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CITY GRADED SCHOOLS TO HAVE INTERESTING CLOSE

A Most Brilliant Program Has Been Prepared to Wind up The School Year

PLAY IS ON FRIDAY NIGHT

The commencement exercises of the Albemarle High School promise to be of especial interest this year. The classes have worked hard on lessons and on the special features they will present during commencement.

The Senior Class will give the sprightly comedy, "And Home Came Ted" Friday night, a synopsis of which will appear in the next issue.

The declamation contest will be given Saturday night, and promises to be one of the best in years for the medal offered annually by the Wilson Literary Society.

Sunday night, May 29, the annual commencement sermon will be preached in the Central Methodist Church by Rev. R. S. Howie, of this church.

The recitation contest Monday night for a medal by the Cornelius Literary Society also promises to be equally as hard fought as that between the boys.

The commencement program will be the literary address by Dr. W. N. Johnson of Badin on Tuesday night.

Following this address certificates for perfect attendance and satisfactory scholarship will be awarded and the graduating class will be given their long-sought prizes—their diplomas.

The five medals will be awarded at this time.

All commencement exercises with the exception of the sermon will be held in the auditorium of the Albemarle High School. The patrons and friends are cordially invited to attend these exercises. The superintendent and faculty appreciate the interest manifested in this way.

HOME-COMING AT SALEM.

Stanly County has no better section than the Millington and Plyler section, that section in which old Salem Methodist Episcopal church is a real community center. It is a section in which prosperous farmers and intelligent farmers live. And, of all, the people realize that the greatest thing any community can do is "put first things first." This they are doing, and when they tax themselves with the taring down of the out-of-date church, and erecting its stead a \$21,000 brick church it is out our contention. This work has already commenced, and we are confident that the building committee now has the entire \$21,000 in sight. As a result active work has started on the new church structure.

Last Sunday at Salem was one of the greatest days in the old community history. The occasion was the Home Coming Day at Salem, when the corner stone of the new church was laid. A large crowd was present and many went out from Albemarle to enjoy the good time with their Methodist brethren of the Salem section.

Two services were held during the day. The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Weaver, pastor of the Methodist church of Monroe. The afternoon services were conducted and a sermon preached by Rev. John F. of Salisbury, Presiding Elder of the Albemarle District. Both sermons were interesting ones. The ceremony of laying the corner stone was conducted by Rev. Mr. Coburn, of Richfield, a former pastor of old Salem. All present seemed to have been in the spirit of rejoicing, and a good old-fashioned Methodist feast. The new church will be dedicated just as quickly as laborers materials can be secured to do the work, and when finished Salem Methodist Church will have one of the finest and most striking church structures of any country section in North Carolina.

WEAR A POPPY

Walter B. Hill Post, American Legion of this place has ordered a number of silk replicas of Flanders poppies, made by French war veterans. These poppies will be sold for 10 cents each by the local post, and the proceeds will go to the benefit of the French War Orphans. The poppy has been adopted by the American Legion as its memorial flower, and the poppy will, therefore, be the appropriate flower to be worn on Memorial day. These poppies will be

HARDING PLEAS FOR PRESERVATION OF FORESTS

Issues Proclamation Urging Care Upon Part of All in Avoiding Useless Waste

CALLS UPON GOVERNORS

President Warren G. Harding has set apart this week as Forest Protection Week. In his proclamation he requests all citizens of the various states to plan during the week such educational and instructive exercises as to bring the fact of the tremendous losses to this country, by preventable forest fires, to the attention of the public. The following is the President's proclamation:

Whereas, the destruction by forest fires in the United States involves an annual loss of approximately \$20,000,000, and the devastation of approximately 12,500,000 acres of timberland and other natural resources, and

Whereas, the present deplorably large area of non-productive land is being greatly increased by 33,000 or more forest fires which occur every year, and

Whereas, the menace of a timber shortage threatens to become a present economic fact seriously affecting our social and industrial welfare, and

Whereas, a large percentage of the forest fires causing the annual waste of natural resources may be prevented by increasing care and vigilance on the part of citizens:

Therefore, I, Warren G. Harding, President of the United States, do urge upon the governors of the various states to designate and set apart the week of May 22-28, 1921, as Forest Protection Week, and to request all citizens of their states to plan for that week such educational and instructive exercises as shall bring before the people the serious and unhappy efforts of the present unnecessary waste by forest fires, and the need of their individual and collective efforts in conserving the natural resources of America.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia this 7th day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Twenty-one and of the independence of the United States of America the One Hundred and Forty-fifth.

Warren G. Harding.
By the President:
Charles E. Hughes, Secretary of State.

HOSPITAL FOR CRIPPLES.

The North Carolina Orthopaedic Hospital will open its doors to the crippled, deformed children of North Carolina in June. The management of the institution wishes to help every child of sound mind, under 14 years old, in the state all it can, quickly, especially the poor, needy and orphaned child. If you know of such a child in your county or neighborhood, write to R. B. Babbington, President North Carolina Orthopaedic Hospital, Gastonia, N. C., for an application blank at once.

MISSION RALLY.

For Sunbeams, R. A.'s, G. A.'s and Y. W. A.'s of Stanly Association, Albemarle First Baptist Church, May 31st, 1921.

Program.
10:30—Opening prayer and song.
Devotional, Albemarle First Sunbeams.

Exercises by Societies as following: New London, W. Albemarle, North Albemarle, First Albemarle, Kendalls, Silver Springs, Norwood.

Song by all the Sunbeams, "Be a Little Sunbeam."
Address—Miss Briggs.
Luncheon.

Devotional, Norwood R. A.
West Albemarle G. A.
Norwood G. A.
W. Albemarle R. A.
Greetings from W. M. U. Supt.
Address—Personal Service—Mrs. S. Connell.
Address—Miss Briggs.
Pageant—by Y. W. A. Girls of Albemarle First.

on sale at Brooks' 5, 10 and 25 cent store. Everybody is going to wear one so buy yours before the supply is exhausted.

BODY OF REID CRANFORD BURIED AT HIS OLD HOME

Funeral Services at Davidson Were Largely Attended. Is Given Military Honors

WAS KILLED IN FRANCE

The body of Reid Cranford, brother of our townsman, Wilson H. Cranford, who was killed in action in France, in July, 1918, was laid to rest at Davidson on the 19th of May. Mr. and Mrs. Cranford and little son Jack attended the funeral, also Dr. Nisbet, T. P. Bumgardner and Miss Mildred Bostian attended the funeral services.

The following account of the funeral services written from Davidson appeared in the Charlotte Observer, in the issue of May 20th, and we are sure it will be read with interest by Albemarle and Stanly County people, especially the friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cranford, of this place:

The body of Reid Cranford, arriving here today from France, was laid in its final resting place in the village cemetery this afternoon in the presence of a large assemblage of people from the town, country and neighboring points, gathered to pay this tribute to the young soldier.

The body was borne from the home of the family on an army artillery wagon, belonging to the R. O. T. C. equipment of the college, under an escort of officers and soldiers. The pallbearers, members of the local post of the American Legion, were: Henry Caldwell, James Blue, Palmer Henderson, Henry Cathey, Douglas Brown and Louis Potts. The spaces in front of the pulpit of the church were banked with handsome flowers sent in rich profusion. A quartet of the students Vance, McLeod, Shepherd and McGeachy, sang two beautiful selections during the brief service that was conducted by Dr. Richards. Dr. Richards read extracts of a letter written by young Cranford from France to his mother a short while before he was killed in which he gave expression to his firm faith and its sustaining power in the hour of trial and danger.

Upon the conclusion of the strictly religious part of the service, Lieutenant Colonel J. M. McConnell, commander of the Davidson-Cornelius chapter of the American Legion, took charge and in a few brief remarks outlined the military career of Cranford as a member of company K of the 6th United States Marines with engagements at Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood, and Soissons, at which latter place Cranford was mortally wounded, dying on 19th of July, 1918.

At the grave a military salute was fired under command of Captain Ryan, and the program came to an end with the bugle notes of "Taps" sounded by Captain D. F. Freeman, of the R. O. T. C. battalion.

A number of out of town people were present, among these from Charlotte being Messrs. Hamby, Porter, DeArmond and Nichols, representing the American Trust Company, from whose employ Cranford went straight to the service, and Gilmer Orr, whose brother was killed the same day with Cranford, was also here.

STANLY BOY ELECTED CAPTAIN

We are sure that our subscribers will read with interest the following clipping from the Raleigh News and Observer of last week.

"J. H. Norwood, Jr., of Norwood, has been elected captain of the 1922 base ball team at North Carolina State College and R. W. Kraft, of Portsmouth, Va., has been similarly honored by members of the track team.

Norwood has been an outfielder on the State team for three seasons and during the past year hit at a .282 clip and made only two errors during the entire season.

Kraft is one of the greatest runners ever produced at State and has an unbroken record in the quarter and half mile events in all State events for the past three years.

A. G. Floyd, of Fairmont, who is a member of both the base ball and foot ball squads and who was picked by several authorities as All South Atlantic tackle last season, has been named as president of the Athletic Association.

Capt. Norwood has also been named as manager of the foot ball team and R. L. Mills will manage the next base ball team."

ALBEMARLE NORMAL HAD MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Institute Closed Year With Graduating Exercises on Last Thursday Night

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

The Albemarle Normal and Industrial Institute closed one of the most successful years in its history with the graduating exercises on last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All of the program, throughout the closing exercises of this school were very interesting, but the Thursday evening graduating exercises were possibly the most interesting. The assembly hall at the Institute, on this occasion, was again packed with visitors, and many failed to get seating capacity. Mrs. Elva C. Harris, the Superintendent, took advantage of the occasion to call to the attention of those present the fact of the great need of more room, not only to accommodate the growing demand of the school for the young ladies, but for a larger auditorium for the accommodation of the many friends of the Institute. An interesting feature of the exercises of Thursday evening was the presentation of Bibles to the graduating class by Miss Eva Rupert, a member of the faculty. The short address to the graduates by Miss Rupert, in presenting these Bibles, was regarded by those who heard it as the embodiment of wisdom, and her address not only made a tremendous impression upon the young ladies graduating from the Albemarle Normal, but everyone present likewise got much wholesome and timely suggestions. The following is a complete program of the evening's exercises:

Chorus, Summer Days—Fearis.
Concert Recitation, First Corinthians, 13th chapter.
Prayer.
Essay, The Latin Language—Katherine O'Connell.
Piano Solo, On the Lake, Williams—Myrtle Lee.
Essay, Our Purchased Possessions, Nannie McSwain.
Essay, Bread-Making—Myrtle Lee.
From Economics Course.
Piano Duet, Melody in F, Rubenstein—Katherine O'Connell, Bessie Lee Efford.
Essay, North Carolina—Onnie Jones.
Reading Honor Roll.
Presentation—Bibles, Prizes.
Piano Trio—Concert Polka, Lansing—Mary Louise Hodges, Grace Pence, Bessie Lee Efford.
Presentation—
Certificates of promotion from Elementary School.
Certificates for Special Sewing.
Diplomas for Home Economics.
Credit on High School Diploma.
Credit on Home Economics Diploma.
Diplomas for High School.
M. Addie Durant, M. Onnie Jones, M. Ora Jones, Katherine O'Connell, Nannie McSwain.
Chorus—The Quiet Skies—Marzo.

MR. RUSSELL PASSES AWAY.

William Lee Russell passed away yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at his home on Hearne Heights, after an illness which had kept him confined in bed for several months. The end had been expected by the family and friends since Sunday, when his condition took a sudden turn for the worse.

The funeral services will be held this afternoon at the first Baptist church here, conducted by Rev. J. S. Harris, and the body will be buried with Masonic honors by Marshallville Lodge, of which the deceased was a member.

Mr. Russell was 68 years old. He was born in Randolph county in 1853, was a member of the Prospect Baptist church, and Masonic fraternity. He leaves a widow and three children, two sons, James A., of Marshallville, and W. R., the latter one of Albemarle's leading business men, and Mrs. L. M. Perry, of this place.

Fox pictures for May include "Beyond Price," with Pearl White; Tom Mix in "A Ridin' Romeo," which he wrote; William Russell in "Colorado Pluck"; Shirley Mason in "The Mother Heart"; Harold Goodwin in "Hearts of Youth"; Buck Jones in "Get Your Man," and Clyde Cook in "The Guide."

There is a plucky business deal in "And Home Came Ted." Come and take a lesson.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS OF STATE-WIDE INTEREST

Digest of Happenings of Week Gleaned From the Files of Our Exchanges.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

Charlotte, May 21.—A new country club, to be known as the Myers Park Country Club, with a nine hole golf course, with sand greens, swimming pool, 50 by 100 feet, a children's playground, a tennis court, and club house, will be opened in Myers park within the next few weeks.

Washington, May 20.—Former President Woodrow Wilson is keeping his own counsel these days. It is doubtful whether there is anyone outside his immediate family circle who knows what the former president thinks about the development of world affairs. It would not be surprising if even his immediate family doesn't know.

Washington, May 20.—Ashley Mulgrave Gould, associate justice of the District of Columbia Supreme Court, died suddenly today after a brief illness. Justice Gould presided over both trials in the case of Jules W. Arnstein and others, charged with having brought stolen securities into the District of Columbia for disposition.

Galway, Ireland, May 20.—Sixty armed men ambushed a district inspector of constabulary and twenty policemen under him at Westport this morning. One constable was killed and one wounded, and four of the ambushing party were killed and six wounded. The police attacked the position of the ambushers and carried it.

Augusta, Ga., May 20.—Engineer Joseph Temple, of Florence, S. C., was killed, and a mail clerk and several passengers injured when train No. 240, Atlantic Coast Line, Washington, bound, was derailed early today on the South Carolina side of the Savannah River. Train wreckers were reported to have loosened a rail and lifted it from the cross ties, causing the derailing.

Greensboro, May 21.—Judge James E. Boyd today after argument here of attorneys in the case of North Carolina Public Service Company and cities of Greensboro and High Point against Southern Power Company, set June 16 as the date for beginning of trial of the case in Federal Court here. At the same time he issued an order restraining the Public Service Company from proceeding against Southern Power Company in the State courts until the case now docketed in Federal court here has been tried. He also ordered that Southern Power Company continue to furnish electricity to plaintiff company which retails it to people of High Point and Greensboro and operates street cars in the two cities until the case is settled.

Washington, May 21.—Both Blair and Linney will be confirmed, according to the views of the wise ones of the administration. While Blair will get his job without much effort or delay, it is said, Linney will have to face a long bitter fight, but he will get the place with the aid of the president and the attorney general.

St. Louis, Mo., May 21.—A recommendation for the appropriation of \$3,000,000 to defray the expenses of the church during the coming five years and an overture for the unification of the five branches of the church were the outstanding features of today's session of the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church in session here.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 21.—Sidney J. Gatts, former governor of Florida, arrested at Albany, Ga., today on a federal warrant charging peonage, and released in \$2,500 bond, arrived here shortly before 10 o'clock tonight.

Raleigh, May 21.—Representatives of the North Carolina Builders exchange in a meeting here today protested against the method of letting the contracts for \$1,100,000 worth of new buildings at the State University during the next two years, declaring that the suggested contracts and proposals for bids were practically a return to the cost plus basis and would not only eliminate all North Carolina builders, but would also

HARDING TAKES A PART IN MEMORIAL SERVICE

"It Must Not Be Again," Says President as He Places a Wreath on Coffin

EYES WERE FULL OF TEARS

New York, May 23.—"It must not be again." With these solemn words, President Harding today laid a wreath on the coffin of the first American soldier to die on German soil, at a funeral ceremony for 5,000 war dead at the army piers in Hoboken.

His voice husky and his eyes brimmed with tears, the President gazed at the rows and rows of coffins. Then he said:

"One hundred thousand sorrows are touching my heart. It must not be again. God grant that it may not be.

"I do not pretend that the millennial days have come and that there will be no more war. I would wish a nation so powerful that none will dare to provoke its wrath."

Then, in the great army shed on the shores of the Hudson, with its stark, white-washed walls, there fell a silence profound and deep. Mrs. Harding could be seen weeping softly as she looked upon the flag-draped coffins of those who had given their all for their country.

Then the President continued:

"The republic will never forget the sacrifices these men made—whether they lie in the soil of homeland or the crimsoned soil of the battlefield."

When the president had finished his brief address, he stepped forward, in front of the coffin that had been selected to symbolize the army of the dead surrounding him, and laid upon it his wreath of roses and orchids.

There was another moment of silence. It was as if the great piers bustling with life as men went forth to death, had been turned to a tomb after the return of those who had survived.

On the coffin decorated by President Harding was a plate chronicling the fact that Joseph Gayton, of Evart, Mich., a private in Co. I, of the 126th United States Infantry, had given his life for his country on May 24, 1918, in the Gildwilder sector in Alsace.

After the ceremony, President Harding, accompanied by Mrs. Harding, several senators and their wives, returned to Manhattan, where he was scheduled to address the Academy of Political Science at its luncheon in the hotel Astor before reviewing the old 106th United States Infantry in Brooklyn today.

Shirley Mason, the William Fox star, has been selected as one of the players recommended for wholesome entertainers in the list of approved players issued by the Methodist Episcopal church. Only about 12 are selected by the board passing each year on this subject.

J. H. Rhinehardt spent the weekend here with his family, returning to Morehead City Monday afternoon.

ART EXHIBIT BIG SUCCESS.

The Art Exhibit given at the City Graded Schools last week under the auspices of the Albemarle Woman's Club, proved a great success. The exhibit gave Albemarle people an opportunity of enjoying some of the world's masterpieces of art. The teachers of the various grades of the school joined heartily into making the exhibit a success and the children of the second and third grades did their bit towards helping in the good work.

On Wednesday evening the two third grades gave the Tom Thumb Wedding and an interesting drill which was attended by a large crowd. On Thursday evening the two second grades gave a play, and on Friday evening a Mother Goose entertainment was given by the first grades. All of these entertainments, which were held in the Graded School Auditorium, were attended by large crowds and proved very interesting. The net proceeds of the Art Exhibit, amounting to approximately \$100, will be used to buy pictures for the different grade rooms in the Graded School.

make the work cost the state a great deal more money than the other models.