

NEWS AND VIEWS - BY J. B. HARREN

'NOTHING RISKED, NOTHING GAINED' ROCKY MOUNT - To those of us who are faint of heart it is fantastic to imagine the things that are being achieved - even attempted - in this rapidly rushing world of supersonic airplanes, rockets beyond the moon and earth-girdling satellites.

On the other hand it is alarming how little progress we are making in the world in the realm of Human Relations. America and Russia, considered the world's most powerful nations, are constantly at each other's throat in a war of diplomacy which threatens to at any time turn into a real hot war.

Here in the States we are torn between whether or not to grant ALL citizens the use of a free ballot, equality in education, the chance at a job based on skill, the right to live where one pleases so long as he remains civil; and the unfettered enjoyment of ALL privileges and responsibilities citizenship regardless of race.

Here in the south, most Negroes - principal victims of this racial blight - have not the guts to stand up and be counted in the fight to erase this curse from the American scene so that our nation will become - in reality - "The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave," a democracy indivisible in practice as well as in theory.

These colored timid fears could soon dispell their fear of exercising the rights of first-class citizenship if they'd just cut out and vote and teach others to do so. For those haven't the courage to travel under the banner of the NAACP as real fighters, voting is the only alternative to being a first-class citizen. And how can any Negro hold his head up if he or she does not do one of the best in our battle - this here-called monster of segregation and discrimination in the matter of living and working with white people? "If nothing is risked there is nothing gained."

Whites don't want integration. Don't you believe it? Not for a minute. He just doesn't want the colored man - we repeat, MAN - to have integration. Many thousands of colored women will tell you of how they are almost daily accosted by white men as they walk the streets of any southern city, even towns.

Take the recent story in Ebony magazine of a Negro who "passed" for white for thirty years while "will" lives as a Negro with his colored family off the job. This man

west here where O. T. Young is principal, Williams comes to his inborn school with an A.B. and B.S. degree from N. C. College, Durham, plus several years teaching experience.

Regardless of the apparent secrecy of the details leading to the release of Mr. Wilder, who is the husband of Halifax County Supervisor of Schools Mrs. Bessie Shields Wilder, it is generally known that all has not been well at Inboard High School for some considerable time due to alleged grievances on the part of some patrons, teachers and students with operation there.

There have been persistent rumors detrimental to the best interest of the community which were never publicly aired. Reported they have been discussed behind closed doors with school officials who indicated a reluctance to act. The pot began to boil over when it was learned that Dr. P. Burnett, who practiced medicine here for an equally as long a period of time. The brothers built two business buildings - a drug store and a theatre here. Dr. P. Burnett built one of the first brick homes here more than forty years ago.

A staunch Baptist all his life, "Doc Bee Jay" was connected with the Mt. Zion Baptist Church at the time of his death. Funeral rites were said from the church Monday afternoon by the Rev. George W. Dudley, pastor, with interment in the Northern Cemetery.

Dr. Burnett is survived by his widow, the former Miss Olivia Peyton of Tarboro. A brother, Dr. H. L. Burnett of Chicago; two sisters, Mrs. Alice Stator, Baltimore, and Mrs. Nannie Jones, Lawnside, N. J., along with several nephews and nieces survive.

WILLIAMS NEW INBORDEN III PREXY ENFIELD - A cloud of mystery seems to surround the mid-year release of Aaron F. Wilder from his principalship of the T. S. Inboard High and Elementary School here during the Christmas holiday period.

The new principal is Luther Williams, a former member of the faculty of the noted Eastman School located some ten miles

Clinton News

BY H. M. JOHNSON Telephone-3316 ORATORICAL CONTEST CLINTON - The annual high school oratorical contest, sponsored by the Henry James Post No. 319, American Legion, was held at the Sampson High School, Sunday, Jan. 4 at 3 p. m.

The speakers used as a subject: "An American Citizen's Rights and Responsibilities Under the Constitution." The speakers were: Mr. Fulton Hayes, Clear Run High School; Miss Odell Bennett, Sampson High School; and Miss Barbara Chance, Pleasant Grove High School.

The judges awarded prizes to Miss Odell Bennett, first prize of \$10.00; to Mr. Fulton Hayes, second prize of \$8.00; and to Miss Barbara Chance, third prize of \$3.00.

The schoolmasters club joined in with the American Legion and presented 5 students reciting poems. They were: Miss Odell Williams, Sampson High School; Miss Daniels, and Miss Palette Bennett, Buller Ave. School; Mr. West and Miss Edna Billups, Pleasant Grove High School; and Miss Jimmie Platt of Sampson High School.

PERSONALITY IN THE NEWS Mr. James Ezzell, Sr. What would first Baptist Church be like without the services of Mr. James Ezzell, Sr.? The Rev. Mr. Ezzell is a real life story book. He has come up like all great Americans who lifted themselves by their own bootstraps. He began his career as a bicycle boy delivering products to all parts of town. He was soon selected as a salesman for the C. A. Deal Meat Co. He worked in this capacity for 13 years at which time he was selected first hand experience in his trade.

Having an eye for business and a zeal for success, he looked across the horizon of the future and with fortitude and bulldog tenacity, he sought his fortune by organizing a business for himself. Starting out with a small beginning, but with a winsome personality, he has grown to one of the largest and most thriving retail and wholesale concerns in Eastern North Carolina.

His severer all the surrounding counties and some counties beyond. His clientele is composed of people of all walks of life and all years and sexes.

The Ezzell Grocery is rated high with Dunn and Bradstreet, the number one rating agency in this country. His products consist of anything for human and domestic animals to eat, many things to wear, as well as minor services for motor vehicles. This thriving business employs from three to four hundred, six to seven clerks, salesmen and a deliveryman. With our support, this business can grow to enormous proportions. Let's support it.

Mr. Ezzell has been a member of the First Baptist Church for a near forty-six years. He is still an exceptionally young man. He joined the church at twelve years of age. Since his "birth" into the church at twelve years of age, he has been a faithful member of the building committee. (He held this position when the church was built). He has been a choir member and is on the trustee board, president of choir No. 2 and the senior choir. (He has held the position for 29 years).

In spite of his meager formal schooling at the Union Academy, a forerunner of the Sampson High School, Mr. Ezzell has a very excellent education. His financial aid at each church conference are scholarly, academic and show all evidence of good bookkeeping.

Although Mr. Ezzell is the backbone of the church, he is humble and meek and will never consent to that recommendation. He is business-like in all his dealings and straightforward in his understanding.

ANNOUNCES MARRIAGE Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Grace, Sr. announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Savana Grace, to Mr. William Allen, Jr., of New Haven, Conn., on December 15.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY Rev. and Mrs. James A. Moore, of 312 Barden Street, were honored on their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a reception at their home, December 28, 1952. The house was decorated with arrangements and flowers.

Many friends were on hand to wish them happy congratulations. The gifts were numerous and pretty.

The sermon was very well delivered and enjoyed by all present. Immediately after the sermon Holy Communion was prepared and served.

At the end of the Communion service the entire congregation sang, "Amazing Grace" and fellowshiped one with the other.

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Washington Junior High School Happenings

Editors: Lonnie Gill, Fannie Rand, Charles Hunter, and Shirley Thorpe. After a pleasant and merry Christmas Washington pupils are happy to be back to studying again.

Many pupils are making resolutions and are hoping not to break them. Join The Gang - Calling All Boys The Cub Scouts, Pack 196 meets every Friday from 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. at the Manley Street Christian Church.

SCIENCE IN SECOND GRADE Mrs. Watson's second grade has been studying about Acorns as a science activity. The following facts have been learned. The acorn has a smooth shell with a cap and stem on top. There are many kinds of acorns because there are many kinds of oak trees.

Some people feed acorns to pigs. Big stons oak trees grow from acorns. Big ships were made from oak trees. Among the students who have completed outstanding work on this unit were Kay Rose, Harold Freeman, Gordon McCullough and Catherine McCray.

FOURTH GRADE ELECTS OFFICERS Mrs. R. Smith's fourth grade has elected the following class officers: President, Jo Ann Cannady; vice president, Yvonne Beatty; secretary, Beverly Ingram; assistant secretary, Ronald Smith; treasurer, Wayne Holmes; and Sgt.-at-Arms, Gene Evans. Yvonne Beatty is the news reporter for this grade.

SECOND GRADE NEWS The boys and girls in Mrs. P. W. Young's second grade class have enjoyed a unit on Shopping in Our Community. The class carried out reading, spelling, music, language, art and arithmetic in this activity unit. Reports were made by committees on the following stores: The Five and Ten, Department Stores, Drug Stores and Super Markets.

At the completion of each committee's report, summaries were made by the whole class and stories composed. Arithmetic in action was carried on by a "Make Beliefs" toy shop. The experience of learning to spell correctly was stressed in writing the names of articles that one might purchase in the four types of stores studied. Designing and coloring the folders for the booklet provided initiative and creative art experience.

FIFTH GRADERS STUDY NEW ENGLAND STATES Mrs. Morgan's fifth grade is carrying their study of the New England States. Many boys and girls sent letters and have received valuable information on these states. Some who received information were: Percy Smith, Wendell Deaver, Leonard Lass-

er, and Anthony Edger. Little Misses Glenda Hood, Brenda Morgan reported the news for Mrs. Morgan's fifth grade.

Burlington News

BY MRS. M. M. BROWN BURLINGTON - The Pioneer Garden Club held its December meeting with Mrs. Kee West Boone and made Christmas pillar candles that were given for patients in Alamance County and General hospitals.

The gold and green TV. arrangements were emphasized in an evergreen punch, Christmas cookies and nuts that were served.

The annual Christmas party was held in the home of Mrs. Emma Maynard with husband, Mr. H. Maynard and Mr. and Mrs. David Maynard as guests.

Featured about the house were a lighted Christmas tree, a manzanita branch arrangement and a lighted white Madonna with swatch broom.

A tray with eggnog and cheese log was served before the dinner plate of ham, potato salad, petit orange fruit cake and coffee.

On December 21 a tour was made to observe door arrangements done by club members with Mr. Frank Cain and Mr. Warren Mitchell as guides.

Mrs. Areta Garrison's door tree, "Stars of Bethlehem" received 1st place and Mrs. Lorie Graham's "Poinsette", 2nd place, with honorable mention to others.

The tour started with Mrs. Evelyn Reid and ended with Mrs. Evelyn Reid and Mrs. M. Mitchell were given gifts from the Pioneer Garden Club by the president, Mrs. Edith Long.

BY MRS. ALVIN WILLIAMS CHURCH ACTIVITIES LOUISBURG - Christmas service was held at the Mitchell Chapel Church Christmas morning at 12 a. m. A short program was presented by the Sunshine Band which consisted of singing Christmas carols, solos and recitations.

The Missionary Circle conducted a special worship service. The Mitchell Chapel Usher Board held its monthly meeting Jan. 2, at 7:30 p. m.

The president presided. After the dispensation of business, remarks were made by members of the Adult Usher Board. A training period was conducted, afterwards Deacon E. Wilson gave some helpful suggestions to the group.

Services at the Mitchell Chapel Church began Sunday morning at 9:45 with Church School with the superintendent in charge. Subject of the lesson was: "Jesus Calls Forth Faith." The lesson was reviewed by the superintendent. We were very happy to have Miss Lillian Quick, an instructor at Kittrell College, present as well as members who were away in school and in the Armed Services.

Sunday night's services and B. T. opened at 6 p. m. The director was in charge of B. T. A wonderful sermon was preached by the pastor. His text was found in Deuteronomy 8:2.

PERSONALS Dinner Guests Mrs. Arthur Williams served 20 at dinner December 29 at her home. The guests included nieces, nephews and great nephews who are Mr. and Mrs. Olander L. Taylor and son, Olander Lee Taylor, of Bloomington, Indiana. Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clement and is the former Miss Loretta Clement, Henry Lee of Waterbury, Conn.; Mrs. Mary Lue Clement Gill and sons, Ronnie, Larry, Ricky, and Patrick of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Misses Alice, Carolyn and Donna Clement of Henderson; Mr. Alfonso Carroll of Henderson and Mrs. Williams' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Carroll of Henderson.

Miss Lillian Quick of Kittrell College was the overnight guest of Mrs. Margaret Williams, Jan. 3.

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Rambling in Chatham

GOLDSTON - PITTSBORO - SILER CITY BY D. W. HEADEN GOLDSTON - The news you are about to read is true, only the facts are twisted to protect the innocent. I have been told by many that these jottings would be read each week. This is not the "Shadow," but the one who likes to ramble. You do it. I've got it. It published and you read it.

Well, now the long holiday week end has made history and we have entered a new year, looking forward for better things, a brighter future and bigger hopes in life.

Savannah High News

SAVANNAH VISITED BY ALUMNI GRITTON - Alumni of Savannah High School visited the school during the break of the Yuletide season. The former students were graciously entertained on their return. A tour through the recently added annex of the school and the gymnasium, plus the meeting of the students and teachers who acquainted them with the increasing facilities of the school, served to make their return an enjoyable one.

Following the tour, students witnessed a game played between the Savannah teams and the teams of Wayne County. Many of the alumni visiting included students from the various colleges of North Carolina, New York and Tennessee and members of the Armed Forces.

The visiting alumni were Frances Grainger, Evelyn Koonce, Mattie Fisher, Annie Barnes, Leslie Brinson, Robert McNeil, James Morris, Alyce Jean Koonce, Thelma Miller, Morris Clark, Charles Whitfield, Bobby Russell and Rev. and Mrs. Proctor Freeman. Rev. and Mrs. Freeman, who are Proctor Freeman and Mary Elizabeth Wiggins, are now temporarily residing in Nashville, Tennessee. Rev. Freeman who is a 1956 graduate of Savannah, is now pursuing courses at the American Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville, Tennessee.

SENIOR NOTES With the advent of the New Year and the near approaching time for mid-term examinations at Savannah, the seniors have found themselves quite busy. They realize that resolutions must be made and kept and that their stay at Savannah will be short if they resolve to be industrious. The seniors now find themselves in the midst of completing all projects and making plans for their final participations in activities as basketball, glee club, dramatics, band, the art club and various tours.

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MISS LEE BARBARA ANN SMITH of State Teachers College, Fayetteville visited with her parents of 100 Whitley Ave. during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Shadding and children, Leonard Ralph, Jr. and little Alice of Phila, Pa. visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Shadding of 727 Siler St., Hoggans, of his late wife Florence and with the mother, Mrs. Alice Hoggans Shadding, the mother of their two children, also her relatives, during the holiday season. They have returned to Phila.

Mrs. P. B. Williams recently moved into her new and beautiful home located in Carver Heights. Mrs. Williams is principal of the primary school, Pikeville.

Mrs. Naomi H. Massey of Norfolk, Va. was in the city during the holidays visiting her sister, Miss Laura B. Holt, relatives and friends.

Mrs. Susan B. Frederick and Mrs. Alice S. Hoggans and daughter Cora Ann, motored up to Rocky Mount, Dec. 28, to visit with Mrs. Annie Hoggans, formerly of this city, now making her home with her daughter, Mrs. James Pittman. Mrs. Pittman is the former, Theresa Hoagans of this city, sister of the late Ralph Hoggans, husband and father of Mrs. A. S. Hoggans and Cora Ann.

Mrs. Thelma D. McKethan entertained a few of her friends, Friday, Dec. 24, in honor of her house guest, Mrs. R. A. White, of Norfolk. Va. Among those who came to share Mrs. McKethan's hospitality were: Mrs. Emma Lantry, Mrs. Ruth Everett, Mrs. Vera Arrington, Mrs. Vera Thompson, Mrs. Ouellette Evans, Mrs. Cora Durham and Mrs. Esther Williams of Phila.

The Leslie Street Community Center Choral Group presented the Messiah at First African Baptist Church, Sunday, January 4, at 3 p. m. It was well attended and enjoyed. Mr. Neil Still, director, Mrs. Thelma Johnson, pianist, Shiloh Presbyterian Church, Westminster Fellowship Thursday at 5 p. m. Church Officers Training for the concert band will be held at the manse Thursday, at 7 p. m. Business session at 8 p. m. Funeral services for Mrs. Marcella Jones of 235 E. Vine Street was held Sunday at 2 p. m. from Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Wayne County. Burial was in the Old Mill Cemetery. To mourn her loss are seven daughters, Mrs. Ethel J. Dorton of Raleigh, Mrs. Bessie Altha Blue, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Kearney and Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Perry.

As this article is being read, there are many of you perhaps that are wondering why there isn't much about the happenings from your area. Well, this reporter is still making the rounds over the week-ends and one day I'll be figuring up on you - "Watch out for the Rambler!"

DEATH One of Goldston's oldest citizens, Ranson Lambert, Jr. 91, died at his home here December 30. For about 65 years he was the husband of Mrs. Clara Lambert, rendering

service to the churches, home and community as well. Sometime recently the Lamberts were questioned by this reporter as to just what was the secret of a long happy life.

The reply was "we worked and lived together as one. We have never worried about anything, but enjoyed life, trust in God and try to live one day at a time and don't rush 'too fast'. They also said "We have lived to bring up a large family of 12 children and lost two of them. The others are living and doing fine."

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Clara Lambert; 3 daughters, Mrs. Lorraine Reavis of Greensboro, Mrs. Emily M. Holt, Mrs. Nannie Laine of New York City; 7 sons, Edgar, Roosevelt, Joseph, Sylvester, all of New York City; Rev. Harvey of Maryland; Melvin of Chicago, Ill.; and Charles of the home.

Funeral services were held Jan. 2 at the Union Grove A.M.E. Zion Church here with the pastor, Rev. E. H. Beebe, officiating.

CONCORD

BY MRS. MARION W. BOYD PERSONAL CONCORD - The many friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Margaret M. Williams of Tournament Street will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness. She appreciates the many cards and expressions of good wishes that she has received.

RECREATION During the last two weeks in December the attendance at the Lincoln Street Recreation Center reached a new peak of 1400 for the week ending December 20th and 1200 for Christmas week. Special activities began on Thursday, December 19th, with a Christmas party for several children, given by the Junior Charity League and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The Teen-Canteen had a New Year's Eve Party and decided to make it an annual affair. The members of the Teen-Canteen have just paid for a piano which they presented to the center. This project was completed in 3 months. They are meeting this week to select another project and to elect officers for this year.

The regular meeting time is 6:30 p. m. on Saturday. Furway Post of Mr. and Mrs. Furway Best of the Shankletown Community is now president. Mrs. Mary Frances Johnson is volunteer adult leader. You are invited between the ages of 13 and 19 years old are eligible for membership.

The Hi-Fi Club, sponsored by the Coca-Cola Company, began Saturday and will continue through May. Those attending may get free drinks and have special request numbers played. The hours is from 10:30 a. m. until 12:00 noon each Saturday. Persons from anywhere through senior high school are admitted by cards which may be obtained at the Recreation Center from Mrs. E. M. Shuford, Director.

Regular athletic activities include men's basketball practice every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 to 9:00 p. m. in Logan Gymnasium and Biddy basketball each Monday and Wednesday from 4:00 to 7:00 p. m. at the Lincoln Street Recreation Center. Mr. Chester Reardon, Jr. is in charge of athletics.

Members of the Children's Theater rendered two choral speaking selections at the Christmas Party. The regular meetings of the Children's Theater was held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 5:00 to 6:00 p. m. Mrs. Madeline Mitchell is volunteer adult worker with some assistance from Mrs. Morris Peay and Mrs. Marion W. Boyd.

Classes for adults in the making of artificial flowers and ceramics are planned for the near future.

Davis, Evelyn Dickerson, Doris M. Edmundson, Willard Exum, Willie Fuller, Lawyer Horton, Edna M. Jones, Leslie K. Jones, Ernestine Jones, Jimmy Newsome, Johnnie Newsome, Linda Newsome, Kenneth Parks, Clara L. Richardson, Lona Woodard, Bettie Winstead.

6th grade: Aye Lee Barnes, Marilyn Strickland.

5th grade: Maxine Artis, William Bass, Isabel Best, Tommie L. Coyle, Claretta Cox, Cosmo William Dickerson, Judy Lee Hodges, Carolyn Jones, Goldie Harris, Paul Harper, Kenneth Mitchell, Ethel Newsome, Mal Reid, Jimmy Sampson, Leora Sault, Brenda Sherrod, Veronica Sutton, Sandra Ward, Fulton Williams, Emma Williams.

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