

bonds), and in this period of time which is only two and one-third years the plants have paid into the town treasury to offset the purchase price of the plants \$15,145.49 and has given the town a profit to be used otherwise in ad-dition to this \$11,\$98.53. If the entire profits had been applied to the purchase of the plants the town would have received a credit of \$27,044.02 and would have stopped the interest on that amount. But this isn't all. The present plant is approximately ten years old and is or should be almost as good as new as it has been kept in repair as will be seen by the items charged off. It has, according to the indication of these figures, paid for itself and does not represent a capital outlay on the part of the town. But this isn't the real interesting part of the transactions. The water plant cost fully twice as much as the light plant and has never been self sus-taining. All these figures are given jointly. Lets divide a few of them and

plant cost fully twice as much as the light plant and has never been self sus-taining. All these figures are given jointly. Lets divide a few of them and see what the light plant is doing. According to information we have gotten, the receipts of the light plant is about three-fourths of the total and the water plant one-fourth. Therefore of the total received for the twenty-eight months \$72,237.37 the light produced \$52,765.73, while the water plant produced only \$19,471.03. This does not include the item of \$2,500.00 credited to the light plant in 1926 for lighting the streets or for the sale of materials and supplies towm another ten years service, if they are not silowed to be strained to cleath under the present load. Now according to the audits made and presented above, if they are true.

death under the present load. Now according to the audits made and presented above, if they are true, and which we have no reason to believe otherwise as we do not think the commissioners of Louisburg would pay for an erroneous sudit, nor do we helleve a reputable concern would make an incorrect audit, the town should have in the treasury and credited to the amortization fund of the plants just for the past two and one-third years, \$15,145.49. The sole purpose of this fund is to pay fack to the town the cost of the plant. In addition to this there should be in the treasury a credit to the plants of \$11,898.53, during the same period. In answer to a question seeking information as to what has become of these funds the town clerk informed the TIMES that they had been used to pay off indebtedness of the town other than that of the plants and items for which takes would have had to be levied and collected but for this fund. This presents the question of which you prefer higher taxes or profit from your light plant. the

your light plant. Assuming the plant ten years ago cost \$50,000.00 it is easy to see that six

Assuming the plant ten years ago cost \$50,000.06 it is easy to see that six years of the present business will pay for it. The town of Louisburg has only two means of raising money. One is by taxes, the other the revenue from the light and water plants. During the ten months covered by this report the plants paid into the town \$13,519.37 more than it cost to run them. On this basis twelve months 'receipts' would be \$16,583.16. Do you believe the town commissioners would maintain a \$2.70 tax rate with \$16,533.16 surplus in the treasury after paying the towns offigs. tions. If you don't believe it then you will have to admit if you do away with this \$16,533.16 they will have to raise the tax rate to supply it as the town's covernment will have to continue.

this \$16,583.16 they will have to raise the tax rate to supply it as the town's government will have to continue. The saving salaries argument is all bosh. The salaries have all been paid and deducted before this item was shown. On the other hand should the town do'away with its light plant it would have to keep two engineers on the job to comply with the insurance regulations, it would still have to keep it clerk to collect water bills and taxes; it would have to keep a superintendent of the water plant—the same number we now hate, as more or as less in and dition we would have to pay indirectly other employees of whatever company that lighted the form. Besides we would have to zo shot the general fax hand to pay for lighting the streets and pumping the water. At present we go into the general fund for no expense of these plots, but on the other hand these plants pay money into the general tax fund. These figures are the only official figures the town has given out.: They

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JUNIOR ORDER ORPHANS CON-CERT

The Band and Glee Club from the Junior Order Orphans Home at Tif. fin, Ohio, will give a concert at the school auditorium in Youngsville Mon

day evening May 2nd at 8 p. m. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a district meeting of all the Horton, operating automobile intoxi-

There are 42 instruments in the boys band and 28 girls in the Glee Club who will present a concert that every one will appreciate and enjoy. The public is cordially invited to concert at 8 p. m. Admission and 50 cents.

LAUREL COUNCIL TO PRESENT BIBLE AND FLAG TO TWO SCHOOLS

Laurel Council 109 Junior Order

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ment of costs. State vs Hugh Brown, unlawful possession of whiskey, guilty, fined \$25 and costs. State vs Clifton Barnette and Henry

payment of costs. State vs W. H. Powell, unlawful possession of whiskey, pleads guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs George Moore, unlawful possession of whiskey, not guilty. State vs Richard Dickens, unlawful

possession of whiskey, not guilty. State vs Robert Jones, unlawful pos session of whiskey, guilty, fined \$25 and costs.

State vs Luther Patton, assault with

Laurel Council 109 Junior Order United American Mechanics will pre-sent the Mountain Grove school with a Bible and flag Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. April 29th, and will also present the school at Moulton Hayes with a Bible and flag Wednesday af-ternoon May 4th at 3 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend these presentation services. Every school in the Gold Sand di.s presented by this order. **BOCK MUDDLE** Mr. R. C. Beck was host to quite a large number of friends at a rock muddle at Cool Springs Monday eren. The The fish was excellently prepar-ing. The fish was excellently prepar-ed in true Roanoke style and was

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ough, read by Miss Lola Jackson. Mrs. Turner assisted by her daughters served a most tempting salad Miss Elizabeth Clifton. course followed by ice cream and

cake. Watson on May 10th at four o'clock.

S. O. S.

The flood situation in the Mississippi valley is appailing, and I suppose there are vary few people in our county or in the United States who have not heard of the loss and suffe<sup>-</sup>Ing of the thousands who have been rendered homeless and elpless by its devastation. Appeals for help have gone out by mail, wire and radio, and the need is urgent and immediate. The Red Cross, as usual, was placed on the job, and every chapter has been called on to do its "bit." A part of the down town section was canvassed Monday, but h will not be possible to see many of the town or country people, will not be possible to see many of the town or country people, and it is not necessary to see you personally. You know the need-a call has come to help those who cannot now help themselves, and as you have al. ways done, you will go over the top in your giving. Please as range to make a contribution immediately. Don't forget these people who are suffering and dy-ing at our very doors, and are looking to us, who have our homes and loved enes safe, for help. Please send all contributions

help. Piease send all contributions to Mrs. J. A. Turner, Chariman Red Cross Chaptor, or to Misses Louise Allen or Margaret Turns er, authouted Bed Cross Be. lief Fund Committees A complete list of these whe halp will be published in the TIMES next week, and also pinced on the permanent local Red Cross records.

S Clifton, read by Mrs S. J. Parham. for Salisbhry to attend a meeting of Julia Marlowe, Mrs. J. B. Yarbor. the Womans Auxiliary of the Episco. pal church and from there will go to Taylorsville to visit her daughter.

Mrs. A. W. Mohn returned Mon. Our next meeting will be with Mrs. day from Washington, D. C., where Watson on May 10th at four o'clock, she attended the four operas given by the Metropolitan Opera Company, and also the London String Quartet in the Colridge Music Hall in the Library of Congress.

## "EYES OF LOVE" AT SANDY CREEK APRIL 29

The Gold Sand High School Senior Play, "Eyes of Love,' will be given at the Sandy Creek school building, Friday evening April 29th at 8 o'clock. The play is directed by Miss Margaret Rich and has been declared to be one of the best plays ever given in

one of the best plays ever given in this community. The fact that "a person who leaves God out of his reckoning does not know how to count" is clearly brought out in this play. Don't miss the "Good Luck' the old negro mammy will bring you. Everybody is invited. Come! Admission 15 and 25 cents.

BOUND OVER UNDER \$1,000 BOND

Virginia Fairbanks, who was given a hearing before Squire A. W. Als. ton on Tuesday for shooting Ed Branch near the high bridge on Sun-day night April 17th, was bound ever to court under a \$1000 bond. Failing to give bond she was remanded to jail.

FARMERS ATTENDION!

Mr. Kirby, State Spec at the court house Mon at 1 o'clock to discuss p been very impo forall farmers | portant for the gra

Mr. R. C. Beck was host to quite a large number of friends at a rock muddle at Cool Springs Monday even, ing. The fish was excellently prepar-ed in true Roanoke style and was greatly enjoyed by those present.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Beck had just returned from a mining trie to Weldon bringing back with him three fine specimens of Rock weighing 80 pounds. Corigliano, violinist; Reinald Werren reth, baritone; Jeanne Gordon, con-traito: Louise Homer Steres, sopra-no; Allan McOhae, tenes. Tune in andenior some unusually good mus-ic. Many good farmers of North Caro-lina, are mixing their fertilisers at home this year in spite of the pre-valing prices.