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Miss Flora Patterson Passes Tuesday P. M.

Miss Flora Margaret Patterson, a highly respected maiden lady, died at her home on Fulton street Tuesday afternoon, March 11th, at 5 o'clock, of pneumonia and heart failure. She had been seriously ill only a few days and her going was rather sudden and to many of her friends unexpected. She was a daughter of the late Duncan and Margaret Leslie Patterson and was born and reared about ten miles north of Raeford near Sandy Grove Presbyterian church in what was then Cumberland but now Hoke county. She came of a well known and highly esteemed family, being a sister of the late Magin A. Patterson who represented Hoke county in the general assembly of North Carolina some years ago. Miss Patterson was a kind, helpful and sympathetic neighbor and friend and a consecrated Christian woman. She was a consistent member of Sandy Grove church from girlhood and was always loyal and true to her pastor and church and a faithful attendant upon the services of her church. She lived only two weeks of being 63 years of age, being born March 25, 1867. She is survived by one brother, Mr. George W. Patterson with whom she lived and one sister, Mrs. C. A. Chappel of Raeford, besides several nephews and nieces. The funeral was conducted from the home Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. A. D. Carswell, and interment was made in the cemetery at Sandy Grove church.

Little Hendrix Child Fatally Burned

Little John Arthur, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hendrix, who live out on Raeford route 2 in Stonewall township, was so badly burned last Thursday, March 6th, about 11 o'clock a. m., that the little fellow died in about six hours. It seems that he, in company with his brother, William Frederick, 4 years of age, had been to the field to carry their father a drink of water, and on their return stopped at a little out-house where there was some brown straw, and in some way the straw caught on fire, trapping the smaller boy in the building. Mrs. James Maxwell, who lives near by, saw the smoke and heard the cries of the larger boy and ran to the house calling Mrs. Hendrix who was in the house at the time preparing the noonday meal. She also hurried to the rescue and showed the true mother spirit by rushing heroically right into the flames to save her child. The little fellow was brought out and rushed to Raeford where Dr. Matheson rendered what assistance he could, but the little boy was so badly burned that death relieved his sufferings in about six hours. He was buried Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Sandy Grove Methodist church, Rev. J. E. Blalock of Parkton, the family pastor conducting the funeral. Mrs. Hendrix in her frantic efforts to save her child was also painfully burned about her hands, arms and face. These parents have the sympathy of the whole community in the loss of their little boy.

Mildou News Notes

We are sorry to hear of the sickness of Katy Bell Maxwell. She has been out of school for two weeks. We hope she will soon be able to be back in school.

Miss Janie Jackson was the supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Jackson Sunday night.

We are glad to report Mr. Gram McKenzie who cut his foot some time ago, is improving.

Mr. W. J. Coates spent last weekend with friends and relatives at Raleigh.

Miss Dot McLearn and Mr. Eldridge Yeomans were guests of Mr. Graham McKenzie Saturday night.

Miss Downer's second grade is working very hard on their live-at-home booklets.

Miss Katy Lou Geddie spent the past weekend with friends and relatives at home.

The seventh grade's tomato not bed was growing very nicely during the warm days of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cameron of Laurin and Mrs. A. McInnis Sunday afternoon.

Masters Brown Lacy and Junior Hendrix were called home Thursday on account of the death of their small brother and nephew.

The sixth and seventh grades have just completed a successful project in geography. The subject concerned the study of Europe. Scrap books covering the study of all phases of European geography, completed the work. Prizes were offered for the most complete books.

First prize was won by Mary Livingston. Prizes were also won by Reba Maxwell, Margie McKenzie and Elva McGougan.

Work on the local talent play has been going along nicely. The local troupe are expecting to present the play "What Happened to Judy" in a short time. The play is a rural farce in three acts. Announcements will be made later as to the date of the showing.

Perfect attendance for the past month: sixth grade: Clara Chason,

CROSSES THE BAR



WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT
The only man to ever hold the positions of President and Chief Justice of the United States died Saturday and funeral was held Tuesday.

WILLIAM H. TAFT DIES SATURDAY IN WASHINGTON

Washington, March 8.—William Howard Taft, former President and former Chief Justice, died at his home here late this afternoon.

He passed peacefully from life, wrapped in a merciful unconsciousness after weeks of illness. A stroke from hardening of the arteries preceded death by half an hour. He was in his 73rd year.

By his own request, he will rest in Arlington Cemetery, the citadel of the nation's heroic dead. The funeral services will be held publicly on Tuesday, at All Souls' Unitarian church, which he attended.

Period of Mourning

President Hoover was foremost among the many who went sorrowfully tonight to the residence on Wyoming Avenue, where the only man in history to hold America's two highest offices slept in death. The President announced a 30-day period of official mourning.

At the point of death, for many days suffering hopelessly from a combination of ailments, Mr. Taft had surprised his physicians by the vitality of his last hours. But at 4:45 this afternoon a sudden stroke, which he was alone except for his nurse, beheaded him.

Fifteen minutes later Dr. H. G. Fuller reached the bedside, but turned away with a shake of the head. Mrs. Taft, summoned from another room, took up her station near at hand for the last vigil. At 5:15 o'clock death snuffed out at last the flickering flame.

The only daughter Mrs. Helen Taft Manning, was away for a short automobile ride when death occurred. The two sons, Robert and Charles, both of Cincinnati, had left Washington after spending several days at their father's bedside.

Official Bulletin
The official bulletin issued by Mr. Taft's chief physicians said: "The former Chief Justice died at 5:15 p. m. A sudden change in his condition occurred at 4:45 p. m., from which he failed to rally."

Immediately the news was telephoned to the White House, President Hoover tendered to Mrs. Taft the entire facilities of the executive mansion. It was undecided tonight whether the body would lie in state in the East Room, at the Capitol or elsewhere.

The President and Mrs. Hoover, like the many others who called at the Wyoming Avenue home, remained but a few minutes talking with the little group within. Almost at the moment the White House limousine drew up before the house, Chief Justice Hughes arrived from the opposite direction. Members of the Cabinet, diplomats and Mr. Taft's associates on the supreme bench were among the many who followed.

But one who had called there many times during the long illness was absent tonight, Associate Justice Sanford, until today apparently in perfect health, eight years Taft's junior had suddenly preceded his former chief in death. And by another strange turn of fate, both Taft and Sanford passed on when another member of the court Oliver Wendell Holmes was observing his eighty-ninth birthday.

Final funeral arrangements will not be made until the sons reach Washington, probably tomorrow. Already, however, plans have been made tonight for the attendance of all the ranking officials of the government which Taft had served, in humble and in high place, for four decades.

Long Illness
Mr. Taft had been confined to his bed (Continued on page four)

Flossie Koonce, Evelyn McBryde, Elizabeth Norton, Mazie Norton, Jack McBryde, Daniel Chason, Sarah McBryde, Thomas Seals, William Black, Bonnie Black, Pauline Maxwell, Worth English, Ruth Chason and Raymond Chav's; seventh grade: Wilson McBryde, Elva McGougan, Jessie McKenzie, Brown Hendrix, Brown McBryde, Elaine McInnis, Wilson Clark, Mary Lee Jackson, Gladie English, Robert Livingston, Jessie Jackson, Margie McKenzie, Eva Black, Lacy English and Reba Maxwell, a total of thirty.

Miss Gladys Hinson was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hinson, her parents, of Sanford.

Raeford Boy Stars At The University

Friends of John Duncan McNeill will be glad to know that "Dunk," as he is usually called, has been showing up well during the winter football training period at the University of North Carolina and has been awarded two gold medals for his excellent performance in offensive play and in punting.

When "Dunk" entered the university many of those who had seen him as a star in high school predicted that he would some day be a star on the Carolina eleven. These predictions bid fair now to soon come true. Last fall in the beginning of freshman football practice with over one hundred candidates he found himself lined up on the fourth team, but as soon as the freshmen began daily scrimmage against the varsity team he was promoted steadily and when the time came for their first game he started the same at half-back. Later, on account of his driving power and defensive ability he was shifted to fullback. In this position he started in practically every game his team played, although he was handicapped by injuries.

Saturday between the Monograms and non-Monograms he was the offensive star of his team, one time running thirty yards through the varsity team. Between the halves, the best kickers engaged in a punting contest, each making five kicks, and Dunk easily carried off the honors in this when the averages were computed.

Saturday night the football players were entertained at a banquet at the Carolina Inn and many visitors were present including Governor Max Gardner. At this time gold medals were awarded to those on the squad who showed up best during the season and in Saturday's game. Dunk was awarded two medals, one for best offensive fullback and the other for best punter, and was the only first year man to receive two medals. His friends are proud of the record he is making and are predicting that he will win his monogram next year.

Trade At Home Prizes To Be Given

Prizes are offered and will be given to pupils of Hoke county schools for best essays on "Why I Should Patronize Home-Owned Stores." Two prizes will be awarded to pupils of the white schools and two prizes to the pupils of the colored schools, as follows:

First prize: to the white boy or girl in the eighth grade, or who submits the best essay, a prize of \$5.00 in gold will be awarded.

Second prize: to the white boy or girl in the grades between the fourth and eighth grades, who submits the best essay, a prize of \$2.50 will be awarded.

First prize: (colored schools) to the colored boy or girl in the eighth grade or over, who submits the best essay, a prize of \$5.00 will be awarded.

Second prize: (colored schools) to the boy or girl between the fourth and eighth grades, who submits the best essay, a prize of \$2.50 will be awarded.

No essay may contain over four hundred words.

Three judges will pass on all essays presented, and prizes will be awarded according to their decisions.

All essays submitted will become the property of the Citizens Protective League of Hoke county, and may be published in whole or in part, if so desired by the publicity committee of this League.

All essays must be submitted not later than April 1st, 1930. Prizes will be awarded as soon thereafter as possible.

All contestants should be sure to have their name and address written plainly and correctly written at the bottom of their essay, and state in which "grade" they are.

Only one essay may be submitted by the same person.

Much interest is expected to be shown in this contest, and any pupil above the fourth grade, in any school in Hoke County is eligible to try for a prize.

Address all essays to The Citizens Protective League, Drawer G, Raeford, N. C., and mail not later than April 1st 1930.

Noted Writers Visit Raeford

Mr. and Mrs. Struthers Burt of Southern Pines and New York were guests of the Woman's Club of Raeford on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Burt made a short talk and read one of his short stories. This well known literary couple has proved quite an addition to the large number of literary stars who winter in the Sandhills. Mr. Burt is at present busy on another novel. It was quite an opportunity for Raeford people to hear and know these people. An account of the club's meeting appears under another head.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hasty of Maxton announce the birth of a son March 9th 1930.

Kiwanis Ladies Night Successfully Put Across

Thursday night, March 6th, was Ladies Night at the Kiwanis club, and was, as is the usual custom, devoted to the difficult task of having a good time. The president, L. McEachern, made it a point to be late so that the vice-president, the newly married Tommie Upchurch would have to take charge. It was also planned to "hall him up" while presiding, one Dr. Brown and several others being assigned to the dirty work. Either their inefficiency or Tommie's efficiency was too much for them and he presided like a veteran. During the program prizes were given as follows:

A rolling pin as a matter of insurance by Paul Dickson to the newest bride in the audience who happened to be Mrs. Tommie Upchurch. A fishing pole, line, hook and cork by the Raeford Hardware Co. to the latest fisherman in the crowd to Benton Thomas. This outfit had a meat hook with a minnow on it and a cork about the size of an oatmeal container. A pair of silk stockings was given by Baucum's Cash Store to the youngest grandmother in the crowd and was won by Mrs. F. B. Sexton. A package of Farina was given by Poole and Co. to the most undernourished lady present and after a spirited contest between Mrs. Will Lentz, Mrs. Paul Dickson and Mrs. Dr. McCain, the said Farina was awarded to Mrs. McCain. A jar of figs was given by Thomas Grocery Co. to the man present who appeared to need them most and was won by Frank Buchanan of the Aberdeen Club. A nice box of powder was given by Raeford Drug Co. to the youngest lady present and after much preparation by a large number of ladies, was awarded to Mrs. Israel Mann. An envelope containing some paper money was given by Page Trust Co. to the oldest unmarried lady present and was won by Miss Rainey, head nurse at the Sanatorium, though if some others had told the truth she wouldn't have had a chance. A bag of money was given by the Bank of Raeford to the lady having the youngest child in school was awarded to Mrs. R. B. Lewis. It was generally thought that this was a frame-up by Bob Lewis but investigation revealed the fact that he knew nothing of how the prize was to be given. Israel Mann bobbed up out of order and presented the toastmaster, Paul Dickson, with a yo-yo. This same yo-yo is a hot contest for a pair of silk socks awarded by Israel Mann to the dirtiest man in the house. A ticket for a shave to the wooliest man present, given by Mr. W. C. Odum, of the Raeford Barber Shop, brought on a spirited contest between Dr. Brown, Ryan McBryde and W. T. Covington, the latter nosing out a victory. The last prize was a box of face powder given by the Hoke Drug Co. to the mother of the most children and was won by Mrs. H. A. Cameron, Mrs. Will Lentz and Mrs. McCain were the three put in nomination, they each having five. The prize was won by Mrs. Lentz when put to the house.

Following is the program that was carried out: Song: America; toast to the ladies by J. W. Currie; response by Mrs. George Fuller; solo by Miss Linda Stacey, quartet by Mesdames Jim Poole, Ina Bethune, H. R. McLean and Bob Lewis; impersonation of an old time colored preacher by Frank Buchanan, assisted in the amen corner by Messrs Cameron, Shields, Robt. Montgomery and Bloxum of the Aberdeen club. The entire program was good and well received, especially the impersonation by Mr. Buchanan who "has got it down."

A most delicious supper was served by the ladies of the Methodist church with Mrs. Marshall Thomas in charge. Visitors to the club nearly always comment on the excellent supper served by the various ladies' organizations and their efforts are especially commendable since nearly everything served is donated by various individuals, making the gross proceeds for these suppers available for religious, civic and other worthy causes.

Ask For Aid For Mill Residents

Owing to the fact that the Raeford Cotton Mill has been closed for several months, the people of this village are in desperate need. They are moving out as fast as they can find employment, but there are yet many left.

The committee in charge has been using the funds entrusted to them as carefully as possible, but has not been able to adequately meet the situation, with very little on hand for future use, hence we appeal to anyone who is willing to help, either with money, food or clothing, to send the same to the Freeman Furniture Store from which it will be distributed. Eggs and milk are especially needed for the sick.

Reports are current that these people are not destitute so Tuesday committee made a thorough investigation, going into the kitchens, where they found practically nothing.

Mrs. J. S. Johnson,
Mrs. H. A. Cameron,
Mrs. J. W. Currie,
Mrs. H. L. Gatlin,
Mrs. J. L. McLeod,
Committee.

9952 Bales Cotton Ginned To March 1

There were 9,952 bales of cotton ginned from the 1929 crop up to March the first in Hoke county as compared to 14,188 a year ago, according to cotton statistician, Mr. D. C. Cox. This is a little less than sixty per cent of Hoke's best cotton crops.

Colored Man Tries To Commit Suicide

It is reported that Walter McNair, colored, a native of this county, but now of New York, tried to commit suicide last Friday by taking some kind of poison and then turning gas on himself. He is in a hospital now for treatment. It is said that there are three things you can hardly ever hear of a colored man doing here. They are committing suicide, breaking into jail or riding in an airplane.

Veteran Fayetteville Editor Dies Sunday

Fayetteville, March 9.—After more than half a century of service in journalistic ranks, George Gannon Myrover, editor of the Fayetteville Observer, died early this morning from the effects of a paralytic stroke suffered Thursday. Mr. Myrover's death occurred at his home on Haymount, where he was born and reared, and the funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 4:30 from the First Presbyterian church, of which he had been a life long member, a deacon and an elder.

Beginning at the age of 14, Mr. Myrover was connected with newspapers of the upper Cape Fear section during the greater part of his last 64 years. He began work on his father's paper, the Fayetteville News, immediately after the Civil War. Later he became a publisher himself, with his elder brother, the late J. Harry Myrover. Their paper was the N. C. Gazette, printed in Fayetteville. It had a longer life than most journals of that time, 117 years. The existing files of the Gazette, containing much historical material pertaining to the stirring events of those times, are now in the University of North Carolina, having been donated by Mr. Myrover. In 1855 he became the owner of the Observer, which he published for several years before selling it to the States. He was then out of the newspaper field until 1908, when he became editor of the Cape Fear Shuttle. When that paper was merged with the Fayetteville Index he became associate editor of the Index, which was published by John A. Oates and J. A. Parham.

In 1911 he returned to the Observer and has been with that journal since.

MATHESON-PROBASCO Friends of the Contracting Parties

Friends of the contracting parties were surprised this week when the following announcements were received:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Probasco announce the marriage of their daughter, Myrta,

to Mr. Malcolm Randle Matheson on Saturday the eighth of March, Nineteen hundred and thirty, Little Church Around the Corner, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheson arrived in Raeford Monday and are at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Matheson on North Main Street. They came down from New York City in their car, stopping over in Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. They expect to be in Raeford for several days.

Junior Music Club Meets Wednesday

The Junior Music club met at the home of Miss Lula Hall Wednesday evening, with Misses Anna Rogers and Floride Campbell joint hostesses. The young people are studying American composers and Charles Wakefield Cadman's life and works was the subject for the evening. Nell James Blue read a paper on the life and a composition of Cadman "From the Land of the Sky Blue Water" was sung by the girls and "At Dawn" was sung by the boys. These are two of Cadman's most popular songs. Miss Lois Waller told of hearing a concert given at Meredith College and the different numbers on the program. The hostesses served fruit and home-made candy.

Fractures Shoulder As Truck Overturns

John Blackman, colored, who is serving a term on the county roads, and has been driving a truck, in some way handled his truck Tuesday so that it turned completely over. It hitting the ground he suffered a fracture to one shoulder blade and a slight sprain of the back. He was brought to Dr. R. L. Murray, county physician, who treated him and sent him on up to camp quarters.

Larceny Occupies Recorder's Court

In Recorder's Court Tuesday Needham McBryde and three sons, Needham, Willie and John, colored, were charged with the larceny of a large quantity of cotton seed from M. M. Campbell and L. McEachern at Edinburg Siding. Willie tendered a plea of guilty and the other three of not guilty. It appeared that the seed had been stolen from a car that Mr. Campbell was loading and carried off in sacks down in a bay nearby. Four sacks were found and the wagon trucks led direct to Needham McBryde's shelter, where the wagon was found with a sprinkling of seed in the wagon. It was in evidence that he sold 390 pounds of seed to the Hoke Oil and Fertilizer Co on the date of the alleged theft, March 1st. There was insufficient evidence to bind Needham, Jr. or John over to court, but Needham, Sr., and Willie were bound over to April term of Superior Court.

Frank Medlin, white, of Little River township, entered a plea of guilty of driving a car while under the influence of whiskey and also of having a small quantity in his possession. He was fined fifty dollars and the costs in both cases and ordered not to drive a car for three months. Albert McIver, young colored man, was indicted along with Medlin on a charge of violating the prohibition laws, but the State took a nol pro in his case.

C. B. Inman and Will McKay, young colored men, of McLauslin township, were charged with the larceny of six bushels of peas from Platt. Inman pled guilty and turned state's evidence, the case resulting in the conviction of both. Inman was given four months on the county roads and McKay six.

Evander Smith, Sidney and Ellis Benson and Fred Thompson, young white men, living at the Raeford cotton mills, were indicted on a charge of larceny, being charged with taking and removing from a steam engine belonging to Mrs. E. S. Smith and J. A. McQueen, a quantity of bearings, bushings and fittings to the value of about fifty dollars. Probable cause was found and the four were bound over to Superior Court.

A NARROW ESCAPE

On Tuesday morning Mrs. Watson Fairley and Mrs. W. E. McLaughlin were going to Fayetteville in the car with Mrs. A. M. Fairley of Laurinburg. Mrs. A. M. Fairley was driving and with her was Mrs. McCameron, also of Laurinburg. The car which was a Buick, was side-swiped by a big truck and almost torn to pieces. It was marvellous that none of the occupants were hurt. The accident occurred near Puppy Creek bridge.

To Open Millinery Shop March 15th

The public will learn with interest that Miss Lizzie Niven and Miss Belle Graham will on March 15th, open a millinery shop in the Bank of Raeford building in the room formerly occupied by the Specialty Shop and carry on the same type of business as was done there formerly.

New Filling Station Opened On S. Main

The Farmers Furnishing Co. has erected a most attractive filling station on their lot on South Main St. and have leased it to Mr. C. W. Seate. The smiling countenance of Mr. Evander Gillitt may be seen by the public who drive into this new place.

Justice Edward Sanford Dies Suddenly Saturday

Washington, March 8.—Death took Justice Edward Terry Sanford at 12:20 p. m., today after an illness of less than three hours.

The distinguished son of Tennessee had left his home after breakfast, seemingly in excellent health and cheerful as usual. He was looking forward to joining his supreme Court colleagues at noon in honoring Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes on his eighty-ninth birthday. He never reached the court.

After treatment, the jurist collapsed in the office of a dentist. Medical aid proved of no avail. He was rushed back to his home and Mrs. Sanford in an unconscious condition. Uremic poisoning was given as the cause of death.

The passing saddened Washington from President Hoover down. Expressions of regret recorded the sterling character and judicial accomplishments of the late Justice. He had served on the Supreme Court since 1923.

Funeral at Knoxville
Mr. Sanford will be buried in his native city, Knoxville, Tennessee. The funeral party plans to leave here tomorrow at 10:35 p. m. The body will be taken from the station to the cemetery on arrival Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Sanford will be accompanied by a committee from the Supreme Court (Continued on page Four)