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Session County Welfare Board

New Quarters For Tubercular Patients at County Home Will Soon Be Ready For Occupancy

Quarters for tubercular patients which are now being erected at the county home will shortly be ready for occupancy, according to Mrs. D. J. Thurston, county welfare superintendent in her report of the quarterly session of the county board of welfare which met on Wednesday, October 26, at the home of the chairman, Miss Mattie Pau in this city. By the courtesy of Dr. C. C. Massey, the county health officer, a tentative sketch of the new building was shown. Preston Woodall, of Benson, in discussing this provision for tubercular patients, expressed public sentiment when he commended the county commissioners in taking this forward step for preventing the disease by segregating its victims.

At the meeting Wednesday a full report was given by the superintendent of welfare on Mother's Aid, outside and inside paupers, poor relief, and school attendance. All these reports were accepted, after which the meeting was thrown open for a discussion of problems that confront this board. The first topic considered was provision for the families of prisoners. This was discussed spiritedly and with concrete examples, many helpful suggestions being advanced. Miss Mattie Pau made a motion, which was carried, that the Johnston county board of welfare go on record as favoring and working for the introduction of a bill providing for the families of prisoners by a wage system.

Discussion also centered around the disposition of sub-normal school children, and a motion was put before the body by Dr. B. A. Hocutt, of Clayton, that the board recommend through the press and civic organizations that in the consolidated schools of the county the defectives be grouped in one grade with a teacher who has taken a special course at Caswell Training school. This motion also was carried. It was brought out that this enables the other grades to advance more rapidly and puts the children needing special methods and attention under one who can intelligently direct them. In the consolidated schools there are usually enough of these children to justify a specially trained teacher.

After these discussions the meeting adjourned, all of the members having been urged to attend the all day welfare conference of the central district in Raleigh on November 29. Further notice of this meeting, with the printed program, will appear later.

FIVE COUPLES MARRIED IN THIS CITY SATURDAY

Five couples were married at the courthouse here Saturday afternoon between three and four o'clock, Justice of the Peace D. T. Luncford performing the ceremonies. There were as follows: Miss Lillian Price, of Kenly, to David A. Enson, of Selma, route 1. Miss Geneva Peale, of Selma, route 2, to Millard Capps, also of Selma, route 2. Miss Omie Alford to Robert Lee Martin, both of Zebulon, route 1. Miss Ada Hunter to Cecil Hocutt, both of Wendell, route 1. Miss Annie Belle Lewis, of Wilson, to James Walter Sills also of Wilson.

Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to The Herald office, we will present him with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

(Miss) Alene Williams recognized her name last issue. Today's Tantalizer: beerulce

Third Goodrich Head



In the sixty years of its existence the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co., of Akron has had three Presidents, the third, Harry Hough, (above) succeeding the late Bertman G. Work, and elected last week. For ten years Mr. Hough was Vice-President and Comptroller of the company.

Mr. MacNeill Is In Hospital Here

Newspaper Man Suffers From Injuries Sustained In An Automobile Accident Near Here Thursday Night

The latest report from Ben Dixon MacNeill, who is in the Johnston County Hospital suffering from painful injuries sustained in an automobile accident last Thursday night, states that he is resting comfortably though it will be several days yet before he will be able to be out. The automobile accident occurred Thursday night about ten o'clock near the overhead bridge toward Four Oaks, as Mr. MacNeill was returning to Raleigh from Fort Bragg. His automobile, a Chrysler touring car, is said to have swerved the car of Guy Buell, of Buena Vista, Va.

In the collision the door of the car which had not been securely closed swung open and the crash knocked him through the opening to the pavement. He fell head first, injuring his hands, forehead and scalp. One eye was closed and swollen the following day as a result of the fall. X-ray pictures made of the base of the brain failed to reveal any fracture there as was first feared, but physicians say that Mr. MacNeill suffered such a shock he will have to be quiet for some time.

Mr. Buell was unhurt. It is reported that Mr. MacNeill and Mr. Buell were old acquaintances and had talked to each other over the telephone several hours before they collided on the highway.

Mr. MacNeill is well known in the state being on the staff of the Raleigh News and Observer. Many friends have inquired at the hospital here concerning the condition of the injured newspaperman.

JUDGE BROOKS SPEAKS IN ROCKY MOUNT

Judge F. H. Brooks is always in demand as a speaker. He spoke Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in the Episcopal church in Rocky Mount in the interest of the Near East Relief. In the evening he was at Thanksgiving Baptist church, this county, where he talked on the Centennial campaign now being put forward in that denomination.

FUNERAL OF LITTLE CHILD YELD TUESDAY

The funeral of the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Addie Wiggs, who was run over and instantly killed last week by an automobile at his home near Rains Cross Roads, was held Tuesday afternoon near Fremont. The child instead of being about four years of age, as was stated in our last issue, was only fifteen months old. The sad occurrence cast a gloom over the community.

Revival At Lee's Chapel.

A revival will begin at Lee's Chapel Advent Christian church Monday night, November 7, at 7:30 o'clock. The pastor, Elder B. T. Barbour, will be assisted by Elder N. W. Harrison of Durham. It will continue for two weeks and the public is invited to attend every service.

Rev. L. B. Olive Talks On China

Fifteen Young Peoples Organizations Represented At B. Y. P. U. Convention Held At Pisgah

Rev. L. B. Olive, returned missionary from China, was the outstanding speaker during the morning session of the B. Y. P. U. convention held at Pisgah Baptist church Sunday. In a most interesting address Rev. Mr. Olive told of the conditions existing in that country today, and of how mission work has been interrupted there since the civil war began more than a year ago. He spoke of the distressing needs of the people over there and urged upon his hearers a renewed interest in the work in this field.

Miss Ruth Wilson, of this city, led the devotional service at the opening hour, and five-minute talks were made by the following: Miss Lucile Stanley, on "Aim of a B. Y. P. U.," Talbert Godwin, on "What the B. Y. P. U. Has Meant to Me," Miss Vidah Wood, on "How to Become a Better President," Miss Lucy Rhodes, on "How to Put on a Good Program," and Miss Gladys Harrell, on "The Joy of Being an Intermediate Leader." The Clayton union delighted the congregation with a quartette and the Four Oaks juniors gave an impressive sword drill.

In the afternoon following a short devotional led by Roy Moring, one-minute reports were made by each union and the associational officers made their reports. After an inspiring talk on "A Worthy Program of Work For This Association," by Perry Morgan, of Raleigh, state secretary, the report of the nominating committee was heard and the election of officers took place. A fitting climax to the program was a playlet, put on by the Mount Moriah union.

The services were largely attended throughout the day, about fifteen B. Y. P. U. organizations being represented. A bountiful picnic dinner was spread on the grounds at the noon hour.

LITTLE WALTER HORNE PRIDDY VICTIM ACCIDENT

Friends here were grieved beyond expression to learn of the death of little Walter Horne Priddy, which occurred at his home at Wichita Falls, Texas, Sunday, his death being due to injuries received in an automobile accident.

While details of the sad event are lacking it seems that the little fellow was skating on the streets of the city and ran into an automobile receiving injuries about the head. He was taken to a hospital and underwent an operation, and it was thought at first that his injuries were not serious, but later developments brought on complications and he died on Monday morning. He was hurt Saturday.

Little Walter Horne was twelve years old, his birthday falling on the Sunday just before his death. He was the oldest son of Walter Priddy and Swannona Horne. He was a most lovable lad, gentlemanly and strong and every inch a boy. He had visited in Clayton almost ever summer since his birth, and many here remember him with happiest thoughts.

His grandmother, Mrs. Carey J. Hunter, and aunt Mrs. C. W. Carter, left Monday immediately after learning of his death but did not arrive in Wichita Falls in time for the funeral which was held on Tuesday afternoon.

The sympathy of this entire community goes out to the family in their sad bereavement.—Clayton News.

WORTH BOYETT IS AMONG HONOR GROUP

Worth Boyett, a junior at Duke University, Durham, is one of the nine men elected for their high scholastic standing during two semesters, as members of the 9019 scholarship fraternity. Worth made a record in high school here, winning the Edwin Smith Pou medal for the highest average over the periods of four years.

The 9019 fraternity was established at Trinity College in 1890. The order has gained a state-wide reputation for its sponsoring of high school declamation.

Referee Court Starts To Work

Ed. F. Ward Is Appointed By Judge Grady To Dispose of Number of Appeal Cases

Ed. F. Ward, appointed by Judge Henry A. Grady to dispose of cases that have been appealed from time to time in the Recorder's court and in courts of justices of the peace, convened the first session of his referee court here yesterday morning. These cases have accumulated until the civil Superior court docket was always too crowded to finish the calendar, and Judge Grady started this move to bring them to trial when he held court here some weeks ago.

This court will sit each Monday, Thursday and Friday until the calendar is completed. Fifty-five cases are listed for trial.

Program Ready For Celebration

Ex-Service Men of Johnston County To Be Given Annual Barbecue Dinner on Nov. 11 at Benson

D. Carlton Stephenson, commander of post 132 American Legion, Johnston county, calls the attention of the public to the fact that the people of Johnston county will give their annual barbecue dinner on November 11 this year at Benson. Commander Stephenson requests all ex-service men to be in Benson in time to register and get mess kits before ten o'clock. Registration headquarters open at eight in the morning at North State hotel. All ex-service men are also requested to fall in the parade which will form at the Benson Baptist church at ten a. m.

The program for the Armistice Day celebration at Benson is as follows:

- 8:00 A. M. Registration headquarters will open at North State hotel.
- 10:00 A. M. Parade will form at Baptist church.
- 11:00 A. M. Ceremonial by American Legion at Exposition grounds.
- 11:30 A. M. Patriotic Address by Dennis G. Brummitt, Attorney-General of North Carolina.
- 12:30 P. M. Barbecue Dinner. Johnston county's tribute to all ex-soldiers of all wars.
- 2:30 P. M. Football game.
- 4:00 P. M. Basketball game.
- 7:30 P. M. Fiddler's convention, at high school auditorium.

HEARING IN MURDER CASE IS POSTPONED

Owing to some newly discovered and important evidence that is said to be satisfactorily developing, the continued coroner's hearing in the murder case of J. M. Royal has been postponed indefinitely. The hearing was to have resumed yesterday afternoon. The car of Claude Barber which is figuring in the affair, has been taken to Raleigh and placed in the penitentiary for safekeeping.

REV. J. E. HOLDEN DEAD

Kenly, Oct. 31.—Friends here of Rev. J. E. Holden, former pastor of the Methodist church here, were saddened to learn of his death, Wednesday morning at his home in Morehead City. Rev. Mr. Holden was pastor here for four years, and was loved by everybody. The church here is called Holden Memorial church, in his honor.

CAR HITS CHARLIE LEE

Charlie Lee, father of the little boy who was fatally injured a few weeks ago when an automobile struck him on highway number 10 near his home, was also knocked down by an automobile Saturday night about 8:30 o'clock, about a hundred and fifty yards from the spot where his boy was hurt. Mr. Lee was hit by Dr. C. C. Henderson of Mount Olive. His wounds, however, are not serious, and he was able to leave the hospital after having medical attention.

When a public speaker pauses for a reply it breaks him all up if he gets it.

Sorry Ending Of Romantic Venture

Bridegroom Lands In Jail While Youthful Bride Returns Home With Parents

German Hardison, a white man of Banner township, was lodged in jail here yesterday morning in default of bail, he being under arrest on a warrant charging the abduction of one Sarah Lee, also of Banner township, and under the age of fourteen years. All of this came as a termination of a very romantic escapade between Hardison and the girl when they went to South Carolina on last Sunday and took unto themselves one of those hot-shot marriages for which that state is so famous. Hardison made no statement before he was incarcerated in the county jail, but the young bride cried a little and said she loved German and thought they would be happy together if allowed to settle down. She was returned to her home by immediate members of her family.

One, Minson McLamb, of Harnett county, is also charged in the warrant, with aiding and abetting in the abduction, and his arrest was ordered from the clerk's office upon the arrest of Hardison.

SMITHFIELD WELCOMES NEW ENTERPRISE

J. Y. Weaver and A. L. Crutchfield of Raleigh have opened up an up-to-date garage here on East Market street, in the building formerly occupied by the Spear Motor company. The style of this new firm is the Smithfield Garage and Machine company. This garage is equipped for doing all kinds of repair work on saw mills, boilers, and gas and oil engines as well as on automobiles.

Mr. Weaver, who will have charge of the mechanical department, has had twenty-five years' experience as a machinist. For the past several years he has held a position with the Raleigh Iron Works. Mr. Weaver expects to move his family here within the next few weeks.

Mr. Crutchfield will have charge of the office and accessory department. Mr. Crutchfield formerly lived here, being manager of the local A&P Grocery store here at that time. He has moved his family here and has an apartment in Mrs. A. S. Johnston's home.

This new garage which was opened yesterday, will carry in stock Texaco gas and oils, also parts for all makes of cars. General repair work for automobiles will be a specialty. The proprietors of this firm will appreciate the patronage of the public.

CARTER-MASSEY CLUB TO HAVE CAKE CONTEST

At a meeting of the Carter-Massey home demonstration club held at the Massey school house Friday, it was decided to hold a cake contest on Tuesday evening, November 22, the proceeds to be used for fitting up the old Massey school building as a club room and community center.

The school has been consolidated with Princeton, and the building is now available as a community center, and the ladies are losing no time in making it over into an attractive place as possible. An all day meeting with a delicious dinner served on the grounds was the first step in this direction, plans being laid at this time for certain improvements to be made.

The cake contest will be conducted according to the rules of the Snowdrift company which gives the prizes. The cakes must be made with Snowdrift, and a certificate or slip shown from the grocer that Snowdrift has been purchased. The first prize is five dollars, the second, three dollars, and the third, one dollar. Two mayonnaise sets will be given as fourth and fifth prizes. The Carter-Massey club proposes after the cakes have been judged to sell them at auction the proceeds to be used for the club room. An interesting program is being planned.

Present at the meeting Friday were Rev. D. E. Earnhardt and Mrs. T. J. Lassiter. After a demonstration in the use of Duco for decorative purposes by Miss Garrison, Mr. Earnhardt made a short talk on the value of a community spirit.

Annual Report Local Baptists

Contributions Total Approximately \$5,400; Total Membership Now 379; Association Starts To-day

The Smithfield Baptist church at the close of the service last Sunday morning heard the reading of the annual report to the Johnston association, which meets today at Selma. The report showed an encouraging year's work. There had been 51 additions to the church, 21 of them by baptism, the present membership as reported being 379. Contributions for the year were about \$3,800 for local expenses, and \$1,600 for benevolences, a total of approximately \$5,400. A senior and an intermediate B. Y. P. U. were reported in a flourishing condition, as were five departments of the Woman's Missionary Union. The Sunday school reported a membership of 334, with an average attendance of 180, and total contributions of \$570.86.

Delegates elected to attend the associational meeting at Selma are B. J. Holleman, M. A. Wallace, L. T. Royall, and Mesdames J. M. Beatty, B. J. Holleman, M. A. Wallace, O. C. Cawley and Miss Lallah Rookh Stephenson.

The leading numbers on the program today include an address at 10:40 by a returned missionary from Africa, Mr. J. C. Powell; the introductory sermon at 11:45 by Dr. I. E. D. Andrews, of Clayton, and an address at 3:15 by Dr. F. P. Gaines, President of Wake Forest College. Tomorrow the leading attractions are the address of Dr. B. W. Spilman at 10:45, "Lights and Shadows in Kingdom Building"; an address by Dr. C. E. Mardry at 11:20, and the missionary sermon at 12 by Rev. J. E. Kirk, of Benson. One of the most interesting features is reserved for the last hour of the session, when Moderator R. H. Gower, who has served in this capacity for the 25 years of the history of the body, will speak on the 25 years of the history of the association, which will be followed by an anniversary address by Dr. Livingstone Johnson, editor of the Biblical Recorder.

CARSON THORNTON IN JAIL; CHARGE OF ABANDONMENT

Carson Thornton, a white man of Four Oaks, who deserted his wife and family there in the early part of the summer, was arrested in Greensboro last Friday and, on the following day, was brought to Smithfield and lodged in jail in default of a \$1,000 appearance bond for his appearance before the Recorder of Johnston county today, November 1.

The warrant charges abandonment, but it seems that his absence from the county has been a carnival of high crimes and the outlook now indicates that he will ultimately go into the Superior court on graver charges.

There is a woman in the case, but nothing definite has been learned bearing upon her responsibility in the case. It is stated that she is now in jail in Greensboro, and will be returned to this city immediately.

FORMER MEMBER CABINET TO VISIT IN THIS STATE

Mr. Hugh A. Page, manager of the Page Insurance agency at Clayton, and Mr. R. L. Isaacs of Raleigh, have been notified by Mr. George K. Sargent, 2nd vice-president of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York that Mr. David Franklin Houston, former secretary of agriculture of President Wilson's cabinet, now president of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York, will visit this state November 1, 2 and 3.

J. H. COLTRAIN DEAD

J. H. Coltrain passed away at his home near Smithfield last Monday morning at about two o'clock following a long illness of two years or more. He was in his 71st year. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at Nahunta Quaker church in Wayne county, the service being conducted by Rev. J. H. Whitley of Kenly. The deceased leaves a wife and seven children, as follows: Mrs. E. L. Snipes of this city, C. F. G. H. Coltrain, Nettie Alma, Wade, James and Marvin Coltrain who live near town.

The "Average" Man



Roy L. Gray, Ft. Madison Ia., has been termed America's "average" citizen. The American Magazine, after careful survey, gives the title to Gray because he earns an average income; conducts a one-man tailor shop and clothing store in the average small sized town; belongs to church—but doesn't attend regularly; has an average education; and his principal interests are in his family of wife and two children—and his business.

Asks Stores To Close On Nov. 11

Mayor J. D. Underwood Issues Proclamation Asking Citizens To Observe Armistice Day

Nine years ago the United States of America entered into a compact with other sovereigns of the world to end war. At the present time America is at peace with the sovereigns of God's kingdom. On the eleventh of November since that memorable day in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen the nations of the world have officially recognized November 11 of every calendar year as Armistice Day, the day of peace, the ceasing of hostilities; the day when America's young manhood should cease being placed upon the altar of sacrifice for machine gun and shrapnel, gas and hand grenade, machine gun and cannon, and countless other weapons of war; the day when every American heart should rejoice reverently that our own America is safe, a day when each and every American should turn with thankful hearts to the young manhood and womanhood of this country who participated in that horrible conflict and pay them as heroes of the world's greatest war the recognition and acclaim that is so justly theirs and to these dear heroes who so gallantly gave their lives that the rest of the world might endure a reverent prayer unto Almighty God that they have not died in vain;

Now, therefore, I, J. D. Underwood mayor of the city of Smithfield do hereby proclaim and set apart, Friday, November 11, as Armistice Day, and I do further call upon our people of Smithfield and vicinity to regard and honor the day by closing their respective places of business and joining in with the citizens of Johnston county by participating in Johnston county's annual tribute to the ex-service men of our county in celebration of Armistice day.

Done in the city of Smithfield, N. C., on this 1st day of November, 1927, in the year of our Lord in the one hundred and fifty-second year of our American Independence.

J. D. UNDERWOOD, Mayor.

By the Mayor: W. L. FULLER, City Clerk.

METHODIST LADIES TO CONDUCT CAKE CONTEST

The ladies of the Methodist missionary society will hold a cake contest on Thursday, November 10. The contest is under the direction of the Southern Cotton Oil company and each cake must be made with Snowdrift, a slip from the grocer showing that a can of Snowdrift has been bought being one of the requirements. Nine dollars in cash will be given as prizes. The cakes will be donated for the Armistice Day celebration at Benson on the eleventh. Those who will contribute a cake in this contest are requested to notify Mrs. The Hooks, president of the Methodist auxiliary.

AUNT ROXIE SAYS—

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Clayton Forms A Musical Club

Object of Organization: Study, Performance, Sociability; Mrs. Charles Gulley Is President

CLAYTON, Oct. 28.—Since Clayton is one of the most musical towns in the state, it is surprising that a music club has been non-existent until recently. Doubtless, however, it has been the very fact that appreciation of music is so general that has seemed to depreciate the need of such an organization.

In the past few weeks, the outstanding musicians of the town have united their talents and energies to the high purpose of sincere musical study and expression through an organization to be known as the Musicians Club of Clayton. The object of the club will be three-fold: study, performance and sociability. The subject of present study is the light opera, Martha, by Flotow; excerpts from which will be given publicly from time to time, through the Woman's club.

The initial meeting of the club was held at the home of Mrs. Warren McCullers, at which time officers were elected and plans of organization adopted. At the close of the meeting the hostess served dainty refreshments.

The first official meeting was held Friday evening, October 21, with Mrs. Charles Gulley, president, as hostess. After a most interesting business session, the musicians adjourned to give place to a most enjoyable social hour. The hostess assisted by Misses Baxley, Baker, Foy and Davis served delicious candle salad, saltines and coffee.

It is the sincere wish of each musician that through their united efforts they may not only add to their own fund of knowledge and pleasure, but through their combined energies their capacity for serving the community will be increased.

The officers and members of the Musicians' Club are as follows: President, Mrs. Chas. Gulley. Vice-president, Mrs. C. M. Thomas. Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Sam White. Librarian, Mrs. Harry Brooks. Press Reporter, Miss Florence H. Winstead.

Mesdames Warren Talton, C. H. Beddingfield, John McCullers, Robbie Sanders, J. J. Young, Miss Bessie Lee Poole and Messrs. Norville Bryan and Van Stringfield.

DR. MCBRAYER TO BE HERE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Dr. L. B. McBrayer, tuberculosis specialist, who has been connected with the State Sanatorium, will deliver an address on "Tuberculosis" at the Methodist church Wednesday evening. All the prayer meetings of the town have given way their services for this occasion, and a large crowd is anticipated. Dr. McBrayer comes to Smithfield under the auspices of the Woman's club.

Dr. McBrayer, who is secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Medical Society, is among the best authorities in the state and in the south on the subject of tuberculosis. He is also one of the most fluent speakers to be had on the subject. Those hearing Dr. McBrayer are always highly pleased with his style and are greatly benefited by the information he gives. The public is cordially invited to hear him.



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