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## Rockingham Team Wins Championship of the East

### Rockingham Highs on Tuesday Won Championship of Eastern Carolina by Defeating Woodland in Semi-Finals. Will Play Shelby, the Western Champions, Saturday at Chapel Hill for State Championship.

Never in the history of high school athletics in Piedmont Carolina has a team won such a single honor as has come to the baseball team that now represents the Rockingham High School.

By its defeat of Smithfield at Sanford last Friday, and of Woodland at Chapel Hill Tuesday, the Rockingham Highs have made a clean sweep of Eastern Carolina and the team is the undisputed champion. It now remains to be seen whether the coveted title of "All State" champions will be also annexed. This will be made known on this coming Saturday when Rockingham is pitted against the champion team of Western Carolina—Shelby. The game takes place at Chapel Hill, under University supervision, Saturday at three o'clock—and it is not making an idle prediction when we assert that the population of Richmond county will be several hundred less when the umpire calls "play ball."

Scores of car-loads of folks from this county will go to Chapel Hill Saturday to back the team. This paper is printing ribbons on which are the words, "Rockingham, 1924, Eastern Champs," and these are on sale at Fox Drug store at cost (ten cents each.) The idea is for our folks to wear these and be proud of their colors!

Coach Shorty Lawrence has worked faithfully to produce a winning athletic team. His football team last fall is still believed to have been of state-wide championship material, despite its defeat by Newbern on a mud-soaked field in the semi-finals. And now he has whipped into shape a baseball combination that by "sheer force and awkwardness" has slammed its way to the top. May that top be fully attained Saturday is the earnest wish of loyal lovers of the home town and school. And Hamlet, Ellerbe and the entire county is just as proud of the Rockingham school's achievement, and pulling strong for the home team.

The Woodland Game  
As can be seen further along in the detailed account of the Smithfield game, Rockingham won by score of 14-11 in a hair-raising finish; and the same way with the Woodland game last Tuesday.

In the Smithfield game, the score stood 10-0 in favor of Smithfield when the eighth inning started. And then things began to happen. A regular barrage of hits, with a plentitude of errors, followed each other in rapid fire succession, and when the inning was finally ended Rockingham had come from behind with a magnificent burst and shoved 11 runs across. And in the next inning three more runs were scored away and the game laid on ice. Selmon has a more heart-grIPPING finish been seen in baseball—unless it was in the game with Woodland Tuesday at Chapel Hill.

Thrill followed thrill in this Woodland game. Woodland scored twice in the second inning, to be tied with two all by Rockingham in the third. Then in the sixth Rockingham forged to the front with a three-run lead, and added another in the seventh. This looked like a certain victory, but several errors, two hits and a base on balls gave Woodland four  
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### BILLIE ELLERBE DEAD

Suffered Acute Bowel Obstruction and Died Tuesday Morning Before Operation Could Be Performed.

Mr. W. W. (Billie) Ellerbe died Tuesday morning at the Hamlet hospital where he was carried a few minutes earlier in hopes that an operation might relieve him.

He was in town Saturday, apparently as well as usual. On Monday he became acutely sick, grew worse Monday night and early Tuesday was hastened to the hospital; he was suffering from acute obstruction of the bowels. But his condition was so severe that it was seen that an operation could not help him and he died within a few minutes after reaching the hospital.

The funeral was at Zion Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Revs. Petty and Jones. Surviving are his wife, two boys, four daughters, and four brothers. The brothers are Zack, John, Wesley, all of this county; and S. W. Ellerbe of Jayton, Texas.

The friends of Mr. Ellerbe and his connections sympathize deeply in their bereavement. He was 66.

### GUARANTORS FRIDAY

A meeting of the 64 guarantors of the Chautauqua is called for Friday at 11:30 at the Hotel. Every guarantor is asked to be present.

### HORSE FOR EXPRESS

It will be recalled that in the big fire several weeks ago here the large horse of the express company was burned to death. "Bill" had drawn the express delivery truck here 9 years, and really needed no driver.

A new horse was on Tuesday put on the job. The new horse was shipped here from Norfolk, is 6 years old, weighs 1460 pounds, and is an iron gray Percheron. He has been named "Jerry."

The express office will be moved on the 29th to the McLaurin building on Pearl street.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Women's Clubs of the county at Mrs. Harris Office, in the New Courthouse on Saturday, May 24th, at 11 o'clock.

There are many things of importance to be discussed at this time and it is hoped that every Club will be well represented. Immediately following lunch, Mrs. Harris will give a demonstration in canning English peas in a steam pressure cooker. Peas and beans are some of the hardier vegetables to sterilize, usually requiring the intermittent or three-day process. By using the steam pressure cooker, the work is accomplished in one day and in a much shorter time than usually required each day of the three. A pint jar of peas canned in a hot water canner, requires one and a half hours cooking for each of the successive days. This same jar can be sterilized in a pressure cooker, under ten pounds of steam in forty-five minutes.  
Be sure to be there at eleven o'clock.

## WHAT HAPPENED TO DENMARK

WILL THE SOUTH LEARN HER LESSON?

Compare Our Sand Hills With Denmark's Sand Hills.

The Danes were a seafaring, war-like people until they and their allies, the French, were defeated in the Napoleonic wars, by the English and the Germans. Their navy was sunk and Germany took all their southern territory which was about all that was considered worth having at that time. Thus in the latter part of the nineteenth century the poverty-stricken Danes were thrown back upon the poorest land in Europe (a land that was much like our Sand Hills) to eke out an existence at farming on land that the shrewd German regarded as practically worthless.

Instead of submitting themselves to be ruled by their aristocracy, instead of migrating to other and more fertile countries, instead of appealing  
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### SUPERIOR COURT

Superior Court for the trial of civil cases will convene at Rockingham May 26th, with Judge Shaw presiding. The calendar of the cases is in this issue.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE

May 10—H. A. Haywood and Mrs. Ethel B. Smith, white.

May 14—Marvin S. Robinson and Tillie Harris, colored.

May 14—Parker Holmes Cander, and Ona Lee Crow, white.

May 15—Wiley C. Malloy and Mary M. Sloan, colored.

### EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Subject of Mr. Hartzell's sermon this Sunday morning at the Episcopal church will be "God in the World." Church school at 9:45.

No services Sunday night, this called in for the union service at the Chautauqua tent.

### MR. BENTON TO ATLANTA

Rev. Bruce Benton left Wednesday for Atlanta to attend the Southern Baptist Convention. He will likely return next Monday.

### WEAR COLORS TO GAME

Show the Shelby folks that you are backing your Rockingham team, if you attend the game at Chapel Hill Saturday. Ribbons with "Rockingham, 1924, Eastern Champs" printed thereon for sale by the POST-DISPATCH.

### METHODIST CHURCH

The presiding elder, Rev. J. H. Shore, will preach at the Methodist services in the Grammar school auditorium at 11 A. M. next Sunday.

### OPERATOR HAS MUMPS

W. H. Covington, Jr., the efficient linotype operator for the POST-DISPATCH, developed mumps last Friday, and is kept at home this week. Mr. Dees, at present with the Spencer shop at Bennettsville, is supplying during young Covington's sickness.

Mrs. John Sandy Covington went to Charlotte Tuesday morning to attend the graduating exercises of the Nurses. A class of fifteen, of which her daughter, Miss Johnnie Covington was one of the fifteen, graduated. Mrs. Covington reports a grand time; after the graduating exercises, there was a banquet tendered the graduates, followed by a dance at the Selwyn Hotel. Mrs. Covington returned home this (Thursday) morning.

### MEMORIAL DAY HERE

16 Veterans Present for Annual Memorial Day Dinner May 10th. 23 Present in 1923. Four Vets Died This Past Year.

Memorial Day was appropriately observed by the Pee Dee Guards chapter U. D. C., here last Saturday, May 10th. While not quite as many Confederate veterans attended as were present in 1923, still there were enough present (16) to make all have a good time, in enjoyment of the creature comforts provided, and in the comradeship of each other.

Shortly before noon the vets and Daughters assembled in the high school auditorium, where Confederate songs were sung by a bevy of high school boys and girls, under direction  
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### HANCOCK NOT INSANE

Henry Hancock, white, who was declared insane at January term of Richmond County Superior Court, and who was committed to the State Hospital at Raleigh, was two weeks ago declared of sound mind by the hospital authorities. He accordingly was brought back here by a deputy sheriff on last Friday, lodged in jail, and on Monday was released under \$500 bond for his appearance at July term of Court to answer to the blocking and assault charges against him.

### IN TOUCH WITH LAW

A negro woman, Bertha Shaw, sent by the Hamlet Recorder last week to serve 4 months in jail here, was turned out Tuesday on \$100 bond furnished by "Little Bill." She had appealed her case to July term; the charge is receiving whiskey.

Walter Chance was furnished with \$100 bond last Friday by "Little Bill" to answer at July term to the abandonment charges filed against him.

John Ledbetter, colored, was on Tuesday arrested near Roberdel and carried to Marlboro county to answer a charge of transporting and running off with another man's wife.

### RECEIVER FOR BOGGAN

L. E. Youngblood, on petition of McRae Grocery Co., was on last Monday appointed by Judge Shaw as temporary receiver for the Auto Inn, at Hamlet, and Everybody's Service Station, at Rockingham, operated by Mr. W. R. Boggan, of Hamlet.

The McRae company sets out in their complaint that the indebtedness due them is over \$8000. Mr. Youngblood has taken charge of both places, and is operating them. The matter of making the temporary receivership a permanent receivership will be taken up with Judge Shaw May 26th here.

### TEAM PICTURE NEXT ISSUE

The POST-DISPATCH had Photographer Morgan take a group picture of the High School ball team Wednesday. This picture will appear in Sunday's Raleigh and Charlotte dailies, and this paper next issue.

### COMMUNITY MEETING AT ELLERBE

On Tuesday evening, May 20th, at 8 o'clock there will be a community meeting held in the Ellerbe school auditorium. The object of this meeting is to discuss, make plans and elect officers for the Ellerbe Fair. Make your arrangements now so you can be present for this meeting. Men, don't forget to bring your wives. Representatives from any part of the county are urged to attend this meeting.  
Yours for a BIGGER and BETTER Fair,  
J. A. Glazener.

### HEMSTITCHING and PICOTING.

MRS. J. B. WILLIAMS  
411 N. Randolph street Phone 267

## Chautauqua Backers May Have to Meet Guarantee

### Unless Season Ticket Sales Greatly Increase Before Friday Afternoon, the 64 Guarantors Will Have to Face a Substantial Deficit. Local People Urged to Buy Season Tickets Quickly and Save Situation.

To most people a long list of names means practically nothing. To every public-spirited citizen of Rockingham the list of 64 names published below should mean a great deal.

To these men and women Rockingham owes its guarantee that the Red-path Chautauqua will make its usual appearance here this year.

And yet, from latest indications, it would seem that the great majority of the people of the community are "sitting back on their hands," as it were, and seem willing to let the guarantors pay for their entertainment.

The POST-DISPATCH reaches the bulk of its Rockingham subscribers Thursday night and early Friday morning. If YOU haven't already bought a Season ticket (\$2.50 adult, or \$1.25 any school age), phone this office or Mrs. Ford or any of the ticket sellers and engage a ticket. The guarantors are asked to meet at the Hotel lobby at 11:30 Friday morning to make up the difference between the Season ticket sales and the guarantee; and YOUR buying a ticket before 11:30 will considerably help. It will be at least doing YOUR part.

It is needless for this paper to dwell upon the value of a Chautauqua to a town and to the citizens. Or of the splendid quality of the entertainment provided. You all know this. Suffice it to say, the program this year is the best we have ever had. The Chautauqua starts under the big tent next the Rockingham Hotel Friday afternoon, May 16th, at 3 o'clock, and continues through May 21st.

On Sunday night there will be union services under the tent, with the sermon to be preached by Rev. J. A. McQueen. Two years ago the Episcopal minister preached at the tent service, last year the Methodist minister, and now it is the Presbyterian minister's turn. A union choir will furnish the music, and services start at 8 o'clock.

The first number on the program Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock will be a concert by the Dunbar Male Quartette and Bell Ringers. Friday night a concert by the same company and a lecture by former Governor Brough of Arkansas on "America's Leadership of the World."

And so on through each day and night through May 21st, with a change of companies and programs at each entertainment.

The representative from the Red-path organization who has spent this week here assisting in the sale of Season tickets is Mr. Burt Jackson. The Superintendent who will be in charge during the 5 days is Mr. Frank Coad, of New Orleans; he arrived this morning. The tent came Wednesday night, and was erected on the lot adjoining the Hotel today, and is in readiness for the opening  
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### HAYWOOD-SMITH

Mr. H. A. Haywood and Mrs. Ethel B. Smith were quietly married Sunday morning at Ellerbe. The friends of Mr. Haywood and his bride wish for them every happiness. They will make their home on Mr. Haywood's farm, between Rockingham and Ellerbe.

### CHILD CHOKED TO DEATH

Two-Year-Old Boy Gets Green Peach In Wind-Pipe and Chokes to Death Before Doctor Could Reach Him.

A two-year-old son of Wilbert Rollison, out at Hannah Pickett mills, swallowed a faulty new-formed peach Tuesday afternoon. It lodged in his wind-pipe, and the little fellow choked to death before a doctor could be reached. The father rushed the child to Rockingham in a car, but the little one died on the way.

Desperate efforts were made to revive the child, and a part of the green peach was moved, but not enough to save his life. The last sparks of breath left the struggling body just as the father was hurrying through the streets to a physician's office.

The interment was on Wednesday at Mizpah church.

### CIVITAN LUNCHEON

Regular luncheon of Civitan club at Hotel at one o'clock tomorrow (Friday).

### MR. EVERETT COMING HOME

Secretary of State W. N. Everett, who underwent a three-in-one operation at Charlotte Sanatorium April 30th, will be able to leave the hospital for the home of his sister, Mrs. J. P. Little, in Charlotte Sunday. And he expects to return to his home in Rockingham this coming Monday, where he will remain for perhaps a few weeks in regaining his strength.

### LIGHTNING STRIKES HOME

Lightning last Sunday morning about 11 o'clock made a stab at the County Home, tearing the frame work of a window of the colored building, but not breaking the panes; and tearing off several planks from a tenant house in the yard. It was fortunate that the damage was not serious.

### ERECTING NEW BUNGALOWS

The walls for an attractive 7-room shale brick bungalow are rapidly going up now, for Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Nance, on the northern side of Fayetteville road, just within the incorporate limits.

### POPLIN HAS OPERATION

W. A. (Billy) Poplin was operated upon by Dr. Scruggs at the Presbyterian hospital in Charlotte May 9th for strangulated hernia. He was carried there by Dr. Webb; the operation was very necessary, and his friends back home will be glad to know that Billy is recovering nicely.

### NEW WATER MAIN

The water connections on the north side of the old courthouse have been quite poor for some time, only a small pipe line feeding the various places of business. However, this is to be remedied at once, as a large pipe line is to be placed under the concrete street, connecting with the large water main that runs under Washington Street.

## It Is Never Too Late to Insure Against ACCIDENT FIRE LIGHTNING TORNADO DEATH

After one accident, the chances are equally as great that you may have another one. If you have made the mistake of carrying no insurance, profit by it NOW. When the need for insurance comes, it is too late, but you can always guard against a recurrence of the same thing by making the most of the lesson you learned.

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