

OPEN HOUSE HELD BY HIGH SCHOOL HOME EC. CLASSES

On Wednesday, November 15, from 9 until 6 o'clock, the home economics girls entertained their parents and friends with a tour through their Home Economics department in the Roanoke Rapids High School.

The guests were received in the hall and presented with a guide book which explained to them the different phases of the department.

First the elective girls, 78 in number, gave a fashion show, modeling the garments they had just completed. Some of the girls who did not appear in the fashion show were wearing their dresses while acting as hostesses. Also there were some of the dresses on display in Leggetts Department Store, and Mrs. K. Jenkins' show windows.

From the fashion show the guests were shown into the laundry room which the 8-VI girls had redecorated, using cream, green and yellow as their color scheme. The curtains, made from material obtained from Patterson Mill, were very cleverly stamped with a splatter work design. Next year built-in cabinets will be added to this room.

Next came the bedroom which the 8-III and 8-IV class had as their project. Their color scheme was rose, blue, and a mellow yellow. The bedspread material, a lovely rose trimmed in blue, and the chair and foot stool covers came from Patterson Mill. The rug, which was made from various colors of scraps, also came from that mill. With the help of the carpenter an old bookcase was made into a model clothes closet.

The dresser skirt and curtains were made from a colorful chintz. The room was made to look very livable by the use of book ends, reading table, upholstered chair, footstool, bookcase and small winter gardens.

The bath room repeated the same color scheme as the bedroom. The hostesses explained how inexpensively a dressing table and stool could be made by using soap boxes, tin cans, orange crates, with paint and oil cloth. The correctly equipped medicine cabinet added much interest to the bath room.

The clothing laboratory had been dressed in holiday attire. First, the holiday reception or punch table took on the atmosphere of a clean, crisp winter night with the use of star sprinkled blue net cloth over a darker blue background. The punch bowl and cups were American Fostoria.

Second, the informal Thanksgiving dinner table was made to look more rustic by the use of wooden plates and bone handled knives and forks. The centerpiece, a bowl of mixed vegetables, added to the flavor of the occasion, as did the autumn leaves and green candles. The cloth and napkins repeated the spicy colors used throughout the table.

The most striking of all the ta-

bles was the formal Christmas Dinner Table, set with American Fostoria crystal, Gorhams Chantilly silver. The table was centered with lovely red carnations and candles in hurricane lamps. The red color was repeated in the tiny red Christmas bells on the place card and also in the dainty nosegay made of green cedar and red berries on a background of a white paper doily.

Across the hall into the foods laboratory where the 8-II girls have worked, the guests found eight unit kitchens, each displaying a particular color, red, blue, green, yellow on orange. Breakfast tables were attractively set with colorful table covers, dishes, and electrical appliances useful at the breakfast meal. Red and white kitchen utensils were displayed in the "Red Kitchen".

From here the guests were shown into the library and the dining room where they were asked to register in guest books and were served tea. The tea table was centered with a mirrored world filled with yellow chrysanthemums, flanked with silver candelabra in which burned cream tapers.

In room 115, there was a display of seventh grade workmanship. Aprons, laundry bags, shoe bags, handkerchief bags and pot holders. An exhibit of Japanese prints proved of interest to guests.

One hundred and twenty guests called during the day.

The Home Economics Department wishes to express their appreciation and thanks to the following business concerns in town or their courtesy and help given in this event:

- Leggetts Department Store
- Roses 5 & 10 Cent Store
- Woolworths 5 & 10 Cent Store
- Land's Jewelry Store
- E. W. Smith Electric Store
- Pender's Grocery Store
- Vaughan Florist
- Glad Home Florist
- Halifax Farmers Supply Co.

ECTC Club Meets

East Carolina Teachers College Club met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. W. A. China with Mrs. China, Misses Elizabeth Smith, Mirion Sloan, and Virginia Blount as hostesses. After a business session, several progressions of bridge were enjoyed. High score prize was won by Miss Elizabeth Overton. Delightful refreshments were served to the following members: Misses Hazel Whitehurst, Evelyn Tillman, Olive Gilbert, Nancy Sperling, Carrie T. Smith, Ella Gibbs, Ruth Dean, Amanda Tillman, Frances Newsome, Margaret Eakes, Elizabeth Overton, Katherine Reid, Rosina Pittman, Martha Whitehurst, and Julia Farrior, and Mesdames Clayton Gurley, Talbot O'Briant, Wyche Land, and Thelma Daughtry.

Mrs. Schmid Writes From Tanganyika

To Mrs. Wade Marks of this city recently came the letter below from her daughter, Mrs. Corinne Schmid, who lives in Arusha, Tanganyika Territory, East Africa. Mrs. Schmid has been in Tanganyika, where Mr. Schmid is the manager of a coffee plantation, for the past ten years. The letter is of particular interest at this time, as Tanganyika, now under British rule, was formerly under German rule. The letter Mrs. Marks received had been censored at Mombasa.

The letter follows:

Arusha Oct. 13th

Dearest Mother:—

I've wanted to write for ages but haven't because so much has been happening to us all.

Our Mr. Kahn has come back from Dar-es-salaan where he has been interned with the Germans. That was the worst of it—being made to stay with the Germans. Anyhow he seems so happy to be out again.

All our letters are being censored now, even private letters to us from the American Consul in Nairobi.

The German shops were all closed and for a few days it was a bit of a nuisance. Now one can buy again and it's much better. We shall be very short of certain things soon; for example, American foodstuffs. The English pound now is only \$3.60; formerly it was roughly \$5.00. So you can see what a difference that is. I saw a letter from an American business house to a shop here in Arusha and they said American things would be as much as 75% more expensive. Well, we'll just have to get used to doing without.

We broke a piston in our car on the way to Moshi last Saturday and had to drive into town on an awful lorry with the oddest looking people I've ever seen. There were Negroes, a Somali and some Greeks, some hides and some bags

of heaven knows what but I was mighty grateful, I can tell you.

Everything is very 'hush hush' here. Soldiers moving in one day and out the next and one never really knows where they are from or where they are going. All the lorries are camouflaged.

This is a funny war. One never knows what will happen next.

I am taking a First Aid Course now as are several of the ladies in town. It's very interesting, I can assure you, and most useful.

How is Daddy? And how are you? I hope you are both well and enjoying life.

I must close now. Love from all the kids—and us.

Corinne.

High School Girls Visit In Richmond Stores For Day

The elective Home Economics class, 34 in number, chaperoned by their teacher, Miss Evelyn Tillman, with Misses Irene Gordon and Katherine Reid spent Saturday, November 18, in Richmond, Va. One of the city buses was chartered for the trip.

The interesting places visited were: Broad Street Station, Thomas Jefferson Hotel, WRVA Broadcasting Station in Hotel Richmond, Lowe's Theater, Thalheimer's and Miller and Rhoades. The group made a special study of rugs, furniture, lamps, blankets, pictures, draperies, and clothing in Miller and Rhoades.

This group of girls, with the exception of one, had never visited Richmond; therefore the educational values and experiences they gained are unlimited. As the tour did not include time for the girls to shop, they were given 15 or 20 minutes in which to purchase souvenirs (maximum suggested price being \$1.50) to bring home to their families.

Clifton Browning of Norfolk, Va. spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Browning.

County Officials Invited to Attend Building Opening

The Democratic and Republican chairmen, the chairmen of the Board of Elections, and the Young Democratic and Republican officers of Halifax County have just received invitations to attend the opening of the new Institute of Government building at Chapel Hill, November 29.

The local county and city officials have also been invited to join with those of other units throughout the State in the program. North Carolina's whole Congressional delegation will attend and take part, accompanying Speaker William B. Bankhead, who will make the principal address.

Stunt Night At Weldon High Fri.

The Junior Class of Weldon High School is sponsoring a stunt night to be held in the High School auditorium Friday night, November 24th, at 8:00 o'clock. The stunts will be presented by the grades from the sixth through the eleventh and various clubs and organizations. A prize will be awarded for the best stunt.

Tickets have been on sale all this week.

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