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PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Lookout for "Breezy Point" next Thursday evening.—Advt.

Mrs. W. C. Daughtry and children left for Durham Wednesday to spend the Christmas Holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Grace Crumpler of Franklin, Va., arrived this week and is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Britt.

Mr. Alston, of Norfolk, Va., spent a few hours here this week on business connected with the Alston Furniture Co.

Mr. Charlie Jones, of Scotland Neck, is visiting in town this week.

Joe Brown, after a month's stay in Danville, Va., returned this week.

Rev. R. L. Topping, of Wilson, filled his regular appointment at the Rosemary Theatre Building Sunday both morning and night.

Miss Mary Holder, of Dunlop, N. C., has accepted a position as book keeper with the Alston Furniture Co.

A. L. Clark spent Thursday out of town on business.

Rev. Jesse Blalock attended the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh this week.

H. E. Dobbing took a hurried trip to Gatesville this week, his business being the delivery of a negro prisoner to the authorities there.

Mr. Goodman, of Petersburg, spent several hours in town Thursday.

P. G. Flynn and family, of Raleigh, have moved here to live. Mr. Flynn has accepted a position with the Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

Miss Goldie Lister, of Greenville, N. C., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. House, returned to her home last Monday.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society meets on Tuesday afternoon, December 15, at three o'clock, with Mrs. Job Taylor.

Mrs. Margaret Manning, of Richmond, Va., is spending several days here this week visiting friends.

Lucious Cullom, of Rosemary, has accepted a position with W. G. Lynch in his jewelry store at Roanoke Rapids.

Hancock-House Company will be closed on Christmas Day and the Saturday following. Will open again Monday morning. We respectfully request that our customers will place orders for their needs by Christmas Eve. Advt.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 17th, 1914, there will be given a play by the graded school faculty in the Peoples Theatre. Admission, 50, 35 and 25 cents. After the play moving pictures will be given free.—Advt.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Rosemary Baptist Church have opened up a bazaar in the new building of Moore and King where they have plenty of something good to eat and many other things for sale, the proceeds to be placed to a most worthy cause.

Rev. William Towe preached a most powerful and appropriate sermon Sunday morning in the Rosemary M. E. Church to the local lodge of Odd Fellows. All who attended this service were well repaid and many have said it was one of the best sermons they had ever had the pleasure of listening to.

Notice

Advertised list of mail at Roanoke Rapids Postoffice.

Mr. W. T. Collins, Mr. Willie Jeams, Mr. Edmund Lemay, Mrs. Anty Robertson, Mr. James Perittler, Mrs. Mary Pinkham.

OUTSIDE CAPITAL INVESTS IN REAL ESTATE HERE

Proof that Growth of Community is Sound and Strong Evidence that Real Estate Values Here Will Not Fall

Paved Streets Boost Values

That the steady rise in the value of real estate in this community is based on healthy growth and expansion has long been maintained by the progressive and foresighted business men of this locality. Proof that they are right comes in the most forcible manner in the purchase recently of a lot on Roanoke Avenue by a gentleman from Hartford, Conn., who had never been in Roanoke Rapids before. Evidences of material growth and prosperity were so apparent to this stranger that he did not hesitate to invest in real estate here to the amount of \$1500.00. When a shrewd Northern business man jumps at a proposition like that, it is proof positive that real estate here is a good investment.

The granolithic paving recently put down in Roanoke Rapids had a good deal to do with the sale mentioned above, the property in question fronting on the new sidewalk. This fact ought to be an additional incentive to the real estate owners of this community to carry the improvements forward, and continue the work of putting "Roanoke Rapids on the map."

Johnston-House

The Baptist church was the scene of a beautiful wedding Wednesday morning, November 25th, when Miss Estelle House became the bride of Mr. Julian M. Johnston, of Littleton.

The decorations were charming in their simplicity. A background of green foliage extended to the ceiling, with potted ferns and white drapery effectively carried out the color scheme of green and white. Before the ceremony Miss Hattie Leggett at the organ and Miss Louise Putrell with violin rendered several selections. Mrs. Atherton Johnston, of Littleton, sang "I Love You," and Mrs. W. H. McDowell sang "Whisper And I Will Hear."

Promptly at 9:30 the wedding party entered the church to the music of Lohengrin's wedding march.

First came the ushers, Messrs. Edwin Gray, of Littleton, and Ray Boyette, of Scotland Neck; James Loftin, of Rosemary, and Joe House, of Scotland Neck. Following them were the little attendants, Misses Elizabeth Mauney, of Scotland Neck, and Grace White Savage, of Rocky Mount, daintily attired in accordin pleated dresses and carrying baskets of roses. Next came Messrs. James Livermon and Theo. House, dressed in charming white serge suits. Following them came Miss Sallie Mae Fossey, the maid of honor, dressed in white cloth costume and black picture hat, carrying white chrysanthemums.

Then came the bride with her brother, Mr. John W. House, of Roanoke Rapids, who gave her away. She was met at the altar by the groom, who entered from the side door with his best man, Mr. Walter Myric, of Littleton. Rev. R. A. McFarland, with an impressive ceremony, pronounced the words that joined their lives. The bride was dressed in a handsome blue cloth suit and carried a bouquet of bride's roses.

Mrs. Johnston is the youngest daughter of Mr. John House, of Scotland Neck, and is loved by her friends here and throughout the State for her sweet and attractive disposition.

Mr. Johnston is a man of sterling worth and splendid business ability. The popularity of this young couple is attested by many handsome and valuable wedding gifts. They left Wednesday morning for an extended trip to Florida after which they will be at home in Littleton.

Among the out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Crews, of Rosemary; Miss Onie Leggett, of Hobgood; Miss Goldie Lister, of Greenville; Mrs. Atherton Johnston, of Littleton, and Mrs. R. L. Savage, of Rocky Mount.

BAPTISTS DECIDE TO CALL PASTORS

One Who Will Give his Entire Time to Roanoke Rapids Church and One to Reside in Rosemary and Preach There Part of Time

Rev. Jesse Blalock Resigns

The Baptists of the community are planning to take a long step forward in the enlargement of their church work in this community. Instead of having one pastor, as at present, to divide his time between the Roanoke Rapids and Rosemary churches, the Roanoke Rapids church plan to call a pastor to give his whole time to the work of that church, and the Rosemary church will call a pastor, who will live in Rosemary and devote the greater part of his time to the church work there.

This step was decided upon last Sunday and Rev. Jesse Blalock, who is at present pastor of both churches, has tendered his resignation, pending the action of the individual churches.

Christian Church Cleanings

(Reported)

Despite the bad rainy day, the Rosemary opera house was well filled at both morning and evening services last Sunday to hear the pastor of the Christian Church.

Mr. Joseph E. Cox conducted the Christian Endeavor in the gallery of Rosemary opera house. A large crowd was in attendance. Next meeting will be held first Sunday evening in January, 1915. Mr. L. G. Shell is leader.

One hundred and fifty-seven attended the Christian Sunday School last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. C. H. Speight handed in a nice sum of money which she had secured to be applied on building the Christian Church. The funds are steadily increasing. Mr. L. G. Shell is treasurer of the committee. Any contribution will be highly appreciated.

The Christian Sunday School is planning a big rally-day, the first Sunday of the New Year. They have set as their aim to have five hundred present on that afternoon. Don't forget the time and the occasion.

On Tuesday night after Christmas there will be a big Sunday School social held at Rosemary for the Sunday School students.

Horner School at Charlotte

The Horner School has a distinguished history and is now advancing to great prosperity in its new home at Charlotte. In the fire at Oxford the school records were destroyed and to restore this loss a list of the former students will be published in the next catalogue. All the old boys are requested to send J. C. Horner, Charlotte, N. C., their present address and the names of the members of their class and date of attendance.

HALIFAX COUNTY NEWS ITEMS

Superior Court in Session. Criminal Docket Cleared Last Week. Civil Calendar Being Heard. New Term of County Officers

Case Against Gurkin Dismissed

The criminal docket of the Halifax County Superior Court has been cleared and the civil calendar has been taken up. Some important cases have come up for court this time and it is the opinion of practically every body who has attended that Judge Bon's is the most lenient judge that has held court in Halifax for some time.

The case of the State against Henry Gurkin for being accessory both before and after the fact in the murder of Thomas Shaw & R. W. Cobb has been not passed with leave and go off the docket. This case will be remembered by practically all of the citizens of the community as the entire community was in an uproar of excitement at the time of the trial and execution of Cobb. Cobb confessed before his electrocution that he was guilty of the murder and named Henry Gurkin as his accomplice, and it is quite generally believed through this section that Gurkin was morally more responsible for the murder of Thomas Shaw than was Cobb.

Other cases disposed of were as follows: Alex Maddrey, a-sault, pled guilty, three months on county roads; Elgie Johnson, larceny, pled guilty, thirty days on county roads; Bennie Walston, carrying concealed weapons, \$10.00 fine and costs; Lonnie Whitley, carrying concealed weapons, pled guilty, \$10.00 fine and costs; Moses Hall, larceny, verdict of guilty, three months on county roads; M. R. Jacobs, selling liquor, verdict of guilty, \$15.00 fine and costs; Will Bailey, carrying concealed weapons, pled guilty \$10.00 fine and costs; Matthew Allen, carrying concealed weapons, pled guilty, sixty days on the county roads; Elijah Anthony, trespass, pled guilty, sixty days on county roads; Luther Powell, larceny, pled guilty, eighteen months on county roads; Dent Herbert, a-sault, pled guilty, \$10.00 fine and costs; Bud Maye, assault, pled guilty, four months on county roads; John Harris, carrying concealed weapons, pled guilty, thirty days on county roads; to be held for a term of Northampton county; George Martin, larceny, pled guilty, six months on county roads; Henry Armstead, assault and battery, pled guilty, \$50.00 fine; Albert Hopkins, disturbing public worship, pled guilty, six months on county roads; Mrs. J. S. Robbery, verdict of guilty, two years on county roads.

All of the newly elected county

HON. JOHN H. KERR SPEAKS MONDAY NIGHT

At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trade of Roanoke Rapids Township in the Old Opera House at Roanoke Rapids

Everybody Invited To Attend

On next Monday night at eight o'clock, Honorable John H. Kerr, of Warrenton, solicitor for this Judicial District, will deliver an address before the Board of Trade of Roanoke Rapids Township at its regular monthly meeting.

This meeting will be held in the Old Opera House at Roanoke Rapids, over Burnette and Cherry's store.

Mr. Kerr's subject will be the very appropriate one of "Opportunities of the Young Man of the South." Mr. Kerr is an able and interesting speaker and we will feel sure there will be a large crowd of people gathered to hear him. Everybody is invited to attend this meeting, whether they are members of the Board of Trade or not, and a great many people will be sure to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear Mr. Kerr, especially as it will be his first speech in Roanoke Rapids.

HONOR ROLL

Seventh and Eighth Grades

Seventh Grade: Estelle Hamlet, 98; Eugene Lehman, 87; Clyde Taylor, 95.

Eighth Grade:

Sallie Medlin, 97; Reba Upton, 96; Ruby Short, 96; Doyle Cannon, 95; Pauline Ashworth, 96; Stanley Welsh, 95.

Miss Belle Graham, Teacher.

The requirements for this Honor Roll are rather strict and the boy or girl whose name appears on same is worthy of commendation. The requirements are: an average of 95 on recitations, not over three absences and one tardy during the month, and satisfactory deportment.



Officers took the oath of office at Halifax Monday and entered upon their respective duties.

The county board of commissioners organized and elected W. R. Harvey, Chairman. The other members of the board are W. F. Horner, J. E. Branch, S. T. Horne, S. G. Whitfield. Geo. C. Thorne was re-appointed county attorney and W. B. Drewry was re-appointed superintendent of the county home.

INTERURBAN SIDEWALK NEARING COMPLETION

Clearing and Grading Work Completed and Cinders Have Been Dumped and Levelled Over Large Part of Sidewalk

Help Needed To Complete

The sidewalk between Roanoke Rapids and Rosemary, which has been talked about in the two towns for some months at last seems to be nearing completion. The work has been done by the Rosemary Manufacturing Company, the Patterson Mills Company, Roanoke Rapids Power Company, merchants of Roanoke Rapids and Rosemary and others.

The Rosemary Manufacturing Company have done more work on the sidewalk than any other one corporation or individual, having started the work and completed a good deal of it themselves.

The only thing that remains to be done now is to have cinders hauled, which can be gotten from any of the community's manufacturing plants, dumped on the sidewalk, levelled and rolled down. The Rosemary Manufacturing Company offer to roll the sidewalk provided the cinders are dumped and levelled on same. The public is requested to help in any way they can in order that this sidewalk can be finished before bad winter weather sets in. If you have a team you can spare for a day, its work on the sidewalk will help greatly. Contributions towards hiring teams and labor will be gladly received by Mr. R. L. Towe, at the First National Bank of Roanoke Rapids.

This sidewalk will be a great thing for pedestrians who are now liable to injury from the many cars constantly travelling up and down the avenue. Especially will the sidewalk be a great thing for the small children who walk it twice a day from Rosemary to the Graded School.

ROBESON COUNTY HEALTH WORK PHENOMENAL

Death Rate Reduced One Third

Robeson County has reduced its death rate from 18 per thousand to 12. Considering that the county has only 45 per cent white population, 55 per cent being Indians and negroes, and that the death rate of the negro is over 40 per cent higher than that of the white, and that in illiteracy it is 29.6 while the whole state's is only 21.3; and, further, that its area is larger than that of the average county and lies in the malarial district, the record it has made in health work for the past three years, or since it employed a whole-time county health officer, is marvelous.

To the county it means that there has been a saving of one hundred lives every year or, in money value, \$290,000, since the employment of a whole-time health officer. What is more remarkable, the death rate from preventable diseases has been reduced 70 per cent. That from malaria alone has been reduced 75 per cent.

Notice

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late J. C. Kelly, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate, to present them before the undersigned duly verified on or before October 30th, 1915, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to me.

This the 30th day of October, 1914. S. F. PATTERSON, Adm. of the Estate of J. C. Kelly. W. L. Long, Atty. 10-30-64.

WITH THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church

Rev. Jesse Blalock, Pastor. Services at Rosemary Sunday morning, at Roanoke Rapids Sunday evening. Bible School at 10:00 A. M., W. S. Hancock, Supt.

Christian Church

Raleigh L. Topping, Pastor. Sunday school at Rosemary Opera House at two thirty. Come, C. H. Speight Supt., L. G. Shell Secretary.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. H. F. Morton, Pastor. Services next Sunday morning at 11:15, at the Rosemary Opera House. Subject: "The Jubilee of the Gospel". Evening services at the Peoples Theatre at Roanoke Rapids, at 7:30 P. M. Subject: "Faith, What is it?".

Methodist Church

Rev. Wm. Towe, Pastor

Sunday morning services at Roanoke Rapids at eleven o'clock. Subject: "Religion in the Home". Sunday School at 9:45 A. M., W. V. Wooduff, Superintendent. Evening Services at Roanoke Rapids at 7:30. Subject: "Tuberculosis, Its Causes, Prevention and Cure". Sunday School at Rosemary Sunday morning at 9:45, J. B. Boyd, Superintendent. Evening Services at 7:30, conducted by Wm. T. Glover. Come and worship with us.

WINNING HONORS

State's Health Exhibit Wins First Honors in Florida

Jacksonville, Fla. Dec. 7, '14. —North Carolina to the front again. This time its in public health matters at the Southern Health Exhibition held in this city in connection with the meeting of the American Public Health Association. The health exhibit made by North Carolina was well ahead of that of any other Southern State. This was the verdict of every visitor to the exhibition and there were about 14,000 of them. Many of the prominent health officials from Canada and our Northern and Western states expressed surprise that the South and especially North Carolina, should be forging to the front in health work so rapidly. In fact many expressed the feeling that North Carolina's exhibit not only exceeded any other exhibit at the Exposition but it also exceeded any other single exhibit at the International Congress on School Hygiene held at Buffalo a year ago and had but few peers at the International Congress on Health and Demography held at Washington two years ago.

North Carolina's exhibit is divided into four parts, one on patent medicines, one on tuberculosis, one on child hygiene and one illustrating the progress of health work in the state. The Southern Health Exhibition closes this week and North Carolina's exhibit will be returned to Raleigh. Hereafter it will be loaned by the State Board of Health to any convention, club, fair or other organization that wishes to use it, free of charge, provided packing and transportation charges are paid.

"I promised that girl never to smoke if she would marry me," said the discouraged-looking man. "What did she say?" "She remarked that she did not care to be utilized as an excuse for any personal economies I might contemplate."—Washington Star.

We are All Going to Give Christmas Presents

* Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without them. The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of cordiality, of good will, of friendship, and this spirit is fittingly expressed by that thoughtfulness of others which prompts the Christmas Gift.

* In this, our Christmas Shoppers Edition, you will find much of the Christmas Spirit—it permeates through the columns of reading matter into the advertisements.

* Read the advertisements carefully—they are the printed sales talks of the progressive business houses of our community. The stores of these merchants are filled with Christmas Gift articles at values that surpass, we believe, those offered in any other community anywhere near our size.

* You can depend upon the goods advertised in these columns—the merchant who advertises is the merchant who is trying to build up a reputation in the only permanent way there is—by giving good service, honest dealing and true value for every dollar.

* We believe these advertisements will help you solve the problem of what to give and where to buy it—we believe your reading them carefully will save you time and money.

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