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SECOND NUMBER LYCEUM COURSE PLEASES PEOPLE

Edna Means Proves Most Accomplished Artist—Three Hundred Hear Her

The best evening's entertainment we have had," is the way many members of the audience at the school auditorium Wednesday night characterized the second number of the Lyceum Course given by Miss Edna Means. An audience of approximately three hundred people enjoyed every minute of the hour and a half program. Miss Means is a most versatile artist and was able to competently carry her audience with her from one extreme to the other—side-splitting laughter, then the most solemn and pathetic situations. Her means certainly did uphold her side of purposeful reading. What she was not merely entertaining. She was such as to provoke the most profound thought.

She gave one something that would stay with him, that would make him think about his duties and obligations to society. Many of her selections were original and came from observation, as she traveled around over the country.

Miss Means came here from Sylva and left Thursday morning for Bryson City where she will give her reading.

The third number of the Lyceum course will be given on December 10 at the Marion Male Quartet, which is largely a vocal organization, although they play musical instruments also. This number is expected to draw a large audience, especially since the first two have proved so entertaining and pleasing to those who have heard them.



PANORAMA OF EVENTS IN NATIONAL CAPITAL

By Peter Keegan

All eyes are now turned toward the opening of the Sixty-eighth Congress next month. For official Washington it means a lively winter, politically and socially, as there will be many new faces in both Senate and House, and volcanic happenings are expected from the word go at both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue. National legislators who have been vacating and loafing with the home-folks since last March are drifting back to take on an air of realizing its own importance on the affairs of the country and the world.

Congress has one job already set out for it. Secretary of the Treasury Mellon having supplied members with data showing how they can cut the nation's tax bill at least \$300,000,000 annually by slicing income tax levies and forgetting the soldiers bonus. Mellon is accused, of course, of advertising his tax reduction program to forestall, if possible, any serious effort to enact the bonus. There is no doubt, however, that a bonus bill will be passed. The only thing that is doubtful is the attitude of President Coolidge toward the legislation.

By refusing to take part in a new reparations conference under the limitations by Premier Poincare of France, President Coolidge has pledged his administration on a reasonably firm footing with both the irreconcilable and the anti-isolationist elements of the Republican party. When it looked like the United States would go into the conference on the French terms, Republican leaders who grow wrathful over any sign of an effort to "entangle" this country in European affairs, started a "drum-fire" attack upon Coolidge and Hughes. Now that the United States had indicated that it is still fearful of getting mixed up too generally in Europe's troubles, Hughes has satisfied this wroup, while, at the same time, he has shown the League of Nations Republicans that he is willing to go into Europe, but that private international quarrels overseas makes it impossible for American assistance to accomplish anything of consequence.

Now that former President Wilson has broken the silence which he has observed since leaving the White House in 1921, leaders of both parties are watching intently for the next move on his part and are wondering more than ever what part he will take in the 1924 campaign. Although Wilson's son-in-law, former Secretary of the Treasury, William G. McAdoo, will soon announce his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination, he has not yet, publicly at least, received the backing of the former president.

Prohibition Commissioner Haynes has delved into old records and has emerged with the conclusion that Abraham Lincoln should be honored equally as a great prohibitionist and as the emancipator of the slaves. Lincoln wanted to free the nation of both evils, Haynes says, and did not think that his task was completed when the freedom of the negroes had been effected. Haynes produces excerpts from Lincoln's writings and speeches to prove his assertions. (Copyright, 1923, Moss Fea. Syn.)

SUPERIOR COURT ADJOURNED HERE LAST SATURDAY

Not Many Cases Were Tried—J. Walker Was Granted Divorce

Judge T. D. Bryson adjourned the two weeks term of the superior court of Cherokee County last Saturday morning in order to allow the out-of-town attorneys and witnesses to return to their homes before Sunday. Because of the nature of the cases that came up for hearing, very little of the civil docket was gotten through with.

The criminal cases occupied the first four days of the first week and then on Friday of the first week the W. J. Walker case was taken up. The case occupied more than a week's time. A few other divorce cases were slipped in at odd moments.

On a first ballot by the jury, Mr. Walker was granted his plea for divorce and given custody of the oldest child. Mrs. Walker was given temporary custody of the youngest child, but both parents are required to appear before the court on December 10th for final disposition of this child.

Gov. Walton Ousted By Oklahoma Senate

Oklahoma City, Nov. 19.—J. C. Walton, fifth governor of Oklahoma was removed from office tonight by unanimous vote of the state senate court of impeachment after his trial on charges of corruption in office, neglect of duty, moral turpitude and general incompetence.

A formal verdict was returned after the executive had been found guilty of 22 of the 23 charges presented. The vote was 41 to 0.

Six of the original 22 charges constituting the impeachment had been dismissed by order of the court.

The court, by a standing vote, determined a motion for a new trial which Governor Walton's counsel filed immediately after the verdict was announced.

The Governor's removal, although not formally ordered until after a verdict had been returned on each charge, was made certain this afternoon when the court found him guilty of abusing his pardon and parole authority, the first charge to be voted upon.

Forty-one senators lacking only one of the total membership of the body voted for conviction. Senator Jack Barker, who has consistently voted in the governor's favor throughout the 16 days of the trial, was absent.

The articles of impeachment were filed by the lower house of the state legislature, which less than two months ago the executive had dispersed by military force.

By the removal of Governor Walton, Lieutenant Governor M. E. Trap became governor. Trap has been lieutenant governor during two four-year administrations and has been acting governor since October 23 when the senate suspended Governor Walton after the filing of the impeachment charges.

The vote followed with surprising suddenness after the examination of the last witness, E. W. Marland, president of the Marland Refining Company had barely left the stand when W. E. Dinsenz chairman of the house board of managers which conducted the prosecution, announced that the evidence was concluded.

A few preliminary maneuvers and then a motion was made to vote first on article 16, the clemency charge. The court sustained the motion and the testimony introduced in support of the charge.

The court then took up the roll call. The chamber was intensely quiet as one senator after another arose and voted "aye". Many with voices that kept steady with difficulty.

Twenty-eight votes were necessary for conviction.

Senator C. D. Leedy, of Arnett, was the 28th man. With the determining vote in his power, he told the court he would vote "No" unless given authority to later explain his ballot.

A pause ensued and a voice broke the silence:

"All right, go ahead and vote."

"Then I vote 'aye'." Senator Leedy said, and burst of cheers and applause came from the galleries—Associated Press.

MURPHY-ANDREWS TO LET CONTRACT ROAD ON NOV. 27

Will Concrete a Mile Through Murphy. While other will be Gravel or Macadam

State Highway officials have announced that the Murphy-Andrews highway will be let to contract at a letting in Raleigh on November 27, provided satisfactory bids are received. It is contemplated that the section within the corporate limits of Murphy, beginning at the new Methodist Church, will be concreted. The other will be macadam or surface, it is expected.

Bids have been asked on two or three types of road and the type on which the more satisfactory bid is received, provided material is available, will be the type chosen for this stretch of road.

A number of contractors have been here going over the road getting an idea of the job so that they can submit bids for it.

It is understood that several local contractors will submit bids for the job. If the job is let on the 27th, it is expected that work will begin immediately.

The early letters of this road follows a conference held between the state was asked to build this link as quickly as possible. Soon after this meeting the Highway Commission put this link of number ten on the preferential list for the ninth district.

This is the last link in the Central Highway, which goes all the way across the State, and which is designated as No. 10. The road is now open from Sylva to the coast and Commissioner page believes that the entire section west of Sylva can be opened to the traffic by the fall of 1924.

Forms Now Ready For Filing Tax Returns

Forms 1999 and 1096 for filing returns of information are available now at the office of the U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue at Raleigh N. C.

The early release will be of aid to firms, corporations and businesses employing large forces, which annually are required to report to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington City payments of \$1,000 or more made during the preceding calendar year.

A separate return of information for each employee whose salary for 1923 was \$10,000 or more is required on form 1099. Form 1096, on which must be shown the number of separate returns, serves as a letter of transmittal.

Banks and similar organizations are required to report interest paid or credited to a depositor if the total during the year equaled or exceeded \$1,000. Information returns are carefully checked with individual returns. If a taxpayer's individual return is omitted, action by the Bureau of Internal Revenue follows.

Death of Mrs. Emma Shell Clark Sunday

Entered into rest Sunday, October 7, at 5 a. m., Mrs. Emma Shell Clark, widow of the late Samuel McAfee Clark, long time register of deeds for Caldwell County, at the age of 79 years and about five months. Mrs. Clark had been in gradually declining health since a severe attack of influenza last winter, and the death of her son Louis Clark, in the state of Washington, which occurred less than a year ago, had a very depressing effect upon her. She spent the summer with daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Martin, at their Blowing Rock home, but several weeks ago was brought to their Lenoir residence, the altitude and temperature of Blowing Rock being too extreme for one in her delicate state of health. From the time of coming to Lenoir she grew weaker and weaker and it has been felt for over a week that it was only a question of a few days when the end would come.

The funeral was yesterday at 3 p. m. from the Methodist Church, Rev. P. W. Tucker, the pastor, and Rev. C. L. Hornaday, president of Davenport College, conducting the simple and beautiful burial service of the Methodist Church. The choir sang the two hymns, "How Firm a Foundation," and "Abide with Me," and Misses Gertrude Faith and Courteney San "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

The pallbearers, grandsons and nephews of Mrs. Clark and young men who have been close friends and neighbors of her family, were: Hal C. Martin, Ralph Todd, Junius E. Shell, Edgar Allen, Harry W. Courtney, Fred H. Marley, Joe Clark and Grover Triplett.

The interment was in the town cemetery.

The large congregation that was present at the church, the great profusion of beautiful flowers sent by sorrowing friends, the simple but beautiful and affecting service, all combined to show that it was an occasion that touched the emotions of the whole community.

Mrs. Clark had two brothers of the whole blood, Mr. Marcell E. Shell, for many years clerk of the Superior Court, who died several years ago, and Mr. Charles Shell, who is living in Georgetown, Tex.; and four half sisters, Mrs. W. H. Wilson, Mrs. George Earnhardt, of Florida, Mrs. B. B. Hayes, of Hudson, and Mrs. G. L. Hunicutt, of Whitnel, all of whom are living.

Her children surviving her are: Mrs. H. C. Martin, Mrs. R. H. Blackwell, of Waynesville, Mrs. W. D. Clark, of Statesville, and Mr. Arthur S. Clark, of Copperhill, Tenn.

Mrs. Clark was the first registered student of Davenport College, and before her death was the oldest living graduate of that institution.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Clark belonged to two of the county's most prominent families. Mrs. Clark was the only daughter by his first wife, who was a Miss McCall, of Azor Shell, one of the founders of the town of

GULF REFINING COMPANY ENTERS LOCAL FIELD

The Gulf Refining Company is making arrangements to open a gas and oil distributing station in Murphy. For the present they will rent property upon which to store their products, but it is expected that a more elaborate station will be equipped a little later.

Messrs. J. W. Davidson and Elbert Malone have purchased property across the Hiwassee River, bordering on the Bellevue Highway and will erect a building which will be used for the Gulf Company.

To Hold Special Term Superior Court

Because of the many cases on the civil docket that were not reached during the recent term of court, the Cherokee County Bar Association court officials and interested principals have signed a petition praying the Governor to call a special term of court during the week of December 17th. It is expected that the Governor will grant the request.

This special term will be only one week and will be given over entirely to the trial of civil cases.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

LIKE KIDS! THE LITTLE FOLKS WE SEE GOING TO SCHOOL WILL BE RUNNING OUR TOWN IN A FEW YEARS! OUR SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS HAVE AN ENORMOUS RESPONSIBILITY AND WE SHOULD SHOW AN INTEREST IN THEIR WORK AND GIVE THEM OUR SUPPORT YES, SIR!



The Childrens Home Society

The North Carolina Children's Home society is 20 years old and has found itself. It has done enduring work from the beginning, but during the greater part of its existence it has done many things that had no value other than educational. It has learned how not to do most of the things, certainly, that a children's home society should learn how not to do.

The organization which now works with beautiful efficiency, smoothness and general satisfaction has been so functioning for a number of years. The fruit of what that organization is capable of accomplishing has not been tested out, but it has been tested sufficiently to demonstrate that the policy of the society will be a successful one so long as the administrative organization remains.

The society has placed some 2,500 boys and girls in homes, and now has under its supervision about 1,200 of them. Having finally demonstrated the efficiency of its management, and the correctness of the policy, in capable hands, the society perceives before it the duty of filling its entire field. To that end it must strive.

It is also necessary to devote more effort to some sort of work that has hitherto been done, because the task, a cumulative one has become so much larger. There must be a re-organization of the supervisory work, not in anything fundamental, but because the number of homes that must be supervised has grown so great, and is steadily increasing. The authority of the society is continuous, and therefore its duty and responsibility are continuous. The temporary motherhood given the wards of the society at its receiving home is nothing less than work of a genius in mothering; the society itself is foster-parent of its children until they pass from the estate of infants to that of adults. Its authority is only below that of the state; it has an authority that is delegated to it by the state, which may supersede the authority of actual parents. If the father and mother of any infant in the state of North Carolina are proved definitely unfit for the parental office, the Children's Home society can take a child from their custody into its own.

The society will go definitely into the baby business, provided the means are forthcoming for doing that as it should be done; and means will be forthcoming. It will not be done except in the fear of God and in respect for the laws of nature and the knowledge of the medical profession. They die, these infants that are gathered into institutions; an 80 per cent mortality rate is said not to be unusual, and a 30 per cent rate is something near the demonstrated minimum. The society will prepare its receiving home to take babies, first, because while some orphanages

NEBRASKA RESIDENTS RETURN ON VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Ellis, of Chadron, Nebr., arrived Sunday and will spend several weeks visiting relatives and friends in this section. Mr. Ellis was formerly a resident of the Martin's Creek section, having moved to Nebraska fourteen years ago, where he is employed with the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co. He expressed himself as being well pleased with the improvements that are being made in this section, especially the good roads. He shares the opinion with most local residents that good roads will be the salvation of this section. He is contemplating investing in some real estate here before returning to Nebraska, a sure sign that he has vision enough to see a future ahead for Murphy and this entire section.

BASKET BALL GAMES TO FEATURE THANKSGIVING

There will be two basketball games scheduled here on Thanksgiving. Watch further announcement for particulars.

H. S. BRYSON, Coach.

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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

A number of letters have been received recently that are not signed, and we have committed them to the waste basket. All letters must be signed by the writer, otherwise they will not appear in print. We will withhold your name, but it is necessary to know who the writer is before we can publish any statement.

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