

Body of Rapids Man Taken from Reservoir

Disappeared Wednesday In Drunken Stupor

The body of Henry Pulliam, 43 year old white man, was found in the reservoir of the water works here Saturday night.

Pulliam, who lived in Roanoke Rapids had been missing from his home since Wednesday. His wife came here Saturday. An investigation got underway immediately and it was discovered that Pulliam and another man, whose name could not be learned, got a room at a hotel here Wednesday night.

A short time after going to the room Pulliam, who was said to have been drinking, went out to get sandwiches and never returned. The other man made no attempt to find him but after waiting for him until ten o'clock Thursday morning he returned to Roanoke Rapids and took Pulliam's car to his wife.

Mr. Hudson, who is night watchman at the Weldon Cotton Manufacturing Company stated that he saw Pulliam about 2 o'clock Thursday morning and ordered him off the mill property. He said the man went in the direction of the water plant. Police investigated and found tracks near the reservoir. Searchers then started dragging the water and the body was discovered. It was in good state of preservation.

Coroner Cooper was called from Enfield but no inquest was held as the death was an accident, it being evident the man fell into the open lake in the dark.

Pulliam, who was employed by the Roanoke Mills Co., leaves a wife and five children.

Garysburg Girl Wins \$150 Prize

Miss Florence Rose Wins Top Honor in Smith-Douglass Contest

Finest word-hunter among 42-329 boys and girls in Virginia and North Carolina is the title of which Miss Florence Rose, Garysburg, can boast today. Miss Rose received notice this week that she was the lucky winner of the first prize of \$150 in the \$1500 prize contest sponsored by the Smith-Douglass Company, fertilizer manufacturers of Norfolk, Va., for finding the greatest number of objects whose names began with the letters S or D in a picture published by the company. The contest began in February and ended March 15. During that time 42-329 boys and girls tried their hand at building a list of words in order to win a share of the prize money offered.

Also, Smith-Douglass awarded 388 other prizes in amounts ranging from \$15 to \$1.

In addition to this, the Smith-Douglass company is happy to announce that every one of the entrants who did not win will receive a consolation prize of a handsome streamline automatic pencil.

In making announcement of the prizes, O. F. Smith, president, and R. B. Douglass, vice president of Smith-Douglass Company, Inc., sent this message to all contestants: "The general level of answers in this contest was amazingly high. We regret that a cash prize could not be given for every good list. To the winners we extend our hearty congratulations and to all entrants we send our thanks for their interest."

Fishing Allowed Easter Monday

Lake Mattamuskeet Remains Open During Closed Season

Game Protector, J. H. Ramsey has been notified by the State Department of Conservation and Development that owing to the fact that Easter holidays come during the closed season for fishing, and since Easter Monday has always been a popular day for fishing, the board has agreed to lift the ban on that day, permitting the taking of game fish on Easter Monday. There will be no objection to fishing on Easter Sunday.

These two days are the only open days that the board will allow during the closed season, and Mr. Ramsey has been notified to govern his work accordingly.

Of interest to a number of fishermen here is the fact that the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey has agreed to let Lake Mattamuskeet remain open for fishing through the closed season. This applies only to such waters as are within the boundaries of the refuge. All the waters outside of the refuge are closed the same as other state waters. The lake is well supplied with fish and excellent catches are being made there of bass, crappie, white perch, and goggle eye.

Sam Houston's Son



DALLAS, TEX. — Andrew Jackson Houston, 82, (above), only living son of Gen. Sam Houston, hero of the Texas Revolution against Mexico 100 years ago, is to be an honored guest at the opening of the Texas Centennial here on June 9.

Thieves Enter Warehouse Here

Tires and Fertilizer Hauled Away in Truck

Thieves entered the warehouse of the Eastern Fertilizer Corporation here Thursday night and took twenty nine bags of fertilizer and also four automobile tires belonging to R. W. Carter, Jr.

Entrance was made by removing the lock from the front door. The back door was unlocked from the inside and the truck backed up to the door and loaded.

The truck tracks were traced early Friday morning from the warehouse down the old road to the river where it turned around and returned to town where the tracks were lost. There was no evidence of anyone having gotten out of the truck or unloaded anything along the way.

Police have no clues as to the identity of the robbers.

Those connected with the warehouse here are pleased that the quality of Eastern Fertilizer so appeals to people that they must have it even if they have to steal it.

Student Officers Chowan Installed

Miss Martha Yates Seymour and Others, Are Placed in Office

Murfreesboro, April 7. — The Student Government Association of Chowan College held its annual installation service Wednesday, April 1, in the college auditorium at the regular chapel hour. Ruth Stephenson, president of the retiring Student Council, presided.

Taking charge of the service, Miss Stephenson asked for the cooperation of the student body with the new Student Council. Martha Yates Seymour, incoming president, asked for the aid of each student by quoting from Kipling, "For the strength of the wolf is in the pack, and the strength of the pack is in the wolf."

As a part of the installation service the incoming officers made a pledge of "individual responsibility, loyalty, and honor" to the Student Government Association. Those officers are: Martha Yates Seymour, president; Ruby Edens, vice president; Swannanoa Benethall, house president; Mattie Grey Hoggard, secretary, and Loyd Moore, treasurer.

Dr. R. R. McCulloch, as speaker for the occasion, read as his scripture the 13th Psalm, which furnished the theme of citizenship.

"Education is said to be preparation for life," he said, "but this is an error, for it is life itself. It is also citizenship, and since not many of the student body have yet an active voice in our national government, it is fitting that we are privileged to take a part in the government of our institution. We should realize the opportunity which is offered to us, and should make the greatest possible contribution to our college."

Mrs. C. E. Willis Died Suddenly Monday Night

Death Results From Bad Fall After Illness

Mrs. Lou Ray Barnhill Willis, 40, died at her home here Monday evening at 7 o'clock from injuries which she sustained in a fall early Monday morning. She had been sick since Friday and at an early hour Monday she attempted to get up and fell in a faint striking her head and breaking her jaw bone.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Chase City, Va., and the men employees of her store acted as pallbearers.

Mrs. Willis was manager of one of Weldon's leading business houses, the Acme Grocery Company. She was a former president of the local Merchant's Association and took an active part in the business and civic affairs of this community.

She was born and reared in Bethel, N. C., but she and her family moved here about fifteen years ago where Mr. Willis was connected with the Weldon Fruit and Produce Company later becoming manager of the Acme Grocery Company. He predeceased Mrs. Willis to the grave by exactly to the day four years and she took his place as manager of the store.

Surviving are three sons, C. E. Willis, Jr., Jack and David Willis, all of Weldon, her mother, Mrs. M. A. Barnhill of Miami, Fla., two sisters, Miss Mabel Barnhill of Bethel, Mrs. Norman Tucker of Spring Hope, and four brothers, Joe Barnhill, of Bethel, H. Barnhill of Richmond, Va., W. T. Barnhill of Stella, N. C., and Donald Barnhill of Miami, Fla.

Late NEWS BRIEFS

State, National and Worldwide.

CAROLINA RIVERS are overflowing their banks, causing deaths and property destruction and disrupting highway traffic, as a result of the wind and rain storms that swept over the State Monday and Tuesday. A twister that struck Greensboro Thursday night of last week did millions of dollars property damage, cutting a wide swath in the residential and business district of the city.

THE KNOWN DEAD from storms that have swept over southern states during the past week are listed by states as follows: Mississippi 219; Georgia 183; Tennessee 12; Alabama 11; Arkansas 1; South Carolina 1. Gainesville, Ga., was the hardest hit of any city, suffering a loss in life of 105 and property damage of \$10,000,000.

John H. Hubbard

Garysburg, April 7.—John H. Hubbard, 68, well known citizen of Greenville county, died at his home in Garysburg Sunday, March 29th. Religious services were conducted at the Zion Baptist church here, of which he was a faithful and devoted member, on Monday by the pastor, the Rev. Finch.

He is survived by his wife and two children, Sam Hubbard and Mrs. J. W. Davis of Petersburg. One brother, Arthur Hubbard of Norfolk, and one sister, Mrs. H. T. Edwards of Emporia, also survive.

Legion Members to Be At Rich Square Next Tuesday Nite

Josephus Daniels, Jr., and J. M. Cardwell, Will Be Present

Josephus Daniels, Jr., commander of North Carolina Department of American Legion, and J. M. Caldwell, departmental adjutant, will be present at the next meeting of Northampton County Post No. 111 at Rich Square, Tuesday night, April 14, at 7 o'clock.

Plans are being made to make this one of the biggest meetings of the American Legion in the Roanoke-Chowan section this year.

The officers and members of the Hertford, Gates, Bertie, Martin and Halifax county posts have been invited. A dutch supper will be served at 7 p. m. The meeting will be opened in ritualistic form, using the new post colors just purchased, which will be dedicated during this meeting.

Commander Daniels is very anxious that every post in the above counties be represented as it will be impossible for him to visit every post in the State and he has a very important message for this meeting.

Those who are planning to attend are asked to mail post card to J. G. Madry, chairman of committee, advising number expecting to attend.

EASTER IN ILLUSTRATION

Copied by Richard S. Fountain

The resurrection hope takes the sting out of death. Too many Christians suffer from the fear of death, though we are sure that they do not fear as others do. But the flesh is weak, and we shrink from fear. The cure for this is to be found in a fuller confidence in our Heavenly Father and in the assurance of immortality.

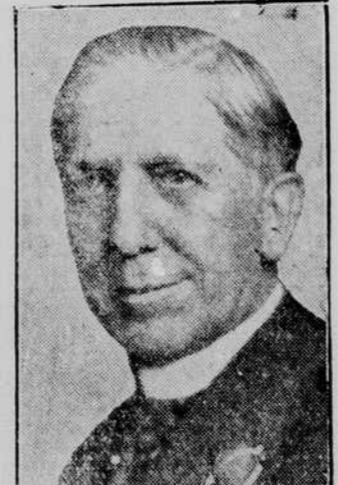
The late "Ian Maclaren" used to be fond of relating the following beautiful little story, as serving to ally the needless fears of God's people when they enter the valley of the shadow of death. There was a dear old Scotch lady who wanted badly to go to the city of Edinburgh. But for years she could not be persuaded to take the railway journey, because of her great dread of the tunnel through which she would have to pass. One day, however, circumstances arose which compelled her to take the train for Edinburgh. For awhile her fears were great, and her agitation increased as the train on its journey drew near to the dreaded tunnel. But before the tunnel was actually reached the old lady, worn out with excitement, dropped peacefully to sleep, and when she awoke it was to gladly discover that the tunnel had been passed.

Two irreligious young men were discussing the resurrection, telling each other why it was impossible for them to accept the doctrine. Then Deacon Myers came passing by, and in a joking way one of the young fellows called to him: "Say, Deacon, tell us why you believe that Jesus rose again!" "Well," he replied, "one reason is that I was talking with Him for half an hour this very morning."

More than a hundred years ago, an infidel died in Hanover. Before his death he ordered that above his grave several large slabs of granite should be placed, bound together with iron bands, and above it all a huge stone block weighing almost two tons. It was done. On the slab the inscription was put: "This grave is purchased for eternity; it shall never be opened." But a little pebble seed was inclosed in the mold within the tomb. God in His power caused it to sprout and a little shoot found a crevice between the iron-bound slabs. In the course of time its latent power broke the iron bands asunder and moved every stone out of its original position. The whole structure was displaced thereby and the grave opened. The tree still lives and waves its branches over the rent sepulchre, which the infidel declared should never be opened. It just needed a tiny seed, one of God's marvels in creation, to answer the challenge of the infidel.

If a tiny seed can burst open a grave, how much more can an omnipotent Lord make good His promise!"

HOEY TO SPEAK



HON. CLYDE HOEY, candidate for Governor of North Carolina, who will speak at the high school building in Conway, Monday, April 13th, at 8 p. m.

World Fashion Champion



NEW YORK — Miss Aida Meyers (above), of New York, is the fashion design winner wherein 23,645 entrants from 14 countries throughout the world competed. The award was made by the Fashion Guild of Paris.

Local Man Dies of Heart Attack

Body is Laid to Rest Sunday in Northampton County

Bennett Edward Stephenson died at his home here Friday morning, April 3rd, following a heart attack.

Mr. Stephenson was born in Northampton County, August 29, 1879, thus dying in his 57th year. He was the son of Mrs. Georgia Stephenson and the late Bague Stephenson. On August 30th, 1894 he was married to Miss Stella Muse, of Portsmouth, Va.

Captain Stephenson, as he was known to his many friends was an Atlantic Coast Line conductor for thirty one years retiring at the expiration of that time on account of impaired health. He was a member of the Methodist Church, the Masonic Lodge and the Order of Railroad Conductors. He came to Weldon in 1929 from Plymouth.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 from the Methodist Church and were conducted by Rev. J. O. Long, Rev. E. H. McWhorter, of Tarboro and Rev. R. S. Fountain. Pallbearers were H. Farber, C. E. Carter, J. H. R. Howell, C. J. Owen, J. J. Willey and J. T. D. Rawlings. Members of the Masonic Lodge attended the funeral in a body. Interment followed in the family burial ground in Northampton.

Surviving are his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Edward Smith, of Goldsboro; one son, Dr. Bennett E. Stephenson, Jr., who is connected with the James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington; his mother, Mrs. Georgia Stephenson, of Gumberry; four sisters, Mrs. Maude Flythe, of Portsmouth, Va.; Mrs. Grace Harris of Garysburg; Mrs. Ada Gay and Mrs. Ruth Cappel both of Gumberry; one brother, Blackwell Stephenson, also one grandson.

Red Cross Issues Call For Additional Funds

Peanut Prices Go Up the Past Week

Following the announcement last week of the government's oil diversion program for peanuts, prices have strengthened considerably and farmers are being offered from three cents to three and one-quarter for the best grade stock.

No peanuts have been bought locally for crushing for oil under the diversion agreement, the forms to be used in connection with it not having been complete, but the announcement of the plan has sent regular millers' prices to and above three cents at the farm for farmers' stock. Several lots have moved to the millers at the higher prices, although the bad roads and a disposition of the farmers to hold peanuts until still better prices are offered by millers have had the effect of holding down the volume of sales.

Aid for Tornado Victims in State

Other States of South in Need of Aid Following Storms

LOCAL WORKERS EXPECT MUCH HELP

The Red Cross here has been called upon to raise an additional amount of \$200 over the amount raised in the recent drive for the aid of flood sufferers, to be used in extending relief to tornado victims of this and other southern states, necessitated by the storms of the early part of this week.

This call for additional funds was received by Mrs. Wm. L. Knight, chairman of the local chapter from National Headquarters Monday afternoon and followed the wide-spread suffering and destitution which was left in the wake of the tornado which struck South Carolina, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, and Georgia the fore-part of this week, bringing with it a death toll of between three and four hundred persons and an unestimated property damage, and the tornado which struck Greensboro in this state on last week end, leaving a death toll of seven and a property damage running into thousands and thousands of dollars.

Heavy rains, floods, and fire hazards have added to the sufferings of the victims of these tornadoes and storms and the demands for relief are urgent, therefore the Red Cross, while not relenting in its work of rehabilitating the northern and eastern states affected by the recent floods, is being called on to meet another emergency and is issuing the calls to unaffected areas for additional donations.

The local Red Cross, feeling the need for aiding the sufferers in our own state are therefore making an appeal for additional funds to be used in this work, and feel that because of the nearness to No definite plans have been outlined for a county-wide canvass this county of the Greensboro sufferers that there should be a ready response with additional donations to carry on this relief work, to raise this additional quota, but workers are confident that the people of Weldon will show a ready response to this call.

Rate Reduction Is Announced By V. E. P. Company

Recent Reductions to Both Domestic and Commercial Users

A small rate reduction, estimated to save Roanoke-Chowan consumers many thousands of dollars annually, has been announced by the Virginia Electric and Power Company through the State Utilities Commission. The reductions are effective April 1 on both commercial and domestic billings.

Under the reductions announced, domestic charges have been reduced from 6.5 cents to six cents per kilowatt hour for the first block of 60 kilowatt hours and commercial rates have been cut from 6.5 cents to 6 cents per kilowatt hour for the first block of 100 kilowatt hours.

Other rates were unchanged. Under them, domestic rates will be 3.5 cents for the second block of 60 kilowatt hours, two cents for the next block of 60 kilowatt hours and 1.5 cents for all in excess of 180 kilowatt hours.

There have been a number of reductions on the part of the company since 1929 when the top rate was 15 cents a kilowatt hour.

The reductions are the results of several months' negotiation between the Utilities Commission and the power company.

Stanley Winborne, State Utilities Commissioner who announced the reductions, affecting only the lowest bracket, said the company plans further rate cuts "as soon as income justifies such a step."

TRASURY OFFICIALS have announced that first bonus bonds and checks would be shipped to veterans by registered mail on June 15.

Ebenezer Church Spring Rally to Be Held Sunday

The annual Spring Rally for Ebenezer Church will be held at eleven o'clock on Sunday morning, April 19, with dinner on the grounds. Rev. Wm. Towse, a former pastor, and one who was greatly loved by the membership as well as others of the community, will be present and do the preaching at that time. The pastor, Rev. J. Bascom Hurley, and the official board have set as their goal for that day the raising of half of their benevolences for the year. It is hoped that every member of this church will make it a point to attend this rally day service and do all they can to make it a great day for Ebenezer. The public is cordially invited.

Baptist Laymen To Attend Men's Meet Rocky Mt.

Conference for Both Laymen and Ministers, Tuesday, April 14

Delegates from the various Baptist Churches in the Roanoke-Chowan section are planning to attend a men's meeting to be held in the interest of the work of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, Tuesday, April 14, at the First Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, at 10:30 o'clock.

Among the speakers will be R. N. Sims, Raleigh; Walt N. Johnson, Mars Hill; M. A. Huggins, Raleigh; and other distinguished Baptists.

The conference is meant for the denomination's men — both laymen and ministers. During the latter part of May or the first of June, a layman will be placed in the Baptist churches throughout the state to present to the many groups some phase of the Baptists' great program in this state.

Nine such meetings will be held throughout North Carolina.

Elementary Night At Seaboard School

The parents and friends of the local school are cordially invited to attend Elementary Night, which is to be given in the auditorium on Friday evening, April 17, at 7:45 o'clock.

The program will be different from any ever given by the elementary grades and it will be an evening well spent.

Some of the interesting features of the evening will be: "Interpretive Dances," English Dance, Toy Orchestra, Story Play and many other interesting features. There will be a small admission.

Says Farm Fight Has Just Begun

Tarboro, April 8.—"Put farming on a paying basis, and when that is done, other economic ills will adjust themselves," said Attorney A. O. Dickens, of Wilson, before a large gathering here in his opening speech of the campaign for congressman from this district.

The speaker told of the things being done in the vast farm program, and stated that the farm fight was just begun. He showed why prices must be kept to fair figures, in order that the East Carolina farmer might make a living from his labors, and have a greater security.

Attorney Dickens is scheduled to come to Bertie County in the near future, to see and speak to many of the county people.

County Board Meeting Monday

The County Board of Commissioners had their regular meeting Monday, April 6, the following members were present: J. W. Whitaker, chairman, N. W. Warren, J. W. Collier, M. W. Perry and J. R. Wrenn.

Peddlers license was issued to Geo. W. Edwards, a disabled World War Veteran, subject to being revoked by the Board at any time they so desire.

Mr. Akers with the Board of Education and the Roanoke Rapids School Board came before the Board asking for additional school room and buildings, the matter was deferred until a later date.

Miss Winnie Burt came before the Board outlining in general the work the sewing rooms throughout the county is doing. She also had on demonstration some garments made by the Sewing classes. The following resolutions were passed. Resolved that we the Board of Commissioners of Halifax wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to Miss Burt for the much needed and splendid work she is doing through the sewing rooms in the county.

J. B. Hall, Welfare Official, turned in his monthly report, same being accepted and ordered filed.

LIMING LAND

Liming land is one of the soil improving practices for which credit will be given in the new soil conservation program.

T. S. Royster of Gaston county lost only 7 chickens during the first week out of 500 Reds brooded with a brick brooder.

ENTER SCHOOL

Hardee Rowe, son of Mrs. Annie Rowe, left Saturday to enter Renovar Training School for Embalmers at 300 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

Hardee will be gone six months and though his many friends will miss him greatly they wish for him much success.

CLINIC WEDNESDAY

The regular monthly orthopedic clinic for Halifax county cripples, children and adults, both colored and white, will be held Wednesday, April 15, from one till four o'clock in the Rosemary Baptist church. Dr. Cole of Greensboro will be in charge.