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Economic Indigestion

Kindergarten Holds Final Exercises



Mrs. Carra B. Sessions of 631 Raleigh Road is the founder of the Little Raleigh Kindergarten from which hundreds of boys and girls received their first school training that has served as a start on the road to many professional careers. Prior to her establishing the school in Little Raleigh she had served as a teacher of tots for fifteen years, starting her own school in 1944 and teaching until this present time, her service embraces a period of twenty years. The closing exercise this year was

one of the finest in the history of the school.

Mrs. Sessions was the first President of the Annie W. Holland Parrot, Teacher Association, member of the Senior Choir of Mount Zion Baptist Church for thirty-eight years, Sunday School teacher 22 years, President of the Missionary Circle for 25 years, worked with welfare organizations of the city. She was assistant chairman of the Red Cross committee during World War I and at the present time is the assistant teacher of the Dorcas Mission Sunday School class.

Mrs. Sessions is a devout Christian with noble principles and high ideals. With that kind of character, her guidance and instruction have been of untold value to beginners. It can be truthfully said that she is one of the great pioneers of education for hundreds of people.

During the closing exercise this year, the guest speaker was Prof. Rexco Batts, Jr., of the G. R. Pope School. He is a graduate of Fayetteville Teachers College, having studied further at Howard and Columbia Universities. Certificates were awarded by Mrs. Mavis Horne, a graduate of Winston-Salem Teachers College and now teaching at the W. C. Crouse High School in Pamlico, N. C.

Mrs. Sessions thanks all persons who have contributed so graciously to her success in kindergarten work.

DANIEL CHAPEL

by MRS. MARY R. SCOTT The Halifax County Sunday Mid Session Convention met with the Pleasant Hill Church and Sunday School on June 5th. Mr. W. B. Williams presided over the Convention and also taught the Senior Bible Class.

Reverend J. W. Wiley and his Senior Choir had charge of the afternoon services. They are from the First Baptist Church in Weldon. Mr. James O. Cherry sang a solo. The collection for the afternoon was \$135.17.

The Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Minnie Gons last Thursday. The club is making plans to attend the Negro Farmers Home Makers Conference in July at A. and T. College in Greensboro.

PERSONALS Mr. Roy Francis of Newport News, Va., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Francis.

Mr. A. B. Jones attended the

dedication program of the D. G. Jacob School in Norfolk, Va., last Sunday. He was the house guest of his daughter, Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Mary R. Scott visited the new home of Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Smith of this section.

The following were the Sunday afternoon guests in the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams near Enfield: Mrs. Mary R. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Copeland, Miss Bertha Copeland, Mr. Percy Smith.

The Silversters will sponsor a musical program at the Daniel's Chapel Church on June 26th. Rev. B. J. Daniels will preach.

Miss L. G. Cherry of Washington, D. C., was home for the funeral of Mr. Frank Davis.

CORRECTION Reverend B. J. Daniels is the husband of Mrs. Josephine S. Daniels and not as previously reported in this column. I am sorry the mistake was made.

FAIRMONT

SCHOOL NOTES

ROSENWALD HIGH FINALS By DOROTHY FLOYD

The Basketball and Commencement exercises for the Rosenwald School were held at the First Baptist Church on June 5th and 6th.

The program for the Commencement exercises was as follows:

Processional, "Hymn," "Fair of Our Fatherland," after which the sextet sang and a prayer was said by the Reverend P. R. Cunningham. "Driver of Paradise" was beautifully sung by the Elementary Club with Glenn Chesley as soloist.

Introduction of the speaker by Mr. Peterson, principal of the Rosenwald School, followed. The Girls Sextet of the High School department sang "Brown Bird Singing" after which a most inspiring address was delivered by the Reverend J. E. Cheek, who is director of the Public Relations Committee of Salem University in Raleigh.

The Reverend Mr. Cheek told us of the tour he plans to make of Europe, and everyone sincerely hopes he will be able to come to us again after his tour is ended. After the sermon, the High School Chorus sang "Jubilee." This number was followed by announcements, recessional and benediction.

COMMENCEMENT On June 6, which marked the closing of the school year for 1948-49, the program was as follows:

Processional followed by "America," sung by the audience; prayer by the Reverend E. D. Bunt; selection "On Wings of Music" by the Sextet.

The address was delivered by J. P. E. Normile, Bladen County School, Elizabethtown, N. C. "Morning" by the High School Chorus; solo "Honor Honor" by Hector Griffin; presentation of diplomas and awards; "Think of Me" by the Sextet; announcements; "Mc" by the Sextet; announcements; Alma Mater; and benediction.

Members of the graduating class were as follows:

Ellis Gerald, highest honors; Lila Lee Faulk, Elophine Smith, Clara Floyd, Elizabeth Griffin, Mildred Williams, Sarah Lennon, Zilla Page, Roosevelt Page, Raymond Pittman, Richard Killian, Charles Reeve, Lenwood Jones, Mary Alice Moody, Mary, Kate Bethea.

Mrs. Lynette Armstrong Mitchell was class advisor.

PERSONALS

The Reverend Matthew Bryant of 1012 E. Atlantic Street, Wilson, spent the weekend of June 1 with his sister, Mrs. Beatrice Howell, Mrs. Mary Faulk, Mrs. Agnes Thompson and Mrs. Gussie Smith all residents of this town. Mr. Bryant is the son of the late Mr. Joshua Ronanna Bryant.

The Rev. and Mrs. Popkin visited their home church in Parkton. They were the guests of Mrs. Della Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Cassie Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Harlee and daughter spent the weekend with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Buck. The Harlees are residents of Dillon, S. C.

Miss Lucille Buck, daughter of Mrs. Kizzie Buck and the late John Buck, left Saturday for New York, after a short visit with her mother and two sisters.

Mrs. Willie Mae Buck Worley, who was a patient in Baker's Hospital in Lumberton, has returned to her home on Benjamin Street where she is convalescing.

The Radio Four Quartet appeared in a concert with the Bethel Quartet at the St. John A.M.E. Church on Sunday night, June 12. The mistress of ceremonies was Mrs. Chavis.

Mr. Pauline McMillan, vice president of the Willing Workers Club of the St. John A.M.E. Church, is ill at her home on the Leesville Road. All club members wish her a speedy recovery.

CLUB BEGINS FUNDS DRIVE FOR ST. JOHN

The Willing Workers Club of the St. John A.M.E. Methodist Church has set as its objective a project which consists of the enlarging and renovating of the present church plant.

In order to raise funds for this purpose, the club has given a series of programs the last of which was as follows:

Opening song, "Sweet Hour of Prayer," Prayer by the Rev. R. Cheek, Selection by the Radio Four Quartet; Solo by Mrs. Lucille Jones; Selection by the Children's Chorus; Recitation "Rich Lady" by Mrs. Besie Matney; Solo by Glenn Davis; Solo by Inelma Tate; Recitation "Good Times" by Neida McCain; Solo by Mrs. Rosanna and closing song, "Remember Me."

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the kindness shown during the illness and death of our sister, Miss Belle Thompson.

THE FAMILY

JULY 1 DEADLINE TO ENTER CONTEST

July 1 is the deadline for farmers to enter the North Carolina Eleven-Acre Cotton Contest for 1949, according to J. A. Shanklin, cotton specialist for the State College Extension Service.

The competition is sponsored annually by the Extension Service in cooperation with the State Cotton Seed Crushers Association, the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association and growers of the State. Its purpose is to encourage use of recommended practices in cotton production.

First and second State prizes will be \$600 and \$400, and prizes of \$300, \$200 and \$100 will be given in each of three districts. In addition, an award of \$50 will be given to the highest contestant in each county where no local contest is held provided the contestant has not won a State or district prize.

Any farmer producing as much as five acres of cotton in one body is eligible to enter the contest. Prize awards will be divided between landlord and tenant on the same basis as the crop itself. All five-acre contest plots must be selected by the farmer and identified with corner markings before the plot is checked by the county agent.

Last year's winner was Walter Bender, 25-year-old Warren County farmer, who produced 7,150 pounds of lint on five acres. Runner-up was R. Hunter Pope of Halifax County whose yield was 6,290 pounds. Average yield of the 451 contestants was 854 pounds as compared with an overall State average of only 454 pounds.

DAIRY INTEREST GROWS IN GATES

Gates County Negro farmers are showing more interest in good dairy cattle and are giving better care to the ones they are able to obtain, reports H. L. Mitchell, Negro county agent for the State College Extension Service.

A second truck load of cows was recently brought to the county, raising the total brought in this spring to 23 head.

Mitchell says farmers are also showing more interest in using milk. They are using better sanitary methods in milking and handling milk, and are anxious to obtain information on how to care for their animals. Extension Circular No. 217, "Dairy Practices for the Negro Farmer" and other publications have proved quite popular.

Farmers who desire copies of these publications may obtain them from the county agent or by writing the agricultural Edition, State College Station, Raleigh.

YOUNG PEOPLE LEAD WORSHIP SERVICES

The services conducted at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, June 12, were devoted to the theme of Children's Day.

The youth of this church served in every capacity. The Junior Department reigned over the Sunday School along with its Junior Secretary. The Worship service was conducted by a group of Junior Boys.

The Junior Choir touched music to the church service and a most inspiring message was brought to us by one of our young ministers, The Rev. James A. White, who is still a student of Duke University.

This service included the installation of the young people's choir by Pastor James O. Jones.

The young people's choir program is a most interesting and profitable activity, consisting of a program.

PROGRAM

The program was as follows:

Processional "Onward Christian Soldiers" Prayer by The Rev. J. C. Hill; Scripture two verses of the Gospel; "Fair-ly Loved Jesus" Hymn; Miss Anna Bethel as Alma Selous; and "Heard The Voice of Jesus Sing" Poem by Mrs. Les- sie Thompson; Text, Misses Doreen Pittman, Dorothy Floyd and Arama Bethel; poem by Mrs. Rosa Lee Mallory; benediction by choir president, E. C. Walters; Collection and Benediction.

The Bible Vacation School will open on June 13 at the First Baptist Church. The hours are from 9 to 12 A. M. Every parent is cordially invited to send his child to participate. This school will be open for two weeks.

Cotton production in the United States for domestic use was up 13 per cent during the first quarter of 1949 as compared to the same period last year. Commercial exports, however, were down 40 per cent compared to last year.

CHRISTIAN BE THY NAME

The Rev. W. D. Mitchell of Madison Street bought a hatchet several weeks ago for home use. The home of the hatchet was a wood storage house where such implements were kept. About three weeks ago the owner missed his hatchet which a good search failed to produce and finally concluded that it was buried beneath the fuel.

On Monday a man, one of the minister's distant neighbors, called at his home and asked to see him. Upon being told that The Rev. Mr. Mitchell was visiting a neighbor, the man went to the given address immediately.

When he had greeted the man in his usual manner, the minister was surprised to hear what he had to say for the man began thus:

"Rev. Mitchell, three weeks ago I stole your hatchet and I have come today to return it. It is the first thing I have ever stolen and my conscience would not let me keep it. I have been strangely uncomfortable for three weeks. I have asked the Lord to forgive me and I want you to forgive me."

"I promise you, myself and God that I will never steal anything else as long as I live."

The minister, who had never experienced the like was left speechless for a few seconds and after a brief interval, concluded: "This man is worthy of even a better name than George Washington so I'll call him 'Christian.' Who could deserve a better name?"

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