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CONDIDA TO BE SEEN IN OXFORD

Condida, the popular play by Geo. Bernard Shaw, will be in Oxford the night of Wednesday, November 23.

Presented by the Shakespeare Playhouse Co., it will undoubtedly be one of the best performances ever given in this city.

The Shakespeare players are all professional Thespians and have their headquarters in New York. They are now on tour, giving performances at all the leading universities and have been procured for Oxford at a great expense.

It is sincerely hoped that the Oxford people will take advantage of the opportunity to see this exceptional performance of a well known play, by accredited performers.

George Bernard Shaw is perhaps the greatest of all living dramatists, his "Man and Superman," and "Arms and the Man" being two of the most popular plays before the public.

The management of *The Tattler* believes the people of Oxford appreciate good drama. It is our intention to bring not only Condida but several other plays and persons of note to Oxford this winter. We want to make the high school the center of all community activities. But we must have your support! So put the cat out, call in the nurse to look after the children, and visit us Monday night. We have a really pleasant place over here. It's your place, too, and we want you to come see us often.

The performance will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. Admission 50 and 75 cents; reserved seats \$1.00.

We don't expect any profit, but if there is any, the Athletic Association will get it. Now don't crowd. Please get off my feet. There is room for all and here's hoping for a big crowd.

HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATION

November 11th was a memorable day in O. H. S. events.

Hon. F. R. McNinch spoke in afternoon, and Dr. C. E. Brooks lectured at evening service.

On Thursday afternoon, November 11th, a large number of Oxford citizens attended a service in the high school auditorium for the presentation of the Bible and the national flag by the Junior Order. Hon. Ben. Parham introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Hon. F. R. McNinch, of Charlotte. Mr. McNinch delivered a most excellent and timely address. He began with picturing "the greatest casualty of the war," Woodrow Wilson, and telling how the American people have deserted him. Mr. McNinch showed that he himself was a true follower of this great leader of man. Next, he spoke of the tragedies and great debts effected by the war.

Mr. McNinch then turned his speech into a different channel—that of the compensation bill. He rightly said that a bonus to those who offered their lives for their country is justice, not generosity. To use the points that Mr. McNinch brought out, we should compare America's war debts with those of foreign nations. Compared with European nations America is burdened very lightly, and we, the richest nation in the world, can spare a bonus.

"Another thing that is imperative," said Mr. McNinch, "is that we keep

peace at no matter what price." He brought out the fact that America expended more money for armaments last year than any year before, "to keep peace." We paid more money for armaments than is paid by Germany to the Allies, in her debt to them.

The speaker then dwelt upon the significance of the disarmament conference. "Some way should be found to protect the present and future generations from the ravages of war. They call for peace!" If we be patriotic to our flag, we should "let men know we hate war."

Mr. McNinch then presented the flag. He said that we should pray that it has floated for the last time over fields of battle, and that some means for protection from war be devised at the conference in Washington.

The flag was accepted by Supt. C. G. Credle.

Preceding the presentation of the flag, Hon. D. G. Brummitt presented the school a copy of the Holy Bible, in the name of the Junior Order. Professor Barnhart accepted in behalf of the school.

In the evening another large body gathered in the O. H. S. auditorium to witness the dedication of Oxford's new high school building and the Winfield Taylor playground. Colonel H. G. Cooper presided. After the reading of selections from the Bible Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield led in prayer. Then Mr. Brummitt presented the school building and playground and Mayor Stem accepted these in the name of the citizens of Oxford.

Mr. H. M. Shaw introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. E. C. Brooks, from Raleigh. Dr. Brooks, a man well acquainted with each phase of educational activities, lectured on the "Purpose of an Educational Institution." Making many excellent suggestions as to the methods that should be used in carrying out the purpose of the educational institution, Dr. Brooks pointed out the necessity of an atmosphere of patriotism and high moral standards that should predominate. The lecture was of a very helpful nature. It is possible that it will effect changes in the present Oxford school system.

HERBERT ROUNTREE, JR.

HOT STUFF!

Here's a warm, friendly slap on the back from faraway Princeton:

"I could hardly wait to read *The Tattler* through before writing to thank you for putting out such a dandy sheet for old O. H. S. It is wonderful! Such pep I have never seen in a paper which did not pay for it in taste. You fellows make me blush for shame when I remember that I was one-time editor of *The Oxonian*. That Agony Column stuff is great. Keep it going! I'm going to send you some "Prince's" so you can compare our *Diogenes Lamp* column.

Yours,
GEOFFREY HORSFIELD

WE BORROWED THIS

Little Tommy had a hobby
At the tender age of four,
And his hobby was a horsey,
Which he rode upon the floor.
Later Tommy went to College,
Still his hobby was a horsey;
This he used to great advantage,
Trotting through his Latin course.
E. C. H.

OXFORD BOYS BRING HOME THE BACON

The Oxford football team returned from Henderson Friday with an 13 to 0 victory. All three of the touchdowns were made by Will Mitchell. Ernest Mitchell failed to kick goal all three times. The home team worked like a piece of well-oiled machinery with every man doing his part. The outstanding features of the game were the line plunging of W. Taylor and the broken field running of Royster and Will Mitchell. Once Capt. W. Taylor walked through Henderson's line for a 30-yard gain.

In the first quarter Henderson failed to make a first down and was forced to punt, Oxford receiving the ball in midfield. Then, how those Wildcats did scratch, and down the field they went! It was only a few minutes before we had a touchdown from our old reliable delayed end run. We went back and kicked off to Henderson only to hold them for downs and take the ball. When the quarter ended the oval was in the possession of the Oxford boys on Henderson's 20 yard line.

Before the second period had opened good Oxford had another touchdown made by a terrific plunge at center. We again kicked off to Henderson only to take the ball on a fumble. This time the Henderson team took on new pep and we had to fight for every inch we gained until Royster got off with a 20 yard end run. This put Oxford within striking distance again. It was not long before Will Mitchell was crossing the line again with ball safely under his arm. This touchdown was made from our famous A formation. This was all the scoring done in the first half.

The second half opened with Henderson kicking off. Oxford fumbled the ball and Henderson recovered. They took the ball with renewed vigor and their star quarterback got off for a ten yard gain. This was the first first down Henderson had made and the people nearly went wild. This run put our rivals within a few yards of the goal and with another run they were within a few inches of a touchdown. But this was the time our line showed that they were steel for they held the rushes and took their ball. Oxford straightway returned the ball by punting. The Henderson boys put on some more steam and made another first down. The quarter ended with Henderson again within striking distance of the goal.

The third quarter opened with Henderson's ball and only a few yards to go, but our old line braced again, and held. The ball was given over and Oxford punted. Henderson had lost her chance to score and the ball stayed in the possession of Oxford the remainder of the game. The last half of the game was spoiled by the Oxford people crowding on the field.

We will not play Smithfield the 18th on account of Smithfield's victory over Raleigh. Smithfield meets New Bern the 18th.

WM. HUNT

A DELIGHTFUL EVENING

The "At Home" given to the football players Saturday evening by the junior and senior classes was immensely enjoyed by everyone present. The reception parlors were beautifully decorated with ferns and flowers. After several games and contests, a

modern prize-fight between two seniors ensued to the amusement of all. Misses Mary Taylor and Julia Brent Hicks then delighted us with a gypsy dance. A delightful course of refreshments was then served. The party ended when Mr. Livingood's football boys appropriately rendered the sing, "I've Been Workin' On De Railroad," followed by a yell and three cheers for the juniors and seniors.

ALMON UPCHURCH

M. E. JUNIOR BARACA NOTES

The Methodist Junior Baraca class held a business meeting in the Lyon Memorial building Thursday night, November 10. Several important items were introduced, including a plan for strengthening the treasury. It was also agreed that a reporter be elected to put the work of the class before the public. A very delightful social followed the business meeting, after which the boys were dismissed by the teacher, Mr. T. B. Rose, Jr. This class, composed of fourteen active boys with an equally active teacher, meets every Sunday morning at 9:45, in the Lyon Memorial building. Visitors are cordially invited.

H. ROUNTREE, JR., Reporter

ATHLETICS

All authorities agree that athletics and directed play should have a place in the curriculum of any well-balanced school. The school board, recognizing this fact, has engaged Mr. Livingood as athletic and physical director.

It is Mr. Livingood's aim to have every student in the junior and senior high school engaged in some form of athletic activity. This will take time, a lot of time, but already great headway has been made.

We have an active, peppy, athletic association. It is run by the students. It really controls athletics. It is a financial success. It has given the students something tangible to work with and it has raised school spirit to new heights.

Our football team is the pride of the school, the talk of the town and, we hope, will soon be the wonder of the state. It has made an unparalleled and enviable record as an Oxford High team. In nearly every game, it has been outweighed; but never outfought. Its savage attack, its stone-wall defense, has been the wonder of its friends—the despair of its adversaries.

The team has won from Henderson and Smithfield, held Trinity Park and Raleigh to scoreless ties and has lost twice to Durham; once by the "flukiest" of flukes.

In addition to our football, we intend to have basketball, volleyball, tennis, indoor baseball, hand ball, outdoor baseball, and regular gymnasium classes. Already plans have been laid for a school league in basketball, volleyball, and indoor baseball. There will be teams for both boys and girls, and every student is to have a chance at some game.

Mr. Livingood does not intend to devote his time to a select few, in order that the school might have good representative teams, but means to see that every student, boy or girl, has an honest chance to develop physically as well as mentally.

Thus will we build better students and better citizens.