

SOCIETY & PERSONAL

SCHOOL MATTERS DISCUSSED

Parent Teachers' Association Held a Very Important Meeting.

In response to the call of the two presidents, Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Pike, the Central Grammar School Parent Teachers' Association and the High School Parent Teachers' Association met in the new High School building in called session. By special request Rev. J. C. Rowan appeared before the associations and delivered a very strong address in relation of the parents to the school. Mr. Rowan specially emphasized the fact that it was the parent's duty to see that the child have an opportunity to sit down quietly at home in the evenings and prepare his school tasks. He urged upon the parents to see that there were no social diversions during the week that would interfere with the proper work of the schools. Mr. Rowan was listened to with marked attention by a large gathering of parents present.

Mr. Blanks, of the Y. M. C. A., being called upon, responded in a few words endorsing most heartily what had been said and assuring the parents that the Y. M. C. A. will not put on a program that will in any way interfere with the work of the schools, and that the High School pupils will not be allowed to remain at the Y. M. C. A. at such hours that they should be in their homes.

Supt. Webb said a few things along the same line. He said that it is absolutely necessary for the High School pupils to have a quiet room at home where they can do their work unmolested; that every effort is made to have the work done at school but there are certain tasks that require concentrated effort and that work must be done by the pupil and by the pupil alone; that pupils may occasionally skip through without doing very much work at home but scholars are not made that way. He also stated that the pupils in the primary and lower grades can do their work in school and they are not required or expected to do home work. Not all of the problems of the upper grades and high school can be worked out in the time allowed for study periods.

The meeting was then thrown open for general discussion. After some deliberation it was moved and carried that the Parent Teachers' Association go on record as being opposed to social or athletic diversions on any other nights than Friday and Saturday nights during the school term. All present voted in favor of this motion. Mr. Webb took the opportunity to call the attention of the Parent Teachers' Association of the High School to the necessity of building up a High School library. Our High School has been located so near the Public Library that it has not been necessary to have a separate school library, but under the changed conditions it is very necessary that the High School have an adequate library. The school will appreciate very much the assistance of all persons interested in improving our library. We have a small collection of books as a nucleus.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Laura Ross, president of the High School Parent Teachers' Association, and she appointed a library committee, who will take this matter up and direct the effort to provide the necessary library facilities. The committee is composed of Mrs. Archie Cannon, Mrs. W. W. Morris and Miss Muriel Bulwinkle. A number of new names were added to the roll of membership. It is every desirable that every patron of every school should become an active member of the Parent Teachers' Association. A full co-operation of the home is always necessary for the best work of the schools and the Parent Teachers' Association is the best means ever devised for obtaining this co-operation. A. S. W.

Woman's Auxiliary to Meet.
The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church will meet Monday the 22nd, at 4 o'clock at the church at which time Rev. J. C. Rowan will begin his series of services on "Child Welfare." Every member is urged to be present. The members of the executive committee will also meet, Monday the 22nd, at 3 o'clock.

Parents of Daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Barger, September 19, a daughter, Mayilyn Theresa. Mrs. Barger is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Mauldin, in Harrisburg.

Parents of Daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sappenfield, Jr., of Columbia, S. C., September 18th, a daughter.

Get Together Meeting.
The Get-Together Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central Methodist Church will meet Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the ladies' parlor.

Parents of Son.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Yarborough, of Kannapolis, September 19th, a son, Mrs. Yarborough and son are in St. Peter's Hospital, Charlotte.

Primary Parent-Teachers Association.
The Primary Parent-Teachers Association will meet Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 in the Primary building. This will be an important meeting.

Mrs. Northrup Leaves Hospital.
Mrs. J. Stanton Northrup, who has been in the Concord Hospital since the birth of her daughter, Brevard Ervin, was taken to the home of her mother, Mrs. B. E. Harris on North Union street, yesterday.

Parent Teachers Association Meeting.
The first regular meeting of the year for the Parent Teachers Association of the High School will be held at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Parents of all students of the school are invited to attend the meeting and become members of the association.

Mrs. Wagoner Entertains For Mesdames Blanks.
Mrs. Chas. B. Wagoner entertained informally at a sewing party in honor of Mrs. R. B. Blanks and sister, Mrs. Lillie Blanks, of New Orleans, who are visiting Mrs. H. W. Blanks at her home on Georgia avenue. Invited to her Mesdames

Blanks were a number of elderly ladies. During the latter part of the afternoon tea, sandwiches and salted nuts were served from a beautifully appointed table.

Those present were: Mesdames H. W. Blanks, R. B. Blanks, Lillie Blanks, Elam King, Geo. M. Lore, W. L. Bell, R. E. Hilenhour, K. L. Kraven, H. C. Herring, C. L. White, Wm. S. Bingham, A. S. Webb, Jas. C. Gibson, Jno. K. Patterson, A. M. Brown and W. C. Correll.

Expression Class.
The class in expression which has been started under the auspices of the Y with Miss Ethel Kink as instructor had a very successful beginning last week. There are, however, a few vacancies in the class which Miss King is anxious to fill. Any person interested in this training is asked to consult Mr. Blanks who will give full information in regard to this matter.

Miss King is a very competent instructor. She is at present at the head of the expression department at Queens College and has consented at the instance of the Y authorities, to come over to this city twice a week and conduct a class. It is hoped that any interested will make their application at once so that the class can be rounded out to its full strength.

The business men's volleyball team played Kannapolis Friday night and although an enthusiastic audience and although defeated in the match, the locals were successful in annexing the first game. The Concord team has for some time been putting in some strenuous practice, being put in the sport last winter. It was slow work at first but the local team is rapidly rounding into shape and some interesting matches may be expected during the coming winter.

A physical training class started this afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. for business men. All those interested should be present at 5:15 at the organization of the class.

Tea for Miss Yorkie, Bride-Elect.
Charlotte Observer, 21st.
A charming event of the week will be a tea given by Mrs. Hugh Montgomery and daughter, Miss Grace Montgomery, at their home, 4 Meruillage Court, Myers Park, Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, honoring Miss Margaret Bernice Yorkie, whose marriage to Mr. Frank E. Minter will be a brilliant event of October.

The tea will be one of the first of a series of lovely parties for Miss Yorkie.

PERSONALS.
Mrs. Kate Kimball and son, Gordon, have returned to Statesville, after visiting at the home of R. E. Ridenhour, Sr., this week.

Mrs. W. V. Krimminger, of St. John's, spent the week-end here with her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Klutz.

Miss Fay Krimminger spent Friday in Salisbury with friends.

Mrs. Amos Davis and daughter, Frances, of Winstboro, S. C., are spending several days here with Mrs. Davis' mother, Mrs. M. L. Brown.

Sgt. B. H. Litton, of Fort Ringold, Texas, is spending several days with his sister, Mrs. W. I. Little.

Miss Mollie Gillin, of Asheville, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sappenfield.

Miss Annie Mae Mills, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Danville, Va., Winston and Greensboro, has returned to her home.

Miss Emily Washington returned to Greensboro today to resume her studies at the North Carolina College for Women.

Mrs. Fred E. Smith, of Rutledge, Tenn., is visiting here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sappenfield.

Fred Leshour, of this city, has gone to Richmond College, where he will work this winter. Mr. Leshour is a senior and will get a B. S. degree in June.

Ernest Songer, of Miami, Fla., who has been visiting friends here for a week, has returned to his home.

C. M. Maxwell, of Salisbury, spent several hours in the city Thursday.

Nathan Krimminger, who is attending school at King's Business College, in Charlotte, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. W. V. Krimminger, at St. John's.

Miss Muriel Shinn, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shinn, in No. 5.

Mrs. F. S. Bullent and daughter, and Mrs. Crannell, who have been visiting Mrs. Bullent's father, Hallman Fink, have returned to their home in New York. Miss Edna Margaret Fink accompanied them home.

Miss Lillian Sides, who has been the guest of her parents, has returned to Norfolk, where she is taking a nurse's course.

Misses Lillian and Sara Simpson, Evelyn and Lenna Widenhouse, and Bill Mauldin and Jennings Dees spent yesterday in Davidson with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. B. Millere and Miss Pegre Hethcox spent Sunday in Charlotte with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson.

Miss Juanita Smith and Leonard Suther, Roy and B. L. Umberger, Jr., left this morning for Durham, where they will attend school at Trinity College this year.

GASTON MEANS TALKS AGAIN OF DAUGHTERY EVIDENCE

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"In the meantime Senator Wheeler had secured some of the copies of the letters that Jess Smith had written to Roxie Stinson, and with these letters, as a basis, allowed them to be read in a way that was never intended on the part of Jess Smith, and interpreted in a different way. All such letters were used as the basis for the frame-up. Wheeler taking the position that he was forced to connect Jess Smith and Howard Manning and others directly with Mr. Daugherty, all the while having in his possession (and he has now) the original statements taken from underworld characters and bootleggers that not at any time did they hear that Mr. Daugherty or the administration were involved in any way in any fraudulent transactions. Senator Wheeler suppressed such information and would not allow any witnesses who supplied him with statements and information showing conclusively that Mr. Daugherty was not involved in any fraudulent matters at all.

"People who called to see Senator Wheeler furnished him with letters that he received showing that any attempt to reach Mr. Daugherty in any manner would prove disastrous to them. I have all this documentary evidence which will throw an entirely different light on the Wheeler investigation. This documentary evidence is absolutely irrefutable.

"Up until the time I took the stand in the investigation I understood that I should seek information as to what Senator Wheeler was going to do, and on the day before I took the stand I received information that Mr. Daugherty said I could 'go to hell' so far as he was concerned. Except for this message I would not have taken the stand the day I did, but would have stalled the situation along. I am and will review my testimony pointing out a statement for statement that I made for Senator Wheeler at his suggestion, that I knew not to be true, but in order that it would complete Senator Wheeler's chain of circumstantial evidence, and in addition to that I can show by physical evidence that my statements could not be true, at the time I called Senator Wheeler's attention to the fact that it was probable that these statements could not be true. In other words I was at some other place, and the records will so show entirely different from where I alleged to have been at the time. The only reason I made the statements the way I did was because of the message received from Mr. Daugherty just before I took the stand.

"By quick review of the testimony before the Wheeler committee, with the documentary evidence available, it can be proved conclusively that Senator Wheeler knew that he was framing Mr. Daugherty and the republican administration, and to some extent this involves the oil investigation, because Senator Wheeler was constantly in close touch with Senators Walsh and LaFollette in connection with this inquiry.

"While this frame-up was going on I was in conference with Senator Walsh, Senator Wheeler, Senator Dill, Robert LaFollette and Phillip LaFollette. I have in my possession a subpoena issued by Senator Dill for me to appear before the Walsh committee and to testify to evidence that they framed up and which plan was abandoned because Senator Wheeler decided that he did not want any favorable publicity withdrawn from him in connection with the Daugherty investigation that might revert to Senator Dill and the Walsh committee.

"Briefly, there is available now all of the papers, documents and other material in connection with the Daugherty investigation which will absolutely offset the unfavorable records as it is now stands; also in connection with these documents is a great deal of material in connection with the oil matter, including McAdoo's correspondence with Senators Walsh and Wheeler.

"The testimony given before the Wheeler committee by Roxie Stinson, R. Monard, myself and the majority of the other witnesses, was nothing but a tissue of lies put in the mouths of these witnesses by Senator Wheeler primarily to confound and discredit the department of justice and the administration.

"These witnesses and myself were persuaded to make these false statements by Senator Wheeler under threats of indictments in some cases and by promises of gain and aid in others.

"Briefly stated, the letters, correspondence and documents available will absolutely refute and confound the Wheeler-Daugherty investigation findings and throw an absolutely different light on the oil investigation where prominent democrats were urging into the matter.

"I spent weeks with Senator Wheeler, talked personally to nearly every witness that appeared before the committee, and gained Senator Wheeler's confidence to the extent that I read, assorted and handled most of the letters, documents, etc., that came to the committee.

(Signed)

"GASTON B. MEANS."

Fall Y Program.
The fall Y program for the physical development classes will begin this afternoon after school closes. All the boys and girls are asked to be present to get their assignments and be enrolled for the fall work.

Mr. Blanks urges that the mothers and fathers take into consideration the opportunity the boys and girls have in developing their bodies. This physical development, he says, is just as necessary as the brain development since without strong body, there is no strong mind. The winter physical classes are just the thing to get this necessary development.

The employed boys' classes will be placed at night and will be announced in the very near future.

New Books at the Library.
"The Wye of the Buffalo," by Seltzer, "The Purple Mist," by Locke, "Hopalong Cassidy Returns," by Mulford, "Rose of the World," by Kathleen Norris, and "Cobb's American Guide Books," "North Carolina," by Irvin S. Cobb, are now at the Library.

By paying particular regard to the "ideal kitchen," Mrs. Florence Taylor has attained marked success as a designer of homes in Australia, where she was the first woman to engage in the profession of architecture.

LOCAL MENTION

Miss Irene Long is confined to her home on East Depot street by illness.

Espy Cannon has accepted a position with the York and Wadsworth Hardware Co.

The Rocky River Community Club will meet Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the schoolhouse.

Cotton on the local market today is quoted at 21 1/2 cents per pound. Cotton seed 45 cents.

J. B. Sherrill is confined to his home with an attack of influenza. His condition today is reported as slightly improved.

On the 11th and 12th of October at New Zion Church will be held the community meeting. All the brothers, sisters and friends are invited to be present.

The young people of Rocky River Church are requested to meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the church for the purpose of re-organizing the Young Peoples' Society.

According to a deed filed Saturday with the register of deeds D. F. Joyner has sold to W. R. Kiser a tract of land in No. 11 township, the purchase price being given as \$300.

Register of Deeds Elliott has issued marriage licenses to the following couples: Lewis Lyles and Miss Grace Van Pelt, both of Concord; Raymond Baskins and Miss Wilma Morgan, both of Kannapolis.

Police officers this morning stated that a number of cases were on docket for trial in recorder's court this afternoon. Most of the cases developed over the week-end, the officers declared. The week-end was not an unusually busy time for the officers, however, according to their reports.

C. G. Whitley died Sunday morning at 1 o'clock at his home in No. 11 township. Funeral services were held this morning at 11 o'clock at Rocky River Church and interment was made in Union cemetery. Mr. Whitley was about 55 years of age and is survived by his wife and several children.

Football for 1924 was ushered in Saturday. In this State Davidson and Elon played, the Presbyterians winning 14 to 0. No other games were played in the State. An 80-yard run by "Nick" Sappenfield, of this city, was the feature of the Davidson victory, the Concord boy slipping through the entire Elon team for the long run and touchdown.

Creeks and rivers in all parts of the county are running high now as a result of the recent steady and heavy rains. Following the long drought the rains of ten days ago caused little difference in the creeks as the ground soaked up most of the water, but the rains of the past several days have not been absorbed and as a result they have flooded many creeks and rivers in the county.

From Charlotte come reports that everything is ready for the opening of the Made-in-Carolinas exposition. Final plans for the fourth annual exposition were completed Saturday and this morning and officers are already now to receive the thousands of visitors who are expected during the week. As is always the case, hundreds of persons from this city, plan to attend the exposition.

Washington gained a full game on the Yankees yesterday by winning while the New York team was losing. The defeat of the Yankees was the third at the hands of the Tigers, who although they have no chance at the pennant, are doing their best to help Washington. In the National League Chicago defeated the Giants again and their lead was cut to half a game as Brooklyn finally won from Pittsburgh and climbed back to second place.

The Sunday School annex to Central Methodist Church is rapidly nearing completion. It is believed now that the building will be ready for occupancy during the next month and officers of the Sunday School of the Church, with the assistance of the pastor, Rev. W. A. Jenkins, are making plans now for proper use of the building. The children of the Sunday School are being classified again and teachers and principals for the various classes and departments already have been appointed.

KIDNAPPING STORY IS BEING INVESTIGATED

Officers Want Information About Story Told by Mack Briggs.

Danville, Va., Sept. 20.—Mack Briggs, aged 12, was being held today by the authorities at Wentworth, N. C., near here, for investigation of his story that he was "kidnapped" by a carnival company from his home in Greenville, S. C., two years ago. The boy was found exhausted on a road, and added that he was trying to make his way to Greenville, though he expressed the belief that his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Briggs, are now living in Florida. The boy is quoted as saying that he ran away from the organization at Richmond a few days ago. Efforts are being made to get in touch with the parents.

Constitution Day at High School.
On September 17th, Constitution Day, B. B. Coltrane visited the High School and gave a very fine address on the Constitution and what it means to the country. He also presented to the school on behalf of the Black Boys Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, a very handsome framed copy of America's creed. This creed was presented to this chapter by Congressman Abernathy and through the kindness of the Regent, Mrs. R. S. Young, it was presented to the school. It bears a beautiful picture of the Stars and Stripes and will be carefully preserved by the school. The school appreciates this kindness very much on behalf of all parties concerned.

Guilt of Fifteen Burglars.
Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 17.—Hober Wilson, 17, who pleaded guilty to fifteen burglary charges before Judge John D. Furness in Fulton Superior Court, was sentenced to serve from 10 to 100 years in the convict camps of Georgia. Detectives who worked on the case said that the youth had stolen more than \$25,000 worth of jewelry.

Anna Meskowitz Kross, who first set foot in New York as a Russian immigrant, is now one of the leading young lawyers practicing in the metropolis.

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A CRUSADE AGAINST POVERTY.
Clarence Poe, in Progressive Farmer.

And here are some of the needed issues for a crusade against poverty:

1. Better schools and compulsory attendance. Every Southern state must provide longer school terms and compel every indiffererent parent to send his children—no matter how high we hang or how deep we bury what was in this case the ancient fraternal fetich of "personal liberty." And the schools must also teach the things that will help in doing farm work and housework and keeping one's health, no matter what happens to the other ancient fetich of "polish" and "culture" standing apart from life. And we must also have thorough-going demonstration work, extension work, and every other practicable educational agency for carrying science, skill and efficiency into the lives of grown men and women.
2. Usury and Crop Liens.—Usury and all extortion in dealing with God's poor, must be denounced and prohibited no matter under what name it appears. The crop lien ("time-prices" under it averaging 70 per cent. per annum), is the most fruitful source of usury in the South and it must either be repealed outright—or if practicable—time-price interest limited to 1 per cent. a month. And it will be better both for honest merchants and tenants that all gambling on larger profits be prohibited.
3. Public health.—Not only must we reform our public school curriculum so as to give adequate attention to health subjects, but there should be a medical inspection of school children, a public campaign against typhoid, malaria, hook-worm and tuberculosis. And sooner or later some plan must be worked out by which the stricken child of the poor may have as good medical and hospital attention—as fair a chance to via back life and health and strength—as the stricken child of the rich. And if this be "socialism," make the most of it!
4. Old age Pensions.—It may also be dismissed as "socialism," but the time is coming when some form of old age pensions will be inaugurated in every state—such a system as already in England gladdens each week the heart of every poor man or woman past the age of

seventy—and every man of generous spirit should wish to do something to hasten the coming of that day.

5. A Just System of Taxation.—In nearly every state the poor man is assessed at more nearly the full value of his holdings than the rich man. "You don't find a \$150 mule assessed at \$30, but you will find a \$15,000 house assessed at \$3,000," as has been said. And we must repeat again Mr. R. F. Beasley's illustration—that horses were assessed in this county at \$200, cows at \$50, and corn and wheat at \$1 per bushel—full value—while land was assessed at probably about one-third of its real value. Large holdings also are usually taxed at a lower rate per acre than small holdings, whereas the reverse should be true. Provision should be made for publishing the rate per acre at which farm lands in each school district are assessed, and the rate per front foot at which the land on each street is assessed. This will destroy favoritism and inequality of assessment. And this still more fundamental matter must be constantly emphasized—that more and more of the tax burden must be put on incomes and inheritances, especially inheritances.

6. Encourage Home-ownership.—Then we should also have either some form of graduated land tax or else provision should be made for taxing a resident's first \$1,000 of real estate at only half the rate at which holdings beyond \$1,000 are taxed. This will tend to discourage large holdings and encourage small holdings. Better provision should also be made (as in Denmark) for helping tenants buy land.

Is the World Growing Worse?
Recent history and perusal of the daily page incline not a few observers to believe that the world is growing worse, that Christianity is failing, that our civilization is "predominantly pagan." Such sweeping statements do not seem to the Nashville Christian Advocate (Methodist) to be true, and The Herald of Christian Liberty, taking a look at history, remembers:

"Seventy-five years ago many of the clergy were supporting slavery as a divine institution. Most of them were silent upon the liquor traffic or aiding it or even engaged in it. Children of six or eight years of age were made to labor eleven hours a day in the mill-country in the world of England, victims of cruel practices ed out by the guardians of the slaves for the purpose. Missions were ed by the clergy or laymen. There were few welfare agencies and those that existed were ones were both of charity and corruption was rife in politics. There was no Red Cross Society. Knowledge of history knows that the conscience of today is not the spirit of Christ that it was."

MAY SEND ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR PRISON.
Governor Morris will file a writ of habeas corpus for the Attorney General (General) J. S. Penacook, who was arrested in the state of North Carolina in 1923. The state Governor Morris will file a writ of habeas corpus for the Attorney General (General) J. S. Penacook, who was arrested in the state of North Carolina in 1923. The state Governor Morris will file a writ of habeas corpus for the Attorney General (General) J. S. Penacook, who was arrested in the state of North Carolina in 1923.

Seven Hundred Strikers Expelled.
Wake Forest, Sept. 17.—The annual rain, approximately 400 registered at Wake Forest College upon the occasion of the first of the ninetieth session. Registration will continue through the fall. Three hundred freshmen, and a rollment of 700 is indicated. The exercises will be held on the eighth, the principal speaker, St. Paul, Sept. 22.—Victims of the dead at least ten injured and damage estimated at hundreds of dollars, was the result of a wind-storm that swept across Minnesota and Wisconsin last night. Unconfirmed reports place the number of dead at 30.

India is the second country in the world