

### Impressive Service Marks Dedication Rountree Memorial

Historic Rountree Church at Rountree, four miles west of Ayden, observed its 120th anniversary Sunday afternoon, April 27, with impressive services devoted to the dedication of a bronze memorial plaque erected in

remembrance of Jesse Rountree, prominent layman and founder of this church who gave the land and the first church of the Disciples faith in North Carolina. The plaque, designed by his great-granddaughter, Miss Jesse R. Mays of Greenville, bears the symbol of the Rowan tree or mountain-ash of Scotland, a tree of ancient and charming tradition from which the

Rountree family name originates. In her presentation of the tablet, Miss Mays, historian, referred briefly to the English ancestry (1685) of Jesse Rountree, who was of the fourth generation of Rountrees, settled in Nansemonds county, Virginia, and in the Old Albemarle precinct of Carolina. A young patriot of the American Revolutionary War, Jesse Rountree in later life served in many positions of public trust, as well as in the affairs of his church.

Clarence Victor Cannon of Ayden, president of the Rountree Family association, presided.

Rev. Jack Robert Rountree, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, Kinston, and of the Emmanuel Church in Farmville, a great-great grandson of Jesse Rountree, offered the invocation.

Heber E. Cannon, of Rountree, treasurer of the church and direct Rountree descendant, accepted the plaque for Rountree Church.

An interesting history, "Rountree's Place in History," was given by Rev. Charles Crossfield Ware of Wilson, secretary of the North Carolina Christian Missionary Convention.

Dr. H. G. Hanes, pastor of the Eighth Street Christian Church in Greenville, delivered a brilliant and inspiring address on "The Church of the Future," in which he made a plea for a united world through a unified church.

The Atlantic Christian College glee club, under the excellent direction of Miss Fulton, sang two selections, "Create in Me a Clean Heart" by Mueller and "Jesus, Our Lord, We Adore Thee" by Fawcett-Naegeli.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. William H. Brunson, pastor of the Ayden Christian Church.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

(Held over from last week)

Mrs. R. C. Copenhaver was hostess to her bridge club and three extra tables, Wednesday afternoon, in her home which was attractively decorated with spirea, tulips, iris, snapdragons, violets and pansies.

The high score club prize, a set of aluminum coasters, went to Miss Elizabeth Davis and the guest high, handpainted note paper, to Mrs. C. S. Hotchkiss. Mrs. Hotchkiss was remembered with a going-away gift of dusting powder by the hostess. Mrs. Leonard Crawford, of Hot

Springs, Ark., who is visiting here, and Mrs. John B. Wright, Jr., of Wilson, the out-of-town guests, were given bottles of hand lotion. The hostess presented Mrs. Jack and Mrs. James Darden, recent brides, with crystal bon bon dishes.

Guests were invited into the dining room where Mrs. E. C. Beaman, mother of the hostess, served chicken and vegetable salad from one end of the table and Mrs. T. W. Lang served individual cakes from the other end. Open face cheese sandwiches, salines, peach and cucumber pickles were also served. The table was centered with a bowl of spirea, iris and tulips flanked by candles and covered with an embroidered and cutwork cloth. Candles and mixed flowers were used on the mantles and buffet. Mrs. Allen Darden and Mrs. Robert Lee Smith assisted Mrs. Copenhaver in serving.

The refreshment tables were covered with cloths and centered with reflectors surrounded by individual coronages for the guests.

#### MISS HOLDEN HONORED

(Held over from last week)

Honoring Miss Doris Holden, of Snow Hill, bride elect, Mrs. V. N. Whitehurst, of Snow Hill, and her daughter, Mrs. Emerson Smith, of Farmville, entertained at 10 tables of bridge at the home of the latter, Wednesday afternoon.

Upon arrival the honoree was presented a corsage of white camellias. Later Mrs. Whitehurst remembered her with silver in her pattern and Mrs. Smith, with a crystal cream and sugar set.

Mrs. Francis Sugg, of Snow Hill, received miniature figurines for high award; Mrs. Patterson, of Snow Hill, won the low prize, a bud vase; a table lighter, floating prize, went to Mrs. George Hart, of Snow Hill.

The bridal colors of green and white were carried out in the dining room where refreshments were served. The table, covered with an imported cloth, bore an all white centerpiece of snapdragons, carnations and tulips, flanked by candles. Lime frappe was served from the punch bowl and decorated cakes, nuts, open face sandwiches, mints, sand tarts, bird's nest cookies, stuffed dates, ham biscuits and cheese straws were passed.

Mrs. W. Leslie Smith assisted in serving.

Daffodils, purple and white iris, tulips, spirea, lilacs and pansies were used in the reception rooms.

In the evening Mrs. Smith was hostess to ten tables of bridge. Mrs. G. L. Gilchrist scored high and received figurines. Mrs. Roderick Harris won a bud vase for low prize and the floating prize, a china jewel box, was retained by Mrs. James Darden. The same decorations were used and similar refreshments were served.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. James Coughlin, of Detroit, who is visiting here, and Mrs. Lonnie Pierce, Jr., of Tarboro.

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K. R. Newton, Jr., commander of the Burnette-Rouse post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, announces that his post is working with other posts in forbidding the return to the United States of "Axis Sally" and two other

Americans recently held in German prisons for broadcasting Nazi propaganda during the war.

Admitting that in some cases their effort did more good than harm insofar as morale is concerned, he also said that "in spirit and in deed Sally and her cohorts tried to sell our

country short" and should be forbidden re-entry into the United States.

To date the Justice Department has not decided whether to place formal charges against Miss Gillars (Axis Sally), Donald Day, one of the Chicago Tribune staff, and John Burgman, all of whom were wartime broadcasters in Germany.

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