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Brick Haven News

Chathamites Safe but Suffer Loss at Miami—S. S. to Take Collection for Relief Fund—Personals

Miss Gladys Hawks of Willow Springs was the week-end guest of Miss Evelyn Fuquay.

Mr. Clinton Seawell and Miss Cecil Seawell spent Sunday at Carthage with their parents.

Mr. Zeb Harrington, who is in school at Elon, visited his home here Saturday and will be a member of the football team which will play Sanford High school at an early date.

Mr. N. T. Overly, who has been suffering for several days with erysipelas, is much better and hopes soon to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Kennedy were guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Dowell of Forestville for the week-end. While there they attended the Wake Forest-Carolina game.

The Intermediate Christian Endeavor gave a "Backwards Party" Saturday evening which was thoroughly amusing and was greatly enjoyed by the young people present. Light refreshments were served.

Brickhaven had reason to be much interested in the storm which swept southern Florida so recently. Mr. Ben Uley, a brother of our Miss Mary Lee Uley, Mrs. Lewyn Rollins, a daughter of Mrs. Rosa Lawrence, and Mrs. A. A. Benfield a sister of Mrs. J. H. Lawrence are residents of Miami. Ben came out unharmed, while the homes of Mrs. Rollins and Mrs. Benfield lost their roofs and suffered otherwise. They view the property loss as nothing compared with the fact that they, with families are alive to tell the story.

The collection of the Brickhaven Sunday School next Sunday will be forwarded to the Red Cross for relief work in Florida and all should count it a privilege to contribute liberally and thus express our gratitude for our own fortunate circumstances.

DR. POTEAT AT PITTSBORO

Under the auspices of the Woman's Club of Pittsboro, Dr. H. H. Poteat of Wake Forest College delivered a lecture and rendered a musical program at the High School Auditorium Friday night.

The lecture abounded in humor, philosophy and common sense, and like the splendid musical recital was highly enjoyed by the large audience.

Dr. Poteat is a most pleasing and attractive speaker and is a musician of rare talent. He made a most favorable impression upon our people, and both to him and the Woman's Club, Pittsboro and vicinity are indebted for a most pleasant and profitable evening's entertainment.

Following the very interesting and humorous lecture a delightful song recital was given. The opening number was the prologue to the Italian opera "Pagliacci" in the original setting, followed by three negro spirituals, a Cornish Folk Song; a Scotch ballad and one of the poems of the famous negro poet Burleigh.

Norwood Family Holds Reunion

The descendants of the late S. G. Norwood held their annual reunion at the home of G. S. Norwood last Sunday. Mr. Norwood was a confederate soldier and was war "Buddy" of the late Rev. Jessie Louis Smith. He was twice married, first to Martha Hackney and then to Sarah Willett. He was father of seventeen children, eleven now living. All were present except Mrs. D. F. Andrews of Durham who was ill and Mrs. J. E. Crain of Durham. The children present were Messrs. N. G. and J. D. Norwood of Durham; Mrs. German Smith of Hillsboro; Mrs. B. B. Webster of Bonlee; Mesdames G. B. Emerson and C. V. Moore and M. F. Norwood of Bear Creek; J. J. Norwood of Greensboro; and G. S. Norwood of Siler City Rt. 5. The following were present from Durham: Shellie V. Norwood, Erma Ruth Pickard, Rev. Earl B. Edwards, Ernest Norwood, Wm. Norwood T. Goodwin of Greensboro Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hackney, Mrs. F. L. Vestal and children, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Blaylock, Margaret Lorraine and Glenn Hackney, Mr. Zeb Perdue, Mrs. Curtis Norwood from Hillsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Ode Turner and Mrs. Oma Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hart Siler City Rt., Mr. W. L. Dunn and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Willett and T. P. Beaver of Bear Creek. These with the families of the above named children made nearly one hundred present.

The next reunion will be held with Mr. G. B. Emerson at Bear Creek, N. C. Fourth Sunday in September, 1927.

CLUB NOTES

The regular meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at the Club Room Wednesday afternoon, September 6th. All members are requested to come prepared to pay their annual dues—80 cents.

The receipts from the Poteat recital were indeed gratifying, \$52.25 being the amount realized.

Contributions are coming in slowly for the Florida disaster fund. Mrs. M. Hill, Chairman, reports \$1.00 contributed by Mr. W. H. Griffin.

Chatham County people have always responded liberally to any calls for help and it is hoped that they will not forget this appeal.

Mrs. J. H. Hunt will entertain the members of the Health Department Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 29th.

The Civic Department of the Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Geo. Beaver, Saturday afternoon October, 2nd, at 3:00 o'clock.

Miss Mary Gardner, of Raleigh, is assisting Mrs. J. W. Hunt.

Moncure News Letter

Personal and Other Items from Our Moncure Correspondent

Mr. Edwin J. Cathell, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Cathell left last Saturday for Atlanta, Ga., where he will resume his work at Emory University. He likes his work there.

Capt. J. H. Wissler has returned from a short visit to his friends in Virginia.

Mrs. R. A. Moore motored to Goldsboro last Sunday.

On account of the school children picking cotton, school opens at eight o'clock and closes at two o'clock this week.

Mrs. S. W. Womble, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Womble, and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stedman attended the quarterly conference which was held at Brown's Chapel Methodist church yesterday, Monday. Rev. J. D. Bundy, the presiding elder was at his best and good financial report was made by each church represented.

We are sorry to state that Mr. A. F. Thomas of Haywood, N. C., died yesterday and will be buried in the cemetery there today at three o'clock. Mr. Thomas had not been sick but a few days and it was a surprise to the community to hear of his death.

Our community was saddened yesterday, September 27, by the death of one of its most beloved and esteemed citizens, Mr. A. Fred Thomas, who had lived to the ripe age of 75. He had spent his entire life in this community and was trusted and loved by every one. He was a member of Moncure Methodist church and lived a consecrated christian life. He was ready at all times to lend a helping hand in all good causes and was a true friend to the needy. He was a successful and enterprising farmer and leader in his lives of endeavor.

As witness to the high esteem in which he was held an unusually large number of substantial citizens attended his funeral which was held at Haywood Presbyterian church where interment was made.

Mr. A. B. Clegg and sons, Mrs. R. A. Speed, Mrs. J. W. Womble and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Womble attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Morrow, who lives near Saxapahaw, N. C., last Sunday. They reported a good time. Mr. and Mrs. Morrow received \$122.50 in gold, besides a lot of green back.

The Epworth League held an interesting meeting last Sunday evening. Mr. W. W. Stedman gave an interesting talk on "The Bible." As the president and secretary have gone off to college, the vice-president, Miss Virginia Cathell will serve during her absence. Miss Mamie Sockwell was elected secretary.

Mrs. John Upchurch and children spent last week-end with her mother at New Hill, N. C.

Mrs. J. T. Canady and little son of Goldston, N. C., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bryan for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Emerson, of Phoenix Utility Company, left last week for Crescent City, Fla. Mr. Emerson was clerk in the office for the Company and also time-keeper.

Mr. B. P. Rucker, who had a position with the Carolina Power and Light Co. left last week for Garrett Park Md.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole and Mrs. R. E. Cole and little son spent the day with Mrs. E. A. Pifkins of Cary, N. C., last Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Watson is looking after Lockville Filling Station for Mr. H. D. Gunter.

MISS OLIVIA HARMON IS OFF FOR HARVARD AGAIN

Miss Olivia Harmon left last Friday to resume her studies at Harvard University. Miss Harmon is pursuing the doctor's degree at that famous university. She took her A. B. degree at Meridian College, Meridian, Miss. Later she secured the A. M. degree from the University of North Carolina. She has already done considerable work toward her doctor's degree.

Miss Harmon will visit her brother George in Philadelphia a few days and attend the Sesqui Centennial before continuing her journey to Cambridge.

Mr. D. B. Noe made a business trip to Greensboro yesterday.

The Musical Department of the Woman's Club will meet Friday evening with Mrs. W. B. Chapin.

Mrs. W. J. Calvert, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. N. W. Hill, has left here to spend the winter in Cambridge, Mass.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Glascock, and son, Spencer, of Raleigh, spent Sunday with Miss Margaret Womble.

His friends will regret to learn that Rev. R. G. Shannonhouse who recently spent several weeks in a hospital has had to return to the institution.

Irony of Fate
Atlantic City, N. J.—Mrs. Peggy Roome, stunt aviatix, who had her pictures taken standing on an airplane wing up in the air, has been killed in an automobile accident.

Cloth from Bamboo
London.—Cloth of woven bamboo is the latest textile wrinkle. The raw material from India is much cheaper than cotton from Dixie.

Quite True
Teacher—Children, what is the most dangerous part of an automobile?
Children—The driver.

New Elam News

New Hill Rt. 2, Sept. 27.—One of the most elaborate social events of the fall season was a party given by Messrs. Leamon and Tom Reynolds at the lovely home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Reynolds Saturday night. The guests were received by the Messrs. Reynolds and those who were not acquainted were introduced and a lovely conversation began.

After the arrival of all the guests they were invited in the spacious grove where a beautifully arranged table awaited them. Here they were served walnut and vanilla cream and in the living room and enjoyed music for a short while. There were about 50 present and everyone had a delightful time in the hospitable Reynolds' home.

The New Elam Sunday school and Christian Endeavor went to Raleigh Saturday on a picnic. For several seasons many of the members could not attend, but those who did go spent a pleasant day in the capital city. They carried a regular picnic dinner and enjoyed the feast at the park. The afternoon was spent visiting places of interest, including the museum.

Mr. W. A. Drake was painfully injured one day last week when his mule ran away. He is getting along as well as can be expected and we hope he will continue to improve. A similar accident happened to Mr. J. C. Hatley, breaking his arm.

One of the little twin boys of Mr. and Mrs. Will Mitchell died Sunday and will be laid to rest in New Elam cemetery Monday. He was only a few months old.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Carr and children Edward and Etheleen were recent visitors to Kinston, Newbern, and other places in that part of the state.

BELL'S NEWS

The school is increasing. We have an enrollment of two hundred thirty-four.

The following teachers spent the week-end at their respective homes: Misses Biggs, Johnson, Harris, Cheek, and Chilton. All reported an enjoyable time with home-folks and friends. Miss Arka Zachary, a teacher of Bell's School, spent the week-end at Mr. J. T. Horton's.

Mr. I. F. Grigg, principal of Bell's School, motored to Durham Friday afternoon on business.

Misses Lina Bawling and Minnie Belle Goodwin were in Bynum Sunday.

Mr. R. H. Mills is very ill from an attack of appendicitis. We wish him a speedy recovery.

We are very sorry that Mr. Bob Horton's condition is no better. He seems to be growing constantly worse.

Miss Ruby Lee Markham, Grace Horton, Inez Morgan, Helen Horton, and Mr. Arnold Markham visited at the home of Mr. Pegg Mills last Sunday.

Miss Fannie Ellis, of Apex High School, was at home Sunday.

Miss Lula Mason was a welcome visitor in Raleigh Sunday.

Mr. W. T. Horton, who has been seriously ill, is some better now.

Misses Leta and Hollie Goodwin entertained a number of their friends some time ago. A pleasant time was reported.

Messrs. Eustace Mills, Coley Goodwin, and Arthur Lawrence, of Apex Route one, are students at Wake Forest College this year.

Mr. Pritchard Slawter, of New Bern, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Floyd Townsend.

Mr. Golie Mims and Miss Thelma Aumon visited Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Goodwin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson and children spent last Sunday with Mrs. Juillard Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Byrd and two children, Dollie and Wayne spent last Sunday with Mrs. Juillard Holland.

Mr. Ira Sears, of Mebane, was the guest of J. W. Mason.

Miss Tinnie Mason spent the night with Miss Elizabeth Shadrach last Sunday night.

Mrs. J. W. Mason spent Wednesday in Greensboro on business.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bryant and little daughter, of Durham, spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Bryant's parents Mr. J. W. Goodwin.

Bynum News Notes

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Poe and son, Henry Clay and Miss Minnie Cook, of Durham, spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mrs. E. Riggsbee has returned from Chapel Hill, where she spent two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. D. L. Trippie.

Miss Mary Smith spent the week-end in Durham with friends.

Miss Fannie Riddle of Durham spent Sunday here with friends.

Mrs. Fannie Bland spent last week in Durham, with her sisters, Mrs. W. A. Poe and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones and little daughter, Hettie, spent a few days last week in Mebane with Mrs. Jones' sister, Mrs. C. W. Abernathy.

Mr. Howard Oakley of Durham has returned to his home at Durham, after spending a week here with his sister, Mrs. C. L. Neal.

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CHATHAM COUNTY FAIR

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CELEBRATES 75TH BIRTHDAY

Wednesday, September 22, was the 75th birthday of Rev. G. R. Undercelebrated at his home in the Hanks' Chapel community, where a hundred friends and relatives met with him for a big birthday feast.

Rev. Jonas Barclay, pastor of the Pittsboro Presbyterian church, was master of ceremonies. Appropriate remarks were made by Messrs. E. B. Hatch, J. L. Griffin, Mr. Brooks of Sanford, and Mrs. W. F. Beard in behalf of the ladies. Mr. Barclay reviewed some of the achievements of the aged but still staunch minister, calling attention to the fact that he had been in the ministry just 40 years, having begun to preach at the age of 35; that he had organized several churches, resuscitated several others, and been the means of enlisting hundreds of new members.

Mr. Underwood served Hanks' Chapel 14 years on one occasion. He then left the community, but having bought the old homestead of his wife's family, returned to the Hanks' Chapel community the first of the year.

Mr. Underwood is an exceptional financier, having never received a greater salary than \$500 a year, yet rearing two children, and by investing the little surplus in days when land was cheap has accumulated a considerable little estate. He is most highly esteemed in several counties where he is known, and among the visitors last Wednesday were friends from several other counties.

The dinner is said to have been a good one, for which Rev. R. B. Gordon gave thanks.

CHATHAM BOYS AT U. N. C.

Chatham County Club Reorganized at University—Largest Membership in History of the Club

Special to Chatham Record
The Chatham County Club at the University of North Carolina held its initial meeting on Thursday night, September 22, 1926. The president of the club, Mr. Edward W. Avent, a former student in Pittsboro High, and now a junior in the University, called the meeting to order and, after making a few timely remarks, introduced William Hunt, the retiring president, who made an appropriate talk. J. W. Kay, secretary-treasurer of the club, successfully handled the business end of the meeting. It was decided that two regular meetings would be held each month. There are nearly a score of Chatham boys in the university representing the best that there is in Chatham County. Every member plans to make this the most successful year in the history of the club.

The officers in the club this year are Edward Avent, president, William Lacy Harper, vice-president, J. Wyeth Ray, secretary-treasurer, Hoyt Hackney, in charge of banquets.

The following includes the membership of the club according to the classes in which they belong:

Seniors: William Hunt; Juniors: Edward Avent, William Wrenn, and Wilfred Headen; Sophomores: Wyeth Ray, Lacy Harper, Hoyt Hackney, and Reannand Shannonhouse; Freshmen: Grady Snipes, Royal Shannonhouse, Junius Durham, Willie Morgan, Lewis Carroll, Ernest Hancock, Milton Garner, and Edward Hendrick.

Mr. Walter R. Perry and son Edward returned yesterday morning from Hamlet, where the latter had his tonsils removed. The Hamlet hospital is becoming popular in Chatham for such operations, the charge being only \$12.50, against the usual charge of \$35.

U. S. SET TO FIGHT

MATERNAL MORTALITY

High Death Rate Speeds Bureau's Plans.

Washington.—A national program for the prevention of maternal mortality and morbidity throughout the United States is outlined by the children's bureau of the United States Department of Labor in a report on maternal mortality.

This report, the work of Dr. Robert Morse Woodbury, formerly director of statistical research for the children's bureau, brings together and analyzes all available material, both American and foreign, on deaths of mothers during childbirth, and is considered one of the most important pieces of recent research in the field of the bureau's work. Children's bureau officials feel that it indicates the necessary emphasis during the coming decade in the effort to reduce deaths among both babies and mothers.

Mortality Rate High.
Maternal mortality rates in the United States are today among the highest in the civilized world, and but a slight decrease in these rates has occurred since the beginning of the present century. Doctor Woodbury's report states. The significance of these facts from a national point of view is found not only in the loss which this means of the lives of women presumably at their prime, but also in the far-reaching effect of maternal mortality on the infant death rate.

"A very considerable proportion of all deaths of infants under one year of age," Doctor Woodbury points out, "occurs during the first month of life from causes which have their origin in the care and condition of mothers during pregnancy and confinement. In the United States as a whole it may be estimated that approximately 100,000 deaths of infants under one month of age occur every year. Reduction in the mortality from these causes depends upon improvement and extension of facilities for prenatal, confinement and postnatal care. It may also be estimated that at least 100,000 stillbirths occur each year. The same measures which will safeguard the lives and health of mothers during pregnancy and labor will also tend to reduce the stillbirth and neonatal mortality rates."

Doctor Woodbury estimates the total annual number of maternal deaths in the United States on the basis of 1921 birth-registration area statistics to be 18,281. However, a careful survey of sources of error in certificates of death throughout the area leads him to the conclusion that the true number of maternal deaths is probably as much as 12 per cent in excess of those reported, making an estimated yearly death toll of more than 20,000 women. The maternal mortality rate in 1921 was 6.8 per 1,000 live births. The provisional 1924 rate was 6.8.

Poverty Proves Obstacle.
As with infant mortality also, poverty is found to be an important factor in maternal death rates, these increasing as the husband's earnings fall, probably because of lack of proper facilities and adequate care for the poor mother. Color and nationality are also important factors in maternal mortality. In the birth-registration area for 1921 the negro maternal death rate was 67 per cent higher than the white rate. On the other hand, the rate for foreign-born white mothers was slightly lower than for native white mothers.

Among the nationalities included in the foreign-born white group the rate was lowest for mothers born in Russia, and next to lowest for mothers born in Italy. At the other extreme were the rates for mothers born in Ireland, Great Britain, Canada, Hungary and Germany. The racial stocks represented in the nationalities for which the rates were highest are, it is pointed out, those which principally compose the native white population.

20,000 Persons Lost
Yearly in New York
New York.—It is almost impossible to be lost or missing for a considerable length of time in New York. Probably in no other city in the world are so many persons reported lost, strayed or stolen. Every day brings, on the average, 60 inquiries to the police for missing persons, a total of more than 20,000 a year. Of this number less than half of one per cent are classed as permanently unaccounted for.

The missing persons bureau of the police department comprises 40 detectives, men and women, especially trained for the work. Searches are organized much more completely than is generally realized, and once the machinery is set in motion the effort becomes comparatively simple.

Auto Perils Mount
Washington.—The perils of motor- ing are mounting. Official statistics are that 3,274 persons already have been killed this year in 66 cities. Norfolk, Va., is the safest city and Camden, N. J., the most dangerous, tallying by averages.

NOTED TRAMPS PLY ROADS IN SCOTLAND

Aged Woman Says She Never Slept in Bed.

Rannoch Moor, Scotland.—The most picturesque tramps of the United Kingdom are Scotsmen who ply the broad high road which runs along Loch Lomond and across the wild and desolate Rannoch moor to Inverness.

Probably the best known is "Long Jock." For half a century this totally blind mendicant has fiddled his way along the Perthshire roads, accompanied by two dogs. He shares all his meals with the dogs and at night wraps his six-foot tartan plaid about them and himself and sleeps out under a tree.

"Old Johnson" is another. He's a genial fellow in a Balmoral bonnet and tattered frock coat. He has a wealth of humor and is known to be a master of repartee. He has been on the road for 80 years.

Highland tramps, or "tinkers," as they are called around Rannoch moor, speak the Gaelic language. They move in clans and are known by the family names, which often go back for centuries. The oldest member of the clan is the chief and his word is law. They are strict Sabbatarians and will not even blow their bagpipes for alms on Sunday.

One old woman who has been on the tramp in the western highlands for 75 years boasts that she has never slept in a bed. She has brought up a family on the king's highway and wears a wedding ring that has been handed down from mother to daughter in her clan for 300 years.

They have a jolly life. Every five or six miles along the road is a "tramp's hotel"—a barn or hut where they can rest for the night or find shelter from the storms. The highland farmers and shepherds know them by name and exchange greetings whenever they meet.

Taxes and bank failures never worry them and at the end there is a tramp cemetery in Strathgairn called "No Man's Land."

CALLING THE HOGS

Fred Patzel of Omaha is the champion hog caller of Nebraska. His cry can be heard by the porkers for three miles or more and he has challenged all comers to meet him in a test of lung power and seductiveness.

Offers to Flip Coin for \$5,000; Judge Stops Him

Milwaukee.—Michael Vasas wanted to flip a coin for \$5,000 in court here, but the judge overruled him.

Vasas is being sued for divorce. Settlement of the estate was being considered. It was decided that Vasas was to get only \$5,000 of the property, which is valued at \$40,000.

"Make it \$10,000 or nothing," he said, drawing a coin from his pocket. "No gambling permitted in this court," the judge said. Vasas pocketed his coin and the \$5,000 and went away. He spled his daughter in a corridor, bent to kiss her and broke into tears.

Golfers in Rhodesia

Need to Carry Guns
Bulawayo, British South Africa.—Wild animals from the jungles have been hindering golf in Rhodesia. Sharpshooters have been posted on some of the links with the view of shooting away the pesky beasts.

At the Winkle course a rhinoceros has been appearing as a natural hazard, much to the discouragement of the players, while two lions have been seen frequently sauntering about the links in Belra. One of these was afterward shot by the men on outpost duty.

Between Belra and Dondo two grown elephants and a baby elephant tramped onto the main railway line and nearly wrecked a train. One of the animals was killed, and the "elephant" catcher of the locomotive was smashed.

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