

WILSON FUNERAL

GREATEST AMERICAN GENTLY LAID TO REST IN MARBLE VAULT IN EPISCOPAL CHAPEL WEDNESDAY IN WASHINGTON. IMPRESSIVE MEMORIAL SERVICE HELD IN ROCKINGHAM AT HOUR OF FUNERAL.

The funeral of Ex-President Woodrow Wilson held in Washington Wednesday was quite simple and in keeping with his wish, he being buried as a plain American, who gave his all for peace.

A simple service was held at his residence, and then the remains in a black casket were carried to the (Continued on page 8)

METHOD WOMEN, ATTENTION

The Methodist women of Rockingham county are asked to meet at the Rockingham M. E. Church on Thursday, Feb. 14th, to effect the organization of a County Federation of Missionary Societies.

Interesting speakers will talk on Children's Work, Superannuate Campaign, Mission Study, Social Service, Bell Bennett Memorial, and Auxiliary organization.

There will be a morning and afternoon session, opening at 10:30 a. m. and closing at 4. Lunch will be served at the church. Every Methodist woman in the county is urgently urged to attend.

COUNTY STATEMENT.

Beginning on page nine can be found the annual County Statement. This should be filed away for reference, and every taxpayer should scan it closely and thus be conversant with his county's finances.

Auditor Covington has arranged his figures in a clear and understandable form, in quite a contrast to the more or less heterogeneous way in which the average county audit is made up.

BILLY SUNDAY NOT COMING.

It was reported that Billy Sunday would come to Hamlet this coming Saturday and speak. However, this plan has been abandoned, and Mr. Sunday is not coming.

SALVATION ARMY DRIVE.

A Drive to raise funds for the Salvation Army is to be put on in Rockingham and the county Feb. 9th, and continue through the 12th. F. Don Phillips is chairman for the Drive, and the quota desired is \$1,000.

Maurie Cree was today elected by the Senior Class of the Rockingham school as Class President.

List of deaths on page 8.

Rham Higs defeated Hamlet Higs here last Friday night 35-15. At the same time, Rham girls won from Monroe girls 42-37. Tuesday night Rham girls beat Wadesboro girls at Wadesboro 44-11, and Rham girls won 64-10. Ellerbe plays here next Tuesday night.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Storey, of Burlington, at the home of Mr. W. E. Thomas here this (Thursday) morning at 4:30, a daughter, Frances. The little lady is named for her maternal grandmother.

CUT CHEESE SATURDAY.

The huge 1007-pound cheese in the window of Watson-King grocery will be cut Saturday, 9th, at 11 o'clock. Every person who engaged a pound of this cheese was given a number. The drawer of the lucky number gets \$10 in gold, and second lucky holder gets \$5.

FORMER PRESIDENT

WOODROW WILSON

CLAIMED BY DEATH

A TIRED MAN, CLOSED HIS EYES AND PASSED INTO THE GREAT BEYOND.

THE END CAME

Life Ebbd Away While Nation Bows Head in Mourning Former President Passed

Washington, Feb. 3.—Former President Woodrow Wilson died at 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

The end was peaceful. A tired man, he closed his eyes, "sustained and soothing resting trust," passed on hereafter "like one who drapery of his couch about him lies down to pleasant dream."

Dr. Grayson, his friend and physician, announced the end of the great war President in this bulletin: "Mr. Wilson died at 11:15 o'clock.

His heart's action became feebler and feebler, and the heart muscle was so fatigued that it refused to act any longer. The end came peacefully.

"The remote causes of death lie in his ill health which began more than four years ago, namely: general arterio-sclerosis with haemophilia. The immediate cause of death was exhaustion following a digestive disturbance which began in the early part of last week but didn't reach an acute stage until the early morning hours of February 1."

Grim Reaper Enters.

Last Friday the grim reaper had forced his way into the house after waiting on the doorstep more than four years. Saturday he had advanced to the landing on the staircase, and stood counting off the ticks of the great clock. Saturday night he knocked on the chamber door.

A faithful physician and a loyal wife stood with their backs against it.

At 9 o'clock he rattled the knob and called to the peaceful prostate figure on the bed—a great bed long and wide, a replica of the bed in which Abraham Lincoln slept in the White House, with a golden American eagle and a tiny silk American flag just over the head board.

The watchers knew the battle was lost. At the portal of the door now open, the faithful negro servant hovered. On the bed, sitting beside her husband, sustained with all the fortitude and composure of a woman facing a crisis, was Mrs. Wilson, holding between her hands the wan, withered right hand that had proved the pen mightier than the sword. Near the foot of the bed was his youngest daughter, Margaret, resigned to the inevitable. Close by, tears welling from his eyes and coursing down his cheeks was Dr. Grayson, taking the measure of the fluttering pulse, weaker and fainter with each effort.

Death advanced and beckoned for the last time. The tired, worn-out man drew a long breath, there was a slight flutter of the eyelids, and almost imperceptible twitch of the nostrils.

Woodrow Wilson's soul had drifted out on the great dark tide that runs around all the world.

From 100 Pulpits.

But through a city stilled in a Sabbath morning's reverential calm, his mew as being spoken from a hundred pulpits. In the Central Presbyterian church, where he faithfully (Continued on Page 6.)

WAS NOT A SNAKE

REPORT THAT A SNAKE HAD BEEN FOUND IN STOMACH OF WHITE MAN IN HAMLET HOSPITAL A MISTAKE. MAN SUFFERING FROM ILLUSION, AND RUBBER SNAKE PRODUCED BY DOCTOR TO EFFECT CURE.

Some days the report has been given that Dr. James had extracted a snake a foot and a half from a man's stomach at the Hamlet hospital.

The POST-DISPATCH is glad to set the true facts. Two weeks ago a young man came to the Hamlet hospital, suffering from an illusion that he had swallowed a tiny snake a year ago, while drinking branch water, and that it had grown to large proportions. In order to cure him, it is said that Dr. James treated him with a purgative and then on Wednesday of this week showed him a small snake that he said he had gotten from the man's stomach. The snake was nothing more or less than a rubber snake. But the supposed extraction of the snake did the work, for the young man appeared mentally better at once, and was able to return to his home today.

ESCAPE FROM CHAIN GANG

Five Prisoners Make Escape From Richmond County Chain Gang. 1 Recaptured. Rewards Offered. Seven Too Large to Squeeze Through Hole.

Four prisoners from the Richmond county chain gang are at large, they having escaped from the gang about midnight of the night of Jan. 31st. The four are Walter Edgar Thomas, sentenced at last term for 3 years for shooting Shem Blackley, of Hamlet; Jess Brown, serving two years but with half already served; J. D. McNeill and Frank Jones, with short sentences. For Thomas and Brown rewards of \$25 are offered; for the last two only \$10 rewards.

A fifth also escaped, Arthur Vance but was recaptured next day near Kollock.

There were 12 negroes in the cage. A hole was broken in the top, but it was so small that only very small prisoners could squeeze through. These five were the only ones who could get out. The other seven doubtless yearned for the outer freedom, but could not compress their larger bodies through the opening, and so they perforce had to remain in the cage.

AGED NEGRO TO HOME.

An aged negro, Julius Stanback, entered the County Home Tuesday from Steele's township. He is 72. There are now 14 colored and 10 white persons at the Home.

TRANSLATE THIS.

Dave Henry was down below Cherraw a few days ago, and came across the grave of Capt. William Boggan Cash, in the old Cash graveyard. On the tombstone is inscribed: "Born Nov. 19, 1855, murdered May 15, 1884." And these words: "Durum Sed Levens Fet Petuntea Quld Quld Conegell Est Nefas." (Dave may have gotten some of the above letters wrong; at any rate, he wants them translated.)

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Chairman J. F. Stafford has issued a call for the Republican precinct meetings to be held Thursday night, Feb. 14th, at 7:30, and for the county convention to meet at the courthouse in Rockingham Monday night, Feb. 18th, at 7:30. Due notice is on page seven of the POST-DISPATCH.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Feb. 1—James Hampton Covington and Mamie Lee Henley, white.
Feb. 2—James Harrington and Ina Hurley, colored.
Feb. 6—Anderson G. Blue and Exie Strickland, white.
Feb. 7—Dock King and Jennie Utley, colored.

MAN ACCIDENTLY KILLED

Rockingham Jitney Driver Unavoidably Runs Over Deaf Man on Highway Near Darlington Sunday and Almost Instantly Kills Him.

H. M. Stogner, young white man driving jitney for W. A. Green, of Rockingham, unavoidably ran over a deaf man last Sunday afternoon, a (Continued on page 8)

BRIDGE COST \$286,660

Contract Price for the Pee Dee River Bridge Awarded Jan. 31st \$286,660.19. Graded Road \$41,606. About Two Years to Complete Bridge. Road to be Hard Surfaced.

As announced in last week's POST-DISPATCH, the contract for building a concrete bridge across Pee Dee river was let by the State Highway Commission at Raleigh Jan. 31st. The Hardaway Construction (Continued on Page 8)

BROTHERHOOD SUPPER.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is planning quite an elaborate supper for Friday night, Feb. 15th. A score of guests will be invited and Bishop Penick will be present.

DEMONSTRATION WORK NEGROES

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAKE APPROPRIATION SO THAT NEGROES OF COUNTY CAN HAVE THEIR OWN DEMONSTRATION AGENT. COUNTY PAYS TRAVELING EXPENSES, STATE TO PAY SALARY. GOOD MOVE. JURY DRAWN CIVIL TERM.

The County Commissioners were in monthly session last Monday, all five members present as follows: H. C. Wall, chairman; L. D. Frutchey, A. T. White, Dr. Caddell, T. E. Battle.

Perhaps the most important matter handled was the acceptance of the State's offer in regard to a whole time Demonstration Agent for the colored people. The State pays the salary of such a one, only asking the county to defray the traveling expenses. Very wisely the Commissioners accepted the proposition, and authorized an expenditure of \$33.33 per month for this purpose, from March 1st, and ending Dec. 1st. Lucy Wade, daughter of William Wade, a respected negro of Ellerbe, Route, will be the agent to do this work. Her activities will embrace instruction in sewing, canning and general home improvement among the colored portion of our citizens.

AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION, THE POST-DISPATCH MIGHT STATE THAT

the census of 1920 gave Richmond county 25,567 people—of which number 10,545 were negroes. Of these 10,545 negroes, 5,118 were males and 5,427 females.

Other matters handled by the Commissioners Monday were: J. D. Mason was instructed to file monthly report with the Board as to his work as tobacco development agent for the county.

The salary of Auditor J. D. Covington was raised from \$175 per month to \$191.66 per month, effective (Continued on Page 7.)

SHEPHERD FAILS TO APPEAR.

Ellis Shepherd, white, charged with abandoning his wife and child, failed to appear for preliminary trial last Monday, and so forfeits his \$300 bond that W. A. McDonald furnished for him.

PEARSON ON RECKLESS CHARGE

Dewey Pearson was given a hearing before Squire Smith here Tuesday on charge of driving car while drunk and reckless driving. Boggan appeared for him, and Sedberry for W. J. Butler, the prosecuting witness. It was Butler's car that Pearson ran into. The drunk charge was dismissed, but he was bound to April 7th term of Court on the reckless driving charge, under \$300 bond.

EIGHT CHARGED GAMBLING.

Eight white men from the Steele's Mills section were jacked up last Saturday on the charge of gambling. All waived examination and were bound to April 7th Court under \$50 bond each, except B. F. Peele who contested his case, but he too was bound over. The men were C. M. and W. D. Perryman, B. F. Peele, Bud Henry, T. M. Tendell, Lee Calder, Z. O. Quick and H. F. Myner.

TURKEYS 32 1/2c PER LB.

The Curb Market will have turkeys on sale Saturday, Feb. 9th, for one day only, at 32 1/2c per lb. Orders can be given me.

Mrs. Anna Lea Harris, Home Dem. Agent.

VALENTINE SUPPLIES.

The POST-DISPATCH has for sale rep paper and red cardboard, suitable for Valentine purposes.

ARE YOU A GOOD HUSBAND?

If your family was left fatherless, would your wife and children be helpless and destitute? Would they have to depend upon charity and assistance from relatives and friends?

Would they have to undergo suffering and hardship because you had not taken the precaution to insure your life; suffering is the more pitiful because it is so easily avoidable.

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People Who Saved and Banked

have plenty of New Year money to spend right now. Those who didn't save may find it difficult to spend.

Begin now to save for Christmas, 1924. Put it in this Bank and forget to draw it out.

If you save for Christmas you will also save for other purposes. Saving is a mighty good habit.

The Richmond County Savings Bank