

MRS. BERTHA COX SMITH IS BURIED

Popular Daughter of Prominent Citizen Passes Away

A death that came as a complete shock to the whole community occurred last week when a telegram was received here from Winston-Salem notifying friends that Mrs. Charlie Smith, daughter of Mr. J. E. Cox, had died in a hospital there.

Bertha, as she was familiarly known here, was born in Winston-Salem in 1905, and had lived in Rosemary all her life until about five years ago, when she was married to Mr. Charlie Smith of Pikesville, N. C., a practicing attorney. Since then she has spent several weeks out of each year here with her father.

She was a girl of pleasing personality and a lovely disposition. Her mother, who was the former Miss Monnie Nissen of Winston-Salem, died when Bertha was a child, and her father has borne the responsibility of both mother and father in a most admirable way.

Mrs. Smith was stricken several weeks ago with a disease called the Wilson's disease of which very little is known by the medical profession. Her condition had been serious for about three weeks and about ten days ago she was carried to Winston-Salem for treatment and everything that human skill could do was done, but to no avail. At times her temperature was as high as 109. She died on Monday night, June 23rd at eleven o'clock, and interment was made in the private burying grounds of the Nissen's on Wednesday afternoon in Winston-Salem. Funeral services were conducted from the home of her aunt, Mrs. Willie E. Froelich. The many and lovely floral offerings attest the popularity in which the deceased was held.

Surviving are her husband; one son, Philip Brantley Smith and her father, Mr. J. E. Cox. She was a niece of Mrs. Will Froelich and Mrs. K. E. Shore of Winston-Salem and a granddaughter of the late C. F. Nissen of Wauhtown.

Mr. Cox, father of the deceased, is one of the leading citizens of this community. He holds the distinct record of being the oldest employee of the Rosemary Manufacturing Co., where he holds the responsible position of master mechanic in charge of the huge machine shops of the mills. He is also one of the pioneer citizens of the entire community is extended to the bereaved family. Mr. and Mrs. Cox returned from the funeral on Friday.

As The Herald went to press last Wednesday night, details of the death and funeral could not be obtained until this issue of the paper.

Two Churches Unite For Summer Camps

Reverend L. M. Hill has returned from White Lake where he arranged for two young peoples camps for the Roanoke Rapids Baptist and Methodist Churches. The camp for the older group of young people will be held the week of August 13 and that for the younger group the week of August 25th. Two cottages have been rented, one for girls, one for boys, and an auditorium for courses in Sunday School and Church work. The two local churches are planning to send about forty to each camp.

Booster Club Party

A carnival and box party was given at the Rosemary Band Hall this Monday night by the Rosemary Boosters Club. It was a real community get together with one of the largest crowds to attend a similar affair in recent years. Miss Mary Cameron won the prize as the most beautiful girl present and Miss Nellie Gray King fixed the box which brought the highest price. Bill Alligood was awarded the prize as the ugliest man and also acted as auctioneer. This is a fore-runner of many such social activities to be sponsored this season by the Boosters Club.

Mills Inventory

The mills have all been closed this week except for the office forces who have been busy taking annual inventory. Seven special inventory takers had charge of the work which was finished today. The mills will resume operation Monday after the week's shutdown.

Route 40 Changed By State Highway Dept; No Reason

Without official notice, so far as the city authorities know, the State Highway Department Monday changed all road signs from Roanoke Junction to Pleasant Hill. This has been marked Route 40. The road is now marked 481. This latter number is the number of the old road from Pleasant Hill to Weldon via Garysburg. It is assumed that it will now be numbered 40. The Federal markings 17-1 were also removed and it is assumed this number will also go on the Garysburg road.

Why this action was taken when the Weldon bridge will not be completed for a year, could not be explained here. An explanation for this and also asking for the authority to move any of the signs without notice and hearing will be demanded of the State Highway Commission by the special committee of the Kiwanis Club.

ESCAPED CONVICTS CAPTURED

Local Officers Chase and Take Oxford Convicts Today

After an exciting early morning chase today, John and Burt Hilton, escaped convicts and jail breakers of Oxford were captured at dawn by local officers. Raymond Brickhouse, a third member, escaped but his capture is expected at any time.

Local officers received reports yesterday from Oxford that the three men had held up the jailer of Granville County, forced him to unlock them from their cells, stole his car and were headed in this direction.

About two o'clock this morning, Officer Clifton Massey saw a car cruising down the Avenue. Its actions were suspicious and he trailed it, catching the number. On comparing his notes, he found it to be the Oxford jailer's stolen car. He called Chief Gray and in a few minutes with Sheriff Bell and Officer Keeter, the four started after the other car. They chased it as far as Weldon and then came back to town.

Later in the morning, they sighted the car again and gave chase followed by Officers Green and Lewter in another car. They chased the fugitives to the Information Filling Station on the Littleton Road, where the speeding stolen car went off the road as the driver made a sharp curve on two wheels.

The bumper was broken off and the front of the car buried itself in the mud bank. The driver, Brickhouse, jumped out and escaped in the woods. The Hilton brothers were arrested by the officers.

In the car were a Winchester rifle and a pistol. The Hiltons did not deny their identity.

They are reported to be under a sentence of from 4 to 8 years for robbery. A short time ago they escaped from prison and had just been recaptured and were in the jail at Oxford ready to be returned to prison, when they effected the jail break by flashing a gun on the Granville county jailer.

The Sheriff of that county was notified at five o'clock this morning and started for here to take charge of the prisoners. He was due to arrive here before noon.

Rosemary Methodist

The pastor, Rev. C. T. Thrift, will preach at both services. In the morning he will speak on "The Cradle of North Carolina Methodism." The first Methodist Church was organized in this section. Marvelous things in religion occurred in this region about one hundred and sixty years ago. Do you want to find out the cause of these hard times? You are invited to attend the Methodist Church in Rosemary. At night Mr. Thrift will speak on "Don't Fool Yourself."

Fearing burglars, Mrs. Maria Stone of Glencoe, Ill., bolted and double padlocked her door every night. As a result she was trapped and perished when the house burned.

NON-SUPPORT OF FAMILIES WIDESPREAD

City and County Officials Take Hand In Cases Reported

City and county authorities are reported to have their eyes on several men who may be charged with non-support of their families and this week finds two arrested on that charge.

Eli Bowen was found guilty of non-support by Magistrate R. L. Martin and has been sent to the County Jail. His family had been supported for some time by Associated Charities, the county and neighbors. All got tired of taking care of the man and he will probably be put on the county roads to earn his board. Other cases similar have been reported.

Henry Gilliland, of Roanoke Rapids, charged with non-support of his wife and three children, all boys, ranging in age from three to nine years, waived preliminary hearing before Magistrate Martin Monday and in default of a \$500 bond was placed in the Halifax County Jail to await the meeting of the August term of Halifax Superior court.

Gilliland was arrested last Sunday morning by Deputy Sheriff L. E. Keeter.

According to information secured at police headquarters, Gilliland has been married three times. His first wife, it is said, died, and he was divorced from his second wife. He married the present Mrs. Gilliland, the mother of his three children, in 1921.

Charley Medlin, R. D. Jones, Mrs. Gertie Griffin, Daisy Ray and Mary Dennis, were arraigned before Magistrate Martin Monday on two charges, disorderly conduct and possession and transporting contraband liquor. The five were found guilty of the disorderly conduct charge and assessed fines of \$10, and costs, each. Medlin and Jones were acquitted of the liquor charges, but the three women were found guilty and are to appear at the August term of the Halifax Superior Court when they will answer for their alleged violation of the prohibition law.

Mrs. Griffin and Daisy Ray furnished the required bail bond of \$250 each for their appearance in the Superior Court. Mary Dennis' failure to pay the fine and costs assessed for the disorderly conduct charge by Magistrate Martin and in default of the \$250 bond was ordered placed in the Halifax County Jail.

The men and women were arrested late last Saturday night by Clifton Massey, of the Roanoke Rapids police department, and Deputy Sheriff H. L. Bell, in a residence near the business section of the city. A small quantity of ardent spirits was found.

Local American Legion Boys Defeat Wilmington

The Junior American Legion team, after swamping Aulander in their first game, journeyed to Goldsboro last week to face Wilmington for the Legion championship of this district.

When the local boys went on the field they were kidded about being from the country. When the game was over they had defeated Wilmington 13 to 1.

Browning, local pitcher, struck out 10 men and allowed only 5 hits. Pridgen was behind the plate. Wilmington changed batteries three times trying to stop the local youngsters. They got excited and allowed 17 bases on balls.

Goldsboro and Clinton play today and Roanoke Rapids-Rosemary meets the winner for the Eastern State Championship.

Go On To Roads

Desiring quick justice, Herman Fisher and Lawrence Jackson, arrested at Roanoke Junction Sunday by Chief Dobbins and Rosemary police charged with liquor in possession for purpose of sale, waived preliminary hearing and went to the roads to serve their sentences.

T. B. McLinden was taken to the State Hospital at Raleigh for treatment by Chief Dobbins Monday.

Stores Close

Wednesday afternoon holidays have been decreed by a number of leading stores of Ahoskie. Last week was the first time the holiday went into effect.

First Cotton Blooms Come To Twin Cities

Cotton blooms of the 1930 crop poured in the Twin Cities over last week-end as growers vied for the first bloom of the season. The championship was undecided.

Two new blooms were reported by J. H. Matkins as brought here Saturday, June 28th, by L. F. Rook. Plucked on Sunday, 29th, and brought to the office of The Herald on Monday was a bloom from the field of J. G. Copeland, whose farm is located near the Grant Brick Yards.

Duke Wade is credited with a bloom on or about June 30th. From over in Northampton, Robert Peters brought the first bloom from his field on July 1 to Mr. Dickens at Wells D. Tillery Co. Store.

Just when all these "first" blooms were actually picked was not ascertained. All of them are earlier than usual, July 4th being about the usual time for the firsts to appear.

On July 1, Mr. Smoot plucked his first bloom which he brought to The Herald office on Wednesday. Mr. J. H. Floyd of Northampton County brought his first bloom in on Wednesday.

HERALD TO PRINT CATALOG

Begin Work On Halifax County Fair Book Of 1930

The contract for printing the 1930 Halifax County Fair Catalogue has been awarded again this year to The Herald Printing Company, the same firm that printed the book last year. Actual work on printing this year's catalogue will begin as soon as all the material is collected and turned in to the printing firm. The sixth annual meeting of the fair will be held on October 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18.

The advertising for this year's catalogue is being handled exclusively through the advertising department of The Herald Printing Company, and solicitation was begun last week. Every business firm in Roanoke Rapids, Rosemary, Weldon, Littleton, Enfield, Halifax and other towns in Halifax County and nearby towns in neighboring counties and in Virginia will be solicited within the next few weeks for fair catalogue advertising. The business men of Halifax County are requested to cooperate as much as possible in printing this year's catalogue, that it may be a bigger and better book.

Enough copies of the catalogue will be printed to place a copy in every home in Halifax County, both white and colored, and in a number of homes in neighboring counties. This year's catalogue will consist of between 75 and 100 pages and will contain all the necessary information about the fair. The catalogue is offered to business firms as the best advertising medium through which to reach the entire rural population of Halifax County and the trading territories of the various towns in the county.

HALIFAX TOWNSHIP

Mrs. Elizabeth Boyd and Miss Dorothy Campbell are visiting friends in Lynchburg, Va.

Misses Ursula and Helen Marshall of Wilson are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. R. H. Daniel.

Mrs. P. C. Millikin and son are visiting Mrs. Millikin's sister, Mrs. LeRoy Kaneer of High Point.

Mr. Geo. C. Green of Weldon was here Friday on business.

Mr. D. Mae Johnson of Enfield was here Saturday on business.

Mr. W. L. Johnson who is working at Colerain Beach spent the weekend here.

Mrs. E. L. Travis, Jr., and son are visiting in Scotland Neck.

Mr. Dick Haines of Charlotte was here last week.

Mr. Allen C. Zollicoffer of Rosemary was here Wednesday on business.

Mr. L. Long of Roanoke Rapids was here Tuesday.

Mr. Sigmund Meyer was here Saturday on business.

NEW STORE WILL OPEN ON TUESDAY

Fligel's Style Shop Is Said to Be Prettiest Ladies' Shop in State

One young business man of the Twin Cities believes in going after business when times are tight and Paul Fligel, manager of Fligel's Style Shop, has been spending the last month and thousands of dollars in remodeling his store.

The grand opening will be held on next Tuesday night, July 8th, from 8 to 10 p. m. There will be no sale of merchandise on this night. It will be for the express purpose of showing the Twin Cities and those of neighboring towns what will probably be known as the most beautiful ladies shop in the State.

Music will be furnished on that evening by Martin's Orchestra and attractive favors will be distributed to both ladies and gentlemen.

While the new store has not been finished yet, a visit by a representative if this paper disclosed that it will be a source of real pride to all those who like for the Twin Cities to have the best. The fixtures are of the new modernistic designs, finished in green and gold with soft lighting to correspond.

Mirrors, dressing rooms, alcoves with dressing tables are in abundance, all fitting into the general color scheme. The store will handle ladies ready to wear, shoes and millinery exclusively.

The floor will be covered by thick green carpets and upholstered chairs and divans will replace the customary stock tables and seats in the center of the store. Except for shoes, there will be no shelves, all the merchandise being concealed in paneled closets.

The show windows in front carry out the same design used in the store fixtures with intricate paneled backgrounds and highly polished floors. Architect J. P. Koek of Rocky Mount has had charge of the remodeling and says it is one of the most attractive stores he has ever built. It will be a great asset to the business section of this community.

Mr. Paul Fligel, the manager, has been in business here since September, 1925, and in that time has proved himself one of the best of the younger business group. He has taken a real pride in his work and deserves much credit for the splendid store which will be open to the public on next Tuesday evening.

Good-Moody

In St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Northampton County, N. C., last Friday, June 27th at 11 o'clock a marriage took place uniting Miss Catharine B. Moody and Mr. Glenn Brinser, Good of Richmond, Va. The pastor, Rev. J. N. Bynum, officiated. The picturesque rural church was decorated with ferns, palms, big leaf pipe and mimosa. The music was played by Mrs. W. A. Vincent accompanied by Mr. Harvey Saunders on the violin. Miss Otelia Vauz sang "At Dawning" and "I Love You Truly," just before the ceremony. The bridesmaids were Miss Maggie Delbridge, Vineland, Va., Miss Isabelle Good, Richmond, Va., Miss Alice Ezelle, Ezelle, Va., Mrs. Lewis Binford, Norfolk, Va., was matron of honor. Miss Ethel Redman, Washington, D. C., was maid of honor. Mr. Good had for his best man his brother, Rev. Oscar Good of Richmond, Va. The following were groomsmen, R. S. Moody, Jr., Mr. Clinton Chollsey and Mr. Upton Elliott of Richmond. The flower girls were Little Bettie and Barbara Vincent. Bettie Shaw was the ring bearer. Little Misses Iline Moody Frances Ward, Ruby Delbridge and Mary King were ribbon bearers. As Lohengrin's wedding march was played the bride entered on the arm of her father by whom she was given away wearing ivory satin with a veil of tulle. Her bouquet was Calla lilies and ferns. An informal breakfast was given the bridal party immediately after the ceremony at the bride's home, Henrico, N. C., after which Mr. and Mrs. Good left on a Northern trip.

Among those from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Good, Miss Isabelle Good, Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Good, Misses Hazel and Blanche Brinser, Mesdames Waymack, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith, Miss Waymack, Mrs. Een Palmer, Miss Rosa Walthall, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, Mr. Upton Elliott, Mr. Clinton Chollsey, Richmond, Va., Mrs. Maggie Elam, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown, Mrs. V. L. Powell, Mrs. Frank Roberts, Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Lewis Binford, Miss Ethel Redman, Washington, D. C.

Ask Town Board To Rescind Police Act No Action Taken

A delegation from Northampton County visited the meeting of the Town Board of Commissioners Tuesday afternoon and asked the Board to rescind its motion keeping the city police within the city limits, in order that they might police Gaston Township.

Last month the Board passed a motion requiring the police to resign as deputy sheriffs and confine their work within the city. The Gaston delegation handed in a petition signed by about 35 local citizens supporting the request. Sheriff Johnson of Halifax also asked that the police be retained as Halifax County deputy sheriffs.

No action was taken by the Board at the Tuesday meeting.

BERTIE COMMISSIONERS TO RESIGN

Failed To Be Renominated In Recent Primary

Denied renomination at the recent primary in which they asked "a vote of confidence" in their acts, three members of the present Board of Commissioners of Bertie County, and J. T. Stokes who was renominated, Monday offered their resignations from office, effective July 1. The members resigning are T. H. Norfleet, N. G. Phelps, J. E. R. Perry and J. T. Stokes. J. T. Hoggard, fifth member, remains on the board.

The formal resignation has not yet been transmitted to Clerk of the Court C. G. Spoolman, whose duty it is to accept the resignation, and appoint successors for the term which expires the first Monday in November. The notice of resignation was handed to Register of Deeds S. W. Kennedy Monday after a conference of the board members following the meeting of the board to equalize tax valuations.

The action of the commissioners in resigning their office was surprising and has created much interest, coming unexpectedly in the lull following the excitement of the primary. The resignation states that the present board, having been denied the "vote of confidence" in their acts which they asked in renomination, and view of the necessity of making the new budget wish to vacate their positions in order that the new commissioners may be unhampered in their work.

The resignation is effective July 1. By this action the commissioners appointed to fill the unexpired terms will have the duty of making up, passing upon and levy the tax rate for the budget for the coming year.

According to Clerk of the Court Spoolman, he will offer the unexpired terms of the resigning members to the nominees selected at the primary, if the present board cannot be persuaded to withdraw their resignations. None of the nominees for the new board have made any statements as to what their positions will be if the unexpired terms are offered them.

Whoever is appointed to fill the unexpired terms will be faced with a valuation depreciation in the county approximating \$700,000. This depreciation will necessitate raising the tax rate this year from 5 to 7 cents on the hundred, if the county is to raise the same amount of revenue this year as was required last year. This fact was ascertained by the resigning commissioners Monday at the conclusion of the meeting to adjust valuations. In every township in the county except in Snakebite, personal property valuations have fallen. Exact figures on the total depreciation of property values are not available because of the changes made in real property valuations by the commissioners Monday in their hearings, but total loss will be in the neighborhood of \$700,000.

Qualify Next Week For Midget Golf Tournament

Those who have been playing on the Twin City Midget Links will be interested in the Golf Tournament for men which will be held the week of July 14. Next week will be qualifying week when all men will turn in their low score and the sixteen having lowest scores will enter the tournament. An attractive prize will be awarded the champion. Details will be furnished at the office on the links. After the men's tournament is over, a similar tournament will be held for the ladies.

CONVENTION OF COUNTY DEMOCRATS

Ed Travis, Jr., Succeeds A. C. Zollicoffer as County Chairman

Democrats of Halifax County met at Halifax last Saturday when at the same time Democrats of the other 99 counties of the State were meeting in County conventions. Edward Travis, Jr., was elected County Chairman to succeed Allen C. Zollicoffer, unopposed Democratic nominee for the State Senate.

Thirty five delegates were elected to represent Halifax County at the State Democratic Convention which is being held at Raleigh today.

W. E. Daniel of Weldon was elected delegate at large with W. Lunsford Long of Roanoke Rapids as alternate. Other delegates from Roanoke Rapids precinct were R. Hunt Parker, A. C. Zollicoffer, J. R. Beard, Jeff Welch, Herbert L. Bell and Dr. John Martin. Alternates chosen were J. T. Chase, Dr. T. W. M. Long, Carroll Wilson, A. B. McAllister, L. R. Moody and W. E. Woodroof.

Delegates from Rosemary precinct were Alfred N. Martin, Hurley H. King, and W. J. Norwood. Alternates chosen were Monroe Jenkins, L. G. Shell and Curtis Shell.

W. L. Long was recently elected precinct chairman for Roanoke Rapids No. 1 and Alfred N. Martin was chosen for the same office in Precinct No. 2.

The local county convention moved along smoothly with none of the wrangles which have marked some of those in the past. Harmony seemed the keynote and optimism as to Democratic chances, not only in the State, but through the entire Nation seemed prevalent.

Josiah W. Bailey, conqueror of Senator Simmons, will speak at the State Convention today. On last Saturday he addressed the Democrats of the Harnett County Convention in his first political address since the primary.

"When a man announces himself as a candidate in the Democratic party, that announcement predicates the right of anybody to vote against him," said Mr. Bailey. "Rest assured that I recognize that right and have no prejudice against anybody who voted against me. I do not consider myself the candidate of only those who supported me in the primary but the candidate of the Democratic party."

Bond Unity

"The principles of the Democratic party are the bond of its unity. When we think of them it is not difficult to forget partisan enthusiasm for one candidate or another of the contests within the party. Principles are more than candidates. We divide on candidates. We make common cause on the principles of our party. The primary unites; it divides in order to unite."

Evidence of the truth of Mr. Bailey's statement was the fact that he was invited to address the convention by N. McK. Salmon, one of the Simmons lieutenants, and was introduced by H. C. Strickland, of Angier, who was for Simmons until the party chose Bailey. At the close of the convention hundreds came forward to shake the candidate's hand.

Long and Crew Is New Law Firm Established Here

A new law firm was begun here on July 1st when Messrs W. Lunsford Long and J. Winfield Crew, Jr., formed a partnership to be known as Long and Crew, Attorneys at Law, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

The new firm will have offices in the Kidd building here and will handle both civil and criminal matters.

Mr. Long is well known in this community, having been active in legal and business circles for many years and at one time was State Senator from this district. He is at present head of Roanoke Rapids Properties, Inc., company with large holdings in local real estate.

Mr. Crew is a young man of pleasing personality who will make his home here. He is a son of J. W. Crew of Pleasant Hill who is a large property owner in this community. Young Mr. Crew has completed his law course at the University of North Carolina and will complete his legal education this summer at Yale University law school.

A. W. Dowlin of Washington, N. C., was a visitor here Tuesday.