

TO INVESTIGATE HI-Y BIG FIRE AT CENTERVILLE

Kiwanis Highly Entertained By Joe Land and Sam Dickerson; Doctors Make Fine Health Talks; Reads Committees

The Louisville Kiwanis Club was delightfully entertained with several old-time musical selections by Joe Land and Sam Dickerson with violin and banjo, at its regular Friday evening luncheon last week. Malcolm McKinnie sponsoring director of the music committee is to be given credit for the splendid musical feature.

The secretary read the minutes and several letters of appreciation at the request of President Edward Best, after which the program as arranged by the directors was read.

A proposition not to allow credit for absences for less than thirty days was defeated.

President Best read the names and personnel of the committees for 1927.

A motion prevailed appointing Harry Johnson, Ben Holden and Will Yarborough to investigate the Hi-Y proposition through which it was thought the people of Louisville had been given a very raw deal.

Ben Williamson, chairman for the evening, called Gaither Beam, who presented a stunt entitled "Gathering of the nuts."

The subject "Beginning the New Year Healthy" stressing the importance of regular examinations was very ably discussed by Perry Burt, Harry Johnson and Herbert Perry.

Malcolm McKinnie, in charge of music, explained that it would be his desire to revive the Kiwanis singing this year and received a hearty response.

The Kiwanis program for January as announced is as follows. The speaker for the next meeting only has been announced:

January 14th—A. H. Fleming, chairman. Diversified farming and industries applicable to Franklin County. John Anthony, County Agent of Vance county, Speaker.

January 21st—David Harris, chairman. Buy, sell and trade at home.

January 28th—F. J. Beasley and L. L. Joyner, chairmen. Louisville Tobacco Night.

The Kiwanis committees for 1927 are as follows:

Business Methods and Standards—Sponsoring Director, David Harris; F. H. Allen, chairman; G. M. Beam, Mc. M. Ferguson.

Laws and Regulations—Sponsoring Director, A. W. Person; J. A. McIver, chairman; C. Hutton, S. P. Burt.

Education—Sponsoring Director, A. W. Mohr; B. T. Holden, chairman; O. W. Dowd, M. S. Davis.

Finance and Reception—Sponsoring Director, M. S. Clifton; B. N. Williamson, chairman; J. A. Wheelless, J. M. Allen.

Attendance—Sponsoring Director, E. H. Malone; S. C. Holden, chairman; Geo. W. Cobb, Jake Friedlander.

Inter-Club Relation—Sponsoring Director, L. L. Joyner; M. S. Davis, chairman; P. S. Allen, A. Tonkel.

Music—Sponsoring Director, Malcolm McKinnie; H. H. Johnson, chairman; Malcolm McKinnie, T. W. Watson.

Program—Sponsoring Director, E. L. Best; Directors in turn.

Pub. Affairs—Sponsoring Director, F. J. Beasley; W. H. Yarborough, chairman; W. W. Neal, A. F. Johnson.

Publicity—Sponsoring Director, A. H. Fleming; A. F. Johnson, chairman; W. R. Mills, J. P. Timberlake, Jr.

Grievance and House—Sponsoring Director, H. G. Perry; S. P. Burt, chairman; Clyde Burgess, C. B. Howard.

Membership—Sponsoring Director, S. P. Boddie; W. R. Mills, chairman; W. E. White.

Classification—Sponsoring Director, S. P. Boddie; H. H. Johnson, chairman; T. W. Watson.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. O. W. Dowd, pastor of the Louisville Methodist church speaks of services next Sunday as follows:

The pastor will preach next Sunday at 11 a. m., on "The Unique Personality of all History," and at 7 p. m., on "The Darkness and the Dawn." I am anxious that the whole church and our friends to hear these messages.

Let those who have not yet turned over the new leaf for the New Year is going to church begin next Sunday.

Let us all be loyal in attendance and in the support of our church.

TWO HOUSES BURN SUNDAY NIGHT

Two dwelling houses belonging to Sam Harris, colored, and occupied by George Wilson and Kieran Shaw, colored, located in the extreme southwestern corner of the city limits were destroyed by fire on Sunday night.

The fire was discovered about 10 o'clock and the Louisville Fire Department answered the call but owing to the lack of a water line were unable to check the flames.

The houses were valued at \$1500 with no insurance. Practically all the contents were saved, so we are informed.

You never know how well off you are until you are not.

A. A. Shearin Loses Store and Stock of Goods; D. J. Burnette Loses Two Stores and Dwelling and Stock of Goods

Centerville experienced possibly the biggest fire in its history on Thursday night of last week when the large new store of A. A. Shearin burned to the ground destroying the entire stock of goods and D. J. Burnette lost two large stores, a stock of goods and a dwelling. The loss will probably reach \$25,000.

When the fire was first discovered it had gained a good head way in the attic of the Shearin store and fanned by the heavy wind it gained headway and spread, crossing the State highway to Louisville and destroying the store of D. J. Burnette and a four-room dwelling to the rear of the store, then crossing the State Highway to Castalia, and destroying another store of Mr. Burnette's. The burning was so rapid that the meagre fire fighting arrangements that could be made by the residents who had gathered was of no avail. In the Shearin store was the United States Postoffice which together with its contents went up in smoke.

The losses as best as we could get them were as follows:

A. A. Shearin, store valued at \$5,000 and stock of goods valued at \$7,000, with \$3,500 insurance on building and \$5,000 insurance on stock.

U. S. Postoffice value of contents unknown.

D. J. Burnette, two stores valued at \$2,500, stock of goods valued at \$2,000, dwelling valued at \$800, a lot of lumber valued at \$300 and a lot of feed valued at possibly \$100 with no insurance.

The origin of the fire is unknown and it was discovered about 11 o'clock.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Rev. J. D. Miller rector St. Paul's Episcopal church requests us to state that the services for his church next Sunday will be Sunday school at 10 a. m., holy communion at 11 a. m., and evening prayer at 7 p. m. The vestry will meet after the morning service. All are invited to attend these services.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET

The James Unit No. 105, American Legion Auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. H. W. Perry at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon, January 18th, 1927. Mrs. Perry and Mrs. Forrest Joyner, hostesses.

It is necessary that all dues be sent in this month and all members are earnestly requested to either bring, send or mail dues at once.

MRS. H. W. PERRY, Secy-Treas.

PYROTOL

A letter from A. G. Kemp of Zebulon and Jno. C. Anderson, county agent of Wake County, at Raleigh states that a car of government dynamite or pyrotol is being gotten up for shipment to Zebulon and will cost \$9 per hundred. Any farmer in Franklin County wishing any of this material will do well to get in touch with one of the above gentleman at once.

SLIPS ON SNOW, BREAKS LEG

Information reached Louisville Sunday that Mr. Geo. M. Manning, of Ingleside, slipped on the snow while going from his residence to his store and in the fall broke his right leg between the knee and ankle. His many friends in the county regret to learn of Mr. Manning's accident and extend to him their deepest sympathy.

Meaning—Presidency



Said Gov. Al Smith of New York at his fourth inauguration last week: "Now I have no idea what the future has in store for me. No man would stand before this intelligent gathering and say that he was not receptive to the greatest position the world has to offer to any one."

A New Year Photograph



An excellent new photograph of The President and Mrs. Coolidge taken on the White House steps New Year day. Mrs. Coolidge celebrated her 48th birthday on January 3.

THE LOUISBURG PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Parent-Teacher Association held its regular monthly meeting Thursday afternoon, December 16th, in the auditorium of the William R. Mills graded school. Mr. E. L. Best presided over the meeting calling for the minutes of the last meeting and reports from various committees.

Miss Genevieve Macon read the minutes of the November meeting, showing an increased interest and attendance in the Association.

The publicity and attendance committees reported untiring effort to further interest in the organization.

All committees reported a spirited interest in the outcome of their efforts.

The library committee made an astonishingly good report. More than eight hundred volumes had been collected from the town folk, with the promise of more.

It was stated that the drive would continue after the Christmas holidays.

Five of the ladies book clubs pledged \$5 each toward the library fund.

Mr. Mills and Mr. Best expressed hearty thanks for the work being done to raise the standard of the W. R. Mills Graded School Library.

The program for the afternoon was a very interesting one.

Patriotic songs were sung by the audience.

The grammar grade children sang a number of Christmas carols, showing splendid training in the singing lessons in the school.

Mrs. E. S. Ford then read a paper on "The Duties of a Grade Mother." Herself, a grade mother, and a most faithful and interested one, none could have been better chosen than she, to discuss the subject.

She pointed out many ways in which the grade mothers might be a real force in the school. To be chosen a grade mother, she said, was an honor and high responsibility, to be accepted lightly by none.

At the close of her reading Mr. Best introduced to the audience, Mr. Frank A. Edmonson of the State Department of Education, who spoke most interestingly on the subject of the eight months school. Well versed on the subject he made plain many facts which were not well understood before.

He showed by figures how taxation would be reduced in the county, a fact of large interest to all. He recommended the lengthened school term in convincing words, pointing out the ultimate benefit to all children everywhere.

The Association was deeply impressed by the speaker and his convincing address.

The assembly adjourned to meet again Thursday afternoon, January 20th. Register that date on memory's tablet and do not fail to attend that meeting. By so doing you will greatly encourage the whole association.

Mr. Mills wants you there, so does Mr. Best. The teachers need your personal encouragement and your children's fighting for the attendance honor roll by grades are eager for you to come.

Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Pub. Ch'm.

Clerk of Court J. J. Young and Supt. E. C. Perry visited Raleigh the past week.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WORKERS' COUNCIL

The Workers' Council of the Methodist Sunday school held their monthly meeting Tuesday night, January 12th, 1927, with E. L. Best, Superintendent, presiding.

Mr. Best called upon Miss Sallie Betts to lead in a word of prayer. The Secretary then read the minutes of the last meeting which were approved. The treasurer reported \$32.03 in the treasury and was requested to pay as many bills as possible out of same.

Objectives for 1927 were then gone over to see what had been accomplished. The membership campaign for 430 enrollment was continued until the next meeting and the secretary was requested to write all teachers absent to that effect.

Mr. Dowd suggested a study of an Evangelistic Sunday school book which was approved.

Mr. Best made a five minutes talk on the importance of teachers being on time to Sunday school and it was resolved that all would make every effort to be there five minutes before time in the future.

The following program was arranged for the next meeting:

1. Providing a motive on the part of the children, Mr. E. L. Best.

2. Securing the cooperation of the parents in the study of the lesson at home, Mrs. G. T. Meade.

3. How to secure good order, Mrs. Ben Holden.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to meet again February 14th, 1927.

Mrs. James Malone, Jr., Sec'y.

CURRENT LITERATURE CLUB

The Current Literature Club gathered for its first meeting of the New Year on Tuesday afternoon, January 11th, at 3:30 o'clock, with Mrs. J. A. McIver at her home on Middle St. Coming in from the snow and icy temperature on the outside, the guests were greeted by warmth and good cheer of an open fire and a genial hostess. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. James B. King, the president. The subject for the afternoon's study was "Twelfth Night" and after the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the following program was rendered:

Selections from comic plot, Miss Letton.

Piano solo, "March of the Dwarfs" Grieg, Miss Rosalind.

Reading, selections from the play, Mrs. J. M. Allen.

Reading: "How a Husband Puts Away His Things," Mrs. King.

A salad course followed by coffee, candied fruit and fudge was then served by the hostess assisted by her charming little daughter and Mrs. F. W. Wheelless. The meeting was adjourned to meet on January 25th with Mrs. James B. King.

RE-ELECTED HEALTH OFFICER

At a meeting of the Board of Health for Franklin county held Monday night Dr. J. E. Malone was re-elected Health Officer for the county for the ensuing two years. Dr. Malone has filled this important place for a long number of years and has many friends who will be glad to know that he will continue.

MANY FINES IMPOSED

Judge Hugh Perry is doing his best to break up lawlessness in Franklin County by the fine and imprisonment sentences he is imposing and he is being strongly assisted by Prosecuting Attorney E. F. Griffin, who is bringing out the facts that find most of the defendants guilty. The docket Monday, was disposed of as follows:

State vs Anderson Williams, larceny from person, transferred to the Superior Court.

State vs Willie Wright, carrying concealed weapons, bond ordered forfeited.

State vs John Hockady, assault, enters plea of nolo contendere, two months on roads, execution not to issue upon payment of \$25 fine and costs.

State vs Ollie Coppedge, violating prohibition law, bond ordered forfeited.

State vs Jack Yarboro, and John Yarboro, continued.

State vs Nat Perry, carrying concealed weapon, 4 months on roads execution not to issue upon the payment of \$100 fine and costs.

State vs Robert Evans, distilling, continued.

State vs Alex Green, unlawful possession of whiskey, pleads guilty, 60 days on roads, execution not to issue upon payment of \$25 and costs.

State vs Sol Williams, unlawful possession of whiskey, pleads guilty, fined \$25 and costs.

State vs E. B. Franklin, larceny from person, transferred to Superior Court.

State vs Dwight Debnam, larceny and receiving, continued.

State vs Clarence Ellis, removing crops, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs John Oliver Harvey, carrying concealed weapon, guilty, six months on roads, execution not to issue upon the payment of \$150 fine and costs.

State vs John Jones, carrying concealed weapon, not guilty.

State vs Matthew Strickland, up, pleads guilty, fined \$25 and costs.

EPSOM ITEMS

Mr. P. J. Stainback, who has been quite sick for some time, spent last week in Raleigh taking treatment, he spent the week end at home with his family and said he felt better. He returned to Raleigh for more treatments.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ayscue, a ten pound son on Monday, January 3rd, Edwin Gray Ayscue.

The Parent Teachers Association held a very interesting meeting at the school building on Thursday afternoon, January 5th. The attendance was very good but not all that is desired by any means. Each parent should feel it is his or her duty to attend these meetings and help to plan ways and means of giving our children the best, if we are not interested in our children we can't expect others to be and by cooperation we can succeed. After a very interesting program given by several from the lower grades, the president, Mrs. W. G. Kearney, took charge of the meeting. Among the many things brought up and discussed was the matter of a stage curtain. Every member was asked to help raise funds or sell advertisements to buy a lovely stage curtain.

The chairman of the entertainment committee, Mrs. T. C. Gill, announces that they were planning for fathers night pretty soon. The time will be announced later. It is hoped that 100 percent of the homes will be represented at this function.

Prof. Woodward announced a minstrel to be given by the High School pupils on January 14th but it has been postponed indefinitely because of bad weather, that will be announced later.

The flag pole is in readiness for the presentation of the flag and bible by the J. O. U. A. M. of Louisville.

Mr. G. T. Ayscue had tobacco in his

BIG SNOW VISITS LOUISBURG

Tuesday Night Coldest Since Winter of 1917-18; Snow Fall Will Average Six Inches

Louisburg and vicinity was visited by one of the biggest snows the past week it has had in a long time. Sunday morning just before day the white flakes began to fall and continued to about the middle of the day covering the ground in a beautiful white blanket.

The snow began to fall again during the early morning hours Monday and continued all day, in a slow but steady fall, until the snow reached an average depth of at least six inches. Tuesday the sun came out and much of the snow passed away, but enough remained on the ground to have a great influence upon the temperature Tuesday night, when the government thermometer registered 1 degree below zero. This is possibly the coldest spell Franklin County has witnessed since the winter of 1917-18 when the temperature dropped to 10 degrees below, being the coldest winter experienced in this section in the recollection of our oldest inhabitants and the coldest since the weather records have been kept.

The sun came out good and warm Wednesday and the mercury dropped to a more comfortable reading.

SERVICES ON LOUISBURG CIRCUIT

The pastor of the Louisville Circuit will fill his regular appointments Sunday, January 16, preaching from the following subjects:

Bunn, 11 a. m., "The Wasted Life." Prospect, 3 p. m., "The Joy of the Christian Religion."

Bunn, 7 p. m., "The Pure Life."

CAPTURES STILL

Constable A. S. Wiggs, assisted by J. E. Thomas and K. E. Joyner, report the capture of a fifty gallon still outfit complete, and destroying about ten gallons of whiskey and something like two hundred gallons of beer, and a lot of fermenters in Cedar Rock township on Tuesday night.

Mr. S. J. Thomason, of Parkton, was a visitor to Louisville Friday.

pack barn and also in Mr. W. H. Jones barn, both lots about ready for market when thieves entered both places the same night and took the two best grades from each place. No clue has been found toward identifying the thief or thieves.

It will be remembered that Mr. W. H. Jones lost his stables, two mules and a Ford by fire a month ago on Friday night a tenant house on the place caught fire and burned down. It is said there had been no fire in the house for over two years. The fire frightened Mrs. Jones so much that she had a heart attack and was in a very bad condition but we are glad to report that she is much better.

BUNN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Bunn Basket Ball Team Snows Under Youngsville

The tall boys from Youngsville High School paid their respects to the Bunn cagers, and was served to a drubbing by the painful score of nine to thirty-eight. Bunn started a fast offense that was never halted during the entire game and their defense was near perfect. The game began like it was to be a fast affair, but the absence of wind on the part of Youngsville players, slowed the game up a bit.

Mr. Green, the big boy who worked at center for Youngsville, furnished plenty of amusement, in that he could not find the center ring, arguing that a center should have a thirty yard run, winding up with a high jump for the tip off. In the second place, Mr. Green was very conspicuous, because he played most of the game minus his jersey, we think it was due to the summer heat. Finally Mr. Green was a marked player, since he wore such a large rabbit's foot around his neck. That's all right Mr. Green we are all for you, and we wish you may have many more audiences who appreciate your new style of play.

Mitchell held down the pivot position for Bunn, and the scribes say he never missed getting the tip off, in addition, he looped four beautiful field goals. Ivan Beddingfield, the fleet-footed forward at Bunn shows the boys how to play every part of the court, and along with his demonstrations, he found the top seven times, Beddingfield is the fastest high school forward in the county. Tiny Strickland, was up in arms because of Mr. Green's rabbit foot, arguing that it meant good luck to the wearers opponents, and to prove his point, he found the opening on just eight different occasions. In Hamilton Hobgood, Bunn has an excellent defense man, and one that plays the game hard and fast, it looks as if Ham will be covering around the forward position by next winter.

Indiana co-ed saved a man from drowning. She didn't accept, just dragged him out of the river.

The line of least resistance has a lot of stretch in it.

Fights for Primary



Former Senator Beveridge of Indiana is leading the fight in his state in defense of the Primary law which the politicians of both parties are trying to have repealed for a return to the old boss-ridden convention system.