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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES CONCLUDED LAST NIGHT

Thirteen in Graduating Class—Medal Awarded Mr. Henry Browning — Cameron Morrison Delivered Address—Sermon by Rev. Mr. Wray.

Hon. Cameron Morrison of Charlotte delivered the address which concluded the commencement exercises of the Monroe High School last night. His subject was "Good Government," in which he showed that our government was the best on earth.

Speaking to the graduating class he pleaded with them to go on in the work of acquiring an education and impressed them with the importance of reading good books.

The competitive system upon which the great fabric of the government was founded and under which we have grown so great and good must be maintained and not displaced by a government founded upon either bolshevism or socialism.

"It was never intended that each man should selfishly keep everything upon which he could lay hands, although the results of his own toil, but that he would yield of his earnings to the support of sacred, patriotic and general welfare purposes.

"We must improve our health laws and diminish sickness and disease. We must improve our school system until the boys and girls of North Carolina have as good opportunity for an education as an enlightened world can furnish.

There were thirteen members of the graduating class this year—ten young ladies and three young men. Preceding the address by Mr. Morrison, Mr. W. B. Love, chairman of the school board, presented them with their diplomas.

The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. S. L. Rotter. Rev. H. Jordan pronounced the benediction. The following musical program was carried out during the evening: Piano duet, Rebecca Noyed and Margaret Helms; chorus, commencement song; piano solo, by Freeman; Soldiers Chorus.

Acting as marshals were Messrs. Stevens Helms, Garah Caldwell and Ed D. Stewart and Misses Nora and Mary Frances Helms. An innovation in the commencement exercises was the serving of luncheon by Miss Mabel Tate's domestic science class to parents of members of the graduating class and the school trustees.

These questions were decided in two opinions rendered by Chief Justice White, the one relative to the railroad rates being unanimous, while Justice Brandeis dissented in the telephone and telegraph decision but without rendering a separate opinion.

He impressed upon the graduating class the necessity for a high ideal of thought for the future. "One's

worth to the world depends upon his service; his service depends upon his character and his character depends upon his relation to God," he told the class.

Mr. Wray digressed to say a word in favor of the proposition to vote bonds to the amount of \$50,000 for a new high school building. He declared Monroe could better dispense with paved streets and a hospital than a new high school building.

Friday night the members of the graduating class enjoyed a reception at the Joffe. A delightful hour was spent. Miss Myrtle Wrenn acted as chaperone.

MR. HANAN PRESLAR DIED SUNDAY OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE

Was for Ten Years Deputy Sheriff—Chief of Police for Two Years — Funeral Service Conducted Yesterday Afternoon.

Mr. Hanan Preslar died at his home four miles south of Monroe Sunday morning, death resulting from Bright's disease from which he had suffered for a long time.

Mr. Preslar was born Feb. 25th, 1848, on the homestead where he died. He was educated at Mt. Pleasant College and for a time after his graduation he taught school. In 1872 he moved to Monroe and for ten years served as deputy under Sheriffs A. F. Stevens, J. W. Griffin and A. J. Price.

In 1884 and 1885 he was Chief of Police for Monroe. Later he was book-keeper for the late W. S. Lee, entering the service of the Heath-Morrow Co. when Mr. Lee retired from the mercantile business. About ten years ago he moved to Charlotte where he entered the brokerage and commission business.

Mr. Preslar was a son of the late John W. Preslar. On June 6, 1883, he was married to Miss Maggie Flow, daughter of the late G. W. Flow. She with one daughter, Mrs. B. M. Lyon of Los Angeles, California, survive.

Funeral service was conducted at the home yesterday afternoon by Rev. H. H. Jordan, pastor of Central Methodist church, and Rev. M. D. L. Preslar of Wingate, a nephew of the deceased, and the body was laid away in the Monroe cemetery.

Watch the Red Spider. Raleigh, N. C., June 2.—The attention of cotton growers is called to the fact that last year there was the worst epidemic of Red Spider in cotton that has occurred in the present century.

Mr. Franklin Sherman, Chief of the Division of Entomology, wishes to remind these growers that this pest often gets its start in cotton from poke-weeds which are allowed to grow up in fence corners, along ditch banks, around stumps, rock piles, and other places.

One of the most effective ways of preventing the appearance of the pest is to keep all the poke-weeds cut out. Late May and early June is the season when this should especially be looked after.

While the Red Spider does not begin to be destructive in cotton until after the first of July, yet just at this time it is getting its start on poke-weed and other wild plants, from which it will spread to the cotton later. As it feeds on a number of wild plants, including clovers, the blackberry, and other plants, even the clearing out of the poke-weed may not be an absolutely perfect preventative; but it is certain that this plant, more than any other is responsible for its getting into cotton fields.

Rate Increases Upheld. Increased railroad, telephone and telegraph rates ordered by the railroad administration and by the postmaster general, respectively, were sustained yesterday by the supreme court which held that the war power conferred by Congress upon the President included sweeping control over the railroad and wire systems with "supreme and conclusive" authority to fix intrastate rates.

BOMB INTENDED FOR ATTY. GEN. PALMER KILLS ANOTHER

Explosion Injures Home of Palmer and Was Followed by Similar Explosions in Seven Other Cities—Directed Chiefly Against Public Officials.

Washington, June 2.—Attempts on the life of Attorney General Palmer were made tonight through the planting of a bomb which wrecked the lower portion of the Palmer residence in the fashionable northwest portion in Washington. Mr. Palmer and all members of the family escaped without injury, being on the second floor at the time of the explosion.

One man, thought to be the person who planted the bomb, was blown to bits by the force of the explosion. Police believe that the bomb exploded prematurely before it could be placed under the house.

The bomb, the police said, was contained in a suitcase filled with clothing. Portions of the clothing of the man killed, it was said, indicated that he was roughly clad.

An empty suitcase, found near the entrance to the Palmer home, and a handbill signed "The Anarchistic Fighters," printed on red paper, worded in inflammatory fashion, and serving notice of intent of its authors to begin general war on leaders of society, was the only clue available at a late hour tonight.

The remains of the man killed were literally shredded over the block, and driven into the asphalt pavement. "The only way I can construe the incident," said Major Pullman, superintendent of the capital police, at the end of his preliminary investigation, "is on the theory that the explosive blew up just as it was being deposited in the doorway. It is possible but unlikely that it was a passerby involved."

Instantly upon receipt of news of the attempts on lives of other leading men in other communities, Major Pullman ordered special guards sent out to the residences of cabinet officers and prominent men in the government.

Mr. Palmer and other members of the family were at home, but escaped any injury, though the front of the residence almost collapsed with the force of the explosion. They were on the second floor preparatory to retiring at the time.

So thoroughly was the corpse of the man killed scattered that surgeons had difficulty in ascertaining whether one or two persons had been involved. Pieces of two separate firearms were also located, one an automatic pistol and the other a revolver.

The suitcase was of cheap construction. The hand bill, which was grease-spotted, was headed in large letters, "Plain Words." It opened with the statement: "The powers that be make no secret of their intention to stop the world-wide revolution in America," and concluded, after announcing its acceptance of some kind of a war, with a printed signature, "The Anarchistic Fighters."

In all cases except Paterson and Philadelphia, the bomb attempts were directed against the lives of public officials. In Paterson the home of a silk manufacturer was wrecked while in Philadelphia where two explosions occurred. Attempts were made to blow up a Catholic church and a private residence.

The explosions in the other cities were followed at midnight by others in New York city where a bomb exploded in the house of Charles C. Nott, Jr., and in Nowtownville, Mass., where the house of State Representative Leland W. Powers, was wrecked. First report that no one was injured in the Newtonville explosion.

The similarity of the reports received from various cities recalled to authorities the May day bomb plot of a month ago.

N. C.-4 COMPLETES JOURNEY

Arrived in Plymouth, England, Saturday Afternoon and Are Given a Welcome There.

The Associated Press reports the arrival of the American Lane Duck as follows: Scaplane NC-4, pride of the American navy, crossed Plymouth sound this afternoon, circled the place when the Pilgrim fathers sailed in their cockle-shell ship for the new world in 1620, and alighted in the Cattlewater, her epoch-making trans-Atlantic flight ended.

As she came into view through the haze, easily recognizable among the escorting British fliers by her great bulk, England gave her the splendid welcome she deserved.

Leaving Ferrol, Spain, where Lieutenant Commander Albert C. Read had elected to spend Friday night, at 6:27 this morning, the NC-4 covered the distance of approximately 500 miles to Plymouth, in less than seven hours.

Despite adverse wind and weather conditions, the NC-4 covered the last leg without a hitch to mar the exploit. Safe and sound, but thoroughly fatigued by the physical ordeal of the trip, as well as the mental strain, Commander Read and his crew are sleeping peacefully tonight.

The NC-4 appeared suddenly out of the haze at 2:19, summer time. After circling over the harbor she dropped gracefully toward the Cattlewater, alighting near the buoy prepared for her at 2:22. The great crowd on the harbor front cheered heartily and craft tied down their whistles in noisy welcome.

GERMANS SAY IMPOSSIBLE TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS

Delegates Will Refuse to Sign the Present Treaty, Although They Realize They Must Make Some Sacrifice—Summary of the Reply.

Germany, although realizing that she must make sacrifices to obtain peace, is convinced that the executions of the peace treaty as drawn "are more than the German people can bear, according to an Associated Press dispatch sent out Sunday.

Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the German peace delegation, thus sums up the attitude of the German nation towards the proposed treaty of peace in a note to the allied and associated powers, outlining various German counter-proposals. The German note, delivered to Premier Clemenceau, president of the peace conference, last Thursday, was made public Sunday night by the state department.

The German delegation now here, in its note, asserts that it will refuse to sign the present treaty but declares on the behalf of the German nation that "even in her need, justice for her is too sacred a thing to allow her to stoop to achieve conditions which she cannot undertake to carry out."

Exclusion of Germany from the league of nations, the note asserts, means that in signing the peace treaty Germany would be executing a "decree for its own proscription, nay its own death sentence."

The German people, the note says, have been disappointed in their "hope for a peace of justice which had been promised" and stand "aghast" at the demands made upon them by the "victorious violence of our enemies."

Outlining its counter proposals, the German delegation agrees to reduction of Germany's army and navy on condition that Germany be admitted immediately to the league of nations; to renounce Germany's sovereign rights to Alsace-Lorraine and Posen, but as to all other territories which Germany is called upon to give up the principle of self-determination, applicable at once, is asked; to subject all German colonies to administration by the league of nations not under German mandatory and to make the indemnity payments as required but in amounts that will burden the German taxpayer no more heavily than the taxpayer of the most heavily-burdened state among those represented on the reparations commissions.

The note declares Germany is willing to pool her entire merchant marine with that of the associated powers. Neutral participation in the inquiry as to responsibility for the war is asked.

John Barrymore's Make-up in New Film Makes One Shudder

There are few if any actors on the American stage whose faculty for making up to suit the requirements of his roles is developed more artistically than that possessed by John Barrymore. This is amply evidenced by him in his new Paramount play, "The Test of Honor," which will be shown at the Strand Theatre next Wednesday.

In portraying the role of a man who has served ten years in the penitentiary, Mr. Barrymore surprised his director, John Robertson, and his fellow players, in the production, by appearing in a make-up so gruesomely realistic that it caused every one to gasp and shudder. His face, ghastly yellow from prison-pallor, was deeply lined, and shaded so that it gave the appearance of being haggard and shrunken under the cheek bones.

In some artful manner he gave to his throat a shrunken appearance, while the cords stood out pathetically from the muscles. His eyes conveyed that hunted expression of the convict, and his hair, naturally black, was powdered with white in streaks.

His hands, too, were not overlooked in the make-up, and so thin were the fingers that they resembled claws more than human hands. When his sister, Ethel Barrymore, drove up to the studio, he appeared in this strange make-up at the door, and the onlookers saw her gasp and grow pale.

Mr. Barrymore is splendidly supported, his leading women being Constance Binney and Marcia Manon. The story is based upon E. Phillips Oppenheim's novel, "The Mafecator," and the picturation was made by Eve Unsell.

State College Summer School.

The fifth session of the State College Summer School at Raleigh which begins June 10 and lasts through July 23, promises to be one of great benefit and profit to those in attendance. Dr. W. A. Withers, the director of the Summer School, announces that the greatest pains have been taken to provide courses and instruction which shall meet the needs of all those attending regardless of the diversity of their needs.

Excellent opportunity is afforded to the teachers of the State to secure or renew a teacher's certificate of any kind. In addition to providing for the teachers, many courses are offered for the benefit of those who are not teachers, and who are not concerned with any certificate.

College entrance courses are offered to enable pupils now in high schools to obtain additional units towards college entrance, in order that the disorganization resulting from the epidemic of influenza last fall will not work to keep pupils from entering college in September. Freshman credit-courses

will be offered in order that college students may enter college in September without conditions or with advanced credits.

Special courses are offered to home-makers to enable them to plan their homes on the basis of a business establishment, where income must cover outlay. Courses in cookery are planned to give the student practice in preparing an appetizing meal in an attractive and economical manner.

Courses in dietetics, sewing and cooking taken together, will give the student a thorough training in the art of conducting a home on a business basis, an art in which the American people need earnest instruction.

Many other interesting courses have been planned: in languages, Latin, French and Spanish; in literature, history, basketry, and physical education. Swimming will be a feature of the school.

The recreational features have been well looked out for, and games, folk-dancing, moving pictures, lectures and concerts have been arranged.

Purely Personal.

Miss Julia Futch is home from Roanoke College, Roanoke, Va. Mr. T. C. Griffin of Lilesville was in Monroe on business Saturday.

Mr. S. W. Preslar of Concord attended the funeral of his uncle, Mr. H. Preslar, yesterday. Mrs. Arthur Owen Wilson arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. James T. Griffith.

Miss Ruth Cannon of Concord is visiting Miss Hannah Blair. Miss Lottie Williams who recently arrived from France where she served as a Red Cross nurse is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Benton.

Miss Allie Matthews who attended school at Winthrop College, returned home last Friday evening. Miss Ollie Alexander left this morning for Charlotte where she will attend a Bible convention at Queen's College.

Mrs. J. V. Harrell of Chester will arrive Thursday to visit Mrs. W. E. Cason. Misses Annie May Ashcraft and Hattie Beasley, who taught in the Edenton High School this year, arrived home Sunday morning.

Mr. Vance Pistol, who for the past several years has been working at Hopewell and Portsmouth, Va., arrived home Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams and children will leave Thursday morning for Athens, Ohio, where they will visit Mrs. Williams' parents.

Mr. J. B. Coppel of Albemarle spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Coppel. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stack of Hamlet spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stack.

Mr. E. S. Wood now holds the position of bookkeeper at the Union Drug Company. The following young men have returned from their respective schools: Clarence Robert and Tom Lee, from Trinity; Ollie Sikes and Francis Laney, from G. M. L.; John Douglas from Emory.

Mrs. R. A. Morrow, Miss Caroline Morrow and Master William Morrow spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives in Albemarle. Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Morgan have as their guests Mrs. E. F. Sinclair and G. T. Sinclair of Matthews, Mrs. A. K. Kerr of Noco, Arizona, and Mrs. A. C. Johnson and family spent Sunday at Wrightsville Beach.

Mrs. R. B. Gaddy of Charlotte is visiting relatives here. Messrs. Worth Redwine and Sikes Sanders will arrive home Thursday from Charleston where they were students at Porter Military Academy.

Mrs. G. T. Titchford leaves tomorrow for a visit to Hamlet and from there she will go to Detroit to spend the summer. Mr. and Mrs. John Beatty and children will leave Thursday for Charleston where they will visit relatives.

Dr. C. S. Williams of Winder, Ga., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Harper. Mrs. Williams has been here for some time. Miss Mary Morrow Heath, who for the past year has been training for a nurse at the Johnson-Willis Sanatorium at Richmond, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Heath.

Lt. and Mrs. R. H. Long of Carlisle, S. C., are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Long. Lt. Long recently arrived from overseas. Mr. J. E. Fowler and family of Logansville, Ga., are expected to arrive Saturday to visit in the county. It is the intention of Mr. Fowler to buy real estate and locate here.

Rev. M. A. Osborne is attending the summer school for ministers at Trinity College, Durham. Mr. V. D. Sikes accompanied by a number of boys left this morning for Rocky River to enjoy a several days camping trip.

FUTURE OF COTTON IS BRIGHT SAYS EX-GOVERNOR MANNING

Former Chief Executive of South Carolina Declares That When Treaty is Signed World Markets Will City for Cotton.

A special from Sumter, S. C., to the Columbia State says: Coming back with a broad view of international conditions gained from intimate contact with world figures at the peace conference, Richard I. Manning, former governor of South Carolina, when he arrived here today March 23, said that, in his opinion, the future of cotton was very bright.

He stated that when the peace treaty is signed and the world markets again resume their normal functioning, the markets will be crying for cotton. He thinks that the demand will consume the supply now available and that which will be produced this year.

The governments of Europe, depleted of resources and with a deflated money market, he said, will not be able to handle American cotton unassisted, but, said Governor Manning, corporations will have to be formed in the United States to handle the exports and extend credits.

The former governor said that his friends of the Southern cotton planters and are doing all in their power to help him. Former Governor Manning and Mrs. Manning, who accompanied him to Europe, where he went to the peace conference as the accredited delegate of the League to Enforce Peace, ex-President Taft's organization, arrived from New York this morning at 11:30 o'clock.

This afternoon they went to Governor Manning's farm at Boykin and will spend Sunday at the home of B. H. Boykin at Boykin. While in Europe they visited the grave of their son, Maj. William Sinkler Manning, who was buried on the Argonne battlefield, and were shown the great battlefields of the war. They spent some time with their three sons in the Eighty-first division, Maj. Bernard Manning, Burwell Deas Manning and John Adger Manning.

The former governor and his wife speak interestingly of their experiences while abroad, the world figures they met and the many courtesies shown them while in France and England. They arrived at Halifax from abroad May 24.

Former Governor Manning is unmeasured in his praise of President Wilson's work at the peace conference, the conduct and morale of the American soldiers abroad, and the undiluted patriotism and high courage and fortitude of the American women who served in the world war.

The ex-governor says that he comes home with a keener realization of what America stands for and its purpose in the world scheme of affairs. He believes that the league of nations is necessary for the peace of the world and is satisfied that the senate will adopt it.

NC-4 WILL NOT TRY TO FLY BACK TO AMERICA

Navy Does Not Contemplate Non-Stop Trans-Atlantic Flight in Near Future—Does Not Favor "Stunt" Flying.

The American naval seaplane NC 4 which arrived at Plymouth, England, Saturday, thereby completing the first transatlantic flight, will not attempt a non-stop or any other kind of a flight back to the United States, Secretary Daniels said yesterday. The seaplane will be disassembled and shipped to this country.

The secretary said the navy contemplated no attempt at a non-stop transoceanic flight in the near future as the navy did not desire to make a spectacular showing, was not in any competition for trans-Atlantic flight honors and did not favor "stunt" flying.

Secretary Daniels declared that the navy is content to rest on its laurels for the present and that the NC-4 will be brought back to this country on board the U. S. S. Aroostook. The crews will return later on board government vessels.

The NC-4 flight was purely in the interest of aerial science, he said. "After we have compiled all of the data gathered during this flight, been made confident by our mistakes and reconstructed our planes to conform with the lesson we have learned, it will then be time to begin considering further experiment in transatlantic flying; until then we are satisfied," Secretary Daniels added.

Asked if the crew of the NC boat would go to Paris, Secretary Daniels said that they would go if President Wilson or Admiral Benson sent for them. Otherwise they will return to the United States shortly and aviation officials will begin the work of compiling the data obtained and begin a series of experiments in an effort to place it in effect.

Experiments are now being conducted with the C type of lighter than air flying craft and it is possible that when the next attempt at a trans-oceanic flight does come, that one of the big dirigibles will be used.

Messages of congratulation to the navy upon the success of its exploit were received today from King George, of England, the Brazilian minister of marine, General Gugliemotti, in behalf of the Italian army, and the British air ministry.