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BANQUET WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

**Crowd Was Jolly and
Speeches Were Fine,
Splendid Spirit Manifest
Throughout Feast Pro-
vided by Members of
The Ladies Auxiliary**

Not within recent years has there been a banquet in Elizabeth City where was evidence of such wholehearted good-fellowship and real enjoyment as was manifest Friday night at the banquet tendered by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Red and Blue divisions of the workers through whose efforts Elizabeth City now has a Y. M. C. A. with a membership of over eight hundred. Freedom from restraint, intense enthusiasm and genuine joyousness gave the occasion a certain distinctiveness and made it one that will be memorable to every one who was present.

The banquet, while not elaborate was painstakingly prepared and attractively served. Some of the Blues, most of whom had donned white caps and aprons, assisted the ladies and the repast was served in four courses.

Following the banquet there were short addresses from the guests of honor—the ministers of the city and the directors of the Y. M. C. A. Division Captain Pugh was called on for a talk and in the absence of Captain A. B. Houts, members of his division spoke briefly on some phase of the Y. M. C. A. Movement, or of Y. M. C. A. work. Among the guests of honor who were called on were E. F. Aydt, J. B. Leigh, Dr. B. C. Henning, Rev. Rufus Bradley and W. J. Woodley. Team Captains speaking were Joe Winslow, Arthur Burgess, J. K. Wilson and Herbert Peele. The opening prayer was made by Rev. I. N. Loftin and the closing prayer by Rev. C. E. Culbreth. The opening speech was made by Superintendent Spragins, who has acted as chairman of both divisions in their night meetings to report progress. Thomas J. Markham, who has led the movement and managed the membership campaign was toastmaster.

It was a jolly and enthusiastic occasion from start to finish. With white aprons donned and with Chef Pugh in white cap as well the defeated Blues entered the reception hall in a body singing a song improvised for the occasion. Numbers of the victorious Reds had pinned on their backs red pennants inscribed with the words 'Excuse our Dust.' There was much good natured badinage on both sides and the good spirit generally manifested was gratifying and refreshing. The most notable single feature of the evening's program was the singing of the male quartet of the choir of Backwell Memorial church. The timely interpolation of musical numbers saved the evening from any hint of tediousness; and the quartet's last effort—a burlesque of the contest between the Reds and the Blues, embodying humorous thrusts at popular favorites in the race, was received with shouts of applause and approval.

The speech of J. K. Wilson elicited especially favorable comment. Mr. Aydt and Dr. Henning urged that the leaders see to it that the Y. M. C. A. did not go beyond its province and invade that of the churches. Mr. Pugh said that the Y. M. C. A. had grown out of the work of the churches and that there was no danger of such encroachment. Mr. Wilson pointed out that the Y. M. C. A. filled a need in the young man's life which has not been met and cannot well be met by the individual church and he held that its special value from a religious

COURT IN SESSION

Only four cases came up for trial in the first days session of Superior Court here. The judge consumed a good part of the forenoon in delivering his charge to the grand jury.

Glen Danie's, charged with embezzlement, entered a plea of nolo contendere on all of the counts of the indictment against him with the exception of the last count on which he pleaded guilty. The court has his case under advisement and sentence will be pronounced later in the week.

All others tried Monday were negroes. All three were appealed from the recorder's court. The defendants got small comfort from Judge Allen who either confirmed the recorder's judgement or increased the penalty.

William Baker, charged with assault with deadly weapon was given two years on the roads.

Pruden Banks, charged with creating a nuisance, was given three months on the roads.

James Overton, accused of forcible trespass, was also given three months.

Right of way has been given today to the new trial of case against Doc Morse.

APRON PARTY THURSDAY

An apron party will be given Thursday night at Brothers school house, the proceeds to be used in beautifying the school grounds.

Miss Lydia Spence of South Mills and Mrs. Maggie Blount are teaching at this school and through their efforts much interest has been aroused in making the school-rooms and grounds attractive and in making the school a community centre.

MRS. JENNINGS ENTERTAINS

Mrs. W. H. Jennings entertained the Travellers Club at her home on North Road street Tuesday afternoon. The members present were Mrs. T. DeLos Cray, Mrs. L. R. Foreman, Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep, Mrs. J. W. Foreman, Mrs. M. B. Sawyer and Mrs. O. F. Gilbert.

MASQUERADE PARTY ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Miss Curtis Goodwin's Sunday school class will give a masquerade party in the annex Basement of Backwell Memorial church next Tuesday night. The public is cordially invited.

standpoint, lies in the fact that it takes the young man as he is and seeks to direct his impulses rather than inhibit them. Mr. Peele, speaking after numerous suggestions had been made as to where credit for the success of the campaign belonged suggested that the work of the ladies, who have kept working when no other effort was being made, should not be forgotten.

The present movement to open the Y. M. C. A., though not coming into sight until a few weeks ago, had its beginnings last fall in the plans of a number of young men who determined to open the building this Spring. These young men secured permission to use the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, two basketball teams were organized, and there were a number of exhibition games between the Reds and the Blues until the weather became too cold for anyone to attend these contests. The young men continued to use the cold gymnasium, however, throughout the winter and the matter of opening in the Spring was continually talked of and planned for, and it was on account of this work of preparation that when a call for a meeting of young men was issued, there was a response which kindled the enthusiasm of the community. All who attended the meeting and insured the success of the movement.

SURE SIGNS OF SPRING IN AIR AND ON STREET

Spite of the cold wave which rolled in on us and over us Wednesday night, Spring is coming. Bare and brown to-day, soon will the earth be clothed in velvet verdure or else from fallow fields will ascend the warm smell of new turned earth. The bare and leafless branches which yesterday sighed at the cold touch of an aging Winter will tomorrow burst into laughter of blossom and fragrance in answer to the coy smile of dimpling Spring.

As sure a sign of Spring as the blossoming of fruit trees and the passing of cloudlet shadows along the budding grass is this: A lady in the trim garb of water passes along the street with hurrying feet. Suddenly she stops, turns in her tracks and leans forward eagerly. What has arrested her tripping feet? No voice has reached her but she gazes at something in rapt silence. She is standing before a millinery window.

Last week was millinery opening week in Elizabeth City and the Spring opening displays still grace the milliner's windows—hats of most attractive shapes, with trimmings of brilliant and varied but not gaudy, colors.

One entering is shown an elaborate assortment of the season's newest modes; the snug fitting Charlotte Corday chapeau, the jaunty chin-chin salier with its roiling brim, the dignified helmet toque, the wattleau, besides the odd shaped blocked hats, each different from the other and the simpler shapes of the sailor and leghorn.

Frightened by newspaper articles on the scarcity of dyestuffs, she had expected to see a kind of second-morn effect in the millinery displays this spring, but a more delightful array of colors could not well be imagined. Apple green that vies with the new leaves of the trees at Easter, rose shades in abundance and variety, blues that range from hydranges to coppenagen, odd yellow shades, sage green and wine are but a few of the more prominent ones.

Again, a variety is found in the braids, from the soft rich chrysanthemum braid and the use of crepe and silk facings, to the shiny lacquered hats, which are a distinctive feature of the season's styles. Trimmings, too, range all the way from the handsome gouna feathers, wings and quills, to many-hued ribbons, lacquered foliage, flowers and fruits all a delight to the eye and extremely chic.

The millinery centres—the L. P. Gilbert Company, Mrs. M. Hill, the Pritchard Millinery Company, Walker & Company, Miss Saile Perry—were filled with visitors on Wednesday and Thursday, in spite of the unfavorable weather, and a greater number of sales than is ever made at the openings is reported. That prices on all merchandise are likely to go up as the season advances, instead of down, as is usually the case, has caused the wise spender to buy early.

The S. R. Siff Company's second floor where both millinery and ready-to-wear apparel are displayed to advantage, was also a popular place on the opening days. In addition to an excellent selection of millinery, shoppers were attracted by the showing of Spring suits and dresses. Spring suits showing unique combinations of taffeta with cloth, dark blue suits with white buttons, the attractive combination of white and blue serge, touches of brilliant colors, such as hydrangea blue, wine, yellows, and greens, on dark colored or black suits, were among the fascinating variety for the shoppers' selection.

At the M. Leigh Sheep Woman's Wear Store, suits for every feminine type are displayed, and elaborate and handsome afternoon and evening dresses for the most fastidious or for the most conservative, as well as dainty lingerie and the smartest and newest fads in all sorts of accessories.

To-morrow and Thursday are Spring Opening days at the store of McCabe & Grice; tomorrow,

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HAVE AWAKENING

A campaign to re-organize Elizabeth City's Chamber of Commerce will be definitely set on foot this week.

To-morrow night a meeting is to be held in the court house to which the public generally are invited and which the business men and all the young men of the town are urged to attend. At this time a plan of campaign is to be determined and the basis upon which the new organization is to be effected will be decided.

Four years ago Elizabeth City had an active Chamber of Commerce which did good work. The organization got in debt, however, the employment of a whole time Secretary was given up, and from that time interest in the organization failed rapidly. A re-election of officers failed to revive it and during its later days calls to attend its meetings met with no response.

The plan now is to infuse new life into the Chamber of Commerce by interesting the young men of the town in the organization. The young men will be asked join and it is they who are expected to largely direct its policy. Further details have not yet been made public; but that the movement to re-organize will be successful is the certain expectation of those who are in closest touch with the situation.

ALKRAMA IMPROVES SERVICE

The Alkrama this week has made marked improvement in its service to its patrons by transforming the alternating current furnished by the Electric Light and Power Company into a direct current. This is done by means of a direct current dynamo which run by an alternating current motor furnishes a direct current to the arc of the picture machines.

COOKING ELECTRICALLY IN HINTON BUILDING

The Light and Power Company are conducting this week free electrical cooking demonstrations in the Hinton Building, Corner of Main and Martin streets. Modern electric ranges are used and in these demonstrations Elizabeth City housewives are given their first opportunity of seeing here electrical cooking by experts. Hot coffee is served the visitors free and the demonstrations today are attracting considerable attention. They will continue through Thursday.

THE BURTON HOTEL ADOPTS AMERICAN PLAN

The Burton Hotel dining room opened Monday morning and with this event this new hostelry which has been operating under the European plan adopts the American plan. The Burton Hotel building stands on the water front, and the diningroom, facing the river and with low windows looking eastward affords every guest from his seat at the table a splendid view of the Pasquotank.

Mr. Burton believes that the dining room is more delightfully situated than that of any hotel in the state. "The Gaston at New Bern" he says, "overlooks the water, but seated at the table the guest can not see the water at all."

At any rate, thoroughly equipped with all modern improvements, newly painted and attractively decorated with ferns and palms, the dining room and the entire interior of the Burton issue an inviting call to the wayfarer.

Miss Emma White of Belvidere is visiting Mrs. Flora on Main street.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Mitchell's Department Store; while the store of Rucker & Shoeley will be closed to-morrow in preparation for their Thirtieth Anniversary Sale which begins Thursday and lasts until the close of business Saturday night.

PROF. SAMS HERE SATURDAY

At the March meeting of the Pasquotank Teachers Association held here Saturday Prof. E. E. Sams of Raleigh addressed the teachers and Miss Maude Barnard, of the Johnson Publishing Company spoke of the value of Storytelling in the work of community building.

The meeting opening with the song, 'I love the Carolina', followed by prayer by Rev. I. N. Loftin. W. H. Pritchard discussed the teaching of Grammar, Miss Marion Barclift the teaching of Reading, Miss Ella Bray the teaching of music, and Miss Mary Weaver the teaching of Geography. A solo was rendered by Miss Pauline Taylor.

FELL ON TWENTY PENNY NAIL

Roland Ward is carrying his arm in a sling and suffering considerable pain and inconvenience as the result of a fall Saturday afternoon. Walking in Wileys shipyard he tripped and fell on a board in which were three upturned twenty penny nails. Ward missed two of them by sheer luck, but the third went through his left hand between the little finger and its neighbor. The wound was dressed at once by Dr. Walker and is healing as rapidly as possible.

MRS. AMANDA MCCOY DEAD

The funeral of Mrs. Amanda H. McCoy was conducted Friday afternoon from the home of Mr. M. L. Davis by Rev. I. N. Loftin, pastor of Backwell Memorial Baptist church. Interment followed in the Overman Cemetery.

Mrs. McCoy died Wednesday morning at the home of her brother, Mr. M. L. Davis with whom she had made her home during the past year. She was eighty-two years old and until about ten days ago she was in excellent health for a person of advanced years. Seized with an attack of grippe week before last she grew steadily worse until her death Wednesday morning.

Mrs. McCoy is survived by two children, Mrs. V. H. Pastorfield of this city and Mr. Ernest McCoy of South Carolina; by one brother, Mr. M. L. Davis, who lived just outside of the city limits; and by four sisters, Mrs. Sarah F. Spence of this city, Mrs. Sue Jones and Mrs. Frank Pritchard of this county, and Mrs. Mary Davis of Norfolk. Her son, Mr. Ernest McCoy of South Carolina, and her grandson, Mr. Bruce Pastorfield of Richmond, were here to attend the funeral.

KRAUSS-HOOPER

Robert Earl Krauss and Miss Lucy E. Hooper, both of this city, were married Saturday night by Justice of the Peace J. W. Munden at the home of Mrs. Gray on Martin Street.

SMALL BLAZE ON BODY ROAD

Fire was discovered about noon Monday in a house occupied by negroes on Body Road. The chemical engine was rushed to the scene and the flames extinguished before doing much damage. It is supposed to have originated from a defective flue.

GIVE SILVER TEA

The Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will give a Silver Tea at the residence of Mrs. S. H. Spragins, 301 West Main street, from four to six o'clock Saturday afternoon. The public is cordially invited. t&f

AT PEARL STREET CHURCH

Special services will be held at Pearl street Methodist church commencing April 2nd. Rev. G. B. Clemmer of Lenoirville, N. C. preaching. The public is cordially invited to attend these services. t&f

PROMISING CLUE OF LOST BOY

**Mother of Jimmy Glass
Who Has Crossed Con-
tinent Twice in Vain
Search for Son Hopes to
Find Him in North Car-
olina**

(Special Wire to The Advance)
Meredith, New Hampshire, March 21, 1:15 p. m.—An agent of Mrs. Ella Glass, at Greely, Pennsylvania, was wired this morning that a promising clue had come to light from Kinston, N. C. indicating that her son, Jimmy Glass, is with a band of gypsies in that section. Information leading to the clue is said to have been obtained from a drunken gypsy belonging to the band, and arrests are reported to have been made. Mrs. Glass, in distraction is wiring to Kinston, Washington, Durham, Goldsboro and New Bern where the gypsies have been recently seen and if the clue is confirmed Mrs. Glass will at once leave for North Carolina, to see if she can find her boy. She has already crossed the continent twice in her search only to find disappointment at the journey's end. The boy's father has spent a small fortune in the search and today a physical wreck as its result. Five year old Jimmy Glass disappeared from his home at 13 L'adreau Place, Jersey City, N. J., during last March. The sensation produced by his disappearance is only equaled by that in the famous case of Charlie Ross who was kidnapped and has never been found.

A dispatch from Kinston as this paper goes to press does not credit above story.

FUNERAL OF MRS. MARY VALENTINE

The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Valentine, nearly eighty-two years old, was conducted at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Lamb on Martin street Monday afternoon at two o'clock. Dr. B. C. Henning and J. L. Cunningham led the service. Interment followed in Hollywood cemetery.

Mrs. Valentine's death came on Sunday morning at five o'clock after a lingering illness of over two years. For the last two years Mrs. Valentine had had been practically helpless.

Mrs. Valentine was born in Hertford county and up to about ten years ago, when she came to Elizabeth City, she had made her home at Harrellsville, N. C. She is survived by nine children: Mrs. J. T. Lamb of this city, Mrs. Lilly Smith of Rocky Mount, Mrs. J. J. Jackson of Newport News, Mrs. T. A. Powellsville, Mr. Harrison Valentine of Jacksonville Florida, L. E. and J. A. Valentine and Mrs. S. W. Dowtin all of Norfolk and W. L. Valentine of Washington, D. C.

Of the children attending the funeral from out of the city were the following: Mrs. L. B. Smith, Mrs. J. J. Jackson, Mrs. S. W. Dowtin, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Valentine, and L. E. Valentine.

Mrs. Valentine was the widow of George Valentine of Hertford County who died thirty-five years ago. She was a member of the Baptist church.

BLYTHE-WOMBLE

Collin Richard Blythe and Miss Ann's Womble of Franklin, Va., were married here Saturday afternoon by Justice of the Peace, J. W. Munden. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Blythe of Franklin.

E. G. Cox of Greensboro was in the city Saturday.