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## LOCAL NEWS

of interest to  
ALL OF OUR READERS.

The Salisbury Chamber of Commerce is getting in some nitrate of soda for Rowan farmers. If you need any see T D Brown at the old court house.

Mike Winecoff, who has been with the Rowan Hardware and Machinery Co for nearly eight years as salesman and manager of the machinery and implement line as resigned and accepted a position with the Farm Power Co. which is going to put in a full line of John Deere machinery and implements. He will be glad for his friends to call to see him across the street from The Watchman office.

A daughter was born Tuesday morning to Mr and Mrs Albert Miller who reside near China Grove.

At a meeting held in the old court house last night it was decided that a big fourth of July celebration would be held in Salisbury this year. Get ready to do your part.

A strong county organization is being formed to carry the War Savings Stamps Campaign next week to a successful conclusion. It will succeed of course and old Rowan will go over the top again.

Reports from all parts of the county indicate that the wheat crop will be much shorter than was anticipated several months ago.

Mrs P A Earnhardt spent Tuesday in Salisbury visiting Mrs M J Ragland.

S G Setzer and J A Bruton who have been clerking at Corriher-Carpenter Co's have resigned and accepted other positions. Mr Setzer has taken a position in the yard at Spencer and J A Bruton as fireman on the Southern.

Rev R L Brown and wife of Granite Quarry are visiting their son, John R Brown also a sister, Mrs P A Peeler of Faith.

Arthur Holshouser of Salisbury, visited his parents here Sunday.

Reserved seat tickets for the orphan's concert Thursday night, June 27th, will be on sale at Jno. R Brown's jewelry store. The orphan must be cared for and food is high, so come out and help where help is needed and will be appreciated.

Prof. J E Redfern who was principal of the China Grove schools during the term of 1916-17, has just been re-elected superintendent of the public schools of Spencer. He is given credit for having conducted a splendid school there during the past year.

Mrs Mary Ramsaur who has been in the hospital in Salisbury for three weeks for treatment for appendicitis returned home today, having been greatly improved.

Rev W H Riser, former pastor of St Mark's E L Church, China Grove, was a Salisbury visitor Tuesday.

The government suggests that no wheat be threshed before July 15th if there is a way to care for it.

Miss Maude Finch of Albemarle has been the guest of Miss Mary Bostian a few days this week.

M N Templeton is spending the day in Statesville.

John Goodman and Lester Fisher who had left for Camp Jackson were discharged for disabilities.

Hampton Stirewalt at Camp Jackson has joined the band and is pleased with his work.

Grip Boger now connected with the army is assisting in the tank service between New York and France, is at home on a short furlough.

Miss Virginia Hoke is visiting relatives in Lincolnton.

The Junior Missionary society will meet in the Sunday school room of the Lutheran church Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

Miss Annie Lee Pless of Crescent spent several days with her sister, Mrs C P Fisher.

The program of the orphan singing class is calculated to make the hearts of loyal citizens swell with love for their country.

Miss Fannie Eford went to Statesville this morning to accompany her sister, Miss Laura home. Miss Laura has been in the Long sanatorium for treatment and has been much improved.

Mesdames R L McCrary of Lexington, C C Kimball of Columbia, J S Sutton of Birmingham, Miss Florence Eddleman of Albemarle, G M Misenheimer and wife attended the funeral of Mr C W Rankin, Monday.

Be sure to hear the patriotic program of the orphan's class from Oxford orphanage. It is inspiring.

Mesdames H T Graeter, W D Talbert and A W Winecoff spent Wednesday in Kannapolis with C H Graeber and wife.

Miss Nannette Ramsaur of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents Dr and Mrs G A Ramsaur.

The Corriher-Carpenter Co have a new advertisement in this paper and are making some very reasonable prices on most lines of goods. You get your money's worth when you trade with this enterprising firm.

The 14 girls and boys in the Oxford singing class are representing about 375 children in that splendid institution. Hear them sing and see how you like them.

If you want to spend a evening of pleasure, and at the same time help a most worthy cause, do not fail to attend the concert given by the Oxford Singing Class.



Prof Chas W Rankin of Graham N. C., aged 32, died in Asheville, last Friday, where he had gone for treatment. The remains were taken to China Grove Sunday morning and the funeral was held from St Marks E L Church Monday afternoon. Rev W H Riser, former pastor of that church, officiating, and Rev C P Fisher, present pastor, assisting. The interment was in Green Lawn Cemetery. He leaves a wife and two small boys, also a father, mother, two brothers and one sister. He was a native of this county and his parents live near Barber. 25 or 30 former patrons and teachers of Graham and some from Concord and Salisbury were present at the funeral, which was one of the largest ever held from St Marks. Mr Rankin was a splendid young man in every respect and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him.

### THE FUNERAL.

At 3:30 Monday afternoon the funeral services over the remains of Prof Charles Wesley Rankin were held at St. Mark's Lutheran church by Rev W H Riser of Lexington, S C, and Rev C P Fisher, pastor. The pall bearers were; active, W B Green, T O Moore of Graham, N C, Supt A S Webb, J B Robertson, J C Fisher and Chas E Boger, Concord, N C; honorary, J H White, C A Thompson, R L Holmes, W E Thompson, W P Smith, E P McClure, A Williams, J Boggs of Graham, W J Swink and G G Blackweider of China Grove. Twelve flower girls took charge of the many beautiful floral offerings. Prof Rankin was 32 years of age. He was born near Salisbury in 1886 and was married to Miss Lurline Graham of China Grove in 1912. He was a man of excellent character, high in intellectual traits and abilities, one of the leading educators of the State. Teaching at Salisbury, Jackson Training School, and for the past five years at Graham. Several days prior to his death he resigned the position of superintendent of the Burlington schools. Surviving Prof Rankin are his wife and two children, his father, mother, one sister and two brothers, besides a host of devoted friends and relatives. Attending the services were many friends and relatives from Salisbury, Graham, Concord, Lexington, Albemarle, Columbia, S C, and Birmingham, Ala.

William Key Ramsaur Fesperman, son of Mr and Mrs Wm J Fesperman, near Grace church, died at the home of his parents Saturday morning, June 15, after an illness of a little more than a week, at the age of 12 years, 9 months and 3 days. On October 14, 1917, he was confirmed a member of Lutheran Chapel church, and has ever been faithful in his attendance of the services of the church and Sunday school. As an evidence of the very high esteem in which he was held by his Sunday school class, the teacher, Mrs Angie Kimball, and the other members of the class sat with the mourners during the services. He was also a member of the Children's Missionary Society and was one of twelve who volunteered to

support a Japanese pupil in the Lutheran school in Kumamoto, Japan, for one year. All who knew him bear testimony that he was a good boy, kind and obedient. He leaves to mourn his death a devoted father and mother, one brother, Floyd, of Hiddenite, N C, and five sisters, Mesdames Walter Overcash of near China Grove, T Mike Winecoff of Salisbury, Floyd Barger of Bostian's Cross Roads, and Misses Angio and Estelle Fesperman, the former of Salisbury, and the latter at home with her parents, together with a large number of relatives and friends. The funeral services were held in Lutheran Chapel Church the day following his death conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. A. Brown, in the presence of a very large concourse of friends and relatives after which his body was tenderly laid to rest in Green Lawn Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just.

The sixteen months old daughter, Evelyn Lorene, of Mr and Mrs Horace E Shoe of Landis, died Wednesday morning, June 19th, about five o'clock, after a few days illness with coelitis. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev C A Brown, at Lutheran Chapel at 11:30 a m, the day following her death, after which the little body was tenderly laid to rest in Green Lawn Cemetery to await the resurrection morn. She leaves to mourn her death a devoted father and mother and a large circle of relatives and friends.

Mrs Maggie Watkins, mother of C R Watkins of China Grove, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs Laura Moser, in Charlotte yesterday. Mrs Watkins was about 80 years old and leaves several grown children. Her remains were brought here this afternoon on No 46 and taken to Lutheran Chapel church where the funeral service was conducted by Rev W S Hales of the Methodist church. The interment was in Green Lawn cemetery.

### Whooping Cough.

In this disease it is important that the cough be kept loose and expectoration easy, which can be done by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs P H Martin, Peru, Ind., writes, "My two daughters had whooping cough. I gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it worked like a charm."

### Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank, publicly, our friends and most especially the many friends of our dear son and brother Kay for the kindness shown us in our recent bereavement. We assure you they will never be forgotten.

Mr and Mrs W J Fesperman  
Mrs T W Overcash,  
Mrs T M Winecoff,  
Mrs Floyd Barger,  
Miss Angie Fesperman,  
J Floyd Fesperman,  
Miss Estelle Fesperman.

### Sour Stomach.

This is a mild form of indigestion. It is usually brought on by eating too rapidly or too much, or food not suited to your digestive organs. If you will eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, eat but little meat and none at all for supper, you will more than likely avoid the sour stomach without taking any medicine whatever. When you have a sour stomach, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets to aid digestion.

Mrs M J Graham, has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs C L Graeber in Yazoo city, Miss.

The many friends of A Van Pelt will regret to learn that he is kept at home with illness.

Carl Correll received a dog by express this morning from Leesburg, Va.

Rev J H Keller left this morning for Charlotte.

J D Heilig, Esq., of Salisbury, N C, called on Rev C A Brown last Tuesday evening on business relative to the work of the North Carolina Synod.

C E Correll who has been on the sick list for several days is improving.

Mrs W E Deal and children are spending the week at Caldwell Deals' near Enochville.

### The Orphans are Coming.

The singing class of Oxford Orphanage will give a concert in China Grove at 8:30 o'clock p m Thursday June 27th.

You no doubt, know something as to the good that has heretofore resulted to the various places these children have visited, and we are confident that the effort to make their forthcoming visit a success, as well as a blessing to our community, will enlist your hearty co-operation.

The committee looking after the the work here is composed of M A Stirewalt, H S Bostian, T S Beaver.

The concert is to be given in China Grove by a class of children from the Oxford Orphanage should enlist the sympathetic interest and patronage of all our people. On former visits these children have shown themselves to be well behaved and well trained and the concert is always worthy of patronage.

### American Troops Storm German Trenches.

With the American army in France, June 20.—At dawn this morning, American troops stormed the German trenches and machine gun nests in front of Cantigny, in the Montdidier sector. Those of the German garrison who remained to fight and carry out their orders to hold position at any cost, were killed by rifle and machine gun fire and bayonet.

The Americans also took prisoners.

The American artillery put down a heavy box barrage on the rear of the enemy positions. A few minutes later the infantry swarmed over the top and rushed the trenches. Some of the Germans had tried to escape through the barrage, crashing to their rear, but few of them got through for numerous German dead were found later.

Prisoners captured declare that they had orders to hold on at all costs, and this was apparent by the desperate manner in which they fought. The battle was short, but deadly, for the enemy positions were swept clean of Germans. The official report says that a great many Germans were killed.

One machine gun nest containing eight men, which had been sprinkling Cantigny for some days, was blown up by a direct hit from a trench mortar bomb.

### READY FOR NEXT DRIVE.

A Campaign to Sell Thrift and War Savings Stamps Comes Next.

There was a meeting one night this week of the committee on Thrift and War Savings Stamps appointed by the county chairman, W B Strachan of Salisbury, for the purpose of laying plans to conduct the township campaign in the drive to take place next week June 24-28th. B O Edwards of Landis, chairman of the township committee appointed leaders for the Fink and Yost school, Harris chapel school, Cross school, Upper Kannapolis school, and all other schools in the township who will select their assistants to carry on the work. Arrangements were made to have speakers at the various schools and a big union service will be held in China Grove Sunday afternoon in St Mark's E L church.

The township committee is composed of B O Edwards, chairman, J P Linn, F E Wright, A M Hanna, H R Shepherd, P A Earnhardt, Mrs P A Earhardt and Mrs V J Swink.

The China Grove committee consists of Rev J H Kellerman chairman, A M Hanna, A A Burley and Mrs FR Shepherd.

The Landis committee consists of C J Deal, chairman, F E Wright, J P Linn, mesdames B O Edwards and F K Wright.

### The Ladies Still at Work.

Friday afternoon the Red Cross workroom was filled with and earnest enthusiastic workers. Every one was busy the entire time, from little Miss Ethel Fisher who cheered the soldiers as they passed on troop trains to the industrious ladies who came miles from their home in the country to help. Some were there for the first time. All were glad to have them and feel sure they caught the true spirit of the place and will come regularly. Those present were: Mesdames B S Shuford, David Lyerly, D C Swaringen, F R Shepherd, George Lips, Henry McCorkle John Holsouser, A D Sechler, Hinton Kirk, C A Brown, S A Weaver, J L Bostian, A W Winecoff, G G Blackweider, C P Fisher, T S Wilkie, W S Hales, S P McLester, A M Hanna, Misses Annie Lee Pless, Evelyn Thom, Mary Bostian, Helen Lyrely and Lucile Swaringen.

### An Unique Marriage.

An unique marriage was solemnized last Tuesday, June 18, 1918, when Miss Annie Moore Philipps and Lee Oscar Oline were made one. The contracting parties were attired in plain neat working clothes, the groom wearing overalls and the bride wearing a plain light blue gingham dress. The vows were made on the large flat rock in front of the old historic "Brick House," near Ebenezer church, Litaker township. Rev C A Brown performed the ceremony.