

Class of 11 Graduated at Vass-Lakeview

President of Maxton College Addresses Seniors and Rev. Stimson Delivers Baccalaureate

Graduation exercises of the Vass-Lakeview High School were held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, at which time diplomas were presented to the eleven graduates by County Superintendent H. Lee Thomas. The Rev. Cary Adams, president of Maxton Presbyterian College, was the speaker and his message was one of interest and sound counsel. Mr. Adams was introduced by his personal friend, the Rev. C. A. Lawrence.

Diplomas were awarded to the following: Pauline Elizabeth Thompson, Minnie Dera Dawson, Annie L. Thomas, Laura Helen Klingenschmidt, Marian Genevieve Cameron, LeRoy Furr, Coker D. Blue, Robert Guthrie Rosser, Joseph Henry McRae, Marvin Jasper Williams and Richard Emerson Oldham.

The recitation medal was presented to Marian McMillan; the declamation medal to Henry Parker; the scholarship medal to Lula Cameron, and a fountain pen, given by the Woman's Club to that student in high school making the greatest improvement in English work during the year, to Watson Marks. Supt. McCrummen, who presented these awards, also gave certificates to the twenty-five seventh grade graduates and perfect attendance certificates to a large number who had been neither absent nor tardy during the year.

All of the commencement programs were well attended, beginning with the recitation-declination contest on Friday evening. Those competing for the medals were Myrtle Priest, Frances Bailey, Marian McMillan, Viola Briggs and Rebecca Gardner; Herbert Cameron, Henry Parker and Preston Matthews.

On Sunday evening the baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Rev. J. Fred Stimson of Southern Pines. The substance of his splendid sermon was that unless God was given first place in the life, that life could be but a miserable failure. Mr. Stimson was introduced by Attorney W. Duncan Matthews.

Class exercises which were unique and humorous were given on Monday evening. Dera Dawson was salutatorian and Robert Rosser was valedictorian. The mascots, Joan Livingston, dressed in blue, and Billy Bob McGill in a white suit, were seated on the stage with the class.

The high school play, "When a Feller Needs a Friend," attracted and pleased a large audience on Tuesday evening, the final evening of the commencement. The play was directed by Miss Eunice Setzer. Violin selections by Robert, John and Janet Rosser and choruses by the high school boys and girls under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Wood were interesting features of the various programs.

The year's work was one of the most successful ever accomplished by the school. It is the custom of the high school to exempt the students from examination on all subjects upon which they make an average of ninety or more during the term. There were sixty-seven exemptions, and eleven students were exempt from examination on all subjects. Those making this fine record were Robert Rosser, Marian Cameron and Dera Dawson of the senior class; Alma Crouse and Edna Earl Richardson of the tenth grade; Sara Edith Matthews, Lula Cameron and Jessie Thomas of the ninth grade, and John Alex Smith, Hazel Coore and Ruby Callahan of the eighth grade.

BANKS CLOSED TODAY

Banks in Aberdeen, Carthage, Pinehurst and Southern Pines will be closed all day today, Friday, while the State Bankers' Association is in session in Pinehurst.

"Send a Dime"

Those Chain Letters Flood Mails of Sandhills P. O.; U. S. Rules Illegal

Those chain letters asking for dimes flooded the Sandhills this week just as the Postoffice Department at Washington began its campaign to stop them. The scheme has been declared illegal and federal authorities are considering denying the use of the mails to those sending the letters along. One sample letter received here reads:

Wrap a dime securely, place in an envelope and mail to the first name on the above list. Make five copies of this letter, omitting the first name on the above list. Mail the five copies to five friends. Be sure to mail your letter within two days after receiving this: If this is done you should receive \$1,562.50. Figure it out for yourself. BE SURE TO MAIL LETTER TO FRIENDS WHO WILL CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS.

Mail dime to the first person on the above list. Mark off that name and add your name to the bottom of the list.

PINEBLUFF

Mr. and Mrs. Herman MacNeille left last Thursday for their home in College Point, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron C. Knapp of Danbury, Conn., returned to their home Tuesday.

Mrs. Leon Wylie and children of Washington, D. C., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Wylie.

Mrs. Mina Latschaw, who has been a patient in Moore County Hospital for several weeks, returned to her home last Thursday, much improved in health. Mrs. Holder is caring for her.

Miss Dorothy C. Wallace of Parkview Hospital, Rocky Mount, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wallace.

Miss Henrietta Risley left Wednesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Warren A. Smith in Wilson for a few weeks.

Miss Pauline Little returned to her home in Connecticut last week.

Mrs. Hazel Allison, Misses Helen and Virginia Little, Marguerite De Yoe, Lacy Adcox and Douglas Allison attended the May Day Festival at Flora Macdonald College Tuesday.

W. B. Sayer of Warwick, N. Y., returned to his home Monday night.

Mrs. Jessie Carter of Raleigh is spending some time at the home of J. H. Suttentfield.

The Misses Florence and Josephine Telford left Monday for their home in Maine.

Mrs. J. R. Lampley is visiting relatives in Norwood and Albemarle.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Landon left Monday for their home in Connecticut.

Miss Mildred Brooks is visiting Mrs. C. L. Jackson. Miss Brooks is a graduate of Campbell College and is associated with the Baptist State Sunday School Board. She has been engaged to conduct the daily vacation Bible school which will be held in the Methodist Church June 2-15.

The Boy Scouts, under the leadership of the Rev. C. O. Nowell enjoyed an over-night hike to Blue's Bridge Tuesday night.

CHAMBER HONORS MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC CLUBS

At their meeting Tuesday directors of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce voted to honor with suitable awards the members of the musical and the dramatic clubs of the local high school for their fine work during the winter term. The dramatic club won the State championship and the musical club high ranking in State competition.

4 Held for Store and Garage Thefts

Negro Gang in Recorder's Court For Standard Store and Chevrolet Jobs

Theodore Coleman, James Anderson and Lonie Williams, alleged members of a notorious gang of Negro desperadoes that has been working in and around Fayetteville for about two months, breaking and entering buildings and stealing therefrom, were in Recorder's Court on Monday to face charges of breaking and entering the Standard Store in Aberdeen. Probable cause was found and they were bound to Superior Court under bond of \$1000 each.

Coleman, Anderson and Bill Clark were bound to Superior Court under bond of \$500 each on a charge of breaking and entering the Chevrolet place in Aberdeen and stealing a Chevrolet automobile.

Coleman, Anderson and Williams were sighted near the Standard Store on Monday morning of last week when, after apparently having been frightened away, they returned to load their loot into the stolen car in which they were traveling, it is said. They fled, but officers gave chase and were successful in rounding up the trio.

Ethel Richardson, colored, was charged with stealing clothing from the home of Mrs. W. H. McNeill in Carthage, where she had been working. The girl, who is said to have the mentality of a five-year-old child, was sentenced to jail for thirty days to be examined by the county physician with a view of getting into the State Hospital in Goldsboro.

LAKEVIEW

Mrs. G. W. Wilkes of Wagram spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Frye.

Mrs. A. H. Williams, Mrs. Raymond Howe, Mrs. Daniel McNeill and Mrs. J. R. McQueen were luncheon guests of Miss Flora and Margaret McQueen at Overhills Thursday.

Hiram McInnis, who has been working in Pinehurst during the winter, has come home for the summer.

Mrs. J. W. Cameron and daughter Johnnie of Cameron spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coore.

Mrs. A. H. Williams, Mrs. Raymond Howe and Misses Rebecca Bacon and Alice Littlefield were in Charlotte Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McQueen were Thursday night dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dwight of Manley.

Howard McInnis and Edwin Causey were in Raleigh Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sharpe of Greensboro spent Sunday with relatives here. Mrs. Sharpe remained for a week's visit with Mrs. W. H. Richardson, Mrs. A. C. Cox and D. C. Blue.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Murray of Raleigh called on Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coore Saturday.

JOE DANIELS, JR. FOR STATE COMMANDER OF LEGION

Josephus Daniels, Jr., business manager of the News and Observer, Raleigh, who is being promoted by Raleigh Post No. 1 as candidate for State commander of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion so far as is known, has no opposition for that important position.

In recent weeks Mr. Daniels has visited several posts over the state and made talks at their meetings. He was present at the Post Officers' Conference a few weeks ago. So far no announcement has been made of an opponent and it is believed that he will be elected without opposition, an unusual condition.

The election will be held at the annual meeting in Fayetteville the latter part of the summer.

A Good Harvest

Moore County Farmers Get \$93,746 in Rental and Benefit Payments

Rental and benefit payments to North Carolina farmers cooperating with the agricultural adjustment programs had reached a total of \$19,959,083.75 by March 31, including payments distributed to signers of cotton, tobacco, wheat and hog-corn contracts since the programs started in 1933. These payments do not measure the total increase in farm income as a result of the adjustment programs, Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, states.

Tobacco growers received the largest amount to March 31, \$511,090,912.41; cotton growers received \$8,274,809.52; corn-hog growers \$510,979.01, and wheat growers received \$8,274,909.52; corn-hog growers \$510,979.01, and wheat growers \$82,482.85. Robeson county topped the list with \$1,203,835.96.

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Bird Club Ends a Successful Season

Final Meeting of Organization Begun in 1926 Was Held on Tuesday

The 1935 season of the Southern Pines Bird Club was brought to a close at the meeting Tuesday morning, with regrets from its 30-odd members as well as many guests. Every one of the 15 meetings has been filled to the brim with most interesting bird lore. The hunts in Millen Sanctuary, to catch a glimpse of or here sing some little bird, resting no doubt in its many thousand miles of migration, were living joys. The discussions which followed these hunts brought forth nation-wide articles on birds; talks, by noted ornithologists, writers, and members of other bird clubs; general discussions by its own members on bird life of every description; all these proved interesting and gave the club a better knowledge of feathered friends.

Away back in 1926 when the Southern Pines Bird Club was organized, its one object was, "to encourage the growth and prevent the destruction of wild birds in affiliation with the Audubon Society; to learn the birds and to foster their presence in our community."

During the nine years of growth this Bird Club has carried out the object of that pioneer group, in spirit as well as letter. It is now recognized as one of the most active clubs in the state, an organization the Sandhills may well be proud of. It has grown dear to many bird lovers migrating South in the winter and North in the spring, who like the birds, evidently think Southern Pines a pretty nice place and make it a point to rest awhile and enjoy the welcome and hospitality.

EXAMINATIONS FOR VACANCY IN PINEHURST POSTOFFICE

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for the position of fireman laborer, for filling vacancies in the Post Office Department, Custodial Service, Pinehurst, N. C. The usual entrance salary, being \$1,260 per year, will be paid. Applications for this position must be on file with the manager, 4th U. S. Civil Service District, Washington, D. C., not later than May 16, 1935. Applications may be had at the Pinehurst Post Office.

WEST END

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Willcox attended the State convention of the North Carolina Medical Society in Pinehurst.

Whitney Von Canon and Milton Lyons of Carolina, North Lewis of Elon and Alan McDonald of Davidson spent the week-end at their home.

Charles Yager of Davidson was the week-end guest of Alan McDonald.

Mrs. Charles Ritter, Mrs. B. U. Richardson, Mrs. Floyd Uphold, the Misses Nancy Richardson, Jean Von Canon, Julia Von Canon, and Master Larry Lee Uphold spent Wednesday in Sanford. Master Uphold is the mascot of the Senior class.

Miss Vivian Ross of Burlington was the house guest of Miss Nellie Lewis over the week-end.

Mrs. David Wilson and Mrs. Fred Von Canon spent Saturday in Charlotte.

Harry Russell of Wagram spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Von Canon.

Miss Clarise Richardson and Master John Von Canon won first places in the boys' and the girls' division of the elementary group of the West End School declamation and recitation contest. Little Miss Geraldine

Bruton and Master Charles Bullard won first places in the primary group. Each of the winners received a gold medal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Sinclair gave a luncheon at the Community Hall Tuesday in honor of the Seniors. The members of the faculty were invited guests.

LEGION AUXILIARY ENJOYS MAY DAY AT SAMARCAND

Eleven members of Sandhill Unit, 134, American Legion Auxiliary, attended the annual May Day activities at Samarcand Manor last Friday afternoon.

Miss Grace M. Robson, who is in charge at Samarcand Manor and who is also a member of Sandhills unit, invited the auxiliary to be her guests at the festivities and all who were fortunate enough to attend thoroughly enjoyed the program arranged by the girls, which of course included the crowning of a queen and a Maypole dance. All who took part were in appropriate costumes and every part of the program was well carried out.

The regular meeting of the unit will be held at the home of Mrs. L. V. O'Callaghan next Monday evening, May 13 at 8 p. m.

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