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ANNUAL FATHER AND SON BANQUET SETS ATTENDANCE RECORD

Largest Crowd in History of Y for Such an Occasion Present When Festivities Began Thursday Night.

MUSIC AND TALKS PROVED FEATURES

Rev. C. C. Myers Was Toastmaster.—Several Fathers and Sons Unable to Get Tickets for the Banquet.

Eclipsing anything of a similar nature ever undertaken by the local Young Men's Christian Association, the annual Father and Son banquet was held at the Y Thursday night and the crowd present and interest manifested on every hand is proof positive that the fathers of Concord are keenly alive to their duties to their sons, the sons of their neighbors and the Y.

Every available inch of space in the Y gym, where the banquet was held, was occupied by some father and son. The sale of tickets was not only rapid, but before banquet time, but many men, accompanied by boys, came to the banquet hall at the appointed hour, hoping against hope that by some means they could be admitted to the good things that were offered in abundance. The crowd was probably the largest that has ever gathered at the Y for any occasion and more than 275 tickets were sold. In addition to this number there were others who did gain an eleventh hour admittance to the gym.

The details of the banquet had been nicely worked out and everything moved off smoothly. There were a number of talks, but they were all short and snappy, in keeping with the actions of most boys, and there was no tired expressions to be seen on the faces of the youngsters who were feted for two hours and who heard many expressions of confidence and hope in their futures.

Rev. C. C. Myers, pastor of McKimmon Presbyterian Church, and one of the leaders of the boys work at the Y, was toastmaster and he served in a most pleasing manner. He kept things moving at all times and in this he had the co-operation of everyone who had a part in the program.

Local talent was not the only kind that had a part in the success of the banquet. Adding a jazzy note that touched the hearts of all their hearers the Davidson College Orchestra and quartet rendered a number of selections and while the solos were evident in their playing their contribution was of major importance. The collegians were called back time after time in response to unanimous applause and they responded each time in a most pleasing way.

In welcoming the guests on behalf of the Y Toastmaster Myers expressed the belief that such occasions bring father and son close together and the occasions are fruitful for that reason if for no other. When father and son are thrown together in associations more their friendship ripens faster. Mr. Myers added, and he expressed delight that the Y should have a part in this work.

Mr. C. F. Ritchie brought a timely message from the fathers to the sons, declaring it is important that fathers and sons should walk arm in arm for the boys of today are the world leaders of tomorrow and their lives are influenced more by their fathers than any else.

Honesty as the basis of their lives was the keynote of Mr. Ritchie's talk to the boys. There are level places, rocky places and mountainous places in the road of life, he stated, but the road will be easier to travel if the boy will make honesty his watchword and constant companion.

Walter Sullivan, idol of many youngsters here because of his athletic ability and clean living, made an inspiring talk on "The Kind of a Father a Boy Likes to Have." Sullivan, known to his associates and to most of Concord as "Bud" told his hearers that a boy likes a father who will share his worries as well as his pleasures; a father who will be a real companion and who will take time enough from daily tasks to show an interest in the problems of the boy.

Davidson College played an important part in the program aside from the excellent musicians it furnished. Mr. MacBeall, who hails from the Presbyterian institution, was one of the speakers and he was heard with unusual interest. In his talk Mr. Beall pictured two fathers. One had two sons who are growing up to be known as "sissies" because their father has been too busy with business to assume any responsibility for their upbringing. The other father has six sons who are growing into many youths because the father never lets anything interfere with his relations with them. He is giving them the personal touch. Mr. Beall pointed out, declaring this close association is a father's duty as well as privilege.

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Misunderstood boys are tragedies. Mr. Fuller declared, get them to be found everywhere. He told the story of a boy who seemed lazy and indifferent and whose father was discouraged because of this indifference. He thought the boy was worthless. Mr. Fuller declared, but the boy was really misunderstood. Finally he stumbled on a vocation that appealed to him and he made a success in life. Parents should try to get on a mutual basis with children, he advised, and help the youngsters in reaching a decision as to life.

Mr. Webb advised his hearers to re-

member that the half-way stage in the boy's life is the most critical. The half-way stage is that period between boyhood and manhood—the period of change. Mr. Webb said, and they should remember the difficulties they had at that period when they deal with the boy who is passing that stage now. That is the time the father should get the interest of his boy and hold it. For if he does and mind of the boy for all influence. The regular program was varied at this point while Mr. F. C. Niblock, president of the Y, presented to Mr. Beall, Black and Mr. Thomas Moore boxes of candy for their efforts in selling tickets and making other arrangements for the banquet. The gifts were presented after the Girls Club and the Hi-Y Club had done the most efficient work of the club members in behalf of the banquet.

Dr. H. B. Arbuckle was another distinguished speaker who was invited to speak over to add to the pleasure and interest of the banquet. Dr. Arbuckle is a favorite with Concord people, but he has never delivered in his city a more earnest or more powerful talk than the one he made on this occasion. Dr. Arbuckle has had wide experiences with boys, his own and other people's, and his rich experiences fit him as a speaker of peculiar power on such occasions as the father and son banquet.

Dr. Arbuckle declared that literature is full of beautiful friendships, but that he has been struck with the fact that none of these friendships were between father and son. There is nothing else like a real father and son friendship, he added, declaring further that the sobriety of the so-called boy problem rests with the father and son.

Dr. Arbuckle stated that he had never heard of a case of a boy going to the bad when his best friend was his father. If the father will walk shoulder to shoulder with the boy, he said, the boy will respond to the father's touch and make something worthwhile of himself. The regeneration of fatherhood is a need of today, he added, and he said this comes when the father really gets close to his son.

An impromptu address was made by Mr. H. S. Williams, who advised his hearers that their parents put their happiness above all other things and who told his adult hearers that their children were just as keenly interested in adding happiness to the lives of their parents.

The banquet opened and closed with prayer. The invocation was delivered by Rev. W. A. Jenkins, and after the singing of "America," the benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. A. Thomas.

Just before the singing of "America," the diners gave a rising vote of thanks to Miss MacLaughlin, Mrs. W. A. Foll, Miss Woodhouse and members of the Girls' Club for their efforts in making the banquet such a success.

The menu was as follows: Cold Ham, Pickles and Olives, Cake, Ice Cream, Rolls and Butter, Nuts, Coffee, Mints.

A singing bee, led by Prof. Price Doble, with accompaniment by Miss Nell Her-ring, was one of the most enjoyable features of the program.

Concord Girls and Boys Receive Honors on Behalf of Hi-Y Clubs

Thursday evening Father and Son Banquet held at the Y. M. C. A., Mr. F. C. Niblock, president of the association, presented a large box of candy to Miss Dorothy Black as a token from the Y. M. C. A. in appreciation of the splendid support given by Miss Black to the Father and Son program. Mr. Niblock also presented another large box of candy to Mr. Tom Moore for the same reason. These two young people represented the two Hi-Y Clubs of Concord, and therefore the tokens were not only in appreciation of the work these two young people did, but in a small way denoted the appreciation everybody has for these two splendid organizations, the girls Hi-Y Club and the boys Hi-Y Club.

Mr. Niblock spoke briefly but very appropriately on the splendid work and efforts towards making the Father and Son get-together night a success.

With Our Advertisers.

A real Christmas store—Fisher's, that's right. Their Christmas sale is now on in full blast in their basement. Every fish suggests gifts, and in that store joyland is joyland.

The Concord Furniture Co. is giving 25 per cent discount on all heaters during their removal sale. Other goods reduced from 25 to 50 per cent.

The Corl-Wadsworth Co. has just received a car load of mules, for sale or trade. Everything worn by man is sold by the Browns-Cannon Co. See list for Christmas giving in their new ad today.

See the showing of living room and dining room furniture at Bell & Harris'. You will find here a complete assortment of the newest styles.

Post and Flegg's Cotton Letter. New York, Dec. 14.—The market today has been quiet and speculative interest has apparently diminished somewhat. Throughout the day the South has been a good seller with local operators taking the short side on all advances. Weekly statistics failed to stimulate much interest and the government consumption report came about as expected. Sentiment has undoubtedly become rather bearish in view of the reports that much of the government activity is expected in the near future and it is not felt that the trade is ready to follow any large advance still in time being along spot contracts.

Fierce Fighting Reported.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 14.—Report of severe fighting between outposts of advancing rebel army and federal troops entrenched in the part of north of Mexico City were received here today by the De La Huerta Junta and confirmed in meager advices to the government sources in Jauze.

Tax Lien Against C. W. Morse.

New York, Dec. 14.—Council for C. W. Morse, collector of Internal Revenue, today filed in Federal Court a tax lien against Charles W. Morse, of Washington, D. C., for \$12,224,531.24. Filing of the lien automatically caused it to be tenored on judgment rules book.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS

Many Holiday Activities.—Christian Pageant on the 18th.—Annual Debate.

MT. Pleasant, Dec. 14.—Again we desire to let our Charlotte and other friends know that we are very much "on the map," as we are still wide awake and full of activities in advance of the Christmas holidays. These latter will begin at noon on Thursday, the 20th, and end at noon on January 3rd, 1924, when nearly 300 students of Mount Anona Seminary and Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute will be privileged to enjoy two full weeks of pleasant intercourse with dear ones at home and their friends. During this holiday season Rev. Prof. and Mrs. C. L. T. Fisher will have with them, at the Seminary, their daughter, Miss Pauline Fisher, dean of the girls' department of the Lynchburg, Va., High School, and their son, Mr. Horner Fisher, a rising young lawyer of Jacksonville, Fla. Rev. Prof. and Mrs. J. H. C. Fisher will also have as their guests over the holidays their daughter, Miss Mary Virginia Fisher, a member of the Senior Class of Marion Female College, Marion, Va., and the Misses Ethel and Bettie Williams, the former a teacher in a Concord school, and the latter a student at the North Carolina College for Women, in Greensboro.

The beautiful operetta, "The Love Pirates of Hawaii," was splendidly rendered Thursday night by the Chorus class of the Seminary and the Glee Club of the M. P. C. I. at the auditorium, which was comfortably filled with an appreciative audience. The music was very attractive and tuneful and its rendition showed careful training. The acting of some of the characters evinced real dramatic talent, especially the fierce pirate captain and his excruciating funny crew, who were dressed entirely in true pirate fashion, captured several prisoners and were themselves captured by the maiden lady teacher, Miss Primer, and sent into her

kitchen to act as cooks, having donned cook aprons and caps. Quite a nice sum was realized for the athletic association of the Seminary.

Friday night, the 14th, the students of the music department of the Seminary rendered their mid-winter recital, under the supervision of the Director, Miss Helen Misenheimer, of Winston-Salem. Without particularizing, all the number were ably presented and highly appreciated by the audience.

On Tuesday evening, the 18th, members of the senior class at the Seminary will give a Christmas pageant in the chapel of the Institution, to which all friends are cordially invited. This will be under the able direction of Miss Amy Louise Fisher. All during the day the teachers and students will pack a Christmas box for the orphans at the Lutheran Orphan Home at Salem, Va. This is an annual custom with us, each teacher and student taking one orphan as her particular beneficiary.

Wednesday evening, the 19th, the Ludwig Literary Society will give their annual debate in the auditorium. This is an event greatly looked forward to by the student body, their relatives and friends.

The operetta, "Love Pirates of Hawaii," will be repeated some time after Christmas, on a date to be announced later, after the presentation of the annual senior drama, which will be rendered early in January. All friends are cordially invited and we are confident the pleasure will amply repay for the trip.

MRS. MARGARET WEAVER HELD IN JOHNSON CITY

Has Been Indicted for Connection With the Slaying of W. S. Coburn.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15 (By the Associated Press).—Mrs. Margaret Weaver, a trained nurse, whose home is said to be in Cleveland, O., under indictment on a charge of being an accessory before the fact in connection with the slaying of William S. Coburn by Philip E. Fox, is under arrest in Johnson City,

Tenn., it was learned at the trial of Fox here today. Solicitor General Boykin would not discuss Mrs. Weaver's case, but from associate counsel it was learned she had been arrested. A city detective at the same time announced he was leaving this morning for the Tennessee town to bring Mrs. Weaver back to Atlanta, where she is expected to testify during the trial.

SEEK ALLEGED WOMAN COMPANION OF KORETZ

Man is Said to Have Lived for Years With Woman Under the Name of Bronson.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—A woman with whom Leon Koretz, missing alleged promoter of a \$5,000,000 Panama "oil bubble," is thought by investigators to have posed as Mr. and Mrs. Bronson for the past four years, is being sought. The janitor and residents of an apartment building have identified the photograph of Koretz as that of a man known at Bronson who frequently met a woman in the day time in a suite he rented, according to attorneys. The janitor also identified some of the furniture in Koretz's office as from the Bronson apartment. The wife of a wealthy theatre owner, said to have lost \$35,000 in the investments in the alleged fake project, was called for questioning by state's attorneys this morning, but what the inquiry was expected to develop was not disclosed.

Six Freeze to Death.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 14.—Searching parties in New Mexico, following the worst blizzard in thirty-five years, have turned the bodies of six persons who were frozen to death during the heavy snowstorm of the last few days, according to word received here last night.

Born, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Measamer, Saturday, December 15, 1923.

Mr. Olin Hoover, of Asheville, spent Thursday night and part of today here with his mother, Mrs. D. R. Hoover.

PALACE BUILT FOR DOLLS.

Was Designed for Queen Mary By Eminent Architects.

London, Dec. 15.—Designed as a gift to Queen Mary from eminent architects, artists, and authors, but also intended to serve for all time as a model of the art and craftsmanship of today, the doll's house now being built for the Queen will, when finished, be the most wonderful miniature building in the world.

The house which is being built to stand on a base approximately the size of a billiard table, is a replica in miniature of that portion of Hampton Court Palace designed by Sir Christopher Wren, a stately, three-winged residence enclosing the beautiful Fountain Court, known to all who have visited the famous show place.

Apart from its design, the Queen's doll house will be as unlike the ordinary affair of its kind as is possible to imagine. Set amid verdant, well-ordered lawns, with terraces and hedges and pavements, it will be a veritable dream palace containing more marvels to the square inch than any other palace or house in existence.

A domed entrance hall leads to a marble stairway, the lofty ceiling and walls of which are decorated with frescoes painted by noted artists. Each of the downstairs rooms has mantelpieces of marble, inlaid with jade, as well as tiled hearths and wonderfully carved overmantels. Some of them have parquet flooring; others are covered with tiny Wilton carpets. The walls are hung with exact reproductions of old paintings no larger than a postage stamp.

ing a miniature copy of a work by every famous British author. Each book is magnificently bound, and is capable of being read with a microscope.

Every room is furnished as completely as if it were required for actual use. The kitchens are equipped with ranges, cabinets, tables, shelves, and every conceivable domestic utensil. In the pantries are exquisite dinner and tea services, including a complete and valuable miniature coffee service of silver.

Tiny switches control the electric light. Running water, obtained from specially controlled cisterns, supply the kitchens and bathrooms, which are fitted with silver taps. Electric elevators convey visitors in imagination from floor to floor.

Outside, there is a wonderful garage, in which are housed three perfect model motor-cars and a motorcycle side-car. There are inspection pits, workshops, and living accommodations for the imaginary chauffeurs.

Although the house is rapidly nearing completion it is impossible for anyone to state exactly what the total cost will amount to, but it has been estimated at not far short of \$20,000—for which sum one could buy in England a very fine full-sized house and grounds.

In originating and fostering the scheme for building the most wonderful house of its kind ever known, the Queen has had but one object in view, that of assisting deserving charities, mainly London hospitals.

That the house will be the attraction of the season when it is exhibited next year at the British Empire Exhibition, is the verdict of all who have seen it in the making.

Cohen Found Guilty.

New York, Dec. 15.—Louis Cohen today was convicted of second degree murder in connection with the shooting of Nathan Kaplan, known to East Side gangsters as Kid Dropper in a taxicab in front of the Essex Market last August. The jury was out 18 hours.

USE THE PENNY COLUMN—IT PAYS