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DON'T MISS THE NEXT NUMBER OF THE LYCE- UM COURSE

The last number of the Lyceum Course will be on Monday night, Jan. 8th in the Pastime Theatre, and is undoubtedly the best number on this popular course. Dr. Lucian Edgar Follansbee, who has been upon the Chautauqua and Lyceum platform for more than twenty years will be the attraction at this time. He is a remarkable speaker, whose addresses are filled with enthusiasm, logic and humor. He captivates his audience, inspires them and holds them spellbound.

It is not always that one hears a speaker and lecturer who can interest an audience for two or three hours. Farmville has had the opportunity of hearing very few such speakers. The people have heard a number of lecturers and speakers who were disappointing and consequently the speaker coming to this town has a hard time of securing a good audience. But in Dr. Follansbee we will not be disappointed. He is the contrary of every one who has been disappointed.

Dr. Follansbee is a man full of wit and humor as well as logic. He is an orator of unusual ability and a speaker of thrilling eloquence. He has been called the star number of the Lyceum Course by the participants in all of the previous attractions. He has so charmed his audiences in a number of places that he has been called back. Whitakers was so carried away with him that he was not only called back for the second but the third engagement, and had a packed house at each time. He proved such a popular speaker at South Hill, Va. that he was forced to fill the third engagement there. These are some of the quotations from some of the papers of the places where he has spoken: "Intensely patriotic and at times very eloquent"—"A flow of wit and a torrent of oratory"—"An inspiring lecture, a delighted audience"—"Captures his audience and holds them."

The people of Farmville have a treat in store for them on next Monday night. Everyone should take advantage of hearing this speaker. The older people as well as the young can all afford to let such an opportunity go by. Come out. The hour is 8:15. The place, The Pastime Theatre. The attraction, Dr. Follansbee, or the best number on the Lyceum Course.

'16 USHERED OUT AND '17 RUSHED IN.

In keeping with the usual custom, several persons braved the biting cold Sunday night to usher in the new year with peals of noise from all the bells of the town. Just a few minutes before midnight hour the bells began a slow tolling, signifying the death of the old year of 1916, which was breathing its last. Then, promptly at twelve o'clock, the tone changed and 1917 was ushered in accompanied by noisy jangling of the bells and the hoarse blasts of the factory whistles. The departing year has passed into the fond vale of memory, whence the bitter experiences will soon flee, leaving only those memories that grow mellow and sweet as time passes on; the new year is projected in the future, where dreams and hopes and ambitions have full play, uncurbed by the drab presence of coal facts. "The king is dead; long live the king."

CONCEDES "DRY" BILL MUST WAIT A WHILE

Washington, Dec. 4.—The House of Representatives today rejected a resolution to amend the Constitution and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal church, in a review of the war on John Barleycorn, conceded that the nationwide "dry" resolution in congress will be defeated this session.

"The present congress is expected to show a heavy majority, but not the necessary two-thirds for the submission of a prohibition constitutional amendment," said a bulletin issued by the board. "Congress will enact a prohibition law for the District of Columbia and pass a law forbidding the use of the mails for purposes of liquor advertising and solicitation, except when addressee to licensed liquor dealers."

MR. BENNETT FIELDS SUCCOMBS TO ILLNESS

After a brief illness, while visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Mewborn, here, Mr. Bennett Fields, who had grown to the ripe old age of eighty-one years, died Thursday afternoon Dec. 28th, and was buried Friday afternoon at his old home place near Walstonburg beside the body of his wife who preceded him some several years. Mr. Fields was one of the county's best known and oldest citizen and is survived by a large number of grief stricken relatives and friends.

DAN CUPID HAD HANDS FULL OF LATE

WYATT—RUFFIN

The friends of Miss Ruth Ruffin and Mr. E. Wyatt were taken by surprise last Wednesday morning when they received announcement of their marriage which took place at Davis Hotel, the home of the bride.

They left on the early morning train for a tour north.

HOBGOOD—ALBRITTON

At 4:30 of the clock Wednesday afternoon Dec. 27th, 1916, at the lovely country home of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Albritton in Greene county, near Farmville, their beautiful daughter, Miss Madeline, became the bride of Mr. James Madison Hobgood, of Farmville.

The entire home had been tastefully decorated for the occasion and the parlor in which the ceremony was performed was indeed a scene of beauty. The color scheme of Red and Green being used. The decorations consisted of red carnations, long leaf pine, holly and ivy and illuminated by large candles.

Miss James Brown, of Farmville, was the maid of honor.

The ceremony was held at the home of the bride, and the following order of service was observed: Miss Sue Best Morrill sang "I Love You Truly" and "Dawning."

The bridal party entered the parlor in the following order: Miss Bessie Albritton, Maid of Honor, dressed in light green silk with lace trimmings wearing large black picture hat and carrying a large bunch of sweet peas; then came the groom accompanied by his best man, Mr. Frank Yancey, of Oxford, closely followed by the bride, gowned in a going-away suit of blue velvet, with hat and gloves to match carrying a bride's bouquet of Killarney roses and lilies of the valley.

The impressive ring ceremony of the Methodist church was used and the nuptial knot tied by the bride's pastor, Rev. C. O. Durant, of Snow Hill.

A large number of friends and relatives were present to felicitate the happy couple and enjoy the pleasure afforded in the culmination of their plighted troth.

One whole spacious room was given over to the wedding gifts which were very handsome and costly.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hobgood, under pressure of rice, old shoes and the like, left in auto for Farmville where they took the train for Shelbyville, Ky. They will be at home in Farmville.

FARMVILLE DRAWS BIG DRYING PLANT

The J. P. Taylor Tobacco Co., whose head office is in Richmond, Va., has completed arrangements for locating a tobacco drying plant in Farmville. Negotiations for this proposition have been under way for some weeks, and final announcement of the plant having been secured was received with much pleasure by the Farmville Community Chamber of Commerce and citizens of the town. This means an investment of \$25,000 to \$35,000 here, and will add a material increase to the Farmville tobacco market. The plant will consist of a storage house, drying plant and probably a stemmery. It will employ some forty or fifty laborers, and will be located on the lot owned by Mr. R. M. Belcher, adjoining the J. P. Taylor Tobacco Co.'s factory here.

Mr. Belcher is at home in Farmville and has been here since March 18th.

Mr. Hobgood is one of the most beloved young women reared in Greene, and her husband is an estimable and successful business man of Farmville.

This place.

FLANAGAN—TYSON

Wednesday, Dec. 27, at the home of the bride, east of Farmville, Mr. J. H. Flanagan, Jr., Miss Annie Tyson, were married in the presence of a few relatives and friends, W. P. Jordan, of the Farmville Christian church, officiating.

Mr. Flanagan is one of Pitt county's splendid young men and well worthy the lady of his choice. The bride is the daughter of Mr. G. T. Tyson and is the possessor of many charms and accomplishments.

They left immediately after the marriage for Washington, D. C., where they spent a few days and are now at home for a short time at the residence of the groom's father, J. H. Flanagan, Sr.

Tugwell—Meeks (Reported)

Miss Myrtle Tugwell and Mr. Herbert Meeks were happily married Thursday Dec. 21st, at the home of the bride in the presence of a few friends. The bride was handsomely dressed in blue silk poplin, carrying a beautiful bunch of bride's roses. The groom is a progressive farmer. They will reside in their new home on the Harris farm, near Farmville. Best wishes to you both for a long and happy life.

TOBACCO MARKET TO RE-OPEN TUESDAY

The Farmville tobacco market which closed down Wednesday Dec. 20th, for the holidays will be re-opened Tuesday, Jan. 9th, for the convenience of the tobacco growers of this section, a large number of which were unable to get all of their tobacco ready for market before Christmas.

All the big tobacco companies and independent concerns will be represented as before the holidays, and prices are expected to be as good as they have been at any time during the season.

Remember the opening date, Tuesday, Jan. 9th, and that your tobacco will bring as much in Farmville as it will anywhere.

OLD TIME DARKEY DIES NEAR FARMVILLE

Greene Meye, an old colored man of Farmville Township, about 75 years of age, died a few days ago of paralysis. He was one of the old time darkeys and had the confidence of all the citizens in the community.

Economy

Diet Squad of Chicago Proves That Person Can Work and Fatten on Less Than Forty Cents

That brains mixed with food will reduce the high cost of living without decreasing the nutritive value of the food is one of the conclusions already reached in the experiment that is now being conducted in Chicago for the purpose of knowing whether or not people can be properly nourished on 40-cent per capita per day. The experiment is being conducted by the city commissioner of health and includes a "diet squad" of twelve people who are furnished three meals a day—breakfast, luncheon and dinner—the menu being changed daily with a view of both economy and variety.

The result of the first week of the experiment showed a total gain in weight of 26.14 pounds, the average weight gained per member being 2.23 pounds. The members go daily about their business just as before beginning the test. The actual cost of food served for the first week was 33.34 cents per person per day, this exclusive of fuel, lights, service or other overhead charges. The menu in part for the week

DESIRABLE RESI- DENTIAL PROP- ERTY TO BE S-O-L-D

The DeVisconti property lying in the west portion of the city has been placed in the hands of The Atlantic Coast Real Estate Co. to be sold to the highest bidders on easy term.

This company has surveyed and laid this property off in blocks of residential lots and will sell the same next Tuesday, Jan. 9th, 1917, to the highest bidder, regardless of price. This property is indeed the most desirable residential property now to be had in Farmville and the opportunity will be given you to buy one or more of these valuable lots at your own price. Remember the date, Tuesday, Jan. 9th, and the hour—10:30 a. m. and be sure to attend this sale. A jar of money will be given away free.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services as usual next Sunday. Remember Christian Endeavor at 6:30. "Evaluating Moral Issues" at 8:00. Visitation will read.

ing subject will be, "The Twilight of Life." You are invited to worship with us at all these services.—W. P. Jordan, Pastor.

Young Men Gives Dance

Despite the inclement weather, the young men of Farmville gave a most enjoyable dance last Wednesday evening in Askew's Hall. There were quite a number of couples participating.

During the evening delicious fruit punch was served. At a late hour the young people dispersed, each vowing themselves very fortunate in receiving an invitation to such an enjoyable occasion.

which was bought at retail prices was two dozen eggs, 35 quarts of milk, 54 pounds of meat, sugar and flour. Bread was bought in ten cent loaves.

Probably the most valuable lesson that the experiment will teach is that economy does not mean deprivation, but education and training—to mix brains with the daily food supply, in choosing, buying and preparing. The experiment will not have been in vain if it sets people to thinking as to how they can buy the most nourishment for the least money and at the same time adapt that nourishment to their needs.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS!

In extending our best wishes for a most successful and prosperous New Year, we also wish to thank our customers for the liberal patronage given us in the past. Remember, we buy our goods in bulk and at prices that will mean money saved to you, and we can furnish you with anything in the

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