



"Here Comes Arabella"

A three act musical comedy sponsored by the Woman's club to be at the school auditorium Friday night, August 2, at 7:30. Act 1 opens with two friends in their studio trying to get away from the flappers. But keep watching and see what happens, and who comes into the studio looking for something lost. See what happens to Arabella when she enters the home of Josh Toppinercraft in Act two. Who causes so much trouble for "Poor Arabella." Wonder what happens in Act three two years later on the college campus. If Arabella's wish comes true? See who comes home just before she leaves for New York. You will see the beautiful chorus girls and Robin Redbreast also the Little Grandmothers doing their parts all through the acts.

- Bob Adair, J. LeRoy Steele, Is a struggling young artist.
- Arabella, Mrs. E. C. Mallonee, she is an orphan girl.
- Sydney Hopewell, B. W. Sipe, room-mate of Bob.
- Jack and Jill, John Davidson and William Thompson, college chums of Bob and Syd's.
- Henrietta, Imogene and Crystall Floise, Rosemond Cooper and Dorothy Heikway, cute flapper girls from the co-educational school.
- Aunt Debby, Allene Richardson, old maid aunt of Bob's.
- Aunt Prudence, Mrs. Steele, Debby's sister.
- Uncle Josh, Dr. E. E. Adams, Bob's uncle, also brother of Aunt Debby and Prudence.
- Mrs. Waddlog, Mrs. Lurkins, Mrs. Moaks, Mrs. B. W. Sise, Mrs. H. G. Elkins, Mrs. C. W. Savage, town gossips.
- Levinsky, C. W. Bailey, Jewish character.
- Little Grandmothers—Ellen Cooper Axley, Mary Robinson, Ruth De-weese, Martha Alvin, Winifred Town-son, Frances Dickey, Blanche Grant, Lucile McDonald.
- Robin Redbreasts—Virginia Dick-ey, Mary Willard Cooper, Elizabeth Parker, Mildred Hill, Louise Christo-pher, Catherine Cole, Christine How-ell, Frances Christopher.
- Chorus girls—Mrs. Glenn Bates, Mrs. Tom Mauney, Dorothy Neal, Mrs. Ralph Moody, Miss Catherine Thomson, Mrs. Harr' Cooper, Miss Cathleen Axley, Miss Lois Hill, Miss Anne Candler, Miss Polly Davis, Miss Martha Nel' Wells, Miss Mary De-weese, Mrs. R. S. Parker, Miss Mabel Ellis.

WESTWARD HO!

(Written By Request.)
 Being Brief Resume of an 8000-Mile Cross-Country Auto Trip Made Recently by Mr. and Mrs. Noah Lovingood
 We left Murphy 6:00 A. M. June 5th, and went by the way of Kimsay Highway to Chattanooga, Tenn. At this city we visited the Signal Mountain, a very beautiful piece of scenery. From Chattanooga we drove to Nashville, and from Nashville to Dixon Tenn., and spent the night.
 The country from Dixon to the Tennessee river to Jackson, Tenn., the country is poor and not interesting.
 From Jackson we drove to Brownsville a town of 3500, and a nice place to live. From Jackson we went to Memphis and through the city and across the Mississippi river. Memphis seemed to me to be a very old, dirty city, and I was interested.
 At West Memphis we learned that we would be forced to change our route and go North on account of high water. So we drove about a hundred miles of our route through the Arkansas and spent the night in a small town called Cotton Plant, and if you do not believe that they have slow trains and roosters that can crow loud you spend a
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ELUDES OFFICERS



Ed Higdon, for whom officers of North Carolina and Tennessee are hunting as the slayer of Robert Kidd, so far has eluded the dragnet thrown around the mountain fastness in which he has been hiding for more than two weeks. A reward of \$50.00 has been offered for Higdon's capture, and efforts are being made to boost the amount to \$325.00.

ARRIVALS AT REGAL HOTEL

R. R. Stewart, Gastonia, N. C.; Jimmie Chester, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Geo. A. Niles, Griffin, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Niles, Griffin, Ga.; Geo. A. Niles, Jr., Griffin, Ga.; Miss Fannie Wills Niles, Griffin, Ga.; L. H. Hein, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crary, Columbia, S. C.; E. K. Bates, N. Y.; Jno. Montgomery, Atlanta, Ga.; H. H. Compton, Asheville, N. C.; J. W. Sellers, Ellijay, Ga.; J. A. Mullinax, Gastonia, N. C.; J. N. Converse and party, San Antonio, Texas; R. F. Weaver, Beblehem, Pa.; C. B. Daniel, Morristown, Tenn.; B. A. Armstrong and party, Charlotte, N. C.; L. G. Biggerstaff, Asheville, N. C.; Mrs. Otis Arr. Copperhill, Tenn.; B. L. Lewis, Atlanta, Ga.; B. A. Bates and wife, Miami, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Davis, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Adair, Xenia, Ohio; Mr. J. P. Wilkinson and son, New Orleans, La.; Frank Bohme, New Orleans, La.; E. F. Tilley, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. J. May and daughters, Atlanta, Ga.; C. J. Pritchett and brother, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Joe S. Cooper and baby, Etowah, Tenn. Those arriving in the Bartley touring party from Cincinnati, Ohio, to spend Wednesday night here and leaving Thursday for Chattanooga Tenn., were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ware, Mrs. Ida Heimbach, Lillie Chrisman, Rosina Haring, Christine Hansing, Amelia Risch, Laveria Maschmeyer, Gertrude McDonough, Helen Eberh. Mr. and Mrs. Lyon, Lillie Writz Janet Weistmer, Louise Leicht, W. W. Ver-nedge, A. Eppard.

Thanks Murohy People For Entertainment Of Oxford Orphanage Class

Oxford, N. C. July 17, 1929
 Mr. R. F. Beal, Master, Murphy, North Carolina.
 Dear Sir and Brother:—
 Word has come to my office of the very splendid manner in which you and your committee and others received the children of our Singing Class on their recent visit to your town. I just felt an urge to "Thank you" to your good people. It is indeed a comforting thought to us to know that while our little ones travel around the State they are in the hands of friends. They enjoyed their stay with you immensely. I want also to thank you for the check for \$58.60, which represents the proceeds from the concert these children gave. I know it meant hard work on the part of you and your committee to make it this amount, and I am grateful to all who had a part.
 Come to see us some time, and again thanking you and with very best wishes, I beg to remain
 Sincerely,
 C. K. PROCTOR,
 Superintendent.
 night in Cotton Plant, Ark., and you will be convinced.
 From this place we drove to Little Rock, Ark., and this is a very much better looking country than the swamps. Little Rock is a beautiful city. From Little Rock we drove

SEEK \$325.00 AS REWARD FOR CAPTURE HIGDON

SLAYER OF ROBERT KIDD IS BELIEVED TO STILL BE IN HIDING IN MOUNTAINS

A reward totaling \$325.00 is being sought to offer for the capture of Ed Higdon for shooting Robert Kidd, a partner of Sheriff N. W. Abernathy, through without a hitch, it was learned this week.
 Sheriff Abernathy stated he had written Governor Gardner asking that the state put up \$100.00 for Higdon's capture, the county will be asked to supplement by \$100.00 the \$20.00 already posted by the county to match the \$20.00 offered by David Kidd, father of the victim, and Mr. Abernathy stated that if this was done he would personally put up another \$100.00, making the total reward \$325.00.

Sheriff Abernathy and a posse of men took up the hunt for Higdon shortly after the tragedy occurred Saturday July 13th, and trailed him from his home down the river and through the mountain fastness all night Saturday, Sunday and Sunday night without avail. They were on a hot trail several times, but due to the density and ruggedness of the country, and the enveloping darkness of Saturday night, Higdon eluded his pursuers and escaped. Through Sunday the hunt continued, every possible clue and tip being run down. Officers were placed at strategic points, all bridges were guarded, but somehow or other Higdon slipped through the dragnet. Some believed he swam the river, while others believed he remained in hiding on this side until the officers, haggard and worn from trudging the mountains for two days and nights, abandoned the hunt Monday morning, leaving deputies of the district to continue the search.

Seen Several Times
 Higdon was reported to have been seen several times Saturday afternoon and night at places widely separated. Officers were only about thirty minutes behind him when he left his home and fled. He was tracked through fields, across ridges, up and down coves along trails by a peculiar mark in his track caused by a small piece of leather tacked on the sole of one of his shoes, which officers discovered by the tracks he made as he left the house.

When nightfall made tracking difficult, flash lights were brought into use, and the search continued, and was lost way down below Unaka on the road toward Appalachia. The flash light batteries gave out, and darkness kept the officers from following the track which was said to have been so easy to follow.

Higdon is reported to have spent the night only a short distance from the trail which officers were on and which they were following when the flash light batteries went dead.

No Arms and No Money
 It was said that he did not seem ill at ease or worried in the least. So far as our informant could ascertain, he did not carry any arms and did not have any money. It was stated that he was dressed in a sort of black suit, white shirt, sleeves rolled up, and his coat off until shortly before he left Sunday morning.

When asked how he slept during the night, Higdon replied that he slept as sound as a log. He sat out on the front porch with his host Saturday night until about two hours after dark, and only casually looked down the road up which he had come, as if he did not expect pursuit.

Another report was to the effect that he called at a restaurant in Appalachia about 1 or 2 o'clock Sunday morning for something to eat, and when he learned that officers were in the vicinity, left. Another report was to the effect that he was seen going toward Benton, Tenn., in an automobile Sunday afternoon.

From meager reports gathered here and there it is said Higdon claims that he shot Kidd in self defense. According to Higdon's story, when Kidd and his party reached the spot of the tragedy, he stepped out in front of Kidd and told him to throw his gun down and he (Higdon) would throw his down. He said Hobert was carrying his gun on his shoulder, and he fired when Hobert was in the act of bringing his gun to a firing position.
 Says He Was Not Mean to Hobert's Wife
 David Kidd, father of the victim,

AMBUSH VICTIM



Hobert Kidd who was shot from ambush as he walked along a lonely mountain trail with his wife and son. After receiving a load of No. 4 shot in the chest, he ran about forty yards back down the trail and collapsed, and officers are hunting for Ed Higdon as his slayer.

ARRIVALS AT DICKEY HOTEL

B. E. Brown, Spartanburg, S. C.; J. G. Martin, Spartanburg, S. C.; R. L. Bierress, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Grady Oarham, Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. King, Atlanta, Ga.; J. T. Parham, Atlanta, Ga.; Harry E. Bishop, Knoxville, Tenn.; Robt. Magill, Athens, Tenn.; R. T. Harris, Lexington, Ky.; J. F. Drake, Atlanta, Ga.; L. M. Rose, Knoxville, Tenn.; W. V. Hyatt, Bryson City; T. A. Watson, Spartanburg, S. C.; J. V. McCokey, Athens, Tenn.; H. E. McNabb, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Prothro, Miami, Fla.; W. A. Galt, Cartersville, Ga.; Mrs. Turner, Cartersville, Ga.; daughter of Sam Jones; J. K. Andrews, Elgin, Ill.; Ada M. Andrews, Elgin, Ill.; Florence Andrews, Elgin, Ill.; Mrs. Woodward, Quincy, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crary, Columbia, S. C.; A. G. Underwood, Chattanooga, Tenn.; J. W. Winford, Salisbury; Joe W. White, Knoxville, Tenn.; R. K. McClam and wife, Knoxville, Tenn.; S. E. Smith, Atlanta, Ga.; J. E. Vaughn, Atlanta, Ga.; Tillie Hill, Greensboro; W. H. Blair, Huntington, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Westall, Asheville; E. C. Westall, New York City; C. T. Thompson, Cleveland, N. C.; J. E. Kennedy, Cleveland, N. C.; O. B. En-nighs, Washington, D. C.; M. L. Walker, Knoxville, Tenn.; C. S. Day, Helen, Ga.; A. W. Redding, Atlanta, Ga.; G. W. Brock, Livingston, Ala.; Mrs. M. Davis, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Alleged Slayer Gives Up to Macon Officers

(Special to The Citizen.)
 FRANKLIN, July 20.—Jim Wishon, charged by a coroner's jury with slaying Pink Solesbee on the Nantahala river a few days ago, surrendered last night to Jim Morgan of the Otter creek section of the county and was lodged in Macon county jail early this morning. Wishon waived preliminary hearing and is being held for trial at the August term of the superior court. According to the officers Wishon admits killing Solesbee and claims self defense. It is so far as known there grist mill and is said to have been were no eyewitnesses to the slaying. At the time the alleged Solesbee was returning from Grant Wishon's shot while on his mule.

strongly denied that he ever mistreated Hobert's wife, after reading her version of the affair in The Scout last week. Mr. Kidd stated that he never once cursed her, nor did he ever threaten to kick her out of the house, as she accused him of doing, and that all of his neighbors knew that her accusation was false.

Higdon's mother and his son moved from the home near the scene of the tragedy the first of the week to Benton, Tenn., where it is said she was going to make her home with her father.
 Officers believe that Higdon is still in the mountains in the vicinity of the Hawassee River Loop, and will remain there in hiding until he can make a "stake" sufficient to carry him out and away, unless he is apprehended in the meantime.

NEW STATE HIGHWAY PATROL VISITS MURPHY

Speed demons, curve cutters, drivers without lights and licenses, road hogs, drunken drivers, etc., etc., beware! Traffic cops, known as the State Highway Patrol, are riding the highways of this section.

Four boys of the new State Highway Patrol, created by the last session of the legislature, dressed in neat gray uniforms, caps, black leggings and shoes, with a wicked looking gat strapped to their sides, and riding motorcycles capable of great speed, put in their appearance at Murphy last week for the first time in history.

Those in the party were Lieutenant E. S. Guthrie, of Asheville, who is in charge of the Ninth district patrol; A. W. Welch of Bryson City; G. L. Burnett and Zebulon Weaver, Jr., of Asheville.

Their first trip was more of an educational and good will tour, Lieutenant Guthrie stated, to introduce the patrol and what its purposes are to the people, and to seek the co-operation of the people in creating a sentiment in favor of highway law enforcement.

The predominant features as outlined by Mr. Guthrie, are about as follows:

All motor vehicles must have two head lights, no more, no less. Tail light must be so set as to illuminate the tags, and tags must be kept washed clean so that they can be read at all times. And all must have at least two brakes in proper mechanical condition.

All trucks, busses, heavy loaded and slow traveling vehicles must at all times keep to their side of the road.

Busses, trucks and all motor vehicles owned and operated by counties, towns, cities, utilities companies and corporations must have tax license on each car, proper lights and two brakes in good mechanical condition.

All dealers of special privilege tags are issued for demonstration purposes only, and must not be used for private use, and special police or municipal tag permits are to be used only while on official duty.

High speeders who pass cars over hills, around curves, or anywhere when the view is obstructed, are dangerous drivers, and will be punished to the full extent of the law. Those who cut curves and corners, and who drive out a side road into a main highway or street without first stopping, are violating the law and will certainly be punished.

In patrolling the highways of North Carolina, a tendency is found to greatly overload trucks, and this feature of the violations must stop. A ton and half truck that is carrying two tons, and licenses for a ton and a half, the driver or operator is violating and defrauding the state, and will certainly be punished. For trucks the state law allows 600 pounds to the tire inch, a five inch tire being allowed 3,000 pounds. However, when a truck is licensed for a load less than it is carrying, the operator will be punished.

Trailers and semi-trailers must have licenses, and must be so attached to the truck or car that its wheels will trail along in the tracks of the pulling car and not be running and wobbling all over the road. All trucks with trailers attached hauling logs or lumber, or other long loads, must keep a red flag displayed on the front during the day, and a red light displayed on the front at night.

ENTERTAIN FOR MR. AND MRS. W. EARL ROBINSON

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist church entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. Earl Robinson, of Chattanooga.
 The social rooms of the church were decorated in lavender and white, the colors of the Missionary union. Baskets of lavender and white phlox bear—used in profusion. From a table imbedded the lavender and white, sweet peas, punch and sandwiches were served by Mrs. Harry Ferguson, Mrs. Neil Sneed, Miss Mennice Payne, Dorothy Neal and Lucile Hall.
 After a most enjoyable reading, "High Culture," by Miss Lucile Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson were showered with many attractive gifts for their home.

Because of lack of space church notices were omitted this week along with several other live articles.