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## SEVERN NEWS

### Peanut Market Opened at 414-- Progress on Power Line--Church News and Personals

Miss Bettie Long, member of high school faculty here, spent the week-end with her home people at Seaboard.

Miss Alice Lambert, head of the music department of the high school, was in Raleigh for the week-end, guest of her sister, Mrs. Sadie L. Blalock, at Meredith College.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Maddrey and children, Pendleton, were Sunday guests of her mother, Mrs. Sallie DeLoatche.

Mr. W. F. Spencer, who is located at Mayesville, spent the week end with his family here.

Among those who attended the West Chowan Association at Christian Harbor last Tuesday and Wednesday, were Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Barnes, Rev. A. W. H. Jones, Messrs J. W. Fleetwood, W. E. Glover and J. N. Johnson.

Mr. Jack Mann was a caller in Murfreesboro Friday evening.

The Hallowe'en entertainment which was given by the Fidelis class of the Baptist Church on last Saturday evening was a great success. Little Miss Viola Britt was successful in winning the cake in the cake walk. On the stage of the spacious auditorium the cake was placed on a table with an arrow pointing from it. The person who was directly in front of the arrow when the music stopped was declared the winner of the cake.

The first peanuts to be placed on the market here were sold by Avent Bros. to Barnes & Fleetwood, local peanut buyers. The price paid was 4¢ per lb.

Quite a large crowd attended the Quarterly Meeting which convened with the M. E. church here last Wednesday. The next meeting will be with Bethany in January.

Several of the members of the Missionary Union here are planning to attend the County Union which will meet with Ashley's Grove Church Thursday.

The Town Board of Commissioners state that every easement for the electric line which will be run from the sub-station near Boykins, Va., have been obtained and placed in the hands of the officials of the Va. Electric & Power Co. According to the statements made by the company work on the line will begin in a short time, as material is expected any day.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Barnes and son Dudley, attended the funeral of Mrs. Pauline White Stephenson, Boykins, Sunday, P. M.

Misses Maude and Mattie Vinson and Mrs. Virgie Wynn were Wednesday afternoon guests of their cousin, Mrs. J. L. Joyner.

Mr. J. V. Rogers, who has been a patient at Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk, for several weeks, returned Sunday much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Rogers, Norfolk, were guests of Mr. J. V. Rogers Sunday.

Peanut digging in this section is about over. Quality is very good, but they are short in the quantity. Peanuts which are harvested in good condition this year should demand a good price.

The program by the Senior B. Y. P. U. of Meherrin Baptist Church on last Sunday evening was largely attended and much enjoyed. This was a demonstration program and the B. Y. P. U. here would like to have them at any other time when they can come.

## MARGARETTVILLE NEWS

Mr. Warren Vick of Emporia spent the week end in our town.

Mrs. Rosa Norvel returned Saturday to her home in Portsmouth, after a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. M. N. Carpenter. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Nannie Bridgers, who will spend sometime with her.

Misses Johnnie Bottoms and Mamie Davis spent Friday in Jackson with Mrs. B. A. Scott. They were accompanied home by Miss Bessie Bottoms, who spent the week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Scott of Jackson spent the week end here with relatives and friends.

Mrs. M. L. Gray and daughter Barbara are visiting relatives in New Jersey and Delaware.

Messrs M. L. Gray and A. L. Gray spent the week end with their mother in Waverly, Va.

Misses Virgie, Leath, Mary and Lucy Bottoms spent Friday afternoon in Boykins, guests of Mrs. R. A. Barnes.

Mrs. Annie Vick returned Saturday night from Norfolk where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Chaplain, for a week. She spent Sunday here with Mrs. J. A. Pruden and returned to her home in Emporia Sunday night.

Mr. J. A. Pruden and family and Mrs. Annie Vick motored to Aurelian Springs Sunday and spent the day with Misses Mary and Belle Rawls, members of the Aurelian Springs High School.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Garriss and children, Marcus and Margaret Buie, and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Scott went to Weldon Friday night and attended the movies.

Mr. M. L. Gray won nine prizes at the Richmond Fair with his chickens. Besides these, he has won several from the fairs at Waverly, Va., Weldon and Emporia, Va.

### Rehoboth Club Meets

The Rehoboth Woman's Club met October 27 at 2:30 o'clock in the community room. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. W. A. Boone. The Club sang "Work for the Night is Coming," after which Mrs. Boone read a scripture lesson from Matthew. Prayer was then offered by Mrs. W. R. Hedspeth. The roll was called by secretary and minutes of last meeting read and approved. Some old business was then discussed, and Mrs. W. A. Boone and Miss Nannie Lee Spivey were appointed to attend the Clothing School at Rich Square on Nov. 16. The old officers were all then re-elected for another year.

Miss Rainwater, Home Demonstration Agent, then took charge of the meeting and gave us the first lesson on Clothing, at the end of which each member present drafted a kimono sleeve dress pattern. The members all showed great interest in this work.

The Club has decided to play the Pollanna game for the next two months and urge all the members to be present next month.

The Club then sang "Bless Be the Tie" and adjourned to meet again next month in the same room.

Mrs. W. R. Hedspeth and Miss Nannie Lee Spivey then served sandwiches and hot chocolate.

### Cotton Ginned

The official Government report gives 10,080 bales of cotton ginned in Northampton prior to October 18th this year compared with 17,631 bales ginned during same time last year.

## SEABOARD NEWS

### New Gin Ready--Parent-Teacher Association--Church And School News--Personals

Mr. Charles Gordon Maddrey of Lewiston high school faculty was the guest of his mother, Mrs. R. M. Maddrey, Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah B. Harris, Jackson, arrived the past week and is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Harris.

Mr. R. L. Moore, Portsmouth, was the week end guest of his wife and children.

Mrs. W. T. Norvell left Sunday for Norfolk to spend a few days visiting relatives and shopping.

Mr. Ben Long, Portsmouth, spent Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. Anna Long, in the home of his niece, Mrs. F. C. Weaver.

Miss Bettie Long of Severn high school faculty was the week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Long.

Prof. and Mrs. H. M. Lynch spent the week end at White Plains, guests of Mr. Lynch's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Matthews and daughter Alma spent Sunday in Raleigh, guests of Miss Virdell Matthews, who is a student of Meredith College. They were accompanied by Mrs. T. J. Stephenson and son, T. J. Jr.

Mrs. W. Grady Edwards and her guest, Miss Adaline Mills, Baltimore, spent the week end at Chapel Hill, guests of Mrs. Edwards' brother, Mr. Robert Clark.

Mr. Ernest Stephenson, Suffolk, was the week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stephenson.

Mr. H. C. Maddrey spent Monday in Norfolk on business.

Miss Josie Maddrey, Norfolk, was the week end guest of her mother, Mrs. R. M. Maddrey.

Miss Mary Harris returned home the past week after a few days visit to friends and relatives at Branchville and Lynchburg.

Messrs Howard Long and Dallas Kee were callers at Chowan College Friday evening.

Mrs. Lucy Leake, Port Norfolk, arrived Sunday and is the guest of relatives near Gumberry this week.

Miss Virginia Edwards, of Southern Shorthand College, Norfolk, was the week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Edwards.

Rev. and Mrs. D. P. Harris spent Sunday at Elizabeth City, guests of Mrs. Harris' mother.

Seaboard's second home talent Lyceum number, "Pandora," an operetta in three acts, will be presented in the high school auditorium Friday evening, Nov. 12, 8 o'clock. Admission 25 and 35 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edwards, Branchville, were week end guests of Mrs. Edwards' sister, Mrs. R. R. Edwards.

Mrs. H. M. Lynch gave her first recital for this session in the high school auditorium Friday afternoon. Several of the parents were present and reported a very fine and varied program was presented.

Rev. Frank Culbreth preached a very able sermon at the M. E. church Sunday evening. There was one candidate, Miss Sallie Bullock, for baptism, and she was received at this service.

Master Kell Gay, who has been ill at Rocky Mount hospital, returned home the past week and is recuperating rapidly at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gay, much to the delight of his numerous friends.

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## ROXBEL NEWS

Miss Louise Hill Norfleet, of Norfolk, spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Spivey.

Miss Mary Lee Capehart spent a part of last week in Lewiston with her aunt, Mrs. Minnie Eason, who has been sick.

Mr. E. R. Tyler was in Norfolk last week on business.

Miss Eva Watson, of Askeville, spent the week end with relatives here.

Mr. C. T. Peele, Mr. J. P. Jenkins, Edward Bryant, Miss Viola Peele and Miss Blanche Hudgins motored to Norfolk Tuesday.

Mr. Spurgeon Bowers, of Enfield, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Cole, of Suffolk, were here Sunday to see their mother, Mrs. Mattie Jilcott.

Mr. Leon Peele, State College, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Peele.

Mrs. N. B. Bell attended Tarboro Fair last week.

Miss Musa Rieves and Miss Bessie Ballance of Norfolk were week end guests of Misses Janet and Matilda Hedspeth.

Mr. Luke Smallwood of Newbern spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. A. Capehart.

Mrs. W. T. Acree and daughter, Frances Peele, of Bethel, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Peele.

Mr. Charles Capehart was in Norfolk a part of last week.

Mr. Jerry Gorforth, Norfolk, was a business visitor here last week.

Mrs. Godwin Bryan Spivey was hostess at a Bridge party in her home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. W. K. Ainsley was in Tarboro last Wednesday on business.

Dr. Edgar P. Norfleet made a business trip to Norfolk Wednesday.

Mr. K. B. Scull of Rehoboth was in town Thursday.

Dr. J. M. Jacobs attended Tarboro Fair last Thursday.

### SUPERIOR COURT IN SESSION

Fall Term Northampton Superior Court was opened in the court house in Jackson promptly on time Monday morning with Hon. Thomas H. Calyert, of Raleigh, judge presiding, with Hon. R. Hunt Parker, of Henderson, Solicitor for the district, prosecuting the criminal docket.

Following good and true citizens were drawn to serve as Grand Jurors for the term: W. A. Lambertson, of Rich Square, foreman, and L. M. Cook, Paul McDaniel, W. G. Edwards, W. H. Brown, J. F. Boone, G. B. Burnett, R. B. Maddrey, Jr., N. E. Griffin, M. B. Johnson, R. G. Collier, H. P. Stephenson, H. T. Long, J. Paul Pruden, B. L. Sykes, J. R. Sears, R. C. Joyner, T. J. Bass.

### Mrs. Harris Entertains

Mrs. H. R. Harris, Seaboard, very delightfully entertained the club and the members of the faculty at a Hallowe'en Party Wednesday afternoon, October 27. The living room and den were artistically suggestive of Hallowe'en with the color scheme of orange and black carried out in cut outs of witches and cats as well as in score cards. Mrs. Grady Edwards received the prize for highest score in Rook. In the subdued light of orange candles the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Mattie Gay, served a delicious salad course with coffee, followed by cream and cake in Hallowe'en colors.

## MILYAUKEE NEWS

Mrs. N. J. Hawkins and children of Bedford, Va., are spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. W. J. Wilson.

Misses Pearl Pantan and Mercilla Reams, of Louisburg College, spent the week end with their parents here.

Mr. Curtis Gilliam, who is attending the Southern Business College, Norfolk, was home a few days last week.

Mrs. Raymond Davis and children of Norfolk are visiting in the home of her father, Mr. A. J. Pantan.

Mrs. Clinton Smith, of Lasker, spent the week end with relatives here.

Miss Hattie Mae Coggin returned home Friday, after spending a few days with relatives and friends in Portsmouth.

Mr. E. W. Martin was in Norfolk last week on business.

Mrs. Ada Gilliam and family visited her son, Mr. G. W. Gilliam, of Durham, N. C., last week end.

Mrs. Claud Atkinson and little son of Richmond, Va., visited her sister, Mrs. J. O. Askew, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Johnson of Conway were dinner guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Martin, little Ruby Rice Martin and Miss Thelma Britt spent last week end with relatives in Goldsboro.

The Young Peoples Missionary Society was delightfully entertained at the home of Miss Mildred Smith at a Hallowe'en party Saturday evening. The house was attractive with its decorations of pumpkins, Jack O'lantern and autumn leaves. The guests were entertained by ghosts and witches. Numerous games were played, the prizes being presented by Mrs. J. E. Smith. Refreshments of hot chocolate, sandwiches and apples were served. The guests were Messdames L. C. Davis, Lokie Johnson, James Roberts, Ruby Martin, J. E. Smith, Clinton Smith, F. A. Askew, Misses Thelma Britt, Ella Reece Martin, Hazel Martin, Dorothy Piland, Mary Pantan, Mercilla Reams, Vashti Gatling, Brownie Martin, Mary Lassiter, Messrs E. W. Martin, James Roberts, Freddie Askew, Charlie Pantan, Lee Gatling, Bagley Johnson, Wingate Martin, Eddie Smith, Curtis Gilliam, Gilbert Lassiter, Russell Smith and Percy Johnson.

### Lasker News

Mrs. P. E. Parker gave a Hallowe'en Party to the Pollyanna women last Saturday night. The club took in a few new members. The house was decorated with black cats, witches, etc., in keeping with the Hallowe'en season. Delicious refreshments were served.

Miss Annie Grey Bridgers, who is teaching at Bethel, spent the week end with her parents at Lasker.

Mrs. Tanner from Rocky Mount spent Saturday in Lasker with her mother, Mrs. B. T. Bridgers.

The Lasker Parent-Teachers Association met Monday night. Rev. Mr. Lane was present and made an interesting talk.

Miss Rainwater, Home Demonstration Agent, will meet with the ladies of the community Tuesday afternoon.

## History Northampton County

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Queen Elizabeth, who highly favored Sir Walter Raleigh, granted him boats and men to make discoveries. Accordingly in 1584 Raleigh sent out Philip Amadas and Arthur Barlowe. On July 4, 1584, they landed on what is now known as Roanoke Island, and took possession of the land in the name of Elizabeth. They made friends with the natives at once. After this discovery Raleigh sent out a colonizing expedition of one hundred and eight men under Ralph Lane. Lane, however, did not make friends with the natives, and therefore the colony was soon without food. For this reason it failed, and the men were forced to return to England. Raleigh sent out another colony under the leadership of John White, this one failed also. Thus Raleigh failed in his personal attempts to settle the New World, and lost his fortune and life.

However, the permanent settlement at Jamestown, Virginia, naturally expanded southeastward along the rivers of the Albemarle Sound, and by 1663 there was a small settlement at the mouth of the Chowan River. It was not long before this colony had extended into what is now Northampton County.

In 1663 the Duke of Albemarle and seven other noblemen, received from Charles II a patent for all the country from Virginia to the St. John's River in Florida. In the same year a civil government was organized by the settlers on the Chowan River. The name of Albemarle Colony was given to the district bordering on the Sound, William Drummond was appointed governor.

The work of preparing a form of government for the new province was assigned to Sir Ashley Cooper. His visionary plans were put in a form known as "The Fundamental Constitution" or "The Grand Model." All attempts to establish this pompous form of government ended in necessary failure, because it was suited to a highly developed state of society, not a pioneer settlement in a wilderness.

In 1720 Robert Jones purchased from the Indians some land, of which Northampton was a part. He paid them only with bright beads and a horn of powder.

At a General Assembly at Wilmington in 1741, the upper part of Bertie County, a part of the Albemarle Colony, was made into Northampton County, and Northwest Church Parish. This name shows the relation of the Church of England to the government. It left Bertie as a society parish. Its County Court was directed to erect a court house and jail. These were built in 1742 at what is now Jackson.

In the period up to 1815 the county seat was called Smithville in honor of a man who owned nearly all the land in Northampton. In 1829 upon the election of Andrew Jackson as President of the United States, the name was changed to Jackson.

The county was named in honor of George Compton, Earl of Northampton, the father of Spencer Compton, Earl of Wilmington in the British Peerage.

In 1741 his majesty, the King, repealed the act which separated

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