

NEWS AND VIEWS

—BY—
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NEGROES IN HISTORY

ROCKY MOUNT—The writer wishes to thank Dr. S. L. Morgan and other writers who have written the Christian courage to occasionally write a letter in behalf of the rights of the colored people of South, especially; the nation in general. May their tribe increase; and may Negroes themselves raise pens and voices more in intelligent protest against segregation evils.

Dr. Morgan has repeatedly told the South that it must recognize the handwriting of racial progress on the wall of the USA and the world. He has warned that Tarheelia cannot retain its respectability, to say nothing of its Christianity, by continuing to subjugate its 25 per cent Negro population to a lower-than-human status after a century of promising to free them through mandate; and a hundred years of semi-slavery during which he has been greatly deprived, discouraged, defamed, disenfranchised, despised to the point where the majority have become reconciled to their substandard station in life, with feeling "... there's nothing we can do about it, but what the 'white folks' let us."

Only the strong among the Negroes have been able to survive this grueling one hundred year test with strict honesty. The weak and near-weak have succumb to

some of the evils of thievery, illegitimacy, scheming to 'get by' and too often, being shiftless. These are the things his white masters taught him through example and neglect and hard labor during and since slavery. White men bred the white slaves by Black women and thus integration (pretendedly so much feared now) was propagated over the South and nation.

We agree with the N & O editorial and Gov. Terry Sanford that the demonstrations have "made their point" and there should be negotiations to arrive at peaceful solutions. But the younger Negroes have found that far too many white leaders of communities are adamant in their stand that "... they shall not pass" to integration until the most effective weapon the Negroes have is one of passive resistance and humble stubbornness because they cannot fight physically. They can only attempt to attract sympathy and understanding and work on the hearts of their oppressors like Mahatma Gandhi did—until he won India's freedom.

God gave us white leaders whose hearts will not longer be as a Pharaoh's. Give the Negro and America the freedom for which Washington and Jefferson as well as President Kennedy and thousands of other fought and died.

Hopping About TARHEELIA

By Jay Bee Aytch

BARBARA BROOKS, CARVER QUEEN

PINETOPS—Carver High School principal Samuel A. Gilliam is loud in his praise of lovely Miss Barbara Jean Brooks, a sophomore student, who was crowned "Miss Homecoming of 1964" by Student Council president John Clark Hussey in Homecoming ceremonies during the basketball game between Carver and Eastman High of Halifax County (Enfield).

Miss Brooks is the daughter of Mrs. Effie Brooks and is described



QUEEN CROWNED — Labeled as being "... well-known and well-liked by everyone", quiet and lovely Miss Barbara Jean Brooks, a sophomore at Carver High and Elementary School, Pinetops, (Edgecombe County) was chosen as Queen of Homecoming for 1964. Miss Brooks resigned over the Homecoming activities during the recent Eastman vs. Carver basketball tilt which Carver won, 72 to 42. (J. B. HARREN FOTO).

by her teachers as being a very versatile student, who works with dignity, humility and efficiency—and is still popular with her fellow students.

A member of the Science Club, Math Club treasurer, reporter for her home room, and under the supervision of Miss L. McCullough, Barbara is a member of the Morning Star Baptist Church and its Choir; enjoys sewing, reading, and collecting pictures. As of now—Barbara plans to major in Business Education at Virginia Union University.

Attendants to Miss Brooks included: Misses Cora Bea Pitt, Cornelia Worley, Bernice Pender, Wilhelmina Hart, Annie Ruth Stator, Mary Redmond, Connie Bynum, Elizabeth Meeks, Vivian Baker, Cora Jenkins, Gloria Jean Westhead, Alice Evans and Ernestine Mercer, Billy Ray Barnes and Earl Fenner were marshals while Janice Pender and Sandra Ann Noble were masques.

Eastman's girls basketballers made a last minute win of 29 to 28 over Carver lassies. Carver Varsity boys easily took the measure of Eastman lads by a lop-side 72-42 count.

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LOCKHART'S HOMECOMING COURT—Pictured above is the homecoming court at the Lockhart High School. Standing, from left to right: Mrs. Mary E. Dunn, "Miss Alumni"; Miss Edna Rose Jordan, "Miss Homecoming"; and Miss Annie Hester, "Miss Berry O'Kelly". Seated, from left to right: Miss Beatrice Mial, Attendant to "Miss Alumni"; Kasual Jones and Guy Cannon, Crown Bearer; Miguel Percell and Peggy Ann Bridges, attendants to "Miss Homecoming."

Lockhart School News

The Lockhart High School held its Homecoming Activities in the school gymnasium recently. The Lockhart Tigers played host to Berry O'Kelly's Hornets.

During impressive ceremonies at 8:30 p.m. Edna Rose Jordan, a Junior, was crowned "Miss Homecoming." Peggy Ann Bridges and Miguel Percell were her attendants. Her escort was Sam Blalock. Also Mrs. Mary E. Deban was crowned "Miss Alumni". Her attendant was Miss Beatrice Mial. Howard Daniels, co-captain of the Junior Varsity team, presented each of the young ladies with a gift. Annie Hester, Miss Berry O'Kelly, shared

the throne with Miss Lockhart and Miss Alumni. The Primary Department presented a beautiful dance number.

Howard Daniels and Boiesie Asbury are co-captains of the Junior Varsity Team. Charles Bass and Ray Holden are co-captains of the Varsity Team.

We regret to say that the "Tigers" lost both games to the "Hornets".

At the assembly program February 18th, Grade 2B, under the supervision of their teacher, Mrs. L. Y. Daniels, presented a program celebrating Brotherhood Week.

The program consisted of the following: Song, "America"; Prayer by the class; Marine's Hymn, Rhythm Band; "We are Brothers, Prentice McLean and others; Introduction of Speaker, Miguel Percell; Speaker, The Rev. J. Oscar McCloud, Pastor, Davis Street & United Presbyterian Church, Raleigh. The message was very practical and applicable even for first graders. We felt the actual need to know the person beside each of us for we realized that, not far away, not even in another country did we have to look for our brothers. Here were persons we did not know and we must first learn to treat them as brothers. The message was followed by a song "Let There Be Peace on Earth" by the class. The audience sang "We Shall Overcome". Mr. Toole, principal, commented on the message and gave announcements.

All of us felt a deep sense of appreciation for our youth and all who have fought for equal rights when we lifted our voices in "We Shall Overcome."

Rhankatte News

BY MRS. LUCILLE CHAVIS
FAMKATTE — Sunday School opened at Watts Chapel Baptist Church at the usual hour with the superintendent in charge. Rev. Mangrum was the speaker for both the 11:30 a.m. and the 7 p.m. services.

We were happy to have one of the men from our community ordained as a minister. He is the Rev. Stanley Balentine. We are praying for his continued success.

Rev. John H. Jones of Garner and the Spiritual Choirs of Fuquay Springs will render service at St. John's AME Church on Rhankatte Road Sunday, March 1, at 3 p.m.

Princeton News

BY MRS. GOLDIE HARDY
PRINCETON—The Missionary of St. Stephen Disciple Church held its regular meeting Sunday morning.

The president, Sister Annie Bagley, presided. The speaker was Rev. Tommie Reid of Mt. Zion Church of God. The sermon was well enjoyed by all present.

The junior choir of Mt. Zion Church of God accompanied Rev. Clinton Hodges and other members to Staniel Chapel Holy Church in Coonboro to appear on a musical program Sunday evening.

Mrs. Goldie Hardy and sons, Alvin and Eddie, accompanied Mrs. Nancy Howell to Piney Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Pinkney Saturday and Sunday to their quarterly meeting.

The pastor is Elder Lawrence Reid of Wilson.

There were many elders who took a part in these wonderful services. The messages were inspiring and will not be forgotten easily.

Mt. Olive Highlights

BY ALPHONSO EZZELL
MT. OLIVE — Mr. Bernice Stokes has returned to the Veterans Hospital in Durham. After spending a few days with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ezzell, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Ezzell of Mt. Olive visited Miss Mabel Ezzell Sunday afternoon. Miss Ezzell is a patient at Duke Hospital. Accompanying them on the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ezzell, Sr., and Mr. Leon Marshall, all of Calypso.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Durham and family of Fayetteville, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Walker and family of Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Cox of Newton Grove, Mrs. Christa Wise and family of Newton Grove, and quite a few others were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Durham on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Durham is ill at his home. He was recently discharged from Duke Hospital in Durham. We are praying for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Pandora D. Penny of Washington, D. C., was home over the weekend to visit her father, who is ill at his home. Accompanying her was her brother-in-law, Mr. Estes Carter, of Philadelphia.

Private Arnold Lee Durham of Fort Gordon, Ga. was home over the weekend. Pvt. Durham is still leaving for Germany this weekend. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Durham.

Mr. Leon Marshall, along with the Ezzell family were the Sunday afternoon dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe in Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnelous Williams of Dunn, were the house guests of Mrs. Williams' cousin, Mrs. Lila Bell Ward and family of the Smith Chapel Community.

Funeral services were conducted for Mr. Paul Smith of Dudley last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliffous Artis and daughter, Debbie, of Dunn also visited in Mt. Olive over the weekend.

This program is sponsored by the usher board of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermer Chavis Drive is on the sick list. Let us all pray for her a speedy recovery.

CLINTON NEWS

BY H. M. JOHNSON
CLINTON—The Swan Club held its regular meeting for the month of February at the home of Mrs. L. B. Lee with its president, Mrs. P. S. White, presiding. The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer. After the report of all committees, plans were made for some type of entertainment for members and their husbands. After the business session, refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Lee and Mrs. B. J. Hill.

Members present: Mesdames C. S. Alston, T. Boykin, C. G. Colwell, J. S. Ezzell, M. Fowler, B. C. Gadsden, A. J. Hall, B. J. Hill, C. W. Jacobs, L. B. Lee, R. M. Lewis, A. R. Swinson, M. T. White, P. S. White and W. W. Stewart.

The Butler Avenue School PTA met last week at the school with Rev. O. L. Bennett, president, presiding. After a short devotion and the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, the various committees made reports. The child welfare committee reported that the clothing bank at the school is completely empty and asked parents and patrons to bring in useable clothes and shoes to the school for free distribution to the needy. The project committee reported the project decide on for this year was a movie projector. Ways to raise money to pay for same were then discussed. It was decided that the PTA will sell pledge cards.

After all reports were made, the PTA was entertained by the Modettes, a dance group under the direction of Mrs. L. P. Atkins. The group did several interpretations of selected recordings.

The followup of the tri-County Ministers' Workshop that was held in Kenansville, in Duplin County. The ministers in Sampson County requested a meeting for themselves and include other ministers of the County in order that they might be brought up to date in their role as ministers in leadership.

The meeting was held Friday, February 14 and plans were made to have another meeting involving other leadership in the County, say Frank Faison, Agricultural Extension Agent, Sampson County.

Education and Growth for Job Opportunities—At the Cooperative Baptist Institute, 150 church leaders heard information given by Frank Faison, Agricultural Extension Agent, Sampson County.

Six major points were considered: (1) Education raises the ability of our human resources to produce more goods and services and to increase the potential economic growth; (2) Percent unemployment

by amount of education; (3) School enrollment in the U. S. from 1950-1970; (4) Occupation level in different fields according to level of training; (5) The number of dropouts at various school levels; (6) Junior colleges, senior colleges and industrial centers and the opportunities that people have to secure training.

Conclusion—We, as leaders, and Christians should obligate ourselves to do something about the situation.

Funeral

Mr. Charlie Hall died at his home in the Midway community on Feb. 13. Funeral services were conducted Feb. 16, at 3 p.m. at the Point Level Disciple Church. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Dasha Murphy of his home; one daughter, Mrs. Margaret Richardson of Newburgh, N. Y.; two sons, Raleigh Hall, Newton Grove; and Sherrill Hall, of the home, 13 grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Nora Millner, of Roseboro; three brothers, Sylvester Hall of Alabama, Mitt Hall and R. D. Hall, both of Florida.

Mrs. Annie Bennett Johnson died in Baltimore, Md. last week. Funeral services were conducted at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Sunday, Feb. 23, with the Rev. Lacy Jones officiating.

Mrs. Carter Jones mother, Mrs. Mamie Richardson, died in a hospital in New York Tuesday night, Feb. 18. The funeral was held at Jones Chapel Baptist Church, Warrenton, on Saturday, Feb. 22.

On Sunday night, the Men's Progressive Club of First Baptist Church presented a program during the evening worship service. Participating were: Mr. A. L. Williams, Mr. Thurston Spaulding, Miss Lavonne Jones, Mr. Edward Faison, Mr. Thomas Laing, Chas. Johnson, Mrs. Janet Spaulding and Rev. J. L. White. The Men's Chorus furnished music. Mr. H. M. Johnson had charge of the program.

The following students from Fayetteville State College, Fayetteville, are student teachers at Pleasant Grove High School, Dunn: Mrs. Shirley McKoy, business education; Mr. L. Jackson, science; Mr. L. Williams, mathematics; and Mr. Carson Sutton, social science.

Mrs. Nina Sampson is a patient at the Sampson Memorial Hospital, where she has been undergoing treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Butler are the proud parents of a baby boy, Marion Frank, Jr., born at the Sampson Memorial Hospital Feb. 11. Mrs. Butler is the former Miss Carolyn Tatum.

The Cooperative Institute in session at the First Baptist Church this week.

also visited his father, Mr. Preston Allen, and his sister, Mrs. Leslie Draughorn, of Benson.

The White Oak 4-H Club was organized last week at the White Oak Grove Disciples Church in Newton Grove. Leaders are Mrs. Mattie Lee Oates, Mrs. Virginia Kornegay, Mr. Martin B. Wilson and Mr. Isadore Warren. Officers selected were: Pearl Ray Wilson, president; Ernest Artis, vice-president; Valgenia Raynor, secretary; Debra Kornegay, assistant secretary; Luretha Wilson, treasurer; Donnie Wilson, Beverly Oates, and Colman Wilson, reporters. Meeting will be held each fourth Sunday night in the month. All are invited to visit and give suggestions as to how to improve this 4-H Club.

Mr. Otis Monk of Dunn, longtime resident of the city and employee at Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital in Dunn, was funeralized Sunday afternoon. Mr. Monk was the brother of Mrs. Essie Warren, Mrs. Edith Lockamy, Mrs. Leslie Draughorn, all of Benson and Mrs. Annie Ranger, of Fuquay. He leaves to mourn a host of relatives and friends.

Condolences were also sent to Mr. K. L. Hamilton, principal of Hillside Elementary School, whose father was funeralized Sunday also. This service took place in Goldsboro.

Both families have the sympathy of each of us.

The first railroad into North Carolina's capital city was the Raleigh and Gaston, completed in 1840. A model of the engine is on display at the Hall of History in Raleigh.

Apex News

BY MRS. LOUISE COLVIN
APEX—Worship service began at 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 23 at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. W. T. Bigelow, pastor, in charge. Rev. Bigelow brought to us a very interesting message. His text was taken from St. Luke, 21:34, 36. The male chorus was in charge of the music.

Mr. Joseph H. Fogg, who died in Martinsville, Va. was funeralized on Feb. 23 at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Bigelow officiating. Rev. J. L. Stewart of Durham gave the remarks.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Annie Williams, of New York City; and Mrs. Slayde Baldwin of Martinsville, Va.; two sisters, Mrs. Lella Branch of Louisiana and Mrs. Lou Fogg of Glen Allen, Va. Lou Dunn of Wake Forest, three brothers, Mr. Jimmie Fogg of Glen Allen, Va.; Mr. Fogg of Carnegie, Pa., and Mr. Gentle Fogg of Louisiana; 12 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Interment was in the First Baptist cemetery.

Birth Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Howard announce the birth of a daughter, Matilda Louise, born Feb. 20, at the Apex Branch Hospital. Mrs. Howard is the former Miss Peggy Lee Byrd of this town.

Youth Fellowship Hour

A panel discussion will be held Sunday at 6:30 at First Baptist on "Courting—What Age is Right?" There will be four for it and four against it. This should be very interesting. We invite the adults to come out and get the views of the youth on this subject.

Interment was in the First Baptist cemetery.

Jeffrey's School

To climax the celebration of the Negro History Week, a play, "The Races", was given by Mrs. M. F. Gray, chairman at the last Parents Teachers Association meeting. The characters were: Jacqueline Ugg, Emnis Dunn, Lowens Evans, La. Malone, Douglas Harris, Carol Thomas, Pamela Baty, Debra D. Byrd, Karen Liggett, Betty Dunn and Mamie Hayes.

Singing groups represented from all grade members of the band, under Mr. Irvin Fuller, gave several numbers. A choral reading of "Negro Love Song" was given by Mrs. Perry's 4th grade. Kentucky Babe was sung by the 4th and 5th grades of Mrs. Sharper's room.

We were given a work in modern mathematics by Mrs. Morris Brown. We were favored later on in the week by Mrs. Virginia Newell, an instructor from Shaw University. She too, brought us a wonderful lesson on the teaching of modern mathematics. We were greatly benefited by her.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Easter, with all of its colorful customs and traditions, remains one of our loveliest holidays. From the pages of The Book of Knowledge, here are some facts about popular Easter customs, that may be new to you.

Our modern Easter Parade stems from an old custom called the Easter Walk. In rural Europe, Easter Churchgoers walked through the village in procession, chatting and singing hymns. Today, particularly on New York's Fifth Avenue, the Easter Parade has become a fashion showcase.

—The Book of Knowledge, Vol. 3 pg. 1046

Why do we paint Easter Eggs? In early times, eggs were forbidden food during Lent—so by Easter Sunday, everyone was hungry for them. One of the nicest gifts to give a friend — was a hand-painted, hard cooked egg.

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An American custom is the egg-rolling contest on the White House lawn each Easter Monday. The child who rolls the largest number of undamaged (hard-boiled) eggs is the winner. The custom, of European origin, was introduced to the United States by Dolly Madison, wife of our Fourth President.

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