

Union Singing Draws Big Crowd

Largest Number Of People Ever Assembled In Court House Here Sunday.

Delightful Program

Singers Take Part From All Over The County.

The largest crowd of people ever assembled in the court house in Asheboro was that which filled every nook and corner of the spacious court-room Sunday afternoon for the union singing held under the direction of Prof. A. M. Fentris. Enough people to make a large audience for any occasion were turned away for lack of room. All the seats in the court-room and dozens of extra chairs that had been brought in for the purpose were occupied and scores stood in the aisles during the two hours and a half of splendid singing.

Mayor C. C. Cranford welcomed the singers to Asheboro on behalf of the people of the town, and made a few happy remarks on the occasion. Short talks were made by others during the program. And at the conclusion Mr. J. D. Ross made a few remarks in which he gave praise to the work which Prof. Fentris has been doing in teaching singing in Randolph and adjoining counties. He spoke also of the value of such instruction in old-time hymn singing.

The program throughout was informal, but nevertheless, interesting, delightful and instructive. seldom, if ever, has there been heard in the county in so short a time so much good singing of old-time hymns. Quartettes, solos, duets and congregational singing prevailed throughout. All singers were accompanied on the piano by an accomplished pianist.

Included in the program were classes from the Asheboro Friends church and Holiness church at which Prof. Fentris had conducted very successful singing schools. Others were the Glenwood quartette, Marlboro choir, Fentris male chorus of Randolph county, Monetta choir from east Guilford county, Coltrane quartette and soloist, duet by Misses Bala Hockett and Rosa Marley, of near Pleasant Garden, Sophia choir, male quartette, quartette from High Point, Worth Reynolds, six-year-old boy singer, Joe Coltrane, 16, first bass of the Coltrane brothers quartette, and others.

It would be impossible to select any single number or any solo, duet or quartette as the outstanding feature of the program, which lasted over an hour and a half. All were good, even beyond the expectations of the most optimistic of music and song lovers.

News Of The Past Week

From Seagrave Community

Seagrave, May 31.—Miss Lucy Brown, of Ramsey, visited her uncle, Mr. J. E. King, recently. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jason Boons, May 16, a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. B. H. McCann, of High Point, and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cox, of Trinity, attended the commencement and visited friends here.

Miss Canary Johnson has returned home for the summer vacation from High Point College.

Rev. C. L. Spencer and family, of Enfield, visited his sister, Mrs. O. D. Lawrence, Monday night. They were on their way to Asheville to visit their daughter, Mrs. Russell Roberts, who lives near there.

Mr. E. B. Leach spent a few days of last week in Orange county on business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Crisp, of Asheville, visited Mrs. Crisp's father, Mr. J. B. Slack, last week.

Mrs. Bud Williams, of Asheboro, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. W. L. Blunt.

Mrs. E. K. Harris, who has been visiting her son, Mr. A. C. Harris, returned to Charlotte last week. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Harris accompanied her there.

Stephens-Sheriff

Mr. Richard Stevens and Miss H. Short, of Handman, were united in matrimony on May 14 at the parsonage of Sophia Congregational church. The Rev. K. M. Penn officiated in the marriage and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Snyder witnessed the union.

High Point's new high school building costing \$200,000 will be completed June 1st. It will be one of the finest in the state.

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District B. Y. P. U. Meets At Ramseur

Large Attendance From All Unions In The County—Rev. Gilmore Speaks.

Officers Are Elected

On last Sunday afternoon the Randolph District B. Y. P. U. held a very successful meeting at Ramseur Baptist church. Every union in the county was represented with not less than five of its members present. Liberty senior union was represented by 18 of its members, this being the greatest number from any one union.

The Franklinville intermediate union won the district efficiency banner, the Asheboro seniors taking second place.

Officers for the next year were elected at this meeting. Miss Rilla Spoon having been re-elected associational vice president again becomes president of this district. Other officers elected were as follows: Secretary-treasurer, Miss Grace Redding, Asheboro; Junior leader, Miss Margie Vestal, Handman; Intermediate leader, Miss Mary Moe, Franklinville; Chorister, C. C. Freeman, Ramseur; Pianist, Mrs. J. G. Reitzel, Liberty.

After the transaction of business, Rev. E. E. Morris introduced Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, of the State Mission Board, Raleigh, who brought to his hearers a wonderfully inspiring message.

The next meeting will be held with the Liberty unions on the fifth Sunday in July.

J. M. Marley, 72, Is Dead At Ramseur

End Comes Following Extended Illness—Faithful Member Of The Church.

Funeral Held Tuesday

Ramseur, June 1.—J. M. Marley, aged 72 years, died at his home here Monday afternoon after an extended illness. He had been ill for several years, but had not been confined closely until a few days ago. Mr. Marley had been a faithful Christian for several years, having been a consistent member of Ramseur Christian church. Prior to joining the Ramseur church twenty years ago, he was a member of Pleasant Grove church. He was a good man, believing in Christian principles and right living.

He leaves an wife and two daughters, Mrs. G. E. York and Mrs. J. C. Ellis, both of Ramseur; one sister, Mrs. Rosa Kidd, Siler City; and one brother, A. V. Marley, of Franklinville.

Funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at Ramseur Christian church by Rev. Tom E. White, of Elon College, a former pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. W. A. Elam. Mr. White preached from the text, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord." A large crowd and the many beautiful floral offerings attested the high esteem in which Mr. Marley's life had been held. Interment was made in the Pleasant Grove cemetery where Mr. Marley's first wife, Mrs. Emily Marley, was buried in 1894.

Mother Of Mrs. Hinshaw Dead

Mrs. Maggie Susan White, 48, mother of Mrs. Bettie Hinshaw, of Handman, died in a hospital in High Point Monday morning following an illness of several weeks. Mrs. White was a native of Georgia and lived in that state until four years ago when she moved with her family to High Point. Burial will be made at Commerce, Ga.

Randolph Man Is Manager Rock Hill Efrid's Store

The Efrid chain of stores, located in several cities in North Carolina and South Carolina, the nearest to Asheboro being High Point and Greensboro, in their eight-page advertisement of the sale which they are putting on have the pictures of the managers of the various stores. The manager of the Rock Hill, S. C., store is Mr. G. G. Byrd, a brother of Mrs. F. L. Brooks, of Asheboro, born and reared at Kenon's Mill, in Randolph county. He has been connected with the Efrid stores since 1918 and manager of the Rock Hill store since June 25, 1925.

Farmers Loan Ball Game

The Central Falls team did some heavy hitting Saturday to beat the Farmer team by the score of 9 to 3. Johnson did some good pitching for the winners and Crawford worked out a nice game behind the plate. Kansas pitched a creditable game for Farmer.

Local American Legion Is Organized By Auxiliary

The new American Legion in the local American Legion just organized auxiliary. The new auxiliary was organized by Mrs. J. M. Walker and Mrs. Sarah Walker, of Asheboro, at the annual memorial services at Mt. Zion Sunday. The memorial services were largely attended at Mt. Zion Sunday afternoon. Prof. C. W. Crowell, of High Point, delivered the memorial service.

Lindbergh "WE" His Plane



Here is the happy Charles Lindbergh in flight with background view of a flight around Eiffel Tower, in his monoplane, "The Spirit of St. Louis." Europe has taken our youthful and intrepid air man to its heart as he plans vacation "hops" to the different capitals. Lindbergh's love for his plane, which carried him from New York to Paris, in 33 1/2 hours, is shown when in speaking of the feat he always says "we"—meaning plane and self.

Rev. J. E. Pritchard Urges Youth To Be Example In Word, Character And Faith

Taking His Text From Timothy 4: 12, Local Pastor Preaches Inspiring Sermon To High School Graduates. Ignore Supreme Being And You Ignore All, He Tells Them.

Taking his text from Timothy 4:12, Rev. J. E. Pritchard, pastor of the local Methodist Protestant church, delivered a most forceful and inspiring sermon Sunday evening to the thirty-two members of the graduating class of the Asheboro high school and to the large number of parents of the school assembled at the high school auditorium.

Prior to the sermon, "Onward, Christian Soldiers" had been sung by the members of the graduating class on the platform and the audience in general. Then came the invocation by Rev. Cotran G. Smith, pastor of the Asheboro Presbyterian church, and the anthem by the high school graduates. Scripture was read by Rev. E. M. Morris. Prof. R. J. Hilker sang "Rock of Ages," Mrs. Hilker accompanying him on the piano.

In presenting his sermon, Mr. Pritchard divided his subject into three divisions, namely, the privileges of youth, the perils of youth and the obligations of youth. As a preliminary, he stressed the value of youth as the important time in the life of any person, a time when we are inspired to undertake great things and a time when we should become fixed in the great principles of life. It is the springtime of life and no man can say does have cause or reason to despise youth save when it fails to measure up to its opportunities.

Youth, continued Mr. Pritchard, is the time in our life when we might be called to exercise responsibility, when the body is in perfect condition, and is craving for exercise, contests, when visions and plans are made for the future. "Youth thinks in the terms of a battle that is still to be fought and in which he will cover himself with glory. The old man thinks in terms of a battle that has already been fought." Youth is the time of impressions, a time for optimism. It is that age which is free from worries, when life is free from every care.

Then, after reminding his congregation of the many privileges of youth, Mr. Pritchard pointed out some of the perils of youth. Youth is brief, said Mr. Pritchard, "it is rest-

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C. Rush Will Issue Auto License Plates

Local motorists may obtain their automobile license plates from C. Rush at the Ingar garage on North Fayetteville street. Mr. Rush is the accredited representative of the Carolina Motor Club and is distributing licenses in this section. License plates must be obtained on or before June 30th for the six months period ending December 31, 1927, but they must not be used before July 1, this year.

According to the new State law, these license plates will be issued for the half year at half price. This is done in order that in the future the fiscal year may end with the calendar year. In the past the State fiscal year has closed June 30th and license tags for cars have been used on this basis.

TRINITY, ROUTE 1, NEWS

Misses Ruth Spencer and Verda Briles left Monday for Boone to attend the summer school there. Miss Nora Kennedy, of High Point, spent last week with her brother, Mr. E. C. Kennedy. Mr. C. W. Spencer and daughter, Ruth, spent last Friday in Asheboro. The memorial services were largely attended at Mt. Zion Sunday afternoon. Prof. C. W. Crowell, of High Point, delivered the memorial service.

Board Rules That Town Taxes Be Paid By June 30

At a meeting of the town board Thursday of last week an order was made requiring all town taxes to be paid by June 30. After that date delinquents will be liable for costs. The town has some heavy obligations to meet on July 1st, and prompt payment of taxes will assist the town board to meet these payments. The three million strawberry crop in North Carolina will alone in some measure for the shortage in last year's cotton crop.

N. C. Ridge, 68, Is Dead Near Farmer

Had Been An Invalid For About Sixteen Years—Funeral At Canaan Church.

Other Farmer News

Farmer, June 1.—Rev. G. W. Clay and family spent a few days last week with relatives near Lenoir.

Mr. R. W. Dorsett spent last week with his mother, Mrs. Roxana Dorsett. Mr. Dorsett recently underwent a serious operation in a hospital in Columbia, S. C. He has been engaged in construction work in South Carolina for several years.

Mrs. Z. V. Wright left last week for Sanatorium, where she is taking treatment in the state hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kearns, of Greensboro, spent Sunday with relatives here. Miss Hope Hubbard accompanied them home for a few days visit.

Mr. N. C. Ridge, who lived a few miles from Farmer on the Denton road, died last Friday, and funeral services were at Canaan church on Saturday. Mr. Ridge was 68 years old, and had been ill for sixteen years. Mr. Ridge had the misfortune of having his foot torn off in a threshing machine several years ago and an exposed nerve had caused him much trouble. For the past four years he had been a confirmed invalid. He was a son of Penul and Mary Ridge, of Concord township, this county. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Martitia Ridge, and six children, C. Edmond Ridge, of Handy; Ira Ridge, of High Point; Theodore Ridge, of Thomasville; Roscoe Ridge, of Badin; Otis Ridge, of near Farmer; and Mrs. Emma Surratt, of Jackson Hill.

Mr. Bert Cople is quite ill at his home near Farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lank, of Ramsey, spent Sunday with Mrs. Flora Morgan. They left Monday morning, accompanied by Miss Sue Morgan for Canada, where they will spend the vacation months, after which they will be at Bonlee where Mr. Lank is elected principal of the school. Mrs. Lank will teach in the high school.

Worthville People Looking Forward To "Old People's Day"

Worthville, June 1.—Mr. J. W. Jenkins and family attended the Jenkins, Elkins and Hilliard reunion in Chatham county Sunday.

Misses Florence and Rozella Myrick and Mr. R. W. Giles spent Sunday afternoon at Central Falls.

Kenneth Hilliard and Argon Lineberry, of Handman, were visitors in town Sunday afternoon.

Mr. J. W. Williamson, of Greensboro, was a visitor in town Sunday. Mr. Williamson is a former citizen of Worthville, and we are always glad to see him return.

The people of our town are looking forward to "Old People's Day" next Sunday. This is an occasion when everybody is welcome to Worthville. So, come Sunday and see all our old friends. Dr. C. C. Hubbard, of Farmer is the "daddy" of "Old People's Day," and the people are very anxious for Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard to attend this year, because they always have something interesting to tell. Dr. Hubbard declined to have his name on the program this year. However, he is expected just the same.

SERVICES AT THE M. E. CHURCH

Rev. B. C. Reavis, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., Mr. Hugh Parks, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by the pastor.

Morning subject: "The Living Testament"; Evening subject, "Busy? At What?"

The Epworth Leagues will meet at 7:15 p. m.

Our revival meeting begins next Sunday. Each morning next week (except Monday) at 8:30 o'clock union services will be held at this church. Services will be held here at 8 p. m. each day also. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. T. E. Stough will direct the music for us. Those who have heard him say that he is fine. Mr. H. Grady Miller will be with us also. These, with our splendid choir, will make a great contribution to the services.

M. P. CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:45 A. M. Sunday school, Mr. W. L. Ward, Supt.

11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M. Preaching by the pastor.

7:00 P. M. Christian Endeavor, Senior, Intermediate and Junior.

Revival services will begin Sunday, June 5. Monday Rev. T. M. Johnson, D. D., a former pastor of the church will arrive to do the preaching. Rev. E. L. Ballard, Associate Pastor of the First M. P. Church in High Point will come down each evening to lead the singing. The morning services during the week will be at the M. E. church where there will be union services of all the congregations in the town. These services will be held at 8:30 A. M. The evening services will be held at 8:00 o'clock and will be at our church.

These services will last ten days or two weeks and the people are urged to come out and help make them a success.

Gasoline tax in North Carolina last year reached \$7,782,473, which means that nearly eight billion gallons of gas were consumed in the State during 1925.

Ask Sheriff Brady For Ride, And Get Berth In Co. Jail

Two men with the odor of liquor on their clothes and giving their names Green and Smith and claiming to be from Palm Beach, Fla., ran out of the woods about a mile north of Seagrave Tuesday afternoon and asked Sheriff Brady for a lift to Asheboro. They got it, for they were the very two men the Randolph sheriff and his deputies wanted in connection with the wreck at Seagrave of a car loaded with liquor. The two men now have a berth in the county jail.

Tuesday afternoon in response to a phone call, Sheriff Brady went to Seagrave to take charge of a Lincoln touring car which had been wrecked just south of the depot. The car had been running at so rapid a rate of speed that it couldn't make the curve in the highway at the depot. Barely missing the corner of the depot, the car struck an embankment to the right of the road on the south side and crashed. Liquor from nine five-gallon tin containers began to pour down the ditch, while the men in the car made a hasty departure.

When the sheriff arrived on the scene about an hour later, two of the containers were found intact and these and the car were confiscated. It was while the sheriff was towing the wrecked car back to Asheboro that the two men suspected of being in the car came out of the woods and asked for a ride to Asheboro. The car bore a Maryland license number.

Light Rainfall In Month Of May

Only About Half The Normal Amount Fell, Making Deficit For Year Large.

Temperature Normal

The monthly report of the weather observer shows that the month of May, like the most of the months for the past two or more years, had a deficit in rainfall, the amount the past month being 2.93 inches as against a normal for this section of 4.86. The heaviest rain recorded for the month was .86 of an inch on May 1, though the rain actually fell after the reading time of the last day of April. The deficit for the first five months of this year is now 5.75 inches. The mean temperature for the month was 65.9 degrees as compared with a normal of 65.6 degrees. The highest temperature for the month was 91 on the 20th, and the lowest was 41 on the first and second. There were fourteen clear days, fourteen partly cloudy days and three cloudy.

ASHEBORO (M. E.) CIRCUIT

The people of West Bend were delighted to have Mr. John H. Hurley of Asheboro speak to them last Sunday night.

The people of White's Chapel are planning a Memorial Exercise for next Sunday, June 5th, and have secured Messrs. I. C. Moser and C. N. Cox, of Asheboro, as speakers for the occasion.

The pastor of Asheboro Circuit is planning to attend the Pastor's Summer School at Duke University. For this reason the schedule of appointments have been somewhat irregular. On next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock services will be held at West Chapel, and at 7:30 at Pisgah.

John A. Lindsay, 81, Confederate veteran, died suddenly on the streets of Thomasville recently from a heart attack.

Many Young Men To Training Camp

At Fort Bragg Beginning June 15th For One Month's Military Training.

July 9, The Big Day

Capt. J. L. Connelly, of Greensboro, was in Asheboro Thursday of last week in the interest of the citizens' military training camp at Fort Bragg this summer. Several days ago, while in town, Capt. Connelly made a talk at the local high school with reference to the training camp, which created much interest among the boys.

Several Randolph county boys attended this camp last summer and a larger number will attend the one this year. The camp begins June 15th and will last a month. July 9th will be Governors' day and visitors' day at the camp. Both Governor McLean and the Governor of South Carolina will be present on that day and take part in the exercises. A special invitation will also be extended to the parents of the boys taking the training to be present for the day.

Following are the boys from Asheboro who will attend the camp this summer: Ivey E. Hall, David E. Kearns, C. L. Cranford, Jr., Elmer Martin Cullcutt, Claran R. Elliott, Odell Cranford and Tom Pransell. These boys, according to Captain Connelly, will be placed in the same unit in the camp.

Those from Handman who will attend are: J. N. Robbins, J. Woodburn Bryant, Joe Deason and James Lineberry.

Final Exercises At Local School

Commencement Program Ends With The Literary Address Tomorrow Evening.

Class Program Tonight

Interesting Program To Be Given By Senior Class.

The commencement exercises of the Asheboro high school which have been in progress during the past several days will come to a close tomorrow night with an address by Dr. W. M. Gay, of Elon College, who will come to Asheboro in the place of Dr. W. A. Harper, who had been scheduled to make the annual literary address. Dr. E. L. Moffitt will introduce the speaker of the evening in the local school auditorium, the exercises beginning at 8 o'clock. The literary program will be given by Miss Pauline Steed and the valedictory by Miss Jackie Brooks.

Following the address, diplomas and certificates will be presented by R. J. Hilker, superintendent of the school.

Tonight at 8 o'clock will be the class exercises. The program for the evening will be as follows: President's address, by Lawrence Hammond, whose subject will be "The Value of a High School Education"; Class History, Irene Kearns; Statistics, Margaret Shelton; Class Poem, Kate Whitley; Prophecy, Beatrice Lewis; Class Will, Virginia Hendrick.

The various programs which have been given at the high school during the commencement exercises held this year have been most excellent, reflecting credit upon students and teachers alike. The patrons of the school and the people of the town in general have cooperated by their attendance in large numbers at these various programs.

Former Randolph Woman Died Monday

Mrs. Sophronia Farlow, 73, Passed Away At Her Home In Guilford College.

Mrs. Sophronia Farlow, wife of David Farlow, died at her home in Guilford College, Monday night following a brief illness. She was a native of Johnson county, having been born there Sept. 26, 1844. Fifty-seven years ago she was married to David Farlow, of the Flint Hill community, Randolph county, and they lived there until Dec. 1918, when they moved to Guilford College. Mrs. Farlow was a member of Marlboro Friends church for a number of years, later transferring her membership to Guilford College. Mrs. Farlow's husband was a public school teacher for more than forty years in Randolph county.

The deceased is survived by the husband, and four sons. They are, E. E. Farlow, of Guilford College; L. L. Farlow, of High Point; J. G. Farlow, of Camden, N. J.; W. E. Farlow, of California. Four daughters, Mrs. J. M. Rush and Miss J. L. Skeen, of High Point; Mrs. E. L. Welborn, of Thomasville; and Miss Gertrude Farlow, of Guilford College.

The funeral services were conducted at the residence yesterday morning by the Rev. Joseph Pease, pastor of the Guilford Friends church. Following the service, the funeral party left for the Marlboro church, where further rites took place, the Rev. Mr. Pease and the Rev. Tom Alderman Sykes, minister of the Central Episcopal church officiating. Burial was made at the church cemetery.

The annual Montgomery County Sunday School Convention will be held June 11 and 12 in the Methodist church at Candor.

Mrs. Lula Loflin Chandler, 55, wife of Mr. John Chandler, died at her home in Albemarle on Saturday, May 21. Besides her husband, Mrs. Chandler is survived by five daughters and six brothers. Dr. W. R. Loflin, Newport, Ark.; Mozelle Loflin, A. E. Lottlin and Hoke Loflin, of Denton; Charlie Loflin, C. B. Loflin, Jacksonville, N. C. She was a daughter of the late William Loflin and was reared near Jackson Hill in Davidson county.

To Close Stores Hour In Mornings For Union Service

The merchants of Asheboro will cooperate in the simultaneous service which will begin at a meeting held Thursday evening at the residence of the merchants association in order to close their stores for one hour each morning at 8 o'clock in order that they may be present for the services. The merchants are urged to close their stores at 8 o'clock in order that they may be present for the services.

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