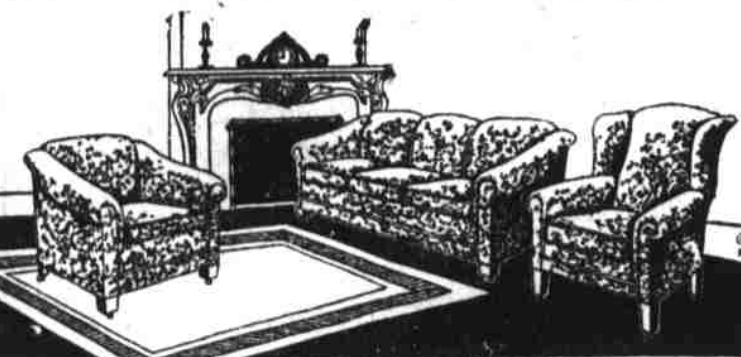


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"Y. W." Club Needs Records for Machine Given Children's Home.

The Indoor-Outdoor club members of the Y. W. C. A., have purchased a Moore's Art store at 50 Patton avenue victrola for the use in the children's either today, Tuesday, or Wednesday.

home of the county. The club paid half of the cost and the other half was given by Durham's Music store. The club announces that they are in need of records for the machine and want the people of the city who wish to contribute to the fund by donating records to leave them at Miss Moore's Art store at 50 Patton avenue either today, Tuesday, or Wednesday.

Around Town

Daughter Born—Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. Rowley Hampton, a daughter, Margaret McLean.

W. J. Barton III—Principal W. J. Barton of the Orange Street school is said to be very ill at the Mission hospital.

New Members—At the meeting of the session of the Presbyterian church last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Frisbett, Jr. of 47 Orange street, and Mr. Howard Wiswall, of 332 Montford avenue, were welcomed into the membership of the church.

Police Arrests—Bob Roy Jenkins of 481 Broadway and Harrison Whitmore of 85 Short Street, were arrested yesterday by the police charged with carrying, transporting and delivering liquor; and each was released on a \$500 bond. Other arrests include Finney Burrell charged with over charging for auto hire.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Special Services Will Be Held in the Various Churches During the Christmas Season.

While holly vendors bring their product to the city on mule packs, one and two horse wagons, and even Ford's, and the people are busy decorating their homes for Christmas week, many leaders in the various Sunday schools and churches, are training the younger children for Christmas exercises to be held at the churches on Christmas day, and the older ones are practicing anthems and other appropriate music for the Yuletide season, some of which were rendered yesterday.

A Christmas tree service will be held Tuesday, at the Central Methodist church. The various classes of the Sunday school will participate in the exercises.

Each department of the Sunday school of the French Broad avenue Baptist church will take part in the entertainment on Christmas night. Carols will be sung by the entire school, and Rev. Joe W. Vesey, will make a short talk to the children on the significance of Christmas day.

A Christmas tree will be the center attraction at the exercises to be held at the First Methodist church, on North French broad avenue, on Christmas eve. All the Sunday school children will take part in a special music program.

The Junior and senior Epworth leagues of the Bethel Methodist church have planned services which will be held at that church on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The Asheville high school orchestra will furnish special music with the church choir and Sunday school children taking a part in anthems and a special chorus. An offering will be taken for the orphanage at Winston-Salem.

The Sunday school of the Lutheran church will hold special Christmas services featured by a big Christmas tree at six o'clock at the church Christmas evening. The children's choir will render special music.

St. Lawrence Catholic church will have a special entertainment for the children on Christmas night, as will a number of the other churches of the city which have not yet announced definite programs.

The Sunday school of the West End Baptist church will hold its Christmas exercises the Sunday following Christmas at which time special music will be rendered by the church choir, and the special service will take the place of the regular Sunday morning lesson.

At the First Presbyterian church yesterday morning the Christmas exercises were held. This church bore out the idea of giving rather than receiving, and members of the various departments brought various delicacies of the season which will be sent to the Balfour orphanage. Money raised by the special collection will be used for the Christian education and ministerial relief fund. Special entertainment for the beginners and primary departments will be given today at the church.

Yesterday afternoon at the Trinity Episcopal church impressive services were held in keeping with the Christmas season. The gifts brought by the children of the Sunday school will be given to the poor children in the Mission Sunday school.

Washington Forecast.

Virginia—Fair Monday and Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

North and South Carolina, Georgia—Unsettled weather along the coast; fair interior Monday; Tuesday, fair, not much change in temperature.

Alabama, Mississippi—Fair Monday and Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

Extreme Northwest Florida—Cloudy Monday; Tuesday, fair, not much change in temperature.

Florida—Local rains Monday; Tuesday fair, somewhat cooler south and central portions.

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COUNTY INSTITUTIONS HIT HIGH COST OF LIVING A DEATH BLOW

Commissioner Stradley Has Worked Out System Whereby Meals Average as Low as 9.3 Cents Each, and Still the Inmates Appear to Be Well Fed.

Old man high cost of living is not worrying G. F. Stradley, commissioner of public institutions, because by using the commodities produced on the county farming lands adjoining the institutions, last month it was possible to feed the inmates of the various homes at an average cost of 9.3 cents each per meal, according to the reports filed with Geo. A. Digges, register of deeds by the commissioner. These figures were obtained from reports which the superintendents of the various institutions filed covering the amount of food stuff purchased during the month, and in which the commodities produced on the farms were produced at regular market rates. The reports are required of those in charge of the different places, state the number of meals served, amount of provisions on hand from last month, amount purchased during the month, and the amount on hand the last day of the month, therefore it is easy to arrive at the total amount consumed during any given time.

When the commissioner was questioned concerning how he had made it possible to feed the inmates at an average price so low as 9.3 cents, and as to what they were fed, he answered that the superintendents of the various institutions had been instructed to show any visitor every courtesy and to show them over the entire buildings and grounds, also that the reports which indicate the kind of food used are placed in the register's office and open to the inspection of the public.

It was pointed out, however, that the great quantity of pure milk used, helps materially in keeping down the feeding cost, for the cows are kept on the farms and thus at little expense. Three Holstein cows at the children's grade gave 35 gallons of milk and more butter than needed for the table and great quantities were used in cooking. At the boys' reformatory two grade cows gave 180 gallons, at the children's home one grade cow gave 60 gallons and at camp No. 3 a grade cow gave a like amount. Thus it is that the cow has helped solve the problem of the h. c. l. at the county institutions.

Not only has the cow figured extensively in reducing the cost of eating, rather feeding, for many a week, but have been raised at very little cost. At the jail the average cost per meal was 8.75 cents, according to the report of Jailer Ed. Williams. Convict camp No. 3, L. H. Presley, steward, reported 2,067 meals served, at an average cost of 15 cents. These meals cost more than those at any other of the public institutions, owing partly to the fact that commodities have to be purchased at various places. He who thinks that the convicts are not well fed should go with "boys," said a man who recently accompanied the county commissioners to the camp and had a meal there. "Fresh back bone and spare ribs, candied yams, mashed potatoes, rice, macaroni, fresh butter, apple pie, family style, home-made molasses and jelly, with one's choice of sweet milk, buttermilk, or coffee, also a choice of corn bread or fine hot biscuits, was the menu not for a family reunion dinner, but at the convict camp one day last week," said the man talking about how the camp affairs were conducted. The commissioners appeared very much gratified over the reports for last month concerning the county's public institutions and said that visits and suggestions from the people at large would be appreciated.

McADOO CLUB TO MEET AT EARLY DATE

First Club in America Formed Here Last Year—Will Conduct Membership Campaign Soon.

Asheville's "McAdoo For President Club", claimed to be the first organized in the United States, which was formed at a mass meeting held in the county court house last December, will call a meeting within the next few days. It was stated last night, to get the organization started.

In Knoxville, a former home of the former secretary of the treasury and director of railways, Jackson day, January 8, will be celebrated by the formation of a McAdoo club there. Mr. McAdoo was extended an invitation to speak at the Knoxville meeting, but he had previously accepted an invitation to address the Tennessee society in New York on Jackson day.

The local club will probably be able to get the full organizing on perfection at an early date, and James G. Stikeleather, the president, will name the date soon for the meeting to be held. A plan of organization, which it is hoped will be extended to all sections of the North Carolina, for similar clubs and into adjoining states, will be worked out and presented to the local club.

One of the first undertakings of the club will be to conduct a membership campaign, in order to make the club, which already has a membership of over 1,500, the largest of its kind yet organized in all the country.

The following resolutions were adopted at the first meeting of the local club:

Whereas, William G. McAdoo, late secretary of the treasury of the United States of America, has rendered to our common country in the most trying period of her history, services of the highest value, thereby demonstrating the splendid quality of his patriotism and eminent ability as a statesman, and

Whereas, we are desirous of expressing our gratitude to Mr. McAdoo for his splendid labors as secretary of the treasury and as one of our foremost patriotic citizens in his unremitting efforts and work in winning the great war which has made us free, and Whereas, we are appreciative of his deep sympathy with the needs of all our people of his wisdom and ability as a statesman.

ENDEAVOR SOCIETIES WANT NEW MEMBERS

First Presbyterian Church Societies Trying to Get 100 Members.

Meetings of the Christian Endeavor societies of the First Presbyterian church were held yesterday afternoon. The subject for the Junion society was "Miracles," and special music was rendered.

The Young People's society had as their subject "Christmas" and also had a special program of music.

A cordial invitation is issued to all the boys and girls of the church and Sunday school by Lydia Pettus, president of the society, to come to these meetings and bring their friends. Miss Pettus announces that the society wants to have enrolled by Christmas 100 members. It has been announced that those who wish to become members of either one of the societies to communicate with Miss Lydia Pettus, 144 Chestnut street.

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