

# FAITH.

May 6.—Edward A. Brown was born September 17th, 1874, and died May 4th, 1919, aged 44 years, 7 months and 17 days. He was baptized in infancy at St. Paul's church, Rowan county, and was confirmed in early manhood a member of the same church. When Faith Lutheran church was organized he and Mrs. Brown became charter members to which he remained faithful until death. He leaves to mourn death's sorrow a devoted wife, three daughters, five sons and one granddaughter, a loving mother, one brother, three half brothers and one half sister, besides a host of relatives and friends. The funeral services were conducted Sunday evening at 6 o'clock at the Faith Lutheran church by his pastor, Rev. G. O. Ritchie, in the presence of the largest congregation that ever assembled at the Lutheran church, which goes to show that Mr. Brown was loved by every body. The pall bearers were: Henry Barger, Luther, Holshouser, Charley Barger, Ed Shive, John Ludwick and Will Stirewalt. Mr. Brown was a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M. and the P. O. S. of A. The members of his lodges assembled at their hall and marched in a body to the residence and to the church and came to pay their last respects to their deceased brother.

Miss Cora Brown of near Christiana church, is spending a few weeks with her grandparents, James Ritchie and wife.

Last Thursday an automobile passed through Salisbury from Concord on their way to Rockwell with five passengers and two horses, supposed to have been ponies, but mighty big ones. Who ever can beat that trot out your automobile.

A. A. Yates and wife have rented Miss Ethel Josey's residence and moved into it.

Miss Mary Ridenhour of St. John's church, Cabarrus county, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. G. O. Ritchie.

James Ritchie and wife have returned from Asheville, where they spent a few days visiting their son, Arthur and family, and their daughter, Sadie, who is in the Merriweather hospital, where she will soon graduate as a professional nurse.

M. A. Linn and wife of near China Grove, spent Saturday night with their daughter, Mrs. Austin Gardner.

George Lyerly lives at Crescent, but works at the granite business at Faith and has been for several years. He has one of the happiest and best families in this county.

The Lutheran Synod of North Carolina will meet at Union Lutheran church from the 14th to the 18th of May. Rev. G. O. Ritchie and H. M. L. Agner will attend from the Faith Lutheran church and carry with them one of the best reports that has ever been made of this church.

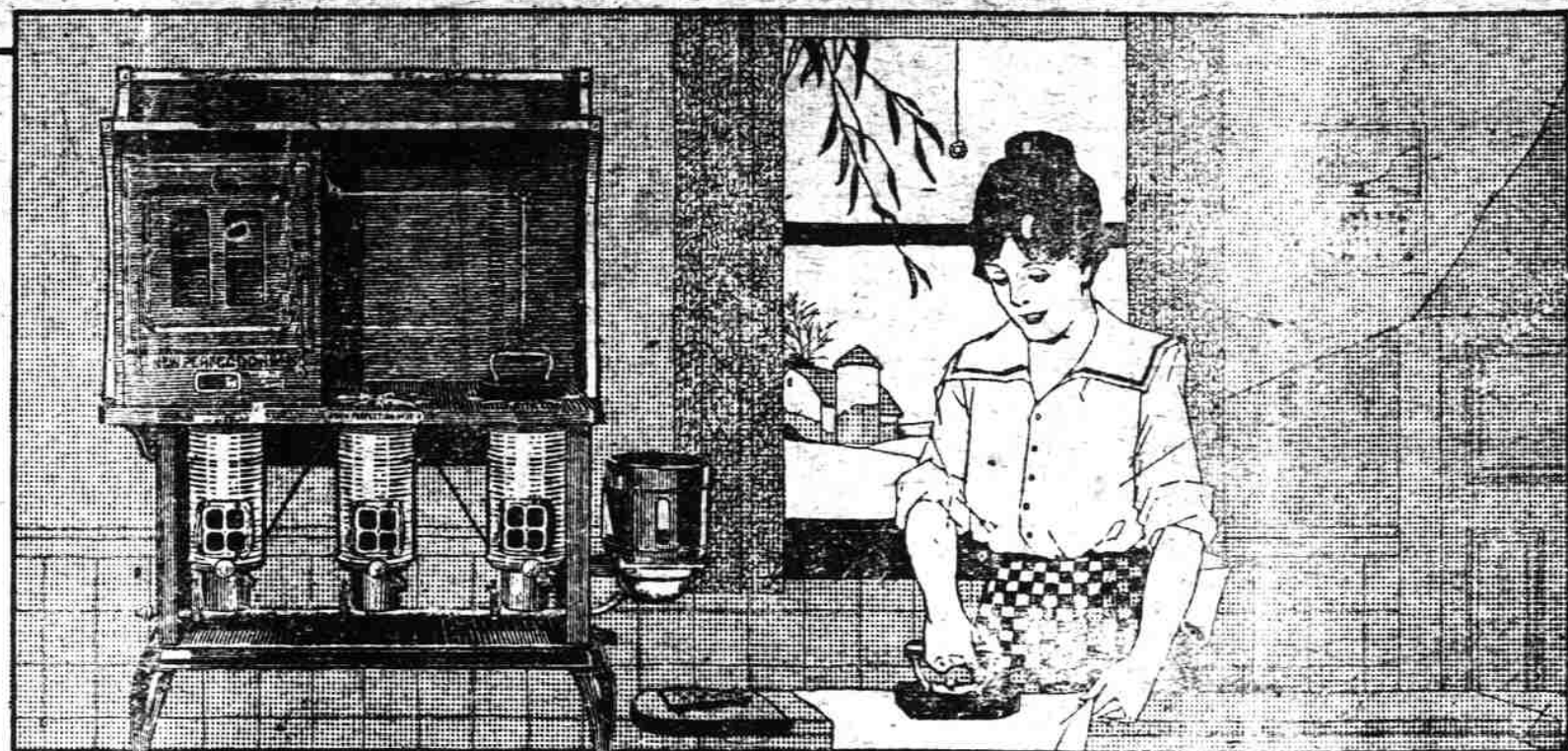
John A. Peeler had his cotton seed planted May 5th. Venue got his first mess of strawberries with cream and sugar this year at Mrs. James Ritchie's May 5th.

A swarm of bees went in the Jr. O. U. A. M. hall today between the upper ceiling and the roof where nobody can get them and have gone to housekeeping. Who can beat that for a bee swarm?

At the town election here today, Stephen Davis was elected mayor for the next of two years. VENUS

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