

OLD MINUTES COME TO LIGHT

University of Virginia Records Written by Jefferson

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Thomas Jefferson's original written account of a meeting of the board of directors of the literary fund of the University of Virginia in 1824 came to light here today.

The account was inscribed in Jefferson's own fine script, made famous in the Declaration of Independence and signed by himself as "rector." It is contained in an age-yellowed book belonging to John F. Burdine, Atlanta business man.

Burdine the other day read an Associated Press fine script, made famous in the Declaration of Independence and signed by himself as "rector." It is contained in an age-yellowed book belonging to John F. Burdine, Atlanta business man.

He remembered that in 1825 he had purchased at a small book shop here a volume containing considerable Jeffersonian writings.

He carried it to the Atlanta Journal, which is printing a story of the find in its Sunday editions tomorrow.

The book contains letters in addition to the University of Virginia board report, a day-by-day account of an early meeting of congress, and a cypher letter apparently about General Washington in 1782.

The volume also contains letters, unsigned, but writing similar to that of Jefferson, to Edmund Randolph, commenting on national matters.

One of a fine volume, the book now is badly defaced. Some former owner used it for a scrap book and pasted poems and pictures over the fine script.

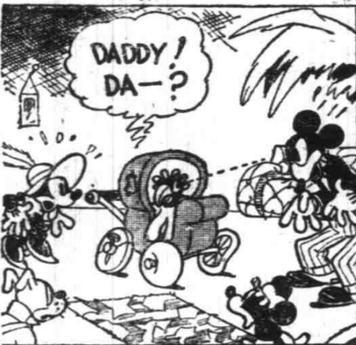
The account of the University of Virginia board meeting is in the most perfect state of preservation of any of the signed matter.

That section told of some financial difficulties encountered by the institution and the inability of the directors to establish at once all the departments contemplated by the legislature in an act of 1819 establishing the school.

Find Madison Autobiography WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—The unpublished beginning of an autobiography of James Madison, which the author did not finish because he found it too tremendous a task, has come into the possession of the library of congress.

MICKY MOUSE

SENSATION AT WEDDING!!
AS A LAST RESORT MICKY DISGUISES AS A WOMAN AND HALTS PROCEEDINGS OF MINNIE'S MARRIAGE TO THE SLICKER.



notated by the hand of his wife, came to the library through an auction. Its experts regard the manuscript as a valuable historical find.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL PROGRAM SUNDAY

STAYTON, Dec. 22.—The Catholic school held its annual Christmas program on Sunday evening at the school auditorium. The following program will be given: "Holy Night," chorus; "Spring's Approach," rhythmic orchestra; "Renting the Pickaninies," dialogue; "There was No Room at the Inn"; "Love in the Midnight Cane"; "Santa's Whiskers"; Jolly Old Santa Claus; tableau; greeting, tiny tots.

A cordial invitation to the public is extended to attend this program. Stayton has taken on a holiday spirit these past few days, with the stores all decorated and many homes already beautifully lighted, etc., with more to follow suit later. Various merchants have offered prizes for decorations.

Light, Red Heads Easiest to Teach Says Instructor

Some good work is being done for the boys of Salem high school by the Y. M. C. A., according to Bob Boardman, physical instructor of the association. Friday saw five classes of 161 boys enter the swimming tank for the second session of instruction in the arts of swimming. The object of the course is to teach the mastering of three swimming strokes and three dives.

Instructors for the course are Mr. Boardman and Fred Smith, student of Willamette university. Of the first term classes numbering more than 100 boys, there were 37 who could not swim a stroke when they started in the course in September. When they finished all but two could swim 60 feet. The average age of the boys is 16 years.

Mr. Boardman is conducting an investigation of the 37 lads to see the situation from a little more of a scientific attitude. Measures are being taken to compare their ability to learn scholastic studies and ability to learn to swim. Over 80 per cent of the boys are from rural communities and small towns. Reasons given by the boys for their failing to have learned to swim are varied: 22 said they had no chance to learn; others never had the desire; some were

afraid of the water; and still more were made to stay away from the water by their parents' fear of their getting drowned. "Light haired boys and 'red heads' are the easiest to teach," said Mr. Boardman in a recent interview. They try harder. "There is no better gift to a boy than to show him that he can swim when he's learned to think in the terms of not being able to swim. There is no toy that a boy likes better than to try out some new accomplishment."

Miss Patterson Opposes Release of Linda Baer

Linda Baer, whose father recently sought to have removed from the state girls' industrial school on habeas corpus action, was legally sent to the school on commitment issued out of the Polk county court, declares Clara Patterson, superintendent of the school, in amended return to the writ, filed yesterday. The child is delinquent, and should remain in the home, the amended return states, asking that the writ of habeas corpus be dismissed.

LABISH FAMILY IN DIRE POVERTY

Case of a Marion county family existing in a state of abject destitution was brought to the attention of The Statesman by Mrs. Florence Matthes, Route 9, Box 61 last week. Hermann Rape and family consisting of a young mother and five small children, she said, are living in the Lake Labish district near her home in an old house which had been boarded up at the windows and made to serve as storage room for hay.

The mother yesterday told Mrs. Matthes, "I have no light from the boarded up windows. I must keep our oil lamp burning in the daytime to see, for there is no glass in the windows, and if I look off the boards, my two-year old baby would die of the cold. In the cold and dark it is such hard work to care for my hungry children."

The father is said to have walked to Portland to seek work and only to have to walk back again without having obtained it. He had not heard of the jobs open on county road work, according to Mrs. Matthes, "because he was too poor to take The Statesman, where he would have learned of this work available."

Food and clothing of any kind will be accepted with joy, she said. The mother recently had to make the four boys, aged 12, 10, 8 and 7, clothes out of the fathers shirts.

The case is being referred to local charitable organizations. But anyone wishing to investigate can get in touch with the case through Mrs. Matthes, by telephoning 44F24.

STAYTON COUPLE LONG MARRIED

STAYTON, Dec. 22.—Hon. W. H. Hobson and Mrs. Hobson quietly celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Friday. Nearly all of their married life has been spent in Stayton, Mr. Hobson having been a pioneer merchant here.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GIVE OPERETTA

INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 22.—The pupils of Independence training school gave a Christmas program Friday. An operetta with the birth of the Christ child as the theme was presented. Seventh and eighth grade girls formed the chorus and sang several Christmas songs. Students acted pantomime depicting scenes of the songs.

Other numbers included: Dialogue, wicker prince, seventh and eighth grade; musical selections, fifth grade; toy orchestra, second grade; songs, eighth grade. After the program the different grades went to their rooms and enjoyed a Christmas treat prepared by the teachers. The pupils decorated a tree for the "White Christmas." Donations of toys, foodstuffs, canned fruit and clothes for needy people were on this tree.

The "White Christmas" has been an institution here for several years.

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