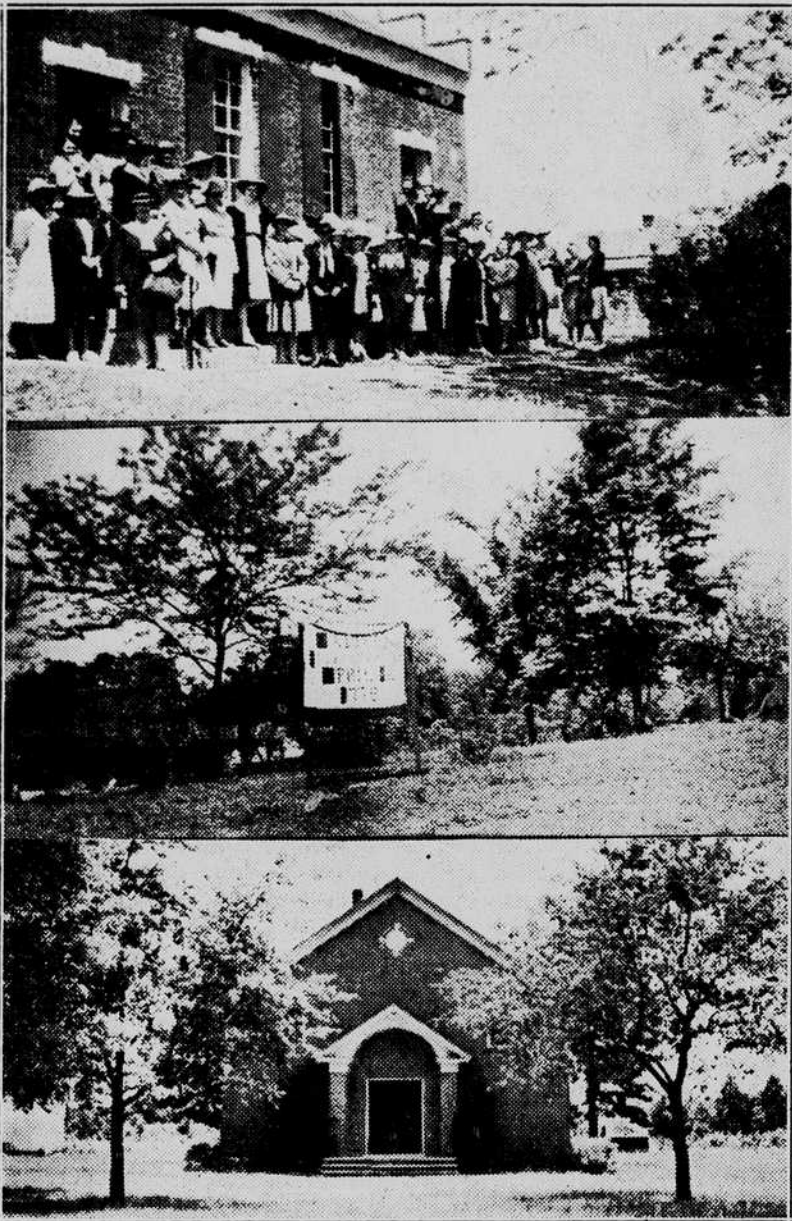


Places Of Interest Visited



The Halifax County Home Demonstration Club women's annual Rural Betterment Tours included many places of interest.

These tours have done much to teach the women how to get the desired results when they have the will and determination to work for the things they want. They have also taught the club people to have a more comprehensive knowledge of their county and its historical background.

This year's tour included a stop at the Original Clerk's Office in Halifax. This building was built in 1758 and was restored this year through the efforts of Mrs. S. M. Gary, Chairman, her Committee, the County Board of Commissioner, and others.

The picture above shows the club women on the steps and in front of the old Clerk's Office. Mrs. S. M. Gary, Chairman of the Restoration Committee, may be seen just outside of the right hand entrance.

The banner seen in the picture marks the exact spot where the original Colonial Courthouse stood in 1758. In this courthouse the Provincial Congress in session adopted the Halifax Resolves—the first official Declaration of Independence of America, on April 12, 1776. That Congress on November 4, adopted the N. C. Constitution on the same spot where the Banner stands.

Also included on the tours was a visit to the present Turkey Branch Church, which is located at Draper's Cross Roads about seven miles from Enfield.

The Home Betterment Tours have been of definite interest and practical guidance, in addition to the pleasure and delight derived from them.

COTTON GROWERS WARNED

By proper handling of seed cotton from the field to the gin, County Agent W. O. Davis said, farmers can increase the value of each bale of cotton from \$2.00 to \$10.00. If this same cotton is improperly handled, farmers can easily lose from \$2.00 to \$10.00 per bale. Farmers are urged not to take any cotton to the gin until it has been picked and dried at least ten days. Each year Halifax County farmers lose money by taking their cotton to the gin direct from the fields while it is still green, and it is absolutely impossible for a gin to turn out the best quality cotton if it is brought to them green or damp or full of trash, the farm agent stated.

"We would like", Agent Davis continued, "to make the following suggestions about ginning cotton this year:

"Pick your cotton just as soon as it opens in the field as labor will permit. Supervise the pickers so as to get this cotton picked just as clean as possible. Don't let the cotton stay in the fields at night after it is picked or during a shower. Put your seed cotton in the barn and spread it out so

that it can dry out thoroughly and continue to improve in staple. If it is necessary to pack the seed cotton down due to lack of space, be sure not to let it go through a heat as this damages the color of the cotton and also kills the germination of the seed. If seed cotton must be packed down, be sure to turn it or stir up with a fork every other day to help it dry out better and prevent it going through a heat."

"Our farmers have gone a long way toward growing better cotton", he continued, "and our gins have done equally as well improving their equipment to give us a better job of ginning, and we want to do everything we can to improve the quality of our cotton so as to get the most for it. We have just about six months labor in the production of this cotton crop. Don't let ten days delay in ginning cause us to lose a good part of our profit. Remember that there is no gin in the world that can take a low middling grade of cotton and turn it into a middling bale at the gin. The farmer must handle his cotton from the field to the gin so as to keep up the quality."

PATIENTS

Among the out-of-town patients at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital last week were the following: Mrs. J. W. Curl, Littleton; Mrs. Edgar J. Fuller, Louisburg; M. C. Lassiter, Conway; Mrs. S. W. Riggan, Littleton; and Mrs. J. S. Watson, Severn.

NEW ARRIVALS

Babies born at the local hospital recently include the following: a boy to Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Carroll of Roanoke Rapids on Sept. 5; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bolton of Roanoke Rapids on Sept. 6; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Riggan of Littleton on Sept. 7, the mother being a former Deputy Register of Deeds at Halifax; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gregory of Weldon on Sept. 8; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar J. Fuller of Louisburg on Sept. 10.

HOSTESS

Mrs. R. J. Rightmyer was hostess on Sunday at her home on Roanoke Avenue to all the members of her family, including six brothers and a sister, with their families and a few friends.

Members of the immediate family were: Willie F. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie F. Roberts and children, Frances and Fred, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney E. Roberts, all of Crewe, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher E. Roberts, Claude A. Roberts and son, Claude A., Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Staley E. Roberts and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Roberts, of Norfolk; Mrs. Emma M. Melton and daughter, Mrs. Clyde W. Uzzell, Clyde W. Uzzell, Miss Annie Uzzell and Wesley Uzzell, of Norfolk; Mrs. Charlotte Buchanan, of Norfolk, Va., Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rightmyer

and children, Ray and Frances.

Other guests included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rightmyer, of Weldon, Mr. Lowell, of Norfolk, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Taylor, of Littleton, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Shell, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gibson and Miss Jean Gibson, Mrs. Lawrence Taylor, Mr. and Hugh Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers, and Mrs. C. D. Martin of this city.

LICENSES

Marriage licenses issued this month to white couples by the office of Register of Deeds M. H. Mitchell were as follows: Sept. 1, to James Coffield O'Neal, Norfolk, Va., and Anne Joyner Grizzelle, Weldon; Sept. 5 to Arthur B. Kidd and Mary B. Overton, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 5 to Wilbert Joyner and Willie Pearl Love, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 5 to Ralph Monroe Bounds and Annie Elizabeth Butts, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 6 to Blanton L. Hargrove and Luella May Fletcher, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 6 to William Dallas Merritt and Blondie Cross, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 7 to Wilbur J. Best and Mrs. Hattie DeLoatch, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 8 to Henry Erving Griffin, Williamston, and Emelyne Evans, Liberty, Tenn.; Sept. 9 to Herbert A. Winfree and Margaret Wallace, Roanoke Rapids; Sept. 9 to James Norvell, Weldon, and Benie Lee Joyner, Weldon.

Surprise Party

Mrs. Roger Harlow honored her sister, Miss Beverly Ingram, with a surprise party Saturday night, Sept. 6, on her 20th birthday. Games, contests and refreshments were enjoyed by all. Miss Ingram was given many nice and useful gifts. Those enjoying the party were Misses Mable Bryant, Eva Gibson, Edith Gibson, Dorothy Nicholson, Mary Clay, Beverly and Lucy Ingram; Jim Rook, Sidney Clary, Sam Massey, Albert Poin-dexter, Tillery Cox, Hubert Hawkins, Robert Ingram, Elmo Whitaker, R. C. Brown, Simon Watson, Robert Tendall, Mrs. Owen Tudor, L. B. Clements, Gertie Butts, Ella Downing, Roger Harlow, Louise Rook, Wade McCants. The house was decorated with cut flowers and the color scheme was red, white and blue.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all who rendered any assistance in saving our furniture during the fire which recently burned our home. We are thankful for the donations given to replace things burned and pray God's blessings on each one who helped in any way.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Deaton and family

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