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PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. B. D. Webb, of Williams, N. C., is visiting his sons, Messrs. B. S. and C. A. Webb.

Miss Mabel McMurray, who has been spending the holidays with her friends in Littleton and Weldon, returned to her home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Martir, of Halifax, N. C., spent several days here this week visiting Capt. and Mrs. J. M. McMurray.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Taylor spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Ayden, N. C.

Miss Clara Davis, who has been visiting her sister, Miss Ruth Davis, returned to her home in Greenville on last Tuesday.

Mr. J. R. Boyd spent Thursday in Richmond on business.

Mr. C. M. Everett, of Yorkers, N. Y., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Chase during the holidays.

Mrs. J. B. Greene and family have moved here from Spray, N. C., to live.

Miss Charlotte Sale, of Richmond, Va., spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sale.

Miss Eleanor Manning, of Richmond, Va., is visiting friends here this week.

The Sunday School of the Christian Church met in a social gathering on Tuesday evening. After a programme gotten up for the amusement of the children, which all present thoroughly enjoyed, was ended, many gifts were handed out to the members of the Sunday School.

Miss Kate Smith, of Henderson, arrived last week and is visiting Miss Pauline Ashworth.

Mr. John Matthews and wife, of Richmond, Va., are here and are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews.

J. T. Bishop spent a few days visiting friends in Enfield last week.

R. B. Hayes, a student, of Wake Forest College, spent the Christmas holidays here with his brother, Mr. G. L. Hayes.

R. L. Jones, was in Weldon, a few hours Wednesday on business.

W. T. Hodges spent the holidays with friends in Danville, Va.

Miss Nell Wicker, of Fayetteville, N. C., is visiting her sisters, Mrs. S. J. Bounds and Mrs. J. H. Keene.

Miss Ruth Andrews, of Greenville, N. C., is here visiting Mrs. M. V. Froelich.

Mr. Wm. Myrick, of Littleton, was in town Tuesday on business.

Miss Winifred Beckwith arrived last week and is visiting in the home of Dr. R. P. Beckwith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Hinson left last week for an extended visit to friends and relatives in Greensboro, Asheville and other points.

J. L. Britt is off on a Christmas vacation visiting old friends and relatives in and around Franklin Va.

Misses Annie Williams and Maude Thompson who visited friends in Hobgood, during the Christmas holidays, returned home Sunday.

Messrs. R. L. Wood and R. L. Dickens spent several days in Enfield the past week visiting friends and relatives.

Misses Ellen Bowen and S. E. Bagley after spending the holidays with friends and relatives at Jackson, N. C., returned Monday.

Mrs. P. N. Johnson and children of Bantego, N. C., arrived Tuesday and are visiting her sister, Mrs. L. L. Cunningham.

Mrs. S. H. Jordan, of Fayetteville, is spending a few days here this week with her sister, Mrs. Marvin Collier.

MARKET REPORTS

Prevailing Prices Paid for Cotton and Country Produce Friday, January 1, 1915

Cotton, middling basis, 67-8 cents	Cash	Trade
County Produce	26c	30c
Eggs	26c	30c
Butter	20c	25c
Fresh Pork	19c	12 1/2c
Ham, Country Cured	21c	23c
Shoulders	18c	20c

Foy Clark

Invitations have been issued reading as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crawford Foy invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter Clara Belle

to Mr. Alexander Lillington Clark on the afternoon of Tuesday, the twelfth of January at three o'clock One hundred fifteen South Main Street Mount Airy, North Carolina.

Miss Flossie Smith entertained a party of friends at her home last Saturday night.

Miss Rosa Moody left Thursday for Buie's Creek Academy.

William Camp and Ollie Moody, of Garysburg, visited friends here Tuesday.

N. D. Cox, of Richmond, is spending a few days here this week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and Miss Meda Holder spent the holidays with relatives and friends in Scotland Neck.

R. B. Hayes left Monday for Palmer Springs, Va.

J. E. McGee spent the holidays with relatives in Haw River, N. C.

Messrs. John and Charlie Hassell, of Fredericksburg, Va., are visiting their mother, Mrs. Hassell, in Rosemary.

Misses Alvarado and Lutoria Bass, of Richmond, Va., spent the holidays here visiting their brothers, Messrs. W. C. and W. D. Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Horner returned Wednesday night from Buckingham County, Va., where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Special prices on ladies', men's and boys' suits and men's overcoats, Hancock-House Company, Advt.

J. H. King spent the holidays in Littleton with his parents.

Mrs. J. M. Johnston, of Littleton, spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. House.

Allen Chauncey, of Washington, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jackson.

Albert Willis, of Washington, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jackson during the holidays.

Mrs. W. C. Williams is visiting relatives and friends in Enfield and Whitakers.

The Baptist Baracca Class presented beautiful Christmas remembrances to their teacher, Mr. J. W. House, and their president, Mr. W. C. Allsbrook.

On last Sunday morning, Mr. J. W. House, presented a handsome bible to each of the members of the Baracca Class who had not missed a single Sunday during the year 1914, the members in question being Mr. T. C. Meyers and Mr. B. S. Webb.

Miss Carrie Manning, of Parmele, is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lynch this week.

We invite your attention to the statement of the condition of the First National Bank of Roanoke Rapids, on the fourth page of this paper. Advt.

Mr. Frank Rice, of Greenville, is visiting friends and relatives here this week.

IMPRESSIONS OF A SWISS ON EUROPEAN CONFLICT

Interesting Letter from Heinrich Bircher, a former resident of this Community

The following letter from Mr. Bircher to Mr. C. A. Wyche, is interesting to war students in that it presents the attitude of the Swiss people, a neutral nation but close to the scene of conflict, to the European war.

"Lots of people here have the same opinion you stand for, in the French part of Switzerland of course they are all and one for France. Napoleon himself comes out of his tomb they say (between 12 and 1 A. M.) and hollers 'Vive l'Angleterre'."

"We don't feel the war very bad so far. Business is improving as we can manufacture lots of things for France and Germany and for our own army, but the future for our Hotel business is not bright."

"The country and the towns will have tremendous debts after this war. It will cost us about one million francs a day to keep up an army and besides we have to feed the families of the soldiers."

"I don't think the Germans are licked. Their armies are in France and in Russia, it is very hard for them to fight on two fronts but so far they have had nearly all the advantages."

"Myself I do hope they will lick them in the end but it is doubtful."

"You must not forget that German Militarism makes good workers out of the people. Their industrial development went hand in hand with Prussian Militarism, this is a fact."

"At present you can not make a single one of them believe you are not against them because they are Germans, but you are against their system only. It is really wonderful how they stick together, rich and poor, farmers and savants."

"We are not so very sorry for Belgium. If they had put up a decent army the Germans never would have entered their country."

"If you neglect your army and feed thousands of monks and nuns instead, you must take things as they come. I do hope the Germans will have to pay Belgium later on but it will never make good what the poor people suffered for a rotten government."

"The young king of Belgium did all he could to reform Belgium but it is only a short while since his uncle died and he let the clericals do as they pleased as long as they let him have his part of the loot."

"As you say it is not so easy to break through Switzerland, but in the beginning we fully expected the Frenchmen to try it, because they cannot rush the strong fortifications on the Rhine. If we have escaped so far, we owe it to the army, nobody likes to have another half million enemies, and because in all countries the democratic parties are our friends."

"While they are killing each other by the hundreds of thousands, our army made manoeuvres like in time of peace. They have learned a good deal in four months and we think they shall be able to resist any standing army. On the frontier against Alsace they sometimes can watch the fighting; one day the Germans landed several shells in Switzerland."

"If France and Russia can stand it long enough, Germany, certainly will have trouble to get raw materials. They are already short of cotton, all our spinners and nearly all of the Italian manufacturers work for the Germans. I know for certain that they are short of rubber too, and aluminum, silt peter, copper, lead and very probably other articles."

"England is well off, it is easy to fight battles on other people's land. But they have saved France and their newly or-

ganized regiments seem to fight all right. Just now the Germans hold nearly all of Belgium and about one ninth of France. They don't do much fighting; at present everybody is looking towards the battlefields in Poland....

"We expect the war to last until next fall. Our six army corps now have intermediate service, three are at the frontier, three at home, but in the spring they will again mobilize the whole army."

"My brother, who is on the General Staff, says they think France and England can hold out if Russia does not breakdown. All our superior officers think the allies are not able to destroy the German army, their organization is too good, their discipline and courage beyond reproach....

"The longer the war goes on the poorer the people will be. Russia is wild and used to suffer, but Germany and France will have 100,000 cripples and orphans, to care for, besides all the lunatic asylums will be crowded...."

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Signed J. T. Stainback, Sworn to and subscribed before me this twenty-eighth day of December, 1914.

R. L. Towle, Notary Public. (My commission expires Sept. 12, 1916.)

Notice

Advertised list of mail at Roanoke Rapids Postoffice.

Mrs. Harriett Clark, W. D. Casey, F. W. Jones, Mrs. Lizzie Moore, Shell & Pence, Mr. Lum Tullock.

Presbyterians Give Christmas Entertainment

(Reported)

One of the most delightful Christmas entertainments ever held here was given by the Presbyterians in the Rosemary Opera House on Monday night. Music was rendered during the entire evening by band composed of Mr. Green, Mr. Parker, Mr. Dobbins, Mr. Kite and Mr. Williams, and string band composed of Mr. Johnson, Mr. Allsbrook and Mr. Lane accompanied by Mrs. H. F. Morton on piano which was thoroughly enjoyed. The violin solo by Mr. John Hassel was delightful.

The moving pictures of Pilgrim's Progress shown during the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed and was one of the best pictures seen here in a long time. Santa Clause arrived in time to answer the children and present them with lots of presents and confectionaries.

Thanks to Mr. J. T. Chase as manager of the entertainment and to every member on the entertainment committee for a very pleasant evening.

Halifax Currency Still Extant

The following two clippings from the Marion Progress, handed us by Mr. R. M. Martin, of Halifax, are interesting to lovers of history and the citizens of Halifax County generally, as they illustrate the important part old Halifax played in North Carolina Colonial History.

"Mr. R. S. Clay lately brought to the Progress (Marion) office a rare old currency bill. It is North Carolina currency and bears the number 2999. It reads and calls for one fourth of a dollar, by authority of Congress at Halifax, April 2, 1776. In the lower left corner there is a cut of a fish. The dimensions of the bill are 2 1/2 by 3 inches. It is remarkably well preserved though it boasts of the extreme old age of 135 years."

"Mr. J. S. Huffman, of Newton, Route 1, has a number of pieces of currency issued in 1776 in this state by the authority of the congress, and when in town the other day, showed them to a News man. They range in face value from one eighth of a dollar to twenty five dollars. All bear the date of April 2, 1776, except one which is dated May 15, 1776. Each had been signed but only one bore a legible signature, that of John Taylor. The bills have 'Halifax, N. C.' printed on them, and bear curious pictures, one having a pair of roosters fighting, another a porpoise, another a big fish, one has a bee and another a bear, and one a ship. Mr. Huffman found the bills among old papers of his father."

At one time the town of Halifax was the largest in the State of North Carolina and many important events of the days of the Colonies and the early republic centered around the town of Halifax.

Notice

The following list of mail remains unclaimed in this office. Same will be held one week and if unclaimed will be sent to the Division of Dead Letters.

W. C. BASS, P. M. Rosemary, N. C.
Mr. W. D. Burnett, Mr. C. B. Bison, Mr. D. L. Campbell, Mrs. Kate H. Davis, Mrs. Ella Elliott, Mrs. Eliza Harris, Harriet Hinds, Mr. W. W. Hobbs, Mrs. D. M. Mabery, Mr. William E. Maget, C. M. Merritt, Mr. T. T. Thompson, Mr. A. F. Twisdale, Miss Mattie Vones, Bernice Williams.

Some Reason.
"My, my!" exclaimed the old fogey "So what did Smith was defeated? What was the trouble? He placed himself in the hands of his friends, didn't he?" "Yes," replied the grouch. "But he forgot to place his pocketbook there."

BIG SPEAKERS COMING WITH THE CHURCHES

State Conference for Social Service Meets January 28, 29 and 30.

Thomas M. Osborne new Warden of Sing Sing Prison Accepts Invitation

MRS. CORA STEWART, OF KENTUCKY, COMING

The State Conference for Social Service will hold its third annual conference January 28, 29, and 30th. Thomas Mott Osborne, the newly elected warden of Sing Sing Prison, has just accepted an invitation from the Conference to give an address on January 29th on the subject of prison reform. Mrs. Cora Stewart, of Frankfort, Kentucky, is another out of the state speaker who will appear on the program. Mrs. Stewart will speak on the subject of "moonlight schools," for the elimination of adult illiteracy.

Plans are already under way to have Secretary of State, William Jennings Bryan, and the Secretary of the Navy, Josephus Daniels, address the Conference at this session. It is hoped that nothing will prevent their being present, although neither of these members of the Cabinet has formally accepted the Conference invitation.

The principal things to be attempted at this coming session of the Conference will be to secure some substantial action looking toward the matter of prison reform, child labor and moonlight schools.

In the matter of prison reform Mr. Osborne is particularly fitted to address the Conference. He has been a successful manufacturer and was at one time mayor of Auburn, New York. He has also been a member of the Public Service Commission and is now chairman of the National Committee on Prison Labor and just recently he became an inmate of Auburn prison in order to better study the conditions of prison life. He also headed an investigation of Sing Sing prison and is now actively engaged in the reformation of that institution.

Mr. Osborne is a graduate of Harvard and is widely known as an influential democrat in New York State who has successfully withstood machine rule within party lines in his state.

Mrs. Stewart is widely known throughout the country as the woman who so successfully organized the moonlight schools in Kentucky for abolishing adult illiteracy.

Other prominent speakers are under consideration and announcements will be made from time to time.

Miss Lessie Bray Entertains

On Christmas Evening from 7:00 until 11:00 o'clock, Miss Lessie Bray entertained a party of her friends at her home on Middle Street, Roanoke Rapids. The guests were entertained with games and music and delightful refreshments were served at ten o'clock. Among those present were: Misses Lottie Greene, Martha Stanley, Mary Stanley, Reba Upton, Flossie Smith, Maude Wilkerson, Sarah Stanley, Lola Stinson, Mary Stanley, Lucy Barrett, Mrs. J. H. Hines, Messrs. T. M. Faison, Nathan Fitts, H. F. Cherry, C. R. Hughes, A. G. Ausley, J. L. Anderson, Walter Cherry, R. L. Barrett, J. B. Stanley, Ben Stanley, John Smith and Hurley King.

We are always striving for things forbidden and coveting those denied us.—Ovid.

Episcopal Church

All Saints Mission Services every Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Sunday evening at seven thirty.

Sunday School every Sunday morning at ten o'clock. Mr. Whittaker, Superintendent. Everybody invited to all services.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. H. F. Morton, Pastor Services morning 11:15 and evening 7:30 at Peoples Theatre. Subject of both services will be "The Vision of Isaiah," morning "The Revelation," evening "The Call."

Baptist Church

Rev. Jesse Blalock, Pastor Sunday School at 10 A. M., promptly. Preaching service immediately following Subject: "The Way of the Vanishing Road." Evening service at 7:30 P. M. Subject: "A Time For Every Purpose." Church Conference immediately after the morning service.

Methodist Church

Rev. Wm. Towe, Pastor Rosemary Sunday School at 9:45 A. M., J. B. Boyd, Supt. Services at 11:00 A. M., Subject: "Good Resolutions." Night services at 7:30 P. M., conducted by Charles Welsh. Roanoke Rapids, Sunday School at 9:45 A. M., W. V. Woodruff, Supt. Night services at 7:30 P. M., Subject: "Effective Service for 1915." Come and worship with us.

Christian Church

Raleigh L. Topping, Pastor Services at Rosemary Opera House, Sunday morning at 11:00 A. M. and evening at 7:30. Sunday School at 2:30 P. M. A great rally day Sunday School is to be held. Plans are to have not less than five hundred present. A good program has been prepared. Come. C. H. Speight, Supt. Christian Endeavor at 6:45 conducted by L. G. Shell. You are always welcome. Come.

The State's Policy For The Control Of Tuberculosis

"The death rate in the future," says a State Health Bulletin, just issued, is going to wield political influence for or against administrations and parties. All progressive states are reducing their death rates and thereby demonstrating to the world that those states that are not doing so are defective in their government machinery."

As tuberculosis causes one-seventh of all the deaths in the State and one-fourth of all preventable deaths, the Bulletin points out that here lies one-fourth of the State's opportunity to prevent disease and thus reduce her death rate. It says that tuberculosis is clearly a State problem of such magnitude as to call for a definite and comprehensive State policy for its control. But in working out this policy of handling the tuberculosis problem it is realized that North Carolina is not able to carry the burden alone. She has 6,000 deaths a year from the disease, and 18,000 helpless cases. The lowest average cost a day for a patient in the average sanatorium of the United States is \$1.66. It is readily seen that North Carolina could not handle her 3,000 or 4,000 curable consumptives even at a cost of a dollar a day. But there is a way, which this Bulletin calls "Dividing the burden." It says: "A burden that cannot be carried."

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