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GIVE PROGRAM IN INTEREST OF LOCAL NEEDY

Over \$75.00 Raised From Community Entertainment To Supply Needs Of Those Lacking In The Community.

The community Christmas program given in the college auditorium Friday evening proved to be an evening of enjoyment for all those present. The program was as follows:

Part 1.

Three Christmas Carols (English, French, Bohemian), high school girls. "The Beau of Bath," presented by high school students; characters: Beau Bath—Ervin McConnaughey, Rosamond—Elizabeth McInnis, Jepsen—Thomas Ussery.

Part 2.

Carolers. Solo, "Mandalay," Speaks—Wilton Barnes.

String quartette. Solo, "Home"—Miss Hoskins. Mixed Quartette—selections.

"Asleep in the Deep," Petrie—Mr. Ralph Sanders.

Solo, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Harker—Miss Caldwell.

Quartette: Mother Machree—Ball; Sleep o' Dream—Francis.

Solo—Selected—Miss Mandeville.

Those sponsoring this entertainment want to thank all those helping in this program and appreciate the genuine interest and cooperation shown by the citizens of Red Springs.

Something over \$75.00 was made, one-fourth of which will go to the help of boys in this community and three-fourths for the needy.

This is the first time that an attempt has been made in Red Springs to raise money for the needy in this manner and sponsors of this program are delighted at the results.

SCHOOLS READY TO STOP FRIDAY

Children To Begin Christmas Holiday Period to Last Until January Second.

The Red Springs school children are spending their last few days in school this week before the Christmas holidays begin tomorrow.

After that day they are free to cast aside their text books and get the Yuletide spirit until January 2.

The holiday period is the first extended one the children will have had since the summer vacation period which ended September 9th.

By way of a Christmas gift to the teachers in the school the school board members have decided to pay the teachers half of their present month's salaries Friday, instead of waiting until after the first of the year, when the month ends, so the teachers can have the money for Christmas.

Clarence Stanton Red Springs Champ Guesser

Wins Spurs In The Form Of Pair Of Overalls For Ability As Estimator For The Sewing Circle; Miss Bell, Second.

Should you chance to meet a big pair of new overalls on the street in the next day or so and should you look closer you will see neatly enclosed within said overalls one Clarence Stanton, the occasion being in celebration of Mr. Stanton's lucky guess on the number of yards of thread required to sew up a pair of overalls.

For several weeks past a large pair of Lee overalls have hung in front of Graham Company's store with an invitation to come inside and guess at the number of yards of thread required to sew the overalls together. To the lady and man making the nearest correct guess the Lee Overall Company gave a new pair of overalls.

Mr. Stanton guessed 825 yards and Miss Lillian Bell, Home Economics teacher at the Philadelphus school, 836. It required 828 yards to put the garment together.

The overalls, which measured 14 feet around the waist and were 30 feet long, attracted considerable attention while hanging in front of the store building occupied by the Graham Company. Mr. Graham says the guesses ran from 45 yards to 2400 yards.

Mrs. Knox Singleton Hostess At Bridge

Mrs. Knox Singleton was hostess last Saturday evening at a lovely bridge party. Bridge was played at two tables. At the close of the evening a delicious salad course was served.

Guests included Mesdames Roy Singleton, W. R. Graham, D. R. Hall, A. L. Boatwright and Misses Johnnie Graham, Gladys Clark and Flora McKinnon.



Does your heart good to read these greetings, doesn't it? And just to win another smile from you—here's hoping jolly ol' Santa empties his whole bag of gifts under your tree. Yes, makes it a never-to-be-forgotten Christmas!

THE RED SPRINGS CITIZEN

Confederate Widow Dies In Bladen County

Mrs. Martha Davis, Mother of Mr. Hoyle Davis of Red Springs, Succumbs to Pneumonia.

Mrs. Martha Davis, widow of the late J. R. Davis, died at her home at Rosindale, Bladen County, early Sunday night following an attack of pneumonia. Mrs. Davis, who was in her 79th year, had been in failing health for several months but only recently developed pneumonia from which she died.

Mrs. Davis was the widow of a gallant Confederate soldier, and her passing marks another milestone in the passing of the Old South. She was well known in Red Springs where she frequently visited her sons, the late Bizzell Davis, and Mr. Hoyle Davis, chief engineer of the Florida Macdonald College heating plant.

Besides her son here the deceased is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Elisha Mears, of Elizabethtown, Mrs. T. J. Flowers and Mrs. Cleveland Davis of Council, and Mrs. Pearl Simmons of Cedar Creek.

Interment was made Monday at White Oak, her old home, the services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Biggs, pastor of the White Oak Baptist church, of which the deceased was a life-long member.

Joint Hostesses At Bridge Tuesday P. M.

Mrs. W. R. Graham and Mrs. D. R. Hall were joint hostesses Tuesday evening when they gave a delightful bridge party to a number of their friends at the home of Mrs. Graham. The attractive home of Mrs. Graham was effectively decorated in Christmas decorations and the color note, red and green, was further carried out in the tallies and refreshments.

Bridge was played at three tables and at the close of several progressions, Miss Johnnie Graham and Miss Laura Hedrick cut for high score prize, which Miss Hedrick won. Mrs. A. L. Boatwright received the consolation.

A delectable salad course was served by the hostesses.

The guests included Misses Johnnie Graham, Laura Hedrick, Ruby Doub, Flora McKinnon, Mesdames A. L. Boatwright, Roy Singleton, Harold Kay, Knox Singleton, W. C. McNeill and Thad McLeod.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Jack Geddie

Funeral services for Mrs. Jack Geddie of Fayetteville were conducted at Flea Hill Methodist church near Fayetteville by Rev. G. Scott Turner, pastor of the Baptist church at Lumber Bridge and a former pastor of the deceased, Sunday afternoon at 3:30. The burial followed immediately in the cemetery there.

The deceased died Saturday morning at 2:30 in Fayetteville after a month's illness of paralysis. She was only 49 years of age.

Surviving are her husband and five children, Katie Lou, Myrtle, Eva Del, Lula, Helen, and one son, John.

The deceased was an aunt of Miss Mary Lou Beard of Red Springs.

Miss Eugene Smith Dies At Mt. Tabor

Miss Eugene Smith of Mt. Tabor died at her home Wednesday after several months illness. She was about 70 years of age. The funeral was conducted at Mt. Tabor church Wednesday at 3 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. N. A. McInnis, and burial followed immediately in the Smith burying ground near Mt. Tabor.

Surviving is one brother, Austin Smith with whom she lived.

Christmas Program At Presbyterian Church

There will be no preaching service at the Presbyterian church Sunday night, the hour being given over to the Sunday school. Christmas carols will be sung by several of the Sunday school classes and the church choir will assist them by rendering several selections. The violin quartette will also delight the congregation with a number. These services are held annually by the Sunday school and are enjoyed by the young and old who always delight in hearing the strains of these old familiar Yuletide songs. There will be a collection taken for the benefit of christian education and ministerial relief.

Mabs: Is it easier to learn golf or motoring?

Babs: One's just as difficult as the other. In golf you hit nothing, and in motoring you hit everything.

ACTION DELAYED ON PAVING ROAD TO LUMBERTON

Commissioners Make Several Changes In Road Force; L. M. Powell New Superintendent; Hope To Pave Red Springs Parkton End of Belt Line.

Action on paving highway 70 from McNeill's bridge, 3 miles this side of Lumberton, to Red Springs was delayed by the county commissioners who met in special session last Wednesday, until the matter can be taken up with the State Highway commission and it can be ascertained how much money is available for Robeson's road work. The commissioners had previously asked that the Parkton-Red Springs road be paved, and it is the desire of the board to put through the work on both of the roads at the same time. Large delegations appeared before the commissioners requesting that the road be paved.

The Highway commission will be requested by the county to take over the part of the county belt line from Rowland to Fairmont. This stretch is 12 or 14 miles in length.

Notes in the sum of \$140,000, bearing interest of 6 per cent. with a premium of \$165, were sold by the county, money from which will be used to partially refund \$151,000 highway bonds maturing January 1.

Mr. L. M. Powell of Parkton has been appointed road superintendent of the county term of office to begin January 1. Mr. Powell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Powell of Red Springs. He was born and reared in the county. For 5 years he was superintendent of the farm of Mr. J. G. Hughes of Parkton and for the past five years he has himself been operating a farm. His salary was fixed Wednesday at \$175 per month, and he is to furnish his own automobile. Mr. Powell appeared before the board, and matters pertaining to the commissioners' taking over the roads January 1 were discussed. It is proposed to dispense with the 11 supervisors now in the county and employ in their stead 6 patrolmen. All hired labor will be cut off in the name of economy, and trustees from the chain gang will be used instead. The latter will save the county at least \$20,000 per year, it is estimated. The Robeson chain gang now has 100 prisoners, and it

PENDER STORE COMING TO RED SPRINGS SOON

A Link In National Chain Will Be Opened In This Town Early In January; To Occupy Carolina Bank Building.

Red Springs will soon have another chain grocery store offering formidable opposition to the A. and P. store which has been here for several years. The new store will be situated in the building at the corner of Main Street and Third Avenue, formerly occupied by the Carolina Bank and Trust Company and known as the Carolina Bank building. The local store will be a link in the national chain of grocery stores operated under the name of Pender and can be easily distinguished by its distinctive yellow front.

It has been known for sometime that the Pender stores contemplated opening a store here but only recently were they able to secure a lease on a suitable location. The location selected is ideal for a store of this nature, being a corner store around which a large portion of the town's population goes every day on their way to and from the post office and on the hill toward the college.

The people of the town are assured by the Pender management of the same courteous treatment here as received in the other Pender stores, a system of management which has made and retained thousands of customers wherever a Pender Store has been opened. The local store will be ready for business about January 15.

Christmas Operetta At Philadelphus

Promptly at 8 o'clock Thursday night, Dec. 19th, there will be a Christmas operetta, "The Crosspatch Fairies," given by the primary grades of Philadelphus school, in the school auditorium. An admission of 10 and 20 cents will be charged. The cast of characters follows:

Sister Sue, who liked to tell Christmas stories—Flora Smith; Carol, a little girl who liked to be a Crosspatch—Jewel Hasty; Jimmy—Preston Prevatt, Timmy—Harold Hasty, Dolly—Sara Harold, Polly—Betty Graham, cousins who come to spend Christmas with Carol; the Crosspatch Fairies, who cause all the trouble—Ruth Prevatt, Ruth Williams, Hilda Odum, Flora Gilchrist, Louise Townsend, Reba McMillan; the Sunny Smile Fairies, who make things right—same as the Crosspatch Fairies; Santa Claus—James Hasty; Mrs. Santa Claus—Janie Hamer McInnis; Captain Splinters, of the Toyland brigade—Harold Hasty; Jack and Jill—Claude McNeill and Dorothy Stanton; Little Bo Peep—Catherine Gilchrist; Little Miss Muffet—Euphonia Baker; Mistress Mary—Lillian McNeill; Bobby Shaftoe—Hugh Brown McCall; Little Boy Blue—Billy Chason; Santa's Merry Elves—Sara Harold, Jewel Hasty, Ruth Prevatt, Reba McMillan.

Carol, in a dream, visits picture book-land and is taught how to be happy and thankful instead of being cross and ill-natured.

Everyone is invited to attend this entertainment.

"The Saturday Night Kid" Here Christmas

Clara Bow is to be seen in her third all-talking success, "The Saturday Night Kid," in a role that is ideally suited for her best talents! In a characterization that gives her full scope for her remarkable powers as an emotional leader in the "talkies," she will be seen at the Red Springs Theatre on Christmas Day.

Clara will be seen as the independent, plucky, slangy, ambitious, lovable little shop girl who has to battle the competition of her own sister in order to get her man finally. Jean Arthur plays the kid sister and James Hall plays the handsome lover.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moody announce the arrival of a son, Clyde Gray, Sunday, Dec. 15th.

ATTENDS PRESS DINNER

Mr. R. L. Eastham left this morning for Raleigh, where he will attend a dinner given tonight to the North Carolina Press Association by Governor and Mrs. Gardner.

It is believed some of them can be used to advantage under the supervision of the patrolmen. Further details relating to the ways and means of maintaining and operating the roads will be discussed at a meeting the commissioners are to hold on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Mr. G. L. Townsend was retained as superintendent of the county home. Miss Sophronia Parnell was named nurse in the place of Miss Linnie Walters. The salary of the nurse was cut from \$125 to \$100.

WHITE GIFT SERVICE AT F. M. C. VERY IMPRESSIVE

Spirit of Christmas Pervades Auditorium for Impressive Program.

Lovely in its simplicity and rich with harmony of girlish voices was the White Gift service and Christmas concert given in the college auditorium Sunday evening. Standing before lighted tapers that cast a soft glow in the darkened auditorium, the girls sang the carols that have kept men's hearts ringing with the true spirit of Christmas throughout the centuries.

Choruses, solos and instrumental selections made up the program that was attended by an overflowing audience.

The songs were all beautiful because of their simple construction and of their theme. From the slow measured chant of "On to Bethlehem," to the full-throated harmony of "Silent Night," the girls passed from one selection to another, each of which was in keeping with the spirit of the Christmas celebration.

Miss Elizabeth Caldwell, who sang in a rich, full contralto, gave an exquisite solo part in the cantata "On to Bethlehem."

"O Holy Night" by Miss Louise Mandeville was sung in high but full tones that showed the best qualities of her voice. Miss Mandeville's solos in the choral numbers were also excellent.

Mrs. Bartram Robeson rendered a violin solo which was exquisitely given and was an outstanding number on the program.

The ever wonderful strains of "Silent Night" brought the program to a close.

Bruce Williamson Shot At Panther's Ford

Bruce Williamson, colored, of Buie in the Baker Sanatorium at Lumberton undergoing treatment for an injury received at 10 o'clock Sunday night when a pistol bullet was fired through his elbow. It was found necessary to amputate the arm above the elbow. The shooting, alleged to have been done by White Townsend, colored, took place near Panther's Ford church, near here.

Indian Fatally Shot Near Moss Neck

Comas Locklear, Indian, was fatally shot through the head Sunday between 1 and 2 p. m., near Moss Neck and died in a Lumberton hospital Sunday night, following an operation for removal of the bullet.

Curtis Locklear, Indian, was arrested by Rural Policeman Melton Ivey, who happened to be in the section at the time of the shooting and reached the scene soon after it occurred. He is now held in the Robeson county jail on a charge of murder.

Coroner D. W. Biggs summoned a jury and completed investigations Tuesday. The shooting took place in the yard, near the well of Comas Locklear. According to The Robesonian, both men were said to have been drinking. A pistol bullet was fired into the right side of the forehead, passing through the brain and lodging on the left side of the head. The Indian was paralyzed by the injury and never recovered. The accused man lives in the Burnt Swamp section.

N. C. AUTO TAGS NOW ON SALE

Raleigh, Dec. 16.—The sale of 1930 automobile license tags in North Carolina started Monday. The plates are available at the central offices of the motor vehicle division of the state department of revenue here and at 46 branch offices in various parts of the state. On and after January 1 car owners without licenses will be subject to prosecution. No time extension can be granted this year due to action by the last general assembly prohibiting it.

NEXT WEEK

HERE'S ONE LAST I'M PROUD TO BE ON, VI THE XMAS SEAL SALE!

Pay for those Seals Today