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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES GET COVETED DIPS.

Class of Twenty-Eight Receive Diplomas of Graduation; Hon. L. I. Moore Makes Address; Seventh Grade Receives Certificates.

The final exercises of the Red Springs high school came to an end Friday night at eight o'clock with the delivery of the literary address by the Hon. L. I. Moore, of New Bern, and a class of twenty-eight young men and women received their diplomas from the hands of Mr. Ernest Graham, chairman of the school board.

Mr. Moore was introduced by Dr. R. D. McMillan as one of the ablest lawyers of the State who was devoting his time at the present in an effort to get tax relief for the farmer. Mr. Moore once mentioned the tax situation in North Carolina, devoting his time to advise to the graduates, whom he declared had had the greatest opportunities of securing an education of any generation in the history of North Carolina, but reminding them at the same time that in consequence of these greater opportunities greater things would be expected of them.

"Life," said the speaker, "is divided into two great ideas, material and spiritual." Education was pictured as only equipment for obtaining happiness which is the purpose of life, with the warning that education could be abused, in which event it became a disadvantage rather than an advantage. Our spiritual development was declared to not have kept pace with our material development.

Following Mr. Moore's address, Superintendent Pugh spoke briefly of what he had hoped to accomplish this year at the beginning of the term last fall and what he thought had been accomplished, concluding with a few words concerning the work for the next year.

Certificates were then presented to the seventh grade by Mr. Graham, chairman of the school board and diplomas presented to the graduating class of the high school.

This year's graduating class numbered twenty-eight. It is a class of distinction. Its first honor comes in the fact that it is the only class to graduate for many years in which every member received a diploma. And then it has the distinction of being the largest class to graduate from the local school.

Those receiving diplomas Friday night were:

Matilda Walton Black, Mary Agnes Chavis, Horace Peabody Cotton, Lina Rue Currie, Mary Virginia Deaton, Beulah Florence Garner, Glenn Hanna, Pandora Harris, Henry Hiram Hodgins, Jr., Carrie DeLila Liles, Nonie Dell Lovin, Mary Alice Meachum, William Erwin McConnaughey, Margaret Louise McKellar, Margaret Leslie MacLaren, Martha Virginia MacLean, Roscoe Drake McMillan, Jr., Margaret Edith McNeill, Sara Margaret MacNeill, Margaret Catherine MacPhaul, Maude C. Newton, Mattie Helen Odum, William Bartram Robeson, Jr., Emma Merle Sikes, James A. Singleton, William Thomas Ussery, Jr., James Elwyn Watson, Dorothy Mae Wilkinson.

The class officers were: R. D. McMillan, Jr., president; Miss Emma Merle Sikes, vice president; Miss Virginia McLean, secretary; Henry H. Hodgins, Jr., treasurer; Master Tuney Bain, mascot.

Seventh grade certificates were presented to the following: Mary Hedinger, Isabelle Bounds, Mattie Butler, Francis Cooper, Annie Ruth Cope, Curtis Deaton, Flada Belle Deaton, Sidney Garner, Wilma Harris, Clara Louise Jones, Mary Frances McDaniel, Jimmie Meachum, Gordon Mercer, Celia Newton, Pearl Odum, Mildred Pratt, Dorothy Livingston, Mary Elizabeth Stanton, Kathleen Stephens, Hubert Thrower, Ellen Turner.

"The Phantom Of The Opera" Coming

The greatest thriller ever shown on the screen, "The Phantom of the Opera," starring Lon Chaney, with Mary Philbin and Norman Kerry in the leading featured roles, is coming to the Red Springs Theatre Monday and Tuesday, June 9th and 10th. The popular screen mystery has been fitted out with sound and dialogue, including the tense and dramatic scenes between the principals, the elaborate ballets, songs and choruses from the opera "Faust" and the glittering bal masque in the grand foyer of the Paris Opera House. With glorious music and dancing, with its spoken drama, mystery and thrills, all plus many charming scenes presented in natural colors, the new "Phantom of the Opera" is heralded as remarkable entertainment.

Lon Chaney, who plays the "phantom," is supported by a cast which ran into the thousands. Among the principals, in addition to Kerry and Miss Philbin, are Snitz Edwards, Gibson Gowland, John Sainpolis, Virginia Pearson, Arthur Edmund Carewe, Edith Yorke, Anton Vaverka, Bernard Siegel, Olive Ann Alcord, Edward Cecil, Alexander Bevan,

SENIOR CLASS DAY EXERCISES HELD FRIDAY

President of Class Welcomes Audience; Prophecy, History and Other Papers Read.

The Red Springs high school seniors held their class day exercises Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium. The ceremony was simple and without frills yet very impressive and interestingly carried out. A large audience was attracted to the exercises which were pronounced one of the best rendered by a local graduating class.

As the concluding number of the program the class song written by a member of the class was sung.

Class Song
Tune: Stein Song
Sing—a song for dear old High
Sing till the shadows fall
Sing for now's the time of good-bye
Let every Senior hear the call.

Sing—to all the golden hours
Sing to the merry days—
Sing—to her, our Alma Mater—
The high school of our hearts always.

To the games—to the thrills
To the time of our glorious happiness
To the white—to the gold
To the motto that is always calling us.

To the pals—to the gals
To the friendships of youth and their memories
To the hopes—to the dreams
To the things that will guide us each day—

Ah sing—a song to dear old High
Sing till the shadows fall.
Sing—and sing a song once again
Let every Senior sing.

(Then) Sing to all the golden hours,
Sing to the merry days,
Sing—to her, our Alma Mater,
The High School of our heart always.

The following program constituted the entire ceremony:

Salutatory, Virginia McLean; Class History, Emma Sikes; Overture to "Midsummer Night's Dream," Mendelssohn, Tillie Black, and Nonie Dell Lovin; Class Statistics, James Singleton; Class Poem, Margaret McNeill; Class Bibliography, Henry Hodgins; Class Prophecy, Virginia McLean; Quartet—"A Little Closer Harmony"; Henry Hodgins, Erwin McConnaughey; Class Will, Dorothy Wilkinson, Valdictory, Lina Currie, Class Song.

Bible In The Public School

The interested supporters of the Bible in the public school will be pleased to learn that most of the salary for another year has been subscribed and Miss Alexander will return to teach Bible in the school. The salary for 1929-30 has been paid in full and all subscriptions taken recently were to support the work for 1930-31. There remains only about \$100.00 to be subscribed and this will be taken in full. Mrs. Charles Leigh is the faithful Treasurer of the Bible Fund.

The community is especially fortunate in securing the services of Miss Alexander again. She is much beloved by her pupils, is a very efficient teacher and under her leadership the work is progressing in a very substantial way. The manner in which the work is regarded and supported in general bears testimony to the fact that the majority of the people in the Red Springs community want Bible taught in the school and are not only loath to give it up, but willing to support it.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Circle No. 1 of the Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet on Thursday evening at the hut at 7 o'clock.

Circle No. 2 will meet with Miss Mamie McNeill Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Circle No. 3 will meet with Mrs. R. L. Eastham Tuesday at the same hour.

Circle No. 4 will also meet Tuesday at 4:00 with Mrs. E. L. Hamilton.

Circle No. 5 will meet with Mrs. Dan Graham at the same time.

W. F. Carter Dies At His Home In Maxton

W. F. Carter, prominent Maxton business man, died at his home at Maxton at 1 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Mr. Carter was president of the J. W. Carter Co., vice-president of the Bnk of Robeson and a successful planter. The deceased was a devoted member of the Methodist church and one of the outstanding citizens of the town. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. B. Hurley, Methodist minister from the home at 10:30 Wednesday morning.

John Miljuan, Bruce Covington and George B. Williams.

POLITICS WARM UP AS PRIMARY DATE NEARS

Bailey-Simmons Senate Race Commands Greatest Interest; Vote Also On County and District Offices; Republicans in Primary For U. S. Senate Seat.

Until this week there had been apparently very little active local interest in the approaching primary on next Saturday, except among the political leaders and managers. During the last few days, however, candidates are being discussed in a more general way and the indications are that the campaign will increase in interest until the nominations are made.

Chief interest centers in the Democratic senatorial race in which the contenders are Senator F. M. Simmons and the Hon. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh. In Robeson county the sentiment seems to be fairly well divided and about the best obtainable in the way of predictions is that the results will be close. The predominance of Democratic sentiment in the adjoining counties to Robeson appears to be with Mr. Bailey and the predictions are that the Raleigh lawyer will lead the veteran Senator throughout the State by a safe majority, some estimates putting it as high as two to one. The closeness of the vote in Robeson county is based upon ex-Gov. McLean's support being thrown to Mr. Simmons. In counties away from the McLean influence the voters seem to have pretty well made up their minds that Mr. Bailey shall be the next Democratic Senator from North Carolina.

For the first time there will be a Republican primary to select a candidate for senator. In the race will be Ervin B. Tucker, H. Grady Dorsett, George E. Lutter and George M. Pritchard.

For Superior Court Judge N. A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, the present incumbent, is opposed by Herbert Lutterloh, also of Fayetteville.

For Solicitor of the 9th Judicial District, T. A. McNeill, of Lumberton, the present incumbent, is opposed by J. E. Carpenter, of Maxton.

In the county political line-up the office of sheriff seems to be the most popular, having enticed eight candidates to try for the place. The candidates for sheriff are: P. S. (Pat) Komegay, of Lumberton; Henry Lamb, Lumberton; W. A. Smith, Philadelphia; J. Paul Lewis, Lumberton; Ben G. Floyd, Lumberton; W. B. Martin, Lumberton; T. O. Evans, Maxton; J. Rad Lawson, Orrum.

For the Lower House of the Legislature there are seven candidates: Ernest Graham, Red Springs; A. E. White, Lumberton, member of last General Assembly; W. E. Lynch, Rowland; E. G. Floyd, Fairmont; E. V. McDaniel, Fairmont; S. P. Wilson, Fairmont; John D. Canady, St. Pauls.

For the State Senators James D. Proctor of Lumberton is opposed by H. C. MacNair of Maxton.

For the Clerk of Superior Court the candidates are: C. B. Skipper, present incumbent, of Lumberton; J. T. McIntyre, of Lumberton; W. T. Tolar, of Renner.

Mrs. Eva W. Floyd has no opposition for Register of Deeds. Neither have J. Ed. Tyson of Lumberton for Surveyor, nor D. W. Biggs, of Lumberton, for Coroner.

For County Commissioner district No. 3, C. A. Hasty and J. G. Sellers, present member of the board; district No. 5, J. G. Hughes, present member of the board, of Parkton, and Spurgeon Kinglaw, of St. Pauls.

For County Board of Education there are three candidates: John Blount McLeod, of Lumberton; E. K. Butler, of St. Pauls, and A. B. McRae, of Elrod.

In Red Springs Township J. N. Buie and Z. V. McMillan are unopposed for Recorder and Solicitor, respectively.

The Republicans will have no county ticket in the primary, they having chosen the convention method of choosing their candidates for the county offices. This convention met in Lumberton on May 22 and put a full ticket in the field, for the November election.

ATTENDING CONFEDERATE REUNION.

General George H. Hall, commanding the Third North Carolina Division, left Sunday for Charlotte where he joined a number of other Confederate Veterans leaving by special train Monday morning for Biloxi, Miss., to attend the fortieth annual reunion of the Confederate Veterans. Accompanying General Hall was his official staff, Mrs. G. M. Matthis, of Clifton, assistant adjutant-general; Miss Margaret Fleming, of Greenville, maid of honor; Miss Virginia Hall, of Elizabethtown, maid of honor; Miss Louise Outlaw, of Elizabeth City, sponsor.

Rev. F. A. Prevatte, of Lumberton, route 2, also left Sunday for Biloxi, leaving from Fayetteville. He and General Hall were the only representatives to attend the reunion from Robeson county.

They expect to return Sunday, June 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wheelan of Wake Forest, is visiting Mrs. Wheelan's mother, Mrs. W. H. McKinnon.

MR. COKER GIVES ADVICE ON BOLL WEEVIL FIGHT

Cotton Expert States Most Important Fight Against Boll Weevil Is To Kill Over-Wintered Weevils; Should Poison Both Old and Young Cotton.

No man in the two Carolinas is better qualified to give advice to farmers than David R. Coker, of Hartsville, S. C. He is consistently urging cotton growers of the two states to poison their crops and wage warfare on the weevil. Early this week he issued the following statement, which was addressed primarily to the cotton farmers of South Carolina, but is of equal interest and value to farmers in this section of North Carolina.

Nothing has curtailed the crop of South Carolina so much as the idea that a majority of our farmers have had that they could afford not to fight the boll weevil. In three years of the past eight, the farmers of this section who did not fight the weevil but used good methods otherwise, made about as much cotton as those who did fight the weevil. In every one of the other five years, however, weevil control paid enormous dividends, properly poisoned crops frequently making two or three times as much as unpoisoned crops. I do not know of a single farmer in middle or lower South Carolina who has averaged fair to good crops during the past eight years who has not intelligently poisoned the weevil. In certain sections of the Piedmont weevils have not been in evidence during several years of this period but wherever they can be found on the young cotton in the spring, poisoning is necessary. As there were plenty of weevils in the Piedmont last fall and as we had no low winter temperatures anywhere in the State, it is pretty certain that weevil control measures will be necessary this year over the entire State.

My entire experience indicates that by far the most important step in weevil control is the killing of the over-wintered weevils on the young cotton at the time the first small square appears. This can be done at a cost of 15 to 20 cents per acre for materials for each application. Two, three or four applications will be necessary according to weather conditions. A mixture of one pound of calcium arsenate thoroughly stirred into a gallon of water to which one gallon of cheap molasses is then added, will poison two acres and kill practically every weevil on the young cotton. The molasses mixture is best applied with a cloth mop about three inches wide on the end of a stick about two feet long. After lightly dipping it is extended forward and downward, striking the cotton plants two or three inches below the top, the operator then walking down the rows tipping the plants over with the mop and applying the mixture on the under side of the leaves. Children quickly become expert in this operation when properly supervised. A drop or two of the mixture per plant is sufficient, as the weevils walk about over the leaves very freely and are practically certain to discover and eat the mixture within 24 hours. The writer has a number of times watched weevils moving about over the plants and finding and eating the mixture.

If a hard rain comes within 24 hours the mixture should be promptly put on again. It should be applied at least once more, 5 to 7 days later and, if the emergence of the weevils continues in any quantity, a third and sometimes a fourth application should be made. If the early poisoning is done properly and at the proper time practically no punctured squares will be noticed before late July or early August, at which time dusting by the regular method may be begun if necessary. In some of our own fields last year we had practically no punctured squares until general migration began the middle of August and no dusting was necessary in these fields.

Serious infestation of plant lice sometimes follow several applications of the calcium arsenate in dust form, but the molasses mixture has never been known to make lice plentiful.

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Mrs. E. C. Cope Passes Last Week

Mrs. E. C. Cope died Tuesday evening at her home in Red Springs. For many years she had been a great sufferer and had been confined to her bed for several years.

Mrs. Cope was born and reared in Marlboro county, S. C., and she and her husband moved to Red Springs some 40 years ago. She was a devoted member of the M. E. church and the services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. C. T. Rogers, Wednesday afternoon at the home. A large crowd of old friends gathered to pay their last respects and the floral offerings were numerous and beautiful.

She is survived by her husband, one sister, Mrs. Hodge, who has been her devoted companion for many years.

DR. DURHAM IS PREACHING FINE SERMONS DAILY

Local People Hearing Able Messages Each Night in Revival at Baptist Church.

The evangelistic campaign began at the Red Springs Baptist church last Sunday night when Rev. Charles H. Durham, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church of Lumberton, preached to an audience that almost filled the building, the other churches of the town giving over their services in order that their members might attend the meeting.

Local people of all creeds and beliefs have been looking forward to something worthwhile—and they have not been disappointed. His opening message Sunday night dealt with that passage of Scripture relating to doing everything for God's glory.

Monday night the speaker delivered a beautiful exposition on prayer. He said that people were guilty of selfish praying. He went on to say that people are not in the habit of praying intercessory supplications, and that real sincere earnest prayer brings results.

Dr. Durham is a very pleasing speaker. He possesses that peculiar characteristic of a great speaker in that he draws and holds the undivided attention of his hearers from the oldest to the youngest. He has a good delivery, and preaches the Gospel in its truest sense and lets it fall where it may.

He is drawing good crowds and it is hoped that this season of evangelistic endeavor may be for the uplift of the town and community.

Services are held each night at eight o'clock.

ROBIN HOOD WELL PRESENTED BY SENIOR CLASS

Last Performance To Be Given By Graduating Class Draws Large Crowd! One of Best Presentations Ever Put On By Local Graduating Class.

One of the most interesting and entertaining parts of an unusually beautiful and excellent commencement week was the Senior play given last Thursday night when the Senior class presented "Robin Hood." Red Springs is accustomed to seeing well presented senior plays by the local high school, but Robin Hood outdid any seen here in many years. To have selected a more fitting presentation for this class would have been a hard task but harder still would it be to point out any one of the characters as the outstanding performer.

Special scenery and costumes added much to the presentation but the best part of the play was the way in which each individual actor played his part. All showed the result of many hours of hard work in fitting themselves for the part they were portraying, all showing that they had been excellently trained and coached.

Just prior to the opening curtain's rise several numbers were rendered by a string quartette composed of Mrs. W. B. Robeson, Mrs. W. E. Garrett, Miss Mary McEachern and Mr. Rowland Brown. Between the acts of the play Mr. Rollin Covington sang several solos with Miss Mary Lane Brewer at the piano. The large school auditorium was well filled with friends and patrons of the school and their generous applause gave testimony of the pleasure with which they received the performance.

Services are held each night at eight o'clock.

Have Shower For Bride-Elect

Lumber Bridge, June 3.—On Friday afternoon at four o'clock Mrs. Duncan Graham and Miss Elizabeth Graham entertained jointly at a delightful miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Mary Evans, whose approaching marriage to Mr. Arch Brown of Hamlet will take place at an early date.

Mrs. Duncan Graham greeted the guests at the entrance and Mrs. William Graham, mother of Miss Graham, received in the spacious reception hall, and directed to the drawing room, where Miss Elizabeth Graham graciously received. The reception hall and drawing room were artistically arranged with baskets and vases of sweet peas, larkspur and tulips. Progressive luncheon at seven tables was played. Mrs. Walter Tolar won high score and was presented with a handsome orange bowl. Miss Christine Willoughby made second high score and received a box of imported handkerchiefs designed of lace and chiffon. These gifts were later charmingly presented to Miss Evans.

Miss Taska Tolar accompanied at the piano by Miss Graham sweetly sang "The Romance of the Lillie and the Blue-bell" and "Adoration."

A salad course was served, the color-note of maize and green, being observed in all the appointments. The favors were corsages of sweet peas and lilies of the valley.

Covers were laid for the following guests: Miss Mary Evans and her mother, Mrs. A. D. Evans, Misses Elizabeth McGeachy, Ethel Fisher, Christine Willoughby, Sara Evans and Golda Willoughby, Mesdames A. F. Hughes, Stamps Hall and William Graham of St. Pauls, Mesdames Walter E. Marley, W. Douglas Smith, Colon J. Ammons, Lacy John, John D. Shaw and Miss Julia Tolar of Lumber Bridge; Mesdames Henry Webster, Rachel McKenzie, J. A. Graham, Richard Humphrey and Miss Taska Tolar of Renner; Mrs. Walter Tolar of Pembroke; Mrs. Duncan Graham and Miss Elizabeth Graham.

Scouts Attend Court Of Honor In Lumberton

Rev. Sam F. Hudson, Scoutmaster of Troop 32, Red Springs, took the following seven boys to Lumberton to the Boy Scout Court of Honor: James Dickson McLean, Horace McNeill, Hamilton McMillan, J. D. Odum, David Ratley, N. P. Watson and John Arch Watson.

The tests were conducted by Scout Executive C. D. Brothers, of Wilmington. The account of the summer training camp and district rally as given in this weeks Robesonian will be of interest to all Scouts.

"Announcement was made by Mr. Brothers about the council's summer training camp which opens at Lake Waccamaw June 28th, and all scouts are urged to attend for one period at least. The fee is \$7 for one week or \$8 per week for two weeks or more."

"A district rally will be held in for all troops in the Lumberton district which includes the counties of Lumberton the first of September. Bladen, Robeson and Scotland. Plans will be released later.

Tests were passed by Red Springs Troop 32 as follows: tenderfoot—Hamilton McMillan, John Arch Wat-

Wayne L. McNeill Died Tuesday Last

The news received here Tuesday of the sudden death of Mr. Wayne L. McNeill, of Wagram, came as a distinct shock to his many friends.

Mr. McNeill was for several years principal of the Philadelphia high school and built that school up to a very high standing during the time he was there. He has been engaged in school work practically all his life. For the past two years he has been teaching in Thomasville. His death occurred at Thomasville and came very suddenly and unexpectedly.

The deceased was a brother of the late John Charles McNeill, North Carolina's most distinguished poet. He is survived by his widow, and two sisters, Mrs. J. L. Memory, of Whiteville and Mrs. D. A. Watson of Wagram. The funeral services were held yesterday from his late home near Wagram with interment in the Spring Hill cemetery.

To Put On Golf Tournament Here

Red Springs is soon to have the experience of witnessing its first golf tournament. The Woodland Miniature Golf Course is putting on a tournament beginning next Monday with the preliminary qualifying play which will continue through the week ending Saturday night.

Those who qualify for the final play will begin their play Monday, June 16, and the tournament will continue until all have been eliminated and the champion determined. The Woodland Course is well situated for convenience both to the business and the residential section of the town and is attracting large crowds every night. Much interest is expected to be shown in the coming tournament and sharp competition to develop for the cash prizes offered in both the men's class and the ladies' class.

Honor Guest With Bridge Party Friday

Misses Alice Hall and Sadie Covington were joint hostesses Friday afternoon at a lovely bridge party at the home of Miss Hall in honor of Mrs. E. M. Renfrow, of Matthews. Mrs. Renfrow was presented with a large hand painted picture as a guest prize. Following the game delicate refreshments were served.

Those enjoying the hospitality of Miss Hall and Miss Covington in addition to the honoree were: Miss Genevieve McMillan, Mrs. D. M. McMillan, Miss Helen Buie, Mrs. R. L. Eastham, Mrs. Martin McKinnon, Mrs. W. B. Robeson, Mrs. G. T. Brooks, Mrs. R. D. McMillan, Miss Mary McEachern, Miss Katie Blue McLeod, Mrs. W. R. Graham, Mrs. W. A. Bullock, Mrs. W. B. Townsend, Miss Jonsie Graham, Miss Laura Hedrick, Miss Doub, Miss Jessie Singleton, and Mrs. C. P. Roberts.

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Mrs. Mamie Snoddy, who taught the past school term in Gloucester, Virginia, has arrived to spend the summer vacation with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Snoddy.

son, David Ratley, James Dickson, McLean, Horace McNeill, and J. D. Odum. This highly instructive trip was enjoyed by all.