

# ROANOKE RAPIDS HERALD

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## CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD

Interesting and Instructive Program Consisting of Many Short Speeches by Community Leaders Feature Exercises, Orders March in Bodies.

GRAVES DECORATED WITH FLOWERS

The service held at the Cemetery last Sunday afternoon was a success. Of course we hope to improve the programs as future services are held, but the service had the effect that was desired in that it has already created some interest in caring for the lots by the owners.

More work will be done and the sentiment against the Cemetery will finally be eradicated. It takes money with which to do most anything. We need a fence around the cemetery. The movement has already started and Mr. S. F. Patterson has subscribed two hundred dollars to begin with. We shall appeal to the Mills, Merchants, Lodges, Churches, Sunday Schools, individuals and all business enterprises to help in this campaign. We need to have a well drilled and that will cost money. We feel sure that every one present Sunday afternoon will vouch for the truth of this statement. Report all contributions to Rev. R. L. Topping, Minister of the First Christian Church, who has taken the Cemetery work in hand. Full credit will be given through the columns of the Roanoke Rapids Herald.

The Rosemary Concert Band furnished music. The line of march was as follows: E. B. Davis, captain of Woodmen Degree team in charge, the Woodmen Circle, the Rosemary Concert Band, Woodmen of the World, Red Men and Junior Order United Mechanics. Upon reaching the Cemetery the graves that had flags placed upon them were immediately decorated, during the service the grave of Jim Burton, immediately after the service the grave of A. J. Thomason and all others who carried flowers placed them upon the graves of their dead.

### First Christian Church Cleanings

Those who read the Herald will verify the statement that we are ready "to perform the ceremony" at any time. We are keeping our record of "the marrying parson".

Our revival will begin the second Sunday in July.

At present we are the sixteenth largest Christian Church in North Carolina. We have three hundred and sixteen members.

Hon. Claude Kitchin will speak at the third anniversary of the organization of our church the first Sunday night in August, if Congress adjourns by that time.

The Children's Day program will be rendered on the first Sunday night. See the program next week. The public is invited.

One addition since the revival closed. Forty four during the revival.

The Reds are fifty seven points ahead of the Blues in the Contest. The Contest will close the fourth Sunday in June. On that Sunday we will have a Rally Day Service by the entire school.

The annual election of our officers will be held on the first Sunday in July.

One hundred and seventy-one have accepted a package of Duplex envelopes since the new financial year began. An increase of twenty-two over the work last year. We are trying to place a package into the hands of every member, but are taking time to explain to every one what it means. One hundred and forty-five to reach yet.

### Mighty Near It.

"Do you, Mr. Stacks, think that a rich man can go through the eye of a needle?" "I don't know. I will, however, admit that my lawyers have dragged me through some very small loopholes."—Fack.

## William Mercer Cohen

When William Mercer Cohen died in Weldon on the evening of the 17th inst., there was not a man, woman or child who knew him but felt a personal loss.

Of attractive personal appearance, sunny disposition and lovable character, he combined in all his life all the qualities of gentleness that are summed up in the term of gentleman. Those who knew him intimately were closely bound to him by the strongest ties of friendship. He never spoke of nor treated any one except with kindness, and this community has suffered irreparably in his death.

Mr. Cohen was born in Enfield, in this county, November 15, 1867. After preparation for his life work as a druggist, he came to Weldon in April, 1889, and having bought the drug business at that time operated by Dr. I. E. Green, until lately he remained in this business at the same stand. His business life here covered a period of twenty-eight years, and Cohen's Drug Store was the place where the older citizens congregated to pass a pleasant hour. Every one felt the influence of his genial life and was shown, even the youngest child, the tenderest consideration.

He filled a large place in the community having held for many years the position of Treasurer of the town and was a director of Bank of Weldon from its organization.

He was sympathetic and generous and no needy person was ever sent from his prescription desk without relief as far as he could give him.

He was best known and loved as a friend, true and faithful to the end. And what a shock it was when the news was passed along our streets that Will Cohen on last Thursday evening had suddenly passed into rest.

He leaves surviving him a widow, who was Miss Willie Hall Green, the daughter of Dr. Isaac E. Green, to whom he was married in January, 1907, two sisters, Mrs. W. J. Ward, of this place, and Mr. C. B. Cole, of Norfolk, and two brothers, Mr. J. Cohen, of Norfolk, and Mr. E. C. Cohen, who holds a responsible position with the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company. Hundreds of friends here and elsewhere throughout the State join this paper in expressing to these sorely stricken ones the deepest sympathy in this their hour of their grief.

Sometimes we feel that there is so little that can be done at times like this. His friends, however, would have these to know and to realize that they do not grieve alone but they are being carried in prayer to the Burden Bearer.

The funeral rites were conducted Saturday, the 19th inst., at noon, in Grace Episcopal Church by Arch Deacon N. C. Hughes and his Rector, Rev. N. C. Duncan, in the presence of a large concourse of his neighbors and friends from other points that filled the building and overflowed in the street outside.

After the services of his church, of which he was a communicant, his remains covered with rare and beautiful floral offerings were followed by friends and loved ones and laid to rest in Cedarwood cemetery. The service at the grave was conducted by the Knights of Pythias.

The active pallbearers were Sterling M. Gray, Dr. J. E. Shields, W. L. Scott, W. W. Wiggins, Dr. S. B. Pierce, A. F. Stainback, H. D. Allen and J. S. Turner.

The honorary pallbearers were W. E. Daniel, J. O. Burton, J. L. Shepherd, E. Clark, W. T. Parker, C. W. Gregory, J. T. Pope, T. F. Fenner, W. L. Long, Dr. J. K. Hall, Whit A. Johnston, J. E. Suiter, W. H. Joyner, A. C. House, C. P. Bounds, J. A. House, J. A. Dickens, J. E. Branch, Henry Farber, J. W.

## ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

D.P. Allen and son, Dan spent Friday and Saturday in Rockingham, called there on account of the death of a sister of Mr. Allen.

Horace Robertson, of Littleton, spent the week-end here with his daughter, Mrs. G. Matthews.

J. B. Gee, of Henderson, was in town a few days this week on business.

Miss Mamie Foster, after an extended visit to relatives in Liberty, returned here the past week.

Mrs. Addie Speight and Mrs. H. M. Johnson left Sunday for Rocky Mount, called there on account of the serious illness of J. F. Speight.

Arthur Cushing left the past week for the Sanatorium where he expects to be for several weeks recuperating his health.

Rev. Nat Harrison, of Brinkleysville is spending a few days with his brother, J. H. Harrison.

C. C. Churchill left Sunday for Raleigh and Durham to be gone several days on business.

Mrs. W. D. Thompson and children left Thursday for Spartanburg where they expect to spend several weeks with friends and relatives.

G. C. Newell, of Heathsville, spent the day here Saturday on business.

A. P. Thompson, of Emporia, was here Sunday and preached in the Rosemary Baptist Church at the morning service.

R. L. Dickens spent Monday in Raleigh on business.

B. D. Hamill, of Thelma was in town Friday and Saturday.

R. L. Byrd was here Sunday from Emporia and spent the day with his family.

J. E. Browning, of Hopewell, spent a few days here the past week with his family.

Mrs. Ethel Thomas, traveling representative of the Mill News, published in Charlotte, was in town Tuesday.

Chief H. E. Dobbins arrested Al Hockaday and Jessie Faison, colored, on last Tuesday, night the pair being charged with stealing meat from a tenant on Mr. Lafayette Powell's place. After a hearing before Magistrate W. F. Horner, they were taken to Halifax jail to await the June term of the Superior court.

### Hodge-West

Mr. Benjamin West, of Roanoke Rapids, and Miss Alma Hodge, of Mesic, N. C., were quietly married at the residence of Mr. Daniel in this city, on last Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. C. H. Trueblood performed the ceremony in the presence of a few intimate friends.

Mr. and Mrs. West will make their home in Roanoke Rapids.

Sledge, Dr. A. S. Harrison, N. L. Steadman, W. R. Smith, Geo. E. Ransom, R. S. Travis, A. S. Allen, J. B. Tilghman, E. T. Zollicoffer, R. S. Hall, S. F. Patterson, Dr. T. W. M. Long, Dr. Willis Alston, J. E. Bowers, J. H. Fitzhugh, Geo. W. Fulgham, E. G. Garlick, O. W. Pierce, W. T. Shaw, W. B. Drewry, S. P. Johnston, J. L. Harris, W. T. Whitehead and J. H. Norman.

These and hundreds of others followed him to his last resting place and bore testimony to the universal respect in which he was held.

We can say that no death has so deeply touched our whole community. His figure was so well known and his life so much a part of our community life that a void has been made that cannot be filled and his gentle presence will be missed more than we can portray in type and words.

A gentler spirit has not lived in our midst, and we feel that he is safe in that bright land where there is no parting. —Roanoke News.

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## REGISTRATION DAY TUESDAY, JUNE 5th

The Registration Board of Halifax county, consisting of Dr. I. E. Green, Sterling M. Gary and J. A. House, have appointed the registrars for the different precincts throughout Halifax county.

The Registrars for Roanoke Rapids Township, Precinct No. 1 (Roanoke Rapids) are A. M. Proctor, W. D. Tillery, and J. W. House, Precinct No. 2, (Rosemary) are J. D. Shearin, J. H. Harrison, Jr., and Thos. M. Jenkins.

Registration will be done at the voting places and as it happens that the Registration Day in this township is also Election Day for the school bond issue, the voters in the registration age limits can vote and register at the same time.

Unlike the election the Registration Polls will be open from 7:00 A. M. to 9:00 P. M., thus giving ample time for all to register without necessarily losing time from work. Additional registrars will be appointed in both of the local precincts to take care of the rush of registrants expected after the mills close down.

Every person who has passed his 21st birthday and has not attained his thirty-first birthday on June 5th is required to register, regardless of whether he has dependent, occupational, or physical exemption under the terms of the draft. The penalty for failure to register is one year in jail. Those who are sick must get some one to register for them; those who are out of town must register by mail.

The full text of the Draft Act and the President's Proclamation in regard to Registration appears on the second page of this issue.

### Mrs. Rosa Anne Mosely

Mrs. Rosa Anne Mosely died at her home in Roanoke Rapids on last Tuesday after an illness of about three months duration.

Mrs. Mosely had been a resident of Roanoke Rapids for about eighteen years. She is survived by five children: Mrs. Herbert Bell, Mrs. Sam Cook, Mrs. Collins Fitts, Miss Ruth Taylor, and Mr. Frank Taylor.

Mrs. Mosely was a devout Christian, a member of the Roanoke Rapids Baptist Church for many years, a devoted mother and loving friend. She had a wide circle of friends who deeply deplore her passing away.

The interment took place on Wednesday afternoon at the family grave yard in Greenville County, Virginia. Funeral services were held at the home, being conducted by her pastor, Rev. C. H. Trueblood.

The active pallbearers were J. K. Dickens, Joe Ben Moody, B. S. Webb, M. D. Collier, W. S. Hancock, W. D. Tillery, and W. M. Saunders.

### Brown-Stultz

On Thursday night, May 17, at nine o'clock, Rev. R. L. Topping, of the First Christian Church, united in the holy bonds of matrimony Miss India Ethel Brown to Mr. Samuel Sheely Stultz at the home of Mr. Sam Riggan at Bolling. G. T. Simmons acted as best man with Miss Gertrude Brown as maid of honor. The other waiters were: Mr. T. R. Tucker with Miss Maud Thompson, H. F. Hockaday with Miss Mary Burton, Willie Rook with Miss Bessie Connor. The bride wore white georgette crepe. All the bridesmaids carried beautiful bouquets of flowers. After the ceremony a sumptuous supper was served.

Stitches in a Shoe. There are nearly 2,000 stitches in a pair of hand-sewed shoes.

Real Pure Food. Apples carry the pure food stamp of the great physicians.

## ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Mark Chandler and son Wilson Gray, of Portsmouth, are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ailsbrook.

Miss Mary Daughtry spent the week-end in Emporia with friends.

Nathaniel Macon has returned after a short visit to his home in Henderson with relatives.

Mrs. Tom Wicker, of Danville, is spending a few days in town with relatives.

Taylor West left last week for Pennsylvania to take up work.

R. W. Brown left Monday for West Point where he will spend a few months.

Mr. Willis Turner spent the week-end in Richmond with friends.

Mortimer White spent the week-end in Richmond with friends.

H. M. Faison and son Dan spent Saturday in Pleasant Hill on business.

J. D. Swindell who has been employed in the Co-operative Store, left Monday for Richmond where he has accepted a position.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Jernigaen and children, of Jackson, spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. W. C. Elmore.

Mrs. W. A. Butts, of Valentine, is here visiting relatives and friends.

Joe Price is spending several days here with relatives and friends.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Valentine and children, of Vulture, spent Tuesday in the home of Mrs. W. C. Elmore.

F. H. Robinson Jr. spent Tuesday in Richmond and Petersburg.

Miss Blanche Robinson who has been visiting friends returned to her home in Victoria Monday.

Abe Norinsky left Monday for Baltimore to see a specialist. He was accompanied by Sammie Marks who will enter a Hebrew school.

Mr. and Mrs. Faucett Harrison and Mrs. T. N. Harrison, of Littleton, spent Thursday in the home of Mrs. J. M. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bain and daughter Myrtle with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Grimmer motored to Panacea Springs Sunday.

F. W. Bozelle, of Richmond, is spending a few days in town for Corley Piano Co.

Bruce Tillery, Richard Hyman and Auther Reed spent Sunday evening in Littleton with friends.

Mr. Robert Lewis, of Kitaning Pa., spent Monday with his sisters Mrs. W. M. Saunders and Mrs. J. P. Hoskins.

Miss Lillian Edgerton who has been teaching school in Margaretville is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Graham.

Miss Mary Robertson, of Hamilton, is visiting her father Mr. F. H. Robertson and friends.

There will be an Ice Cream Supper at the River Road School Friday night June 1st.

Misses Helen and Irene Anderson are visiting their brother, Mr. L. O. Anderson, here this week.

### Cesar Davidson

Little Cesar Davidson the 2 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Davidson died at the home of his parents in Rosemary Saturday, after an illness of whooping cough.

Interment took place Sunday evening in the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. H. Trueblood.

## Vulture Items

Miss Kathleen Bowers left Monday for her home in Tarboro.

Mrs. M. King and T. E. Baird spent a while in Roanoke Rapids Saturday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bailey spent Sunday night here as the guest of Mrs. J. H. Moss.

Mrs. J. A. Vincent and son, William, spent the week-end in Ebony with friends.

J. I. Kine spent the week-end with J. A. Vincent.

C. W. Vincent was in Emporia Thursday on business.

Miss Elizabeth Laye has returned to her home in Raleigh.

Miss Emma Rainey was taken to the Roanoke Rapids Hospital Tuesday to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Children's Day exercise will be held at Oak Grove Church First Sunday in June.

J. M. Jackson, of Roanoke Rapids, was in Vulture Monday on business.

Robert Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shaw spent a while in the home of Dr. T. H. Valentine Sunday afternoon.

## SPECIAL PROGRAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A special program will be given at the Presbyterian Sunday School on next Sunday morning in observance both of Parent's Day and Foreign Mission Sunday.

The program will consist of songs by the children and a number of three to five minute talks as follows:

Song.  
Welcome Address—Mr. Fred Peck.

The Importance of the Sunday School—Mr. J. T. Chase.

The Importance of Father being in the Sunday School—Mr. L. S. Mosher.

The Importance of Mother being in the Sunday School—Mr. J. D. Ezell.

The Child in the Sunday School—Mr. Job Taylor.

Song.

The Family in the Sunday School—Mr. A. L. Clark.

My Part in the Sunday School—Mr. J. E. Jones.

Some Fruits of the Sunday School—Mr. J. T. Stainback.

Song.

The Needs of Our Neighbors—Rev. D. T. Caldwell.

Everybody is cordially invited to be present.

## CHIEF PINCHES VARIOUS SPEEDERS

Strenuous Enforcement of Automobile Speed Law is Having Good Effect

Chief J. R. Baird's unwontedly vigorous campaign against reckless speeding on the Avenue is having its weight. The word has gone out that speeding is apt to prove more expensive than exhilarating and fifteen miles an hour has become a very fashionable gait.

Messrs. Sam Jones, Frank Joyner, Jessie Jones, Robert Ailsbrook, Robert Smith, George Daughtry, M. M. Moore, and Frank Hudson paid the first penalties in the new campaign, same being \$1.00 and cost coupled with a solemn warning.

Grant Boone, colored, truck driver for Hancock-Touse Company also paid \$1.00 and cost and Don Watson, having been previously admonished to little effect, was fined \$3.00 and cost.

Mr. Darden, banker, of Rocky Mount, was arrested en route through the city, and allowed to keep on his way to return later for trial.

### Enjoy Yourself.

There is no use in refraining from telling these anecdotes. You will have to listen to them all through life, so you might as well narrate your share, if you feel so inclined.

## BASEBALL LEAGUE TO BE FORMED

Four Team League Planned Composed of Roanoke Mills, Rosemary, Patterson Mills and Company K at Weldon

### MEETING NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

At a meeting held in the Mayor's Office of the town of Roanoke Rapids on last Wednesday night, an amateur baseball league in this community was informally discussed.

The plans as at present tentatively developed comprise a strictly amateur, loosely governed organization composed of teams from Roanoke Mills, Rosemary, Patterson Mills and Company K of the National Guard now stationed at Weldon. A double-header game would be played each Saturday, one week at the Roanoke Rapids Park and the next week at the Rosemary Park, as soon as the latter is completed.

It is probable that a part of the proceeds will be turned over to the Red Cross, should there be a branch formed here, but nothing definite has yet been done. A meeting will be held in the Mayor's Office on next Monday night, at which time more definite plans will be formulated. All who are interested in baseball for this community this summer are invited to attend this meeting and take part in the discussions.

A game of ball will be played Saturday afternoon between Company K and a picked team here, at the Roanoke Rapids Baseball Park.

## GIBSON RE-UNION PLEASES AUDIENCE

Amateur Play Abounds With Humor. Exceptionally Good Musical Numbers

The Gibson Re-Union presented at the Peoples Theatre on last Thursday night under the direction of Miss Bidleman by a well trained cast is probably the most enjoyable home talent entertainment presented here in some time.

The play abounds with humorous situations well developed by the players. It seemed to please the audience from beginning to end. All of the parts were handled exceptionally well and the entire cast deserve commendation in the fullest degree.

Mrs. D. L. Leslie as Mrs. Gibson, Mr. M. McRae Faison as Mr. Gibson, R. L. Towe as Ted Lorraine, Miss Alice Hockaday as Molly Kelly, and Dr. D. F. Patchin as Billy O'Lee were especially worthy of mention.

The musical numbers were new and catchy and well rendered. The Greek dance of Miss Bidleman was gracefully and artistically done. The musical number of Mr. J. M. Jackson, "Hello, I'm Looking for You, Mrs. Mosher and Mr. L. Towe, "Take it from me", Miss Mable Boyd in the second act opening, "Pretty Baby", and the solos rendered by Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Hancock, received enthusiastic applause. "Poor Butterfly" sung by Miss Alice Hockaday and entire cast as the closing number was also exceptionally good.

The performance will be repeated to-night at the Peoples Theatre and those who have not seen it should certainly do so.

Superstitions of Royalty. Caesar, Napoleon, Bismarck and others were not above the superstition of "lucky" and "unlucky" days. Thursday was the "unlucky" day of Henry VIII, of his son, Edward, and of his daughters, Mary and Elizabeth. It is strange that they should have all died upon this day.