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MRS. MALAPROP'S WARDROBE FAILS TO ARRIVE

SHOW HELD UP BY COSTUME PEOPLE IN BALTIMORE-SENIOR PLAY POSTPONED TILL MAY 12

Every married man in Oxford will grin when he hears that The Rivals, Sheridan's famous comedy, staged by the Senior Class this year, has had to be postponed a week because Mrs. Malaprop, the leading lady, had "nothing to wear." Literally that statement is true. Some of the costumes for the play had to be made by the big Baltimore house from which we are getting our wardrobe and the modiste couldn't finish the job by May 5, the date first scheduled for the play. The costumes, we honestly believe, are going to be the handsomest ever used in a local production. If you want to see something pretty, just take a look at Annie Gray Burroughs in a hoop skirt and period bodice of old rose and silver, or, if you prefer the brunette type of good looks, you may look instead at Cynthia Dorsey in a brilliant costume of gold and silver. Perhaps there will be some who would rather look at Margaret Davis' blonde beauty set off by a stunning "get up" in black and white. At any rate, you are going to get your money's worth and just a little more.

This is the first performance put on by the senior class. It ought to oe the best thing staged this year. Candidly, we believe it is the best amateur production you have ever seen, not even excepting What Happened to Jones which met with such success last year. The admission is the same as that asked for last year's serier play-50 and 75 cents. The price includes a feature picture. The show is to be put on at the Orpheum, of course. We promise you that you won't want your money back. But if you miss the biggest thing the high school has ever done, you will be sorry a long time. However, we can't repeat the play. The costumes are too expensive. If you have to cut down on expenses, cut down on something else. Don't miss The Rivals. Besides being the funniest comedy ever written, it is a classic, you know -a required reading in our colleges. You'll laugh but you'll be educated

Now a word about the cast: If we do say so as shouldn't, we believe that the present senior class was born to play The Rivals. If you searched throughout North Carolina you would hardly find another high school boy who plays the hot-tempered Sir Anthony Absolute as well as Edwin Shaw does. He goes into a frenzy so realistically that you find yourself using as little space as possible. Then there is "fighting Bob Acres" played by James Moody or rather lived by him. James Moody is no actor but he is an Acres. We tried out half-adozen of our best actors for this role and they failed to measure up. Then we "just happened" on Moody, and that found that Moody was Acres-"a rose by any other name," you know! Herbert Rountree and Irvine Jackson are always good. They surpass themselves in The Rivals. If you don't believe what we've said, come and see, and we'll convince you. All we ask is your presence.

BRIDGE LUNCHEON

Miss Sallie Webb very delightfully sustained her reputation as a charming hostess when she entertained at a bridge luncheon Saturday morning complimentary to Miss Mary Shaw. Despite an open fire and a riot of spring roses, the honor guest found herself in the midst of a shower that poured, not "cats and dogs," but very useful pets and par provoked a vast deal of gay laughter! At the conclusion of a number of spirited games, luncheon in four courses was served.

HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Henrietta Currin celebrated her fourth birthday in fine style Thursday afternoon at her beautiful country home. Sixteen little boys and girls were present to help the small hostess make a great event of it. Yes, there were two helpings of ice cream and cake.

MRS. LEWIS ENTERTAINS FOR VISITOR

Mrs. R. H. Lewis entertained at bridge Saturday afternoon in honor of her house guest, Miss Margaret Broadfoot of Fayetteville, who is a member of the faculty of the Henderson schools this year. A dainty ice course with strawberries and cream was served. Those present were: Mesdames R. C. M. Calvert, A. H. Taylor, J. B. Booth, W. J. Long. icorand crooch, misses mary weed, Sarah Parham, Isabel Parham, Sarah Clement, Ella Clement, Sadie Vinson, Ella Johnson, Ruth Harriss, Jeanette Biggs, Sallie Webb, Lula Pratt, Marie Winslow and Carrie Fuller.

MCNEILL PLAY HISTORIC AND FINANCIAL SUCCESS

GOOD STAR IN PLEASING PRO-DICTION-WHOLE CAST DOES CREDITABLE WORK

acter offered by Mr. Livengood and in North Carolina and Virginia. the delightful presentation of the made a very handsome Frenchman good wishes of a host of warm friends. while Rosa Parham as a piquant litthe most of their opportunities.

Mrs. Barnhart.

MISS SALLIE WEBB HOSTESS AT MISS MARY SHAW IS BRIDE OF MR. HALSEY

CEREMONY TAKES PLACE IN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH-MA-NY OUT-OF-TOWN FOLK PRESENT

Oxford, April 29 .- This evening in the First Baptist church, against the beautiful background afforded by a distinctive arrangement of stately cathedral candles, masses of spring accompanied by clever rhymes that flowers and graceful greenery a marriage of more than state-wide interest was celebrated when Miss Mary Shaw became the bride of Percy Foster Halsey, of Newport News.

> To the familiar but ever beautiful strains from Lohengrin, the bride entered with her father, Henry Marchand Shaw, who gave her in marriage. Very lovely she was in ivory satin en train trimmed in seed pearls and rose point lace. Her tulle veil, with coronet of rose point lace, was caught with orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of valley lilies, Bride roses and maidenhair fern. The maid-of-honor, Miss Ruth Shaw, only sister of the bride, wore an exquisite frock of orchid and periwinkle georgette touched with silver with a picture hat to match. Her bouquet was of sweet peas and bridesmaid roses. The groom was attended by Mr. Kenneth Peebles, of Newport News, as best man. During the always impressive ring ceremony performed by Rev. J. D. Harte. Miss Mary Webb at the organ played softly Chopin's beturne

> The ushers were Messrs. Richard A. Groos of Newport News, John Boushall, of Raleigh, Henry and Edwin

Immediately after the ceremony, a reception was given at the home of the bride's parents for the members | fun than the old-fashioned games of the wedding party and the out-of- through which the seniors romped town guests. Following the recep- with dignity laid aside. Certainly tion Mr. and Mrs. Halsey left by mo- no home could have been more beautor for Henderson where they took MISS HARRISS AND MR. LIVEN- the train for points north. They will be at home at Newport News, Virginia, after May 15.

The bride, who for the past two The McNeills are to be heartily years has made her home in Newport congratulated upon their excellent News with her aunt, Mrs. S. R. Buxproduction, A Scrap of Paper, which ton, is the elder daughter of Mr. and was so enthusiastically received at Mrs. H. M. Shaw of this place. She the Orpheum Friday night. Easy was educated at Hollins College, stage presence and life-like imper- which was also her mother's alma sonation were characteristic of all the mater. It would be difficult to experformers. Especial mention must aggerate Mrs. Halsey's personal be made, however, of the sympathe- charm or the high place she holds in tic interpretation of Prosper's char- the hearts of a wide circle of friends

The groom, a graduate of Cornell whimsical Suzanne by Miss Ruth and a successful construction engin-Harriss. Almost equally good was eer, is prominent in the business, sothe excellent acting done by Herbert cial and club life of his adopted city. Rountree. Annie Lou Williams and His home is on Long Island, New Beth Cannaday were both remarkably York. Both young people carry with pretty in their roles. Henry Hunt them into their new life the hearty

The out-of-town guests were: Mr. tle French maid left little to be de- and Mrs. S. R. Buxton, Misses Mary sired. Annie Gray Burroughs, as Bird and Nancye Peele Buxton, Mr. usual, was very good indeed. Joe and Mrs. Caleb D. West, Dr. and Mrs. Renn, Martha Cannady, and Madison J. T. Buxton and Mr. Julian Buxton, Usry had minor roles but they made all of Newport News. Misses Rebah and Ruth Armistead of Norfolk, Mrs. The performance went off with the Elizabeth Peele Buxton of Jackson, ease that comes only from careful Mr. Arthur Gregory of Halifax, Miss training-training for which the Alleine Hicks of Madison, Miss Elizastudents are indebted to Miss Ruth beth Hicks of Greensboro College for Harriss, a charming and talented Women, Miss Margaret Capehart of faculty member of the McNeill soci- Raleigh. From Henderson: Mr. and ety. A feature of the entr'acte was Mrs. R. J. Corbett, Mrs. Wm. S. Cora delightful group of songs sung by bett, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Toepleman, Mr. Ed Shaw, Mrs. N. P. Strause,

Miss Henrietta Strause, Mr. Nathan Strause, Mr. and Mrs. D. Y. Cooper, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Fenner, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. John Rose, III.

MR. AND MRS. F. W. HANCOCK, JR., GIVE BRILLIANT RECEP-TION

Brilliantly beautiful in every detail was the reception given by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hancock, Jr., on Friday evening for the bridal party of the Halsey-Shaw wedding. Pinkshaded candles and masses of exquisite roses shading from palest pink to deep rose combined to effect a very charming background.

Arriving guests were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Hancock and presented to the receiving line which included Miss Mary Shaw, bride-to-be; Mr Percy Foster Halsey, groom-elect; Mrs. H. M. Shaw, mother of brideelect; Miss Ruth Shaw, Misses Rebah and Ruth Armistead of Norfolk; Messrs, Kenneth Peebles and Richard Groos of Newport News; Mrs. S. R. Buxton, of Newport News; Mesdames R. J. Corbett, and N. P. Strause, of Henderson. Miss Mary Webb presided over the punch bowl. Ices frozen in the shape of slippers, hearts, wedding bells and rings were served together with delicious cake. The cutting of a beautiful bride's cake afforded much merriment.

JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION DELIGHTFUL EVENT

"The nicest thing about the party he juniors gave us," said one enthusiastic senior, "was that everybody had a good time." Certainly nothing could have been lovelier than the arrangement of spring flowers suggestive of the senior class colors. Certainly nothing could have been more tiful than that of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Currin in which the party was held. Certainly no hosts could have been more gracious than the juniors, and-there you are!

IN THE FORESTS

Did you ever go a-hiking on a sunny afternoon

When the woods were filled with flowers new and gay?

When the birds rocked in the branches and all nature was in tune With the beauties of the lively month of May?

Have you strolled beside the brooklet, as it danced its merry way? Have you watched the shining minnows in the sun?

Have you heard young robin chirping, and his mother sing her lay? Oh! to walk in spring-time forests is such fun!

There you find the generations of the brown and broken weeds;

There you find the mosses, ferns, and swaying of pines;

There you watch the busy insects as they gather crumbs and seeds;

There you smell the freshness of the suckle vines.

Then, when weary of your walking, and the sun has crept to rest In its bed of flowers on a distant

hill, You can tread the path with stronger, purer hope within your breast For you feel the revelation of God's will.

HERBERT ROUNTREE, JR.