

Maya Culture Takes Rank With the Best

About two thousand years ago, writes S. G. Morley, in the Mentor Magazine, while the peoples of northwestern Europe were living in a state of utmost barbarism, there was slowly flowering in the New world the most brilliant civilization of ancient America—namely, the Maya of southern Mexico and northern Guatemala. From a cultural point of view the Maya were the Greeks of the New world.

In many spheres of human activity these Maya excelled, almost beyond believing, in architecture, sculpture, and painting; in ceramics, stone and feather mosaics, and the lapidary art, in astronomy, history, and chronology. In this last-mentioned field their attainments were so remarkable that it may be claimed that no people of the Old world at that time—2000 years ago—had worked out a system of chronology anywhere approaching that of the Maya, not only in accuracy of results, but also in simplicity of use.

This spectacular progress the Maya accomplished without man's two greatest aids to civilization in the Old world—namely, beasts of burden and tools of metal. When it is considered that they had no beasts of burden, no horses, asses, oxen, mules, or elephants to carry for them, nor tools of iron, bronze, copper, or tin to cut and hew and carve with, it may be ventured that, judged by what they had, they achieved more than any other people the world has ever known.

Turkish Sumptuary Laws

The Constantinian village council was recently asked by the ministry of the interior to draw up a sumptuary law forbidding legal prodigality. A commission, which has worked hard on the project, has now devised a number of minute restrictions on the marriages of the well-to-do. Under the rules proposed a bridegroom will give his bride a ring not exceeding 20 Turkish pounds in value, about \$10, and no other wedding present. As for the bride, she may not bring to her new household more than two dresses in all, and her contribution to the furnishings may be no more than for one room.

Weddings must pass off without nuptial banquets, only sweets and innocuous sirups being offered to the guests. The wedding procession must not parade more than five carriages or motor cars. As for banquets to celebrate the births of children, they also are forbidden.

These regulations, which have not yet been adopted, would have taken the wind out of a Stamboul Turk who, not very long ago, shocked the respectable street with a parade of 40 carriages and who opened 100 cases of champagne for his guests.

Dictionary in Demand

The spelling bee in which Republican women competed at the Oak Lane Review club on Tuesday was but a more elaborate event than many which nowadays test the fair orthographers at afternoon parties, says the Philadelphia Bulletin. Cross-word brain twisters necessitate many a resort to the dictionary and success in the game, whether for personal satisfaction or in trying for prizes, requires cultivation of the gentle art of correct spelling. Whatever the impelling cause, the benefit derived from improved orthography is very desirable.

Oldsters profited by the rigorous oral drill in spelling which was prominent in the simplified schooling of other days. Whatever the theory of modern methods, the results in modern manuscripts do not do it credit. There is too much bogging over words that enter into the ordinary vocabulary, too much spelling according to the letter-writer's own taste and fancy. If the cross-word puzzle and the spelling bee will help to better spelling they are to be encouraged.

Dread of Darkness

Hard to Eradicate

Why is it that, no matter how long we live, we never outgrow our terror in the dark? Why is it that so many thousands of persons wake up suddenly at 2:45 a. m. and are struck with the swiftness and unexpectedness of a blow by some worry, some regret, some remorse, some neglected duty? Why is it that these things torment our minds in the long watches of the night and dwindle to insignificance with the rising sun? asks William Lyon Phelps in Scribner's Magazine.

Of all forms of religion except Christianity, the worship of the sun seems to me most reasonable. I have been a sun lover from my earliest recollection. The best thing said about heaven in the Bible is that there is no night there. I am a child of the morning. To use another Biblical phrase, I have often said, "Would God it were morning!" but never in my life have I said, "Would God it were evening!"

When I was a boy I saw a picture of a woman carrying her baby in a room dimly illumined by half light. I remember how ardently I hoped the dimness was caused by the dawn and not by the evening.

Boonville High School Finals Are In Progress

Commencement exercises of Boonville High School are being held this week. The program rendered last night and tonight are given below:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, AT 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

"The Quest of a Pink Parasol"

The Queen of the Fairies allows a discontented little Poppy and a discontented little girl to change places. The Poppy Maid goes in search of a Pink Parasol, and Ruth shares the Poppies fun, and later misfortune. Each finds the new life a disappointment, and the Queen, convinced that they have learned the evil effects of vanity and discontent, restores to all the Poppies their original places in Fairyland. Ruth, again a mortal, receives the Pink Parasol "for remembrance."

By the Third and Fourth Grades.

Song—"Boys May Whistle, But Girls Must Sing,"
By the First Grade.

Chorus—"Kentucky Babe," By the Second Grade.

Play—"Ten Minutes to Catch the Train,"

Billy Speer, Gay Shore, Sadie Hobson.

Song—"My Own Iona,"

Kate Speas, Carmen Frye, Prof. Wright, Herman Simpson,
and Robert Simpson.

Song—"How Do You Do?"

Prof. Wright, Herman Simpson and Robert Simpson.

Play—"The Sewing Society,"

Ruth Speas, Ruth Fletcher, Dorothy Crutchfield, Eloise
Hobson, Lucy Reece, Lucy Brendle and John L. Amburn.

Song—"I'd Rather Play in My Own Yard,"

Dorothy Crutchfield and Gav Shore.

Song—"I've Gwine Back to Dixie,"

Prof. Wright, Herman Simpson and Robert Simpson.

Play—"The Cute Family"

Characters

Mrs. Cute	Evangeline Pardue.
Caroline Cute	Annie Chipman
Cornelia Cute	Kathryne Jones
Connie Cute	Mildred Amburn
Caleb Cute	Carroll Transou
Johnny Cute	Walter Molsinger
Her Daughters	
Her Sons	
Seventh Grade	

BOONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENTS

"Nothing But The Truth"

A

Comedy in Three Acts

By

James Montgomery

(From the Novel of the same name by Frederick S. Isham)

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Thursday, May 7, at 8 P. M.

THE CAST

Robert Bennett	Stewart Shore
E. M. Ralston	Gaither Stinson
Dick Donnelly	Evert Reece
Clarence Van Dusen	Lytle McBride
Bishop Doran	Troy Reavis
Gwendolyn Ralston	Erie Matthews
Mrs. E. M. Ralston	Coila Church
Ethel Clark	Helen Speas
Mable Jackson	Tress Casstevens
Sable Jackson	Kate Shugart
Martha	Anita Hobson

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

Act I. Interior of a broker's office in one of the principal uptown hotels.

Act II. Parlor in summer home of E. M. Ralston, Long Island.

Act III. Same as Act II.

(Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, of New York)

USHERS

The Philomatheon Society—Charles L. Bell, chief, Robert Simpson, Fred Key, Claud Ho'ison.

The Adelphi Society—Fred C. Hobson, Neal E. Fletcher, Herman Simpson, Allen E. Shugart.

The Clio Society—Jessie Pearl Reece, Bessie Key, Thelma Shore, Collie Hinson, Carmen Frye, Della Shore, Kate Speas.

Elkin Parties Seriously Hurt in Auto Wreck

Rev. Grant Cothran, pastor of the East Elkin Baptist church, Mrs. Cothran and their 14 year old son and Shirley Bauguss and a Miss Pruitt sustained painful and seriously injuries in an automobile accident near Brooks Cross Roads last Sunday night as the party were returning to Elkin from Winston-Salem.

Mr. Cothran received serious injuries about the head and neck. All the parties were severely bruised in the smashup. The parties were taken to the Elkin hospital for treatment.

The car, which was driven by Bauguss, left the road on a curve and turned over twice.

Yadkin Civil Court Convenes Monday

A two weeks term of Yadkin Superior court, for the trial of civil cases only, convenes here next Monday with Judge Harding presiding.

The historic old Catawba College at Newton is no more. The college has been moved to Salisbury, and the former college campus has been sold for residential lots.

Administrator's Notice of Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of an order of the Superior court of Yadkin county, North Carolina, made on the 4th day of May, 1925, in a special proceeding entitled Effie Finney Admx of Miles Finney, against Adlene Harris and others, I will sell for cash at public auction at the court house door in Yadkinville, North Carolina, on the 16th day of May, 1925, the following real estate, to-wit:

Beginning at a stone, old corner runs south 10 degrees west 19 chs to a stone, Johnson's line; thence west on his line 13.75 chains to a stone, old corner; thence north on old line 15.08 chains to a stone, old corner; thence east 15.40 chs to the beginning, containing 25.84 acres, more or less, and being a part of the Miles Finney land.

This May 4, 1925.

Effie Finney, Admx of Miles Finney, deceased

Mortgagee's Notice of Sale of Real Estate

Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain mortgage deed executed on the 29th day of September, 1923, by A. D. Cook and wife, Valley Cook, to the undersigned mortgagee, and default having been made in the payment of said mortgage deed, I will sell at public auction on the premises for cash, to the highest bidder, on the 1st day of June, 1925, at 2 o'clock, p. m., the following described real estate, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land adjoining the lands of William Pinnix, J. M. Sales and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a post oak, G. W. Marshall's corner running thence west 7 chains to a stone; thence south 2 chains to a stone; thence west 8 chains to a stone west of a branch; thence south 9.83 chains to a poplar, J. M. Sales' line; thence east with Sales' and G. W. Marshall's line 14 chains to a pine; thence north 10 chains to the beginning, containing 13 acres, more or less.

This May 1, 1925

Percy Chambers, Mortgagee.

May Be Oil Road To Brooks Crossing

According to dispatces in the state papers the link of road from this place to Brooks Cross Roads is to be of the oil road type instead of cement.

Yadkin has already been given more than her proportional part of road funds, it is said, which prompted the decision to build this link of oil composition.

Elkin's New Hotel To Open This Eve.

Elkin's new hotel, a magnificent structure, will be formally opened this evening with a brilliant reception.

The hotel is of brick and stone five stories high and contains 51 rooms, thirty-eight of these having baths and all are equipped with the latest modern conveniences.

The hotel is owned by Elkin citizens.

The Statesville Sentinel, a morning daily, has suspended publication, its doors being closed by its stockholders and creditors. The paper has been under the management of J. L. Caton, of Knoxville, Tenn., for the past three years.

A special session of court is in session in Martin county to try thirty-one members of a mob who took a young man from the jail at Williamston recently and mutilated him. He was charged with assaulting a young woman.

Administrator's Notice

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of S. M. Ashley deceased, late of Yadkin county, North Carolina, all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned within twelve months from date of this notice or same will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to settle at once. This the 30th day of April, 1925.

B. C. Shore admn., of S. M. Ashley deceased.

Notice of Re-Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of order of the superior court of Yadkin county, made on the 1st day of May, 1925, in a special proceeding entitled Mary Sprinkle and others against Grace Benton and others, I will resell for cash at public auction in Yadkinville, North Carolina, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m. on the 16th day of May, 1925, the following real estate, to-wit: In Liberty township, adjoining the lands of Seek Shore, Miles Gough and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at pointers south of Plowman house and runs north, 20 chains to a red oak bush, then south 77 degrees east 11 chains to a pine bush; then south 8 degrees west 9 chains and 25 links to a poplar; then east on an agreed line 8 chains to a hickory, in Hutchens line; then south 8 chain and 50 links to a post oak; then west 17 chains and 50 links to the beginning, containing 26 acres more or less, and being the lands conveyed by Jessie Jenkins to William W. Plowman by deed recorded in book C, page 681, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Yadkin county.

This May 1, 1925.

S. Carter Williams, Commissioner.

Yadkinville Has a Quiet Town Election

Yadkinville had a quiet town election Tuesday, there being no contests. The following ticket was elected.

For Mayor
S. CARTER WILLIAMS
Town Commissioners
ISAAC SHORE
W. A. HALL
L. W. DIXON
M. W. MACKIE
J. F. PARKER

Nathan C. Wishon Died Last Friday

Mr. Nathan C. Wishon, who resided near Deep Creek Friends church on Route 3, Yadkinville, died last Friday at the age of 63 years and seven months. He was ill only a few days before his death. The funeral and interment was at Deep Creek church and was attended by one of the largest crowds seen there recently to pay their respects to their departed friend and neighbor.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Mrs. Lucy Vestal and Rev. C. H. Hutchens.

Mr. Wishon was a devoted father and a good neighbor. Ten children and 18 grandchildren survive him, together with two brothers and two sisters and his widow.

Administrator's Notice

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Eliza W. Dula, deceased, late of Yadkin county, North Carolina, all persons holding claims against said estate are notified to present them to the undersigned within twelve months from date of this notice or same will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to settle at once.

This March 30, 1925.

William Smith Williams, Adm'r, Eliza W. Dula, dec'd

SALE OF LAND

By virtue of an of the superior court of Yadkin county, made in a special proceeding, entitled B. C. Shore, administrator of S. M. Ashley, deceased vs Margaret Ashley et al. the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction at the court house door in Yadkinville on Monday, June 1st, 1925, at 1 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate: Adjoining the lands of P. M. Nicks, A. J. Reinhardt and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone in the middle of the branch being the northwest corner, runs south 17.35 chs to a stone at a pine, Nicks' corner; thence east with Nicks' line 17.77 chs to a stone; thence north 2.50 chs to a stone in the swamp; thence east 75 links to the middle of the branch; thence north 15 degrees west with said branch as it meanders 6 chains to a crook in the branch; then north 20 degrees east 1 chain with said branch; then north 30 degrees west with said branch 5 chains to Mathis' line; the nearly west, with said branch as it meanders 30.30 chs; then north about 10 degrees west with said branch 12 chs to the beginning containing 25 acres more or less.

Terms of sale one-half cash on confirmation of sale, remainder on credit of six months with bond and approved security. This the 30th day of April, 1925.

B. C. Shore, Commissioner.