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CELEBRATES ARMISTICE DAY

LARGE CROWD ATTEND CEREMONIES

Each of the Actors Did Well Their Parts—A Beautiful and Impressive Occasion.

Last Saturday marked the fourth anniversary of the laying down of arms in the great war and all the allied world was gathering in circles large and small to celebrate that glad day and to do honor to our beloved heroes "Lest we Forget."

On Flanders Field the spirits of those who threw the torch must hover round those who lifted it high, and even tho' they sleep they must, each year, on Nov. 11th, be near their comrades because they kept the faith.

One cannot doubt that the American Legion Auxiliary of Louisburg has kept faith and the large audience which assembled in the Farmer's Union Warehouse to join in the celebration bespoke the loyalty, the sympathy and the love of our own country of these present.

The splendid program was planned by Mrs. G. A. Ricks and carried out with the assistance of the Louisburg A. L. A. members of various schools in the county and others. It consisted of patriotic songs, pantomimes and tableaux with appropriate musical accompaniment. Mrs. A. W. Cooke capably directed the music.

Several instrumental numbers were rendered by the orchestra while the audience was assembling. The orchestra was composed of Miss Ruth Hall, pianist, Dr. Johnson and Mr. Berkley, clarinists, and Mr. Gupton, of Henderson, drummer. In addition to these Mrs. Mohn, Miss Williams, Miss Petty, Mrs. White, Miss Yow, Mr. Malcolm McKinna, Mr. Simpson, and Mr. Blair Tucker constituted the choir.

Rev. G. F. Smith, pastor of the Methodist Church, opened the program with an invocation. Mr. E. L. Best, County Supt. of Public Schools, was to have followed with a brief address, but as he was unable to be present Mr. Berkley filled in this number with some interesting facts concerning North Carolina's part in the war.

"The Old North State has just cause to be proud of her war record. We had seventy-three thousand men in the army, nine thousand in the navy and marine corps. Sixteen hundred of North Carolina's sons gave their lives for the cause. One man received the congressional medal of honor, two hundred received the distinguished service cross, and twelve the distinguished service medal. North Carolina furnished five generals, five admirals, Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, and W. H. Page, ambassador to Great Britain. Citizens of this state loaned to the government in liberty bonds and war savings stamps one hundred and sixty million dollars; contributed three million to the Red Cross and other benevolent agencies. There were two hundred and fifty thousand members of the Red Cross which contributed two million five hundred thousand articles for the use of the soldiers.

America, Ho for Carolina, Columbia the Gem of the Ocean, The Old North State, The Battle Hymn of the Republic, and Dixie were the songs selected as being most expressive of the spirit of the day. Several of the best voices from the various schools in the county were selected to take part in these songs. The children did remarkably well, especially in consideration that the schools which sang together had in most instances had no opportunity for concert practice.

The schools thus represented were Roberts, Pine Ridge, Flat Rock, Hickory Rock, Inglemde, Mapleville, White Level, Pearce's, Loyal, Wood, Seven Paths, Pilot, Garner, Balance Rock, Wilder, Math Rock, Louisburg, Riley, Center, Oak Ridge, Moulton, Mitchiner Mount Olivet, Mountain Grove, Social Plains, Schloss, Katesville, Rock Springs and New Hope.

The pantomimes and tableaux all represented scenes from the life of a soldier. The first was "The Call to Arms". Justice High School was assigned this part, but for reasons unknown to the committee they were not present; nevertheless the musical accompaniment intended for the number was given and the bugler, Mr. Joe Gill, gave the well known calls while the orchestra softly played a march.

"The Awkward Squard" represented one of the amusing incidents of the training camp and created much amusement by their inability to understand or execute orders.

Cedar Rock High School gave a scene which was very familiar in war times, the women at home knitting, sewing and the like. This was called "Auxiliary Forces." To accompany this scene the choir sang "Aunt Dinah's Quilting Party."

One of the most effective of all the tableaux was "Soldier's Farewell." This presented three phases of the soldier's farewell, his farewell to his mother, to his wife, or sweetheart, and to his little daughter. The first was presented by Mr. Alex Wilson and Mrs. A. M. Hall; the second by Mr. Wilson Macon and Miss Mary Turner; and the third by Capt. Hugh Perry and little Miss Mary Leona Ruffin. During this scene 'Till we meet again" was sung.

"Paying our Debt" was beautifully pictured by the Youngsville High School. In this picture a banner bearing the date 1776 was borne by a girl dressed to represent France while to the rear stood a group wearing the French peasant costume. On the other side Uncle Sam, accompanied by an American group, bore the date 1917. These dates recall the fact that in aiding France in 1917 America was returning what France did for her in 1776. The choir's spirited rendition of the Marsellaise formed a fitting musical background for the scene.

The activities of the Salvation Army were picturesquely portrayed by a group of Louisburg College girls assisted by several members of the Legion. They were busily pouring coffee, serving doughnuts and otherwise administering to the soldiers while the choir sang "Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag."

The Franklinton High School gave a similar demonstration of the ministrations of the Red Cross, "The Mother of All the World." "The Rose of No Man's Land" was impressively rendered during the course of this tableau.

Members of the battery B 117th Field Artillery gave an exhibition of some of the manoeuvres of the infantry and of the calvary, actually firing off a cannon to the great delight of all the small boys present. To them this was the grand climax of the whole entertainment.

"Opening the Mail" was interesting pantomimed by the Bunn High School while the choir sang "Keep the Home Fires Burning."

Mrs. James King, with her accustomed skill, gave a touching reading, "In Flanders Field", to a soft accompaniment on piano and violin.

The closing tableau was entitled "Her Cross" and was enacted by Miss Sallie Taylor. This scene was taken from an illustration in the Ladies Home Journal which came out some time ago. In the illustration a woman with bowed head seated at a table occupied the foreground. On the table were lying a helmet and other war souvenirs while in the back ground were the soldier graves in France, each with its white cross. This was faithfully carried out on the stage and the singing of "Comrade Rest" added to the impressiveness of the picture.

The program closed with Kipling's Recessional by the choir.

"God of our fathers be with us yet
Lest we forget, lest we forget."

SHAKESPEREAN PLAYS COMING

Rarely has the opportunity been given, such as is being offered by Clifford Devereux and his Company of Artists which opens for two engagements at Louisburg College on Wednesday, Nov. 22. Mr. Devereux is now, on his eighth annual tour and is playing the classics which have taken place among the finest of the world's literature. The repertoire will be,

Romeo and Juliet, Wednesday afternoon, 3:15 o'clock.

Arms and the Man, Wednesday night 7:30 o'clock.

In presenting these plays Mr. Devereux has sought to bring them to you in their right atmosphere and to give them the fine interpretations which they deserve. Many people have read and studied them in school or college, but they can never be so appreciated as they will be, after Mr. Devereux's production of them has been witnessed. It is with lofty ideals, a wide outlook, a deep understanding, and a sympathetic insight that he has approached these masters, and taken from them all their richness, their unfathomable cleverness, their scintilating brilliance, and their unmatched genius. The qualities of the plays are made apparent and all their phases revealed through methods of unassailable reasonableness and convincing authority. Thus to the student of literature and to the lover of the finest dramatic art, these performances will come as a boon, for in a series of imposing scenes the life of the century with its picturesque manners and customs, is drawn with graphic vividness.

The highest recognition has been accorded the Clifford Devereux Company for their unique and artistic work, as is evidenced by their frequent engagements at Columbia University, University of Virginia, University of West Virginia, University of Georgia, University of Tennessee, University of Texas, University of Wisconsin, and the majority of the leading colleges in the country including Vassar, Penn State College, etc.

All the members of the company are especially selected for their experience and ability to give adequate interpretation to the exacting characterizations, and the interest and laughter which invariably greets their efforts is a tribute to the increasing popularity of this organization, which is now enjoying its eighth consecutive season.

"Arms and the Man"

On Wednesday, Nov. 22 Clifford Devereux and his company headed by Mr. Devereux himself will present Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man." Many of the best Shavian characteristics are present and Mr. Devereux plays the whimsical humorous Servian officer, who is really a Swiss, about whose fortunes the story centers.

There is a new-rice Bulgarian officer with a charming daughter who is engaged to a young Bulgarian officer but who wonders if he is the hero she would have him be. In a charge the enemy (the Servians) are routed and put to flight and one of their officers, the Switzer, takes refuge in the rooms of the aforesaid young lady. First at the point of the pistol and later thru genuine sympathy she helps him to escape.

When the war is over the Swiss-Servian officer turns up unexpectedly to return the coat loaned him for a disguise upon the occasion of his escape. An impudent maid ambitious above her station betrays to the Bulgarian officer the fact that his fiancee has entertained the Switzer in her room and by a clever trick wins the bourgeoise soul of the Bulgarian for herself. The daughter of the house and the Swiss officer find themselves and all ends delightfully.

There are excellent opportunities for the clever actor all thru the play. Numerous deliciously amusing complications arise to lend spice and real enjoyment.

It is frequently said that in a time of stress it is indeed well to spend an occasional hour in pure wholesome mental refreshment. Clifford Devereux, the charming and cultured Miss Graf and the company of artist players provide just such an evening in this delightful comedy.

"Romeo and Juliet"—Article I

Shakespeare Lives On

It is too frequently argued that the intelligent public has lost its desire for the plays of Shakespeare and for good plays in general. This is a fallacy. The public vacillates, it is true, but there will always be a demand in each growing generation for the best of the drama and for Shakespeare's plays. Popularizing such plays, is the mission of the Devereux Company, headed by Mr. Clifford Devereux with Miss Zenita Graf in chief support, who will appear in "Romeo and Juliet".

Those who made this interesting engagement possible deserve the thanks of lovers of real dramatic art. The company's well balanced reading and perfect enunciation of the beauty of the Shakespearean text has impressed itself on the most critical audiences to be found in the country. There is scarcely a university or college of prominence in the United States that has not engaged the Devereux players for one or more performances in the past two years.

Mr. Devereux learnod his Shakespeare in an exacting school. He was for a number of seasons one of the leading performers in the Sothern and Marlowe Company, though he was also one of the youngest members of that famous organization. This is Mr. Devereux's eighth season at the head of his own company.

DWELLING BURNS AT LAUREL

The residence of Mrs. Mattie Williams at Laurel, formerly occupied by Mr. J. B. Jones, was burned on Tuesday morning, according to information reaching Louisburg that afternoon. The loss was total and is estimated at about $2,000.00 with insurance of $1,000.00.

The residence was occupied at the time of the fire by Mr. J. R. Parrish who lost a good portion of his household effects estimated at about $150.00 with no insurance.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

The Woman's Club will meet at the Star Theatre on Tuesday morning, November 21st, at 11 o'clock. All ladies of the town are cordially invited.

Mrs. G. M. Beam, Sec'y.

$40,000.00 LOSS FROM FIRE

S. A. L. RAILWAY LOSSES A COACH

W. T. Person's Ice Plant and J. P. Timberlake Storage House Complete Loss—Others Losing Freeman & Co. Texas Oil Co.

Louisburg was thrown into excitement Monday night about 10 o'clock when the fire alarm directed attention to what proved to be the biggest fire seen here in quite a while, the result of which was the complete destruction of the ice plant and Timberlake's storage house, a passenger coach of the S. A. L. Railway and badly damaging another coach, which together with other smaller losses run the total loss up to around forty thousand dollars.

The fire department responded quickly and did valuable work, but the fire had gotten such a headway that it could not be checked. The flames were first discovered in Timberlake's storage house, according to information given us, but the cause of the fire is unknown. The firemen braved the danger of fighting this blaze that was raging beside the big oil and gasoline tank of the Texas Co., which was expected to blow up any minute. The loss as best we can get estimates is as follows:

W. T. Person's Ice Manufacturing plant, loss about $30,000, insurance $11,000.

J. P. Timberlake loss of storage house and stock about $5,000, insured.

Seaboard Air Line, loss of coach and damage, about $10,000, insured.

Texas Co., loss of grease, oil, and fencing about $1,300, insured.

Freeman & Co., loss of Hay, etc., in Timberlake's storage house about $175.

W. O. Joyner, loss of meat in storage, $100.

REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN THE HOUSE PARED DOWN TO SEVEN; G. O. P. LOST SEVEN SENATORS

LYNN J. FRAZIER IS FINALLY ELECTED IN NORTH DAKOTA FIGHT

His Victory Upset For Democrats, But Poindexter's Defeat In Washington By C. C. Dill, Democrat, Puts Matters On Even Terms Again; Complexion of Sixty-eighth Congress Will Be As Follows: House, Republicans, 225; Democrats, 207; Socialists, 1; Farmer-Labor, 1; Independent, 1; Senate: Republicans, 53; Democrats, 42; Farmer-Labor, 1.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—A continuation of Republican control in Congress, but with a majority of 78 in the House slashed to 15 and a Senate majority cut in two, was assured tonight by practically complete, but unofficial reports from last Tuesday's election.

Close races and belated returns left the exact majorities in doubt, but on the face of tabulated returns tonight the Sixty-eighth House of Representatives will be composed of 225 Republicans, 207 Democrats, one Socialist, one Farmer-Labor and one Independent.

The Senatorial contests, late returns or which indicated the election of Lynn J. Frazier, recalled Non Partisan League Governor in North Dakota and the victory of Clarence C. Dill, Democrat, in Washington, did not change the general complexion of the upper House.

Senate Complexion

These returns forecast that the next Senate would have fifty-three Republicans, a loss of seven, forty-two Democrats and one Farmer-Labor Senator from Minnesota.

In Washington Senatorial race, returns from 2,304 precincts out of the 2,440 in the state gave Dill 122,597 and Miles Poindexter, Republican incumbent, 123,217.

The victory of Frazier, Republican, in North Dakota, was conceded late today by T. G. Nelson, state Secretary of the Independent voters' association, supporting J. F. T. O'Connor, Democrat, Frazier's opponent.

Adams' Statement

Retention of Republican majorities in both the Senate and House was declared to be "very gratifying" in a statement issued by John T. Adams, chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Mr. Adams attributed the outcome of the election to unrest following the world war, an unusual prominence in local issues over national issues, the use of "fake issues" to befog the general situation and a tendency of a large class of people to vote for a change in "off years."

"Discontent looking for a sacrifice" was the way Governor H. J. Allen, of Kansas, analyzed the election results.

Re-Count of Massachusetts Vote Now Appears Assured

Boston, Nov. 9.—A state-wide recount of the vote cast last Tuesday for United States Senator was assured today. Colonel William A. Gaston, the Democratic candidate, who was apparently defeated by 8,425 votes by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican, carried out his intention announced yesterday of directing re-count petitions in every city and town in the hope of upsetting the result. The Republican State Committee took similar action to assure Representation in the recount proceedings and tonight had filed petitions in more places than the Democrats.

Colonel Gaston's associates said they were satisfied that a canvass of the returns would reduce considerably the vote reported for the senior Senator. Republican leaders said they felt Senator Lodge would gain more votes than he would lose in a re-count.

C. C. Dill, Democrat, Beats Poindexter in Washington

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 9.—Washington voters in Tuesday's general election chose a Democrat, C. C. Dill, to fill the seat of Miles Poindexter, Republican, in the United States Senate returned the five Republican incumbent representatives of Congress, repealed by an overwhelming majority a poll tax measure and voted down by large majorities five other initiative and referendum measures.

These results were apparent when returns from all but a few precincts were tabulated today.

In the Senatorial contest, Dill had a lead of more than four thousand votes over Senator Poindexter and it was practically conceded by the Republicans that the result of re-checks sought in a number of districts would not seriously cut down that lead. Some Poindexter followers expressed the belief that the official canvass would show Dill in the lead by 2,500 to 3,000 votes.

In four of the five Congressional districts, the Republican representatives were swept into office again with out serious opposition. In the Fifth District, where the race appeared close at times, Representative J. Stanley Webster has apparently been re-elected by a plurality of more than 2,000.

SACRED CONCERT

The Sacred Concert given by the Choir of the Methodist church on last Sunday night as an appreciation of Rev. G. F. Smith, who has completed his second term of four years each as pastor of the Methodist church here was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. The music which had been especially selected for the occasion was excellent, the reading by Miss Padwick of the Louisburg College, was grand and inspiring, and the many personal talks were appreciative and enrolling. It was a real Christian love feast, where those of us who shall remain, gave assurance of our appreciation and continued love for and interest in those who were going to leave, this being the last service before Conference.

At this meeting a resolution from the Board of Stewards was read—these resolutions being copied in another part of this issue.

The entire service was a grand success and an incentive to all whose privilege it was to be present.

It will be interesting to note that during the last year of Mr. Smith's ministry there were 22 professions, 27 received by letter, with a net membership of 31; and $8,874.82 was raised for all purposes. During the past four years $33,613.82 was raised for all purposes. About one-third of the present membership of the church were received by profession or letter during the eight years of Mr. Smith's pastorate.

In Rev. Mr. Smith's removal, Louisburg loses a good and godly man, and a family whose presence in any community adds to the value of its higher life. The prayers of our people go with them and it is our deepest wish that their usefulness may be enlarged.

DEACON DUBBS

A play, "Deacon Dubbs" will be given at White Level Nov. 24, at 7:30 o'clock. Special music. Admission 15 and 25 cents. The public is cordially invited.

Sweeping Victory For Democrats In Missouri

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 9.—The Democrats of Missouri scored a sweeping victory Tuesday by electing, in addition to Senator Reed, who was carried into office as a result of his 42,000 plurality in St. Louis, eleven of the sixteen Congressmen, a gain of nine; the state superintendent of schools, all three judges of the state supreme court, twelve of the 17 state Senators and a large majority of the 150 state legislators.

St. Louis, which gave Reed his much needed big lead, went solidly Republican otherwise except for the election of Harry B. Hawes Democrat, in one of the three St. Louis districts.

While Reed was bein so strongly supported by Democrats and Republicans in St. Louis, he ran far behind his ticket out in the state and Brewster carried Kansas City.

Reed's plurality had been cut to 32,000 today.

Oklahoma To Send Seven Democrats To Congress

Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 9.—Oklahoma will send seven Democrats and one Republican to Congress, it was indicated today when the count from Tuesday's election was completed. Seven Democrats are assured of election. The only district that developed a close race was the Eighth and there it appeared that M. C. Garber, Republican, would win.

Democratic Successes In Michigan Are Sweeping

Detroit, Nov. 9.—The Democratic successes in Michigan in Tuesday's election appeared even more pronounced today when belated returns showed that in addition to electing a Senator, a member of the House of Representatives and five members of the legislature, the party had gained ground in numerous counties of the state. In several instances the majority of county officers went to the Democrats for the first time in history.

The big fight, however, was centered in the Senatorial contest and the victory by 15,000 votes of Woodbridge M. Ferris, former governor, over Senator Charles E. Townsend, was looked upon by Democratic leaders as the outstanding result. Mr. Ferris is 68 years old.

Throughout the campaign Mr. Ferris brought the Newberry matter to the fore, declaring it was the "big issue in Michigan" and that by his election Michigan voters could "purge themselves of Newberryism."

Whether the Senator-elect planned to raise the issue in Washington was not definitely known today. He had been quoted as saying that if elected he might reopen the Newberry case in the Senate.

Senator King Re-elected As Senator From Utah

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 9.—Re-election of United States Senator William King, Democrat, and Representatives in Congress, Don B. Colton and F. O. Leatherwood, Republicans, became assured early today with further compilation of votes from Tuesday's election.

G. M. BEAM NAMED RECORDER

COMMISSIONERS ESTABLISH RECORDERS COURT

Ben T. Holden Named Prosecuting Attorney—P. B. Griffin Given Four Years to Pay County—Retains B. T. Holden To Defend Land Suit.

The Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County met in adjourned session on Thursday morning of last week with all members present. After opening business was transacted as follows:

A resolution establishing a Recorders Court was introduced and unanimously carried.

Upon motion G. M. Beam was elected Recorder and Ben T. Holden, prosecuting Attorney. The salary for the Recorder was placed at $1,500 per year and Prosecuting Attorney was placed on fees. The Recorder and Attorney were authorized to purchase the necessary stationery.

Instead of electing a Clerk to the Recorders Court the Clerk of the Superior Court was designated clerk to the Recorders Court to serve without compensation.

Upon motion it was ordered that P. B. Griffin be allowed to give five notes for the amount of his indebtedness to the County, one becoming due the first of each year beginning with January 1923, and to bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum and to be endorsed by the original sureties and endorsers and to be further secured by a deed of trust on all of his real estate.

It was ordered that B. T. Holden be retained to defend land suit lodged against the County.

After allowing a number of accounts the Board adjourned.

MR. FRED A. RIFF DEAD

Mr. Fred A. Riff, one of Franklin County's most popular jewelers died at his home on Court Street early Tuesday morning, in the fortieth year of his age. Mr. Riff had been in ill health for some months and had recently returned from a trip to Richmond where he had received treatment, in what his many friends hoped improved his health. He was a conscientious man, who believed that it was his duty to do unto others as he would have others do unto him. And through his pleasing personality and strict business made friends of all his acquaintances. He was a kind and attentive husband and a citizen that any community could well be proud of. Standing for progress and right he was always firm in his convictions and ever took what of his time he could for the uplift of his town and county. He was a true and faithful member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

He came to Louisburg and entered into the business life of our town in 1912 and through hard work, good judgment and strict attention to business, assisted by his good wife succeeded in building up one of the most substantial businesses in the County. He leaves besides his wife, his mother, Mrs. Pauline Riff and a sister, Mrs. J. A. Wise, of Mt. Valley, Kansas, and a brother, Mr Joseph Riff, of Santiego, California. That his people could not be present at the funeral owing to the great distance added to the sadness of the occasion. Mr. W. D. Leonard, of Rocky Mount, and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ayers and daughter, Elizabeth, of Greensboro, brothers and sister of Mrs Riff were present when the end came, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Leonard, and W. H. Leonard, Jr., of Salisbury, parents and brother of Mrs. Riff arrived a few hours after.

The funeral was held Wednesday at 12:30 in their rooms on Court street in the presence of quite a large crowd of friends and was conducted by Revs. G. F. Smith of the Methodist church, and J. A. McIver of the Baptist church. During this service Rev. Smith made many complimentary and worthily bestowed remarks. Several appropriate musical selections were tenderly rendered by a choir. The body was then borne by Messrs. E. H. Malone, M. S. Clifton, Capt. P. G. Alston, W. H. Raffin, D. F. McKinne and F. J. Peasley, pallbearers, to the hearse in waiting which took them to Raleigh from where they were taken to Salisbury for burial on Thursday afternoon. The body was met in Greensboro and Salisbury by members of the Modern Woodmen and the final services were conducted by them.

The bereaved wife and relatives have the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

On Sunday next the services at St. Paul's church will be Morning Prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. and Evening Prayer and sermon at 7 p. m.

These services will be the first to be held by the incoming Rector, Rev. Walter B. Clark, and the congregation will gather to welcome him into the community and a cordial invitation is extended to all to join in the welcoming services.

The cooperative carlot shipments of surplus livestock is on the increase in North Carolina. Is your community benefitting by this new idea?