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THE CAROLINA PLAYMAKERS HERE

Appear In This City For First Time Feb. 14; Will Present 3 Plays Of N. C. Life.

ON SEVENTH STATE TOUR

As a part of the program undertaken by the Literary Department of the Woman's Club, in its study of North Carolina literature this winter. The Carolina Playmakers will give in this city on Feb. 14 three original Folk-Plays of North Carolina Life. This well known dramatic organization of the University of North Carolina is on its seventh State tour, but this is the first time these players have had a date in Johnston County.

The plays selected for this tour make a varied and most interesting bill. "The Black Rooster," a comedy of tenant farm life, by Pearl Setzer, was the most popular of the three plays presented on the Sixth State tour last fall.

"Fixen's" the second play, is a tragedy by Erma and Paul Green. Paul Green is one of the most distinguished playwrights the organization has yet developed, and his works are now published by the Atlantic Monthly and other leading periodicals. Miss Erma Green, his sister, went to the University to study play-writing and production, and wrote "Fixen's" in collaboration with her brother.

"Gains and Gains, Jr.," a farce comedy by Lucy M. Cobb, was a great success when presented on the tour last fall, which is the main reason for its revival for this bill. A selected group of the best players available have been chosen to present these plays. An unusual amount of versatility is displayed by these young actors in doubling in two or three parts in the different plays on the same program.

Those taking parts in these plays include Prof. Frederick H. Koch, Master Frederick Koch, Jr., George Denny, and Miss Frances Gray of Chapel Hill; Miss Margaret Jones of Charlotte; Miss Pearl Setzer of Hickory; William Cox, of Rowland; Frank Hursey, Lakeland, Fla.; E. M. Pritchett, Asheville; G. G. Mattison, Greenwood, S. C.; H. C. Klingenschmitt, Lockport; P. L. Elmore, Dover; A. E. Shokell, Edenton.

The Carolina Playmakers will include the following towns besides Smithfield in their itinerary: Chapel Hill, Feb. 8 and 9; Louisburg Feb. 13; Kinston, Feb. 15; New Bern Feb. 16; Elizabeth City, Feb. 18; Edenton, Feb. 19; Scotland Neck, (pending) Feb. 20; and Raleigh, (pending) Feb. 21.

Methodist Church

There will be preaching, Sunday, Feb. 3rd at 11 a. m. by the pastor, who will administer the sacrament of The Lord's Supper at once after the sermon.

At 3:30 Rev. M. Tuttle will preach at Smith's Chapel. A hearty welcome to all.

Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Eddie C. Ruffin of Raleigh, will speak in the interest of the Ham-Ramsey meeting to begin in Raleigh at an early date. Rev. S. J. Betts of Raleigh will take part in the service also.

Four Oaks Baptist Church

Preaching services at 11 o'clock a. m. Subject: "The God-planned Life." Evening services at seven. Subject: "Weighed in the Balances."

Sunday school 9:50 a. m., J. H. Strickland, Supt.

Junior B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening at 6:30, Mrs. J. W. Sanders, leader.

Senior B. Y. P. U. Wednesday evening at 6:30.

"Life is only a ferry 'twixt Mother's arms and Heaven."

High School To Give Minstrel Tonight

Tonight a number of High School boys will present a minstrel at the High School auditorium, this being the third annual affair of the kind to be given here. About seventeen are in the cast besides several choruses. The minstrel is being given under the direction of Mrs. A. R. Wilson, the expression teacher. The program begins at 8 o'clock.

Valuable Farm at Auction

The H. T. Gerrard farm will be sold Saturday, February 9th, at 11 o'clock. Attend this sale and get a home at your price. This land is located in good neighborhood.

REVIVAL BEGINS AT FOUR OAKS

Baptist Preacher Will Be Assisted By Rev. Chas. H. Stephens, of Cliffside.

BEGINS SUNDAY FEB. 3

Four Oaks, Jan. 29.—The first of the semi-annual revivals of the Four Oaks Baptist church for this year begins Sunday, Feb. 3 Rev. Chas. H. Stephens will do the preaching. Mr. Stephens is a native of this county, a young preacher of marked ability. He is now pastor of the progressive First church of Cliffside, N. C. He has college and seminary training having done both graduate and post graduate work at the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky. He is further equipped with several years experience in the ministry. The people of Four Oaks are fortunate to have secured him for this two weeks series of meetings. The pastor and people are doing all in their power to make ready for a gracious revival. The pastor is urging the members to be faithful in attendance upon all the services, and visitors and friends are cordially invited to attend also.

SMITHFIELD WINS FROM NEW BERN

Game Was One of the Most Thrilling and Exciting Ever Seen on Local Court

In one of the most thrilling and exciting games played on the local court this year. Smithfield High School defeated the strong New Bern quint by a 24 to 8 score, six of New Bern's points being obtained from the foul line. Stephenson, R. and Hill, Smithfield, and Pugh for New Bern, were removed from the game on account of having the allotted number of personal fouls called up against them.

James Hill proved to be the shining light of the encounter, accounting for eight field baskets, tossed from any and all positions on the court.

Tomorrow night the locals will meet the strong Wilmington quint here at the Banner warehouse court. Come out and help the boys put it "all over 'em."

Geo. Grantham May Run For Congress

Friends of Geo. K. Grantham, popular and well-known Dunn druggist, are urging him to enter the race for Congress from the "bloody sixth" district against Homer L. Lyon, incumbent. While he has not yet decided to make the race, he is giving the matter serious consideration.

He was urged by many of his friends throughout the district to enter the race two years ago, but at that time he didn't see his way clear to do so. The demand that he

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Warning! The Boll Weevil Is Here

ARE YOU READY FOR HIM?

The weevil is here. He will claim the late cotton. Are you ready to fight him? High price for cotton is assured, but high prices will help only those who shall have cotton to sell. And if you wish to have cotton next fall, you must grow an EARLY CROP. The weevil will claim the blossoms which come after mid-August. You can produce a fair crop before August 15th, if you will take advantage of every opportunity to push your crop to maturity. How can this be done?

Here is the Schedule to Beat the Weevil

2 Do now all work which can be done in the winter. Repair pasture fences. Build terraces. Clear hedgerows. Take in rough land. Repair stables, etc. Do all this now. So you will have all your time for your crop after February 15th.

2. Break all land deep and early, so the ground will be warm and mellow when you plant. Open rows during March and be ready to put out fertilizer by April 1st.

3. Use fertilizer liberally; and select a brand having considerable nitrate of soda. Use 400 to 600 pounds to each acre.

4. Be sure that the seed you intend to plant are sound and have never gone through a heat. If you plant bad seed, you need not expect a "stand" of cotton. PLANT A BIG BOLL VARIETY.

5. Plant enough seed to get a stand without replanting. Replanted cotton seldom any good. Even if it should produce well, the weevil will get it.

6. Begin to plant early—about April 10th is the time to begin on the warmest and driest land. FINISH PLANTING ENTIRE CROP BY 1st DAY OF MAY. Get an early start. Be ahead of both GRASS and WEEVIL.

7. Begin Harrowing and Plowing soon as cotton begins to break the ground. Don't wait until it is all up. The time to kill grass is when the cotton is just coming through the ground. Chop out cotton soon as it is large enough. But Harrow and Plow once or more before you chop. You can Harrow across the rows if your land be properly prepared.

7. When you chop out your cotton, leave it thick. Two or three stalks to a hill, and just the width of a hoe between hills. This is highly important. Soon as you finish chopping, apply 10 pounds nitrate of soda per acre by side of cotton.

9. Cultivate fast. Plow every ten days. Every week would be better. Keep the ground "stirred" and the crop growing.

10. Soon as squares begin to appear, apply calcium of arsenate and molasses dissolved in water following the Coker Method. Make these applications about June 1st, June 20th, and July 10th.

11. Prepare to "lay by" crop by July 15th or 20th.

12. Gather and burn all squares which fall before August 1st.

If you will arrange your work according to this schedule—and if you will keep up with the schedule, you will make a good crop despite the weevil. And the price will put money in your pocket. If you do not intend to work according to this schedule, it would probably be useless for you to attempt to make a crop.

Note

Mr. James H. Pou of Raleigh, well known throughout the state as a lawyer, but perhaps not so well known as a farmer though he was reared on a Johnston County farm and is the owner of considerable acres of land in Wake and Johnston counties, is interested in fighting the boll weevil. In order to help his tenants and others to wage a successful campaign against this enemy of the cotton crop, Mr. Pou has had printed and distributed a schedule to beat the boll weevil. Concise and plain, it offers a plan that may prove of benefit to some of our farmer readers, and we are passing it on.—Editor.

WEEK OF PRAYER AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Woman's auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will observe week of prayer February 3-10, also discuss mission study book "White Fields of Japan." The meetings will be held at church on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 3 o'clock. All members are urged to attend. Self denial offerings on Friday afternoon.

MR. E. S. EDMUNDSON PLANS FOR POTATO CROP

Mr. E. S. Edmundson has just received a car load of seed Irish potatoes, a large part of which he will plant himself. Mr. Edmundson tried planting Irish potatoes last year and found it profitable. He plans to put in another big crop in February.

FAMOUS CANTOR TO BE IN RALEIGH

Josef Rosenblatt, a renowned Jewish cantor, will sing at the City Auditorium in Raleigh on Feb. 4. His voice is said to be equal to that of Caruso's in texture, and in range and flexibility. He will be assisted in his concert by a well known Russian violinist.

SERVICES TO BE HELD AT COURT HOUSE SUNDAY

Rev. S. J. Betts and Mr. Eddie C. Ruffin of Raleigh, will be in Smithfield Sunday and assist Rev. C. H. Mathews in several services during the day. A service will be held at the road camp in the afternoon, and a service will be held at each of the two cotton mills during the day. At the evening hour, Mr. Ruffin will hold a service at the Methodist church.

Dr. Peacock Thought To Be In Florida

Thomasville, Jan. 30.—One or more of the community people who have recently St. Petersburg, Florida, visited and returned say that Dr. J. W. Peacock is practicing medicine in that city and nearby.

It is probably unnecessary to state Dr. Peacock is the slayer of Chief of Police J. E. Taylor on the street nearly three years ago, was adjudged a paranoiac by alienists at his trial in Lexington some months afterwards and sentenced by Judge Finlay to the criminal insane department of the penitentiary at Raleigh from which he made his escape after serving something near 12 months, going to parts unknown.

SENATE FAILS TO REACH A VOTE

Affirmative Action Looking To Annulment Of Navy Oil Contracts Started.

DOCTORS EXAMINE FALL

Washington, Jan. 30.—Affirmative action looking to the annulment of the naval oil leases was initiated today while the senate still was engulfed in a swirl of debate over the Walsh annulment resolution.

Silas H. Strawn, who with Thomas W. Gregory, has been selected to prosecute the oil cases, conferred with President Coolidge and then began examination of evidence collected by the senate oil committee.

Although it failed to reach a final vote on the Walsh resolution, the senate rejected three amendments designed to modify its language and then launched again into further and bitter discussion which held the measure over until tomorrow.

Senator McKeller, Democrat, Tennessee, interrupted debate long enough to introduce a proposal to bar

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NEGRO CHARGED WITH ATTACK

On Two Year Old Daughter of Walter Ricks, of Selma, Wednesday Night.

A negro, William Jeffreys, was brought here from Selma Wednesday night about 7:30 o'clock and lodged in jail, having been apprehended by the Selma authorities after an alleged attack upon the two year and three months old daughter of Walter Ricks a white man who lives in the edge of Selma. The attack on the child occurred about dark at the home of Mr. Ricks. Jeffreys is said to live near by.

About a hundred men according to report of Chief of Police Griffin, gathered in Selma Wednesday night, and there was talk of getting the negro. The officer explained to the crowd that Superior Court would soon convene, and no further fears of mob violence is entertained.

Two Years in College Before Entry to Law

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—University trustees today approved President Chase's recommendations for two years of college work as precedent to law study and three years for degree. The proposal developed debate in which Governor Morrison, ex-officio, presiding officer, opposed the advance, but was overwhelmingly beaten.

The governor referred to himself, James H. Pou and E. T. Cansler as lawyers who had not been able to qualify had this been the requirement in their day.

CASES TRIED IN RECORDER'S COURT

L. G. Stevens Is Representing State During Illness Of Solicitor H. P. Johnson.

THREE LIQUOR CASES

Judge Noble disposed of seven cases in Recorder's Court Tuesday. During the illness of Solicitor H. P. Johnson, who has just undergone an operation for appendicitis, Mr. L. G. Stevens is representing the state, and is handling the docket well.

The first case called Tuesday was that of the state vs. Fred Cox, charged with violating the prohibition laws. The defendant plead guilty and was fined \$25 and costs.

A case out of the ordinary was State vs. Fred McKeel. Evidence in the case disclosed the fact that the defendant came to the Register of Deeds of this county and secured a marriage license for his son to marry a neighbor's daughter, making affidavit that the young lady was eighteen years old, whereas she was only fifteen years old. The father of the girl in question swore out a warrant against the defendant. The defendant plead guilty and was fined \$50 and costs. Prayer for judgment was asked but Judge Noble stood firm in his decision feeling that it was no light thing to swear falsely in order to obtain a marriage license.

State vs. Ned Watson, charged with fined \$50 and costs.

State vs. Rivers Gainey, carrying concealed weapon. Found guilty and fined \$50 and costs.

State vs. John D. McLamb, assault with deadly weapon. Not guilty.

State vs. Nathan Johnsin, violation of the prohibition laws. Guilty; six months on the road. Capias to issue at the request of solicitor.

The last case to be tried was that of the state vs. Jim Flowers charged with transporting liquor. It seems that a few days before Christmas Jim Flowers, a young boy of Kenly, about 20 years old, was hired by a negro bootlegger to take him to the home of Bill Daniel Holt, a white man, for the alleged purpose of buying a quarter of mutton. Two other white men also went along. The evidence disclosed that instead of a leg of mutton, the negro purchased a gallon of blockade liquor, one of the white men a quart, and another four drinks. The four drinks evidently had its effect and was what let the cat out of the bag. Disorderly conduct caused the authorities at Kenly to make arrests. Only the case of Jim Flowers has yet been tried, the others to come up later. Flowers was fined \$25 and six months on the roads. The jail sentence, however, was suspended upon condition that the defendant attend Sunday school and church regularly for one year.

Baptist Church Sunday

Sunday school 9:45. Begins on time with a duet sung by Misses White and Patton of Meredith College. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pres. J. L. Peacock of Shaw University will preach at the morning service, perhaps also in the evening. He has delighted the congregation with his sermons on several occasions before. He will take part in the music also. The choir will meet Miss White for rehearsal Saturday evening at 7:30 at the home of T. S. Ragsdale.

Next Friday night Hon. Leon T. Vaughan of Nashville will address a mass meeting of the men of the congregation and assist in organizing a men's club in the church. The installation service will wait, that officers of this club may be installed with the church officers.

Mr. D. H. McCullers of Clayton was in the city yesterday on business.