

SCOTIA SEMINARY FINALS BE GIVEN WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

Fifty-Seventh Annual Commencement of Colored Presbyterian Seminary to Be Held Morning June 1.

The 57th annual commencement exercises of Scotia Seminary will be held June 1st at the Westminster Presbyterian church, West Depot street, beginning at 10 a. m. A splendid program has been arranged for the graduation service.

The program, in full, follows: Processional. Invocation. Chorus: Roses Every where, Denza. Essay: Education in the 20th Century, Little Meacham. Essay: The Old North State, Inez DeVane. Chorus: The Call of Summer, Forman. Essay: Training For Citizenship, Beatrice Click. Essay: Railroads in America's Development, Alice Johnson. Chorus: Pale Moon, Logan. Essay: The Individual in Race Progress, Lottie DeVane. Essay: The Value of an Education, Mabel Belton. Chorus: Merry June, Vincent. Presentation of Diplomas. Benediction. Piano Duets: March Hongroise, Gounod; Friedham Poster, Lillian Ancrum.

LOCAL MENTION

Miss Black in the office of the Cabarrus county health department states that one case of measles was reported Wednesday.

R. D. Goodman, farm agent of Cabarrus county, has gone to Raleigh to attend special meetings there when an expert English agriculture agent will speak.

In the decisions handed down by the Supreme Court of the State yesterday was one affirming the decision reached in Cabarrus Superior court in the case of Ross vs. Brenizer.

Commencement exercises will be held at Central and No. 2 Grammar School tonight at 8 o'clock. Certificates of graduation will be presented and short literary addresses will be delivered. The public is invited.

Those who have not secured their season tickets to the Redpath Chautauqua which opens here tomorrow afternoon are asked to get them at once. The tickets may be secured from a member of the woman's club.

Charlotte won from Spartanburg in the South Atlantic while Asheville and Greenville were both winning. In the National League Pittsburgh won again while the Yankees and Athletics were idle in the American League.

Considerable improvements are being made at the Pearl Drug Company, including installation of new fixtures and rearrangement of the fountain, candy and cigar cases. Only recently improvements were made on the front of the drug store.

The Supreme Court of the State handed down another batch of decisions on appeals yesterday but the Pentuff appeal was not among them. This case was tried in Cabarrus and was argued before the court four weeks ago.

The Redpath Chautauqua tent is being erected now on the Central school campus. The opening number of the 1927 program will be presented tomorrow afternoon. Chautauqua officials here declaring that everything will be in readiness for the opening tomorrow.

Capt. Quint E. Smith, city engineer, who has received orders to report for duty in the flood area of the Mississippi River Valley, has received orders to go to New Orleans, La., instead of Memphis, Tenn., as his first orders were. Captain Smith will leave during the afternoon.

Temperatures dropped some in Concord yesterday afternoon, following a light shower shortly after noon. Heavy black clouds hung over the city for about an hour and there was some lightning and high winds but little rain. In some other sections of the county refreshing rains fell.

Webb field will be the scene of a second amateur baseball game this afternoon when the lawyer-doctor team will find opposition in the Concord insurance agents. The game begins at 4 o'clock, and admission of 25 cents will be charged of each customer for the benefit of the Mississippi flood relief fund.

The Redpath Chautauqua will open in Concord Friday afternoon at a tent on the grounds of the Central Grammar School. The afternoon number will consist of a popular concert by the Arcadia Novelty Company, and the evening performance will be a short concert by the Company and a lecture by Charles H. Plattenburg.

SPECIAL TERM OF CIVIL COURT WILL BE HELD IN JUNE

List of Jurors Who Will Be Summoned For Duty.—Judge Clayton Moore to Preside at Term.

A special term of civil court will be held in Cabarrus county beginning Monday, June 20th, it was announced today.

Judge Clayton Moore will preside at the special term and the following men will be summoned to serve as jurors:

C. D. Melchor, W. L. Burrage, Eugene Morgan, John A. Suther, W. C. Ritchie, W. C. Rayner, Coy M. Dry, R. D. Joyner, W. D. Ritchie, S. C. Shinn, W. Walter, W. C. Flowers, Guy C. Miller, C. S. Sides, N. J. Overcash, J. L. Alexander, R. C. Crooks, and C. O. Earnhardt.

The civil docket for Cabarrus is said to be very congested and it is thought the special term will clear it to a great extent.

Overton-Lutz Announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Henry Lutz announce the marriage of their daughter Fay to

Mr. Dolphin Henry Overton on Sunday, the fifteenth of May nineteen hundred and twenty-seven Shelby, North Carolina. The above announcement is of much interest in Concord, Mrs. Overton having visited in Concord on numerous occasions. She is a niece of Dr. J. A. Patterson and Dr. B. Matt Patterson.

The condition of Oswald Phillips, who underwent an operation at the Concord Hospital Monday evening for appendicitis, is improving rapidly.

MEMBERS OF CAST SCORE SUCCESS IN CLASS PLAY GIVEN

"The Charm School" Is Very Entertaining Play and Every Member of Cast Acted His or Her Part Well.

Members of the graduating class of the Concord High School who were in the cast of the senior play given last evening scored a great success and presented a play that did not have a dull moment in it and which was greatly enjoyed by a large number of persons.

Members of the cast were good and went through their parts like veteran performers. The audience, which comfortably filled the auditorium, loudly applauded the characters for the manner in which they presented their parts. Following the performance of the play, members of the cast were loud in their praise of Miss Margaret Virginia Ervin, who had directed them and had given considerable time to coaching the cast.

With all the students acting their parts in a very able manner it was hard for the audience to pick those outstanding. Miss Mary Cannon, as Miss Curtis, the secretary of a girls' school, was unusually good in her part and responded to a curtain call. Archie Cannon, as Austin Bevin, who had inherited the girls' school and had his own very unique ideas of how it should be operated, was also unusually good. Miss Julia Rowan, taking the part of Elissa Benedotti, president of the senior class of the school, acted her part unusually well in playing opposite to Archie Cannon.

The play was a well written one with lines which often threw the audience into laughter. Billy Mabrey and Jack White, in the parts of Jim and Tim Simpkins, twins, had some very clever lines and put them over in a fine manner.

In addition to those mentioned above the following students were in the cast: Chalmers White, Fred Hunter, Hiram Caton, Jr., Miss Nett Fleming Harris, Misses Askins Ivey, Mary Orchard Boger, Millieout Ward, Mary Lee Peck, Carrie Mae Griffin and Margaret Corzine.

The following committees were of assistance in staging the play: stage committee, Misses Elizabeth Smith and Rebecca Dayvault, of the school faculty, and Misses Virginia Reed and Frances Howard and John Brown; advertising committee, Eugene Hoover and finance committee Miss Helen Dayvault and Eugene Hoover. Approximately \$180 was taken in as admissions at the doors. The money will be used to purchase a back drop for the school stage which will be presented to the school as a gift of the graduating class.

ROTARIANS HEAR MILLER AT MEET HELD AT HOTEL

A Very Interesting Talk Is Made to Members of Club by Cabarrus County Accountant.

John L. Miller, Cabarrus county accountant and tax supervisor, made a very interesting and instructive address to members of the Concord Rotary Club at the regular weekly luncheon meeting of the club held Wednesday at Hotel Concord.

Mr. Miller spoke of the work of the list takers and assessors who will place a valuation upon property in the county. He urged members of the club and other citizens of the county to co-operate with the men as they seek a proper valuation of property for taxation.

"The law requires that assessors value property as of May 1st and the list taker and assessor is required to get an actual value of property and list it at such a value for taxation," Mr. Miller said.

In speaking of the work to be done Mr. Miller said: "The intent and purpose of the tax law of the state is to have all property and subjects of taxation assessed at a true and actual value in money in such manner as such property and subjects are usually sold, but not by forced sale thereof, and the words 'market value or true value' wherever in the tax laws shall be held and deemed to mean what the property and subjects would bring at cash sale when sold as such property and subjects are usually sold."

"Work is now in progress," Mr. Miller said, "and, when completed, will enable us to show actual frontage of property on both sides of North and South Union street. We will also be able to show the number of houses and the total number of rooms in each house."

Practically every cent of the money that is paid in as county taxes is used in the county, he said. "The money goes back to the citizens of the county, and none of it goes to the State. There is a tax of \$1.10 on every \$100 and the money is used as follows: 55 cents goes to schools, 25 cents to roads, 15 cents to interest and sinking fund, and 15 cents for all county purposes. The last named 15 cents is used as follows: for the welfare department, for the farm agent, the home demonstration agent, the upkeep of the county home with 60 inmates, the taking care of poor and indigent persons not in the county home, repairs on all county property and grounds, and the salary of the sheriff, treasurer and accountant of the county."

"The value placed on the county property as of May 1st this year will stand for four years unless improvements of over the value of \$100 are made or there is a loss from fire, wind, etc., of more than \$100 value," he said.

We are never a great way from hating those we envy. Let us therefore guard against the danger and greed of an envious mind.

Cheerfulness is an amulet bringing happiness and contentment to its wearer.

LIST OF PRIZES IN ESSAY EVENT IS GIVEN TODAY

Several Cash Prizes As Well as Valuable Gifts Will Be Awarded Winners in Junior Homes Essay Contest.

The list of prizes which will be awarded winners in the essay contest in connection with the observance of Better Homes Week in Concord, was given out for publication today by Miss Ophelia Barker, Cabarrus home demonstration agent.

The prizes include: A set of books, donated by Kild-Felix & Co., for the best essay on "The Influence of Good Books and Good Music in the Home"; Cash prize of \$3.00 by Citizens Bank & Trust Co., for best essay on "The Necessity of a Household Budget and How to Plan It."

In group one or the individuals under twenty years of age submitting essays on the subjects suggested, the following awards will be made: First prize, \$5; second prize, \$2; third prize \$1. The Cabarrus Savings Bank and the Concord National Bank contributed these cash prizes.

In group two or the individuals over twenty years of age submitting essays, prizes, as given below, will be awarded to winners: First prize, bed spread; donated by Hartsell Mills; second prize, a dozen towels; donated by Luther Brown of the Cannon Mills, Kannapolis; third prize, pair of silk hose; given by Hoover Hosiery Co. The prizes are on display at Cline's Pharmacy.

"Any resident of Cabarrus county is eligible to enter the essay contest, and choose any one of the fifteen topics suggested," states Miss Barker. "One person may write on as many topics as they care to," she added.

The contest closes about June 10 when all papers must be in the hands of Miss Barker, and for the benefit of those who are interested to enter the event at the date the list of topics are again published, as follows:

What Makes a Home? The Parent's Duty and the Child's Rights; The Influence of Good Music and Books in the Home; The Effect of Religious and Educational Institutions on the Home; Interior Decorations and Furnishings; A Model Kitchen; Hygiene and Sanitation in the Home; How to Beautify the Grounds; The Value of a Well Balanced Diet to Health; Select a Person, then plan his or her wardrobe for a year not using more than 15 per cent of income; The Necessity of a Household Budget and How to Plan It; How to Choose a Vocation; How a Country Boy or Girl Can Go To College; Recreation for the Family, and the Value of an Avocation.

SWIMMING SEASON AT "Y" UNDERWAY; WATER KEPT CLEAN

Few Pools in State Equal to Y. M. C. A. Pool.—Each Day Scores Enjoy a Cool Swim in Pure Water.

The swimming season at the Concord Y. M. C. A. is well under way, and each morning, afternoon and evening finds the "Y" pool the scene of much happy activity. A schedule of hours for swimming has been formulated by Secretary H. V. Blanks and conscientiously located for observation by visitors at the "Y" building.

"Perhaps no other pool in North Carolina," Mr. Blanks said today, "is as clean as our pool. Fresh water is placed in the pool twice weekly, and each individual going into the water is given a medical examination before allowed to go in, and if this individual is found not to be free from communicable or contagious diseases is forbidden to swim."

"We are very strict about these important things," continued Mr. Blanks, "and for that reason parents need have no fear about their children. We are conducting swimming classes daily, and the closest of attention is given to the beginners."

Private swimming parties may be arranged at the Y. M. C. A. by local people during the morning, according to Mr. Blanks. Beginning June 1st, private swimming lessons will also be given. It was announced this morning that between the hours of 8:30 and 9:30 o'clock on Monday and Wednesday evenings that the pool will be open to married couples.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. R. F. MILLS HELD THIS MORNING

Services Conducted at Home By Rev. T. F. Higgins, Assisted by Dr. J. C. Rowan.—Interment at Oakwood.

Funeral services for Mrs. R. Frank Mills were held this morning at 9:30 o'clock at the residence on North Spring street. A large concourse of relatives and friends were present for the service, which was conducted by Rev. T. F. Higgins, pastor of Forest Hill Methodist Church, of which the deceased had been a member for many years. Mr. Higgins was assisted by Dr. J. C. Rowan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Music appropriate to the occasion was rendered by the choir of Forest Hill Church.

Following the service at the home, interment was made in Oakwood Cemetery. The War Mothers, of which Mrs. Mills was a loyal member, attended the service in a body and at the cemetery, each member dropping a white carnation on the casket, a silent token of love and esteem for the departed member.

The grave was entirely covered by many beautiful floral designs, sent by relatives and friends as tokens of love and respect for this beloved woman.

Active pall bearers were: A. G. Odell, S. J. Sherrill, Jason H. Fisher, James Yates, J. T. Howell and William Bingham; while honorary pall bearers were L. T. Hartsell, Sr., E. Sauvain, W. G. Caswell, J. A. Cannon, J. L. Johnson and R. C. Crooks.

CABARRUS FARMER HURT AS TWISTER HITS IN COUNTY

Thomas Smith Suffers Break in Each Leg as Result of a Windstorm in No. 9 Township.

A twister struck in No. 9 township, this county, yesterday shortly after noon, injuring one man, damaging several small buildings and uprooting and twisting off a number of trees.

The twister struck near the old Barrier Mill, three miles from Mt. Pleasant, sending a nearby granary across the road and against a Ford car in which Thomas and Luther Smith, farmers of No. 9, had been riding. Just before the wind came rain began falling and the brothers stepped from the car to put on the curtains just a second before the twister hit.

Timbers from the granary were hurled with such force across the road and against the car that they broke both legs of Thomas Smith, who was on the side of the car next to the demolished building. The brother, on the opposite side of the car, was not injured.

The Ford was literally knocked from the road by the force of the wind and timbers. Mr. Smith was brought to the Concord Hospital where his broken bones were set.

The wind followed a narrow path, so far as can be learned here, but before blowing itself out uprooted a number of trees, tore huge limbs from others and destroyed parts of several barns and other outhouses.

High winds swept Concord during the early afternoon but caused no damage here so far as can be learned.

When seen in the Concord Hospital last night Mr. Smith was resting very comfortably. He said so far as he knew the wind caused no serious property damage in No. 9.

"The twister just came like this," Mr. Smith said, snapping his fingers to indicate the suddenness of the wind.

"I happened to be on the side of the car next to the granary," Mr. Smith said, "and I received the full force of the flying timbers. Planks, boards and other timbers from the building were swept under our car and some of these struck me. If I had stayed in the car I would not have been hurt for although the car was hurled from the road by the force of the wind and timbers, it was not badly damaged."

Mr. Smith said he suffered very much with his legs before reaching the hospital, explaining that he tried to walk after being struck.

"I did not know whether more timbers were coming or not," he said, "and after being hit I tried to walk off. This caused me great pain. The wind passed on as rapidly as it came, however, and everything was normal in a second or two."

Black clouds hovered over Concord several hours early yesterday afternoon but there was no damage here either from wind or lightning. Mr. Smith said rain fell near his home only a short time and reports from other sections of the county fail to tell of needed rains anywhere.

WILKESBORO MAN IS HELD IN JAIL ON FOUR CHARGES

Will Be Given Hearing Before Judge A. B. Palmer in Recorder's Court Friday Afternoon.

Spurgeon Johnson, who gave his address as Wilkesboro, was arrested early this morning by city police and placed in jail, as a result of an automobile accident in which two boys received painful but not serious injuries.

Johnson has the following charges against him: operating a car while intoxicated, carrying a concealed weapon, a pistol, possessing liquor, and assault with a deadly weapon, an automobile. He will be given a hearing Friday at Recorder's Court before Judge A. B. Palmer.

The accident occurred early this morning when the Chevrolet roadster said to have been driven by Johnson, ran into a milk delivery truck of B. Y. Goodman. The accident occurred at the intersection of Depot and Church Streets.

Victim: Sears, young boy who was on the truck, sustained two broken ribs and bruises on his arm, and James Sears also on his head and bruises on his ankle and arm. The two boys were taken to the Concord Hospital where they were given treatment, and later were removed to their homes.

The milk truck had a wheel and fender knocked off and the Chevrolet roadster had its radiator broken in by the force of the impact when it hit the truck.

Efforts were being made at noon today by the attorneys of Johnson to have him released on bond.

Carolina Motor Club Branch at Kannapolis.

A. A. Armstrong, district representative for the Carolina Motor Club, states that a branch of the club will be opened in Kannapolis in the near future.

W. E. Shoemaker, also an official of the club, will be in Kannapolis the latter part of the week and with Mr. Armstrong will seek to interest at least fifty new members for the club. The Fixall Motor Co., Mr. Armstrong said, will be the official service station for the club in Kannapolis, and will offer the same efficient and courteous service as it offered in other service stations selected by the club.

If you want to be gloomy, there's gloom enough to keep you gloom; if you want to be glad, there's gleam enough to keep you glad. In whatever we undertake earnestness is one of the keys that unlock the doors of success.

FINAL EXERCISES FOR HIGH SCHOOL BE HELD TOMORROW

Class Day Program To Be Given in Morning and Graduation Exercises to Be Given at Night.

The closing exercises for the present session of the High School will be held tomorrow and will bring the school to the end of a very successful term.

The program for tomorrow will be in two parts, the first one being the class day exercises at 10 o'clock in the morning, and the graduation exercises at 8 o'clock in the evening.

The program for the class day exercises is as follows: Welcome Address—Archie Cannon, president of the class.

Prologue.

The Spirit of the Class of 1927—Helen Dayvault. Guardians of the Motto, Frances Tarlton and Frances Howard. Class Flower—Lois Helms.

The Past.

Music: "Long, Long Ago." Class History—Hubert Turner. Class Inventory—Vera Barnhardt.

The Present.

Music: "Class Song." Class Superlatives—Mary Wallace. Class Poem—Hubert Turner. Last Will and Testament—Net Harris.

The Future.

Music: "How Can I Leave Thee?" Class Prophecy—Julia Rowan. Farwell Song—Class.

The graduation exercises will be featured by an address by Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, a former member of Congress from the ninth district. J. A. Cannon, chairman of the school board, will present the diplomas of graduation to approximately sixty graduates. A full announcement of the program will be made Friday.

GIVE PRIZES TO POSTER WINNERS OF SCHOOLS HERE

Two First Prizes and One Second Prize Won by a Class of No. 2 Grammar School on Poppy Posters.

Classes of Number Two grammar School won three out of four prizes offered for the best poppy poster by the Concord Auxiliary of the American Legion to stimulate interest in the observance of National Poppy Day here Saturday.

The posters, 16 of which were submitted in the contest, are on display at Eird's Department Store, and at Robinson's Store. The judges Wednesday selected the winning posters after a very careful scrutiny of the types of posters entered. It was a difficult matter to determine winners because of the excellence of each. The judges include: Mrs. W. L. Burns, Mrs. I. T. Davis and Mrs. T. L. Ross.

Classes of Misses Wilma Correll, Letha Snyder, and Mrs. Kenneth Caldwell were winners at Number Two grammar school. Mrs. Caldwell's and Miss Correll's each won first prizes, amounting to \$2.50 each. A prize of \$2.00 was given to Miss Snyder's class, as second money. A second prize of \$2.00 was also won by Miss Virginia Smoot's class at Central grammar school.

The winning classes may use the prize money any way they see fit. The Legion Auxiliary furnished the funds for the first prizes, while the judges contributed the money for the second prizes.

Remember, that Saturday is National Poppy Day! Wear a poppy and honor the fallen heroes in Flanders' Fields.

SUMMER STOCK AT CONCORD THEATRE TO OPEN TONIGHT

The Management States That High Class Stock Will Be Played This Summer.—Two Different Companies.

The first performance of a stock company which will be at the Concord Theatre on Thursday and Friday nights of each week during the summer months will be held tonight.

The performance, which will be given by the Downard and Earle Stock Company, will be "Tropical Nights." It is said to be a clean high-class comedy drama appropriately costumed and lavishly mounted.

The management of the theatre announced today that in an effort to make the residents of Concord familiar with the brand of stock company that is to be given here during the summer that he has given out 1,000 free tickets which are good for admission if accompanied by one paid admission.

There will be two different companies to play here. One of them is a dramatic and the other a musical stock company. Each company will have an orchestra of four pieces which will add to the enjoyment of those attending the shows.

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