

ROCKFISH NEWS

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis

The Young People of Tabernacle Church have been carrying out some helpful projects lately. For instance last Saturday five boys of the R.A. group, with their leader, Mrs. Hugh Overton, and Mrs. G. Scott Turner, their pastor's wife, visited Mr. J. F. McDowell and presented him a sunshine basket of gifts. Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Grady English and her group, 11 of the G.A. girls visited Mrs. Jim Capps and took her a sunshine basket filled with gift packages. These presents were the "one-a-day brand" and the recipients were asked to open them that way.

O. L. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koonce and Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Bostic visited their aunt, Mrs. W. T. Boseman, at Whispering Pines the past week end. They found her slightly improved, and we are glad to report.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovette, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Lunsford, Mrs. Mary Shewbridge, John and Dickson Parker, Hugh Hair, Henry Plummer and Lacy Scarborough of Parker's Church attended quarterly conference at Sandy

Grove Methodist Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Wood of Hope Mills visited his mother, Mrs. C. L. Wood, Sunday and brought their young son, Richard to see his grandmother Wood for the first time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brock visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Caddell in Raeford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Berry and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McKellar of Elrod.

Mrs. Fred Cameron of Carolina Beach spent some time with relatives here last week and visited her aunt, Mrs. W. T. Boseman at Whispering Pines.

Last week the snake man, Chuck Naidl was at Rockfish School with his snake show, "The Truth About Snakes", that is sponsored by the U. S. Society of Zoology. It was an educational feature and no doubt the children understand a lot more about snakes after seeing it.

The Hoke Ruritans met last Wednesday night in the school cafeteria and enjoyed a fish supper prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koonce. District Gov. Doe Davis of Hope Mills was present and talked to the Ruritans. A number of committees were appointed and every effort is being made to get this club going in full force again after a lapse due to many of its members moving away and lack of interest on the part of others.

Attendance is still good in the Rockfish School although there have been a few losses due to families leaving the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McDowell and family of Columbia, S. C. spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McDowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Smith and daughter, Brenda, of Red Springs were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Newton and family Sunday.

Miss Janice McInnis of Raeford spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Wood.

Mrs. Marshall Ray received news last week that her niece, Mrs. Esther Williams of Rocky Mount had suffered a heart attack. Since then she has heard that Mrs. Williams had improved enough to be taken home from the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parsons and children, Miss Lilly Wood and Miss Pauline Davis came down from Asheboro Friday to spend the week end with relatives. Mr.

and Mrs. Parsons visited Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and other relatives, Miss Wood spent the week end in the home of her brother, J. E. Wood and family, Miss Davis spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Graham Monroe of Raeford and the rest of the time with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Monroe.

Miss Jane Wood of Winston-Salem and Fred Wood of Banner Elk spent the past week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hampton of Raeford were guests of Mrs. Marshall Ray and Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Ritter Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Lancaster of Miami, Florida was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wood last week instead of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wood, as was erroneously stated last week.

Reports the first of this week were that J. F. McDowell, who was not so well last week and had to go back to Moore County Hospital one day for treatment, was feeling a little better.

Mr. and Mrs. Minor McGougan and children, Larry and Faye, of St. Pauls spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Monroe.

Rev. and Mrs. G. Scott Turner and family were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Long.

Dr. and Mrs. Billy Plummer were all-day visitors Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Plummer of Wayside.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith McInnis and family of Route 2, Raeford, visited Miss Carrie Smith and family near Wagram Sunday.

Mrs. George McIntyre of Rockfish School faculty visited her homefolks at Sparta the past week end.

Mrs. G. A. Monroe, primary teacher in the Rockfish School, has a new pupil this week. He is Bobby Walters, whose family moved here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Furman Martin and son, Franklin, of Fayetteville visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koonce and Lacy Sunday.

Miss Lilly Wood, who spent

some time with relatives in Asheboro and came home last Friday, expects to return to Asheboro about Thursday of this week to stay awhile with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wood and Miss Cleo Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wood and sons, Craig and Marion, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wood and Don, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Doug Monroe and sons, Joe Allen and Ronald were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Wood of Raeford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Tart had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Willis, Mrs. Percy Wilkes and Mrs. J. H. Willis of Dunn. Mrs. Willis remained to spend the week with Mr. and Mrs. Tart.

Mrs. Lona Smith of Maxton spent a few days last week with her brother, N. J. Ritter and family. She also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Townsend and other friends and relatives in this area.

Circle No. 4 of Galatia Church met in the home of Mrs. Mary McInnis last Friday night with 14 present. Chairman of this circle is Mrs. D. A. Gillis of Fayetteville, Route 3.

It seems that more interest is being taken in the Fayetteville Bicentennial since the idea of growing beards was launched. These men say it makes life much easier not to have to shave. There were several of these "up and comings" beginning to show beards at Galatia Church Sunday, but the fun has only begun.

Misses Allie and Katie Black and John Archie Black returned Sunday from a week's tour of Florida. They visited many interesting places and had a wonderful trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovette of Wayside had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Gibson of Gibson.

The Nail Keg Club still meets, but how they do miss Toby and the post office! Someone should find another pretty kitten to take the place of Toby, but what to do about a post office is another problem.

It's time to be paying special attention to lawns and gardens and some of the Rockfish folks are doing just that.

Military Rites For Sgt. Eugene W. Smith

Funeral services for Sergeant First Class Eugene Walters Smith of Shannon, who was killed in action in Korea in 1950 were held Sunday at 3:00 p. m. at Trinity Methodist Church in Red Springs. The Rev. L. M. Hall, pastor conducted the services assisted by Dr. Paul D. Early, pastor of the Red Springs Baptist Church. Interment followed in Alloway Cemetery with full military honors conducted by members of Charlie Hall Post No. 35, American Legion, and of the Red Springs National Guard Unit.

SFC Smith was killed in action in Korea on September 1, 1950 at Changyong and was buried in the United Nations Cemetery at Miryang, Korea. Born August 8, 1923, the son of Mrs. Frances W. Smith formerly of Shannon, now residing in Florence, S. C. and the late John Preston Smith, SFC Smith was inducted into the U. S. Army from Raeford. During World War II he served with the 809th Field

Artillery Battalion in the European Theatre of Operations. He was overseas for about 4 years.

He remained in the Army following World War II and in 1950 when the Korean conflict broke out, he was again sent overseas, landing in Korea on July 29 where he served with Company E, Ninth Regiment, 2nd Inf. Division. He was killed in action September 1, 1950 at Changyong, South Korea and interred in the U. N. Cemetery at Miryang.

Surviving him are his mother; his wife, the former Miss Gladys King of Shannon; a daughter, Patricia Ann; two sisters, Mrs. A. L. King and Mrs. Martha Hickman both of Florence, S. C.; one brother, J. P. Smith, Jr. of Decatur, Ga.

The North Carolina grape crop last year of 2,500 tons was slightly under 1952's 2,700 ton crop.

A post-war record high production (29.5 million bales) is expected to be recorded this year for cotton produced in the free world.

LEGALS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as executor of the estate of Mrs. Sadie Arnold Ray, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of February 1955, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

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