

OLD TRINITY COMMENCEMENT

The Exercises in Detail, Most Interesting to All Who Attended

The Trinity High School Commencement beginning on the 9th of the present month and extending through the 12th was a most pronounced success. The annual sermon was preached on the 9th by the Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, of High Point. He took as his text that passage from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians where he says that he fights not as one who beatech the air, and from his text drew the moral lesson that all of life, especially the Christian life, is one full of hardships and struggles, one of constant fighting with the ever present powers of evil and that it is only by emphasizing the fighting qualities of this religion that we can attain the highest and best results. Contrary to what we so often hear, the speaker declared that a discreditable or dishonorable peace was not to be considered by a Christian people, but that the highest and best results were only to be had through struggle, through a constant reaching out after the better and nobler things which lie behind the things visible.

On Wednesday, the 12th, the Annual commencement address was delivered by his Excellency, William Walton Kitchin, Governor of North Carolina. This is the first visit that Governor Kitchin has been able to make to this particular section of the county and he was welcomed by a large and enthusiastic audience which would have been much larger however had it not been for the very unfavorable weather which reduced the attendance at all of the exercises. Governor Kitchin seemed at his best and spoke for more than an hour on the importance and necessity of education. But the address was much more than a mere eulogy on education. It was rather a sermon, suited to the understanding of the pupils for whom it was primarily intended, and intended to arouse in them a desire for the higher and nobler things in the life upon which they are now just entering. After reviewing the various phases of education and emphasizing the modern tendency towards education of the hand as well as that of the intellect, giving to the individual an education that will help in the every day affairs of life, he turned to the importance of an educated citizenship under a government like ours and referred with satisfaction to the fact that it is becoming more and more difficult to fool the people for any length of time. He emphasized the necessity for personal integrity not in private matters alone but in the affairs of State as well and closed by paying a glowing tribute to Duty as the greatest of all the virtues and which embraced all the others, not the mere doing of work because it is pleasant but because it is right.

Governor Kitchin spoke without notes and evidently from the heart. His remarks were full of sound wisdom for young and old and at times were full of the most feeling eloquence. He expressed himself as much pleased with his visit to the section and he no doubt made many friends while here. After dining at the residence of Docter Weeks in company with the members of the school board, Professor Charles Moncless, Mr. Louis Phillips and others, he returned by automobile to High Point where he took the afternoon train for Raleigh.

The parts of the program in which the pupils of the school were concerned were successfully performed. On Monday night there were drills and other representations by the members of the primary department. On Tuesday and Wednesday nights there were dramatic performances by the members of the High School who acquitted themselves creditably both nights. The play presented Tuesday night was entitled "All a Mistake" and turned on the fortunes and misfortunes of a young lieutenant who had married against his uncle's wishes. This uncle lived next door to an insane asylum and by passing off various visitors as insane he got the uncle sad others so mixed that the uncle was finally very glad to allow the younger man to marry as he pleased.

The cast of the characters was as follows:

Capt. Obadiah Skinner, a retired sea captain, Mr. J. Spurgeon White.

Lieut. George Richmond, his nephew, Mr. S. M. L. Phillips.

Richard Hamilton, a country gentleman, Mr. Robert W. Thayer.

Two Lives Lost Picnicing.

A young couple of Ether went to a mill pond on Little river, which is about one mile west of the little town of Ether, Montgomery county, to enjoy a boat ride for Easter. While several were standing on the bank, Wade Auman, Wesley Brown, Colon Moore and Worth Farlow mounted the vessel for a ride, after rowing out about middle way in the pond they began to rock the canoe to show there was no danger, when the canoe upset, throwing them all into the water, 15 feet deep. As soon as possible Columbus Suggs secured a canoe and rowed to the aid of the drowning party. After reaching them he discovered they had come up the third time; he put his oar down in the water as far as he could. Wesley Brown taking hold of it and Colon Moore grasping tight to Brown Mr. Suggs drew them into the canoe and carried them to the bank. After losing their shoes and hats they escaped unhurt. But before Mr. Suggs could go back for Auman and Farlow they had drowned. They fished out the two dead bodies and carried them to Ether, where several from Star and surrounding country had gathered there to see the dead bodies. Mr. Auman was a son of Mr. Fletcher Auman, of Asbury, a young and popular man of 21, who had been in school at Ether for some time. He was carried to Asbury for burial.

Young Farlow was a youth of six years and a son of Mr. W. Farlow, of Ether, a well known man, who is now cashier of the bank of Star.

House Passes Resolution for Direct Election of Senators

On last Thursday the House of Representatives by a vote of 296 to 16, passed the Buckner resolution, proposing a constitutional amendment for the direct election of U. S. Senators.

Ferdinand Lighthouse, an English Duke, Mr. W. P. Mangum Weeks.

Nellie Richmond, George's wife, Miss Irene Payne.

Nellie Huntington, a friend, Miss Ava Collett.

Cornelia (Nellie) Skinner, sister to the captain, Miss Nell Parkin.

Nellie Melotyre, a servant Miss Mary Andrews.

The play on Wednesday night was called "A Clergyman's Courtship." The story is that of an actress who went to a country village to study its life for the purpose of reproducing it in a rural play. While in the country she meets a country clergyman with whom she falls in love. Her character as an actress and her purpose are accidentally revealed by a visit from her manager. Then follows a stormy scene with her lover, separation and final reconciliation. The cast was as follows:

Arthur Grayhurst, a clergyman, Mr. W. P. Mangum Weeks.

Jerrold Bruce, his friend, Mr. Craven Collett.

Jones Dixon, leader of the choir, Mr. Joseph Parkin, Jr.

Jacob Snyder, a theatrical manager, Mr. Z. Vance Harris.

Reuben Stubbins, janitor, Mr. Joseph Reddeck.

Olivia Vaughan, an actress, Miss Jewell Parkin.

Alice Grayhurst, sister to Arthur, Miss Lizzie Phillips.

Mrs. Wilkins, who favors a Rumage Sale, Miss Vera Collett.

Amarilla Jones, who has a bean, Miss Maude Phillips.

Matilda Triplett, who sings Alto, Miss Mattie Thayer.

Miss Brackett, Organist, Miss Melvina Coltrane.

The play on Wednesday night was followed by a reception by the Woman's Betterment Association which has been very active during the year in behalf of the school. It has purchased and paid for a piano for the school and has done much towards unifying sentiment in favor of the school and bringing all parties to a better understanding of their common interests. The school management reports a successful year and plans better still for the next.

There was one graduate, Mr. Willie Person Mangum Weeks, who has completed the four years of the High School course and who expects to enter college next fall. Miss Nell Parkin of the third year won the enviable distinction of having never missed any duty during the whole of the school year.

Asheboro Baptist Church Dedicated

Last Sunday the Asheboro Baptist church was dedicated. Rev. Livingston Johnson, of Raleigh, corresponding secretary of the North Carolina Baptist State convention, preached the dedicatory sermon Sunday morning to a large congregation. The church has been in course of erection for two and one-half years. It cost about \$5,000 and is the handsomest church in the county. The North Carolina Sunbeam Bands contributed seven hundred dollars, this being the first church in the State aided by the Sunbeams. Contributions were also made by the Baptist State Mission Board, the balance was contributed most cheerfully and liberally by the members and citizens of Asheboro.

There have been three pastors of the Asheboro church, the first being Rev. J. D. Newton, of Thomasville, who organized the church some ten years ago. The next pastor was Rev. Henry Sheets.

The present pastor came to Asheboro two and a half years ago and found eight members and a lot partially paid for. Under his pastorate this beautiful and expensive church has been built, it being a credit not only to his industry, devotion and loyalty but to the town and the county.

Rev. Mr. Johnson said that the Asheboro church contributed more per capita to the objects of the Baptist convention than any other church in the State.

Rev. J. D. Bowen has resigned as pastor of his own accord, for not a member of his church but that regrets his departure, and goes to Canton, 18 miles west of Asheville, a town of 8,000 inhabitants.

The people of Asheboro regret to see Mr. Bowen and his good wife and children leave the town. They leave May 1st.

The new pastor, Rev. J. A. McMillan, now a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., will come to his new charge June 1. He graduated at Wake Forest six or eight years ago.

Sunday night Rev. Mr. Johnson preached again to a house crowded and overflowing with people.

The sermon, like the one in the morning was forceful, practical, instructive, interesting and helpful. Both made a deep and lasting impression on every one who heard him. He is one of the big preachers of North Carolina and what is better, one of the best of men.

Dr. F. A. Henly to Travel.

Dr. F. A. Henly, one of Asheboro's successful dentists, has accepted a position as traveling salesman under Mr. Clarence Saunders, general agent for North and South Carolina for an acetylene gas generator and outfit.

Mr. Saunders was in Asheboro last week and secured the services of Dr. Henly, who has been actively engaged in dentistry most of the time for several years and has a large practice. He will be in his office on Saturday of every week and expects to form a partnership with some dentist who will aid him in caring for his patients and customers.

New Schedule For Hauling Cord Wood.

The corporation commission announces a schedule of long-haul freight rates for railroads on cord wood to put a stop to complaints of shippers that the railroads have been taking advantage of them in charging excessive rates beyond fifty miles, the limit of the old schedule. It prescribes fifty cents for ten miles and a scale going to eighty cents for fifty miles. Now the additional schedule adds ten cents for each additional twenty miles of a carriage making the rate 90 cents for 70 miles and up to \$1.10 for 110 miles. The fifty-mile schedule was fixed a number of years ago when the wood shipments were confined to the localities around the cities and towns. Increasing scarcity and advancing prices, the commissioners say, have brought about long shipments that require extended schedule to protect the shippers. The additional schedule went into effect April 15.

Dr. Harris Caviness Dead.

The death of Dr. A. H. Caviness, who died at his home at High Falls, in Moore County, on Sunday, April 29th, was a shock to his many friends in this and the adjoining counties. He was the oldest son of the late John R. Caviness, of Randolph county and was 50 years old, leaving four children, his wife having died last fall. The cause of his death was blood poisoning resulting from a carbuncle on his neck.

Fiddlers' Convention at Randleman

There will be an old time fiddlers' convention and musical entertainment at the Randleman graded school auditorium on Saturday night May 6, under the auspices of the lycoum course. A number of old-time musicians are engaged. Those wishing to enter can do so by reporting to the manager, A. M. Fentris, Pleasant Garden, N. C.

1st violin prize, \$5.00; 2nd \$3.00. 1st banjo prize, \$3.00; 2nd \$2. There will be other prizes.

Farmer High School.

The commencement exercises of Farmer High School will begin on Monday night, April 24th. At this time the program will be a general one, consisting of drills, dialogues, songs, etc. in which the entire school will take part.

There will be two programs on Tuesday, one beginning at 10:30 a.m. rendered by the graduating class; and the other at two o'clock, when Mr. Franklin J. Sherman, of the Agricultural Department at Raleigh speaker for the day, will deliver an address. Mr. Sherman is an eloquent speaker, and will both entertain and instruct his audience.

There will be no exercises on Tuesday night.

Master John Holton, son of A. E. Holton, Winston is recovering from a blow received from a rock thrown by a young negro, at young Holton's companion.

Congressman Martin W. Littleton, of New York, will address the North Carolina Bar Association at its meeting in June.

The Randolph and Cumberland.

It is now almost an assured fact that Winston-Salem will make a bond issue of \$100,000 and High Point a bond issue of \$50,000 to help build the proposed Randolph and Cumberland Railroad from High Falls in Moore county through Randolph via High Point to Winston-Salem.

The road is now completed to Deep river, above High Falls from Cameron by way of Carthage.

Every effort should be made to bring this road by Asheboro. We could not afford to miss this great commercial opportunity.

Asheboro must have more railroad facilities and our people should leave no stone unturned to get them.

The Fight For Good Roads in Montgomery.

The most important question before the citizens of Montgomery county at this time is that of a bond issue of \$100,000 for good roads. Every citizen, both great and small, rich and poor, should interest himself, inform himself and make up his mind one way or another and have a reason for it. It will be too late after the bond issue is carried or defeated to grieve or to regret. It will be too late when to do or undo what you might have done before. The advocates of bonds are not trying to deceive anyone in any particular. The question is placed squarely before the people and is left with them for their decision. Every move being promulgated in the interest of good roads comes from the purest of motives and with a view to aiding Montgomery county to build up a system of roads that is sorely needed for the continued prosperity of the welfare and happiness of its citizens.

A Statement.

It has been generally known that my wife has been dangerously ill for quite awhile.

This condition has caused me to spend much of my time at her bedside and consequently some of the school work has had to suffer. At my request the teachers of our school have gone ahead with their regular daily duties and have done none of the usual work attendant to a commencement. They have, however, done the regular work so well that the school has progressed as satisfactorily as if every one were present. Good solid work has been done every day.

It was expected that conditions would so improve that the commencement work might later be taken up in time to have even a part of our usual program if not all of it. But to our keen disappointment such good fortune has not shown itself and we are forced to announce that our annual closing will not embrace all the features we usually have. However, we are glad to state that Rev. W. B. Mollwaine has consented to preach the annual sermon Sunday morning, April 30th, at 11 o'clock in the school auditorium. We trust the usual custom of our union service will prevail and that many of the good folks will attend this service.

We hope to have the graduating exercises. This feature was postponed for some two weeks owing to a loss of time to this extent but it develops that our speaker, Pres. Hill of A. & M. College, can come at no other time than May 2nd, the time previously arranged for the graduating exercises. If we can get ready we will have the graduating class to appear Tuesday night, May 2nd. The public will be notified as to this.

This one thing I should like to impress upon the minds of the patrons of the school. No regular class work will be permitted to be slighted. Every task will be satisfactorily completed and the proper time will be given for its assimilation. This must be had, commencement or no commencement.

Let me repeat that no one is more keenly disappointed about the way we will have to close our school than your teachers. It's a pleasure to work with your children in getting up a program. But in our disappointment we are glad to state that we are rounding up our best year's work and that no more satisfactory promotions have ever been given in this school than will evidently be given this year. We really think your school to be in splendid shape.

O. V. WOOLLEY, Supt.

SHORT ITEMS OF NEWS

H. B. Varner, of Lexington, was in Washington with Representative Page last week and called on President Taft and asked him to write a story for the May issue of "Good Roads." Mr. Taft promised to take the matter in consideration and will communicate with Mr. Page when he comes to a decision.

Rev. Dr. Neely Dubose, pastor of Grace Episcopal church at Morganton, was drowned in the Catawba river last Saturday. He was attempting to recover birds that had fallen into the water from his shot. Wade Patton, of Transylvania county, came to his death in the same way, in the French Broad river near Brevard.

Winston-Salem High School, Jamestown High School, Greensboro High School, Yadkin College High School, Stoneville High School, Churchland High School, Bessamer High School, Summerville High School, Holly Springs High School, Madison High School, Boone High School, Pleasant Garden High School, Hawfields High School, and Liberty High School.

A preliminary contest was held in the afternoon of Friday last and the following were chosen as contestants for the final contest, on Friday evening:

Mr. James Earle Shaw, Mebane N. C.; Mr. John B. Hurley of Liberty, N. C.; Mr. W. Kerr Scott, of Mebane, N. C.; Mr. Opie Lindsay, of Madison, N. C.; Mr. Charles K. Redwine, Churchland, N. C.; Mr. Charles C. Kaylor, of Holly Springs, N. C.; Mr. Harry L. Dalton, of Winston-Salem, N. C.; and Mr. Sidney A. Gayle, of Greensboro, N. C.

The evening for the final contest was somewhat gloomy, but the interest in the occasion drew a large crowd. The college band enlivened the occasion with the best of music. All the speakers on the final contest were at their best and the evening was certainly enjoyable.

The judges on the contest were Reverend S. L. Morgan, Burlington, N. C.; Prof. G. C. Singletary, Burlington, N. C.; and Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C. They decided that of all the fourteen contestants, Mr. Richard K. Redwine, of the Churchland High School, Linwood, N. C. was the best and therefore entitled to the faculty medal.

The occasion was a splendid success. It prophesies that in future years this contest may grow to large proportions and that it will be one of the special Easter functions of the college.

The Young People's Convention of the Southern Christian Convention has been in session here this week. The Convention has been quite a success.

Another important function of the college was the Paphelion entertainment. This was given on Saturday evening. The success of the entertainment speaks well for the high character of the work done by the young ladies.

The Teachers course also has attracted much attention. Of the teachers here, there are two to represent Randolph county. More of this course will appear later.

County Meeting of Farmers' Union First Saturday in May.

The Randolph County Farmers' Union will meet in Asheboro on the first Saturday in May at 11 a. m. All locals please send delegates.

The Committee on Agriculture and Arrangements for taking part in an exhibit of the farm products of the county, stock, etc., are requested to be present and hold a session and discuss plans.

The committee is composed of the following:

W. H. Redding
W. Clark Hinshaw,
A. C. Cox,
L. Marvin Kearna,
J. M. Allen,
W. R. Julian,
A. B. Coltrane,
W. L. Adams,
C. H. Craven,
A. J. Macon.

Loflin-Nance.

On Easter Sunday April 16th, '11 S. M. Loflin and Fallie Nance were married in the presence of the following waiters, Mr. John Cameron and Miss Lala Lowe Mr. Frank Nance and Miss Grace Lowe, Mr. Earl Nance and Miss Agnes Nance and others. The groom is a son of Norman Loflin, the bride a daughter of Mr. Watson Nance all highly esteemed. W. H. Lawrence J. P. officiated.

ELON COLLEGE

Happenings in the College Community.

On Friday evening of last week the first Inter-Scholastic Contest given at Elon College took place in the College Chapel. Just about the close of the fall term an invitation was sent out by the college to several of the high schools of the state making that they send a representative to this contest which takes place annually on Friday evening before Easter. The following schools responded and sent representatives to this contest:

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