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## SEVERN NEWS

### Killed at School House-Raid on Liquor Dealer-Severn School Wins High Honors

Mrs. Earl Bryant, Boykins, Va., spent several days in town last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. Verona Hoggard, who has been teaching in Vance county, is home after closing her school for the summer.

Mrs. J. L. Collier and Mrs. Janice Martin were in Roanoke Rapids Thursday where Mrs. Collier went to the hospital for treatment.

Messrs J. L. Joyner and J. B. Mann were in Rich Square and vicinity on business last Thursday.

A large crowd from here attended the group commencement at Conway Friday and we have no doubt but what it was the largest crowd that has ever gathered in Conway at any one time. The school here won the first place in eleven different contests. Miss Hazel Maddrey won over the entire county in the memory contest of the high school departments. The faculty and entire student body as well as the patrons of the school are very proud of the places they have won thus far. With earnest effort we have no doubt but our school will come away with several highest honors at the county commencement which convenes at Woodland.

Mr. J. S. Woodard and daughters of Portsmouth, Va., were week-end guests of relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pruden were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Mollie S. Pruden.

Mrs. H. P. Stephenson spent the week-end in Jackson, guest of her sister, Mrs. G. H. Tyler.

Simon Peete (colored) who runs the transfer for the Farmers Mfg. Co. here, was seriously hurt last week. He was attempting to straighten a log which was hung up with a main line car and the log came loose and fell across his body. After receiving treatment by Dr. A. R. Hodge, he was rushed to a hospital in Norfolk for X ray examination.

At a party staged at No. 8 schoolhouse (colored) in Southampton Co. Va., Saturday evening, Herbert Artis was shot and almost instantly killed by Harry Lighter. Lighter was intoxicated at the time of the shooting and was arrested at his home that night. Artis rented a crop from Mr. C. H. Britt last year, but moved to Southampton county, Va., first of this year.

The Baptist Sunday School had present the largest crowd of the year Sunday morning. 170 present with an enrollment of 220. The Methodist, though not as large in numbers as the Baptist, have a good average attendance.

The Fidelis Class of the Baptist church was delightfully entertained by Miss Una White on Monday evening.

Miss Julia Calvert of the music department in the high school spent the week-end with her home people in Jackson.

Sheriff H. L. Joyner was in town Monday afternoon.

Friday night Mayor C. H. Britt, Chief of Police W. E. Joyner, assisted the Sheriff of Southampton county, Va., in arresting Clarence Jordan, a famous moon shiner near Boykins. Va. Jordan was caught with about 15 gallons of the ardent spirits and over 18 customers. When the arresting party arrived and knocked at the back door, they were told to enter after stating they were friends. Jordan was standing

## MARGARETTSVILLE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gay and daughter, Peggy, spent Sunday in Jackson with Mrs. Gay's mother, Mrs. Mary Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Gray spent Friday afternoon in Waverly with relatives. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Mayer of Waverly, and their daughter, little Miss Barbara Gray, who has been spending several days with her grand parents.

Messrs H. C. Bottoms and J. A. Pruden attended a Masonic meeting in Pendleton Wednesday night.

Miss Pessie Bottoms, member of Nahanta High School faculty, Wayne County, spent the week-end at home. She was accompanied by Miss Reba Bell, Mr. Aldon Gurley and Mr. Harvey Davis.

Mrs. Nannie Bridgers of Wayne County, spent the week end with her brother, Mr. M. B. Garriss. Mrs. J. A. Pruden spent Friday in Norfolk shopping.

Messrs J. G. Stancell and J. and J. G. Bottoms spent Wednesday afternoon in Roanoke Rapids on business.

Rev. Frank Culbreth filled his regular appointment at Sharon M. E. Church Sunday A. M. He announced that there would be no preaching at Sharon next Sunday.

Our commencement exercises will be Thursday night of this week at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

We are very sorry to lose two of our most prominent families from our community, Mr. J. G. Stancell who is moving to Seaboard, and Mrs. Annie Vick to her beautiful new bungalow in Emporia, Va. While we shall miss them we hope for them all success and happiness in their new homes, and we are glad that they are not going very far away, so that we may still see them occasionally.

Mr. J. G. Bottoms spent Friday in Suffolk on business.

Mr. M. B. Garriss and family, Mrs. Rosa Norvel and Mr. H. P. M. Garriss spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Garriss in Boykins.

Mr. J. A. Pruden and family and Mrs. Annie Vick spent Sunday afternoon with relatives and friends in Severn.

Mrs. Lawrence Whittaker of Enfield is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Charlie Stanceil.

### Chicken Sale

A poultry car will be operated over the Seaboard stopping at Conway April 28th and Seaboard April 30th. Cash will be paid for all poultry. Cull your chickens and sell what you do not want. The following prices will be paid:

- Colored Hens 25c lb.
- Leghorn Hens 23c.
- Roosters 11c.
- Turkeys 25c.
- Colored Broilers 47c.
- Leghorn Broilers 41c.
- Geese 10c.
- Ducks 15c.
- Guineas 35c each.

E. P. GULLEDGE,  
County Agent.

over a 10 gallon keg which he was to purchase for his retail trade. The manufacturer was present no doubt, but Jordan would not say who he was, stating he would shoulder the responsibility himself. All those present were searched but no rum or guns could be found. It is thought he had several customers on this side of the river,

## SEABOARD NEWS

### Local News Items Boiled Down for Busy Readers-Seniors Entertained

Mrs. Mattie Gay left Sunday for Richmond to spend a few days shopping.

Mrs. Fannie E. Balderson, Sharps, Va., left for home Saturday after a visit of several weeks to her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Ramsay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Maddrey and son, John Wayland, and Mrs. Susie Suiter of Garysburg, were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. R. M. Maddrey.

Mrs. W. D. Barbee left Monday for Elizabeth City to attend the annual meeting of the Eastern Division of the Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. church.

Miss Emma Reed, Statesville, is the guest of Mrs. G. F. Crocker this week.

Sheriff and Mrs. H. L. Joyner, Jackson, were Sunday afternoon guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Parker.

Miss Maud Stancell arrived Tuesday from Rockingham after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Bedie McLendon.

Mr. Thurman Bullock and sister Sallie, Roanoke Rapids, were week end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bullock.

Mr. Ben Long, Portsmouth, was a Sunday guest of his mother, Mrs. Anna Long.

Mrs. S. J. Kee, Weldon, and Miss Carolyn Woodruff, Raleigh, were guests in town Monday.

Messrs F. C. Weaver and H. L. Duffee spent Sunday in Norfolk with relatives.

Mr. Walter Bradley, Birmingham, Ala., arrived Saturday and is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Mollie Bradley.

Mr. Reese Bullock, Wilson, arrived Sunday and will spend the summer here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bullock.

Mr. John Buckwater, Portsmouth, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Russell Edwards, this week.

Miss Elizabeth Brown, Kirtrell, spent the week-end at the dormitory, the guest of her grand mother, Mrs. Johnnie Johnson.

Messrs Roy Worrell and Paul Spencer spent Sunday in Wake Forest and Raleigh visiting friends.

Mrs. Anna Adams entertained the Sophomore Class at the school building last Thursday at noon. After a few contests she served cream and cake.

Prof. H. M. Lynch spent Monday in Conway on school business.

Mrs. D. P. Harris and son Herbert and family, of Weldon, motored to Elizabeth City Sunday and were guests of Mrs. Harris' mother.

Miss Edna Futrell arrived the past week from Conway and is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Nettie D. Crocker.

Mrs. Carl P. Parker and daughter, Helen Bridges, spent Thursday in Norfolk shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Crocker left Sunday for Reidsville to spend a few days visiting Mrs. Crocker's father, Mr. Jones.

Miss Selma Bradley spent the week end at Chowan College, Murfreesboro, guests of Misses Mary and Bettie Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Norvell and children and Mrs. Dean Crocker and daughter Garnette Leake motored to Norfolk and spent the week end with relatives.

Mrs. S. V. Edwards entertained the Embroidery Club last Wednesday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock. Her home was tastefully decorated with spring flowers. Bridge was played at two (Continued on page eight)

## COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

### First Series of Commencements Held April 16th-First and Second Winners in Contests

The first of the series of commencements in Northampton County was held by Conway Group at Conway, Friday, April 16

The schools entered enthusiastically into all contests. Miss Hattie Parrott, assistant State Supervisor, from Raleigh, and Miss Maude Cotton, a music teacher from Weldon, were the out of the county judges of all public contests. Miss Sibyl Jessup, Mrs. Arthur Flythe, Mrs. Daniel Lane, Mrs. Futrell and Miss Cora Bagley of Jackson were judges of private contests and exhibits.

There were between a thousand and fifteen hundred people present. The crowd was unusually orderly and everybody seemed to enjoy the day contesting.

The exhibits were of an unusually high order. The note books and projects were the result of weeks and months of effective classroom work. The schools that took the trouble to bring their daily work deserve special mention. In this field Newtown won 60 points, Holly Grove 100, Potecasi 180 and Conway 325.

Total points in contests were as follows: Galatia 10, Newtown 15, Milwaukee 15, Holly Grove 20, Potecasi 40, Creeksville 65, Pendleton 65, Severn 100, and Conway 115.

At 2:30 winners were read and Supt Long delivered a number of Reading Circle, Attendance and Health Certificates

Following this were the athletic contests in races, high jump, broad jump, dashes, etc. The crowd stayed on until nearly six o'clock. The points won were as follows: Creeksville 35, Pendleton 50, Severn 70 and Conway 365.

The County Music Memory Contest was held in the afternoon. Fifty-two children from Holly Grove, Potecasi, Severn, Pendleton, Milwaukee, Woodland, Rich Square, Jackson, and Seaboard heard parts of twenty five musical masterpieces played on the victrola and attempted to write the name of the composition, its source, composer, nationality and type from memory.

Agnes Martin of the seventh grade at Rich Square won 1st place with an almost perfect paper. Holly Grove had four children to come next in line. Hazel Maddrey in the eighth grade at Severn won first place in the high school. Rich Square school will be awarded a beautiful \$12.00 bronze tablet, presented to the winner in Northampton County by the National Bureau of Music in New York City. Misses Martin and Maddrey will represent the county in the State contest to be held under the auspices of the State Federation of Women's Clubs at Raleigh, April 23. Let us hope they may bring back another trophy. More important than that is the fact that hundreds of our children from grades 5-11 have had the opportunity of this excellent musical course.

Group commencements will be held at Garysburg, Wednesday, April 21 and Jackson, April 23. County Commencement will be held at Jackson, Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Downstairs there will be the Grammar Grade contests in arithmetic, spelling and oral composition. In the auditorium will be the Primary, Grammar Grade and high school choruses and the piano contest. Dr.

## CROP PROSPECTS

Most farmers in the Roanoke-Chowan section are behind in farm work on account of frequent and heavy rains and cool weather. The season is about ten days late, the foliage of the trees is from ten days to two weeks late.

But very little corn has been planted and no cotton that we have heard of. Last week the ground was too wet on most farms the entire week to plow or plant.

Fall sown oats, wheat and clover are fine, but unfortunately the acreage in these crops is comparatively small.

A heavy rain fell Sunday night, April 18th, and Monday morning we had some snow.

The receipts of fertilizer have been smaller than usual in most sections which indicates a hesitancy to plant a large crop of cotton.

## Roxobel News

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Jenkins of Roxobel delightfully entertained last Friday evening at a bridge party. Their hospitable home was thrown open to about thirty two guests. The living and dining room was artistically decorated with spring flowers, ferns and dainty butterflies were perched here and there.

Eight tables of bridge were played during the evening. Centering the tables were yellow butterflies giving the numbers of each table and with dainty place cards and little yellow baskets filled with yellow and white mints added very much to the decoration.

The hostess, assisted by Misses Matilda and Janet Hedspeth and Mrs. C. S. Bowers, served butterfly salad and punch.

First prize for gentlemen was won by Mr. E. R. Tyler, second, Mr. H. R. Paschal; first prize for ladies was won by Mrs. B. F. Burkett, second, Mrs. Godwin Spivey; consolation prize, Mr. W. R. Ainsley.

Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Godwin Spivey, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Paschal, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Burkett, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. John Peele, Jr., Mesdames T. T. and William Norfleet, Misses Mary Lee and Louise Capehart, Ethel Bryant, Florette Peele, Viola Peele, Matilda and Janet Hedspeth, Musa Reeves of Norfolk and Miss Huggins, Messrs C. R. Livermon, W. R. Ainsley, Guy Tyler, O. T. Jilcott, Jimmie Jenkins and Voight Pritchard.

Dingler Brown, director of music at Meredith College, will deliver an address. The people of the county should not miss this excellent program.

On Saturday all other contests will be held at Woodland. Promptly at 10 o'clock nearly every school of the county will be represented in the pageant, Children of Old Carolina, given on the Fair Grounds. Miss Katherine Batts, director from the University of North Carolina, is spending this last two weeks in the county helping schools make final preparations. Come one. Come all.

Seventh grade certificates will be delivered at 2:30 P. M.

BLANCHE PENNY,  
Supervisor.

Note—The names of the schools winning first and second places will be published next week.—Ed.

## NEWS FROM KELFORD

### School Gives Fine Musical Entertainment-Accidentally Killed-Fishermen in Luck

Dr. and Mrs. Johnston are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnston, on Front Street.

Mr. Carlton Cherry, a law student of Wake Forest College, spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cherry.

Kelford fishermen are having fine luck catching shad in Roanoke River. As high as thirteen were caught by one party one evening last week.

Since Mr. E. D. Cleaton came to Kelford as agent for the Seaboard Air Line Railway, that road has increased its freight shipments to and from Kelford wonderfully. During the past season more than forty cars of peanuts were shipped from here by the Seaboard and hardly a day passes that there is not a car or two of fertilizer placed here for unloading. Mr. Cleaton is a splendid business man, highly efficient and capable and has made a host of friends who delight to do business with him.

Kelford people were very much grieved to hear of the accidental death of Mr. James B. Porter at Wake Forest last Thursday evening. Mr. Porter was a traveling salesman from Norfolk, Va., and had made many friends here during the past several years. It seems from the evidence of those who saw the accident that Mr. Porter, who was seventy years old, failed to see an approaching automobile as he stepped off the sidewalk in the college town and was struck in the breast, knocked down and injured so that he died before he reached the Wake Forest College Hospital.

The most delightful entertainment of the season was given at the Kelford theatre Monday evening, the 19th, by the 1925-26 music class of Kelford school. This class is composed of about twenty girls and was led by their teacher, Mrs. Arthur Ruffin. Mrs. Ruffin is a highly specialized teacher in music and has the happy faculty of being able to place before her students the lessons in such a manner that they can easily grasp them in both theory and technic. The whole concert was a most interesting panorama of the beauties of the arts and science of music as the sweet notes of the beautiful selections fell from the silver strings of the handsome Stieff piano as the ivory keys were softly touched by the nimble fingers of Mrs. Ruffin and her classes. The stage settings, the lovely gowns of the performers and the bearing of their leader brought out the faultless execution of the program in wonderful and pleasing effect.

### REBUILDING CHURCH AT WOODLAND

The contract for rebuilding the Methodist Church in Woodland has been let to Mr. L. R. Joyner of Potecasi, N. C.

Sunday school and preaching service will be held in the Community Building while the church is undergoing construction. Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Preaching: second Sunday, 8 P. M.; fourth Sunday 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

### Play At Lasker

Friday evening, April 23, at 8 o'clock, Dusty Hill talent will present a good 3 act play here at school building entitled, "Clubbing the Husband." Come out and laugh away the blues. Adm. 15c and 25c.