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DR. W. A. JENKINS PREACHED HERE

President of Davenport Junior College Tells of Advantages of Two Years at Methodist Institution.

Dr. W. A. Jenkins, president of Davenport Junior College, the well known Methodist school for girls located at Lenoir, preached an interesting sermon at the local Methodist church Sunday morning. He took as his text the parable of the ten virgins, the five that were ready when duty called and the five who were unprepared. During the course of the discussion Dr. Jenkins drew some enlightening parallels as applied to modern life. At the close of his sermon Dr. Jenkins pointed out the advantages of attending a junior college rather than to spend four years at a higher institution. Among these advantages was the question of leadership. He pointed out the fact that in a junior college a girl has the opportunity to assume leadership even in her freshman class while at a four-year institution the girls during their first two years do little along this line other than to develop an inferiority complex. At a junior college both students and faculty know their associates better and consequently more homelike conditions prevail. The students, said Dr. Jenkins, have closer personal attention and supervision. He also stated that the last two years of high school work can be advantageously undertaken at Davenport.

After the services a number of interested people went forward to talk

Junior College.

CAPT. COLBURN IS INTERESTED IN MINERALS

Captain William B. Colburn, now at the Scott Griffin hotel, is interested in mineral specimens and Indian relics and will buy articles of this kind suitable for museums. At present the Captain is engaged in opening a rhodolite mine on Mason mountain and will be at the hotel mentioned above only after supper of each day. The Captain and the editor of The Press are old friends, having served together during the World War in the 85th Division at Camp Custer, Michigan, and overseas.

Captain Colburn will pay full value for any museum specimens accepted. See his advertisement in this issue.

ELECTRIC RANGE DEMONSTRATION

On Monday and Tuesday, April 22 and 23, The Jupollo Public Service company will hold at its place of business next door to the post office a demonstration of the Westinghouse electric range. According to the announcement this demonstration will be conducted by an expert and will include cooking of all kinds on the electric range mentioned. It is understood that invitations to this demonstration have been sent out to hundreds of interested parties. However, Mr. Clemens, the local manager, states that everybody is invited whether or not a formal invitation has been received. It is also stated that the electric refrigerator will also be demonstrated at the same time.

Iotla News

Mr. and Mrs. Guss McClan visited Mrs. McClan's mother, of Iotla Sunday.

There will be a dedication of the Iotla Baptist church April 21. Everybody come and bring a well filled basket.

Mrs. Lyle Jacobs is visiting in Sylva.

Mrs. Lucy Jacobs spent the week end with friends on Rose Creek.

The young people of the Iotla Methodist church are organizing an Epworth League Sunday night, April 14. Everyone come and join us.

On Sunday, April 14, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Mason gave a birthday dinner in honor of Mr. Thomas Gibson, Mrs. Mason's father, who was 78 years of age, Stewart Mason, their son who was 18 years old, and Mrs. Jim Gibson, who was 45. Mrs. Mason calls this the three-in-one; as three birthdays occurred on the same day.

About 30 guests enjoyed the dinner which was prepared by Mrs. Mason and Mrs. A. J. Gibson. The table fairly mourned under its burden of baked chicken and dressing, spare ribs, mashed potatoes, jellies, pies, cakes of all kinds and many other good eats.

BASKETBALL STAR LOSES LEG

Jack Cobb of Durham and Three Companions In Serious Wreck At Ga. Line—Girl Loses Eye.

As a result of an automobile wreck near the Georgia line fourteen miles south of Franklin Jack Cobb of Durham, former basketball star of the University of North Carolina, is in Angel Brothers hospital here where his left leg was amputated last night. Cobb's three companions, H. N. Covington of Waynesville and Misses Sara Sue Sherrill and Mary Wilson, both of Sylva, are also in the same hospital all more or less injured. Broken glass cut an eyeball from Miss Wilson's head, it is said, while Miss Sherrill has a dislocated elbow and other injuries. Covington has an ugly hole in his head and several fractured ribs.

According to the meager reports available here the four young people were returning from Georgia when the head lights of an approaching car blinded the driver of the wrecked machine. In avoiding the passing car the machine in which the four young people were riding struck a telephone pole and cut it in two. The car was a total wreck. Broken glass almost severed Cobb's left leg making amputation necessary.

Junior-Senior Banquet Success

The outstanding and most interest-

ing in the main building of beautiful Camp Nikwasi. This was made possible by the graciousness of Miss Laura M. Jones who is the owner and director of the camp and who willingly contributed the use of the auditorium for Junior-Senior banquet.

Miss Eleanor Sloan, the junior sponsor, with the assistance of several of the junior boys and girls, gave their time and efforts to the decorating and providing of the entertainment.

The spirit was genuine, the moon was right, the setting was gorgeous, and the food was delicious.

The invited guests present were the seniors, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Houk, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Billings, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Franks, Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Lyle, Miss Elizabeth Hornaday, Miss Eleanor Sloan, Miss Minnie Grace Morgan, Miss Helen Burch, Miss Myrtle Wyatt and Mr. William B. Kesler.

The rustic dining room was decorated as a Japanese tea garden. The girls who served were dressed as Japs. The pianist, George Carpenter, also dressed in Jap costume, rendered popular music throughout the evening.

An address of welcome was given by George Gudger, the toastmaster. Miss Luellen Davis, president of the junior class, gave a toast to the seniors, which was responded to by Myra Stribling. Then came a toast to the faculty, which was given Eugene Welch and was responded to by Mr. Houk.

After sumptuously partaking of food, and completely rendering the kitchen bare, the dining room was cleared of the chairs, tables, etc. Then the merriment started and lasted until Sunday morning. George Carpenter at the piano and Phil McCollum with the banjo, gave tunes for the light fantastic. By that time a few couples who were invited to attend the dance, joined in and "whoopie"—boys and girls—you never know what a peppy time is until you are privileged to attend one of these banquets where everything is "cream in your coffee."

Surprise Wedding

At the close of the services last Sunday morning the Methodist pastor, Rev. R. F. Mock, requested the audience to be seated. Much to the surprise of the congregation the organist, Miss Mattie Angel, began playing the wedding march. Some moments passed before those present realized that they were about to witness a marriage ceremony and doubt remained as to the identity of the contracting parties until Miss Josephine Snyder and Mr. Herman Childers were seen marching down the aisle. They were met at the altar by the pastor who performed the ring ceremony.

The bride is the charming daughter of Mrs. Hayes Snyder of Franklin and the groom is the son of Mrs. Humphrey Childers. He is a young man of sterling character and is superintendent of the Cozard Roller mill and ice plant near town. Since the ceremony the young couple have been the recipients of many congratulations offered by their hundreds of friends.

GISH AND COLMAN IN FILM MASTER- PIECE REVIVAL

"The White Sister" Brought Back by Popular Demand

"The White Sister," the greatest triumph of Lillian Gish's career, will come to the Macon theatre Monday and Tuesday.

"The White Sister," an Inspiration production for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, has been acclaimed one of the most significant films ever made. The story was taken from the famous novel by F. Marion Crawford and screened entirely in Italy and northern Africa.

Rome, Naples, Sorrento, Tivoli, and even Mt. Vesuvius were some of the "locations" used, and the result, according to critics, is the most beautiful production yet made.

Besides Miss Gish to interpret the thrilling story, the cast includes Ronald Colman, who is featured with the star; J. Barney Sherry; Gail Kane, heroine of many Broadway successes, and a thousand others drawn from the ranks of European players.

"The White Sister" tells the story of Angela Chairmonte, daughter of an Italian prince, who is made penniless because of an intrigue of her older sister. The only thing left to sustain her is her love for Captain Giovanni Severi, of the Italian army.

For a time she is happy, but she

receives word he has been killed by the Arabs. Stunned by the blow, Angela is driven frantic, and in order to find some peace of mind and a definite place in life, she takes the vows as a nun.

Shortly after this Giovanni, who has merely been held prisoner by Arabs, escapes and returns to Rome. How Sister Angela solves the problem of choosing between her great earthly love and her heavenly vows supplies the dramatic situation that leads up to the powerful climax.

Miss Gish has never appeared to better advantage, and her restrained conception of the difficult role of Sister Angela stands at the top of her many famous characterizations.

The picture was directed by Henry King.

M. D. BILLINGS IS REELECTED SUPT.

Harmonious Meeting of County Board of Education Reelects Present Incumbent For Two Years.

The county board of education met Tuesday and in what is said to have been a very harmonious meeting reelected M. D. Billings as superintendent of schools for another term of two years. Mr. Billings has held this office for 22 years and during that time has brought the county school system from a very low to a very high state of efficiency. In 1907 when Mr. Billings assumed charge the value of school property in the county was \$17,220. Now it is \$211,030. The number of school houses were 62 in 1907 and 57 at the present time. School districts in 1027 numbered 63 as against 57 at present. This shows a tendency, it is said, toward consolidation and more efficiency. The average term 22 years ago was 75 days. Now this average is 132 days. The school census when Mr. Billings assumed office was 4,095 as against 4807 now. Judging from this the population of the county 22 years ago was very little less than at present. The friends of Mr. Billings point with pride to the difference in enrollment 22 years ago and now. At that time only 2982 pupils were enrolled. Now the enrollment is 4048. Average daily attendance 22 years ago was 1786 as compared to the present of 3191. The percentage of attendance in 1907 was 60 as against 79 at present. Number of teachers 59 and at present 114.

In 1907 the eighth grade was the highest in the county and had only 21 enrolled in that grade. Now the high school has eleven grades with 337 enrolled in the high school of the county.

Twenty-two years ago no qualifications were required of teachers excepting a first, second or third grade certificate. Now all teachers in the

COURT OPENED HERE MONDAY

Judge McElroy of Marshall is Presiding and Solicitor Davis of Waynesville is Prosecuting For the State.

The April term of the superior court opened here Monday with Judge P. A. McElroy of Marshall on the bench and Solicitor Davis of Waynesville in charge of prosecution of state cases. Judge McElroy's charge to the grand jury was listened to with much attention and was considered one of the best charges heard here in many terms of court. After the charge the court quickly got down to business and disposed of many cases during the first day. Most of these cases involved liquor and most of the defendants entered pleas of guilty. In the liquor cases the fine was generally \$25 and cost though the judge imposed fines of \$50 and cost in some cases. The solicitor is apparently disposing of the minor cases in order to clear the docket as quickly as possible for more important cases that will come before juries during the term of two weeks which the court is scheduled to run. Among the more important cases is that of Allen Dills and his wife, Ida Dills, charged with the death of Dave Waldrop more than a year ago. Vernon Stockton and Cecil McClure, two boys 17 or 18 years of age, are also to be tried on charges of criminal assault. The case of Charlie Oliver which has been postponed for several courts is on the docket.

Among the civil cases on the docket is that of W. L. McCoy who is fighting a judgment of \$12,000 awarded in a seduction case.

Forest And Game Picture

At the Macon theatre last Saturday afternoon there was placed upon the screen a moving picture of the forests and game and fish of the state. This picture was taken in this state and showed the results of forest fires on both the timber and game. Without cover in the form of timber game can not exist. Conservation of the forest also protects the stream so that fish may live. W. K. Beichler, district forester and J. J. Mann, county game and fish warden, were both present. The theatre made no charges for showing the picture and many thus attended the free show and derived much benefit from it. Both Mr. Beichler and Mr. Mann wish to thank the management of the theatre for the kindness in aiding the educational cause of forest conservation.

Olive Hill News

Mr. James Willis and Mr. Jack Frady went back to their jobs Monday morning.

Miss Geneva Tallent and little sister Willacree were visiting their aunt, Mrs. Maggie Guyer, Sunday night.

Mrs. Annie Willis spent the day Saturday with Mrs. Mary Roper.

Miss Pallie Ash was visiting Miss Myrtle Dewese Saturday night.

Mr. Earnest Roper and family were visiting friends on Oak Dale Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary Tallent made a business trip to Franklin Monday.

Mr. Denver Morgan was visiting Mrs. Fred Willis Friday night.

Mrs. Esta Huse spent Sunday with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dewese.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tallent and children, Gladys and Marshall, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jess Tallent Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Guyer was visiting Mrs. Aaron Tallent Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sweetman were visitors at Mr. Dock Barnard's home Sunday evening.

Mr. Eugene Tallent was visiting Mr. Jack Frady Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Fannie Tallent and children were visiting Miss Mary Tallent's home last Sunday night.

Mr. Jim Guyer and family went to the chicken sale Monday.

Miss Lizzie Tallent was visiting Mrs. Jack Frady Sunday afternoon.

county before being employed must have had four years of high school and 12 weeks of summer school or its equivalent.

MACON PIONEER DIED WEDNESDAY

E. H. Franks Passes to Great Beyond — Was a Prominent Citizen and Took Leading Part in Community Activities.

E. H. Franks, 82, one of Franklin's most respected and most highly honored citizens, passed to his reward at his home here early this morning. The deceased had been in bad health for a number of months, and while his death was not unexpected, still it came as a shock to hundreds of friends and admirers.

Born in Macon county 82 years ago at Holly Springs, he had been a resident of the county since that time. He was married twice, the first time to Miss Ruth Wilson of Greenville and the second time to Miss Eleanor Rich of Waynesville. To the first union were born three children none of whom survive. Six children survive the second union. They are: Miss Minnie A. Powers of Miami, Mrs. Mack Higdon of Conroy, Alberta, Canada; Mrs. George Murray of Whitla, Alberta, Canada; S. L. Franks, postmaster at Franklin, J. D. and Mack Franks, both of Franklin. Sixteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren also survive. The deceased also has two living sisters in Macon county, Mrs. J. S. Henry of Holly Springs and Mrs. P. C. Wild of Burningtown.

For 70 years the late Mr. Franks was a member of the Baptist church

and was the chief mover in building the local Baptist church and also another that was burned some years ago at Franklin. The deceased was U. S. Commissioner for 24 years, land entry taker for 40 years, a leading merchant of Franklin for 45 years and a director of the Bank of Franklin since its organization. He was also chairman of the county board of commissioners for a number of years.

The remains will be interred with Masonic honors at the local cemetery Thursday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Dr. W. M. Lee, pastor of the local Baptist church, will preach the funeral oration.

THREE TICKETS IN THE FIELD

Patton Heads Two, Carpenter the Other — Several Candidates for Alderman on Two Tickets.

That much interest is being manifested in the race for aldermen and mayor is indicated here by the fact that there are three tickets in the field. Mayor George Patton heads two of the tickets while Magistrate George Carpenter heads the other. John Henry, Ras Penland, T. W. Angel, Jess Conley and John M. Moore are also on two tickets. The ticket nominated at the mass meeting is as follows: George Patton, mayor, and the following named candidates for aldermen: H. W. Caba, Mark Dowdle, Ras Penland, Jess Conley, John Henry and John M. Moore. Mayor Patton also heads another ticket with the following named men in the race for aldermen: W. B. McGuire, W. C. Cunningham, Cecil Pennington, E. E. Lenoir, T. W. Angel and W. T. Moore. The remaining ticket so far certified consists of George Carpenter for mayor and John Henry, Jess Conley, J. E. Rickman, Ras Penland, T. W. Angel and John M. Moore for aldermen.

Who Owns the Dog?

On last Friday afternoon Justice Geo. Carpenter had a very interesting case to come before his honor. Here are the facts as we understand them: Mr. Mell Lamb had a fox dog which disappeared from home and did not return. Finally Mr. Lamb found a dog at Mr. Benlen Dalton's which he thought was his, but Mr. Dalton said "nav verily." Whereupon Mr. Lamb took out claim and delivered papers for the dog. The case coming on to be heard and being heard and it appearing to the court that the greater weight of evidence was favorable to Mr. Dalton as the owner of the fox dog. It was therefore ordered and adjudged by the court that Mr. Dalton was the owner of the said dog and was entitled to the possession of the same from which judgment Mr. Lamb gave notice of appeal to the superior court.