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CELEBRATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY

MR. S. P. SATTERFIELD, "OLD AND TRIED," HAS BEEN AT THE GAME 25 YEARS

Opened the First Insurance Office Ever Established in Roxboro Twenty Five Years Ago May 1st

On May 1st, 1900, Mr. S. P. Satterfield opened an insurance office in Roxboro, the first office of the kind established here. Prior to that time all insurance for this section was done by Durham, Danville and Milton companies, but, be it remembered that date the town of Roxboro was not of such importance as to day. Mr. Satterfield, "Sam," as his friends all call him, is one of the most affable gentlemen to be found, always in a good humor with a pleasant cheery greeting for every one. He is an optimist of the first water, all weather is good weather to him, and it is not surprising to learn that his business has shown an increase every year, until today he does an annual business equal to any in this section of the State.

In 1907 he took the agency, being one of the charter agents, of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company of Greensboro, and during the eighteen years Mr. Satterfield has never failed to get on the honor roll. Everybody knows the Jefferson Standard, it is the biggest company in the South, has more policy holders in Person County than all other companies combined, and does more business, writes more policies in North Carolina than any other two companies doing business in the State.

Mr. Satterfield's slogan is "Old and Tried," and in reality he proves this assertion almost daily. During his twenty five years in business, and while he has had hundreds and hundreds of losses, never has there been a payment or settlement contested in either the life or fire end of the business. That is a record that he is justly proud of, and we doubt if a similar record can be shown by another agency of as long standing or amount of business done.

While his business has grown from year to year he has kept pace with the growth by taking on additional help whenever necessary, and for that reason he has just secured the services of Mr. A. C. Gentry, one of the best known school men of the County. Mr. Gentry is a live, wide-awake man, and Mr. Satterfield is to be congratulated upon securing his services. There is no more perfect office equipment anywhere than you will find in these offices, in fact we do not believe there is another office here so well equipped as these. The main office is composed of two rooms, the first room on entering being used for the cashiers office, with everything railed off similar to banking quarters, and from this you enter the private office of Mr. Satterfield. On the right hand side of the hall you will find Mr. Gentry's office, which is just as handsomely equipped with the latest modern furniture, where Mr. Gentry will look after your interest. There are two stenographers, Miss Bessie Daniel in Mr. Satterfield's office while Miss Sue Frederick gives her time and attention to Mr. Gentry's office.

If it is insurance they are prepared to serve you, and Sam says "Do it today."

MR. PHILLIPS ADDRESSED THE BARACA CLASS

Last Sunday morning Mr. A. W. Phillips, a traveling man from Lynchburg, well known in Roxboro and this section, addressed the Baraca Class of Roxboro Baptist Church. His theme was "Paul," and was timely and greatly enjoyed by the class.

ENJOYED THE BUSHY FORK HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

The following party from Hallifax, Va., attended the Bushy Fork High School Commencement, and spoke in the highest terms of same. Messrs. Claud and Lewis Webster and Howard Harman, Misses Elma Anderson and Ruth Dodson.

MR. UMSTEAD HAS LEASED THE PLANTERS WAREHOUSE

Mr. W. L. Umstead has leased the Planters Warehouse here and will run it the coming season. Mr. Umstead is an experienced warehouse man, having been in the business for more than thirty two years, much of this time in the business in Durham, and has been very successful in the business. He is not a stranger to many of the farmers of this county, for they have sold with him in Durham, and to them he needs no recommendation at our hands, for they know his attitude on sales, but to some others it may not be amiss to say that no man in the business has a reputation for working harder for the farmer when they sell with him than does Mr. Umstead. He knows tobacco, and he knows when it is bringing the market price, and if the buyers seem inclined to let it go by, he gets right behind the sales himself. In a private letter he states, "I am coming to Roxboro to treat the farmers right and to see that tobacco sold in Roxboro brings as much money as it does on any market in North Carolina or Virginia."

We welcome Mr. Umstead to Roxboro and feel sure he will receive a cordial welcome by every citizen in town and County.

SCHOOL NOTES

Three High Schools, Bushy Fork, Helena and Bethel Hill, held their commencements last Friday, Saturday and Sunday. These exercises, always interesting, entertaining and instructive, were unusually so this year. The speakers and preachers delighted large audiences with their talks. The High School plays and graduating exercises were the best in the history of the schools. And the large number, 43 in all, graduating from these schools, is a fine testimony to the splendid work that has been going on for these years. We wish it had been possible for us to attend all of the exercises of each school, but that was impossible.

At each exercise the houses were packed. These large and appreciative audiences testify to the great interest in education at each of these centers. The people are justly proud of their schools and gladly lend their presence, and for one who much they appreciate the exercise pay an admission fee, to show forth of the school administration and teachers to bring culture and training to their children. Let these schools take no backward step, but ever press forward, building citizens and making their communities the garden spots of our county. North Carolina is largely rural, and on the country people depends the hope of our state and nation. Let us see that these noble country boys and girls keep the splendid advantages which Person County has labored so hard to give. Let there be no variance or shadow of turning. There is a way to keep our High Schools up to the notch. Let us find that way, or make it. It can be done, do it.

The Board of Education owns all these High School Buildings. The people in these districts have taxed themselves to put up the buildings. Now let the county either take over the indebtedness of these buildings or run these schools eight months. It is the plain duty of the Board of Education to do one or the other. Citizens of the High School Districts, you desire that this be done, will you let it be known.

MRS. J. A. BEAM.

CHURCH NOTICE FOR OAK GROVE AND WOODSDALE

Sunday School at 10 sharp at Oak Grove. Orphanage class from Raleigh at 11. A splendid sacred concert.

Preaching at Woodsdale at 4:00. Let us have largest congregation of the season at each place.

J. W. BRADLEY, Pastor

REV. R. E. WHITE RESIGNED SUNDAY

At the close of the morning service last Sunday Rev. R. E. White, who has been pastor of the Baptist Church for the past three years, tendered his resignation, to take effect the last of July. At a called conference the church accepted the resignation.

COMMENCEMENT ROXBORO HIGH SCHOOL

MAY 29-JUNE 1-UNUSUALLY ATTRACTIVE PROGRAM

Sermon by Dr. Frazier, President of Queens College; Address by Hon. H. G. Connor

Below is an outline of the 1925 commencement of the Roxboro High School:

At 8:15 Friday evening, May 29th, the Senior Class Play.

At 8:15 Saturday evening, May 30th, Recital by Music Class.

At 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning, May 31st, Commencement Sermon.

At 8:15 Monday evening, June 1st, Graduation Exercises.

The commencement sermon will be preached by Dr. W. H. Frazier, President of Queens College, Charlotte, N. C., in the Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church. All the other exercises will be held in the school auditorium. Hon. H. G. Connor, Jr., of Wilson, N. C., will deliver the address to the graduating class.

The public is cordially invited to all of these exercises. Admission will be free, except to the Senior Class Play, to which a charge for admission will be made to raise money to pay for a set of THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPEDIA which the class of 1925 is presenting to the new high school.

UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB PRESENTS HIGH CLASS CONCERT

The Glee Club of the University of North Carolina, assisted by Mr. Theodore Fitch, tenor soloist, presented a program of music last Friday night at the School Auditorium which was of a very high class nature. The usual mixture of fun and frivolity, which so many college organizations intersperse their programs, was missing on this occasion, the University boys confining their efforts entirely to the better class of music, including old Norse and German songs of long years ago. Residents of this community who love music but who failed to attend this concert missed a most enjoyable entertainment. The work of Mr. Fitch alone was worth going far to hear. It is hoped that this organization can be brought back for a return engagement next fall ad if so, they should be greeted by a packed house.

ACCIDENT ON CHUB LAKE ROAD

Disappearances seem to be the order of the day in several towns through this section and Roxboro is catching the fever. Last Sunday afternoon a Ford touring car, said to be occupied by two men, in some unexplained way went over the high bank just this side of the County Home on the Loch Lily road, turning several spursaults and knocking down two or three trees in its descent. The two occupants of the car, one of whom was said to be a Mr. Castle of Jalong, immediately disappeared, and in spite of a continued and systematic search, have left no trace of their whereabouts. The car, which was very badly smashed up, was brought to Roxboro.

GORED BY ANGRY BULL

Mr. S. J. Dickens came near meeting with a fatal accident Sunday evening. He was out in the pasture when an angry bull attacked him, making some painful wounds on his leg and probably would have been fatal but for the fact that the bull threw him over the fence. Steve, one of the jolliest, best men ever, is courageous but we venture the assertion that never more will he enter a pasture where a bull is at large.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES MEREDITH COLLEGE

We acknowledge with thanks an invitation from Miss Isabel deVlaming to attend the Commencement Exercises of Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C. Miss deVlaming receives her diploma in Public School Music.

MRS. MARGARET HODGES IS DEAD

Mrs. Margaret Knight Hodges, widow of Henry E. Hodges, former resident of the Gatewood section of Caswell, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Shields Harvey, Monday morning at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Hodges, who had passed her four score years was widely known and greatly beloved by many friends both in North Carolina and Virginia. For some time she had been in gradually failing health, induced by her advanced years. The end was not unexpected.

Mrs. Hodges was a native of Caswell county. She was married many years ago to Henry E. Hodges, and her home at Gatewood was made a delightful community center. She was a communicant of Shady Grove Methodist church, and through the years of her membership was recognized as one of its most consistent and active workers. Her influence for good was widely felt.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. Shields Harvey, with whom she resided. She went to Danville several years ago and while a resident of that city made her home with Mrs. Harvey. When Mr. Harvey moved his family he was accompanied by her.

Funeral services were held from her old home church Tuesday at Shady Grove at 3 P. M., Rev. S. F. Nicks her former pastor, assisted by Rev. R. E. White were the ministers in charge. She was laid to rest in the church cemetery.

Funeral bearers were as follows: T. P. Featherston, J. T. Burch, W. R. Harris, J. C. Watson, J. M. Yates, and L. S. Carter.

"Something is gonna happen--and gonna happen soon!"

Has Happened!

Such were the wordings of the advertisements of the Carolina Power and Light Co., and it did happen. They put on a demonstration of their popular electric ranges, and on Thursday and Friday had an expert in charge, who gave lectures and showed by actual performance the wonderful value of these ranges. As a result of this advertising they sold ten ranges, and there are now ten more homes where the housewife has simplified the task of preparing meals. It is claimed that the use of an electric range is economical, and certainly we know it is a labor saver and we congratulate the Carolina Power and Light Company for introducing these labor-saving devices, for every step saved the good housekeeper is certainly a blessing to humanity.

PLENTY OF PLANTS IN THE EAST

Messrs. E. E. Bradsher, Landon Bradsher, John Richmond and Connor Merritt left early Monday morning and spent a few days in the eastern part of the State getting a supply of tobacco plants. Earl Bradsher reports that they saw as many Person County folks down East after plants as you would meet in Roxboro most any day. Plants are very plentiful down there, and the farmers were exceedingly generous and clever, being glad to divide their surplus with their less fortunate Person County brethren, without charge.

NOTICE

Mr. J. W. Noell, Editor The Courier. Dear Sir: I feel it my duty in justice to Mr. R. C. Long, better known as Captain Long to state the advertisement of his land was done through mistake in this office. Mr. Long sent me check for payment of his 1923 taxes and through mistake it was credited on his 1924 tax account, therefore when I wrote him about his 1923 tax he was sure it was paid.

Yours truly, NAT V. BROOKS, Sheriff.

WORKERS COUNCIL OF MILL CREEK CHURCH

I have been requested to ask that all members of the Workers Council of Mill Creek Church meet at the home of Rev. N. J. Todd on Thursday, P. M., May 21, 1925. MARY E. GENTRY, Sec.

Society

(The Bridge Club met with Mrs. I. O. Wilkerson on Wednesday afternoon. The living room was lovely with roses and other flowers. Bridge was played at three tables. The hostess assisted by Mrs. B. G. Clayton, served a delightful salad course with after dinner coffee.

The Friday Afternoon Book Club had a delightful meeting on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. J. J. Winstead. The house was very attractive with bright summer flowers arranged in vases and bowls. Five tables were placed for the club game of Boston Rook. The hostess assisted by Mrs. W. R. Woody served a salad course with hot tea and candy.

Mrs. J. J. Winstead was hostess again on Thursday evening. Boston Rook was the game enjoyed and many interesting progressions were enjoyed. The hostess served a salad course, hot tea and candy.

Miss Clara Harris entertained Saturday afternoon in honor of her attractive guests, Misses Kathleen Covington and Lela Morris of Oxford. Bridge was the game enjoyed at three tables. The hostess assisted by her sister Miss Mary Harris served a delicious salad course, ice tea and salted nuts.

POOR RICHARD

Somebody keeps on shooting at him, but he is not hurt yet. It seems that Poor Richard has cast a stone and somebody has been hit. We need more men like Poor Richard, who is not afraid to hit at this school combine officials. It is said that the still sow sucks the wash, and we have too many of that sort now, with their nose in the tax trough. When we can get rid of some of these present County school officials not only Person County but the state of North Carolina will feel financially relieved.

We need more men (like Poor Richard) of some solidity who will expose some of these things being done behind the curtains.—Endorse.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

Sunday, May 24 1 The Stewart-Goodchild Evangelists are at Jalong, N. C. Crowds, singing, preaching, praying, repentance, etc. Come, services are held for you. Prayer meeting at 7:10 P. M., and preaching at 8:00 P. M. The revival closes May 22, 1925. The majority of the good people and many others of Jalong are attending. Why do you not cooperate? Regular services at Longhurst on Sunday, May 24. Sunday School at Grace church Sunday A. M. and preaching at 7:30 P. M. Topic "Seeing and believing."

M. C. ELLERBE, P. C.

PERSON COUNTY MISSIONARY MEETING

The Person County Missionary Meeting will be held at Allensville Church Friday, June 5th. Each Auxiliary in the County is urged to have as many of their members present as possible. There are to be several interesting speakers, also a returned Missionary from China. Watch for program in next week's Courier.

NOTICE

Under certain conditions people having mortgages on their land are entitled to certain credits in listing taxes. If you desire and have not claimed this credit it listing you can attend a meeting of the list takers and commissioners at Roxboro, N. C., on June 2nd, 1925, at 1 P. M. and get the matter adjusted.

All persons holding mortgages are invited to attend this meeting as the credits must be balanced by debits against the holder of the mortgage. Unless you are properly listed no rebates will be allowed for mortgages. This May 15th, 1925. J. T. NEWTON, County Supervisor.

BAKER'S MILL TO ENLARGE

Will Add 100 by 100 Feet to Present Building

Last Thursday Mr. A. T. Baker, president of the Baker Mills, was in town and gave out the information that the mill would be enlarged, an addition of 100 by 100 feet would be added to the present building with the necessary dwelling houses to care for the enlargement. They will install 30 new looms, making 60 in all.

So great is the demand for the product of this mill that they have put on a night shift, which will be shifted over to the new help just as soon as the building program can be completed.

Mr. Ed Hill, the Sec. and Treas., stated to us that they would like to get as much help as possible from Roxboro and surrounding section. If enough from Roxboro can be secured they will run a bus from Roxboro every morning and evening transporting the help. This is a good opportunity for some of the young men and ladies here, for it is pleasant work and good pay. Any young man, with ambition, who is willing to work can soon be promoted and will find that he is engaged in just about the best business he can find. But, promotion will not come without effort, and, we regret to say, that seems to be foreign to too many of the young boys of the present day and time.

This is a successful business, and they want Southern boys who want to make successful men, and we believe this is your opportunity, boys. The indications are that the mill will soon be required to enlarge again, and when this enlargement takes place there will be wanted more men to take responsible positions and the boys who have made good will be offered these promotions.

MOTORISTS NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that all motor cars and trucks operating in the town of Roxboro must hereafter be equipped with mufflers and exhaust pipes and that same must be used. Otherwise the town ordinance against these nuisances will be enforced. Motorists take notice also that hereafter other town regulations of the town will be enforced. Excessive speeding through the residential sections of the town must cease.

R. P. BURNS, Mayor.

MRS. HUNTER'S BROTHER DIED SUDDENLY

Last week Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hunter left for a pleasure trip, Mrs. Hunter to visit her only brother, and Mr. Hunter for the purpose of enjoying a fishing trip. The evening they arrived at the home of Mr. D. W. Dudley, he walked in from his work and suddenly dropped dead. After attending the burial Mr. and Mrs. Hunter returned home.

RECITAL FOR MRS. NEWELL'S CLASS

The pupils of Mrs. H. W. Newell will appear in a recital May 22nd, at 8 o'clock, P. M., in the school auditorium. Everybody in cordially invited.

GREEN STOCKINGS

To be given by the senior class of the Roxboro High School Friday, May 29th, at 8:15, a ralloicking comedy in three acts.

MRS. LOVELL DIES

AT WATTS HOSPITAL Mrs. Ella Mae Lovell, 52, of the Hurdle mill section, died at Watts hospital Sunday afternoon at 12:30 after undergoing an operation a week ago. She went to Durham in ill health the first week in May, and remained at the home of her son, B. C. Lovell, on Alston avenue until entering the hospital.

The deceased is survived by six children: B. C. Lovell, of Durham; G. M. Lovell, of Lake Worth, Fla.; Mrs. Lillian Roberson, of Roxboro; Mrs. Nannie Baker, of Durham; and Miss Mamie Lovell, of Durham. Funeral ceremonies were conducted from the home of Mr. Lovell, 1301 Alston avenue, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. C. S. Noell, assisted by Rev. W. F. Elliott, officiating.