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## GEO. C. M'NEILL DIES OF INJURIES

Rutherfordton Lineman Passes After Receiving Electric Shock and Broken Neck Saturday.

Rutherfordton, May 21 .- George C. McNeill, age 37 years, lineman of the Rutherfordton, Light and Power Co., died in the Rutherford hospital Wednesday morning at 7:20 o'clock of injuries received Saturday night after coming into contact with a high powered electric line.

Mr. McNeill climbed an electric COUNTY G. O. P. light pole to connect the lights in a home Saturday night and came in contact with a high voltage wire which carried about 2,300 volts. He fell about 18 feet. Realizing that he was shocked, it is supposed that McNeill kicked his climbers loose and that let his body fall. His neck was fractured in two places. He was immediately taken to the hospital, where he remained conscious most of the time until his death. He is survived by his widow, three small children, his mother and one sister, Mrs. Edgar Hill, of Rutherfordton.

Mr. McNeill was a native of Georgia He came to Rutherfordton in 1919, and has since been connected with the Rutherfordton power and light department. He was an active member of the Rutherfordton Baptist church, and took an active part in the Sunday school,

Funeral services will be held Friday morning at ten o'clock from the ment will be in the Rutherfordton tor of the 18th judicial district. cemetery.

### To Decorate Graves Of World War Vets

The American Legion Posts, of Forest City and Rutherfordton will cooperate in placing a wreath on the grave of each World war veteran buried in Rutherford county on national Memorial Day, May 30. The Posts have appointed special committees for that purpose and they will make every effort to locate every grave and place wreaths on

The people of the county are requested to donate wreaths to the Legion Posts for that purpose. The ladies of the Legion Auxiliary will receive flowers at Forest City or Rutherfordton. Donors of flowers are requested to bring in the flowers on Thursday, May 29, so they will be on hand on Friday,

Every veteran is requested to report to the committee graves of exsoldiers in the county, especially those of soldiers who have died since the war, or the graves of ex-soldiers whose last resting place is unmarked.

### A FINE GIRL.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Watkins are receiving congratulations over the Wednesday, May 21. The mother was formerly Miss Sara King.

## BEE SPECIALIST COMING.

They will hold a session at the home the evening. of Mr. J. H. Walker, of Rutherfordton, R-1, Monday morning at 10 o'clock, at Mr. B. B. Sanders at Bostic at 6:30 p. m., the same day. All bee keepers and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

### ENTHUSIASTIC SIMMONS MEETING HELD TUESDAY

A meeting of the Rutherford County Simmons Club was held in the city hall here Tuesday night, which was attended by a good representation from practically all of the townships. The county chairman, Z. O. Jenkins, presided. Plans were made at the session to register and vote as many Simmons supporters as possible.

Miss Marie Hughes had her tonsils emoved Wednesday morning and Mayse will spend the week-end with s doing nicely.

### Local Boy Hurt In Charlotte

Eugene Keeter of Forest City was slightly injured in Charlotte Wednesday, May 14, at 4:30 p. m, when Sixteen Receive From Four he was struck by an automobile driven by Mrs. B. B. Bishop of Tryon, at Mint and Morehead streets.

Witnesses said that Mr. Keeter was running to get in an automobile when the Tryon car struck him. Morehead street. Mr. Keeter was ranging from four months on the taken to the Charlotte Sanatorium roads to ten years in the state priwhere he received treatment for his when he fell from an electric post injuries. He was able to return to his home here Friday.

Convention-Hamrick Re-Elected Chairman.

Rutherfordton, May 19 .- The republicans of Rutherford county held an enthusiastic and largely attended convention here Saturday afternoon. It was a harmonious and optimistic meeting. Brownlow Jackson of Hendersonville, republican candidate for congress of the 10th district made an address, discussing the general organization work of the

The county chairman of the executive committee, Fred D. Hamrick made an enthusiastic address and discussed the platform. He was reelected chairman. The convention each given a pen sentence of ten endorsed the candidacy of Attorney years for housebreaking. Rutherfordton Baptist church. Inter- J. S Dockery of this place for solici-

The following ticket was named for county officers: Legislature, Fred him mentally incompetent and tion; clerk of court, . W. Gordon ed on good behavior.

Rutherfordton.

The platform adopted unanimousfice of county treasurer, to be com- prison. missioners would issue no bonds ex- en.

# ALEXANDER SCHOOLS, INC.,

arrival of a little daughter, born mencement exercises at Alexander This brought chuckles from the court Charlotte division of the Baptist singer, Kinscella. Rutherfordton, May 20.-C. Leclose Friday with the seventh grade tion law, the jury returned a ver-ferent Baptist associations are ex-et Hamrick, Kinscella. Sams, of State college, will be in graduation exercises at 10 o'clock in dict of not guilty. Fred Biggerstaff, pected to attend. A full two-day's Rutherford county Monday to assist the morning and the high school also charged with violating the pro- program will be given. Mr. Patton in a bee study course. graduation program at 8 o'clock in hibition law, was given a six months

> intendent Clyde A. Erwin will speak hibition law violation. in the evening.

enth grade graduating class, and 12 three months. high school seniors.

feature of the commencement procontest will be held.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harrill moved this suspended on payment of the costs One paragraph on the passes reads: week to the O. B. Biggerstaff apart- of the case. ment on East Main street.

Misses Ruth Doggett and Mayo breaking. Miss Thoy Templeton in Charlotte.

Months to Ten Years Saturday Morning-Others Sentenced.

Rutherfordton, May 19 .- Sixteen men, white and colored, were given Mrs. Bishop was driving west on sentences here Saturday morning, son when Judge Walter E. Moore handed out sentences for violators tried during the first week of the criminal term of the superior court.

Tom Walker, Sam Small and Henry Warlick, three young white men who were tried on three charges of storebreaking were sentenced, Walker and Small each receiving terms of three years in the state Republicans Hold Enthusiastic prison. Henry Warlick was given a sentence of two years on the roads, suspended for a period of five year? provided he showed good behaviour, during that period and paid the appeal and bonds of \$1,000 each and appeal bond of \$100 was assess-

E. C. Hilton, young white man, tried earlier in the week on charges of forgery was given a sentence of three years in the state prison.

Leroy Green, negro, also charged with forgery, drew a two years pen

Tom Moore and R. L. Teague were

Howard Walker, young Forest City boy, was found guilty of forgery, but on evidence offered to show

G. Arthur Callahan, Rutherfordton; breaking, the two younger brothers, the fire started. board of education, E. E. Smart, Archie and Gil Taylor were given None of the furniture was saved, Bostic; Mrs. R. E. Price, Ruther- from three to five years in the state the entire house being a blaze when fordton: B. and W. L. Smith, Hen- prison, and Louis Taylor, the eldest neighbors were awakened by the northern part of Indiana. rietta; coroner, Tom E. Keeter, was given 5 to 10 years in state crackling of the flames and turned'

ly calls for the abolition of the of- ceny, was given two years in state insurance.

ings or dire necessity, advocated the er employee of the Jones Grocery when it was burned. The damage to as follows: abolition of the county recorder's of- Company was convicted of embezzle- this house was about \$2,500. It was Duet-Tiny Waltz, Roger Cole Joe Neal, Margaret Neal, O'lema fice and condemns the present board ment of money from the company insured. of county commissioners for deposit, with which he worked. He was given Forest City has suffered a large ing \$332,000 in the banks of the a two years sentence on the Ruth-loss from fires within recent months, Martin, county without adequate security erford county chain gang. Attorney five residences being destroyed in C. O. Ridings made an appeal to the the past two months at an estimated Song; Bernice and Frances Dorsey, judge to send the negro to the coun-damage of \$15,000. ty home. The judge's response was COMMENCEMENT SOON that the negro would not stay there BAPTIST WOMEN TO HOLD two weeks. "Very well," replied Attorney Ridings, "you try it, and if Rutherfordton, May 20 .- Com-- he don't stay, I'll take his place." Rutherfordton, May 20 .- The Schools, Inc., at Union Mills, this spectators, but the judge was set in State Woman's Missionary union will Solo, Long, Ago, Mildred 16th. The progress of the students county, a home for motherless and his course, and would consider no meet in Rutherfordton at the First McBrayer, Kinscella.

road sentence, Frank Elliott was al-Dr. J. W. O'Hara, of Asheville, su- so given a four months sentence on perintendent of the Mountain Mis- the same charge, and John Miller sion schools, will deliver the address was fined \$25.00 and costs, and giv- U. S. Gibbs, of Chimney Rock town- Cleminti and Rubenstein. in the morning and County Super- en a suspended sentence for a pro- ship, near the Rutherford-Polk line,

A mistrial resulted in the case of them were as large as a hen egg. Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, as a Leon Wall, charged with non-support. In a larceny charge against Kate gram, a reading and declamation Ford the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hardin and of reckless driving, and sentence was to graduates of the local high school.

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# **EXERCISES BEGIN SUNDAY**

REST CITY AND RUTHERFORD COUNTY

Commencement Speaker



Dr. Harrold D. Myers, of the Unifor Walker and Small gave notice of versity of North Carolina, who will and the congregation. deliver the annual commencement address at Cool Springs high school on Friday evening, May 30.

# TWO FIRES CAUSE \$4,500 DAMAGE

Coffey House Burned Friday light-Home of Fred Smart Destroyed Saturday.

he residence, belonging to Fred art, on Broadway street, was praclly destroyed, together with all of D. Hamrick; sheriff, J. Edgar Mc- his father had made good the checks his househould furniture, Sunday Farland, Rutherfordton; register of which he had forged, a sentence of morning at 4 o'clock. The cause of deeds, Blaine B. Logan, Logan sta- twelve months was imposed, suspend- the fire is undetermined but is believed to have been started from a Scoggin; Union Mills; county com- In the case of Gil, Lewis and Ar- defective, wire. Mr. Smart and his missioners, L. Purgason, Bostic, R. chie Taylor, three young white men, family were spending the night with I.; Okie Biggerstaff, Forest City, and brothers, found guilty of store-relatives and were not at home when

> in the alarm, The loss is approxi- charged. No reserved seats. Rube Miller, found guilty of lar- mately \$2,000 and was covered by

vors rigid economy in county gov-victed on a seduction charge and a fey, of Alexander, located in the school building.

# RUTHERFORDTON MEET

orphan children, said to be different substitute for the road sentence. Baptist church on Thursday and Solo, At the Party, Martha Greene, far above the average for the school. from any other institution of the In the case of Dude Kennedy, Friday, June 5 and 6. About 300 Kinscella. kind in the state, will come to a charged with violating the prohibi- visitors and delegates from 19 dif- Solo, Home, Sweet Home, Margar- very entertaining, It was varied and

### EXHIBITS BIG HAIL STONES.

Rutherfordton, May 20.-Mrs. was in town Monday afternoon and gett, Walter Rolf. In the case of Clarence Phillips, exhibited balls of hail that fell re-There are 20 members of the sev- the judge imposed a sentence of cently in her section which had been | MacDowell. preserved in an ice house. Some of

### GRADUATES REMEMBERED.

The Romina Theatre will give pass-Zed Harrill pled guilty to a charge es, good from May 31st to June 15th, "May we take this opportunity to Furman Gladden was given a extend our congratulations for your twenty days' jail sentence for jail accomplishments during your last high school year and wish you con-Matthew Watkins, young negro tinued success in your future en- declamation and recitation contests McBrayer and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. deavors."

# Dr. Harrold D. Myers To **Deliver Literary Address**

Dr. W. W. Peele Will Preach Baccalaureate Sermon-Fifty-One Members in This Year's Senior Class.

The Cool Springs township school en next week. will close a very successful school term this week. The commencement exercises will open Sunday evening, with the baccalaureate sermon. Dr. W. W. Peele, of Charlotte, will preach the sermon, and services at the Forest City churches will be suspended on that evening ,in order to allow as many as wish to go to the by Mendelssohn. school auditorium. Special music will be furnished by the church choirs Erwin,

HIGH SCHOOL CLOSING

The program for Sunday evening (b) By and By, by Dvorak. follows: Prelude; Invocation; "Come Thou, Almighty King," Congregation Clyde A. Erwin. led by choirs; Scripture; Anthem "Send Out Thy Light," Introduction of Speaker; Baccalaureate Sermon; Eakes. Hymn "Tomorrow" Congregation led by choirs.

### Senior Play.

On Tuesday evening, May 27, the play is "What Anne Brought Home."

The characters are as follows: Sam Bennett,-Kenneth Bostic. Mrs. Hattie Bennett-Lila Gordon

Alma Bennett-Madge Moore. Herb Hardcastle-Salem Suber. Henry Bennett-James Moss. Anne Bennett Purdy-Delle Wof-

Dudley Purdy-Fred Blanton. Nina Bennett-Leona Hardin. J. T. Raymond-Rudolph Blanton.

Time-Seenimek. Place: A small village in

A small admission fee will be Piano Recital.

On Thursday afternoon, May 29, Friday night about 10:30 o'clock at five o'clock, Class Day exercises bined with county accountant, fa- Roland Hamilton, negro, was con- a house belonging to Mr. H. E. Cof- will be held in front of the high

ernment, pledged the people that the sentence of two years on the public Florence Mill section of this city, Miss Katherine Goggan's piano rerepublican board of county com- roads of Rutherford county was giv- was destroyed by fire. Mr. Coffey cital will be given Thursday evening was moving into this house, part of at the high school building. A list of cept in case of fire to public build- Perry Suber, young negro, a form- his furniture already being in it, the numbers of the piano recital are

> - land Charles Moore. Kinscella. Solo, In May, Katherine Blanton.

Solo, Evening Bells, The Rain

Solo, Melody with Variations,

Marie Huntsinger. Solo, Fall in Line; Russell Blan-

ton, Southerland.

Eugenia Harrill. Solo, Memories of Spring, Dorothy Turner, Bert Anthony.

Duo, Sonatina in G, Melody in F Bennie and Johnnie Washburn, Solo, Stolen Kisses, Marjorie Pad-

Solo, To a Wild Rose, Sybil Moore,

Solo, Hunting Song, Bennie Washburn, Mendelssohn. Duet, Amaryllis, Mary Frances

Harrill and Teacher, Ghys. better, Horatio Parker. Solo, Lotus Land, Frances Led-

better, Cyril Scott. Solo, Scottish Tone Poem, Johnnie Washburn, MacDowell,

Frances Ledbetter.

will be held in the school auditorium. Moore.

A list of the contestants will be giv-

Dr. Harrold D. Myers to Speak. Dr. Harold D. Myers, of the Uni-

versity of North Carolina, will deliver the annual literary address Friday evening, May 30. The program for that evening follows:

Girls Glee Club, On Music's Wings

Awarding of Medals, Mr. C. C.

Trio-(a) May Music, by Bliss; Introduction of speaker, Supt.

Address, Dr. Harrold D. Myers. Awarding Diplomas, Mr. J. W.

Boys' Glee Club, Sleepy Hollow Tune by Kountz.

### Fifty-One Seniors.

The following is a list of the senior play will be presented in the names of the senior class of the Cool school auditorium. The title of the Springs high school. This is the largest class in the history of Ruttherford county. Charlotte high school has 252 in its senior class. This is only five times as many as the local senior class. This is only a ratio of 5 to 1. This shows up well for Coo. Springs high when we stop to consider that Charlotte has a popula-Springs Township. This would make the ratio of seniors at Forest City twice that of Charlotte in proportion to the population. Kenneth Bostic, Fred Blanton, Rudolph Blanton, Sarah Bridges, Joy

Brackett, Jessie Blanton, James Carson, Charles Duncan, Tom Dorsey, Dorothy Doggett, Mary Frye, Roy Freeman, Alfred Gilliam, Hoyle Griffin, Claxton Horton, Al-bert Harrill, Oscar Harrill, Hamrick, Alma Hardin, Leona Hardin, Sara Holland, Pearl Erwin, Alice Keeter, Charles Kirby. Lila Gordon King, J. P. Lewis, Gladys-Long, Woodrow Matheney, James Moss, Eleanor Meares, Kathleen Mc-Murry, Virginia Mills, Katherine Moore, Mary Moss, Madge Moore, Philbeck, Jack Rudisill, Zennie Randall, Christine Sutton, Salem Suber, Carter Thomas, Lee Ellen Tate. Frances Tinsley, Rosaline Thompson, Ruby Toms, Reid Washburn, Anna Belle Ware, Delle Wofford, Horace

### Mt. Pleasant Commencement.

The Mt. Pleasant Grammar school Solo, Vesper Hymn; Dorothy Hunt-closed one of the best sessions in the history of the school Friday, May and the average daily attendance was

The commencement program was in such a way as to keep interest up Solo, Slumber Song, The Robin, to the highest pitch-all the time. The

following was on the program: A group of songs by primary

Reading, Mattie Smith.

Awarding of certificates and diplo-

Friday afternoon at Coon Creek Little Orphan Annie, Mary F. Ran-

Negro night school, Grades six and

Group of songs, Grammar grades. The following received diplomas: Solo, Valse Gracile, Doris Led-Marshall Matheney, Eugene Walker, Flay Hunt, Bruce Price, Robert Allred, Paul Toms, Henry Toms, and Blanche Towery.

Misses Catherine McBrayer and Duo, Sonata No. 3, Doris and Ruby Moore, of Davenport college Lenoir, spent the week-end here with On Friday morning, May 30, the their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben