

ENDS VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Bishop Purcell Delivers Graduating Address

EXERCISES OF HIGH ORDER, REFLECTING MUCH CREDIT

Dr. Walter Patten Preaches Baccalaureate Sermon; Dr. Earnhardt Preaches To Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A.; Misses Sallie Betts and Alma Bizzell Among Those Attending Banquet; Dr. Patten Made Interesting Announcement As To College

The 1941 closing exercises at Lousburg College began on Friday night with the Music Recital of Prof. I. D. Moon and James E. Byerly's classes in the college halls and was largely attended by an appreciative audience. Much talent, hard work and master training were evidenced in the splendid rendition of the many intricate musical numbers presented.

Among the members of former faculties attending the annual banquet given at the College Saturday night were Miss Sallie Betts and Miss Alma Bizzell. Many other old friends of the college were present to join with the newer graduates in enjoying a most delightful evening. Dr. Sallie Johnson, President, presided and each of the many toasts were especially fine and appropriate for the occasion, expressing the greatest love and affection for their Alma Mater, and for each other. At this time Dr. Patten made a most interesting talk telling of the past work of the college and its future aims.

Following the banquet Class Day exercises were held in the College auditorium. The several papers were of a high order giving insight to much study and preparation and reflected credit upon each of the authors and the graduating class. At this time Ralph Roe, President of the class, gave a most interesting and instructive address.

On Sunday morning Dr. Walter Patten, President of the College, delivered a most impressive baccalaureate sermon to the graduates and the many friends of the college who attended. The sermon was at the Methodist Church, which was crowded to its capacity.

One of the most delightful occasions of the commencement was when Dr. and Mrs. Patten entertained in honor of the graduates and their parents at 4:30 Sunday afternoon at the College.

The Vesper service held on the College Campus Sunday evening at 7:15 o'clock by the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. was largely attended and much enjoyed.

Dr. E. Earnhardt, a former President of the College was the speaker and delivered a most impressive and interesting sermon. Bishop Clare Purcell, of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, addressed the graduating members of Lousburg College in the Methodist Church Monday morning, admonishing them to recognize the fundamental value of Life in a world far gone in materialism and mercenary pursuits and interest.

The Bishop pointed out the primary nature of Life in terms of Value, Mystery and Uncertainty and then further developed his message in terms of the three-fold direction of Life, Upward, Outward and Downward.

Previous to the address, Dr. Walter Patten, president of the college and presiding at the exercises, made a report to the assembled group on the financial and scholastic condition of the institution and stated that the school was on the firmest financial footing it had known in many years with prospects bright for a splendid student attendance in the forthcoming year.

Two students in the graduating class of 50 received the Magna Cum Laude rating, Isaac Newton Reynolds, of Columbia, and Ida Mae Davis, of Lousburg, both being awarded Associate in Arts Diplomas. The Brantley Scholarship Medals, awarded annually to the boy and girl rated most outstanding in scholarship, citizenship, character and service were presented to Miss Catherine Gillis, of Raleigh, and Joseph Pulliam Newsome, of Littleton.

Those students receiving Associate in Arts Diplomas were: Laurel Ballard, Oriental; Ida Mae Davis, Lousburg; Sarah Genevieve Ellis, Clayton; Rachel Brooks Fox, Roxboro; Edna Mae Gillis, Raleigh; Willie Catherine

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MRS. EDWIN H. MALONE DEAD

Mrs. Edwin H. Malone, wife of one of Lousburg's leading attorneys, died at Duke Hospital, about noon Wednesday, where she had been taken Sunday for treatment. Mrs. Malone was a most estimable woman and was popular among a large acquaintance who valued her friendship highly.

She was 58 years of age and besides her husband is survived by one daughter, Miss Rose Malone, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Cooke, of Lousburg, and a brother, C. K. Cooke, Jr., of Raleigh.

She had been in ill health for some time, but her condition became more serious Sunday when she was taken back to the hospital. Her many friends did not realize the seriousness of her condition.

She was a member of the Lousburg Methodist Church and was active in its movement, as well as interested in all civic and other activities that tended to better her community.

The funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock from the home on Main Street by Revs. E. H. Davis and F. D. Hedden, and interment was made in Oakwood Cemetery. The pallbearers were: George W. Davis, H. C. Kearney, Eugene Pearce, John W. King, Ben T. Holden, Edward F. Yarborough.

Large numbers of friends of the family and others attended both services and the floral tribute was especially large and pretty, silently expressing a beautiful love and esteem for the deceased.

The bereaved family and friends have the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

GREEN HILL GOLFERS WHIP SMITHFIELD

Last Saturday afternoon, Lousburg defeated Smithfield in a golf tournament played on the Smithfield course by the score of 29 1/2 to 34. The new rough course, which has not had time to grow a smooth fairway, caused the scores to be much higher than usual. Only one player, H. H. McCormick, who is the Number One man for Smithfield, was able to make a score in the 70's—that being a 76. Joe Barrow and Buddy Beam tied at 80 for Lousburg's low score. William Barrow, Jr., was runner-up with an 81.

Those making points for Lousburg were: Huggins, 2 1/2; William Barrow, Jr., 3; Joe Barrow, 3; Napier Williamson, 1; Aren Wilson, 3; Word, 3; Ashley, 2 1/2; West, 1/2; Thomas, 3; Cox, 3; John Tucker, 2; Gaither Beam, Sr., 3.

THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy during the recent illness and death of our mother, Mrs. Alice Incoe.

The Children.

Stores To Close

The attention of readers is called to the closing of the Stores for the half holiday throughout the summer. This closing starts on Wednesday next week and will continue through the months of June, July and August. The closing time this year will be 12:00 o'clock, noon. All persons having business with the stores and other business places should make a note of this and do their Wednesday's shopping before 12:00 o'clock.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Lousburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, May 31:

Saturday—Double Feature—Cesar Romero, and Mgr. Beth Hughes in "Ride On Vaquero" and Sidney Toler as Charlie Chan in "Dead Men Tell." Also Chapter No. 4 "Adventures of Captain Marvel."

Sunday—Monday—James Stewart and Paulette Goddard with Horace Heidt and his Band in "Pot O' Gold."

Tuesday—Humphrey Bogart Sylvia Sydney, Joan Leslie and Eddie Albert in "The Wagons Roll At Night."

Wednesday—Jimmy Ellison and Maureen O'Hara in "They Met in Argentina."

Thursday-Friday—Joan Crawford and Melvyn Douglas in "A Woman's Face."

MEMORIAL SERVICES

FRANKLIN COUNTY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

Sunday, June 1st, 1941 at 2:30 P. M.

Franklin County Court House

Louisburg, N. C.

PROGRAM

Invocation Rev. John Edwards

My Country 'Tis of Thee Lousburg High School Band and Audience

Directed by Prof. Jimmy Byerly

Address of Welcome E. H. Malone, Pres. F. C. M. A.

Special Music Lousburg High School Band

Directed by Prof. Jimmy Byerly

Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers

for 1942 T. K. Stockard, Chm. of Nominating Committee

Roll Call of Deceased Veterans G. B. Harris, Adjt.

Franklin Post American Legion

Taps Jim King, Member Lousburg High School Band

Introduction of Speaker Rev. Forrest D. Hedden

Address Dr. John C. Glenn

Announcements

Star Spangled Banner Lousburg High School Band

Directed by Prof. Jimmy Byerly

(The flags which will be used to decorate the graves are presented by the Franklin American Legion and Auxiliary and the Lousburg American Legion.)

Officers, Committes and Graves

The following is a list of officers of the Franklin County Memorial Association, who are bending their every effort to do honor to the World War and other Veterans in a Ceremony in the Court House Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in a broad and most patriotic manner, realizing that the present war conditions impress the solemnity of the occasion more strongly than ever before since the trying days of 1917-19.

The following are the officers and committee chairman of the central association:

President: E. H. Malone, Lousburg; 1st Vice President and Chairman of Arrangements Committee, Mrs. Hugh W. Perry, 2nd Vice President, C. T. Moody, Bunn, 3rd Vice President, Mrs. Geo. L. Cooke, Franklinton, Secretary, A. F. Johnson, Lousburg, Treasurer, T. K. Stockard, Lousburg, Finance Chairman, Mrs. J. E. Malone, Local Details, J. L. Palmer, Lousburg, Flower Chairman, Mrs. H. C. Taylor, Members of the American Legion, Franklinton Post No. 52 and its Auxiliaries, and James Post No. 785 Lousburg, with their respective Commanders as Chairman, form an Escort Committee and are asked to go to the cemeteries nearest them and pay their tribute to their departed comrades by assisting in the decoration of the graves.

The following are the township committees and the list of the graves each committee is responsible for the decoration. All who can and will be urged to join a committee and lend their presence and assistance in decorating some grave:

Dunn Township: C. T. Moody, Chairman, Miss Lucy Wiggs, Mrs. Mary White Beddingfield, Fred Perry, Mrs. B. C. Johnson, W. A. Mullen, Mrs. Labbee Perry; Graves to be decorated: Clifton Powell, Uchurch burying ground near Pilot, and Thomas Wiggs, Bunn cemetery.

Harris Township: Mrs. M. C. Wilder, Chairman, Mrs. A. T. Lancaster, F. W. Justice, Miss Mattie Wilder, Mrs. Robert Wheeler, Luther Hagwood, Oscar Hagwood, Mrs. A. T. Harris, Mr. Dollie Pearce, Rufus Place; Graves to be decorated: Tommie Frazier, Harris Cross Roads, Zolzie Rogers, Robert Wheeler, Johnson Baker and A. T. Lancaster.

Youngville Township: Major S. E. Winston, Chairman, S. E. Harrington, Mrs. B. H. Patterson, Mrs. F. A. Cheatham, C. E. Jeffreys, Miss Gertrude Winston, W. C. Perry, W. O. Roberts, Mrs. S. E. Harrington and Mrs. E. M. Carter; Graves to be decorated: Louis W. Nowell, Hubert C. Layton, W. Herbert Cates, Wiley Jackson, Frazier, Archibald Pearce, Lonnie Perry.

Franklinton Township: H. C. Kearney, Chairman, G. B. Harris, J. O. Green, Mrs. C. S. Williams, Mrs. W. W. Cooke, Geo. L. Cooke, L. L. Preddy, Mrs. H. H. Utley, Marvin W. Hardy, H. F. Fuller, E. J. Cheatham, all members of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary; Graves to be decorated: Shemuel B. Cooke, Donald F. Cheatham, Eugene Gibbs, Jordan Henley, F. S. Joyner, Wade H. King, Grady Cyvers, Harold J. Holmes, Buck Strother, Spanish American War Veterans: Capt. I. H. Kearney, Thomas C. Tarite, Rufus W. Long, J. T. Moss.

Hayesville Township: D. T. Dickie, Chairman, T. C. Gill, Mrs. R. H. Purnell, Mrs. J. S. Wilson, L. O. Frazier, J. T. Weldon, Mrs. Henry Mitchell, Mrs. Perry Ayscue, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Terrell;

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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

DECLARES AN UNLIMITED NATIONAL EMERGENCY

Tells Hitler and His Allies We Will Actively Resist Their Every Attempt To Attack America or To Interfere With Freedom Of the Seas; He Also Told Labor and Industry They Must Keep at Work And Accept The Decision Of The Mediation Board

Washington, May 27.—Proclaiming the existence of an "unlimited national emergency," President Roosevelt said tonight that the United States would do whatever may be necessary to assure the safe delivery of war supplies in England, and served notice that it would "actively resist" any effort by Hitler to gain control of the seas.

Bluntly, he accused the Fuehrer and his Axis partners of an intent to conquer the world and "strangle the United States of America," asserted that the war was "coming very close to home"; and warned that "we will not hesitate to use our armed forces to repel attack."

These things, together with a reassertion of "the ancient doctrine of freedom of the seas," were included in his long-awaited "Fireside Chat," delivered from the White House before the entire diplomatic corps of the Western Hemisphere.

Previously he ran over the pertinent passages of his address with Congressional leaders of both parties at an extraordinary White House meeting. Speaker Rayburn, who was among them, later told reporters that the address had his full approval, but that he could not speak for all who were present.

Consequently, he continued, he was declaring the existence of an emergency which requires that the nation's "military, naval, air and civil defenses be put on the basis of readiness to repel any and all acts or threats of aggression directed toward any part of the Western Hemisphere."

To further the general objective, he called upon manufacturers to give precedence to the products that the nation needs and "upon all our loyal workmen as well as employers to merge their lesser differences in the larger effort to insure the survival of the only kind of government which recognized the rights of labor or of capital."

He referred to the labor problem in his speech as well. "This is no time," he said, "for capital to make, or be allowed to retain, excess profits. Articles of defense must have undisputed right of way in every industrial plant in the country."

The overwhelming majority of our citizens expect their government to see that the tools of defense are built; and for the very purpose of preserving the democratic safeguards of both labor and management, this government is determined to use all of its power to express the will of its people, and to prevent interference with the production of materials essential to our nation's security."

His pledge that whatever may be necessary to get the goods to Britain would be undertaken—promptly construed in some quarters as a possible forerunner of a convoy system—was prefaced by a disclosure that the Germans were sinking merchant ships at a terrific pace—more than twice as fast as British and American shipyards can replace them.

He asked whether, in view of the world situation, the nation should "hesitate to take every single measure necessary to maintain our American liberty."

Control of Seas The President charged that it is the purpose of Hitler and the Nazis to dominate the world and "strangle the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada." This, he said, can not be accomplished until the Axis powers gain control of the seas. Now, he said, Great Britain stands between the Axis and such domination of the seas.

Then noting that the American Navy is doing patrol duty in the North Atlantic and saying that the ships in that area are being constantly increased, he pledged "all additional measures necessary to deliver the goods."

Mr. Roosevelt enunciated two articles on national policy: "First, we shall actively resist wherever necessary, and with all our resources, every attempt by

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EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

London, May 27.—Germany's proud new battleship Bismarck, crippled and staggering in wild circles under the blows of aerial torpedoes, was sunk today by the combined might of the British Navy and its air force in full revenge for destruction of the battle cruiser Hood.

At 11:01 A. M. (4:01 A. M. EST) today three days after the Hood had been blown to bits by a hit in the magazine from one of the Bismarck's 15-inch shells, the 35,000-ton Bismarck herself settled under the surface of the Atlantic.

Down with her went some 1,300 men, a great German Admiral, Guenther Luetjens, and about one-fourth of German's known capital ship strength.

The 9,975-ton British cruiser Dorsetshire rammed home torpedoes which finished off the Bismarck after she had been shelled into helplessness by British "heavy ships" and destroyers.

The Admiralty, in a long communique describing the chase and destruction of the Bismarck, said the Nazi battleship had been slowed down to a speed of about eight knots after being hit by two aerial torpedoes and two torpedoes from British warships.

TO GIVE PRIZES

Scout Master W. J. Shearin, Jr., of Boy Scout Troop No. 20, Lousburg, informed the TIMES this week that he is offering to all the high school students in his Scout Unit a prize of a Silver Dollar for the best essay written on the life of Robert E. Lee, the famous Confederate general.

He will also give a like prize to a grammar grade student in his organization for the best essay on the life of Stonewall Jackson, another prominent Confederate general.

OFF FOR MANEUVERS

Members of Battery B 113th F. A. left Fort Jackson, S. C., yesterday morning for Camp Forrest, Tennessee, according to information received by friends in Lousburg. They will be engaged in a month intensive maneuvers in regular battle or war practice. Anybody wishing to write any of the members will address them at Battery B, 113th Field Artillery, A. P. O. 30, Camp Forrest, Tenn.

GETS APPOINTMENT

Mr. W. B. Barrow, Sr., received a telegram from Congressman Cooley Wednesday informing he had nominated William B. Barrow, Jr., as the principal candidate for admission to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. His friends here extend congratulations.

LEASES BILLIARD PARLORS

Mr. C. C. Rudd announces having leased the Moon's Billiard Parlors next to the New Army and will continue to operate it. He says he expects to inaugurate new features and games and give the people of Lousburg a nice and wholesome place at all times where they can enjoy an afternoon of sport. Read his announcement.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL

The local managers are anxious to have every boy and girl in Franklin County, who are not enrolled in High School or College to come to the Community School over Scoggin's Drug Store and take a course in typing, business English, business math, and spelling.

They also have a course in home-making for girls and ladies who are interested in sewing, and all household arts. Come in and talk it over with us.

According to the latest U. S. Department of Agriculture poultry report, the number of young chickens on farms May 1 was 10 per cent larger than a year ago.

PROOF ENOUGH

Warrenton, May 28.—It's a dogleg hole, but Webb Loy, Lousburg golfer, has a perfect witness that he made a hole-in-one here today. A minister saw the ball go in the cup. The caddy on the green for the preceding foursome saw the ball coming and lifted the pin for the ball to roll in.

The seventh hole of the local course doglegs to the right, and even a giraffe can't see the green from the tee. Loy smacked the ball, and although he realized that he's sliced just right, he didn't even dream of an ace. Loy and the rest of the foursome marched towards the green. Standing on the green was the Rev. A. Paul Bagby, of Lousburg, who broke the glad tidings.

The ace came during a team match in which Lousburg defeated Warrenton, 27 1/2 to 8 1/2. Playing with Loy were Bill Huggins, Lousburg, and Pet Boyd and Julius Banzet, Warrenton.

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Alexandria, May 28.—Max Schmeling, former world's heavy-weight boxing champion, has been killed in Crete while trying to escape from British soldiers escorting him to a prison camp, reliable British sources reported tonight.

The Berlin radio said Monday night that Schmeling was among the first German parachute troops to alight in Crete. A Propaganda Ministry broadcast described the take-off of the first parachute troop carrying plane and said Schmeling was the first soldier to go aboard.

The report of Schmeling's death came from reliable New Zealand sources.

Early in the war, Berlin announced that the pugilist had been called to the colors and later it was made known that he was under training as a parachute fighter.

Vichy, France, May 28.—British warplanes pursuing a Libya-bound Italian convoy attacked the important French Tunisian port of Sfax today, setting a French steamer afire and hitting two Italian vessels.

This outbreak of air war in French North Africa, coupled with fighting between British and French planes over Syrian airdromes at the other end of the Mediterranean, brought a dangerous worsening of relations between the former allies.

It was disclosed here almost simultaneously that Axis powers had relaxed the armistice to permit France to rebuild a continental air force "for defense of the French Empire."

Almost all members of the Vichy government save Chief of State Petain were in Paris tonight for collaboration negotiations with the Germans.

Official information said the attack on Sfax, which caused an unestimated number of French and native casualties, began with British bombing of an Italian merchantman, which was hit and took refuge in the Kerkennah Islands, about 20 miles off the Tunisian shore.

Salvos were fired later from a battery in the Cap Gris Nez area at intervals of 10 minutes. Buildings shook as the shells exploded with terrific detonations.

Late yesterday the Royal Air Force struck at the German positions on the French coast, drawing a defense barrage which British observers considered one of the heaviest daylight blasts of the war.

Spectators on the cliffs of the southeast shore saw the Royal Air Force raiders sweep across the Straits of Dover, and a little later saw a great barrage of anti-aircraft shells bursting above Calais.

Cairo, Egypt, Thursday, May 29.—Fighting on the bloody battleground of Crete between constantly reinforced Germans and dog-tired British and Anzac soldiers today became a grim, stand-up, slug-fest match. British spokesmen said, with the British forced to give new ground.

On a ten-mile long, two-mile-deep strip of coastline between Malemi airdrome and Canea, the British and Anzacs battled day and night against the Nazis, who pumped air-ferried troops into Malemi in a constant stream. The heaviest dive-bombing yet seen in Crete was turned loose Tuesday night, the spokesman said, and the British finally fell.

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