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## Methodist Conference Guest Of Weldon Church NEXT WEEK

Weldon District Conference To Convene Here Wednesday; Prominent Church Figures On The Program; About 150 Delegates Expected To Attend; Program.

Weldon will be host to the Methodist District Conference composed of 86 churches and 22 pastoral charges which will convene here for two day session next Wednesday.

Prominent figures of the church state will be on the program including Dr. W. P. Few, president of the University, Dr. J. M. Ormond Professor Spence of Duke.

The entire time will be full, beginning at 9:30 A. M. and continuing through to 4:30 P. M.

The second day there will be a special Worship and Testimony Service at 7:30 conducted by Rev. E. H. Whortor of Enfield.

The devotional services from 12 to 1 o'clock on the first day will be the feature of the session.

The opening sermon will be preached by Rev. D. E. Earnhardt of Henderson.

All the sessions of the conference will be open to the public and every one is cordially invited to attend. It promises to be a very interesting conference.

Rev. J. H. Shore and his congregation has made extensive preparations for the entertainment of the conference.

The program in full is as follows: 1931 The Weldon District Conference Weldon May 6-7.

9:00 A. M. Devotional  
9:15 Roll Call  
9:30 Session of Secretary Substitutions  
9:45 Reports  
10:00 Devotional W. C. Wilson  
10:15 The Power of Prayer in Evangelism  
10:30 Address O. P. Fitzgerald  
10:45 Adjournment for lunch.

Afternoon  
2:00 P. M. Devotional Service  
2:15 W. C. Merritt  
2:30 Report of Committees  
2:45 Temperance and Social Service  
3:00 W. T. Shaw  
3:15 Christian Literature  
3:30 B. C. Thompson  
3:45 Epworth League B. O. Merritt  
4:00 Session  
4:15 Adjournment.

Night Session  
7:30 M. Worship  
8:00 Session: Equipment for Service  
8:15 D. E. Earnhardt  
8:30 Communion Service.  
THURSDAY, MAY 7th.  
9:00 A. M. Worship Service  
9:15 E. H. McWhorter  
9:30 Devotional J. L. Midgette  
9:45 Reading of minutes  
10:00 Reports of Committees  
10:15 Spiritual Life of the Church  
10:30 J. A. Martin  
10:45 Lay Activities W. L. Knight  
11:00 Discussion.

11:00 Christian Education program  
11:15 W. Oakes Dist. Supt. of S. S.  
11:30 The Rural Church, Its Task  
11:45 J. M. Ormond  
12:15 Superannuate Endowment  
12:30 T. M. Grant  
1:00 Devotional  
1:15 Sermon: God and Man in Partnership  
1:30 G. B. Starling  
1:45 Lunch  
2:00 Devotional J. W. Harrell  
2:15 Reading of minutes  
2:30 Election of District Lay Leader and Associate Leaders.  
2:45 Reports of Local preachers and renewal of licenses R. C. Goodchild, A. W. Oakes, W. E. Nicholson (D)  
3:00 Election of delegates to Annual Conference (14)  
3:15 Report of District Secretary of W. M. So. Mrs. B. C. Thompson  
3:30 Report of District Secretary of Golden Cross J. L. Midgette  
3:45 Nomination Licensing Committee.  
J. H. Shore, W. C. Wilson, J. T. Draper, D. M. Sharpe.  
Where shall the next District Conference be held?  
Vote of thanks.  
3:00 Consecration Service  
E. H. McWhorter

**TOM J. TAYLOR PASSES AWAY AT PLEASANT HILL**  
Tom J. Taylor died at his home near here last Friday at the age of 81 years. Mr. Taylor has been in declining health for several months. For many years he has been a consistent member of the Elam Baptist Church, and he has held a place in the life of the community that will not be easily filled.

The funeral was held at Pleasant Hill Church Sunday afternoon, interment following in the family cemetery. A large crowd of friends and relatives attended. To relative and friends we extend sympathy.

## A King's Successor



An excellent new photo of Niceto Alcalá Zamora, first President of the newly created Republic of Spain. The overthrow of Alfonso XIII brought Zamora from a prison cell to the zenith of power.

## The News in Brief

### CAROLINA BEEHIVES

Charlotte, N. C. —(P)—Nathan A. Craig, of spindlet, recently appointed director of the Federal Employment Service in North Carolina, has set up headquarters here.

Greenville, N. C. —(P)—Elmer W. Kelly and Royce Cox, a couple of ringleaders, were convicted and sentenced to seven to nine years each in State's prison.

Kinston, N. C. —(P)—Four alleged whiskey distillers, including one woman, were arrested in raids by federal prohibition agents in this section.

Raleigh, N. C. —(P)—Willard McLowry, secretary of the North Carolina Merchants' Association, has announced its annual convention will be held at Greensboro May 18-19.

Guilford College, N. C. —(P)—Mrs. Lucy Jenkins Franklin, dean of women at Boston University, will deliver the Guilford College commencement address June 1.

Chester, S. C. —(P)—Robbers broke into D. Ferguson and Company, mercantile establishment, and looted it of several hundred dollars worth of goods.

Hill Point, N. C. —(P)—Martin Bates' roller overturned while he was on a Sunday ride near here, killing him instantly. He was 21 years old and a furniture worker.

Charlotte, N. C. —(P)—Robbers held up William McAlister on a street here and robbed him of \$162.50.

Statesville, N. C. —(P)—The Fourth District North Carolina Teachers of the Confederacy, composed of chapters in Statesville, Winston-Salem, Mt. Airy, Lexington, Thomasville and Mocksville, will meet here tomorrow.

Kinston, N. C. —(P)—Because county funds are tied up in closed banks, Lenoir county is a month behind in paying its school teachers.

Gaffney, S. C. —(P)—T. A. Davidson, Jr., automobile dealer here, was charged with forgery, secured his release on \$1,500 bond at

## THE END IN SIGHT

(By Carl Goerch)

Seven different varieties of plagues were necessary before the Egyptians finally consented to let the Children of Israel leave the Valley of the Nile. There were locusts, boils, darkness and other things. If the Lord had threatened to send a legislature to Egypt and keep it in session for more than 110 days, discussing revenue measures, no other plagues would have been necessary. The Children of Israel would have been told to get out of the country immediately, if not sooner, in order that such a catastrophe might be averted. Not only that, but the Egyptians probably would have left with them.

The session in Raleigh is now approaching its close. The end is bound to be in sight. Members of the house and senate are almost exhausted. Human endurance cannot withstand much more. But then, there are grave doubts whether some of that crowd really are human.

The revenue bill is still up for discussion. A good many of the legislators are opposed to a so-called "nuisance tax." The reason for this opposition is that they, themselves, probably would be classed as nuisances and, therefore would be taxed accordingly.

Governor Gardner will probably announce his new highway commission during the next day or two—if he hasn't already done so by the time this appears in print. Judging from what I heard in Raleigh this week, it looks very much as though Leslie V. Ames would be the new highway engineer. It is evident that the Governor has no intention of making a political machine out of the highway commission. He has been taking his time about announcing the personnel of the commission. And here's something else you may not have thought of—North Carolina is the first State in the union to adopt a State-wide system of highway control. Every State in the union is going to be watching to see how the thing pans out. That's one reason why Max is being so careful in working out the details. And remember too, if you please, that this fellow Ames is the chap who resigned his Louisiana job because the Governor of that State wanted to make a political tool out of him.

After all, the legislature has accomplished a whole lot of good. The highway legislation is outstanding among the noteworthy accomplishments. If given a fair trial there is no question but that it will work out O. K.

The conference committee on the revenue bill spent several days behind closed doors. What a fine opportunity for a little poker game! They made their report this week, which probably will mean that either the house or the senate—if not both—will promptly vote against it. Then another conference committee will be reappointed, and its offerings, too, will be rejected. By 1933 there won't be any more members left to name on the committee, and the legislature probably will adjourn.

In the mean time, our ad valorem taxes will run on as usual. It takes a real, honest-to-goodness farmer to size the thing up accurately. Last Saturday I made a talk at the closing of the school at Everetts Cross Roads, down in Beaufort

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## SPRING FLOWER SHOW UNDER AUSPICES OF WOMAN'S CLUB

Annual Spring Flower Show Now Under Way; Weekly Visits Paid To Local Gardens Every Tuesday From Three Until Six O'Clock.

For a number of years the people of Weldon have looked forward to the spring flower show under the auspices of the Woman's Club.

Blooms that would have been a credit to the best florists in the city have been secured from the tiny forest-mount to the most generous suburban home.

But we are not looking for innovations, so this year the club is offering a weekly flower show every Tuesday from three to six o'clock. The gardens are open to visitors from three until six o'clock.

A flower is in its most perfect setting when surrounded by its own foliage. To check it and place it in the most costly receptacle fails to enhance its beauty. With this idea in mind we feel that the ideal place for our ladies to display their choice flowers is in their own gardens, and so far the two proposals have been altogether delightful.

The following gardens have been visited: Mrs. R. S. Travis, Mrs. W. E. Daniel, Mrs. Mary Bounds, Mrs. J. S. Turner, Mrs. W. L. Knight, Mrs. F. J. Bounds, and Mrs. E. Clark.

Daffodils, jonquils, hyacinths, iris, wisteria and other things in profusion were admirably displayed.

Next Tuesday, Mrs. Travis, Mrs. Mary Bounds, Mrs. Howard Bounds, Mrs. F. J. Bounds, and Mrs. N. E. Daniel will be at home to the club members.

## CONTEST BOOKS OPEN

Registration books for The Roanoke News Greater Circulation Contest will be open at The Central House Saturday April 2nd from 3:30 to 4:30 P. M. All wishing to enter the contest go there to register and receive rules and instructions.

Clip the coupon in the advertisement in this paper and get 500 free votes to start with.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Edwards of Murfreesboro were in town on Friday.

Miss Carrie Johnson of Rich Square is visiting Mrs. W. L. Knight.

Mr. Grainger Pierce of Charlotte spent the week-end at home.

Mesdames Alice B. Hudson, G. D. Hawks, W. B. Joyner and Miss Eugenia Hudson spent Friday in Raleigh.

Mesdames Alice B. Hudson and W. B. Joyner visited Tarboro Saturday.

Miss Eugenia Hudson and Mr. William Hudson spent the week-end at home.

Messrs. John Green, Lonnie Garner, and Seldon Pierce visited Norfolk last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Pierce visited the Azalea gardens in Wilmington last Friday.

Mr. James Pierce is spending some time at home.

Miss Nellie Wright Vincent left Thursday for Wilmington.

Mr. Seldon Pierce, Lonnie Garner spent Friday in Rocky Mount on business.

Dr. W. G. Sutter spent Tuesday in Durham at the State Convention.

Mr. Joe Sutter spent last week-end in Rocky Mount.

Mr. Bill Spruill spent the week-end in Weldon, N. C.

Mr. T. N. Harrison of Littleton, spent a few hours in the city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hollingsworth of Rocky Mount visited Mrs. J. B. Larkin Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norfleet Clark of Halifax spent Friday in Weldon.

Messrs. Shep Green, Charles Todd, and Shorty Pierce spent Tuesday in Norfolk.

Messrs. W. W. Sledge and Walter Sledge of Durham spent the week-end at home.

Mr. Walter Allen of Greensboro, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. H. W. Sledge is visiting in Greensboro.

Mr. Eugene Lee spent Saturday in Norfolk.

Mr. Louis Harrison spent the week-end in Littleton.

Mr. M. N. Shearin of Norfolk spent the week-end in town.

Miss Winifred Holoman of Rich Square spent the week-end in Weldon.

## The Roanoke News Greater Circulation Contest To Be Sponsored By Woman's Club

Believe It Or Not--In Morocco



"Believe It Or Not," but Robert L. Ripley on his expedition in Morocco has come across many strange scenes and witnessed many strange customs, from the venerated worshippers of Sidi Yahia, near Oujda, where pious Mohammedans have worn away the head part of the sarcophagus with kisses, down to the quaint Hay Stack people of Settat, with whom the well-known cartoonist is pictured above.

## RECORDER'S COURT

The Recorder's Court convened Tuesday morning in the County Commissioners room at Halifax and disposed of the following new cases:

Allie Long, Judgment absolute on bond to be discharged on payment of \$75.00. Execution not to issue before Sept. 1, 1931.

Wm. E. Thompson, white, plea not guilty, verdict not guilty.

James Palmer, col. Plea not guilty, verdict not guilty, 2 months roads.

Callen Bryant, white, from Scotland Neck, assault on Floyd Hodges. Prayer for Judgment continued on condition that Defendant pays hospital and doctor's bills of prosecution witness and costs.

Mary Eberl Hawkins, colored, from Weldon, charged with possession of liquor. Judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Grover Whitley, white, charged with operating car without license, 60 days on road.

Robert Fonton, colored, arraigned on count of trespassing, nol proes with leave.

Konley Harris, colored, charged with possession of liquor, 2 months jail assigned to work roads.

Geo. H. Wilkins, colored, assault 6 months roads.

Ras Johnson, colored, larceny, plea not guilty, verdict not guilty.

Carl Ray, white, liquor, 4 months in jail, assigned to work the road sentence suspended for a period of 2 years on condition costs are paid and the defendant does not violate the prohibition laws.

Grover Whitley, White Jones, John Haislip, Disorderly conduct, Nol Proes with leave.

The above twelve cases were new, the old docket not having been touched. The docket had not been cleared as we went to press.

## HOME CLEANED OF WEARING APPAREL

The home of H. B. Edwards of Jackson was broken into last Saturday night while Mr. and Mrs. Edwards were at the store. The robbers cleared the house of every piece of wearing apparel that could be found.

Upon returning home from the day's work the Edwards discovered the robbery and sent to Enfield for blood hounds but because of the rain the dogs were unable to make any headway. From the last report the robbery was still a mystery.

## MRS. CONWELL'S BROTHER PASSES AWAY

Mrs. W. E. Conwell was called to the bedside of her brother, G. L. Buckley, of Lawrenceville, Va., early Friday morning, but he died before she arrived. Mr. Buckley had been ill for several months. He is survived by his wife and two children, Gertrude and Lewis Jr., one sister, Mrs. Conwell, and one brother, M. R. Buckley of Richmond.

## NIGHT ROBBERY LAST WEEK

Night Policeman Mitchell seems to be on the job. Last Thursday night while making his regular rounds in his course of protecting the interests of the town he discovered at 2:30 that Merchant's Distributing Company had a visitor. The burglar had entered through the window and opened a side door to see if anyone was in sight before leaving with his load when Mitchell spotted him. The burglar ran and Mitchell chased him for quite a distance when he lost track of him.

Upon returning to investigate the robbery he found that nothing had been taken.

The man appeared to be white and about middle aged but action was so quick the officer could not identify him.

## COOKING SCHOOL HERE LAST WEEK SUCCESS

A good number from Seaboard. Each day Halifax, Enfield and Tillery had representatives. The Weldon Woman's Club deeply appreciate the interest of each and every one who in any way contributed to the success of the school.

A number of the choice recipes demonstrated will at an early date be published in the Roanoke News.

Following is a list of the prizes, recipients and donors:

Mrs. C. G. Fulghum, 1/2 crate Coca Cola.

Mrs. A. W. Oakes, \$1.00 dry cleaning, Elite Pressing Club.

Mrs. Frank Moore, 3 cans fruit, Acme Grocery Co.

Mrs. Frank Moore, movie tickets, Rosemary Theatre.

Mrs. J. L. Gill, movie tickets, Rosemary, N. C.

Mrs. G. C. Saunders, 5 lb. meal, Peoples Filling Station.

## LOCAL FIRM GOING GOOD

Mr. Josephson tells us that The Leader Store has been awarded the contract of furnishing the graduating class of Seaboard High School their graduation and class day dresses. This order is for 36 dresses and bespeaks the merchandise of goods carried by The Leader Store.

## LOCAL MAN HURT IN WRECK LAST WEEK

Frank Jones, resident of this city and an employee of the Virginia Electric and Power Company was seriously injured Saturday morning in an automobile wreck while returning from a fishing trip.

Mr. Jones was carrying a negro home, who accompanied him fishing, and while attempting to pass a car in South Weldon ran off on the shoulder losing control of the car and turning over. He was immediately rushed to the Roanoke Rapids Hospital where it was found he had a fractured skull.

The negro escaped with only a few lacerations and bruises.

The car was badly demolished.

## FORMER WELDON CITIZEN DIES IN CHICAGO

Mr. James Lewis Barclay of Chicago, brother of Mrs. H. B. Harrell, Jr., of this city, passed away last Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, death resulting from an auto accident on the day before.

The deceased is a former resident of Weldon, leaving here eleven years ago to make his home in Chicago where he was an efficiency expert. He was married but had no children. The body was laid to rest in a Chicago cemetery.

## BEGINS NEXT MONDAY

The Roanoke News Greater Circulation Contest To Begin Next Monday Morning; Sponsored By The Weldon Woman's Club; Mrs. A. L. Cochran Contest Manager; Large Number of Contestants Expected To Work.

The Roanoke News Greater Circulation Contest sponsored by The Weldon Woman's Club, begins Monday morning, May 4th and continue through the month of May.

The Woman's Club, of which Mrs. M. V. Bounds is President and Mrs. A. L. Cochran Secretary has appointed Mrs. Cochran as Contest Manager with Mrs. A. L. Cochran as Central House.

\$55.00 in gold and a commission of 10% will be awarded contestants as follows: First Prize, \$25.00 in gold, 2nd prize \$15.00 in gold, 3rd prize, \$10.00 in gold, 4th prize \$5.00 in gold. All contestants not receiving a prize will be given 10% of all money turned in, so there is no chance for any one to lose.

We have a special raffle with Universal Silverware Sales Syndicate to offer prizes silverware, amounting for 100 years FREE for each subscriber.

The contest is open to anyone wishing to take part and registration books will be open Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 P. M. at the Central House.

The Woman's Club has set as their goal for the month of May 1500 new subscribers in Halifax and Northampton Counties.

The awards will be made on points as follows: For each new subscription 100 points, new six months subscription 75 points, new three months subscription 50 points, new one month subscription 25 points; for each one year renewal subscription 75 points, each six months renewal subscription 50 points, each three months renewal subscription 25 points.

Clip the coupon found in the advertisement on another page in this paper and carry it with you to the Contest office at the Central House Saturday Afternoon and begin with 500 points to your credit.

A large number of interested ladies expressed their intention of entering. If you can use a few gold dollars get on the subscription wagon now! A wonderful opportunity for those with some leisure time. No salesmanship ability required. Now is our chance!

## PERSONAL MENTION AROUND GARYSBURG

Mrs. Bessie Morgan who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. M. Joyner for the past two months, has returned to her home in Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. A. J. Gay and son, Gibson, of Washington, D. C., are the guests of Mrs. and Mrs. A. B. Gay.

Mrs. L. A. Barnes of Winterville, is visiting Mrs. C. H. Joyner this week.

Miss Virgie Harrison, of Weldon, was the guest of Miss Frances Gay the past week.

Lewis Joyner, of Rocky Mount, was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Joyner.

David Sutter, of Littleton spent Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sutter.

Mr. Joe Seldon, of Jackson, was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stephenson, Monday.

Mr. George Greene, and son, George Jr., were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Joyner, Sunday.

Naff Capel, of Gumery, visited in the home of his brother, P. R. Capel, Sunday.

We are glad to report that little Miss Ethel Capel, who has been ill for the past week is improving.

Miss Sue White, of Jackson, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gay.

Rev. E. R. Grant of Seaboard, visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stephenson and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gay Monday afternoon.

More than 20,000 peach trees are in the orchards following improved practices of management and spraying in Caldwell County. The orchardists made money on their fruits last year.

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