

# CASWELL COUNTY

BY W. W. STRUDWICK

## THE WADE FAMILY

The family of the late George Lafayette Wade wish to express their appreciation for the kindness, sympathy and help shown during the illness and death of their father, Messrs. Herbert, Herman, Robert, Wilson, Frederick, Odland, Bernard, and Richard Wade. Mrs. James Dorothy Johnson, M. L. Hill, Ester Smith and Lucy Adams, sons and daughter.

## ABOUT CASWELL

The Shady Grove Choral Club rendered a musical program at Ebenezer Baptist Church Sunday.

Misses Effie Walker and Mildred Brown were guests of Miss Mae Francis Brown over the week end.

Thelma Ingram was hostess to Messrs. Stephen and June Long this week.

Miss Annie Florence entertained Miss Gloria Swann and Tommy Walters for the week end.

Miss Alene Barnett of Washington, D. C. spent the week end visiting her many friends and relatives of Prospect Hill, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wiley, Mrs. and Mrs. John Poole, Frances Stenfield and John Wiley of Prospect Hill were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peck of Lynchburg, Virginia.

## DECEASED

Mrs. B. Swann, Mebane, N. C. was buried following services at Burton Chapel Tuesday night. Services were conducted by the Rev. J. H. Badgett. Mrs. Swann was an ardent church worker, loving mother and wife. She loved to work.

Mrs. Annie V. Allen Long, 44, Blenheim, N. C. died Saturday morning at 2:55. She lived and died in Blenheim, N. C. Early in her life she became a member of the River Zion Baptist Church where she was a faithful member until death. Mrs. Long was a spirited and faithful member of every organization to which she belonged. Those left to mourn here are: husband, Ulvesen H. Long, two children, Leona Long and Mrs. Hatcher Long, mother-in-law, Mrs. Laura Long, sister, Mrs. Jimmy B. Bluford, and three grandchildren, Robert, Willie and Harry Allen and a whole host of friends and relatives.

**CONGRATULATIONS IN BLUE TO THE COTS McNAIRS**

The Stork found Mr. and Mrs. Martin B. McNair on his roost Monday, February 21, 1949 and 1231 eight pounds of Junior Joy, Martin B. Jr. Mr. McNair, math instructor of COTS, is a Lincoln graduate.

# SHAWTOWN HIGH

The Seventh and Eighth grades gave a combined Abraham Lincoln and George Washington program Tuesday, February 22, 1949. The participants from the Seventh Grade were: Mary Campbell and Charlie McLean. From the Eighth Grade: A. Colene Coping, Lenora James, Eva Price, Claudine Allen, Lucille McNeill, Theresa Elliott, Jessie Bell, Ferguson, Fuchina Hicks, Mack and Eulotte Williams, Fern Eighth Grade "B", Oscar Speers, Lucille Lett, Savannah Phipps, James Charles, and Larry Murrenson. Eighth Grade "C" gave a Skit, February Days. The cast was as follows: Meibler McNeill, Father, Thelma McKay, Peter and Bob (twins) Cleveland Evans, Eddie Ray, Billy, Elroy Matthews, Betty, Annie McKoy, Mary, Eunice Knight, and Louise, Hilda McKoy.

Shawtown High School's Homecoming that was held Friday, February 25, 1949 was a gain affair. There were formerly five contestants working hard to become Miss Shawtown High. The contestants were Miss Helen Rogland from the Senior Class, Miss Beatrice Patterson from the Junior Class, Miss Willie Sue Allen from the Sophomore Class, Miss Henrietta Haymer from the Freshman Class section "B", and Miss Geraldine Clegg from the Freshman Class section "A". Thursday before Homecoming the contest closed with Miss Willie Sue Allen as winner having a total of \$111.07 and Miss Helen Rogland with a close second of \$107.05.

All of the contestants, their instructors, classmates and friends worked exceedingly well; of this fact we are very proud and wish to thank everyone who participated in the contest.

Friday, February 25, 1949 at 7 P. M. the Homecoming parade began with the Shawtown High School Band as a special feature. There were numerous floats representing classes and organizations. Some of the organizations represented were The Girls' Scouts, the 4-H Club, The Glee Club, The Good English Club, The Science Club, The Reading Club, The Community Care Truckers, Beauty Parlor, The Community Funeral Home, and W. S. Tucker's Grocery.

Miss Shawtown was dressed in a blue suit with gold accessories and she rode in a custom Mercury Convertible.

The winning float in the parade was the Girl Scouts of America under the direction of Miss E. M. Feagly.

At 8:00 the Shawtown Tigers were defeated by the Rockingham Bears (28-7). During the half, Miss Willie Sue Allen, who was Miss Shawtown, was crowned by the

# HARNETT COUNTY

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### DR. ELDER MARKS BIRTHDAY



President, Alphonse A. Elder, president of North Carolina College, Durham, joined the famous birthday month observations with his own February 26. It was Dr. Elder's fifty-first winter.

The day was spent in routine from nine to one at the office with the regular administrative chores. At the one o'clock lunch hour the dining room personnel under the supervision of Mr. Clark Wilson, the members of the faculty and students presented Dr. Elder with a cake, sang "Happy Birthday" and made felicitations. Gifts of all kinds were presented from friends and well-wishers.

After the birthday luncheon President and Mrs. Elder visited several of the dormitories to listen to a number of piano selections and inspect the new pianos which were recently placed in all of the buildings on the campus.

For the remainder of the evening Dr. Elder worked in his flower garden transplanting a number of rose bushes. Gardening is his hobby.

**CONGRATULATIONS, PRESIDENT ELDER**

**NCC PLACEMENT HEAD IS SPEAKER**

W. S. "Ding" Johnson, dynamic secretary of the North Carolina College Alumni Association and head of the NCC Placement Bureau, was guest speaker at a luncheon banquet held for Dr. W. A. Bell, president of Miles College, Birmingham, Alabama.

It was the annual birthday observation sponsored by Miss Gertrude Cook, executive secretary of Miles College Association. The affair was held in the largest Negro room in the world, The Bob Williams Cafe.

Mr. Johnson's subject was "The Eternal Lesson of the College and the Alumni." He remarked, "There should be no line of demarcation

between the commencement of the student, his entrance into life, work and his college affiliations. These events should all flow in one activity. The institution should maintain a perpetual liaison with all of its alumni from the academic cradle to the grave.

This influence of the alumni in its progressive stages shall be the yardstick by which the prestige of the institution will be measured. No institution can ever consider any program, financial, social, curricular or revolutionary without first conferring with its alumni."

The NC College Alumni Association of Greater New York, 426 West 147th Street, New York City, will present an Annual Costume Ball in the Skyline Ball Room of the Hotel Theresa this spring. Those inflating the program are: James E. Chaplin, president; Vivian Guice, business manager; Theodora Goodman, Samuel Hill and Thomas Raymond Hout, treasurer. Good music, beautiful costumes, and wholesome gaiety will set the tone of the occasion which promises to attract an even larger number than any held previously.

**COMING EVENTS**

The NC College Club under the direction of Miss Ruth Gillum will appear at the Winston-Salem Teachers' College, Friday, April 1 at eight p. m. under the sponsorship of the Winston-Salem Chapter of the NCC Alumni.

The Dramatic Club of NCC under the direction of Miss Mary Bohannon will present "All My Sons" at the Bladen County Training School, Bladenboro, N. C., March 18 and also at the Whitesville High School, Whitesville, N. C., under the sponsorship of the combined Alumni chapters of Lumberton, Laurinburg, St. Paul and Bladenboro and Whitesville, N. C. C. E. McCall is principal of Bladen High and John Campbell, of Whitesville High.

## ASK CITIZENS TO OBSERVE NEGRO PRESS WEEK

Norfolk — Governors of three states in which there is a Negro press have asked the people of their states to join in the seventh annual observance of Negro Newspaper Week from February 27 to March 5, Thomas W. Young, President of the Negro Newspaper Publishers' Association, said this week.

As members of NNPA were converging on Washington where the executive board will meet on Friday and Saturday, Young announced also that B. M. McKelvey, vice president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, will discuss within a radio network program the topic "Does Our Democracy Justify a Negro Press?"

The program will be heard via the National Broadcasting Company facilities from 12 to 12:15 p. m. Saturday, February 26.

Mr. McKelvey is editor of the Washington Star and a director of the Washington Board of Trade, and a long-time journalist. Chas. E. Latta of NBC's Washington staff will be moderator.

The proclamation in which the governors joined reads as follows: "Whereas, this Nation and its people derive all their blessings from a just God and a just Constitution; and

"Whereas the Courts of Public Opinion among us have always been ready to hear and grant relief to any just and true plea for such relief; and

"Whereas, their readiness to enjoy life has long depended in large measure upon a free press; and

"Whereas, with a free press, available to and used well by our citizens, as the Guardian of their rights and a pleader for justice; and

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## VETERANS NOTES

Veterans who have kept their National Service Life Insurance should continue to send their insurance premiums to the Veterans Administration District Office in Richmond, VA declared to day.

Because of organizational changes which VA made February 1st some veterans have indicated uncertainty as to where they should send their premium payments. However, VA explained, while the Richmond unit was stripped of its supervisory functions when it was changed from a branch office to a district office, the insurance collection setup remained.

Yellow premium envelopes are mailed regularly to veteran policyholders, VA pointed out. These bear VA's correct Richmond address, as well as identifying data for the policyholder and veterans.

Q — I am an honorably discharged World War II veteran. At present, I am in prison for a minor offense. May I receive a correspondence course under the provisions of the GI Bill?

A — Yes, The Veterans Administration makes contracts with approved schools and will pay for accredited courses, but no subsistence allowance will be paid.

Q — I am a World War I veteran and have been working out my income tax report. Do I have to show my compensation from VA?

A — Disability compensation is exempt from federal income tax. However, this is a matter within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Q — I would like to know why the pension I had been receiving under the law is now called a "Public Law 494, 79th Compensation."

Press, provided that the term "compensation" be applied to all service-connected disability or death benefits paid through Veterans Administration.

Q — What income limitation provision is attached to the pension I will get as the widow of a soldier who died in a Japanese prison?

A — No income provisions are applicable to compensation payable for service-connected death benefits.

"Now therefore, I hereby proclaim "Negro Newspaper Week" and ask the people of this State to avail themselves of this privilege to become more familiar with the Negro press, which, while reviving the interests of a special group has protected also the interests of all Americans.

Benson Ford, 29, second grandson of Henry Ford and vice-president and general manager of the Lincoln-Mercury division, Ford Motor Company, outlined five areas of challenge or young businessmen of America at an address before the Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce, Monday, Feb. 28.

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## WOMEN WORKERS SHOW GAIN OVER PAST 7 YEARS

WASHINGTON (ANP) — Members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, attending a recent meeting here, were told that the number of Negro women employees increased from 1,330,000 in 1940 to 2,250,000 in 1947. The information was given by Miss Frieda Miller, director of the women's bureau department of labor.

In addition, Miss Miller said that there had been considerable occupational change in the distribution of employed Negro women. In the field of farm work, only seven percent of women were engaged in this occupation in 1947 as compared to 21 per cent in 1940. She also said the proportion in domestic service had dropped from 70 per cent to 30 percent.

On the other side, the proportion of Negro women was reported as having tripled in clerical and sales occupations, doubled in operative and service occupations, such as beauticians, waitresses, and cooks outside of private family.

Small gains have been made in professional and semi-professional work, Miss Miller said. Before the war, Negro women formed about one and one-half percent of all such women workers, and by 1947 the percentage had risen to six and one-half per cent.

He referred specifically to the provision permitting election by a more parity of electoral votes instead of a majority. This would avoid throwing a close election into the hands where each state would have only one vote.

He said this was "dangerous" because the very reactionary and conservative groups in the Federalist class are not opposed to this resolution, nor are the extreme leftists group in the Communist-minded class.

The warning was given by Rep. Wright Patman (D. Tex.) in the Congressional Record and in an interview. He was discussing the proposal to abolish the electoral college, retain the electoral vote but divide each state's vote among the candidates in proportion to the popular vote received.

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## Funeral Services For Former Local Resident

Mrs. Eviline York has returned to this city from Bronx, New York, where she was called on account of the death of her aunt, Mrs. Corina Williams Littlejohn. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Lettie Adams, Mrs. Channie Acker, son, Robert Williams, one step-daughter, Mrs. Ethel Norris, two grand children all of Bronx, N. Y.

Two sisters, Miss Carrie Morgan of New York City, Mrs. Lena Shepherd and one brother, Wesley Morgan, both of Raleigh, N. C.

Four nieces, four nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

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