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WILL STAGE PLAY FOR BENEFIT OF COUNTY LIBRARY

"The College Flapper" Will Be Presented Here On October 22 and 23

The committee representing the Washington County Library met with the representative of the Universal Producing Co., of Fairfield, Ia., to complete arrangements for the production of a modern college comedy, "The College Flapper," at the school auditorium on October 22 and 23.

The production is something entirely different in the matter of community entertainment. "The College Flapper" is a strictly modern, up-to-date college comedy with a thrilling football story, and has a number of special features that makes it collegiate in every respect. It requires 150 local people to stage and is a creaming comedy from start to finish. The story deals with college life, and has such characters as fraternity boys, sorority girls, football star, coach, trainer, college president, the old professor, the old maid dean of women, and many other such typical college characters.

The play is particularly adapted to amateurs and will prove to be one of the biggest events ever staged in this community.

Some of the features of the production are the girls' choruses, in special costume, the old alumni college glee club, portrayed by business men, and the famous flapper chorus of Bula Bula College, portrayed by prominent business men. If you want to laugh, be sure to see "The College Flapper" on October 22 and 23, and watch this paper for full particulars.

REVIVAL MEET IS SUCCESSFUL

Good Attendance at Local Methodist Church; Rev. Lanning Preaching

The annual revival services at the Plymouth Methodist church which were started here Sunday evening with Rev. J. H. Lanning, pastor of the City Road Methodist church of Elizabeth City, doing the preaching, have been meeting with great success. The attendance has increased with each service.

Mr. Lanning, an excellent speaker and a splendid Bible student, has been preaching some very impressive sermons replete with the gospel and much interest is being manifested in the meeting. The services will last through Sunday.

If you have not heard Rev. Mr. Lanning as yet, you have a treat in store, and you are urged to attend as many of these services as possible. Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, pastor of the church is assisting Mr. Lanning and music is being furnished by the church choir.

Chapel Hill Club in Meeting Last Week

The members of the Chapel Hill Club met Thursday evening with Mrs. John Mizelle as hostess. The home was pretty with late summer flowers used profusely everywhere.

When the guests had arrived, the meeting was called to order by its president, Mrs. P. M. Ambrose, and when the minutes had been read by the secretary, Miss Covington gave a very interesting demonstration on the art of making hooked rugs and hand-made flowers.

After the lessons in the above work, a business session followed during which plans for the October meeting of the federation were discussed.

At the conclusion of the business program a delightful social hour followed, during which Mrs. Charles Roberson rendered many popular selections on the piano, while Mrs. Gladys Ange and Miss Sybil Bowen sang a number of songs.

The hostess served delicious fruit salad and cake.

Hoke Club Holds Regular Meet Tuesday Afternoon

The Hoke Club met with the home agent, Miss Pratt Covington, on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. R. C. Jackson. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. W. A. Mizelle, who read the 6th chapter of Matthew. The club joined in prayer, after which the roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting read.

Miss Covington gave a very interesting lesson on floor covering and showed several lovely rugs made by hand which every member admired very much.

After the demonstration and business meeting the club put on a singing contest, each member singing a song of her own selection. After the contest, votes were taken, and Mrs. W. D. Wright and Mrs. Jackson were awarded the prizes.

All Schools in County Open Except Creswell and Cherry

All of the Washington County public schools opened for Monday morning of this week with the exception of the Cherry and Creswell schools, Supt. James W. Norman announced here today. The total enrollment for the white schools when the Cherry and Creswell schools are opened will be something over 1,100, it is expected for the white schools while the enrollment for the colored exceeds 1,638.

SPECIAL COURSE

Supt. E. H. Hicks announced here yesterday that outsiders would be given an opportunity to take the course in typing and shorthand now being given the students of the Plymouth High School. The cost of this course to outsiders will be only \$5 and the first class will start next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

This course will be open to any person who may desire to take it. And pupils may take the advanced course as far as they want to go. Those considering taking this course should get in touch with Mr. Hicks right away.

FARMERS MUST RAISE FEED FOR SWINE ON FARM

Agriculture Teacher Says There Is No Profit If Feed Is Bought

By C. H. RABON (Creswell Agriculture Teacher)

When, owing to the scarcity in the supply of hogs, the price for hogs goes up, we find farmers increasing the number of breeding sows, and in a very short time the supply of hogs coming to market increases to such an extent that the price is likely to break. If the decrease in price is very severe, the farmer becomes disgusted, and the chances are that many farmers will sell their breeding sows and practically go out of the business. After the market has absorbed the excessive supplies thrown upon it a scarcity occurs again, owing to so many having gone out of business of hog raising, and prices once more reach a high level. This is a signal for farmers to rush again into hog raising, and overstock their farms in many cases, so that once more the market becomes top-heavy and the history of the hog market repeats itself.

Now, it is altogether probable that very few of those who were tempted to rush into the business on account of high prices obtained any profit from the venture. They paid high prices for breeding stock, but by the time they had hogs ready for the market, the decline in prices began, and before they were through they were selling their hogs at a loss.

It is undoubtedly useless for some farmers to attempt the hog business, and especially extensively, due to the fact that they will buy at a high price a large portion of the feeds fed to their swine. The farmer who raises most of his own feed is in a much better position to feed hogs, or any other class of stock, than the man who has to purchase all his feeds. The farmer who grows his own feed may not get any more than market prices for the grain or other produce consumed by the hogs, and may still have a fair profit through selling his produce at market prices in the form of pork; but the man who buys his feed can have for profit only what he obtains in excess of the market value of the feeds consumed by the hogs. The man who has to buy all the produce which he feeds his hogs can have only the feeders' profit, and under unfavorable conditions this profit may be so small that it will scarcely pay for the labor involved.

My advice to the farmers of Eastern Carolina, and especially the farmers that are interested in swine raising, is to produce your own feeds for your live stock. Begin at once establishing pastures, and you will find favorable results. Market your corn in the form of pork rather than sell at present prices.

Large Crowds Attends Dance Here Last Friday

The younger set of Plymouth enjoyed a delightful dance on Friday evening, sponsored by five of the young men of that city. The entertainment was given in the store formerly occupied by E. H. Liverman, known as the old Ayers stand. The music was rendered by the Kingston Night Hawks, and the dance was well attended by local as well as out-of-town guests.

CATCH TWO MEN ROBBING STORE FRIDAY NIGHT

Maurice Whedbee and Elmo Spruill, local youths, charged with breaking into and robbing the O. Henry Drug Store here last Friday night, were given a preliminary hearing in recorder's court here Tuesday and bound over to superior court on probable cause. Bond was fixed at \$750 each. Spruill arranged bond, but Whedbee is still in jail in default of bond.

Bound Over To Superior Court Under \$750 Bond

It seems that these two young men entered the O. Henry Drug Store late Friday by way of a rear window and secured something over \$37.00 in cash, together with a quantity of cigarettes. But just as Whedbee was making his exit from the rear window Policeman George Coburn nabbed him. Later Spruill was apprehended, hended.

Other cases tried Tuesday were: Jack Peelle and C. M. Davenport, these having been two separate cases which were consolidated, both being charged with violating the traffic laws. This case grew out of a wreck which occurred on highway number 90, near Roper, a few weeks ago. This was a long drawn-out case and was hard fought. M. B. Gillam and Henry Spruill, Windsor attorneys, represented Davenport. Both were acquitted.

Dewey Ange, 23-year-old white man pleaded guilty to an assault with a deadly weapon and was given a two months suspended road sentence, on condition that he pay a \$25 fine and the cost. In case of his failing to comply with these conditions, the sentence is to commence upon the expiration of a three-months sentence imposed in another case some time ago.

William (Speed) Midgett, 23-year-old colored man, was tried and found guilty of entering and larceny, and was given eight months on the roads. The defendant appealed to the superior court and bond was fixed at \$500.

J. H. Hardison, 34-year-old white man, was found guilty of forcible trespass and was given two years on the roads, the sentence to be suspended on condition that he pay a \$50 fine and the cost of the court.

Scuppernon Woman's Club in Meet Monday

Scuppernon, Sept. 15.—The Scuppernon Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. H. W. Norman Monday afternoon. The president conducted the devotional exercises, after which the secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting and called the roll. A number of the members paid up their federation dues.

The meeting was then turned over to Miss Pratt Covington, who gave a demonstration on rug-making. She explained the different kinds of rugs suitable for different rooms. Also the colors that would harmonize with different furniture. She displayed several rugs made by women of the mountaintop sections of this state.

Mrs. John Spruill and Mrs. H. W. Norman each received a prize for singing a song. After a social period, Mrs. Norman served fruit. Mrs. John Spruill was selected canning leader and Mrs. Joe Nooney, garden leader for the coming year. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Nooney's home.

Home Agent Announces Schedule for Two Weeks

Miss Pratt Covington, county home agent, announces that her schedule for next week will be as follows: Monday, Alba, (club members will please note change); Tuesday, Pleasant Grove; Wednesday, Swain; Thursday, Creswell; Friday, Agent's district meeting in Washington; Saturday, Curb Market.

Schedule for week Beginning Sept. 29

Monday, Piney Grove; Tuesday, Cross Roads; Wednesday, Beech Grove; Thursday, Plymouth; Friday, County Federation at Roper, 2:30 p. m. Please note change in regular schedule.

FIRST DEER HUNT OF 1931 SEASON IS HELD TUESDAY

Deer Is Jumped, But Party Fails to Bag Him; "Doc" Gets His, Anyway

Before daylight Tuesday morning, the various sportsmen of Plymouth were up and making ready for the big initial deer hunt of the season. Dr. Claudius McGowan was among the number. The Doc hurried down to the river, where his outboard motor boat was in waiting to take him down the river for the big hunt.

But, alas, the doctor could not crank the motor. However, after wearing many blisters on his hands, he finally got off and joined the crowd, which included Ben Tetterton, Tim Bowen, John Askew, Bob Tetterton, Charlie Jackson, Harry Chopick, Ernest Arps, Ray Swain, Joe Askew, Capt. Bill Hardison, Paul Sawyer, Jess Craddock and a number of others.

When the deer came nosing his way out of the Hampton Island, Ernest Arps shot him three times; Harry Chopick and Charlie Jackson also shot him one time each, but the last that was seen of the deer he was tearing across the woods in Bertie County.

Accordingly, the hunters returned to town without any deer. Doc McGowan was among the disappointed hunters. However, the Doc was called down to Pete Phelps' home to attend a patient later on in the morning. And it so happened that Mr. Phelps had just returned from a deer hunt in which a big buck had been slain. So he up and gave the Doc a four-pound steak from the most choice part of the deer. Hence, Doc McGowan claims that he was the only hunter in Plymouth who dined on deer Tuesday.

CANNING WORK AT PINEY GROVE

More Than 1,500 Quarts of Fruits and Vegetables Are Canned

By CLUB PRESIDENT
On the twenty-ninth of April, the leaders from the various clubs in the county met at Greenville. At this meeting there were interesting discussions and demonstrations on canning. This meeting preceded the canning contest in the county.

The president of the Piney Grove club attended the meeting at Greenville and learned much that was valuable to the other members of the club in regards to canning. At the present date, every member has done some canning. Almost every member has used the county steam pressure cooker. More than 1,500 quarts of fruits and vegetables have been canned. One member has canned 50 quarts of jelly.

Our canning leader has helped practically every member in the club and has gone out and helped several non-club members.

This contest has been very profitable and interesting to the members of the Piney Grove club. We have been especially benefited by the federation steam pressure cooker and we think that our money could not be better spent.

I can truthfully say that every member has enjoyed taking part in this project, and we feel that it has been one of the most beneficial.

ROPER REPORTS GOOD CANNING

Many Members of Club Are Still Busy Putting Up Foods for Winter

By MRS. L. E. HASSELL
The Roper leader attended the canning school in Greenville. One member purchased a pressure cooker and 55 quarts of fruits and vegetables have been canned by pressure cooking. The report of canned products for the club is as follows:

Mrs. Frank Wilson, 4 quarts; Mrs. Mizelle, 12 quarts; Mrs. Hurley, 4 quarts; Mrs. Phelps, 19 quarts; Mrs. Halsey, 38 quarts; Mrs. L. S. Bray, 152 1-2 quarts; and Mrs. L. E. Hassell, 128 1-2 quarts.

One member failed to report, but much more has been canned since this report was compiled.

Dr. McGowan To Move To New Office Oct. 1st

Dr. Claudius McGowan stated today that he expected to be located in his new office, over the old Liverman store on Water Street, by the first of October. The offices will be modern in every respect and afford more room than the present office occupied by Dr. McGowan, it is understood. For the past several years, Dr. McGowan has been located in the office next door to the Roanoke Beacon office on Washington Street.

Many Kept From School By Lack of Clothing and Books

Not As Funny As It Sounds

Everybody knows that tobacco is selling for mighty low prices this year. Plymouth and Washington County tobacco growers have been having this fact driven home ever since the tobacco market opened this year. But everybody does not know about the experience which two tobacco farmers of Washington County had a few days.

Local rumor has it that two local farmers had the following experience a few days ago at the tobacco market:

Farmer No. 1, after selling his load of tobacco on the warehouse floor was told that he lacked another 60 cents of receiving enough money to pay the warehouse and handling charges. The farmer re-

plied after the following manner: "Well, if I go to heaven when I die, I'll send the money to you. But if I go to hell, I'll hand it to you personally."

Farmer number 2, after selling his tobacco, was told that he lacked a few cents having enough money to pay for the handling charges. But the warehousemen told him to never mind, that he could bring him a chicken the next time he came to town to make up for the deficit. The next day the farmer appeared on the scene with two chickens, and when asked why he brought two chickens when only one was required, the farmer replied that he had another load of tobacco that he desired to sell.

GOOD CANNING AT CHERRY CLUB

Members Taking More Interest in Work Than Ever Before

By MRS. ROBT. DAVENPORT
The Cherry Home Demonstration Club is taking more active interest in canning this year than ever before. Since the splendid demonstration given by Mrs. Stencil both at Plymouth and Greenville, our people have taken greater interest in the canning of vegetables and fruits. Two members in the Cherry club have purchased steam pressure cookers, and we are having splendid success in canning and cooking.

Our club is trying to practice "Live at-home" and I really think that this time of depression has helped much to make us realize this.

The Cherry club had an all-day canning meet in August and canned during the day 111 quarts of fruits and vegetables. Some of our members came to the meeting just to help the other club members learn how to can. We used two steam pressure cookers and two stoves and a hot water canner. We have had splendid luck keeping the products that were canned.

Our members have canned anywhere from 100 to 300 quarts each, and the total amount canned to date is something around 1,100 quarts, and with the help we hope to make this year the best in our club work.

BARN AND PACK HOUSE BURNED

Two Cars, Farming Implements, and Feedstuffs Burn Monday

Scuppernon, Sept. 15.—The barn and stock house of Mr. Zib Tarkenton was destroyed by fire Monday morning, entailing considerable loss. Two automobiles, together with farming implements, machinery, and feedstuffs were destroyed in the fire.

Just how the barn and stock house caught fire is not known, but it is believed that they caught from Mr. Tarkenton's car. Early in the morning, Mr. Tarkenton drove over to the farm to have some hay cut, and put his car under the passageway of the stock house. Therefore, it is believed that the car caught fire and ignited the buildings.

The buildings were partially covered with insurance, but near enough to cover the loss.

Schedule of Prices at Curb Market Saturday

The following prices will be in effect at the curb market here Saturday morning:

Corn, per dozen	15c
Beans	5c
Tomatoes, per pound	2c
Okra, per pound	5c
Butter, per pound	30c
Young chickens, dressed (Not over 1 1-2 pounds)	25c
Broilers, on foot	23c
Country ham	25c
Scuppernon grapes, quart	4c
Sweet potatoes, peck	25c
Irish potatoes, pound	2c
No. 1 Eggs, dozen	23c
No. 2 eggs, dozen	20c
Sweet potatoes, peck	20c

Francisco Mejias, 17 of Central Almerda, Cuba, strangled to death when he accidentally swallowed the small live fish which he placed in his mouth while rebaiting his hook.

PRINCIPAL ASKS PEOPLE TO AID BY DONATIONS

School Will Furnish Milk to Undernourished Children Again This Year

A number of families are not sending their children to school this year because they do not have the necessary clothing to wear, Supt. E. H. Hicks, of the Plymouth City Schools, announced here this week. These children include boys and girls. Therefore, Mr. Hicks is sending out a call for clothing and wearing apparel for these children in order that they may attend school.

People having clothing that they can spare are asked to get in touch with Mr. Hicks immediately. Any donations in the way of money will be acceptable and used for purchasing clothing for these children.

Other children are not attending school because they do not have textbooks. Accordingly, people having textbooks for the primary and grammar grades that they do not need would confer a great favor upon these children and also Mr. Hicks by turning them over to him right away.

Mr. Hicks stated that the school was planning to give milk to children who are underweight because of insufficient nourishment again this year. This was done last year and proved very successful. Between 30 and 40 children were given free milk last year during the school term. The milk is given the children at 10:30 o'clock in the morning. Last year the milk was supplied by a milk fund which was contributed by the public, various public-spirited citizens having made regular monthly donations to the milk cause.

Mr. Hicks stated that the citizens would be a ked to contribute to this fund again this year. Plans are now under way to start giving the children the milk the first of October. Last year this milk only cost approximately \$18 per month, yet it helped to bring up to normal weight between 30 and 40 children each month.

STATE HAS ONLY ONE 100 PER CENT GRADE A FARMER

On the farm of L. O. Moseley, near Kinston, everybody—and the animals and the land, too—are productively active practically all the time. The close-knit organization of his farming caused him to be classed as a grade A farmer by the North Carolina Bankers' Association. He is the only one who has scored 100 per cent on the tests for that rating.

"My plan simply aims at getting the fullest possible returns from my land," says Mr. Moseley, who bought his 200-acre farm during the latter part of the war period. He paid a high price for his place. Earnings have enabled him to pay off much of the balance that was due on it when he began operating the place and to put about \$18,000 in improvements. His improvements have had to do solely with increasing productivity.

"I thought it best to build from the fields towards the house," he says. So by underground drainage, soil building and careful rotation of crops he has put his land in condition for record per acre yields every year. He grows cotton, tobacco, grains, legumes, fruits, in fact, almost everything. He markets much of his grain and hay in the form of dairy products. He now has a herd of 30 grade Guernseys. His place is fully mechanized. In addition to his own land, he cultivates about 150 rented acres. He has applied factory methods to his producing and merchandising methods to his selling.

"The investment in land is too big for concentration on one or two cash crops," says he. "There are no off-seasons here; everybody and everything is active all the time."

And there is no air of discouragement on the Moseley place.

Hold Funeral for Little Girl Tuesday Afternoon

Funeral services for little Harriett Davenport, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davenport, of Pleasant Grove community, who died at the home of her parents Monday night, were conducted at the Disciple church Tuesday afternoon. Burial was made in the Holy Neck cemetery. The child suffered an attack of men-branous croup and was ill for only two days.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Davenport sympathize with them in their great bereavement.

Receipts At Local Post Office Show Increase

Postmaster A. L. Alexander announced here yesterday that the receipts of the Plymouth post office for the months of June, July, and August, had a slight increase over the same period of time for last year. Therefore, it would seem that the business of the post office is getting better.