

HAVE YOU BEEN TORPEDOED BY THE SUBMARINE OF THE COUNTY ASSESSORS YET?

THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

A PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF AMERICAN HOMES AND AMERICAN INDUSTRIES.

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LUSITANIA IS TORPEDOED 900 PROBABLY PERISH

Giant English Liner Struck On the Starboard Side By Two Torpedoes Fired By German Submarine, Says Survivor

FOUNDERED IN 15 MINUTES

Passengers Were at Lunch When At- tack Was Made On Vessel Ten Miles Off Old Head Kinsade, Ireland---Ten Boats Put to Water With 400 or 500 Passengers

FULL REPARATION WILL BE DEMANDED FROM GERMANY

Also Assurance That No More Attacks Will Be Made On No-Combatants---American Grievances Cited in the Note of Germany

ACTS COMMITTED ARE INDEFENSIBLE

Tone of American Note Is Friendly But Firm--- Gives Germany Chance to Disavow Practices in the War Zone--- Interest in Note.

COMMENCEMENT EX- ERCISES, CITY GRADED SCHOOLS.

Following the baccalaureate sermon Sunday night, the annual debate and declamation contests were engaged in by the students at the auditorium of the Graded School building on Monday night.

The first on the program was the annual debate, in which each speaker contested for the John Benners Bible medal. The query for the debate was, Resolved: "That the commission form of government is preferable to the present aldermanic plan for North Carolina cities of five thousand and more." The affirmative was represented by Messrs. Hobart Steele and Carl Martin, while the negative was championed by Misses Nina Ingle and Kathleen Elder. The judges of the debate were: Messrs. E. S. Parker, Junius Hardin and C. W. Rankin, who rendered a decision in favor of the affirmative, and awarded the medal to Mr. Hobart Steele for excellency in debate. Hon. W. H. Carroll, in a very appropriate speech, presented the medal to

the winner. In the declamation contest which followed the debate, the contestants were Misses Louise Blagg, Susie Copeland, Kathrine Cox, and Lucile Page. The judges for this contest were Messdames W. H. Carroll, B. R. Sellars, and M. W. Buck. Miss Cox was awarded the prize. Several musical selections were rendered during the exercises by some of the music pupils. Prof. McEwen, principal of the High School Department, presided over the occasion.

Tuesday and Wednesday nights were given over to the senior class for their annual receptions. On Tuesday night the class entertained the junior class and their friends at the Piedmont hotel. This occasion proved quite elaborate and thoroughly enjoyable to the participants. Punch was served by different members of the class, after which a contest, "A Floral Love Tale," was entered into. The prize, a box of chocolates, was awarded to a Mr. Monroe of Elon College, and the booby to Mr. Walker Love. Rook cards and dancing were enjoyed for a while and lunch was served at ten o'clock. At eleven o'clock the party went to the Grotto Theatre upon invitation of Manager May,

and enjoyed a short period with the "movies." The party numbered 150.

On Wednesday night the senior class was given a farewell reception by Miss Minnie Mary Ellis at her beautiful home on West Davis street from eight till eleven. Upon entering the guests were first ushered to the dining room where punch was served in abundance, after which the contest of the evening and other amusements were entered into. The contest was composed of mixed letters, which were so disarranged that it was difficult to arrange them to direct the contestant to the location of the prize. However, Miss Dorothy Faucette was equal to the task, and won the prize, a box of chocolates. Dainty refreshments, including cream in the class colors, were served the guests, followed by mints. Before departing, each guest was presented with a nice little souvenir to serve as a remembrance of the occasion and the senior class.

Last night was class night exercises, the senior class presenting their play, the occasion of which was a campfire supper to the class by the president, on the Bason farm one day before the commencement. The welcome address was given by the class president, Mr. Sam Bason, and the valedictory by Miss Margaret Hayes. Musical selections were rendered by the young ladies of the school.

Tonight will be the last and crowning event of the commencement. The graduating exercises and literary address by Hon. Bickett will be the program of the evening.

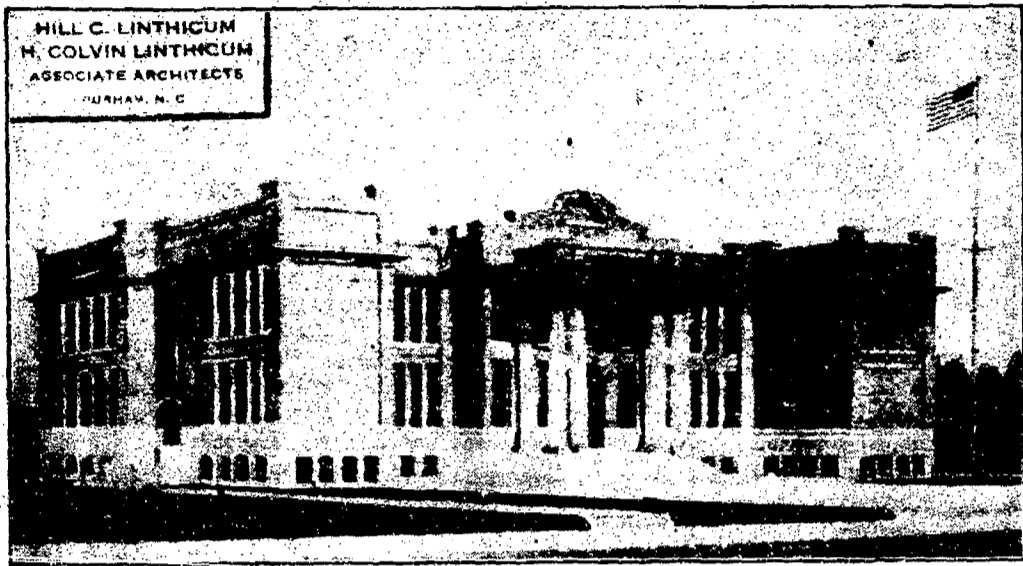
MISS FOWLER PLEASANTLY SURPRISED.

Miss Ruth Fowler was given a surprise party by her friends at her home on Means street last games, and refreshments were very pleasantly spent in playing games, and refreshments were served. Those present to enjoy the evening were Misses Elma Shoffner, Chlora Woods, Lillie Wagoner, Hazel Woods, Viria Wilburn, Stella Cates, Virginia Russell, Grace Lankford, Myra Black; Messrs. Will Coble, Devoe Moran, Clyde Black, Arthur Wagoner, Hurley Soots, and Virgil Reitzel.

CATAWBA COLLEGE COM- MENCEMENT.

The Dispatch acknowledges with thanks an invitation to the closing exercises of Catawba College, May 23 to 26th, inclusive. Our former townsman, Rev. J. D. Andrew is president, and the college is having one of its most successful commencements. The people of Alamance county have a warm heart for Catawba college and its President. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Rev. H. A. M. Holsouser of Winston-Salem, N. C.

Proposed New Graded School Building, for which our Citizens are asked to vote a Forty Thousand Dollar Bond Issue for its erection.



Juniors Entertained Seniors at Friendship High School.

On Thursday evening, May 6th, 1915, at 8:00 until 11:00 P. M., the Juniors of the Friendship High School, entertained the Seniors in the reading and living rooms of the dormitory. Both rooms were beautifully decorated with the Senior class colors which were green and white. The guests were first invited into the reading room which was decorated with white ash, snow balls, and white roses. Two long benches, covered with white, were used as seats for the guests. In the east corner stood a table which was beautifully decorated with flowers. Amid them was a large punch bowl filled to the brim with delicious punch. To select their partners to go to the table pictures which had been cut half into were given one-half to the girls and one-half to the boys.

The boy and girl whose picture matched were partners. They then were invited to the dining room which was decorated in white ash and the class flower, white roses. The table was spread with white and in the center was a vase of white roses. Each one also found a white rose on their plate. The refreshments consisted of two courses, first was the salad course which consisted of salad, pickles, crackers, etc. Then followed the ice cream and cake. The guests then returned to the reading room and were engaged in a flower contest. Miss Eva Christman and Mr. Cary Whitaker won first prize and Miss Swannie Isley and Mr. Robert Moser won the booby prize.

Papers and pencils were then passed to the young men to write a description of their partner.

They were next entertained with simple but interesting games. Miss Eva Christman, a member of the faculty, made the speech of the evening. The Juniors had been studying what to give the Seniors as souvenirs. After a careful study they had decided and Miss Christman was to present them. They consisted of a bottle of anti-fat, a box of energy, pennies for luck, brooms, caesar translation, etc.

At eleven o'clock the Seniors voted the Juniors a most pleasant evening and departed for their home.

Those present were the faculty, Prof. Meade Hart, Misses

Eva Christman and Verna Garrett. The Seniors present were: Misses Eunice Homewood, Ethel Russell, Litsy Isley, Esther Coble, Swannie Isley, Alice Whitaker and Messrs. Cary Whitaker, Hobert Patterson, Norman Alexander, Linn Homewood, Dean Sharpe, and Robert Moser. The Juniors were: Misses Georgia Isley, Carrie Spoon, Verona Isley, Bertha E. Isley, Viva Ecliss and Messrs. Seymour Stafford, Hubert Isley and Austin Isley.

REVIVAL CAMPAIGN AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The widely known and successful evangelist, Rev. R. V. Miller, of Hendersonville, N. C., assisted by R. O. Bell, evangelistic singer of Atlanta, Ga., will conduct a two weeks revival campaign in the Christian church.

These services begin Sunday morning, May 16th, at eleven o'clock. The night services will begin at 7:45 with a song service.

Rev. Miller is a prominent speaker at the Montrose, Pa. Bible Conference conducted by



R. O. BELL,
Evangelistic Singer.

evangelist Torrey; and he comes highly recommended by the Moody Bible Institute.

The Christian church people feel themselves exceedingly fortunate in securing the services of these strong Christian workers.

The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

THE HEALTH EXHIBIT CLOSED.

The health exhibit of the State Board of Health which was conducted by Dr. G. Eugene Holt and the Red Cross Seal Committee, closed Tuesday night, the last day being for colored people.

This exhibit was open for eight days, during which time hundreds of people in Burlington and surrounding rural districts visited the place and saw the things on display in the exhibit.

The enlightenment that has come to our citizens as a result of the exhibit will doubtless prove a great blessing to the health and sanitary conditions of our city, and we may be safe in predicting a Bigger Better Burlington from the standpoint of health and sanitation.

The splendid manner and generous spirit in which our citizens rallied to the support of the exhibit is very commendable. The use of the building, electric lights and the services of those in charge of the exhibit were all given gladly and willingly by different citizens and ladies of the city.

A KITCHEN SHOWER.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. V. Sharpe, were delightfully surprised at their home on West Davis street Tuesday evening, May 11th, by a large number of their friends who literally took the house by storm, and after gaining admission, they rushed to the kitchen where they deposited their numerous packages containing hardware, tin-ware, and aluminum ware, all of which is very useful. They were then invited into the sitting room where Mrs. Sharpe entertained them with a number of musical selections, after which the friends departed to their homes, leaving Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe to open and enjoy their packages.

Crystal Theater Showing Good Pictures.

The Crystal Theater has just finished making some more extra improvements and has new electric lights. New additional lights have been let in and extra fans added and is in every way a modern theater and showing good pictures.

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