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## EDITOR

Mrs. Flossie Nobles Valentine is the new editor of the Nash County News, succeeding Miss Constance Matthews, deceased. Mrs. Valentine follows one of the most alert and intelligent editors in this section, but brings to her work a trained mind and experience that will prove of much benefit. She has taught English for a number of years in high schools, has had some plays published, has been faculty advisor for the Edward Best high school paper. It is safe to assume that the future of the News will be safe with her and the owners of the publication are to be congratulated upon having secured her services.

## ROTARY

Zebulon Rotary held its twentieth hundred percent meeting if two members make up their attendance. The absent boys are loyal and we are reasonably certain they will do this.

Worth Hinton had the program with Raleigh Alford to speak for him. His subject was "America's Flag and What It Means on Its Birthday." Raleigh stated that this was the first flag raised that stood for freedom of speech and religious liberty. It stands for the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, meaning that all men are created equal. He also stated that there are more railroads in the United States than in any other nation in the world.

It was a good talk reminding us what "Old Glory" stands for.

Rev. Charles Allen, head of the local boy scouts, had the Rotarians salute the American flag and repeat our allegiance to it. He also suggested that the Rotary club vote its approval of the course that President Roosevelt is pursuing in the European situation that we are one hundred percent behind him and wish our Senators J. W. Bailey and Hon. Harold Cooley to be informed of our standing.

Professor Tuten asked for a release of absence, so if he failed to attend a meeting it would not be counted against us.

The following visitors were present: Larry Whitehead of San Antonio and Harry Gerald of Wendell.

## CIRCLE

The Southside Circle of the Baptist W.M.S. met on Monday in the home of Mrs. Ivey Narron. Mrs. W. N. Pitts had the program on Africa. At the close of the meeting the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. G. K. Corbett, served refreshments.

## BAPTIST BARACA

The forty members who were absent last Sunday are invited to be present next Sunday.

It was very hot last Sunday but the class room was comfortable. The two large fans loaned us were greatly appreciated.

If it is hot Sunday leave your coats at home. Please be present. I am expecting you.

Wesley Liles.

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## Important Objectives For Zebulon People

For some time we have had in mind some suggestions concerning Zebulon which we believe would be worth considering if not accepted by its citizens. We have discussed them with a number of people and most of them agree with us that they would benefit the community as a whole. One of these five things is about to be accomplished.

No. 1. Mayor Privette told us a few days ago that the last survey had been made and that the funds were in sight to install needed sewer and water lines where there never has been any. Only a slight adjustment in connection with the government's contribution is necessary and then the work will progress to completion.

No. 2. Nearly 200 people were added to Zebulon's population when the town's limits were extended some time ago. Among these are some of our most successful business men. We believe as early as possible these new citizens should have representation on the governing board. One citizen holds two positions in the town's government. We have seen a letter from the Attorney General saying he has never been asked to rule on this point, but that the Constitution itself forbids it. It has also been established that the statute forbids this under penalty of fine. We believe and others agree that he should relinquish one of these positions so another citizen may help bear the responsibilities.

No. 3. In our knowledge a published statement of budget, expenditures and audit has not been made in years of the town's affairs. Even the records of the Board meetings are almost like a closed book to most of the citizens. Yet the law requires an annual published statement of financial matters. We have mentioned these last two matters before and will again if something is not done about them.

No. 4. We believe Zebulon needs a city manager; not because our governing body is inefficient, but because this plan has been proven the most economical and satisfactory plan of city and town administration. Few towns and cities that have tried the managerial plan have relinquished it. Many are adopting it. Wendell has had a manager for some time. A member of its Board told me that it was by far superior to the old way of governing. He stated that not only could they find where income came from but also where it went. It also effects a big saving in operating the town government. From an audit we doubt very much if any one could tell whether our water rents show a debit or a credit.

We learn through a member of the Town Board that the following salaries are paid to officials or employees: Mayor Privette, \$40.00; Clerk Brown, \$45.00; Chief of Police Shannon, \$100.00; Night Officer Hopkins, \$80.00; and Recorder Court Clerk Privette, \$25.00. This makes a total monthly expenditure for salaries of \$290.00, or an annual outlay of \$3,480.00 to administer the affairs of a town of 1069, or an average of more than \$3.25 for each man, woman and child for salaries. We believe this is too much. A member of the Board has done some investigating and finds that a graduate of State College, a fine young business man, can be secured for perhaps \$125.00 a month, or \$1500 a year. With a manager, the Mayor's salary could be eliminated, certain police duties could be taken over by him so that such salaries could be reduced to \$75.00 and \$65.00. Both the town and Recorder's Court clerks' salaries could be saved, since the manager would take over their duties. Thus the town would effect a saving of at least \$300 a year with the managerial plan of government. We very much hope our Mayor and Board will give this their earnest consideration.

No. 5. One other thing we believe the town should seek to bring to pass as quickly as possible. A survey has been made from where No. 39 from Selma enters No. 264 to Wilson across to Pilot and on to Bunn, connecting with the Louisburg road. This will give a more direct travel route North and South than either by Raleigh or Rocky Mount. BUT, when No. 91 from Zebulon North is completed through to Youngsville, where it will connect with U. S. No. 1, then the nearest way North and South will be by this route. The only difficulty will be that travelers will have to turn abruptly west at the junction of 39 and 264 to Zebulon and then go North, something they are not likely to do. Now if we can in some way get the short link built from the Alva Bunn place on No. 39 to Zebulon it will give

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## REVIVALS

The annual revival services will begin at Social Plains Baptist Church on the fifth Sunday in June. Pastor Holloway will be assisted by Rev. Otha Hilliard. The revival at Rocky Cross will begin the first Sunday in July. The pastor will do the preaching.

### REVIVAL AT UNION HOPE

The revival services carried on for a week at Union Hope Baptist church closed last Friday night. Rev. M. L. Barnes of Mt. Holly assisted pastor Davis. Large crowds heard him and the church was greatly revived by the services. There were six received for baptism and one by letter.

Mr. Barnes, before entering the ministry, was first a teacher, then a business man. He is very popular socially and preaches the gospel in a style that grips and holds his hearers. His sermons are full of humor and homely illustrations. The pastor and church feel that his work will mean a great deal in building the church's usefulness in the community.

## DEATHS

### T. A. JONES

T. A. Jones, 73, of Bunn, died Tuesday.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Iva Erb Jones; a sister, Mrs. Henry Brooks of Lynchburg, Va., and two grandchildren, Mary Catherine and Charles L. Jones of Cary.

Mr. Jones had been a resident of Bunn more than 30 years. He was a member of the Methodist Church and of the Spring Hope Masonic Lodge.

Funeral services were held at the home at 3:30 p. m. Thursday. Burial was in the Bunn Cemetery.

### MRS. VIRGINIA DUKE

Mrs. Virginia Lloyd Duke died at Rex Hospital Sunday night and was buried on Tuesday at 3:00 p. m. She was the wife of Earl Duke of the Hopkins Chapel section. Burial was in the Hopkins Chapel cemetery.

## BUSINESS

The former Massey Lumber Co. plant, bought at the sale by M. B. Chamblee, has been purchased by W. O. Glover and R. F. Eddins. They will continue the business in the same building adding such machinery as necessary for turning out first-class mill work. They expect to carry a full line of lumber, cement, hardware, brick and other building material. They will also be prepared to supply made-to-order supplies such as lawn seats, screens and doors, quickly and satisfactorily.

The two new owners will operate the plant themselves with the necessary help. Mr. Glover has been in the contracting business since the Massey Lumber Co. closed. He was foreman in that concern and will have active management of the new business. His knowledge and experience make him one of the best building experts in this section.

Since its closing this shop has been greatly missed by the community and Zebulon people are glad these gentlemen are providing a local source of needed building supplies of all kinds.

## THIS, THAT, & THE OTHER

By MRS. THEO. B. DAVIS

When is the best time for revival services — protracted meeting we used to say?

The time varies in different sections. In the years we lived at Morehead City such services were always held in April, which seemed odd to me as I had grown up thinking August or October the months specially dedicated to church-going on the week-days. Back towards the mountains July was often chosen.

But there is no time that suits all concerned. Somebody has to make more of a sacrifice than do others. Some things must be left undone, if not finished before meeting week, for he who does not take part in these special services loses much of the deepest fellowship of the church.

I can understand how humans are told of plans for revival meetings and such gatherings; but it is a complete mystery how bugs, insects and other pests know about it. Just let announcement be made of a series of services, and you may try your hardest to get everything ready for a week of comparative leisure; but chances are strongly against your getting it. Every cutworm, bean beetle, potato bug, and ant on the place gets busy doing its worst to ruin all the vegetation. The chickens will get droopy and old hens will either sit on the nests day and night or refuse to get on long enough to lay an egg. The cow will break her tie-chain or lose her halter and go prancing through the corn; the calf will get out and take the milk before you know it. The team will become overheated or go off the usual feed. The snaps that so long failed to grow are all at once full-sized and clamoring to be canned. And the weeds and grass take a fiendish delight in showing you how they can overpower and choke to death the plants you have cherished.

You have made up your mind to attend the early morning services; but do you? By the time you have finished breakfast, planned dinner, straightened the rooms a bit, and are ready to change your dress, you are so hot and tired you dread any further effort. Or if you are a farmer, you are just in the middle of the morning's work and even hotter than the wife, not to speak of having to take a full bath and change every garment before feeling fit to appear at church. In order to keep the plowing and chopping up, you may have to work at night—my father did it numbers of times.

But I hope we get to church. We need it, for we are anxious about many things, doubtful about some, saddened over others, and deeply distressed. We need the realization of God's power and that "a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night;" the comfort of knowing that before the moun-

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