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AULANDER NEWS.

Died in Norfolk Hospital--Another Marriage--A Correction--Injured by Fall--General News.

Mrs. M. P. Davis attended the Commencement exercises of the Winterville High School last Thursday and Friday and on her return was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Johnnie Lou Davis, who graduated from that institution this spring.

Mr. A. J. Dunning Jr. of Windsor was in our city one day last week.

Mr. Worth Burden, who has been attending school at Buie's Creek Academy, has returned home for the Summer.

Mr. C. H. Jenkins spent last Wednesday in Kinston. Mr. Jenkins was formerly Principal of the Kinston City Schools.

Mrs. Chas. Tyler of Roxobel spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Taylor of this place.

Miss Mary Cooke, who has been teaching at Beason, N. C., has returned home to spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mitchell Jr. spent last Thursday and Friday in Raleigh where they attended the Music Festival given by the Metropolitan Opera House artists of New York City.

On last Thursday morning the sad news reached our ears that Mr. Wiley Early of near Aulander who had been in a Norfolk hospital for several weeks, had passed away. All who knew Mr. Early knew him as a strong, fearless, Christian gentleman. To his bereaved ones we offer our genuine sympathy.

Mr. E. J. Bell left Thursday for Winterville where he attended the Commencement exercises of the Winterville High School. His daughter, Miss Ella Ruby Bell, who received her diploma from that institution this spring, returned with him.

Mrs. J. L. Pritchard is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mitchell.

We are glad to report that Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, who fell through the floor of Mr. M. E. Rice's unfinished residence on East Main Street and suffered severe lacerations about the face, is much improved. However, it is still feared that one of the face bones is broken.

Mr. George Burden, who holds a position with the Atlantic Coast Line Ry. Co., is spending the week with his people on West Main Street.

Hon. C. W. Mitchell delivered the Commencement address at Snow Hill on Wednesday of this week.

The seventh of the "present series" was consummated on Sunday night when Mr. Ernest McDaniel and Miss Thelma Vaughan were united in marriage. The bride is a talented and accomplished young lady of near Aulander while the groom holds a position with the Standard Oil Company. They will make their home in Aulander.

Mr. R. J. Dunning of Norfolk spent Monday and Tuesday of this week in Aulander.

Miss Claudine Joyner entertained the members of the Philaetha Class of the Aulander Baptist Church last Monday evening. The regular business program followed by refreshments was the order of the evening, all of which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Miss Myrtle Ashcraft of Wadesboro, N. C., who has been engaged in teaching school at

CONWAY LOCALS.

Mrs. T. R. Futrell and daughter Lucille were in Murfreesboro shopping Monday.

Misses Mary and Myra Vinson spent the week-end in Murfreesboro with their grandfather, Mr. J. C. Vinson.

Little Edwin Flythe, who has been ill sometime with pneumonia, is slowly improving.

Dr. L. M. Futrell and Mr. Howard Evans of Murfreesboro were callers in town Sunday afternoon.

Several from here attended the commencement exercises at Milwaukee Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Flythe of Zion is improving.

Mrs. D. H. Hedspeth and son Maynard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jovner of Pendleton.

We are very busy preparing for our commencement.

Dr. P. C. Brittle was in Norfolk last week.

Messrs. J. E. Taylor, H. E. Nixon and Bealey Taylor motored to Norfolk Sunday.

Miss Nita Hedspeth returned from Norfolk Saturday after a few days visit to her sister, Mrs. Maude Stotts.

Mr. L. J. Johnson is building a new residence in South Conway.

Rev. E. E. Rose and Messrs. J. O. Flythe and L. W. Flythe attended the Quarterly Meeting at Rehoboth Saturday.

Mr. R. B. Crump happened to the misfortune of losing his horse he had owned only a few days.

The farmers through this section are very busy planting cotton and peanuts.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Sykes of Garysburg spent a few days last week with Mrs. J. O. Flythe.

Olney Commencement.

The commencement exercises of Olney School will be given May 16th. and 17th. An entertainment by the primary and intermediate grades will be given on the evening of the 16th., beginning at eight P. M. At 10:30 A. M. the 17th., will be a recitation contest, and at 11:30 will be an address by Ex Judge F. D. Winston. In the afternoon will be base ball by the boys and basket ball by the girls.

At night a play, entitled "The Fruit of His Folly." This will be given by the High School students.

Everybody is invited to bring something to eat and remain through the entire day.

Play at Roxobel.

On Tuesday evening May 16, there will be a play given at Capehart's Hall, Roxobel, N. C., by home talent, entitled, "Between Two Lives." Admission 15 and 25 cents. Refreshments will be served after the play. Doors open at 7:30. Public cordially invited.

Elm Grove School.

Elm Grove Graded School commencement Friday evening, May 12, 1916, beginning at 8:30 P. M. Ice cream will be sold after exercises.

Beason during the past session, is spending the week as the guest of Mrs. C. W. Mitchell Jr.

The writer wishes to make a correction. In last week's letter there appeared the announcement that a small admission fee would be charged for two of the Commencement exercises. This charge has been eliminated and all exercises will be free.

SEVERN NEWS.

Miss Jessie Chitty of Murfreesboro spent several days last week with her friend, Miss Mary Fleetwood and attended the commencement.

Messrs. William and Carroll Edwards of Boykins, Va., were guests of their cousins, the Misses Williams last Wednesday.

Miss Virgie Lawrence of the faculty of Boykins High School, spent the week end with her cousins, Misses Hilda and Lillie Pruden.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stephenson and Mr. J. R. Taylor attended the Milwaukee commencement last Friday, where Mr. Stephenson delivered the literary address.

Mr. D. W. Watson and Miss Beulah Watson attended the funeral and interment of their aunt, Mrs. Bettie Parker, at Jackson last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White and daughters, Misses Una, Evelyn and Jay, and Mrs. C. H. Britt, Miss Sallie Hoggard, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Watson, Mrs. T. O. Joyner and Miss Mary Joyner, Mrs. J. B. Mann, Mrs. J. C. Long and Mr. Otis Joyner attended the County Union of the Woman's Missionary societies at Seaboard Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White and daughters, Misses Una and Jay and Mrs. C. H. Britt spent Monday in Suffolk, Va. They made the trip by automobile.

Misses Sallie Hoggard and Evelyn White are spending this week with their cousins, Misses Thelma and Elma Fleetwood at their home in Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Barnes, Mr. J. H. S. Britt and Miss Isla Britt went to Norfolk last Thursday to do their summer shopping. They returned Friday night.

Miss Annie West, who has been teaching near Gumberry, spent the week end with her friend, Mrs. J. L. Long.

The commencement of 1916 is now history. Tuesday evening, May the 2nd, was given to the primary grades, and all the children acquitted themselves in a very creditable manner. Wednesday morning was the recitation contest, graduating exercises and the literary address. Four young ladies contested for the medal, which was won by Miss Willie Maddrey. Three young ladies had prepared theses and these were read. The subjects being things receiving much thought in the nation today.

Miss Eloise Stephenson's subject was "Woman Suffrage." Miss Bettie Starr Howell had for her subject "The Impress of Immigration on America" and Miss Lillie Pruden wrote on "Preparedness." These theses showed that the young ladies had put much care and thought into their preparation. But to the old students the feature of the morning was the address by Hon. Gilbert T. Stephenson of Winston-Salem. This was the school where he received his preparation for college and he was introduced by Prof. J. W. Fleetwood, his former teacher. Of the class that graduated with Mr. Stephenson, 19 years ago, only one besides the speaker was present. He began his speech by recalling his school days here, and then in his earnest, masterful way urged upon his old schoolmates and friends the opportunity, and the obligation of being the New Pioneers of Northampton County. After the address came the presentation of medals and diplomas. There were three of each. The

THE CONGRESSIONAL CONTEST.

Hon. C. W. Mitchell States His Reasons for Entering the Field in Opposition to Mr. Kitchin.

At the urgent request of a goodly number of democrats I have announced my candidacy for Congress at the primary to be held June 3d. My reasons, briefly stated, are as follows: Two years ago Hon. Claude Kitchin was a candidate to succeed himself in the Senate. At that time he had been representing this district for several years as Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, a position that carries with it the recognized leadership of the House for party in power. I supported Mr. Kitchin with great pleasure because of the recognition and prestige in the nation that would be accorded our state, having Senator Simmons, recognized leader in the Senate and a North Carolina Congressman leader in the House of Representatives. At that time no one saw the world conflagration now raging in Europe. Looking backwards it would seem that Woodrow Wilson was called to the "Kingdom for such a time as this." With the Republican party going to pieces and the Democratic party under the leadership of a Southern man by birth, exalted to the Presidency of the United States, intrusted with the destinies of this country and the hope of the democracy of the world, it would seem that, of all times in the history of our country, democracy should present a solid front. Had Mr. Kitchin kept the faith and stood firmly by President Wilson there would have been no voice of opposition to his renomination. It is not a question of success or defeat with me, it is not a question of man in this supreme and momentous hour in our nation's life, but one of loyalty and fidelity to the basic principles of popular government. Democracy is on trial and the question is being propounded,-- Can the Democratic party measure up to the demands of such a crisis as now confronts it. I believe that it can with fidelity and united support given to our President, without it it cannot. Two years ago, not knowing the position that Congressman Kitchin would take, the voters of the

recitation medal won by Miss Willie Maddrey, the Department medal won by Miss Florence Barkley and the Music medal won by Miss Claire Watson. The young ladies receiving diplomas have already been mentioned. At 2:30 there was a baseball game between Severn and Rich Square which resulted in a victory for the home team. The same teams played at Rich Square the day before and Severn won that game also. On Wednesday evening the High School pupils presented the play "The Only Girl," and thus passed into history one of the best commencements the school has ever enjoyed.

On Thursday morning Prof. B. O. Myers left to attend the Wake Forest commencement before going on to his home near Thomasville.

Miss Margaret Powell left Thursday afternoon for her home at Lynhaven, Va. To these young people we extend our best wishes for a happy vacation.

The Betterment Association will meet Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Every member is urged to be present.

Second Congressional district could not be held responsible, but now that an opportunity comes to the voters of this district to express their approval or disapproval of Mr. Kitchin's course in Congress the burden of responsibility passes from Mr. Kitchin to the democratic voters of the Second Congressional district. I waited until the last day on which notice could be given for filing with the State Board of Elections my candidacy, hoping that some one else would express the real sentiment of the voters of this district. As a citizen, realizing that I owe a duty to my country in such an hour, I feel that I cannot endorse the course of Congressman Kitchin, that I would be doing violence to my sense of patriotism if I did so.

Four years ago Mr. Kitchin bitterly assailed the democrats of his district for supporting a man for the United States Senate, who, if elected, would not stand by President Wilson. Now he asks the support of his constituents to reelect him when he has openly opposed the most vital issues of the Democratic party, the success or defeat of which means the success or defeat of the party in November. A President is a success or a failure according to the success or failure of his legislative programme. It is the only office in which all the people join in filling. The popular voice finds expression in his leadership. The Constitution makes it the President's duty to recommend legislation and gives him the right to veto. We are facing the most momentous crisis in the history of our country. Sectional thought must give place to national and international thought. This anomalous condition confronts us. Shall we stand up and strengthen the hands and heart of our national leader who is supposed to voice the public will of one hundred millions of people, or support and endorse the course of a representative in Congress, elected by the voters of eight counties in one state of the Union. President Wilson recommends the passage of a Shipping Bill so as to enable the farmers and manufacturers of this country to put the products of their farms and factories into such markets of the world as will give them best returns for their labor. Mr. Kitchin opposes. The President believes that the surest and best guarantee for peace with other nations is adequate preparedness. Mr. Kitchin opposes. The President advocates a tariff Commission. Mr. Kitchin looks with indifference upon this recommendation.

To those democrats who feel as I have briefly outlined I submit my cause. To the friends of Mr. Kitchin who admire his many personal traits of character and unquestioned ability and feel that these reasons should outweigh what I deem weightier and far more important ones, decide to give him their support while their convictions of duty urge them to a different course, I shall entertain the most kindly feelings. To all democrats who desire to rise to the high sense of patriotic duty, as I view the present momentous crisis in our nation's history, I appeal for support, confident that the people of whom I form a part will vote their deepest convictions.

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