of them do purely local work, and are full all the time. We want to see the time come when a citizen of North Carolina needs hospital treatment or it becomes necessary to be carried to a hospital for an operation they can go to one in this State and receive the same treatment and attention that any hospital can give them in our neighboring States. We are along ways behind in this matter of hospitals.

Why not a Confederate monument in Scotland Neck? There certainly ought to be one. Who will take the lead?

Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, was presented with a blue back spelling book by a Georgia admirer some days ago.

Mr. E. J. Justice, of Greensboro, has been tendered a position as special counsel in the Department of Justice and it is thought very probable he will accept. The position carries a salary of \$7,500.00 per year. With Justice and ex-Governor Glenn both out of the way Senator Overman will have easy sailing for re-nomination next year.

The news comes from Texas now that former United States Senator, Joseph W. Bailey, will be a candidate for Governor in that State next year. We had thought Bailey, of Texas, politically dead.

The North Carolina Supreme Court rendered a decision last week sustaining the legislative act making the possession of two and a half gallons of liquor prima facie evidence of selling liquor. This ought to settle the question now.

We wish to emphasize the fact that our readers will find no better place to trade than with those merchants that use our columns to tell you what they have for sale. Visit these places when you go trading and see if this is not true.

Governor Craig names as a commission to pass upon freight rates, as provided by an act of the extra session of the legislature, the well known citizens of our State, Judge M. H. Justice, A. B. Thompson and Prof. W. L. Poteat. These are all fine men and we believe they will handle this freight rate question just as well as any other three men that could have been named by the Governor.

Celebrated Birthday.

Miss Etta Dunn celebrated her eighth birthday Saturday afternoon, November 22nd, at her home. The hours between three and five were spent in playing games in doors and out as "Sell the Thimble," "Drop the Handkerchief," "Hide the Switch," etc., after which they were invited into the dining room to partake of cream, cake and fruit. The table beautifully decorated with autumn leaves and violets surrounded by twenty-three happy little faces, made a pretty picture. Those present were Berline Brown, Elizabeth Edwards, Blanche Hancock, Irene Hardy, Frances Hooker, Loretta Jones, Elizabeth Josey, Mary Powell Josey, Hester Kitchin, Alma Marks, Mary Hays McDowell, Ruth Newell, Rosina Pittman, Lois Speed, Martha Van Landingham, Evelyn Weeks, Helen Weeks, Lillian Wheeler, Dora Whitley, Sallie May Wilkinson, Elsie Woolard and Master Sam Arrington Dunn.

Sale of E. P. Hyman Farm by A. C. Realty Co. Last Monday.

Last Monday the Atlantic Coast Realty Co., whose head office is in Greenville, N. C., held another of their successful auction sales at Hobgood of the E. P. Hyman farm. This farm, containing 460 acres had been sub-divided into small farms and were offered for sale to the highest bidder.

The first tracts containing 30 acres each were bought by Mr. Greenfield, of Greenville, at the price of \$75 per acre. The entire farm aggregated \$25,000.00, being an average of near \$55 per acre. Large crowds attended from Oak City, Hobgood, Scotland Neck and all enjoyed the barbecue and good music by the company's "All Star" Band.

The majority of the farms were bought by the best farmers of Pitt, Halifax, Martin and Edgecombe counties.

Aurelian Springs, Route 1.

Aurelian Springs, Nov. 25.—The home school at Mr. J. H. Warren's began Monday. Miss Bessie Cook has charge of it.

Our boys, Messrs. R. T. Moore, C. B. and Loyd Melvin didn't kill but 13 rabbits, 22 quail and 1 squirrel on the first evening of the first hunting day.

Mr. J. E. Warren while pulling corn the 12th day of November found a nice watermelon that did eat good for the time of year. It was near 15 inches long and as large around as a half gallon tin bucket.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks 1914 Almanac.

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A Natural Question.
"Hubby, I'm going in for the simple life a while." "All right, my dear," said Hubby, as he reached for his check book. "How many gowns will that require?"

Result of The Contest.

We, the undersigned judges selected to count the final votes in The Commonwealth's Great Auto and Prize Contest, beg leave to report our count as follows:

DISTRICT NO. 1.	
Dr. A. D. Morgan, winner diamond ring.....	21,097,875
Miss Ida Staton, winner gold watch.....	2,165,350
Miss Mildred Wright.....	553,375
Miss Ellia Williams.....	546,275
DISTRICT NO. 1.	
T. W. Davenport, winner Ford automobile.....	22,294,300
Miss Etta Braswell, winner diamond ring.....	6,353,300
Mrs. Enoch Simmons, winner gold watch.....	1,854,250
Miss Selma Twisdale, winner dinner set.....	773,850
J. E. Warren.....	645,350
Jesse Holliday, winner dinner set.....	664,350
Miss Sarah Taylor.....	243,500
Miss Pearl Knight.....	123,200
Willie Dunn.....	640,725
Miss Kate Mathews.....	306,275
E. T. WHITEHEAD. BERNARD ALLSBROOK. C. SPEED.	

EDW. R. LANGHAM, Contest Manager.

To Candidates and Friends.

After counting the votes of Tuesday night and rechecking to insure absolute fairness of decision, the labors of the ballot clerks and judges are at last over, and the complete results are announced today. I am pleased to congratulate both the winners and the losers who participated in The Commonwealth's Prize Contest for popularity and prizes—the former for their success and the latter for their pluck and perseverance—virtues more valuable than material successes.

The friendly feeling which has prevailed among all the candidates and participants from start to finish, calls forth my deepest gratitude to all concerned.

I wish to extend thanks to the public for the support given the contest from beginning to the end.
E. R. LANGHAM,
Contest Manager.

Mrs. Paul Tillery Entertains.

On Thursday evening, the 21st inst., Mrs. Paul Tillery gave an informal reception in honor of her brother, Mr. Al Arrington and his bride, of Emporia, Va. The guests were met at the door by Miss Undine Futrell and introduced to the guests of honor. Progressive hearts was the game of the evening, which caused much merriment and fun. Delightful refreshments consisting of chicken salad, beaten biscuit, pickles, hot chocolate and mints were served by Mrs. W. H. White and Misses Mary and Doris Tillery. Those who enjoyed Mrs. Tillery's hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. Al Arrington, Dr. and Mrs. Livermon, Dr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Josey, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mullen, Mrs. J. P. Futrell, Mrs. Martha Shoulars, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Arrington, parents of the groom, Misses Lily Bell Ashworth and Kate Boyette and Mr. Ray Boyette.

Court in Session.

The fall term of Halifax county Superior court convened at Halifax Monday for a two weeks' term, with Judge R. B. Peebles presiding, and Solicitor J. H. Kerr present to represent the State. The other court officers were in their places and the court machinery was set in motion by the drawing of the following names to serve as grand jurors for the term:

H. L. Haswell, G. T. Andrews, Y. A. Spivey, J. D. Lawrence, J. D. Hawkins, L. F. Hedgepeth, Enock Simmons, R. E. Shearin, J. E. Condre, W. H. Barnes, W. L. Cullom, H. B. Jones, J. E. Nevill, Lafayette Shaw, E. T. Ellington, J. B. Pierce, C. J. Smith, J. W. Warren. H. B. Jones was appointed foreman of the grand jury.

Judge Peebles delivered a very clear charge to the jury.

There were something like 79 cases on the criminal docket when court opened. Most of these being for minor crimes. The grand jury returned a true bill against Lee Hockaday, charging him with rape upon Margie Branch, both colored. The case against young Gurkin charged with being implicated in the killing of Shaw near Rosemary last spring, was continued.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY.

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Oak City Items.

Oak City, Nov. 24.—The young men of the Literary and Debating Society gave a box party last Friday night for the benefit of Oak City High school. The attendance was large and the entertainment a splendid success. The side shows caused a great deal of mirth. The "Old Mill Scene" by Miss Jennie Rawls, the "Fortune Teller" by Miss Zoima Brady and the "Bridal (Bride) scene" by Master Edwin Brady. The boxes were many and beautiful and sold from 50c to \$4.50 fifty cents to four dollars and fifty cents. The cake given the society by Mrs. Lewis Johnson was raffled off to the prettiest girl. The contest was fierce and lively for awhile between Miss Ethel Everett and Miss Hannah Long. The cake was awarded Miss Ethel Everett by a small majority. The votes on the cake at five cents a vote brought in twenty-five dollars and ninety cents (\$25.90). The sum taken in for the entire entertainment amounted to over fifty-five dollars, which will be used for lights and furnishings, also a flag and pole for the school.

J. L. Hines went to Rocky Mount Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Roberson, of Norfolk, were in town Monday. Miss Bessie Roberson spent the weeks end at home.

Mr. John Wiggins and family motored from Tarboro Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Worsley.

Miss Mennie Wichard spent from Friday to Sunday at home.

James Flemming and friends were in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. T. W. Davenport spent Monday in Scotland Neck.

Miss Mary Worsley left Saturday morning for Scotland Neck, where she is the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. C. Weeks.

W. A. Hyman, of Rocky Mount, spent the weeks end with friends here.

Earl Gardner, of Rocky Mount, is visiting here for a few days.

Miss Emily Hines and Clarice Cartwright will spend Thanksgiving in Virginia.

Bernard Hyman, of Rocky Mount, spent a few days here last week and returned home Tuesday morning.

Charles Crisp entertained a few friends from Greenville last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson entertained friends from Robersonville last Sunday.



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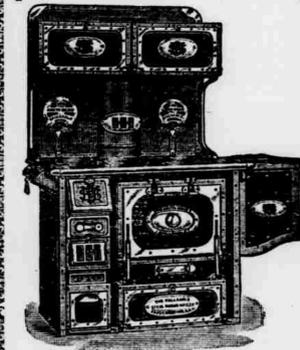
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