

P. H. S. FACULTY TO PRESENT PLAY

The faculty of Plymouth graded school, assisted by quite a number of local talent, is at work in preparation for the presentation of the three-act comedy-drama, "Polly With a Past", which will be presented in the high school auditorium about the tenth of next month.

This date is tentative, however, and is subject to change. As soon as a positive date is arranged and set appropriate advertising matter will be distributed.

This is a royalty play which was presented successfully three hundred and twenty-six evenings in one theater in New York.

It is expected to be the biggest entertainment given under the auspices of the Plymouth high school this season. The cast is exceptionally good and an evening of real enjoyment is promised the public.

Right here we wish to state that we have the idea that our people are rather lax in their material support and encouragement to the efforts of our school teachers and students, and they are missing a great deal of pleasant entertainment by failing to attend the programs provided.

City Council to Appoint Clerk

The town council will hold its regular semi-monthly meeting to-night in the clerk's office at the Municipal Light and Water Supply for the purpose of attending to routine and special business.

A question of some interest to the public is the appointment of the city clerk, which will be done at this meeting. Mr. D. A. Hurley, the prior clerk, resigned some time ago and the office has been vacant for about two weeks. During that time important affairs of the town have been looked after by Mayor Austin and Dr. C. McGowan. Applications to fill the clerk's office have been filed by M. W. Spruill, J. H. Smith, J. E. Doughtie, W. B. Cox and J. T. McNair. A few days ago, however, Mr. Cox withdrew his application, so as far as we know there are now only four aspirants for the position.

Mrs. Zimo Lyon of Ayden was the guest of her mother, Mrs. L. P. Hornthal, this week.

Mr. A. H. Selling of New York city has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hornthal this week.

ALMO THEATRE TO-NIGHT

"The Vanishing American"

This is a Zane Gray story and one of the largest and best pictures we have booked this season at the same old price

20 & 35¢

SATURDAY NIGHT

"The Golden Cocoon"

Featuring
Huntley Gordon
and
Helene Chadwick

ALSO
EIGHTH EPISODE
OF
"Sunken Silver"

LUNCHES FOR STUDENTS

An arrangement has been made by the home economics class, and under the supervision of the economics teacher, Miss Hope Hardison, of the Plymouth high school, whereby hot lunches will be served daily for the convenience of the rural students who are attending this school. This practice will begin next Tuesday and will continue through the winter.

This plan is being used with most pleasing results in other schools, and certainly provides an exceptional opportunity for the children to obtain tempting lunches which are arranged in accordance with advice given by the board of health and so served as to interest and delight those who partake of them.

The menu will first include soups and cocoa, and other foods will be added later. The nominal sum of five cents will be charged for soup and crackers and the same price will be placed on cocoa.

New Departure to Open Soon

A new departure for Plymouth is the establishment of the Woman's Shop, with Mrs. Edison Swain as proprietress, which will open formally Saturday, January 29th.

This enterprise will occupy a store of the Brinkley hotel building next to the postoffice, and will cater to women only. All sorts of silks and piece goods will be stocked, and a capable and experienced dressmaker will be employed to make dresses according to the desires of their clientele. Hemstitching and button covering will also be a feature of the business, and a line of brassieres and fancy trimmings Onyx and Gotham hosiery will be included in the stock.

Freight Boat Sinks Near Here

The Chelsea, freight steamer operated by the Baltimore, Norfolk and Carolina line, sank about two miles from here early Saturday night as a result of striking a log in the Perquimans river earlier in the day.

At the time of striking the log Captain Polson did not think the damage serious enough to prevent the boat from continuing the voyage, so came on here, unloaded his cargo and was on the way back to Norfolk to put in for repairs. but the pumps were not adequate to keep the water out, so the steamer was beached on the mud flats.

She settled down with the upper decks above water, and the crew of half a dozen men were taken off by a passing boat and brought here.

To Our Patrons

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a display advertisement addressed to our commercial printing customers, advising them that hereafter such work will be done for cash only.

This is not done for any reason except that there is such little profit and such stiff competition in this department that we are compelled to insist upon a cash basis, so that we may be placed in position to meet our bills promptly and to curtail every expense possible.

The loss of one account may easily absorb the profits on a dozen or more.

It is hoped that our patrons will accept this rule in the manner in which it is intended, and co-operate with us in the effort.

Mrs. Fanny Ayers left yesterday for Washington where she will spend some time with friends and relatives.

BANK CLOSING REPORTED

Just as we go to press we learn that the Peoples Bank at Creswell had closed its doors. From meager telephone information we learned that such action was taken for the purpose of making arrangements for a consolidation. Inadequate telephone facilities handicapped us to such an extent that we could not get details of a satisfactory nature.

Mrs. Ward Entertains Literary Society

The Thursday Afternoon literary club held an interesting meeting last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. S. A. Ward in main street.

The topic for the afternoon was Oscar Wilde, a social satirist. Interesting papers were read by Mrs. H. S. Midgett and Miss Mavis Thigpen. Mrs. W. H. Clark led in a discussion of the play "Lady Windemere's Fan."

At the conclusion of the program the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Members present were Mesdames W. H. Clark, H. A. Blount, J. B. Edmondson, J. R. Campbell, R. W. Johnston, B. G. Campbell, H. S. Midgett, C. S. Ausbon, R. P. Walker, S. A. Ward, P. W. Brinkley, W. R. Hampton, J. W. Williamson, Z. V. Norman, T. L. Bray, J. S. Norman, and Miss Mavis Thigpen.

Federated Clubs to Meet Here

The Federation of Women's Clubs of this county will hold an interesting meeting at the court house next Friday afternoon at two o'clock.

Miss Maude Wallace, assistant state home demonstration agent, will be present and deliver an address filled with valuable information to the women of this organization.

Miss Morehead, the county agent, is making plans for the reception of a record attendance. Members of this organization are eager to hear Miss Wallace.

A. L. Fagan Dead

Mr. A. L. Fagan, years ago a resident of Plymouth, died at his home in Elizabeth City Wednesday night in the eighty-second year of his life. His demise was caused by heart failure.

Our elder citizens remember him well and hold him in high regard. The remains will arrive here this afternoon on the south-bound Norfolk Southern train, and the funeral and interment will be conducted immediately in the Baptist cemetery.

Besides his widow, he leaves two children, Miss Belle Fagan of Norfolk, and Robert Fagan of Thomasville, Ga.

Rounding Out Work on New Handle Plant

Work on the new National Hand's Company's plant here is so far advanced that all brick layers except one has left. A large percentage of the other people engaged in the construction work have also finished, machinery is being placed, and the plant is getting in shape for early operation.

A general detailed description of this splendid enterprise will be given in an early issue.

Z. V. Norman was in Creswell Thursday on business.

MILLER STORE TO MOVE

O. C. Miller of Greenville, affable proprietor of Miller's five cent and five dollar chain stores, is in town this week engaged in the supervision of the remodeling of two of the Hampton stores which will be occupied at an early date by his Plymouth business.

On account of cramped and inadequate space he is being compelled to vacate the store formerly occupied by Cahoon Quality Shop, which he has been using for the past several months, and when the new store opens an extended service will be offered the people of this section.

The new store will operate with two entrances into one capacious floor. The west entrance will lead directly to the home furnishings and crockery department, while the east, or larger, entrance leads to the department which will be filled with such articles as are now carried by his store here.

Difficulty in obtaining suitable material has delayed the work of remodeling, but now that this hindrance has been overcome, it is expected that the removal to the more commodious quarters will begin shortly after the first of next month.

New Chevrolets Arrive

A large shipment of the new improved Chevrolet automobiles recently received by Woodley Chevrolet Company, local dealers, has caused quite a great deal of admiring comments from motor enthusiasts. This company also operates a branch at Columbia, which receives its supply from this point.

SKINNERSVILLE NEWS

Mrs. Mollie Wiley is recovering from an illness.

C. L. Everett and W. W. White were in Plymouth Monday.

Joe White was a business visitor in Edenton Tuesday.

Tom Swain of Plymouth was in our community Monday night.

Miss Donnie Blount spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. C. V. White.

Mrs. Lillie Everett spent Tuesday night with the family of C. V. White.

Wilbert Blount of New York is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blount.

Mrs. Andrew Phelps spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. McCabe, at Bay Postoffice.

N. W. Tarkenton and sons, Denver and Sam, of Portsmouth were visitors in our community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter White and little daughter, Margie, spent Sunday with Mrs. Edgar Chesson.

Miss Emma Gray Morehead of Plymouth, and Mrs. Ida Brickhouse motored to Creswell Monday night.

Mr. W. E. Blount is moving his family to Roper this week. The community regrets to see them leave, but best wishes accompany them.

MRS. FLORENCE JACKSON DEAD

Mrs. Florence Jackson, aged fifty-seven years, died at her home in Norfolk last Friday.

The remains were brought here Saturday afternoon and placed in the home of her brother-in-law, W. J. Jackson in Third street, where they remained until Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at which time the funeral was held. The interment was made in the Baptist cemetery. Rev. J. R. Everett of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony.

She was the widow of the late Levi F. Jackson, who died here of pneumonia in March 1917.

The deceased leaves three sons, Henry, Harold and James Jackson of Norfolk, and sister, Mrs. Fannie Gurkin of Pinetown.

She moved to Norfolk to reside with her sons about nine years ago.

Herbert Phelps Loses Home by Fire

Our people deeply sympathize with Mr. Herbert Phelps in the loss of his home by fire which occurred Monday afternoon at about one o'clock.

Furniture, wearing apparel and practically all its contents were destroyed, and there was very little insurance. On account of the destruction of wearing apparel, his children were unable to resume school duties on Tuesday.

The fire evidently originated in a defective flue, and was discovered by Mrs. Phelps and a colored servant, who were at work in the kitchen. Mr. Phelps was in town at the time.

County Council to Meet

There will be a meeting of the county council next Friday afternoon in the office of Miss Emma Gray Morehead, home demonstration agent.

These meetings are usually well attended, and matters of much interest are discussed.

A full attendance is desired.

AMONG OUR CHURCHES

BAPTIST

Rev. J. R. Everett, Pastor

MORNING SERVICE:
Sunday School, 9:45 o'clock.
Preaching service, 11 o'clock.
Subject; "The Irresistible Must"

EVENING SERVICE:
B. Y. P. U., 6:30 o'clock.
Preaching service, 7:30 o'clock.
Subject; Fourth Commandment, or "What Do You Do With Sunday?"

Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 7:30 o'clock.

METHODIST

Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, Pastor

MORNING SERVICE:
Sunday School, 9:45 o'clock.
Preaching service, 11 o'clock.

EVENING SERVICE:
Epworth League, 6:45 o'clock.
Preaching service, 7:30 o'clock.
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 7:30 o'clock.

EPISCOPAL

Rev. W. H. I. Jackson

MORNING SERVICE:
Sunday School, 9:45 o'clock.
Preaching service, 11 o'clock.

EVENING SERVICE:
Preaching service, 7:30 o'clock.

LOCAL NEWS

T. R. Trueblood of Roper was among our visitors Tuesday.

Harry Arps and Victor Everett spent Sunday in Williamston.

Mr. O. C. Miller of Greenville was in town Wednesday on business.

John Chesson of Durham spent the past week-end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Leggett of Suffolk were in town Sunday.

Jack Peele left Wednesday for a visit to his former home in Roxobel.

Mesdames H. L. Horton and P. M. Arps were in Rocky Mount Tuesday.

Prof. and Mrs. E. N. Riddle of Roper were in town shopping Tuesday.

Atty. Hugh Horton of Williamston was in town for a short while Monday.

G. L. Bowen of the Long Acre section was in town for a short while Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Modlin and Mrs. D. A. Hurley spent Sunday in Jamesville.

Rev. and Mrs. Theo Partrick and children of Scotland Neck were in town Monday.

C. L. Everett and Walter White of Skippersville were among our visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Brewer of Rocky Mount were the guests Sunday of Mrs. C. V. W. Ausbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Payne of Washington were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Read.

C. J. Norman, Edward Owens, Lloyd Gilbert and Hal Wilford were in Norfolk Tuesday and Wednesday.

John W. Darden has been in Raleigh this week attending the annual meeting of the Masonic grand lodge.

Buster Adler left Wednesday for Charlottesville, Va., where he has entered the Virginia Military Institute.

Miss Margaret Ward Jackson left Wednesday for Raleigh where she will take a course at King's Business College.

Mrs. J. F. Ausbon left last Friday for her home in Clayton, being called on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Hon. Van B. Martin left Sunday for Raleigh, in order to be present Monday morning at the opening of legislature, where he is representing Washington county.

A noteworthy improvement is being made in the appearance of Davis and Liverman's store. A new front is being installed, and an accommodation in being made for practicable show windows.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jackson, Mrs. W. E. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Jackson and Henry, James and Harold Jackson of Norfolk, were here the past week-end to attend the funeral of Mrs. Florence Jackson.