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Coburn's Minstrels Coming

At the Peoples Theatre Roanoke Rapids on Thursday night Feb. 14th. J. A. Coburn's minstrels in its twenty fifth year is said to be the biggest and best company he has ever assembled. You know the show and its long record as one of the best in modern and oldtime minstrel fun, comedy, music and fine singing. "Cobe" does not bill himself as a Minstrel Monarch for his company as All Star world beaters. He gives you a real snappy full of pep and enjoyable performance entirely new and different every season. Full of laughs, footlooseness, sentiment, comedy, novelty and splendid singing. Delivered by capable, side-splitting, head workin' performers, real stars, real dancers, and really funny comedians, who send you out satisfied if you've had your money's worth. He tells every man with him "Show me and keep me here", no chair warmers, every man works. You notice it, you like it, you want more of it. No "sixty, count 'em, to fill the places and sleep through the numbers," "Star's nothing," polliwog wear stars. These boys are working performers. Such attractions keep minstrelsy alive and popular. If you don't know the show try it once.

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"Mice and Men"

During the past week work on the high school play "Mice and Men" has gone forward at a pleasing rate. And there is reasonable certainty that the presentation, on the evening of February twelfth, will attract to the amount of time and effort put into the staging of the play.

The business of accumulating appropriate "properties" for the stage has recently been uppermost among the interests of the players. The time-setting, about 1705, requires quaint furnishings. Some of these, not procurable elsewhere, have been made in the High School Manual Training Department.

The Home Economics Department has also cooperated in the production. "Embury," Goodlake, "Sir Harry Trumblestone" and others of the English gentlemen of the east are pleased to recommend this department as an efficient tailoring establishment. The girls in the play have, for most part, made their own costumes. It is understood that a few of these will be on display in some of the store windows of Rosemary and Roanoke Rapids Saturday, February 9.

It has been announced, too, that the high school orchestra will play between the acts of the play. Thus another department of the school aids in making "Mice and Men" a successful production.

Tuesday evening, February twelfth promises to be a real exhibition occasion at the Roanoke Rapids High School.

The best laid schemes of Mice and Men gang aft a-gley—Robert Burnes

CHARACTERS

- Peter (Embury's servant) Richard Martin.
- Mrs. Deborah (Embury's housekeeper) Otelia Vaughan.
- Mark Embury (a scholar, scientist, and philosopher) Robert Merritt.
- Roger Goodlake (Embury's friend and neighbor) Lloyd Allen.
- Joanna Goodlake (wife of Roger) Florine Holt.
- Beadle (of the Foundling Hospital) Pentley Hux.
- Mrs. Witchett (matron of Foundling Hospital) Thelma Boyd.
- Peggy ("Little Britain") Dorothy Dunning.
- Capt. George Lovell (Embury's nephew) Hamilton Jones.
- Molly (a maid) Arnie Lewter.
- Kit Barniger (a fiddler, cousin of Mrs. Deborah) Louise Johnson.
- Sir Harry Trumblestone (Joanna's cousin) Fred Welch.
- Orphans: Therma Barkley, Grace Brown, Ethel Harris, Rebecca Jenkins, Ruth King, Odell Smith, Opal Tickel, Helen Turner and Ethel Tuten.
- Masqueraders: Therma Bark-

ley, Grace Brown, Anna Freeman, Pentley Hux, Corinne Marks, Richard Martin, Zollie Powell and Opal Tickel.

SCENES

- Act I: Mark Embury's study.
- Act II: Living room in Mr. Embury's house.
- Act III: Ante-room at Belezize house.
- Act IV: Garden of the South Cottage.

TOMATO JUICE GOOD CHILD FOOD

"The tomato is a deservedly popular vegetable and when we realize the important part it can play in the family diet more will be used fresh on the table and more canned for winter use, says Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, in charge of Home Demonstration Work for the State College and Department of Agriculture.

Mrs. McKimmon quotes Dr. McCullom, the nutrition specialist, who says: "The tomato appears to occupy a unique position among vegetable food in that the substance which protects against scurvy and which it contains in relative abundance is not easily destroyed in heating or drying as it is in most other foods."

As a scurvy preventer Mrs. McKimmon states that the tomato ranks with the orange and because of its cheapness is now used for more widely. Some physicians are prescribing strained tomato juice in small amounts in the diet of the baby as a means of preventing scurvy and getting good results.

"These artificially fed infants," says Mrs. McKimmon, "respond quickly to an addition to the diet of orange or tomato juice and even the child who is fortunate enough to be breast fed is the better for a daily portion of either of these."

"Several home demonstration clubs won a successful in adding to their incomes in 1922 by canning strained tomato juice in small glass jars and selling it to mothers who were feeding it to their babies on the advice of the doctor. The tomato is particularly useful in the making of condiments, is unexcelled as the basis of an appetizing soup, and probably furnishes the most popular salad served to the public."

BASKETBALL

The basketball teams had a bad week. Thursday night the Varsity and Junior teams met defeat at the hands of Rich Square on the court of the latter, by small scores. Wednesday night the Rich Square quint met the "Triple R. Team", composed of Messrs. Ned. Manning, Eaton, Taylor, B. Loyd Allen, Becky Doughty, Vaughan, Taylor and Brown, in the gymnasium of the High school and came out at the big end of a forty to twenty score. The locals showed their lack of practice. In one of the roughest basketball games of the season, Enfield High defeated Roanoke Rapids by a small score Friday night in Enfield.

Tonight there will be a double header. The boys team meets the Scotland Neck High five and the girls will play the Rocky Mount girls. A very interesting evening is promised the fans. The fun will start at seven thirty.

Mr. Monnie Spruill

Mr. Monnie Spruill died at his home on Henry street Monday afternoon aged forty eight years. About a week ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis. He is survived by his wife and several children.

Mr. Spruill came to Roanoke Rapids about a year ago and has been in the employ of Roanoke Mills Company.

The body was taken to Columbus, in Tyrrel county Tuesday, and interment was made in the family cemetery Wednesday.

Olives Growing.
The region in which the olive may be successfully grown for commercial production of fruit in the United States is not so great as for most frost hardy fruits. Commercial olive growing has been confined to portions of California and Arizona, although the trees will live and bear some fruit in portions of all of the southern states of this country.

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NOTICE

The Board of School Trustees of Roanoke Rapids in session Wednesday, February 6, 1924, passed a resolution calling attention of the public of the fact that school taxes in the Roanoke Rapids Grated School District are past due and should be paid at once.

The school year is more than half gone and only a very small per cent of school taxes has been paid.

H. L. Bell, Collector
E. J. Coltrane, Supt.

By Order of Board of School Trustees