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## THE OLD FORT NEWS

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Editor and Business Manager.

Lo the poor Indian! whose untutor'd mind  
Sees God in clouds, or hears him in the wind;  
His soul proud science never taught to stray  
Far as the solar walk or milky way;  
Yet simple nature to his hopes has given,  
Behind the cloud-topt hill, an humbler heaven;  
Some safer world in depth of woods embraç'd,  
Some happier island in the watery waste,  
Where slaves once more their native land behold  
No fiends torment, no Christians thirst for gold;  
To be, contents his natural desire,  
He asks no angel's wing, no seraph's fire;  
But thinks, admitted to that equal sky,  
His faithful dog shall bear him company.  
—Pope's Essay on Man.

## MRS. CRIPPEN ENTERTAINS OLD FORT WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Amos Crippen was a charming hostess to the Woman's club on Friday afternoon at her home on Main street. Many matters of great interest were presented by the president, Mrs. Lula Sandlin, during the business session. Good reports were heard from the different departments.

The need of funds to be used in welfare work was stressed by the president and a committee was appointed to secure funds for this purpose. Members appointed for this work were Miss Gertrude Dula, Mrs. D. M. McIntosh and Mrs. Geo. Moore.

Mrs. Amos Crippen reported that a room for supplies had been secured in the Bradley building near the library rooms, the owners, Messrs. Caplan and Bradley, granting the Woman's Club the free use of the extra room, for which the Club acknowledges great appreciation.

Letters from Mrs. D. F. Giles, district president, and Mrs. E. L. McKee, prominent club woman and president of the state U. D. C., were read by the president.

The meeting adjourned to enjoy a very pleasant social hour, during which a delicious frozen salad course was served by the hostess, who was assisted in serving by Mrs. P. H. Mashburn, Mrs. D. M. McIntosh, and Mrs. Hart Taylor. Members present at this meeting were Mrs. H. C. Marley, Mrs. C. W. Graybeal, Mrs. Geo. Moore, Mrs. W. W. LeFevre, Mrs. D. M. McIntosh, Mrs. P. H. Mashburn, Mrs. Will Rowe, Mrs. S. F. Mauney, Mrs. H. C. Fisher, Miss Gertrude Dula, Mrs. Hart Taylor, Mrs. Effie Mashburn, Mrs. S. B. Smithey, Mrs. George Sandlin, Mrs. Amos Crippen, and special invited guest Mrs. Swike.

The club will meet in April with Mrs. C. W. Graybeal, with Miss Gertrude Dula as associate hostess.

## MARGUERITE GILLIAM DIES; FUNERAL SUNDAY

Little Miss Marguerite Gilliam, aged seven years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Gilliam, of Candler, died at a local hospital Saturday night at 10:45 o'clock after a brief illness.

Surviving are the parents and three brothers: Noah Gilliam, of West Asheville; Walter Gilliam, of Seattle, Washington; and Edwin Gilliam, of Candler; also two sisters: Mrs. H. H. Tate of Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Evelyn Gilliam of Candler.

Funeral services were held at the Hominy Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. Mr. Bennett, pastor, in charge.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Gilliam were shocked to hear of the death in Asheville of their daughter, Marguerite Gilliam. Mr. and Mrs. Gilliam, who were formerly of Crooked Creek, conducted a grocery store in Old Fort a number of years, and little Marguerite was a beautiful child, loved by everyone who knew her.

## BIRTHS AND DEATHS

There were 103 births in Old Fort and vicinity during the year 1929, according to the report of I. L. Caplan, registrar of vital statistics. The death list was 34.

## FORMER OLD FORT GIRL MARRIES IN NEW YORK

New York, March 8.—Miss Jennie Gibson, 23, daughter of Charles and Mytina Harvey Gibson, of Old Fort, N. C., where she was born, and David J. Pierson, 35, of No. 2 Locust St., Morristown, N. J., obtained a license to wed here today. The couple announced they would be married today by the New York City clerk. Miss Gibson gave her present address as Greystone Park, N. J. Mr. Pierson was born in Morristown, the son of George and Annie Gibson Pierson.

## BRIDGE PARTY

The visit of Miss Helen Watkins of Raleigh to her cousin, Mrs. P. H. Mashburn was the inspiration for a spirited bridge party given by Mrs. Hart Taylor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Mashburn on Saturday evening.

Early spring flowers, together with blooming potted plants, furnished an appropriate setting for the three tables.

Top score was attained by Mrs. Harry Ditmore of Marion, the prize being a bottle of ideal talcum. The honoree was presented with a bottle of perfume. At the end of the game a salad course with accessories was served by Mrs. Mashburn assisted by Mesdames Amos Crippen and George Sandlin.

Those included in the courtesy for the attractive young visitor were Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Smithey, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Crippen, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Ditmore of Marion, Mrs. Geo. Sandlin, Misses Maude Crawford and Lenore Keatley, and Messrs. Fred Bradley, Latta Whisnant, Kimball Miller, and Louie Cuthbertson of Ridgeway, Pa.

## MRS. CLIFFORD NESBITT HOSTESS ON SUNDAY

Miss McKay, superintendent of the Mission Hospital; Miss Ruth Boyette, instructor of nurses at the Mission Hospital, and Miss Austin, of the Biltmore Hospital, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nesbitt on Sunday at six o'clock. After dinner music consisting of solos and duets, by Misses Lenore Keatley, Edith Rowe Grady, and Clifford Nesbitt were enjoyed.

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH**  
J. C. Umberger, Pastor  
Services for Sunday, March 16:  
Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. by pastor. Subject, "Religious Education".  
Epworth League service 6:45 p. m. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Rev. E. W. Fox, Presiding Elder of Marion District, will preach after which the second quarterly conference will be held.  
Every one is invited to attend all services.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES**  
M. E. Hansel, Minister  
Old Fort Presbyterian—Sunday School, 10 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:45 p. m.  
Oakdale—Sunday School, 2 p. m.; preaching, 7:30 p. m.  
Siloam—Sunday School, 2 p. m. M. E. Hansel, Minister.

New water pipes are being laid on Main street this week. The work is being supervised by T. B. Faw and Mayor Harmon.

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Prof. S. B. Smithey and Supt. A. V. Nolan spent Saturday in Boone.

M. J. Beach, president of the Union Tanning Co., is spending a few days in Old Fort.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harris, a son, on March 5th.

Mrs. Lee Jordan of Asheville visited relatives in Old Fort last week.

Mrs. F. P. Sweeney and brother, Robert Wilkinson, returned from Johnson City on Friday.

Miss Eunice Wilkinson, who is attending Mitchel College in Statesville, spent the week-end with home-folks.

Miss Margaret Jordan, who has been ill for the past three weeks, is able to resume her studies in the Old Fort school.

Prof. and Mrs. S. B. Smithey have moved into the Roughton House.

Mrs. Georgia Grant has returned home after spending several weeks in Florida.

Harry Noblitt and Gayden Swann visited friends in Burnsville last week.

Albert Spencer Noblitt principal of the Dysartville School, spent the week-end in Old Fort visiting home-folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nichols, Mrs. P. D. Mangum, Edith and Nell Nichols were visitors in Old Fort last Sunday.

Rev. C. P. Holland of Glendale, S. C., spent the week-end in Old Fort.

Luther Grant of Marion was in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Simpson of Marion spent Sunday in Old Fort.

Mrs. Rosa Mason left Sunday for her home in Brevard after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Williams.

Rev. C. L. Taylor spent the week-end in Cowpens, S. C.

Miss Pauline Gosorn spent the week-end in Asheville with her aunt Mrs. Lee Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Morris returned to their home here Sunday, after spending several days in Nantahala.

Melvin Jordan spent the week-end in Asheville with his parents.

Miss Laura Curtis left Sunday for East Flat Rock after spending the week with her sister, Mrs. G. W. Sabom.

Miss C. Hall of Marion was in Old Fort Tuesday.

Mrs. Bessie Watkins of Marion was a visitor in Old Fort Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Owensby of Elizabethtown, Tenn., were the guests of Mrs. Dennis Haynes last week.

Miss Brady Silver is visiting relatives near Hendersonville.

Miss Ruth Bradley of Morgantown was in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Hunt made a business trip to Marion Thursday.

Mrs. H. Snyder is visiting relatives in Waynesville this week.

Mrs. W. W. LeFevre spent Thursday in Asheville.

Miss McIntosh of Burnsville was a visitor in Old Fort Wednesday.

Mrs. W. C. Moore of Burnsville was a visitor in Old Fort Wednesday.

Gordon Grant and Stanley Kanipe visited friends in Burnsville last week.

Miss Mary Stowe of Asheville was the guest of Miss Catherine Finch on Sunday.

A small fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Caplan the past week was the occasion of the sounding of the fire alarm, and a quick response of the fire department. The blaze was quickly extinguished.

Mrs. Janie Reid, who has been in Richmond, Va., the past eight months, returned to Old Fort Saturday and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Artz this week.

Miss Frances Miller entertained a number of friends at her home on Thursday night at a birthday party. A number of games were enjoyed after which delightful refreshments were served.

The Monument Association requests that any one who has Indian arrows that they would donate to the town to be used on the Marker which is being erected, to bring them to Don Gosorn at the post-office.

Attending the meeting of the County Relief Association in Marion on Sunday were Dr. D. M. McIntosh, Miss Frances Artz, Miss Gertrude Dula, Miss Lenore Keatley, and Miss E. Rowe Grady of Old Fort.

Mrs. S. F. Mauney has received news of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Mollie Journey, who lives near Statesville. Mrs. Mauney spent Sunday with Mrs. Journey, who is a patient at the Statesville Hospital.

The Dorcas Bible Class of the Methodist Church met with Miss Linnie Kanipe on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stone and their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Busbee, have moved into their home erected on Highway No. 10 east of Old Fort. Mr. and Mrs. Stone were former residents of Tad, West Virginia.

Geo. W. Sandlin and Wilburn Epley drove to White Plains, N. Y., this week, to deliver the car of Jas. C. Hansen, which was left in Old Fort due to a wreck near this place. While in White Plains they will be the guests of Mr. Hansen.

Mr. Amos Crippen, superintendent of the Catawba Tannery at this place, has been transferred to the tannery at Cumberland, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Crippen will be moving soon. Their many friends regret to lose them as citizens here.

Capt. Charles Fisher entertained Harrison Hansel, Maurice Fleming, Francis Mauney, of the "I Tappa Keg" fraternity, with a stag party Thursday night. An elaborate feast was enjoyed by the guests. Bottle drinks were served, as is a custom of the club.

## RAPID GROWTH IN RAISING TURKEYS

Fowls Utilize Areas of Otherwise Profitless Land.

The turkey industry has made a rapid growth in Idaho in recent years, says Pren Moore, extension poultry specialist with the University of Idaho college of agriculture. It has grown since 1922, when turkeys were rather insignificant in volume, until now it has become an important industry in point of volume. The bulk of the original stock was small and of poor quality. There was very little native stock at that time which was suitable for breeding purposes. There were a few breeders in the state who had been importing good breeding stock, but the general average was of inferior quality.

The increased volume soon attracted the large produce dealers, who began bidding for the business. Grades, conforming to those in general use throughout the country, were applied. Not until then did the growers realize the value of breeding to improve the quality of the stock. The few good local breeders were unable to supply the demand for better breeding stock. Breeding stock was imported on a large scale. Some of it was of high quality while much was inferior, but most of it was an improvement over the average of the native stock. Improvement was rapid, which developed a rapidly growing interest in turkey breeding as an enterprise.

Demand for better breeding stock led to a system of accreditation similar to that attaining such success in the poultry industry. The popularity of this accreditation work in turkey raising, says Mr. Moore, is apparent from the growing demand for the service.

Some cats can see in the dark; others just talk.

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