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ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. J. C. Armistead, of Petersburg, was in Rosemary Monday.

Mr. F. F. Thorne, of Norfolk, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Lonla Ward, of Greensboro, was a visitor in Rosemary Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gay, Miss Eliza Gay and Miss Bernice Decker spent Sunday with friends in Fremont.

Mr. W. N. Kirkland, of Norfolk, was in town Tuesday.

S. P. V. Desmond, of Charlotte, spent Tuesday in Rosemary.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Ray spent Sunday with friends in Washington and Edward.

Mr. J. E. Green, of Petersburg, was here Monday.

Mrs. Stephenson, of Seaboard, was a visitor in town Saturday.

Mr. H. L. Campbell, of Norfolk, was in Rosemary Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rochelle, and little daughter Dorothy, of Jackson, spent Sunday with friends in Rosemary.

Mr. F. B. Holman, of Norfolk, spent Tuesday in town.

Mr. I. W. Decker, of Henderson, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gay.

Mr. M. Cohn, of Baltimore, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Eugene Lehman spent Sunday with friends in Franklinton.

Mr. J. D. Gentry, of Norfolk, was in Rosemary Tuesday.

Mrs. J. R. Bradley, and daughter, Selma Bradley, of Seaboard, were in town Saturday.

Mr. A. C. Yoder, of Scotland Neck, spent Tuesday in Rosemary.

Misses Florence Bingham, Jennie Mann Clark and Elizabeth Smith spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Allison, of Franklinton. Mrs. Allison was Miss Sue Weaver, a former principal of the Rosemary school.

Misses Lucy and Pattie Rochelle, of Jackson, spent Sunday with friends in Rosemary.

Miss Pattie Byrd, who has been attending school in Richmond, is spending the week with her mother Mrs. Pattie Byrd.

Miss Kelly, of the Faculty of the Seaboard School, was a visitor in town Saturday.

Mrs. S. E. Teague, of Goldsboro, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hurley H. King.

Mr. Frank L. Nash and little daughter Roberta spent the week end with relatives in Lumberton.

Mr. H. B. Stanford, of Durham, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. H. B. Howard, of Charlotte, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. G. I. Bridges, of Durham, was in Rosemary Tuesday.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Rosemary Methodist Church will hold a bazaar in the Hayes Building, Saturday December the first.

Mr. Allen C. Zollicoffer spent Sunday with friends in Franklinton.

Mr. W. T. Bryant, of Norfolk, spent Tuesday in Rosemary.

The Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints' Church held their weekly meeting in the home of Mrs. E. W. Lehman Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. E. Lynn, of Richmond, was in town Tuesday.

Planing For Better Work

In the Methodist Sunday-schools last Sunday morning the Philathea Class was thoroughly re-organized, and the following officers were duly elected, viz: President, Mrs. C. M. Pitt; vice-secretary, Miss Taylor; treasurer, Miss Harper; executive committee, the officers; teacher, the pastor. With a membership of more than thirty, and with the new organization, this class will strive for greater efficiency.

More Interest in Improved Farm Seeds

Farmers of North Carolina are taking greater interest in using improved pedigree farm seeds according to Dr. R. Y. Winters, Plant Breeding Agronomist for the State College and Department of Agriculture. Last spring through the efforts of County Agent T. J. W. Broom, about 1800 bushels of Mexican Big Boll seed were introduced into Union County. Dr. Winters recently queried the men using this variety and found that to a man, they were pleased with the results being secured this fall.

Expressions like these are seen in their answers: "I will plant my entire crop with this variety next year." "Larger bolls and produces more." "Heavier fruit and more compact growth." "Bolls large and more to stalk." "Better than kind I have been growing." Nearly every reply from some forty growers had statements showing that they were favorably impressed with the results of using improved seed.

As a further indication of this interest Dr. Winters reports that a new association for seed improvement has just been organized in Anson County through the efforts of County Agent J. W. Cameron. Most of the members will use the Mexican variety of cotton with which to begin work and such farmers as U. B. Blacklock, J. M. Sykes, E. C. Griggs and L. D. Robinson are pioneers in the movement. Dr. Winters has other associations in Edgecombe, Halifax, Sampson and the Woodleaf Community in Rowan County. All of these are now well organized, are selecting their seeds and are making sales of improved cotton varieties. The Edgecombe Association is incorporated under the State law, has a regularly employed plant breeder and is improving cotton, corn and oats at this time. The association in Halifax county is doing some work with peanuts.

According to Dr. Winters, the workers in his office are assisting about 18 other communities in testing the best varieties for their localities and in selecting good seed each year that these varieties may be constantly improved.

JUROKS DRAWN

The following is a list of jurors drawn at Halifax Monday for November court which convenes on the 26th:

FIRST WEEK—J. T. Stainback, J. A. Pierce, C. L. Shell, R. A. Hardy, J. E. Branch, J. A. Reid, T. D. Laurence, Ben Allsbrook, Russel Bradley, R. D. Bryant, J. A. Ellington, W. B. Cowin, Gid Alston, M. M. Moore, Hugh Johnson, E. L. Twisdale, F. B. Sutton, W. A. Weathersby, Jr., R. E. Pierce, J. H. Applewhite, J. R. Cook, J. T. Etheridge, Calvin Keil, T. M. Faison, T. W. Stansberry, J. D. Crawley, C. W. Hunter, Dallas Collins, S. S. Council, A. B. Schlichter, E. W. Batchlor, C. H. Moody, J. H. Whitaker, Josh Cobb, R. W. George.

SECOND WEEK—Robt. H. Reid, C. W. Cook, L. C. Barnhill, C. E. Matthews, Howard Gray, W. G. Kimball, A. B. Crawley, B. J. Liverman, D. B. Harrison, J. S. Stansberry, Robt. Johnson, L. R. Keeter, G. W. Clark, C. H. Smith, B. D. Carter, P. H. DeBerry, J. A. Avert, B. D. Gray, Tom Tanner, Balford Dunn, C. C. Dail, N. D. Whitehead, E. W. Pope, Claud Bobbit, W. A. Keil, J. R. Matthews, G. G. Brickell, C. L. Birdsong, W. R. Marks, T. W. King, W. M. Elks, Jim Harris, Job Taylor, B. T. Hastings, Collins Cuthrell.

Hear Dr. Anderson

Dr. Anderson, pastor of Scotland Neck Baptist church will preach at the Roanoke Rapids Baptist church Sunday evening, November 11. Here him.

John Littleton Dickens

Mr. John Littleton Dickens, a well known and highly esteemed citizen of South Rosemary died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Leola Powell in Rosemary Sunday night at eleven o'clock. He had been critically ill for several days and the end was not unexpected. He had attained the ripe age of seventy six years, practically all of which was spent in Halifax county Mr. Dickens was born in the county and had a great love for it. He was married to Miss Mary Jane Hawks, of Warren county December 4th, 1872, who preceded him to the grave about two years ago. To this union were born nine children, of which six survive, Mrs. Leola Powell, Mrs. Lillian Lyerly and Messrs. Littleton, Benj. P., Claude M. Dickens, of Rosemary and John L. Dickens, of Portsmouth, Va.

For many years he had been a faithful member of Smith's Methodist Episcopal church, from which the funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, conducted by his pastor, Rev. E. N. Harrison, assisted by Rev. Louis N. Taylor. Interment was made in the church cemetery by the side of his wife The pall bearers were Messrs. M. R. Vick, Ed. Jackson, Mack Johnson, J. A. Pridgen, W. J. Norwood, H. J. Odum, Henry Robertson, Sam Sadler, Thos. Sadler, Wiley Johnson, Ed Hawkins and T. B. Turner.

Distinguished Visitor in the County

Dr. Shepardson, of the University of Chicago, for twenty five years its dean, now director of the Rosenwald Fund of the U. S. has been a visitor in the county this week. The Rosenwald Fund was established by Mr. Julius Rosenwald, a member of the firm of Sears, Roebuck and Company, to aid the negroes of the South in building good schools. Dr. Shepardson visited the new school built for the colored people of the community and stated that of the ninety four schools he had inspected in the United States, this was the best. After looking over the Junior-Senior high school he made the statement that he did not of any place of equal population whose children were offered more than what was offered here.

Came Near Being Serious

On last Friday night at the Garner school, about four miles from town, the ladies of the school gave a box party. A large crowd of people gathered there, and from what we can learn, corn liquor was in evidence in every direction. A man by the name of Gibson began swearing in the school room and Mr. L. T. Garner, of Weldon, politely asked him not to swear in the presence of ladies, and without another word, Gibson drew a pocket knife and slashed Mr. Garner across the throat. It took nineteen stitches to close the wound. The physician said if the wound had been an eighth of an inch deeper, it would have been fatal. Mr. Garner is doing well and will soon be himself again.—Roanoke News.

Notice W. O. W.

On Sunday Nov. 11th, at 3 P. M. Birch-Wood Camp No. 55 will unveil a monument to a deceased Sovereign. All members are requested to meet with officers of Camp in Woodmon hall at 1 P. M.

Thrift Records in Local Schools

The report of the thrift service which is in active operation in the Central and Junior-Senior high school show that on last Friday, November 1st, ninety nine and sixty six one hundredths of the children enrolled in these two schools were depositors in the local banks.



DICIE HOWELL SOPRANO

"Has made an enviable place for herself with New York music lovers since she first sang here." N. Y. Herald.

WITH THE CHURCHES

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH
Rev. Robert H. Broom, Pastor
Mr. W. V. Woodroof, S. S. Supt.
Miss Virginia Edwards, Pianist
Mr. R. L. Towe, teacher of Baraca Class.
Prof. K. L. Elmore, Pres. Epworth League

9:45 A. M. Sunday school
11: A. M. sermon by pastor, subject: The Home as Related to Public Worship.

6:45 P. M. Epworth League.
7:30 P. M. sermon in series of short New Testament questions.

To our members and friends: These will be the closing services of the year; as the Annual Conference is to meet Wednesday morning of next week. It will also be Armistice Day. How pleasing to our Father to see all of His children gathered in the courts of His house, offering thanks to His name! And do we not owe Him just such grateful recognition, for once, at the least?

All Saints Church (Episcopal)
Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector
Mrs. Katherine Webster, Parish Worker
Roanoke Avenue

Next Sunday is the twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, also Armistice Day.

7:30 A. M. Holy Communion.
9:45 church school bible classes for adults and children, T. W. Mullen, Supt.

11 special Armistice Day services and sermon. A musical program appropriate to the day has been arranged.

7:30 Evening services and sermon.

A most cordial welcome is extended to all particularly to every soldier in the community to attend the Armistice Day services.

Program for the Halifax County Armistice Day Celebration to be Held at Rosemary-Roanoke Rapids November 10, 1923.

- 10 A. M. All Legion Men and former Service Men will register at the Junior-Senior High School.
- 10:30 Band Concert by the Rosemary Concert Band in the High School Auditorium. Business meeting of all Legion Men at High School.
- 11:00. Address by Mr. Dan S. Hollenga, former assistant National Commander of the American Legion.
- 12:15. Dinner will be served to all Legion Members and former Service Men.
- 1:30 Parade will start, moving from Roanoke Rapids and will end at Rosemary.
- 3:00 Foot Ball game between the Freshman teams of the University of N. C. and N. C. State, at the High School Athletic field.
- 7:30 An elaborate display of fireworks will be shown on the High School grounds.

An Important Conference

The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, south, will meet in Elizabeth City, N. C., Wednesday morning, November 14, 1923, Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond, Va., presiding for the second consecutive time, his presidency in Raleigh last year having given general satisfaction.

The Conference has nine districts, 224 pastors charges, and 776 organized church societies; 255 Epworth Leagues 730 Sunday-schools, and 276 Women's Missionary Societies. There are 755 houses of worship, valued at \$5,114,500, and 206 parsonages, valued at \$939,611. The total amount contributed for all purposes in 1922 was \$1,510,989.

The nine Presiding Elders constitute the Bishop's cabinet, and all appointments are made and mutually sanctioned in this body. As one pastor is serving his sixth year, five pastors are serving their fifth year, and thirty pastors are serving their fourth year, it is expected that there will be many changes in parsonages.

Elizabeth City throws wide her gates to a gathering of church people, and has a well established reputation for open-hearted, open-handed hospitality, having entertained the fifty-ninth conference in 1885, the sixty-second in 1898, and the seventy-fourth in 1910.

Many members of the conference will see for the first time the handsome new church which cost \$175,000.00 and is free from debt.

Rev. R. H. Willis, who is pleasantly remembered here as the Presiding Elder of the Weldon District, is serving his twelfth year as secretary of the conference, and will probably be re-elected without opposition.

Adjournment may be expected on Monday, the 19th instant. The church in Roanoke Rapids is planning to submit a report well in advance of last year.

Wonderful Attendance Records Made

The attendance records for the month of September which have just been tabulated show that in the Central school, ninety six per cent were present, in the Rosemary school, ninety one, in the grammar grades of the Junior-Senior high school ninety six and for the high school ninety eight percent. This for the first month of the school year is a most encouraging record.

Rawls Convicted of Simple Assault

Cornelius Rawls, negro youth was found guilty of simple assault by a jury in Northampton County Superior Court yesterday. At time of going to press sentence had not been passed.

Rawls was convicted of negligence in causing the death last August of two young men, Ellis Bradley and Marvin Robinson. The trial lasted two days and was ably prosecuted and defended.

Solicitor Midyette represented the State, and was assisted by Messrs. Burgwyn & Norfleet, who appeared for the parents of the young men who were killed.

Messrs. Ed. Travis of Halifax and Geo. C. Green of Weldon appeared for the defense.

Many character witnesses were called, who testified to the good character of the defendant. This phase of the evidence no doubt was the determining factor that caused the jury to assess such an unusually light penalty.

The star witness for the defense was a negro woman named Hunter, who it was charged by the prosecution, told a different story on the witness stand than was told by her immediately after the accident.

Much interest has been manifested in this case. The young men who were killed were well known and liked in the community and were the sons of Mr. L. J. Bradley and Rev. B. P. Robinson. Immediately after the accident there was much indignation shown because of the fact that appearances seemed to indicate that Rawls not only was running his machine at a reckless pace, but that he also did not stop to render assistance when he found that a serious wreck had occurred. Feeling in the matter, however to the extent that harm might be done the negro died out, and the law abiding qualities of Northampton citizens manifested itself.

—Northampton Progress.

FOOTBALL

The Roanoke Rapids high school football team was eliminated from the State Championship race by the Raleigh high school in Raleigh last Friday afternoon, when they met defeat in a close game by the score of fourteen to six. According to the sporting editor of the Raleigh News and Observer the locals gained more ground but the element of luck was a most conspicuous factor in the winning of the victory.

Games are being arranged, with neighboring high schools for the remaining part of the season, the first to be played next week.

Dr. Shepardson visits Halifax

Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, of Chicago, S. L. Smith, of Nashville, Tenn. and W. F. Credle were in Halifax county one day this week visiting Rosenwald Schools. Dr. Shepardson is secretary to Julius Rosenwald who has contributed about \$14,000 to the construction of twenty-two schools erected for negroes in the county during the last six years. Mr. Smith is southern director and Mr. Credle is State director. They visited fifteen schools with Supt. A. E. Akers. They expressed themselves as being favorably impressed with the buildings and furnishings.

Armistice Day Service

A special Armistice Day Service will be held in All Saints' Episcopal Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, for members of the American Legion and all former Service men. The public is cordially invited.

ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. H. T. Smith spent a few days in Greenville, N. C., this week on business.

Miss Norine Cranwell was in Richmond a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ray, Misses Meta and Jessie Jones and Messrs. S. B. Jones and Homer Jones spent last Sunday in Edward.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stainback and family and Misses Meta B. Jones and Catherine Jackson spent Saturday in Wilson attending the circus.

Miss Annie Belle Williams spent the week end in Sanford.

Mr. W. T. Council attended the circus in Wilson last Saturday.

Mr. Samuel Scofield, of Camden, N. J. is spending sometime here on business.

Mr. Charles Humphreys, of Roanoke, Va., spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smoot.

Dr. W. L. Davis, Eye specialist, will make his regular visit here this week.

Mr. Franklin Haverstock, of Petersburg, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lynch.

Mrs. Charles Miller, of Enfield, is spending sometime here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hockaday.

Mesdames Bertha Andrews, C. G. Hamlet and Misses Annie Taylor and Louise Aycock and Mr. R. L. Martin spent Sunday in Greensboro.

Mr. W. G. Lynch has returned from a business trip to northern cities.

Mrs. S. E. Teague, of Goldsboro, spent a few days here with relatives this week.

Miss Bessie Williams is visiting relatives in South Hill and Lacrosse.

Miss Lucille Renn left Sunday for her home where she will spend several weeks.

Mrs. J. P. Renn, of Henderson, spent a few days here last week.

Mrs. J. J. Lawrence, of Ayden, N. C. spent a few days here with her daughter Mrs. W. P. Taylor.

Miss Janie Belle Collins, of Stony Creek, Va., spent the week end here with her aunt Mrs. Peter Lynch.

Dr. J. C. Crank is spending this week at his home in Louisa, Va.,

Mrs. Bessie Loeb, of Raleigh, is spending some time here this week.

Mr. E. A. Telliga spent the week end in Raleigh.

Mr. E. W. Weeks, of Richmond, spent Wednesday in town on business.

Mr. J. F. Morecock, of Richmond, was in town Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Grimmer and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Grimmer and family spent last Sunday in Hopewell with relatives.

Miss Julia Harry was called to her home in Charlotte this week on account of the death of her father.

Mr. Paul Woodruff, of Hopewell, spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lynch.

A Cafeteria Dinner will be served in the old Dobbin's building at Rosemary by the ladies of the Presbyterian church Saturday.

The ladies of the Methodist church will serve "Sam Dowden" Barbecue Saturday on Roanoke Avenue.

J. W. Finch Loses Barn

Mr. J. W. Finch, of Rosemary, had the misfortune to lose a barn of tobacco by fire on last Thursday week. The origin of the fire is unknown but it is thought that it started from some boy's smoking a cigarette. The barn and its entire contents were destroyed including some cotton, fodder, cottonseed, poultry wire and farming utensils. The estimated loss was around \$500.00 and there was no insurance.