

S. S. Sandlin Passes At 81

Samuel Spearman Sandlin, 81, died at his home near Beaufort Thursday afternoon of last week after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted from the Hallsville Baptist church at 3:30 p.m. Friday with his pastor, Rev. A. L. Brown, and Rev. N. E. Gresham officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery.

HATTIE GAVIN

CONTINUED FROM FRONT dead woman on her death bed was not admitted in court so the case died a natural death. Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington, and not Judge J. Paul Frizzelle of Snow Hill who tried the case, passed sentence on Hattie on three different charges of abortion. On the first she was given 2 to 6 years in the state penitentiary; on the second conviction she was given 2 to 6 years to run currently with the first; on the third she was given 2 to 6 years to run at the expiration of the first two sentences. Hattie was whisked away to the Woman's prison and Duplin folks, negroes as well as whites, sighed with relief that the county was at last rid of Hattie Gavin.

Last week the folks of Warsaw looked out one day and saw Hattie walking free down the streets towards Judge Henry Stevens' home. Reports were rife, how did Hattie get out, what has happened, is there no way to stop Hattie? The Times decided to look into the matter and this week went to Raleigh to see what could be learned. It was learned that Walker Stevens, attorney for Hattie Gavin and brother of Judge Henry Stevens, had appeared before Dr. T. C. Johnson, parole commissioner, in a plea for Hattie's freedom. He told Dr. Johnson that his mother, who lives with Judge Stevens, was old and in bad health, that she needed someone with her nearly all the time and that Hattie has been a family servant for many years and knew Mrs. Stevens' condition and was probably the best person they could find to wait on her.

Walker's visit to Dr. Johnson was followed by a letter from Judge Stevens to Dr. Johnson in which he enclosed a copy of a letter to Hattie offering her a job to wait on his mother and help cook in his house at \$10 per week if she could get released. Hattie agreed to his offer. Judge Stevens' letter pointed out, in effect, to Dr. Johnson that conditions were almost desperate with him as his mother's condition was requiring him to drive home each night after court to see to her welfare and that Hattie was the one person who could take care of his mother in a way that he would be satisfied.

Judge John Burney of Wilmington who sentenced Hattie wrote Dr. Johnson on behalf of Hattie stating that "her reputation, other than performing abortions, was good and she has been an excellent servant and help to many good families in Warsaw." Judge Burney recommended that her prison sentence be "commuted to the time already served." (From the tone of the letter one could deduct that Judge Burney does not consider performing abortions an act

NOTICE

The County Board of Equalization and Review will meet at the Courthouse in Kenansville, N. C., on Monday, March 19, 1951, at 3:30 o'clock, P. M., to equalize the valuation of all property in the County.

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We wish to thank our many friends for their thoughtful and kindness shown us during our recent bereavement. The Gresham family.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Littleton of Burgaw visited Mrs. Betty Brown Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Turner of Pink Hill spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandlin. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Krump and daughter recently visited Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas.

to brand one's character. If he so felt why did he even sentence her to begin with? Why didn't he just tell the people of Duplin County that you have a woman of good character among you and let her go free. Also we wonder why, if she was such a good servant to so many families in Warsaw, that only one family recommended her sentence commuted. Solicitor Walter Britt who certainly knew the general story back of Hattie and who prosecuted her with everything he had, wrote Dr. Johnson: "... In view of the circumstances concerning this matter I desire to recommend that you take whatever action that may be necessary for her to be released from prison at this time ..."

The files of Hattie Gavin carried only one newspaper clipping and that was from the Duplin Times issue of Oct. 6, 1950. The story carried only an account of the sentence. Not one word about the case in general nor of any of the trials or postponements. On the basis of Walker Stevens' visit, a letter from Judge Stevens and one letter each from Judge Burney and Solicitor Walter Britt Dr. Johnson recommended to Governor Scott that Hattie Gavin's sentence be commuted to the time she has served. She is turned free, free on the world to continue, if she wishes, her former practices, defying the law, society and respect of both races. If she had been paroled she could have been called back when officers thought it necessary. Now she can do what she pleases until and unless the law catches up with her again.

We don't know the law but we were told that no public notice was given concerning this pending action and that it is customary to make public such actions. Also we are told that usually, under the law, when a person has served one-fourth of his or her term they are eligible for consideration for parole. Hattie has served only one-eighth of her time. Hattie, it seems like you have been given the go-ahead to do as you please, a license, so to speak, waive other poor devils who get caught for selling a pint of liquor get all the wrath of the law and never a day cut from their sentence or a fine reduced. What Price Life in Duplin County!

WOODLAND NEWS

Mrs. Willard and Viola Westbrook were co-hostesses at a party for the B. F. Grady Seniors at the home of the former Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Rich and Betty Best of Mt. Olive accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Paul Westbrook to Wilmington Sunday where they visited Mr. Rich's brother who is ill. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chestnut and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Chestnut Sunday. Dewey Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Piner and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Westbrook visited Graham Westbrook, a patient at Sampson Memorial Hospital in Clinton Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Westbrook and

Mr. and Mrs. Jim D. Sandlin, Mrs. J. D. Sandlin and Mrs. Tom Barden shopped in Fayetteville Monday.

Miss Polly Brown completed her studies at ECTC last week and has accepted a position as a member of the Chinquapin school faculty. Miss Wilma Brinson of Warsaw visited her parents several days last week.

Mrs. Ada Williams attended the funeral of Mrs. Nettie Hanchey in Fountaintown Friday. Mesdames S. A. Pope and Gordon Muldrow shopped in Raleigh Wednesday. Jiggs Horne, and Adolph Mercer of the Coast Guard, stationed at Wilmington, spent the week end with their parents.

family spent Friday and Saturday in Folkstone with her father who recently underwent an operation at James Walker Hospital. Mrs. Herman Outlaw, Misses Madeline Carwell, Margaret Smith, Ruth Taylor of B. F. Grady faculty and Miss Rachel Outlaw of the Outlaw's Bridge faculty and Mr. Herman Outlaw were dinner guests of Miss Viola Westbrook on Sunday. Rev. Dan Boone, Grace Walker and Joan Westbrook were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Manly Kornegay Sunday. Regular 1st Sunday service of Woodland Methodist Church was held Sunday by Pastor Boone.

The B. F. Grady HDC met with Miss Viola Westbrook Monday afternoon with 22 members present. Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cauley and Mrs. Conrad Cauley visited Mr. and Mrs. Willard Westbrook Monday night. Misses Viola and Metaoka Westbrook visited Mrs. Egbert Gray of Pink Hill who has been ill on Tuesday.

Warsaw PTA Studies Visual Education

At a regular meeting of the Warsaw PTA recently a splendid program on Visual Aid To Education was given. Mrs. H. R. Hipp presided. Rev. Jerry Newbold gave the devotional and tied it in with the theme of the program, citing parables in the New Testament. J. F. Strickland, a member of the Warsaw School Board, reported on Visual Education as used in the U. S. Army. Mrs. Edna McLamb principal at the elementary school, gave her interpretation on the subject. Two children, a second grader, Mac McNeil and Ann Blanchard of the 7th grade, reported as to the films they had enjoyed seeing given in the schools and what they meant to them. A movie was shown, "Selecting A Vocation". Mrs. George Penney was in charge of the program.

A report from the Executive Committee was given and it was voted to equip two blackout rooms in Grammar School and one in the High School for the purpose of showing educational movies. It was decided to aid the girls' basketball team in the early fall of 1951. A nominating committee composed of Mesdames Fred Baars, Milton West, and Miss Lenora Womack, was appointed to select officers for the year 1951-52 and present them at the next meeting. A bridge tournament will be held in March to procure further funds for the Luncheon.

Mrs. Graham Phillips gave a report on the bridge tournament held in February. A good attendance was enjoyed.

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MOUNT OLIVE, N. C.

Miss Pauline Outlaw will be hostess to the AUV Saturday afternoon, Mar. 10 at 2:30. Members are urged to be present. Visitors welcomed.

The young adult class is sponsoring a barbecue and chicken salad supper Saturday night at 6 o'clock in the school building for benefit of the church building fund. A free program under the leadership of the Youth Fellowship will follow the supper. All are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Outlaw and baby of Raleigh spent the week end with Mrs. Katie Outlaw. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Padgett of Midway Park and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Padgett of Durham were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Remus Creel.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Letchworth of Snow Hill, Green Co., were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Sutton.

Dr. R. E. Outlaw of Morehead City and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones of Goldsboro were visitors Sunday of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Luther Outlaw.

Mrs. J. R. Jones and children spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jones in Dover.

Miss Hazel Simmons of Ft. Bragg visited Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Simmons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Outlaw and children of near Kinston were Sunday guests of relatives here.

Miss Maggie Stroud of Raleigh visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stroud Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bell and children, Mrs. Vivian Bell and Misses Hannah and Weber Bell of Goldsboro were among visitors of the J. H. Parkers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Parker and baby visited relatives in Mt. Olive Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phinnie Creel and baby and Mrs. W. D. Pate and Mrs. Beulah Pate of Calypso were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Outlaw and Miss Rachel Outlaw were Sunday guests of Miss Viola Westbrook in the B. F. Grady section.

Miss Ruth Hinson of Winston-Salem was a week end visitor of Mrs. Ben Frank Outlaw.

BASKETBALL

CONTINUED FROM FRONT Magnolia; M. F. Sholar, Chinquapin; E. Cavenaugh, Wallace; E. Simpson, Beaufort; Grubbs and Guy, Calypso; B. Waters, Rose Hill. Standout girl guards were: F. A. Dail, Chinquapin; B. Williams, Wallace; E. Hall, Beaufort; L. Wat-

son 17. Defensive leader: Pierce.

Standouts for the boys were: Grady, Warsaw; J. Fouts, Faison; Faires, Wallace; Lanier, Chinquapin; Jackson, Beaufort; Carr, Magnolia; Teachey, Wallace; Houston, Warsaw; Precythe, Faison; and Weston, Beaufort.

Selecting an "All Tournament Team" for the girls would be: M. F. Sholar, Chinquapin; Guy, Calypso; and B. Waters, Rose Hill as forwards and as guards, E. Hall, Beaufort; Belle Lee, Faison; and B. Williams, Wallace.

Boys "All Tournament Team" would choose Faires, Wallace; Jackson, Beaufort; Grady, Warsaw; J. Fouts, Faison; and Carr, Magnolia. Referees for the game were: E. McClean, Claude King and E. A. Hendrickson; score keeper, Billy Ruffin, and timekeeper, Jack Burrus, all of Goldsboro.

Statistics for each game are listed in order played. In awarding trophies Mr. Johnson called attention to the fact that Wade Gaylor, a star on the Magnolia team was in the hospital suffering a knee injury sustained in a game with Angier last week in the Roseboro tournament. Incidentally, Magnolia went to the finals in that tourney, being defeated by Camp Lejeune in the finals.

Faison 42 — Magnolia 40 Girls Game Faison high scorers: L. Sutton 18, Mary Baugham 18. Defensive leaders: Nancy Byrd, Mary Hobbs. Magnolia high scorers: S. Brown 12, R. Bachelor 21. Defensive leader: S. Jones.

Warsaw 51 — Calypso 33 Boys Game Warsaw high scorers: Houston 16. Defensive leaders: Porter, Grady. Calypso high scorer: Stanby 17. Defensive leader: Pigford, Stanby.

Chinquapin 59 — B. F. Grady 31 Girls Game Chinquapin high scorer: Sholar 33. Defensive leader: Dail. B. F. Grady high scorer: Smith 12; E. Hall, Beaufort; L. Wat-

son 17. Defensive leader: Pierce.

Wallace 39 — Warsaw 15 Girls Game Wallace high scorer: Croom 17. Defensive leader: Rivenbark. Warsaw high scorer: Britt 7. Defensive leader: Taylor, Byrd.

Wallace 64 — Kenansville 34 Boys Game Wallace high scorer: Carlton 13. Defensive leaders: Faires, Teachey. Kenansville high scorer: Alphin 16. Defensive leaders: Quinn, Alphin.

Beaufort 34 — Kenansville 29 Girls Game Beaufort high scorer: Quinn 10. Defensive leaders: S. Lanier, E. Hall. Kenansville high scorer: Southland 11. Defensive leaders: Parker, Brown.

Chinquapin 36 — Rose Hill 35 Boys Game Chinquapin high scorer: Lanier 12. Defensive leader: Lanier. Rose Hill high scorer: Cavenaugh 15. Defensive leader: Cavenaugh.

Chinquapin 28 — Beaufort 25 Girls Game Chinquapin high scorer: Sholar 16. Defensive leaders: Judge, Norris. Beaufort high scorer: T. Miller 8. Defensive leaders: Lanier, Hall.

Wallace 57 — Chinquapin 34 Boys Game Wallace high scorer: Faires 17. Defensive leaders: Faires, McLean. Chinquapin high scorer: Lanier 17. Defensive leaders: James, Lanier.

Wallace 39 — Magnolia 35 Girls Game Wallace high scorer: Cavenaugh 13. Defensive leader: Williams. Magnolia high scorers: Bachelor 17, S. Brown 16. Defensive leader: Newkirk.

Warsaw 39 — Faison 22 Boys Game Warsaw high scorer: Porter 11. Defensive leaders: Porter, Grady, Houston. Faison high scorer: Fouts 6. Defensive leaders: Fouts, Cafes.

SEMI-FINALS Calypso 48 — Wallace 33 Girls Game Calypso high scorer: Grubbs 20. Defensive leaders: M. Roberts, J. Lanier.

Beaufort 41 — Wallace 28 Boys Game Beaufort high scorers: Weston 11. Defensive leaders: Thigpen, Jackson, Hunter. Wallace high scorer: Teachey 8. Defensive leaders: Faires, James.

Rose Hill 63 — Chinquapin 45 Girls Game Rose Hill high scorer: B. Waters 28. Defensive leaders: L. Waters, Teachey. Chinquapin high scorer: Sholar 17. Defensive leaders: Dail, Norris.

Magnolia 35 — Warsaw 33 Boys Game Magnolia high scorers: Grady 11, Houston 9. Defensive leaders: Holland, Grady. Warsaw high scorers: Baker 16, Carr 10, Usher 9. Defensive leaders: Quinn, Lanier.

FINALS Calypso 41 — Rose Hill 39 Girls Game Calypso high scorers: Grubbs 19, Walker 10. Defensive leaders: Pigford, M. Roberts. Rose Hill high scorers: Waters 12, S. Wilson 10. Defensive leaders: Waters, Teachey.

Beaufort 44 — Magnolia 35 Boys Game Beaufort high scorers: Thigpen 17, Jackson 8. Defensive leaders: Jackson, Hunter. Magnolia high scorers: Carr 17, Baker 9. Defensive leaders: Carr, Quinn.

COURT CASES

CONTINUED FROM FRONT appeal to Superior Court. Superior Court appeals entered by George Ammons charged with allowing livestock to run at large and property damage and the case of William Robert Murphy was ordered transferred to Superior Court. John A. Williams charged with bastardy, suspended on payment of cost and payment of \$10 on the first of each month until the child is 14 years of age or until the defendant and prosecuting witness have married.

Not guilty charges were rendered Sanford Williams, Morris Sloan and Paul Lanier on charges of trespassing and property damage. Whitney Mobley charged with obstruction of public passway found not guilty. Capias was issued to Charlie Lewis on charges of possession of non tax paid whiskey and a capias and continuing of case of Hayes Lanier.

ANNOUNCING OPENING J. J. BARDEN STOCK YARDS WARSAW, N. C. The best built and most sanitary auction Barn in Duplin County and approved by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture just completed and ready for business, will open with first sale Tuesday March 13th. 1 P. M. For the sale of cattle, hogs, horses, mules and anything else you wish to sell at auction. There will be lots of hog and cattle buyers at this sale representing the different meat packing firms also a number of individual buyers, they all will be ready to pay the high dollar for your stock. I Will Buy Your Top Hogs At Top Prices Every Day. To all my old customers, friends and prospective visitors, I insist that you come to this big opening sale, help build a good community market for your convenience and bring your cattle, hogs, horses, mules or anything you wish to convert into cash. I Extend This Same Invitation To All Buyers Of Livestock. This sale will be operated under my personal supervision and I guarantee a square deal to everyone. Remember The Date Tuesday March 13, At 1 P.M. Everybody come to the Big Auction Sale and see the difference. Listen to a wide-awake auctioneer get the high dollar for your stock. J. J. Barden Stock Yards MOUNT OLIVE, N. C. 2-15-51, C