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Home Coming Day Baptist Church Sun.

Pastor Begins Eleventh Year Here; Special Services Are Planned

The first Sunday in January, 1937, is Home Coming Day for Weldon Baptist Church. We want to make it Home Coming Day for all our services. For the Sunday School, for the morning hour of worship, for the B. T. U.'s., and for the Evening Hour of worship. We ask all of the members of Weldon Baptist Church, together with the friends of the church, and all those who have been members, to be with us in all of the services next Sunday.

The pastor will begin the Eleventh Year of his pastorate next Sunday, and he would like to have all of the members, and the friends of Weldon Baptist Church with us in all of the services.

The pastor's subject for the morning hour will be "THE TIE THAT BINDS." His subject for the evening hour will be "NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS."

These ten years that the pastor and his family have lived in Weldon have been happy years. They have been years of service, and in a large measure they have been years of progress. During these years the pastor and his family have come to love the entire membership of the Weldon Baptist Church, and the people of this community. We feel that we have many friends, not only among the membership of Weldon Baptist Church but many friends in the membership of the other churches of the community, and also many friends among those who are not members of any church.

We invite all of our friends to be with us in these Home Coming Day services, and we request the prayers of all the people of this community that we may live a right, and serve aright in His Name.

We wish to thank the Editor, and those who are connected with the Roanoke News for their kindness in many, many ways, and, in fact, we are thankful and grateful for all our friends; for all who have spoken a kind word, and for all who have helped to lift a burden, and for all who have prayed for us. We hope to merit your continued friendship and prayers by serving Him better.

By the Pastor.

J. A. ALEXANDER DIES IN S. NECK

James Harper Alexander, former president of the Scotland Neck bank, died at his home here this afternoon of a heart attack following malaria. He was 52 years old.

Funeral services will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church, of which he was a member, at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, with the Rev. B. T. Brodie, pastor, officiating.

At the time of his death, Mr. Alexander was a field representative of the Atlantic Joint Stock Land Bank, his work carrying him all over North Carolina and into parts of South Carolina.

A native of Palmyra, he was a son of Mrs. Annie Griffin Alexander and the late J. H. Alexander. Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, the former Miss Ethel Dunn of Scotland Neck two sons, James Charles and James Harper Alexander, Jr.; two sisters, Mrs. L. H. Justice and Miss Annie Alexander, and three brothers, W. S., S. W., and C. S. Alexander.

MRS. RENA EDWARDS

Mrs. Rena Edwards, 61, died at her home near Camps store Friday morning following an illness of three weeks duration. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon December 27th from the residence with Rev. E. B. Fisher officiating.

Surviving are her husband and four children, Mrs. May Moore, Miss Wilma Edwards, Alex and A. O. Edwards, all of Roanoke Rapids.

MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS

The Halifax County Medical Society will meet at Roanoke Rapids hospital Thursday evening, January 7, at 6:40 o'clock.

DR. R. S. McGEACHEY Secretary.

Little Girl Dies On Christmas Day

Shirley May Finch, 14, died in Roanoke Rapids hospital Christmas morning following an illness of four months.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 27 from the Roanoke Rapids Baptist church with Rev. Gordon L. Price officiating assisted by Rev. J. J. Boone. Interment took place in the Roanoke Rapids cemetery.

Shirley May's parents have been residents of Roanoke Rapids for twenty one years. She was a popular member of the younger set and her many friends were shocked by her untimely death.

Surviving are her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finch of Roanoke Rapids, two sisters, Misses Mary and Margie Finch of Roanoke Rapids, one half sister Miss Doris Knapp of New York City, and one brother Carl Finch of Roanoke Rapids.

Halifax News

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Dickens and family spent the week-end in Roanoke, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hurley. Miss Juanita Hurley accompanied them home where she will spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kancer of Charlotte were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Millikin Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Read spent the week-end in Dunn the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Martin.

Miss Thelma Parham of Nashville is spending the week with Miss Edith Avent.

Miss Annie Mae Griffin of Nashville is spending the week with Mrs. Albert Griffin.

Mrs. J. W. Jones and son Woodard Jones and Mrs. C. T. Sterling of Norfolk were visitors here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Edward Humbert of Lakeland Fla. spent Thursday and Friday here.

Mr. James Boyce of Edenton was the week-end guest of Miss Laura Read.

Mr. Walter Fleming Marks of Greenwood, S. C. is spending the holidays with his mother.

Those attending the dance in Scotland Neck Christmas night were Misses Myrtle, Laura and Lucile Read, Edith Avent, Agnes Gregory and Mrs. Edna C. Harris, Messrs. Walter Marks, James Marks, L. H. Pearce, Aubrey Perry and Badger Read.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jennings of Fairmont and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jennings of Norfolk spent the week-end here.

Misses Amy Moore and Elizabeth Holmes of Weldon were the week-end guests of Miss Agnes Gregory.

Miss Viola Nethery of Brier, Ky. is spending the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Lily Fenner, Mrs. Kate Erquhart and Miss Kate Erquhart of Woodville were the guests of Mrs. Susie Furgerson Sunday.

Miss Virginia Perry, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Anderson of Norfolk spent the holidays with Mr. M. W. Perry and family.

Jennett Barker, Felton and Shirley Barker spent the week-end with their aunt Mrs. Raymond Millikin.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Barker and Miss Roselle Barker of Colerain spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Millikin.

Miss Carolyn Bass is spending the week in Enfield with her grandmother Mrs. Luther Marshall.

Negro Burns To Death, Camp's Store

A 30 year old negro, Henry Smith was burned to death at his home near Camp's Store Wednesday.

Those who investigated the incident said the negro apparently fell into a fire he had built in the woods near his home.

He was subject to fits and was thought to have had an attack and fell into the fire. He was seen by relatives running from the woods and they brought him to the Roanoke Rapids hospital, where he died later in the day.

Tobacco Short Course In Raleigh Jan. 18-22

Hundreds of tobacco growers are expected to flock to State College for the Tobacco Short Course which will be held January 18-22. The work will consist of lectures and discussions supplemented by laboratory practice and demonstrations, says Dr. J. B. Cotner, professor of plant breeding at State College.

The morning programs will be devoted to lectures, demonstrations, and discussions with the afternoons given over to practice in grading tobacco. Those enrolled for the course will be given actual practice in grading work.

No tuition will be charged, for the Short Course, but a fee of one dollar will be made for registration and a certificate of attendance. Dr. Cotner says.

Specialists from the State College School of Agriculture, the Extension Service, and the Experiment Station, as well as representatives from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will instruct the various classes and conduct the demonstrations.

One or more evenings will be devoted to entertainment with music being furnished by student musical organizations under the direction of Major C. D. Kutschinski, director of the State College Music Department.

Facilities for lodging on the campus are limited, declares Dr. Cotner, and only about forty can be accommodated in the college Y. M. C. A. Others are being urged to secure lodging from rooming houses and hotels in Raleigh.

Mother Local Man Dies In Maxton

Mrs. J. A. Hornaday, Sr., 83, died at her home in Maxton Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22, following an illness of several days.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning at eleven o'clock in Maxton.

Mrs. Hornaday was a resident of Weldon for several years, where her husband served as Pastor of the Weldon Methodist Church for two terms.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. George Stephens of Richmond, Mrs. A. B. Carter of Beaufort and four sons Clifford Hornaday of New York, Latimer Hornaday of Salisbury, Md., Leslie Hornaday, Greensboro and J. A. Hornaday of Weldon.

TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS ANSWERED AT COLLEGE

Question: Is it possible to cure or corn lamb as you do pork and beef?

Answer: Yes. The shoulders and legs are the cuts cut frequently corned. To each 10 pounds of lamb use one and one-half cups of salt, one-half tumbler of saltpeter, and three-quarters of a cup of brown sugar. Rub salt thoroughly into the meat, covering every portion, and allow to stand with the salt on it for 24 hours. Then pour over the meat the other ingredients dissolved in a small quantity of lukewarm water. Add water enough to cover the meat and allow to stand in the brine for three or four days. Since lamb absorbs more salt than beef, special care should be taken not to use more than the quantity specified.

Question: What is the best grain mixture for a poultry ration?

There are several grains or combinations of grains that give satisfactory results, but the one most commonly used in all sections of North Carolina is composed of 60 percent yellow corn and 40 percent wheat. However, this ratio should be largely governed by what is grown on the farm, and the cost of the grain which must be purchased. Where there is an abundance of heavy barley (48 lbs. to the bushel) or heavy oats (38 lbs. to the bushel) these may be substituted for a part of the corn and wheat, but should never exceed thirty percent of the grain mixture.

Question: Can shelled corn be stored in bags over winter?

Answer: If the corn is sufficiently dry when shelled it can be stored in bags without damage provided it is treated for weevil control before storage. The corn should be treated with carbon disulphide and then stored in a dry place. Where the corn is a little green it is best to wait until it thoroughly dries before shelling as the slight dampness may cause the grain to mold.

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Rapids Negro Struck By Auto Here

Sylvester Conigland, 55 year old negro man of Weldon was struck by an automobile in South Weldon Christmas Day and suffered several broken ribs and bad bruises.

The car was occupied by Ramsey Harris and Marvin Gay of Seaboard.

Hold Funeral Rites For Aged Woman

Funeral services for Miss Eugenia Martha Burgess, 87, who died Christmas morning after a lingering illness, were held Saturday afternoon at 2:40 o'clock at the Whitakers chapel with the Rev. D. R. Williams, Methodist Protestant minister of Enfield, officiating. Interment followed in the churchyard.

Miss Burgess died at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. W. Ricks, of 115 South Grace street in Rocky Mount, where she had been making her home for the past 12 years. She was a native of Halifax county.

She is survived by the following nieces and nephews: Mrs. W. W. Ricks, Miss Kate Pittman, J. E. Bass, and W. T. Bass of Baltimore, Md., F. C. Pittman of Baltimore, and F. W. Pittman of Fort Meyers, Fla.

Some poultrymen are more optimistic than businesslike in their methods.

Only Good Eggs Will Produce Good Chicks

This is especially true of those who assemble all kinds of eggs, good or bad, for hatching purposes, said Roy S. Dearstine, head of the State College poultry department.

"You can't get more out of your incubator than you put into it," he declared in urging poultrymen to be more careful in selecting eggs for hatching.

Hatching eggs should come only from high quality, healthy, vigorous birds. They should be normal in shape, have well calcified shells, and weigh more than 23 ounces to the dozen.

They should be gathered several times a day and stored in a warm place to avoid chilling, he said, as eggs that have chilled too much will not produce good chicks. A temperature of 40 to 60 degrees is best.

Hatching eggs should not be kept in storage for more than seven to ten days, he added.

The incubator should be carefully cleaned, disinfected, and tested before the eggs are placed inside. Likewise, the brooder and brooder house should be cleaned and tested before any chicks are put in to grow.

Dearstine advised that the brooder should be started in operation at least 24 hours before the arrival of the chicks so as to give it time to become evenly warmed throughout.

Destroy subnormal or cull chicks. Do not brood more than 300 chicks in one unit, and allow a square foot of floor space for every two chicks. Watch the temperature. For overheating is even warned.

Rapids Trades Days' Winners Announced

The drawing for the cash prizes in the Roanoke Rapids Trades Days event was held Wednesday afternoon in the Municipal building in Roanoke Rapids.

After the drawings were made public the following winners have claimed their prize today:

The \$100 prize given in Roanoke Rapids proper went to Miss Varnell Jones, 52 Jackson St., and the \$100 prize that went out of town was won by J. W. Goodman of Garysburg.

None of the other eight prizes that goes to out-of-town customers have been claimed, but the following prizes have been claimed by Roanoke Rapids people:

\$50 to E. E. Patrik of South Rosemary; \$25 by W. H. Britton, 644 William St.; and the five \$10 trade tickets have been claimed. Mrs. W. B. Allbrook and John Lynch, 1004 Cedar St.

All of the winning numbers have been posted in the participating merchants' show windows and must be claimed by the winners.

Anson County turkey growers sold 8,000 pounds of the holiday birds to a large meat company for \$1,872.84, the price being lower than was expected by the growers.

Prominent Garysberg Citizen Died Friday

Funeral services were held from the residence in Garysburg Friday for R. E. Brown, 68, who died Thursday in Roanoke Rapids hospital following an illness of only a few days. Interment was made in the Garysburg Methodist church yard.

Mr. Brown was a native of Virginia, but had lived in this section for more than thirty years. He was for many years president of the Garysburg bank.

He was an active worker in the civic and religious life of his community.

Surviving are his widow, who was Miss Prue Harris, three daughters, Mrs. Julian Allbrook, Mrs. Howard Pruden of Roanoke Rapids, Miss Sarah Brown of Garysburg, and one son, John William Brown of Weldon.

Monthly Report Is Given By Patrol

Sergeant A. W. Welch, commanding officer of the highway patrol for this district, last week made his report of the activities of the officers in his territory during the past month.

One hundred and twenty-five arrests were made, fines imposed on traffic law violations amounted to \$2084.50, court costs totalled \$1133.41, and road sentences amounted to 550 months. A total of 24,497 miles were travelled and 409 arrests were examined on driver's license. Stolen property recovered amounted to \$2100.00.

King Of Belgium Honors Gulf Man

Mr. B. P. Newton, vice president of the Gulf Oil Corporation, has just been honored by King Leopold III of Belgium who conferred upon him the decoration of "Chevalier de l'Ordre de Leopold".

Mr. Newton is one of the few Americans so honored since the order was founded by Leopold I in 1932.

The honor of being knighted in the order is possible only by nomination of the reigning monarch, or upon the recommendation of high governmental officials. This distinction is extended only to those men who have been of valuable military or civic service to the Belgian Government.

A citizen of the United States by birth, Mr. Newton is the foreign representative of the Gulf Oil Corporation and from his headquarters in Pittsburgh directs the marketing of Gulf Petroleum products outside the limits of this country.

In a statement made to this newspaper Colonel J. F. Drake, president of the Gulf Oil Corporation, said, "We are proud that the exceptional civic qualifications of Mr. Newton have been recognized and rewarded in such an outstanding and unusual manner by the ruler of Belgium."

Calvary-Thelma Happenings

Mrs. H. D. Myrick and children spent Sunday with relatives in Weldon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hamill, Jr. of Weldon spent the holidays in Thelma.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Myrick and son of Weldon visited his parents here Sunday.

Miss Dorothy Myrick visited her mother during the holidays.

Mr. F. C. Myrick was a Christ-mas visitor in Enfield, Rich Square and Seaboard.

Mrs. Edis Ballance spent the holidays with friends here.

James and Alice Blair Myrick of Littleton spent the holidays with their aunt, Mrs. M. A. Tillery.

Infant Body Found In Northampton

The body of an infant boy was found on the side of the road near here in Northampton county last Friday. It was in a cardboard box, and wrapped up in holly decorated paper.

The body was found, according to Coroner E. B. Grant, by a farmer on the highway near his home. Grant said evidence pointed to the fact that the box was thrown from an automobile traveling along the highway. He deferred an inquest until the case could be further investigated.

Mr. Grant said the infant appeared to be only a few days old.

Youth Accidentally Shot By Cousin Tues.

17 Cases Tried In Recorder's Court

The following cases were disposed of Tuesday, Dec. 29 in Recorder's Court at Halifax.

Clarence Purnell and Gilbert Watson were charged with assault with deadly weapon. Prayer for judgment continued on condition defendants remain of good behavior for 2 years and pay costs.

Arthur Dees, Failure to list taxes. Nol Pros with leave.

J. C. Pittman was charged with driving while drunk, fined \$50.00 and costs and driver's license revoked for 12 months. 8 months suspended on condition defendant remains of good behavior for 2 years and remain sober.

Mance Richardson and Nettie Lee Richardson tried for assault. Nol Pros with leave.

N. De Mai was tried for selling fireworks without license. Judgment suspended.

James Williams tried for driving while drunk and fined \$50.00 and costs. His driver's license was revoked for 12 months.

Fred Little and Quincy Fox were charged with affray and Fred Little with carrying concealed weapon. Fox was given 4 months on road. Little was given 2 months on road, suspended on payment of \$10.00 fine and costs.

Early Mooney, assault with deadly weapon and carrying concealed weapon. Prayer for judgment suspended on payment of cost.

Henderson Boone was found guilty of larceny and fined \$10.00 and costs.

Jack Reynolds was given three months on the roads for carrying a concealed weapon.

Judgment was suspended in the case of Zero Robinson charged with driving with improper brakes.

W. D. Draper, driving without operator's license. Judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Joe Rogers, found guilty of carrying concealed weapon, was fined \$50.00 and costs.

Eulus Branch and Willie Clark were tried on liquor charges. Prayer for judgment continued for 2 years on payment of cost.

Lonnie Gary was found not guilty of liquor charges.

Don Hill guilty of assault with deadly weapon was given 30 days on road.

John Alston charged with being drunk and disorderly. Nol Pros.

Marines To Take 50 More Young Men

Examination of 50 applicants for entrance in the United States Marine Corps will be held at the Marine Corps Recruiting District Headquarters, Post Office Building, Savannah, Ga., during January.

Young men between 18 and 25 years of age, ranging in height from 5 feet 6 inches to 6 feet 2 inches with corresponding weights sound physiques, and a fair education come within the category of those eligible to receive the opportunities offered by the United States Marines.

The Savannah office considers applicants from Virginia, North and South Carolina, Florida and Southeastern Georgia, and is the only Marine Corps office where applicants in these States are examined, Captain Small stated.

Full information regarding the various opportunities the Marine Corps has to offer young men may be obtained by visiting or writing the Marine Corps Recruiting Station at Savannah, it was announced.

CARD OF THANKS

With sincere gratitude, we wish to express our deepest appreciation to each of you who contributed so generously to our Christmas tree.

We assure you it added much to our happiness and comfort, and we wish for each of you a happy New Year.

Patients of the Halifax County Sanatorium.

J. W. Dickson, manager of the Dickson-Tharp apairy in Transylvania County, reports a profit of \$284 from 525 colonies of bees this season after paying for \$200 worth of supplies and equipment.

Nash County Boy Instantly Killed In County Tuesday Morning

Halifax county coroner, T. M. Cooper, termed the shooting Tuesday of Lindsey T. Harris, 16, of the Salem community in Nash county, as accidental. The Harris boy was killed instantly when his cousin, J. W. Melton, Jr., 9, accidentally shot him below the right eye.

According to the coroner, Lindsey was visiting his cousin in Halifax county near Enfield. The Melton youth wanted to show him the shot gun he had received as a present. The weapon was close to Harris' face when the shooting occurred.

From all indications some persons had been using the gun without the knowledge of the child, who thought that the barrel was empty.

Funeral services were held from the home in Nash county Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with the Rev. Mr. Hoyle, Missionary Baptist minister of Whitakers, officiating. Interment followed in the family burying grounds near the home.

The boy is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Harris; four brothers, D. C. Harris, Jr., of Tillery, G. G. Harris, Leland Harris, and Melvin Harris; seven sisters, Mrs. Pattie Davidson, Mrs. M. J. Dickens of Rocky Mount, Mrs. W. J. Melton of Ringwood, Mrs. Mrs. A. L. Bryant of Kelford, Mrs. W. J. Edwards of Whitakers, Miss Virginia and Miss Mary Harris of the home.

Local Doctor Wedded In Raleigh Tuesday

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—The wedding of Miss Alma Hazel McGee of Willow Springs and Dr. Bennette Edward Stephenson of Weldon was solemnized at the First Vanguard Presbyterian Church here Tuesday morning. The pastor, the Rev. R. K. Davenport, officiated.

Only relatives and a few intimate friends of the couple were present.

Miss McGee is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. McGee of Willow Springs. She is a graduate of the Dorothea Dix School of Nursing, State Hospital, Raleigh. For the past few months she had been connected with the Chesapeake and Ohio Hospital at Clifton Forge, Va.

Dr. Stephenson is the son of Mrs. Stella Muse Stephenson and the late B. E. Stephenson of Weldon. He received his education at Plymouth High School, Duke University and the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, where he took his M. D. degree. He served his internship at James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington and State Hospital in Raleigh.

Following a wedding trip to points in Florida, Dr. and Mrs. Stephenson will be at home in Weldon, where Dr. Stephenson is engaged in general practice.

Employment Office Set Up In Enfield

Beginning Wednesday, December 30th, the N. C. State Employment Service, will maintain temporary office quarters in the City Hall Building in Enfield, for the purpose of servicing the lower part of Halifax County.

A representative of the Employment Service, will be on duty in this office, each Wednesday, the office hours being from 9 A. M. until 5 P. M.

Since it is very inconvenient for many persons living in this section to get to the Roanoke Rapids office, this service will be rendered to further assist the unemployed in Halifax County.

Since there is a scarcity of skilled labor in Halifax County, all skilled workers such as electricians, plumbers, steamfitters etc., are urged to register immediately with the county employment office, which is most convenient, if they are interested in securing employment.