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TUESDAY EVENING BRIDGE CLUB. Entertained at Franklin Hotel by Mr.

J. L. Harrison. Mr. J. L. Harrison was host to the Tuesday Evening Bridge Club at the Franklin Hotel on Tuesday evening last. There were five tables of bridge, after which refreshments, consisting of a salad course, and coffee, were served. Mr. W. U. Hicks, accompan ied by Miss Anna Belle King on the piano, sang several songs.

Those present were. Misses Eliza Moore, Aileen Webb, Hodgie Williams, Annie Belle King, Annie Green; Mesdames G. A. Cralle, Joe Mann, G. A. Ricks; Mesers. Elliott Egerton, E. T. White, H. L. Candler, William Crowel, C. C. Julian, W. D. Egerton. E. F. Yarborough, W. U. Hicks, and J L. Harrison.

Dean Stacey Speaks at Louisburg College.

The Sea Gift and Nefthean Literary Societies of Louisburg College calebrated their twenty-sixth anniversary Monday night very fittingly with an address by Prof. M. H. Stacey, dean of the University at Chapel Hill.

The appropriat theme of Professor Stacey's address was, "A Girl's. Patriotism," Illustrating it very forcibly by giving the story of Esther in modern speech. He made a strong and striking appeal to the young ladies to be true and loyal to their parents and not let a little culture and social position turn their heads.

Edwin Malone was master-of-cero monies and introduced the speaker. W. H. Yarborough was asked by the young ladies to follow Professor Stacey and reply to anything he might say in opposition to woman suffrage. However, the speaker did not reveal his attitude on that subject, and Mr. Yarborough championed the cause without being provoked to it

On the platform with the speakers were the officers of the two societies. Sea Gift, Misses Mary Bradley, president; Olivia Hobgood, vice-president; Myrtle Fuller, secretary; Lizzie Harris. treasurer; Mary House, critic Neithean, Ruby Jones, president; Stella Ward, vice-president; Vera Wagstaff, secretary; Irene Bradshaw treasurer; Lucile Johnson, critic. The following young ladies were marshals: Misses Grace Harris, chief, and Mabel Adams, assistant, from Sea Cift: Misses Colleen Garris, chief, and Ruth Gatling, assistant, from the Nelthean.

A most delightful reception followed the literary feature, which was the social event of the season.

Bunn Wins, Two Games.

On Wednesday evening of last week the Basket Ball team of Bunn High School defeated the team representing the Spring Hope Graded School on the Bunn grounds by the score of 19 to 4 This is the second time Bunn has defeated Spring Hope this season. Bunn started the scoring in the first few minutes of play, and continued shootthroughout the game. While all Spring Hope could do was to shoot four fouls. The game abounded in

On Friday evening the Bunn High School team defeated the Justice High School team 8 to 4. This being second time Bunn has defeated Justice this season. Although the Bunn team was in bad shape to play, one of its guards being out of the game, a substitute in his place, and its other guard in bad shape from iujuries received in the game with Spring Hope, it easily defeated Justice. The "Champions" or "regulars" mentioned in last week's Times by a Justice scribe, took the lead in the first half and did not let the Justice team score. Then in the second half they increased this lead and made victory safe. At no time was there danger of Justice forging ahead and coming out victorious.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., conducted by the pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. Monday 7:30 p. m.

The pastor will fill his regular appointment at Ransdell's Chapel Sun-

It is all right to accuse congress of hunting for pork, but we don't know of a political district in this neck o' the woods that won't grab off all of the bacon it can get.

FRANKLIN SUPERIOR COURT

Convened Monday With His Honor G. W. Connor, Judge Presiding, for the Trial of Civil Cases.

The regular February term of Franklin Superior Court, for the trail of civil cases, convened on Monday, with His Honor Judge Geo. W. Conor. presiding.

The case of Hines vs the Health and Accident Company was the first taken up and consumed the remainder of Monday and the greater part of the morning Tuesday, resulting in a com-plete Verdict for the plaintiff, who was suring for \$380.00.

As one of the local attorneys was on the sick list and other cases not ready court was adjourned on Tues day afternoon until Thursday morn

Court convened again on Thursday morning and not being able to take up any business of importance adjourned until Monday morning at 9:304

Woman's Missionary Society.

The Woman's Missionary Society still continues to be a potent and vital factor in church life, and not a more interesting or interested group could be found than those members of the Study Circle who partook of the hospitalities of Mrs. D. C. High at her home on last Monday afternoon.

A bible reading from the 12th chapter of Romans begun the programme after which Mrs. Turner announced that the portion of the book including "The Sacred Books of the Mormons" would be the theme for the afternoon, and each member would be expected to advance some idea on the subject. Most of them were in a responsive mood, and as the absurdities and fallacies of the Mormon religion were reviewed and expesed, with the atrocites of its founders and exponents, there was no waning of interest on the subject.

The Study Circle usually shows its capacity for doing things, and no more so than on this occasion, not only in the thorough dissection of the afternoon's lesson, but in the adroitness with which they disposed of the delicious refreshments.

The next Study Circle will be held with Mrs. A. D. Wilcox on Monday, Feb. 28th.

House Burns.

News reached here Monday to the effect that the residence of Mr. D. D. Pearce, near Pearce School house in Dunns township, was burned on Sunday night. The fire was first discovered in the attic and no idea is entertained as to how it caught. Practically everything was lost, which is estimated at about \$3500.00. Mr. and Mrs. Pearce were on a visit to Petersburg. Va., at the time and only three of the boys were at home.

List of Letters.

The following is a list of letters renaining in the Post Office at Louis burg, N. C., not called for Feb. 25th 1915.

Mr. H. N. Fuller, Mrs. Bessie Graham, Miss Maggie Hayes, Mr. Green W. Pearce, Miss Sallie Richard son. (2) Persons calling for the above letters will please state that they saw them

R. H. DAVIS, P. M.

Earthquake Shocks.

Many towns in North Carolina including Raleigh, Wilmington, Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston - Salem and Asheville, felt two distinct earthquake shocks on Monday evening. Asheville seemed to have received the greatest shock in this state. Atlanta reports heavy shocks within a radius of 100 miles around. Quite a lot of excitement was stirred in many places.

Entertainment at Laurel.

We are requested to state that there will be an entertainment given at Laurel School for the benefit of the school fund on Saturday night, March 4th, 1916. The public is especially urg ed to attend. Admission 15 and 25c.

Square Dance.

We are requested to state that there will be an old time Square Dance in Louisburg on Friday night, March 3rd. 1916 conducted by Mr. D. C. Alston, of Inez. All wishing to dance are requested to be present.

Old Rivals Meet Wednesday Night. Franklinton and Louisburg will to furnish any information we can in

EDITORIAL

BICKETT

Some time between this and a little later, North Carolina is going to say whom she wants for her next Governor. Judging from the press reports the state over; from what the unally well informed political leaders of the different sections say; from the general feeling abroad in the land, she has already decided in her own mind.

If T. W. Bickett is not the next governor, the signs have all failed. A rabbit crossing the road wouldn't mean anything from this out. Nobody would care any more whether the ground hog saw his shadow or not. It's Bickett or the signs have failed.—All of them.

And incidentally this isn't a band-wagon utterance either. We came to know Bickett personally four years as. That was when we lined up. Not that we knew then exactly what Bickett would be for. All that we knew at that time was that we were for him for what ever. Everybody who knows him is.

body who knews him is.

He is probably best known, at large, at the state's foremost orator. He is also a lawyer of the highest type and class. Without under estimating his attainments in these respects, it can still be said that they do not comprehend him. He is a little too broad and a little too inclusive to besummoned up so easily. The outstanding, over-mastering fact when the proportion is a little too inclusive to besummoned up so easily. fact about him remains his person ality.

In sympathy he is as broad as all out-doors. His very countenance radiates good nature, good humor and a benevolent feeling toward every thing. Figuratively speaking he has a heart about the size of a

Constitutionally shorn of the veto the office of Governor of North Carolina is not one of tremendous power. To be really effective, the governor must have the backing of a powerful machine or a powerful personality.

Bicket gets his on what he has with him; not on what he has be

GE COUNTY OBSERVER.

for this season next Wednesday night strip in the Farmers Union Warehouse The teams are well matched as shown by the fact that each has won a game from the other. Both sides are determined to win the final game and those present will witness one of the hardest fought games ever played in the county. It is hoped that a large crowd will come out to the game and help the Louisburg boys win. The team needs your support. Don't fail to be hand and see your boys win.

In order to help bear the expenses of the game a small admission of 10c will be charged the men, ladies free

FARM DEMONSTRATION

Now while the weather is wet and cold, is a good time to make a clover seed stripper, so that there will be no time lost when the seed are ready to

There is no cheaper way to improve land than by growing clover. We can also, at the same time, while improving the land, be growing profitable crops each year. So what the farmers of this county need to do is to save their own seed, so that they can sow this clover at the proper time Home grown seed always gives a much better stand, than seed bought from some seed house. Sowing at exactly the right time always means a good stand of clover, while one or two days later might mean a failure. So the farmer who saves his own seed has them on hand and can therefore sow at the right time.

The indications are that clover seed will again be high this year. This large expenditure of money each fall. when money is scarce, should not be able for the growing crops. continued from year to year, since such simple and economical means of saving seed have been devised.

Every former who is growing clover should arrange to save seed enough for planting a large acreage for himself this fall, and should also save some to sell to his neighbors. This he can easily do by making a clover seed stripper. This stripper is fully described in Farmer's Bulletin, No. 6446, which we have sent out to a number of farmers all over the county We will be glad to send a copy of this bulletin to anyone who has not already received one.

The farmer who has a heavy crop of clover to turn to the land this spring need not worry about the high price of commercial fertilizers, and the farmer that hasn't any clover to turn under should have and should start right now to make preparation to save all the seed he is likely to need this

A number of farmers in this county made these clover seed strippers last year and were well pleased with the work they did. We shall be glad meet in the final game of basket ball regard to making these clover seed

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potash situation has not as yet
ed any. We have not and canan hope to get any potash from cally our only source of potash either from tobacco scrap, wood ashes or cotton seed meal. The tobacco farmer who buys this ready mixed commercial fertilizers with the expectation of getting sulphate of potash, is going to be disappointed. Even if we could get this potash, at the present high price, we could not afford to use it.

Below we save giving a formula which the Department of Agriculture recommends for tobacco in this sec-

1200 pounds of ground limestone or marl, 400 pounds of 16 per cent acid phosphate, 350 pounds of cotton seed meal and 50 pounds of nitrate of sode. any other material carrying an equal amount of nitrogen may be substituted for the cotton seed meal such as dried blood, fish scrap and so on.

A good formula for cotton and corn would be as follows:

1000 pounds of ground limestone, 400 pounds of 16 per cent acid phosphate and 200 pounds cotton seed

For best results we would put this amount may be increased or decreased according to the varying fertility of the soil,

In addition to supplying an essential plant food in itself, the lime will react with the insoluble potash, phosphate and nitrogen of the soil and render a portion of these elements avail-

The farmers of this county must go to work and make their soils rich by growing and turning back to the land legume crops, small grain, peas, beans and by raising livestock. In this way the farmers will be independent of the fertilizer manufacturers. It is the general opinion of a large per cent of the farmers that high priced fertilizers is going to prove a blessing to the farmers. If it has the effect of causing the farmers to grow more clover, vetch, peas, beans, and winter cover crops of all kind, and then too will encourage them to raise more livestock on the farms, it will then indeed be a blessing to them.

Farmers Union.

There will be a meeting of the Franklin County Organization of the Farmers Union in the Court House, in Louisburg, Thursday, March 2nd, 1916. Each local is urgently requested to appoint delegates at their next meeting to represent them at the County

T. J. HARRIS, Pres J. C. JONES, Sec'y.

growing scarcity of copper may som day put a premium on the little devils TUESDAY AFTENOON BOOK CLUB.

Entertained by Miss Sallie Williams. Miss Sallie Williams was hostess to the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club on Tuesday afternoon at Dr. A. H. Fleming's on Church Street. That day being Washington's Birthday, the spirit of the occasion was appropriately carried out in various ways. The souvenirs were flags, little glass canes filled with candy, and paper George Washington caps.

Thomas A. Edison was the subject discussed at this meeting. The program included a "Sketch of the life of Thomas A. Edison," by Miss Sallie Williams; a paper, "What Electricity Means to Us," Mrs. W. E. White; "Thomas A, Edison and the Navy, Mrs. W. R. Mills; and "The Triumphs of Edison," by Mrs. J. R. Collie.

A large number of the regular members were present besides several guests: Mesdames Walter Gilmore, George Cralle, W. P. Neal, Atwood Newell, Hodge Newell, Glenn Crowell, Misses Loraine and Burdette Joyner.

Refreshments consisted of a salad course, cream and coffee. The next meeting will be two weeks hence at the home of Mrs. W. E. Uzzell.

GOING AND COMING '-

Mr. A. J. Harris, of Henderson, was visitor to Louisburg Tuesday.

Mr. T. B. Wilder, of Aberdeen, was visitor to Louisburg the past week. Mr. P. J. Brown, of Petersbburg, Va.,

visited his people here the past week. Mr. Frank Roth returned from a trip to Philadelphia one day the past week.

Mr. Howard Rose, of Rocky Mount, was a visitor to Louisburg the past

Mr. Newman Strickland, of Rocky Messrs. J.C. and G. A. Kittrell, of

Henderson, were visitors to Louisburg Monday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tucker, of Washington, N. C., visited relatives in town

the past week. Mrs. Frank Roth left Tuesday for

New York and Philadelphia to purchase spring goods. Mr. E. S. Ford went to Richmond

Tuesday to purchase horses and mules for G. W .Ford & Son. Mr. W. N. Fuller and wife and Mes-

srs. James King and F. J. Beasley went to Raleigh Tuesday. Misses Kate and Lillian High and Miss Lossie Cooke visited Mrs. C. R.

Church at Raleigh the past week. Messrs, J. A. Turner, G. L. Crowell. W. D. Fuller, N .B. Allsbrook and Dr. A. H. Fleming went to Raleigh Tues-

Mrs. Reuben Faucett, son and two daughters, of Whitakers, visited her sister Mrs. J. T. Clay, near town the past week.

Mr. G. B. Rice, who has been with the Franklin Times for nearly two Car Runs OverArm Which has to be years left Tuesday to take a position in Raleigh.

Miss Mary Bunting, of Louisburg College, and Miss Mary Sherrod, of of the Seaboard Air Line on Wednes-Katesvile, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Bertha Neal at Centerville.

Ricks went over to Henderson Tueslocal Military Company of that place.

Mrs. S. C. Holden left Monday for Raleigh, where she will enter Rex Hospital for treatment. She was accompanied by her husband, Mr. S. C.

Schloss Items.

Mr. Edward Alston, Jr., of Bunn High School, is visiting his home peo-

Miss Myrta Alston is on an extended visit to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Speeds. We miss her presence very much.

The farming people have started to work in earnest around here and big crops are looked for.

Mr. Julian Alston and Miss Ella May Nixon went to Shady Grove to church last Sunday. Mr. D. C. Alston, of Inez, is again

visiting in this neighborhood, he must be in love as we can very clearly see "The Handwriting on the Wall." Mr. A. A. Davis and Mr. J. C Powe!!

had a very exciting Fox chase not long since capturing Reynard up a tree. A very pleasant game of Rook was participated in at Mr. E. T. Alston's last night by Mr. J. M. and D. C. AlA GOOD WOMAN PASSES.

Mrs. D. E. Best Succumbs at Her Home Near Mapleville, on Tuesday Afternoon-Funeral held Wednes-

Mrs. D. E. Best, wife of one of Franklin's most beloved and highly respected citizens, died Tuesday afternoon at the family residence near Mapleville, about six miles east of Louisburg, in the sixty-eighth year of her age. She had been practically an invalid for many years, but not until Thursday of last week was her condition considered critical.

Her life was a path marked with deeds of kindness and cheer. Flowers not thorns, sunshine, not shadow, did she scatter everywhere. With these she was lavish. Truth was the inspiration of her life and by kindness she exemplified its great worth. Was not her life of God-likeness.

Let us, if possible, gather up the elements of the life of the departed one and weave of them into a picture for the walls of memory. The book of life was opened and a new name was written therein by the hand of love. Soon would the unfolding beauties of spring time have charmed her coming. Goday the eternal spring time with everlasting glories belongs to her. Her life was a rare jewel, her spirkt as gold refined in the fire, ready for heaven. Mother is gone from her earthly home.

The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon st 2 o'clock at Maple Springs Baptist church, of which she was a devoted member, in the presence of a very large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. Rev. George M. Duke, her pastor, comducting the services, during which he paid many beautiful and fitting tributes to the deceased. The inter-

ctery at Louisburg, where also gathered a large number of friends of the family to pay a last sad tribute. During the interment a choir sweetly sang several beautiful and impressive selections. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Clyde Harris, John Harris, J. L Palmer, Roy Jackson, W. D. Jackson, and W. E. Uzzell. The floral tribute was large and beautiful and spoke beautifully the silent messages of love.

Mrs. Best was the last of a large family of children, having been preceded to the grave by her brother, Alfred .W .Jackson, six weeks ago. Besides her husband, Donald E. Pest, and three children, Miss Mary Best and Mr. John H. Best, of Mapleville, and Prof. E. L. Best, of Louisburg, county school superintendent, she leaves a large and prominent family connection, who feel her loss, very keenly.

MAN STRUCK-BY LOUISBURG TRAIN.

John Dickens, an old colored citizen, who was on the switching yards day morning while the train was deing its shifting after the early morn-Capt. S. P. Boddie and Lieut. G. A. ing trip, was knocked down by a car and his right arm run over by the day night to attend a banquet by the trucks. Dr. Malone, the railway surgeon, was called in and being assisted by Dr. R. F. Yarborough amputated his arm and dressed the wound on his head which appeared to be only a flesh wound.

It seems that the train had cut loose from some cars and was making, as we could understand it, a flying switch. Dickens seeing the engine coming down one track stepped over to the other to get out of the way and got too near to the others, thereby being struck. The accident occurred just below the clearance point of the main side track switch.

At last reports the injured was do-

ing as well as could be expected. LATER.-John Dickens, who as stated above was the victim of a railroad accident in Louisburg Wednesday morning died from his injuries yesterday morning. He was about 86 years old.

It costs from \$1 to \$5 to see a good show. And it costs nothing to hear a better sermon right in this town Trot along!

Tell every stranger you meet that stn, Misses Nixon and Mary Alston. this is a good town. In time you may MORE ANON.