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LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Mr. John Hobby, of Raleigh, was a pleasant caller at West Dormitory Sunday.

"Coach" Doak spent Sunday with his parents and friends at Guilford College.

Mr. A. S. Thompson, formerly of Burlington, but who has for the past few months been superintendent of the power plant here has resigned his position with the college in order that he might accept one of a slightly different nature in Bluefield, W. Va. Mr. W. A. Trollinger, also of Burlington, has succeeded Mr. Thompson and is giving the good satisfaction of his predecessor. Mr. Trollinger, with his family, have occupied the home on Front Street owned by Dr. Herndon.

The Freshman class has a meeting advertised.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank S. Child left Thursday evening on the 9:27 train for their home in Fairfield. Conn. While here they made their home with President and Mrs. Harper and were in and out from there. Mrs. J. O. Atkinson entertained at supper on Tuesday evening in honor of the visiting worthy and his wife.

The hope of the community is that this visit has proven in a measure at least as pleasant to the visitors as to the visited, and if so, they are both amply repaid for their journey. It was indeed a pleasure to have them with us, but we note the departure with regret.

Mr. J. A. Dickey spent Saturday and Sunday at his home near Burlington.

Miss Lois Davidson was with her parents at Gibsonville, N. C., March 2nd and 3rd.

Mrs. R. B. Causey and Mr. L. W. Causey, of Guilford County, visited at the home of Prof. and Mrs. T. C. Amick last Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Causey is a sister of Prof. Amick and the mother of Mr. R. C. Causey, who is here in college. We were glad to welcome Mrs. Causey and her son. Mr. L. W. Causey, into the college community and hope to have them come often.

DRAMATICS.

One of the best entertainments seen here for years was given in the colleg-chapel on the evening of February 24th by students of the expression department under the direction of Miss Clements. The evening's entertainment was in the form of a light college comedy, "The Freshman," with Mr. H. P. Cline, Jr., of Charlestown, W. Va., appearing in the title role. Mr. Cline was supported by a well-chosen and excellently trained cast, and each individual concerned may feel justly proud of their achievements on this occasion, with especial honors to the trainer.

Mr. W. F. Beall as "Tiny Griggs," the worderful benefactor to the mathematical world and intimate associate of the venerable Prof. Locke, appeared to the advantage of cast.

Horace, the "oldest 'habitant of 'dis university," found a good interpreter in Mr. C. C. Johnson, and all female characters were well taken.

The play as a whole was a success, was interesting and pleasant to those who listened, spoke well for those who made it possible and reflected credit and honor upon the department it represented.

The cast in full:

John Worden-The Freshman, Hugh P. Cline.

"Picadilly" Jerome, "Buggs" Stevens, "Owl" Griggs, "Tiny" McGrath: Sophomore—Sipe Fleming, Marvin S. Revell, Fletcher Beall, Frank Aycock.

Professor Locke-Prof. of Math. and Astronomy, B. J. Earp.

Horace, (colored)—Oldest inhabitant, Clyde Johnson

Mary Locke—Daughter of Prof. Locke, Nellie Fleming.

Judith Blair-The President's daughter. Blanche Newman.

Miss Porter—Of a very old family, Margarette Iseley.

Violet—Whose mother keeps a boarding house, Sallie Foster.

Music by College orchestra.

A BIRTHDAY DINNER.

Mr. T. A. May of Flon College N. C. decided to give his mother a surprise on her birthday. March the second, he informed his sister. Mrs. Saul, of his plan. He told her to cook a good dinner Saturday, and he would ask in some of her friends to dine with her. He invited his sister, Mrs. Londia Sharp, and husband. from Burlington. Saturday morning came and Mr. Sharpe and wife drove up. This was the first surprise when they presented to her some nice presents, and said "This is for your birthday." It was not long before other friends began to come in, and present to her birthday gifts. This was the second surprise. The third surprise was when she learned of the dinner being prepared. This made Grandma's heart sad at first, but she was soon rejoicing with her friends. It was quite an inspiration to sit down with this good woman and partake of that good dinner, an old time Dutch one at that.

Mrs. May is a great Bible student and it is an inspiration to talk with her about the Bible, and learn of her strong faith in her Lord and Master. Her life seems to be filled with sunshine and gladness.

We want to thank the good people of this home for the good dinner and the hearty welcome which we received. It was enjoyed by all parties present and we hope she will live to be a hundred, to enjoy many more birthdays.

H. M. Neese. Elon College, N. C., March 2, 1912.

—A bill providing for parcels post is before Congress. It would permit sending mail packages up to 11 pounds, ranging from five cents for the first pound and two cents for each additional pound.

FROM THE PULPIT.

The college and community enjoyed a rare treat Sunday at the eleven o'clock service. The preacher was Dr. Frank S. Child, of Fairfield, Conn. Dr. Child is a profound scholar and deep thinker, who always has a message that leaves its impression upon his audience. He used as his text Mark 9, 24: "And straightway the father of the child cried out and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou my unbelief."

The speaker began by showing that the father in the text was a fair representative of belief and unbelief. His little faith was enough to overcome his doubts. Faith is the basis and inspiration of all religion. However, everyone questions his faith. Don't think you are powerless just because you have doubts, but he had enough faith to overcome his doubts. A grain of faith as a mustard seed can remove mountains.

As time passes and experience widers, we learn that we do not need a long creed to live by, but a true and firm conviction. Then when we add to that our faith we are getting where God can use us for the advancement of his kingdom.

A few weeks ago. Professor Brooks, of Germany, spoke to an audience, of which I was one, on astronomy. He lead us through the vast regions of space. A speechless adoration was awakened in the soul. Then a few days later I wandered by a little river. It was an hour of wonderful adoration. The beauty of the scenery was magnificent. Who could help saying with the Psalmist, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech and night unto night sheweth knowledge."

This faith may be your possession and it may be mine. Jesus came among us to strengthen this faith. What do you helieve? I venture to say that faith exists much more than you think. According to your faith will it be done unto you. How is your faith? Is it high? if so you will soar high. Oh! how I hate that spirit which does not believe anything that logic and reason cannot prove. What shall we say about the instinct and many similar things that can not be proven.

In childhood it is easy to believe in people. Faith in things, in man, and in God is one of the characteristics of childhood. But when childhood is passed we listen to the questioning spirit. When troubles and trials come our faith is almost quenched. By living up to the faith he had the man in the text gained all, and more than he asked, and so it is with us.

God is the Holy Father. I take it that most of us believe this. Starting then with that simple faith which you have, you may rise and overcome every doubt and fear. We should not get discouraged when troubles come, but turn to God and he will strengthen our faith. He will give sufficient help. All the things that now darken my faith will all sink into

oblivion, and I shall rise into fellowship in Christ.

J. S. Truitt.

THE MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.

The regular mid-week prayer meeting of the Ministerial Association was not interrupted by the snow. Mr. L. W. Fogleman lead the meeting. He read from the Scriptures the story of Esau selling to Jaco, his birthright. His subject was based on these words. "Hold fast to that which is good."

Many helpful suggestions were made concerning the selling of birth rights. Yielding to temptation may be likened to a selling of one's spiritual birth right. Esan's appetite caused him to be led astray. Shall we spend too many nickles and dimes satisfying our appetite and thereby lose something that is more profitable? Who would dare stoop so low as to cheat on examination, which means the selling of the birthright of benor and influence? Let us hold fast to that which is good.

The president, Rev. J. F. Morgan, called a business meeting in which a matter of state-wide inter-collegiate association of ministerial students, which is being started by a U. N. C. man, was discussed. This Association heartily agrees with the plan.

Mr. S. S. Myrick is the appointed leader for Wednesday evening, next.

John G. Truitt.

PROVERBS AND PHRASES.

Most women will forgive a liberty rather than a slight.—Colton.

Voman is a miracle of divine contradictions.—Jules Michelet.

If the world were lost through woman, she alone can save it.—Louis de Beaufort

Women distrust men too much in general and not enough in particular.—Philibert Comerson.

What man seeks in love is woman, what woman seeks in man is love.—Houssage.

The happiest women like nations have no history.—George Eliot.

A beautiful woman pleases the eye, a good woman pleases the heart; one is a jewel, the other a treasure.—Napoleon I.

A man cannot possess anything better than a good woman nor anything worse than a bad one.—Simonides.

There is in every true woman's heart a spark of fire which beams and blazes forth in the dark hours of adversity.—
Irving.

Woman is like the reed that bends with every breeze, but breaks not with the tempest.—Bishop R. Whately.

The spell and the light of each path we pursue,

If woman be there, there is happiness too.—Moore.

There will always remain something to be said of women as long as there is one on earth.—Bauflers.

-Rioting and burning and looting in China are reported.