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IN "BY-GONE" DAYS.

Things That Happened 33 Years Ago in Town and Vicinity.

July 9, 1891.—The delegates from this circuit to the Warrenton District Conference which convenes in Nashville on Thursday, July 16th, are: H. C. Spiers, R. W. Ivey, Jr., E. T. Clark, and W. A. Pierce. Alternates, A. L. Stainback and J. D. Medlin.

Miss Lucy Purnell is visiting friends in Halifax.

Mr. Vernon Hobbs, of Belfield, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Elias Carr, of Edgecombe, passed through here a few days ago.

Miss Willie Norwood, of Warrenton, is visiting Miss Mary Pierce.

Mrs. Annie Whitehead, of Enfield, is visiting Mr. P. N. Stainback's family.

Misses Berta and Nola Uzzell, of Raleigh, are visiting Mrs. Henry Howard.

Miss Anthony, of Baltimore, who has been visiting Mrs. P. A. Lewis several days, returned home Tuesday.

Miss Sue Gary, who has been teaching school near Halifax, returned home Saturday, accompanied by Miss Maggie Ousby.

Mr. McM. Ferguson, of Littleton, brother of our countyman, Dr. H. B. Ferguson, left Saturday for Seattle, which place in future he will make his home and where he will practice law.

July 16, 1891.—The masonic fraternity at this place have elected the following officials for the ensuing term:

W. M.—W. T. Whitfield.
S. W.—W. H. Brown.
J. W.—E. Clark.
Secretary—H. S. S. Cooper.
Treasurer—J. T. Evans.
S. D.—J. K. Campbell.
J. D.—J. B. Motley.
Tyler—H. Y. Harris.

Mr. Frank Johnston, of Scotland Neck, is visiting his father, Col. J. W. Johnston, near town.

Misses Lillie Gay, of Wilson, and Annie Thomas, of Elm City, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Spiers.

Misses Evelyn and Mamie Grieg of Jarratt, Va., are visiting the family of Mr. B. F. Gary.

Mr. A. J. Campbell, of Raleigh, is at home on a short visit.

Mr. Julian Timberlake, of Raleigh, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. T. Evans will at once begin the erection of a two story brick building with basement, at the corner of Washington avenue and Second street.

JURORS FOR AUGUST COURT.

The Board of County Commissioners at its session at Halifax on the first Monday drew the following jurors for the August term of Halifax Superior Court, which convenes on August 11th:

FIRST WEEK—S. L. Coley, G. C. Cleary, L. F. Rook, J. W. Leggett, T. M. Woodard, J. W. Smith, S. S. Shaw, W. P. White, H. P. Robinson, W. R. Randolph, J. A. Dickens, G. T. Warren, C. H. Speight, Mc. Crawley, C. M. Cotton, Arthur Smith, E. E. Powell, N. S. Smith, K. N. Collins, E. D. Tippitt, Shafter Brickhouse, S. Pope, M. F. Vaughan, W. B. Bowers, Cary Ellington, B. B. Latimore, J. W. Bryant, J. T. Grant, J. M. Harris, J. T. Garner, L. R. Moody, H. T. Moore, J. D. Midgette, E. G. Telliger, J. J. Hawkins, L. J. Crawley.

SECOND WEEK—S. E. Hamill, Matt Cook, C. E. Sears, E. C. Bobbitt, G. M. Merritt, J. R. Taylor, J. K. Hepinstall, C. C. Strickland, Ben Fishell, John C. Smith, J. B. Gray, D. A. Enscoe, W. H. Pleasant, J. S. Riddick, W. C. Hasty, Joe Adkins, J. C. Applewhite, J. B. Hardee, L. E. Williams, Jim Anderson, E. L. Wrenn, W. C. Wood, J. J. Riggan, W. H. Jones, C. T. Johnson, W. D. Hardee, C. B. Latham, W. R. Aryant, J. N. Smith, Luther Allbrook, Henry West, R. H. Rook, W. L. Hitchin, Chis Adkins, Tom Barfield, D. F. Harrell.

GREATLY REDUCED.

Mrs. P. A. Lewis is offering all her mid-summer stock at greatly reduced prices. Now is the time to secure real bargains.

AUGUST COURT.

Superior court for this county will convene at Halifax on August 11th. Elsewhere you will find the jury list.

BASE BALL DOPE.

Weldon Wins Two Games from The Triple R's. -1 from Emporia.

Weldon won from Roanoke Rapids-Rosemary in the closest game of the season, each pitcher being in fine form and also both were exceedingly stingy with hits.

At Weldon Park, July 9th:
The score: R H E
R. R. R. 000 000 000—0 2 0
Weldon, 000 100 00x—1 3 1

Batteries:—Sanderson and H. Johnson; Holland and Rawson.

At Rosemary Park, July 12th
The box score:
WELDON AB R H A K PO
Winston, cf 4 1 2 0 0 1
Clayton, ss 3 1 0 2 2 0
Minter, 3b 5 1 1 1 1 0
Butler, lf 5 1 2 0 0 2
Flowe, 2b 3 1 2 4 0 0
McCoy, rf 4 0 1 0 0 1
Lapsley, 1b 3 0 0 1 0 11
Hay, c 4 0 0 0 0 9
Clarkson, p 2 0 0 2 0 1
Harrelson, p 2 0 1 0 0 1

Totals, 35 5 9 10 3 26
R. R. R. AB R H A K PO
Smith, 2b 4 1 1 3 1 3
Johnson, J. D. 1b 4 0 1 0 0 11
Correll, rf 4 1 1 0 0 0
Spikes, lf 4 2 2 3 1 4
Brown, 3b 4 0 0 1 0 6
Johnson, H. c 4 0 0 2 0 1
Hughes, ss 3 1 1 0 0 1
Bonner, cf 1 0 0 3 1 0
Sanderson, p 3 0 1 2 0 0
Dempsey, p 3 0 1 2 0 0

Totals, 36 3 7 14 3 27
Score by innings: R H E
Weldon, 012 020 000—5 9 3
R. R. R. 000 110 100—3 7 3

Summary:—Two base hit, Harrelson. Home runs, Winston, Butler and Flowe. Sacrifice hits, Clayton, Lapsley. Stolen bases, Winston, Clayton, Minter, Smith 2, Brown and H. Johnson. Double play, Lapsley, unassisted. Left on bases, Weldon 8, R. R. R. 9. Bases on balls, off Clarkson 1; off Harrelson 2; off Sanderson 3. Hits, off Clarkson, 6 in 6 innings, none out and two on in 7th; off Harrelson 1 in 3 innings; off Sanderson 7 in 4 1/2 innings; off Dempsey, 2 in 4 1/2 innings. Struck out by Clarkson 8, by Harrelson 1, by Sanderson 3, by Dempsey 2. Winning pitcher, Clarkson; losing pitcher, Sanderson. Time 2:15. Umpire, Brandon.

At Weldon Park, July 14.
Score by innings: R H E
Weldon, 000 102 10x—4 8 2
Emporia, 000 002 000—2 3 3

Summary—Three base hit, Winston. Left on bases, Weldon 5, Emporia 5. Sacrifice hits, Clayton, Butler and Miller. Stolen bases, Fray and Branch. Bases on balls, off Holland 3, off Johnson 2. Hit by pitcher, Holland by Johnson. Struck out by Holland 3; by Johnson 2. Double plays, Flowe to Clayton to Lapsley; Parson to Crockett; A. Cook to Crockett. Time 1:50. Umpire, Brandon.

Batteries—Holland and Garner; Johnson and Branch.

AT THE M. E. CHURCH.

At the regular meeting of the Missionary Society, M. E. Church, held on Monday evening last, a very interesting program had been arranged by Mrs. W. T. Shaw, who was in charge of the music. The first number was several sacred violin selections played by Misses Margaret Sledge and Katherine Pierce with Mrs. C. E. Williamson accompanist. Then several selections were sung by the junior choir. Miss Lillie Stainback sang very sweetly, "The Better Land". After which Rev. E. N. Harrison led the prayer and Rev. G. W. Perry made a forceful talk on "stewardship," the topic of the day. These were followed by the business session, over all of which Mrs. W. L. Knight presided in a fine manner and the society adjourned with their motto, Gal. 6:9.

At the Wednesday evening prayer services Mr. Perry has been lecturing on the book "Save America" which is in the study course of the society and his talks are exceedingly fine. Every one is invited to the study of this most vital question.

BROKE HIS COLLAR BONE.

On Sunday night Mr. W. A. Pierce had the misfortune to break his collar bone. It seems he was descending a back stairway at his home and in some way, lost his footing, falling heavily to the floor with the above result. His many friends sympathize with him and hope ere long, he will be himself again. No better, no truer man lives in our midst than W. A. Pierce.

ROANOKE RAPIDS-ROSEMARY.

Personals and Items of Interest from the Twin City.

[By Our Special Correspondent]
Mrs. P. Taylor, of Ashland, Va., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M. Grizzard, has returned home.

Rev. C. W. Sheets is spending some time at Virginia Beach in charge of work for the B. Y. P. U.

Misses Ruth and Viola Glover and Hazel Cobb, are the guests of friends in Kittrells.

Mrs. T. R. Wilson and family are spending the summer on their farm in Virginia.

Mrs. J. F. Vincent and children are visiting in Vandemere.

Mrs. Charles R. Emry and daughter, Miss Charlotte, leave this week for a two years stay in Europe.

Dr. Dallas Zollicoffer, of Weldon, held the service Sunday morning in Rosemary Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Chase have returned from a visit to Washington, D. C.

Messrs. E. H. Ricks, George Hayes and W. T. Council have returned from New York City where they attended the Democratic Convention.

Miss Emily Burgwyn, of Jackson, is the guest of Mrs. T. M. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Clements have returned from a visit to Smithfield.

Miss Bernice Allen is attending the State College summer school in Raleigh.

Miss Josephine Gowen is visiting Miss Esther Marshall at Virginia Beach.

Miss Virginia Jackson has returned from Littleton where she was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. McRae.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bizzell, of Kinston, visited friends in Rosemary Sunday.

Ten members of Rosemary M. E. Sunday School received their certificates of credit, earned last week at the Standard Training School in Weldon, at the Sunday morning service.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Butts, of Halifax, visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. R. D. Jenkins left Monday morning to attend summer school at Vineland, N. J.

Mr. Jesse Sanderson has returned from a visit to Durham.

Mrs. T. E. Hollen, of Enfield, was the guest Wednesday of Mrs. E. N. Harrison.

Miss Corinne Marks has returned from a visit to friends in Robertsonville.

Miss Marjorie Cannon motored to Rocky Mount on Thursday, July 14, 1924.

HEAVY RAINS.

The heavy rains that have fallen throughout this section for the past week wrought untold damage to the growing crops. When the rains began, they were in a pretty bad shape for lack of cultivation, and now in some fields it is hard to distinguish the crops from the grass. Besides many fields have been practically ruined by drowning. The outlook in some parts of this county and Northampton begins to look gloomy. The farmer can't expect to get anything but an August crop this year, and if boll weevil comes in for his share of that, there will be little left.

DOING A GOOD WORK.

The Travellers Aid Society, assisted by agents of the Red Cross are, no doubt, doing a fine work in their department. An example of this is an incident which occurred with us last week. A colored woman had been in Newport News where her husband had been sick and died. In crossing over to Norfolk on her return she lost her purse and all the money she had. "The Traveller's Aid" took her and her infant child in hand, gave her a ticket to Weldon and instructed Mrs. W. L. Knight, their agent here, to see that she reached her home in safety. Upon investigation Mrs. Knight found she had reached her home in safety, but was sick and without money except that given by friends.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT OF THIS?

Has it ever occurred to you that when you give the editor an item of news you are conferring a favor not only upon him, but upon an old friend who, living far away from the old town, is a subscriber to The News. That old friend of yours reads every line in the paper, every week in the hopes of finding some item about you or some of the others whom he knew and loved. Very often you know of things which would interest these former residents. You have not time to write a letter to each of them. You could by telephone or note, tell the editor of the item and the news would go forth to gladden the hearts of the friends.

AUTO DEATHS TWO AN HOUR.

Deaths from motor accidents last year were nearly at the rate, day and night of two an hour. Automobile accidents, as a cause of death, are putting tuberculosis, "the great white plague," as well kidney affections and heart diseases, in the shade. More than 15,000 persons lost their lives last year in such accidents. Accidents must happen, but they are too much promoted by heedless driving.

SPRIGHTLY SPARKS.

Gathered Here and There and Everywhere.

Every Weldon man is boss of his own home—when his family is away.

We like winter better than summer because getting cold doesn't wilt your collar down.

Another thing that makes the worm turn is the passing of the modern "flapper."

A Weldon's boy idea of a hypocrite is the pupil who goes to school with a smile on his face.

There are many poor families nowadays who haven't a drop of gasoline for their autos.

Some fellows aim pretty high—and then go off half cocked or forget to pull the trigger.

As a usual thing the fellow out making political speeches is after a whole lot more than votes.

After forty or fifty years eating practice some men never know when they have had enough.

A mosquito may not possess brains, but you never saw one wasting time on a wooden leg.

How does it come that you never read where a poor man has been sued for breach of promise?

This would be a mighty friendly world, if we all loved our neighbors as much as we love ourselves.

Our idea of a good citizen is the Weldon man who doesn't consider himself too dignified to swat a few flies.

We take this stand on the marriage question, that the man who can't stay at home ought to stay single.

And the best way to make an Englishman happy in his old age is to tell him a joke when he's young.

When you hear a Weldon woman talking about a machine 20 years ago, they meant a sewing machine.

When a woman gets so angry with her husband that words fail her, she ought to hit him with a dictionary.

Wonder if we're coming to the time when a man will have to wait in a barber shop for his wife to have her hair bobbed?

Some fellows say their favorite perfume is "New Town Hay," and yet they never cut the weeds on the vacant lots they own.

Still another trouble about wars is the fellows who start them have money enough to pay an expert to beat the tax assessment for them.

They say steam laundries do not kill germs. But the way some shirts look when they come back the germs must have a narrow escape.

A New York man who can speak six languages has married a woman who speaks three. Well, that ratio makes them just about even.

We'll always have poor laws as long as we continue to send dumbbells to Congress and keep wise men at home to whitewash the fence.

We overheard a Weldon citizen say yesterday that it's hard to tell which will wreck a town the quickest—an ambitious widow or a jilted old maid.

When things go wrong in Cuba they start a revolution, and when they go wrong here the senate starts an investigation and makes them worse.

You never heard of a divorce around Weldon in the good old days when friend wife had to hammer her alimony out of friend husband with a rolling pin.

Gardening pays. We once read about a man who received a sunstroke while working in his garden, and he got \$200 for an accident insurance policy.

TRAINING SCHOOL

Closes a Very Successful Session at the M. E. Church.

The Standard Training School for Sunday School Workers, which was held in the M. E. Church during the last week came to a very successful close on Friday night last. It was stated that the different departments did good work and about fifty teachers and others received certificates of credit in the general course. Prof. Gobbell and his assistants were earnest and faithful and no doubt their instructions will bear good fruit. Miss Georgie Keen who had charge of the primary teacher's class was specially attractive and those who attended her classes were very much pleased as well as benefited. The attendance was not as good as it was hoped it would be, owing to continued rains and other causes. The church at Rosemary was specially well represented, the pastor, Rev. E. N. Harrison and wife both taking the entire course as well as many others from his church. At the close of the exercises on Friday evening, Rev. G. W. Perry, Rev. S. E. Mercer and others expressed appreciation for the work of the school and a desire to have it continued in the coming year.

The entire congregation was then invited to the assembly room on the ground floor of the church where Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Knight received the guests and assisted by the young ladies of the church served a delicious ice course to all present.

ABOUT COMPLETED.

The large shop rooms and garage of the Bounds Motor Company on the corner Sycamore and Second streets, is just about completed. This is a large brick building with a very attractive front, mostly of heavy plate glass. The old quarters of the company will be fitted up with a new front and the very latest fixtures and will be the home of the Bank of Weldon.

TRACE TITLE TO GEORGE III.

Court Sale of Land in this County Recalls Some Interesting History.

The News carries a notice of the prospective sale for division of a former tract of land near Weldon which is of more than passing interest. The land of which this is a part was granted in 1742 by George III, of England, to Marmaduke Kimbrough and his heirs and assigns provided he settle and occupy said land and pay a small bonus into the king's treasury.

This grant was signed by his Excellency Gabriel Johnston and is still preserved. By hereditary transmission and intermarriage, the land became the property of William Whitfield, grandson of William Whitfield, who was born in Virginia in 1721, but came to North Carolina when a young man and settled in Halifax, then a part of Nash county. The grandson, William the third, died in 1805, and by will directed that this land should be divided by his friends, William Gary and Daniel Weldon (the founder of the town of Weldon) equally between his two sons, John and William, John to have first choice of the lots. In this will he gives his four daughters each five shillings and divided his real and personal property between his sons. John moved to Tennessee but in 1835, sent a power of attorney to his brother enabling him to sell the part given him. This power was directed to William Whitfield, Halifax county, and the postage on it was fifty cents. This paper is also still preserved. William inherited the home place and lived there until his death in 1846. The land was subdivided and some years ago the home tract was sold for a division, this dower tract going to the widow of a grandson of William; who inherited the half estate. At this sale one acre was reserved as a burying ground in which the generations of Whitfields were buried to the use of the family forever. By this sale now on hand the "graveyard" is all that will be left to which the family can lay any claim but this and the tract is owned by direct descent for nearly two hundred years.

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Judge and Mrs. W. S. O'B. Robinson, of Goldsboro, were week-end guests of relatives in Weldon.

Misses Virginia Johnson and Elizabeth Smith, of Franklin, Va., are visiting Miss Elizabeth Vaughan.

Miss Mamie Siler who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Perry, has returned to her home in Raleigh.

Mr. A. L. Stainback, Mrs. Madison Armistead and Miss Lillie Stainback spent the week-end at South Hill, Va.

Mrs. Weldon Hall, of Warrenton, who has been visiting relatives here for the past several days, has returned home.

Mrs. H. B. Harrell, Jr., who has been visiting relatives in Sanford, for the past several weeks, has returned home.

Miss Allen, of Armstrong, Cator & Co., Baltimore, has arrived and will be Mrs. Lewis' trimmer. She is thoroughly prepared to trim and make hats in the very latest style.

Correct-Attest:
EDWARD T. CLARK,
J. G. PARKS,
D. H. MARTIN, Directors.

DOTS AND DASHES.

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