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Collection of Plants in Far Regions to Be Topic of Talk

Mrs. Mary G. Henry of Gladwyne, Pa., who has won fame by her adventures in plant collecting all over North America, will give a lecture, illustrated with colored pictures, at 8 o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) evening in Davie hall (the botany building) on the University campus. Her topic will be "Exploring beyond the Frontier in Northern British Columbia." Everybody is invited.

Mrs. Henry is here as the guest of the University's botany department and the Chapel Hill Garden Club.

She will recount some of her experiences during four seasons of collecting and exploring in a little known region of the Northwest. After she gave a series of lectures on the same subject in 1948 before the Royal Scottish Geographical Society the Society awarded to her the Mungo Park Medal.

She has lectured frequently before horticultural societies in Europe, including the Royal Agricultural Society of Great Britain. She has been for years a research associate of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia.

A peak in a range of mountains near the Alcan Highway, the highway that was built during the war for the transportation of troops and munitions and supplies to Alaska, is named Mt. Mary Henry in her honor.

Mrs. Henry has brought into cultivation at her home at Gladwyne, near Philadelphia, rare native American plants, some of them spectacularly beautiful, which have been neglected generally by American horticulturists. She has there more than 1,000 species of living native plants. These include an unparalleled collection of plants of the Southeastern states.

In the course of her explorations she has made 60 trips to the Southeastern states and 20 to the Northeastern states, and she has spent 11 seasons in the Rocky Mountains.

Joneses' Car Wrecked By a Lady Look-Away

Dr. and Mrs. Kemp Jones and their two children, Gordon and Connie, were on their way west to Salisbury by automobile last Sunday to have a delayed Thanksgiving dinner with the doctor's parents. As they were nearing Graham an eastbound woman driver who was looking away from the road ahead veered to the left, ran into their car, and knocked it off the road. It turned over two or three times and was practically demolished. Miraculously the Joneses came out of the wreck with only one injury, a strain to Mrs. Jones's back. They had to give up the trip to Salisbury, but the dinner they were going to get there was made up for by the one they went to that evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Philips.

Stores Open Till 9 P.M.

Most of the stores here will be open till 9 o'clock this (Friday) evening and tomorrow evening for the convenience of people who don't have time to do their Christmas shopping during the day. They will also stay open till 9 p.m. from December 18 through December 24.

A gift to a friend, a subscription to the Weekly; inside Orange county \$2 a year, outside \$3.

Report Shows Remarkable Advance in Production on Farms in Orange County

County Agent Don Matheson's annual report to the county commissioners, presented at their meeting this week, shows the continued remarkable advance in production on the farms of Orange county.

Here are some of the facts he sets down about farming activities this year:

The revenue to dairymen from the sale of milk was \$700,000. . . . Poultry sales grossed over \$500,000, and Orange poultrymen are keeping 122,000 laying hens. . . . Sales by farming women at the Chapel Hill curb market amounted to \$32,500.

. . . Farmers received \$1,000,000 from the sale of livestock at the Farmers' Mutual Livestock Market in Hillsboro. The total for livestock, poultry, grain, etc., marketed for farmers by the Mutual's three units in the county was \$1,214,000, and the sales of feed and farm supplies to farmers at these units amounted to \$1,016,000. . . . Fish ponds were built and stocked with fish by 44 farmers. . . . 1,217 cows were bred artificially to some of the best proven bulls in the nation. . . . 12 new Grade A dairies were started, and three established Grade A dairymen built new and more modern milking barns. . . . 600 acres of soybeans were harvested. Illustrative of the change that has taken place in farming in this region is the fact that the county's income from soybeans is now greater than its income from cotton.

The farmers of Orange have launched a movement to raise the annual income per farm by \$1,000, to improve living conditions on farms, and to carry out useful community projects. A circular about the movement, the printing of which was a contribution from the Lions Club and the Merchants Association of Hillsboro, is soon to be distributed to all farmers in the county.

There are four pig club chains in operation in the county, and 200 families own purebred Spotted Poland China hogs. The Orange County Spotted Poland China Association held two shows and sales this year, put on exhibits at the State Fair and the Durham Fat Stock Show, and helped its members in registering 244 animals.

Christmas Lights Turned Off; They Created Danger by Obscuring Traffic Signal Lights

Town Manager Rose has ordered the Christmas lights at street intersections turned off because they obscured the traffic lights, thereby confusing both pedestrians and drivers and creating a serious danger.

The order was issued Wednesday and took effect that night. Miss Jane Berryhill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Berryhill, a sophomore in the University, had been struck by a car at the Carolina Inn corner the night before and many complaints had come to the town manager by letter and telephone. Both Miss Berryhill and the driver of the car that struck her said they had been confused because of not being able to see the signal lights clearly amid the Christmas lights.

"The Christmas lights won't be turned on again unless something is done that will keep them from creating a danger," said Mr. Rose yesterday.

A fund for the Christmas lights was raised by the Merchants Association and they were put up by the University Service Plants.

Club Women to Hear Miss Akers

The Community Club's international relations department will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, in the Pine room of the Carolina Inn, with Miss Willinda Savage as hostess. Miss Susan G. Akers, dean of the University's school of library science, will speak on "Japan Today." She will discuss some of the aspects of Japanese life she observed while recently in Japan several months as a special library consultant.

New Post for R. E. Coker, Jr.

In order to accept appointment as director of the division of local health administration of the State Board of Health, Dr. Robert E. Coker, jr., has resigned as Alamance county health officer.

New Church to Open Jan. 6

Chapel Hill's new Lutheran church will open Sunday, January 6. The church is at the corner of Rosemary and Pickard lanes.

This issue of the Weekly has 16 pages in 2 sections.

Chapel Hill Chaff

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. deRoulhac Hamilton were not at home Sunday when their son, Dr. Alfred Hamilton, came up from Raleigh, and he went back without seeing them. They had some compensation, though, for missing his visit. Dr. Hamilton had two companions on his drive here. One, his son Hugh, he took back with him. The other he left in his parents' ice-box. It was a goose that he had shot when he and Graham Trott had gone on a trip to Lake Mattamuskeet.

Taking its text from comments in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on the revival of the derby hat in England, the Danville (Va.) Register publishes an editorial about the wearing of a derby hat by Ralph McCauley, the former Chapel Hillian who is the proprietor of the Hotel Leeland in Danville. "McCauley's derby is reserved for special occasions," says the Register. "He wears it at a distinctive angle, avoiding alike the sedate level and the theatrical tilt. On him the black derby looks like something men of distinction wear rather than an antique culled from grandfather's long-forgotten wardrobe. If and when the derby regains favor beyond the horsy set, Ralph McCauley will be wearing his, as usual, with an aplomb that few of the new faddists will be able to approach."

The only derby-wearer of my acquaintance is the eminent attorney, Jones Fuller. It has become so much a part of him, and so familiar a part of the Durham scene, that for him to appear in any other kind of headgear would be in the nature of a revolution. You would be making a mistake if you said that Mr. Fuller's derby gives him distinction. (Continued on page two)

Rabid Mongrel Bites Child, Mules, Dogs, Hogs, and Chickens in Two-Mile Rampage

About 9 o'clock Monday morning three Negro men came to the Health Department with the head of a mongrel dog they had just killed and which had bitten a 12-year-old girl, two mules, and a number of hogs, chickens, and dogs in the Farrington Mill road neighborhood a few miles to the southwest of Chapel Hill. One of the men, Clyde Thompson, was the father of the bitten child and the owner of the mules. He accompanied Dr. George Chrisman, the Health Department veterinarian, to Raleigh, where an examination of the dog's head showed that the animal was rabid at the time of its death.

The girl is being given the anti-rabies Pasteur treatment by Dr. John S. Hooker and is almost certain not to contract the disease. The mules are also being given the Pasteur treatment (by Dr. Chrisman) and are expected to be all right. But some of the dogs and other animals bitten by the rabid mongrel while it ranged over an area of about two square miles are still at large and are a danger to people and animals.

In reporting the case, Dr. Chrisman said, "This kind of situation could be prevented if people would have their dogs vaccinated against rabies every year, as required by law."

In order to give people in that part of the countryside an opportunity to have their dogs vaccinated, Dr. Chrisman will hold a vaccination clinic at 1 o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at Blake's service station on the Pittsboro road at the Orange-Chatham county line. The clinic will last about an hour.

Notice to Christmas Mailers

Because of the Christmas mailing rush, the parcel post window at the Chapel Hill post office will be open all day tomorrow (Saturday), from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Other windows at the post office will observe the regular 1 p.m. Saturday closing hour tomorrow, but all windows, including parcel post, will be open all day Saturday, December 15 and Saturday, December 22.

Watts Poes on Oakwood Drive

Mr. and Mrs. Watts Poe and their son, Watts jr., have moved from 412 North street to 5 Oakwood drive, the house they recently bought from David Correll.

Bogus \$20 Bills That a Farmer Declares He Found in His Barn Brought to the Chapel Hill Bank; Secret Service Men Come Here

The First Gathering in the New Library Addition

The first gathering in the University's new Library addition will be the December meeting of the American Association of University Women in the Assembly-Exhibition room at 8 o'clock next Thursday evening. This room is on the ground floor in the west wing of the new building—the first room on your right when you enter by the west door.

The speakers will be Miss Dorothy McCuskey, Glen Haydon, and Mrs. Kerro Knox. They will talk about what they saw and heard in Europe last summer.

Although the new building will not be formally opened till April 18, it is already in partial use. The structure itself is practically complete. The main job still to be done is the paneling and other fixing-up in the North Carolina section. The stacks, which were delayed by the steel shortage, have now arrived and are being installed.

Parents Planning to Enlarge Art Program

The chief purpose of the newly organized School Art Guild (at first called the Art Parents Club) is to raise money to supplement and enlarge the present art program in the Chapel Hill public schools. Anybody who is interested in this endeavor is invited to join the group by telephoning Mrs. Harold Weaver (5211), who is chairman of the membership committee.

In addition to fostering a broader art program in the schools, the club will form art workshops for parents and organize art study groups among its members.

At its second meeting Tuesday evening of this week the club drew up a constitution and set up a finance and endowment committee, with Mrs. Gordon Gray as chairman.

At the organization's first meeting last week the following officers were elected: Mrs. R. W. Linker, president; Mrs. Kay Kyser, vice-president; Mrs. Henry Brandis, secretary, and Mrs. Tom Scott, treasurer.

League's Christmas Party

The Junior Service League will hold its annual Christmas party at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 11, at the Episcopal parish house. Mrs. Sybil Linve, who studied at the Pasadena School of Dramatics and who has done extensive work in dramatics in Cincinnati, Ohio, will read Henry Van Dyke's "The First Christmas Tree." Mrs. T. M. Stanback jr. will sing several favorite Christmas songs, after which the members will sing Christmas carols.

Knight Flies to Cleveland

Edgar W. Knight went to Cleveland, Ohio, by airplane yesterday to attend a three-day meeting of the Cleveland Conference, a company of educational scholars from all parts of the country.

Mrs. Russell to Be Here

Mrs. Lucy P. Russell of Rockingham will arrive Monday for several days at the Carolina Inn.

Classified ads appear on pages 6 and 8.

Six of the counterfeit \$20 bills (total, \$3,720) found by a tenant farmer in his barn at Rougemont, Durham County, were offered for deposit; four were brought in, to be shown to W. E. Thompson, executive vice-president of the bank, by a man who had found on them the serial number given in the Durham paper's article about the counterfeit money.

The bank here had been notified by the Citizens National Bank of Durham about the counterfeit money's being in circulation and the tellers were cautioned to examine carefully all \$20 bills offered for cashing or deposit.

As required by law, the bank kept the two bills offered for deposit, one of which was brought in by Mrs. J. L. Sutton along with other money she had received from customers.

Two U.S. Secret Service agents, who were in Durham investigating the case, came over here and examined the bills. They pronounced the counterfeiting job an excellent one, a confirmation of the opinion that Mr. Thompson had already expressed.

"The bills had a slightly greasy look and the paper was a little thinner than that used in genuine bills," said Mr. Thompson, "but a person not on the watch for a counterfeit would never notice the difference."

The bills all bore the same serial number, G97958599C. No two genuine bills ever have the same serial number; the number changes with the printing of each one.

The man who brought in the four bills to show to Mr. Thompson was Walter Moore, the barber. The tenant of a farm owned (Continued on page 8)

The Grady Pritchards Have a Granddaughter

The Grady Pritchards have a granddaughter. That is not the conventional way to set down the news, of course, for there are other persons more closely connected with the affair: namely, the father and mother of the newcomer, Mr. and Mrs. William Grady Pritchard, jr. But what newspapermen know as "the local angle" has to be taken into account. The grandparents live here in Chapel Hill and are seen on the streets day in and day out, whereas the parents live about a hundred miles away and come here only occasionally; so, naturally, Chapel Hill is more interested in the Grady Pritchards' becoming grandparents than in their son Bill's becoming a parent.

Not that the village is indifferent to the latter development—not that at all; for Bill is well known and well liked here, and while in the University he had a special importance as a star football player.

But now to get to a conventional statement of the news: A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Grady Pritchard, jr., last Friday, November 30, in Wilson, where Mr. Pritchard is in the casualty insurance business. The mother is the former Miss Beverly Johnson of Mayodan. When the Weekly went to press yesterday the daughter had not yet been named.