

LOCAL MAN TO TEACH AT ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

DR. JOB TAYLOR

Accepts Chair of Philosophy at Virginia Beach School

Dr. Job Taylor, of Roanoke Rapids, prominent educator, lecturer and author, has accepted the post of professor of philosophy and director of research at the Atlantic University, to be opened at Virginia Beach, Va., next fall, of which Dr. William Moseley Brown, recent candidate for the Governorship of Virginia, will be president. Dr. Taylor will begin his work at the new university some time in September.

Dr. Taylor is a graduate of Lima College, Wooster University and Harvard. He holds degrees of bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, master of arts and doctor of philosophy.

His early endeavors as a professor of philosophy brought him into prominence as an educator and lecturer. Demands for his lectures became so great that he was obliged to give up college work for the lecture platform and further study. This move carried him into nearly every important country in the world, where he studied philosophy at its original source.

Dr. Taylor is an author of note, having published two books and many short stories. During the time he was writing, he also became interested in business enterprises and was successful from the start. He is credited with the development of chemical pulp paper from southern pine. In accepting the position at Atlantic University, Dr. Taylor is doing so at a considerable financial sacrifice, making education of young men paramount in his scheme of life.

Dr. Taylor has been a resident of Roanoke Rapids for the past 18 years. In 1912 he came from Norwich, Conn., to Roanoke Rapids, where he inspected the Roanoke Fibre Board Company, to see whether or not the business could be placed on a paying basis. At the end of his first year of operating the local paper mill, it was leased by the Beaver Board Company, and Dr. Taylor became president and general manager of the Halifax Paper Corporation, retiring about five years ago.

WOMAN IS FOUND IN BED DEAD

Rosemary Woman Died During Night—Discovered Next Morning

When Mrs. James Adams, 810 Henry Street, called Mrs. Bertie Finch for breakfast yesterday morning, there was no answer and the look on Mrs. Adams' face was so peculiar it frightened Mrs. Adams. She called her husband who was working in the garden and they discovered the woman was dead.

Mrs. Finch was a relative by marriage and had been visiting with the Adams family for several days. She was sleeping on a cot in the dining room. Tuesday night she was apparently in perfect health and sewed until late on a new dress.

Relatives say she had complained for some time of a shortness of breath, which at times was more aggravated than at others. Dr. Weather was called and he summoned Coroner Williams.

The verdict of doctor and coroner was the woman had probably died in her sleep from heart failure. She was forty years old. There were no signs of foul play or suicide.

She was the wife of Grover V. Finch and two children, ages 13 and 15, survive. The body is still being held at the funeral parlors awaiting funeral arrangements.

After the death of Mrs. Mary Torrens, an aged recluse of Glasgow \$10,000 was found hidden in her teapot.

Paul Lesueur, a crippled porter saved thirty guests from death at a hotel fire in Nancy, France.

JR. LEGION TEAM BEATS GOLDSBORO

Playoff for East State Pennant Will Be Held At Rocky Mount

The Junior baseball team of the American Legion post won the hearts of baseball fans here and wiped out a part of the stigma of recent defeat by winning from Goldsboro here Wednesday afternoon 3 to 1 in one of the reatest games played this season.

The game was close from start to finish. It was practically errorless and had all the thrills of exceptional pitching, double plays and timely hitting of a big leaguer.

Dick Lee, easy going pitcher of the local team, was the outstanding star of the game, holding Goldsboro to three scattered hits, one run, and then winning his own game with a sizzling double in the fourth inning when the bases were loaded, scoring three runs. Lee was given wonderful backing by the balance of the team and only once did Goldsboro threaten the two run lead which the Juniors held for the last five innings.

Little Dickens, pint size second baseman of the locals, was the fielding star, handling several hot ones, figuring in a double play and ending the game with a nice catch to retire Goldsboro in the first half of the ninth.

It was a much different looking and playing team from the one which played at Goldsboro on Monday, getting only four hits, going wild with errors in a couple of innings, losing the game 6 to 0.

Each team now having won one game, the tie will be played off on neutral territory at Rocky Mount this Friday. A big crowd of local rooters who enjoyed the Wednesday game plans to be on hand at Rocky Mount to help the home town boys across the top.

This game will decide the championship of Eastern North Carolina in the American Legion baseball tournament now raging over the entire country. The winner of this game will meet the Western North Carolina champs for the State banner and the State champs will then start the hard grind against other State teams in this section of the country. By a process of elimination in sections, the champions of the United States will be determined in the Junior World Series this fall with the winners going to the regular World Series as the guests of the major leagues.

Cooper, Fay Wray Lovers In Second Outdoor Thriller

Five hundred dollars is what the Llano Kid is worth to the people of Texas back in 1885, dead or alive. He's alive at the People Theatre and he's worth a whole lot more than that in entertainment. There are more thrills with Gary Cooper, as The Llano Kid, in "The Texan," than there was even in the great Western outdoor spectacle romance "The Virginian." And that's saying a lot.

"The Texan," which shows at the Peoples Theatre Friday and Saturday, July 25-26, is Paramount's companion picture to "The Virginian." Again Cooper brings to life the spirit of the plainsmen pioneers, this time in a tremendous action drama which takes him from the rolling plains of Texas to the impressive pampas of South America.

Fay Wray is the girl who captures Cooper's heart in this strange love story. Cooper, a Texas badman, enters into a pact to pose as the long lost son of a wealthy South American woman. At the sumptuous hacienda, he wins the heart of the woman's lovely niece, and is accepted as the son of the house. His new interests awaken his better instincts, and he fights to escape his nefarious bargain.

T. Norman Jones, vice president of the Virginia Electric and Power Co., Richmond, was a business visitor here today.

A ring lost by his wife in 1918 was found when Conrad Schwartz of Hesseville, Ind., plowed his orchard.

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COLONEL PATRICK FERGUSON'S GRAVE, KINGS MOUNTAIN

On October 7, 1780, American forces, about 1000 in number, under the leadership of Colonel Campbell, surrounded Kings Mountain where Colonel Ferguson had posted a thousand men. Ferguson had boasted he was king of the mountain and not even the Almighty could drive him from it. Before sundown Ferguson and 179 of his men were slain, 123 wounded and 664 taken as prisoners. All British arms and supplies were captured. The American loss was 28 killed and 62 wounded. The victory was the turning point of the American Revolution.

The 150th anniversary of the Battle will be celebrated on the battleground in York County, South Carolina, on October 7, 1930, with President Hoover as the guest of honor and the principal speaker. (Actual fighting took place on South Carolina soil.)

The cut above shows the grave of Colonel Ferguson, brave leader of the British forces in the Battle. This cairn, perhaps a unique one in America, has been built by thousands of people. Each visitor to the battleground, following an old custom, casts a stone on the pile until it has grown to the proportions shown in the above picture.

POLICE TO STAY HERE SAYS BOARD

Final Action Taken In Regard To Deputy Work by Police

A call meeting of the Town Board was held Tuesday afternoon of this week and a motion was passed by unanimous vote deciding not to reinstate Chief Gray as a deputy sheriff in Northampton County but suggesting that L. E. Keeter be appointed as deputy sheriff with the privilege of deputizing Chief Gray for work across the river in cases of emergency.

It will be recalled that a petition was placed before the Board at the last meeting by citizens of Gaston township asking the Board to reconsider its previous action in recalling the city police from deputy sheriff service.

Acting Mayor, George N. Taylor presided at the meeting and the electing of a new mayor to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mayor Long was passed over until the next regular meeting.

Commissioners F. C. Williams, C. E. Matthews, M. H. Collier and T. J. St. Sing, with Clerk A. L. Clark were present.

The motion relating to the police situation was made by F. C. Williams and seconded by C. E. Matthews. It read as follows: "After due consideration of the matter of continuing the service of the Chief of Police of Roanoke Rapids as Deputy Sheriff of Gaston Township, the Board of Commissioners has decided that said services will not be reinstated and that a letter be written by the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners of Northampton County suggesting that they employ and have L. E. Keeter appointed as deputy sheriff in Gaston township, Northampton County and that this Board is willing, in case of an emergency, for its Chief of Police to be deputized by L. E. Keeter to assist in making an arrest and let him use the jail; provided however that said Chief of Police is not deputized too frequently and that the Commissioners of Northampton County pay the salary of the Chief of Police for the months of April and May, which they agreed to pay and which is now in arrears."

Basil Glover appeared before the Board representing the Fire Department and asked for a pumper for the fire truck. He read a letter from the Mayor of Scotland Neck telling of the efficient work done by a similar pump in the recent fire which destroyed part of the 5 story building of the Columbian Peanut Co. The cost of the pump is approximately \$800.

As the addition of the pumper would not decrease the fire insurance rates, the Board decided to wait until later and put the money in on a standard 750 gallon pumper and La France truck, which with a full time man, would change the City rating to second class and bring a decrease in the fire insurance rates sufficient to make the truck almost self supporting over a period of years.

It was pointed out that a consolidation with Rosemary was only a matter of months off and the fire insurance rates of the whole community could be decreased at the same time with the proper equipment installed.

SUPERIOR COURT 11TH Jury List For Two Weeks Court At Halifax Starting August 11th

Superior Court will convene at Halifax on Monday, August 11, for two weeks.

Jurors for the first week are: Paul Hale, J. L. Lane, W. W. Wayne, W. T. Shaw, L. T. Hamill, I. F. Harrison, J. H. Best, J. C. Manning, E. L. DeBerry, J. H. Cuthrell, H. M. Neville, John Barnes, E. S. Ward, A. W. Oakes Jr., Ralph Bradley, W. T. Prigden, J. T. Garner, J. R. Rives, Howard Pruden, J. W. Smoot, Richard E. Brickell, N. S. Barnes, H. T. Smith, E. H. Smith, P. W. Ray, J. A. Warren, Charlie Ellington, R. E. Merritt, Hugh Bloomer, Otto Meyer, W. J. Collins, J. A. Lipscomb, J. H. Saunders, B. C. Cook, S. B. Jones, A. C. Nichols, J. W. Ross, D. W. Wheeler, E. B. Collier, W. E. Andleton, V. I. Hockaday, M. E. Cousins, Jr., B. S. Webb (J. W. Britton, Henry Lee, E. E. Lehman, P. F. Harris, N. W. Browning, W. C. Dickens.

Jurors for the second week, starting August 18, are: M. H. Mitchell, W. J. Ausborn, Edwin Partin, C. L. Kelly, T. S. Pettitt, W. C. Goodrich, T. D. Lawrence, R. H. Goodman, L. T. King, D. E. White, M. N. Newsome, J. B. Zollicoffer, Ellis Farber, Claude N. Powell, J. R. King, W. A. House, T. M. Bullock, A. J. Sasser, W. B. Baker, C. M. Dickens, N. W. Cousins, W. G. Moes, D. W. Seifert, W. C. Wood, E. G. Rodwell, R. H. Neville, W. H. Wilcox, J. E. Parks, E. B. Pair, W. O. Iddins.

Remodeling Building On Second Street Here

A building owned by the National Loan and Insurance Co., on Second Street is being remodeled by contractor J. R. Myrick. The building will be used as temporary offices for the Insurance Co., and the Roanoke Rapids Building and Loan Association.

A new front, new floor, new plumbing and heating fixtures are being installed. The work will be completed about the first of August. The office now used by the company is to be used by the Power Company for additional space.

Sam Taylor Victim Of Railroad Crash

On Friday afternoon word was received here of the untimely death of Mr. Sam Taylor in the Seaboard wreck which occurred near Petersburg, Va. Following the wreck Mr. Taylor was removed to a hospital in Petersburg but died several hours later. The body was sent to Littleton and interment was made in the Littleton cemetery, following the services which were conducted by Rev. V. H. Grantham from the Methodist Church, on Sunday afternoon.

About twelve years ago Mr. Taylor was married to Miss Dona Belvidge and he leaves his wife, three children, Macy, Marie, and Sam, Jr., also his mother, Mrs. Sallie Taylor a brother, Mr. Tom Roger Taylor of Rosemary and the following sisters, Mrs. Josie Smith, Mrs. Raleigh Topping, Mrs. Ruby Williams also of Rosemary, and one sister, Mrs. Susie Baird of near Gasburg, Va.

EPILEPTIC DROWNED AT THELMA

Negro Boy Has Fit While Fishing and Falls Into River

Evidently attacked with an epileptic fit, Jim Austin, Jr., 20 year old Negro, fishing alone on the banks of the Roanoke River near Thelma, fell into the river and was drowned last Thursday.

The body was not found until Friday morning. The boy left home on Thursday saying he was going fishing. When he failed to return Thursday night a search was made. He was tracked to the river and signs showed where he had fished in several spots for a mile or so.

Then a place was found where he appeared to scuffle and slip. Altho the bank was not steep, this marked the spot where he fell into the water. There were no signs of any other person.

The searchers could see an object which looked like a body about 50 feet from shore. They reported to Mr. House, who called for Coroner Williams. L. H. Taylor and a Negro man waded out to the object and discovered it was the missing boy. Tying a rope around the body it was towed up the river to a waiting wagon.

Examination showed no marks or bruises which might have meant foul play. The body was resting on a small sand bar which kept it from drifting down the river.

The boy had been subject to epileptic fits, according to the family. His right hand was paralyzed and he was unable to do heavy work, spending most of his time fishing. His father is a tenant on the farm of Harvey Myrick near Thelma.

Hold Funeral Rites For James Clifton

On Saturday afternoon, at three o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Mary Clifton, South Rosemary, funeral services were conducted by Rev. V. H. Grantham for her son, Mr. James Clifton. Mr. Clifton was formerly employed in Detroit, Mich. About a year ago he returned here and had been a patient at the County sanatorium since then. He was 26 years old. He leaves besides his mother, two sisters and two brothers, Miss Carrie Clifton, Mrs. Sara Barnett, Thomas Clifton all of South Rosemary, and Lee Clifton of Portsmouth, Va. Interment was made in Cedarwood cemetery following the services at the home.

Miss Ethel Stone, nurse in a large hospital in London has been discharged for getting her hair bobbed.

MAY CUT COUNTY TAX RATE TO \$1.25

SCHOOL HAS 267 PUPILS

Daily Vacation Bible School Starts Monday With Good Attendance

With all the Twin City churches represented in enrollment and on the teaching staff, the Daily Vacation Bible School began active work Monday with an attendance of 193.

On Tuesday the attendance was 221 and on Wednesday it had jumped to 246. The total registration is 267.

The school is in session from 9 to 12 each morning this week and next. The morning is divided into the following periods: worship, Bible drill, Bible story, missionary story, recreation, handwork and music.

The playground directors of the two city playgrounds have taken charge of the recreation period and have been very helpful in assisting with their other work also.

R. G. Knight has charge of the handwork for the boys and this work has proven most interesting to the boys.

The Primary Department is under the supervision of Miss Georgia Keene of the Methodist Board. Misses Beverly Neale and Julia Bradley have charge of the Junior Department, while Mrs. L. M. Hall and Mr. Shell supervise the work of the Intermediate Department.

Visitors will be welcomed any morning but are asked to come after 10:30 if possible. There is a wonderful spirit of cooperation between the churches with all of them represented in the enrollment and with the ministers teaching. A full list of teachers and helpers will be published next week with announcements of the Commencement exercises.

AGENT SAYS DUST NOW

Weevil Increasing Fast and Arsenate Dusting Is Compulsory

By W. O. Davis, County Agent Weevil infestation has increased so rapidly in the past week that farmers are advised to make preparations at once to dust their cotton with dry calcium arsenate. Last week we advised mopping with molasses and picking up squares through July, but on account of the extremely heavy infestation we are now advising our farmers to leave off other control methods and depend only on calcium arsenate dust.

Many farmers have the idea that the cost of dusting is so great that they cannot dust. Calcium arsenate is selling for 7 to 8 cents per pound and it requires five pounds each or 25 pounds per acre per year. This will cost \$1.75 per acre. Actual field records show that with mule drawn machinery one man can dust an average of 4 acres per hour with a labor cost of 25c per acre per year.

If an \$80 machine which will dust 40 acres lasts four years we have a cost per acre of 50c per acre per year including dust, labor and machinery of \$2.50. Another thing to be figured when calculating the cost of dusting the plantation is to figure what it will cost you if you don't dust.

If you decide to dust and want any information as to the size machinery suitable for your careage, its cost and where to get it and how to use it call your county agent.

Under Wrong Impression As To Fishing Law

Some people are under the impression that women can fish without a license but that is wrong. The Anglers Act, passed by the 1929 Legislature says that ALL persons under 16 years of age must have a State License to fish in the waters of North Carolina with hook and line or rod and reel, except in their resident counties. This is certainly plain and you will govern yourselves accordingly, says J. H. Ramsey, Game Warden for Northampton County.

BUDGET FIGURES CHANGED

Many Departments Will Be Crippled To Get Tax Cut

Making drastic cuts in the county budget as presented by county departments, the County Board of Commissioners met at Halifax in special session Monday and a new low tax rate will be worked out for the coming year which will be at least \$1.25 with a chance of dropping one or two cents below that figure.

According to the 1929-1931 budget, the new tax rate would have been \$1.41 which is one cent higher than last year. If the revised budget figures are worked out and accepted, it will mean a drop in the levy of at least sixteen cents, giving Halifax County one of the lowest tax rates in the state.

At the time the Commissioners were slashing money from the various departments, the Taxpayers League, formed in the interest of obtaining lower rates, was meeting at the Courthouse. Resolutions were passed pleading with the county officials to lower the taxes by any legal and reasonable means. The Board appeared at the meeting and heard the pleas of the League.

It was pointed out by members of the Board that should the new low tax levy be adopted, it would be at the expense of any expansion work in any county department.

The County Road Fund will be one of the hardest hit. In the first budget figures, this fund was cut so that the levy was five cents less than last year. This will be cut still more with the result that there will be absolutely no new road work and even maintenance will have to suffer.

The same will be true of the County School fund. With the enrollment and attendance increasing every year, with the amount of State funds received depending on these, more funds are actually needed to care for the education of the children of the county. Instead, there will possibly be a decrease in the amount to be had, which means curtailment of growth and poorer facilities for those who attend.

The decrease in taxes will also call for some salary cuts up and down the line which will bring about a saving in the General County Fund as well as the other funds. But roads and schools will suffer most and the citizens of the county are urged by members of the Board of Commissioners to withhold any criticism in the next two years of these two departments which will be operating under greater restrictions than for the past ten years.

Under existing plans for cutting the tax levy, these two departments will be given money enough to keep skeleton organizations working and they will not be able to accomplish the work which has been possible in recent years.

"You can't have your cake and eat it, too," said Commissioner W. F. Joyner. "If the people of Halifax County sincerely want tax reduction they must be ready to sacrifice in order to get it. Criticism must be met with the argument that it was done to lower taxes. If the people can't stand the economy and pinching which must be forthcoming during the next year by the county in order to lower the levy, then the Board of Commissioners has no alternative but to raise the taxes the following year to give the people what they demand."