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## P. T. A. Visitors Make Merry in Their Dormitory

Sound of Revelry by Night Is Heard When Delegates Start Up Swing Songs and Dances

LIGHTS OUT, THEN QUIET

By Arthur Clark

The telephone awakened Russell Grumman about one o'clock on Thursday night of last week. Mr. Grumman answered the call in a somewhat irritated tone, and an even more irritated voice answered him back.

"What do you want me to do with your P. T. A. people up here," asked the campus policeman, Frank Maddry.

"Why, what's the matter?" asked Mr. Grumman.

"Well, we can't make 'em go to sleep and they are keeping the other dormitories awake with their noise," said Mr. Maddry.

"I'll call up the matron," said Mr. Grumman, "and do whatever else I can to help you."

He called up the matron of the dormitory allotted to people who come to conventions and institutes. She reported that, a little while before, persons on the second floor had started merrymaking. Others had joined in, and now the visitors to the P. T. A. Institute were turning the building into a sort of night club.

The sound of singing and dancing had reached over to a nearby dormitory and stirred the interest of the men students domiciled there. They enjoyed the party from across the court.

A young man said the next day: "The singers and dancers seemed to me to range from 35 to 60 years old. The old girls sure were having a great time."

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## Fire in Theater

Damage to Playmaker Building Interior Estimated at \$30,000

A fire broke out Saturday afternoon on the stage of the Playmakers Theater—the old building that was a ballroom in the days before the Civil War, later the library, later the law building. The structure itself was not damaged, but the destruction of the interior wall surfaces and woodwork, and of the stage, stage equipment, and seats, caused a loss thought to be around \$30,000.

The Chapel Hill firemen did what all onlookers agreed was splendid work. The flames had gained great headway when they arrived, but the flames were kept confined to the stage and the offices at the front (east end) of the building were saved.

Paul Quina, student Playmaker, the only person in the theater when the fire started, told Bob duFour, reporter for this paper, what happened:

"From where I was standing, it seemed the flames started from the small house panel beside the main switchboard. The main curtain covers that board, and the fire shot right up the curtain to the grid.

"I grabbed the extinguisher as soon as I saw trouble, and started playing a stream on the curtain, but the more I put on the worse the fire became, so I

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Miss Kathleen Wright III

Miss Kathleen Wright, head of the bureau of class instruction of the University's extension division, has been in John Hopkins hospital for treatment during the last two weeks.

## Playground Activities to Close with Carnival at School Next Wednesday

A carnival, side shows, a ring performance, and Jumbo the elephant will appear on the elementary school grounds at 4:30 next Wednesday afternoon, August 24, as the closing event of the recreation program which has been in progress eleven weeks under the sponsorship of the P. T. A. and other civic organizations and under the immediate direction of W. P. A. The day will close with a picnic at 6 o'clock. Children who have been participating in the playground program are invited to bring their parents and a basket supper.

For a week the children have been taking part in tournaments. A parade on wheels, escorted by the police from the school to the post office and back again, opened the series of events which began Thursday. More than 75 children on bicycles, velocipedes, scooters, rolling baby carriages and doll buggies, and pulling big red wagons, took part in the parade. John Evans, dressed as a homesteader, pulling a cov-

## Livas and Gust Close Their Coffee Shop; They Will Have It Open Again Next Week

Many people in Chapel Hill have turned away in sorrow from the Carolina Coffee Shop this week. They have come to regard the place as their club, in which they have a sort of proprietary interest, and they feel aggrieved at not being able to get in. But let them cheer up. The Coffee Shop, now being thoroughly renovated and re-equipped, will be open again early next week with food and drink for all comers.

Often in the last two or three months, when I went in there, I saw two or three strangers seated at a corner table with the proprietors, George Livas and James Gust. They had their heads close together and talked in low and confidential tones. Sometimes there was one set of strangers, sometimes another.

"What's all this about?" I asked myself. "It looks to me like some sort of plot. I wonder if it's a revolutionary junta? Maybe Mr. Livas and Mr. Gust are getting ready to go over to Greece and overthrow the dictatorship—maybe set up a dictatorship of their own."

I didn't like the prospect of having these friends of mine leave Chapel Hill, but it was their affair and I said nothing about my suspicions. If they were bent on seizing the reins of government in the fatherland I wished them well.

Now the mystery is solved. The proprietors were conferring with those mysterious strangers about a kitchen range, a refrigerator, a dish-washing machine, chairs and tables, and

## Directions for Registering for the Liquor Control Election September 7

Citizens who have not already registered for a general election or in a primary for a general election, and who want to vote in the liquor control election September 7, must register this week or next week. Sunset on Saturday the 27th is the deadline.

Paul Robertson, the registrar, will be at the elementary school with his books on the two Saturdays, tomorrow and the 27th, from 9 o'clock till sunset, and on other days he will be at his office, on the second floor of the Carolina theatre building, to re-

## Chapel Hill Chaff

Louis R. Wilson and I got into an argument one day this week. I declared that nowhere else in Chapel Hill were the mosquitoes so large and fierce as on the lawn of the John M. Booker home. He declared that the Booker mosquitoes were surpassed both in size and fierceness by those that frequented the Wagstaff lawn. He had tested both armies, he said, and was well qualified to say which deserved the palm.

On a recent evening I went to the Bookers' for the special purpose of calling on their guest, William J. Battle. Through a window I saw that the family were still at the dinner table. So as not to disturb them I tiptoed off the porch, walked to the cluster of chairs in the yard, and sat down to wait. The next moment I felt a sharp stab on the front of my right ankle. I cried out in pain, and my first thought was that I must have been attacked by a copperhead. Then I felt similar thrusts on the neck, and again on the ankle. An angry buzzing sound filled the air as reserves came up in force. I became panicky. Beating the air with my hands I ran to my automobile, got in, and sped away.

I returned the next morning, and enjoyed a talk with Mr. Battle and Kemp Lewis and the Bookers on the porch. In the daylight the mosquitoes were nowhere to be felt or seen.

It was when we met at the Bookers' a night or so later that Mr. Wilson spoke of the championship calibre of the Wagstaff

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various other equipment and furnishings. No doubt, when I suspected that the talk was of machine guns and a sudden attack on the prime minister's palace, Mr. Livas or Mr. Gust was saying, "Your figure is too high," and a stranger was replying, "Why, it's a gift at that price."

All of which, however, is (Continued on last page)

## The Summer Session Bulletin

- FRIDAY, AUGUST 19
  - Annual coaching school
  - 7:00—Organ vespers, Memorial hall
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 20
  - Annual coaching school
  - 9:30—Dance, Bynum gymnasium
- SUNDAY, AUGUST 21
  - 8:30—Music under the stars, Kenan stadium
- MONDAY, AUGUST 22
  - 7:00—Organ vespers, Memorial hall
  - Annual coaching school
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 23
  - 7:00—Organ vespers, Memorial hall
  - Annual coaching school
- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24
  - 7:00—Organ vespers, Memorial hall
  - 8:00—"Bazaar in India," Hill hall
  - Annual coaching school
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 25
  - 7:00—Organ vespers, Memorial hall
  - 8:30—"Trial by Jury," Hill hall
  - Annual coaching school
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 26
  - 7:00—Organ vespers, Memorial hall
  - 9:30—Dance, Bynum gymnasium
  - Annual coaching school
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 27
  - 9:30—Dance, Bynum gymnasium
  - Annual coaching school

## Contract for Town Hall Let to Burlington Man for \$31,960; Job to Be Done in Six Months

### Organ Recital; Dances

The final organ recital of the summer will be given by Robert Brawley, the Summer Session organist, from 7 to 7:30 on Friday evening of next week, the 26th in Memorial hall. This featured performance will be twice as long as the usual organ vespers, and request numbers will be played. People should send their requests to the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Brawley, whose home is in Raleigh, is a talented music student in the University.

### Dances

The next to the last series of summer dances will be given this (Friday) evening and tomorrow evening in the Bynum gymnasium. Ted Ross and his orchestra will play.

M. E. Valentine, dancing teacher, and his partner will do a feature dance in the intermission at the Saturday dance. This evening John McC. Mimms will sing a solo.

### Coaching School Gets Start from Ray Wolf

It was almost as good as a football game—in fact, quite as good as some games I've seen—to see Coach Ray Wolf giving instructions to about 80 men assembled for the first session of the University Coaching School Monday afternoon. He was inaugurating Football Week; the second and final week, which begins this coming Monday, will be devoted to basketball, baseball, and track.

While he stood up before the company Wolf had in his hands a football which he fondled lovingly. He showed how to grip the ball to make a forward pass, and how to receive a pass. He had the full details on both these performances, but when it came to a defense against passing—

"I wish I could tell you something about it," he said. "I wish (Continued on last page)

### Jack Beard here on Furlough

Jack Beard, on furlough as he is about to begin his final year at the Naval Academy, is here on a visit to his father, Grover Beard. He has been cruising since June. He must be back at the Academy September 3—earlier than most of the other cadets in his class because he is on the football squad and must begin practicing.

### Going to Pharmacy Convention

H. M. Burlage and M. L. Jacobs will attend the convention of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy next week in Minneapolis.

### Structure Designed by Atwood and Weeks to Contain Jail, Court, Fire Headquarters

GOVT. PAYS 45% OF COST

The contract for the construction of Chapel Hill's town hall was let yesterday to H. F. Mitchell, Jr., of Burlington for \$31,960. The bids were opened at a special meeting of the board of aldermen attended by Mayor Foushee and Aldermen, Hellen, Bowman, Robertson, Burch, and Madry.

The plumbing and heating contracts were let to the Bagwell Plumbing and Heating Company of Durham. The figure for the plumbing is \$1,767, for the heating \$2,270.

This is a joint federal-municipal enterprise. The federal government contributes 45 per cent of the cost through the P. W. A., the town contributes the remaining 55 per cent. Yesterday was the deadline date fixed by the government for the starting of the job, and enough was done to meet the technical requirement. This wasn't much—just a few stabs into the ground with a pick and the preparation of a sign to tell passersby that it is a P. W. A. project.

The contractor will proceed at once to bring to the scene the necessary equipment and to assemble his personnel. The contract stipulates that he must finish the job in six months, which means that the building will be ready for occupancy toward the end of February.

It will contain a courtroom, quarters for the fire department, a jail, administrative offices, and lavatories.

Atwood and Weeks are the architects.

### See India Here

Bazaar, with Opium Pipes, Weapons, and Trinkets, in Hill Hall

The summer entertainment committee will present "A Bazaar in India" at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening in the Hill music hall.

W. S. Willett, owner of the bazaar, collected his various exhibits while stationed in India over a period of six years.

Among them are opium pipes, native crafts, some tiger rugs, trinkets, weapons of the hunt and war, and skins.

According to a handbill announcing the show, "You will be transported to India on a magic carpet and spend a delightful time traveling over its highways and byways and through its bazaars and jungles."

### "Trial by Jury" Next Week

The concert version of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury" will be given at 8:30 Thursday evening in the Hill Music hall. The production will be under the direction of John E. Toims.

### Robert B. House to Preach

Robert B. House will be the preacher at the Union services in the Baptist church Sunday morning. The Presbyterians will have charge of the services. Mrs. A. S. Wheeler will be at the organ.

### Measles Subsiding

Measles is subsiding in this county. There were 77 cases reported in July; there have been only 14 reported since August 1.