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WITH THE CHURCHES

Rosemary Baptist Church
Rev. A. C. Chaffin, Pastor
Services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.
Mid-week services Wednesday nights at 7:30 P. M.
The public is cordially invited to all services.

Rosemary Methodist Church
Rev. A. H. Andrews, Pastor
Sunday School at ten o'clock.
J. B. Boyd, Supt.
Services First and Third Sundays at 11 A. M. and every Sunday at 7:30 P. M.
Prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.
Choir practice Thursday evening.

Episcopal Church
Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector
Services at eleven and seven thirty every Sunday.
Sunday School at Roanoke Rapids at ten o'clock, at Rosemary at nine thirty.
Visitors cordially welcomed.

Baptist Church
Rev. C. H. Trueblood, Pastor
Sunday School every Sunday at 9:45 A. M. W. S. Hancock, Supt.
Services every Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.
Senior B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 6:45 P. M.
Junior B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 2:30 P. M. and Junior choir.
Sunbeam Band every second and fourth Saturday at 2:30 P. M.
The public is cordially invited to all services.

Presbyterian Church
Stanley White, Pastor
Sunday school at 9:45.
The children are urged to be present at 9:30 for choir practice.
The Pastor Rev. Stanley White will be present Sunday and will hold services at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. All visitors are invited to be present.
There will be a special service on Sunday morning at 11:00 A. M. for the Boy Scouts.
A cordial invitation is extended to strangers to worship with us.

Methodist Church
Rev. Eugene C. Few, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 o'clock.
W. V. Woodruff, Supt.
Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.

First Christian Church
Raleigh L. Topping, Minister
Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9:45 in Tabernacle.
Roanoke Ave. corner Ninth St.
Preaching next Sunday by the pastor at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

A Card of Thanks
We wish to thank those friends whose sympathy and helpfulness has been manifested so abundantly in the aid rendered us on the occasion of the interment of our little daughter. Words are inadequate to express the gratitude we feel for the thoughtfulness and consideration we have had shown us in this trying time.
Rev. and Mrs. R. N. Fitts.

Rosemary and Roanoke Rapids Roll of Honor

The following young men have enlisted in the Army and Navy of the United States in answer to the President's call for volunteers to defend the Nation's Honor.

Rosemary

Jamie E. Brown
Curtis Vinson
James L. Cushing
Charles R. Barkely
Willie M. Ferrell
Joseph M. White
Lige Shepard

Roanoke Rapids

John R. Williams
J. J. Hunnings
J. W. Shaw
Robert McClinton, Colored
Emmett Putney, Colored

ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Misses Mary Daughtry, Lessie Buchanan, Pearl Andrews, and Margaret Hoskins, Messrs. R. S. Hyman, J. C. Smith, W. E. Byrne, H. F. Cherry, R. T. Edmundson and W. C. Cherry with Mrs. Mosher, and Mrs. Bounds chaperoning, motored to Emporia Friday evening to attend the patriotic dance.

Robert Turner, of Chester, Pennsylvania, is visiting relatives and friends here.

John Sales, of Portsmouth, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sales.

Mr. Joseph McMahon and Mr. Robert Fenner, of Halifax, spent Tuesday in town on business.

G. I. Glover who has been visiting his brother A. D. Glover was called to Henderson Wednesday to report to N. G. Company for inspection.

Mrs. Neal McKee, of Littleton, is visiting Mrs. W. S. Hancock for a few days.

C. E. Wood, of Raleigh, was in town a few days this week on business.

Messrs. J. W. Bailey and S. A. Jones, of Emporia, spent Tuesday in town on business.

Mr. Earl Kittrell, of Henderson, spent Monday in town on business.

Mrs. S. J. Bounds spent Wednesday in Franklinton with her father.

Miss Lizzie Leitner spent several days last week in Portsmouth with relatives and friends.

L. J. Boykina, of Wilson, was the guest of Miss Lillian Elmo Sunday.

Miss Lula Barrett, of Fayetteville, visiting in the home of her brother, Mr. Sandy Barrett.

Miss Eula Williams spent the week-end with relatives in Emporia and Garysburg.

Mr. Oran Johnson and family, of Spartanburg, have moved on Jackson street. Mr. Johnson has accepted a position with Roanoke Mills.

Mrs. L. R. Hall is spending a few days in Baltimore and Philadelphia replenishing her spring and summer stock of millinery.

Mrs. D. C. Stronach is visiting relatives in Raleigh.

Lawer E. B. Thomason, of Richmond, spent Friday in the home of his brother.

The five circles of the Baptist Ladies Aid Society are preparing to serve the public with "things to eat" at the approaching County Commencement.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church will hold a white sale on Saturday, April 21. This sale will be held in the store room on Second Street next to Roanoke Pharmacy. Chicken salad, sandwiches and ham will be served.

Mrs. Milton High and niece, Miss Fanny Robinson spent Tuesday in the city shopping.

Miss Nell Wicker, of Franklinton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. J. Bounds.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. A. J. Thomason and children express their thankful appreciation to the kind friends who extended their sympathy and assistance during the illness and loss of our husband and father.

A. J. THOMASON

Died at his home in Roanoke Rapids, on Saturday, April 14, in the sixty second year of his age. Mr. A. J. Thomason, one of Roanoke Rapids most widely known and oldest citizens. Mr. Thomason had been ill for about seven weeks before his death and the end was not unexpected.

He is survived by a wife and seven children, Messrs. N. B. J. T., Rufus, and Carroll Thomason, and Mrs. Andrew Harris, Mrs. J. H. King, of Roanoke Rapids, and Mrs. Grover Clary, of Rosemary. Mr. Thomason was married twice, first to Miss Pocahontas Taylor, in 1781, who is the mother of the children, and who died about seven years ago. In 1911 he married Miss Emma Ward, of Williamston, who survives him.

Mr. Thomason had been a resident of Roanoke Rapids for seventeen years. He has had charge of the street work for the town of Roanoke Rapids for many years, being engaged in this work up to the time of his death.

He was a member of the Roanoke Rapids Baptist Church, and also a member of the Woodmen of the World, who conducted the funeral services. The interment took place in the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery on Sunday afternoon, Rev. C. Herman Trueblood and Rev. Raleigh L. Topping jointly assisting in the services. A uniquely pathetic feature of the burial arrangements consisted of the drawing of the hearse to the cemetery by Mr. Thomason's horse, decorated in crepe, which was done at the request of the deceased a few days prior to his death.

Among the out of town relatives present at the funeral were Messrs. R. D. and C. H. Williams, of Lawrenceville, Va., and Messrs. Johnnie Ward and Edgar Coggins, of Williamston. The esteem and respect which was felt in this community for the deceased was most appropriately attested by the beauty and number of floral offerings which decorated the bier. In the death of Mr. Thomason the entire community experiences a sense of loss. An upright citizen, a devoted friend, and earnest Christian has passed away.

Caroline May Fitts

Caroline May Fitts, twenty-two months old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. N. Fitts, of Shallotte, N. C., died at the home of her parents on last Thursday afternoon. The body was brought here for interment in the family burying place on last Friday.

Mrs. S. R. Tyson, and son George, of Durham, Mrs. V. T. Lamm and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fitts, of Durham, and Master Willie Fitts, of Durham, came here to attend the funeral.

The little girl had been sick for only a few days before the end came. The sympathy of the entire community are with the afflicted parents in the hour of bereavement.

Mrs. Mary J. Lyles

Mrs. Mary J. Lyles died at her home in Patterson Mills village on last Wednesday, April 18. Mrs. Lyles has been a sufferer for many years with tuberculosis and the end was not unexpected. Mrs. Lyles is survived by her husband, R. J. Lyles, and eight children, one girl and seven boys. All of the children are married except two. The deceased is a native of Halifax county and has resided in this community for about eight years.

The funeral services will take place to-day at the First Christian Tabernacle. The interment will be made at the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery.

Mrs. Lyles was an earnest Christian, a member of the First Christian Church, and a devoted mother. She was loved and respected by all who knew her and her death is deeply felt by the many friends she had here.

Cotton Today 19 1-4

RED CROSS RALLY HERE

Mrs. Chas. R. Emry, of Weldon, and Hon. Tasker Polk, of Warrenton, Address Mammoth Audience in High School Auditorium

TO FORM RED CROSS BRANCH HERE

The pent-up patriotism of the community found outlet for expression on last Tuesday evening, when it packed the big school auditorium to hear voiced the duties of our citizens in the great conflict now impending. It was rather a quiet audience, not subject to loud demonstrations, but deep earnestness underlaid the enthusiasm of speakers and audience.

The occasion was the organization of a branch here of the American Red Cross and a program adapted to this end was carried through. The Rosemary Concert Band furnished music for the occasion, effectively rendering the patriotic airs of the United States and its allies.

After the invocation by the Rev. Stanley White, of the Roanoke Rapids Presbyterian Church, Hon. W. L. Long announced that Dr. T. W. M. Long, who had been slated to give an address in explanation of the Red Cross work, had been detained by professional duties which could not be ignored, and that Mrs. Chas. R. Emry, of Weldon, would address the audience in his stead.

Mrs. Emry, who has the distinction of being the first woman who has addressed an audience in our community, explained the Red Cross work in its origin, methods, and purpose. Mrs. Emry spoke most entertainingly and appealingly of the work being done by this patriotic and benevolent institution and urged the formation of a branch of the Red Cross in this community.

Hon. Tasker Polk, of Warrenton, following an eloquent introduction by Hon. W. L. Long delivered an inspiring patriotic oration. Mr. Polk is an orator of extraordinary ability and he held his audience from start to finish. He appealed to every patriotic instinct in his hearers and brought frequent applause.

Under the direction of Scout Master L. S. Mosher, a squad of the Boy Scouts demonstrated their efficiency by executing a number of drill formations on the stage with a precision which would have done credit to a regular military squad.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. H. Trueblood, of the Baptist Church, the audience remaining standing while the Junior O. U. A. M., with colors flying, marched out of the auditorium in a body.

"Black Orchids"

One of the most beautiful of Bluebird photoplays is promised as the attraction at the Peoples and Rosemary theatres on April 28 when Cleo Madison appears as the star of "a tragic story of a flirt". Zoraida was more than a flirt—she was a designing, cold-hearted adventuress who seemed to delight in using her great beauty as a snare to entrap men that she might play with their hearts and cast them ruthlessly aside. One by one her admirers fell at her feet to bask for a while in the smiles of her affection. One by one she shook them off and turned each time to fawn upon another and newer victim. Deaths aplenty and untold misery resulted from her heartlessness—until she finally jilted the wrong man. Then retribution overtook the beautiful wretch and she died ignominiously to pay the penalty of her wretched practices. Bluebird Photoplays presents this Rex Ingram production as the successor to "The Chalice of Sorrow," a tragic story Miss Madison lately depicted upon the screen.

I. O. O. F. NOTICE

Special meetings Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights, April 23 to 25. Exemplification of degree work and training of degree staff by Brother Curran, of Wilson. All members urgently requested to be present. By order of the Noble Grand, C. A. Dickens, Secy.

Garysburg Items

We are glad to report that the exercise at Lebanon last Sunday was a perfect success. The church was beautifully decorated and carried a cross design. The children acted nicely and Professor Proctor gave us a splendid talk on "Christ is Risen", which was enjoyed by all present. We hope to have him with us again.

W. H. Allen called on Miss Daisy Collie Wednesday night.

W. G. Mosely spent a while Monday in Roanoke Rapids on business.

We were glad to have a crowd of the Rapids good folks and pretty girls with us at Lebanon Sunday. We hope that they will come again soon.

The McIver was represented at Jackson Friday very well, although it was a bad day we were glad to see that so many children were present.

J. H. Allen was in Roanoke Rapids on business Saturday.

Mr. Homes, of Petersburg, spent Sunday night with W. G. Moody.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Floyd spent the morning with his father, M. A. Floyd and attended the Easter service at Lebanon in the evening.

The farmers of this section seem to be taking advantage of this good weather and are very busy breaking up the land and getting ready for planting time.

Hope cotton will go up as there is some yet. Go up cotton!

William J. Edmunds

Williams J. Edmunds died at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital on last Wednesday, April 18, from tuberculosis. Mr. Edmunds had been undergoing treatment at the hospital for about twelve months but his case had long been recognized as hopeless.

He is survived by a father and three sisters who are residents of Rosemary. The family moved here from Virginia about three years ago. The funeral services will be held at the home this afternoon, after which the interment will take place at the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery.

Resolutions of Respect

Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty to remove from our midst, by death, our esteemed Brother A. J. Thomason who was a loyal Woodman, a peace loving and law abiding citizen, a devoted husband, a loving father, and a true friend,

Therefore, Be it Resolved, That in the death of Sovereign Thomason we have sustained the loss of a true and loyal Woodman whose fellowship it was an honor and pleasure to enjoy; that we bear testimony to his liberality and charity; he gave of his means quietly but generously to every needy person and to every cause; that we offer to his bereaved family and mourning friends over whom sorrow has hung her sable mantle, our heartfelt condolence, and pray that Infinite Goodness may bring speedy relief to their burdened hearts.

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge, a copy sent to the bereaved family, and a copy to the Roanoke Rapids Herald.

W. S. Hancock,
J. M. Taylor,
B. B. Higgins,
Committee

ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Rev. R. N. Fitts, of Shallotte, N. C., after a few days stay here with relatives returned home Thursday.

Horace Robertson, of near Littleton, spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holliday, of Enfield, spent a few hours in town Sunday as the guest of J. H. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Froelich leave to-day for Winston Salem where they make their home in the future. Mr. Froelich having accepted a position with the Cadillac Motor Co.

Rev. Mr. Reynolds, of Wilmington, arrived here Monday to assist Rev. R. L. Topping in a series of meetings being held in the Christian Tabernacle.

Miss Grace Crumpler, of Franklin, after an extended visit to Miss Susie Crumpler returned home the past week.

J. J. Rose who has been teaching school near Margarettsville for the past session, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday visiting his brother, G. E. Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McGee left last week for Saxapaw, N. C., where Mr. McGee has accepted a position as superintendent of one of the cotton plants located there.

Misses Gertrude Cash and Sarah Clary, of Emporia, spent the week-end here visiting Miss Pattie Byrd.

Mrs. L. J. Norwood, of Ante, Va., is visiting Mrs. J. B. Hudson and Mrs. J. B. Moody.

Judge J. M. Mullen, of Petersburg, spent Tuesday as the guest of his son, T. W. Mullen.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nissen, of Winston Salem, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cox.

Mrs. T. M. Jenkins, Mrs. G. L. Hayes, Misses Virginia Hart, and Irene Cannon, Messrs. W. C. Bass, J. J. Wade, W. L. Manning, J. H. Harrison and Dr. D. F. Patchin left Tuesday for Phoebus, where they went to attend the wedding of J. U. Loftin and Miss Addie Belle Gammons.

Mrs. J. B. Butts, of Garysburg, spent the week in the home of her son, W. E. Froelich.

R. G. Brown spent the week-end in Enfield with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finch returned Wednesday from Nash County where they spent their "honeymoon" with relatives of Mr. Finch.

Mr. G. B. Crews was out of town this week.

Miss Zoe Porter spent Wednesday in Enfield on business.

The Rosemary Business Men's Association met in regular session on Tuesday afternoon, for the transaction of business.

N. L. Steadman, of Halifax, was here this week on business.

Mr. C. B. Moore, of Henrico, was in town Tuesday on business.

Geo. C. Carmichael is spending this week in Wilmington, with friends and relatives.

HOME GARDENS ADVISED BY SPEAKERS

Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, County Demonstrator and Canning Club Agent delivered a most interesting lecture in the Rosemary Library Building on last Thursday night. Mrs. Morris advised the cultivation of vacant spaces and the canning of food and otherwise preserving of a bit of the food supplies produced this summer.

Prof. A. M. Proctor addressed the audience on the "Di-

Ways We Can Serve Our Country At Home" laying especial emphasis on the conservation and maximum production of all food supplies.

Mrs. Cunningham, of the State Insurance Department spoke interestingly on the subject of "Safety First" in Fire Prevention, and the necessity for the conservation of supplies after they have been produced. With fire losses in this State last year in excess of three millions of dollars, Mrs. Cunningham stated that care in the handling of combustible substances, erection of stoves, and disposition of matches, etc., should be exercised by every housewife.

The audience was a large and attentive one and the speeches were thoroughly enjoyed.

ENLISTMENT FEES TO RED CROSS

Postmaster M. McRae Faison, of Roanoke Rapids, has announced that all of the enlistment fees received by him for enlistments through the Roanoke Rapids Postoffice will be donated to the Red Cross Society. These fees are \$5.00 for each enlistment and the total sum will probably amount to more than a hundred dollars.

MERCHANTS KICK ON ROTTEN RAILROAD SERVICE

A meeting of the Merchants' Credit Association of Roanoke Rapids was held in the Mayor's office on last Thursday afternoon. Plans were discussed for starting the new credit system, and all of the members of the Association were requested to write to the Corporation Commission for relief from the intolerable service now being given the community by the Seaboard Air Line Railway. The Rosemary Merchants Association will be asked to co-operate in this movement.

POLICE COURT NEWS ITEMS

J. C. Upchurch, charged with cursing Mrs. S. W. Butler, while drunk on his premises, paid a fine of \$1.00 and costs, amounting to \$6.75. Evidence brought out showed that Mrs. Butler who lived in the Patterson Mills Village had requested some of the Upchurch children to stop running over some young plants in her garden, which action so moved the Upchurch wrath as to cause him to proceed to curse Mrs. Butler roughly. Mr. Butler promptly brought suit before Recorder Saunders with the decision above outlined.

Bickett Favors Selective Draft

Governor Bickett answering the New York American's telegram relative to the selective draft which Mr. Hearst has instructed all his papers to advocate said today:

"Equal rights entail equal duties. But men there be who boldly assert their rights and shrewdly forget their duties.

"A decent respect for the principle of equality of right and of responsibility, demands that in providing an army for common defense selections should be made upon the basis of a common liability. No sane person would propose to finance the war with volunteer subscriptions. Even in time of war money must be accorded the equal protection of the law. But the volunteer system of raising an army works a tragic discrimination against manhood. The flower of our youth present their bodies as a living sacrifice to their country while baser breeds remain at home and propagate the race. The burning injustice of such a system is surpassed only by its nauseating stupidity. Men should be selected for service upon the basis of natural fitness. To be so called to the colors, ought, and when properly understood, will be considered a nation's stamp of distinction."