

RAMBLING SKETCHES OF OAK GROVE NEWS

(By Mrs. William Wright)

The revival services which were scheduled to begin at the local church Sunday, July 20, have been postponed due to the fact the frequent rains have kept farmers inactive and much work remained to be done.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dixon and daughter, Emma, and little granddaughter of Bethlehem, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Blanton were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Watterson of Bessemer City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lovelace, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Porter and children

were visitors in Shelby Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Putnam and children, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bridges, Mrs. D. P. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. William Watterson of Patterson Grove were visitors in the home of Mrs. H. T. Wright Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Wright is recovering nicely after an appendicitis operation July 2nd. She celebrated her 80th birthday anniversary June 7th. Miss Pauline Ward is also recuperating at her home here after an appendix operation recently.

Mrs. Adell Lovelace and children of Tampa, Fla., are spending some time in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elam McSwain.

Messrs Fred Bell and Gene Watterson of High Point were Saturday night guests of the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bell.

Miss Mabel Bell was the spend-the-day guest of Misses Pauline and Virginia Ware Sunday.

Miss Dorothy Patterson was a visitor in the home of Miss Della Patterson Sunday.

Mrs. Ora Blanton of Kings Mountain has been spending some time with her cousin, Mrs. W. P. Lovelace.

Mrs. Mayme Gibbons and son, John, spent Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Canipe and family of the Patterson Grove section.

Stokes Wright had as his Sunday guests Messrs David Gibbons and Frank Ledford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Phinbeck are announcing the birth of a daughter, Nica Ann, on July 20.

Rev. Luther Hawkins was a caller in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Ware Monday afternoon.

Pitt county livestock producers are grazing more soybeans this year than ever before, since the beans cheaper feed cost and hogs and cattle thrive on them, says Assistant Farm Agent C. D. Griggs.

Recent excessive rains coupled with the drought just prior will cause a serious reduction in the Gaston County wheat harvest this year, reports Assistant Farm Agent W. Z. Smith.

Rains, while damaging some crop have caused phosphate and limestone to give definite results in many cases, says S. R. Mitchiner, assistant farm agent of Forsyth County.

Simple Test For Egg Freshness Explained

An egg is a sealed package of fine food when it is laid by the hen. It is the only product that Nature gives us that is sealed without the touch of human hands.

However, points out T. T. Brown, Extension poultryman of N. C. State College, eggs that bring a premium on the market are those that the consumer desires — eggs that are fresh, large, clean, uniform in size and color, and sound in shell. Most consumers will buy the more pleasing-looking product but their continued purchases depend upon the actual interior quality of the eggs.

The State College man suggests a simple home method of determining if eggs are fresh. Place eggs in a pan of water, he says, and the good ones will rest flat on the bottom of the vessel; those that have lost some of their quality will stand on end; and very poor ones will rise and be older or poorly kept.

Brown explained that an egg does not have an air cell when it is laid by the hen. As it cools, the water evaporates from it and the two shell membranes at the large end of the egg separate and form an air cell. In hot weather, moisture is drawn from the egg, just as water is drawn from the soil and from all vegetation. The depth of the air cell is a measure of quality.

GUEST SPEAKER



The Rev. E. Sylvester Elliott, pastor of the Baptist Church, Paris, Ark., will assist Pastor D. E. Putman in a series of meetings at David Baptist Church near Bethwaite beginning next Sunday, July 27. Mr. Elliott is a native of Cleveland county where he has held many successful evangelistic meetings. The public is cordially invited to attend these services. Service hours will be 10 A. M. and 8 P. M. except Sunday which will be 11 A. M.

NEGRO NEWS

(By Jessie G. Costner)

The Daily Vacation Bible School began Monday of this week at the Good Hope Presbyterian Church under the leadership of Mrs. S. C. Van Landingham. Mr. John K. Kibler is assisting in carrying on the Bible School.

Mrs. Effie Clinkscales of Candler street is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Olive Smith in Cleveland, Ohio.

There was a Sunday School Union held at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church Sunday. Several Sunday Schools from out of town were present. A male quartet from Lowell was on program.

Ivey Davis, a trainee at Fort Bragg spent the week end at home. The "Heaven Bound" play under the direction of Rev. S. N. Davidson of Gastonia will be presented at the Compact High School on Friday night, July 25, at 8:00 o'clock.

Mr. James Boyd has returned from Florida where he has been for several weeks.

Bishop E. G. Shaw succeeds the late Bishop L. W. Kyles in the Western North Carolina Conference of the A. M. E. Zion church. His headquarters will be in Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. Waddell Carroll who was to go to Camp for a trainee last Monday was delayed and will not go until July 30, 1941. His brother, Victor Carroll, will go to camp also as a volunteer. Waddell and Victor are sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Carroll of Tracy street.

Mr. Zeb Kennedy who took seriously ill on Monday afternoon, died Tuesday afternoon, July 22, at his home on Watterson street. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Mrs. Fannie Bullard of Watterson street has been ill for several weeks. She is improving.

Uncle Sam is asking of you — an aluminum pan, old or new, in eggs.

WHAT KIND OF A HOUSE GUEST ARE YOU?

A novel quiz which enables anyone to rate his or her virtues or vices as a week-end guest. Don't miss this amusing feature in the August 3rd issue of THE AMERICAN WEEKLY. The Big Magazine Distributed With THE BALTIMORE SUNDAY AMERICAN On Sale at all Newsstands



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5c

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Terry Bath Towels
5c

Clearance Summer Ready-to-Wear

GROUP 1 DRESSES
Fruit of the Loom and Winnie Mae Dresses. Several Patterns to Choose from. All sizes
97c

GROUP 2 DRESSES
A special purchase sale of 200 brand new summer dresses. Regular values up to \$2.95. Silks and cottons. Choice!—
\$1.88

GROUP 3 DRESSES
July clearaway of spring and summer dresses. Hundreds of styles to select from. Values to \$5.95. Sizes for misses and women
\$3.88

GROUP 4 DRESSES
This is an outstanding sale group of brand new summer dresses, also Spring dresses, washable crepes, Bembergs and acetates. All sizes! \$5.95 to \$9.95 values. Choice!—
\$4.88

GIRLS' DRESSES
July Clearance! Entire stock of girls' summer dresses—priced—
39c 77c \$1.49

SUMMER HATS
All summer hats must be sold. New fall hats will be rolling in soon and all our tables must be cleared of summer hats — regardless of cost. Here they go!
Value to 1.00
50c

Value to \$1.98
\$1.00

Curtain Sale

One huge lot of ruffled and tailored marquisette curtains, bought on the old market basis and saved especially for this sale—2½ yards long
\$1.00

Hosiery Specials

First quality, full fashioned silk Hose. All wanted shades. Very Special—
48c pair

NYLON HOSE
They are not perfect, but what a Buy at this low price Limit 2 pairs to a customer
59c pr.

ANKLETS—Children's Anklelets
in all colors and asst. sizes
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HATS
Men's Straw Hats Values to \$1.98
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Men's Sport Shirts in or out
59c

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15c yd.

GROUP 3
Permanent finish organ dies, dumari piques, swinghi piques, A. B. C. corded chambrays, powder puff muslins, dotted swiss and fibredown swiss. Regular 39c values. Sale price—
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