

Louisburg College Items

The Social Committee of Louisburg College was host at a college party on Saturday evening, October 19, at 8:00 o'clock. The Social Hall was attractively decorated, and the autumn motif was carried out in the use of leaves and shocks of corn. Under the direction of Mr. James E. Byerly, the college orchestra played during the evening. Refreshments were served to the assembled guests.

The following have been elected officers of the Y. M. C. A. at Louisburg College for the following scholastic year: Bill Man, Englehard, President; Henry Murden, Suffolk, Va., Vice-President; Thornton Jones, Sanford, Secretary; and Willis Gupton, Hollister, Treasurer.

On Friday, October 25, Alpha Pi Epsilon, honorary secretarial fraternity of Louisburg College, presented, at the chapel hour, a play entitled "Boss vs. Secretary." Those taking part in the play were Ena Gillis, Raleigh; Edith Pittman, Wilmington; Ike Reynolds, Columbia; Joseph Newsom, Littleton; and Louise Turner, Sped. This play which created quite a deal of merriment was under the direction of the sponsor of the club, Mrs. Margaret Kilby.

On Friday evening, October 25, the Alpha Pi Epsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa of Louisburg College, also to Beta Phi Gamma, and the faculty of Louisburg College. An evening full of entertainment of a hallowe'en nature, such as fortune telling, games, stunts, folk dances, contests was enjoyed. Refreshments were served. Costumes and masks helped carry out the hallowe'en atmosphere.

The Home Economics Club of Louisburg College has elected the following officers: Ruth Stallings, Hobbsville, President; Irene Vaughan, Rich Square, Vice President; Jane Murphy, Louisburg, Secretary; Scott Brown, Zebulon, Reporter.

The Purchase of 10 Hereford heifers from Avery County growers by Pender County farmers for breeding purposes will probably result in further purchases and the transfer of many cattle from West to East.

LOUISBURG BASKET BALL CLUB MAKES IT DEBUT

The Louisburg All Star Basketball Club organized last Friday night, October 22, 1940 at the home of Maxine Bailey. The name "Red Peppers" was accepted as the name of the club along with the Motto "Success is Never Final and Failure Never Fatal." White and Red were chosen as the club colors which pairs right along with the name "Red Peppers."

As a result of the votes by all members of the club, the following officers were elected: President, Elsie Gupton; Vice President, Martha Holden; Secretary, Fannie Mae Vaughan; Treasurer, Louvenia Clark; Reporter, Maxine Bailey.

Officers of the Advertising Committee are as follows: Maxine Bailey, Nellie Southall, and Bobbie Parrish; Entertainment Committee, Elsie Gupton, Frances Edens and Martha Holden; Budget Committee, Priscilla Parrish, Agnes Leonard and Helen Peoples; Cheer Leader, Marian Matthews; Manager, Frances Edens. All club meetings are to be held at Maxine Bailey's home every Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend every meeting for pep talks and discussions of ideas of any kind as to how the plans are to be carried out. The club must have the individual cooperation of each member so that in striving for a new high, it will be good enough to reach this "high" and stay there.

All challenges to play surrounding teams of the county will be welcomed, and there is a guarantee of some very hard-to-beat games from these All Star "Red Peppers." The Club Motto "Success is never Final and Failure Never Fatal" will stand until the last goal is wrong, so, come on you High School teams, challenge these "All Stars," and here's a bet that the Best Team will win! This is going to spell "excitement" for teams made up of real stuff, so watch for all future notices concerning games and club meetings.

The hard part for many a young man is to find a girl attractive enough to please him and yet dumb enough to like him.

Urges Local Governments To Aid Defense

How Louisburg, Franklin County and the other 792 local governmental bodies in North Carolina can help to solve the nation's toughest problem—that of defense—was told today by Mrs. Melville Muckleston, president, National Consumers Tax Commission, Chicago.

A sum "sufficient to purchase 71 pursuit planes of the most advanced design plus 235 fast, light tanks" would be saved each year if local governments in this state would adopt only two administrative improvements—centralized purchasing and the merit system—according to the head of the Commission, which has 26 study groups in North Carolina. "Authorities estimate universal adoption of centralized purchasing would save 5 per cent, or \$4,124,700 of the \$82,494,000 spent annually by local governments in the state," Mrs. Muckleston, who is a former national president of the American Legion Auxiliary, declared. "An average saving of 5.6 per cent or \$4,619,664 would be realized through personnel selection by merit. Pursuit ships cost \$65,000 each and light armored tanks, \$17,500.

"Other economies, such as institution of sound budgetary methods, consolidating governmental units, proper planning and abolition of obsolete and unnecessary offices would save additional millions. If local governments throughout the nation would eliminate inefficiency and waste by the adoption of these methods the total sum saved would more than offset the \$994,400,000 to be raised annually through the National Defense Tax Act which went into effect July 1.

"Every loyal American favors the rearmament of our nation now regardless of cost. But while taxpayers are paying this bill, they have a right to expect

local governments to make every effort to save where essential services will not be sacrificed. "Citizens everywhere are performing a patriotic service of the highest order when they urge efficient administrative methods on their local officials. I am proud that NCTC women are in the vanguard of this economy drive." NCTC leader in North Carolina is Mrs. Talbot Johnson, of Aberdeen, a member of the national committee.

MAY YET GET REBATE

Raleigh, Oct. 31.—Employers of North Carolina who failed to pay their contributions to the State unemployment Compensation Commission for 1936, 1937, 1938, or 1939 in time to entitle them to the credit against the Federal unemployment tax for those years will be particularly interested in the statement of Commissioner of Internal Revenue Guy T. Helvering, to which Chairman Charles G. Powell calls attention.

Commissioner Helvering refers to Section 701 of the recently enacted Second Revenue Act of 1940, explaining that it provides that if contributions for 1936, 1937, or 1938 are paid to the State fund on or before December 6, 1940, the amount of such contributions will be allowable as credit against the Federal tax for those years, but not, in any case, to exceed 90 per cent of the tax against which it is applied. Prior to this amendment, credit against the tax for those three years was allowable only if the contributions for these years were paid prior to October 9, 1939.

Also, the section provides that employers may receive credit against the Federal unemployment tax for 1939 if the contributions for that year are paid to the State Commission on or before December 6, 1940. The amount of this credit, however, will be limited to 90 per cent of the amount which would have been allowable as a credit had the contributions been paid on or before the date fixed for filing the return for that year—January 31,

1940, unless otherwise extended. Employers who were denied the credit because of late contributions, in many cases, have filed claims for refund or abatement. In others the Bureau of Internal Revenue has information sufficient to allow adjustment of returns. The Bureau probably does not have a record of some employers who paid the full amount of the Federal tax, as well as the full amount of the State tax, Commissioner Helvering states. In such cases, claims may be filed within four years from the date the Federal tax was paid to Collector C. H. Robertson and will be considered for allowance, if the contributions to the State fund are paid by December 6, 1940. The law allows no interest on such refunds.

The new law also provides special relief for 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939 in bankruptcy proceedings or other cases in which assets are in custody or control of the courts.

Chairman Powell expresses the hope that North Carolina employers in arrears will pay the State fund any amount due before Dec. 6, and thus get all relief allowed.

Currituck County farmers in the corn, soybean, and lespedeza section are placing large orders for AAA grant-of-aid materials so as to earn their maximum soil-building payments, reports Farm Agent L. A. Powell.

During the first eight months of this year, the national income was \$2,400,000,000 more than in the same period a year ago, estimates Secretary of Commerce Jones.

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