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COURT TO CONVENE WITH HEAVY DOCKET

One Hundred and Fifty Cases On Calendar—Ten Divorce Cases To Be Tried

JUDGE WALTER MOORE WILL BE ON BENCH

J. Will Pless, Jr. To Prosecute For the State — Term Begins December 5th.

An unusually heavy docket will face Judge Walter Moore when he convenes the criminal term of Superior court on December 5. It is probable that as many as 150 cases will be on the docket, the majority of which are liquor cases. Ten dissatisfied husbands and wives are asking for a divorce, breaking the fine record set by this county last year, when not a divorce was granted throughout the whole year. Some one-half dozen divorce cases have already been disposed of since January, 1927, and the large number making application at the coming court will bring the county to the forefront in this unusually heavy demand for legal separation.

J. Will Pless, Jr., solicitor of this district, will prosecute the criminal docket for the state.

THE PRAYER CORNER

THE JOY OF THANKSGIVING

Thomas Carlyle, who was by no means a cheerful soul, is credited with saying "That every man should begin life with marking himself down to zero, and every step upward that he makes, should be an occasion for thanksgiving."

The sage of Chelsea was somewhat behind the saints of the Bible, who said, not only at the uprising in life, but at all times, in all places, and in every thing, we should give thanks.

There is sound wisdom in having one special day in the year set apart to remember our individual and national blessings, for when we stop working and steadfastly set ourselves in the House of God to express our gratitude, the mind is employed in the graceful task of remembering the days of mercy, the uncounted goodness and all the rich gifts that come out of the hand of God.

Thanksgiving Day is one of the happy remembrances. His goodness and never failing kindness should crowd out despondency, fearfulness, sinful frettings and corroding worries. Is it not true, that in actual life all the losses and the unworthy motives fly out of the window when thankfulness comes in by the door?

Some rare souls find gratitude an easy happy exercise, others have to sedulously watch their moods lest they fall into discontent. They have to school themselves into cheerful content.

The injunction, "Study to be thankful" as necessary as "Study to be quiet." The bulk of the Psalms are jubilant anthems unto the Lord, who reigneth in Heaven and Earth. The writers make melody unto God. Calls to praise Jehovah for His beneficence, runs like a rippling stream, through the Psalm-book.

Beginning at the one hundred and forty-sixth there are five Hallelujah Psalms, each starting with a new call to praise the Lord: "It is good to sing praise unto the Lord." "Praise ye the Lord in the heavens." "Sing unto the Lord a new song." "Praise God in His sanctuary." And the Psalms end with a shout: for everything that hath breath to sing praises unto the Lord. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

And to sing praises unto Thy name, O most High.

A PRAYER FOR THE JOY OF THANKSGIVING

O Thou God of Praise and thanksgiving, help us at all times, in all places and in every thing, that give thanks. We thank Thee that there is one special day in the year set apart to remember our individual and national blessings, for when in the House of God on that day, we steadfastly set ourselves to express our gratitude, our minds are employed in the graceful task of remembering the days of mercy, the uncounted goodness, and all the rich gifts that have come to us out of Thy Hands.

Make Thanksgiving Day one of remembrances. May the thought of Thy goodness and never failing kindness crowd out despondency, fearfulness, sinful frettings and corroding worries if we have any; for all the lesser and unworthy motives will fly out of the window when thankfulness comes in by the door.

Give us grace to see that the injunction, "Study to be thankful" is as necessary as "Study to be quiet." Above all, give us greater love and devotion for the Psalms, for they are the inspired answer of praise which human faith is privileged to make to Thy revelation, the new songs put into the mouth of humankind by Thee, its Creator. So shall we enter unto Thy gates with thanksgiving ever growing warmer, and into Thy courts with praise, ever increasing, as we realize more and more, from our hearts, that it is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O Thou most High—through Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Saviour, Amen.

—C. D. C.

REV. A. L. AYCOCK PLEASURES CHURCH

Rev. A. L. Aycock, the recently appointed pastor of the Methodist church, delivered his first sermon Sunday morning in his new pastorate before a large audience, many of whom were heard to express words of favorable comment in regard to the new pastor.

A most impressive service was held at both the Sunday morning and evening hour of worship, when a consecration service followed the sermons, both of which were along the line of thought of consecrating one's life to God and giving all to the glory of God. Many in the congregation responded to the call of the pastor to re-dedicate their lives to the Master.

Rev. Mr. Aycock, who comes to Brevard from one of the Winston-Salem charges, brings with him to the local parsonage his wife and one daughter, Miss Helen. The oldest daughter, Miss Ethel, is teaching in the Winston-Salem schools, and will not join her family here until the Christmas holidays.

N. C. RATES LOW IN PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Local U. D. C. Organization Doing Much For Brevard and Community

At the recent meeting of the North Carolina Library Association held in Charlotte it was brought out by Mrs. Rowe, president of the State Library association, in her report, that there are 47 counties in the state with no public libraries, representing about two million people without library facilities. It is pointed out by interested parties that the people of Transylvania county have reason to be thankful for the fact that this county is not one of the 47 counties in the state without a library.

Transylvania Memorial Library, usually spoken of as the U. D. C. library, was established by the Daughters of the Confederacy a number of years ago, and has grown each year through gifts and donations of friends to a creditable library, and one of which citizens have every right to be proud. The library has always tried to serve the town and is also open to the county. Before the Chamber of Commerce was organized the library conducted the Information Bureau for three years. The summer visitors have always used and apparently enjoyed the library, and many of them have been heard to express the opinion that it is one of Brevard's best assets.

From a small beginning, the U. D. C. Library has now on its shelves 2600 books. Miss Flourney, of the State Library Commission, who classified the books recently, spoke very highly of the local library, and considered it exceptionally fine for a town of Brevard's size.

The library is open to the reading public three afternoons of each week, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 2 to 5 o'clock, and it is suggested that the people of the town and county patronize the library more frequently and familiarize themselves with the books and magazines on the shelves.

At the recent state meeting in Charlotte, Mrs. Griggs, director of the North Carolina Library Commission, said, "There is a growing consciousness in the state as to the value and need of library service." Public libraries were stressed, towns and counties being urged to support libraries by local tax.

Dr. Knight, of Chapel Hill, in his address brought out the state's lack of reading. In per capita circulation of public library books, he brought out the fact that North Carolina is doing now only one-fourth as well as the United States as a whole, and that the state's ratio in reading is low, but that the improvement has been encouraging.

P.-T. MEETING LAST MONDAY

An interesting meeting of the Elementary Parent-Teacher association was held at the school auditorium Monday afternoon, with an attendance of about 90 parents and teachers present. Following devotionals led by Mrs. H. L. Wilson, the routine business was transacted and reports of committee chairmen given.

A splendid program, presented in a most interesting manner, was given by four of the seventh grade girls on the subject of Citizenship. Those taking part included: Cora Bell Orr on "What I must do and what I must be to be a good citizen;" Thelma Orr, on "How being a Girl Scout helps me to be a better citizen;" Emma Deaver, "How my home helps me to be a good citizen;" and Mildred Hayes, "How the school helps to make better citizens." Prof. M. H. Shore concluded the program with a talk on "Good Citizenship in the School and the Home."

Mrs. Ruff's first grade received the honor of having the most parents present at this meeting.

At the conclusion of the meeting tea and wafers were served to the parents and teachers present, the special feature being in charge of Mrs. J. M. Allison.

THE BREVARD NEWS ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY.

Many of our well intentioned friends were somewhat concerned about our story which appeared in the last issue of the Brevard News, concerning the Y and B corporation. The editor of this paper has been through a few libel suits, and is well versed in the status of a publisher in charging wrong doing to any man. We take an opportunity at this time of saying that the article in last week's issue of The Brevard News is the first article published by the present editor, reflecting in any manner upon the integrity or honesty of any living being.

In this preface, may we state that the expression of our resentment toward the manner in which the citizens of this county had been treated by the officials of the Y and B, were occasioned largely through several days' canvass, made by Mr. Ammon and the editor of the paper, among those who had bought stock in the Y and B corporation. This canvass was for the purpose of raising expense money to send an attorney to Charlotte, whose duty it was to defend the interests of those who had placed money in the concern. On the other hand, it was made plain, that The Brevard News, through its advocacy of Mr. Yarbrough, is being held responsible for the confidence that was placed in him and his concern. We accept full responsibility for whatever favor was shown the Y and B corporation, and will explain further that it was the optimistic view expressed by this paper, which induced our farm agent, our bankers, and our business men to subscribe to and pay for stock in the corporation.

The Brevard News had known Mr. Yarbrough as well and favorably as it had known any man in the state, therefore was confident of Mr. Yarbrough's ability and willingness to fulfill any promise which he or his representatives might make. To say that Mr. Yarbrough failed in living up to the expectations placed in him is to state the case mildly. It is the opinion of The Brevard News that Mr. Yarbrough intended to and did defraud our citizens. This belief is based upon the fact that Mr. Yarbrough did come into Transylvania and sell stock in his company, which he must have known was in a state of insolvency at the time.

Whatever this paper can do to re-establish the confidence of its constituency, and to keep its readers' faith in the established institutions of the county, will be done. If the editor of this paper is to be indicted or sued for libel, his only expression of regret is that he did not make the statement at an earlier date.

HUGE RUTABAGO IS GROWN BY MR. BYRD

W. E. Byrd brought to The News office this week a large rutabago, weighing 4 pounds and 3 ounces. The vegetable was grown on the old Tull Glazener place, now owned by R. E. Lawrence, and is considered an unusually large size and well shaped for the rutabago family.

YOUNG MEN HELD ON SERIOUS CHARGES

Two young men of the East Fork section were tried in juvenile court last Friday and Saturday on serious charges in connection with bringing Brevard. Both of the young men were bound over to December term of criminal court, while the girls will be called into the juvenile court after the cases against the young men have been disposed of, when the girls will be given sentence by the juvenile judge.

ETOWAH SCHOOL TO GIVE COMMUNITY SUPPER, 26TH

A community supper will be held at the Etowah Grammar school next Saturday evening, November 26, from 6:30 to 8 o'clock, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend. The supper is sponsored by the Etowah Woman's club and Ladies Auxiliary, the principal speaker of the occasion being Prof. R. G. Anders.

LOCAL PEOPLE GO TO FAITH HEALER

Several Brevard people went to Lincolnton last week for the purpose of visiting Mrs. Bynum, faith healer of that town. Several of those who made the journey were emphatic in their assertions that Mrs. Bynum helped them in their afflictions. The Lincolnton faith healer has been the subject of much controversy during the past several months, and so far as is known, this is the first time that Transylvania people have visited her.

BREVARD CLUB GIVES TWO GOOD PLAYS

"Joint Owners In Spain" And "Passing of Mr. Peal" Please Large Audience

ENTIRE PRODUCTION PUT ON BY BREVARD PEOPLE

No Need Felt By the Community For Outside Talent for Entertainment Purposes

That Brevard can produce dramatic talent of exceptional merit was clearly demonstrated Friday night at the High School auditorium, when the Brevard Wednesday club presented two one-act plays entitled, "Joint Owners in Spain" and "The Passing of Mr. Peal," the cast of characters including some of the club members, with the assistance of two of the local men. The enthusiastic applause and the hearty peals of laughter during and following the acts attested the high favor with which the plays were received by the large audience present on this occasion.

The scene of the first play, "Joint Owners in Spain," was laid in a county home, the cast including four women: Mrs. O. L. Erwin, assuming the role of Mrs. Mitchell, supervisor of the home, and three of the inmates, Mrs. T. G. Ward, as Mrs. Fullerton, Mrs. T. H. Shipman, as Miss Dyer, and Mrs. C. P. Lowe, as Mrs. Blair. On finding that Mrs. Fullerton cannot room peacefully with Miss Dyer, who is a contentious woman, Mrs. Mitchell places the "Home's Horror," Mrs. Blair, to room with Miss Dyer, and leaves them to fight out their own problems. The plan works out to the satisfaction of all, when Mrs. Blair, a woman with a vivid imagination and the ability to interpret it, divides their room with an imaginary partition. Her humorous and original pretensions cause the pair to live together in peace and contentment.

In the staging of the second play "The Passing of Mr. Peal," four characters were represented, including: Mrs. S. M. Macfie, playing the part of Susan, Mr. Peal's housekeeper; Mrs. Vernon Crawford, as Peg, and Mrs. W. E. Brees, as Fan, Mr. Peal's two nieces; Mr. Hinton McLeod, as Steve, Mr. Peal's nephew; Mrs. Hinton McLeod, as Eve, Mr. Peal's niece-in-law; and Mr. Fred Miller, as Bertie, Fan's husband. Mr. Peal's relatives, who are summoned home in response to a telegram that he has died, find themselves in a perplexing and ludicrous situation in their attempt to agree on the final details of the funeral arrangements and the disposal of the fortune of the supposed deceased. The amazing climax comes when the assembled relatives receive information of a mis-wording in the telegram, revealing the astounding fact that Mr. Peal has not died but that he is coming home with his bride.

The performance of the entire cast of the two plays was unusually well executed, each character being well chosen and well portrayed, and showing not only the ability of home talent as performers but the ability of home directorship, since the plays were directed by Mrs. Vernon Crawford.

Between the acts a high class and enjoyable musical program was presented, also by local talent. The program included a duet "Smiling Through," by Mrs. J. M. Allison and Mrs. McCall, who gave as an encore, "Perfect Day." Accompanying this was a dramatization by Lillian Jenkins and Thomas Mitchell. Mr. Mebane Beasley sang a solo, "On the Road to Mandalay," which was dramatized by Elaine Kilpatrick and Harold Kilpatrick. The dramatizations were very effective and well carried out, and the vocal selections were highly enjoyed. Miss Margaret Robertson was accompanist through the musical program.

HARRY CLAYTON HONORED BY CHRIST SCHOOL BODY

Harry Clayton, a student at Christ School, has recently received honors in that institution in being elected president of the junior class. Further honors have been bestowed upon young Clayton in that he has been given honorable mention as back fielder by the Western North Carolina association, in selecting their star football players from the high schools and prep schools of the western section.

AID SOLICITED IN NEWS GATHERING

You know how gladly you read about the activities of your friends and how proud you are to read of where some one's friends have visited them for the week-end. The Brevard News is especially anxious to publish all the personal news and the only way in which we can get all of it is for those who have visitors, or who visit out of the county themselves, or within the county, to notify us of such visitations. Please do not hesitate to write in or write in about such visits, as your friends and the public in general will be just as delighted to read of such activities as you are to read about those whom you know. Please call either phone No. 7 or No. 189 and tell us about the visits of yourself or of your friends to you.

LICENSE PLATES ON SALE DECEMBER 1

The 1928 automobile license plates will probably be placed on sale December 1, both in Raleigh and at the various branch offices of the Carolina Motor Club, it has been announced by Sprague Silver, chief of the automobile license division of the State Department of Revenue, and by R. A. Doughton, Commissioner of Revenue. Many of the plates have already been dispatched to the branch offices, so that car owners will have no difficulty in getting their plates any time after December 1st.

The same system is being employed this year as heretofore, so that all owners of automobiles already licensed and registered, will receive cards from the automotive division, containing a complete description of the present car owned, motor number, etc., and the address of the owner, so that it will only be necessary for the owner to present this card with a check, money order or cash for the price of the new license, to get the new license. These cards are being addressed and prepared for mailing at the rate of several thousand a day, and will be mailed out at the rate of about 50,000 a day after November 20, so that they should be in the hands of the present automobile owners by December 1st, according to Mr. Silver.

The color of the new license plate is green with white numerals, giving it greater visibility than the present red-on-gray tag. The cost of the licenses will be just twice what was paid in July, since the licenses bought then were for a six months period only, while these new licenses will be good until January 1, 1929. The prices for licenses for passenger cars which are divided into four classes, are as follows: cars of 25 h. p. or less (Ford, Chevrolets, Whippets, Dodges, etc.), \$12.50; between 25 and 30 h. p., \$20; more than 30 and less than 35 h. p., \$30; cars of 35 h. p. and more, \$40. Licenses for trucks range all the way from \$15 for half and one-ton trucks, to \$200 for four and five-ton trucks, and even more if the tires are solid and not pneumatic.

MAGICIAN COMING TO B. I. THURSDAY

Now you see it, now you don't, is or ought to be the slogan of the entertainment Wallace, the magician gives in the Brevard Institute, Thanksgiving night, at 8 o'clock. The wizard of a thousand tricks shows you things you'll never see in nature and whisks realities from before your eyes to the utter confusion of all understanding.

It is one thing to be able to perform magical illusions and another to put them over. Wallace, the magician, excels in both halves of his craft. His talk is as gentle and oily as the words of the crafty Ulysses. He smiles and cracks jokes while he is vanishing a lamp, or making a wooden hand talk, or finding a white rabbit under the coat of some dignified gentleman in the audience. When Wallace, the magician, is through with you you walk out on the sidewalk fully expecting autos to climb houses.

LIBRARY CLOSED THURSDAY

Announcement is made that the U. D. C. Library will be closed Thursday of this week on account of Thanksgiving.



Roll Call Ends Thursday, November 24