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MRS. AND MR. POLLY TICKK Draws a Big Crowd in Louisburg

First To Be Had in New Auditorium—Directed by Miss Armstrong, Played by Local Talent—A Play of Future Happenings.

That the auditorium of Louisburg's new Graded School was christened on Tuesday night with one of the best plays that has been witnessed in Louisburg in many years, is the unanimous opinion of the seven hundred or more persons who witnessed and enjoyed the evening's entertainment. The play "Mrs. and Mr. Polly Tickk" was a musical comedy in three acts, and presented what might be expected in 1975, when the women engage in politics and the men stay home and work. While everybody agrees that the acting, which was done by local talent under the masterful guidance of Miss Sarah Armstrong, was as good as it could possibly have been, even by experts, Dr. H. H. Johnson, as Mr. Polly Tickk and Miss Genevieve Macon as Miss Highbrow and Mr. William Jackson as the bachelor struck the fancy and produced more comment. The play was arranged by Mollie Moore and Bette Jane Dunaway, and Mrs. O. Y. Yarboro was the accompanist. It was presented under the auspices of the ladies of the Episcopal Church, of Louisburg and the neat sum of over three hundred dollars was realized so we are informed.

The prologue and those taking part in the play with the characters they represented are as follows:

PROLOGUE—FLOWER GARDEN
ACT I—Scene—Home of Polly Tickks
ACT II—Scene—Spring Cleaning (in Home of Polly Tickks)
ACT III—Scene I—Voting Precinct.
Scene II—Grand Finale.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Father Time—Mr. W. B. Clark
Dame Fashion—Miss Grace Wardlaw
Girl of 1850—Miss Fannie Neal
Up-to-date Girl of 1975—
Mrs. Frank Rose
Woman Who Wants to Vote—
Miss Ida Mae Yow
Another Who Says She Won't—
Miss Maude Ashley
Bemused Dude of 1975—
Mr. John King, Jr.
Male Flapper of 1975—
Mr. Jones Parham
Mrs. Polly Tickk—Mrs. J. B. King
Mr. Polly Tickk—Dr. H. H. Johnson
Billy Lawson, bachelor—
Mr. William D. Jackson
Daisy Anne—Miss Ruth Hall

HUSBANDS

Mr. Eva Edwards—Mr. J. B. King
Mr. Susan Johnson—Mr. W. B. Tucker
Mr. Birdie Mae Harris—
Mr. Charles Elmore
Mr. Mary Lamb—Mr. G. D. Underwood
Mr. Edna Ray—Mr. John King

WIVES

Mrs. Eva Edwards—Miss Mildred Scott
Mrs. Susan Johnson—Mrs. Tom Ruffin
Mrs. Birdie Mae Harris—
Miss Fannie Neal
Mrs. Mary Lamb—Mrs. Frank Rose
Mrs. Edna Ray—Mrs. Ross Earle

CHILDREN OF POLLY TICKKS

Helen—Sophie Boyle Clifton
Fred—Douglas Perry
Clarissima—Helen Leigh Fleming
Georgette—Louis Leach
Pollyanna—Anna Grey Watson

FANCY DANCER

Hazel Allen

CHORUS GIRLS

Pattie Plummer Macon—Jessie Elmore
Victoria Adcock—Elizabeth Clifton
Louise Taylor—Tom Ogburn
Dick Ogburn—Lucy Timberlake
Katherine Pleasants—Jewel Clark
Max Allen—Margaret Turner
Elizabeth Williams—Pearl Pearce
Anna Fuller Parham—Lucy T. Allen

COTTON REPORT

The tabulation of the card reports shows that there were 17,343 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales ginned in Franklin County, from the crop of 1923 prior to November 14, 1923, as compared with 11,221 bales ginned to November 14, 1922.

FATALLY BURNED Mrs. B. F. Wilder Suffers Severely Tuesday Afternoon.

Mrs. B. F. Wilder was possibly fatally burned on Tuesday afternoon while building a fire in a heater at her home at Raynor, according to reports received in Louisburg early Wednesday. From these reports we understand that Mrs. Wilder had put some kerosene in the stove and lighted it when the blaze burst out setting fire to her clothing, burning her so terribly before the flames could be extinguished that her chance of recovery was considered doubtful by her physician. Mrs. Wilder is the wife of Mr. B. F. Wilder, a prominent merchant and farmer at Raynor, about six miles south of Louisburg and is about thirty years of age and has two little children. She was taken to a hospital in Rocky Mount Wednesday. Later information states that Mrs. Wilder died in the hospital Wednesday night about 10 o'clock. Her remains were brought to her home yesterday and the interment will probably be made at Rock Springs church this afternoon.

BAZAAR

The Ladies of St. Paul's Episcopal Church wish to announce that they will have their annual Bazaar, Tuesday, December 4th, at 11 o'clock in the vacant room at Allen Bros. store. The public is most cordially invited.

SERVICES AT METHODIST CHURCH

The entire membership of the Louisburg Methodist church is urgently requested to be present at the 11 o'clock services, Sunday, December 2nd. Our new pastor, brother O. W. Dowd, who comes to us highly recommended as a splendid preacher and Godly man, will fill the pulpit. Let us all assure him of our interest and cooperation by extending to him a cordial welcome. The members of all other churches and the public in general are also cordially invited to worship with us on the above date.

E. L. BEST, Chairman of Board of Stewards of the Louisburg Methodist Church.

GODSPEED AND WELCOME

It is with no mixed emotions that the people of Franklin receive the information that the North Carolina Methodist Conference has seen fit to transfer the Rev. O. W. Dowd to Louisburg.

Under his wise guidance the Franklin Church has received new strength. His power as a preacher and his kindness as a man have endeared him to all. His friends and admirers are legion, embracing all denominations. His going with his family will be a distinct loss to Franklin. A good man and an able man is moving to other fields to continue his labors.

It is, however, with a feeling of gratification that we learn that the Rev. E. H. Davis is coming to fill the pulpit at the Franklin Church. A member of a distinguished family, son of one of the State's foremost educators and himself an able and convincing preacher, we are certain that he will fill in the most efficient manner the post left vacant by the transfer of the Rev. Mr. Dowd.

We congratulate Louisburg on their acquisition while welcoming Franklin's new pastor who we are confident will prove a source of inspiration to the community.—Franklin News.

REV. MR. THOMPSON TO MEBANE

Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Thompson and family left this week for Mebane, where he will become the pastor of the Methodist church of that place. Mr. Thompson has completed his second term of service at the Louisburg Methodist church and has made many staunch and true friends who regret to give him up, and extend the best of wishes for his work in his new field. He is a strong and able preacher, a minister whose popularity is general and is beloved by many. His work in this field has been of great value, considering his handicap while here. Mebane is to be congratulated upon getting this man of God and Louisburg extends to him a bountiful portion of good wishes for results from his labors in his new home.

NEARLY QUARTER MILLION POUNDS Of Tobacco Sold in Louisburg This Week

All Three Houses Having Large Breaks Each Day—Market Closed Wednesday For Thanksgiving.

It is generally estimated that nearly a quarter of a million pounds of tobacco was handled by the three warehouses in Louisburg the past week, and still the demand and prices remain good. Farmers from many sections were on the market each day. The warehouses all closed on Wednesday evening to observe Thanksgiving and will remain closed until Monday, December 3rd.

The warehousemen and business men of Louisburg are doing their utmost to make Louisburg the leading market for your tobacco and invite you to come and remain with them.

MRS. FLEMING ENTERTAINS

A gray November day, with now and then a bright sunbeam, the ray of sunlight lingering just long enough to give a sense of mystery as the members of the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club gathered at the home of Mrs. A. H. Fleming, in its regular meeting.

As usual Mrs. Fleming greeted every one in her charming manner, and the members of the Club joined her in a welcome to the many friends who were her guest.

Well within the glow of her home, the flowers—large pink roses in a basket artistically arranged with maiden hair and other ferns, and chrysanthemums could not fail to draw the eye to their perfect loveliness.

Since Mrs. Fleming's home is always attractive, her decorations failed to say more than the sweet message, beautiful flowers always bring, so when the President called the meeting to order, and the Secretary read minutes of the former meeting, each and every one settled ourselves to fully enjoy the interesting program, (still the inward sense of a secret in the air, but no evidence) so the program went on;—The subject for the hour was the Danube River.

The paper by Mrs. Turner, read by Mrs. W. E. White gave such full and beautiful description, that one felt its beauties and mysteries.

Mrs. S. J. Parham was happy in her selection as a reading "Undine"; as the maiden's spirit wandered in and out among the haunts of the Danube River.

The current event by Miss Lola Jackson was an account of Henry Ford's theory of burning coal twice.

The music was in keeping with the subject of the program in every detail, and touched our hearts with its melody.

At the close of the program Mrs. Fleming assisted by Misses Helen and Jean Fleming, served a delicious ice course, followed with mints served in daintiest of baskets, (still no secret revealed) and though the feeling was there, we persuaded ourselves we were mistaken—but look! "There comes Helen and Jean bringing and passing a beautiful white basket containing little packages. Truly we heard Cupids saucy laugh, and on opening our packages we found a wedding ring and dove, with a card attached bearing this message, "S. T. W.—G. V. T. December the 29th, 1923."

Lo! the mystery was revealed; there remained no secret. At first there was a burst of good wishes of happiness for the bride to be, in the days to come—and then—and then it dawned upon us, one by one, Miss Sallie will go away! Was the day, after all typical, the sunlight so bright and joyous for her; the gray clouds for us. No the reflected peace from her new found happiness, brings gladness in our hearts for her, and "If from the Master's hand above, to us

To us the longed for power were given
To change all shadows to love,
Of every earthly gloom make Heaven.

The lowering cloud would swiftly flee
To the light that follows after;
And every wave on life's broad sea
Would gleam with love, and song
and laughter.

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DESTROYS 3000 GALLONS BEER Breaks Up Four Distinct Stilleries

Gets One Complete Still Outfit—All in Harris Township Near Tar River—Deputies Cone, Rowland and Others Makes Raid Saturday.

Deputies D. E. Cone and J. S. Rowland, who were assisted by about fifteen others, report the destruction of about 3000 gallons of beer and the capture of one complete still outfit on last Saturday morning in Harris township on Cedar Creek and Tar River. There were four distinct still sites, according to Mr. Cone. At the first they destroyed sixteen barrels of beer, at the second they destroyed three boxes about four feet square and about forty inches high, each full of beer, at the third was found one box about the size of the ones above and three barrels, and the fourth had only one barrel. It is estimated that this quantity of beer would have made about four hundred gallons of whiskey.

LUNCH ROOM

The experiment of providing lunches for the school children at very small cost, tried for the past two weeks by the Woman's Club, has proven successful in every way.

The main room of the "Old Academy" building has been converted into a very attractive lunch room, with snowy curtains at the windows and long white tables with centerpieces of growing plants or cut flowers.

The rear of the room where the lunches are prepared is partitioned off from the rest by a long white counter at which the children are served cafeteria style.

The cashier has her desk at the entrance. The tickets are five cents each, and this is the uniform price of every article sold. At the counter each child can exchange his tickets for whatever strikes his fancy on the menu for the day.

The menu is planned with especial view to providing the most wholesome and at the same time the most palatable diet possible. It consists of vegetable soup with saltines, sandwiches, milk, hot cocoa, with crackers and cake or pie. No dull pickles, coffee, nor other indigestible foods will be offered the children.

In the sandwiches quite a variety is usually available. The favorite with the little fellows seems to be the peanut butter and raisin sandwiches, while the high school girls have a preference for pimentoes. For fifteen cents a child can easily get a complete meal; for a good hot bowl of vegetable soup with crackers, a raisin sandwich, and a slice of cake or pie is sufficient for an ordinary appetite.

Some children take their cold lunch prepared at home for them to the lunch room and supplement it with a steaming cup of cocoa or a glass of milk.

Visitors are welcome whenever they care to come and see how it is done. The price charged will cover the cost of the groceries and the running expense of the lunch room, but will not pay for the equipment. Mrs. James King is getting up a Christmas play, the proceeds of which she has promised toward paying for the necessary articles for permanent use. As a range is one of these necessities it is scarcely probable that the proceeds of the play will cover the entire cost of the equipment and here is an opportunity for some public-spirited citizens to do a generous part by the children of the community.

There are some children in school who are actually undernourished and unable to afford even a daily nickel for a bowl of soup. The club hopes to get up a fund to furnish free lunches to such cases. Each case will be carefully investigated by the teacher and the gift will be made in such a way as not to embarrass the receiver before the other children. Contributions to this fund will be welcome and will be for a worthy cause.

A really pathetic incident connected with a free lunch given one little tot occurred one day last week. His teacher had told him one day that some one had given her a ticket for him to go to the lunch room the next day. The following morning he ap-

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445 ENROLLMENT FIRST MONTH Daily Attendance 412 at Louisburg Graded School—Board Takes Action On Use of Auditorium.

Our enrollment for the first month was 445 with an average daily attendance of 412. Of this enrollment 138 were in the high school department and 309 in the elementary school. The work of the school is moving along smoothly. Many of the pupils are studying well, but in this school, as in all schools, there are a few who seem to feel that we are running a big house party. A few of our people are so busy having what they call a good time that they have very little time for study. We would be so glad if the parents of the children would see to it that their children reduce social engagements during the school week to the minimum. Fun and frolic are good in the right place, but they are a poor substitute for study.

At a meeting of the Board Graded School Trustees last Friday night the following order in regard to use of the school auditorium was passed. "For the use of the auditorium by local shows or entertainments, or shows or entertainments given by others under local auspices and for the benefit of some local organization, the school is to receive 15 per cent of the gross receipts, the school providing heat, light and janitor for two rehearsals and the show. The above regulation without exception to apply to all local entertainments for which an admission charge is made. If people outside of Louisburg wish to use the auditorium, they may do so upon such terms as may be agreed upon with the following committee: Mrs. W. E. White, Mr. M. S. Clifton and the Superintendent." It was further ordered that the auditorium at all times shall remain under the supervision of the superintendent of the school.

In making the fifteen per cent charge for the use of the auditorium the Board has no idea of making money but feels that this minimum charge should be collected to defray expenses of operating the auditorium.

All parties wishing to "book" shows or entertainments are expected to see the Supt. as early as possible that there may be no conflict of dates.

REV. O. W. DOWD

The Methodist of Louisburg will learn with much pleasure that their new pastor, Rev. O. W. Dowd, will assume his duties and preach at the regular services Sunday—morning and night. He comes highly spoken of as a strong and forceful man and a consecrated Christian gentleman, capable of doing a great work for the cause of Christ. We gladly welcome him to Louisburg.

OLD FIDDLER'S CONVENTION

There will be given at Rock Spring school Wednesday night, December 5, a Fiddler's Convention. Prizes will be awarded to best musicians. Admission will be twenty-five and fifteen cents. The money will be used for the benefit of the school. The public is invited.

KING-JONES

Invitations which read as follows have been received in the city: "Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jones request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Marie Harrison, to Mr. Henry G. King, on Monday, the twenty-fourth of December at four o'clock in the afternoon at the Forestville Baptist Church, Forestville, North Carolina."

The bride has frequently visited in Raleigh and has many friends here. The bridegroom lives in Raleigh and is connected with the Oak City Laundry.—News-Observer.

Celery is being successfully grown in a demonstration in Currituck County by E. R. Johnson, reports county agent J. E. Chandler.

U. D. C. TO MEET

The Jos. J. Davis Chapter of the Daughter of the Confederacy will meet at the home of Mrs. W. E. White on Tuesday, Dec. 4th, at 3:30 o'clock. All members are urged to come and bring their dues for the year 1924.

Mrs. S. J. Parham, Pres. Mrs. W. B. Morton, Acting Sec'y.

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AMONG THE VISITORS SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks And Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. J. C. Tucker went to Raleigh Monday.

Mr. A. W. Green, of Philadelphia, is on a visit to Louisburg.

Mr. V. C. Williams returned Tuesday from a trip to Oxford.

Mr. H. C. Taylor returned Wednesday from a trip to Richmond.

Mrs. L. P. Hicks and Mrs. J. A. Hodges spent Tuesday in Raleigh.

Rev. J. L. Bross, of Currituck, is a visitor to his daughter, who is attending Louisburg College.

Miss Hattie Edwards, of Thomasville, was in Louisburg Tuesday in the interest of the Orphanage.

Mrs. T. W. Bickett and Miss Kate Ballard, of Raleigh, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Yarborough Sunday.

THREE MILLION IN 3RD PAYMENT

N. C. and Va. Bright Growers To Share In Distribution by Big Cooperative.

Three million dollars will be distributed in third payments on last year's crop to members of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association in Eastern North Carolina and the old bright belt of North Carolina and Virginia.

The last meeting of the board of directors authorized the treasurer to make this third payment in Eastern North Carolina on December 21, and in the old belt on January 10, 1924.

Recent sales of redried tobacco carried over from 1922 make these third payments possible although this is not a final settlement to members on last year's pool. More than 100,000 separate accounts will be calculated in order to make these two payments according to the treasurer of the association.

Checks are to be distributed at warehouses as in previous payments and members must present their Participation Certificates to obtain their checks. It is pointed out by association headquarters that this is the first time growers have ever owned any redried tobacco and been in a position to make profits on it as always under the old system speculators make all profit on redried tobacco. Recent sales of this redried tobacco at association prices are regarded as a triumph for the organized growers and a vindication of the policy of the board of directors in redrying a large amount of last year's crop to be "merchandized" instead of "dumped."

The growers association is now a full member of the National Council of Farmers Cooperative Marketing Associations by direction of the board at the last meeting.

TO CAMP AT WOOD

The Postmaster of Washington City and Mr. Ellsworth, a former Postmaster General, will be the guests of Dr. A. H. Fleming and Mr. J. R. Collier on an encampment at Wood beginning Monday and lasting for one week. Mr. W. H. Allen, so we learn, will visit the camp with his fine pack of fox hounds and several fox chases will be had. Likewise Mr. L. W. Parrish is expected to go down with his pack of beagle hounds for a hunt.

Many features of entertainment has been provided among which is a barbecue scheduled for Friday.

Dr. Fleming visited Wood Wednesday and secured camping quarters in one of the Lumber Company's cottages.

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