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## DENTAL WORK FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

A Hundred Per Cent of The Meadow School Children Have Their Teeth Examined

### SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK

Dr. J. S. Moore, dentist from the State Health Department, who is conducting free dental clinics in Johnston County, is meeting with fine success. Dr. Moore has been in the county not quite two weeks, but accompanied by Dr. C. C. Massey, county health officer, he has visited quite a number of the schools in the interest of this free dental work, and already results are being obtained.

Last week Dr. Moore was in the Meadow school where every child eligible for free treatment availed himself of the opportunity. Dr. Moore's work included examination of the teeth, cleaning the teeth, simple extractions and fillings. Every school child from six to twelve years inclusive is entitled to this free dental work. This week his work has been in the Glendale school. His schedule for the immediate future is as follows:

Corbett-Hatcher, June 1, 2, and 3. Corinth-Holders, June 4, 5, and 6. Archer Lodge, June 8, 9, and 10.

When the children and the parents realize fully the benefit to be derived from proper care of the teeth much of disease will be prevented. When schools like Meadow avail themselves of these clinics one hundred percent strong, there are bound to be results.

This work will be continued throughout the coming months until every section in the county has been given this opportunity.

### HAM-RAMSEY MEETING HAS DONE MUCH GOOD

Burlington, May 26.—That the Ham-Ramsey revival campaign, now beginning its final week here, is having a far-reaching effect throughout this entire county was evidenced this morning when Dr. Will S. Long, of Graham, reported that a business men's prayer service which has been organized in that town as a result of the revival here and which meets at the courthouse each morning at 8:30 o'clock, has already eclipsed anything in spiritual power and effectiveness ever witnessed there. Dr. Long states that the large courtroom in which the meetings are being held is packed with men at the morning service, and that several notable conversions have already characterized the services.

One gentleman stated in a testimony Tuesday morning that he had been attending court at Graham for 46 years and that yesterday he saw court opened with prayer there for the first time in his long experience. This is but one of the many instances which are occurring throughout the entire county, which reflects the tremendous effect which has come from the preaching of the evangelist. This prayer service sprang up voluntarily, as have many others in various sections, and is held each day under the auspices of the local citizens with no member of the evangelistic party participating.

In Burlington proper, the meeting is the one absorbing theme of conversation on the streets and everything is practically side-tracked to give the revival the right of way. The evangelistic party face a grueling week with from four to eight services a day on schedule. Aside from the regular tabernacle services, the evangelist is speaking this week in the outlying towns and rural communities of the county and in the mills and other large industrial plants of this section. Quite a number of special services are to be held at the tabernacle when the evangelist will deliver messages of especial appeal.

The special series of meetings will close with three tabernacle services next Sunday at which time all the churches will dismiss for the entire day to co-operate in making the final drive a telling one.

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## "Howdy King"



"Howdy King!" in true American style, brought forth a hearty handshake from King George of England for John Cowrie of Des Moines, Ia., who was seeing the sights in London. "Meet my son, King!" said the smiling tourist as His Majesty advanced to accept the outstretched hand.

## KENLY SCHOOL TO CLOSE NEXT WEEK

Rev. J. M. Daniels To Preach Baccalaureate Sermon; Dr. Chas. E. Brewer To Make Annual Address

Kenly, May 26.—Commencement exercises in Kenly High School will begin on Sunday morning, May 31, when Rev. J. M. Daniels, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Church in Goldsboro, will preach the baccalaureate sermon in the school auditorium at 11 o'clock.

The music recital under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Gunn will be held on Wednesday evening. Miss Gunn has also taught public school music during the year, and a number of choruses will be rendered at this time.

Class day exercises scheduled to come on Thursday evening, June 4th, promise to be a most attractive feature. They will be presented in the form of a play written by Mrs. Beulah Bailey Woolard. For several years Mrs. Woolard has woven into drama the history, prophecy and last will and testament of each graduating class, and has gained a reputation along this line, having had a number of requests from school men for copies of these dramatizations. Each year large numbers are turned away for lack of room. Those wishing to secure seats will do well to come early.

On Friday morning at 10 o'clock, the annual address will be made by Dr. Charles E. Brewer, president of Meredith College. At this time the largest graduating class in the history of the school will be awarded diplomas by Senator Paul D. Grady, chairman of the school board. Those students passing the seventh grade county examinations will be given certificates of admission to the high school department, and a large number of pupils of the school will receive certificates for having been neither absent nor tardy during the year. Certificates will be awarded to many for a prescribed course in outside reading. A great deal of interest has been manifested in this project initiated this year by Principal G. T. Whitley, and quite a large number in the grammar grades and high school department have qualified.

Another new feature of the finals will be the presentation by Hon. E. S. Abell of Smithfield of the Charles William Edgerton Award to a member of the senior class. As was announced last year after commencement, this award is to be a memorial to Charles William Edgerton, who during his life was actively interested in educational advancement of this community, and who gave of his time and means for the promotion of educational interests. This prize is to be offered each year by members of his family to that member of the senior class who during his high school course ranks highest in scholarship and in other school activities.

## Scores Of Miners Trapped in Mine

### GOV. RUSHES AID TO SCENE DISASTER

Governor A. W. McLean, who has been in constant communication with the Carolina Coal Mine disaster since a few minutes after it occurred, stated last night that apparently everything was being done that could be done but that any steps which may become necessary by virtue of further developments will be taken promptly. If considered necessary the Governor will call upon the people of the State to contribute to the relief of families of the victims.

The Governor stated that latest advices from Adjutant General J. Van B. Metts indicated that troops would not be required but that if there is any disorder because of curious crowds, that troops will be rushed to the scene. The Governor also stated that the citizens of the community could be relied upon to do all immediately necessary for the families of those entombed and that he would await information as to the exact situation before taking any action on this phase of the disaster.

"If relief measures appear necessary they will be inaugurated on such a scale as the situation may require," stated the executive.

"The affair is perhaps the most horrible in the history of the State, and is certainly the most horrible within recent years," declared Governor McLean.—News and Observer.

### Gilmore Myatt Tells of Electric Train Celebration

We are in receipt of a special edition of "The Babylon Leader, published at Babylon, Long Island, which features the electrification of the Montauk Division of the Long Island Railroad. We owe our thanks for this courtesy to Mr. N. Gilmore Myatt, son of Mrs. Mary Myatt of this city, whose home is in Babylon. In a letter about this great event of Long Island, Mr. Myatt says that about ten thousand people turned out to meet the special electric train. From 50 to 100 people were invited from each town to ride on the train from Jamaica, and when the train reached Babylon, the end of the line which is electrified, there were probably 1200 people aboard the eleven cars of the special. The cost of electrification between the two points is estimated at \$5,000,000.

Mr. Myatt speaks of Babylon as a coming city, a boom now sweeping the section because of the electric train service. Property is selling in some instances at a profit of 400 percent.

Mr. Myatt, who holds a position with the Long Island Railroad Company, states that he remits as much as \$6,000 in one day in commutation receipts.

### Capture 30-Gallon Still

Sheriff J. P. Parker, Deputy Sheriff F. L. Pittman and Chief C. R. Cable captured a 30-gallon capacity copper whiskey still Wednesday morning in a barn at the home of Rob Watson, colored, about two and a half miles south of here on the Sanders Chapel road. The still was in an oats sack upstairs in the barn. No whiskey was found.

The colored man was away from home and no arrest was made.

### Mrs. Zeb Coates Dead

Friends of Mrs. Zeb Coates, of Benson, Route 1, will regret to learn of her death which occurred Tuesday afternoon in the Smithfield Memorial Hospital. She was buried Wednesday afternoon in the Coates family burying ground in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. The funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. D. C. Johnson. The deceased was a young woman, being only eighteen years of age. She leaves a husband and three children. The pallbearers were: Messrs. J. P. Beasley, Howard Byrd, Sam McGee, J. W. Carroll, Lemuel Penny and Willie Parrish.

### Bodies of Six Men Removed But Fate of 53 Others Known to Be Entombed Uncertain

#### EXPLOSION IS MYSTERY

Coal Glen, May 27.—The mine of the Carolina Coal company today became the scene of the greatest mine disaster in the history of North Carolina when three successive explosions deep in the bowels of the earth entombed 59 miners, every one of whom tonight was believed to be dead.

At 7:20 tonight the first six bodies were brought to the surface. No trace has been found yet of the remaining 53 believed to be in the mine. Rescue workers, digging on hourly shifts and desperately attacking the piles of debris that closed the main shaft, are fighting ahead with every ounce of strength and skill they possess to reach their comrades.

Claude Scott, in active charge of the rescue work, and Dr. J. F. Foster, one of the medical corps in charge of arrangements on top, said tonight at 9 o'clock that they did not believe any man would be brought out of the mine alive. Others are more optimistic.

The known dead, whose bodies were brought out, are:

Archie Hollins, white.  
Hollins Richardson, white.  
William E. Byerly, white.  
William Erick, negro.  
James William, negro.

A sixth negro, unidentified. All of these men were killed almost certainly by the force of one of the explosions, either the second or the third. They were found first by Howard Butler, acting superintendent of the mine, and Joe Richardson, a machinist, when these two plunged down the shaft immediately after the first explosion. Butler and Richardson found them about 1,000 feet down or about 500 feet in a vertical line from the top of the ground, dazed, bruised, but still breathing.

They dragged them out of a lesser corridor into the main shaft where the air was better and then went on to search for others. The second and third explosions came 15 minutes and 30 minutes later. The six must have caught the full force of one of these. Their bodies were charred, legs were broken, arms twisted and shattered, heads crushed, when the bodies were driven with terrific force against the walls. In their clothing was the smell of mine gas, but physicians said they all died from the effects of the explosions and not from the gas. They would have died from gas later, it is thought, if they had survived the explosions. The bodies were stiff and it is thought definitely that they died around 10 o'clock.

What caused the explosions remains a mystery of mining. Bion H. Butler, vice-president of the Carolina Coal company, active all day in rescue work, said it was impossible to tell. A certain amount of gas is always about where the coal is being dug. No fire is allowed in the mine but a spark might have set it off, a defect in the electrical wiring system, or even possibly a combination of gases might have produced a condition forcing a spontaneous explosion. None of the explosions were loud on top but in each instance the same cloud of dust and earth and flying stone rushed up the shaft and expended itself in the open air.

What happened underground no man now knows and possibly none will ever know. But on top the first explosion was the signal for activity of every kind. Young Howard Butler took immediate charge. He sent word to find out if the fan which sends fresh air through the mine was still running. The steady roar of the fan was its own answer. It was undamaged. Th tagave great hope and to that hope men and women here still cling. If the fresh air could be pumped into the mine there was still the chance that men might live even 1,000 feet under ground and 2,000

## "Ideal Girl" Weds



Mischa Elman, world famous violinist searched 20 years for the "ideal girl" and he found her in Helen Katten of San Francisco. Now they are married.

## DR. A. E. CORY TO SPEAK AT SELMA

Dr. Cory To Deliver Annual Literary Address at Selma Commencement Next Week

Selma, May 28.—The Selma high school finals will begin Friday evening in the school auditorium with a music recital. Miss Mildred Perkins, the director, has a large and well-drilled class and a delightful evening is promised those who attend. On Sunday evening the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Dr. C. H. Durham of the First Baptist church of Lumberton.

Senior Class Day exercises will be held on the school lawn Monday afternoon at five o'clock. Monday evening at eight o'clock the reading, oratorical, essay and elementary reading for the Noble prize contests will be held. The seventh grade certificates will also be presented on this evening.

On Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock the promotion cards will be given out.

Dr. Abram E. Cory will deliver the literary address in the high school auditorium on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock. Dr. Cory has been a missionary to China and several other Oriental countries; he is the former president of the International Convention Disciples of Christ, army chaplain both in the Spanish-American and the World War; an author of note; president of Tuscarora council of Boy Scouts. He will leave early in July for Russia to study Near East conditions. A rare treat is in store for those who are so fortunate as to hear Dr. Cory. The public is cordially invited.

### Mr. C. R. Tomlinson Dead

Friends throughout the county will regret to learn of the death of Mr. C. R. Tomlinson, which occurred at his home at Wilson's Mills Tuesday morning about six o'clock. Mr. Tomlinson, who was eighty years old, had been sick for several days. He was a Confederate veteran, having served his country during the Civil War. He was among the old soldiers who attended the Memorial Day exercises which were held here on May 10. His wife, whom he married 55 years ago still survives. He also leaves three children: Messrs. J. W. and Percy Tomlinson, of Wilson's Mills, and Mrs. Sue Fields, of La Grange.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, of Selma, and interment was made in the city cemetery at Wilson's Mills. The pall bearers were: Messrs. F. H. Brooks and W. M. Gaskin, of Smithfield, B. A. Turnage, Henry Stephenson, John Holt, S. L. Franks, Woodard Brock, and A. P. McNeil, of Wilson's Mills.

The bereaved ones have the sympathy of the community in their loss.

feet from the mouth of the shaft.—Greensboro Daily News.

## CITIZEN PRESENTS ADVERTISING PLAN

St. Julien L. Springs Advocates a Tax With Which To Advertise Johnston County To The World

### MUST NOT STAND STILL

That Smithfield and the other towns in Johnston County need more industries that will mean employment to a larger population is a foregone conclusion. The ways and means of bringing to pass the establishment of manufactories is still a problem. People are thinking about the proposition, however, and our townsman, Mr. St. Julien L. Springs has some ideas along this line. Mr. Springs in talking recently with a representative of The Herald said:

"When you look back a few years and see the progress that this great State has experienced, consider also the reasons for so much progress and you will find, foremost among them, that advertising did it. When you advertised North Carolina, you informed natives of other states, other cities and towns and counties; you went so far as to inform the natives of other countries, that in North Carolina are many resources. You informed them that among the natural resources, we have rivers penetrating a vast territory, from which we get an untold amount of electric power; forests, from which factories get raw material for the purpose of manufacturing many useful articles; farm land on which anything under the sun will grow. All of which started new wheels of industries that made possible the birth of a great State.

"Look now into the eyes of this tremendous growth, and you see reflected there, Johnston County, pregnant with unborn possibilities. The mighty railroad systems penetrate the County's four walls that expand a large area, and anywhere in these four walls there is sufficient and ample room for the establishment of manufacturing industries. Johnston County is already recognized in the Agricultural world. But, that is not enough. It has already fulfilled its duty towards the establishment of an educational system equally as good as any to be found in the whole world. Churches are well established in every community in the county, and the net work of hard surface roads or highways will, when completed, run through and link up with one exception, every town in the county. Everywhere in the county one travels over excellently kept county highways so all that now everybody in the county have become neighbors. We've got all of this, all right; and I didn't do it and you didn't do it, but we all did it together. Now, isn't it fair for all for me to say: Let us neighbors have a representative from each town and rural district in the county meet together and introduce some Ways and Means for the purpose of developing the whole county.

"As a suggestion it appears to me that one of the best ways to do the thing is just this. Have the citizens of each town in the county vote a per capita tax and the people of the rural districts vote a similar per capita tax equivalent to five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of real and personal property. When this money is available place it into the hands of five men duly elected by the representatives of the towns and rural districts and these five men are to volunteer their services without pay to appoint an advertising agent, who under their charge will advertise Johnston County as it should be. "I see in the further development of Johnston County a satisfactory means for reducing taxes, in that we will have increased our taxable assets. I do not now know of a better way to reduce taxes in Johnston County. We have got to go ahead. We cannot stand still, nor can we go backward."

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

There will be services at the Smithfield Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. No services Sunday evening. Sunday school at 9:50 a. m.