

NORTH CAROLINA DAY AND PATRIOTIC RALLY

Graded School Auditorium To-Night at 7:30. Splendid Program Arranged and the Public Cordially Invited

GILBERT T. STEPHENSON TO SPEAK

North Carolina Day will be most fittingly and appropriately celebrated at the Graded School Auditorium to-night. Supt. Proctor has arranged an elaborate program of declamations, songs, and recitations by the school children.

The feature of the evening will be the address on "Thrift" by Mr. Gilbert T. Stephenson, Director of Service of the National War Savings Committee.

The public is invited to come out and hear Mr. Stephenson who is a most able public speaker.

ANOTHER BIG PHOTO PLAY COMING

The big audiences who enjoyed the recent exhibition here of "For the Freedom of the World" will be delighted to learn that the Peoples Theatre have booked for Monday night another famous play "The Slacker". Emily Stephens, the superb emotional actress fills the leading role.

"The Slacker" is an intensely patriotic play, thrilling in its climaxes and gripping in its love interest. The production is a big one in every respect and everyone should be sure to see it at the Peoples and Rosemary Theatres on next Monday, February 18. Admission will be 25c, children 10 cent.

MUMPS

What It is and What to do for It

Mumps is generally considered a sorry little disease and a joke by everybody except the patient. Health authorities, as a rule, pay very little attention to it, because its prevention usually costs more in time, effort and money than the ravages of the disease warrant. But even at that, the disease ranked fifth in the United States navy in importance in 1915, and even now many of our men in the training camps are incapacitated as a result of a "swell" case of mumps.

Thus far no one has successfully isolated the germ or specific cause of mumps. It appears that the infection is carried in the secretion of the mouth and nose and that it is "catching" when a victim of the disease coughs or sneezes without using a handkerchief for a muffler or strainer, causing others who have not had the disease to inhale polluted second hand air particularly in closed rooms or poorly ventilated schools, offices, churches and stores. To prevent infection as in the case of most other infectious diseases, all discharges from the mouth, nose and throat should be carefully destroyed and not scattered out on common roller towels, drinking cups and door knobs.

Mumps are usually characterized by feverishness and a severe swelling just below and in front of one or both ears. Eating, chewing and talking sometimes become difficult or very painful. While very few fatalities result from mumps it is very important that the patient remain quietly in bed during the height of the disease. Working, walking, or even sitting up frequently cause serious complications involving other glands. Ordinarily no medicine is required and if the bowels are kept freely opened and hot or cold compresses applied to the affected parts, the disease will run its course in from one to two weeks.

ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Hayes spent a few days in New York City this week on business.

Miss Susie House, of Thelma, was a guest of Mrs. W. E. Matthews a few days the past week.

C. R. Barkley has accepted a position with W. E. Lewter.

W. J. Norwood spent the week-end in Emporia and Ante, Virginia, visiting relatives.

Messrs. Robert Whittemore and F. W. Clayton were in Norfolk Monday and Tuesday on business.

J. E. Pepper, of near Thelma, spent a short while here Tuesday on business.

W. B. Drewry, Superintendent of the County Home near Halifax, was in town the past week a few hours on business.

G. E. Rose, of Louisburg spent the day here with friends.

Miss Annie Williams after a few days visit to friends in Norfolk returned home Monday.

Lucius Cullom with the Atlantic Realty Company, Greenville, is here for a few days visit to friends and relatives.

Joe Collins who has recently held a position in Petersburg returned here Saturday and has accepted a position with the Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

Mrs. J. W. McCann arrived here from Atlanta the past week to join her husband who has a position with the Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

J. M. Thompson, Norfolk was here Tuesday to see friends and relatives.

Messrs. Wiley Johnson and A. R. Baird spent Monday in Halifax on business.

Mrs. R. M. Sanders left Sunday for Henderson for a few days visit to relatives.

C. C. Dail and family, of near Greenville, arrived here the past week to make their home. Mr. Dail having accepted a position with the Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

Messrs. Paul Green and Jessie Garner, of Weldon attended a dance in town one night the past week.

W. C. Bass left for Richmond Wednesday called there on account of the illness of his sister.

Messrs. W. L. Dickens and J. E. Neville, of Aurelian Springs were in town Tuesday a short while on business.

Frank Hudson, of Wilson, spent Sunday in town with friends and relatives.

M. R. Vick spent Sunday in Franklin with friends.

LENT

The season of Lent being observed at All Saints' Church. Lent is a time of fasting and self denial. It begins with Ash Wednesday, which was last Wednesday and ends with the Saturday preceding Easter, Sundays are not included. It commemorates the forty days fasting of Our Lord in the wilderness, and His temptation by Satan. Because of fasting, and acts of self denial, it is preeminently the season of spiritual revival in the Church. Moses, Elijah and Our Lord each fasted forty days and many contend that this accounts for the forty days of Lent.

It is an interesting fact that nations and individuals in all ages and in all parts of the world have observed days of fasting and prayer, the Ninevites, the Jews, the Mohammedans etc, and the history of the Christian Church shows that believers of all nations and denominations, both as organized bodies and as individuals, have believed in the efficiency of self-denial, self examination, lenten thought, fasting and prayer.

Boy Scouts

The local Troop of Boy Scouts have decided to make the year 1918 one of accomplishment in all branches of scoutcraft. The first step in our programme is repairs and decorations to the scout headquarters, which is well under way.

Lewis Grey, the local mason and plastering contractor who has the new mill work, donated his services and plastered the Scout-hall. Lewis Grey is an expert and afforded the boy's quite an entertainment with his speed and trade tricks in slapping on the plaster with either trowel or plaster-board. The Scouts are very grateful for Grey's assistance and hope those of the community who may need the services of an excellent plasterer or mason will figure with him before placing their contract.

We have adopted a new plan whereby an individual record is kept of service performed by each individual scout. The Troop is divided into three patrols of eight members each. The patrol which receives the greatest number of points in a given month is awarded a "Target Practice Hike". The proper and safe way of handling a gun together with coaching in marksmanship is the plan on these hikes. We hope to win some of the medals offered by the Winchester Arms Company.

The records for January are now complete and the Fox Patrol win with a score of 682 points out of possible 1000. Earl Daughtry of the Flaming Arrows and Joseph Lipscomb of the Foxes win the highest individual honors as both had a perfect meeting record only lacking 10 points of making a perfect score. A detail record covering the month of January can be seen in the window of the Roanoke Rapids Herald.

Another feature of our plans, which we hope will stimulate the interest in the present membership and at the same time open an opportunity for other boys to be active participants in scoutcraft, is the active waiting list. Every candidate taken on this roll will be free to take part in all our meetings without suffrage and several other exceptions. A regular record will be kept of his scout activities and at such a time as one of the registered scouts fall below a set mark of efficiency and service the scout and candidate will exchange places. The disqualified scout can be returned to the roll only through the process of service, the same as any other candidate. Of course the candidate with the best record will be called to fill vacancies.

We are anxious to merit the interest of the community in our organization and ask that any branch of conduct which can be applied as unbecoming of a scout, be reported to the scoutmaster. Reports of discredit will not be expected but if occasion should arise we will not shirk the responsibility and allow any member to reflect on the high standard for which we aim.

On Sunday, February 10th, the Ground-Hog's prophecy out done itself, so several scouts accompanied by Rev. Stanley White and scoutmaster went to the woods near Simmons pond, where the scouts camped last year. This site has been officially accepted as our regular camping place and has been named "Camp S. F. P." which stands for "Sure Fine Place" (?) but the scouts call it "Camp Sam" for short. Many plans were made for week-end hikes—perhaps a whole week sometime, who knows,

Are We Really Musical?

We institute music in our public schools and display our interest in it once a year—at graduation time. We see that our children take "music lessons" and judge the results likewise by their capacity, to play us occasionally a very nice little piece. Men, in particular—all potential singers, and very much needing to sing—look upon it as a slightly effeminate, or scarcely natural and manly thing to do. Music is, in short, too much our diversion and too little our salvation.—Atlantic

Cotton Today 29 1-8

MASS MEETING WELL ATTENDED

Citizens of Halifax County Respond in Thousands to Food Administrator Dunn's Invitation to Halifax to Hear Food Regulations Explained

Halifax County testified practically its magnificent patriotism by its splendid response to Food Commissioner R. C. Dunn's invitation to all citizens of the county to attend a mass meeting at Halifax on last Monday and hear the details of the Food Regulations explained.

It was estimated that more than a thousand people were present and after the carefully concise definition of the Food Regulations by Mr. Dunn, none who attended could be left any doubt as to the need for and wisdom of the Food Regulations and exactly what is expected of every citizen in this all important matter.

An eloquent address was also made by Geo. C. Green, of Weldon, who voiced the sentiments of every person in his hearing when he declared that Halifax County was behind the Administration to the last man in its conduct of the war.

JURY LIST MARCH TERM

The following is a list of jurors drawn for the March term of Halifax Superior Court which convenes on Monday, March 18th:

First Week—H. L. Roebuck, W. E. Nicholson, Jacob Dickens, J. R. Whitaker, W. T. Cook, J. H. Baucom, R. C. Morris, E. E. Stallings, J. M. Parker, W. A. Watston, H. C. Spiers, W. H. Morse, W. S. Batton, C. M. Cotton, J. L. Morris, J. R. Stephenson, Lawrence Whitlocke, J. O. Whitehead, J. B. Kennedy, J. T. Morris, A. B. Schlichter, H. L. Faucett, W. C. Bass, H. T. King, L. A. Dickens, S. O. Purvis, A. B. Britt, Enoch Simmons, W. B. Strickland, W. N. Harvey, S. F. Patterson, Will Pepper, M. H. Allen, J. P. Ellen, R. C. Josey, Jr., J. H. Lewis.

Second Week—D. Boykins, E. C. Bobbit, R. A. Light, S. W. Dickens, W. E. Fleming, G. H. Johnson, H. L. Adecock, Jas. A. Pittman, C. W. Bailey, W. C. Allsbrook, B. D. Mann, C. P. Vincent, L. A. Kitchin, T. P. Hale, Hugh Johnson, J. B. Gray, W. T. Shaw.

Election of Officers

The Baptist Sunday School has elected the following officers for 1918: Supt., W. S. Hancock; asst. Supt., J. K. Dickens; Secretary and Treasurer, J. H. King; asst. Secy., Weldon Jones; Choir director, W. E. Critcher; Organist, Miss Mary Langston; asst. organists, Misses Nellie Jones and Sadie Womble; Ushers, R. H. Stevens and J. R. Pollard; Book Distributors, Thurman Underwood and Lettie B. Strickland.

The School has made a splendid record during the bad weather and expects to improve all the time.

The Ladies Missionary Society has elected the following officers: Mrs. J. T. Smith, President; Mrs. W. S. Hancock, Vice President; Mrs. H. G. McDonald, Treasurer; Mrs. R. E. Buckner, Treasurer.

The Ladies Aid Society has elected Mrs. J. L. Daughtry President, other officers will be elected later. The ladies are doing a great work, having paid nearly \$200 already on their pledge for parsonage fund, as well as doing a great deal of charity work in the community. The society will from henceforth donate 10 per cent of their income to the Red Cross Society.

HALIFAX ITEMS

Jno. Fenner has returned to Rocky Mount, after a few days hunt here.

Miss Nannie Gary returned this week from a visit to friends at Raleigh.

Mrs. Donald McCluer, of Raleigh, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hale.

N. L. Stedman was in Emporia on business this week.

Miss Phoenix, one of the Graded School teachers and Mr. Webb, U. S. N. of Greensboro, were married a few days ago. Miss Mamie Barkley has taken her place permanently.

Miss Florence Fenner is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wallace Patterson at Chapel Hill.

A new bank called "Citizens Bank" will open here this month with C. H. Hale as cashier.

J. J. Wade, of Rosemary, was in town Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Jenkins, of Rosemary, spent Monday in town with friends.

Jno. House, W. D. Tillery, Prof. A. M. Proctor, Prof. A. E. Akers, Rev. Stanley White, and Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, of Roanoke Rapids, attended the Mass Meeting here Monday.

Rev. Dodd preached two able sermons here on the past Sunday. The first sermons since New Year.

Mrs. Jno. Fenner has returned home from a short trip.

Mrs. Willis Wilcox left this week to visit her son, Mr. Willie Faucette.

Mrs. Lynn Langley has as her house guests, her parents from Tarboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Coppedge spent Sunday in the country with relatives.

The U. D. C. met the past week with Mrs. H. B. Ferguson. The first vice president, Mrs. Willis Wilcox presided. Plans were discussed regarding war work. After business refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Annie Gowan. The chapter will meet in March with Mrs. Donald Campbell. Mrs. R. L. Applewhite beautifully rendered several instrumental selections.

The Methodist Ladies Aid Society met with its president, Mrs. R. L. Applewhite on the past Monday. Nearly every member was present and an interesting meeting was held. The pastor and his wife were present from Enfield. An interesting talk by him was much enjoyed. Officers were elected as follows: President: Mrs. R. L. Applewhite, Vice President: Mrs. Ben Jennings, Treasurer: Miss Leona Shaw, Secretary: Mrs. Willis Wilcox, Biblical leader: Mrs. Bob Daniel.

The Methodists will have a "Silver Tea" on Washington's birthday. This tea is given annually in February to commemorate the anniversary of the Ladies Aid.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Joyner, of Enfield, were the guests of relatives here Tuesday.

Rev. Wm. Towe, of Aurelian Springs, was in town the past month on business.

George Green, of Weldon, and Raymond C. Dunn, of Enfield, were two of the principal speakers here Monday.

Walter Daniel, of Weldon, was in town Tuesday on business.

Little Josephine Gowan continues sick at her home here.

Hon. R. C. Dunn to Speak at Christian Tabernacle

Hon. Raymond C. Dunn, of Enfield, will deliver a patriotic address at the Tabernacle on the first Sunday night, Subject: "Our War-Time Duties". Prof. A. E. Akers will preside over the meeting. The speaker will be introduced by Mr. Wm. F. Horner. Mr. Dunn is a powerful speaker and one of the ablest lawyers in North Carolina. The building will accommodate about 550 people and we are expecting it to be overflowed. Come early if you want a seat, don't come in late and then expect to get a seat.

ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Harry Stokes, of Memphis, Tenn., arrived last week and has accepted a position with the barber shop managed by C. W. Cannon. Mr. Stokes enjoys the reputation of being a splendid workman.

Miss Mary Daughtry, who is working in Norfolk, spent Sunday here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Price spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mrs. F. M. Shute and little daughter, Catherine, are visiting relatives in Williamston.

Mrs. K. Jenkins is in Baltimore this week buying her spring goods.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Moore, of Norfolk, were in town Tuesday.

W. L. Long spent several days out of town last week.

Mr. R. M. Hudson killed a green snake near the Seaboard siding the other day. Just what disturbed his snakeship is a mystery for it is very uncommon to run across them at this season of the year and in a prohibition State.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Allen, of Garysburg, were in town Tuesday with friends.

W. G. Lynch is spending a few days in Ebony with relatives.

Mrs. Barkley and son, William, of Henderson, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Glover.

Mrs. M. E. Faison entertained her Sunday School class at her home on last Thursday evening. The girls invited their boy friends and they all had a most enjoyable evening. Delightful refreshments were served.

Mrs. Josephine Cherry has returned here to make her home.

Walter Kee spent Sunday in his home in Gumberry.

H. F. Cherry and Reno Allsbrook spent the week-end in Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Shell are spending this week in the Northern markets buying spring goods.

Mrs. A. J. Downey, of Big Island, is visiting Mrs. J. M. Rice.

The Union Intercessory Society will be held at All Saints' (Episcopal) Church next Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock. The public is very kindly invited.

Mr. Hal Portess and Miss Becky Turner, of Garysburg, were married at the rectory at noon Wednesday, Rev. Lewis N. Taylor officiating.

L. U. Norwood, of Garysburg, was in town Wednesday on business.

The Girls' Friendly Society and the Boys' Club of All Saints' held a very delightful Valentine party in the parish hall Monday night. Games were played and very tempting refreshments served.

Prof. A. E. Akers and A. M. Proctor attended the Food Conservation Institute in Raleigh this week.

Rosemary Baptist Church

Rev. A. G. Carter, Pastor

Sunday school 10:00 A. M. G. S. Gregg, Supt.

Service at 11:00 A. M. Subject: "Debts and Debtors". Evening service 7:30 P. M. Subject: "The Lives of Society".

B. Y. P. U. Monday evening 7:30 will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Spencer.

The Ladies Aid society meets each Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Meet them at Mrs. S. D. Brown's next Tuesday and see what they do.

Some of us are having a good time each Wednesday evening at the church. Are you?

Don't cheat yourself any longer meet us next Wednesday P. M. at 7:30. Our subject will be: "What if Christ should come?"

WITH THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church

Rev. C. H. Truitt, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M. W. S. Hancock, Supt. Preaching 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Lord's Supper immediately after evening sermon.

Helping Hand Society Monday 7:30 P. M. in Domestic Science room.

Men's Bible Class Tuesday 7:30 P. M.

Prayer meeting and choir practice Wednesday night 7:30. The public is cordially invited to all of these services.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. Stanley White, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 A. M. J. T. Chase, Superintendent. Morning service 11:00 A. M. Evening service 7:30 P. M.

Prayer Meeting 7:30 P. M. on Wednesday evening.

First Christian Church

Roanoke Avenue, Corner Ninth Street

Raleigh L. Topping, Minister

Services Sunday conducted by the minister both morning and evening.

Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9:45.

Christian Endeavor meeting next Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. W. D. Harris on Three Hundredth St.

Prayer meetings held on Friday nights.

Our Revival begins April 28th and will probably be held by Rev. S. T. Smith, of Fairfield, N. C.

Special service for Woodmen of the World on the second Sunday morning in May.

Methodist Church

Rev. Eugene C. Few, Pastor

Sunday School at 9:45 o'clock. W. V. Woodruff, Supt. Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Preaching at both hours by the pastor.

Immediately after the evening service there will be held a Church Conference for the purpose of discussing the probability and advisability of a new church building. All members and others interested are urged to be present.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Rosemary Methodist Church

Rev. Charles M. Lance, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 A. M. J. B. Boyd, Supt.

Preaching by the pastor at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Morning Subject: "Spiritual Farming" Matt. 13: 3, 9. Evening Subject: "Prepared and Unprepared", Matt. 25: 10, 13.

Prayer meeting and choir practice Wednesday 7:30 P. M. of each week.

An important meeting of the Ladies Aid Society will follow the morning service Sunday.

A cordial welcome to all the services, strangers and visitors especially invited.

All Saints Church

(Episcopal)

Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector

Roanoke Avenue

Next Sunday is First Sunday in Lent.

Services: 9:45, Sunday School and Rector's Bible Class, T. W. Mullen, Supt.

11 A. M. Holy Communion and sermon. 7:30 P. M. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Monday night the Girls' Friendly Society meets at the residence of Mrs. W. L. Long.

Lenten Service Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 and Friday night at 7:30, in the Parish Hall.

Cottage meeting Thursday night. The public is very cordially invited.