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CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE COMMENCEMENT

End of Five Years Work at Red Springs --News Notes of Commencement.

Red Springs, May 28.--Commencement day at the college as compared with its predecessors was in many ways surpassing. For one thing the weather had never before been so favorable. Rev. W. F. Thom, president of the board of trustees, presented the orator of the day, Hon. G. B. Patterson.

The President, Rev. Dr. C. G. Vardell, then presented the certificates and diplomas. In the school of music certificates of graduation were given Misses Lessie Norma Lindsey and Mary McNeill McEachern.

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CONCERT-BANQUET. The Fourth Quarterly Concert at the college Tuesday night from the opening number, a duo, organ and piano, by Misses Rebecca and Margaret Ward to the closing violin quartette was highly creditable to the young pianists, violinists and sopranos.

After the concert the alumnae banquet was given in Morgan Hall. Dughi was the caterer and never did he meet expectations more fully. It was a festive gathering. No little talking was done. Mrs. Fred Pearsall was the toast-mistress.

Miss Mary McNeill attended the great 20th of May Celebration in Charlotte.

Miss Inez Collins, a former student of the college from Cleveland, Ohio, is spending a few days with Mrs. Fred Pearsall.

Misses Frances and Elia Rhodes, of Lynchburg, Va., are staying over after commencement a few days with Miss Georgie Pearsall. They are old students of the college.

Misses Marion and Catherine Godsdan, of Charleston, S. C., are visiting Mrs. W. F. Williams. They are former students at the college.

Miss Florence Pearsall, of Wilmington, is visiting Mrs. Fred Pearsall.

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The Fort Caswell base ball team came up and played Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with the team of the N. C. M. A., and lost each game by the scores 15 to 10, 16 to 10 and 18 to 8.

Miss Annie McNeill, of Savannah, Ga., was among the visitors to friends in town last week. She left Thursday for Maxton, expecting to go from there to Davidson commencement.

Miss Anna McLeod, of Lumberton, visited her aunt, Mrs. A. T. McCallum, last week. She returned Thursday.

Dr. Pollock, of Kinston, N. C., was a visitor here the past week.

Misses Margaret McEachern and Anna McNeill, of Savannah, Ga., were guests at their uncle D. P. McEachern's last week.

Among the number who got a cordial greeting here the past week were Dr. J. P. Brown and his wife from Ashpole. They were the guests of Mr. N. A. Brown.

Mrs. J. W. McLaughlin, nee Miss Christiana McFadyen, looked very natural among the teachers last week.

Miss McMillan Entertains. Miss Flora McMillan entertained a few friends at her home Friday evening.

A thing that some one doesn't find fault with is seldom worth having.

MUSIC LOVERS GREATLY ENJOYED THE RECITAL

Given by Three Young Women From Southern Presbyterian College Thursday Evening.

Lumberton music lovers enjoyed a rare treat in the recital given in the opera house Thursday evening by Miss Johnnie Evans Bason, violinist; Miss Mary Black, soprano, and Miss Lessie Norma Lindsey, pianist.

There was a fair sized house at the recital, which began at 8:30 o'clock. The program was a most attractive one, and embraced numbers from such composers as Mlynarski, Do Koven, Reinecke, Rubinstein, Schumann and Liszt.

Miss Mary Black, the soprano, has a voice of unusual sweetness and she sings with feeling and effect. Three numbers, "Doris," "For This" and "Spring Flowers," she sang, greatly pleased the audience.

Miss Lindsey, of Greensboro, who has just graduated with high honors from the music department of the college, was pianist and played all but one of the numbers on the program.

The recital taken as a whole was well enjoyed and lovers of good music were more than pleased. Nearly \$40.00 was realized from the recital, which had not been well advertised.

Prof. P. S. Vann, of Lumberton, will assume control of the Liberty Association School this fall, and his coming will add a powerful element to our educational forces.

Never Judge a man's honest by the umbrella he carries. A good man is known by the acquaintances he cuts loose from.

BACHELORS ENTERTAIN In Honor of Visitors and Other Young Lady Friends.

The Unexpected Six and a Half entertained at the club rooms, on Fifth street, after the recital Thursday evening, in honor of the visitors and other young lady friends. Immediately after the recital, which was concluded at 10 o'clock, the guests went directly to the club rooms, which had been transformed, especially for the occasion, from their usual state into one of attractiveness.

The young ladies had been the guests of the club for only a short while when they were invited into the dining room, which was most attractively decorated. Here the guests were seated about three tables and an elegant menu in two courses was served.

Those present were. Miss Johnnie Bason, of Gastonia, with Mr. J. G. McCormick; Miss Mary Black, of Red Springs, with Mr. C. H. Morrow; Miss Lessie Lindsey, of Greensboro, with Mr. E. J. Britt; Miss Bessie McAllister, of Washington, Ga., with Mr. Chas. A. Hines; Miss Jessie Fuller, with Mr. J. P. Stansel, and Miss Annie Neill McLean, with Mr. Alex T. McLean. Col. S. A. Edmund, another member of the club, was also present, much to the delight of all.

TOWNSHIP CONVENTIONS. Held Saturday Afternoon--Convention to Meet Thursday.

The Democratic township conventions of Robeson county were held Saturday for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention, which will meet in the court house Thursday at 11 o'clock.

The convention of Lumberton township was called to order Saturday afternoon by Mr. A. W. McLean, chairman of the township executive committee. Mr. Charles A. Hines was appointed secretary. On motion of Mr. J. G. McCormick, it was decided to elect 22 delegates to represent Robeson's 11 votes in the convention.

The following were elected members of the executive committee: A. W. McLean, S. McIntyre, M. W. Floyd, T. N. Higley, and A. P. McAllister.

Two Sunsets in One Day.

The town of Leek, in Staffordshire, England, has the rare privilege at a certain season of the year of witnessing two sunsets in one day. Between the town and the western horizon there is a high mountain, and when the sun dips behind its crest night begins to fall and the lamps are lighted.

JUDGE ALLEN SETS ASIDE JURY'S VERDICT

Last Week Taken up in Case of Receiver Slocumb vs. Southern Saw Mills.

The one-week term of Robeson Superior court adjourned Saturday, nearly all of the week having been taken up in the trial of the case of A. H. Slocumb, receiver of The Southern Saw Mills and Lumber Company, vs. The Philadelphia Construction Company, W. H. Saunders and R. H. Lynn.

The verdict as follows: 1--Was the tramroad and timber described in the complaint covered by the mortgage to Saunders and Lynn procured with the funds of the Southern Saw Mills and Lumber Company?

Answer--No. 2--Was the mortgage of the Philadelphia Construction Company to Saunders and Lynn fraudulent?

Answer--Yes. 3--If so, did Saunders and Lynn have notice of it at the time the mortgage was executed?

Answer--Yes. 4--Is the Philadelphia Construction Company indebted to the plaintiff?

Answer--Yes. 5--If so, in what amount?

Answer--\$799.88.

A motion of counsel for the defense to set the verdict aside was allowed, and the case referred to J. O. Carr, of Wilmington. Plaintiff took an appeal to the Supreme Court.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. Number of Deals in Robeson County Dirs.

Among the deeds recently filed in the office of Register D. W. Bullock were the following:

L. C. Townsend et al to B. P. Townsend, interest 100 acres in Howellsville township, consideration \$75.

John Prevatt and wife to W. F. Prevatt, one tract in Raft Swamp township, consideration \$60.

J. H. Tyner and wife to John Prevatt, 15 acres in Raft Swamp, consideration \$100.

A. W. McLean and wife to Dresden Cotton Mills, 77 acres in Lumberton township, consideration \$3,455.

J. B. Sawyer to J. C. D. McNatt, five lots in Parkton, consideration \$90.

East Carolina Land and Improvement Co. to J. C. D. McNatt, three lots in Parkton, consideration \$150.

M. J. Johnson to Mary E. McNatt, 2 lots in Parkton, consideration \$90.

W. S. Johnson et al to D. B. Humphrey, 150 acres in Saddle Tree township, \$722.68.

Lewis Humphrey and wife to Jessie B. Humphrey, 40 acres in Saddle Tree township, consideration \$50.

Emma J. McRae to Mrs. Jessie B. McNatt, one lot in Maxton, 1,000.

Neill Shaw and wife to Retta Francis Gibson, one lot in Lumber Bridge, consideration \$40.

W. C. Powell and wife to B. J. McNeill, 40 acres in Burnt Swamp, consideration \$300.

E. Gibson and wife to Edwin P. Gibson, one lot in Lumber Bridge, consideration \$40.

The National Cotton Mills have decided on a site. It will be nearly two miles from town on the railroad at Wiggins's crossing.

Money can be lost in more ways than won. Pay day comes slowly to a man who watches clock.

MAXTON NEWS AND NOTES.

Mr. Malcom McNair, of San Francisco, Cal., arrived here Tuesday, and is the guest of his brother, Mr. W. S. McNair. Mr. McNair had the misfortune of losing his entire stock of goods during the recent earthquake.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCaskill, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Croom have moved into their new homes on McCaskill Avenue and Rail Road Street respectively and are now at home to their friends.

Miss Bessie Williams, of Rocky Mount, has returned to Maxton, and resumed her duties as stenographer for Congressman G. B. Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McLaughlin, of Raeford, made a short visit here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCaskill, Sr.

Miss Margaret Barnes, who has been teaching in the Graded Schools at Greensboro for the past year, returned home Wednesday for the summer vacation.

Miss Essie Bethea, of the Southern Presbyterian College of Red Springs, spent a few days here with Miss Clarkie Belle McNair this week on her way home.

Misses Emma B. McRae and Lillian McNair, who have been attending school at the Southern Presbyterian College returned home Wednesday night.

Miss Sallie McLean, of Laurinburg, is visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. John Allen McLean.

Miss Winifred Fowle, of Washington, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. J. S. McRae this week.

Miss Cammie McCaskill was a visitor at Red Springs during commencement, the guest of her friend, Miss Mary Eliza Robeson.

Mr. Ernest Weatherly left home Sunday afternoon for Portsmouth, Va., where he went to play base ball with the professional team at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wiggins, J. E. Womack and wife, R. M. Williams and wife, J. S. McRae and wife, Miss Bee Weatherly, and Messrs. Lacy Williams, Alf Walters, John Curtis, Preston Coggins, Donald McQueen and Lacy McLean attended the Twentieth of May celebration at Charlotte this week.

Congressman G. B. Patterson returned Monday night from Washington. He delivered the commencement address at the Southern Presbyterian College on Wednesday.

Dr. H. G. Hill returned a few days ago from Richmond, Va., and other points, where he spent two weeks.

Messrs. J. G. McCormick and A. T. McLean, of Lumberton, spent Sunday here with home folks.

Mr. Jamie Shaw, who is attending the Law School of the University of North Carolina, and Messrs. Henry and Winfred Carter, of Oak Ridge Institute are at home for the holidays.

Mrs. S. E. McCormick is at home after having spent several months in the mountains of Pennsylvania and other places in that State.

A Pleasant Evening.

Miss Lula Humphrey entertained a party of young friends at her home Friday night. The feature of the evening was a "T" contest, in which Mr. Ed Rancke won the prize offered for the largest number of correct answers. Delightful refreshments were served and everyone voted the evening a most enjoyable one.

INTERESTING NEWS AND NOTES FROM ASHPOLE

The Progress of Robeson and Commencement at Red Springs--Local and Personal.

Ashpole, May 28.--Your correspondent had the pleasure of attending a part of the commencement exercises of the Southern Presbyterian College at Red Springs last week. It was our first visit and we were much impressed with all we saw. The girls seemed an exceedingly happy, healthy crowd, full of overflowing spirits.

Our visit to Red Springs also impressed us with the possibilities of our great county. Such have been the improvements made since we took the trip before that nothing seem too great for our people to accomplish with good roads as the starting point.

Miss Amantha Floyd returned last Thursday from a delightful Alabama trip.

The Methodist Ladies Aid Society are selling splendid souvenir tray pictures of Trinity church and its popular pastor Rev. J. M. Ashby.

Misses Lennie and Nina Lawler, of Pembroke remained for a week after Commencement, guests of Mrs. J. W. Ashby.

Mr. Rooney Thompson attended the base ball games between Fort Caswell and Red Springs Military Institute last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown and son visited relatives in and around Red Springs last week.

Capt. Devane has secured a home of H. G. Byrd and moved his family here from Wilmington. We are glad to welcome them to our town.

Messrs. Ernest Jones and Tom Grantham came home last week from the strawberry center. Mr. Jones expects to leave again for the peach movement in Georgia.

W. C. Brown returned home from Cerro Gordo last week. Mrs. Dr. Burton and children returned with Miss Ida Galloway from Greensboro last Thursday and are spending some time with Mrs. Galloway.

The Masonic Lodge received its finishing touch by carpeting the floor last Friday. They will be glad to show their lodge now to any visiting Masons.

RAILROADS AT WORK.

Issues are continually arising in our county of more or less importance, and the issue is now unmistakable: The people vs. railroads. From all quarters comes the information that it is the purpose of the railroads to not only control the next legislature, but to endeavor to control our State, Congressional and Judicial conventions. They are well organized and are working for a purpose. In view of the well-known fact of their determination to manage these several conventions in their own interests, without regard to the wishes of the people, it would be well to see that no man connected with them in any way, shape or form, shall be appointed a delegate thereto.

If a man's credit isn't good he can easily cut down his expenses.