

MISS HOWELL AND SCHOOL PROBLEM L. MURPHY DELIGHT LOVERS OF MUSIC

Artists Give Large Crowd Most Enjoyable Evening In City's History

CONCERT WAS SEASON'S BIG SOCIAL FEATURE

(By R. G. Shackell) Edgecombe county has ever been rich in illustrious sons and daughters, but the renown has been mostly of statecraft, military genius and noble sacrificing women.

Miss Dicie Howell, of Tarboro, horn and bread, of which we are justly proud, by her sweet and rich soprano voice and queenly presence is counted as one of the most prominent of the young singers of America, for since her debut last fall in New York, she has been appearing in many of the great musical events in the metropolis and other eastern cities.

Not content with her rightful place on the concert platform, Miss Howell has earned by close and consistent study, she has apparently determined upon an even more exalted career—Grand Opera, and to complete her course she leaves next month for Paris to study under the great De Reske.

As a farewell to her own people Miss Howell appeared last night at the Opera House with Mr. Lambert Murphy, the noted tenor, in a musical program of attractive proportions, and the hearts of her hearers were extended to her as wave after wave of enthusiastic applause followed every number, and encores were demanded.

The first number was a happy selection, being a duet from Carmen by Bizet, "Pastel nocturne, la Mare" rendered delightfully by Miss Howell and Mr. Murphy and putting the artists and their hearers in perfect union.

The selections sung by Miss Howell during the first half of the program were in French and Italian, the latter from La Tosca, and displayed splendid enunciation and a range that showed the capacity of the artist, the higher notes being very clear and sweet.

There is the real magnetic touch in Miss Howell's voice and her stage presence is fine. She demonstrated to a marked degree last night the control she possessed and also the ease with which she was able to interpret various difficult passages.

The second half of Miss Howell's program was sung in English and probably more naturally enjoyed. Here also could be noticed the clear precision of a well trained and finely controlled voice, unstrained and yet full toned, that was capable of even greater effort.

With regard to Mr. Lambert Murphy it may be said that there has never been a tenor voice in Tarboro that compared with his. He is the master of every inflection and controls with a finesse that is clearly perceptible. His head notes were distinctly sweet and clear while the power, effectiveness and volume of his basso rang out clearly and with out the slightest harshness. His greatest effect is noted in the lighter shades where tender pathos is so apparent.

Mr. Murphy sang a number of selections, the aria of which were well known to his audience and consequently more greatly enjoyed than the technical renderings. Probably the one selection of the evening that brought more applause than others was a selection from Wari Stephens, "Christ In Flanders," sung effectively as a chant and which elicited from his hearers an enthusiastic applause.

Taken all in all the concert was the season's big social feature and despite the downpour of rain few seats were vacant in the house, thus the old tradition that Tarboro does not love music has been sorely shattered for the personal response as well as the financial receipts were greater than any other attraction this season.

Much of the support was probably due to Miss Howell's popularity in her home town. Mr. Lambert Murphy, though he would draw a full house now, was practically personally unknown to local people, except that he has been on the Victor record for some time, so that some of the credit must lie in the fact that we are, after all, music lovers and have not known it.

The evening was one of delight.

SCHOOL PROBLEM CAMPAIGN BEGINS

"Measure Service of Teachers, School Equipment and Courses" Before People

(By The Associated Press) New York, April 28.—A nationwide campaign to "measure service of teachers, school equipment and courses of instruction," so that every municipality may know how to deal with its public school problem, has been started, it was announced here today, by a National Committee composed of secretaries of Chambers of Commerce and superintendents of schools representing 64 American cities.

On the ground that the public schools of the United States are facing a grave crisis due to the alleged need of \$2,500,000,000 to provide adequate buildings, and \$200,000,000 for raising salaries to stop the increasing shortage of teachers, the National Committee says that it is enlisting the aid of Chambers of Commerce all over the country for the purpose of acquainting every citizen and tax payer with the facts.

The conference decided that the Chambers of Commerce could render effective aid only upon the basis of a careful survey of local school conditions for the purpose of comparing them with other cities, the idea being thereafter to enlist all community forces for the development of the public school system.

The first questionnaire sent to Chambers of Commerce and superintendents of schools of all cities with a population of 8,000 and more, and which will be followed by four other questionnaires making the following inquiries: "How much training do your teachers have? How well do you pay your school employees? What special inducement do you offer the teachers in your school?" Later questionnaires will ask, among other things: "How well do you house your school children? What is your educational program? How adequately do you safeguard the children's health? How much does education cost your city? How will the rising costs be met?"

The American City Bureau here which, with Dr. Strayer, initiated and is carrying out the present plans, announced its desire "to make the main facts in the present emergency quickly available" for those cities where school problems are pressing hardest for solution. The question of getting high grade teachers and school employees, he said, has become a more perplexing one than ever before. Many men and women, it is said, have stopped going to Normal schools and teachers' colleges to prepare themselves as pedagogues. In round numbers Secretary Richardson said, there will be 50 percent fewer graduates from these schools in the United States in 1920 than in 1919.

Wood Leads Johnson In The New Jersey Primary

(By Associated Press) Newark, April 28.—With 166 precincts still missing, General Wood leads Senator Johnson by 533 votes in the New Jersey Republican presidential primary today.

Conferees Agree

(By Associated Press) Washington, April 28.—The Senate and House conferees today reached an agreement on the Waterpower bill. Details were not divulged.

WOULD UNITE SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN BRANCHES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

(By The Associated Press) Florence, Ala., April 28.—The Florence District Conference today adopted a resolution urging a union of the northern and southern branches of the Methodist church.

POST SAYS 762 WARRANTS BY THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE

(By The Associated Press) Washington, April 28.—Seven hundred and sixty-two deportation warrants were issued by the Department of Labor as the result of the so-called radical raids made by the Department of Justice, according to Assistant Secretary Post.

None could say that the rendition of the most difficult of vocal variations were not rendered in magnificent style, and anyone who loves harmony must acknowledge the magnificence of voice and the wonderful control of these artists who gave us of their best last night.

Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase Is Inaugurated As President University of North Carolina

TODAY'S NEWS OF TARBORO 20 YEARS AGO

Lumber Mills Burned—The saying that we know not what a day may bring forth, was illustrated yesterday when J. I. Barnhill could not tell what a half a dozen minutes would bring forth. The hour for closing had arrived; the men were leaving the scene of their daily toil. Mr. Barnhill, who is manager of the Tar River Mills, had left his office and reached the river bridge when he heard the cry of fire. He and John Worsley, who was with him went back at a run and arrived at the mill building to see that the entire interior was filled with flames. Entrance was out of question, and every attempt to save anything in this structure was futile. Before one could walk five blocks, the dense column of smoke which could be seen boiling up from the mill, had changed into tongues of fire nearly 100 feet high. * * * The fire originated through the gross carelessness of the fireman. Some shavings were on the boiler; instead of brushing these off, he tried to burn them off. He had no sooner applied the match than the flames spread all over the building. He and the man with him had to rush out to the building to save themselves. * * * The loss to the company is all of \$10,000. * * * The insurance on the part burned amounted to \$3,500. * * * The work of rebuilding will begin without delay.

The fruit is still safe. The shad season is drawing to a close. The juvenile baseball club of Rocky Mount is here today to play the Tarboro kids.

A charter is granted the Kinston Telephone Co.; capital \$10,000. H. O. Hyatt and others stockholders.

More persons voted in the first ward primary than ever voted in an election.

The Rag Time Whist Club was handsomely entertained by Miss Mary Irwin Bridgers last evening. Miss Lizzie Farrar and Joe Pippin won first prize. J. J. Green, Will Howard and Jim Moore won for the booby.

GOVERNMENT ASKS COURTS TO REHEAR U. S. STEEL CASE

(By Associated Press) Washington, April 28.—The government today asked the Supreme Court to rehear its dissolution suit against the United States Steel Corporation.

BODIES AMERICAN SOLDIERS ARRIVE IN NEW YORK HARBOR

New York, April 28.—The bodies of three hundred and fifty-three American soldiers arrived here today from overseas.

Notice

On account of the construction work now being done on side streets, the rule prohibiting the parking of vehicles on Main street is suspended for 30 days.—H. D. Hardison, Mayor.

To Issue Big Stock

(By Associated Press) Youngstown, Ohio, April 28.—The directors of the Youngstown Sheet Tube Co., today decided to issue stock shares divided into more than 400 percent, or over \$30,000,000, according to an announcement made today by President Campbell.

An Optimist

(By Associated Press) Chicago, April 28.—Edward Landsberg, Chicago brewer, announced today that he had invested his entire fortune in obtaining new breweries, believing that the United States will not long remain as "dry," as it is now.

INTERNATIONAL HOTEL FIRE LOSS ESTIMATED \$100,000

(By Associated Press) Windsor, Ont., April 28.—It is estimated that the burning of the International hotel here early this morning will entail a loss of \$100,000.

Surrounded By Representatives Of More Than One Hundred Colleges and Societies New President Of State University Takes Oath Of Office

CHIEF JUSTICE CLARK READ OATH OF OFFICE—GOVERNOR T. W. BICKETT DELIVERED SEAL AND CHARTER OF COLLEGE

More Than One Thousand Persons Marched In The Academic Procession To Memorial Hall Where Inaugural Exercises Were Held

Chapel Hill, N. C., April 28.—In the presence of representatives of more than a hundred colleges and societies, including thirty-three college presidents, and before thousands of alumni and visitors, Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase was today inaugurated President of the University of North Carolina.

Repeating the oath of office after Chief Justice Walter Clark of the Supreme Court, President Chase was formally inducted into office by Governor Thomas W. Bickett, who delivered to the new president the seal and charter of the oldest state university in the United States.

On the platform with the new president were President A. Lawrence Lowell, of Harvard, President John Grier Hibben, of Princeton and Dr. Charles R. Mann of the War Department who in three addresses on different aspects of "The Higher Education and Its Present Task," preceding the inaugural address of President Chase, outlined the educational needs of the present.

Surrounding the new president as he was formally inaugurated were also Secretary Daniels, a trustee for many years of the University, and three former presidents, Dr. E. A. Alderman, Dr. George T. Winston and Dr. Francis P. Venable.

Following President Chase's inaugural address, greetings were extended to the new president and to the University of North Carolina by President Alderman of the University of Virginia, representing all state universities; by President William L. Poteat of Wake Forest College, representing the colleges of North Carolina; by Superintendent of Public Instruction E. C. Brooks, representing the public school system of the state, and by W. N. Everett of the alumni, Dr. Archibald Henderson, of the faculty, and Emmerson White, of the student body.

Secretary Daniels will be toastmaster at a dinner tonight to the visiting delegates, at which further greetings to President Chase will be extended by Senator George H. Moses, of New Hampshire, representing Dartmouth College, which President Chase formerly attended; Chancellor S. B. McCormick of Pittsburgh University; President Charles W. Dabney of the University of Arizona; President E. O. Lovett of Rice Institute; President H. L. Smith of Washington and Lee; President H. N. Snyder of Wofford College; President Emilie McVea and Sweet Briar; Annie Young of Mount Holyoke; George Herbert Locke of the University of Toronto; Dr. Charles H. Herty of the American Chemical Society; Dr. S. P. Capen of the American Council of Education; and R. D. W. Connor, president of the alumni association.

More than a thousand persons, including all the visiting educational leaders, marched in the academic procession across the campus to Memorial Hall, where the inaugural exercises were held. Included in the procession were the students, faculty, alumni, and trustees of the University, the county and city school superintendents of the state, members of the legislature, justices of the state Supreme Court, delegates from colleges, universities, and societies, and visiting college and university presidents.

President Chase, who is 37 years old, has been connected with the University of North Carolina since 1910, as professor of psychology, acting dean of the college of liberal arts, and chairman of the faculty. He was elected President by the trustees in June, 1919, succeeding Edward Kinder Graham, who died of influenza in October, 1918. President Chase was born in New England, received his A. B. degree from Dartmouth College in 1904, an A. M. in 1905, and a Ph. D. degree from Clark University in 1910. He had made many research studies in the psychology of children and in educational psychology, and at the University has been a leader in the extension work and in the starting of the social and public welfare agencies of the University and of the state.

DOUBLE SUICIDE IS NO MEN ALLOWED IN STAGED IN UTICA THIS CORPORATION METHODS ASSURING GOOD ROADS GIVEN

Chicago Couple Commits Suicide After Elopement—No Details Reported

(By Associated Press) Utica, N. Y., April 28.—Mrs. Frank Bruno of Cleveland, died here early this morning as the result of taking poison tablets. A few minutes later, Nick Callatto, with whom she is said to have eloped, committed suicide. The woman left a husband and three small children in Cleveland.

Chicagoans Too Fat

(By The Associated Press) Chicago, April 28.—Every third Chicagoan is too fat, according to a report made by Health Commissioner Robertson, who is experimenting with a weight reduction plan here.

Harding Leads In Ohio

(By Associated Press) Columbus, April 28.—Senator Harding today has a lead of 10,000 votes over General Wood in the Ohio Republican presidential primary returns.

Would Resume Trade With Russian People

(By The Associated Press) Atlantic City, April 28.—The Board of Directors of the United States Chamber of Commerce today authorized the appointment of a commission to proceed to Europe to investigate the possibility of the resumption of trade relations between the United States and the Russian people.

Page Leaves For Western Part Of State To Speak

Raleigh, April 28.—Hon. Robert N. Page, candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, left here yesterday for the western part of the state on a speaking tour. Until May 13, Mr. Page's engagements carry him into fifteen counties.

His appointments cover the following dates and places: Wednesday, April 28th, Lawndale; Thursday, April 29th, Littleton; Friday, April 30th, Durham; Saturday, May 1st, Warrenton; Monday, May 3rd, Dobson; Monday, May 3rd, Mt. Airy; Tuesday, May 4th, Danbury; Wednesday, May 5th, Kernersville; Wednesday, May 5th, Greensboro; Thursday, May 6th, Reidsville; Friday, May 7th, Yanceyville; Saturday, May 8th, Roxboro; Monday, May 10th, Salisbury; Tuesday, May 11th, Belmont; Wednesday, May 12th, Lincolnton; Thursday, May 13th, Asheville.

Monday night Mr. Page spoke in Henderson before a large audience. Without criticism for the present administration, Mr. Page advocated business principles applied to the administration of the state government and an improved school system with better pay for teachers.

The charge that he had deserted the administration in a time of stress, Mr. Page resented defying anyone to show by the record that he did not support the administration. While endorsing the revaluation act as an honest effort to carry out "the most important mandate of the state constitution," Mr. Page advocated an amendment to the state constitution permitting flexibility in fixing rates of taxation.

SUBMARINE SUSPECTED BEING LIQUOR SMUGGLER FIRED ON BY COAST GUARD

(By Associated Press) Washington, April 28.—Suspected of being a liquor smuggler, the American submarine S-4 was fired upon by submarine chaser operating under the coast guard off the Florida coast Monday night, according to a report from the commander of the submarine chaser. None of the shots struck the submarine.

URGES GREATER INTEREST IN ALL POLITICAL ASPIRANTS

(By Associated Press) Pinchurst, N. C., April 28.—President Hayes of the Executive Council of the American Bankers' Association today urged all bankers to take a greater interest than heretofore in the selection of men for political places.

Korean Women Organize And Capitalize Exclusive Female Clothing Business

(By The Associated Press) Seoul, Korea, April 28.—Korean women are forming an exclusively feminine corporation capitalized at 400,000 yen to buy and sell "clothing, lingerie and toilet accessories," according to an advertisement in the first issue of the new Korean daily, the Chosen Ilbo, just issued here. None of the capital stock, divided into 20,000 shares, will be sold to any man. The enterprise is regarded by many as a move toward breaking down an ancient Korean tradition. The director and all other officials of the company, it is announced will be women only and in addition to merchandise, the company will have a sewing department. Its aim is said to be "the promotion of the comfort of living and improvement of Korean women in economic knowledge and experience."

In Japan, cases of women successfully conducting business are not rare. The head of the Owaraya Bank, one of the most successful banking enterprises, was a woman who died leaving a large fortune to the cause of female education. The great Suzuki firm, which has a branch in Seoul, is likewise headed by a woman. In Seoul, itself, the Keijo Printing House and the Urao Hotel are good examples of what women can do.

While Japanese women are entrusted by their husbands with the complete management of household affairs, the Korean woman generally looks to be repouse to finance the home.

Married

The Southerner today received the following announcement: Mr. and Mrs. Louis L. Lyon announce the marriage of their daughter, Martha Hellen to Mr. Hobart Austin, on Saturday, April twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and twenty. Tarboro, North Carolina. At home after May eighth, Kelford, N. C.

The marriage of the young couple took place in the rest rooms of the First National Bank, the Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, officiating.

Poles Advance

(By Associated Press) Warsaw, April 28.—A general advance by Polish forces along a 180 mile front into Ukraine is announced by general staff. It is said that the movement is for the expulsion of the Bolshevik invaders.

Red Cross Organization Undertakes Big Problem

(By Associated Press) Birmingham, April 28.—A donation amounting to \$500 to each family of the 154 families made homeless by the recent tornado has been undertaken by the Red Cross.

Boy Shoots Negro In Defense Of His Mother

(By Associated Press) Baltimore, April 28.—Samuel Levin, 14 years old, today shot and killed a negro here when the latter threatened his mother.

Japanese Are Massacred

(By Associated Press) Washington, April 28.—Japanese guards in the district of Nikolaevski, Siberia, are believed to have been annihilated, and several hundred Japanese residents massacred, according to an official Japanese statement made public today by the State Department.

"Pussyfoot" Engaged

(By Associated Press) Richmond, April 28.—The Anti-Saloon League here has announced that William E. (Pussyfoot) Johnson, has been engaged to deliver a series of prohibition lectures in Virginia.

Tenants League Ask For Special Session In Mich.

(By Associated Press) Detroit, April 28.—The tenants' league here today petitioned the governor to call a special session of the legislature to enact laws governing rentals. The petition suggests that all rent profits be fixed by law.

SUGGESTIONS T W O METHODS ASSURING GOOD ROADS GIVEN

Would Use One Man Section System Or Test Hard Surface Strutch

SUREST ASSURANCE IS THE TESTED EXAMPLE

Mr. Editor: The meeting recently held in behalf of better roads, while few in number, was enough to start the most worthy effort to have better roads. Much credit is due to Secretary Shackell for furthering the purpose. The matter must be kept before the people. The saying, "Jordan is a hard road to travel," is of ancient origin and persistent life, and it makes one think of the good roads in Edgecombe county; if the Jordanites had to travel roads like ours, they have my sympathy. The roads that have been constructed have given good service and much comfort, but being neglected in their maintenance, have now largely written over them, bad order. I desire to submit two methods of improving and obtaining good roads: First, so far as means can be provided, divide parts of the roads into sections, let these sections be shorter or longer, according to the traffic that passes over them, let the working force and equipment consist of one man, of fair capacity and judgment, team and cart, shovel, hoe and tamper and one horse scraper. Require that the section be looked over every day, if the section is too long for this to be done, then shorten it; if there be time wasted then lengthen it. Should the road go bad by the continued stress of wet weather, the section man should have assistance. The principle of the section man's maintenance, is founded on that time honored and age proven maxim, "a stitch in time saves nine." When this system has been thoroughly and practically tested; then the results can be intelligently and practically considered, and if found not to be successful and satisfactory, doubtless the knowledge and experience obtained, will lead to some better way. I am altogether sure that it will not make the roads worse.

Secondly, appropriate enough of the current road tax to construct one mile of standard hard surface road; if this can not be done, then sell enough of the road bonds on hand to supply the needed fund. The first and principal use of this mile, is to serve as a working object lesson. Nothing is so promptly and effectively informing and educating as a physical working illustration. Seeing and feeling inevitably lead to conviction. What did the Lord say and show to His disciple Thomas? Thomas was, absolutely convinced. There can be no doubt but this mile of standard road when rightly and fully appreciated, will lead to the construction of standard roads for the county. Tall oaks from little acorns grow. If any one has a better way, he is guilty of a wrong to his people and county in keeping it concealed.

—John L. Bridgers.

FORESTRY AVIATION GUARD IS NECESSARILY SMALL

Washington, April 28.—Because of depleted personnel only one aviation squadron can be detailed for forest observation, the War Department announced today.

Rent Strike Threatens To Become Serious In N. Y.

New York, April 28.—Prospects of disorder in connection with the threatened rent strikes here on May 1 has become sufficiently alarming to attract the attention of the Department of Justice, Chairman Hilly, of the Mayor's Committee on Rent Profiteering announced today.

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(By Associated Press)

Pontiac, Mich., April 28.—Anson Best confessed today that he murdered Miss Vera Schneider, a telephone supervisor here, whose body was found Sunday morning, according to Prosecutor Glenn C. Gillespie.