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## PRESENTS PORTRAITS

At Noon Recess of Court Tuesday

Hon. Frank S. Spruill's Presented by Judge Francis Winston; Judge E. W. Timberlake's by Dr. N. Y. Gulley; Prof. R. B. White and Dr. D. T. Smithwick Speak; Portraits Accepted For County by Chas. P. Green, For Bar Association by W. H. Yarborough; E. H. Malone In Charge; Large Number in Attendance

Another important day has been placed on record in Franklin County's history, one which was deeply appreciated by the older citizens of the County and will be long remembered by the younger generations that were present and will be referred to and read with interest by all who have an interest in Franklin's past when on Tuesday at the noon recess of Court with a court room filled with visitors and home folks, presentation ceremonies were held on the occasion of the presenting and receiving the portraits of the late Hon. Frank S. Spruill and Judge Edward W. Timberlake. The evening session of the Court was called to order by Judge Frank S. Hill, of Murphy, and the occasion was turned over to the Bar Association.

W. H. Yarborough, President of the Bar, explained that it afforded the Franklin County Bar Association great pleasure to cooperate with Franklin County Historical Association in preserving the memory of the County's honored and prominent lawyers, who are now resting in the Happy Hunting grounds. He said the Bar had appointed Mr. E. H. Malone Chairman, Chas. P. Green and Kemp Yarborough a committee in charge of this service and then turned the meeting over to Chairman Malone.

Because of the limited time formalities were dispensed with and Chairman Malone called upon Dr. D. T. Smithwick, County Historian, to introduce the speaker who would present the portrait of Mr. Spruill.

Dr. Smithwick in a well selected and delivered presentation said:

"This occasion should bring much satisfaction to all our people, especially the legal profession, as we are soon to present to Franklin County two who lived and practiced here for many years, gaining highest State ranks. It will be my happiness to introduce to you a gentleman who will present the portrait of the late Hon. F. S. Spruill. We are honored to have with us today one who has always been a part of our County, whose father was a large property owner here before the Civil War, our guest, inheriting interest here and having large family connections caused him to spend much of his earlier life here, and he has always cherished a passionate love for our people. When we built our Graded School here came to us and with Masonic rites laid its corner-stone. I think he was Lieutenant-Governor at that time. For a number of years he served the State as Superior Court Judge and since resigning has been successfully elected Judge of his County's Recorder's Court, which position he still holds because of his love for just folks. The same position is held here by our much loved and honored James E. Malone.

"In all his long life, Judge Winston has been motivated by the finest and highest ideals, inspired by the best traditions of the past, using the present always as his opportunity, and gaining his inspiration by hope in the future. His life and services from a cultural, social, legal and profound learning standpoint will continue to shed honor and luster upon the State, and more particularly the Chowan section, with which he has had closest association, will honor his memory as long as the shores of his county are bathed by the waters of the Chowan, Cash, Cashoki, Middle River and Roanoke.

"I have the high honor at this time to present my kinsman patriot, historian, genealogist, profound scholar, above all a friend to man—Judge Francis D. Winston."

After a few complimentary remarks Judge Winston said: "I am addressing you, as the representation of my sister, Mrs. Alice Caphart Winston Spruill. She directs me to present to the Court, this portrait of her husband, the Honorable Frank Shepherd Spruill, for years a resident of this County, and a practitioner at the Bar of this Court. With Your Honor's permission I proceed to that high honor, and ask

that the portrait be accepted, and that it adorn a wall of this historic Court Room. Permit a few words in memory of this loving husband and father, genial friend, faithful citizen, and genial friend. Frank Shepherd Spruill was born near Hamilton, in Martin County, December 9th, 1862. His parents were William Everett Spruill, and wife, Harriet Eliza Arrington. This marriage united two of our oldest, most patriotic and highly respected families.

Frank Shepherd Spruill was prepared for college at Bingham's School. He entered our University with the Class of 1884. He took high rank as student and man. He was an editor of the University magazine. He was a member of the exclusive literary fraternity, Alpha Tau Omega. He was licensed by our Supreme Court at Fall Term, 1883.

A partnership with Captain Joseph J. Davis brought him here to practice law. I shall not discuss his high standing as lawyer and citizen. On Oct. 6th, 1886 he married Alice Caphart Winston. They resided here for many years. The appointment of Judge Davis to the Supreme Court was followed by a partnership with W. H. Ruffin. The death of Mr. Ruffin was the occasion of his partnership with my cousin Ben Holden. Retainers by the Atlantic Coast Line and other clients carried him to Rocky Mount as a member of the firm of Bunn & Spruill. Later he was Division Counsel of that greatest of all Southern Corporations. He was also General Counsel of the North Carolina Pine Association. At his death he was law partner with his son as Spruill & Spruill. Among their clients were numerous manufacturing plants in and out of our State. He knew the law. He studied it daily. He was an eloquent pleader at the bar, and in public addresses Mr. Spruill never forgot his duty to his State. He was a member of the General Assembly. He was Assistant U. S. District Attorney. He was a Trustee of our University. He was director of the North Carolina Railroad. He was an Episcopalian and a Vestryman of his church.

I am sure I knew him well and exact. I pronounce him in every respect to have been a high-toned gentleman; in every way worthy of the love, esteem, confidence and respect showered on him by all who knew him.

Mr. R. B. White was called upon to present the speaker who would make the presentation of the portrait of Judge E. W. Timberlake. He responded in his usual happy and eloquent style so much appreciated by his many friends in Franklin. He said "41 years ago standing here I was sworn in as an attorney by Judge Graham. It would be impossible for me not to feel memory pricked in my heart, as the memory of my associations with these are so firmly fixed as a part of the life I live. To present this picture I would like to have someone who practiced law with him, someone who appeared before him while he was Judge, and someone who had lived next to him in life. All of this we have in Dr. N. Y. Gulley.

Dr. Gulley responded in the following pretty tribute:

"Living, the mere act of living, is a very interesting function. At this very moment we are each one of what we are because we have been what we have been. Our present status is the result of all the things that have entered into our past lives. This is true of our physical, mental and spiritual conditions. There are some who say it goes further than that, and not only what we have been, but what our ancestors have been determines what we are. This is probably true as to the color of our skins, but not as to the calibre of our souls or the measure of our minds.

It follows then that the times in which we live, the conditions that environ us become important factors in the sum total of our lives. This portrait, strikingly presents to our eyes the appearance of the physical man who began life in Franklin County on the 4th day of July, 1854. His mother was Mary A. Harris Timberlake, as fine a soul as I have ever known. For four years while I lived in her home, she was indeed a mother to me. His father was R. H. Timberlake, an earnest, sturdy, honest man and a physician by profession. He spent the active period of his life in Franklin County, doing what he could to relieve the physical aches and pains of suffering humanity about him. In his ministrations of mercy he was often accompanied by his young son.

I think the people born in this section between 1850 and 1860

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## CCC Fifth Anniversary

Public Invited to Visit Camp at Franklinton, On April 1, 2 and 3rd.

The Civilian Conservation Corps will be five years old on April 5, 1938. Mr. Robert Fechner, Director, is heartily in favor of "open house" commemorative exercises. In carrying out Mr. Fechner's wishes, Co. 3418 at Franklinton cordially invites the public to a visit 1, 2 and 3, 1938. The camp personnel and enrollees sincerely wish all who can to pay them a visit on those days. Escorts will be in readiness to guide the visitors through the camp; transportation and guides will be provided to take those who wish out on the work projects to view the work that has been done for the farmers cooperating with the Soil Conservation Program.

The camp wishes to announce the following activities to which the public is sincerely invited, Saturday afternoon, April 2, 1938 there will be games between the enrollees. The town of Franklinton will oppose the camp in a soft-ball game.

In celebrating this anniversary Camp Vanu takes particular interest in the work yet to be done. The camp is in its third year and is aware of the fact that it has only scratched the surface of the great movement in the promotion of Soil and Water Conservation in the Cedar Creek and Tar River Area. There are yet many farmers who are eager to cooperate in the camp's efforts to save their farm land and forests, and improve their cropping system. It is the earnest desire of the camp to cooperate to the fullest extent to promote the conservation program.

The camp, however, has 177 cooperators. On these farms approximately 30,252 rods of fences have been constructed. 434,063 square yards of sod and seed has been planted in waterways. Approximately 320 acres with 397,763 trees has been planted. 526 acres of Timber Stand Improvement plots have been established. Beside these activities the camp has performed many other accomplishments which is very gratifying to the members. 71,994 days work has been performed with only 46 days lost because of accidents. These have all been minor occurrences. The fleet of trucks have been operated for two and a half years with many thousand miles having lost not a days work from road accidents. The personnel and members are pleased with the record made while here.

The educational facilities which are provided for the enrollees are being used with inspirational results. The camp has approximately 70 per cent participation of its members in the training program. The enrollees are given vocational training in many subjects which are worth while to them in their camp life and in their later occupations. Many have secured jobs as a result of the training they have received while here.

Not to be forgotten is the human angle of camp life. The value of CCC work and training in building up future American citizens, discipline, orderly living, cleanliness and sanitation, self-reliance and pride in one's work has shown outstanding results. These have instilled in the enrollees' minds, habits that the institution is very proud of. The camp has had no desertion in over two months. Enrollees have learned that there is value in conducting themselves in a harmonious and worthy manner. Citizenship is one of the major objectives set to the enrollees in the Franklinton camp.

Co. 3418 feels that the community is interested in the management and general conditions under which the approximately 200 fine young men are living and it extends to the public the cordial invitation to be guests on this the fifth anniversary.

P. H. Massey, Project Mgr., Capt. Cecil R. Hill, Commanding, W. H. M. Jenkins, Supt.

## MITCHNER-JOYNER

Announcements reading as follows have been received by friends in Franklin County:

Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks Cleveland Joyner announce the marriage of their daughter, Myra Dale, to Mr. Thomas Jeffries Mitchner, on Saturday, the twenty-seventh of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

Mrs. Mitchner is a very attractive and accomplished young lady of Rocky Mount, where she is very popular among her many friends. She has held an important position with the Nash County Welfare Department.

Mr. Mitchner is one of Franklin County's capable, popular and efficient young men, and a son of Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Mitchner.

With the announcements were cards reading, "At home after April first, Durham, North Carolina."

## COURT

The business of Franklin Superior Court has been taken upon mostly the past week with the trial of the case of Lizzie G. Wester vs. McCormick & Co. This is a damage suit brought by Mrs. Wester who claims she lost the power of speech, above a whisper, from eating a salad made by the McCormick Co., which had packed in the bottle a disc of metal, which poisoned her throat with the resultant loss of her voice. Evidence was still being taken in the case Wednesday afternoon.

The Court will close this week as the term will end, being a two weeks term.

## Hudson-Belk Co. To Louisburg

According to rumors that are going the rounds Hudson-Belk Co., has leased or purchased the old Allen store building on West Nash Street, now occupied by Battery B as an armory, and will remodel and rearrange the building and put in an up-to-date stock in same in the near future.

The rumor is confirmed only in the fact that Capt. Griffin, of Battery B, informs the TIMES that the Battery will have to seek a new location for its armory, which it is understood will probably be in the old Yarboro Stable building across the Street formerly occupied by the Battery, and also by the fact that it is known this company has been seeking a location here for several years.

This will probably add interest to the many visitors to Louisburg.

## VINCENT DICKENS DEAD

Mr. Vincent Dickens, aged 19, son of Mrs. W. N. Dickens and the late W. Norman Dickens, died at his home near White Level, on Saturday morning following a short illness from pneumonia. He leaves besides his mother, who was Miss Mary Foote Sturdivant, one sister, Jewel. He was a member of White Level Baptist church, and White Level Junior Order.

The funeral services were held from White Level Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. John Edwards, and interment was made in the family cemetery near the home. The Junior Order service was used and the pallbearers and flower girls were members of the Junior class at Edward Best High School of which he was a member.

Large numbers of friends and relatives attended both services and the floral tribute was especially large and beautiful.

The family has the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

## Fatal Auto Accident

As a result of an automobile accident on the Streets of Louisburg about 3 o'clock Saturday morning Gilbert Hinton, of Henderson, is dead, and Ernest Owens, also of Henderson, is in a hospital suffering from a fractured skull, and Meta Turner and Arnell Turner were held in jail until Saturday morning when Meta Turner was convicted on charge of public drunkenness and Arnell Turner, the driver, was allowed to give a \$500 bond to appear before Mayor W. C. Webb Friday for preliminary hearing on a charge of careless and reckless driving and manslaughter.

From information received it seems that the Ford Coach in which they were riding was entering town on Nash Street and as they reached the turn at the top of jail hill the car got out from under control of the driver and turned over almost in front of Taylor's Store. All the parties were from Henderson.

## Most Unique "Style Show" Of The Year

And now—a Style Show of Gas Ranges! "Stars on Parade," presented this week by The Pyrofax Gas Service Company, gives housewives of Louisburg an opportunity to view the latest styles in gas ranges, in a gala review of the complete new Magic Chef line for Spring, 1938.

The features which will capture the fancy of the hundreds of women who visit the display at the Howell building on Main Street near the bridge, next week, will be those designed to lighten the burden of home cooking. Faster cooking burners and ovens, oven temperature controls, broilers which swing out when the door is opened, divided cooking tops, more modern designs, these are some of the advantages of the new ranges, which according to laboratory tests, also offer greater fuel economy to the housewife.

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## Hubert May Addresses Kiwanis Club

"International Clubs and World Peace" was the topic of a well delivered address given by Mr. Hubert May, Nash County Prosecuting Attorney at the meeting of the Louisburg Kiwanis Club on Tuesday evening in the Hotel.

"The freedom we have today," stated Mr. May, "was bought by blood, I do not believe in fighting but I do not say that there are not times, and circumstances which cause us to. The wars are not brought on at the will of the mass of people but by the high-up who profit at those times.

"May I say, that there was one war in which the boys knew what they were fighting for. That happens to be the Civil War. Our Confederate soldiers fought for the principle and not for the money. After the war was over the North placed their soldiers on pensions where the South erected memorials to theirs for their heroic efforts. It has been said that the South was never whipped but the boys wore themselves out whipping the North.

"In 1914 we went to war to make the whole world safe for democracy but may I ask, whether the world is any safer now than it was then?"

"Of course," Mr. May added, "everyone remembers the story of the Good Samaritan. Let's apply this story to the nations of the world. There are two many nations who can be represented by the robber, Germany, Japan and Italy are no more than the robber, Russia is so stirred up within her borders that no one can tell exactly what will take place there. All nations will have to be willing to share their goods with each other before this can be remedied. The only solution which I have to offer is what has been termed by the eleventh Commandment 'Love One Another.'

"We have the greatest Country and the noblest heritage of any nation in the world and I am perfectly satisfied to stay here instead of going to some other one."

Mr. May was given a standing vote of expression for such a wonderful address and was invited to come back at anytime.

Miss Martin of Mills High School student solo rendered several beautiful solos and was accompanied by Mrs. O. Y. Yarboro at the piano.

Kiwanian Will Lancaster was in charge of the program and was congratulated by the Club on providing such an excellent program.

The time of the meeting has been changed from 6:30 to 7:00 o'clock on Tuesday evening beginning with the next meeting.

## Col. House Dead

New York, March 28.—Colonel Edward Mandell House, a shy, silent little Texan who once was one of the world's most mysteriously powerful figures as the closest confidant of Woodrow Wilson, died today.

His death came at the age of 79 after a long illness, in the quiet old town house here to which he had retired in sorrow after his break with Wilson, a break which ended a friendship without parallel in American politics.

Shy all his life—in possession though he was of almost as many great state secrets of the World War record as any President, minister or King—House had said many times that he wanted no "fuss and feathers" when he was gone.

His family made clear that his wishes would be followed. There will be no services here. The body will be taken to Houston, Col. House's birthplace.

His widow, the former Lucille Hunter, of Austin, Tex., had known for weeks that his death was but a matter of time. She was with him when he died, as were a daughter, Mrs. Gordon Auchincloss, and her husband, a New York attorney. Another daughter is Mrs. Randolph Tucker, of Boston.

## Baseball Saturday

Louisburg College opens its baseball season here Saturday afternoon on the college diamond with the boys from Oak Ridge. These two teams always furnish an interesting game. Coach Cameron has been putting the Trojans through some stiff workouts in preparation for this game. Col. Earl Holt, who has the reputation of being one of the ablest coaches in the State will be here with the Oak Ridge boys. Quite a few of our old baseball fans will remember when he played with Franklinton back in 1910 against Louisburg forming a battery of Turner and Holt. Go out and give the local boys a good sendoff, and at the same time enjoy a good game.

A wife may be the boss, but that doesn't mean she likes to be called "the boss."

## GOVERNOR HOEY SPEAKS

To Large Audience at Franklinton

### Attention Young Democrats

The TIMES is requested to publish the following:

Please see the following at once and buy your ticket for the Annual Young Democratic District Rally to be held at the Hotel Sir Walter, Raleigh, N. C., at 7 P. M., Saturday, April 2, 1938.

E. C. BULLUCK, P. W. ELAM, BEULAH LANCASTER, MRS. HUGH PERRY.

### Board of Elections

The State Board of Elections at their meeting Saturday announced the appointment of members of the various County Boards of Elections for the State. For Franklin County Phil R. Insoce, L. O. Frazier and B. G. Mitchell were appointed. Under the law they will meet in Louisburg on Saturday, April 16th, 1938 to perfect their organization and appoint election officials.

### Cooking Demonstration

Quite a large number of men and women enjoyed one of the most interesting and instructive events of its kind on Friday evening at the Raynor's Radio Shop, when Miss Annie Myers Harris, of the Carolina Power & Light Co., gave an electric cooking demonstration.

The prizes were won by the following: Mr. G. W. Murphy, a set of refrigerator dishes; Mrs. D. L. Wells, a nice hot plate; Mrs. John Rabl, also a hot plate; Mesdames H. H. Johnson and John Yarborough, a delicious cake which they cut and divided with those present. Several others won cash tickets which were redeemable on merchandise.

Everyone was very much amazed at the New General Electric Stoves, which were used in this demonstration. They all enjoyed the occasion and extended Miss Harris an invitation to come back at anytime.

### Dies In Car

Coroner R. A. Bobbitt was called to Pearce town in Dunn township early Sunday morning to view the body of Roy Pearce who died in an automobile the night before. Coroner Bobbitt says it was explained to him that Roy Pearce, Vincent Pearce and Clyde Pearce had been drinking and were out for an auto ride when the car got in a ditch and the three were unable to get it out. They then got in the car and went to sleep. Upon waking the next morning Roy was found to be dead. There was no evidence of foul play, according to the Coroner and no inquest was held.

### AMATEUR NIGHT

The TIMES is requested to announce that the Seven Paths Women's club are sponsoring an amateur contest to be held at the club house at an early date. Any persons interested in entering this contest please notify Miss Ruth Collier, Louisburg, N. C., Route 4, President of the club. Please tell her what you have to offer as entertainment so that a program may be arranged. Then you will be notified as to the date it will be held.

A. R. Thompson of the Spear section of Avery County has begun a demonstration in reclaiming an eroded hillside on his farm by getting 3,000 white pine seedlings.

### Program At The Louisburg Theatre

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, April 2:

Saturday — Double Feature—3 Mesquiteers in "The Purple Vigilantes" and John Bad in "Danger Patrol."

Sunday — Robert Montgomery and Virginia Bruce in "The First 100 Years."

Monday — Fenrod and his Twin Brother" starring the Mauch Twins, Billy and Bobby.

Tuesday—Jimmy Durante, Walter Connolly, and Johnny Green and Band in "Start Cheering."

Wednesday — Anna Bee in "Non Stop New York."

Thursday and Friday — Mark Twain's Story "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer."

Before Franklinton Farmers And Business Men's Club Wednesday Night; Tells Of the Wonderfulness of North Carolina, Its State Functions and Its Opportunities; Mrs. J. A. Cox Sings Solo; President Harris Presides; Col. C. L. McGhee Introduces Speaker; Prof. Blount Makes Splendid Report for Agricultural Committee; Splendid Supper Served By Ladies of Franklinton P. T. A.

Members of the Franklinton Farmers and Business Men's Club and visitors enjoyed a wonderful address from Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, Governor of North Carolina at their regular meeting on Wednesday night in the Home Economics rooms of the Franklinton High School. Fully eighty to ninety were present to enjoy the wonderful facts the Governor presented about North Carolina, our home.

The meeting was opened by President G. B. Harris and invocation offered by Rev. Biddle, and a wonderful supper was served by the ladies of the Franklinton P. T. A., which was more than enjoyed by all present.

"Let us Forget," a solo, was beautifully rendered by Mrs. J. A. Cox, accompanied at the piano by Miss Saunders, instructor in music. Minutes were read by Secretary John W. Sawyer and reports were called for.

The report for the agricultural committee was made by Prof. Blount, of the School faculty, who told of the success of the evening classes that had been conducted at Needmore, Katesville and Popes, with an average of 61 farmers attending. The class at Needmore was erecting a community building for their farmers activities.

Mr. Henderson stated that he was not ready to report on the Rotary Organization.

President Harris then called upon Col. C. L. McGhee, chairman of the program committee to introduce the speaker of the evening. Col. McGhee responded in his usual jovial manner, presenting the Governor in the statement that "when the world is torn up so badly by all kinds of isms, as today, we are especially fortunate in having a Governor like Clyde Hoey."

After the usual formalities and springing several good jokes that caused many of his audience to hold their sides, Governor Hoey stated it is interesting to me to go about North Carolina and mingle with its people and come in contact with their liberal spirit, therefore he felt the thing that would be of most interest to people would be the functions of the several departments of the State government. From this beginning he delivered into a minute explanation of how the several departments operated, their duties and what they were expected to accomplish, and that they are accomplishing with now and then a comparison of what happened thirty to sixty or a hundred years ago. He wants the State to administer to the people with the biggest and highest services possible to measure up to its responsibility to the fullest. To do this he said, the State has no source from which to carry on except taxes. When people expect increase service they must expect an increase in taxes. He explained that the State collects no property tax, and has to rely upon taxes derived from inheritance, income, license and franchise, and sales tax. He told of how in 1933 when the schools were about to close the State took over the operation and maintenance of the schools and continued them with the result that not a one of them closed. At this time financial conditions were such that 62 counties in the State were in default. Last year, he said, celebrated 100 years of public schools in North Carolina. Thirty years ago there were only 14 high schools in the State while today we have over 800. In 1908 there was \$100,000 spent for the public schools in the State with 3 months terms. Today there are \$25,000,000 spent for an 8 months school with over 900,000 children in school this year, and the State feels that it is getting 100 cents value from each dollar spent. The State transports more children than any State in the Union, and furnishes free school books. He believes to increase the value and efficiency of the schools they should establish the 14th grade. This would be an advantage to the students who enter college and the 75 per cent who

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