

VITAPHONE IS INSTALLED IN ROMINA THEATRE

Forest City Probably One of
The First Towns of Its
Size to Have Such Ma-
chine Installed

The Vitaphone—wonderful modern invention and last word in the presentation of screen pictures—in which the characters talk, laugh, sing and express every line of the play in the voice of each individual taking part in the picture—has come to Forest City through the enterprise of The Romina Theatre.

Last Friday was opening day for the Vitaphone and large crowds greeted the presentation of Warner Bros. "Home Towners," featuring Richard Bennett, Doris Kenyon and others in this fine play. This picture was presented on both Friday and Saturday and attracted large crowds at every showing, especially large crowds coming into the Romina on Saturday to see and hear the wonderful Vitaphone. Every one expressed themselves as well pleased with the new presentation, and all were loud in their praises of the Romina management in providing this up-to-date entertainment. People came from every section of the county and from surrounding counties to enjoy the opening of the "talkies" at our handsome new theatre.

Monday and Tuesday The Romina presented Fanny Brice in "My Man," and this was pronounced by some as even better than the opening number. However, that is only a matter of choice, as both were wonderful productions. Other good pictures are to follow and the public seems to thoroughly enjoy the Vitaphone. Heretofore, this wonderful new invention had been enjoyed only by the movie patrons of our largest cities, but through the enterprise and liberality of The Romina management, Forest City, Rutherford county and surrounding counties can enjoy the Vitaphone in our handsome new theatre.

The Romina had made a long stride forward in maintaining for Forest City its reputation of being the amusement center of the county, and there is no other city in the state as small as Forest City that can boast of having the Vitaphone.

TOWNSHIP SCHOOL CONTESTS FRIDAY

Declamation and Recitation
Contests For Local Schools
Will be Held at High
School

The Cool Springs Township declamation and recitation contests will be held in the high school auditorium Friday afternoon, April 19th at 3:15 o'clock. The four grammar schools, Alexander, Bostic, Forest City and Mt. Pleasant will select one representative for each contest. Around fifty or more boys and girls have taken part in these contests. The winners at the different schools get two dollars and fifty cents each. Then the winners in the final contest will receive five dollars each.

The contests have given the high school much splendid material. The foundation in the grammar school is laid for the high school. Two of the debaters of the high school debated on the grammar school debating team a few years ago. Next year most all if not all the debaters will have had practice in the grammar grades.

The girl and boy who will represent Cool Springs High School in the county contests this year won the prizes in the first contest of this kind which was held in the township. These contests are well worth while as well as entertaining. The public is invited to attend these contests.

Rev. John S. Wood is in Charlotte this week attending the Scottish Rite ceremonies there.

Little Queen



Ola Pearl Houser, attractive seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Houser, of Forest City. Ola Pearl was the Fairy Queen in the Operetta, "Fairies are Really Truly," given recently at the Forest City Elementary School.

COUNTY BANKS BUY SHORT TERM SCHOOL NOTES

Farmers Bank and Rutherford
County Bank Purchase
\$150,000 School Revenue
Anticipation
Notes

The Farmers Bank and Trust Company, of Forest City, and the Rutherford County Bank & Trust Company purchased \$150,000 tax anticipation school notes of Rutherford County Wednesday. These notes were bought by these two banking institutions after the county had failed to secure favorable bids elsewhere. Due to the high money rates prevailing at present other concerns were reluctant to bid on the notes.

The sale of these revenue anticipation notes was made necessary on account of insufficient funds realized from the collection of taxes up to the present time. The sale of the notes will furnish the county with sufficient funds to operate the schools for a period of time required by law. The notes are all short term papers and will be repaid within a few months by the school taxes that are now due but not collected. They are sold on anticipation of collection of these taxes shortly.

The Farmers Bank purchased \$100,000 of these notes, while the Rutherford County Bank purchased \$50,000.

TWO MORE FOR ALDERMAN

Only two names have been added to those already entering the Aldermanic race this week. Mr. Tommy Harrill and Mrs. C. E. Alcock. This makes quite a number seeking a place on the Board, but so far there are only two announced for Mayor—Messrs. Vic Davis and L. C. Lowrance.

A woman entering the race is new to Forest City. As to whether the voters are in favor of a lady on the Board remains to be seen. If elected, Mrs. Alcock will be the first of her sex to sit on the Board.

EAST MAIN STREET PROPERTY GOES IN SALE

After Wilkins & Blanton's sale ad was printed for this week's issue, it was announced that two houses and lots on East Main street would be sold at the time of this sale—Saturday, April 20. This is desirable property—one five room house and one of six rooms.

Guests of Mr. J. M. Shuford at Miss Mamie Martins last week were Mrs. Shuford and Mr. and Mrs. McKeithan, of Florence, S. C. Mr. Shuford has recently come here to take charge of the Sinclair oil interests and will locate his family here as soon as a suitable residence is secured.

MISS MARGARET BOSTIC TO WED MR. P. O. PURSAR

Elaborate Tea Given by Mrs.
Terry Moore and Miss
Ruth Moore in Honor
of Bride-Elect

One of the prettiest and most elaborate social affairs that Forest City society has had recently was the tea given on Saturday morning, April 13th, by Mrs. Terry Moore and Miss Ruth Moore to honor Miss Margaret Bostic, whose marriage to P. O. Pursar, of Monroe, will be the leading social event of early summer. This was the first of many brilliant parties that will center around Miss Bostic.

The spacious grounds around the handsome Moore home were gorgeous in their wealth of spring flowers. Tulips, irises, narcissus, azaleas and many flowering shrubs made the borders of the driveway, the walks, and terraces a riot of soft colors. Inside the house the magnificent decorations carried out an effect of spring time joy and beauty that made the reception unusually attractive.

The guests were greeted on the side porch by Mrs. George Thompson, of Shelby and Miss Mary Moore. At the living room door they were greeted by Mrs. Roy Blanton and Mrs. R. E. Biggerstaff who presented them to the receiving line: Miss Ruth Moore, Mrs. Terry Moore, Miss Margaret Bostic, Mrs. W. C. Bostic, Sr., and Mrs. J. R. Moore. Miss Dell Wofford at the piano played a number of pretty appropriate selections in this room during the tea. In the hall was a second receiving line: Mrs. Spurgeon Moss, Miss Nell Young, Mrs. George Moore and Mrs. Durham Moore of Shelby.

Receiving at the entrance to the drawing room, were Miss Mayme Martin, Miss Foy Moore, and Mrs. J. H. Thomas. The decorations in this room and in the dining room were particularly lovely. The little tables at which the guests were served, were decorated with pink tulips in green crystal vases, and the dining tables were covered with a handsome lace cover, and the centerpiece was a large silver basket of spirea and purple iris. Receiving in the dining room were Mrs. Francis Little, Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Mrs. W. C. Bostic, Jr., and Miss Louise Lattimore. The guests were served with a salad course that carried out the colors of pink and green, by a group of young girls: Miriam Padgett, Eleanor Gillespie, Madge Moore and Christine Sutton.

At the sun room door Mrs. D. H. Sutton and Mrs. Wilkins received and Misses Juanita Minish and Robbie Biggerstaff presided over the brides register. Goodbyes were said by Mrs. E. O. Thomas and Mrs. A. C. Finch. The guests all went through the lovely terraces, pergola, and flower gardens before leaving and with the flowers, and the bright spring gowns of the guests, the grounds presented a most colorful and brilliant picture.

Engagement Spindale Couple Announced

Spindale, April 16.—Mrs. T. Max Watson entertained at her lovely home on Pleasant Street Friday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock at a bridge-announcement party, at which time the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Frances Bivins to Mr. Fred C. Kinzie was announced. The wedding will take place in June.

Miss Bivins is teacher in the Spindale elementary school. Mr. Kinzie is secretary of the Spindale Building and Loan Association and is also connected with the Spencer Corporation.

BASEBALL

The Cool Springs high school baseball team will play the Hickory high school, at Hickory, on Friday afternoon. On next Tuesday afternoon Shelby high school will come here for a game against Cool Springs.

Returns Rutherford



GEO. G. STAHL

Mr. Geo. Stahl who has just returned from Chicago, is to re-engage in business in Rutherford county. He will resume charge of the Stahl Ten Cent Store at Rutherford. He is a fine young business man and his many friends are delighted that he has decided to re-enter business in this county.

Womans' Club To Hold Final Meeting

The Woman's Club will meet in the City Hall Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. At this time an election of officers will be held, also election of delegates to the Federation meeting in Charlotte, which convenes April 30. All chairmen of divisions are requested to bring a written report of the year's work. The treasurer will give a financial report for the year. All ladies are urged to make an effort to be present at this meeting, as this is the last meeting of the Club year.

MRS. A. W. FALVEY, President.

KIWANIS CLUB

The Kiwanis Club met at the high school Monday evening, where they were served a most excellent supper by Miss Johnnie King, home economics teacher, and her capable young assistants.

NEW STANDARD STATION

A new Standard filling station is to be erected at the corner of West Main and Yarboro streets at an early date, under direction of Mr. B. B. Byers.

It is to be a handsome structure of modern type and in keeping with the Standard policy of erecting only the best.

WAYSIDE GANG MEETS CHARLOTTE, APRIL 26.

Many of the local members of the Wayside Gang are planning to attend the big meeting in Charlotte on the night of April 26. It is desired that a large delegation go from this county. The program will be a good one, and well worth the trip.

SUBSCRIPTIONS COMING IN

Approximately seventy-five Courier subscribers have renewed their subscriptions to their favorite county paper during the past week. Also quite a large number of new names have been added to our list. We thank these loyal friends for their support and shall endeavor to make every succeeding issue of The Courier better in every way.

If there should be a few who have received notices and not responded, we would remind them of their delinquency. Please let us have your renewal now, while you think of it.

News comes from Rutherfordton that Mr. John R. Norris is seriously ill at the Rutherford Hospital. He has been ill for some time and is not showing the improvement wished for by his many friends.

An ambition to own a skyscraper is a lofty ideal.

Never judge a woman's smile by her teeth, both may be artificial.

Any man who works only for pay seldom does his best.

Methodist Revival To Begin Next Sunday

Rev. W. B. West, of Hendersonville, Will
Be in Charge of Services—Subjects
For First Week Announced.

Mrs. "Becky Ann" Thomas Visits City

Mrs. "Becky Ann" Thomas, noted as an author and editor of the Home Section of the Textile Bulletin, of Charlotte, was a caller at The Courier office last Wednesday. Mrs. Thomas paid a visit to Forest City during the textile strike here, and viewed the situation. She was high in her praise of the conduct of the local mill employees, and stated that during her many years of experience among textile employees she had never seen such peaceable situation as existed here during the first of last week.

CLEAN-UP WEEK APRIL 22 TO 27

Mayor Flack Requests Citizens
of Forest City To Co-Operate
And Retain Title of
"One in Ten"

All of us are interested in retaining the reputation of Forest City as being one of ten of the best planned and most beautiful small cities in the United States. This great compliment has come to us because we are a far seeing and cooperating people.

Believing that you are desirous of keeping our little City in the good graces of all who visit and live here, we have set aside the week of April 22nd to April 27th as clean up and paint up week. We call upon the owners and renters of business property, vacant or improved, to please clean up and paint up. You are guaranteed better dividends. We ask especially that all automobile and garage agencies dispose of all old worn out cars and pieces of cars, in order that our city may take on a more favorable appearance.

To all home lovers we appeal to you to have all rubbish collected from your cellar and garret, your back yard and vacant property, and placed in barrels or boxes for removal.

Report all stagnant pools or manure heaps to the Health Department, these breed flies and mosquitoes.

Do what you can to see that vacant lots are cleaned of all refuse, tin cans, boxes and other litter.

By every one cooperating in this campaign we shall not only have a more beautiful city, but a healthier one.

The health truck will visit the different sections of the city, or call up the city hall for quicker disposition.

CHAS. Z. FLACK, Mayor.

Alexander W. M. S. Will Give Program

Alexander, April 16.—The Alexander Woman's Club will put on a miscellaneous program at the school building Saturday night, April 20, at 8:00 o'clock. A few of the interesting features will be a string band from Harris Station, orchestra music from the Hamrick band, a melodrama given by some of the club members, and a one act comedy given by Prof. Long, principal of the Mt. Pleasant school. Mr. Long is noted for his very interesting readings and comedian acts. Every one is looking forward to this part of the program. Be sure to see "Hiram and Mandy" on their way to the beach in the old Ford.

Admission: Ten and twenty-five cents.

Stanley, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McDaniel, underwent an operation at a Charlotte hospital Thursday for mastoid trouble. At last reports the young fellow was doing finely and expects to return home this week.

Rev. W. B. West, pastor of the First Methodist church, of Hendersonville, will begin a series of meetings at the Main Street Methodist church here next Sunday. This revival meeting will likely continue through two weeks. Mr. West announces that he will preach on the general theme of "Marks of a Soul-Winning Church," during the first week. The subject will be as follows:

Sunday evening: "A Revival-Yearning Church."

Monday evening: "A Heart-Penitent Church."

Tuesday evening: "A Soul-Concerned Church."

Wednesday evening: "A Prayer-Pleading Church."

Thursday evening: "A Spirit-Filled Church."

Friday evening: "A Christ-Witnessing Church."

Sunday morning: "A Fruit-Bearing Church."

The theme for afternoon services for children is "The Divine Shepherd." The subjects are as follows:

Monday afternoon: "The Father-Shepherd Feeds His Sheep."

Tuesday afternoon: "The Father-Shepherd Guards His Sheep."

Wednesday afternoon: "The Father-Shepherd Heals His Sheep."

Thursday afternoon: "The Savior-Shepherd Knows His Sheep."

Friday afternoon: "The Savior-Shepherd Seeks His Sheep."

Sunday morning: "The Savior-Shepherd the Door of His Sheep."

Mr. Fred Street Died Saturday Afternoon

Mr. Fred Street died at his home near the overhead bridge in Forest City Saturday afternoon about 4 o'clock. He was taken ill Wednesday afternoon injuring his back lifting guano. Funeral services were held Sunday at 4 p. m. here. Interment was in the Cool Springs cemetery.

Pall bearers were Messrs. John Allen, Herman Price, Joe Allen, W. R. Allen, Albert Blackburn and A. C. Johnson.

COUNTY SCHOOLS CLOSE NEXT WEEK

Number of Rural Schools Will
Observe Commencement
Over County Next
Week

Next week is commencement week in Rutherford county with many of the large rural consolidated schools.

Hollis High school will hold its commencement exercises, April 21, 25 and 26. Dr. W. R. Ware, pastor of the First Methodist church of this place, will preach the annual sermon on April 21 at 2:30. Thursday night, April 25, will be class day exercises. Friday, April 26 at 10:30 the reader's and declaimer's contest will be held. Friday afternoon will be the graduating exercises and the annual literary address by Dr. J. B. Davis, president of Boiling Springs Junior College, and awarding of diplomas, medals and prizes. Friday at 8 o'clock the high school play, "The Winning of Joy," will be given.

There are six members of the senior class, Jewel Anderson, Mary Fortune, Vada Glover, Gladys Green, Oris Melton and J. P. Walker. This is an accredited high school and is the only rural high school in the county sending a debating team to Chapel Hill this week to contest in the finals. Blaine Jones and Buford Carson will represent the affirmative while Kenyon Withrow and Miss Daisy Tarlton will uphold the negative.

Friends will be delighted to know that Mrs. W. P. Hall, Jr., is on the road to recovery after an illness of three weeks.