

Parent-Teachers Association Hold Interesting Session

Mrs. J. M. Hobgood Gives Good Report of State Convention in Winston-Salem. Luncheon Greatly Enjoyed.

The Parent-Teacher Association held its November meeting on Friday last in the school auditorium with a large number of members and visitors present.

The president, in a few well chosen words, welcomed the teachers of the county who had attended the Teachers' Demonstration previous to the meeting.

A delightful luncheon was served at twelve o'clock by the Association to the High School faculty and to the visiting teachers, and a few words of appreciation were given to the chairman of the luncheon, Mrs. C. L. Beaman, and her assistants. The merchants who were kind enough to help furnish the menu were also mentioned. These merchants included Messrs. J. W. Joyner, D. F. & R. O. Lang, W. L. Smith, John Davis, and Mrs. T. E. Joyner who donated milk.

The Memorial bed at the State Sanatorium, which is supported by the Federation, was discussed and letters read on this subject. The Association wishing to co-operate with the State Federation in this voted to send five dollars.

Miss Taylor, teacher of the fourth grade, received the highest percentage in the regular room roll call.

The Association enjoyed a splendid and instructive talk on "What the Community can do for the High School," by Miss Evelyn Russell. This was followed by a community study hour during which Mrs. C. A. Lawrence made a most interesting talk on Library work in the school and town.

Supt. G. R. Wheeler thanked the Association on behalf of the teachers for the delightful luncheon served them.

A most interesting and full report of the State Convention of Parent-Teacher Association and Congress of Mothers, which met at Winston-Salem on the 6th of this month, was given by Mrs. J. M. Hobgood, the delegate sent by the local body. Mrs. Hobgood was very proud of the report which she carried to the Convention and she was requested to lend it to delegates from some of the other towns represented in order that notes might be taken.

The meeting which lasted from Tuesday until Thursday night was held in the ball room of the Robert E. Lee hotel and the entertainment and hospitality of Winston-Salem was in keeping with the splendid reputation which that city bears. Mrs. Hobgood beautifully expressed the object of the convention when she said that it considered and discussed the most important things on each. "Not your child, nor my child, but all children; their training and development mentally, spiritually, morally and physically." She also exhorted the teachers present to help organize an association in their schools assuring them that it would solve many of the problems which confront them.

The Convention adopted the "Five Peace, Protection of Children, Physical Education and Protection of the Home. Mrs. Hobgood gave the growth of the membership of the Association as seventy thousand in the past year and numbers 600,000 this year. In North Carolina there are 133

A splendid suggestion on increasing the attendance at the meetings was brought back and put into action at this time by the president. A number of tickets were handed out to the parents present to be worn by their child as a reward for their attendance. These tickets read, "I brought my mother (or father) did you?"

In closing her talk Mrs. Hobgood closed with this beautiful poem and appeal to the parents and teachers as follows: "I have a little poem, beautiful from point of style and rhythm, but that is not why I want to read it to you. The meaning, I want to sink deep into the heart and mind of every person here.

"Partnership with God is parenthood. What strength, what purity, what self-control; What love, what wisdom should be long to them. Who help God fashion an immortal soul."

I think this refers to all who help fashion the soul of a child, and mothers and fathers is there any other partnership to which you give as little time, as to this one? You men who are in business, do you think your business would continue to improve and grow if you never had a Board meeting? And yet we fall down on the job, when asked to give just one hour a month to the business of the partnership which lives for the progress of our child. You are not responsible for your child alone, but you are responsible for the child of a

rebuke to the community from which it comes. We must see to it that this is the last generation to hold an illiterate adult."

Mrs. Vanderbilt Again is Slated For Presidency

North Carolina Agricultural Society Will Meet December 11 To Review Work of Last Fair and Take Account of The Future.

While no one apparently has been authorized to speak for her, the assurances are that Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, who has just completed three terms as president of the society and head of the State Fair, will again be proposed for the presidency when the society meets in annual session in Raleigh December 11th.

At that time Mr. W. V. Walborn, manager of the Fair, will lay before the organization the financial statement of the exposition of 1923, showing that the Fair paid itself out. With the exclusion of gaining concessions and additional money allowed on premiums, this was the most that the Fair management expected.

A total of \$38,000 was taken in at the gates during the four days of the 1922 Fair and this was about \$5,000 better than the banner year directly after the war.

More Prizes Given By Farmville Furn. Co.

Saturday, November 24, was another day of history for the Farmville Furniture Co. On that day this progressive firm gave away three more of the contest prizes.

Interested spectators and participants blocked the street in front of their store, when the ballot box containing the trade receipts was brought out. Then a silence like that preceding a storm prevailed as the box was being shaken and the first name drawn.

Mr. Z. V. Smith, of Walstonburg, drew first prize, a handsome Axminster rug.

Mrs. B. O. Taylor, of this city, won the second prize, a lovely silk comfort.

Mrs. Cora Meeks, Farmville, R. F. D., won the third prize, a matting box.

Never before has such interest been shown in the prize drawings and never before has the public seemed so satisfied with the method of giving away prizes.

The last drawing will take place on Saturday December 1, closing day of the sale. On that day the \$150.00 Edison, the cedar chest and the mahogany bed.

Conductor is Thrown From Moving Train

Has Narrow Escape When Pushed From Platform By Drunken Negroes

New Bern, Nov. 24.—Capt. Sam Moore, conductor on the Norfolk Southern passenger train from Beaufort to Goldsboro, had a narrow escape from death or serious injury when he was thrown from his train near the end of the Trent river bridge by drunken negroes he was attempting to hold for local officers late this afternoon.

Three drunken negroes boarded Captain Moore's train at Havelock and on the way to New Bern became disorderly. He wired for an officer to meet the train at the New Bern end of the trestle, but the blacks learned of it, and attempted to leave the train. Captain Moore seized one on the platform, but a second one caught his arms and pushed him off the moving train.

The porter found his cap on the platform and stopped the train after it had run a block or more. Captain Moore had recovered from the shock of the fall and was picked up. His injuries amounted to a bruised knee and a flesh wound on the head.

Two of the trio, Charles Rhodes and Henry Hewitt, were brought on to the Union Station under guard of C. M. Jones, Norfolk, Va., sportsman, who was on the train, and turned over to the police who locked them in jail.

Now in Presidential Race



Senator Hiram Johnson of California (at left) in the field against President Coolidge for the 1924 Republican nomination. He stopped off in Chicago on his way to Washington for a conference with Wm. Wrigley, chewing gum magnate. From their bearings it would seem all was going well.

16th Annual Seal Sale Begins Thanksgiving

North Carolina Tuberculosis Association Only Organized Agency.

Beginning November 29, Thanksgiving day, the North Carolina Tuberculosis association will launch its sixteenth annual seal sale. This association is the only organization in the state that is authorized to sell and appoint agents for the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals. It is financed exclusively by the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals and spends these funds to fight tuberculosis in accordance with the program adopted by its board of directors, which board is representative of the entire state. As a matter of fact, the North Carolina Tuberculosis association is the only organized association in the state engaged exclusively in the fight against tuberculosis. It is officially recognized by the National Tuberculosis association.

The program adopted for spending the state's seal money not only has the approval of the board of directors of the state association but it has also the approval of the national association. Last year a total of \$35,488.69 was raised for tuberculosis work in North Carolina, of this amount \$21,156.98 was spent by local associations for work in their towns and communities. The remainder of \$14,331.71 was spent by the state association as follows:

For conducting tuberculosis diagnostic clinics, where free examinations for tuberculosis are made, \$5,943.85 for conducting the Modern Health and Nutrition work \$1,573.10, for field workers salaries \$2,841.31, for other salaries \$1,200, for educational work among negroes by means of moving pictures, lectures, distribution of literature \$1,103.94, for publication of Health Bulletin \$1,394.32. The total amount spent was \$12,065.52, leaving a balance of \$2,275.19.

EASY COME AND EASY GO.

By L. J. Callista I never knew a man like Joe, That everybody like him so; A sunny dispositioned chap, And smart, too, for a new steel trap. With clever brains and winning ways "He'll get ahead," we used to say. Always kidding—every day He'd find some damn fool joke to play. And no one ever would get cross With Joe: He'd even kid the boss, And do things that the rest of us Would never dare—the nifty cuss. But on the job he wasn't strong—The days to him were much too long; And scarcely had one day begun But he planned for the next night's fun.

"We only five ones," he said; "Remember, you're a long time dead." "So please don't speak of work to me, Hard work and I—we don't agree." "Let others stew around and hurry; But as for me, why I should worry." He always had some funny word For any good body to be heard. A nifty dresser, ready with With girls Joe always made a hit. "But stick with one," he used to say, "Not me, I'll give them all a play." And so he never settled down, But was a gay dog in our town. While other chaps that he called slow Moved up a peg—Joe watched them go.

You see, work wasn't Joe's long suit; But what a game of pool he'd shoot. He had the dope on everything—The ponies, baseball or the ring. A game sport, cheerful loser, too; But oh, the money that he blew! And seemed to think it was a joke That he was almost always broke. "It's easy come and easy go," "That's my motto, boys," said Joe. He took to laying off a lot, Till finally the boss got hot, And one day when he didn't show, The firm got wise and let him go. And so I lost all track of Joe For years until a week ago. When up the street I chanced to be, A seely figure called to me. I knew him not, the change was such; But he knew me, he made a touch, Then shambled off as though in shame That he had sunk thus in life's game. "Twas easy come and easy go, And that's the way he went, poor Joe.

Rum Runner Had Bad Reputation With The British

It is Understood That the British Officials had Already Given Their Consent to the Apprehension of the Vessel if She Were Found in American Waters.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Complete confidence was evidenced in official circles today that seizure of the schooner Tomako would not become a subject of controversy despite the unusual circumstances surrounding her capture.

The state treasury and justice departments all appeared to view the case as already a closed incident so far as international aspects were concerned.

Treasury officials said the capture probably belonged within the classification accorded the celebrated Marshall case in which the British government declined to enter because the owners failed to establish the validity of the Marshall's registry. The charge against the Tomako was submitted some weeks ago to the state department with the request that it be brought to the attention of British diplomatic representatives. As a result department of justice officials were given the impression the British officials would not oppose the seizure of the Tomako in the vicinity of the American coast in view of the evidence against her. They held the schooner was thus placed in a special class outside protection accorded legitimate maritime craft. Officials of the three departments were unanimous today in their opinion that no international complication would ensue.

Three Million In 3rd Payment

N. C. and Virginia Bright Growers to Share In Distribution By Big Cooperative

Three million dollars will be distributed in third payments on last year's crop to members of the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative association in Eastern North Carolina and the old bright belt of North Carolina and Virginia.

The last meeting of the board of directors authorized the treasurer to make this third payment in Eastern North Carolina on December 21, and in the old belt on January 10, 1924. Recent sales of redried tobacco carried over from 1922 make these third payments possible although this is not a final settlement to members on last year's pool. More than 100,000 separate accounts will be calculated in order to make these two payments according to the treasurer of the association.

Checks are to be distributed at warehouses as in previous payments and members must present their participation certificates to obtain their checks.

No Need For Special Session To Keep Road Work Going

NO TUBERCULOSIS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1923

Let's finish the job. It's half done in ten years. Let's finish it in the next ten. There were 4,800 deaths from tuberculosis in 1913; there were 2,369 in 1922. Tuberculosis cost the people of North Carolina one hundred million dollars in 1913; it cost fifty millions in 1922. Fifty millions saved in 1922, but still losing fifty millions annually. The fight is everybody's fight. Buy Tuberculosis Christmas Seals and help finish the job. It can be done! NORTH CAROLINA TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION. Sanatorium, N. C.

Thirty five Millions Still Not Spent of Sixty five Authorized Believe Seven Million a Year Would Keep Pace

No emergency exists or is likely to arise necessitating a special session of the General Assembly to provide funds for the continuance of the highway construction program and it is yet too early to begin to formulate a program for the General Assembly of 1925, in the opinion of members of the Highway Commission in session in Raleigh Nov. 28th.

No formal notice was taken of recent rumors to the effect that another bond issue of fifty million dollars would be urgently needed. The Commission has available thirty million dollars of the original \$65,000,000 unspent, half of which has not been obligated in contracts. That amount of money will keep work going at capacity for the next 15 months.

Another great bond issue, in the opinion of the majority of the Commissioners, will not be needed to keep highway construction abreast of traffic demands in the State, unless the General Assembly elects to add 1,000 miles more of road to the system, giving direct connection between all county seats. This measure will in all probability be advocated in the next General Assembly.

A conservative building program, with an appropriation of from five to seven million dollars a year, covering the next ten years, would keep pace with the normal traffic growth and the normal increase in highway revenues, based on the present ratio of growth, in the opinion of the Commissioners, and finally complete the system of highways as at present outlined.

According to a statement from the State Treasurer's office Wednesday, a total of \$34,552,600 of the authorized bond issue of \$65,000,000 has been sold. The State has entered into contracts for 64 million dollars' worth of roads, which with the Federal Aid fund subtracted, leaves 15 million untouched for new projects to be let during the coming year. Approximately 20 million dollars' worth of work is under contract at the present time.

Two Million Monthly. During the past eight months work has been completed and paid for at the rate of \$2,000,000 a month, and on that basis it will be October 1st, 1924, before the all of the 64 million dollars now obligated in contracts is due, or that length of time before the present contracts are completed. There will still remain, on the present basis of monthly expenditure, approximately five million dollars not actually spent when the General Assembly meets in January, 1925.

The fiscal year just closing has been on the whole very successful year for the State Highway Commission, although disastrous for between 25 and 30 contractors who have gone into bankruptcy. Although costs have been to a great degree stabilized by the purchase of raw materials by the State, many contractors have bid in work at figures below the cost of construction. Their bondsmen have taken them over. The State has, not lost, except in the loss of the use of roads that otherwise would have been completed earlier.

More than 200 contracts are outstanding, and work is progressing satisfactorily. Recent decline on the cost of materials has made going easier for the contractors, and resulting in the saving of several hundred thousand dollars by the State that will be turned back into the construction fund. Construction has reached its peak, in point of quantity. Road programs in other states will take away some of the contractors, and the engineering and supervisory forces of the State organization will be somewhat reduced.

Next year's legislative program will be shaped to no small degree by the attitude of Frank Page toward reappointment, in the opinion of the entire Commission. He has recently expressed his determination to retire with the expiration of his term in office on April, 1925, but his friends on and off the Commission are urging him to stay with the work until it is finally completed.

At this time he will have given eight years of his time to public service, two years with the American forces in France as a major in the Engineering Corps, and six years since his appointment by Governor Bickett to head the Highway Commission. His work has brought him wide recognition as a builder and the confidence of the entire State in his administration, but he feels that he must go back to the Sandhills and his own private business.

—News & Observer.

BLONDE BESS OPINES

When a girl refuses a chap—she thinks he'll propose again. He usually does—but to some other girl.

"Have a Heart," Says Hubby; "30 Days" Says Wife

New York, Nov. 24.—The old refrain, "Have a Heart," was sung to a new tune in Magistrate Heilperin's court today.

The magistrate complained that he was getting tired of sentencing drunken men to jail when it made their wives suffer, so he invited the wives of two offenders to mount the bench, pronounce the verdict and pass the sentences, if any, and do the least possible injury to themselves.

First to face his wife was Tim Bannon, who caused a row in a restaurant by notifying the manager he had no money, but not, however, until he had eaten. Mrs. "Tim," as he pleaded to her, considering that his escapades were rare, squeezed sufficient balm for herself out of a lecture on a husband's duty to his wife and the community.

Bill Gorman, his eating companion, had to pitch his song in a different key for it was an old one to Mrs. Gorman.

"Bill," she said as she donned the metaphorical ermine, "you know you get drunk all the time."

"It's a shame," she added, absently thumbing some papers on her desk, "for me and the neighbors. The fact is you ought to be sent up for six months."

"Have a heart," came Bill's refrain, greatly modulated.

"If you kept your head, I'd have a heart," came the judicial repartee. "How many times have I told you to lay off that stuff?"

"Have a heart," came the refrain, a key lower.

"Tell the truth, now," went on Her Honor, "wouldn't six months do you good?"

"Have a heart," said Bill, out loud. "I will," pronounced his wife, scanning a calendar. "Give him only thirty days, judge, and see what that goes for him."

When she descended from the bench, Mrs. Gorman reminded her husband that the judge's sentence ended the day before Christmas.

"There'll be a big feed for you Bill," she whispered.

—Exchange.

Fire Loss In State For October Shows A Large Decrease

Raleigh, Nov. 27.—The fire loss in North Carolina in October, according to approximate estimates of Insurance Commissioner Stacy W. Wade will not exceed \$325,000, as compared with a recorded loss for October, 1922, of \$740,329. The number of fires, however, Mr. Wade stated, will reach 200 for October of this year, while during the same period in 1922 there were only 158.

Among the towns that up to this time have reported having had no fire losses at all during October are: Henderson, an old standby, Statesville, Concord, Rockingham, Aberdeen, Louisburg, Southern Pines, Greenville, Farmville, Graham and Thomasville.

BAND CONCERT

A drum and cornet concert was given in the school auditorium on last Friday night by twenty of the boys of Mumford's Industrial School near Macon, Ga. It was greatly enjoyed by the large crowd present and proved to be unusually fine.

Although we did not ascertain the sum given the school, we understand that a gratifying amount was contributed.

"The Rouse Way—The Right Way" FOR BETTER PRINTING The Rouse Printery, Farmville, N. C.

GOT HIS EYE ON HIM

