

Says Education Is Responsible For Plight Of World

Wrongly Controlled Education Is At The Bottom Of The "Chaos" In Which World Is Found, Today, Says Johnson

SPEAKING BEFORE SCHOOL MASTERS

Occasion Was Final Meeting Of The Schoolmasters Club; Commodore W. E. Longfellow Also Heard

At their final meeting of the year the Schoolmaster's Club entertained with a dinner in the Fair Bluff High School auditorium.

Preparation and service of the menu was in charge of the home economics class which did its job excellently.

The invocation was by Rev. Elbert N. Johnson. The Fair Bluff Band under the leadership of R. A. Hodges furnished music for the evening. During dinner three little girls gave a playlet called "Keeping House".

W. Woodard, principal of the Fair Bluff school acted as master of ceremonies and first introduced Rev. Elbert N. Johnson, pastor of the Fair Bluff Baptist Church and principal speaker of the evening. Rev. Johnson's theme lay in his statement that wrongly controlled education is the bottom of the mess the world is in today.

He spoke of the eternal struggle in man between the desire for living and the desire for knowing—the duel in the Garden of Eden between Eva's desire for just happily "being" and her desire for knowledge; her sacrifice of character for education.

Education, he said, is not an end but a means to an end—an instrument that can be used for either good or evil. Mr. Johnson's closing thought was that the world can get out of the mess it is in only when the divine claim on the control of education is recognized by all people, only when temporal and political claims on the control of education are completely denied.

Commodore N. E. Longfellow, conducting a Red Cross safety class among the negroes of the county, gave a short talk describing a trip he took with the Boy Scouts of America to their Jamboree in England.

The meeting then went into business session with E. P. Bass, president of the club, presiding. A. L. Griffin, newly elected chairman of the County Board of Education spoke to the group, following which the meeting was adjourned.

Closing Exercises For Columbus Schools To Begin This Week-End

Exercises In The County Schools Will Continue For Two Weeks Hence, Hallsboro Being Last

MANY COUNTY FINALS BEGIN TONIGHT

Chadbourn, Evergreen, Taber City, Fair Bluff, Acme Delco, and Cerro Gordo Finals Begin This Week-End

Closing exercises among the schools of Columbus county will get underway during the ensuing week-end, and will continue for about two weeks, education officials here have announced this morning.

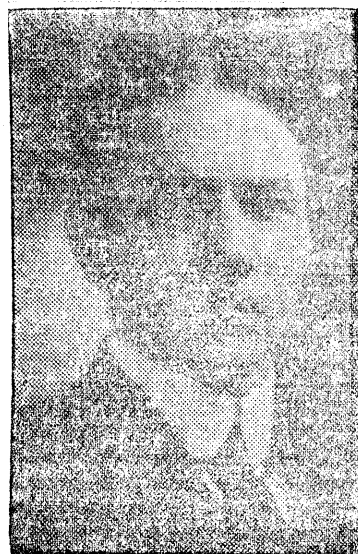
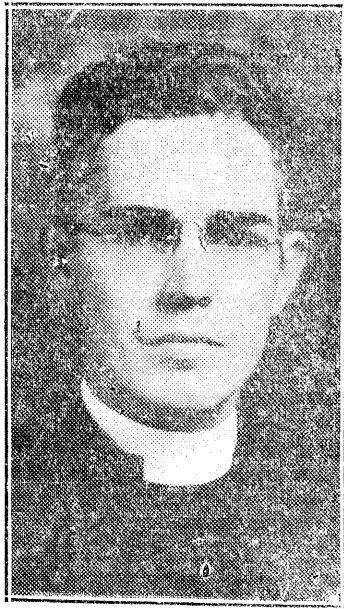
Professor G. O. Rogers, of the Whiteville high school, announced this morning that the exercises in the local school will begin Tuesday, April 18th at 4:00 in the afternoon with the presentation of the piano pupils of Miss Edna Teague in a short playlet.

The following Tuesday evening, at 8:00 o'clock, Miss Teague will present her more advanced students in annual recital, and on Friday evening the senior class will present "Growing Pains", a short play. Twenty-seven seniors will portray the lives of the boys and girls who are beset with growing pains.

Saturday evening, April 22, the annual recitation declamation contest will be held in the high school auditorium, a pin being awarded to the winners of the contests. The hour is 8:00.

Sunday morning April 23 at 11 o'clock, Rev. T. G. Vickers, pastor of the Chestnut Street Methodist church in Lumberton will deliver the baccalaureate address to the sixty-odd members of the graduating class. And, on the following evening, Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of the State Board of Education, will deliver the final address, after which presentation of diplomas and awards will be made.

Columbus Finals Speakers



MANY GIFTED SPEAKERS—A number of persons in North Carolina life will be among the commencement speakers of Columbus county during the next two weeks. Hon. J. M. Broughton (top left) of Raleigh, will deliver the closing address at Fair Bluff, where Rev. A. V. Gibson, (top right) of Sanford, will preach the sermon. Below are Dean D. B. Bryan (left) who will be the Hallsboro speaker, and Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of the State Department of Education, who will speak to Whiteville graduates.