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CHILDREN'S DEPT. OF PUBLIC LIBRARY OPENED FRIDAY

Those who did not attend the opening exercises of the children's department of the library yesterday missed a treat. With an artistic touch here and there the rooms had been made to look most attractive. In addition, books of all kinds—old favorites, longed for new books, with covers and illustrations that were irresistible, spoke to the children, from the tables arranged within their reach.

The exercises, which were in charge of Miss Elsiline Felton, assisted by Miss Leafy Spear, would have gone credit to any gathering. Without any accompaniment except the right pitch, given by the incomparable teacher, the little folks sang as if they were bewitched. And for the enlightenment of those who have never heard Miss Felton's pupils sing it should be stated that the numbers consisted not of simple, one-piece selections, but of four part artistic numbers which grown-ups might have found a difficulty in rendering. And it was all done apparently without the utmost ease and naturalness on the part of both teacher and pupil.

The exercises brought out a large number of children, several interested mothers, and appreciative members of the library association. Mrs. Robert Cobb, who has charge of the children's department, and Mrs. W. D. Leggett, president of the library association, are deeply grateful to Misses Felton and Spear for making the opening a success. A success it was, for 65 children took out books yesterday afternoon, and the real purpose of the work is being accomplished. So long as the books are taken care of, and returned or renewed promptly, they will be furnished free to the children.

The following is the program rendered yesterday:

1. Busy Folks—Margaret Strickland, Frank Umstead.
2. Slumber Song—Lena Duncan.
3. Six Little Mice, Finger Song—Margaret Strickland, Edgar Kirk, Minnie Bruce Andrews, Fran.
4. Recitation, When My Dolly Died—Elizabeth Pluck.
5. Sun Bonnet Babes March—2 Grade Children.
6. The Clown—Billy Aiken.
7. The Quarrel—Evelyn Williams, Wilbur Evans.
8. Recitation, The First Banjo—George Sanders.
9. Woodpecker, What the Little Bird Said—Daisies Seate—Evelyn Williams, Wilbur Evans, Ed Bynum Fowlkes, Virginia May.
10. Robin's Return, Pussy Willow—Helen Whitley.
11. Sailor Boys, My Flag, March Wind, Salute to the Flag—George Sanders, Marshall Aiken, Bruce Fryer, Ed Lewis Clayton.
12. Recitation What's the Use—Ed Lewis Clayton.
13. Tic-tic-toe, Pussy Willow, Sleep Song, Spanish Guitar—Eleanor Rosenbaum, Ruth Brown, Elizabeth Morrisette, Ed Clayton, Brooks Fryer, Dallas Clark.
14. The Forest Concert—Nina Bland, Mary Louise Thomas, Alice Harrell, Bessie Moore.

SANDBAG LEVEES HOLD WATER BACK

HELENA, Ark., April 1.—Workmen returning from Old Town levee, where caving occurred last night, said the water from the flood of the Mississippi has gone through the gap in front of the levee but is being held by subleves built of sandbags.

Charlie Keech, Jr., has been in bed for several days. It was thought at one time he was threatened with appendicitis.
Mrs. V. Herman Creech is confined to her bed with influenza.

FORMER EMPEROR CHARLES DIES IN MADEIRA TODAY

FUNCHAL, Madeira, April 1.—Former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary, died here today.

Former Emperor Charles and his wife Zita were sent to exile by the entente allies after he made two spectacular attempts to regain the thrones of either Austria or Hungary. Although his situation on the island of Madeira resembled that of Napoleon at St. Helena, Charles and Zita occupied much more comfortable positions. Their exile began on November 19 last. The former emperor became ill one week ago with bronchial pneumonia.

They were given a beautiful home in the city of Funchal whose residents treated them with friendly consideration.

Ex-Empress Zita had left her children in Switzerland, and when one of them was taken ill the allied governments permitted her to return to that country and visit them. After the establishment of the Austrian republic on November 12, 1918, Charles, who was then in Austria, sought permission to remain in that country but he was asked to leave after it was found he was plotting for his resumption of power. He left with his family late in March, 1919, and rented a house on the banks of Lake Geneva at Prangins, where he resided for some months.

During this time reports of his alleged plotting leaked out and brought forth a categorical statement from the entente that the restoration of the House of Hapsburg would not be permitted. Charles had steadfastly refused to abdicate, although he was requested to do so at various times.

On March 29, 1921, he suddenly appeared in Vienna but his overtures being repulsed by the Austrian authorities, he went to Budapest and attempted to take over the Hungarian government, but without success. Later he offered to renounce all his titles, remaining as a simple citizen.

He was ordered to remove his residence from near the border to the central part of Switzerland and did so, locating near Weggis. The Swiss increased their guard over him but on Oct. 22 he reached Raab, Hungary, having crossed the Swiss frontier in an airplane. He formed a "legitimist cabinet" at Raab and marched on Budapest, with an army of 12,000 men.

The Hungarian government sent loyal troops against him and he was finally captured with his wife near Komorn and confined in the castle at Tata Tovaros until the entente allies determined that he should not again have an opportunity to attempt a coup d'etat, sent them to Madeira.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The administration viewed the beginning of the coal strike today with protection of the general public uppermost concern, and they believed this assured by the present coal surplus and production at non-union mines.

CADET TRAINING TO BE SUSPENDED FOR YEAR

MELBOURNE, Australia, April 1.—Cadet training, which is the basis of the Australian military system, is to be suspended for a year in the interests of economy, under a decision of the federal government. It is estimated that a saving of 122,000 pounds sterling will result. Meantime, remodeling of the defense scheme is to be considered.

DETOUR NOTICE

Rocky Mount-Tarboro Road. Starting Monday, April 3d, through traffic between Rocky Mount and Tarboro will go by way of the County Home and the State Test Farm.

DEBATERS' MEDAL IS WON BY MISS LOUISE PEOPLES

The debate between the affirmative and negative teams that represented Tarboro high school in the state triangular debate Friday night of last week was held in the school auditorium last night. All who heard both the contest of last week and the one last night agreed that the latter was the better forensic battle. The query, Resolved that the U. S. should enter the League of Nations, was argued on the affirmative by Alex Denson and Sallie Satterthwaite, and on the negative by Jack Hearne and Louise Peoples.

The affirmative argued that world conditions and the necessity for international cooperation render a League of Nations necessary; and that the League of Nations under the present covenant is the best association for the world to adopt. The negative agreed that a League of Nations is necessary, but contended that the present covenant should be revised and corrected before the U. S. should sign it. The language should be clarified and five specific reservations added to protect the interests and policies of the U. S.

The judges, Rev. B. B. Slaughter, Rev. S. W. Hale, and Mr. J. B. Aiken, gave their decision to the negative 2 to 1, and voted Louise Peoples to be the best debater and the winner of the gold medal offered by Mr. J. W. Umstead, Jr.

Each debater acquitted himself well, handled his subject in a masterly manner, and did credit to the high school, as well as to themselves. Those who coached these debating teams are to be congratulated on the good work, and splendid showing our boys and girls made.

MEETING OF LIVE AT HOME COMMITTEES

According to the announcement, different committees of the townships throughout the county met here this morning in the commissioners room of the court house.

Mr. H. C. Bourne explained the purpose of this campaign and impressed upon those present the great importance of putting it across at this time.

Mr. Zeno Moore, speaking for the committee that had been appointed to prepare the questionnaires, made his report.

Mr. R. E. Sentelle, speaking for himself and the teachers, pledged their support to the live at home campaign.

Mr. J. L. Brake promised his support, although he thought a more active man should have been selected for this campaign in No. 12 township.

Mr. Gaither of the demonstration department of Eastern North Carolina also spoke of the great importance of the movement and stated the state was not at this time raising sufficient food and feedstuffs for its own support, but the live at home campaign would help in supplying this need.

Four thousand blank questionnaire papers have been printed and will be placed in the hands of the township chairman, who will see that they reach every man and woman in the county.

The plan for the campaign in each township, Mr. Bourne stated, would be left entirely to the local managers. If they needed speakers or assistance of any kind, the central committee would supply them.

The interest and enthusiasm shown at this morning's meeting were great and those present went away thoroughly determined to do something.

Mr. Bourne requested that the questionnaires be returned to Miss Georgia Henry by April 20.

Mrs. G. B. Andrews is in Scotland Neck this week to see her father, Mr. J. N. Jones, who is very sick with pneumonia.

THE SOUTHERNER'S SATURDAY SERMON

(Rev. Bertram E. Brown.)
And Satan said unto Jesus, All these things will I give thee if thou wilt fall down and worship me.—St. Matt. 4:9.

Everything we get in this world has to be paid for. It makes no difference at all what it is, if we get it we must pay the price for it. There is a saying of Emerson's "What will you have, quoth God? Take it and pay for it." And the greater the good, the higher the price at which it is purchased. Even life itself has to be paid for by a continuous series of instalments of sorrow, fear, blessing of life on any easier terms. This is not because God is a hard bargainer, but because it is not good for us to get anything good for nothing. If we did, we would have a low opinion of it, which is the worst misfortune possible, for a man to have a contemptuous opinion of good.

Now, Satan tries to be like God in every way except being good. He copies all God's plans and methods. He has to, because he cannot originate anything himself. If he could do that he would be a Creator too, and equal to God. So he charges for all he can induce people to accept from him, and as he can outdo God in no way but a bad one, he surpasses God in this respect, that he charges more, and gives less in return than God does. He offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them, and the price he asked was that He worship him. So our sermon will be on the different ways of worshipping Satan there are:

1. Not worshipping God. We naturally are obliged to worship something. That is the way we are made. If it is not God, then it must be Satan, for there are only those two principles for us to worship. If a man is not for God and good, he is of necessity for Satan and wrong. He cannot possibly be neutral.

2. Doing exactly as we ourselves want to do. Sometimes we may say that we neither obey God or the devil so far as we know; but obey only our own desires. But by nature we are sinful, and our natural desires are directed by Satan. I had just as soon be at the mercy of a man possessed wholly of the devil, as a man possessed wholly by himself. It is about the same thing, I suppose. If he cares only for himself, he certainly is not going to do me any good.

3. I would say a person is worshipping Satan who is never getting any better as his life goes on. For God certainly is the author of life and growth, and evil is the cause of backwardness and lack of progress and death. Somehow, one who never gets onward towards higher heights of holiness, must have fastened his life to some principle of death, which is what we know Satan to be.

So the price Satan asks for the kingdom of the world, or for that small part of them he offers us, that of worshipping him, is too great a price for so scanty delivery.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF LIBRARY

The executive committee of the Edgecombe Public Library Association will meet Monday afternoon at 6 o'clock in the reading room. The meeting will begin promptly and will last only three-quarters of an hour. Every one of the fifteen members of the committee is expected to be present.

His 56th Subscription.

Mr. Jesse L. Brake, one of the most esteemed citizens of Edgecombe county, was in town today. He came to Tarboro to be present at the meeting of the committees of the county for the live-at-home campaign.

While here Mr. Brake came into the Southern office and paid his 56th subscription to the Tarboro Southerner. He is the oldest subscriber of the paper on its books.

COMBATS IDEA THAT RADIUM HAS NO CURE VALUE

LONDON, April 1.—Dr. A. E. Hayward Pinch, medical superintendent of the radium institute, in his report of the work of that institution for last year, combats the idea that radium has no therapeutic value. He declares that this theory originated from well-meaning but ill-informed practitioners having very little personal experience.

"Radium," he declares, "is not a failure when used intelligently and scientifically and applied to treatment of those conditions which experience has shown are amenable to its action. No honest worker claims, or has ever attempted to claim, that radium is to be regarded as a panacea, or as a cure for malignant disease and many years must elapse and much more research and clinical work be done before it will be justifiable to use the word 'cure' even in selected cases of malignant trouble. It is best, therefore, to speak only of 'arrest of the disease' and this can truthfully be affirmed in very many instances. Patients whose lives would have speedily terminated and who would have suffered much intense agony have been enabled by radium treatment to live for many years in comparative comfort after all the known resources of medicine and surgery had been exhausted.

"At the present moment," states Dr. Hayward Pinch, "the institute case-records comprise the names of many patients suffering from recurrent inoperable malignant disease who first presented themselves for treatment some seven, eight, nine or 10 years ago, and who are now leading useful and comparatively healthy lives, the disease having been rendered quiescent by the treatment which they have received."

Since the radium institute was opened in August, 1911, 7,750 patients have been dealt with and nearly one hundred thousand treatments administered.

EXHIBIT CONORED PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Carrie Battle was a busy woman this morning in her office in the court house.

With the assistance of several of her county teachers, she arranged a splendid industrial exhibit in her office consisting of plain sewing, fancy work, cooking, shuck hats, raffia hats, pine straw needle work, chair caning, drawing, canned goods and rugs from old sacks.

This exhibit is from all schools in the county and will remain in the court house until the county school commencements.

These county school commencements will be at different points over the county, on April 17 to 20.

Mr. G. H. Ferguson, assistant director of negro education in the state, will be present at these commencements.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer of the State Sanitarium has promised to be present at one of these commencements.

The rooms of Carrie Battle, county supervisor of education in Edgecombe, is a thing of beauty and those who wish to see something pretty will be well repaid to visit this room and see for themselves.

The colored teachers of the county are to be congratulated upon the splendid showing they have made.

WEEKLY CURRENT REVIEW

What the People Are Doing and Saying in the State and Nation—Digest of Editorial Opinion.

Zach Graves and Robert Price have been convicted in Greensboro court for stealing a can of beans from the Piggly Wiggly and sentenced to six months on the roads.

It is a good thing that the Ten Commandments do not have to be ratified by the American congress. If they did there would be a rough and uncharted course ahead of them. If they finally did make it there would either be eight or fourteen of them. They couldn't possibly stand at the original ten.—Los Angeles Times.

The mystery of the Brown Mountain light is to be cleared up if possible by G. R. Mansfield of the U. S. Geological Survey. Mr. Mansfield has already commenced his investigation.

The Chicago city council has defeated an ordinance prohibiting women from smoking in public. The proposed ordinance was placed on file despite requests of its supporters that it be referred to a committee. While the ordinance was being discussed five women appeared in the council chamber gallery, smoking cigarettes.

Morganton's new hotel has been named the Caldwell, honoring Burke county's only governor, Tod R. Caldwell. This name was the unanimous choice of stockholders meeting there. The hotel will be opened about May 15, it was said.

North Carolina's National Guard units for the first time will be sent to four different camps this summer for their annual 15-day period of field training, it is announced at the office of the adjutant general.

John E. Hughes of Danville, Va., one of the best known independent tobacco dealers in this country, died at his home this week following illness extending over two years.

Deportation of aliens who persistently violate the Volstead and narcotic laws is urged by the prohibition enforcement department as a means of breaking up the business of the illicit drug dealer and bootlegger. J. P. Jones, assistant prohibition commissioner, told the house immigration committee that a large percentage of those convicted in drug and liquor cases were aliens who came from countries where prohibition had few friends. Mr. Jones estimated that aliens comprised 80 per cent of those who were apprehended for violating the prohibition and narcotic statutes.

Not a single farmer in Buncombe county, representative of the western section of the state, will pay tax on his income for the past year. Deputy Tax Commissioner Mark Reed, who handled all state income blanks filed in that county, said that not a farmer in that section made returns. The farmer in that section has been hit hard during the past year, as this fact indicates.

W. C. Woodard, prominent traveling salesman and oldest native-born citizen of Rocky Mount, died at his home in that city Wednesday after a prolonged illness from a complication of diseases.

Two thousand dollars compensatory damages were awarded Henry E. Williams, former mayor of Fayetteville, this week by the jury trying his libel suit against the Park Publishing Company and Cary B. Taylor of the publication of alleged libelous articles in the Fayetteville Observer in 1920, when the paper was owned by the Park Company and

edited and managed by Taylor. Lower Michigan was under a deep blanket of snow and ice Thursday. Communication lines were crippled and many highways were impassable and interurban railway service hampered by ice covered ways and wires that were down.

The old Moore county court house will be sold at auction on April 5, to the highest bidder. The purchaser will be allowed 30 days in which to remove it.

Railways of the United States had total earnings in the last six months of 1921 of \$5,000,000 more a day than for a similar period in 1916, but received a smaller net return than five years ago.

There are 11,000,000 negroes in the United States, Rev. I. Garland Penn, told the members of the Newark conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in Newark, N. J., "Thirty per cent of all the persons engaged in agriculture in the south are negroes. It is here that the church has its best opportunities for the uplift of the masses of the negro.

The rising tide of European goods on American shores is shown in dollars by reports just given out. The figures also set forth lessening of exports to Europe. Imports from Europe were valued at \$71,484,791, as against \$68,113,403 in January.

Exports to Europe last month were \$128,956,140, as compared with \$148,339,246 in January and \$238,816,439 in February, 1921.

The supreme court in opinions handed down this week decided that Clyde P. Montgomery New Hanover county man, will have to pay the death penalty for criminal assault on 15-year-old Ruby Smith.

BIG DRIVE ON FOR CONTRACT SIGNERS

Mr. J. H. Lawley of Raleigh is in the city looking after the big drive for tobacco and cotton signers for the cooperative marketing system.

Mr. Lawley will have charge of the following counties: Wayne, Wilson, Nash, Edgecombe, Halifax, Bertie and Hertford.

Mr. Lawley says that all these counties have been lined up and the active work for the big campaign will begin on April 8.

Mr. Lawley has been in this work for several weeks and has been all over these counties and says that the outlook for a successful sign-up for tobacco and cotton gets brighter and brighter each day.

He also says that in a few days he will give the Southerner some startling facts that will be interesting reading matter for the tobacco and cotton growers.

Redemption Month Campaign.

Rev. J. P. Harris, pastor of the Bethel Baptist church, will speak at the following places at the time designated:

- Fountain, Sunday, April 2, 8 p.m.
 - Eagles, Sunday, April 2, 3 p.m.
 - Pinetops, Sunday, April 2, 8 p.m.
 - Mildred, Monday, April 3, 8 p.m.
 - Speed, Tuesday, April 4, 8 p.m.
 - Hobgood, Wednesday, April 5, 8 p.m.
- These services will be a part of the redemption month campaign, held in the interest of the Seventy Five Million Campaign.