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Who is your choice for the next president of the United States?

Heroism of Georgia Girl Saves Chinese Children in Mission School at Canton

Miss Alveda Gunn, a Former Teacher in the Farmville High School, Drives Out Beaten Troops, But Victorious Sun Soldiers Loot Hospital.

Canton, May 25.—The first vivid account of how Miss Alveda Gunn, of Crawfordville, Ga., in charge of the American Southern Baptist convention school at Shiu Hing, defended the lives of 100 of her girl pupils and an equal number of Chinese refugees, when that place was captured last Monday by Kwangtung troops, reached Canton today.

When an exploding mine opened a breach in the wall surrounding Shiu Hing, terrified Kwangtung soldiers, including one general, climbed the walls of the mission compound, seeking the protection of the American flag. The frightened general offered to make a \$30,000 contribution to the mission in return for the protection of Miss Gunn. Instead she evicted him bodily and finally managed to push out the other Kwangtung soldiers who were seeking refuge.

Pursuing Kwangtung soldiers who followed the Kwangtung troops invaded the compound and threatened to bayonet Miss Gunn when she tried to evict them from the premises. They then looted the place.

Americans and Chinese are all the same now, declared the Kwangtung soldiers who are a part of Dr. Sun Yan Sen's forces, as they smashed trunks and boxes, broke windows and doors and took all the available bedding and clothing of Miss Gunn's pupils and other Chinese refugees.

General Ngai Pong-Ping in command of Dr. Sun's victorious troops, later called at the mission, expressing regret for the looting and explained that his soldiers were very much excited. He failed, however, to recover the property stolen from girl pupils and refugees.

More than a thousand homes were burned during the fighting between Kwangtung and Kwangsi forces and hundreds sought refuge in the Baptist church adjoining the mission school. Uncontrolled soldiers also sacked the mission hospital, destroying property and pouring medicines on the floor.

Miss Gunn, according to her letters, depends on the American flag to protect her from harm, the natives evincing a desire to get into trouble with Uncle Sam. Americans are comparatively safe anywhere in her opinion.

Miss Gunn's father says that she has always shown a disposition to take care of herself, and in this connection recalled that she "made her way" at Bessie Tilt college by working in the library department. She graduated from Bessie Tilt in 1919 and the next year taught school at Farmville, N. C. She was elected for another term, but the Baptist mission board called her and she sailed for China.

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Young Men Injured in Cycle Accident

Had Narrow Escape from Death Last Week near Ayden

Arthur Gay and Lester Skinner, both of Farmville, received painful injuries last week on Wednesday when the motorcycle on which they were riding on the Ayden road collided with the rear end of a truck. The young men were traveling at a fair rate of speed when the truck, which was traveling in front of them, suddenly backed up, completely blocking the road. Gay attempted to pass but struck the truck instead.

Gay, who was the more seriously hurt, was attended by a physician from Ayden and then brought to his home in Farmville. Both men are able to be out again.

Farmville House-Wives Turn Out For Curb Mkt.

Farmers, However, Few in No.

The first day of Farmville's Curb Market, last Saturday, saw plenty of buyers but few of the farmers on hand. All of the produce was soon sold.

It is hoped that many more farmers will take advantage of this splendid opportunity to receive better prices for farm products. This is the farmer's best chance to turn his crops into ready money. He should be ready and willing to better himself in this way. The Market opens at nine a. m. every Saturday; it is situated next door to the Farmville Furniture Co. on Main Street.

Wilson High Not Able to Play Here on Friday

City May Have Team this Year

A letter received early this week by Coach Peele from the Wilson High School stated that the members of the Wilson team are below passing in their school work and will therefore be unable to play here this week Friday as scheduled. This leaves the local boys with no more games until after the close of the school year.

According to Mr. Peele, it is quite probable that a team will be organized to play during the summer.

Furniture Company Plans Enlarging of Music Dept.

The Farmville Furniture Company is announcing this week a reduction on all phonograph records and piano rolls purchased next week, providing the purchaser gives the names and addresses of four friends who have phonographs or player pianos. This is to aid in preparing a mail list preparatory to enlarging the music department.

Where 76 Perished in School Fire



First and exclusive picture of the scene at Cleveland, South Carolina, where 76 perished when a kerosene lamp exploded at a school house amateur play. Whole families lost their lives and every family in the community suffered loss of life as the wooden stairs collapsed.

Falkland Union School Holding Commencement

Community Picnic and Baseball Game Friday

The Falkland Union School is holding its Commencement programs on Thursday and Friday of this week. Thursday evening in the school there will be speaking and declamation contests. On Friday morning the Commencement Address will be given. A noon picnic on the school grounds. Barbecue will be served free at this time.

During the afternoon a ball game with Arthur will be played.

At 8:00 o'clock Friday evening the High School will present a comedy drama entitled "The Little Clodhopper". This play has been given before by the school, and was enjoyed so much that it is being repeated.

Rotarians Make Fine Showing At State Meet

Again Win Loving Cup in Sing

The Farmville Rotary Club was the only chapter present at the Semi-annual Inter-city meet in Raleigh last Friday, who had one hundred per cent attendance. Twenty-one men were present, ready to defend the loving cup which they had already won at two previous meets. Winning the cup again, the local Rotarians became the permanent owners of the cup. However, they presented the cup to the state organization to be given to the club singing best the next time.

Special Notice to Boy Scouts

Scoutmaster Sheppard announces a meeting of the Boy Scouts to be held at 7:30 Friday evening, June 8th in the Scout Hall. Every scout is expected to be present prepared to vote on the time and place of the annual encampment.

Moreover, in the mean time every tenderfoot is asked to study for the second class test, every second class scout for the first class test and every first class scout for the merit badge. Examinations will not be given at this meeting but at some other meeting soon.

High School to Close Its Doors Next Tuesday

Eleven in the Graduating Class This Year.

The Farmville High School will end its session for the year 1922-1923 on Tuesday evening June 5th at 8:15, when the graduation address will be given by Dr. Howard Randhizer, president of Salem College, Winston-Salem.

At the closing of the week the Senior Class will present its Class Day Exercises. These are to be of great interest, the school having arranged to hold a funeral to the Senior Class.

On Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock in the school auditorium Dr. A. Paul Bagby, President of Wake Forest, will preach the Baccalaureate Sermon. The whole community is cordially invited to come and hear this splendid speaker.

On Monday evening the High School will entertain with a comedy, "Patty makes things hum".

This will be one of the most enjoyable events of the season. Here is a list of those who are to appear as characters:

Robert Lang, Edgar Barrett, Leroy Parker, Thomas Taylor, Dippy Baker, Elizabeth Fields, Lucy Anne Flanagan, Edna Faust Harris, Sarah Mewborn, May Joyner.

No admission is to be charged, everyone is invited.

The diplomas will be given to the eleven graduates at the graduation exercises Tuesday evening. The following are to receive their diplomas:

Alton Barrett, Mildred Barrow, Samuel Bundy, Ruby Barrett, Lucile Flanagan, Arthur Jones, Wilhelmina Lane, John Lewis, George Moye, Ed Nash Warren and Mandy Walston.

At the Music Recital last Friday evening, given by the pupils of Misses Goldie Shifflet and Kate Dotson, three medals were given for the best improvement throughout the year. Miss Lottie Lane Joyner received the medal from Miss Shifflet's class in piano, Miss Vivian Case, vocal class, and Miss Edna Faust Harris, of Miss Dotson's class in piano.

An excellent program was rendered, including several vocal solos, piano solos, duets, trios and double trios. One special feature, a chorus of girls, was excellently rendered.

Pick Your Own Man and Cast Your Own Free Vote Now

The Farmville Enterprise Opens Polls in Nation-Wide Presidential Election Test to Learn People's Choice of Next Chief Executive, 1924-1928.

ALL PARTY LINES DOWN

It costs You Nothing to Vote, So Test Your Ability and Judgement in Picking a Big Man. Fill Out the Ballot and Mail or Bring it to Farmville Enterprise Office.

Another presidential election is at hand. The 1924 campaign is already under way. National committees of both big parties are feeling the public pulse, trying to discern its temper toward this and that candidate.

In line with political activity The Farmville Enterprise proposes and will conduct a nationwide vote on the people's choice for our next president.

Through its membership in The Publishers Autocaster Service of New York, this paper is in position to conduct this Presidential Election Test. Voting will start at once, with the issue of this edition and will continue until July 1st.

You can vote for any man you think would serve the country best for the next four years, so long as the person of your choice is a citizen of the United States.

Of course you will want to vote. It offers you the opportunity of testing your judgment. When the final vote has been cast July 1, you can then learn how your ability to pick a man big enough for such high office compares with the opinions of other voters all over the country. No Restriction on Choice of Your Vote.

It is an open field with no favors to any man. Political party or convention jockeying will have no bearing on this test vote. In voting for your choice in this election you are not restricted by party lines or limited to convention choices.

When voting ceases July 1 and returns are received, the Farmville Enterprise will publish complete returns of the voting from every state in the Union, telling who is the majority choice and the names of the runners-up.

You can vote for a Republican; a Democrat; a Socialist; a Progressive; a business or industrial leader; or any one you think would make the best President for the next four years, 1924-1928.

Wouldn't you like to know

OUR NEXT PRESIDENT Who Will He Be?



the name of the man in this nation of 110,000,000 people who is the majority choice for President? And under such conditions of voting as this, with all party lines down, and out from under the sway of political bosses and compromising convention rules?

All you have to do is to cast your own free vote—choosing and naming your candidate. Fill out the blank ballot below, then mail or bring it to the editorial office of the Farmville Enterprise. We will do the rest. Quick! Now! Who Do You Want for President?

The men named below are at the present enjoying booms as possible choices of the various party conventions. We publish their names here only in the effort to help you in your selection, or to at least give you a comparative list to start from. If your favorite's name is not in this list, simply write his name on your ballot and disregard this list.

ARE ANY OF THESE MEN YOUR CHOICE

- President Harding
Woodrow Wilson
Henry Ford
Senator Hiram Johnson
Senator Oscar Underwood
Senator William Borah
Governor Al Smith of New York
Herbert Hoover
William Randolph Hearst
William McAdoo
William Jennings Bryan
Governor Ralston of Indiana
Dr. Albert Shaw of New York
John W. Davis of West Virginia
Former Gov. Lowden of Illinois
James M. Cox of Ohio
Secretary of State Hughes
Eugene Debs
Senator LaFollette
Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas

THE FARMVILLE ENTERPRISE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION TEST BALLOT. My choice for President of the United States for the next four years, 1924-28. Town and State where vote is cast.