

**LOCALS**

Dick Cummings, of Brannon, visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Reece had as their Sunday guest J. C. Reece, of Booneville.

Mrs. Carl Poindexter spent Monday in High Point, the guest of her niece, Mrs. Amos Kerns.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown and children, Jean and A. L., II, spent Sunday in Mount Airy, the guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Freeman, of Winston-Salem, attended to business matters here on Thursday of last week.

Will Helton, of Asheville, spent the week-end with his brother, Miles Henry Helton, at his home in Jonesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stanley were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willie White, at their home near Dobson.

Mrs. F. C. Stough, of Cornelius, was the guest Thursday of Mrs. H. B. Holcomb, at her home on West Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smoot announce the birth of a son, Charles, at Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital, April 25.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Fitzgerald and little daughter, Becky, of Winston-Salem, were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Byrd.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Holcomb and daughter and son, Sarah and Hugh, spent Saturday the guests of friends at Cornelius.

Glenn Cummings, of Salisbury, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cummings, near Brannon.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Turner, of Mocksville, were the guests last week of Mrs. W. M. Cundiff, at her home on Bridge street.

Arvil Evans returned Saturday to Hoboken, N. J., after spending two weeks here with his mother, Mrs. Wilson Evans, who has been ill.

Mrs. E. M. Hodel, of this city, was a guest at a bridge-luncheon at the home of Mrs. Avahlee Hammock, in Kernersville Saturday.

Mrs. Hugh Parks returned Monday from a visit of several days with her mother, Mrs. J. P. Gwyn, at her home in Yanceyville.

Dr. and Mrs. Fraser Lapsley, of Badin, were the guests Thursday of Mrs. Lapsley's mother, Mrs. J. L. Hall, at her home on West Main street.

Miss Louise Purcell, of Red Springs, arrived Saturday for a visit of a month to her sister, Mrs. A. M. Smith, and Mr. Smith, at Hotel Elkin.

Mrs. R. C. Freeman and little daughter, Mary Liles, have returned from a visit of several days to Raleigh, Randleman and Wilson Mills.

W. A. Reeves, of Statesville, arrived Wednesday for a visit of several days in the home of Mrs. R. G. Franklin and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Greene, of Statesville, have been the guests for several days of Misses Jennie and Auba Gray, at their home on Vine street.

Miss Mary Virginia Barker, Miss Elizabeth McNeill and Sam Gambill attended a recent meeting of the N. C. Scholastic Press Institute at Chapel Hill.

Rev. J. L. Powers has returned from Hillsboro, where he assisted in a revival meeting last week. Rev. Powers is pastor of East Elkin Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moody, of State Road, announce the birth of a daughter on April 15. Mrs. Moody was the former Miss Evelyn Shoemaker, of Jonesville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Andrews and son, Billy, of Shelby, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Andrews' mother, Mrs. E. E. Harris, at her home on West Main street.

W. A. Neaves is expected to return today from Detroit, where he has been for several days attending to business matters for Chatham Manufacturing company.

James Gray, a student at North Carolina State College, Raleigh, spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Annie Gray, at her home on Franklin street.

Mrs. Sam Neaves spent the week-end in Winston-Salem with her mother, Mrs. Mae Bodenheimer Greenwood. Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Folger and Mr. Neaves went down Sunday to accompany her home. They were accompanied by Mrs. W. A. Neaves and Miss Rosamond Neaves, and in the afternoon they were the guests of Mrs. Neaves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Cox, at Mouth of Wilson, Va.

**BAPTISTS MAKE HEAVY GAINS DURING YEAR**

**24,932 Churches Record Record Number New Members**

**TOTAL IS NOW 4,770,185**

Nashville, Tenn., April 22 — When the Southern Baptist convention meets in Oklahoma City, May 17-21, a year of unusual gains will be reported according to figures just released by Dr. E. P. Aldredge, secretary of the department of survey, statistics and information of the Southern Baptist convention.

Dr. Aldredge reports 24,932 Baptist churches within the bounds of the Southern Baptist convention—18 southern states and District of Columbia—with a total membership of 4,770,185, a net increase in the number of churches during the year of 386 and a net gain in membership of 174,583. The number of members received by baptism during the year, 256,814, was the largest number by 23,243 ever reported in any one year before. The average number of baptisms for each year for the past 21 has been 202,338. The total number of members received by baptism during the past 20 years has been 4,046,760.

**Sunday Schools Gain**

The total number of Southern Baptist Sunday schools is now 23,514, with an aggregate enrollment of 3,368,851, a net gain over the previous year of 157,144, which was the second largest gain in Southern Baptist history. The 3,548 vacation Bible schools, with an enrollment of 375,455, had a net gain last year of 111,396. Likewise the Baptist Training union with its 38,202 organizations and membership of 805,945 had a net gain in enrollment of 63,738, the largest in its history in any one year.

The Woman's Missionary union organizations reached the grand total of 38,597, which shows an unprecedented net gain of 4,003 organizations. The membership reached a total of 715,402, a net gain of 103,327, one of the greatest gains in history.

The contributions of the churches revealed one of the largest gains in recent years. The total contributions for all causes amounted to \$35,265,687, an increase over the previous year of \$2,999,653. Of this amount \$5,798,529 went to missions and benevolences. Total value of church property \$210,446,838, a gain of \$3,778,425. The number of Baptist ministers reported was 22,075, an increase of 386.

**Miss Neaves Is Hostess at Dance Monday Evening**

Having as guests about twenty-five members of the high school set, Miss Rosamond Neaves was hostess at an enjoyable, informal dance Monday evening at her home on Bridge street. The spacious home was decorated with early garden flowers.

Punch was served throughout the evening.

**PLEASANT HILL**

Rev. I. W. Vestal preached at Pleasant Hill Sunday morning and night.

Our Sunday school has been slacking during the winter months but it is steadily going up to the 300 mark again.

The quartet from the Lucy Hanes club of the Chatham Manufacturing company met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gilliam Saturday night for their practice.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Darnell had as their guests last week-end Mr. and Mrs. Mackie Royall and family, of Thurmond. Sunday afternoon both Mr. and Mrs. Darnell and Mr. and Mrs. Royall motored to Wilkesboro.

Mrs. J. B. Darnell had as her Sunday guests Mrs. Laura O'Brien, of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. Victoria Darnell.

Odell Gamble, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Gamble, is recovering from a recent operation.

**F. H. C. Class Meets Thursday**

The F. H. C. class of the Pleasant Hill Baptist church met Thursday evening at the home of Miss Irene Day.

The class president, Miss Mollie Darnell, presided over the meeting. After the business portion of the meeting was over, a very inspiring talk was given by Mrs. D. C. Gilliam on "Our American Neighbors." The Guiding Star quartet furnished special music.

At the close of the business session very enjoyable refreshments were served to the 28 members present.

**All Were Settlin'**

"Where were you boys when I called for you to help me an hour ago?" asked Farmer Jones at the supper-table.

"I was in the barn settin' a hen," said one.

"And I was in the loft settin' a saw," answered another.

"I was in grandma's room settin' the clock," came from the third boy.

"I was up in the pantry settin' a trap," said the fourth.

"You're a fine set," remarked the farmer. "And where were you?" he asked, turning to the youngest.

"I was on the doorstep settin' still," was the reply.

**Miss Blackwood Is Yadkin Champion**

In a spelling contest here Miss Peggy Blackwood, of Jonesville, was selected to represent Yadkin county in the Journal-Sentinel spelling contest of several counties, which will be held in Winston-Salem Saturday. Miss Blackwood represented Yadkin county last year. She is from the Jonesville school.

Miss Blackwood was selected from a list of seven from other schools in Yadkin county. Those taking part in the contest and the school they represented, were: Mary Melton, Yadkinville; Willie Adams, Forbush; Sallie Ruth Brown, West Yadkin; Howard Adams, Booneville; Evelyn Murphy, Fall Creek; and Dallas Brown, East Bend.

**MINE RIDGE**

Several people from here are attending the revival services at the Pentecostal church in Elkin this week.

Mrs. L. C. Lowe has returned from a visit of two weeks with her sister, Mrs. T. E. Parks, and Mr. Parks, in Leaksville.

The Mine Ridge school closed a successful term Friday.

Miss Unias Simmons has returned to her home in Elkin, following a visit with her sister, Mrs. Marvin Martin, and Mr. Martin.

Harvey Sidden, of State Road, was the Sunday guest of Warren Harper.

Mrs. George Snow, who has been quite ill, is improving, we are glad to note.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Norman, of Thurmond, spent the week-end with Mrs. Norman's parents, Luther and Clyde Smith, of Pleasant Ridge, visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Norman and son, Willie, of Summerfield, spent part of last week here attending to business matters.

**Exasperated**

The farmer came back to the house puffing and blowing, and threw his rake into the corner.

"Mercy sakes, Dad!" cried his wife. "Why did you chase that poor man off the farm, like you did?"

"Reason enough!" growled the farmer. "I've just had to buy you that new dress and hat, and I had to buy Daisy a present for her birthday, and I had to buy David a new suit. Then I had to buy a set of harness for the horse, and a cow rug for Strawberry, and a license for the dog."

**Weaver Is Speaker At Forbush School**

The commencement exercises of the Forbush school will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6. The program arranged by Principal D. D. Martin, is as follows:

May 5, 8 p. m., operetta, "On Midsummer Day," by primary grades.

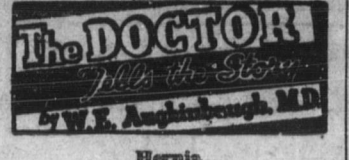
May 6, 2 p. m., devotional, by Rev. R. L. West, pastor Yadkinville Baptist church; commencement address by Prof. L. S. Weaver, Jonesville; presentation of diplomas; recitation—declamation contest; 8 p. m., a play, "Her Blessed Boy," by the grammar grades.

**WITH THE SICK**

The following patients have been admitted to the local hospital during the past week:

Lucy Gray, Elkin; Mrs. Ruby Baldwin, Elkin; Sarah Rathledge, Elkin; Addie Wall, Elkin; Kim Vestal, Jonesville; H. F. Laffoon, Elkin; Mrs. Flossie Sparks, Booneville; Delmar Comer, Elkin; Mrs. W. D. Turner, Stanley; Mrs. Ruth Threatte, Dobson; Mrs. Willie Tucker, Elkin; Anna Reeves, Sparta; Charles Lyons, Elkin; Mrs. Noah Darnell, Elkin; George Ed Erwin, Sparta; Glenn Carter, Jonesville; Mrs. Sudie Macemore, Jonesville; Mrs. Jack Smoot, Elkin; Frank Wall, Elkin; Rich Chatham, Jr., Elkin; Mrs. Cora Lee Hanes, Mt. Airy; Mrs. Gall Wall, Rockford; Mae Sizemore, Yadkinville; Mrs. Cleo Southard, Hamptonville.

Patients dismissed during the week were: George Felts, Elkin; Mrs. L. W. Bonkeymeyer, Kernersville; Hattie Jenkins, Jonesville; Mrs. Phoebe Hall, Scottsville; Dorothy Crabb, Thurmond; Carol Martin, Jonesville; Mrs. Ethel Davis, Elkin; Odell Gambill, Elkin; W. H. Joyner, Yadkinville; Louis Walker, Mt. Airy; Verona Simmons, Harmony; Delmar Comer, Elkin; Mrs. W. D. Turner, Stanley; Versie Haynes, Jonesville; Kim Vestal, Jonesville.



**Hernia**

In the little town in which I lived as a boy, two or three times a year the local drugist's window would be filled with what looked to me like portions of harness.

Always surrounded by mystery, people seemed afraid to speak of them, when as a matter of fact they were nothing more or less than trusses, or mechanical devices for keeping portions of the intestines from protruding through or between the muscles of the abdominal wall.

There are three very thin muscles covering the abdomen, which are connected to a heavy connective tissue resembling a stout cord, known as Poupard's ligament. Commonly the loop of intestine would bulge out either above or below this ligament, and the truss was used to press back into place the rupture or hernia.

Due to a bad coughing spell or heavy straining, such as lifting heavy articles, this loop of intestines would often get twisted and it would be impossible to replace it. The blood supply was cut off and one had what was known as strangulated hernia which was really dangerous.

Perhaps 25 per cent. of our population suffer from hernia in some form at some period of life, and are obliged to wear these trusses.

This meant a source of great revenue to the quack and the

newspapers of the day were filled with rupture cure devices and remedies, which were of no earthly value. Some of the charlatans pasted plasters over the surface of the rupture. More used medicines which were absolutely useless and advised the use of their special form of trusses. Many suffered untold agony throughout life.

"There is no question but that a truss properly made and applied scientifically helps materially. I had one cranky old patient who made his own truss, using a portion of the hoop of a whiskey barrel and a croquet ball, sawed in half and covered with leather, affixed to each end of the device.

Today, with modern surgery, asepsis, and either a local or general anaesthetic, an operation done by an expert usually cures the rupture and saves the patient the great inconvenience of going through life handicapped by a truss. So if you suffer from this trouble, see your surgeon and do what he advises.

**Correct Address**

The poor man was effusive in his thanks to his rich friend. "This five pounds will help me out of a tight hole, and I'll send it back to you in a few weeks. By the way, what is your address?"

"The rich man looked solemn. "Fairview Cemetery," he replied.

"Oh, nonsense. That's not your address."

"No," said the rich man, "but it will be before you send this five pounds back."

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