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DR. PARKER PREACHES ANNUAL SERMON

At Closing of Louisburg College.

DR. G. T. ROWE DELIVERS LITERARY ADDRESS

Commencement Exercises Largely Attended by Both In and Out of Town Guests—Each Department Makes Fine Showing—A Most Successful Year.

This week marked the closing of another most successful year for Louisburg College.

The exercises were begun on Friday night with a concert by the violin department, assisted by Miss Rhoda Winstead, reader; Miss Sara Towe, pianist; Miss Virginia Griffin, accompanist. The program consisted of twelve numbers all of which were excellent and their rendition was beautiful. The class was composed of the following young ladies: First Violin—Margaret Walker, Sara Towe; Second Violins—Helen Johnson, Dorcas McKinnis; Third Violins—Sara Edmundson, Janie Bolton; Fourth Violins—Goldie Morrisette, Frances Brown. Misses Lois Guffy, Elizabeth Kittrell, Nolite Hunt, Mattie Proctor, were the ushers for this entertainment.

The Art exhibit was held in connection with the Concert Friday evening and many pieces of excellent work were on display in the college parlors. Most of the pictures gave evidence of skill and did much credit to the work of the pupils and their instructor.

The Class day exercises were held on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in the College chapel and was largely attended and much enjoyed. The salutatory was read by Miss Ella Sherrod, the history by Miss Frances Barrow, the poem by Miss Louise Dean, the prophecy by Miss Mary Stanfield, the last will and testament by Miss Annie Belle Gay, the giftory by Miss Leota Jordan, the valedictory by Miss Geraldine Smith, and the benediction of cap and gown by Miss Mary Paylor. All of the papers were excellent, well prepared and well delivered. The exercises were begun with the Senior song and closed by singing Alma Mater. During the exercises "Goodbye Girls we're Through" was sung and also the Junior Song.

Sunday morning Dr. Franklin N. Parker, D. D., dean Candler School of Theology of Emory University, preached the Baccalaureate Sermon to the graduating class at the Methodist Church. Taking for his subject "I am come that ye might have life, and might have it more abundantly," he delivered one of the strongest sermons heard in Louisburg in some time. Around this theme he wove a beautiful picture showing the graduates how they could live to prove their usefulness to God and their fellows and do credit and honor to their Alma Mater.

Dr. Parker also preached the sermon to the Young Woman's Christian Association at the evening hour at the Methodist Church and spoke from the subject "What is it to be a Christian?" His thought was not only beautiful but inspiring, pointing to a service that will make one's life broader and more God like. He was strong in his convictions and convincing in his arguments, making his sermons greatly enjoyed by all who heard him.

The Junior Recital was held on Monday afternoon in the College chapel and especially well arranged and rendered. The work of each of the several pupils being of such a high character it would be impossible to make special mention. There were eighteen numbers and each one was greatly enjoyed.

The annual Concert was held on Monday night in the place of the play and was largely attended in spite of the inclement weather. The program, which was excellently arranged and beautifully rendered, was presented by the pupils of Misses Rosalia Neukomm Adams, Ruth Hall, Esther Stanbury, M. Della Latham, and Mattie Thurmond Key. Each of the fourteen numbers gave evidence of much training and adaptability and was greatly enjoyed.

The Alumnae Banquet which was held on Tuesday afternoon was one of the most enjoyable occasions of the Commencement to those whose pleasure it was to be present. The theme for the occasion was "Our College. Let there be light." Miss Edna Allen presided as Toastmistress with the greatest ease and kept the life and spirit of the evening flowing in full sympathy with the occasion. The following toasts were presented all of which were full of humor, wit and good wishes for the continued success of Louisburg College:

The Spirit of Louisburg College—Mrs. J. E. Malone.

The Dominant—Miss Geraldine Smith

The Power of the Age—Mr. E. L. Best.

The Dwelling Place of Light—Mrs. M. C. Pleasant.

The Class of '21—Miss Camilla Yarborough.

The Alumnae—Rev. A. D. Wilcox.

On account of a heavy downpour of rain on Monday night the play "Endymion" by the school of Expression, under the supervision of Miss Key, de-

TIME EXTENDED THIRTY DAYS

For Counties to Report Action On Tax Valuations to Tax Commission.

At a meeting of the State Tax Commission in Raleigh Saturday it was decided to extend the time for Counties to file reports on the action of Tax Valuations to June 15th, 1921. This action was taken because of the fact that several counties that had reported were making request to have their action reconsidered on account of the fact that enough revenue could not be raised to run the County government under the horizontal cut.

Below we publish a communication from Mr. J. J. Barrow, regarding a letter he has received from Col. A. D. Watts, State Tax Commissioner:

To the Editor of The Franklin Times: As there has been some misunderstanding in regard to the report of the horizontal cut in the revaluation of the property in this County, I have a letter from the State Tax Commission in answer to an inquiry about the matter, the following is a copy of a clause which bears directly on the question: "All counties making a horizontal reduction, will certify their final action to the Board by the 15th day of June, etc." This gives Franklin County till the 15th day of June, 1921, to make their Report on the horizontal reduction. Please publish the above for the benefit of the public.

Respectfully,
J. J. BARROW.

rector, had to be postponed till Tuesday night. The play was a Greek scene on the outskirts of a Forest at the foot of Mount Olympus, and was presented in three acts. Those taking part in its rendition were thorough masters of their casts and were equal to expert actors. The costumes were especially beautiful and very elaborate. Quite a large crowd were present and pronounced it as one of the best plays ever given on the College Campus.

Wednesday morning was the occasion of the Commencement Exercises at the College and quite a number of people, both home folks and visitors were present to witness the exercises, which were opened with a hymn, "Faith of our Fathers." Invocation was offered by Rev. J. H. Shore, after which Miss Rena Baum rendered a piano solo, "Murmuring Zephyrs" by Jensen, in a most skillful and entertaining manner. The next number on the program was the Literary address by Dr. G. T. Rowe, editor North Carolina Christian Advocate, which was truly a literary gem. Without announcing his subject Dr. Rowe delivered an unusually strong address around the theme of the power of Education, pointing out that the thing that distinguished man from other species of life was his ability to be educated. Following his idea that the limits to the power of education were practically unbounded, he illustrated by reference to the great human war machine Germany and the Central Powers had built up. Then the speaker blended a beautiful contrast to show that Christian education has so many unlimited advantages over material education, in that it employs ones every ability to the work of the Master and thereby building up a life and country for good. His emphasis of the individuality of man in its efforts to please God Almighty was beautiful and exceedingly impressive. Dr. Rowe's address was a well prepared document, excellently delivered to the great pleasure of his many hearers.

The graduating class was composed of sixteen young ladies who were awarded diplomas by the President, Rev. L. S. Massey, and were as follows: Misses Frances Mabelle Barrow, Lottie Matilda Bolton, Louise Burt Dean, Gladys Eleanor Felton, Annie Belle Gay, Blanche Elizabeth Hester, Mary Frances Jenkins, Leota Jordan, Eva Alberta Lassiter, Clorape Parker, Mary Maxie Paylor, Geraldine Howard Smith, Daisy Winstead Stephens, Mary Elizabeth Stanfield, Ella Neal Sherrod, Blanche Elizabeth Winstead. Expression—Annie Belle Gay, Ella Neal Sherrod. Home Economics—Mary Maxie Paylor. Those receiving Certificates were as follows: Piano—Misses Oma Bliss Lewis, Daisy Winstead Stephens. Stenography and Typewriting—Misses Mary Susie Benton and Margaret Elizabeth Mills. The Bibles were presented by Rev. A. D. Wilcox, Pastor of Trinity Church, Durham. Rev. A. S. Parker, President of the Board of Trustees made announcement that the College was getting on a more solid basis than heretofore and the prospects for a bright future, and that all the reports had been of the very best. The Marshals for this occasion were Chief, Miss Ellen Mae Johnson; Assistants, Oma Bliss Lewis, Maude Cotton, Genevieve Peltz, Mattie Proctor.

On Wednesday night a social feature was indulged in by those of the girls remaining and the many friends of the College.

Thus ended a most successful year that bears the greatest evidence to the wisdom of the Presidency of Rev. Mr. Massey and his efficient corps of teachers all of whom have labored long and late to attain an end whose greatness and completeness is sufficient to bring about a satisfaction that produces full compensation, and especially so when such an appreciation is shown as has been by the many friends of the institution.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

To Be Held in Louisburg May 30th. In Honor World War Heroes—Committees to Decorate Graves.

At a meeting of the officers and Chairmen of the various committees of the Franklin County Memorial Association held in the halls of the James Club on Tuesday afternoon it was decided to observe Memorial Day, May 30th—with appropriate exercises at the Court House in Louisburg, after which committees, who have been previously arranged, together with all others who wish to join them will go to the several graves of deceased world war heroes including those who died in Camp and have been brought back home and interred and decorate the grave with suitable flowers. All of the committees of the organization are requested to become interested in this service and use their efforts towards making this one of the greatest occasions ever witnessed in Franklin County, that our esteem and honor may be more largely shown for the valiant work of these noble heroes.

The program as arranged by the Committee on Arrangements is as follows:

- Program Memorial Day Exercises, May 30, 1921
- Invocation — Music Committee
- Invocation — Rev. Wm. R. Burrell
- Address — Chaplain B. F. Black
- Song — Star Spangled Banner
- Benediction — Music Committee
- Benediction — Rev. G. F. Smith
- Visitation by special committees and short services and decoration of grave of every World War soldier interred in Franklin County, including those who died in camp in the United States or abroad and those who died in battle.

CRANK SHAFT BREAKS.

The trouble at the power house on Wednesday night was due to a crank shaft to the engine of Unit No. 2 breaking. Luckily no other damage was done. Supt. Hill got in immediate touch with the makers of the engine and expects to have it in running shape in a short while. It is thought the trouble was caused by the shaft being slightly out of line, as from appearances it had been breaking for some time.

THE ALUMNI PLEDGES SUPPORT.

The Alumni of the Graded School met Friday afternoon, May 13th in the rooms of the Board of Education. Quite a large and enthusiastic crowd was present. Miss Pauline Smith was unanimously elected Chairman of the Alumni Association of the Graded School. Mr. E. H. Malone talked to the crowd on the importance of loyalty to their Alma Mater in this great educational crisis in our town and community. Those present heartily endorsed the movement for a bigger and better Graded School and promised their vote and support.

FULL SERVICE EXPRESS.

The people of Franklin will no doubt be glad to know that the American Express Company through its agent, Capt. L. L. Joyner, is announcing a full service express in and out of Louisburg—taking out and bringing in express on every train each day. Mr. N. B. Tucker is the messenger in charge who will be glad to give his personal attention to each package.

OXFORD ORPHANS AT WOOD.

We are requested to state that the Oxford Orphan singing class will visit Wood and give a concert at the Baptist church on Saturday night, May 28th. This is one of the best classes that the Orphanage has sent out in many years and give opportunity to the people of Wood community to hear a most enjoyable concert, and at the same time give financial encouragement to a worthy institution. Let everybody go out and hear the little ones and enjoy a most pleasant evening with them.

CAPTURES STILLS.

Sheriff H. A. Kearney, Constable J. E. Thomas and Mr. B. H. Meadows captured a 30 grain still on the old Pomp Spivey place in Harris township on last Saturday morning, and destroyed five hundred gallons of beer. The still was in operation and the parties took to the "tall timbers."

Constable P. E. Dean, of Cedar Rock township, reports capturing a 40 gallon copper still outfit on the Cope branch on the A. W. Perry Jr. tract of land in Cedar Rock township hid in the bushes about fifty yards from several stands of beer, containing about 200 gallons, which was also destroyed, on Saturday of last week.

FIRST VISIT TO LOUISBURG.

Mr. W. D. Sandling, who lives about five miles west of Franklinton, was a visitor to Louisburg Saturday. Although Mr. Sandling was born and raised, and has lived in Franklin County all his life and is now fifty-four years old this was his first visit to the County seat of his home county. He expressed much satisfaction with this his first visit, and will no doubt come again soon.

TWO GIVEN TWENTY YEARS

FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES.

Quite a Heavy Docket—Several Murder Cases—Grand Jury Report—Much Progress Made.

Franklin Superior Court convened on Monday morning in its regular May term with Hon. George W. Connor, Judge Presiding and Solicitor H. E. Norris at their posts, with one of the largest dockets in some time—there being ninety odd cases since last term. Judge Connor gave a short but decidedly common sense charge to the grand jury pointing out and stressing the importance of their doing their duty in order to protect themselves and the other citizens of the County. After the charge he announced that owing to the extra large docket all speed possible would be made towards the end of disposing of the cases before the end of the term; whereupon the docket was taken up and handled in a most business like manner with excellent results.

The grand jury was composed of the following gentlemen: J. W. Winston, Foreman, J. R. Catlett, J. R. Cooke, W. I. Gay, B. J. Overton, O. E. Wiggins, R. F. Wells, W. H. Medlin, J. T. Collins, P. G. Denton, A. W. H. Hicks, A. P. Perry, W. E. May, F. W. Arnold, H. A. McGhee, W. R. Lafater, H. O. Hill, R. E. Cash. P. J. King was sworn in as officer to the grand jury.

The following is the disposition of cases up to Thursday twelve o'clock: State vs John Mitchell, continued under former order. State vs J. L. Worthington, prayer for judgment continued to October. State vs E. L. Egerton, c. e. w. a. d. w. nol. pro. with leave. State vs B. B. Sykes and R. B. Dodd, continued under former order. State vs B. N. Wheeler, disposing of mortgaged crops, continued for defendant. State vs Elmore Person c. e. w. capias and continued. State vs William Brooks, cruelty to animals, false pretense, capias and continued. State vs A. K. Tant and J. S. Howell, judgment absolute, time allowed to file answer to this term.

State vs Steward Johnson, resisting officer, ad w. assault, capias and continued. State vs Gus Wiggins, assault, capias and continued. State vs Gus Wiggins and John Cannady, scifa, judgment absolute. State vs Charlie Teasley, assault, capias to Granville and Vance and continued. State vs Alex Johnson, assault continued under former order. State vs Hagwoods, housebreaking and larceny, nol. pro. with leave. State vs Clayton Mitchell, a. d. w. c. w. pleads guilty, 12 months in jail to be hired to Colonial Pine Co. Prayer continued in c. e. w.

State vs Isham Davis, c. e. w. pleads guilty 8 months in jail to be hired to J. F. Mitchiner. State vs Hugh Coppedge, running auto while intoxicated, pleads guilty 6 months in jail, commitment to issue at request of Sheriff. State vs Alpheus Strickland, assault, pleads guilty, fined \$5.00 and costs. State vs Fred Levester, l. and r. nol. pro.

State vs Ben Cope, assault and c. e. w. pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs in assault case, fine \$50 and costs in other. State vs Bennie Green, l. and r. pleads guilty. State vs Wyatt Dillard, a. d. w. pleads guilty, fined \$50 and costs. State vs Percy Daniel, c. e. w. a. d. w. pleads guilty, fined \$50 and costs and to pay Dr. Johnson bill of \$63.00. State vs Nary Bass pleads guilty of forcible trespass, judgment \$100 and costs. State vs A. K. Tant disposing of mortgaged property. Trial not guilty. Scifa against Tant and J. S. Howell discharged. State vs Will Driver, fraud, trial not guilty. Anna Justice was granted a divorce from Edgar Justice. State vs Bob Jeffreys, c. e. w. called and failed, instantan. capias issued. State vs Maurice Staunton, forgery, pleads guilty, judgment continued upon payment of costs. State vs Joe Evans l. and r. trial not guilty. State vs Robert Jeffreys, c. e. w. pleads guilty. To be confined in jail for two years commitment to issue at request of Sheriff and to pay costs. State vs Emmitt Leonard, c. e. w. a. d. w. pleads guilty, judgment in first case fined \$1.00 and costs, in second 8 months in jail to be hired out to J. C. Wheelless, to pay costs. State vs Dave Bony, c. e. w. a. d. w. pleads guilty, nol. pro. in 73. State vs M. D. Reavis c. e. w. called and failed, capias to Nash and Franklin and continued. State vs Manasseh Perry, forgery, trial guilty, 12 months on roads. State vs Albert Brodie, seduction, prayer continued to October term upon payment of costs. State vs Frank Wall, l. and r. pleads guilty, 12 months on roads. State vs Frank Wall, l. and r. continued until expiration of sentence in other case.

State vs Annie Wall, receiving, pleads guilty, fined \$1.00 and costs. State vs Daniel Wall, receiving, pleads guilty, fined \$1.00 and costs. State vs Elmore Person and Shields Blackmail, scifa, discharged. State vs Ernest Hayman, c. e. w. capias and continued. State vs Jim Debnam, l. and r. pleads guilty, 12 months on roads. State vs R. D. Bryant, forcible trespass, called and failed, nisi scifa capias and continued. State vs Pearley Williams l. and r. trial, not guilty. State vs Levi Williams, larceny, pleads guilty, 6 months on roads. Divorce granted Herbert Pridgen and Eleanor Pridgen. State vs Will Foster and Will Wiggins, highway robbery, assault trial, guilty 20 years each in penitentiary. State vs Wilson Webb, removing crops continued. State vs A. C. Gray and D. B. Kearney, scifa, discharged. State vs A. C. Gray l. and r. continued. State vs Hugh Coppedge a. d. w. dismissed. State vs Lee Junius Johnson abandonment trial guilty to pay \$100 to upkeep of child and pay costs. State vs Lee Junius Johnson, assault, trial not guilty. State vs Lee Baker, forcible trespass, trial guilty, judgment continued to October term and to pay costs. Defendant also required to give bond to keep the peace and show good behavior. State vs Butler Hawkins and Genatus Wiggins, involuntary manslaughter, pleads guilty to be confined in jail for 8 months each and to be hired out to E. R. Collier for amount sufficient to pay the costs. State vs Ed Richardson, selling whiskey, trial not guilty. State vs Tom Parrish, selling whiskey, pleads guilty, 12 months on roads. In this case the defendant admitted that he had gone off and bought whiskey for someone else, but refused to tell the Judge upon being questioned from whom he bought the whiskey, whereupon the Judge held that it was proper that he should answer to the State for the crime.

Report of Grand Jury.

The following is the report of the Grand Jury, which completed its work on Wednesday morning and was discharged by His Honor with the thanks of the Court:

To Hon. Geo. W. Connor, Judge presiding and holding May term 1921, of Franklin Superior Court.

We the Grand Jury for said term beg leave to submit the following report for said Term.

We have passed on all Bills given us in charge, and have examined into all matters which have been brought to our knowledge.

A committee of six Messrs. J. T. Collins, A. W. H. Arnold, J. R. Catlett, O. E. Wiggins, Dick Wells and P. G. Denton visited the County Home and report that they found everything well kept and in first class shape and all the inmates satisfied and well pleased.

We have visited the County Jail in a body and find the same clean and in a sanitary condition.

We have visited the several offices and find them well kept and books properly indexed, and appear to us to be in good condition.

We further desire to express our unqualified approval of the repairing and painting of the Court House, which adds so much to the appearance and the comfort of those who have to work there.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. WINSTON,
Foreman Grand Jury.

WHAT ABOUT PROSPECT.

We can hardly understand why there should be any opposition from the people of the Prospect District to the Graded School Bonds. Last year they voted to come into the Louisburg Graded School District and pay the 53 1-3 cent tax. We understand that the vast majority of the people of the Prospect District are pleased with this change and feel that their children are making better educational progress than ever before. This year they are asked to vote for bonds for a new school building and equipment, which most everybody admits is badly needed, in fact, those in charge of school say that better facilities and more class rooms are absolutely essential if we desire to improve the school or even keep up past standards. If the majority of the voters should vote for bonds it could not mean an increase of more than 20 cents on the \$100.00. Now if the people of Prospect District would vote a 53 cent tax last year to come into Louisburg District, will they refuse to vote a 20 cent tax to proper equip the school. If a man spent his money to plant a crop it would seem bad policy for him to refuse to provide buildings to take care of that crop. The people of Prospect District did a good thing, it seems when they came into the Louisburg Graded School District and we believe that, if those people will stop to think they will follow up their action by voting for bonds to provide the building and equipment necessary to carry on and improve the present standard of school.

AMONG THE VISITORS

Mr. J. C. Harkins visited McFarland the past week.

Mrs. N. B. Allsbrook of Mebane, is visiting her people here.

Mr. P. B. Griffin and son, George, visited Raleigh yesterday.

Messrs. T. C. and Rob Alston were visitors to Raleigh Wednesday.

Miss Charlotte Carroll, of Oxford, is visiting Miss Dorcas McKinnis.

Mr. Graham Griffin, of Raleigh, visited his people here the past week.

Mr. Edgar Griffin, of Spring Hope, was a visitor to Louisburg this week.

Mr. W. T. Valentine, of Middlesex, was a visitor to Louisburg Tuesday.

Rev. J. O. Guthrie, of Raleigh, visited Mr. Malcolm McKinnis the past week.

Attorney — Walker, of Alabama, was in attendance upon Court this week.

Mr. P. E. Monger, of Sanford, Fla., is visiting his people in and near Louisburg.

Mr. John C. Matthews, of Spring Hope, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mrs. J. R. Jones left Wednesday for Raleigh to visit her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Webb and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Thomas visited Raleigh Wednesday.

Ex-Judge E. W. Timberlake, of Wake Forest, was a visitor to Louisburg Tuesday.

Miss Jamie Brown, of Raleigh, sister of Mr. Joseph Brown, is visiting Mrs. G. F. Smith.

Mr. C. W. High, of Raleigh, spent the week-end with his parents, Chief and Mrs. D. C. High.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Swindell and children, of Nashville, were visitors to Louisburg the past week.

Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, of Washington, is the guest of Mr. S. S. Meadows while attending Commencement.

Mr. F. L. Perry returned home Friday from Philadelphia, where he has been attending a Medical College.

Rev. A. D. Wilcox, of Durham, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McKinnis while attending Commencement.

Mrs. C. G. Bedford, of Lexington, and Miss Louise Thomas, of Raleigh, spent the week-end with Mrs. E. F. Thomas.

Rev. W. R. Burrell returned Thursday from a trip to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he attended a Conference of Baptists.

Mr. H. L. Chandler returned the past week from Hand Point, where he opened a New U-Tote-Em, and spent Tuesday in Henderson.

Mrs. F. B. McKinnis left Tuesday for Fayetteville to attend the sessions of the Woman's Missionary Conference held from Tuesday to Friday.

Among the visitors to Louisburg this week in attendance upon Commencement are Mrs. Jordan, of Fayetteville, Mrs. Stanfield, of Chadburn.

Mrs. Mary Davis Allen, of Oxford, a former President of Louisburg Female College, was in attendance at the College Commencement exercises this week.

Miss Elba Henninger, former teacher of Expression at Louisburg College but now of the School of Expression, at Boston, Mass., was in attendance upon the Commencement exercises this week.

Sheriff H. A. Kearney and Mr. R. G. Person took Will Foster, Will Wiggins and Brown Smith to the penitentiary in Raleigh Wednesday. The first two were sent up for 20 years each at this term of Court.

FRANKLIN COUNTY WEEK IN FEDERAL COURT.

Mr. B. H. Meadows showed the TIMES man this week a Calendar for Federal Court to be held in Raleigh, wherein it was noticed that Franklin County has forty-three cases set for trial and will be called next Tuesday and last through Wednesday. All persons connected with any of these cases will bear these dates in mind.

REPORT OF CONVENTION.

All members and friends of the Baptist Church are particularly requested to be present at the services of the church on Sunday. The Pastor will report on the Greatest Convulsion in the history of the denomination. All heartily welcomed.