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ANOTHER TRAGEDY.

Colored Youth Slain at Party Saturday Night.

The son of Green McLean was murdered Saturday night by Loomis Johnson, son of Will Johnson, all colored, while at a party being given at the home of Will Steel, who lives on the farm of Mr. Ambrose Moody in Hickory Mount township.

Little can be learned as to the cause of the affair, but Johnson, the murderer, was captured Sunday near Goldston and remanded to jail. He received several bad cuts about the face and head at the hands of McLean, the dead man. McLean's body was completely severed with some sharp instrument, his bowels having been spilled from his stomach.

Our friend A. V. Ferguson, of Kimbolton, tells us that this is the sixth murder that has been committed within two miles of his home within the past nine years, one being accidental.

Chatham county will establish a savory reputation unless something is done, folks, and right now is the time to demand punishment of law violators. It must be done.

Just so long as minor matters are passed over lightly, greater crimes will fall upon us heavily.

Since the above was written we learn that the McLean negro is still living but seriously injured.

Rocky Branch School News

We have read from time to time in the Chatham Record of the social events, wonderful prospects, etc., of different places, and people may get the idea that we are idle, but if they have that idea we want to relieve them at once, for we assure you that Rocky Branch, in Gulf township, is coming to the front fast, even if we are only a little corner of Chatham county.

Rocky Branch gave a box party Saturday night, January 14th, for the benefit of the school. A large crowd was present and a nice sum of money was raised.

Rocky Branch school has an average attendance of twenty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burns attended the birthday dinner of John Gunter Wednesday. Mr. Gunter celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday. A sumptuous dinner was served and was enjoyed by all who were present.

Misses Mabel and Alice Smith visited at the home of Mrs. J. T. Rosser Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Lizzie Seagraves and Hurley Adcox, of Cumnock, attended the box party Saturday night.

Rev. N. J. Todd, our pastor, held services at May's Chapel church Sunday at 11 a. m. A large crowd attended.

Quite a number of our people attended the moving picture show at Asbury school house Monday night. The pictures of "The Lost Colony" were enjoyed by all. We would have been glad to have had the picture at our school if the roads were sufficient for the truck to travel over.

PATRON.

Save Expense and Trouble.

Giliam Crissom, internal revenue collector, asks us to state for the benefit of our readers that when a meeting is desired for any cause in regard to revenue, in Washington, D. C., with any of the officials that it will be necessary to have an engagement or else be delayed in the city several days at an unnecessary expense and loss of time.

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Bear Creek News.

Miss Alma Coggins, of Bear Creek, has been confined to her room with flu for the past few days.

W. A. Coggins has been suffering with a deep cold for the last week, but is greatly improved at this writing.

E. W. Fields, of route 2, has been sick for some time, although somewhat improved now.

H. M. Tysor, after visiting his sister, Mrs. Ed Moore, of Graham, has returned home.

J. H. Snipes, of route 2, has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. D. E. Trantham, of Benaja.

Miss Vaudie Norwood, of route 2, who is a student of the Bonlee High School, has been confined to her room at the dormitory with flu.

The Womble School has been closed on account of flu, as there were several cases near the school.

Terrill B. Beall, carrier route 2, reports having handled, during the month of January, 5664 pieces of mail on his route.

W. P. Ivey, carrier route 1, has been very ill with throat trouble. Mr. Ivey is some better. Joe Sizemore, the substitute, has been carrying the mail.

Mrs. C. J. Rives was confined to her room last week.

Miss Mattie Culberson, a teacher of the Sandy Branch school, spent the week-end with her folks on Siler City route 2.

Nat. G. Norwood visited his father recently. Phil.

BROWN'S CHAPEL

Mrs. A. F. Whitaker died Friday morning and was buried Saturday at Brown's Chapel. She leaves a husband and several children.

We are glad to know that W. F. Crutchfield is improving from an attack of rheumatism.

Mrs. John R. Goodwin and son Lewis have returned home after spending two weeks with Mrs. L. D. H. Mitchell in New Hope township.

William Mann, of Carrboro, is spending a few days with his parents near Brown's Chapel.

We are very glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lutterloh move in our neighborhood.

We take this opportunity to thank Zeke Serogins for his splendid write-up, "Frosty Belles." We especially like it because we claim one of the wonderfully spoken of boys to be one of our number.

We are glad to know that Mrs. Walker Perry has returned home after staying at a Hamlet hospital several weeks.

Miss Berta Durham and Miss Verdie Thomas spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. John R. Goodwin. D.

Loss and Gain

When A. K. Pennington left Pittsboro Saturday to assume charge of the railroad work attached to that of general agent, in Incolnton, N. C., Pittsboro lost a splendid citizen. He was a splendid business man, accommodating and held the respect and esteem of everybody. The good wishes of everybody will go with him to his new home.

The town gains a good citizen, however, in H. D. Gunter, who assumes the position of general agent here, succeeding Mr. Pennington. Mr. Gunter has had third trick at Moncure for a long while and to many people he needs no introduction. A man of splendid integrity and genuine business ability, alive to everything that tends towards progress and he will be received with a welcome in Pittsboro.

As soon as Mr. Gunter can find a suitable house he will move his family here.

The Way to Save

People would have more if they would be more careful and save. During the big snow "Faty" King, who is a man that takes care of the small things, wanted to come to come to town from his home, several miles in the country. He wanted to save his buggy, so he built him a wooden sleigh and came over. He wore a pair of leggings that he has owned 16 years and which cost him when new \$1.25. He also wore a pair of gloves that he paid 75 cents for 8 years ago. The leggings and gloves are as good as the ones you buy today for twice the amount he paid for those he wore. Wouldn't our farmer friends and others be better off if they would take care of the small things?

CORINTH

O. A. Mims, temporarily located at Kinston, spent the week-end with his family at Corinth.

Sam and Carey Gunter and Robt Perry, of Raleigh, spent the week-end with Mrs. T. N. Gunter.

W. A. Dones and A. M. Fuquay, of Fuquay Springs, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ashworth.

Miss Carrie Lee and Audrey Cross returned to school at Merry Oaks after a week's vacation at home on account of the snow-storm last week.

J. A. Jones and Miss Gertrude Yearby, of Raleigh, spent the week-end with F. M. Nash and family at Buckhorn.

The Izzidore minstrel troupe have "came and went," leaving a trail of mirth, laughter and good cheer in their wake. It was the initial performance of this new bunch of comedians and musicians and it disclosed some talent right here in our own midst that no one thought existed. This is in spite of the fact that it had been impossible for them all to get together for even one complete rehearsal. The "Fads" quartet, which has sung on several previous occasions in our county, took the leading part in the music. The other players were all C. P. and L. Co. boys, except Mr. Franklin of the Pine State Creamery of Raleigh. The net proceeds of the play went to the Corinth Betterment Association. If any other progressive school community in the county would like to put on a play of this kind the Izzidore minstrels will draw a good crowd and possibly the boys could be induced to repeat it.

Well, Holly drifted into town again last Saturday morning to see his—all Buckhorn friends and incidentally to take a leading part in the minstrel play, as usual, when Holly comes to town it rained.

We promised last week to give you a report on the little drama a few days ago, staged and acted by "Two Attractive School Teachers and a Book Agent," on the front porch of Mrs. O. A. Mims. It is barely possible in a short newspaper notice to do justice to the excellence of this little comedy or perhaps almost tragedy, so you will just have to ask Miss Bland to tell you about it, but keep one eye on Miss Johnson that she does not hear you ask.

Antioch.

There will be preaching at Antioch next Sunday a. m. at 11 o'clock by pastor, Rev. Sion M. Lynam.

Leamon Johnson, of Sanford, spent the week-end at the home of his grandfather, Jas. Johnson.

H. H. Poe is quite ill.

Grady Richardson spent the week-end with home folks.

Miss Bettie Johnson spent the week-end with Miss Della Kate Kirkman at Goldston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McIntire, of Gulf, were recent visitors in the home of O. M. Dorsette.

Mr. and Mrs. Roe Oldham spent Saturday in the home of Mrs. Oldham's mother, Mrs. C. C. Poe.

Cyde Johnson, who is working in Seaford, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Johnson.

A number of our young folks attended and enjoyed the box party given at Carolina last Saturday night. ROSALIND.

Distinguished Soprano.

It is estimated that Anna Case, the distinguished American soprano, who will give one of her justly famous recitals in Raleigh at the Auditorium Feb. 13, has in her repertoire over 500 songs, exclusive of operatic arias, which would give an idea of the enormous work required of a musician of her standing. Miss Case has always been noted for her varied programs and is indefatigable in searching out new material.

The problem of appearing before the same public for a second, third and fourth time complicates matters still more. By the hardest sort of work she has discovered a number of new songs in Europe this summer, which she hopes the public will like.

The seat sale for Miss Case's recital will be opened on February 1, at the Times building, Raleigh.

NEW COUNTY HOME.

Contract Has Been Given Out — Completed August 1.

Last Monday the county commissioners gave out the contract for the construction of Chatham's new county home, which will be located just east of town, on the Raleigh road. The land was purchased some time last year from W. F. Beard and is said to be an ideal location.

The building is to be of brick, steam heated, running water, sewerage and electric lights and is to be completed by August 1.

The building will contain 20 sleeping rooms, a dining and cook room and rooms for the superintendent of the home and his family.

The contract was let to the Carolina Construction Co., Raleigh, Nelson & Cooper, of Raleigh, being the architects.

The cost of the entire building and fixtures will be about \$4,000.

The excellent plan and location of this splendid building is due to the untiring efforts of Arthur H. London, chairman of the legislative committee appointed for the purpose, the other members being Dr. R. W. Palmer, of Gulf, Clyde Thomas, of Siler City.

BENNETT.

The many friends of Mrs. Frank Brown will be glad to learn that she is improving after being confined to her room for several days with an attack of bronchitis.

Mrs. H. A. Denson was quite ill last week, but is now able to be out again.

The snow here was six inches deep. However, it didn't seem to interfere with the traveling, as the mail carriers were on duty just the same. The school girls and boys thoroughly enjoyed the snow ball battles.

Messrs. Floyd Bray and Melvin Estridge spent the week-end in Greensboro.

Miss Elizabeth Williams was called last Friday to the bedside of her sister in Durham, who was quite ill. She was accompanied by Miss Maude Foushee.

Tuesday afternoon the high school girls and boys organized a Glee Club. The following officers were elected: President, Ora Forkner; vice-president, Nonnie Moffitt; secretary, Effie Myrick; assistant secretary, Sallie Moffitt; treasurer, Beulah Hammer; director, Miss Elizabeth Williams. A social was planned for the 14th of this month. The club expects to give a public concert some time soon. TOSPY.

Deserves Credit

R. C. Griffin, road master for the Seaboard railroad on the Pittsboro branch, deserves much credit for the splendid manner in which he is working the depot yard here. Many cars full of cinders have been put on and the yard is now in splendid shape for traffic.

NEW HILL.

Mrs. J. L. Goodwin spent Wednesday with Mrs. Bettie Goodwin.

Miss Nina Sturdivant has been on several days stay with her aunt, Mrs. Gordon Copeland, at Seaford.

J. H. Webster, W. M. Goodwin and L. E. Sturdivant motored to Cary Wednesday on business.

Mrs. I. H. Hearne has been spending several days at Buckhorn.

Miss Mattie Lassiter and Mrs. Theron Lassiter and children, of Raleigh, are the guests of Miss Alpha Mana.

Mrs. Addee Webster and C. D. Webster have been on a short visit to Mrs. J. A. Thomas.

Miss Eula Carr was the guest of Miss Vera Drake Friday.

Lassie Sturdivant, of Pittsboro, has been home on a short visit.

Miss Bettie Sturdivant spent the week-end with her cousin, Miss Swannie Drake.

Messrs. Donnie Beckwith, Jim Sturdivant, and Henry Webster, of Bear Creek, have been spending several days at their home.

Miss Gertrude Ray and Dwight Webster spent the week-end with friends near Pittsboro.

Miss Fionnie Goodwin spent the week-end with Miss Blanche Holt.

Miss Rose Sturdivant spent the week end with Miss Roan Webster.

GUM SPRINGS.

Mrs. W. D. Thomas was very sick last week but is improving.

Mrs. J. N. Holt was taken seriously sick last week, but she is improving.

Cecil, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cinton, formerly of this community but now of Millsville, S. C., is in a hospital at Charlotte where he was operated upon for appendicitis.

Matthew Brady and wife, of Raleigh, are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Thomas.

Troy Boone, of Durham, was a business visitor in this community last week.

G. G. Burns and family visited in the home of C. M. Eddins last week.

Carl Harward and family visited Mrs. Arthur last week. UNO

A Dinner, Flag and Bible

The Junior Order of the American Mechanics of Goldston will have their annual sermon preached Friday, March 17, after which dinner will be served on the grounds. In the afternoon a flag and Bible will be presented to the Council there. All Juniors and others are invited to come and participate. Bring well-filled baskets and have a good time.

POSTED LAND NOTICES for sale at The Record office.

RALEIGH AUDITORIUM—FEB. 13.



ANNA CASE

AMERICAN SOPRANO

Seats on sale at Times Building, Raleigh, by the Park Musical Bureau. Prices, \$2.75, \$1.65 and \$1.10, tax paid.

Sousa's Band, Under Same Management, February 27.

Income Tax Facts.

In making out his income tax return for 1921, the average taxpayer will find a considerable saving in comparison with the amount of tax paid on the same income for 1920.

The exemptions provided by the revenue act of 1921 are \$1,000 for single persons (the term including widows, widowers, divorcees, and persons separated from husband, and wife by mutual agreement), \$2,500 for married persons whose net income was \$5,000 or less, and \$2,000 for married persons whose net income was \$5,000 or more.

Under the revenue act of 1918 the personal exemption allowed a married person was \$2,000, regardless of the amount of net income. The personal exemption allowed a married person applies also to the head of a family, man or woman who supports in one household one or more relatives by blood, marriage, or adoption.

The exemptions for dependents—a person who receives his chief support from the taxpayer and who is under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support because mentally or physically defective—is increased from \$200 to \$400.

The act requires that a return be filed by every single person whose net income for 1921 was \$1,000 or more, every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or more, and by every person—single or married—whose gross income was \$5,000 or more.

The requirement to file a return of gross income of \$5,000 or more regardless of net income is a new provision.

Returns must be filed by married couples whose combined net income for 1921, including that of dependent minor children, equaled or exceeded \$2,000, or if the combined gross income equaled or exceeded \$5,000.

The period of filing returns is from January 1 to March 15, 1922. Heavy penalties are provided for failure or "willful refusal" to file a return on time.

The Passing of a Saint

The writer begs space to add a brief tribute to last week's notice of the passing of Mrs. Bettie Burns Hamlet, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Taylor Henderson.

For many years Mrs. Hamlet had been a consistent, valued and beloved member of Mt. Pleasant Methodist church. By her positive Christian character and warm-hearted support and encouragement, she was a great help and inspiration to her pastor.

In the home, she was industrious, loving and self-denying. And she was a devoted mother, to her children and stepchildren—making no distinction between them. She was greatly beloved by her many friends because of her affectionate disposition and freedom from harsh criticism of whatever she might see wrong in others. She was faithful as a neighbor, visiting and nursing the sick as she had opportunity.

The writer was permitted to visit her a number of times during her last illness, and each visit was a source of spiritual blessing, for her evident love for her Saviour, her spirit of peaceful and willing resignation to God's will were a beautiful testimony to our Heavenly Father's power to keep us in the hollow of his hand those who put their trust in Him.

She loved Pittsboro and in her last hours expressed the desire that all of the people of our town might be saved. She knew what it meant to say with God's servant of old, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for thou art with me, Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me." J. B.

Valentine Party

We are requested to state that there will be a Valentine party at the lower Burke school on Feb. 14, 7:30 p. m. George Washington's birthday will also be celebrated Feb. 22, at 7:30 p. m. Friends and patrons of the school are urged to be present.

\$50,000 School

Wake county board of education has decided to replace the burned school building at Apex with a \$50,000 building.

New Hill, Bonsal and Sloan districts in Buckhorn township will be combined with the school, one-fifth of this district being in Chatham county.

BILLS PAID

County Commissioners Meeting For January 1922.

The Commissioners meeting held on Monday, January 2, was presided over by all members, and bills were allowed and ordered paid as follows:

Siler City Grit, advertising, \$3.
C. W. Blair, salary, \$208.33.
C. W. Blair, interest on Moncure School Bonds, \$361.22.

W. H. Ferguson, deputy sheriff, \$42.

Bonlee Telephone Co., \$15.15.
C. W. Blair, sheriff, postage, etc., \$18.

C. W. Blair, summoning jury, \$18.
Walden & Thomas, furniture for court house, \$9.

Chatham Bank, payment of note \$5000.

S. A. Nichols, (Peter Rogers case) \$18.50.

M. K. Perry, supplies county home, \$34.40.

J. M. Harper, county health officer, \$45.

J. M. Harper, examining two teachers, \$2.

Pilkington Pharmacy, medicine county home, jail and road camp, \$18.09.

C. T. Desern, conveying prisoners, \$10.

Siler City Grit, advertising, \$14.75.

C. C. Poe, salary, \$150.
C. C. Poe, postage and telegrams, \$10.50.

J. M. Marley, blood hounds, store breakers case, \$75.

Mrs. R. M. Farrell, extra work in Registers office, \$43.50.

Chatham Hardware Co., supplies county home, \$18.60.

Tom Leach, janitor court house and extra help, \$13.50.

R. W. Palmer, examining lunatic, \$5.

L. C. Clark, salary, \$41.66.

Mrs. L. C. Clark, cooking county home, \$10.

Chatham Hardware Co., hardware county home, \$12.02.

Chatham Oil & Fertilizer Co., \$43.85.

The sum of \$85 was paid for stills and parts to A. M. Webster, R. H. Mills, H. A. Harrington and R. M. Harris.

A. T. Ward, service county commissioner, \$27.50.

Chatham Record, advertising taxes, \$21.60.

W. C. Cross, bridge work, \$3.

J. W. Boone, repair work court house windows, \$18.25.

R. T. Hobby, conveying Annie McPherson to Goldsboro hospital, \$30.

R. E. Lanus, sawing wood for jail, \$15.

Wesley Thomas, pork for county home, \$83.05.

Jas. L. Griffin, salary, clerk hire and postage, \$140.93.

C. H. Crutchfield, conveying Jim Lee to jail, \$7.50.

Wade Barber, professional services, \$60.

Mrs. L. C. Clark sewing county home, \$7.

W. L. London & Son, supplies county home, \$76.28.

W. H. Taylor, salary, \$62.90.

Amount of fees collected for December by Register of Deeds, \$207.40.

Amount of fees collected by the Clerk of Court for December, \$57.75.

Merry Oaks Items.

Messrs. Roy Buchanan and Clifton Mims, of Raleigh, were visitors in our school Monday.

One day last week H. H. Cotten on going to his hog lot found that one of his hogs had caught an opossum.

Quite a number from here attended the Izzidore Minstrel at Corinth Saturday night.

J. F. Wicker, section foreman, spent last Sunday with his people at Colon.

Misses Carrie Lee and Audrey Cross spent last week end at their home in Corinth.

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