

Conference Held At Benson Church

Rev. W. A. Cabe of Raleigh, superintendent of the Raleigh district, North Carolina Methodist conference, held the first quarterly conference of the year with the Benson church which is composed of the Benson and Elevation churches. The meeting was held at the Benson church.

Following his delivery of one of the finest sermons ever heard in the local church Rev. Mr. Cabe held the business session of the quarterly conference with Harold Medlin of Elevation church serving as conference secretary.

Rev. Ivey T. Poole gave the pastor's report; Walter R. Strickland gave the Sunday School superintendent's report; Ralph Medlin reported on the activities of the Elevation church and Sunday School; Mrs. Ivey T. Poole, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, gave a resume of the work being carried on by the woman's organization; and Stella Creech gave the treasurer's report. The budget for the year as adopted in a recent meeting of church officials was approved by the quarterly conference and plans discussed for the evangelism program of the Methodist church at large during the quadrennium just beginning.

Rev. Mr. Cabe was appointed to

Erwin Teen Chatter

By MAE COOPER

Glad to see Bobby Bullard home on leave. Bobby has been in Erwin with us for over a week now and we are truly going to hate to see him leave. Hope you're enjoying your stay Bobby, next time don't stay away so long.

Gail Byrd really rates. First it's a phone call and now it's a letter almost every day. Really Gail we all thought the nucky boy was an Erwin Junior, or can't you decide? ? ?

Polly Barefoot loves to go on sixth period study hall. No she doesn't like to study. She loves to go so she can argue with Ben Parker, Bill Sewell, Tommy (Vann) Davis and D. G. Gomedella. Now, Now boys, let Polly have her say.

I wonder when Larry Mason is going to make up his mind. First it's a Senior girl then it's a Junior girl. They're both very cute girls Larry but you can't keep us guess-

fill the position of district superintendent which was recently made vacant by the sudden death of Rev. Robert E. Brown at his home in Raleigh.

ing forever, so hurry and make up your mind.

What's this I hear about Ben Parker begging for a date? ? And in front of the drugstore too. Now what was it he said? "Date me tonight and I'll buy you a coca cola now." Go Ben! ! !

Tommy Davis doesn't seem to be satisfied with his name. I hear he's changed it to Tommy Vann. No comment, huh, Mr. Vann? ? ?

Sorry to have Tenny Lovette in the hospital. Tenny has a fungus in her ear and has been out of school for the past week. Hurry and get well Tenny.

The Freshman Class has a lot of cute girls in it this year and among these are Patricia Stephens. Pat is a very cute girl but as news goes an Erwin Junior has captured her heart. Come on Pat tell us the lucky boy's name.

Have you noticed the class ring Savonne Eanes is wearing? ? Who's is it? ? Why it's R. D. Turners who else? It really is pretty Savonne even if it is to big for you.

Still going strong are Betty Wren Staniel and Cecil Johnson. They have been going together for a long time now and from the look on their faces it'll be much longer, huh you two? ?

For a Christmas present Betty Hope Byrd received the prettiest pair of pink pajamas I've ever seen. They are silk and made like the pajamas the Chinese wear (yes I've seen Chinese pajamas) and they have two pretty flowers embroidered on the top. No joke Betty if I were you I wouldn't ever sleep in them, they're much to pretty.

What's this I hear about "Skippy" Smith going to see Marilyn Steinhart an taking two hours to do his homework. By the way Marilyn did you learn any English that night.

Well it's over and done with. What? ? The Junior play "High School Hero." The play was presented Friday night the twelfth. All who attended surely enjoyed

Courtroom Drama



NEAR COLLAPSE, Mrs. Rose Hearn is comforted in a Pontiac, Mich. courtroom by her husband, Donald, after a jury of 12 women had found their 16-year-old son, Robert, and three other youths, guilty of first degree murder. The four were convicted of slaying Alfred Jones, a gas station employee, in a holdup. (International)

The three act comedy. It was truly a HIT.

Pauline Taylor seems to be very interested in the boys from Coats. Her latest "flame" is — well I won't say I wouldn't want to tangle with Pauline.

Friday night is a big night for the Erwin teen-agers. We have a ball game with Lillington starting at 7:30 and after the ball game the Teen Age Club is having a semi-formal dance starting at 10:00 and lasting til 1:30. All attending should have loads of fun so see you kids there.

Bobby Wood has been going to see Louise Brown a lot lately. You'd better watch out Bobby that's a good way to catch the Chicken Pox.

Hey Betty Lou, who is this boy from Eastern Carolina that you are looking for this weekend? ? I hear that you're going to Portsmouth with him. N. C. huh.

It seems as if Jerry Ryals has been hearing from a certain Durham lad real often lately, and from what we hear he really is cute. Anyhow Jerry thinks so. Say, Jerry, when are you going to invite him down so we all can meet him? ? Real soon we hope. Oh, by the way his name is Jerry Bowling. At least these two have one thing in common, names.

Buies Creek must have some attraction to our Erwin boys. Tuesday night a carload of Junior boys took off and went to the Buies Creek basketball game. Really boys are you sure it was the ball game you went to see. I know some awful cute girls that live in Buies Creek.

Speaking of going to Buies Creek, I hear that a cute little Sophomore girl got mad at Pete Denning for going. Come now Shirley, give the boy a chance to explain.

I hear that Ronnie Schwartz is coming down to see Betty Hope this weekend. Am I right Betty? ?

Why does Jessie Suggs look so unhappy these days? ? Luke you'd better get on the ball you're breaking her heart.

The Glee Club sang for the student body Thursday morning. They sang "We Three Kings" with solo's by Frank Weaver, Ray Hall and Carl Byrd, "O Holy Night" with Jo Ann Whitman as soloists and the Glee Club as a whole sang "White Christmas," "I'll Be Home For Christmas," "Winter Wonderland," and "Halleluiah." The Glee Club was directed by Mrs. Robert Insko and the Christmas selections were thoroughly enjoyed by

Children Visitors In Candy Factory

NEW YORK (AP) — One batch of candy canes may show up in Christmas stockings with slightly wobbly stripes.

Reason: Two kids in a candy factory.

Barbara Duane, 6, and Joseph Winter, 5, walked into the candy factory at 10 a. m. Two hours, four candy canes and seven chocolates five of which Joseph ate later, they went home to lunch.

"I'm not hungry," was Joseph's only comment as he departed.

Upstairs in the Fanny Farmer factory, Edward Groia, a hard candy maker, was cleaning up a shapeless mound of green and white striped candy. Ordinarily, he would have pulled the huge stick of hot peppermint batter cradled in canvas into a neat strand, to be snipped with scissors by a helper on his right and curved into canes by two women sitting across from him.

QUESTIONS GALORE

But trying to answer the questions of two inquisitive first graders is not an ordinary job in the day of a candy maker.

"How many candy canes does he make?" blue-eyed Barbara asked from a point approximately two inches from the green and white stream. Groia started nervously.

"This batch makes 1,500 canes, 24 to the pound," he said with satisfaction, then muttered, "unless something happens." Joe was just under his left elbow by this time.

"That's more kids than we have in the first grade," Barbara volunteered, studying the growing mound of hardened canes.

"I like red ones better," muttered Joe, a solemn, brown-eyed boy carefully dressed in a white shirt and navy blue necktie. He readily accepted the offer of a green and white candy cane, however, which he polished off with a few minutes of concentrated crunching.

The two children, who go to school in the Bronx neighborhood near the candy factory, were given the morning off from school to take advantage of the candy maker's invitation.

"Where's the chocolate candy?" Barbara inquired, nudging against

Groia, who by this time had given up and shut off his machine.

HELP THEMSELVES

He pointed to another room in the candy-scented plant and Barbara and Joe, their sticky hands linked, headed in that direction. On the way they passed the Jollypop machine. They stuffed three in their pockets.

"Mother told me to save some for my sister," Barbara explained with dignity.

"I can eat all I want," Joe hinted. "Did I tell you Santa Claus was going to bring me a steam shovel for Christmas?"

"I don't believe in Santa Claus," Barbara announced. "I saw mother talking to him in the living room last year."

They stood beside a moving table of cream ovals which passed under a constant stream of chocolate. Behind them was a moving belt of caramels. White-uniformed women held out hands filled with candies. It was like a dream sequence from a children's movie.

Barbara eyed Joe's chocolate-rimmed mouth. "He likes everything, doesn't he?" she remarked with a superior air. "I don't like nuts."

CARDINAL SPELLMAN FLIES TO KOREA



FRANCIS CARDINAL SPELLMAN is bid farewell by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen (left) on boarding a plane in New York for Korea where he will spend the holiday with the troops at the front. In his annual Christmas message, Cardinal Spellman expressed the hope that the Yuletide season will be made merrier for the families with sons in Korea, "Because I am going to that sad place to be with your boys." (International)

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