

RICKS A. PEARCE DEAD

End Came Thursday Night Following Long Illness—Funeral Held Saturday Afternoon

Mr. Ricks A. Pearce, one of Louisburg's most prominent business men died at his home on North Main Street Thursday night about 10:45 following a long illness. He was 61 years old and is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Mattie Roberts, and three children, Mrs. Charles Hoyt, of Washington, N. C., Messrs. Sam Pearce and McKinnis Pearce, of Louisburg, and one sister, Mrs. John A. Tucker, of Louisburg.

Mr. Pearce was born near Cedar Rock and had made Franklin County his home most all his life, being engaged in the public life of Louisburg, and the last number of years as tobacco warehouseman and horse and mule dealer. Ricks never lost his love for the farm and had held to this interest all through the years by operating farm interests in connection with his other businesses. He was interested in the welfare of his community and was active in public matters.

The funeral services were held from the home on Main Street Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. G. Phillips and Rev. E. H. Davis, in the presence of a large number of friends. Interment was made in Oakwood cemetery where also the service was largely attended and the floral tribute was especially large and beautiful, speaking silently the high esteem in which the deceased was held by those whose privilege it was to know him.

The pallbearers were P. W. Elam, Pier Williamson, C. R. Sykes, G. W. Ford, W. D. Egerton, J. E. Malone.

The bereaved family and friends have the deepest sympathy of the entire community.



MR. R. A. PEARCE

Cook-Rowland

Miss Jean Goodrich Rowland, of Henderson, and Mr. Leslie G. Cook were happily married at 1:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Louisburg Baptist Church. The vows were spoken in the presence of only a few intimate friends with Rev. E. Y. Averett, officiating.

The bride is the attractive and popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Rowland, of Henderson, whose hosts of friends regret to give her up from their social circles.

The groom is a popular young insurance man of Louisburg. The many friends of this popular young couple extend hearty congratulations.

Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Cook left to visit the pretty Cypress gardens at Charleston, S. C., and visited other places of interest on their wedding trip. They returned home Wednesday and will reside at Bunn for the present.

Beasley-Ellis

Their many friends will be interested to learn of the marriage of Miss Gladys Ellis, of Henderson, and Mr. Perry B. Beasley, of Louisburg, which took place in a beautiful and impressive ceremony at the home of the bride in Henderson on Monday morning at 12 o'clock. Rev. James A. Jones officiating.

Only a few intimate friends of the family were present.

The bride and groom left to visit the beautiful magnolia gardens of Charleston, S. C., and other points of interest.

The bride is the attractive and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ellis, of Henderson, and is popular among a host of friends.

The groom is one of Louisburg's popular young business men and has many friends who extend congratulations.

Recorder's Court

The following cases were disposed of in Franklin Recorder's Court Tuesday. Another session of the Court is being held today:

James Baskett was found not guilty of operating automobile intoxicated, guilty of careless and reckless driving and improper brakes, and was given 3 months on roads, suspended upon payment of \$25 fine and costs.

W. K. Tippett was found guilty of operating automobile intoxicated, and given 3 months on roads, suspended upon payment of \$50 fine and costs and not to operate an automobile for 12 months.

Millie Fowler was found guilty of forcible trespass and given 6 months on roads, execution not to issue upon payment of \$10 fine and costs and not to go to home of S. A. Glover without his permission for a period of two years.

San Lewis, false pretense, case transferred to Superior Court.

The following cases were continued:

Robert Mills, carrying concealed weapons.

Edward Allen, reckless driving.

Thurston Rowe, reckless driving.

TO SPEAK TO KIWANIS

Hon. A. F. Johnson, member of the House of Representatives from Franklin County in the 1939 General Assembly, and Editor of the FRANKLIN TIMES, will address the Louisburg Kiwanis Club at its next regular weekly meeting to be held at the Franklin Hotel on Tuesday evening, April 18, 1939, at 8:30 o'clock, on the work of the General Assembly in relation to Franklin County and his experiences as a legislator.

Mr. Johnson's address will be most interesting, instructive and entertaining, and a good attendance is expected at the meeting. There will be other features of the program which promise a most enjoyable supper hour.

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION!

Mrs. J. C. Wheless Dead

Funeral services for Mrs. J. C. Wheless, of Justice, were held from Duke Memorial Baptist Church on Saturday afternoon, April 8th, at 3 o'clock. Rev. E. Y. Averett, pastor, assisted, conducted these rites in the simplest, sincerest form reflecting the noble character of the deceased and the high esteem in which she was held by all associated with her.

Mrs. Wheless, who was 73 years old at the time of her death, died on Friday morning at her home after an extended illness. She was a daughter of the late Jordan and Henrietta Mae Coppedge. She and Mr. Wheless were to have celebrated their Golden Wedding on Nov. 28th of this year.

Surviving are her husband; a son, E. J. Wheless, of Justice; four daughters, Mrs. P. R. Bunn and Mrs. G. H. Harris, of Spring Hope, Mrs. G. B. Taylor, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mrs. C. R. Dobson, of Washington, D. C., and several grandchildren.

Mrs. Wheless was preceded to the grave by several sons and daughters, of Justice, who died several years ago.

Active pallbearers were: Russell J. C. and Ishmael Bunn, and Benjamin Wheless, grandsons of the deceased, and Ernest Moore and S. G. White.

The floral tribute was lovely bespeaking the tender regards of loved ones and of the many friends who extend to the bereaved family their sincerest sympathy.

To Circulate Petitions

At a meeting of the United Dry Forces of Franklin County held in the Court House last Tuesday night it was decided that the following petitions be distributed throughout the ten townships for signatures:

"To the Board of Elections for Franklin County: We, the undersigned registered voters of Franklin County, North Carolina, who voted in the last election for Governor of North Carolina, do hereby petition you, the Board of Elections of Franklin County, to call an election to be held as soon as permissible by law, at which election there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Franklin County the question of setting up or operating, or continuing to operate in Franklin County, a liquor store, or stores, as provided by law."

It was explained that signing this petition did not indicate who the person who signed it would vote if an election were called, but merely requested that the voters of Franklin County be again permitted to vote on the question.

BARBECUE

Mr. L. C. Wheeler entertained more than one hundred and seventy-five friends, including the C. C. Boys at Franklin on his farm about four miles southwest from Louisburg on Thursday afternoon of last week, with a delightful barbecue supper. The occasion was primarily announcing the opening of his recreational pond, the dam to which had just been completed and the pond filled. It was interesting to the many present to see the great improvements Mr. Wheeler had made to his farm, showing the latest cultivation methods.

The pie and accessories were especially fine, well prepared and greatly enjoyed. The pond is now open for public use, and an invitation is extended all to visit this new place of interest and pleasure.

LOUISBURG SUNDAY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The Sunday School District meeting will be held at the Louisburg Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The following churches are in this district: Bunn, Castalia, Cedar Rock, Centerville, Corinth, Cypress Chapel, Duke Memorial, Hickory Rock, Louisburg, Maple Springs, Mountain Grove, Mt. Hebron, Mt. Zion, Pearce, Pilot Pine Ridge, Popular Springs, Randall Chapel, Red Bud, Rocky Cross, Rock Springs, Samaria, Sandy Creek, Social Plains, White Level and Wood.

The theme for the program will be "Prayer and the Southwide Revival." After song service and business session there will be discussion on topics bearing on this theme. Then the various groups will assemble for conferences. Mr. Allen, Associational Moderator, will be with us.

CHANGES AT A. B. C.

On last Friday morning it was noticed that Mr. John W. King had been given the position in A. B. C. Store No. 1 at Louisburg formerly filled by Mr. Sam Pearce and that Mr. Ford had been relieved of duties here and George Egerton, colored, put on as janitor.

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BASE-BALL TO-DAY

Louisburg College will be hosts to N. C. State Freshmen at the City Park this afternoon. Game will be called at 3:30 P. M.

LOUISBURG LOSES, 7-5. TO CAMPBELL COLLEGE

Buie's Creek, April 12.—Campbell College baseball team defeated Louisburg, 7-5, this afternoon in a meeting of junior college teams.

John Byrum, with three for three, and Norwood Cherry, with two for four, were the leading hitters for Campbell.

Louisburg's Norvill hit a triple, a double, and a single. He batted 570. Troutman, with two for four, was runner-up.

Campbell won with three runs in the sixth. Hits by Allen, Byrum, Cherry, and Davis featured the winning rally.

Score: R.H.E.
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Campbell 001 263 10x—7 9 1
Barrington and Wise; Wilbourne and Davis.

BUNN SCHOOL CLOSING

Rev. Charles B. Howard to Preach Baccalaureate Sermon at Bunn Finals

The Bunn High School Commencement exercises will get underway next Sunday, April 16th, at 3 o'clock when the Rev. Charles B. Howard will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to 25 seniors. Mr. Howard is head of the Bible Department of Campbell College. He is well known in this section for his speaking ability and it is expected that a large crowd will be in attendance for this afternoon service, Sunday, April 16th.

On Wednesday night, April 19, at 8 o'clock the seniors will give their Class Day exercises and on Friday night, April 21st, Miss Faustina Shearon will give her Music Recital.

On Monday night, April 24th at 8 o'clock Dr. D. B. Bryan, Dean of Wake Forest College will deliver the closing address.

The public is cordially invited to attend all these exercises.

WILL ASK MERCY FOR BERGDOLL

Philadelphia.—President Roosevelt will be asked again, Mrs. Grover Cleveland Bergdoll said today, to grant clemency to her husband, World War draft dodger reported planning to come home and "face the music" next week.

"They were all very kind to me when I appealed before," Mrs. Bergdoll said at the family mansion where she and her five children await Bergdoll's return from Germany.

The German-born wife, who for years has fought to clear the way for her husband's return without serving the five-year prison term facing him, said she hoped she and the children would see him again by May 13—their wedding anniversary.

YOUNGVILLE SENIORS HONORED BY MASCOTS

The seniors of Youngville High School were entertained by their mascot, little Mary Scarborough Winston of Youngville and Clarence Pearce, Jr., of Raleigh, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pearce, 1009 Boylan Drive, Raleigh.

Guests were registered on arrival. Punch was served, games were played and winners were awarded prizes, which were wrapped in the class colors, blue and gold. A cake was cut which contained favors and fortunes for each guest. Refreshments were served, carrying out the Easter motif.

Among those present were Misses Mary Scarborough Winston, Onetia Wright, Hazel Pearce, Hattie Mae Woodlief, Clellie Mae Croom Evelyn and Cora Lee Choplin, Kathleen Jackson, Elizabeth Haywood, Dorothy Pearce, Ella Rue Alford and Lucy Winston, Mrs. Johnny Winston, Miss Helen Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Carswell, Miss Elizabeth Pearce, Rayford Baker, L. G. Catlett, Howard Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pearce.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Easter Sunday morning a Sunrise Service was held, sponsored by Rev. E. Y. Averett and his churches, at Jackson's Pond. As the people were gathered on the hill side overlooking the pond, the sun began to appear. The song service began, as though it were timed, as the sun came up. The group was led in prayer by Rev. E. Y. Averett. Dr. A. Paul Bagby spoke briefly on the Resurrection. The impressive service closed with a hymn.

Rev. Averett suggested to the group that this service be made an annual affair for the whole county.

Junior District Meeting

The twentieth District meeting of the Junior Order will be held with the Kittrell Council on Monday, April 17, 1939, at which time a most interesting program will be presented. The public meeting will be held in the auditorium of Zeb Vance High School, and Hon. Thad Eure, Secretary of State, will deliver the address. The speaker will be presented by Hon. W. L. Lumpkin, of Louisburg. The meetings will be in charge of District Deputy J. Y. Cooper, and the Councilor of the Kittrell Council.

HOLD-UP SUSPECTS ARE APPREHENDED

Sheriff J. P. Moore reported Tuesday the apprehension of two Negroes, York Glover and Otha Glover, sought since early Sunday when they allegedly held up Tom Boddie, Negro, at the point of a gun. Boddie said the two hold-up men entered his home near Youngsville, flashed a revolver and demanded his wallet. Boddie threw the wallet to the men after they had fired a frightening shot over the victim's head. Sheriff Moore said the bandits were traced with the aid of bloodhounds, but that none of the loot had been found. The two men are held in the county jail here and will be tried at this month's term of criminal court.

CURRENT LITERATURE CLUB

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. A. Paul Bagby was hostess to the Current Literature Club.

The program for study for the afternoon was "Norway, Sweden and Finland." Mrs. E. C. Amick gave a discussion of Norway which was followed by a presentation of the life and customs of the people of Sweden by Miss Mary Yarborough. Mrs. V. R. Kilby discussed Finland.

The members present were: Miss Louella Jarman, Mrs. R. H. Welch, Mrs. T. C. Amick, Mrs. W. H. Meekins, Mrs. Sammie Davis, Miss Mary Yarborough, Mrs. Mae Ferguson, Mrs. C. M. Watkins, Mrs. J. G. Phillips, Mrs. V. R. Kilby and Mrs. A. Paul Bagby.

O'HENRY BOOK CLUB

Miss Elizabeth Timberlake was hostess to the members of the O'Henry Book Club Tuesday. The subject for the afternoon was "Be-Here-Is-Or-Not."

Miss Helen Smithwick presented a paper on Epitaphs, Mrs. J. E. Fulghum gave an interesting paper on Old Wills.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. Fulghum, Mrs. Edward Griffin and Miss Smithwick served a salad course and met tea to the following members: Misses Camille Swindell, Alberta Davis, Meda Mae George Davis, Harry Forbes, C. T. Sykes, Earle Murphy, George Weaver, visitor Mrs. Reice Jackson.

WORLD'S FAIR MOTORCADE NEARING COMPLETION

The New York World's Fair Pre-View on Wheels and Southern Motorcade, sponsored by the distributors of Arcadian Nitrate, the American Soda, and officially approved by the New York World's Fair, is nearing completion. It will leave New York for a tour of the Southern States including Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, shortly before the first of the year.

The Motorcade will consist of a tractor, two trailers, a sound truck and an executive motorcar. It is cleverly constructed engineering feat, designed primarily for showing in an area 60'x63' where the semi-circular arrangement of tractor and trailers give full opportunity for color projection. If such space is not available, however, it can be set up in a straight line at a curb side.

The diorama form of presentation, which is being used so extensively throughout the Fair itself, has been employed in the Motorcade. Models of the famous Theme Center, the Trylon and the Perisphere, and the international, national and state buildings, will be highlighted against a background of colored illumination. An animated exhibit known as "The South Self-Contained" will show the manufacture, preparation and distribution of Arcadian Nitrate throughout the Southern States.

To those Southerners who see the theme structures in the Pre-View, and then visit the Fair, the symbols will probably be the first thing to attract their attention in New York as they are being used as directional markers and will be erected throughout New York City to guide out-of-town motorists and others.

SPENDING

Food still ranks first in farm family expenditures, but increased outlay for automobile and household operation in recent years has showed clothing spending down to fourth place.

Inherits Millions



HOLLYWOOD, Calif. . . . Left well past full peace-time strength, One hundred and twenty British warships churned the Mediterranean, most of them at or near the island of Malta. Forty French naval vessels were said to be on active duty in the Mediterranean.

Chamberlain, in Parliament tomorrow, is expected to give a provisional guarantee of Greek-Turkish independence.

FATHER-SON BANQUET

Bunn Future Farmers Hold Delightful Occasion—Supt. Mills Principal Speaker

On Thursday night, April 6, at 7 o'clock, the Bunn Chapter of the Future Farmers of America gave their first annual Father-Son Banquet in the reading room of the High School. The principal speaker of the banquet was Supt. W. R. Mills. Other special guests were Mr. M. T. Lamm, principal of the Bunn School and Mr. E. N. Meekins, District Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

After the guests had been welcomed by Supt. Mills, president of the local chapter, the Home Economics girls under the direction of Miss Mary Elizabeth York served the barbecue supper.

Following the banquet, the agriculture boys presented a program. After several selections had been given by the instrumental quartet, Roger Baker gave a resume of the work done by the agriculture classes during the year. The addition of the work-shop to the department was discussed by Odell Arnold who told the advantages the shop gave to the school and to the individual boys. Following these short talks, the boys chorus presented an arrangement of "Old Black Joe" and "The Old Oaken Bucket."

Mr. Lamm was then presented to the parents. He reviewed for them the various activities which the school had engaged in during the year and the success gained in these activities.

Mr. Meekins was next presented and talked for a few minutes on the trends in vocational education. Among his remarks he stated that many high schools were now trying to get vocational teachers but were unable because of the lack of funds and schools with departments already established were fortunate.

Mr. Mills who was the principal speaker for the banquet brought to the fathers and sons an inspirational talk on the class companionship which should grow up between boys and their fathers. In the various examples he gave, Mr. Mills stressed that this companionship should come from a mutual understanding and cooperation and allowing the sons as they grow older to assume responsibilities.

Through these banquets the Bunn chapter of Future Farmers hopes to create a better spirit of fellowship among the fathers and sons of the district. The banquet was under the direction of O. J. Rochester, the Agricultural teacher.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

There will be early celebration of the Holy Communion at 8:00 A. M.

Church School will meet at 9:45 A. M.

Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11:00 A. M.

MRS. JOYNER HOSTESS OF HOME MAKERS CLASS

The regular monthly meeting was held Friday night, April 7, 1939 at the home of Mrs. W. B. Joyner.

A large number of members and visitors were present. Mrs. W. J. Cooper discussed "Excuses" pertaining to Sunday School visitation. Also business was discussed. Games were played and the hostess served delicious punch and cookies.

Among the visitors were: Mrs. Williams, Mrs. McFarland and Miss Fannie Mae Vaughan, of Oxford.

The May meeting of the Home Makers class of the Baptist Church will be held at the home of Mrs. James Y. Cooper on Elm Street, with Mrs. Fred Mercer as joint hostess.

CHAPEL HILL SPEAKERS COMING

At the Louisburg Methodist Church there will be several student visitors from the University of North Carolina next Sunday. Mr. Brooks Patten, President of the University Y.M.C.A. will be the leader of the deputation, and other members will give musical selections and talks on Christian topics. These University visitors have made frequent trips to cities in the State for special meetings in High School and College groups, as well as in local churches here and there. They will assist in all the services of the day, and have entire charge of the night preaching service, giving a youth program with the assistance of our local young people. The University boys will visit the college student group on the campus for conversations about Christian student work.

Sunday morning at 11:00 Mr. Phillips' sermon topic will be "God and Life's Surprises." The attendance has been splendid during the special eight-week effort for every-member attendance. Church Church is at 9:45 and Epworth League at 6:45.

FOR FIRST CLASS PRINTING

EUROPE

London, April 12.—A declaration designed to forestall further German-Italian expansion toward the Dardanelles and still leave the way open for appeasement of Italy was under preparation tonight by Prime Minister Chamberlain for delivery tomorrow to an extraordinary parliamentary session.

Edouard Daladier, the French premier, was ready to back up the British stand with blunt words of his own in a parallel declaration tomorrow.

The air, land and sea forces of Britain matched those of her every ready French ally in rising to the new slogan, "We've Got to Be Prepared," which flares from every other London billboard.

Warplanes sped over the east coast of Britain in all-night patrol—an extraordinary precaution against any "lightning thrust."

Anti-aircraft units were swollen well past full peace-time strength. One hundred and twenty British warships churned the Mediterranean, most of them at or near the island of Malta. Forty French naval vessels were said to be on active duty in the Mediterranean.

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"Unfriendly Act"

He was reported authoritatively to have decided to say that Britain would consider any action threatening the independence of these two countries as an "unfriendly act" against Britain.

Some diplomats thought the Premier also might give a flat military guarantee to Greece.

Chamberlain is expected to condemn the Italian invasion of Albania (whose national assembly today offered the crown of Zog to the Italian king, Vittorio Emanuele), but to give Mussolini another chance to prove peaceful intentions in the Balkans and the Mediterranean.

This policy was condemned in some quarters as a retreat to the Munich appeasement policy and was said to have been determined upon despite opposition of some members of the cabinet, who wanted the Prime Minister to make a clean break with Mussolini.

Three Reasons

One distinguished intimate of the Prime Minister said Chamberlain had three reasons for refusing to do this:

1. Chamberlain believes that, if war starts, Mussolini can be won over or persuaded to remain neutral (though Chamberlain is said to admit the price would be high).
2. Chamberlain believes the alternatives to appeasement are "war or economic chaos."
3. Mussolini has given fresh assurances that the Italian troops will be withdrawn soon from Spain and his invasion of Albania will not be extended.

The Greek government today accepted an Italian note giving Mussolini's assurances that the land and sea frontiers of Greece will be respected.

The faction in the cabinet opposed to further efforts to conciliate Mussolini was said to be led by Leslie Hore-Bellisha, war secretary; W. S. Morrison, who answers in the House of Commons for the defense coordination ministry; and Oliver Stanley, president of the board of trade.

This faction believes that Mussolini realizes his country would be devastated, his people starved by Anglo-French naval blockade, and his armies eventually beaten by superior military strength and economic power of any anti-axis coalition.

This faction argues that, because of these considerations, the only way to force Mussolini to behave is to denounce the Anglo-Italian agreement concluded last year and to threaten to meet any further expansion coup with armed force.