HENDERSON NOTES

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HENDERSON—Old man winter is steadily creeping up on us. In all neighborhoods we notice housewives are toting in the potted flowers and lawn furniture and getting the last in and ready for use. These things are typical of all homes. As the season changes so do we as human beings. We must do this in order to live healthy. It is our duty as citizens to take advantage of all the opportunities we have such as voting on Election Day. This day should interest all citizens. That is the time for you to express your views big or small due to you and others where they stand a chance of being. What ever you do, always vote.

In a few days, it will be Armistice day. You may not have thought of it because of the condition the world is in today but each time that an Armistice day is declared, means a step toward better living and freedom for all of us and our children, and race and the world it will come.

PERSONALLY YOURS

Among the Hendersonites motoring to North Carolina College Homecoming game with Tennessee State University in Durham, N. C. on Saturday, October 31, were the following ladies: Mesdames Mary Lee Harris, Genevra L. Harris and Pearl Fitz. They all report having had a most enjoyable time even though their favorite team lost.

Mrs. Ida B. Pratt of 656 Adams Street has returned home after spending several months with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Pratt of Jamaica, N. Y.

Mrs. Saville Wilson, Mrs. Ruth Carrington and Mrs. C. H. Whitworth of Winston-Salem, N. C. were recent visitors in the William Green home, 557 Adams Street.

Pvt. Nicholas Parker III, who is stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala. spent a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Parker of Oxford, N. C. All of his friends in Oxford and Henderson were happy to see him.

Mrs. James Pratt and her brother, Wade Blocker of New York City were recent visitors of the Pratt and Taylor families on Adams Street.

MEETINGS HELD

The Vance County Branch of the NAACP held its regular monthly meeting at St. James Church on Thursday night, October 29. President L. R. McKnight presided. Musical selections were rendered by the Rum Creek Choir and Miss Cynthia Brown. A panel discussion highlighted the meeting with Rev. J. M. Burwell, Rev. R. E. Stitt and Mrs. Arthur Poole serving as leaders and consultants, the theme for the discussion was "Is the Democracy of Today the Fruit of Christianity?" It was concluded that democracy is actually based on Christianity. Rev. L. R. McKnight and Mrs. Alice B. Green who had attended the state NAACP conference in Rocky Mount as delegates from the local branch made their reports at this meeting. The president urged all persons who have not joined the great organization to do so as soon as possible.

On Saturday, October 31, representatives of all Henderson and Vance County Girl Scout Troops with their respective leaders united in a Play Day at the L. R. Yancey School from 11:00 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. in observance of Girl Scout Week. A song fest, dance, variety of games and relays and a picnic lunch were enjoyed by the fifty persons attending. Numerous prizes were awarded winners of the competitive activities. Troop leaders and sponsors enjoying the outdoor activities with the troops included Mrs. L. A. Jordan, Mrs. T. A. Robinson, Mrs. Fred Brame, Mrs. E. R. Adams, Miss P. Brame, Miss E. M. Burlock, Miss Cooper, Miss Alice B. Green and Miss M. Mildred Martin.

The Resource-Use Education Conference of four counties: Franklin, Nash, Warren and Vance, was held on October 28 at Henderson Institute Henderson, N. C. Mr. M. H. Davis, Supervisor of Franklin County Schools presided. After the singing of "America The Beautiful", Rev. S. P. Cooke, pastor of Fuller Temple Methodist Church of Durham, N. C. delivered the invocation. Mr. Henderson Lanier, Choir rendered a song selection. Mr. W. D. Lyon, Superintendent of Schools, Greetings and Mr. J. C. Stadler, Superintendent of Vance County Schools, greeted the delegates and visitors. They also expressed their interest in the community resources. A response was given by Mr. J. E. Byers, principal of J. R. Hawkins High School in Warrenton, N. C. Mr. P. W. Williams of Nash County Training School gave the purpose of the Resource-Use Conference. The Keynote address was delivered by Dr. T. R. Spencer, director of Resource-Use Education, North Carolina College, Durham. He stated that we should make use of all natural, national and social resources that are around us. Mr. Spencer mentioned many helpful and interesting points of interest to the audience. The address was one that everyone should have heard. After observing the exhibits and hearing the addresses, the conference was dismissed to be reassembled in the afternoon by the Henderson Institute Band. A panel discussion was then presented by Mr. D. Davis of Warren County, Mr. R. J. Hicks, Jr. Franklin County, Rev. F. A. Linson, Henderson and Mr. T. P. Jones of Warren County. The discussion was "Using Community Resources to Improve Citizenship". The members of the panel took up home, school, church and farm and mentioned many things of interest.

Mrs. M. L. Johnson, teacher of Franklin County, gave a summary of the conference. Announcement were made by T. Spencer, principal of Henderson Institute. Delegates and others attending number 433. The meeting was enjoyed by all.

NEW ARRIVALS

Our new arrivals this week are an increased happiness to their parents. They are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, five and one-half pound baby boy born October 24. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis O. Perry, seven and one-half pound baby boy born October 29.

FUNERAL SERVICES

Peter Decker Small died on October 26 at Duke Hospital in Durham at the age of 62. His funeral was held November 1 at Island Christian Church, Virginia township. Before moving to Henderson on Pinkston Street, he lived in Vance County. Mr. Small and five daughters, Mrs. Anna Walton and Mrs. Emma Tucker of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mrs. Lucy Hargrove of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Willamena Harris and Miss Elizabeth Small of Henderson. Five sons, Willie, Roger, Roscoe, Bernard and Peter Small, Rev. J. A. Henderson conducted the services. Burial followed at the church cemetery.

Mrs. Viola Hawkins was married on October 28 at Concord Baptist Church in Franklin County. Rev. C. H. Hedgepeth conducted the service.

Mr. John Calvin Hatchett died at his home 2113 St. Matthews street after a short illness. He is survived on Sunday, November 1 at Shiloh Baptist Church. Rev. O. J. Burson conducted the services. Mr. Hatchett worked at J. P. Taylor's factory for many years. Burial followed at Hatchett family cemetery in Kembridge, Virginia.

THOUGHTS TO REMEMBER

Our lives are songs; God writes the words, and we set them to music at pleasure. And the song, one glad or sweet or sad, as we choose to fashion the measure, we must write the music whatever the song, whatever its rhyme or metre; And it is glad we can make it glad. Or if sweet, we can make it sweeter.

Selected

Why do we ever listen to the rumors that we hear. When just one simplest inquiry May prove them insincere? Why do we squander our gossip at . . . The very gospel truth . . . Without a certain knowledge of . . . Our grown-ups and our youth? The reason is that people are more ready to condemn. Then they try to understand the ones . . . Who want to work with them . . . We are prepared to criticize, reluctant to forgive and ignore our own mistakes, as swiftly as we live. So why not slow our pace a bit and take another glance at our own hearts, check the motives behind our words and actions? Why not be more kind to those we meet? Why not be more willing to help others in need? Why not be more willing to give a helping hand? Why not be more willing to give a kind word? Why not be more willing to give a smile? Why not be more willing to give a handshake? Why not be more willing to give a hug? Why not be more willing to give a kiss? Why not be more willing to give a tear? Why not be more willing to give a prayer? Why not be more willing to give a song? Why not be more willing to give a dance? Why not be more willing to give a laugh? Why not be more willing to give a cry? Why not be more willing to give a life? Why not be more willing to give a death? Why not be more willing to give a birth