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#### OSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Messrs, J. A. Moore, W. F. oyner, B. B. Cullom and Lewis Taylor attended the meeting the Episcopal Convention C., this week.

#### Honor Roll For Eighth Month

CENTRAL SCHLOOL Grade 1D - Oattley Lee, Edard Elmore, Arch Taylor, Mary Dixon, Essie Wayne Matkins. Grade 1B - Josie Chase, Mary lma Coltrane, Gladys Melford, ary Green, Miriam Hudson, lelen Vann, Doris Tippett, Lee icholson.

Grade 1A - Bessie Aycock, ohn Hoy Bryant, Dorothy otchfield, Ophelia Daniel, Hilda nes, Calvin Kennimur, Lottie ynch, Carrie Pearce, Lois oodard, Janet Yoder. Grade 2B - Charlie Smith, lizabeth Lynch, Catherine

idd, Lillian Woodruff, Mayo rowning, Grady Bristow, Ce-Pendleton, Otis Reynolds. Grade 24 - Ollie Powell, etty Gray Long, Gilbert Pool, lbert Garner.

Grade 3A - Lurline Hardy. ertha Hedgepeth.

Grade 4A - Vashti Kennimur. lilda Faison, Mildred Baird. Grade 5A - Claude Brown, nnie Hodges, Agatha Moore, aura Trunstall.

Grade 6A Garland Humphries, ey Crouch, Robert Crutchfield, azel Turner.

Grade 6B - Annie Lewter. Grade 7B - Wilbur Davenport, anelle Garner, Ethel Harris, laud Vaughan.

Grade 7B - Ruth Allen Helen lenkins Hattie Kearney, Corinne Marks, Nellie Morris, Maybelle Moseley Gilbert Brown, Essex

ROSEMARY SCHOOL

Grade 1A - Clurence Simmons, ry Harps, James Daniel, lontie Williams, Blanche Allen. lizabeth Parks, Nellie Parks, ffie Simpkins.

Grade 1B - Esther Smith, athlene Jackson, Daisy Harris, anny Murphy, Grey Currie, Grade 1C - Addie Belle Sim-

nons, Ernest Rawls, George licholson, Graham Shell. eaulah Miller, Nervie May arner, Arleen Batton.

Grade 2B - Martha Murphy, illian Belle Jackson, Troy rouch, Hazel Clary, Clymeth rown, Emma Andrews, Alton oggard.

Grade 2C - Carlton Taylor, Ma Hamby, Nellie Hamby, Three Prizes for Three Babies ene Cox.

Grade 3A - Edith Briggs, Alice Waters, Elmer Williams. streicho, Annie May Shearin.

Grade 4A - Hugh Cobb. Blanch Thompson, Pauline year of age. Prize, bonnet. leorge, Sarah Jenkins, Sarah celly, John Simmons, Blonzie of age. Prize, gold pins. earson.

Grade 4B - Fannie Ruth Bar- of age. Prize, kiddy-kar. Cannon, James Hilton.

Grade 5 - Teddy Harrison.

#### Bryant - Watson

Parsonage Friday night, Miss considered by the judges. May Watson and Asnley Bryant, at the "Ledgewood Hall" were baby show. happily married. Rev. Chas. M. Lance officiating.

After a few days visit to the turn to Rosemary to live.

Harnessing the Torrents. In Switzerland almost every mounmiles for lighting and power pur-

#### THE PAGEANT

Spectacular Representation of the County's History.

account of weather conditions, ments as follows: was looked forward to with much interest.

world war to present day condi- and let us out, iel took the character of Governor got the money to back us up. Nash, Dr. W. G. Suiter that of They drove on towards Weldon

beautiful green in East Weldon placed back in the car and driven where a natural amphitheatre a few miles beyond Weldon, rises from the stream of a little where they turned into a by brooklet and reaching to the top road, stopped the car and turned to be where he was. He made The beef-iron and wine which ed after the storm to use the screamed or did not do as they blame. sehool auditorium.

gene Daniel, H. G. Parsons, Joe car, House, William Edwards.

The schools united in singing the Halifax County Hymn given in our paper last week and written by Mrs. Jeannette Snead Daniel, of Weldon. These events for so much interest that too Grade 1D - Annie Mae Odel much cannot be said in praise of the untiring energy and work of from the car. Miss Annie Cherry, the County Supervisor of the Schools of Halifax county and her assistants in beinging these important facts of history before the public. Roanoke News.

audry Cook, Priscella Mullen, show to be given in the nurses me. It tasted peculiar, but I mill village where the two went to the home of an old gran- Lance, of Rosemary, conducting porothy Welch, Margaret Wood, new home on Roanoke Avenue merely thought it was 'flat.' I women were working in the ny whom she had known for the burial service. Bro. Hawkins INDICATIONS STRONG Saturday May 21st, between the drank the most of it. In a short mills. The trip was made at the years, and that it, was there had been a consistant member of Grade 3B - Eula Clary, Hazel hours of 3:30 and 5 o'clock. time I was in a state of semi-instance of the two women, two and three years.

1st class, babies under 1 year 2nd class, babies under 2 years 3rd class, babies under 3 years

nette, Sarah Cameron, Mary There will be judges to decide

Only mothers ticket will entitle both of Rosemary, and residing her paby to be entered in the

#### NOTE OF THANKS

my recent bereavement in the town. death of my mother, Mrs. Tenthat they will ever be remembertain torrent has its electric plant, the el and cherished, and especially current often being carried for many the many beautiful floral offer-

Mrs. S. M. Thompson.

## JIM SHARPE AND BURLESON DENY GUILT WHILE WITH THE CHURCHES ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL Thousands of People Witnessed the THE GIRLS REMAIN FIRM TO ORIGINAL STATEMENT

The hovering clouds on Wed- Jackson and the writer inter- from my people. eld in St. Phillips Church, Dur- nesday morning caused many viewed, both Miss Lilla Barkley anxious thoughts, but soon they and Miss Anna Gillespie, the girls Mr. and Mrs. Arch L. Taylor, geant, which once postponed on them. Both girls made state-signed statements by the accused left the girl. Late in the night At 8 P. M., subject, How to Monday here on business.

#### STATEMENTS

and mighty current flowing out night Anna Gillespie and myself as follows: and onward ever reaching for left Mrs. Colley's house to go to "Two itinerant missionaries and been drinking."

the county pictured well some d-n mouth, we have got you where they are incarcerated, ment almost word for word. The period of this general outline. To and we will do what we d-n and to their families who has- girls were not together when Rosemary Methodist Church Weldon was given the Revolu- please. You are not the first tened from Albemarle with as. seen by the writer either time. tionary period. Mr. R. T. Dan- ones we have had and we have surances of sympathy and sup-

Governor Wm. R. Davie, C. R. and stopped the car about half Daniel, Gen. Davie Allen Jones, way from here to Weldon. Anna Miss Sanders, Flora McDonnald, and I got out of the car and and many other characters of started to run away. We were that notable period were well overtaken by Sharpe and Burletaken and effectively carried out. sor and told 'you came out here The staging of the Pageant in this d-n car and you are was to have taken place on the going back in it.' We were told us they would kill us.

street from where I jumped declared.

#### Lilla Barkley.

Burleyson.

there with them.

saulted me again.

sey Coley. I wish to assure them ton, here they left me in front of get her to leave the car are des-Mrs. Ester's Boarding House. I crived as having been useless. by a statement of her aunt Mrs. nocent, and brought the Gillesthe burial services. went to the house of an old gran- "Reaching South Boston, the Chas. Barkley, to the writer. pie girl to South Boston to her

Sunday morning Chief R. H. by the Police under instructions three men all say they went Sunday School at 9:45 W. V Anna Gillespie. Capt. and Mrs. Guy Drewry, lifted and the day bid fair for accusing Jim Sharpe and Alonzo In the News and Observer rived and carried them off to jail. Sermon at 11 A. M., subject, LaCrosse, Va., are the guests the open air Halifax County Pa- Burleyson of criminally assaulting Monday morning, there were no They told the officers where they How A Good Deed Works.

character.

broader and higher things, the the services at Rosemary, just the driver of an automobile hired After reading the above in part was taken by Miss Sisk, one before reaching the corner we for a preaching tour that landed Monday's News and Observer, of the county teachers, and were approached by Jim Sharpe all three of them in the State the writer accompanied by Chief shows the history of the county and Alonzo Burleson. who said prison Saturday, charged with Jackson and a Mr. Carson, (who from the days of the Aborigal they were going too, and would criminal attacks upon two young is in the employ of the News and Indians, through the Colonial be glad to take us. When the women at Roanoke Rapids, yes. Observer, but not on the news period, the days of the Revolu- car reached the tent they did terday entered broad disclaim- staff) again went to see the girls, tion, the days of the war between not stop, we both began to ery ers of any stain of guilt upon read to them what Sharpe and the States and up through the and begged them to stop the car them. Individually and collect- Burleyson claimed, and they detions. The different schools of "The men replied: 'hush your their keepers in the death house, tion and made their same state- day 8:00 P. M.

almost convincing. efforts. The other missionary is by one reading both articles.

Misses Benson, Darden. Travis, lost their way returning and at that the Gillespie girl's statement of this Saturday night. cer, Messrs, Stanford Travis, would get out and read the sign true. The brother of one of the ever, that this happened Saturwhile the other held us in the women accompanied them on a day night and not Sunday night drive before the Sunday night when the girls say they were as-When we reached the Rose- trip, and bought a bottle of saulted.

Anna Gillespie, aged nineteen been agreed upon for several this time she was in a stuper most of the time an invalid, and years. Her statement: "Sunday days previously. Burleson who and unable to walk or even cry for the past six months has been Va. afternoon Addie Colley, Lilla talks more intelligently than the for help. It will be remembered confined to his room and bed. Barcley and myself went to ride others. told of drives upon that this was between two and On Wednesday afternoon, folwith Jim Sparpe and Alonza which the two women insisted three o'clock Monday A. M. upon being taken on Sunday Miss Gillespie still sticks to friends and relatives the body are attending the State Piano "That night about 7:30 Jim and again on Sunday night, her statement that they left her was carried to the family burying Contest and the Music Festival Sharpe brought me a Coca Cola They drove over to Louisburg, in front of Mrs. Ester's boarding ground near Hawkins Chapel in Greensboro today and to-Bring your baby to the baby which he said Mr. Burleyson sent he said, and returned to the house in South Boston and she and laid away. Rev. C. M. morrow.

ee Coley, Jessie Davis, Pearlie There will be three classes - one consciousness. Lilla and I start- Late in the night, according rested and carried to jail. ed to the services at Rosemary to Burleson's story, the Gillespie We have as yet been unable only a few months, he was 68 and were asked by Jim Sharpe girl was carried to the home of to find anyone who can cast re- years old. He was a quiet, peace and Alonza Burleyson to ride up her aunt, where she got out of flection upon the character of loving citizen, a good husband "The next I remembered I was The car was driven then to the pie has lived here only a few leaves a wife, two sons and six taken out of the car and thrown home of the Barkley girl, and weeks and all who know her daughters, and a host of friends to the ground and assaulted. I after that Burleson and Sharpe that we have talked with, say and relatives, remembered also being taken went and woke up the other they have never heard naught ameron, Bill Batton, Eugene which child in each class shall be from the car again before remissionary and prepared for a against her. Miss Barkley is awarded the prize. Phone 584 turning to Roanoke Rapids. I trip to South Boston, Va., where is only a girl of sixteen, is small and enter your baby in the con- did not know Lilla had jumped it is claimed they intended to and under-developed for that test, or come Saturday afternoon from the car. They then took me to continue their mission work age, and has not yet recovered world to flow over Ningara.

Babies are to be judged by Methodist Church and went for "As they were driving out of experience of eight day ago. At the Rosemary Methodist weight and measure, clothes not Mitchell Sharpe. When I gained the town, Burleson says, and the Miss Barkley when told that was nervous. Mrs. Barkley also possible, provided the bids were consiciousness I was in Virglina. two Sharpes corroborate him, the the men said that they carried stated that in her opinion Lilla favorable, Mitchell Sharpe worked the place Gillespie gir! hailed them and de- her home, replied bitterly that Barkley was not over fourteen and Jim Sharpe and Burleyson clared that she was going to they did not, that she cried and years old. took me to the woods and as leave town if she had to walk, begged them to take her home A telegram from chief N. G. She claimed that her brother had and they would not. That when Terry, of South Boston, where They then took me to South assaulted her. It is claimed that the car reached the corner near the arrest was made stated that I wish to thank my friends for Hill. Both of the Sharp brothers they tried to dissuade her, but the tent in Rosemary, she opened Miss Gillespie was arrested at bride's mother, at Plymouth. N. their many acts of kindness and worked this town, leaving Bur- she insisted on going, and jump- the car door, jumped from the the home of her aunt, and not on C. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant will re- expressions of sympathy during leyson and I on the outskirts of ed in the car, into the front seat, car and ran to her aunt's near the street with two men. That and sat between Burleson and by, where she spent the night. Mitchell Sharpe made no state-Next they went to South Bos- Jim Sharpe. Repeated efforts to That Miss Barkley spent the ment, but that Jim Sharpe and Elm City today for interment.

and there was taken in to custody her aunt there and laft. The the girl did not tell her of her her father did not live there.

down town and prepared to open Woodroof, Supt. their campaign. They had just eaten supper when policemen ar- Sunday, R. L. Towe, teacher. however there were denials and they saw her brought into the Come to Christ - How to Follow indirect impeachment of the girls' jail. They say she was drunk Christ. when she arrived there, and that | Prayer meeting next Wednescounty and centralizing around Lilla Barkley, aged sixteen The article appearing in the officers told them that they had day at S P. M. county and centralizing around that Datkey, aged the Roanoke river with its strong years: Her statement: "Sunday News and Observer was in part picked i.er up on the street with All the evening services sister, Miss Lucy Crisp. two men. All are said to have promptly at 8 o'clock.

ively, among themselves, to nied every insinuated allega-

port, they told a tale that appears | patched to the News and Observer which they did not publish and 8 P. M. by pastor. "Jim Sharpe and Burleson are Tuesday but wrote one themthe two against whom the power selves, getting the facts twisted Supt. of the law is directing its capitol miserably, as will be easily noted

held only as an accessory to the The statements made by the Gay and other laymen will discrime alleged against the others. Sharpe brothers and Alonza Bur- cuss subject of "Christian Edu-He was not with them when the leson as printed in the News and cation." crime is alleged to have been Observer Monday morning are in committed, and he inquired the opinion of many here as ap- vices. quite plaintively yesterday of all parently as cowardly as the dasvisitors if they thought he ought tardly crime they are accused of.

of the hills on the outskirts of off the lights. They took us into other two, but was quite sure believe Miss Gillespie was 'drugno claims of innocence for the Burleyson would have the public this city, the management decid- the woods and told us if we that he himself was without ged" with, was according to a statement of her brother, James "Indirect impeachment of the Gillespie, Jr., bought by him in day, the feast of Pentecost, the is spending several days here One of the features of Weldon's Afterwards they (Jim Sharpe character of the two Roanoke Weldon Saturday night for his birthday of the Christian church, with relatives. part was a beautiful minuet and Burleson) took us to Halifax Rapids women is contained in wife, who is in a poor state of Services: 7:30 Holy Commundanced on the green in true co-returning by Aurelian Springs. almost every sentence spoken health and has been taking this ion, 9:45 Church School, T. W. lonial style by the following la- They again assaulted us between by the two most deeply involved. tonic for some time. Mr. Gilles- Mullen, Supt. Morning service, dies and gentlemen of Weldon: Halifax and Rosemary. They Burleson admitted quite frankly pie said his sister did take some with address to children in addi-

mary about two o'clock A. M. I 'beef-iron and wine,' and the When told that her assailants jumped from the car near the girls drank it. One of them said she forced herself in the car, tent where we were supposed to was so sick that she had to be saying that her brother had asbe taken to services and ran to carried away from the tent saulted her, she declared this morning B. Davis Hawkins pas- work. my aunts house just across the meeting on Saturday night, he was not so and again told of he- sed quietly and peacefully to his ing left be and the Methodist reward. Bro. Hawkins, with his Rocky Mount, is visiting Mrs. J. "The flight from Roanoke Church, while Burleson and wife, had been living with their Rapids at 3 o'clock last Monday Sharpe went for the other son, E. R. Hawkins, in South morning is described as having Sharpe brother, stating that at Rosemary, for several years,

while asleep in bed she was ar- Hawkins Chapel M. P. Church

the car and went to the house, either of the girls. Miss Gilles- and an affectionate father. He May 21st and bring your baby. back of the Roanoke Rapids preaching and taking collections. from the shock of her horrible

METHODIST CHURCH Rev. L. B. Jones, Pastor

Attend the Boraca Class next

#### Presbyterian Church Rev. Stanley White, Pastor Mr. Stanage, Organist Mr. J. H. Harrison, S. S. Supt.

Sunday School 10:00 A. M. Morning Service 11:00 A. M. Christian Endeavor 7:15 P. M. Evening service 8:00 P. M. Prayer Meeting on Wednes-

## Rev. Chas. B. Lance, Pastor

Preaching service 11 A. M. S. S. 10 A. M., A. E. Stowe,

At Smiths 11 A. M. Hon. A. E. Zollicoffer, R. H

Everyone invited to these ser-

#### All Saints Church Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector Roanoke Avenue Miss Mary Duke, Parish Visitor

Next Sunday is the Whitsuntion to usual sermon at 11. 8 P. Va., is visiting in the home of Bishop, Allen, Parsons and Sau- every road sign one of the men that she was 'drugged' was It must be remembered, how- that she was 'drugged' was It must be remembered, how- Dr. and Mrs. Cecil J. Crank.

#### Death of Benjamin Davis Hawkins

At an early hour Tuesday

for a number of years. Lacking

Immensity of Oceans. occans that it would take 2,000,000 Rapids and Weldon. years for all the sea water in the

# AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr J. M. Huggins spent several days this week in his home at Johnsonville, S. C.

Mr. J. M. Taylor spent a few days in Goldsboro attending a meeting of the Red Men there.

Misses Nancy McLawhorn and Ethel Kelley, of Jackson, spent

Mr. Bruce Tillery spent the week-end here with his parents,

Miss Crisp, of Goldsboro, spent the week-end here with her

Mr. E. H. Ricks has returned after spending some time out of

Mrs. H. O. Blankinship has returned from Richmond where she has been undergoing treat-

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ward and little son, John, Jr., left Monday for their home in Williamston after visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shute.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Price and Mrs. W. S. Hancock attended the Womanless Wedding held in Littleton Monday night.

Come and help make the entertainment at the nurse's new home on Roanoke Avenue a success. We need the help and cooperation of everyone in town. Won't you buy a ticket and come, Everyone is promised a pleasan time between the hours of three in the afternoon and eleven in the evening, Saturday, May 21

Miss Christine McCarty has returned to her home in Roanoke Va.

Mrs. W. B. Simmons is spend-

ing several days here with rela-Mrs. Meyer Cohen, of Enfield,

Miss Susie Humphreys is spending a few days in Richmond this week.

Miss Virginia Crank, of Louisa,

Mr. W. B. Simmons, of Portsmouth, spent the week-end here with his wife. Miss Margaret McLeode, of

Novia Scotia, has arrived to spend some time doing chuch Mrs. E. C. Morrisette, of

Frank West. Mrs. George A. Brewer is visiting relatives at Tom's Creek,

Through the generosity of Mr. S. F. Patterson Miss Julia lowed by a large number of Thompson and Miss Maude Jones

## FOR EARLY CONSTRUCTION OF HARD SURFACE ROAD

Mr. Hart, the eastern representative of the newly organized State Road Commission was in Weldon Wednesday.

He was there at the request of the Halifax County Road Commission, to review their proposal to go ahead and construct the hard surface road between Roa-

Mr. Hart stated that he favored the project and would put it through his commission and experience, she noticed the girl would begin work as quickly as

#### Death of an Infant

John Thomas, the infant son, of Prof. and Mrs. A. E. Akers, died this morning at 2:30, after a weeks illness. The little babe was about three weeks old.

The remains will be carried to

ny whom I had known for years girl was carried to the home of Mrs. Barkley stated that while father at her request, however deepest sympathy in this hour of