

MR. MARCELLUS STUBBS DIED THIS MORNING

Was One Of Williams- ton's Oldest and Best Citizens

Mr. Marcellus Stubbs, one of Williamston's oldest citizens, died this morning at his home on Houghton street after a short illness of a complication of diseases followed by pneumonia which attacked him yesterday. He was born November fourth, 1852 and would have been seventy-two years old November of this year.

Mr. Stubbs was the son of Amariah and Frances Stubbs and was born in Beaufort county, near Pine town where he lived on the farm with his parents until he was married to Miss Elizabeth Stubbs in 1871. They moved to Jamesville and lived there until her death November 1885. They had five children, all of whom survive their father. They are: D. Leon Stubbs of Aurora, W. E. Stubbs, of Wilson; Walter Stubbs of Richmond; Mrs. G. W. Sprague, of Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. J. J. Gardner, of Martin County.

About twenty years ago Mr. Stubbs came to Williamston and married Miss Maggie Hodges, and to this union were born three children. Miss Derah and Jesse Stubbs with their mother survive him.

Mr. Stubbs was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church for fifty years, being affiliated with the church at Jamesville where he served as deacon for many years. He was a man of quiet demeanor and lived at peace with his fellow man and was a highly respected citizen of this county.

The funeral arrangements have not been fully completed at this time, but interment will take place tomorrow in the cemetery at Skewahatch, Elder: Sylvester Hassell will conduct the services at both the home and the grave.

PLANS FOR SHORT COURSE WORK UNDERWAY

"If all the farmers of the State who grew corn, cotton, tobacco, wheat and sweet potatoes last year had done as well as the two thousand or more farmers who attended short courses at the vocational agricultural high schools, they would have increased their income by nearly one hundred and three millions of dollars," says Roy H. Thomas, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, in announcing the plans for the work of the agricultural high schools this winter. The farmers of the State spend over two hundred and twenty million dollars yearly for imported foods and feeds and this possible increase of all the farmers on the five crops mentioned would have cut down this bill by nearly one half, Mr. Thomas stated.

Last year over two thousand farmers in sixty communities stopped their work long enough to attend short courses at their agricultural high schools in order to learn better methods of growing these crops. That the courses were well worth while is shown by the increased income of this group of farmers as compared with what the farmers of the State as a whole did. The short course farmers made 105 pounds of cotton, 71 pounds of tobacco and 108 bushels more of potatoes to the acre than did the farmers as a whole.

Plans for the short course work this year are already under way in the ninety two communities served by the agricultural high schools. During the months of January, February and March the farmers in these communities will attend from ten to fifty lessons to learn how to improve their various farming operations. The courses will be given by the local teachers of agriculture assisted by men from the State Extension Division.

BASKET PARTY AT MACEDONIA

There will be a basket party at Macedonia on Saturday night, February 9th.

The proceeds will be used in helping to purchase a piano for the church. Everybody cordially invited to attend and are urged to bring their friends.

Mr. Godwin Dunning, of Aulander, is here visiting his brother, Mr. A. R. Dunning.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Orleans, Messrs. Frank and Irving Margolis spent Sunday in Tarboro.

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POPULAR COUPLE MARRIED HERE LAST FRIDAY

Wedding Proved To Be A Surprise To Their Many Friends

Mr. A. Bennett Rogerson and Miss Flora O. Hampton were quietly married last Friday evening at six o'clock at the home of Rev. A. J. Manning in New Town by Mr. Manning, pastor of the Christian church. Only a few intimate friends of Mr. and Mrs. Rogerson were present, their marriage being a surprise to their many friends in Martin and Buncombe county, the home of the bride.

Mrs. Rogerson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hampton and she is originally from Democrat, North Carolina, but she has been teaching for the past two years in the schools of Bear Grass. She is very popular with all whom she is known, and Bear Grass and community will welcome her in their midst.

Mr. Rogerson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rogerson and is the senior member of the firm of A. B. Rogerson and Brother, successful merchants of Bear Grass.

Mr. Rogerson served his country in the late war, serving several months in France. He is a young man of fine qualities and has many friends in his home town and also in Williamston, where he worked several years ago.

MR. FRANK BOWEN DIES OF BRIGHTS DISEASE FRIDAY

Mr. B. Frank Bowen, of Bear Grass, died Friday night after an illness of only two days with Brights disease.

Mr. Bowen was 68 years of age and had been a farmer all his life, but for the past several years he was unable to do much active manual labor. He leaves a widow, one son, B. F. Bowen, Jr., and one daughter, Mrs. A. C. Harrison.

He was buried Sunday afternoon in the presence of a large number of neighbors and friends at his old residence, two miles from Bear Grass.

The funeral was conducted by A. J. Manning.

LOCAL ITEMS OF BEAVER DAM

Mr. G. B. Simpson and son, Thomas, spent the week end in Elizabeth City with relatives.

Messrs. A. L. Raynor, John Cullifer and Milton Perry motored to Bear Grass Friday evening.

Mr. Dave Thompson spent Saturday night with Mr. Dennis Simpson.

Mrs. G. W. Hardison of Williamston was the guest of Mrs. W. H. Rogers Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. Sam Meeks and Dennis Simpson motored to Williamston Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Lester Rogers attended church in Williamston Sunday morning.

Mrs. W. A. Burroughs and Mrs. Sylvester Raynor spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. J. H. Rogers.

Mr. William Cullifer spent Saturday night with Mr. Roscoe Peel.

Messrs. John Cullifer and Ira Peel went to Williamston Sunday afternoon with Miss Jessie Peel.

BORN

to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Griffin, as son, Tuesday, January 29, 1924.

Messrs. W. C. Manning, J. G. Godard, Sr. and Mr. J. G. Godard, Jr. attended a meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Jamesville this morning.

Mr. Milton Norman, Field Secretary of the Tobacco Growers Association, will make Williamston his headquarters in the future. Mr. Norman is originally from Halifax nd has spent some time here during last year and Williamston people will be glad to know that he will make this his home again.

Mr. Charles Roberson, of Portsmouth spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Roberson in New Town.

Mr. Roland H. Roberson, of Suffolk visited his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roberson for the week end.

Messrs. Plenny Peel and Crish Griffin of Griffins were in town yesterday.

When it comes to darning windows The Monticello has a man who knows peoples' appetites.

RECEPTION IN HONOR OF MR. AND MRS. JOYNER

Reception Under Super- vision of Baptist Choir

The Memorial Baptist Church will entertain with a brilliant reception in honor of Reverend and Mrs. A. V. Joyner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Jr. on Wednesday evening from nine until eleven o'clock.

The living room, the music room and dining rooms will all be opened en suite and will be tastefully decorated for the occasion with cut flowers against a background of green plants. The affair is under the supervision of the choir of the church and the members will assist in the entertaining.

The receiving line will include, besides the guests of honor, pastors of the various churches of the town and their wives, Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Warner, Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Dood and Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Manning.

There are no cards sent but the town is cordially invited to attend. Mr. Joyner has during his pastorate here made many friends who will regret to see him leave and they will be given this opportunity to bid him adieu. Mrs. Joyner, who is a member of the high school faculty, with her family will remain here until the end of the present school year.

WILLIAMSTON TO PLAY WILSON Y TONIGHT

The Wilson Y will play the local town basketball team tonight at the Dixie Warehouse. The Wilson Y has the reputation of being one of the strongest teams in the state and nothing other but a good game is expected. The local boys will sure need your support, so don't fail to turn out and root like you never rooted before.

The line up for the Williamston team will be Wolfe, center; Orleans, forward; Hassell, forward; Taylor and Margolis, guards.

BEAR GRASS NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunstan, of Williamston were in town Wednesday.

Due to unfavorable weather the basketball game to have been played Friday has been postponed until tomorrow.

The local team will meet the Griffin's school team on the local court next Friday at 2:30 p. m. The games are free to all.

Mrs. C. T. Roebuck returned from Mackeys Wednesday where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Pritchard for a few days.

A number of boys from in and near town attended the Williamston-Hertford basketball game Thursday evening at Williamston.

Messrs. Calvin Ayers and Ira Rogers motored to Greenville Thursday.

Messrs. Floyd Cowen and Gilbert Rogers went to Washington Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ayers motored to Washington Monday where they visited Mr. M. D. Ayers who is ill in the hospital there.

Elder John Rogers has moved in the house formerly occupied by Dr. C. T. Roebuck.

Mr. W. C. Ellis motored to Washington Friday on business.

Messrs. Thad Roberson and Dock Whitaker attended court at Kinston Thursday.

Messrs. G. R. Taylor, Javin Rogers, Walter Bailey and Dock Whitaker went duck hunting Tuesday.

A most popular member of the Bear Grass School faculty, Miss Rosamond Bennett, a successful merchant of Bear Grass, on Friday evening, Jan. 25. Their many friends wish them much happiness.

Rev. E. D. Dodd left this morning for Fuqua Springs, N. C. to be with his father who is spending the winter there and now very ill.

In the absence of the pastor who is out of town for a few days, Professor Davis will conduct the mid-week prayer service at the Methodist Church.

Mrs. John Spano spent Saturday morning in Tarboro.

Miss Callie Hall returned this morning to her home in Aulander after visiting relatives here for several days.

Mr. Harold Everett left this morning for Norfolk where he will receive medical attention.

The local high school pupils are suffering their monthly quizes.

TEACHERS OF THE COUNTY HELD MEETING HERE

Next Meeting To Be Held Last Of February

The general session of the Martin County teachers was held in the Williamston school auditorium on January 26, 1924.

After the opening song, "America," Supt. R. A. Pope read the "Parable of the Sower," recorded in the thirteenth chapter of St. Matthew. His application of this selection was very appropriate. He stated that the call of teachers is that of the sower, and that this call accepted becomes a duty. The seeds must be sown in a far broader sense than is sometimes thought. The briarpatches, typical of those perhaps hardest to reach and most needful of being reached, are often times neglected to some extent. We must take care that we sow in the broadest way and thus broaden our sympathies for the weaker ones. After these remarks he offered a short prayer, and with the singing of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" the devotional exercise came to a close.

The business period was necessarily shortened as Mr. R. J. Peel, who was asked to talk to the teachers, was not able to be present.

Mr. Pope, after a few words of appreciation for the attendance and support of the teachers, reviewed briefly some of the important facts concerning the "Visit Blank" which was presented at the previous meeting. Copies of these were given to the Group Leaders to distribute to the members of their respective groups.

Other topics that received cursory but urgent attention by Mr. Pope were the Age-Grade charts; vouchers; weekly and monthly reports; compulsory attendance; and prevention of the spread of diseases. He insisted that teachers send their Age-Grade charts in as soon as possible, notice carefully the directions given on their vouchers and comply with the same, and carefully make out the weekly and monthly reports for the office file. He insisted that teachers use tact in effecting a good attendance. This can usually be obtained by visiting the home. The Compulsory attendance measure is to be used as a last resort. Teachers cannot be too persistent in detecting and preventing the spread of contagious diseases. It is his opinion that a careful teacher, if such there can be, is far better than the neglectful type.

The secretary then read Mr. Jule B. Warren's letter relative to the selection of delegates to represent the Local Unit at the State Meeting that will be held in Raleigh, March 12-14. A discussion followed, and it was thought best to postpone the election of delegates until the February meeting. Yet, Mr. Pope authorized the secretary to write Mr. Warren and ask him what major issues would be discussed at the State Meeting. His reply will determine what kind of resolution will be practical for the Martin County teachers to submit for consideration.

Immediately after the general session, the various groups met in the classrooms and separately adjourned when their meetings were closed.

R. A. POPE, President.

EVA IRENE PEEL, Sec.

COLORED WOMAN DROWNS IN DITCH. AT PARMELE

Thought To Be The Re- sult of Fainting Spell

Sunday afternoon, Pritilla Jones, a colored woman of Parmele, fell in a ditch and drowned. She was seen about ten minutes before, going her way, but parties passing the ditch about ten minutes after she was seen found her in the ditch. Upon examining her they found life extinct.

She was a respectable colored woman, about 30 years old. It is supposed that she had some kind of giddy or fainting spell as she had had such spells at some previous times, and fell in the ditch face downward and drowned before she was able to recover herself. There was not much depth to the water in the ditch at the place she drowned.

PHILATHEAS OF BAPTIST CHURCH TO MEET

The Philathea of the Memorial Baptist Church will meet with Miss Margaret Everett at her home: West Main street, Friday evening at 7:45. All members are urgently requested to attend.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT HOLD MEETING.

One Lone Farmer In At- tendance At Meeting Here

The State Department of Agriculture at Raleigh is holding a series of county meetings in the cotton growing counties of the state for the purpose of giving to the farmers the experiences of those who have had experience with the boll weevil.

The meeting had been published giving Martin County one on January 25. The Board of County Commissioners had ordered the meeting advertised, but nothing had been done about it and when the party consisting of three good men reached the court house they met one Martin county farmer as their audience. The speaker was a bit humiliated, yet they were quite willing to help the one farmer, who felt he needed to know how to try to produce cotton under boll weevil conditions. Mr. C. A. Whittle of Atlanta represented the Southern Soil Improvement Commission, touching the soils and fertility. Mr. G. A. Garron from the North Carolina State College handled the subject of cultural methods and selection of seed.

Mr. W. B. Mabree, of the State Department of Agriculture, spoke on the subject of poisons and poisoning the weevil.

The conclusions derived from the information given would lead a wise man to look with much alarm at the subject of cotton raising and would put him on guard to make the strongest possible defense against the ravages of the destructive weevil. It is quite apparent that our people will have to be convinced by the actual destruction of a crop before they will pay much attention to anybody, or to anything anyone says. But the State feels it to be its first duty to enlighten its subjects, which is its greatest way to help. So it says, quick nature, well drained land is safest; that practically all fertilizers should be put down before planting and should be a quick growing, early maturing kind of fertilizer. If any top dressing is used it should be about chopping time.

The department recommends early cotton. It finds the Cleveland worm make big holes and the Mexican boll the two best types for this territory. Planting should be just as early as is safe from frost, the seed should be planted shallow in the ground and the row should be higher than farmers of this territory usually plant. This will insure both early growth and early maturity. The rows should be spaced wider than usual, but the cotton should be left much thicker than the rows than the custom of farmers in this section are.

When the squares begin to form they should be watched and when as many as 10 per cent are found to be pinched.

MY DADDY

When the fight settles down in the West,
And the work of the day has been done;
Then my Daddy sits down for a rest
And he seems not to want any fun.
My Daddy just sits by the fire,
With his spectacles hung on his nose,
And he don't seem to have a desire
But to sit by the chimney and doze.

'Tis the twilight of life with him now,
Tho he seems to be hearty and strong;
But some wrinkles appear on his brow
And a croak has got into his song.
So he dreams of the joy that's departed,
Of the tales of the years that are told;
And confesses the half broken hearted,
That somehow he is growing old.

And he sits by the fire and dozes,
And dreams of the days that are past;
May the vision of life as it closes,
Bring peace to my Daddy at last.
—J. E. WARNER.

TOBACCO GROWERS ASSO- CIATION TO MEET AT COURT HOUSE SATURDAY THE 2ND

The monthly meeting of the Tobacco Growers Association will meet at the court house Saturday, February 2, at 2 p. m.

Members of all other marketing associations are requested to attend this meeting.

BORN

to Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Perry, a son, Saturday, February 26, 1924.

COST OF OUR STATE GOVERNMENTS

Per Inhabitant In The United States In 1922

Per inhabitant in the U. S. in 1922cmf
Based on Bureau of the Census reports covering the Financial Statistics of State Governments.

In Nevada the cost of running the state government amounted to \$41.46 per inhabitant. Arkansas comes last with a cost of only \$3.90 per inhabitant.

For North Carolina the entire state government cost \$9.58 per inhabitant, and we tie Nebraska for 33rd place. This includes our investment in roads and the total expenditures on education during the year 1922.

Rank	State	Government cost per Inhabitant
1	Nevada	1917 1922
2	Oregon	17.85* 41.46
3	South Dakota	5.82 35.31
4	Delaware	8.05* 27.92
5	Wyoming	6.37 24.89
6	Michigan	10.34 24.27
7	Arizona	7.09 24.07
8	Utah	13.02* 22.74
9	California	10.69 19.08
10	North Dakota	10.44* 19.02
11	New Mexico	7.63* 17.99
12	Minnesota	8.17 17.78
13	Maine	8.63 17.06
14	New Jersey	10.08* 16.91
15	Colorado	7.08* 16.91
16	Vermont	6.36 16.69
17	Washington	10.17* 15.97
18	Montana	8.56 15.80
19	Connecticut	8.39 15.99
20	New York	8.21* 13.97
21	Iowa	8.39* 13.37
22	Wisconsin	4.86* 13.27
23	Missouri	6.48* 12.92
24	Maryland	3.85 12.50
25	Rhode Island	7.93 12.06
26	New Hampshire	7.27 11.84
27	Idaho	6.35 11.65
28	Ohio	7.03 11.61
29	Florida	3.69* 11.35
30	Massachusetts	4.00 11.18
31	Virginia	8.60 10.81
32	Pennsylvania	4.46 10.62
33	North Carolina	3.66 9.89
34	Nebraska	2.19* 9.58
35	Texas	4.77 9.58
36	West Virginia	5.00 9.48
37	Indiana	2.85* 8.39
38	Mississippi	4.43 8.10
39	Illinois	3.06 7.85
40	Kentucky	4.08* 7.83
41	Oklahoma	4.55* 7.71
42	Alabama	4.61* 7.17
43	Kansas	3.47 7.02
44	Tennessee	4.43* 6.46
45	Louisiana	3.12 6.39
46	Georgia	4.13 5.76
47	South Carolina	2.69 5.34
48	Arkansas	2.16 4.08
		5.66* 3.90

HONOR ROLL FOR BEAR GRASS SCHOOL

First grade: Ruth Hazel Rogers, Theresa Rogers, Worth Mobley, G. Peele Jr., Shade Rogers, Spencer Rogers, J. C. Rawls.

Second grade: Ralph Mobley, Raymond Gurganus, J. B. Rogers, Ruth Roebuck.

Third grade: Taylor Malone, Leon Hall Rawls, Rogers Wilson, John B. Whitchard.

Fourth grade: Norman Bailey, Frances Peele, Mildred Ayers, Zelma Roebuck, Sallie Roebuck.

Fifth grade: Daisy Cowan, Betty Lassiter, Nossie Lee Taylor, Varn Green Rogers, Fannie Gurganus.

Sixth grade: Claude Pauls.

Seventh grade: Euzelia Harris, Hibbreth Mobley, Garland Whitley, Beulah Cowan, Essie Mae Taylor, M. Clyde Rogers, eighth grade.

Ninth grade: Hubert Harris.

MRS. LELA CHAPMAN,
Principal.

The following guests are registered at the Britt Hotel:

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Rogerson, Bear Grass; Floy Petrie, N. C.; Olive Pearce, N. C.; Myrtle Wilkins, N. C.; Frances Summerlyke, N. C.; H. B. Onion, Windsor, N. C.; C. M. White, Washington, N. C. E. B. Howard, St. Pauls; D. C. McEachem, St. Pauls; David G. Gaskins, Rocky Mount; H. Robinson, Norfolk; C. R. Spruill, Washington; A. Harrison, Norfolk; D. E. Dillon, Norfolk; F. E. Rosenby, Norfolk; T. E. Lyon, Richmond; W. E. Cackey, Richmond.

TAXPAYERS TO BE ASSIST- ED IN FILING FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURNS

Representatives of the United States Internal Revenue Department will be here to assist taxpayers in filing their Federal Income Tax Returns on Tuesday, February 12.

The representatives will be in Robersonville on Wednesday the 13th of February.

RURAL ROUTE NUMBER ONE TO BE EXTENDED

Orange Effective The First Of Next Month

It will be pleasing to the many people of the section to be covered by the extension of rural route number one to know that it will be effective the first of next month.

The new part will begin at the Bob Lee Perry crossroad at highway, and at this point the route will be extended east to R. H. Harris' corner .80 mile, southeast to Asa Griffin's corner 1.65 miles, retruce to R. H. Harris' corner 1.65 miles, northwest to R. L. Perry's corner .75 mile, south to Biscoe Rogers' corner .45 mile rejoining the present route. The total extension will be 5.30 miles.

The Postmaster desires every person patronizing this change to have a mail box on the right hand side of road driven by carrier, and to have same painted white with their name stencilled on it.

JESSE T. PRICE,
Postmaster.

INDUSTRIAL RE- VIEW OF THE OLD NORTH STATE

Bright Prospects For The New Year

The New Year shows bright prospects for continued industrial prosperity which means steady employment and distribution of wages. One of the most hopeful signs for better world conditions is the work now being done by the international committee appointed by the Reparations Commission to determine Germany's capacity to pay her war debts.

Fort Barrow—Central highway between this city and Jasper to be hard-surfaced.

Aboskie—New Farmers-Atlantic Bank building completed at cost