

Awards Given For Loyal and Devoted Masonic Service

Four men who have contributed a total of more than 143 years of service to Masonry and its ideals were honored Wednesday night at a dinner in the school lunchroom which featured the presentation of a 50-year button to J. T. Bundy and 25-year service certificates to J. E. Garris, Paul K. Ewell and Robert D. Rouse.

J. D. Joyner, master of the Farmville lodge, presided over the meeting, attended by a large group of Masons. The invocation was by Sam D. Bundy, district deputy grand master, and W. J. Bundy of Greenville, past grand master of masons in North Carolina. Introduced the speaker, Herbert M. Foy, of Mount Airy, grand master of masons in North Carolina. Bundy paid a touching and fitting tribute to his father, the guest of honor. He told of what Masonry had meant to him, and what a high honor and privilege he experienced when the elder Bundy had presided at certain ceremonies preceding his installation as Grand Master of North Carolina.

Grand Master Foy spoke in general terms of Masonry, its ideals, and its refusal to compromise with evil. He urged his fellow Masons to take pride in the lodge, and to maintain its high standards in personal and public activities.

Mr. Garris, who joined the lodge at Grifton in 1916; Mr. Ewell, who joined in Elizabethtown in 1922, and Mr. Rouse, who joined at Hookerton in 1922, were presented silver certificates by Mr. Foy.

The presentation of the lapel emblem to Mr. Bundy was an impressive scene. Grand Master Foy stated that it was one of the highest honors he had enjoyed since becoming Grand Master and it was because of the close association of the elder Bundy and his two sons with Masonry that made the occasion such an important one.

Upon accepting the award, Mr. Bundy stated that he was no speaker, but there were few in the audience who would agree with him, after he had expressed his love for Masonry and that his service to the craft over the half-century had been rendered without hope or expectation of reward.

Senior Class Will Present Annual Play Tonight

The senior class of the Farmville High School will present, "Aunt Susie Shoots The Works," a swift moving, comedy-mystery, on Friday night in Perkins Hall at 8 o'clock.

Members of the cast include the following: Aunt Susie Stove, an eccentric old maid, Carolyn Roebuck; Joy Harbert, her delightful young niece, Pat Allen; Scarlet Deane, Joy's colored maid, Joan Atkinson; Laura Dawson, another maid, Carolyn Moore; Madame Zola, who sees all, knows all and tells nothing, Wills Rae Harper; Mrs. Edward Dunning (Cynthia), a neighbor, Jo Ann Thomas; Portia Lark, a female lawyer, Phoebe Webb; Omar Graves, a successful businessman, James Fountain; LeSalle Johnson, his colored servant, Bruce Tugwell; Johnny Rogers, engaged to Joy, Bob Smith; Bill Conway, who adds to the mystery, Paschal Barrett.

Mrs. J. M. Whelan, Jr., is directing the play. Mr. Tucker is assisting in all other responsibilities necessary to produce it.

Admission is 50c for adults, 25c for children.

BELL ARTHUR CHURCH SPONSORS CHICKEN SUPPER AND HARVEST BAY SALE

The Bell Arthur Christian Church will sponsor their annual Harvest Day Sale and Chicken Supper, Friday night at the church.

Serving will begin at 5:30 and will continue until 8:30. Plates will cost \$1.00 for adults and 50c for children. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Sister Of Rev. Cox To Speak In Mt. Olive

Mrs. J. M. Whelan, Jr., sister of Rev. J. M. Whelan, Jr., will speak in Mt. Olive on Saturday night.

At The Rotary Club



Rotary Clubs in 83 countries throughout the world are united in an endeavor to promote international understanding, good will and peace. That was the message of David M. Britt of Fairmont, Governor of District 279 of Rotary International, who addressed the Rotary Club of Farmville, Tuesday, following a conference with local Rotary officers, directors and committee chairmen.

In addition to the activities of Rotary's 7,300 Clubs in their own communities to promote this objective, Mr. Britt explained, over a six year period Rotary International is spending \$1,500,000 principally to create better understanding among the peoples of different nations.

One of the ways in which this money is being spent is on Rotary Foundation Fellowships, which enable outstanding graduate students to study for one year, in countries other than their own, as ambassadors of good will. Since this program was established in 1947, 234 Fellowships have been awarded to students in 42 countries, with grants totaling more than \$700,000.

"Devoted to service, Rotary provides a common ground for 350,000 business and professional executives throughout the world, regardless of nationality or political or religious belief," the Rotary District Governor emphasized.

As a supplement to the efforts of the international organization to promote better understanding and relations between the peoples of the world, District 279 is currently providing a year's study at the University of North Carolina for a Japanese post-graduate student.

Mr. Britt was introduced by Irvin Morgan, who himself served as District Governor some thirteen years ago.

Five members were absent and Jesse Moye received the attendance prize. Leroy Rollins had as his guest Jesse Arnold from the Tarboro Club. Attention was called to the Senior Play which will be held in the High School Friday night at 8 o'clock.

Joan Atkinson Runner-Up In REA Beauty Contest

Miss Joan Atkinson, who represented the Pitt and Greene Electric Membership Corporation in a contest to select a REA queen, which was staged at the annual convention banquet in Raleigh, Tuesday night, won second place.

The Pitt and Greene representative was selected queen at a local meeting held here in June. She was presented a portable radio by the convention officers in Raleigh, Tuesday night, in recognition of the second place honor. Black was selected Miss REA of Bligg, was selected Miss REA of North Carolina.

Joan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben S. Atkinson, of Benson, near Farmville.

Rev. Arthur Wenger To Speak At Woman's Day Observance

Rev. Arthur Wenger, assistant to the President at Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, will be the speaker at the Annual Women's Day Observance at the Christian Church on Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock.

The purpose of the observance is to recognize the church membership of the missionary program and its contribution to the community.

Love offerings will be accepted at the observance.

Local Patrolman Central Figure In Capturing Negro

A state highway patrolman's promotion that something was wrong and his eagerness to find out what it was probably saved the life of a young Chocowinity white woman last Wednesday night and led to the capture of a former Negro convict who kidnaped the woman after murdering her husband.

Patrolman Bruce Jackson, now stationed in Farmville, and Corporal E. M. Morrow of Greenville first had their suspicions aroused when they stopped a car for a routine check, that was creeping along much slower than automobiles usually travel near midnight. The driver was LaFayette Miller, a parolee. While the officers were checking him—he had no driver's license—the woman, Mrs. Harvey Charles Boyd, who had been locked by the Negro in the trunk of the car, screamed. Prior to the routine inspection, Miller had killed Boyd with a shotgun and forced Mrs. Boyd to accompany him in his car on a ride that could have ended in another murder or attack, or both, had not Patrolman Jackson followed his intuition and stopped the escaping Negro.

Mrs. Boyd told Jackson that she had prayed for deliverance, as she rode in the locked trunk of the car, shivering from fright and the 25-degree temperature.

Jackson stated that he had a tight hold on the back of the man's coat when the woman began to scream. "A thousand thoughts passed through my mind when I heard the woman screaming," said Jackson. "The negro tried to get away but I had him securely and immediately drew my gun."

When Mrs. Boyd was helped from the "boot," she was hysterical and it was fully five minutes before she could speak coherently. She was seated in Jackson's patrol car, where a heater and the patrolman's overcoat began to warm her numbed body. She told the officers that she had obeyed the man's order to come outside with the car keys after he had shot her husband because she thought he would take the car and let her remain with her husband. She pleaded with him to let her stay, as he sat in the back seat of the car and held the gun on her.

Mrs. Boyd said she and her husband had just finished playing two games of 600-rummy and that she had walked across the room to put the cards in place when the blast hit her husband.

Miller, 23 year old parolee, and construction worker, told the patrolman he had been watching the Boyds for a long time, as they completed and moved into their new home and had planned to stop there before.

Feeling ran high in the community against the negro and he was removed from the Greenville city jail where he was first taken. Now awaiting trial, he will be charged with murder and kidnaping.

Jackson said that telling the parents of Mrs. Boyd, what had happened to her, and informing Boyd's parents of his murder had been the most difficult duty he had performed since becoming a patrolman.

Col. L. C. Bosses, North Carolina Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and Major David Lambert, Executive Officer of the State Highway Patrol, personally congratulated Jackson, in Raleigh, last week, for the work he and Cpl. Morrow did in the case.

Patrolman Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Catherine Jackson, was reared on a farm and was graduated from Westbrock High School, near Dunn.

After graduation he spent a year and nine months in the Army, in the quartermaster division. He received his basic training at Fort McCallan, Ala., and without a furlough was sent to Japan where he served several months before being transferred to Korea.

After World War II, Jackson attended the Federal School at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He studied 21 different phases of the work and completed the course in six weeks. Some of the studies in the school were law, history, public relations, first aid and marksmanship.

Patrolman Jackson and his wife, the former Kathleen West of Dunn live on East Pine street, with their two sons, Bruce, Jr., and Joseph W. Boyd.

About Farmville People

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wainwright and sons, Douglas and Garland, of Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Avery and daughter, Faye, of Farmville, Mr. and Mrs. Wright Corbett and daughter, Brenda, Connie, Elizabeth, of Snow Hill, Rt. 1, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wainwright on Thanksgiving.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Dixon and son, Robert, of Fayetteville, who spent the holidays with his parents, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dixon in Wilson, Thanksgiving Day.

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Cash Prizes Offered For Most Attractive Floats and Bicycles In Farmville's Annual Christmas Parade Saturday

BE CAREFUL WITH DECORATIONS

Anxious to keep Farmville from having the same sort of fire which in recent holiday seasons have marred celebrations in all towns surrounding this community, Curtis Flanagan and Fire Chief Haywood Smith are calling on all persons in town to be careful not to use inflammable materials in their decorations. They should be especially careful and the fire officials, about easily waning and the use of such material as cotton and paper on Christmas trees.

Farmville has been unusually fortunate in its low fire losses—and that record can be maintained with the use of sensible practices during the holidays.

Legion Will Honor Past Commanders Of Farmville Post

The Farmville Post of the American Legion organization will honor past commanders at a supper on Friday night, December 7. The supper will be given at 7 o'clock at the Legion Home.

W. C. Marshall of the East Carolina College faculty will give the address of the evening.

Past Commanders who will be honored on this occasion are: W. D. Diddy, Dr. F. E. Jones, O. G. Spell, J. H. Bynum, W. G. Sheppard, E. H. Marrow, Tarboro; J. H. Taylor, A. W. Bobbitt, J. W. Joyner, R. L. Rollins, W. M. Willis, R. D. Rouse, Sr., C. A. Tyson, L. P. Yalveston, C. S. Edwards, F. G. Harris, C. J. Rabberry, and W. D. Creechmur.

R. D. Rouse, Jr., is the present commander of the post.

At The Kiwanis Club

Gordon Lee was program chairman for the Kiwanis meeting on Monday night and he had as guest artists, Tige Gardner and Florence Scott who sang several numbers. They were accompanied on the piano by Miss Scott's mother, Mrs. Glen Scott. The group were also entertained by a piano duet rendered by Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Arnold all of Greenville.

President Charles Edwards announced at this time that the district meeting would be held in Farmville in March.

Special guests attending the meeting were: Gordon Lee, III, and the program participants, Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Scott.

Union Thanksgiving Sermon Preached By Rev. Frank Ross

The Rev. Frank M. Ross, Rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, delivered the Thanksgiving sermon at this Union Services held in the Presbyterian church Thanksgiving morning.

Rev. Ross used as a scripture background for his discourse, 1 Thessalonians verses 16-18, "Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

He stated, "I am going to give you my thoughts on how I regard this Thanksgiving and the world about me. Surely the land we live in is a fruitful one and endowed with much of the world's goods—far above any other land on earth."

He asked the blessings we enjoy: a beautiful harvest, freedom of speech and choice and a land that is physically free from the ravages of war.

Rev. Edwin S. Coates conducted the service and read the scriptures. Rev. E. W. Holmes offered the benediction. Rev. H. L. Davis prayed for Thanksgiving prayer and Rev. E. T. Cox closed the service with a benediction.

CHRISTMAS PAGNANT WILL BE PRESENTED AT F.I.A. MEETING

The Christmas Pagnant will be presented at the F.I.A. meeting on Saturday night.

Santa Claus will be in Farmville tomorrow (Saturday) morning at 10:30, bringing with him favors and candies for the young folks, and his entrance will officially mark the opening of the Christmas season here.

Fred C. Moore, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, has arranged for a parade to greet the Jolly Old Fellow upon his arrival. Bands from Farmville's two high schools will be in the parade, and several floats will participate and compete for cash awards given by the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association. First prize will be \$25; the runner-up will receive \$10. In addition, a \$5-bill will go to the boy and the girl who enters the most attractive bicycle in the parade.

The committee responsible for the street decorations has been busy, this week, giving the town a festive appearance. Merchants and businessmen have been working feverishly pushing up their windows and arranging their stocks of merchandise, said by merchants to be the finest and most complete they have ever had the opportunity of presenting their customers. What's more, the goods are reasonably priced, making it useless and unnecessary for local folks to go elsewhere for their Christmas shopping.

Business men are asking for the support of the home-folks, and are anxious that the streets be crowded for the annual Christmas parade and the visit of Santa Claus. The bands and the floats will add much to the event.

A.C.C. President Guest Speaker At Tyson-May Reunion

Many descendants of the Tyson and May families, from this vicinity and other parts of North Carolina, and other states, assembled in the chapter house of the Major Benjamin May chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution, Friday, for the annual reunion of this organization. The president, Mrs. Melton Allen, presided over the meeting and made a brief talk. John B. Lewis greeted the assemblage with a message of welcome. The secretary's report was read by Mrs. C. H. Manning, in the absence of the secretary, Miss Mary Ann Rouse of Norfolk, Va.

Horton Rountree introduced the speaker of the occasion, Dr. D. Ray Lindsey, President of Atlantic Christian College, Wilson. His thoughts provoking talk on "Our Heritage" was timely and interesting.

He based his thoughts on the Biblical example of Jacob's heritage and brought to mind the struggles and hardships endured by American forefathers, who founded this nation on the principle of religious freedom.

The invocation was offered and a memorial service was conducted by Rev. H. L. Davis, who used in the memorial service several verses from the Book of Matthew. He read the memorial names and concluded with prayer.

Miss Talitha DeViviant presented the genealogical report. She recognized members who were attending for the first time and read the names of recently married members, new babies and some of the boys in service. She urged members to assist her in completing the report of the boys in service.

Special music was enjoyed at intervals in the program. The meeting was opened with the grand singing "America," accompanied on the piano by Mrs. E. H. Turnage. Jackie Whitehead played a piano solo, "Faded" from Santa Claus Is No. 1 by Ray Turner. Miss Wills Hargis sang two selections, "I Got My Wings" and "I'm a Soldier's Girl." Mrs. J. M. Whelan, Jr. sang "Way Do I Love You" by Emma Barr. Miss Carolyn Redback played a piano solo, "Scepticisms" by Akerlyng.

During the business session the assembly voted to permit the president to appoint the secretary for the year in which he serves. They also decided to ask the president to send word to the oldest members, Dr. J. T. Rogers of LaGrange and Mrs. Jule McArthur of Greenville, North Carolina, who were unable to attend and were greatly missed.

When the meeting adjourned the members were treated to refreshments at the chapter house.

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