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## LOUISBURG COLLEGE FINALS

### TWENTY-SEVEN YOUNG LADIES IN GRADUATING CLASS

Dr. S. B. Turrentine Preaches Baccalaureate and Y. W. C. A. Sermons—Each of the Exercises of a High Order—Many Attend—Hon. E. W. Poul Detained Account Illness.

The commencement exercises of Louisburg College opened with a recital by the junior pupils of Misses Adams, Stanbury and Hall in the department of piano, of Miss Petty in voice and of Miss Rentz in expression. First on the program was a quartet "Awakening of the Birds" rendered by four of the youngest pupils, Misses Mary Munden, Virginia Beck, Olivia McKinne and Hattie Williams. These little girls did well and their performance was received with hearty applause by the audience.

Instrumental solos were played by Misses Blanche Hatten, Virginia Beck, Hattie Williams, Mary Munden, Louise Reavis, Lois Crawley, Goldie Morrisette and Temple Williams.

Each soloist rendered her selection entirely from memory and the accuracy and correctness with which these little classics were presented bespeaks careful training on the part of the teachers and faithful work by the pupils.

Two vocal solos held place on the program "Lullaby Low" sung by Miss Nollie Hunt and "Wait for the Roses" by Miss Elizabeth Kittrell. The accompaniments were played by Misses Crowell, one of the piano graduates who also took part in a piano duet with Miss Edyth Guffy.

Two other piano duets were played, a Galop from Holst by Misses Goldie Morrisette and Lois Guffy; and Pizzicati from Sylvia by Misses Pauline Eason and Josephine Bandy.

Further variety and charm were added to the afternoon's entertainment by the introduction of several humorous readings, Eugene Field's poem "Seen Things at Night" was well rendered by Miss Lucille Jennings. Miss Louise Egerton entertained the company by her rendition of "Jimmie Brown's Sister's Wedding." "Uncle Willie's Cannibals" recited by Miss Pauline Pearson was also greatly appreciated.

The exercises closed with a chorus from Santa Lucia by the Glee Club.

At the close of the Junior Recital everyone was invited to inspect the art exhibit which was tastefully displayed in the library on the first floor.

The art class is under the direction of Miss Burdette Joyner. The Art Exhibit has always been an important feature of commencement, but the display this year surpasses all former exhibits both in number of pieces exhibited, the variety of subjects and the excellence of the work.

The center of the room was occupied by long tables on which were arranged the exhibits of Misses Susie Benton, Margaret Morgan and Alma Scull in Kindergarten work of the Frang Course. A little kitchen made by Miss Scull was especially attractive.

The work of the two graduates in the department of art, Miss Frances Smithwick and Ellis Credle were especially meritorious. A study from nature of the college well with a background of blossoming peach trees made by Miss Credle attracted a good deal of attention. So also did two portraits from life made by the same young lady. These were really remarkable portraits for a student so young and with no more experience than Miss Credle has had.

Many favorable comments were passed on the large screens painted by Misses Rhoda Winstead, Sara Towe and Frances Smithwick. A Japanese scene by Miss Nollie Hunt and an Indian picture by Miss Katherine Pleasants deserve especial mention. Other pictures which seemed especially to delight the observers were Miss Foy's Windmill, Miss Harwell's Stag; a pastoral scene by Miss Gladie Parker and marine pieces by Misses Lois Guffy and Margaret Ledbetter. Limited time and space forbade that every individual picture receive particular mention but there were many others which gave much pleasure to the eyes of the beholders.

The climax of the whole exhibit, however was in the large and beautiful array of hand-painted china. This was arranged to the best advantage and was really wonderful. Especially beautiful were the pink set painted by Miss Frances Smithwick, also one in gold with the initial in gold by the same hand; a breakfast set by Mrs. Stuart Davis; a salad set by Miss Lizzie Stuart, a gold and silver set by Miss Stanbury; a breakfast set by Miss Glandora Hardison; a set striped with blue by Miss Lois Guffy and a pink set by Miss Nell Jones, a tea set by Max Allen; and many beautiful odd pieces besides.

Much faithful work was shown in the scrap-books made by the graduates Misses Credle and Smithwick. These gave some of the greatest articles of all ages with many beautiful copies of their masterpieces. A unique feature of the 1922 Commencement was the luncheon given by the senior class teachers, Misses Lane and Harwell Tuesday afternoon. The

luncheon was served at the Franklin Hotel and covers were laid for twenty-nine. The decorations were snapdragons and sweet-peas.

The dainty hand-painted place cards in booklet form on being opened disclosed the program of toasts and the menu. The menu was served in courses and was as follows: Fruit cocktail, omelet, queen olives, spring chicken broiled, mashed potatoes, peas in patties, asparagus on toast, tomatoes, hearts of lettuce, and strawberries.

Miss Harwell acted as toast mistress Miss Lane proposed a toast to the class of 1922, to which response was made by Miss Sara Towe, class president.

Miss Mary Towe proposed an impromptu toast to "Our Trial and Tribulations" responded to by Miss Janie Bolton.

In response to the toast "Alma Mater" proposed by Miss Franca Ledbetter, class and teachers sang the college song "Alma Mater."

Tuesday evening May sixteenth a tremendous down pour of rain at 7:30 the hour appointed for out of door class day exercises caused a deviation from the published schedule and the annual commencement concert in the college chapel was given first.

As opening number the Glee Club sang a chorus from Dvorak, "The Will-Bet." The Glee Club also rendered the closing number on the program "Merry June" by Vincent. The voices which were well blended gave distinct pleasure to the large audience which had braved the bad weather in order to be present.

A duo "Valse Caprice" played by Misses Julia Daniels and Susie Crowell was meritorious throughout. Another duo further on in the program Mozowski's "Serenata" was played by Misses Nellie Newbern and Oma Bliss Lewis with delicacy and beauty. Low's "Brilliant Walzer" also a duo, was rendered in a vigorous and virile style by Misses Sara Towe and Ellis Credle.

A double duet, vocal, "Merry Zingarellas" by Misses Maude Ashley, Janie Bolton, Bettie Holden and Willie Pleasants was especially pleasing.

A monologue, "Daisy's Music Practice Hour" by Miss Anna Gray Watson was received with enthusiastic applause by the audience. The piece was originally scheduled for the junior concert Saturday afternoon, but as little Miss Watson was ill at that time one of the more advanced pupils exchanged places with her.

Two other humorous readings during the evening afforded much amusement: "Aunt Jane's Visit to the City" by Miss Sara Johnson and "A Christian Soldier" by Miss Rhoda Winstead. The latter was a monologue of a very bad little boy at Sunday School.

A piano duet "Marche Militaire" was ably presented by Misses Ana Woods and Clara Greene; another "Polonaise" by Dvorak was played with style and good judgment by Misses Oma Bliss Lewis and Pauline Eason.

Miss Josephine Bandy gave a voice solo "Jean" which was exquisite in tonal quality and vocal control.

Miss Lucille Holden contributed an instrumental solo "La Polka de la Reine" with rare finish and artistic understanding.

The entire program revealed much excellent work and demonstrated the high standard in music that Louisburg College is maintaining among its students.

At the close of the concert Mr. Massey announced that "the first should be last and the last should be first" and invited the audience down to the front of the building to witness the class day exercises which would be presented from the front steps.

The exercises were introduced with a torch light procession in which the seniors alternating with their sister Sophomores who each bore a lighted torch marched in two long lines from each side of the building around the heart passing each other at the lower end and back on opposite sides, singing all the while the college song "Alma Mater."

On their return from the march the seniors, taking their places on the steps sang their class song "The class of nineteen twenty-two."

Miss Frances Ledbetter welcomed the audience in the salutatory address. After the salutatory the class sang "Just a Song at Parting."

The class history was read by Miss Janie Bolton; poems by Miss Ellis Credle; and Class prophecy by Miss Mary Towe. The prophecy and the illustrations were especially enjoyed. As the prophets read the future of each class member an undergraduate student came out on the porch at the rear of the class, costumed to represent the future thus presented. According to Miss Towe's prophecy the future of the class includes every calling in life, teachers, doctors, lawyers, circus riders, waitresses, scrub women, etc.

Miss Eugenia Pittman read "The Last Will and Testament of the Class of 1922." After many humorous bequests to various members of the faculty and student body Miss Pittman presented the class gift, a handsome hall suite for the front hall.

Miss Oma Bliss Lewis in the valedictory address officially bade farewell to all in the name of the class of 1922.

The class followed the valedictory with the song "Goodbye Girls." The president of the Senior Class taking off her cap and gown bestowed it upon the Junior class president and

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## "A STRANGER IN HIS DISTRICT"

SAYS MR. PERSON OF MR. POU IN A SPEECH TO QUITE A BIG NUMBER OF PEOPLE HERE MONDAY—SPEAKER INTRODUCED BY MR. W. W. HOLMES.

To a Court House full of people here on Monday at the noon recess of Court Hon. W. M. Person made his first speech to our people in his Congressional race against Hon. E. W. Poul, the present representative from the fourth Congressional District. The speaker was introduced by Mr. Wiley W. Holmes who characterized him as one of North Carolina's biggest men. Addressing himself to his hearers as fellow citizen, fellow taxpayer and visiting candidate from adjoining counties, Mr. Person entered upon a speech that was well taken by those who heard him from the repeating outbreaks of applause. He said the question of taxation was the greatest question confronting the people of North Carolina, from an economical and educational standpoint as well as political. He said the laws passed by the legislature placed the burden upon the land owners in both country and town and beseeched the most careful selection of the men to represent the counties and districts in the coming legislature. He referred to Mr. Poul by stating that "My opponent made the keynote speech at the State Democratic Convention in which he said taxes would be greater and advised any man in North Carolina who is not in favor of high taxes to go to the republican party." The speaker said he would not accept the invitation that he was a Democrat long before Mr. Poul, that he had never scratched a ticket and expected to remain a Democrat. He charged that his opponent was in favor of Corporations. The speaker stated that he wanted to see every dollar in North Carolina pay the same tax by lifting the burden from the home owner and placing a part of the tax on the corporations, stocks and bonds. Referring to his investigations before starting his suit against the Tax Commission he said he found 4,500 corporations that were almost tax free. He read advertisement from the News-Observer of tax free securities advising the purchase before May first to escape taxes. "I am not speaking of this to complain but as a matter of justice to you" said the speaker.

He stated that there was two classes of people in North Carolina—the tax payer and the tax spender, and that one man out of every ten was supported by the taxpayers all of the latter being opposed to him because he believed in reducing salaries, and that when a man had served twenty-two years in office he had completed his usefulness. He said that his opponents holding office had become a national joke, and that he was treating his office as a private snap rather than a public trust. Mr. Person said he had been reliably informed that Mr. Poul had put every member of his family on the public pay roll and that he had educated his four children at the public expense. He characterized Mr. Poul as a cliff dweller, in Washington, a stranger in his own district who returns like the prodigal son every two years to ask for his re-election, after which he is not heard from until a few flower and garden seeds begin to flow before another campaign. He said Mr. Poul was solicitor of the Raleigh district for twelve years before going to Congress making thirty-four years he has been maintained by the public treasury. "Who stands for Poul" asked the speaker to answer it in the next voice by saying it was the big Moneyed interests, corporations and office holders, who had said "they would beat me if it costs \$50,000.00." He said they were better organized than he, Mr. Poul. If elected to succeed Mr. Poul he would unmask the extravagance of the United States. He stated that corporations owned 55 per cent of the property of North Carolina which amount contributed absolutely nothing to schools, roads and local improvements. He said there was \$500,000,000 worth of stocks in North Carolina that were on the tax books at \$17,000,000. Bringing his illustrations nearer home he read a letter from the State Auditor stating that there was \$1,000,000 of stock listed for taxation upon which \$15,000 tax was levied, while in Franklin County there was \$16,000,000 worth of real and personal property that was assessed \$286,000.00.

He stated that the people of North Carolina demanded relief or there would be rebellion from the rule of the pin headed politicians. Referring to local matters he said the postoffice at Louisburg had been divided into three parts with Poul's consent and one of the parts was republican. Referring again to his tax suit he said the people of the State would watch the Supreme Court in its decision of the tax question, and would watch the lower court next week. "No man in Franklin County who votes for Ed Poul can ever have a right to complain of high taxes," said Mr. Person.

Mr. Person concluded his speech by saying that all who believed in low taxes, equalization of the burden of taxation and equal rights to all would vote for him whether they liked him or not. His speech was filled with humor

## KENTUCKY FARMERS SATISFIED

RECEIVES ALMOST THREE TIMES FORMER PRICES

Opposition Rapidly Melting Away Were Among The Many Facts Presented The Farmers Tuesday by Mr. Merrill.

The meeting of the Tobacco growers in the Court House Tuesday at the noon recess of Court, proved to be most interesting and enthusiastic. Mr. L. V. Merrill, Jr., Field Manager for this district for the Association, after being introduced by Representative J. B. King, made a most interesting talk to the many present where he stated that the Association in Kentucky had met with the greatest success. He said the Association was selling tobacco for 27 cents average and expected to raise the price in the near future due to the shortness of the crop. That the farmers received 9 cents a pound average on delivery would receive 9 cents more on May 20th, and still more when the crop was sold. He said that the farmer in Kentucky sold his 1920 crop for an average of 10 1-2 cents which shows the advantage of the Association and that upon the strength of its success 9000 growers had voluntarily joined the Association since the market opened. He stated that 98 per cent of the banks in Kentucky were endorsing Co-operative Marketing. Referring to Wilson he said the opposition was weakening to such an extent that one of the biggest banks there, headed by some of the biggest tobacco men were seeking the business of the Association. That the Association had 75 to 80 per cent of the Warehousemen of the State and the Association was headed with the biggest, soundest and best business men in the South. He introduced Mr. E. D. McDowell, a former member of Monk Adams & Co. Tobacco speculators of Wilson, who has gone with the Cooperative Marketing. Mr. McDowell stated that he was born a farmer, had lived on the farm until he had found he could not make a living on account of not being treated fairly in the sale of his produce and left to enter tobacco business. He had been with the biggest tobacco companies, had run warehouses and had been a member of a big Speculating Company. He realized the farmer was not getting a square deal and saw that the principles of the Association were right and he decided to cast his lot with the farmer as he knew there was no power that could hinder their success. He told his hearers that no wonder the big Warehousemen who had grown enormously rich at the expense of the farmer didn't want to give up his fountain of wealth.

Mr. W. M. Person responded to an invitation to speak and said that the man who stands in the way of this great movement, whether he be an independent warehouseman or farmer, would not only be overwhelmed but would be drowned in the great waves of success. He said the farmers now have two trusts—one in God and one in Cooperative Marketing. The meeting was a most enthusiastic one and much enjoyed by all present, and will, no doubt, mean much in the final drive for a 90 per cent sign up in Franklin County which is now on.

## KU KLUX VISITS LOUISBURG

Quite a lot of excitement was created on the streets of Louisburg Saturday night at about 11 o'clock when an automobile containing several men passed through the streets at a rapid pace and was shot at by Messrs. C. C. Hudson and J. C. Tucker, the occupants returning the fire. No injury or damage was done that has been ascertained. It seems that the trouble grew out of a car, resembling this one, passed through town earlier in the night and stopped at Mr. R. W. Hudson's garage grabbing him, putting him in the car and driving off with him. It was said they were members of the Ku Klux, and the car that was shot at was supposed to be the same car and occupants. Mr. Hudson came back to town a little later and said that he was treated very nicely by the party.

Another part of the excitement was when Mr. C. T. Hudson, brother of Mr. R. W. Hudson, who was, so we learn on his way to run down the party, ran into an embankment and tree near Mr. J. W. King's while escaping a car on his way in town and doing much damage to his car. Everything quieted down soon after and the town is quiet after the excitement, except for the fact that it is supposed that it was a visit from the K. K. K.

## KILLS EAGLE

Information reaching Louisburg the past week says that Mr. J. Peyton Gupton of near Red Bud, killed an eagle on Saturday, May 6th, that measured over seven feet from tip to tip, and was properly mixed to keep his hearers in fine spirits for the hour that he told them of his efforts in their behalf and why they should support him for Congress, and his speech was enjoyed by quite a large number.

## MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

Franklin Memorial Association Arranging For Biggest Occasion of Its Kind Ever Held in Franklin County.

The joint action of the several committees of the Franklin Memorial Association, which is bending its every effort to celebrate Memorial Day—May 30th—with the biggest and most elaborate programs ever produced in Franklin County has given out the following tentative program for the occasion. It will be of great interest to our many readers to know that Col. Albert L. Cox, of the 113th Field Artillery, has been secured as speaker. In addition it is being planned to serve dinner to the soldiers, ex-servicemen and Confederate Veterans and it is hoped to have a big basket picnic for all who visit Louisburg on that day. Everybody will be asked to prepare a basket of eats and bring with them and take a day to do honor to the boys who died for you. All those who can or desire to contribute any article or money toward providing the dinner for the soldiers will please send same to Mrs. R. C. Beck, Louisburg, N. C.

The flowers committee, Mrs. M. S. Clifton, Chairman, will be glad to hear from all who will contribute flowers with which to decorate the graves. Don't wait to be asked but write or see her at office.

The program as worked out follows:

The Parade will form on South Main St. from the Depot Hill to Perry St. and to Kenmore Ave. at 10:30 A. M. Parade to move at 11 o'clock.

Order of Parade  
1. Automobiles. Capt. R. E. Underwood, Chief Marshal; Capt. H. W. Perry, Commander of Troops; Mr. P. J. Brown, Commander American Legion.

2. Band.  
3. In Automobiles, Confederate Veterans under Command of Genl. P. G. Alston.

4. American Legionnaires and all ex-servicemen under command of Capt. S. E. Winston.

5. Hdq. Det. and Combat Train 117th, F. A. under command of 1st Lieut. F. J. Timberlake.

6. Battery B 117th, F. A. under command of 1st Lieut. T. C. Alston.

7. Automobiles containing speakers and members Memorial Association.

8. All civic and other organizations and all who wish to join in the parade.

The parade will march to the College campus and the speaking will be from the first landing on the steps. All members of Franklin County Memorial Association especially the Chairmen of all committees will follow the speaker and take places on the steps behind the speaker.

Program  
America—Led by Music Committee.  
Invocation—Rev. G. F. Smith.  
Address of Welcome—Mayor L. L. Joyner.

Music—Band.  
Service Record Franklin Heroes—Capt. Geo. L. Cooke.

Music, Overthere—Band.  
Introductory—Maj. S. P. Boddie.  
Memorial Address—Col. Albert L. Cox, 113th Field Artillery.

Star Spangled Banner—Band.  
Comrade Rest—Music Committee.  
Dinner.

The Committees from the Memorial Association will gather at the Court House so they can leave for their several appointments at 3 o'clock. The appointments are as follows:

Committee No. 1. Capt. R. E. Underwood, Chairman, will decorate the graves of Nowell at residence, Cates at Flat Rock, Pearce at Oak Level.

Committee No. 2. Capt. Geo. L. Cooke, Chairman, will decorate the graves of Cooke, Cheatham and Henry at cemetery at Franklinton.

Committee No. 3. T. W. Ruffin, Chairman, will decorate the grave of Norman Wilder at residence.

Committee No. 4. Mrs. W. E. White, Chairman, will decorate the graves of Strickland at Mt. Gilead, Insoce at residence, Joyner at Gupton family cemetery, Tharrington at Mr. Zlon.

Committee No. 5. F. B. McKinne, Chairman, will decorate the graves of Macon and Wilson at Trinity, Foster at Weldon's family cemetery.

Committee No. 6. E. H. Malone, Chairman, will decorate the graves of Neal, cemetery; Burnette, at residence; Pernel at residence.

It is desired that each Committee be composed of at least the following: Minister, two members of the Music Committee and one member of the Flowers committee. The service at each grave in so far as practical will be prayer, song, and the decoration.

The committees will arrive at the graves as near 4 o'clock as can conveniently be arranged by leaving Louisburg at 3 o'clock. They will be visited in the order given.

## MRS. PLEASANTS ENTERTAINS

Mrs. W. H. Pleasants, Jr. entertained at dinner on May 15 from 2 to 5 in honor of Miss Maude Ashley. The following guests were her friends of the graduating class: Misses Frances Ledbetter, Lucille Holden, Willie Pleasants, Rhoda Winstead and Goldie Morrisette.

Mrs. Henry Matthews, of Richmond, Va., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parrish, near town.

## CHEATHAM STEMS

MERRY BURNS

DIG FIRE IN LOUISBURG SATURDAY NIGHT

Loss Estimated Around \$125,000.00 Mostly Insured—Origin Thought to Be Incendiary.

Possibly one of the largest fires, certainly from the standpoint of blaze, that has visited this section in some time was when the Cheatham Steams and some adjoining buildings were burned Saturday night. The fire was discovered about 11:30 o'clock and soon spread to where it was impossible to control same and made it difficult for the fire department with all their heroic work and that of many citizens to save the nearby buildings. The Steams was possibly the largest, wooden structure in this part of the State. It is estimated that the loss of the building and machinery, which was total, would amount to around \$75,000 to \$85,000 and a lot of tobacco estimated at about 100,000 pounds was lost. In addition the hoghead ship and a lot of material was lost. All of this except the hoghead material was insured. A big lot of material that had been cut on the lot adjoining and which was on the ground for curing was consumed by the flames. This property belonged to the J. P. Taylor Co., of Henderson.

In addition the Allen Machine Co. suffered a damage to building of about \$1,500 with insurance of \$1,000, and to machinery about \$1,000 insured.

Alex McKnight, a blacksmith suffered a loss of about \$100 with no insurance.

The Town of Louisburg had a line damage to electric plant of about \$500.

The Home Telephone Co., lost a piece of cable by melting.

Although the fire was one of the largest we have had and was seen afar off, the firemen and assistants deserve much commendation for their efforts in saving the spread, which would have been fatal, if the flames had been allowed to reach nearby property.

## BRO. MASSEY HAS RESIGNED

Prof. A. W. Mohn Succeeds Him As President of Louisburg College.

The following article by Rev. A. D. Wilcox, was taken from the Christian Advocate, and brings a message of sadness and regret to the people of Louisburg. Rev. and Mrs. Massey have hosts of friends in Louisburg who will regret to know that they will not be with the College another year. At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of Louisburg College the board received with regret the resignation of Rev. A. S. Massey, president of the college. Brother Massey took up this work upon retiring from the office of the Advocate and has already done a marvelous bit of work for the school. Upon a convincing statement of his desire and intention to retire from the presidency of the school as soon as a proper successor could be obtained, the board released him and elected Prof. A. W. Mohn, president of Sue-Bennett Memorial School, London, Kentucky, to succeed him.

Prof. Mohn was born in Huntsville, Ohio, February 11, 1883. His father is a Methodist minister, superannuated, and a member of the Northeastern Ohio Conference. Mr. Mohn was educated in the public schools of Ohio. His higher education was obtained in Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, one year, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, four years. From this school he graduated in 1906, degree B. L. He took the degree of M. A. in the University of Chicago 1915-17. He taught in the Ohio public schools; was later professor in Sue-Bennett Memorial School, London, Ky., 1906-08, president of Hargrove Institute, Key West, Fla., 1908-17, president of Sue-Bennett Memorial School, London Ky., 1917-22. All of these schools are operated by the Woman's Council of the Board of Missions of the Southern Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Mohn have been members of the Methodist church for fifteen years.

Prof. Mohn is a man of exceptional equipment and personality. I held a revival meeting in his school last year and later went on a camping trip with him and his family and members of his faculty.

Mrs. Mohn is a fine musician in both instrumental and vocal work. She is the daughter of an Ohio physician and is also a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University with the B. L. degree and Ohio Wesleyan Conservatory of Music. She has been teaching vocal music for ten years.

She is an accomplished church singer and has been choir director for six years. The trustees of Louisburg College feel that they are very fortunate in securing such a competent man with such a helper. Mr. Mohn will take up his work at Louisburg on the first of July.

A. D. Wilcox.

Messrs. F. W. Hicks, A. A. Clifton, F. A. Roth, C. A. Ragland, F. J. Reasley, W. B. Barrow and Hugh Wilson left Wednesday for Kingston to attend a meeting of the Shrine.