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Former Owner, Editor Of The Record Dies Burial In Siler City

A former owner and editor of The Zebulon Record, John Baylus Whitley, died in the Chatham Hospital Saturday morning, September 29. He was 69 years old.

Whitley was born just a short distance from Zebulon, in the home now owned by Mrs. Oren D. Massey, Sr. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Whitley.

After graduating in 1916 from Wake Forest Law School, he taught school in Union County. He practiced law in Zebulon following service with the U. S. Army in Europe during World War I.

In 1924, after editing The Zebulon Record for around five years, he moved to Siler City and established the Chatham News Weekly. He operated this paper until 1933, when he moved to the Brush Creek section of Chatham County and began farming.

He was chief clerk to the Chatham County Selective Service Board for five years, and then went with the Employment Security Commission, a position which he held until his retirement in 1958.

He was a charter member of the Siler City Rotary Club and Post Commander of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts, and a member of the First Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon and taught Sunday School for over 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mamie Goodwin Whitley; three daughters, Mrs. Russell P. Townsend of Wilson, Mrs. Edsel L. Carr, Charlotte, and Miss Elizabeth Grey Whitley, Durham; two sons, Charles Orville Whitley, Mt. Olive, and Lt. Clyde T. Whitley, San Diego, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. G. H. Ferguson, Raleigh and Miss Pauline Whitley, Winston-Salem; one brother, Ennis P. Whitley, Cleveland, Ohio; and four grandchildren.

He has a number of cousins in the Zebulon area.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the First Baptist Church with Dr. Robert E. Poerschke, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Oakwood cemetery.

Graduates

Miss Hariett Pearce, daughter of Joe T. Pearce of Zebulon and the late Mrs. Pearce, graduated from The Wilson School of Nursing August 21. She will continue her work at Carolina General Hospital in obstetrics and general medicine.

100 Minute Class Sessions At Corinth-Holders; County First

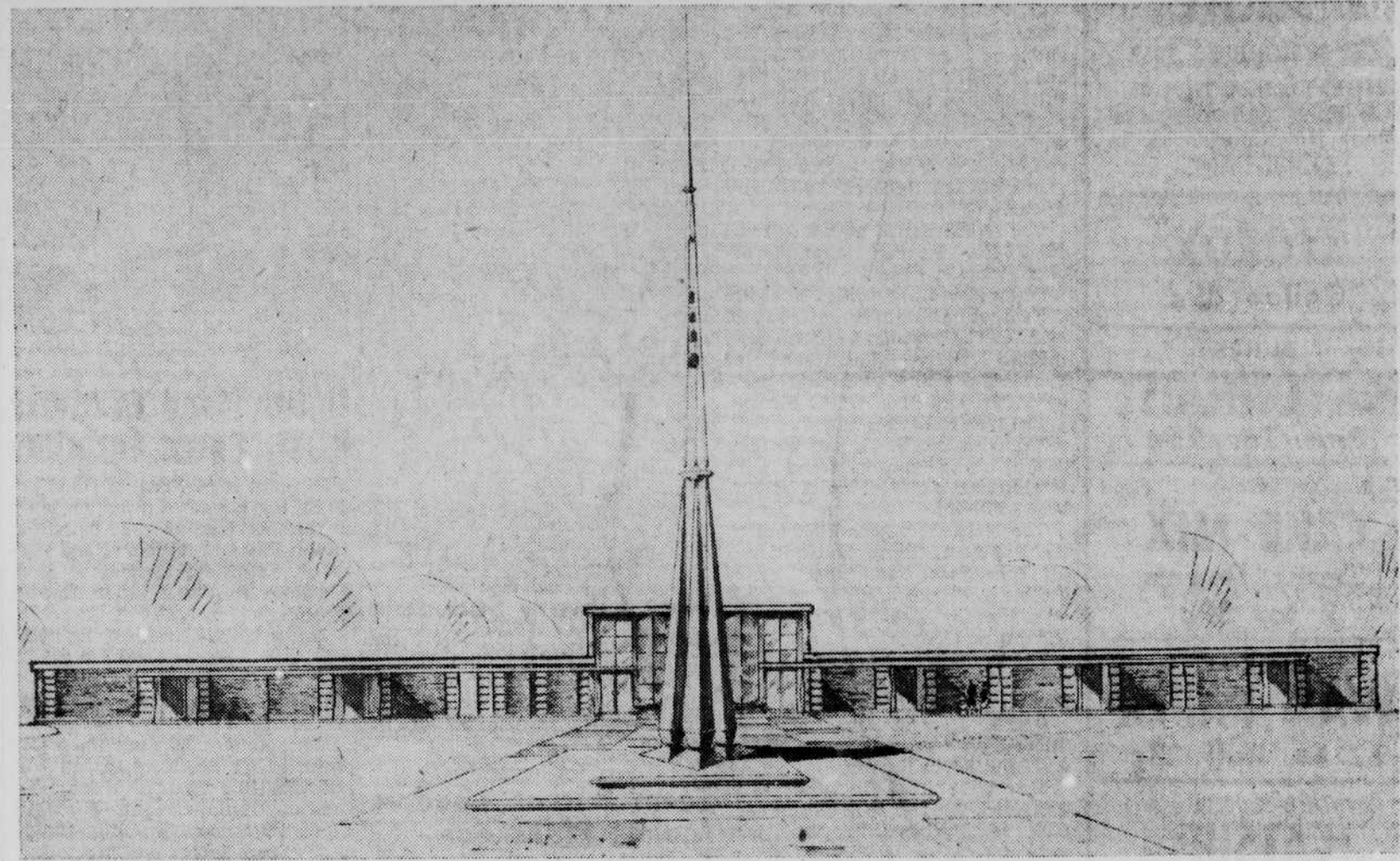
Corinth-Holders High School is undergoing a new class schedule this year, according to Principal Ottis C. Freeman.

Principal Freeman revealed 100 minute class sessions will be held in the high school instead of the usual 50 minute sessions held heretofore.

This new set-up, the only school in Johnston County using the system, will enable the students to have individual help. Teachers will lecture for a period of time and then study sessions will be held with the teachers available to help students who need individual help.

Principal Freeman said this system will enable the students to be more prepared in the field of mathematics, science and agriculture. Mathematics, science, agriculture and home economics may be taken for the full four years of high school, thus enabling the student to be more prepared for the world he may participate in.

Dr. I. E. Ready, director of curriculum study for the State of North Carolina, worked with Principal Freeman and the high



Go Ahead Given On Educational Plant For Baptist-Church; Cost To Be \$159,000

Middlesex Is Finer Carolina Area Winner; Awarded \$100 For Fire, Center, Library Work

The Town of Middlesex has been named a district winner in the Carolina Power & Light Company 1959-60 Finer Carolina contest. It has been awarded \$100, and becomes eligible for even bigger prizes in the contest's final judging in September.

The other area winner was Apex. This town, too, receives a \$100 cash prize.

Tangible results were obtained in Middlesex by the volunteer fire department. The department acquired a new fire truck and the necessary equipment, which serves approximately 700 families of the town and surrounding community. The greater amount of the funds necessary for the support of this volunteer fire department were gotten by solicitations. The modern efficient fire department warranted a decrease in the community's fire insurance rate. Eighteen men serve the department.

Another project accomplished was the acquisition of a community building. This building was the former residence of the late John Finch, one of the first residents of the town. The committee was searching for a site on which to build a center when they were told of the accessibility of purchasing the old Finch residence. The house and lot of one acre cost \$5,000. Only \$1,500 is lacking for full payment on the site and building. Renovations are being started which will turn the building into one of the most handsome community centers in this area.

One of the proudest recent possessions of the town is that of a library. This project was listed under the spiritual and cultural category. The library, supposed to open in July, was delayed until Tuesday, September 1. It has been stocked with 500 volumes by the Rocky Mount city library.

The town contributed \$150 toward the starting of a library and it will receive \$15 from the county and \$15 from the town each month for its subsistence. Federal aid was asked but has not been received.

Mrs. Jake Wright, Jr. of Middlesex has been employed as a

Bulldogs Reported Full Of Optimism

By William K. Quick

The Bulldogs of Wakelon High School reported to their new head mentor, Coach Maurice Chapman, formerly of Spring Hope, with an optimism and enthusiasm rarely seen during the early practice season. Twenty-three candidates for the Varsity of Wakelon High, including sixteen returning lettermen, have just rounded out their first week of practice.

Tying with Rolesville for the cellar position in the Nash-Wake-Edgecombe Conference last year, the team looks forward with encouragement to a winning season. With an all veteran line to back up this encouragement and with some promising backfield material, the team is working on offensive and defensive patterns in readying for their first contest, September 11 with Rolesville.

Dan Massey, a six-three, 195 pound end, and Paul Brown, a 195 pound left tackle are closing out their high school careers and it looks as if each will have a banner season. Teaming with Massey at end will be Johnny Broughton, Michael Pearce, and Harry Chamblee. Broughton, like Massey, is a senior and Pearce and Chamblee are sophomores. Brown is joined at the tackle slot with Earl Perry, a 200 pound senior who will be used mostly on defense, Edward Pearce, and Johnny Flood.

Sidney Holmes, a junior guard, will alternate at center with Terry Kemp and Lee Naylor. Naylor, a senior, is a Baltimore product and attended Dundalk High in Baltimore last year. Coach Chapman indicated that Kemp, also a senior, will be an alternate end. The guard position will see Jimmy Eddins, Sidney Holmes and Bobby Alford fighting it out for a starting slot. Doug Fowler, who was injured the first week of practice, will also see action in the guard position.

The chief signal-caller for Chapman's Bulldogs will probably be Ronnie Clark. Clark will be back-

The Rev. W. Arnold Smith is hopeful that construction will be begun on the educational plant of the new proposed Baptist church this fall.

The pastor revealed Monday that an overwhelming affirmative vote was given the plans for the new educational edifice Sunday by the congregation. There were only two dissenting votes.

Walter Burgess, AIA, of Wendell and Raleigh, presented the plans, style and a scale model to the congregation with detailed explanation. The architect emphasized, according to the minister, that informal teaching can be used by utilizing the open hedge enclosures in the outdoor area.

Cost of the proposed educational plant is estimated at \$159,000, the Rev. Mr. Smith said.

The new plant will be able to serve 514 persons adequately and comfortably. There will be 16 departmental assembly rooms and 43 class rooms. The building will have an approximate total of 14,722 square feet.

The modern building will be constructed of brick, both interior and exterior, with an airspace in between which will serve as insulation. The roofs of the building will be flat and finished with tar and gravel.

The 143 foot wide and 138 feet long building will have a dual entrance on either side with plate glass doors and overhanging roof. The front of the building will be constructed of all glass, extending from the ceiling to the ground.

Entrance into the individual de-

Cushions Stolen

Somebody took seat cushions from the Zebulon Baptist Church bus sometime between Sunday morning and Monday at 3:30 p.m. The bus was parked in a garage behind Perry Electric Company and across the street from Zebulon Motor Company when the theft took place.

Value of the cushions, which formerly occupied the driver's seat and the seat next to the driver, was set at \$30.00 by the Rev. Arnold Smith, Baptist pastor.

Clues were missing.

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