

Observations

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This week marks the initial appearance of our efforts under the new heading of "Observations." This particular title out of the many good ones submitted seemed to just suit our all the others who offered suggested by Mr. E. W. Furgurson of Lenoir and Mr. Furgurson wins theatre coupon book. Thanks, Mr. Furgurson and to all the others who offered suggestions.



Unless the difference between the radio stations and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers are settled before January 1st, America will find most of its favorite music missing from the air waves comes the new year. For many years ASCAP has collected royalties for its members via a straight licensing agreement with the broadcasters allowing music, written or published by ASCAP members to be broadcast. Up until the present the agreement has been renewed yearly. To combat ASCAP the networks have formed Broadcast Music Inc. which is rapidly trying to build up a music library suitable to radio usage. Both parties to the disagreement are wrangling over the amount of the licensing fee which ASCAP claims is small compared to the benefit received and which the broadcasters say is much too large inasmuch as the publishers and writers of music benefit most from radio's popularization of their tunes. The right of ASCAP to collect a licensing fee has been upheld in various courts if the licensed business presents the music of ASCAP members as whole or part of an entertainment for profit. The fight to break the society's monopoly on practically all the popular and semi-classic tunes is as old as the organization itself with all amusements using music watching the fight with more than a passing interest. Every theatre, either movie or legitimate, every ballroom, hotel, night club and radio station has for years paid tribute to the ASCAP coffers and these businesses are hoping the radio industry succeeds in breaking the society's dictatorial music power. If the broadcasters break ASCAP's power it will not only save them hundreds of thousands yearly but will furnish the opening wedge to the theatres to remove the painfully high music tax they have been paying directly to ASCAP for years.

Those who have stated they would like to see "Gone With the Wind" again will be pleased to learn that the picturization of the Margaret Mitchell epic will be released generally in January to theatres in the full original length to play at prices scaled from .40 matinees to .55 at night.

We've all heard of kilowatt hours—which are a measurement for a certain amount of electricity. But few realize just how much energy one kilowatt hour represents. In a recent laboratory test, a strong, young ex-pugilist, was put to work driving a hand generator until exhaustion forced him to stop. He produced just a little over one per cent of one kilowatt hour. More than two hundred men took turns operating a bicycle-driven generator—and their combined efforts kept up until they were too weary to go on, produced ten cents worth of electricity. A kilowatt hour purchased from the municipal power company costs from two to seven and one-half cents. Electricity is

the greatest bargain an American can purchase if he brings into account the tremendous amount of energy he is purchasing for so very little.

A humorous anecdote is going the rounds about a local minister, who canvassing for members in the Red Cross drive, happened in on a poker game going full blast. Reports are rather vague but it seems the membership drive scored 100% among the players gathered around the table. Red Cross membership cards were drawn by all.

The Motion Picture Herald stated in the latest issue that theatres in the larger towns and metropolitan centers spent more than 90 per cent of their advertising budgets on newspaper advertising, on which they depend to draw practically all of their patrons. The effectiveness of newspaper ads has long been proven to every branch of the amusement industry.

GETS STILLS

ABC Officer Fred Frazier has reported a great deal of activity in the enforcement department the latter part of November. Stills taken recently include a steam outfit complete with boiler, worm, cap, various tubs and equipment seized in Cedar Rock Township. Earlier a 50 gallon copper still and 150 gallons of beer were seized in Lenoir township and two still locations were gone over the first netting officers a small amount of mash while the second yielded 300 gallons of mash. Officers accompanying Frazier were Sheriff Moore, Z. B. Wheeler, K. E. Joyner, G. S. Gilliam and Clinton Swanson. Frazier also reported the seizure of a still in Franklin township and the taking of 11 gallons of non-tax-paid whiskey. Sheriff Moore and officers Joyner, Swanson and Gilliam participated in a raid on a recent Saturday when the officers came upon two men in the act of moving their still. One man, Milton Mangum, was arrested as he carried the cap and worm on his back out of the woods. Another man escaped. 13 gallons of whiskey and the still equipment was seized in this raid.

MISS SMITH WEDS SIDNEY MURPHY

On Saturday, November 9, at 7:30, Miss Corine Smith and Sidney Murphy were united in marriage in a ceremony performed by the Rev. John Edwards at his home.

The bride and bridegroom entered unattended. The bride wore a dress of soldier blue trimmed with white with black accessories. Her corsage was of white chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Murphy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, of Lenoir. She is a graduate of Edward Best High School and attended Eastern Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, N. C.

Mr. Murphy is the son of Mrs. Lucy Murphy and the late J. C. Murphy. He is a graduate of Gold Sand High School. He is engaged in agricultural interest and is actively connected with civic affairs.

Following the marriage ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Murphy left for a short wedding trip, after which they returned to Gold Sand to make their home.

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To Hold Annual Meeting

Institute of Government Head Announces Meeting and Invites Franklin County Supervisor

Chapel Hill.—The Franklin County tax supervisor has been invited by Albert Coates, Director of the Institute of Government, to attend the annual meeting of the North Carolina Tax Supervisors' Association to be held in the Institute of Government building in Chapel Hill December 12-13.

The Association in conjunction with the Institute of Government, has been making a state-wide survey of county practices with respect to penalties charged for late-paying, and the use of tax maps. The results of this survey will be considered at the meeting, together with other problems of immediate practical importance to all tax supervisors. The program will include such vital topics as Tax Exemptions, Tax Mappings, Methods of Listing Real and Personal Property, Methods in the Valuation of Real and Personal Property, The Listing and Valuation of Intangibles and Distribution of Revenues Derived Therefrom, and Miscellaneous Problems presented by tax supervisors.

The tax supervisors will attend three sessions of three hours each, with registration at 2:30 P. M. Thursday at the Institute of Government building. The first session begins at 3 P. M. Thursday, while other sessions are scheduled for 7:30 Thursday evening and 9 Friday morning. The final session will close at noon Friday with a luncheon of all tax supervisors and their guests.

FOR RENT

Apartment, see Mrs. John W. King, Lenoir, N. C. 12-6-11

Battery "B" News

(By Pvt. B. C. Johnson and Corp. Willard Perry.)

Fort Jackson, S. C.—This is the first of any news to be sent in of what the boys in Battery B have been doing since their encampment at Fort Jackson. Most of the boys are liking it just fine, and are working hard in order to better their ratings.

The first few weeks of training dealt with First Aid, Care and Use of Equipment, Close Order Drill, and Military Discipline. For the past few weeks training has been specialized. That is the boys have been assigned to different sections and are working at these. There was a possibility of some of the boys getting a little homesick last week for they were given axes & grubbing hoes, and put to work cutting bushes. But after two or three days of this they seem to have gotten over it.

Each Sunday morning at 9:30 A. M. the whole Regiment gathers for regular church service, and Chaplain for this Regiment, Lt. Riddle is going to start a regular Sunday School, and gave everybody a Testament who went to his tent and asked for one.

Lt. Frank W. Wheelers, Jr. has been assigned to 1st Battalion Headquarters Battery and Battery Commander.

Be sure to watch each week for news of Battery B.

PREACHING DATE CHANGED

The FRANKLIN TIMES is requested to state that the Mt. Gilead Christian Church preaching service has been changed from the third Sunday afternoon to the second Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Grissom will do the preaching. The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

DR. WATERS APPOINTED AS HEALTH SUPERVISOR

Administrator John A. Lang today announced the appointment of Dr. George E. Waters, of Blackstone, Virginia, as State Health Supervisor for the NYA. Dr. Waters took over his duties in the State office on Monday morning, November 25, 1940.

In this capacity Dr. Waters will have general supervision of the State Health program, which will include physical examinations for all NYA enrollees; inspection and promotion of health work at residential projects, and health education.

Dr. Waters comes to the NYA from the Maryland State Health Department, where he has been engaged in public health work for the past three years. He attended the Blackstone Military Academy, West Point Military Academy, the University of Richmond and the University of Virginia Medical School, and did post graduate work at the School of Hygiene and Public Health of Johns Hopkins University. He was for two and a half years director of the Peninsula Health District with the Virginia Health Department.

THANKS We wish to extend our greatest appreciation and deepest gratitude to all those who rendered service in any way during the long illness of our dear daughter and sister. Their kindness will always be remembered. MRS. WILLIE G. ROWE and Family.

PLAY AT YOUNGVILLE The FRANKLIN TIMES is requested to state that the Senior Class of the Youngsville High School will present on Friday night, Dec. 6, at 7:30 P. M., its annual play. This is a royalty play, entitled "The Absent-Minded Professor." Enjoy an evening's entertainment with plenty of laughter and fun.

RECONDITIONED USED CARS. We carry in stock at all times from 50 to 60 high grade Used Cars of all kinds, Buicks, Dodges, Oldsmobiles, Pontiacs, Plymouths, Fords, Chevrolets. These cars are reconditioned and guaranteed on our 50-50 Guarantee. TWO SPECIAL BARGAINS 1939 Oldsmobile Coach, new tires, clean Only \$695.00 1938 Chevrolet Coach, two-door, with trunk, radio and heater, new tires Only \$495.00 MOTOR SALES CO. HENDERSON, N. C. PHONE 832 Local Representative — Joe Harris

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For Bargains In USED CARS. See J. L. GUPTON or M. M. REYNOLDS. Prices and terms are right. We have on hand for sale at Bargain Prices the following cars and pick-ups, guaranteed as represented: 1 - 1937 Buick, 4 door Sedan with heater, radio, trunk and white sidewall tires, perfect condition. 1 - 1936 Master Chevrolet, 4 door sedan, clean, new tires, completely reconditioned. 1 - 1939 Chevrolet Pick-up, like new, 13,000 miles. 1 - 1937 Ford V-8 Pick-up. 1 - 1935 Ford V-8 Pick-up. 1 - 1930 Ford A Coach. GUPTON'S SERVICE CENTER. PHONE 211-6. South Main Street, Louisburg, N. C.