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LUNCHEON OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB AN ENJOYABLE EVENT

Took Place Last Friday Afternoon in the Local Fraternal Hall

More Than One Hundred Guests Were Present

Many Toasts Were Made And Responded to By Local Speakers—Mrs. Fred McKay, President of Club, Presided—Interesting Program Was Well Rendered.

The get-together luncheon given by the Woman's club Friday afternoon stands out as one of the most delightful events in the history of Dunn's social life. The luncheon was given in the Pythian hall and every detail was carried out to the highest degree of perfection and the occasion will long be remembered, and pleasantly so, by every one present.

Tables in the shape of a cross were provided with plates for one-hundred guests and each plate was taken. The hall and table were artistically decorated, the color scheme being red, white and blue, suggestive of George Washington's birthday. Other decorations, which added to the attractiveness of the hall, included pine, Southern Smilax and Pussy willow.

The invited guests included members of the club, mayor J. L. Wade, Hon. H. L. Godwin, James Best, representing the American Legion, F. Grover Britt, representing the Dunn Dispatch and Professors W. S. Snipes and B. D. Bunn, superintendent and principal of the Dunn schools, respectively. Officers of the club, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Wade, former president of the club, composed the receiving line and greeted the guests as they entered the hall.

The toastmaster, Mrs. McKay, presided over the affair and her words of welcome, which were as follows:

"It is with pleasure and gratitude that we welcome you sister club women and fellow townsmen. We felt that we could not have a successful get-together luncheon without representatives from these august organizations of men, as it is to them we come when we wish to make better the best town under the sun, for encouragement, aid and money. They come to us for inspiration. The streets must be cleaned and beautified, a hospital must be built, an opera house is sorely needed and a hotel must not be overlooked. These and other minor undertakings conceived in the minds of our city fathers need to be expected only by woman's magic power. Let us be true to the trust imposed in us, forgetting the petty things and united as one in the great things of life—sun-crowned women, who live above the fog in public life and in their homes; the sisters, wives and mothers that our Great Master would have us be."

The address of welcome was followed by a parade of children, dressed to represent old-time songs, while those present enjoyed guessing what song they represented. The children thus dressed in the order in which they marched were: Little Misses Louise Fitzgerald and Margaret Townsend, representing "Two Little Girls in Blue"; Little Miss Doris Coltrane, representing "America"; Claud Ferrell McKay, representing "Old Black Joe"; Little Miss Helen Johnson, representing "Wearing o' the Green"; Samuel Tilghman, representing "Dixie"; Lloyd Wade, Jr., and Helen Johnson, "Auld Lang Syne"; Jack Ramsey, "The Girl I Left Behind Me." The boys and girls marched around the tables at which the guests were seated.

Mrs. McKay, president of the club acted as toast-mistress. Interspersed throughout the luncheon were toasts and responses. The toast to the town was given by Mrs. Annys Young as follows:

"Come join in this toast, For 'tis the spot we love most— This side the gates of Heaven. Now legend wouldn't say, It happened this way. 'One day when the clouds were riven There came down from the skies— A land-slide from Paradise, And to us our home-town was given."

"Fertile fields stretched around it, When first our fore-fathers found it A bit o' the wilds of God's makings Their wanderings were o'er. They couldn't wish for no more. Than this that was their's For the taking. 'Tis was blessed by the breeze,

OFFICER IS KILLED AT FAYETTEVILLE

W. C. Callahan Shot to Death While Standing Guard Over Liquor Cache

Fayetteville, Feb. 24.—For the sixth time within the past seven years, an officer of Cumberland county was shot and killed in the performance of his duty when W. C. Callahan, special deputy was fatally wounded by bootleggers near Victory lake shortly after noon today, dying in the Highsmith hospital in this city four hours later. Callahan's slayer, who is not known to the officers, is being sought by a sheriff's posse, but is still at large, though John Smith, a young white man of Gray's Creek township alleged to have been one of the two men placed under arrest by Callahan shortly before the shooting, was recaptured, late this afternoon. It was said at the Sheriff's office tonight that the wounded officers suffering was such that he made no statement as to the identity of the man who shot him.

The meagre details available as to the actual manner of the homicide seem to show that Callahan, who lives in Pearce Mill township near the scene of the shooting, found a quantity of liquor hidden in the woods and proceeded to take charge of it. While the officer was standing guard over the confiscated whiskey two men approached and were arrested by Callahan, who then called two young men of the neighborhood named Hall and Strickland, and requested them to telephone Sheriff N. H. McGrady. While Strickland and Hall were gone shots were heard, and when they reached the spot where they had left the officer they found Callahan had been shot and the prisoners had fled. Several shots were fired, but only one took effect, piercing Callahan's kidneys.

When arrested late today Smith denied having any knowledge of the shooting and was taken to the Highsmith hospital.

He was not a regular deputy but frequently acted as a special deputy, he is the tenth officer who has been shot in this county since 1916 and the sixth whose life has been taken. The others are deputies Frank Dees, killed by a negro; W. J. Moore, and Herman Butler, slain by George Hobbs negro; Melvin Blue, killed by Tom Clayton, and Al Pate, murdered by Marshall Williams, a blockader. The four who have been wounded and escaped death are: W. O. Patrick, seriously wounded by Clayton; Ransom Pope, shot by George Hall; J. T. Kelly, wounded by an insane man who later took his own life, and Jones, who was fired on in a recent raid on a liquor still.

It was warned by the sun. They smiled on the perfection And called it—Dunn." Following came the toast to the Chamber of Commerce by Mrs. W. S. Snipes, which was as follows:

"A body of men both wise and witty, We owe a debt of gratitude profound For their endurance and renown. "They start great movements in our town, Which prove to be both safe and sound. They enter into many a drive, And make things hum, live and thrive. "With the Woman's club they work hand in hand, To make Dunn the healthiest place in the land, And strive to make old Lucknow Square, A thing of beauty, where now it's bare. "Just listen to some things they tell; 'Ere long we're to have a big hotel, And a hospital; with perhaps a station new, All due to these men who push things through. "So join me now in drinking a toast To the Chamber of Commerce, who has done the most To make our city, beloved Dunn, The very, best town under the sun." Hon. H. L. Godwin responded in a most pleasing manner to both of these toasts. Mr. Godwin paid glowing tributes to the work of the Woman's club, which he defined as a woman's chamber of commerce, while he decried the chamber of commerce as a man's woman's club. He also took occasion to commend the fine spirit of co-operation existing between the Dunn Chamber of Commerce and

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PROPOSE NEW COTTON MILL FOR WHITEVILLE

Whiteville, Feb. 24.—Over one hundred thousand dollars has been subscribed to the new cotton mill project recently launched here by the chamber of commerce. Chas. H. Boyd, experienced cotton mill superintendent of Lumberton, has investigated possibilities here and pronounced for operating a successful mill as excellent. The establishment of the new industry will be largely instrumental in bringing an extension of the lines of the Yadkin Power Company here.

BAD MAN ARRESTED BUT LATER ESCAPED

Will Hardy Made Daring Get-Away From Armed Officers Soon After Arrest

Will Hardy, notorious bad man, wanted in Raleigh for beating up a policeman and other misconduct, and also wanted in several other places, was arrested in Cumberland county, near Falcon, Thursday afternoon. However, he was under arrest for a short time only, making a wild and successful dash for liberty when surrounded by not less than four officers.

When arrested he advised Officers Hockaday, Holland, and Smith that he was willing to accompany them, but asked to be allowed to go into the house where he was making his abode to change clothes. This he was allowed to do, and in a short time he came out "all dressed up" and ready to go, though not the way the four officers would have had him go. Just as the officers were preparing to take him their way, Hardy sought the refuge of a dense swamp near by the house and faded into the thickets thereof. The astonished officers had left the scene of action, Hardy went back to the home of L. E. Holland, where he had been living and secured the cash for which he had been sought.

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TRAIN HITS CAR AT SMITHFIELD

Infant Child of Baptist Minister Has Leg Amputated in Crash

Smithfield, Feb. 23.—The infant child of Rev. Fred T. Collins, pastor of the Smithfield Baptist church, was seriously injured here yesterday about four o'clock when the sedan driven by Mr. Collins, and two children, was demolished by an A. C. L. shifting engine at the crossing near the depot here.

The child's leg was severed at a point just above the ankle, but was so badly crushed that amputation below the knee was necessary. Mrs. Collins was bruised and suffered from the shock, as did Mrs. Britt Collins, the minister's mother, and Mr. Collins, who with his other child, about two years old, escaped practically without injury. It is thought that the accident occurred when Mr. Collins, seeing the shifter, which was approaching slowly, stopped his car on one track to allow the train to pass on the other. The engineer saw the car and thought it safe to proceed. Just as the engine was upon the crossing the car leaped forward directly in the path of the locomotive, rendering the crash unavoidable.

Mr. Collins was carried about fifty feet on the cowcatcher before the engine could be stopped. The two women were thrown aside by the force of the impact, and his two-year-old child escaped injury, being able to get up itself. The injured were carried to the Smithfield hospital where the infant's condition was tonight pronounced as very serious.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to extend our heart-felt thanks to our friends and neighbors for their sympathy and kindness during the sickness and death of our dear son and Brother Ernest. MR. AND MRS. J. F. SURLIN AND FAMILY.

Didn't Know Precious Stone Was In Ring Box

Or Wilson Jeweler Would Have Been More Careful With Customers

Wilson, Feb. 22.—A precious stone was found in a ring box which was left at a jeweler's shop and left a diamond which was desired to be returned. The stone was placed in a ring box and placed aside. Shortly after the jeweler, a former Wilson barber but now of Fayetteville, entered the store and after calling his watchman for and was given a box in which the stone was desired to mail a letter. The man knew nothing about the transaction picked up the box containing the precious stone, without looking on the inside, and handed it to the barber.

Not until everything was in readiness for the removal of the stone was it missed. Covington was brought back to Wilson Wednesday and taken before Magistrate J. S. Pearson, who dismissed the case because there was no evidence to show the transaction artist had committed a criminal offense.

"CAT AND CANARY" HIGH CLASS SHOW

Probably the Best Performance Ever Presented in The Local Play House

The theatre-goers of Dunn and vicinity will be afforded the best and most thrilling performance ever presented in the local play house when "The Cat and the Canary" comes to the Metropolitan on Wednesday evening, Feb. 28. It is probably the chapter of the play which is necessary to mention. It is a year's run in London and New York.

Both the girls and the demerits of a stage singing and just as quickly captured or condemned it to the public. Figuratively speaking they are the heard of censors and their verdict determines the success or failure of a production. "The Cat and the Canary" stood the acid test and from the outset has gone over big. The play abounds in mystery and is replete with thrills and wholesome comedy. Woven into it are threads of emotion and passion so thoroughly human that it never fails to stir a responsive chord in the hearts of the witnesses. Therein lies the secret of its phenomenal success. This attraction has wonderful pleased capacity houses for weeks in the truly Southern cities of New Orleans, Atlanta and Norfolk who are profuse in their praise.

"The Cat and the Canary" will be presented here by a superb cast and Manager Earl Barrett is to be congratulated upon procuring an attraction that is only playing the large cities. Local patrons should signify their appreciation of his efforts by a generous patronage.

Tip Scales At 390 On His Wedding Day

H. C. Bridgers Thought To Be Biggest Man Ever Wedded in Columbia

Whiteville, Feb. 23.—Probably the largest man ever wedded here is Harce C. Bridgers, of Clarkton, who is reputed to tip the scales at 390 pounds, and who was married here Wednesday to Miss Abbie T. Baldwin, also of Clarkton. The wedding took place in the office of County Superintendent H. M. Bowling, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. F. T. Wooten, who journeyed over from Chadburn for the purpose. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bridgers are widely known in the county.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE, EVEN FOR A WIFE; ASK MR. ARCHBELL

Washington, N. C., Feb. 23.—Washington has just had an unusual romance. W. J. Archbell has just secured a wife by newspaper advertisement, in one of the local papers. He was immediately flooded by replies from all sections, and shortly thereafter forwarded to his selected bride at her home in Cleveland, Ohio, a ticket to Washington, where she arrived last night. They were immediately married by Justice A. Mayo, and left for the home of the groom at Pinetown. She is 45 and he 65. He has been several times married before.

DOG WALKS OVER 700 MILES TO OLD HOME

Denver, Feb. 22.—An Alredale dog, shipped from here by its owner, Frank Farrow, three weeks ago, to St. Joseph, Mo., limped back to the Farrow home today, having walked the entire 700 miles from the Missouri city. The owner of the dog in St. Joseph, reported that it disappeared a week ago.

Farrow who said the Alredale had become unmanageable, asserted he would pay its board at a local kennel the rest of its life.

EYE CLINICS TO BE HELD IN HARNETT

Will Furnish An Opportunity For Children To Have Eyes Tested Free

An eye clinic will be held in Harnett county, beginning March 5th, for the benefit of all school children in the county who have defective eyes. The clinic will be held under the auspices of the county board of education and the board of public welfare.

Dr. V. M. Hicks, an eye specialist from Raleigh, will have charge of the clinics and will be assisted by local physicians. A complete history of each case will be made, including throat, nose and ear examination. The examination will be free, and glasses will be furnished all children who are found to need them for the small sum of \$5. All children will be treated, however, regardless of whether or not they are able to pay for the glasses.

A clinic of at least two days will be held in Dunn and all the school children from the Dunn District will be announced soon.

All parents and teachers are urged to co-operate in this important work and see that all children who need the treatment get it. Harnett will be the second county in the State where

TILGHMAN CALLED IN CONSULTATION

Visited Clinton On Invitation Of Committee Interested In Building Railroad

On invitation of a committee of four, Messrs. John E. Fowler, E. E. Herring, F. B. Johnson, and W. F. Peterson, who visited Dunn last Wednesday, Mr. Tilghman, of the Tilghman Lumber Company, came down to Clinton Thursday evening and met with quite a number of citizens in the American Legion Hall, when he gave an estimate of the cost of the building of a railroad from Clinton to Dunn at \$10,000 per mile.

Mr. Tilghman is perfectly familiar with the territory west of Coharie, as he has operated his log road over there for years and studied the situation thoroughly when the matter of building the Salsburg-Roanoke road was considered. He has ten miles of 30-pound iron on a good road laid out of Dunn. The further extensions of the iron have been removed, but the bed remains and he is willing, so far as his rights are concerned, that the same be used free by the proposed road. But as the railroad contemplated should have to use 60-pound iron, the ten miles of iron now laid would be of value only in the preliminary work of building, when these miles could be used for transporting material.

The low estimate of cost of building made it much more apparent that the construction of the road can be financed by a bond issue if legislation can be secured authorizing the erection of a tax district embracing the territory contiguous to the proposed line and to the terminals. Mr. E. L. Herring stated that it would be best to get an amendment to the general law allowing the commission of any county to lay out a district of the kind desired and authorized legislation of the general law. It is stated that the plan of work to be followed by the proposed road is as follows:

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FOURTH SERIES OPENS MARCH THIRD

Home B. & L. Association Responsible For Many Homes Now Being Built

If one takes the time to observe Dunn, he is struck by the number of handsome homes being constructed in Dunn at this time. The Home Building and Loan Association is erecting in the third ward alone, homes for the following people: Miss Kathryn Allan and H. A. Black on West Divine street; E. T. Lockamy on South Orange Avenue, Eugene T. Parker on South Layton Avenue; J. N. Creel, Sr. on South Fayetteville Avenue. In addition to these E. V. Snipes has recently finished a handsome home on West Pope street and the splendid brick home of J. W. Purdie on West Divine Street is nearing completion. Such building activity in one ward of the town tends to give renewed confidence in its future.

Some one has very aptly remarked that "The song of the birds is the music of nest building. The industry of bees and the work of ants are in the building of homes. The children of men need homes and the wise ones work and build and own yet enjoy rest in the time of building and rest always after."

Rural Mail Carrier Succumbs To Wound

Due Klats in Union County Jail Charged With Killing G. W. Chambers

Charlotte, Feb. 23.—G. W. Chambers rural mail carrier, who on Wednesday, near Matthews, was shot twice by Due Klats, Union county man, in what is supposed to have been an attempted robbery, died at 11:30 Friday morning. It is said Klats stopped Chambers on the road and asked him for stamps. While Chambers was opening the mail bag to hand the stamps to Klats the latter is said to have fired twice. The first shot hit Chambers in the leg, the second in the back of the head. Klats was arrested by Sheriff Towler, of Union county, and lodged in jail at Monroe.

SCHOOL BUILDING DEDICATED HERE ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Harnett County Training School Building Formally Opened To Public

The Best Equipped Of Any In The County

Prof. N. C. Newbold, Head Of Division of Education, Made Principal Address. Several Other Speeches Made By Local Citizens. Words of Appreciation For The Dispatch.

The Harnett County Training school building for colored boys and girls recently completed and furnished at a cost of \$47,500, was formally opened here Friday evening with an appropriate dedication program in the auditorium of the new building. The program consisted of a number of fitting addresses, including talks by Prof. N. C. Newbold, head of Negro and Indian education in North Carolina, J. C. Clifford, chairman of the board of trustees of the Dunn graded school district, Prof. W. B. Snipes, superintendent of the schools of the Dunn graded school district, and Geo. L. Grantham, former chairman of the local school board. Short talks were also made by Prof. J. W. Vines, head of the colored training school.

Prof. Julius Towler, teacher of manual training in the school, William Stokes, teacher of home economics, and Dr. C. E. Coddington, colored, and several patrons of the school. The program was also supplemented with several delightful musical selections. Prof. J. Towler, teacher of music and the program was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. G. J. Merrill, pastor of A. M. E. Zion church, colored. Prof. Towler was the first to speak and he outlined the plans of work to be followed by the school.

Dr. Coddington made a stirring address along educational lines, emphasizing that he was proud of the new building, which came in answer to continued prayers, hard work and the aid and assistance of the white citizens of Dunn. He expressed his heartiest thanks to the school board and other white people who made the erection of the building possible.

In his address Prof. Newbold told the story of educational progress in North Carolina during the last 25 years. The program started 25 years ago, he said, is now being carried out. When the educational uplift was awakened 25 years ago the total valuation of all public school property in North Carolina was less than \$1,000,000, while today, 25 years later, it totals \$24,000,000. The speaker pictured the educational program started in 1900 as an infant at that time and as man today. Prof. Newbold told of what is being done in North Carolina for the negro race in the way of educational advantages. Two years ago, he said, the legislature of North Carolina made available a fund totaling \$99,500 for the negro schools and colleges in the State. Besides this approximately \$1,000,000 is being spent in the State each year in erecting public school buildings for colored children. The 4,000 colored teachers of the State are paid salaries each year totaling one and a half million dollars, which means that about \$2,500,000 is being spent each year in the State for educating the negro.

Continuing, the speaker pointed out the fact that there are now in the State approximately 200 Rosenwald school buildings, costing more than \$3,000 each. These schools were defined as an agency for civilization. The speaker predicted that the education of the negro race would result in more law-abiding citizens and reduce the amount of crime committed by the negro as a race. Prof. Newbold addressed the pupils of the school in a body Friday afternoon, and also visited several other negro schools in the Dunn District.

Mr. Clifford expressed himself as highly pleased at the completion of the building and also told something of the educational program of the State during the last 25 years. This

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