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A PAGEANT OF THE LOWER CAPE FEAR

Presented at Wilmington First Time Tuesday Night—Hundreds in Cast

All the principal events of the early and recent history of this section were re-enacted last night in "A Pageant of the Lower Cape Fear," with 500 participants taking several times that number of spectators back to the days when the Indians claimed the country, bringing them through peaceful and stormy scenes, up to the present, and then giving them an insight into the future.

The spectacle, as was predicted, proved an education in local history for the immense crowd that saw it, and likewise, by virtue of its historical value and the almost faultless manner in which it was enacted, was both a revelation and an inspiration to its beholders.

The pageant had for its settings the black gardens of Dr. James Sprunt's home on South Front street—and a more appropriate place could not have been found in the Cape Fear country. A touch here and a touch there and the placing of seats and the result was a real amphitheater. In the background the Cape Fear river, with its waters glistening from electric illumination held in its lap craft of long gone days and of 1921, all of which had a part in the exhibition. In mid-stream were anchored, brightly lighted by the coast guard cutter, Seminole, the United States naval sub-chaser, 201, and two modern seaplanes, silent reminders that now, as always in the past, America is as mighty with fighting power as she is fond of peace.

Directly on the river bank was the stage, surrounded with the most typical of scenery, transplanted pine trees. To one side, hidden by the pines but for the electric, a sweet toned orchestra was seated.

There was scarcely a hitch in the entire performance, and this fact, together with the talent displayed by the performers, the lighting effect, which was almost faultless and the splendid training of the actors and actresses, given them by the pageant directors, Miss Elizabeth Grisball, and her aides, went to spell an evening that will not soon be forgotten by those who enjoyed it and profited by it.

The program opened with the orchestra playing "America" with the audience standing. Then appeared on the stage the Spirit of Wilmington, in a lovely costume of gold and white, followed by attendant spirits and Venture, all beautifully costumed. Heralds with their bugles and a large blue banner announced "A Pageant of the Lower Cape Fear." Part one depicted early inhabitants, settlers and adventurers, the first episode being the Springtime Gathering of the Indians, which was carried off with credit by all taking part, from the Big Chief down to the youngest Indian boy and girl. The make-ups and costumes were so effective that one felt creepy for fear some treacherous red-face might make him target for his tomahawk or bow and arrow. Indian songs and dances made the audience recall all it had read of early days on the American continent. Leaders among the pale-faces visited the chief and his followers, smoked the pipe of peace with the head of the tribe and promised him many gifts, including fire water and good treatment for his people in return for land. As the Indians danced their way off the stage applause loud and long showed them that the audience thought they carried off their parts to perfection.

The next event was the Founding of Wilmington in 1735. As the founders appeared upon the stage they were hailed and hooted at by "the man in the stockade," one who got there for over-long communion with Bacchus, so he said. The hails and hoots brought many a laugh from the audience. In this episode, Gov. Gabriel Johnson met the early settlers and decreed that upon this spot, and not in Brunswick, a town should be established. As a celebration of the founding of Wilmington he bade all hands go forth and make merry and even liberated the inebriated one, and his companions from the stockade.

In Part 2 of the program, the Spirit

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CONGRESS AIDS THE COL. FLOOD VICTIMS

Resolution Passed by Senate and House to Extend Relief to Colorado Sufferers

A joint resolution has been adopted by the House and Senate authorizing the Secretary of War to extend all possible relief to Colorado flood sufferers.

Previously Senator Phipps, of Colorado, had announced that he and Representative Hardy, of the State, would seek an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for flood relief.

The resolution directs the Secretary of War to take all possible sanitary measures to safeguard the health of the population in the flood district, to furnish subsistence and shelter and to give all other forms of aid.

The resolution reads:

"That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to take such temporary sanitary measures as he may deem necessary and to furnish subsistence and quarter-master supplies belonging to the military establishment and make available and issue the same to such destitute persons in Colorado as have been rendered homeless or are in needy circumstances as a result of the recent floods due to the overflow of the Arkansas river and its tributaries, and in executing this joint resolution the Secretary of War is directed insofar as possible to cooperate with the authorities of the State of Colorado and the mayors of such cities on the Arkansas river as may have sustained damages."—Associated Press.

In Honor of Misses Stephenson

On Tuesday evening June 7, Miss Inez Stephenson, who lives near town delightfully entertained quite a number of her friends in honor of Misses Pearl and Brookie Stephenson, of Pleasant Grove. The guests arrived at eight o'clock.

Rook was enjoyed for awhile. Later everybody joined in some old fashioned games which caused much merriment. Toward the hour for departure delicious fruit punch was served. During the evening Miss Thelma Peedin presided at the piano furnishing music which was enjoyed by all.

Those present were Misses Pearl and Brookie Stephenson, Thelma Peedin, Mamie Ennis, Bessie Stephenson, Pearl Hobbs, Callie Lassiter, Ruth Upchurch, Nellie Coats, Messrs Jessie Coats, Robert Powell, Victor Ogburn, C. C. Jernigan, Julian Barbour, Clarence Johnson and Stanley Marshall.

M. E. Church Here Goes Over

Sunday a week ago, the pastor of the Methodist church here, Rev. D. H. Tuttle began his drive for Christian Education. The quota for this church was \$8,800. By last Sunday night, Mr. Tuttle was able to announce that the amount had been subscribed but could not give how much was subscribed over and above. Figures now available show that this church subscribed \$9,161.60, this being \$281.60 above the quota.

We are informed that only two churches in the Raleigh district have thus far subscribed their full quotas—Edenton Street, Raleigh and Centenary Church here.

Glass Jars Free

Through the educational director of the Hazel-Atlas Glass company, of Wheeling, West Va., club girls and women in Johnston county may obtain 12 dozen pint glass top jars and 12 dozen quart jars free of charge if they will fill them with fruits, vegetables, pickles and the like for exhibition at the county fair. In addition to furnishing jars, this company offers cash prizes for best exhibits. These jars are not simply loaned they become the property of the one using them.

Johnston county is one of the twelve counties selected by the State Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, for the distribution of these jars. They may be obtained by calling at the office of the county Home Agent, Miss Minnie Lee Garrison. First come, first served.

MAY SIGN TREATY WITH MEXICO

Would Automatically Accomplish American Recognition Mexican Gov.

Washington, June 7.—The American government has proposed a treaty of amity and commerce with Mexico, it was announced today at the state department in which Mexico will agree to safeguard the rights of property in that country held by American citizens which attached before the constitution of 1917 was promulgated. The signing of the treaty automatically would accomplish American recognition of the Mexican government.

Formal announcement of the administration's policy toward the southern republic was made after the subject had been discussed at the regular cabinet meetings. President Harding and his advisers had before them a communication from President Obregon relating to the proposed treaty, which was presented to the Mexican president by George T. Sumnerlin, the American charge d'affaires at Mexico City, May 27.

The text of Obregon's reply has been withheld and administration officers decline to discuss it or to make any comment as to the relation to it of the announcement of policy made public by Secretary Hughes.

It is understood however, that Obregon referred to the negotiations which are proceeding with Mr. Sumnerlin and indicated a willingness to carry them forward. It is known he has summoned to the capital Ministers Calles and De La Huerta, who are reported to have counseled against the signing of such a treaty at a Mexican cabinet conference held after it had become known in Mexico City that a treaty of this character would be proposed by the United States.

Secretary Hughes' announcement contained no reference to the attitude assumed by President Obregon, but it did say that if Mexico did not contemplate a confiscatory policy with regard to property, the American government could "conceive of no possible objection to the treaty."

It was stated that the proposed treaty contained "the conventional stipulations as to commerce and reciprocal rights in both countries;" that it provided for the conclusion of a convention for the settlement of claims for losses of life and property, and also a provision for a "just settlement of boundary matters."

Entertains at Tea

Miss Jean Abell entertained at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. P. Stevens, the following guests at tea yesterday evening: Misses Margaret Lee Austin, and Maud Cotton and Messrs Solon Cotton and Edgar Watson.

Miss Austin Hostess

Wednesday afternoon, Miss Margaret Lee Austin was hostess from five until seven to a number of her young friends in honor of her house guest, Miss Maude Cotton, of Franklinton, and Misses Sarah Dashiell, of Smithfield, Va., and Emmeline Gilmer, of Shelby.

The home was never more lovely than on this happy occasion with a profusion of yellow daisies and nasturtiums carrying out a color scheme of yellow. Rook being the main feature of the afternoon, several tables were arranged on the spacious porch, in the living room and in the library. The score cards which were in keeping with the color scheme of yellow were passed by little Miss Marcia Boddie Stevens.

After several lively games, delicious refreshments consisting of chicken salad, beaten biscuit, sandwiches, olives, and orangeade were served. Then baskets tied with yellow ribbon and filled with mints were given each guest after which they departed all voting Miss Austin a charming hostess.

Those present besides the guest of honor were: Misses Annette Lawrence, Jean Abell, Sadie Puckett, Frances Sanders, Senora Willson of Tarboro, Margaret Wellons, Margaret Moore, Caroline Avera, Lucile Cotter, Thelma Peedin, Alice Burton, of Nashville, Rachel Jordan, Lillian Sefron, of Miami, Fla., and Mattie Sanders.

THE SELMA BUSINESS MEN STAND SOLID

Merchants And Farmers Unanimously Endorse Co-operative Selling

Selma, June 7.—The Selma business men unanimously endorsed the cooperative selling of cotton and tobacco and pledged their support to putting over the sign-up campaign, now being waged in this county, with the highest possible percentage sign-up. Dr. Carl Taylor, head of the Department of Rural Economics of the State College, discussed the cooperative marketing of cotton and tobacco to a representative audience of business men and farmers here last night. Dr. Taylor was introduced by County Agent, S. J. Kirby, who presented him as a scholarly man by whose works the people of the State would soon know him. Mr. Kirby told of the progress that is being made in the sign-up campaign in this and other counties stating that the minimum requirements for the organization of the cotton and tobacco associations are already more than assured.

Dr. Taylor traced this history of the co-operative selling showing how it had solved problems of as great magnitude as those which now confront the Southern cotton and tobacco farmers. He showed how business-like orderly merchandising methods now practiced in other lines should be used in handling our cotton and tobacco crops and how it would react most favorably upon the interest of merchants, bankers and professional men and how it would provide for higher standards of living than are now possible under the dumping system. It was shown conclusively how the farmer might secure a larger share of the consumer's dollars for his cotton and tobacco without its costing the public one cent more.

Dr. Taylor was heard with a great deal of interest and after his speech was concluded Mr. Kirby asked for expression of opinion from a number of local business men. The following responded: Messrs C. A. Corbett, Walter Ward, N. E. Ward and C. G. Riggs of Selma and Mr. D. B. Oliver of Pine Level. All spoke favorably to the plan and expressed their desire to see it go through successfully. After this Mr. Kirby asked those who were willing to endorse the proposition and pledge their support in putting the sign-up campaign now being waged in this county, across with the largest possible percentage to stand on their feet. The entire audience stood. Selma section may be expected with this endorsement to sign up a large percentage of the growers of cotton and tobacco in the marketing association.

Congressman Pou's View
Congressman Pou gave the Republicans a few uncomfortable moments yesterday when he addressed himself to the Borah peace resolution and substitution of the Porter document under which it is camouflaged and which he regards as a gold brick. Pou thought so great an issue as peace should be shorn of political influences, and he was right. If the Republicans had divested the matter of politics they might have made some headway by this time, so far as forwarding the feeble Borah project is concerned, but as it is, they have been gold-bricking all the Nations concerned.—Charlotte Observer.

Two Men Drown In Surf

Wrightsville Beach, June 8.—The first tragedy of the summer bathing season occurred here today when C. H. McBride, of Washington, D. C., was drowned in the surf about 11 o'clock this morning, and E. J. Yates, also of Washington, who was bathing close to McBride, and who went down with him, died of heart failure after having been brought to shore by the life guard. The two men, both supposed to be excellent swimmers, were down from Wilmington for a short outing, and had gone out in the ocean beyond the breakers, when suddenly they were seen to be in distress by the few scattered bathers along the beach, and in their frantic clutching at each other, went down together before their cries for help could bring them assistance.—News and Observer.

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IN HONOR OF DR. JAMES C. GRADY

Sons Entertain at Barbecue and A Brunswick Stew; The Occasion Their Father's Birthday

(Special to The Herald.)

Kenly, June 8.—On Monday, June 6th, Paul Davis Grady and Charles Howard Grady entertained at a dinner in honor of their father, Dr. James Calhoun Grady.

More than a hundred friends of Dr. Grady gathered at the handsome country home of his son, Paul D. Grady, near Kenly where a sumptuous barbecue and Brunswick stew dinner had been spread under the oaks in the spacious grove. Grace was said by the Rev. M. Clarke, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Kenly, Dr. Grady's pastor.

Immediately after the dinner, Dr. R. J. Noble of Selma as Master of Ceremonies called on Dr. E. G. Moore of Elm City who in a very happy manner congratulated Dr. Grady upon his 56th birthday and conveyed to him the wishes of his many friends that he might celebrate many more such occasions, and on behalf of those friends he presented to Dr. Grady a handsome gold-headed cane and with it the hope that it might serve the faltering foot-steps of age and stand off any one who might approach in violence.

Dr. Grady in thanking Dr. Moore and the many thoughtful friends who had seen fit to present to him this token of their love and friendship said that he would preserve the cane among his cherished treasures, and that in twenty-five or thirty years when he should become an "old man" he would use as directed.

The guests then congratulated Paul and Howard upon their wisdom in the selection of such a "Grand Old Man" as Father; and the "Doctor" upon the possession of such a fine pair of boys and all hoped that "we shall meet again" on many such occasions to celebrate future birthdays of this public spirited citizen and useful benefactor of the sick and afflicted.

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Picnic at Holt Lake

Several automobile loads of people passed through here Wednesday morning enroute to Holt Lake where the Princeton Baptist Sunday school held their annual picnic that day. Among those who attended were Mr. W. I. Pearce, the superintendent of the school, and Mrs. Luther Edgerton, one of the teachers.

JOHNSTON COUNTY GIRLS TO RALEIGH

Will Attend Short Course to Be Given at Peace Institute June 13-18.

The Johnston County club girls organized under the direction of the County Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Minnie Lee Garrison will be interested in a short course to be given in Raleigh next week June 13-18. at Peace Institute. The course is free only a nominal cost for board being charged those who attend. There are seventeen clubs in this county besides the groups of women organized and Miss Garrison expects at least a dozen girls from various parts of the county to attend.

The course is designed to include cooking and sewing. In the food work, preparation of the three meals, breakfast, dinner and supper will be covered, teaching the girls not only balanced food values, but also serving and the etiquette of host and hostess and guests at a meal.

In the sewing work, simple sewing lessons will be given to the younger girls; and costume design, taking up lines, form and color will be given the older girls. The group will be divided into two sections and while one is having nutrition work, the other group will be having clothing.

In addition to the work sketched above, basketry will be taught. In the afternoons and evenings sightseeing and plays and games will form a part of the program.

Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, State Home Demonstration Agent, has this work in charge, and she will be assisted by an able corps of workers. Miss Garrison will accompany the group of girls from Johnston county and will remain during the entire time of the short course.

This is an unusually opportunity for the club girls, and benefit will be derived not only from the study course but from the trip to the capital city and the recreation and sightseeing which will be provided for those in attendance. We hope to publish the names of those going from Johnston County in our next issue.

"Valley Farm" A Success

The play presented at the Opera House Tuesday night by the Young People of the Baptist church was a decided success. It was entitled "Valley Farm," and presented an interesting, romantic plot with enough fun to make the entire evening enjoyable from start to finish. The cast of characters were all stars each one performing his part without a flaw. Silas Holcomb, the owner of Valley Farm, was impersonated by Mr. J. H. Wiggs and his part could not be improved upon. The part of Hetty Holcombe, the figure around whom the romance centered, was played by Miss Flossie Lassiter, who quite captivated her audience. Verbena in the person of Miss Blanche Woody and Lizzy Ann Tucker, the country neighbor, who borrows but "never goes" impersonated by Miss Ruth Woody, added pep to the entertainment. Each character deserves special mention and Mrs. Baucom who directed the play is to be congratulated upon its success. Some thought it quite as good as "Freckles" which was presented here not long ago by a traveling troupe and was considered above the average play which comes to this city.

Hous Party at Holt Lake

A number of young men students at Trinity college, are giving a house party at Holt Lake this week. The party arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and have taken up their abode at one of the cottages at the Lake. Boating, fishing and swimming will furnish diversion enough until Saturday evening when the party will break up. Mrs. W. S. Stevens and Mrs. W. H. Austin will chaperon the crowd which is composed of the following: Misses Sarah Dashiell, of Smithfield, Va., Sarah Hutchins, of Converse College, S. C., Martha Wiggins, Carolina Avera, Margaret Lee Austin, and Maude Cotton and Messrs Tom Banks, of Garner, Jim Sloane, Jr. of Gastonia, John Duncan, of Beaufort, J. H. Graham, of Red Springs, Sheldon White, Everett Smith Stevens and David Avera.