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ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Edward A. A. Parker, of the Atlantic Coast Realty Company, Petersburg, Va. spent Sunday with wife and little son Dick, Jr.

Earl A. Telliga spent Sunday with friends in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. T. M. Faison, of Norfolk, spent the week-end here with friends and relatives.

Miss Sallye Williams has returned from a visit to friends in South Boston, Va.

Mr. Mattie Baird, of Rosemary has accepted a position with Duncans, Inc.

Miss Pearl Roberson, of Rocky Mount, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Williams Sunday.

A seventy pound pumpkin is on display in the window of J. J. Wade and Company. It was grown by a colored tenant of Mr. John Matthews. "Some pumpkin" that!

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson, spent several days last week with relatives near Newbean.

Mrs. D. L. Leslie, of Gordon, Ga., is here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor, and Mrs. M. D. Collier spent Monday in Emporia on business.

Mr. Fred Peck returned last week from Chicago, where he attended the funeral of his father.

Mrs. S. F. Patterson and daughter, Mary Blythe, have returned from an extended visit to Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal McRae, of Littleton, spent Monday in town.

Mr. Sidney Vincent spent Tuesday in town en route to Trinity Park, Durham.

Mrs. Williams and daughter, visited Mrs. W. G. Thompson this week.

Mrs. B. Marks left Sunday for New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore to purchase holiday goods.

Mr. Doughty, of Cape Charles, spent the week end here with his daughter, Miss Crace Doughty.

Mr. Frank Williams spent the week end in Franklin with friends and relatives.

Miss Ina Allen has resigned her position with the Herald Publishing Company and leaves to-night for Asheville, N. C.

Prof. A. E. Akers attended the State and County Council of Educators at Chapel Hill Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Josephine Cherry spent Sunday here with relatives.

Miss Mary Cherry spent the week end in Rocky Mount.

Miss Lizzie Camp, of Garysburg, spent the week end here with Miss Merta Faison.

Miss Susie Allbrook spent a few days in Norfolk this week with relatives.

Rev. J. B. O'Briant spent Monday in town on business.

Mrs. J. C. Wicker and children, of Fayetteville, are visiting in the home of Mrs. W. P. Vaughan.

Miss Mildred Patterson is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Patterson.

Mrs. W. E. Gitcher, of Norfolk visited friends here last week.

Mr. Cenor Moody, of the U.S. N. spent Saturday here with friends.

Mrs. S. A. Faison returned Monday from an extended visit to relatives in Norfolk.

Mrs. J. B. O'Briant spent Saturday here with relatives.

Mr. McRea Faison, is spending some time here with his family.

Mr. E. H. Ricks spent a few days in Emporia this week on business.

Miss Mary Daughtry of Norfolk, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. J. F. Vincent spent the week end in Norfolk.

Object of The County Health Work

The State Bureau of County Health was started July 1, 1917 by an appropriation of \$15,000 by the State and a like amount by the international Health Board. The object of the Bureau is to demonstrate the best method of conducting County Health work, and at the same time demonstrate to a County that it is able to maintain an adequately equipped full time Health department.

The State Bureau is cooperating with Halifax in a three year plan of public health work. The work consists of definite on the more important Health problems rather than an attempt to cover the entire field of County Health actively in a short period of time.

The more important units are concerned with the diseases attending soil pollution such as typhoid fever, Infant Diarrhea, the dysenteries and hookworm. Life Extension Work in which by physical examination the diseases of adult life may be recognized early and cured or prevented. The medical inspection and treatment of school children, the quarantining of infectious diseases, the prevention of tuberculosis and infant Hygiene work.

During the first year of the County Health Department three units of work will be undertaken, the quarantine, the soil pollution and the school unit.

The quarantine is the enforcement of the State quarantine law, and aside from the educational is largely classical. This unit continues for three years. Infections and contagious diseases are required to be reported by the attending physician or by the householder and in suspicious unreported cases the health officer may visit a home and investigate. A record of each case will be kept at the County Health Office and the report is then sent to the State Board of Health.

The school unit is a very important unit of the first year, and continues through the three years. The work of the school unit is to obtain a record of the physical condition of every child in the County, and to get as many as possible of the defectives treated. This is an enforcement of the law enacted by the General Assembly of 1917, which provides for the physical examination of every school child, of public school age at least once in three years.

The budget of the County provides \$500 a year to aid in the treatment of defective children, whose parents are financially unable to provide the necessary attention. This will be undertaken later on in the years work.

The Chief of the State Bureau of Medical inspection of schools has promised to furnish a dentist, with a portable dental outfit, for three months to work especially the rural districts.

BAND CONCERT

The Roanoke Rapids Band will give a concert in the Park to-night commencing at 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend. The program will be as follows:

- 1 March - Free Delwing.
 - 2 Overture - Under the Pines.
 - 3 Waltz - Roanoke Rapids.
 - 4 Fantasia - Court of Honor.
 - 5 March - Peerless.
 - 6 Selections from Operas.
 - 7 Waltz - Tessoro Mio.
 - 8 Overture - American Ideal.
 - 9 Caprice - Dance of the Imps.
 - 10 March - The American Belle.
- Arthur Whitely,
Band Master.

RURAL TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

A conference of all the rural teachers of the long term schools in Halifax County was in session at Halifax for three days last week. The thirty-six teachers in attendance came with a splendid spirit of unflinching loyalty and cooperation for the work and manifested at all times the high ideal of service. The schedule of work was planned with a three-fold purpose in mind, viz: (1) properly organizing the school. (2) Making the rural school an effective community center. (3) Unifying all forces in the county for larger and better schools.

After extending a hearty welcome to the teachers and expressing some of the larger aims for the rural schools in the county this year, Supt. Akers and Miss Cherry launched the program of work that had been planned and carried it through with almost no changes. Much time was spent in outlining the work, discussing the best way to properly organize a school, classify pupils, make a daily schedule, as well as other school problems of like importance.

Prof. L. C. Brogden, State Rural Supervisor, proved an indispensable blessing throughout the conference. He assisted the teachers in various ways, but gained their interest and attention most perhaps when he discussed with them the essentials that a growing teacher should possess. It is hardly possible that the teaching force in Halifax could leave that meeting without the desire and determination to become real, live growing teachers being aroused within them.

Definite plans were given for organizing rural communities into real community centers. A Country Life Club was declared necessary if such was accomplished and the rural school provided for the social and cultural needs of the people. The slogan for organized club work in the county this year is: "One central organization for every school community centered around the Country Life Club as the basis for most effective community service." Mr. F. G. Tarbox and Miss Ethel Leatherwood, county demonstrators, outlined the agricultural projects to be attempted through the schools this year.

On Tuesday evening, Mr. S. M. Gary gave the teachers a hearty welcome to the town of Halifax and to the county as well. Then, Miss Mary Shotwell, State worker for the Fifth Federal Reserve District, made an appealing talk on the important question of "Thrift". Her reasoning was sound and her illustrations apt. Therefore, the interest of all was challenged and their loyal support pledged.

The union of the city and rural forces made a happy program on Wednesday evening. Halifax County had the occasion to look down upon her entire educational workers as one big united body all working with one accord for the same goal. A magnetic feeling of good-will and sympathetic comradeship was made evident in the inspiring talks made by Supts. A. M. Huggins of Scotland Neck, E. J. C. Strane of Roanoke Rapids, and J. B. Edwards of Weldon. Supt. Geo. Howard of Edgecombe County also made a splendid talk.

The conference came to a fitting close on Tuesday, when about thirty committeemen, all of the teachers, the county health officer, the Supt. of Public Welfare, two county editors and other interested school friends came together in a joint session to talk over various school affairs. In a heart to heart talk, trustees and teachers thrashed out their individual duties toward one another and reached a firm working basis for more effective cooperation. Dr. Carter and Supt. Jenkins presented their new work in a clear manner and urged

TOWN OF ROANOKE RAPIDS NORTH CAROLINA

J. T. CHASE, MAYOR
A. L. CLARK, CLERK & TREAS.
W. S. SAUNDERS, RECORDER

September 16th, 1919.

Roanoke Avenue Development Co.,
Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, in its meeting held September 9th, instructed us to write and ask you at what price and on what terms you will sell to the town of Roanoke Rapids that piece or parcel of land bounded on the North by Third Street, on the East by Roanoke Avenue, on the South by the property of the New Methodist Church and on the West by an alley, said alley being located halfway between Roanoke Avenue and Jackson Street.

If said land is purchased from you by the Town of Roanoke Rapids it will be for the definite purpose of using it for a city park, and it is only for that purpose the purchase of the same is considered by the Board.

The town of Roanoke Rapids owns a two story brick building on the East side of Roanoke Avenue between Second and Third Streets, known as the Garage building, and the Board desires that you quote it a price on the land as outlined, outright, also that you state what price you are willing to pay for the said Garage building should you care to purchase the same or to take the same in exchange for the said land to be used as a park.

The board feeling that it is in the interest of the town to provide for the park and that the matter should be fully discussed and considered by you, the citizens of the town and the Board of Commissioners before any definite action is taken, it has ordered this letter sent to you to be published in the Roanoke Rapids Herald, and asks that you reply to the same and also give the Roanoke Rapids Herald a copy of your reply.

J. T. Chase, Mayor.
A. L. Clark, Clerk.

IN HONOR OF THE TEACHERS

On the evening of Friday Sept. 12, at the Central School Building a most delightful reception was tendered the teachers of the Roanoke Rapids Public Schools by the ladies of the community.

As the guests entered the building they were ushered upstairs where they were received by Supt. and Mrs. Coltrane, County Supt. and Mrs. Akers, and the entire faculty of the Roanoke Rapids and Rosemary schools.

Refreshments were delightfully served, and the guests passed on to the auditorium which had been tastefully decorated for the occasion. Here the audience was entertained by a musical program rendered by Miss Julia Thompson, Mesdames Hancock and Stainback, and Messrs. Jackson and Towe.

On Saturday afternoon the teachers were again entertained at a barbecue given by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horner.

The place selected, at Gaston's Ferry near Thelma, was an unusually pretty and attractive one for a picnic. The congenial crowd was in holiday spirit and manifested its enjoyment of the occasion by spending the afternoon in fishing, boat riding, target shooting, and playing games.

the support of all.

Editor J. T. Stainback, of the Roanoke Rapids Herald, and editor R. G. Shackell, of the Scotland Neck Commonwealth, made splendid talks on "How the county editors can help promote the educational interests in the county". The editors were specifically definite in offering suggestions and made all present feel that they were really in earnest about letting their papers share in the advancement of Halifax County's rural schools.

Prof. Brogden again delighted his audience by presenting in a straightforward manner this question for the consideration of all: "Is a larger type of rural elementary school needed in Halifax County?"

After some astonishing statements relative to the one, two and three teacher school propositions had been put forth based on actual facts, those present were compelled to answer this vital question positively.

At the close of that day, it was self evident that the unified efforts of all concerned would build a more efficient type of rural school in Halifax County ere long. May they keep up their enthusiasm and helpfulness until such is accomplished.

GET-READY-DAY OBSERVED

Last Saturday was designated by the school authorities as Get-Ready Day for the opening of the long term schools. This was done in order that the boys and girls might have a cleaner, better happier school home than ever before. From all reports, marvelous changes in the improvement as well as the sanitary conditions of the buildings and the grounds were made in one day by united action on the part of teachers, committeemen, patrons and school children. Each school determined to make the day count for something worthwhile in the community and great has been the result of such unified efforts.

SOUTH ROSEMARY GRADED SCHOOL OPENING

Promptly at 8:30 the above school opened under very favorable circumstances.

This new and modern building was well filled with pupils. A number of the parents and patrons of the community were present to show their appreciation of this good work in its beginning, and to assure the teachers of their co-operation.

The following teachers were present: Misses Ruby Sisk, Principle and teacher of 7-8th grades, Neta Andrews, 5-6th grades, Mamie Leeper, 3-4th grades, Murrell Patterson, 1, 2nd grades.

These young women showed by their earnest words and faces that they were there for real service in the school room and community.

After the devotional exercises and a short talk by the writer, Miss Sisk, in a few well chosen words expressed her appreciation of the co-operation and encouragement already received and assured the friends of the school the faithful service on the part of herself and co-workers.

Mr. R. M. Hudson, contractor of the building deserves special mention for his faithful and efficient work, making it possible to begin school at this time. The work was done in about two months, beginning July 14th.

Chas. M. Lance

NOTICE

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church are cordially invited to a Reception at the home of Mrs. Fred Peck Friday P. M. Sept. 26th from 5-6, to be given in honor of Mrs. Wharton and Miss McVade, of Raleigh, who will on the same night give an Organ recital at the Presbyterian Church.

WITH THE CHURCHES

All Saints Church

(Episcopal)
Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector
Roanoke Avenue

Next Sunday is St. Matthews Day and the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Services:
7:30 A. M. Holy Communion,
9:45 Sunday School and Adult's Bible Class, T. W. Mullen, Supt.
Divine Services at 11:00 and 8:00.

Ladies Guild, Tuesday 3 P. M.
Mrs. Avel L. Taylors.

Choir rehearsal Wednesday night at Mr. Lehman's.
All Saints' welcomes you most cordially.

Methodist Church

Rev. Eugene C. Few Pastor

Sunday Sept. 21st 1919.
Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.
W. V. Woodruff, Supt.
Preaching services 11 A. M.
and 8:15 P. M.

Preaching morning hour by the pastor, evening hour by Rev. E. M. Snipes, Presiding Elder.
Immediately after the evening service the fourth quarterly conference will convene.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:15 o'clock.

This church is for the service of God by whosoever will, on every occasion that its doors open.

Baptist Church

Rev. T. S. Crutchfield, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M. W. S. Hancock, Supt.

Morning Service, 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service, 8:30.
B. Y. P. U., 7:15 P. M., Julian Allbrook, President. Miss Rose Moody Group leader.

Men's Bible Class, Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00, Mr. James Leader.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. Stanley White, Pastor
Miss Julia Thompson, Organist

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning service 11:00 A. M.
Evening service 8:00 P. M.
Christian Endeavor 7:30 P. M.
Y. P. Society 3:30 P. M. on Friday.

Prayer meeting 8:00 P. M. on Wednesday.

Did You Ever See a Fat Man Run?

Just the thing you have been wishing to see these many months - that famous baseball game on Saturday afternoon, yes, it is to be as advertised a truly "Leans" and "Fats" game. The Fats with such stars as Mr. Gay, "Chief Dobbin," "Chief Hamlet" and Mr. "Big Mac" Allister are hopeful of victory but the Leans having Rev. Messrs. Few and Taylor, Mr. "Bill" Barkley, Prof. Coltrane et cetera, think they have the necessary goods needed to "bring home the bacon".

The umpiring will be a feature. The customary "pop" peanuts and Jewish ice cream (cohen cone) will be there in abundance for your spare jitneys.

The Rosemary Band will live up to their reputation, furnishing such music as will be appropriate for such a solemn occasion.

The time is 3:30 sharp. The place Rosemary Ball Park. The necessary mazzina is 25 cents. Children under 12 half fare.

If you want to spend an enjoyable afternoon follow the crowd and don't be alone on the street.

Benefit All Saints (Episcopal) Church building fund, auspices Ladies Guild.

Come you! Come Everybody!

ANNOUNCEMENT

Cards have been received here announcing the marriage in Yarmouth, Maine of Miss Alice Campbell and Mr. Homer Humphrey. Miss Campbell is a sister of Mrs. D. I. Leslie and has spent three summers here. Mr. Humphrey has been one of the Faculty of the New England Conservatory of Music for the past fourteen years.

Household and Kitchen Shower

The Ladies Aid Society, of the First Methodist Church, gave a household and kitchen shower Monday evening to Rev. and Mrs. Eugene C. Few. A large number attended and enjoyed a delightful evening and the popular young couple received many useful and handsome gifts.

ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Miss Lucile Carlon is visiting relatives in Richmond this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Council have moved here from Hickory and taken rooms with Mrs. Charlena Hart. Mr. Council will be connected with the Rosemary Bank and Trust Company.

The Taylor Drug Company, with Mr. Clyde Taylor, formerly of Rosemary, but more recently of Franklinton, as manager will be opened this week, occupying a store in the business block west of the Methodist Church.

Mr. C. E. Rigler, a Y.M.C.A. secretary, of Rocky Mount, spent Thursday in town in consultation with friends of the Y.M.C.A.

Mrs. W. R. Shelton and little son, of Henrietta, are the guests of her sister, Mrs. G. L. Hayes.

The Cockade City Electric Shoe Shop opened this week next door to the Rosemary Banking and Trust Company.

Messrs. Rufus Mountford and Will Taylor spent the week end with relatives in Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Baggett, and family of Tarboro, have recently moved here to make their home.

Mr. B. T. Davidson and family, of Henderson, are making their home here.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Horner were delightfully entertained by them at a barbecue and Brunswick Stew held on the banks of the Roanoke at Gaston Ferry Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ella Burton has returned from a visit to Winston Salem.

Mr. L. A. Ghisson and children, of Kittrell, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Cullom.

The people of Rosemary are looking forward with interest to the ball game which is to be played Saturday between the "Leans" and the "Fats".

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Holieman and family, of Milwaukee, N. C., are recent newcomers to Rosemary.

Mrs. W. E. Lewter and daughter, Millie, are visiting friends and relatives in Washington, Belhaven, Panto, and Yatesville.

J. T. Bishop attended services at Ringwood last Sunday. This was Mr. Bishop's first visit to his old home in eighteen years.

TOWNS PREPARING FOR STATE SANITARY LAW

As October approaches, which is the date for active enforcement of the state Sanitary privy law, most of the towns and villages are realizing the necessity of taking some definite action to meet the requirements of this law. Very recently, however, it was discovered that the towns have hesitated greatly in going ahead with this matter, due to lack of a systematic plan of action. This demand has been met by supplying a model ordinance which is suitable to any and all towns. Assistance thus offered by the State Board of Health is meeting with a vigorous response. Already knowledge of passage of the proposed ordinance has come from several towns, among which are High Point, Smithfield, Goldsboro, Kenly, Clayton, and Fuquay Springs. It seems certain that several hundred other towns will have followed their example by the first of October.

The step taken by these towns is highly commendable, and in addition it is a piece of great wisdom on their part. Any group of town officials who realizes that this law is to be rigidly enforced are drawn to the conclusion that nothing but a systematic effort, through the adoption of the proposed ordinance, will give economy, efficiency, and satisfaction to their citizens.

ICE CREAM SUPPER

There will be an Ice Cream Supper at the River Road School Building, Friday night, September 19th from 8:00 to 10:00 P.M. for the benefit of the school. COME!