

## MANY ATTEND SERVICES AT AUDITORIUM

Large Hall Was Filled to the Doors With Friends of Graduating Class.

ELOQUENT ADDRESS MADE BY MR. HUSKE

Excellent Music by the Combined Chorus of the City, an Enjoyable Feature.

An excellent address by Rev. B. F. Huske of New Bern, delightful music by the combined choirs of Washington churches and an attendance which filled the large auditorium to the doors, were all features that made the commencement services at the High School, auditorium last night, one of the most interesting and enjoyable that has ever been held in this city.

Seldom, if ever, has a more eloquent address been heard than that delivered by Mr. Huske, rector of Christ Church at New Bern. He took as his subject, "True Greatness" and dealt with it in the clear, masterly manner of the perfect orator.

"We are gathered here to wish 'God speed' to those who are about to go forth into the world and combat with life's difficulties and obstacles," he began. "It is beyond my power to express the privilege it is to me to address you here tonight. What is true of these young men and young women is true of all of us, for, like them, we are always casting behind an old life, old works and old labors and beginning new ones."

"I am reminded of the story of a crippled boy who lived in one of the port cities of Maine. He was unable to walk or play or work and he spent his days in sitting on the docks and watching the vessels as they sailed out of the port, bound for foreign lands. And as each one passed him, he would call out, 'Good luck to your captain! Good luck to your crew!' And as we see these young persons here, about to embark on the journey of life, I am sure that I voice the sentiment of all gathered here when I say: 'Good luck to you, young men and women, may success be yours.'"

"What I desire to speak of tonight is 'true greatness,'—Christian greatness. The world has different views as to what constitutes greatness, but we must not take the world's standard of greatness as our guide, we must take the standard of Jesus Christ, who said that true greatness lies in service—in doing, in accomplishing something for our fellow men."

"If you'll only take the standard and doctrine of Jesus Christ as your example, you and I can attain true greatness, you and I can make life worth living, you and I can be of use to the world and make it a better one."

"There is a law of greatness; it is not a matter of chance, nor a secret which is revealed but to a few. The law is for us to receive our greatness from God and then use these gifts and talents and distribute them among our fellow men. We must go out among mankind and serve our brethren, contribute our strength and gifts for the betterment and advancement of mankind. How pitiful is he who does not want God's aid, or who does not make use of the gifts which are bestowed upon him."

"And you, young men and women, will have abundant strength for the work that lies before you, if you but realize that your strength comes from God, and I cannot close with more telling words than by assuring you that He will provide you with an abundance of strength with which to contend against the difficulties that are bound to cross your path."

Too much cannot be said in praise of the excellent music which was furnished by the combined choirs of the city. The audiences were extremely well rendered and formed a most enjoyable

## RETURN FROM GOLDSBORO MEETING

Washington Delegation Recipients of Cordial Hospitality

7 LADIES ATTENDED FROM WASHINGTON

Next Meeting of Federation of Women's Clubs to be Held at High Point

The meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, at Goldsboro, adjourned Friday at 12:30. This was a notable gathering of intelligent and progressive women, with Adelaide Fries, of Winston-Salem as the presiding officer. Many important subjects ranging from domestic science, education, health, social service, conservation, music, art and literature were discussed and committees appointed in these various departments. The work of the State Federation is recognized as a great power for good in every part of the country.

The delegation from Washington consisted of the following well known ladies: Mrs. Walton H. Carter, representing the Civic League and chairman of the committee of Household Economics; Mrs. Samuel R. Fowle and Miss Bettie Harvey from the Addison Book Club; Miss Adeline Mayo and Miss Caddie Fowle from the Crescite Book Club; and Mrs. Cleary and Miss Lida T. Rodman from the O. Henry Book Club. These ladies were the recipients of the most cordial hospitality from the citizens of Goldsboro and were specially and delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Crabtree and Mrs. Castex, former highly esteemed residents of old Washington.

It is to be regretted that more of our women could not have attended this inspiring meeting of women from every part of the State, women who are accomplishing things for the betterment of home and country. High Point will be the hostess to the Federation next year. Mrs. Lingle of Davidson received the unanimous vote as the next President. She is a brilliant and capable woman, wife of one of the professors of Davidson college.

Miss Lida Tunstall Rodman, State Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, was a guest of honor at the meeting of the Federated clubs, in Goldsboro and gave an impromptu greeting from that society at the opening exercises. Miss Rodman after leaving Goldsboro attended the annual meeting of the Colonial Dames, at Wilmington, May 5th where the honor of third vice-president was conferred upon her by this organization.

## NEW BOARD MEET TONIGHT

City Officials Took Oath of Office This Noon. Approve Finance Report.

At noon today the members of the old board of city aldermen were sworn out of office and the new board took the oath. The members were sworn in by Notary Arthur Mayo. Besides approving the report of the finance committee, very little was done and the session was a brief one. The new board will hold its first meeting tonight. Important matters will be brought up for consideration.

feature of the evening's services. The solo by Miss Ackley deserves special mention.

The Scripture lesson was read by Rev. R. V. Hope from John, 16, first 16 verses. Rev. H. B. Seagriff made an impressive prayer. Prof. Campbell, superintendent of the city schools, presided. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. N. Harding.

## WAGON LOADS OF TYPHUS VICTIMS IN SERBIA



Typhus is making horrible ravages in the ranks of the Serbian and Austrian armies, and among the civilians as well. The death rate is frightful, and ox carts laden with the coffins of the victims pass in continual procession to the burial places.

## CONGRESSMAN SMALL WRITES ON NORFOLK-BEAUFORT ROUTE

Congressman John H. Small in the April Bulletin of the Atlantic Deeper Waterway Association writes most interestingly with reference to the interoceanic waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort. Believing that our readers will be interested in what the congressman has to say on the subject, I publish his letter in full below. He says:

"The River and Harbor Act approved during the closing days of the recent session of Congress contains an item authorizing a re-examination of the link in the interoceanic waterway from Norfolk Va., to Beaufort Inlet, N. C. To the many friends and advocates of the interoceanic waterway now proceeding and will not prevent an allotment of its further improvement out of the lump sum appropriation contained in the last River and Harbor Act. Further, it is not assumed for a moment that the engineers will reverse themselves in any subsequent report; in fact, there is strong ground for the statement that another report will only serve to emphasize the importance of this project. One result of the naval operations in the present European war has been to em-

phasize the importance of the submarine. Their efficiency in coast defense will depend in large degree upon the ability to mobilize submarines quickly at any given port upon the Atlantic seaboard, and the construction of this waterway and of the other links furnish the only practical means for the effective use of submarines.

It may be added that there is not the slightest necessity of any further investigation of the link from Norfolk to Beaufort. There have been at least three surveys and examinations of the same by special Boards of Engineers within the past fifteen years, and the reports in each instance have been entirely favorable.

The advocates of the interoceanic waterway along the Atlantic seaboard have only to continue the prosecution of their propaganda. No disinterested student of waterways has ever studied this great project without reaching a favorable conclusion. Critics and cynics may arouse temporarily the attention of muckrakers, but they cannot permanently impair the merits of worthy projects or retard waterway improvements as an efficient arm in our system of transportation.

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## Many Attend Services At Athens Chapel

Annual Spring Meeting and Memorial Day Services Held There Yesterday.

Over 500 persons were present yesterday at the combined annual spring meeting and Memorial day services which were held at Athens Chapel, three miles this side of Bath. A most interesting day was enjoyed.

The people gathered from miles around and by ten o'clock the church grounds were thronged. The morning service began shortly after 11 o'clock and were conducted by Rev. W. O. Winfield, who preached a highly interesting and impressive sermon. Mr. Winfield's message to the younger people of his congregation was exceedingly instructive.

After the morning services dinner was served on the ground, a long table having been erected in the rear of the church. All of the ladies had brought eatables and there was more than enough to supply the large number present. Sunday school was held at three o'clock and the evening services at 8 o'clock.

Meetings of this nature will be annual affairs from now on. A number of Washington people attended the services.

One Trouble at a Time. Never bear more than one kind of trouble at a time, advised Edward Everett Hale. Some people will bear three kinds—all that they have had, all they have now, and all they expect to have.

## Secretaries To Form State Association

Local Chamber of Commerce Notified of Meeting to be Held in Raleigh.

The local Chamber of Commerce has received notice that the secretaries of the commercial organizations of North Carolina will meet in Raleigh May 18th for the purpose of affecting a state secretaries commercial association. A meeting was held some time ago in Raleigh at which this matter was taken up but no definite action taken. It is expected that the secretaries of nearly every commercial organization will be present.

The object of this meeting is to discuss ways and means of developing the agricultural and other resources of the state to the best advantage. An interesting program has been prepared consisting of addresses and discussions. Mr. Alexander Webb, president of the Raleigh Chamber, will deliver the address of welcome.

## EXTEND THANKS.

The ladies of the Memorial Association wish to thank Mr. Cherry for the use of his horse and furniture wagon on Memorial Day also Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stewart for their horse and phaeton. They also desire to express their thanks to the ladies of the city who responded so generously to the request for flowers.

## Collegiates Are Trimmed By Vanceboro

Local Baseball Team Was Beaten Saturday by the Score of Eight to Three.

The baseball team of the Washington Collegiate Institute suffered defeat at the hands of the Vanceboro team, in one of the most spirited games of baseball ever witnessed at Vanceboro. Both teams played an excellent game, and but for the fact that Basden pitching for Vanceboro, succeeded in keeping the visitors' hits well scattered, the result might have been a victory for Washington. The visitors played a good game but were unable to put but three men across the plate while the home team succeeded in scoring eight runs. The batteries were: Washington, E. Fry, Lumsden and Tuttle; Vanceboro, Basden and Covington.

## Exploits of Elaine

New Theater Tonight

The fifth episode of the "Exploits of Elaine" will be the main attraction in motion pictures tonight at the New Theater, also there will be three other reels of equally interesting pictures which will make up one of the strongest bills that this house has offered for some time. Prices for this week are 5c and 10c.

## ARREST MAN WHO POSED AS SLEUTH

Interesting Case Took Place in New Bern Where Man Was Operating.

TRIED TO WORK BICYCLE DEALER

Letter Proves too Clear, However, and Cause of His "Detective" Career.

Matthew Griffin, chief of United States Secret Service Department of the Philadelphia district, was a visitor in New Bern last week where he interviewed Albert Miller, aged about 23 years, who was arrested at the French street station of the P. R. and W. Railroad Company, on a charge of impersonating a secret service officer. Miller claims to hail from Cumberland, Md.

The arrest of Miller followed a search of two weeks, that being the first time the Government officials had heard of the man working here. It was learned that Miller had been at Carney's Point N. J., but he came here and when arrested he was about to board a train for Philadelphia en route to San Francisco.

C. M. Hobbs, manager of a grocery store, at No. 903 King street first made complaint to Postal Inspector Plummer of this city about Miller's actions about two weeks ago. At that time Miller, while plying motorcycles in Hobbs' store, according to Mr. Hobbs stated he was a secret service operator. Mr. Hobbs had a letter rifled in the mail, recently and he told Miller about it. Miller, according to Hobbs, said that if Hobbs would pay him \$10 he would see that the matter was "fixed up." Mr. Hobbs told Miller to wait until he returned from the bank, but he went to the postoffice instead and notified Inspector Plummer.

When they returned to the Hobbs store Miller was gone. Yesterday Miller again appeared at the Hobbs store, saying he was to leave here at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon for the Pacific coast. Mr. Hobbs at once called up Inspector Plummer and accompanied by Detectives Wardle and King the three men waited at the railroad station for him. Shortly before the time for the departure of a southbound train Hobbs arrived and was greeted by Miller. Mr. Hobbs asked Miller why he had left the store two weeks ago, so suddenly, explaining that he, Hobbs, was about to hire an attorney to take up the matter of his rifled letters.

To this Hobbs said Miller said: "Don't do that; give me \$5 and I will fix it up for you. As the money was passed in the presence of Inspector Plummer and the detectives, Inspector Plummer walked up to the two men, saying: "Which one is the secret service detective?" Before Miller could make a reply he was arrested.

When searched at the police station \$25 was found on Miller and his baggage, which had been shipped to Philadelphia, was seized by the police. In this the government agents found considerable mail of an alleged obscene nature. Word was sent to Philadelphia, and today Chief Griffin came here and lodged complaint against the defendant. Miller was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Mahaffy this afternoon on a charge of impersonating an officer. He pleaded guilty and was held under \$500 bail for trial at the June term of court.

## The True Bravery.

There is as much true courage in enduring with constancy the sorrows of the soul as in remaining steadily on the wall of a battery. To give oneself up to grief without resistance, to kill oneself in order to escape from it, is to abandon the battlefield before victory.—Napoleon

The Essential Thing. In Gilbert K. Chesterton's book "The Flying Inn" is a sentence worth thinking about in this day of excess and evasions. "For she felt God's wind from nowhere, which is called the will and is man's only excuse upon this earth."

## COMMITTEE IS SECURING SUBSCRIPTIONS

Are Endeavoring to Interest Merchants in Organizing a Ball Team.

EFFORTS MEETING WITH SUCCESS

Believed That Washington Will Have a Team. Players Are Being Heard From.

A committee, composed of two well known baseball enthusiasts and business men of the city, is calling on merchants today asking their support for a local ball team. Judging from the success of the first hour's work, their efforts are bound to meet with success.

No large sums are being asked for, and if the merchants as a whole, contribute in the matter, the amounts subscribed will never be missed. The committee stated this noon that they felt greatly encouraged over the results of their first efforts and that they felt sure Washington would have a ball team this season.

A number of well known college men and others have been heard from, who are desirous of playing on the Washington team. It is contemplated employing but few outside men, the balance of the team being composed of local players. A letter has been received from the New Bern team, expressing the hope that the efforts to organize a ball team will meet with success, as they are anxious for games.

It is not desired to place the Washington team in any league, merely to get up a good, fast team, that will put up a nippy game of ball. Reports from Greenville state that the younger men of that city are eagerly awaiting developments here and that if a team is formed in Washington they will not be far behind in getting up a similar organization in their city.

## U. D. C. MEET TOMORROW

Will be Last Meeting for the Summer. Thanks Extended for Aid on Memorial Day.

Pamlico Chapter U. D. C., will have its last meeting for the summer tomorrow afternoon at the public library, beginning at 5 o'clock.

It is not the 19th, but there is business that must be attended to at once.

Will the different committees and every member who can possibly do so, please attend? We desire a large meeting.

MISS LENA WINDLEY, President.

Pamlico Chapter, U. D. C., thanks everyone most heartily, men, women and children for the generous, willing aid extended on Memorial Day. Especially did it appreciate the kindness of all who took the veterans to the cemetery in their automobiles.

The chapter was indeed glad to have an unusually large number of children at the exercises. Their sweet presence added greatly to the pleasure of Memorial Day. It was also glad of the large audience that heard the beautiful address of the gifted speaker of the day.

MISS LENA WINDLEY, President.

## New Theater

TONIGHT Fifth Episode of the "EXPLOITS OF ELAINE" Also 3—Other Reels—3

Paramount Tomorrow "AFTERMATH"