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\$300,000 Fund To Be Sought By FMC Board of Trustees

Plan Adopted At Meeting Tuesday

The Board of Trustees of Flora MacDonald college held its mid-winter meeting at the college on Tuesday, Feb. 12, with an excellent representation of members from its three controlling Presbyteries, Fayetteville, Orange and Wilmington. The advisory board of the college, representing the women's auxiliaries of the three Presbyteries, met the same day, and President Henry G. Bedinger's report was made to both groups in a joint session.

In speaking of the semi-centennial year of the college, Dr. Bedinger briefly reviewed the history of Flora MacDonald college, organized in 1896 as Red Springs Seminary, and its connection with old Floral College, located seven miles away, and which functioned from 1841 to 1878—one of the first institutions of higher learning for women established in the state. These two institutions have served the Scottish settlers of the Cape Fear section and their descendants for over a hundred years. President Bedinger reviewed the progress of Flora MacDonald during its 50 years, and outlined plans for its further development.

Beginning in 1896, with a small campus, one building a few professors and students, the college has developed into a well equipped A grade college with a beautiful campus of 57 acres, spacious gardens, and ten buildings, a faculty numbering 23 professors, and 15 officers. The college has an endowment of \$205,000, and a library containing 16,500 volumes. The estimate, he said, now number more than 6000 women, who have served the church and the state in various capacities through the years.

Dr. Bedinger also outlined a program for the expansion of the college, which includes the increase, development and improvement of the present equipment necessary for the adequate accommodation of a larger student body. Numbers of applicants are refused yearly because of lack of space. The Board adopted plans for the improvement of the plant and equipment, and for the increase of the endowment. To accomplish this, a campaign for funds will be projected, within the immediate objective of raising \$300,000.

The president's report showed a capacity enrollment of students for the current year, with four cottages rented for additional dormitory space. Plans for the celebration of the semi-centennial of the college, on May 7, were presented and approved.

A resolution of congratulation and appreciation for President Emeritus Vardell's 50 years of service to the college, on his 86th birthday—which coincided with the board meeting—was adopted by the board.

ADVISORY GROUP MEETS WITH BOARD

The advisory board of Flora MacDonald college held its annual meeting in the college library on Tuesday, February 12, with the chairman, Mrs. P. P. McCain of Sanatorium, presiding.

Representatives present from the three Presbyteries included their presidents, Mrs. Julian Huttaff of Fayetteville, Mrs. Ralph Holt of Orange, and Mrs. J. M. Gregg of Wilmington Presbyterial.

The chief topic under discussion was the completion of the Birthday Loyalty Fund for the Flora MacDonald endowment, which was begun in 1940, as a tribute to President Emeritus Vardell on his 80th birthday. The advisory board voted unanimously to cooperate with the alumnae in the areas covered by the three Presbyteries, to continue this work, as a birthday gift to the college endowment during the semi-centennial year. Key women named for the three areas were Mrs. D. S. Currie of Parkton, Mrs. Ralph Holt of Burlington, and Mrs. G. O. Rogers of Whiteville.

A report from the college treasury, just before this going to press, announces that approximately \$40,000 of the original goal for this fund has been contributed since 1940.

Dr. McClelland's Condition Reported More Favorable

Dr. J. O. McClelland's host of friends will be so glad to hear that his physician, Dr. C. C. Coleman, Richmond brain specialist, stated in a telephone conversation with Mrs. McClelland this week that he is much gratified by the improvement in Dr. McClelland's condition, although, he is still very ill. Dr. Coleman said that he was conscious part of the time and that he had recognized him and spoken to him. Mrs. McClelland and their daughter, Mrs. E. K. Butler of Lumberton, left Wednesday to be with him. He is a patient in the Medical College of Virginia hospital.

Miss Mary James Plays Opposite Walter Huston

Makes Stage Debut On Broadway

Miss Mary James, daughter of Major and Mrs. Alexander James of Charlotte and niece of Marshall P. James of Maxton, made her stage debut on Broadway last week as the female lead opposite Walter Huston in "Ape of His Eye." According to the press notices, she played her part with admirable simplicity and appeal and is a young actress of evident talent, from whom much is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. James of Maxton and Mr. and Mrs. Walter James of Laurinburg spent several days last week in New York as guests at the Waldorf-Astoria, going specially to see her. A large number of her friends from Charlotte, as well as her parents, were also present.

Two Killed In Wreck

Two men were killed, two others were injured as a result of a head-on collision Wednesday night seven miles east of Raeford on the U. S. 15A.

A Model A Ford coupe heading east, occupied by three Indians, and a 1937 Chevrolet coach going west, occupied by Pte. R. F. Griffin of Aberdeen, collided just beyond the Lewis Parker residence.

Motor drivers, Griffin and William Howard Worrell of St. Pauls, were killed. Worrell had recently been discharged from the army.

Injured were Gaston Oxendine of Biles and Everlast Davis of Lumberton, route four, who were riding in the A model Ford with Worrell.

Veterans Who Have Had Malaria Are Asked To Report

Dr. E. R. Hardin, Robeson County Health Officer, requests that all veterans of World War II, who are residents of Robeson County and who have had malaria while in the service or since discharge, please report at the health department, on Saturday or Monday mornings, from 9 to 11 A. M.

5 Robeson County Men Lose License

One hundred and eighty five drivers licenses were revoked during the period from Feb. 1 to Feb. 8, according to figures released by the N. C. highway safety division.

Goshal Lectures Monday At F.M.C. On Artists Series



KUMAR GOSHAL

Kumar Goshal, lecturer, author of the best seller, "The People of India," and conceded to be the best authority of the present day on the Orient, will be presented at Flora MacDonald college on Monday evening, February 18, at 8:15, as the fourth number of the season's artist series.

Mr. Goshal, prior to the publication of his latest popular book, wrote, in collaboration with Kate Mitchell, a booklet for the Institute of Public Relations, entitled "Twentieth Century India," which sold approximately 50,000 copies, and is recommended reading in Social Science courses in high schools throughout the country. He was invited to Harvard University to address the summer conference of high school teachers in 1944, to give them an overall picture of India, its history, religious, economic, and political. This was a signal honor for the young Hindu author, but "Goshal" was well deserved, and earned by years of deep study.

Mr. Goshal has made a lifelong study of the interrelationship between his country and ours, with which his subject deals, and is completely at home in the American idiom.

A native of Calcutta, and a Hindu of the highest caste, Kumar Goshal was educated at the University of Calcutta, later studying music and the arts at the Academy of Music. He has spent half his life in the United States, and his English is perfect.

Warden Burns Commended For Fire Control

District Forester David J. Martz of Fayetteville has commended J. W. Burns, county forest warden of Robeson county, for attaining an outstanding fire control record of only 99 fires and 4915 acres burned in the entire county during the period of January 1, 1945, to January 1, 1946. Robeson county joins Cumberland, Harnett, Johnston, Sampson and Wayne counties in comprising District 6 of the Division of Forestry and Parks with the district office located at Fayetteville.

Assisting County Warden Burns in establishing the above record and also commended for their fine work were the district wardens of the county: N. E. McCormick, St. Pauls; R. F. Little, Lumber Bridge; L. C. Malloy, Parkton; Neil Arch Baker, Maxton, Rt. 1; G. L. Pate, Raynham, Rt. 1; Prevatte, Pembroke; Wayland McDuffie, Lumberton, Rt. 2; W. I. Thompson, Rt. 4, Lumberton; N. S. Watson, Marietta; H. F. Hardin, Barnesville; Cleve Bryant, Lumberton, Rt. 1; S. S. Sampson, Rt. 1, Maxton; Lambert Lewis, Pembroke; J. F. Burns, Jr., Fairmont; Islev Wilcox, Rt. 4, Lumberton; C. F. McCormick, Fairmont; Clarence Oxendine, Rt. 1, Rowland; Braddy Pitt, Rt. 5, Lumberton; and Luther Harwell, Shannan.

If every citizen of Robeson county will display added zeal in continuing to cooperate with County Warden Burns and the district wardens by acquiring burning permits prior to doing any burning, burning brush carefully at the proper time and reporting forest fires immediately upon discovery to any warden, the above record can be maintained and even bettered.

Funeral Services Held Tuesday For George Watson

Funeral services for George Watson, 77, who died at his home near Wagram Thursday, Feb. 7th were held Tuesday, at Centre church, conducted by the Rev. S. H. Fulton, D. D., pastor of the Laurinburg Presbyterian church. Burial was in Centre cemetery.

Active pallbearers were, Dan Watson, Jack Roper, Jack Roper, Jack Lassiter, Dan Currie, Jim White and Luther McGirt. Honorary pallbearers were, Bill Shaw, A. H. White, H. F. Currie, A. H. Cannon, S. J. Womble, W. G. Bule Jr., R. R. Patterson, Dan McArthur, W. D. Reynolds, F. MacNair, Jr., Will Hasty, F. F. McPhaul, Jim McPhaul, Ralph Livingston and Dr. George Creed.

March Of Dimes Total Is \$520

Chairman Dudley Gives Figures For Red Springs

W. R. Dudley, chairman of the March of Dimes drive in Red Springs, reports that a total of \$526.61 was collected in the recent drive.

The major portion of the amount was collected at the Red Springs theatre, of which Carl McIlwaine cooperated to the fullest extent in the drive just ended, as did many others. At the school, \$126.22 was turned in, and Flora MacDonald college contributed \$57.14. Other public places received contributions to the drive.

The colored school turned in \$5. The campaign began some eight or ten days late, because no definite arrangement had been made for someone to supervise the drive.

IN UNIFORM

Lieut. W. J. McKinnon of the US Navy, who recently returned from China, is spending a few days with his uncle, McKay McKinnon and family in Maxton. He came to Maxton from Washington, where he had been a patient in the Naval Hospital, and is still on convalescent leave.

Lieut. Archie McKinnon, of the Navy, who is stationed at Norfolk, Va., is spending a short leave with his mother, Mrs. N. J. McKinnon of Maxton Route 1.

John B. McCallum, Jr., of Maxton, who has been serving overseas with the American Red Cross for almost two years, has been appointed Deputy Commissioner's Representative as head of all Red Cross activities in the Western Zone of Occupation. His job primarily will be coordinating the work of the different departments and being liaison with the Military. His office is in the 7th Army Headquarters in Heidelberg and his address is Deputy Commissioner's Representative, A.R.C. 7th Army Hdq. APO 758 care P. M. New York.

Lieut. (jg) Fred C. Frostick, Jr., of Maxton, who is stationed in Hawaii, has been promoted to full Lieut.

Sgt. Howard McKellar of Red Springs has returned from the Pacific and received his discharge Saturday after 42 months service with the air forces. Pte. James McKellar is expected to arrive at Fort Bragg this week for his discharge following 40 months service in the ETO and the States. Gordon McKellar, S2-c, with the navy 23 months in the Pacific, is expected to arrive on the East coast soon.

John Walter McQueen, S1M3-c, son of L. D. McQueen of Red Springs, has landed on the West coast and is enroute to a navy separation center for his discharge.

Birthday Party For Dr. Vardell

86th Anniversary FMC Founder

Dr. Vardell's 86th birthday celebration on Tuesday evening was a delightful event from the time he cut the first slice of the three-foot square, three-tiered birthday cake, which covered practically all the table area surrounding him, to the last goodbyes in the college parlors at 11 o'clock in the evening.

That birthday cake was truly a beautiful "sight to behold." The work of home economics students—and many, many hours of work on each corner of each tier was a small heart-shaped cake, decorated with yellow roses and outlined with tiny candles, adding to 36. Dr. Vardell finally blew them all out, but according to Dr. Rondthaler, guest speaker of the evening, it took five breaths of "hot air" to do it. Dinner guests of Dr. Vardell at the college were his son, Dr. C. G. Vardell, Jr., and Dr. and Mrs. Howard Rondthaler, all of Winston-Salem.

After dinner a program in the auditorium included a group of songs by the college glee club, under the direction of Dean Reuter, with the last one dedicated to Dr. Vardell, a gift to Dr. Vardell from the faculty, student body and alumnae, presented by Mrs. Albert McPhaul, president of the alumnae association; greetings by President Bedinger, and a very delightful tribute to the "birthday boy" by Dr. Rondthaler, guest speaker, president of Salem college, and a lifelong friend of Dr. Vardell.

Following the program a reception was held in the college parlors when Dr. Vardell received birthday greetings from a large number of his Red Springs friends and many from neighboring towns.

Miss Mary Johnston and Miss Harney Morrison served block ice cream in an exquisitely appointed room in the west parlor. Members of the faculty received in the other parlors and the reception hall yellow and white spring flowers in lovely arrangements were used throughout the rooms.

Out of two guests included Rev. A. R. McQueen of Dunn, Mrs. E. E. Gillespie of Greensboro, Mrs. Hamilton of Davidson, Mrs. Mary McCormick and Mrs. Nettie King of St. Pauls and Miss Mary Catherine McCormick of Durham.

County Council Meets Saturday

The 4-H County Council will meet Saturday, Feb. 16, at ten o'clock. The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the agricultural building.

Miss Valdean Walter, county council president, will preside at the meeting. Other officers of the organization expected to be present are Jimmy Oliver, vice president; Betty Jean Canady, secretary; Terry Jenkins, recreational leader.

The complete program for the meeting follows:
Call to order.
Song: "4-H Club Work," Terry Jenkins, song leader.
Club motto: "To Make the Best Better."
Roll call.
Minutes of last meeting.
National 4-H Club Congress Business—1. Dates for County Council meetings. 2. Report on National 4-H Club Congress, Douglas Kinlaw.

Program:
1. Plan of Work Introduction—Mr. Herlocker, a National 4-H Club Week, March 2-10, Mildred Prevatte. B. 4-H Spring Party, Terry Jenkins. C. 4-H Health Improvement Project, Rachel Clark. D. Cattle Shows, Douglas Kinlaw. E. 4-H Church Sunday, Dora Pittman.

Song:
F. Clothing Exhibit, Virginia Lewis. G. 4-H Short Course, James Cobb. H. 4-H Camp, Jimmy Oliver. I. 4-H Achievement Day, Kenneth Harrell. J. Club Score, Miss Britt.

2. Announcements.
3. Recreation: Terry Jenkins, county leader.

HOME AGAIN



Claude Dixon McNeill, about son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal L. McNeill of Philadelphia, has recently been discharged and is now employed by the Red Springs unit of the Scottish Bank. He served two years in Cambridge, England, with the 8th Air Force, and 3 months at Munich, Germany, with the 9th Air Force. After completing 3 Air Force Mechanics schools, he was awarded the mechanics badge.

Claude has two brothers who have recently returned from service: Marion, a twin, and an elder brother, David.

Final Rites Held Sunday Afternoon For Mrs. Jessie S. Battle

Services for Mrs. Jessie Scott Battle of 1717 Cleveland avenue were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Harry and Bryant chapel. Dr. C. M. Boyd officiated, and interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

Serving as active pallbearers were J. P. O'Halloran, Ray V. Spangler, Percy Stewart, Archie Campbell, B. B. Parker, T. J. Garrett, W. J. Crichton and J. J. O'Rourke. Honorary pallbearers were W. G. Thomas, Albert Moore, Charles A. Moore, George W. Brien, W. T. Dunlap and D. G. Calder.

Mrs. Battle formerly resided in Red Springs.

Attending from Red Springs were Misses Pelly and Katie Brown and Mrs. Maggie Newton and Henry Hodgin, Jr.

Special Services To Be Held In P. J. C. Chapel

Religious Emphasis Week Begins 18th

Special Religious Emphasis Week services will be held in the Presbyterian Junior College chapel, beginning Monday, February 18, and continuing through Friday, February 22.

Two services daily will be held, from 9:50 a. m. to 10:20 a. m., and from 7:30 p. m. to 8:15 p. m.

The Rev. T. Layton Frasher, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Maxton, will bring the messages.

Mr. Frasher's theme for the morning services will be "Getting Help From the Bible." Theme for the evening services is "The Journey of Youth."

People of Maxton and vicinity are cordially invited to attend these services.

County Council Proposes Action On County Library

At a meeting of the library committee of the Robeson county Home Demonstration council on Friday, February 15, tentative plans were made for early action toward the establishing of a Robeson county memorial library.

Chamber Of Commerce Organized To Promote Interests of Maxton

Youth Committee To Seek Election For School Tax

Red Springs To Employ Fulltime Recreation Director

Petitioned by 348 citizens Tuesday evening, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Red Springs approved a plan for the employment of a director of Youth Activities for the town and school on a twelve-month basis.

The petition was presented by members of the Committee for Youth Development which, aided by members of the Student Council of the Red Springs high school, submitted the petition to 352 adults of the town and secured the signatures of 348 of these adults.

The board approved the allocation of funds in the amount of \$1,500 annually to be used as a supplement to the salary of a director of physical education employed by the school who might also have a limited amount of other classroom duties.

On last evening the committee met with the local school board and proposed that the school board ask the county commissioners for additional funds, for the operation of the school, to extend and supplement present room instruction in the schools here, and upon advice of the school board has prepared and is now circulating a petition asking for a special tax for this special charter district to provide the funds.

Members of the committee will accompany the school board to Lumberton on the first Monday in March, when the annual request for the special election will be made. The school board has estimated that revenue from such a tax, not to exceed 25c per hundred dollars valuation, would be adequate to provide required classroom instruction and facilities (other than new buildings) for a number of years, and that it is quite probable that it would be necessary that the full limit asked would ever be necessary. The petition has been worded to request that the tax, not to exceed 25c per hundred, be approved in a special election to be called by the board of commissioner at an early date. Notice of registration and of the election will be published, according to law, upon this favorable action of the board of commissioners.

In addition to the presentations made by the committee at the town board meeting last night, letters of approval and endorsement of the recreational director movement were presented by the Lions Club, the American Legion, the Parent-Teachers association, the Rotary Club, the Red Springs Athletic Committee, and the boards of officers of the Baptist and presbyterian churches.

Employment of the director is to be through the school board, according to the plan adopted, and he is to work with and under the supervision of this board. Activities will include a year-round program.

H. D. Clubs Give Over 1,000 Garments In Clothing Drive

In the recent Victory Clothing collection in Robeson county Members of Home Demonstration clubs donated over 1,000 garments in the drive. Especially active in the collection were the Home Demonstration clubs of McDonald, Orrum, Philadelphia, and Proctorville.

Mrs. George Hargraves, of the Black Swamp Home club, individually collected 3,800 lbs. of clothing, and personally arranged for and paid shipping charges to Europe.

Lumberton Fat Calf Show May First

The Fat Calf show, held annually at Lumberton, will be held this year on May first, according to an announcement by O. P. Owens, county agent. The show is sponsored by the Lumberton merchant association.

Plans Call For Full-Time Secretary

A Chamber of Commerce with a budget of \$6,000 and plans for a full time secretary has been organized by Maxton businessmen for the purpose of promoting the growth and interests of the town.

The need of such an organization has been keenly felt by the citizens of the town for sometime and other attempts at organization have been made in the past but this is the first time plans have been made to put the project on a business basis and have a full time secretary in charge.

Already \$5,000 has been raised toward the budget since the organization meeting which was held last Friday night in Evans Hall.

The canvass has not yet been completed and those who have not been contacted are asked to get in touch with J. C. Daniel, who was elected temporary secretary-treasurer.

Other officers are: C. A. Hasty, president; M. P. James, vice president; R. C. Holland, James W. Knight, T. O. Evans, C. M. Castevens, M. F. McGirt, Joseph Essey and R. P. Edwards, directors.

Red Springs Loses To St. Pauls

St. Pauls high girls and boys won a doubleheader from Red Springs high Tuesday night, girls score 33 to 26; boys score 33 to 14.

For St. Pauls girls, Owens was high scorer with 18 points, with Frazier a close second with 16 points. L. McGoogan scored four points. For the losers McGoogan scored 15 points. Pearce, Hanna and Moore played outstanding games at guard.

Miss Brunkhurst New Secretary Presbyterian Church

Miss Audrey Brunkhurst of Augusta, Ga., arrived this week to assume her position as director of religious education and music and church secretary of the First Presbyterian church in Maxton. Miss Brunkhurst is a graduate of the Assembly's Training School of Richmond, Va., and has had several years experience in religious work including two years at Raeford. She has also given a year of service in the same honor.

(By Roy) Just as "You never water till the well runs dry," we never know what good friends we have until we've been in trouble and need them. And so it was with the Presbyterians last week, when their furnace was so much damaged by the fire that it was impossible to have services in the church. We were excited by the offer of the college auditorium, the school auditorium and the Baptist and Methodist churches. It was all deeply appreciated.

Those of us who had heard that young Dr. Albert Wolfe of Orangeburg (brother of Capt. Tom) was seriously considering locating here, will be sorry to hear that he has written Mr. Dick Edwards that instead he will most probably obtain an appointment to continue his surgical training. He wrote such a fine letter, in which he said he felt it was an honor to have been urged so by our citizens and by our doctor to come to our wonderful little town and that should he meet a doctor, with good qualifications, who was looking for an opening, he would tell him of the splendid opportunity here.

In the meantime our one doctor is carrying a very heavy burden, and we know the "grind is long and hard" sometimes. However, this is the little motto he has on his wall, which we copied and take a look at now and then when we're inclined to get "riled and vexed."

"What's the use o' howlin' Tho' the grind is long and hard, The path to happiness never was A well-kept boulevard. Jes' what's a comin' next?"