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ASSOCIATION HAS JOB OF PLANTING AROUND THE LAKE

Group of People Who Restored
Battle Park Will Beautify
Slopes by the Reservoir

BODY IS INCORPORATED

The Battle Park Association has been incorporated, and the University trustees have entrusted it with the care of both the park and the area around the new University Lake.

A committee will prepare plans for planting the area around the lake and areas within the park. The improvement of the park will be a continuation of the work which has been going on for two years, under the direction of Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt. He is the leading spirit in the new organization.

A man who has pleasant memories of the late Kemp P. Battle and of the walks with him in the park has subscribed \$100 for a life membership in the association. The annual membership dues are: active, \$1; contributing, \$5 to \$25; life, \$100; patrons, \$500 or more. Anybody who is interested in maintaining the park as a recreational resort for the community and as a memorial to President Battle, is eligible to membership. Dues should be sent to Dr. James B. Bullitt.

Since 1931 the association has opened nearly six miles of trails, built eight foot-bridges and a pavilion, prepared three picnic grounds, cleared the park of material that had been dumped in it, placed many benches and seats, and done considerable planting. The result is that the park is once again a place of beauty.

It is easily accessible, with many entrances. A map has recently been made, showing all

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The Finals

School Program Begins Sunday with
Baccalaureate Sermon

The Chapel Hill school commencement program begins Sunday (day after tomorrow) with the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Ronald J. Tamblin in the Presbyterian church.

Senior class day exercises will take place at 4:30 Saturday afternoon, June 3 (one week from tomorrow). The final exercises, with the commencement address by Rev. E. McNeill Po-teat of Raleigh, will be held Saturday evening.

The commencement exercises of the Negro institution, the Orange County Training School, are scheduled for Thursday and Friday of next week, June 1 and 2. Senior exercises and play, Thursday evening; graduation exercises Friday evening, with Howard W. Odum as the speaker.

Miss Lawson a Winner

Miss Estelle Lawson, defending champion, was a winner in the first round of the Women's Carolinas Golf Tournament day before yesterday in Charleston. She beat Mrs. W. A. Hutchinson 5 and 3. This paper went to press before news of the result of Miss Lawson's match yesterday was received.

A Concert in Raleigh

The North Carolina Symphony Society will give a concert Monday evening in Raleigh.

United States Senator J. W. Bailey Gives Views on Currency Inflation

EDITOR'S NOTE

United States Senator J. W. Bailey was recently criticized by some North Carolina newspapers for "not supporting the President." Since Mr. Bailey voted against the Farm Relief bill, important provisions in it to which he objected, and which caused him to vote against it, have been practically abandoned by the President himself; that is, the President has given notice that he will not put the provisions into effect.

In the course of a statement which Mr. Bailey made about his position on the Farm Relief bill published about two weeks ago, he said that one of his objections was that the measure "proposed three distinct currency plans," and he thought that "one at a time is enough."

This prompted us to write a letter to Mr. Bailey to this effect: "We do not believe the people of North Carolina understand clearly your position upon the question of currency inflation. What kind of inflation, if any, do you favor? And why?" Here is his response:

In the Farm Bill there appeared to be, on its face, three inflationary methods proposed, as follows:

1. The purchase by Regional Federal Reserve Banks, with Reserve Notes, of \$3,000,000,000 of Government securities in the open market. I opposed this because the effect would be deflationary and not inflationary. That is to say, the issuing of \$3,000,000,000 of Federal Reserve notes in addition to those outstanding would absorb the entire reserve of the Federal Reserve System and cut off the last hope of conserving the resources of that System for commercial and industrial and agricultural loans. The System would become a mere depository of Government securities and would really be frozen since no one could buy these securities in such quantities except the banks. This is what happened March 8th: The banks were loaded

down with Government securities and their money was depleted accordingly. They could not sell these securities.

The President is now undertaking to operate this plan. I think you will see its failure in six weeks. Mr. Hoover tried it three different times and it failed each time. It may be described as the normal plan provided in our currency and banking system. The only objection to it is that it will not work under present conditions.

2. The next plan is the printing-press money, that is the engraving of \$3,000,000,000 of greenbacks unsupported by value other than the simple promise of the Government to pay. These are to be used to purchase Government bonds and short term paper in open market.

The objection to this is that once we begin issuing money without the support of actual value, there can be no end of it. Upon the failure of \$3,000,000,000 to produce a satisfactory consequence, there would be an immediate demand for \$3,000,000,000 more, and in fact there was a demand for \$2,500,000,000 more to pay the soldiers' certificates which have not matured. I will agree that the issuing of \$3,000,000,000 of Government notes for the purchase of Government bonds would be inflationary. However, I do not think that people who hold bonds payable in gold and bearing interest would willingly exchange them for simple promises to pay unsecured, and especially when these promises to pay are not promises to pay in gold. I put the simple point to you. If you had a Government bond payable in gold of the present standard of weight and fineness and bearing four per cent interest, would you exchange it for a Government note not payable in gold, but payable in indefinite money and bearing no interest?

The logic of the advocates of the soldiers' certificates in view

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Gwynn Quits School

Will Study at Yale; King Also Resigns, to Go to Chicago

J. Minor Gwynn, superintendent of the school here, has resigned from the position in order to pursue graduate studies, leading to a doctor's degree, in the department of education at Yale University. Yale has awarded him a fellowship which carries \$500 and tuition for one year.

Mr. Gwynn took over the administration of the school last year, and he has made a success of his task. It is not yet known who will take his place.

He will be here through the summer.

Arnold K. King, who teaches history in the high school, has received a fellowship from the General Education Board and will study next year at the University of Chicago.

Community Club

The last meeting of the year of the Community Club will be held at 3:30 this (Friday) afternoon in the Episcopal parish house. Reports of the delegates to the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs will be read.

The Playmakers' Caper

Stage Entertainment to Be Followed by Refreshments and Dancing

The Carolina Playmakers are going to have their annual Caper tomorrow (Saturday) evening. It will begin at 8:30 and will end at no particular time—when ever the caperers get tired of capering.

At some stage in the proceedings will come the ceremony of awarding Playmaker masks to the young men and young women who have distinguished themselves with the troupe this year.

Dougald MacMillan will be master of ceremonies.

For the stage entertainment something new has been devised. It is a play in the manner of the Italian *comedia dell'art*, in which the actors, with the framework of a plot provided for them, improvise their lines as they go along. J. P. McConaughy has fabricated a plot for tomorrow night.

There will be refreshments in the greenroom. Thor Johnson's orchestra will play jazz for general dancing.

An invitation is extended to anybody who has ever been connected with the Playmaker organization in any capacity.

THE SCHOOL MUST BE SAVED

The people of Chapel Hill have a problem before them. They must save their school.

There are many uncertainties in the state's new school law. But there is one thing that is not uncertain: that is, the Chapel Hill school will be wrecked if it has to depend upon the allowance it may expect from the state.

All citizens who want the children of Chapel Hill to have a decent education should make up their minds now to join in a vigorous campaign for a special tax to supplement the state allowance.

The required special tax will put a very small burden on any single property owner, but the aggregate revenue from the tax will make the difference between a poor school and a good school.

Poppy Sale Tomorrow

Women Volunteers Working under the
Direction of Mrs. W. B. Neal

The annual poppy sale for the benefit of disabled World War veterans will be conducted tomorrow by the women of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Completion of the arrangements for the sale was announced yesterday by Mrs. W. B. Neal, chairman of the committee in charge. More than 40 women have been enrolled as volunteer workers. They will sell the poppies at the post-office, the bank, the drugstores, at other places in the village, and on the University campus.

The standard price of one of the flowers is 10 cents, but frequently purchasers make an additional contribution.

Making poppies has given hundreds of disabled veterans employment during the winter months. These are the only persons who receive any pay in connection with the poppy program.

The Chapel Hill poppy corps is part of a national army of 100,000 women. These women hope to place "the flower of remembrance" on at least ten million coats before sunset Saturday. The money they take in will enable the Legion Auxiliary to carry on its relief and rehabilitation work for the veterans.

"Tweedles"

The seniors of the high school will give Booth Tarkington's comedy, "Tweedles," at 8:30 next Friday evening, June 2, in the school auditorium. The play is a satire about summer resort life in New England.

P. C. Farrar is the director. The parts will be taken by Ida Winstead, Marie Lawrence, May Crowder, Horace Hamilton, Erika Zimmerman, Leon Russell, Don McKee, Ted Caldwell, and Irby Wright.

Club's Supper and Dance

The Country Club will have a barbecue supper at 6:30 tomorrow (Saturday) evening. After the supper there will be dancing. For the supper the hostesses are Mrs. T. J. Wilson, Jr., Mrs. F. O. Bowman, and Mrs. E. W. Knight; for the dance, Mrs. Grover Beard and Mrs. W. M. Dey.

School Question Puzzles Community; New Statute Not Clearly Understood

Chapel Hill Chaff

I am keenly interested in airplanes, but not sufficiently interested to want to listen to the roaring of their engines when I am sitting out in the garden on a Sunday afternoon. Or on any other afternoon.

Several of my friends in the village have told me of being annoyed by the planes, and I understand that complaints have been made to the municipal authorities. The obvious remedy for the nuisance is greater altitude. I suppose that Mr. Tull, the ruler and guardian of our airport, having learned that the clamor annoys the community, will see to it that henceforth the planes that go out from there fly higher.

When Joe Jones and his mother were leaving the Forest Theatre, where they had seen "A Midsummer Night's Dream," they found an empty spectacle case on the side of the road.

The next day some friends of Mrs. Jones came over from Durham to visit her. She was telling them about the play and said she was sorry that they had not seen it. "But we did see it," replied a woman in the party. "It was fine. There was only one flaw in the evening: I lost my spectacle case."

Mrs. Jones turned to a table picked up the case, held it out to the visitor, and said: "Well here it is."

Favors Tax Election

P. T. A. Adopts Resolution Calling
for Supplementary Funds

Interest in the crisis brought on by the state's new school law brought a large attendance to the meeting of the Chapel Hill Parent Teachers' Association Tuesday evening.

The assemblage was told by Superintendent Gwynn and other speakers how seriously the school here would be damaged unless the funds to be allowed by the state were supplemented by local taxation. Upon a motion by Harold D. Meyer, the association adopted unanimously a resolution calling for a special election for the purpose of raising the necessary supplements.

Mr. Gwynn explained how the provisions of the new law affected the Chapel Hill school. If it were operated in compliance with that law, without any additional money, it would be taken off the list of accredited schools of the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges. The allowance from the state is not even sufficient to warm the building properly in the winter and to provide other essential services.

R. J. M. Hobbs spoke upon some features of the new law.

Mrs. Harrer was elected president of the association, George Howard vice-president, and Mrs. Crockford secretary-treasurer.

Bull's Head Open in Summer

The Bull's Head Book Shop will remain open this summer. Betty Barnett will be in charge. Miss Dirnberger will be with the Repertory Playhouse in New York.

A Local Tax Election Will Be Held, but What Will Be the Limits of the District?

People in Chapel Hill are all in a muddle over the question of what is going to become of the school. Nobody really understands the new law—the so-called "school machinery act"—and this community, like other communities all over the state, is looking to the newly appointed school commission to clarify the situation.

That there will be a tax election here, to determine whether or not Chapel Hill will supplement with its own funds the meagre allowance from the state, is regarded as certain. But there is doubt as to the geographical limits of the district in which the voting will be done.

The state school commission has the authority to determine the layout of all the administrative units. At present the Chapel Hill school district includes very little inhabited territory outside the corporate limits of the village; that is, the school district is practically the same as the village. But the state commission is not obliged to maintain the present boundaries for the purpose of a tax election. It may include much more territory in the district; the whole township, or, if it so desires, two townships or more.

The people of Chapel Hill who favor a special tax do not yet know themselves whether they want the vote taken in the district as it is now or in an enlarged district. And some of the citizens (though they are believed to be in the minority) do not want a vote taken at all; they would rather be free of a special tax and let the school sink to the low level established by the state for the uniform eight-months term.

If the district is enlarged, and if the special tax is voted, the rate of tax will not have to be

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A Beauty Pageant

Will Be Held by American Legion in
Memorial Hall June 16

A beauty pageant will be held Friday evening, June 16, in Memorial hall by the Chapel Hill post of the American Legion. About seventy-five young women are expected to appear in it.

The winner will get a free trip to the state convention of the Legion in Wilmington this summer, and the winner of the beauty contest there will go as "Miss North Carolina" to the Legion's national convention in Chicago.

The admission to the pageant here in Chapel Hill will be 25 cents.

To Decorate Veterans' Graves

World War veterans will go around to the cemeteries in Orange county Sunday afternoon (day after tomorrow) to decorate the graves of veterans who died in the war or afterward. The Hillsboro group will meet at the court house at 1:30 P. M.; the Chapel Hill group will meet at the Episcopal parish house at 2 P. M.