

MODERN DANCE DECLARED TO BE DETRIMENTAL

RECENT INVESTIGATION MADE SHOWS POINTS THAT ARE VERY DEGRADING

Exit the incompetent chaperon of the dance! The call is now for American fathers to take vigorous measures to save the modern dance—or rather their daughters from it.

"Here are the recommendations that Mrs. Tuttle made to the youth of Hartford and its environs: She beseeched girls in their teens not to smoke, to let cigarettes alone until they were twenty five at least.

"A cure for the present manner and habit of dancing is coming," Mrs. Tuttle says, partly through the young people themselves, who are beginning to see the evil results of their ways and partly through the demand of fathers that their children reform.

"So here is our remedy and hope. Fathers and mothers, will you not assume your rightful responsibility? The task is yours.

"That priest of pleasure, Arthur Murray, the originator of a spectacular new dance, a dance that outdoes the 'shimmy,' says of it: 'The College Rock' is a physical expression of the times today— an indication of our present business condition and the mood of a nation, and that through the dance we see the signs of the times.

COLLEGE PRESIDENT WISHES FOR BETTER HOME TRAINING

Dr. Henry Louis Smith of Washington and Lee University, commenting on the cause of so many college failures has the following to say: "I am becoming more and more convinced that the 'home half' of college preparation is responsible for more college failures than the scholastic half, and that parents preparing their sons for campus life are in more need of guidance than the teachers who are preparing them for college study.

TWO CRAVEN OFFICERS SHOT BY MOONSHINER

JOHN NOBLES, WHITE, HELD FOR SUPERIOR COURT ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

NEW BERN, April 7.—The story of a fierce battle between local deputies and a moonshiner in the Willis Neck section of Craven county in which W. H. Whitford was painfully wounded, and Tom Holton received gun shot wounds came out at a hearing today before Magistrate Tom Smith when John Nobles, white, was arraigned on a warrant charging him with assault on the officers with intent to kill.

Probable cause was found and bond was fixed at \$500 for Nobles' appearance in superior court here on next Monday.

The officers, headed by Stotewall Jackson, mayor of Vanceboro, raided the woods back of Nobles' home Tuesday afternoon, and after locating the stand of an old still drove further into the brush for a second still on which they had received information.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon Deputy Holton sighted the plant and before he could give the alarm to his companions a man who had raised up near it had opened fire with a shot gun, he said in court.

In court the officers declared they recognized Nobles as the man at the still. They had given out nothing relative to the gun fight after the raid, waiting to locate Nobles and put him under arrest, they said. He was found yesterday morning and taken into custody by Mayor Jackson.

WAKE FOREST MAY GET BOSTWICK FUND

NEW YORK COURT UPHOLDS COLLEGE'S CONTENTION FOR OVER MILLION DOLLARS

RALEIGH, April 7.—For the third time New York courts have ruled that Wake Forest college is entitled to a \$250,000 bequest, now grown to \$1,350,000 granted in the will of the late Jabez A. Bostwick, wealthy oil man of New York, W. N. Jones, attorney for the institution has been informed.

One further appeal may be taken it was stated, but yesterday's verdict is thought to be final, in Mr. Jones' opinion, as under New York legal practice, a case can be carried to the court of last resort only on a showing of error. The three judges are said to have been unanimous in their decision.

DR. KNIGHT ATTENDS FUNERAL OF HIS LATE BROTHER'S WIDOW

Dr. J. B. H. Knight received a telegram Saturday announcing the death of his brother's widow, her husband, Charles W. Knight, of Middlesex, died less than one month ago. Mrs. Knight was about 62 years old, and was the daughter of Jno. H. Barnes of Wilson county.

DEBATERS READY TO TEST THEMSELVES AT CHAPEL HILL

WILLIAMSTON VICTORY TEAMS WILL GO TO CHAPEL HILL WEDNESDAY

Mrs. A. V. Joyner will take the debaters of the Williamston High school to Chapel Hill Wednesday evening when they will contest for the final honors in the annual triangular debate.

The debaters representing the affirmative are Emma Bell Harris and Margaret Joyner who won over Weldon's strong team on the Scotland Neck battle ground last Thursday night by a two to one vote.

The negative side of the question is represented by Bryan Carstarphen and Frederick Hoyt. They crushed the Scotland Neck Champions at Weldon on the same night, shutting them off without a single vote.

The Williamston school feels too modest to boast over the victory won over these two up to now, sister towns, Scotland Neck and Weldon, but goes far enough to say that the school and all therein are glad that our boys and girls came out victorious.

To Mrs. Joyner goes some of the thanks for her splendid coaching of the Williamston teams.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS FROM BEAR GRASS

Mr. Seth Bailey spent the week end with Mr. Shade Harris.

Mr. Hubert Harris was the guest of Messrs. Leon and Wimer Malone Sunday.

Misses Selma Ayers and Ruby Malone were the guests of Miss Frances Peel Sunday.

Mr. Joe Roberson spent the week end with Mr. Elmer Rogers.

Mrs. John Ayers spent last week with her son, Mr. A. B. Ayers.

Mr. Fate Bailey spent Sunday with Mr. Warren Bailey.

Mr. Ellis Malone and family spent Sunday with Mrs. W. S. Manning in Williamston.

Mr. J. L. Holliday and family spent Sunday with Mrs. B. F. Cowin.

Mr. Jesse Coltrain and Miss Carrie Bell Wynne were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Mick Taylor. Immediately after the ceremony they motored to Rocky Mount where they will make their future home.

Miss Essie Mae Taylor spent Saturday night with Miss Gladys Gurganus.

Mr. Faite Everette spent Sunday with Mr. Claud Whitenurst.

Mr. Hermon Rogerson spent the week end with Mr. Clayton Cowin.

Messrs. Earl Garrett and Eli Bowen motored to Tarboro Saturday.

Mrs. Elmer Rogers and Miss Jewell Overstreet attended services at Cross Roads church Sunday.

Miss Vida Rogers spent Saturday night with Miss Mary Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey motored to Washington Sunday afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. Roebuck motored to Greenville Sunday afternoon.

Miss Stella Taylor and Leonard Mobley attended the dance at Windsor Thursday night.

Misses Mary Harris and Stella Taylor were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer Rogers Sunday.

Misses Helen and Stella Taylor spent the week end with Miss Virginia Taylor.

Miss Fannie Cowin spent Sunday with Miss Maud Bailey.

Mr. Bennett Rogers and Miss Flora Hampton motored to Windsor Sunday afternoon.

Miss Martha Martin Whichard spent Saturday night with Miss Fannie Mae Roberson.

STATE PRIZES KINDLE INTEREST IN CONTEST

UNIVERSITIES GIVING AWARDS TO PUPILS PARTICIPATING IN COMPETITION

WASHINGTON, April 9.—High school principals, and in particular, high school students, are rallying to the fourth annual good roads essay contest conducted under the auspices of the Highway Education board, according to daily correspondence and inquiries.

The unique subject, "The Influence of Highway Transport Upon the Religious Life of My Community," is attracting more than usual study on the part of students, and even pastors and churchmen are taking a lively interest in the 700 word essay being prepared by the high school students of the nation.

The best essay on the subject will receive the H. F. Firestone four year university scholarship, valued at not less than \$4,000, or \$1,000 annually. Information pertaining to the contest, has been sent to each high school and to each city and county superintendent in the nation.

In addition to the scholarship offered by Mr. Firestone numerous state institutions are giving prizes. The University of Kentucky is giving a gold medal for the best Kentucky essay, while the states of Louisiana, North Carolina, Arkansas, Oklahoma and others, valuable state prizes also are offered.

Rules of the contest provide that essays must be written on the assigned subject must not exceed 700 words in length, and must be submitted to high school principal not later than May 1, 1923.

WORLD DEMANDING AMERICAN RAISINS

THEY GO TO OVER 75 COUNTRIES AND THE DEMAND IS RAPIDLY INCREASING

The American raisin is making a new record in its invasion of the world's markets. The total exports in the fiscal year 1921, which ends 90 days hence, will exceed 100,000,000 pounds against 50,000,000 in the fiscal year 1922, and 75,000,000 in exports will approximate \$15,000,000 and will also exceed that of any earlier year.

The raisin is comparatively a new factor in our export trade. It was only in 1898 that the quantity exported was of sufficient importance to obtain a place in the export records of the government, and the total exports of that year amounted to only 3,000,000 pounds, advancing to 5-1/2 million in 1908, 56,000,000 in 1918, and 110,000,000 in 1919.

It is due, however, to the growth in home demand that the raisin industry of California, our chief raisin producer, has so rapidly developed. The total production of raisins in California was in 1913 130,000,000 pounds, in 1919 350,000,000, and in 1922 450,000,000, and we are now producing more than one half of the raisins of the world. About four fifths of this big production is consumed in the United States. Of the 3,000,000,000 pounds produced in the past decade, 17 per cent was exported and the remaining 83 per cent consumed at home. Even this big consumption from our own fields does not fully cover the requirements of our people.

MANY APPLICANTS FOR THE SUMMER SCHOOL AT STATE RALEIGH, April 9.—Applications for admission to the 10th summer school at State college, which begins June 12 and continues through July 25, already exceed the number received at this date in any preceding year of its history. Dr. W. A. Withers, the director, announced today. The total enrollment last summer was 927 with 89 North Carolina counties and six other states and foreign countries represented in the registration. More than 150 applicants were unable to secure dormitory accommodations.

BRYAN APPEALS FOR WORLD PEACE TO FLORIDA AUDIENCE

MR. BRYAN DECLARES LEAGUE OF NATIONS IS HOPE OF WORLD FOR PEACE

MIAMI, April 8.—William Jennings Bryan addressed an appeal for world peace to an audience of several thousand persons here this afternoon and declared that, "the United States must lead the way."

The United States, he asserted, is the only nation which can achieve a leadership towards a lasting peace because no other nation has the confidence of the world.

Mr. Bryan emphasized what he termed the need of "machine strong enough to take hold of our government and regardless of party voice the desire of a nation's millions for permanent universal peace."

"The spirit and desire for peace prevails throughout the world," he said, "but for the expression it needs an all-powerful machine." He suggested that that machine be a league of nations or any league that would arbitrate and iron out arising difficulties.

"The United States is the only nation whose voice is listened to with an interior motive. The nations of the world need us and the United States cannot withhold her influence. Other nations must concede our disinterestedness and the voice of the United States must spread the gospel of peace to the world and the league of nations is the hope of the world for universal peace. Preparation for war is no curative of war and we must do away with navies and armies."

Interesting Schools For N. C. Women

DEMONSTRATION BEING TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF IN MANY PARTS OF STATE

RALEIGH, April 9.—If you could step into some of the rural communities where demonstration work is being done you would find one day or one week schools being conducted where men and women come together to learn to be better farmers and better home makers, says Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, in charge of the home demonstration work for the State college and State Department of agriculture.

Mrs. McKimmon states that part of the day is taken up by subjects of common interest, such as poultry, dairy work, gardening and how to market surplus produce. Then a time is set aside when the men get instruction in their farm problems and the women go into a separate room to discuss the convenient arrangement of their kitchens, for saving steps, how to plan a well-balanced meal, or how to make their spring dresses and hats.

Dinner is usually served in picnic style at noon. Mrs. McKimmon reports that Cabarrus county, with the farm and home agents as instructors, held 12 of these meetings in March with an attendance of 884. Buncombe county reports 27 such meetings in March with an attendance of 2781. One week of these meetings was given over to cooperation with the Buncombe County Farmers' federation in its effort to instruct growers in marketing methods and methods of treating potato diseases.

CANE DESTROYED BY FIRE

HAVANA, April 9.—Special dispatches from Camaguey report that the destruction of sugar cane by fire still continues through the district. The losses through the fire are placed at more than 3,000,000 arrobas of cane, and sugar production in the Camaguey district will be greatly reduced. (An arroba is equal to about 25 pounds.)

DON'T HURT TO FREEZE SAY RESCUED MARINER

ENOCH LEIGH, AT ELIZABETH CITY TELLS OF TERRIBLE NIGHT IN SOUND

ELIZABETH CITY, April 9.—"It does not hurt to freeze to death; one just fights hard to keep alive; shouts and prays, presently gets tired and numb and goes to sleep. That's the way the end comes to a shipwrecked human who dies of cold and exposure."

This is the story Enoch Leigh, engineer of the tug, Julian Fleetwood, which went down in Albemarle sound on the night of March 28 with death resulting to four of the six trapped on the boat, tells in Friday's issue of the Elizabeth City Independent. Leigh, in a hospital here recovering from exposure for the first time described how the six men faced death for six hours through the cold night.

Those who lost their lives were: Captain Clyde Walker of Hertford, First Mate William B. Gray of Hertford; Engineer Vernon Leigh of Norfolk, and Garland Chance, a negro cook.

Owing to the shallow water, the men clung to the super structure, which remained just above the water while the icy shrieked about them and the icy waves battered and drenched their bodies. Once the seachlight of a passing steamer swept the waters about them, rested on the men a moment, and then switched off.

One by one four of the men died. "Faith and hope, are all that saved me," said Leigh. "Over and over I told the boys to never give up—that something would save us. I felt sure of this. The captain was praying, some of the men were screaming and groaning. My own boy was lying down on the deck a few feet away. I told the men to keep shouting as it would help to keep them warm.

INTERSTATE FAIR AND EXPOSITION GETTING NEW PLANT READY

Largest Fair in the Southland Opens at Norfolk August 27th to September 1st

Following the announcement that the Inter-State Fair and Exposition will be held at Norfolk the week starting August 27th, comes the big news that the annual convention of the Veterans of Foreign wars will also convene in Norfolk during fair week.

The directors of the Ocean View Fair and Racing association, Inc., who are the owner of the plant and who will operate the exposition, immediately got in touch with the military organization and the visiting veterans will be their guests at the fair.

It is expected that over two hundred and fifty thousand visitors will be in Norfolk that week. The big permanent plant with modern exhibition buildings and the one hundred feet wide, half mile, racing track, grand stands capable of seating fifteen thousand people will prove a real surprise to visitors who have been used to the older type of exposition grounds.

Many headline attractions have been booked by Business Manager J. V. Lyles, a large number of free acts coming into this territory for their premier appearance. The premium list will be very attractive and will appeal to all classes of exhibitors. Four one thousand dollar stake races will be a feature of the track events.

TOBACCO FARMERS HAD PROGRESSIVE MEET SATURDAY

JUDGE S. T. AUSTIN DELIVERS TIMELY AND BENEFICIAL ADDRESS AT MEET

Judge S. F. Austin of Nashville, addressed the Tobacco farmers of the county Saturday. His speech was gentle and business like, but convincing.

The members at the meeting nominated the following farmers, five of whom will be elected delegates to elect a director for the fifth district: C. A. Roberson, R. S. Everett, A. L. Roebuck, L. J. Roberson of Robersonville; C. L. Green, Oak City; J. S. Whitley, J. L. Holliday, Geo. C. Griffin, Williamston; N. R. Manning, and C. A. Askew, Jamesville.

The following county advisory committee was nominated: C. A. Askew, J. F. Jackson, L. J. Harrison, C. L. Daniel, Jno. E. Griffin, C. C. Coltrain, J. C. Rawls, Geo. A. Peel, Jesse S. Whitley, W. H. Rogers, J. Arthur Wynne, J. A. Ausborn, Jesse A. Leggett, W. A. Edmondson, T. B. Slale, Jr., J. K. Gurganus, C. L. Green, E. T. Smith, Augustus Williams and J. T. Stokes.

MUCH WATER ENCOUNTERED BY GOLD MINE OPERATORS

MONROE, April 8.—"Water enough to drown a mud turtle," is the way a citizen of the old Howie gold mine community expresses the trouble the force that is now working on the mine property is meeting. For some time, pumping has been going on preparatory to beginning actual mining and it will take 90 days to get the water pumped sufficiently to begin work.

Repair work is also being done on the residences occupied by workmen, about 30 men being employed at the present and thousands of dollars are being spent getting ready for the actual mine, which will begin at an early date.

APPLICATION BLANKS READY FOR MILITARY TRAINING CAMPS

All officers of the army of the United States, which includes officers of the regular army, national guard and reserve corps, are now in possession of application blanks for citizens military training camps.

Young men between the ages of 17 and 24 who are interested in obtaining a month's healthful camp at government expense will find it to their advantage to file their application as soon as possible. Preference is being given young men recommended by an officer of the army of the United States until April 25th.

ROCKY MOUNT CURB MARKET WILL OPEN ON APRIL 28TH

ROCKY MOUNT, April 9.—Detailed plans for the establishment of a curb market were worked out here Saturday afternoon at a conference between Mrs. E. J. Gordon, home demonstration agent for Nash county, and Miss Dorothy Dean, who occupied a similar position in Edgecombe county. These two county workers will join in starting the market.

Miss Dean has also worked out the plans for such a market to be opened in Tarboro, Saturday, April 21, while April 28 is the date that has been set for the opening of the local market. It is stated that a location for the market here has been practically secured, but that definite announcement along this line will be made in the near future.

WALKER-WATSON

A quiet marriage was solemnized Sunday night at the Baptist church, when the congregation was dismissed and practically all the people had left.

Mr. Edgar Walker of Norfolk, led Miss Mattie Waters to the altar where the marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. A. V. Joyner.

Mr. Walker has been located at Norfolk recently where he has been engaged in the tobacco business. Miss Waters is well known in Williamston and Martin county, where she served as principal clerk in the register of deed's office for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker left on the early train Monday morning for Washington city where they will make their future home.

MOUNT OLIVE IRISH POTATO CROP SHOWS A BIG INCREASE

MOUNT OLIVE, April 8.—There has been something near a 25 per cent increase in the local Irish potato acreage during the past week or two.