

LEAGUE SERVES BANQUET HERE

League of Women Voters Discuss Cleaner Town—Cooperation With Other Organization Suggested.

Garbage cans to posies—such was the range of topics discussed by speakers at the League of Women Voters banquet last Friday evening. But the addresses all bore upon the single subject—a cleaner, more beautiful Franklin.

The banquet, staged at 8 o'clock in the Scott Griffin Hotel parlor, temporarily transposed into an attractive banquet hall for the evening, by the way, proved to be a most pleasant social function.

A color scheme of red and white, worked out with crepe paper hearts and other valentine decorations, made the room most attractive, and the dinner was bountiful and delicious. A brief social hour, prior to the dinner, was also enjoyed by the 50 or more present.

With Mrs. Neville Sloan, chairman, presiding, four speakers discussed briefly and interestingly the town's needs—primarily measures looking to a cleaner, more attractive Franklin—and how the League of Women Voters can assist in carrying out the program.

Mrs. W. B. McGuire, chairman of the health survey committee from the league, made an interesting health report, in which she stressed sanitation measures, pointing out unsatisfactory conditions, and suggesting remedies, in her emphatic but inoffensive manner.

R. S. Jones, representing the membership of the Chamber of Commerce, asked for the cooperation of the League with the Chamber of Commerce, and emphasized that the town is not as clean as it should be. He facetiously suggested, in his characteristic manner, that he opposed, at present, a white way for Main street—he thought it would be better to extinguish the lights "we have, so we can't see the dirt."

How the league can co-operate with the chamber of commerce was discussed, from the standpoint of the board of directors of the chamber, by F. Y. McCracken, member of the board. Mr. McCracken minced no words in urging the importance of cleaning up the town, "from cellar to garret," and keeping it clean, and held closely the attention of his hearers. He also urged the planting of flowers—cleanliness plus beautification.

Henry W. Cabe, representing the Board of Aldermen, was the last speaker of the evening. He presented the viewpoint of the board, told something of the difficulties it has to overcome in its efforts to improve the town, and suggested ways in which the league can assist the town board.

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'CHI CHAE' CHINESE NAME FOR DODGE CAR

Among the latest purchasers of a Dodge Brothers motor car is the governor of Kansu, a province of China. Kansu's greatest claim to fame appears to be the fact that it is just about as far from civilization as anyone can get. It is 1500 miles from the nearest railroad and situated in the extreme northwesterly section of China. According to Ralph C. Scoville, Christian worker, who has recently returned from China, Dodge Brothers motor cars and Graham Brothers trucks are gradually replacing the "mule sedan" and the great mule drawn caravans of commerce.

"Kansu," stated Mr. Scoville, "which is one of the 18 provinces of China, is also known as the terminus of the great wall. Here, in this isolated region, which takes three weeks of tedious, constant traveling to reach after leaving the railroad, I have lived and worked for over seven years. Dodge Brothers motor cars were the only automobiles I ever saw there. I am told this is because these cars seem to be the only make that can survive in this land of indescribably bad roads, the road, in reality a widened trail, runs from Lanchow on the Yellow River to the heart of Asia, where it meets similar roads from the Indian Ocean and the Caspian Sea and others.

"Over these trails an occasional Dodge Brothers motor car plows through, driven generally by Russians, for the Chinese are notoriously bad chauffeurs. The particular Dodge Brothers motor car that I am referring to was purchased by the governor of the province of Kansu. He lived in Lanchow. The appearance of the governor's car upon the streets would cry 'chi chae,' the literal meaning of which is steam car or power cart. The car is a great curiosity and excites much comment among the raw heathen as to what makes it go, the general belief being that it is the invention of some foreign devil.

"It is, in my estimation, a great compliment to the stamina and strength of Dodge Brothers motor cars and Graham Brothers trucks that they are found operating in this roadless region, and it is what prompted me to write you of my contact with your products," Scoville states in his letter to the home office in Detroit.

News From Highlands

We are glad to report that the Three State Road, just out from Highlands is being hard surfaced, and we hope soon to be able to say that the same is true of Highway No. 28, in the Highlands section.

The Highlands school is growing so rapidly that hardly had it expanded into the two large class rooms recently added, when again pupils and teachers found themselves crowded, and two more equally large rooms, are found to be necessary to properly accommodate the school.

It is also a pleasure to report that in the way of growth our churches are not lagging.

At this time the Baptist church, especially has increased in attendance and interest. The enrollment being 154 last Sunday. They have just completed a nice large Sunday School room. The front and interior of the main building is being improved, by evergreen hedge, and ornamental shrubbery.

The Boy Scouts have quite an interesting organization, now under the management of Messrs Clyde Rice and Tom Anderson. The girls have also organized with quite a number of enthusiastic girl scouts, with Mrs. Sadler as their leader.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. C. C. Potts, who has had an operation in the Franklin Hospital is rapidly improving, and hopes to return home soon.

Miss Caroline Hall, one of our high school girls won the medal offered by Hartford Insurance Co., for the best essay on "Fire Prevention."

Col. John Sewell, of Birmingham, Ala. was in town a few days recently on business.

Mr. J. E. Root left last Tuesday for Kansas City, Mo. to visit his mother, who is ill. He hopes to return within a few days.

Miss Ernestine Blackwell, who has made her home in Highlands for several years, left last week for New York City, where she will live. Her many friends here are sorry to give her up, but wish for her much happiness in her new home.

Mr. L. W. Rice is slowly recovering from an injury, received recently, when he slipped and fell, spraining his knee.

The community club has organized a Fancy Work Club, in order to get ready for a bazaar that they expect to have in July. Everyone is quite interested in it.

Good Show at Idle Hour

"Hold That Lion," shown at the Idle Hour Theatre last Wednesday and Thursday evenings, was clean, spontaneous, delightful fun, from start to finish—with side splitting laughter in every inch of every reel.

It is the story of a pair of misplaced trousers, a man in love with a beautiful girl, and his capture of a live lion—a capture he started out to make under the misapprehension that a "cat" was a cat, not a lion.

How he, sans trousers, nearly upset the public peace; caught his lion; and won his girl—is so interwoven as to make an attractive story, not to speak of its laughter-provoking qualities.

SHOPE HAS NOT DROPPED CASE

Article On Front Page Of This Issue Misleading—Shope to Prosecute Three Deputies.

Zeb Shope, insted of dropping the case against Chief of Police R. M. Coffey, charging shooting into the car in which Shope's sons were riding, as is intimated in a news story appearing on the front page of this issue, has, on the other hand, sworn out warrants against the two other officers in the party, Frank Norton and Harley McDowell, he said Wednesday.

The warrants will not be served until after February 28, at the urgent requests of the officers, or until after the case against Sheriff Ingram and Chief of Police Coffey in Jackson county has been disposed of, Mr. Shope said.

Immediately after that date, they will be served, Mr. Shope will demand a preliminary hearing, and will prosecute the case with the utmost vigor, he said.

The statement that the warrant had been withdrawn was based on a statement of Sheriff Ingram, indicating that such was the case, the presumption being that the case was being dropped. Attempts at the time to see Mr. Shope were unsuccessful.

The first article was already printed when this was written.

Scroll News

Mrs. C. R. Mashburn had the misfortune to fall and break one bone in the lower part of her left arm. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCall a baby boy.

Mr. Harlie Keener's term in the army expired in January. He has been located in San Francisco California. He gave homefolks a pleasant surprise when he came home, as they thought he planned to re-enlist. Mr. Henry Stiwinters made a trip recently to East LaPorte after a radio which he was purchasing from Mr. Tom Houston.

Messrs C. N. and Carl Jones spent the week end with homefolks. Their work is in Transylvania county.

Mrs. Will Hedden's father, Mr. Whit Leopard, of Sylva, died very recently.

ADMINISTRATRIX' NOTICE

Having qualified as administratrix of L. F. Crawford deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of February, 1928, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 15th day of February, 1927.

M. YSA CRAWFORD, Administratrix. m10

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We also have many rooms to rent in the Hotel Franklin, by the day, week or month. Each room has complete new furniture. Suites can be arranged if desired.

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