

Vass and Community.

Class Reunion Held.

The 1927 class of Vass-Lakeview high school enjoyed a reunion at the home of Miss Willie Pearl Alexander on Wednesday evening of last week. Rook was played, the high score prize being won by J. R. Thomas. The hostess served fruit salad and cake. Eight of the 11 graduates were present. They were Misses Alexander, Louise Leslie, Katharine Graham and Lillian Oldham, and Winfred Causey, Redga Thomas, Albert Graham and J. R. Thomas. Mrs. Alton Chappell, a former member of the class, was present also.

McFadyen Family Goes to Sanford.

The family of the late Daniel McFadyen, of Route 2, moved to Sanford last week to make their home. Watson McFadyen, the eldest son, has held a position there for quite a while. We regret their going, but hope that they will like their new home.

"Gifts of the Seven Sabbaths of Years."

"Gifts of the Seven Sabbaths of Years" is the topic for the Methodist Auxiliary program, which will be held at 2 o'clock next Sunday afternoon in the church. The story of the laying of the foundations of woman's work for women of Southern Methodism is one of heroic effort in the face of great obstacles, and this story will be given briefly at the Sunday afternoon meeting. Very important business, the dividing of the society into circles, will be attended to, and it is urged that every member be present. Mrs. McLaughlin Hostess to Club.

The Woman's Club of Vass will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:15 o'clock on Friday evening of this week at the home of Mrs. D. A. McLaughlin. The American Home department will have charge of the program.

At a recent meeting the club decided to hold the winter meetings in the homes instead of in the club room and the change is being enjoyed very much. Last month, Mrs. D. A. Smith was hostess and the occasion proved so delightful that we feel sure no member will care to miss this meeting at Mrs. McLaughlin's.

Rev. Dougald Monroe will fill his regular appointment at the Vass Presbyterian church next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Oldham went to Goldston Sunday to see Mr. Oldham's father, who is quite ill.

Miss Annie McGill left Monday for Ridge Springs, South Carolina, after spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. Howard Sleight and baby, who were guests of Mrs. Sleight's sister, Mrs. S. H. Creech, for several days, returned Tuesday to their home in Greensboro.

Mrs. C. S. Thompson and little son, of Charleston, who visited relatives here last week, left Saturday for Albemarle to spend some time with Mrs. Thompson's mother, Mrs. Irene Byrd.

Miss Eloise Brooks left Monday for Mars Hill College, after spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. G. W. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Griffin came last week to visit his mother, Mrs. G. W. Griffin. Richard left Monday for Hamlet where he is employed in the railroad shops.

Mrs. Ibbie McNeill and family had as their guests last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stewart, of the Cypress community, and Mrs. Daniel McFadyen, of Route 2.

We regret that Dan Blue, of Cranes Creek community, has been ill for several days with pleurisy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McCraney and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Thompson and little daughter, Juanita, visited relatives in Ramseur Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Rosser and sons spent a day of last week with relatives in Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tyson have as their guests three of Mr. Tyson's sisters, Mrs. Mamie Dixon, of Raleigh, Mrs. Billy Parham, of White Hill, and Mrs. Lula McBryde, of Sanford.

Miss Effie Lawhon, of Carthage, is visiting Mrs. A. R. Laubscher.

Miss Ossie Edwards left Monday for Sumter, S. C., to resume her work after spending the holidays at home. Miss Jewell Edwards, who teaches at Lucama, left Sunday night.

Miss Glennie Keith, of Raleigh, spent last week end at home.

Mrs. Will Parks, of Red Springs, spent a part of last week with her sister, Mrs. Joe Thomas.

Mrs. G. W. Brooks, Mrs. Bertie L. Matthews, Mrs. W. H. Keith and Horton Keith were shopping in Fayette-

ville on Thursday of last week.

Misses Willie Pearl Alexander and Katharine Graham returned to Louisburg College Wednesday, after visiting home folks during the holidays.

Miss Louise Leslie returned to Campbell College the first of the week.

W. C. Byrd spent last week end with his mother in Albemarle.

W. D. McCraney and family visited his sister, Mrs. Eugene Hamilton, near Dunn, Wednesday.

Mrs. A. K. Thompson and baby spent several days with relatives in High Point last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Laubscher and children spent last week in Glendon visiting Mrs. Laubscher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seawell.

G. W. Griffin, of Hamlet, spent Sunday at home. He was accompanied by Ed Powers.

John Reid Thomas left for Corneliu the last of the week, after having spent several days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Parrish and sons returned to Vass after spending the holidays with relatives in Raleigh.

M. B. Clayton and family spent Sunday in Raleigh on account of the serious illness of Mr. Clayton's brother.

Misses Katharine Graham and Willie Pearl Alexander had as their guest a part of last week Miss Annie Lambeth, of Moncure. Miss Alexander and Miss Lambeth spent Friday night with Miss Annie Lee Thomas, near Cameron. The four are Louisburg College girls.

The Vass-Lakeview public schools will resume work next Monday, January 9, after a two weeks' rest.

**JOHN A. McLEOD
PASSES IN DEATH.**

In the passing of John Archibald McLeod which occurred Thursday morning at 4 o'clock, the State lost one of its most esteemed citizens and a figure who was prominent in educational circles over a long period of years. Known far and wide as "Professor John A. McLeod," he was very active in the educational life of Moore county, being appointed by the board of education to the office of county superintendent of schools, in which capacity he served for six terms, from 1907 to 1919.

Death was due to a complication of diseases, the deceased having been in impaired health for the past several years. He was born in White Hill section of Lee county, which was then a part of Moore, some 60 years ago, a son of Duncan and Effie McLeod. He graduated from Davidson College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For a number of years prior and after his career as county superintendent of schools in Moore county, he served as principal in the Raeford city schools. Early in life he joined the Presbyterian church at White Hill, later moving his membership to Carthage where he was a ruling elder in the church of that denomination for several years.

His career as county superintendent of public instruction was marked by the great work he accomplished in strengthening the school standards and in the forward movement educationally which had its beginning about the time of his appointment and in which he aided materially. At the time of his entry into the office the majority of the schools in the county were small, many of them being housed inadequately. Many of the institutions of learning were one-room buildings, some being of log construction. During his stay in office the school building program made some of its greatest advances, Mr. McLeod always putting his shoulder to the wheel in any forward-looking movement for the betterment of educational facilities. A man of marked ability, he was nothing if not courteous and was beloved everywhere he was known for his kindness and helpful administrations.

Surviving is his wife, who was formerly Miss Ida Patton, of Transylvania county, and one adopted son, Patton, one brother, William McLeod,

of White Hill, and three sisters, Misses Maggie and Minerva, of Mt. Gilead, and Mrs. John M. Tyson, of Vass. His father, mother and one brother preceded him to the grave by several years.

Mr. McLeod was a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M. and was buried with the honors of that order. The funeral services were held from the

pulpit of the Carthage Presbyterian church at 2 p. m. Friday. Interment was made in the Presbyterian cemetery at White Hill, the scene of his boyhood days.

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*Complete text of Secretary Davis' address will be furnished upon request.

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