

Ex-Convict Thrown For A Loss



ST. LOUIS, MO. — His face adorned with adhesive tape, Kendall Morris is shown after he was trussed up and delivered to St. Louis police by his intended victim, Morris, wearing the rubber mask (right) held up by James Greig, Washington University football star, and Greig's girl friend, Miss Charlotte Obst, on a lonely road outside St. Louis and announced he was kidnaping them. Greig defied Morris' gun, tackled him, overpowered him, tied him up and took him to the law in the trunk of his car.

Ward Family Reunion Hears Dr. Rubin Hill

(Special to the Times)
The Ward Reunion met at Franklin School, Kerr, N. C. Sept. 10 for the regular yearly meeting. The family and friends began to gather about 11 o'clock and the usual friendly greetings and expressions of good will were very evident as they met and visited together.
At 1 o'clock dinner was announced and Billie Hill returned thanks to God for the bountiful dinner and lovely spirit of the occasion. The dinner was served in the school cafeteria but the food was brought from home. It was a delightful meal.
At 2 o'clock the business session was opened by the president, Robert E. Ward, Jr. in the spacious auditorium of the school. He called upon Judge A. W. Wilson for the invocation which was followed by singing "America the Beautiful" by the group accompanied at the piano by Miss Peggy Ward. Mrs. S. V. Wilkins sang "My Task" in an impressive manner.
The Program Committee was called upon which was composed of Herman Taylor, Misses Virginia Ward and Mary Lou Wilkins. Miss Ward introduced Dr. Rubin Hill of the University of North Carolina for a talk on "The Family".
Dr. Hill said that families go through phases of realization of strong family ties and other phases of loose ties. During some phases of history it was necessary to consult the heads of families before the government could take any important steps or make any changes in their policy.
There were times when families engaged in feuds due to family loyalty.
In recent years family ties are weaker due to social or economic status. Some members of the family do not attain the same amount of material wealth and therefore are unable to live and move in the same circle as other members. Family ties also break on account of romantic love which causes them to live long distances apart.
Birth Control has been responsible for breaking strong family ties. Small families do not have the strong tie because there is not the necessity for them to cooperate and work together.
Dr. Hill says it is important for us to decide whether or not family ties are worthwhile. He thinks it is important for children to know who they are and to know that they belong to a larger group than their immediate family. Family reunions help develop this realization and helps them to have a feeling of belonging in the world.
He suggested that the Wards have something specific in mind that we want to accomplish, possibly some social work. It is important that we stand together for some purpose.
The Chairman then called on Horace Ward who introduced Mr. Sam Byrd. He said that Mr. Byrd is a famous actor and author and mentioned that he has played in several plays on Broadway including "Tobacco Road", also wrote "Small Town South". But best of all he is "folks". He loves people and mixes well with them. He also wrote and directed "The Duplin Story", a pageant shown in Kenansville, N. C.
Sam Byrd then told about pageants and the places they are taking in our country today. He spoke of Paul Green's "Lost Colony" and "Faith of Our Fathers". Historically, America is entering into a system of centennials and celebrating them with pageants.
The reason for pageant boom is that they do not require trained people, and they are good entertainment. Pageant is the oldest forms of telling a story.
The Duplin Story is history. It has told a story in a very entertaining way. Mr. Byrd says that the spirit of the people of Duplin as they cooperated in putting on the pageant is outstanding.
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utes of the meeting to be reviewed. The President requested a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Walker Principal of Franklin School for use of the building. A collection of \$38.00 was taken to defray the expenses of the meeting. It was reported that there are still copies of the Ward History on hand for sale, see E. P. Blanchard.
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We then heard the report of the Nominating Committee read by Sally R. Wilkins, for President Ellen Mae Johnson Van Sant; Vice President, Oscar Blanchard, Secretary-Treasurer, Sally W. Blanchard; Acting Secretary, Lillie Belle Brummitt. The report was accepted and passed as read. A motion was made and carried that a copy of the program of The Duplin Story be incorporated in the minutes as so many of the family were taking part in the production.
The following people from a distance were recognized: Preston Ward and family, and Dan Ward of Pine Park, Ga., Clingman Wilkins and daughter Sarah of Wythville, Va., Judge A. M. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson of Durham and Pat Bolam of Charleston, S. C.
Report of Alfred Ward, Historian told of many prominent persons in England and this country by the name of Ward and said he was trying to trace the connection of other families by the same name. He mentioned that the cross on the Ward Coat of Arms was won by service in the War of the Crusades. Mrs. S. V. Wilkins passed out

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Mrs. Thomas Quinn and Alice Kornegy. The honorees received many nice and useful gifts.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alphin visited Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Sullivan Saturday night.
Friends will regret to learn of the telegram which Mrs. Lillie Price of Clinton, formerly of this community, received last week stating her son William has been missing in action in Korea for 21 days. He is the brother of Gurney Price and Mrs. Harvey Arnett of this community.
Sannie Dail of Raleigh spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Sullivan.

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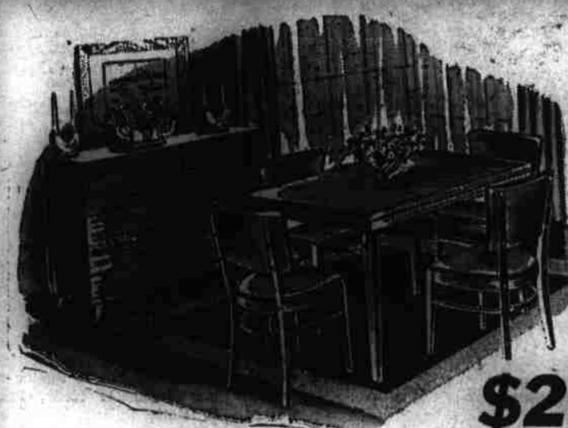
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