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W. F. GLEE CLUB AT MARSHILL

The following letter has been addressed to the alumni of Wake Forest College:

Wake Forest, N. C.
May 2, 1930

Dear Alumni:

The Wake Forest College Glee Club and Orchestra will give a concert in Marsh Hill, May 9, at 8:15 o'clock at College Auditorium.

We hope that all the alumni of your city and county will be present to catch anew the Wake Forest Spirit. Talk us up and be present with all your friends.

The entire club of thirty boys is anticipating much pleasure in visiting your county where each of us hopes to greet every former Wake Forest Man.

Very truly yours,
H. FRANKLIN BIGGS,
Manager.

CLUB WOMEN MET THURSDAY

The Mary E. Thomas Leader school met Thursday afternoon at the court house. Fourteen club women were present and six clubs were represented. A demonstration on cooking vegetables was given which one of the women afterwards declared to be of great interest and benefit to her. These women in turn go back to their communities and spread the new ideas and in this way little by little improvement in preparing food goes on. Those present at Thursday's meeting were: Mrs. Lee Ramsey, Mrs. Crawford Bryan, Hazel Bryan, Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. J. C. Pipes, Mrs. Robel Redmon, Mrs. Anderson Metcalf, Mrs. Bob McClure, Mrs. B. E. Guthrie, Mrs. Cecil McDewitt, Mrs. C. C. Brown, Mrs. Will Silvers, Miss Laura Silvers, and Miss Lucille Silvers.

LEICESTER WILL HOLD FAIR AGAIN

Citizens of Leicester met recently to determine whether or not to hold a Leicester community fair this fall. It was unanimously voted to hold the fair.

All officers of the fair association will serve temporarily: C. B. Wells, president; and O. S. Dillard, secretary.

J. Marvin Glance was elected chairman of the finance committee and E. G. Robertson secretary of the committee. They will appoint other committee members and obtain money pledges.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held Tuesday, May 27, at which time the finance committee will report and new officers will be elected.

—The Asheville Citizen.

FUNERAL MONDAY FOR MRS. GUDGER

Funeral services for Mrs. Paula W. Gudger, wife of Francis A. Gudger, of Asheville, who was fatally injured Thursday night in an automobile accident at Tampa, Fla., was held at the home of Mrs. Gudger's mother, Mrs. L. M. Whitaker in Westfield, N. C.

Mrs. Gudger died in Davis Island hospital a few hours after the accident. She and Mr. Gudger had been spending the winter in Sebring, Fla., and expected to return to Asheville next summer. They resided at 293 Victoria Road here. Both were prominent in social and business circles in Asheville. Mr. Gudger was an official in the DuPont company and had charge of one of the company branches before he accepted the vice-presidency of the Goldwin moving picture interests. He had recently devoted his time to travel.

Mrs. Gudger is survived by her mother and her husband. She was the mother-in-law of Mrs. Henshick Gudger, of Asheville. Her sister, Mrs. Gudger, a brother of Francis Gudger, will attend the services in Westfield.

Mother's Day Gifts Make Life Happier for Angel of Home

MOTHERS will be remembered this year on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12, not only with greetings, but also with gifts which add pleasure to life and lighten burdens. The trend ever since the day was originated in 1908 has been toward making life easier for mother.

Kind words and complimentary expressions are fine and will always be addressed to mother on the special day when she is honored, but her folks are learning through newspapers and in other ways that mother needs health to bear and rear sturdy children, she needs contact with the world to aid her in guiding the children wisely and well, and she needs the amusement and recreation which maintain good nature and enable her to impart this desirable characteristic to those under her care.

Newspaper readers will remember news items printed about a year ago, recording the rush of the public to the stores and the photograph studios in seeking gifts for mother. In some cities, it was reported, stores were sold out of popular lines of goods and some of the photograph studios had to turn away business.

As the custom of observing Mother's Day becomes more extensive each year, the prospect is that this year's observance will be the largest. Preparations have for several months been under way.

Fly the Flag

The first and most proper observance is to get out the flag and hang it at the front of the house. When the Congress of the United States in 1914 passed an act authorizing and requesting President Woodrow Wilson to issue a proclamation, asking the people to observe Mother's Day by displaying the national flag at their homes and other places, "as a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country," the custom of displaying the flag was set.

In the week previous to Mother's Day parties, banquets and entertainments are held, at which mothers are the honored guests. Sometimes these affairs are arranged by groups or civic associations, sometimes by children's groups. Usually the program consists of speaking, singing, lunch, sometimes games and most always presenting the mothers with bouquets or making it the occasion of which the members of each family present to the mother the gifts they have prepared for her.

Less Drudgery for Mother

Since Mother's Day was originated 24 years ago by Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia in honor of her own mother who had passed away, the mother's view of life has undergone a remarkable change,



similar to the view of the entire public. People are trying to do away with the drudgery of life, much of which fell upon mother in her household duties. There was a time when the world thought that drudgery and sacrifice, even at the expense of health, built character.

In the quarter century since that time the world has come to believe that there are better ways of developing strength of character and spirit—ways more agreeable and enjoyable. Out of this belief comes the sentiment for relieving mothers of the over-heavy burdens.

Reading Family Is Easier

Household machinery is taking the load of work from mother's shoulders. The toasters still bring their fun about families being fed out of tin cans, but the fact is that much of the food now sold in as good as mother herself made and saves her much labor.

Dressmaking is almost a lost art for mother, though she used to make the dresses for herself and the girls and the suits for the small boys. Now she can buy better than she can make and her strength is again conserved.

A quarter of a century ago amusement, while a pleasure for mother, was also a hard task. To go a long distance to a picnic by buggy and railroad or to travel downtown to amusement places (as it is called) in her own car (as it is called) was her recreation with less work. Entertainment comes into her home by radio and phonograph, or, if she wishes to go to a theater, she finds it in her neighborhood.

This year, to add to the respect

the members of the family arrange for mother to go to the studio and have her photograph taken so that they may have pictures by which to remember her, or they have their own photographs taken to present to her so that she may have near her the pictures of those whom she loves the most. These photographs can be handed down through several generations.

Practical Help for Mother

So Mother's Day brings more than sentiment. To these ministering angels of the home it brings happiness and practical help and this year will do so more than ever before.

Miss Anna Jarvis celebrated the first Mother's Day alone. The next year a few of her Philadelphia friends joined with her in observing the day. By the third year, 1908, the custom was becoming known and was observed in a small way outside of Pennsylvania. Miss Jarvis wrote to governors and to congressmen and urged the passing of acts calling on the public to observe the day. When legislators took up the idea, it spread rapidly. The day was first observed in the British Isles in 1914.

General J. J. Pershing directed the American and French armies to observe it in 1917 and France began to observe it nationally in 1926.

Venezuela sanctioned it by act of Congress in 1921 and in 1922 gave prizes for Mother's Day hymns, one of which was set to music and is sung each year in the Mother's Day gatherings. In 1925 the Venezuela government had a sculptured group made in marble, representing motherhood.

Mother's Day is now observed annually in many parts of North and South America, Europe, Africa, and in such countries as Japan, China and Palestine.

Children are urged in the talks and songs and the writings to let mother know by some token that they have not forgotten her. The children are told that along with these material expressions of appreciation should go that other way of showing devotion to mother, best expressed by the behavior, by living as she wants the children to live, so that she may feel that her labor and care for them have not been in vain, but that her virtues have been anchored in her children.

There was a time when the joy of motherhood was the only compensation for the mother's life of hard work and monotony, but the progress of the world in the humanitarian new aids mother in maintaining physical strength, well being, happiness and peace.

That is the trend in the observance of Mother's Day and indicates how the greatest Mother's Day of all time, in the year 1930, will be observed.

Besides greeting cards, flowers and candy, lasting and labor-saving gifts will be presented to mother this year, the reports indicate.

Some families make it the occasion of giving photographs. Either

THE PUBLISHER'S COLUMN ABOUT VARIOUS MATTERS

ELECTING TEACHERS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

It is already past time in many counties to elect teachers for the next scholastic year. It is not always practical to fill all vacancies until later than the usual time, but in some counties it is customary either to reject or elect teachers long before commencement. Often the best teachers are already employed if the school committees wait too long. The selection of school teachers is tremendous responsibility and great care should be exercised along this line. We believe in keeping our money at home and seeing that our home county teachers are employed before filling the positions with outsiders, but even in this there are many things to consider. There are reasons for and against employing girls and boys of their home communities to teach in the home schools. "A prophet is not without honor save in his own country," and often a boy or girl will have greater success as a teacher among strangers than with those with whom he or she grew up as children. The advantage the teacher has in remaining at home consists principally in a saving of board, and that advantage favors the teacher rather than the pupil. Efficiency in the school room should be the controlling factor in the selection of the teacher. If a Madison county girl can get a better salary in some other county, the only advantage we can see in retaining her is the difference

which she can save in expense, and over against that should be placed the disadvantage she sustains in teaching among her own people. We wonder if the expenditure of the public school fund does not often overshadow the importance of the right of the pupil to the most efficient teaching. If the home teacher is not as capable as one imported, whose interests should be considered, that of the teacher or that of the pupil? Assuming that the imported teacher and the home teacher are equal in efficiency, what should be the controlling consideration in making the choice? Should it be the saving of the teacher's salary for her benefit, or the effects of the teaching upon the pupils? These questions are not suggested by any personal interests but are thrown out merely for the consideration of our various school committees at this time when such consideration should be claiming their attention.

NORTH CAROLINA LOSES A GREAT HONOR

In the rejection by the United States Senate of Judge John J. Parker, of North Carolina, as a member of the United States Supreme Court, North Carolina has lost an honor which may not come its way again for many years. And all this has come about through unwarranted political interference. No serious charge was brought against the character or ability of Judge Parker to fill the position to which he was appointed by President Hoover. This is one of many losses sustained by a state and nation because of political manipulation. What the outcome of politics will be in our country is a matter for the serious consideration of thoughtful men.

GENERAL NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS

Norfolk city fire apparatus was called to the Hampton Roads naval operating base Sunday night to join government employes fighting a fire at Pier No. 7. This pier was recently constructed to accommodate the giant airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington, but neither ship was moored at the dock at this time.

Charlie Burnett, Buncombe County highway maintenance employe, is in the jail at Asheville. He is alleged to have stopped his automobile on the side of the road in sight of his home in Rose Hill community after a quarrel, and to have fired six large calibre pistol bullets into his wife's back and left side as she sat in the car with him. She died five minutes after being taken to the Biltmore hospital.

Members of the North Carolina Dental Society met at 7:30 o'clock at the Battery Park Hotel Monday night. Leaders of the profession from all sections of the State were present.

A report from Columbus, Ohio, is to the effect that Mrs. Ethel Geller, age 44, shot and killed seven of her ten children shortly after she had put them to bed Tuesday evening and attempted to commit suicide. She was taken to the hospital in a dying condition. She had to support her children by selling newspapers, and it is believed that her act was caused by her losing fight with poverty.

A 16-year-old messenger boy of the Postal Telegraph Company, whose earning helped to support a widowed mother, met death Tuesday night when his motorcycle was crushed between a parked automobile and a moving car on Biltmore Avenue in Asheville. The driver of the car which hit him is said to have been highly intoxicated, and faces a charge of manslaughter.

A report from Paris, France, is to the effect that Marshal Joffre, World War hero, was seriously ill at his home near Paris Tuesday night.

Thirty-six persons were believed killed Tuesday in a series of tornadoes which struck widely separated sections of Texas. Twenty-four of the dead have been identified.

Mr. Dennis Keel, of Greensboro, was made president-elect of the North Carolina Dental Society Tuesday night, which organization was convening at the Battery Park hotel in Asheville.

DR. ALDERSON, MINISTER OF MUSIC AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, ASHEVILLE, GIVING ORGAN RECITAL

On Tuesday, May 20th, Dr. James Alderson will present another of his popular Organ Recitals on the grand organ in the First Baptist Church, Asheville.

This is the second Organ Recital of the series played by this internationally famous organist, and will no doubt be looked forward to with an interest even greater than was the first. Dr. Alderson has made for himself (because of his wonderful and varied abilities, Concert Organist, Tenor Soloist and Choral and Orchestral Conductor) a reputation second to none, for outstanding work in this art, both in this country and abroad.

His Organ Recitals at Grove Park Inn, while Concert Organist to Mr. Fred L. Seely, were enjoyed by thousands, and during his engagements there, no Guest Organist was ever engaged. Over 1,000 people were present at the first recital, and it is expected that the church will be full to overflowing at this recital. Admission to all Recitals is Free, only an offering being taken to assist in the covering of expenses. Everybody is invited.

Programme will be published next week.