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MANY SCHOOLS CLOSE

LARGE CROWDS—CHILDREN DO FINE WORK.

Cedar Rock Academy Has All Day—Epsom School Commencement Exercises Great Success—Bunn High School Has Big Day and Big Time.

During the past week the following schools in Franklin county have held closing exercises:

Cedar Rock.

Friday was an enjoyable day at Cedar Rock for a large number who had gathered to witness the closing exercises of Cedar Rock Academy, which has just closed a most successful session under the efficient leadership of Prof. Melvin Roberson, assisted by Mrs. E. S. Fulghum and Miss Daisy Dean.

The day was a most perfect one and quite a large number gathered for the day's program.

At 11 o'clock the exercises began with a duet by Misses Myrtle Parrish and Lucile Inscow. This was followed by a song "Beautiful Dreams," by the class, and a duet by Misses Myrtle Parrish and Lella Cooke. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. W. Sledge after which Prof. Roberson announced that Supt. Best would introduce the speaker.

In his introduction Supt. Best paid a most high tribute to this progressive community and spoke in deep personal feelings of his recollections of how he began his teaching career within those walls some eleven years before; giving credit for much of his success to the fatherly advice of that much beloved and honored citizen the late Mr. John Stallings. He took occasion to compliment the principal and teachers for the splendid work they had done the past year. In his references to Prof. J. H. Highsmith, of Wake Forest College, the speaker of the day he said it was a "pleasure to have the honor to introduce to this gathering a man who is so much interested in the public school work, and possesses the ability to deliver to you a big speech. Listen to him. Each word will be a gem and each sentence a jewel in thought. The man is Prof. Highsmith."

Prof. Highsmith then came forward and held his hearers in rapt attention for an hour in a most excellent and forcefully instructive address. He wanted it understood he was no pessimist, but was an optimist. He knew better times were coming and he knew that Cedar Rock was going to continue in her progressive state by erecting a new and more commodious school building in the near future. Leaving this he entered into his subject for the day and made a most ardent appeal for better education. He said the great aim of education is social efficiency and explained this to mean to so equip a child that he or she could pull its own weight in the world and not be a hindrance to others, to be able to contribute to the welfare of society. He directed the minds of those present to the importance of ascertaining the vocation which they proposed to follow and set their aim high in life. He had a broad subject full of interest and did the cause of education much good in this community.

Prof. Roberson then requested Dr. T. O. Coppedge to present several prizes, which he did in a most graceful and delightful manner. The prizes and winners were as follows:

In the primary department, Ella Breedlove and Robt. Boone, tied in the percentage of best lesson in spelling and each were given a prize. Also a prize was awarded Bernice Smith for best attendance.

In the intermediate department another tie was made in average for best attendance and best average on lessons, by Lucretia Dean and Haywood Stallings and each received a prize. In this department also was awarded to Miss Gladys Gill a prize for receiving the most marks in spelling.

This concluded the mornings programme and adjournment was taken for dinner.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon a game of ball was played between Cedar Rock and Castalia High school teams and proved to be quite interesting.

At 8 o'clock that night a most interesting concert was given in the school Auditorium and the following programme was excellent rendered reflecting much credit upon both teacher and pupil. Duet, "Mirthful Moments," Eleanor Long, Lois Boone, Eleanor, "Guess Who," Clara Gilliam, Chorus, "Guess Who," Clara Gilliam, Eleanor Long, Cornelia Boone, Annie Cooke, Josie Boone, Duet, Alma Ball, Song, "The Little Secret," Elizabeth Long, "Play the Suffragette."

This ended one of the most enjoyable entertainments ever held at this school.

Epsom.

It was the editor's pleasure to pay his first visit to Epsom on Tuesday and he enjoyed the occasion of one of the most congenial and social gatherings of some time. It was the occasion of the closing exercises of the High school, which is a joint school embracing a district partially in Franklin and Vance counties. The exercises began at 11 o'clock with the Auditorium full of people. The school sang the "Song of Peace" after which prayer was offered by Rev. J. E. Ayescue. Prof. Ayescue then in most fitting and well chosen words introduced the speaker of the occasion, Prof. C. W. Wilson, of the East Carolina

Teachers Training school, of Greenville.

Prof. Wilson then came forward and after the usual formalities began his address by saying that he intended talking to the fathers and mothers of this district in the interest of their children rather than the children, and he proceeded to show to them their responsibility as it applied to the proper training of their boys and girls in educational lines. "You realize you have as great and grand a community as anybody has, and as progressive. As many bright eyed boys and pretty girls" he said "then why not equip them mentally to cope with the world?" He took up at length a comparison of values as applied to material things and contrasted them with the value of the life of a child, showing too a comparison between an uneducated child and an educated one. "Citizenship determines the value of material things" he declared and proceeded to show that it was education that had caused the values of their land to rise from five or ten dollars per acre to fifty and one hundred. He then pointed out to them that it was their duty to look after their own children, as their children would determine the value of this community in the coming age. He made it clear that the people could not expect much from their schools unless they put some personal energy in the work and took a personal interest in its welfare and advancement, as the work would progress in exactly the same proportion as you give your time and money to it. It is not unlike a private business in this respect "Our schools are just what we want them to be" he said and proceeded to show to them the importance of taking an active part in the work at all times with an end in view of keeping abreast of the times. "How can we get the best results from our schools?" He pointed out that the best and only way was through co-operation. You must be willing to sacrifice some little personal desires in order to do the best by your child and pull together in the harness with your neighbor. He pictured how some men would complain at a small school tax and be extravagant in many things of no comparative value, and give the idea of local taxation for supplementing the State funds a most heartily endorsement. He made the assertion that this community twenty years from today would be just what the fathers and mothers of today want it to be "and plead with them to do all in their power to give their children the opportunity they were entitled to. It was one of the strongest arguments for education we have heard in some time and was greatly enjoyed. After this the school sang "Carolina, Queen of States" a song which was composed by Mrs. Mary Speed Mercer, a young lady of that community.

Miss Lillian Gilbert, Industrial Instructor in the school work of Vance county was then introduced who made a most interesting little talk. She insisted that the children begin now to writing short stories from which number a prize winner would be selected next Christmas. At the conclusion of her address she presented prizes as follows, given by the teachers to the ones named for attending school every day in the year: Miss Julia Brewer, a picture, Messrs Brannock and Murdock Newman, a knife each.

This closed the mornings programme and all were invited to take dinner with the school on the grounds. This was by no means the smallest part of the programme as by this time all were in condition to do justice to quite a spread, but were not equal to the enormous quantities of good things that were handed out on this occasion. We can't tell you what you missed if you have never visited this section on such an occasion.

Dinner over all again gathered in the auditorium, where a treat was again in store as Supt. Best of Franklin county and Mr. R. G. Kittrell of Vance county delivered addresses. Before the speaking began the school sang Dixie, then Prof. Ayescue presented Supt. Best, who made an excellent address. One main purpose of his address was to present the problem of the advantage of special taxes for schools, and to insist that Franklin's side of the district should vote the special tax on the 11th of May. The Vance half of the district has already passed the special tax feature and he pointed out to our people the necessity of their favorable action without delay. "We can't ask Vance county to give to our school children two months more schooling than we ourselves are willing to provide" he said and proceeded to show how a district could not remain divided like this. He contrasted the differences in the present system with the one that would be should the special tax carry and then to what would necessarily have to follow should they defeat the issue. His was a fine talk and he successfully answered the arguments of all who were opposed to the issue. He made it clear that he considered Epsom school just as much a Franklin county school as he did any in the county and that he was going to take a personal interest in it and see that the people got all they were willing to give themselves. There is no question but that the sentiment for the special tax was greatly strengthened by his able address. By this time Mr. R. G. Kittrell Vance's representative in the last General Assembly had arrived and he was presented to the audience by Prof. Ayescue.

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MR. J. H. UZZELL DEAD

PASSES AWAY AT HIS HOME TUESDAY MORNING.

Has Lived a Life of Service to the Public—Leaves Wife, a Brother Several Sisters and Hosts of Relatives and Friends.

The announcement of the death of Mr. John H. Uzzell, which occurred at his home at Mapleville, five miles east of Louisburg on Tuesday morning about 2 o'clock, cast a heavy gloom over Louisburg and Franklin county.

Mr. Uzzell it seems had been over to see a neighbor that night, who was right sick and had remained there until about one o'clock, when he and his wife, who had accompanied him returned to their home. Going the distance with Dr. R. F. Yarborough, of Louisburg, who had been called in to see the neighbor. Upon reaching home he went to the well and got some water and returned during all of which time he was in his usual good health. But about two o'clock he awoke and was suffering from a cough, which he felt was serious and asked his wife to send for a physician. This she did, but he died before medical aid could reach him. His physician pronounced his trouble as apoplexy. He was 60 years of age.

Mr. Uzzell was a man of a quiet nature, but with a broad



and generous disposition that had made for him scores of friends in all parts of the country. His life had not been of a retired nature, but he has been a servant of the people almost continuously since the fall of 1892, at which time he was elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners. In this capacity he was repeatedly elected until the Populists carried the county in 1896 when he was defeated with his party. Soon after this he was appointed a member of the Board of Education in which capacity he served until his party called for him to serve as one of the guardians of the county again and in 1904 he was reelected a member of the Board of County Commissioners. In this capacity he served continuously until in December 1914. Mr. Uzzell's life, both private and public has been one of service to his fellowman and has been an honor to his memory. In all of his activities he did not forget his Maker, but was a member of Maple Springs Baptist church and served it in an official capacity for a number of years. He was a staunch friend to education and could always be found lending his influence toward the advancement of its cause.

He leaves to reverence his memory a wife, one brother Mr. W. E. Uzzell, of Louisburg, five sisters, Mrs. Mary Perry and Mrs. Martha Perry, of Mapleville, Mrs. Fannie Webb, of Weldon, Mrs. W. M. Boone and Mrs. O. H. Harris, of Louisburg, besides a host of relatives and friends, who will share the sorrow with the grief stricken family.

The funeral services were held from Maple Springs church at Mapleville on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock and were conducted by his pastor and neighbor, Rev. G. M. Duke. During the course of the service Mr. Duke paid many high and worthy tributes to the deceased. After the services at the church were over the body was taken to the cemetery and laid to rest near the beautiful little church in which he had worshipped for many years.

Large crowds of friends and relatives were present to pay their last respects to the deceased. The floral tributes were profuse and spoke in beautiful language of their love. The active pall bearers were the members of the Board of Commissioners who served with him: Messrs. T. S. Collier, J. H. Cooke, J. H. Ballentine, J. O. Wilson, and Messrs. J. B. Yarborough and W. H. Allen, Register of Deeds and Sheriff, respectively of the county.

During the services at the church "Abide With Me," "Asleep in Jesus," "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," were sung by the choir while at the grave the following were rendered "Beautiful Isle of Some Where," "Nearer My God to Thee," and "Jesus Lover of My Soul."

In his death the county has lost a most useful citizen.

At Louisburg College.

During the coming week commencement life will begin at Louisburg

Female College. The first feature will be the Graduating Recital for which invitations as follows have been issued "Graduating Recital of Miss Gladys Jerome, School of Expression, assisted by Miss Ruth Crews, Monday Evening, May the Third 1915." At this time a most interesting programme will be rendered. The ushers are Misses Lottie Kerr, Marie Long, Messrs. Joe Nash, William Jackson.

The next feature for which announcements have been made, is as follows: "Graduating Recital, Miss Lottie Kathleen Kerr, Expression, assisted by Miss Ruth Hall, Piano, Louisburg College Friday Evening, May the Seventh, nineteen hundred and fifteen, at eight o'clock." The programme arranged for this occasion is one of especial interest and will be much enjoyed. The ushers will be Misses Marie Long, Gladys Jerome, Anna Suther, Elizabeth Harris.

Current Literature Book Club.

Last Thursday Mrs. John King gave a charming afternoon's entertainment to members and guests of the Current Literature Book Club.

The guests on arrival were shown into the spacious parlors, where spring and summer were blended in one harmonious display of spring blossoms and roses.

Japan being the afternoon's subject the chief note of the beautiful flower scheme was a profusion of cherry blossoms.

The meeting was opened with roll call and many interesting items of current interest were given.

Mrs. Rob Davis then began the program with an interesting selection from the Bay View Magazine.

Life and customs in quaint little Japan is always an interesting subject and Mrs. Walter Gilmore put it in its most pleasing aspect in a carefully selected reading.

Miss Henninger added much to the pleasure of the afternoon by a bright little Japan poem.

Mrs. Arthur Fleming accompanied by Mrs. Gilmore at the piano sang a sweet Japanese love song and then several selections were given on the Victrola.

After this most delightful program the hostess served a charmingly, repeat consisting of chicken salad, asparagus on toast and hot fudge rolls, followed by ice cream and cake.

Those enjoying this delightful afternoon, were: Messdames Rob. Davis, Walter Gilmore, Arthur Fleming, Geo. Cralle, M. C. Pleasants, L. L. Joyner, B. B. Perry, Atwood Newell, and Misses Elizabeth Allen, Elba Henninger, Edna Elizabeth, Mary Yarborough and Mrs. M. Painter, of Baltimore, Md.

Miss Hall Entertains.

On Thursday afternoon Miss Lynn Hall charmingly entertained the younger set Book Club.

The guests upon arriving were asked to register in the "Hotel Ruth" register and were then served delightful fruit punch in the hall.

A charming program had been prepared and was executed in the delightful enthusiastic manner, characteristic of this club.

At the close of the program a delightful salad course of cream and cake were served.

Those present were: Mrs. J. A. Hodges, Miss Maude Hicks, Miss Annie Green, Mrs. B. T. Holden, Mrs. Willis Boddie, Miss Mabel Jones, Mrs. Glenn Crowell, Miss Eleanor Cooke, Mrs. Jones Macon.

The Club was pleased to have with them as guests, Miss Alva Allen, Misses Lonie and Susie Meadows and Julia Barrow.

The Methodist Church.

There will be services at the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. At the morning hour the pastor will begin a series of sermons on The Cross. This series will consist of three sermons as follows: The Atonement Central to the New Testament. The Atonement Central to Human Experience. The Atonement Central to Modern Thought. They will be delivered at the morning hour for the next three Sundays. At the evening hour the first sermon in a series on Methodism its history, its Policy and its Doctrines. These sermons on Methodism will be sectarian or controversial, but purely expository and instructive.

Lesson for the business men's bible class is the second Chapter of first Corinthians.

Weekly Weather Forecast.

Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., for the week beginning Wednesday, April 28, 1915:

For South Atlantic and East Gulf States: General fair weather with temperatures near the seasonal average probably during the coming week.

Horse Dies From Fright.

We are informed the past week that a horse belonging to Mr. Howell Wood became frightened at an automobile truck near Cedar Rock church on last Friday evening and ran off, falling dead after having gone about fifty yards.

Lots of men brag of having horse sense, which is something of a compliment to the men.

U.D.C. DISTRICT MEETING

TO BE HELD HERE THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.

A Large Number Expected to be Present—Sessions to be Held in College Chapel—State President to be Present.

The meeting of the Tenth District United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held in Louisburg on Thursday and Friday, May 6th and 7th.

The delegates from the other Chapters of the District will arrive on the evening of the 6th, at 8 o'clock of the same evening there will be a meeting in the College Chapel, which was kindly loaned by Mrs. Ivey Allen, and to this the public is cordially invited.

On Friday morning at 10 o'clock will be held the business meeting of the District, also in the College Chapel.

At this time our State president, Mrs. Little hopes to meet the Veterans of this county. With her usual generous thought of others, Mrs. T. W. Bickett has offered the use of her lawn for serving lunch to the Veterans and Daughters.

The public is especially invited to all of these sessions of the District meeting to be held at the College.

Mrs. Ivey Allen Entertains.

Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock Mrs. Ivey Allen, president of Louisburg College was hostess at a lawn fete given by the young ladies of the Y. W. C. A., in honor of her guests, Mrs. H. C. Painter and daughter Mrs. Armstrong and grand daughter, Little Miss Winifred Armstrong, of Baltimore, Md.

The members of the Association and visitors were received by the newly-elected Y. W. C. A. Cabinet of which Miss Laura Beavers is president, at the conclusion of which the president told something of the association work in College here, and short addresses were made as follows:

"The Y. W. C. A.'s place in the young girl's life" Marie Long "Some needs of our association" Gladys Jerome.

"Boosting the Y. W. C. A." Lottie Kerr "The Y. W. C. A. as a standard bearer" Olivia Hobgood "The ideal girl" Mrs. Painter

"The Y. W. C. A., the handmaid of the Church" Rev. A. D. Wilcox. Then an intermission followed during which a delicious ice cream was served by the retiring Cabinet, after which the following young ladies of the old Cabinet responded to impromptu toasts:

"New Cabinet" . . . Miss Bettie Harker "Miss Mabel I. Davis" . . Miss Zola Gage "Hostess" . . . Miss Eleanor Yarborough "Blue Ridge Conference" . . Miss Belle Foscoe.

"President of Y. W. C. A." . . Miss Ruth Jones.

Visitors from town were: Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wilcox, Mrs. R. H. Davis, Mrs. W. H. Yarborough, Miss Mary Yarborough and Mr. Robert Sanders, of Clayton, N. C.

Runaway.

On Thursday evening of last week a double team of horses belonging to Mr. S. T. Gupton became frightened while standing in front of Mr. W. M. Persons office on Main St., and run off the yoke fell off and one of the horses became seriously entangled in the harness, which threw him.

As they reached Franklin street. Quite a number of people ran up and released the animal however, and she came out none the worse save a few skinned places. Mr. Gupton and Mr. Thos. Dolan, Jr., who were in the buggy at the start jumped out without any hurt.

On Monday morning a pair of horses hitched to a wagon that were standing in front of the Farmers' National Bank, and owned by McKinnin Bros. became frightened at a passing automobile and ran off turning down Nash street and running into the shed of Hill Live Stock Co.'s. While making their way down Nash street they scared a mule hitched to a buggy, which ran off but as the driver was in the buggy he was stopped without injury. The others received bruises and scratches.

Baraca-Philathen Union

The following is a program of the Franklin county Baraca-Philathen Union to be held at Franklin, N. C. on May 1st, and 2nd, Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Address of welcome by R. B. White. Response by Prof. Beam. Address, "The responsibility and the opportunity of the organized class" by Prof. Scott. Paper, what each member may do to make his or her class a success" by Miss Annie Wilder. Social hour. Sunday 9:45 a. m. Devotional Exercises. Business Meeting. Paper "making a weak class strong" by Miss Salle Allen. Address by Mr. L. R. Call. Sunday p. m. Address by Dr. Sykes, "How Baracas answer the question, "Am I my brothers keeper," by J. R. White. Roundtable discussion, conducted by L. R. Call.

Baptist Study Circle.

The Literary meeting of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society met on Monday afternoon in the ladies' parlor of the Baptist church. Japan was the afternoon's subject and the program was a delightful and instructive one. The meeting was opened with

prayer and scripture led by Mrs. Walter Gilmore.

Mrs. E. C. Allen gave an excellent talk on Japan as a pioneer and inspiration.

Miss Sallie Williams on fundamental reforms of Japan.

Mrs. Brody Hudson read a selection on the religions of Japan, Mrs. W. E. Uzzell, gave the history of missions in Japan and Mrs. John Howell had a paper on Christian Education in Japan and Miss Edna Allen told of the newspapers mission as a reforming power in christianizing influences, Mrs. J. W. Jackson gave a general outlook and Mrs. Rob. Bobbitt told of the changes profited by war.

Miss Lillie Mae Aycock delighted the Circle with an interesting recitation and Miss Edna Allen gave an account of the denominational co-operation in the mission work of Japan.

The meeting was closed with prayer and will meet again on the following Monday.

Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll for the third and fourth grades, for week ending, April, 24th, Miss Mamie Jones teacher.

Ada Gattis, Ethel Lovingsood, Gertrude Boone, Viola Clay, Lugenia Matthews, Bettie Hill, Sidney Edens, Herman Murphy, William Webb, Ivey Allen, Annie Willis Boddie, Emma Lawrence Joyner, Bessie Clay, Virian Jones, Peale Pearce, Emma Wilder, Gordon Uzzell.

Honor roll for fifth and sixth grade Miss Loulla Jarman, teacher. Fifth—Lucy Allen, Margaret Cooke, Kenneth Collier, Davis Egerton, George Houck, Clara Hudson, Ruth Gattis, William Moorman, Katherine Pleasants.

Sixth—Luelene Allen, Ellie Bailey, Jessie Clay, Otto Gunther, Jim Allen Hill, Noma Hollingsworth, Emily Inscow, Lullie Inscow, Garnet Myers, Rowland Nash, Gus Reavis, Maggie Taylor, Rachel Tunstall, Annie Waddell, Clyde White.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The pastor will preach at the morning hour on "A Sign Worth Seeing" and at night on, "A Growing Faith."

Sunday school at 9:45, Ivey Allen Superintendent, B. Y. P. U. Monday 8 p. m. A. O. Dickens, president.

Prayer meeting Thursday 8 p. m. Pastor Gilmore is giving a series of Bible studies on "The Teachings of Jesus" at the Thursday night meetings. The subject for next Thursday night will be, "The Teachings of Jesus About Sin." Everybody is cordially invited to all of these meetings.

Commencement and Memorial Exercises at Justice.

On May 6th at 8 p. m., ten young ladies will recite for a medal given by the principal.

On the 6th at 8 p. m., the exercises by the primary and Intermediate pupils will take place.

On the 7th, at 10 a. m., four young men will declaim for a medal given by the principal.

At 11 a. m. Rev. O. W. Sawyer, of Spring Hope, will deliver the literary address.

Dinner will be served on the grounds at 1:30 p. m. Memorial exercises will be held, and interesting talks made by the "Old Veterans."

At 8 p. m. The play, "Dot The Miners Daughter" will be presented by the pupils of the higher grades. An admission of 15 and 10 cents will be charged for seeing the play.

The public is cordially invited to attend these exercises.

Yours truly,
T. H. Sledge.

PERSONALS.

Mr. John R. Perry, of Washington, D. C., is a visitor to Louisburg.

Mr. R. C. Beck left yesterday for Richmond to enter a hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hawthorn and little daughter, Kathleen, of South Hill Va., are spending several days with Mr. Hawthorn's sister, Mrs. W. W. Webb, of near this place.

Misses Mary Scarborough, of Eagle Rock, Inez Messer, of Murphy, and Messrs. Goodwin Scarborough, of Eagle Rock, and Willie Scarborough, of Wendell, were pleasant visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Webb on Sunday.

Receives Honor.

Quite a little honor has been handed Mayor Turfer during the past week. He has been re-appointed on the Board of Trustees of the Old Woman's Home, by the Governor and has been appointed on the Legislative Committee of the North Carolina National Guard. We congratulate him in these honors.

Entertainment at Prospect.

An entertainment consisting of music dialogues etc., will be given at Prospect church on the night of May 7th, 1915. The members of the church will have charge of it and guaranteed all a pleasant evening. After the entertainment ice cream will be offered for sale and the proceeds will be used in repairing the church. The public is cordially invited.

Farmers' Union to Meet.

We are requested to state that the Franklin county organization of the Farmers' Union will meet in Louisburg on Thursday, May 6th, 1915. All locals are requested to send delegates.