

Sacred Concert to Be Given By Choral Club Sunday P. M.

Solos, Duets, Quartettes, Anthems and Congregational Singing Make Up Program. Public Cordially Invited to be Present.

Something unique in the way of musical entertainments will be a sacred concert given by the Choral club in the school auditorium Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. A number of excellent programs have been presented by this group and it is expected to live up to its reputation on this occasion.

Sacred music has a special place in the heart and soul and is lovingly appreciated by the high and the lowly. The concert was planned with this thought in mind and everyone will be given an opportunity for hearing really good music and a new appreciation of what the club is doing consistently for greater musical knowledge and for the spread of the influence of good music in this community.

There will be a number of solos, duets, quartets and exceptionally attractive anthems on the program, and several of the old heart stirring hymns will be sung by the audience led by W. G. Sheppard.

A cordial invitation is extended to the entire community.

Get Bulk of Harding Estate



George Neely De Wolfe, of Marion, Ohio, children of late Warren G. Harding's son by her first marriage, will receive most of the \$500,000 from the late President's estate, as will be Mrs. Harding before her death last month.

ORPHANAGE IS IN COURT OVER LEGACY

Will of Mrs. W. W. Ormond Now Being Contested in Greene County Court.

In the Greene county superior court this week a case will be heard growing out of the will of the late Mrs. W. W. Ormond. Upon the death of her husband several years ago, Mrs. Ormond was left a valuable farm as long as she lived and at her death it should go to the Methodist orphanage. Mrs. Ormond died last year and in her will after making certain bequests to her relatives, she left the residue of her estate to the orphanage. Some of her relatives who got nothing by this will have filed a contest to the will contesting its validity on the ground that the paper was not in the form of a will. They alleged that the will which has been probated before the court was a letter and not intended by her for a will. The Methodist orphanage and others interested contend that it was intended for a will and was found in her valuable papers. The case is being tried in Greene county superior court this week.

At the time of his death Mr. Ormond gave a good sum to the Methodist orphanage, and his wife's request will increase the Ormond gifts to the institution.

FIREMENS CIRCUS ASSURED SUCCESS

Automobile Show a New Feature in Conjunction with Big Event. Ticket Sellers Busy.

Our local fire department is sure to be congratulated upon securing the services of Mr. Taylor Tamm, general manager of the big producing company that bears his name, to direct and produce the special events and direct the big firemen's circus and exposition that they expect to stage in our town the week of December 22-27.

One of the large warehouses has been secured and the circus will be transformed into a veritable fairy land of light and color.

Five big circuses have been secured and one of the well known jazz bands will furnish the music both afternoon and night.

Quite a number of young ladies have entered the contest for the beautiful diamond ring to be given away and from now on the contest for selling tickets will no doubt take a big boost and the chances "Have you bought your ticket for the big firemen's circus and exposition" will be heard on all sides, as at least 12 young ladies are entered now and more are expected each day as this part of the arrangements is in charge of Mr. Harry Lang, of our city, whom we all know as a real hustler and active in every event of any kind that will boost Farmville.

A number of tent as well as out of town merchants will arrange attractive booths displaying furnishings, clothing, etc., and one of the best displays of automobile tires now being perfected and it is expected a beautiful style will be staged also.

Handsome prizes will be awarded, one to the prize baby and one to the prize baby boy. This show will take place on the stage Wednesday afternoon of circus week.

The only conditions of this contest are that the baby must not be over one year of age, white, and that a photograph of the baby must be filed at the circus office at the Davis hotel not later than Wednesday of next week.

Special adv. of town nights are now being arranged and it is expected by both the management and the firemen that many visitors will attend this way to Farmville to enjoy this big event which without question will be the biggest that has ever been staged in our town, or, in fact, in any city around this section.

Tuesday afternoon, December 23, has been set aside as Boy Scouts day and Boy Scouts from all over this section and surrounding counties will be invited and special stunts and acts will be put on for their benefit. In fact, a big Boy Scout program will be put over and a big afternoon is expected by all.

Don't forget the date and don't forget to buy your season ticket now so as it will count in the young lady popularity contest for the beautiful diamond ring.

WILSON MAN HELD FOR MURDER

Sam Brantley, Farmer, Is Held Charged With Killing Father-in-Law Back in 1921.

Wilson, Dec. 10.—Sam Brantley, white farmer of Taylor's township, was arrested and lodged in jail here this afternoon on a charge of having shot and killed his father-in-law, Rev. Edna Pearson, pastor of the Free Will Baptist church in that neighborhood, on July 27, 1921.

According to the report at the time the killing took place it was said that the shooting was the outcome of remarks made by Mr. Pearson from his pulpit directed at braggards and liquor drinkers in the neighborhood.

On the day of the shooting Pearson is said to have gone to the hog pen to feed his hogs and a few minutes later a shot was heard by members of the household.

Some time later the body of a dead man was found near the hog pen by his two sons.

No evidence was found at the time to connect Brantley with the crime. Information received by local authorities a few days ago, however, is said to have been of sufficient importance to arrest Brantley today. A preliminary hearing will be held in a few days.

Brantley denies all connection with the crime.

Elks Hold Memorial Services in Washington Sunday P. M.



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Judge J. Loyd Horton, of this city, delivered an eloquent address at the Elks Memorial service in Washington on Sunday afternoon. The judge had as his subject, "Memory, Hope and Charity," and his remarks on each division were beautiful and appropriate. Mrs. B. O. Turnage assisted the secretary in calling the roll of those gone before by extinguishing the candles.

The custom of holding an annual public service in honor of their "absent brothers" throughout Elkhon, is truly one of beauty and bespeaks the love and loyalty which the members hold for each other.

A large number of Elks from this city, their families and friends, attended the impressive ceremonies.

WHAT HE DID KNOW

Customer: Which leather makes the best shoes?
Shoe Salesman: I don't know, but banana skins make the best slippers.

Th Lord loveth a cheerful giver, but not the giver of monies.

MUSIC LOVERS PROMISED RARE TREAT

The Shaw Concert Com-

Mr. Francis I. Shaw, manager and director of the Shaw Concert Company, has been engaged through the Piedmont Bureau of Asheville, to bring her splendid organization to Farmville on December 18. They will appear at the high school auditorium and will be the third number composing the Lyceum series for the season.

The following comment is taken from the Farmington, Ill., daily, where they appeared recently in concert:

"One of the greatest musical organizations of experienced players ever presented to our patrons. Every member of the company is a master of more than one instrument. No other musical ensemble of equal size have knowledge in so many of so many combinations and variations."

A good varied program is the standard of the Shaw Concert company.

Mrs. Shaw, pianist, is exceptionally proficient and the company as a whole make a marvelous array of combinations. An orchestra string quartet, ten brass quartet, and piano soloists and vocal soloists, novelty numbers and original stunts. An endless variety of entertainment rendered with the highest degree of excellence.

BALANCE HELD BY LADIES OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH SUCCESS

Wednesday was banner day with the ladies of the Episcopal Auxiliary when they held their annual bazaar in the building formerly known as Moore's Feed Store. The air was cool and crisp and the appetizing odors from the bazaar cooking were most enticing and alluring. The turkey dinner was served and oysters offered as an inducement to returning to the evening meal.

A display of exquisite hand made articles found a ready sale and Christmas decorations of holly, wreaths and bells added a note of festivity to the atmosphere.

The sum of \$218 was secured.

The ladies of the Auxiliary wish to sincerely thank all those who patronized the bazaar or who contributed in any other way to the success of their undertaking.

EPISCOPAL AUXILIARY
Mrs. C. S. Rountree was chosen to be the Auxiliary for the Episcopal on Monday afternoon at her home on Walnut street.

A number of business matters were discussed, and plans for the bazaar collected and final plans arranged for conducting same.

The bazaar for the Auxiliary is to return for the next social meeting.

NORTON FINALLY ARRESTED KILLING MAN

Mr. Grimsley, a Prominent Greensboro Man, Is an Heir.

Greensboro, Dec. 9.—J. D. Norton, wanted in Guilford county for fatally injuring William E. Grimsley, prominent Guilford resident, July 21, was arrested yesterday at Metter, Ga. Sheriff D. B. Stafford was informed by Georgia officers. Norton will come back for trial without demanding extradition papers. Georgia officers wired Sheriff Stafford and an officer will probably leave today to accompany Norton to Greensboro.

Mr. Grimsley was found lying in the front door of Norton's home, which was on the Grimsley farm on the McConnell road, the night of July 21. Lying partly under the body was found a .32 calibre rifle. When persons reached the house and found Mr. Grimsley they found the house deserted save for the unconscious form on the porch. The Norton supper was on the dining room table, untouched. Mr. Grimsley was admitted to a hospital where an operation was performed in an effort to save his life. His skull was fractured in two places. He lived five days, never regaining consciousness.

No member of the Norton family was found the night Mr. Grimsley's body was injured but Mrs. Norton and her children returned to their home the next day. When questioned by officers she stated that the entire family had been at home the night before and that they heard Mr. Grimsley coming down the road near the house. He was cursing, she stated and he fired several shots. As her husband went out to meet Grimsley, she said, she and the children ran in terror. She denied that she knew what happened.

Norton disappeared. Mrs. Norton told officers that before coming to North Carolina the family had lived near Metter, Ga. Sheriff Stafford immediately asked officers in that section of Georgia to watch out for the man. He evidently turned up at his old home and was arrested. The Norton family left Guilford county several months ago, it is understood. It is thought that members of the family returned to Georgia.

Norton is expected to plead self defense. Mrs. Norton said that Mr. Grimsley had been trying to visit the family, but that they had no place to go and had remained in the vacant house. She maintained that she thought Mr. Grimsley was planning to visit the family by force the night he was fatally injured.

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Past Year Brings Further Strides In Road Building.

Keeping abreast of progress along other lines in North Carolina which get in making the state one of the foremost in the Union, road building under the Federal aid program during the past year. The amount of work placed under contract this year is not as great as that of last year or the year previous as the peak of the construction was reached during this period.

Comprising the state highway system as taken over by the state highway commission are approximately 9000 miles divided as follows: Asphalt macadam 274 miles, gravel 511 7/8 miles, concrete 634 miles, bituminous, trolsol and sand clay 3,468 miles, dirt 366 miles, shale 24 miles, detours 347 miles, brick 47 miles.

On January 1, 1924, there were under contract and construction approximately 1875 miles of road work, costing in round figures \$89,083,500. There had been completed 1,665 miles, valued at \$25,973,000. On September 1 projects under contract and construction 1,632 miles of work, estimated to cost \$32,036,599, and on the same date completed projects totaled 2,330 miles costing in round figures \$43,790,970. The total of \$76,827,560 includes Federal aid received from the government and money advanced and donated by counties.

There are of course several unconnected links in the highways of the state but when one looks back on the road conditions a few years ago the progress made in highway improvement is wonderful. One may leave Smithfield, Johnston county, on pavement on route No. 10, and with the exception of a few miles near Hillsboro which is under construction, drive on paved roads until he reaches Shelby, a distance of 225 miles. Perhaps the best index of the improvement made in North Carolina roads is in the increase of bus lines. Almost overnight the state has become covered with a network of bus lines reaching into practically every town and village.—H. K. Witherspoon.

B. F. TIGWELL SUCCEUMBS TO INJURIES SUSTAINED IN AUTO ACCIDENT WEEKS AGO

B. F. Tigwell, known to his friends as Buck, died Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in the hospital at Greenville after suffering the most intense agony and pain from a broken back and other injuries sustained in an automobile accident exactly four weeks previous. He was 48 years of age. His younger brother, Walter, lived only a few hours after the accident which occurred six or seven miles from here on the Wilson road.

Tigwell's body was brought to the hospital here Sunday evening and remained in place at the Hill country Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Rev. J. T. Ryan, Free Will Baptist minister, conducted the services.

Surviving him are his wife, who was formerly Miss Alice Moore, his mother, Mrs. Paul Johnson and John Johnson.

TRINITY WILL COMPLY WITH DUKE REQUEST

Raleigh Alumni Clash Over Proposal Change Name of Colleges To Secure Gift.

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—The proposed change in the name of Trinity college to Duke University in order to participate in the trust fund created by James B. Duke yesterday received hearty approval and bitter denunciation by alumni and alumni of the college here. The clash that came between the adherents of the opposing opinions is expected to culminate at a meeting of the local association tonight.

Charlotte, Dec. 10.—James B. Duke, who on Monday night announced the creation of a \$40,000,000 trust fund, the present income of which is estimated at \$2,000,000 a year, for education and charitable causes, will leave his Charlotte residence for his home at Somerville, N. J., where the trust indenture will be recorded tomorrow or Friday it was stated here today.

Mr. Duke, while retaining his principal interests in North Carolina, is a legal resident of New Jersey.

William B. Perkins, attorney for Mr. Duke, said today that no meeting of the trustees named to handle the details of the trust will be held until the attitude of Trinity college is ascertained. Trinity is to be the recipient of "not in excess of \$6,000,000" to be expended under the trust for buildings and expansion into a great university provided the name be changed to Duke University. Otherwise, the trustees are directed to expend the money to found a new university in North Carolina. Although the board of trustees of Trinity college must act on the question to change the name of the college, the president of the board, Joseph C. Brown, of Raleigh, and President Wm. D. Fox of the college, yesterday lauded Mr. Duke's gift and President Fox expressed belief that officials of the college would cooperate in every way. The new university would receive 25 per cent of the income from the trust.

Telegrams from throughout the country lauding Mr. Duke's gift have poured into his residence here and such an announcement of the gift was made.

CARD OF THANKS

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WILMINGTON MEN STATE THAT FORMER BANKER WILL GET FUNDS FROM FRIENDS TO SAVE HIM

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 11.—Predictions that Thomas E. Cooper, Wilmington banker, faces a verdict of several charges of malpractice and illegal handling of bank funds in connection with the failure of the Liberty Bank of Wilmington, will pay the \$100,000 as allowed by Judge Henry C. Grady, recently by the trial held at Wilmington, this week ago, were made here by several Wilmingtonians yesterday. They believed that Cooper would get the money to pay out in as much as the trustee of the defunct bank, papers of all kinds, etc., would be turned over to him on his payment of the \$100,000. "His friends will help him out," they stated.

Coopers, they believe, will be able to raise the money due to the fact that much of the "valueless" paper was fairly easily collectable by Cooper. They viewed it this way: Cooper is in a scrape and it is due to the non-payment, largely of notes by men whom Cooper favored and aided when they needed money. A personal appeal by Cooper for some kind of payment on this old paper would probably bring in the money, perhaps slowly, as much of the paper, the Wilmingtonians do not believe, but Cooper has the necessary money himself to save himself, however.

They also predicted that the sentence of Judge Grady would stand since taken to the supreme court.

SHERIFF SUBMITS SETTLEMENT PLAN

County Commissioners, However, Decline To Divide Any of The Dollars.

Roxton, Dec. 9.—The Lamont county commissioners, including a settlement for tax, for and other collections of Anna W. Taylor, sheriff, today were offered a "bank of settlement" by Taylor. The board took this under consideration and declined to divide the details of the sheriff's property. A message will not be received before December 31, it was stated. The board on December 1 called for an accounting for approximately \$10,000 of the sheriff's property. The board took this under consideration and declined to divide the details of the sheriff's property. A message will not be received before December 31, it was stated. The board on December 1 called for an accounting for approximately \$10,000 of the sheriff's property.

Memorial Presented At Presbyterian Sunday School

Two handsome communion plates given by Mrs. W. D. Norton, of Rocky Mount, in memory of her son, New H. F. Norton, a former beloved pastor of the local Presbyterian church, were presented and received at the morning service Sunday.

Master Billy Norton, son of the late pastor, presented the gift and read the inscription and W. G. Sheppard in a most appropriate speech accepted it on behalf of the congregation. Mr. Sheppard paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Mr. Norton who was held in the highest esteem by the entire community and bespeaks the appreciation of the congregation of the personal sacrifices which he made in order to remain in this, his chosen field, accounting the many acts of service, one of which was to call a number of his people the night before his visit to New York and raise the money to pay off the tax debt on the church building. The speaker also expressed upon his behalf, the appreciation that went with the gift and the hope that the plates would be used in the Holy Sacrament to his glory.

The plates were always of unusual beauty and were always of unusual beauty and were always of unusual beauty.