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PERSONAL BRIEFS

B. Haywood Knight is at home from Chapel Hill to spend the holidays.

Judge Francis D. Winston was here Tuesday on business. Miss Annie Cooper was called home on Tuesday by the illness of her mother near Windsor.

Rev. and Mrs. Dargan, who were en route to Windsor on an auto, spent Monday night in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Simpson, Mrs. A. R. Dunning, Mrs. Henry Crawford and Miss Hannah Vic Fowden motored to Washington Wednesday.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Griffin, whose home is near Jamesville, spent last week as the guest of Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Sr.

Wig Watts, Jr., came home Saturday night to spend the holidays.

W. B. Watts and W. Roy Hampton, with a party of friends, motored here Sunday and spent the day.

Albion Dunn drove here from Greenville in his "Overland" on Sunday to see his sister, Mrs. J. D. Biggs.

Rev. J. T. Stanford arrived last Friday and entered upon his work for the year. He preached both morning and night on Sunday. Mrs. Stanford visited relatives in Greenville before coming here to join her husband.

Misses Fannie Biggs Martin and Frances Elizabeth Knight will leave Monday for Jacksonville, Fla., where they will spend the holidays with Miss Annie Laurie Bonny.

Miss Annie Pagan leaves Monday night for Edenton to spend Christmas with her mother.

W. D. Jenkins, of Durham, has been in town this week on business.

J. W. Baker, who has been at Kenly for several months, is at home.

Rev. Claudius F. Smith spent Monday evening in town as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Staton.

Rev. Rufus Bradley was in town Tuesday from Hamilton where he went to officiate at the Darden-Baker marriage there that day.

Honor Roll

For the month ending December 6th, 1912.

1st. Grade.—Esther Harrison, Herbert Peel, Bonner Gurganus, Minnie Robertson.

2nd. Grade.—William Harrell, 3rd. Grade.—Elizabeth Burras, Mary Gladys Watts, Jim Cook, Jule Carr Wynne.

4th. Grade.—Estelle Crawford, Raleigh Bradley.

5th. Grade.—William Ellison.

6th. Grade.—Bessie Page, Louise Robertson.

7th. Grade.—Garric Dell White, Geo. Howard Kent, Sylvia Upton, James Edwin Harrell.

8th. Grade.—Lucy Green, Gilbert Peel, Alma Sparks, Mary Bradley, Fitzhugh Robertson, Robert Peel, Clyde Anderson.

9th. Grade.—Leona Page, Daisy Manning.

10th. Grade.—Eva Peel, Leroy Anderson, Ollie Roberson, Ellie Wynne.

A Card

I wish to express my sincere thanks for every act of kindness and sympathy shown me by kind friends and neighbors, during the illness and death of my wife. May the Lord reward each one in his own good way.

Eli Ray.

"If poetry be criticism of life, then a reference to life should form the basis of all criticism of poetry."

LOCAL ITEMS

All notices published in this column, where revenue is to be derived, will be charged at the rate of 10 cents a line, (count six words to a line), each issue. Special rate will be made on long contracts.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

—Gasoline 16½ cent by the barrel—Martin County Buggy Co.

—Christmas Wednesday and then the New Year.

—Remember the unfortunate at this joyous season.

—Gasoline 16½ cent by the barrel—Martin County Buggy Co.

—Full moon Monday.

—Buy early and avoid the rush on Christmas Eve.

—All the Sunday Schools in town will have Christmas trees for the pupils.

—Gasoline 16½ cent by the barrel—Martin County Buggy Co.

—STRAYED—From my place, one brown grade Jersey bull coming two years old, unmarked. Information rewarded.—S. E. Hardison, Williamston, Route 4.

—Dr. Savage, of Rocky Mount, will be in town on Monday December 23rd, instead of the fourth Wednesday on account of the holidays.

—John E. Pope has sold his residence to Mrs. Louie C. Harrison, and will build on the lot recently purchased by him on Haughton Street.

—Gasoline 16½ cent by the barrel Martin County Buggy Co.

—FOR CASH.—One mule 6 years old next spring. Guaranteed sound, work anywhere. Weight 945 lbs.—Apply to J. D. Simpson, City.

—Mr. Charles Metz, who has had charge of the road work in the township for this year, has resigned and left for his home in North Dakota. While in the community, he made many friends, and his work as a road builder has been very satisfactory.

—The office was made brighter on Tuesday and Wednesday by handsome calendars presented by the two banks in town. These institutions know the fine art of advertising, hence their success. Their strength means greater things for Williamston and Martin County in the future.

—The Telephone Company is having the cable completed up Main Street. Lineman McFarland from Greensboro is doing the work, which has been begun several months previous.

Called for Another Year

At a Conference of the Baptist Church Sunday morning, Rev. Geo. J. Dowell was unanimously called to serve the congregation another year. He has already served them about six years, and this recall speaks well for the relation that exists between pastor and people. This has been a strenuous year with the Church, owing to the expense of remodeling the parsonage, buying more land for the cemetery, putting in electric lights etc. Yet the Church with the help of the ladies, has discharged the indebtedness, given more to mission and schools, and colleges than it has ever done. Seventeen members have been added by baptism, and there is perfect peace and good will now and has been through all the present pastor's administration.

Ted—"Do you believe that woman should hold the reins?"
Ned—"It is all right when you have the girl out in a sleigh."
Judge.

A Good Year

Just a glance at conditions in this community, will show that there has been much improvement in material things. Harvest days are ended and in summing up the results, it is found that with the exception of the peanut crop, the season has been a most profitable one. The tobacco market was unusually active and both the farmers and the warehousemen realized good profits. One has only to watch the produce being marketed to get some idea of the business done in the town.

The establishment of the Hamilton Pants Mfg. Co. here and its splendid outlook, the building of the track to the river and the mill of the Williamston Cooperage Co., are among the most important commercial features in the growth of the town. The ginning mill and the seed peanut factory of Gurganus and Staton are industries which count largely. The Telephone Company and Electric Company have given good service, the former being, perhaps, the largest in the number of subscribers that any town, except the larger ones, has in North Carolina, and the town is the best lighted, the lines reaching into all the suburbs. With a splendid City Hall and the Masonic Hall, there is ample space and accommodation for those things which amuse. One merchantile firm, Y. E. Touma & Bro., has recently come here, and the others with the grocery stores, are firmly established. Anderson, Crawford & Co., is the largest firm in the county and the others are running close seconds. S. R. Biggs Drug Co., and Saunders & Fowden have up-to-date and attractive stores, where anything from a pill to handsome silverware can be purchased. All lines of trade have prospered during the year. A complete summary of the commercial growth of the town and community cannot be made without naming the Martin County Buggy Company, which is operated by A. T. Crawford and W. L. Stalls. This firm has made remarkable growth for the past year. They have sold car load after car load of machinery, repaired everything from an auto down and turned out handsome vehicles. They are the largest advertisers in the county and find good results. Another new industry is the garage of S. R. Biggs, which is fitted with the latest in machinery. Mr. Biggs is an expert machinist with years of experience. J. P. Simpson also has fitted up a garage, sells machinery, repairs, and is agent for automobiles. The best harrow on the market is made here by the firm of J. L. Woolard, who also does wood work and has a repairing department. All these and other things which go to make a good town, Williamston has and much of it has come in 1912.

Taking the whole county, it may be seen that there has been wonderful strides in the building up of same. Farming has improved greatly and the bank statements are largely produced by the deposits of farmers in the various sections. Robersonville, the next town in size to Williamston in the county, has made an immense increase in population, business, etc. The tobacco market, Hosiery Mill, Guano Factory, Parker Buggy Co., are among its best commercial assets. J. H. Roberson & Co., are doing the largest trade in merchandise, and in the buying and selling of cotton and peanuts, and other firms in the town are keeping pace. Everetts, Hamilton and Jamesville have good trade and in each of them there is marked improvement.

So the New Year will open with brighter prospects for the future of the people of Martin County. They have the soil, the integrity and the industry to fit them to sit at the head of the table among the counties of the State.

A Pleasant Dance

Those who attended the dance at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday evening, will remember the occasion as one of the happiest here in years. Invitations had been extended to the young people of Griffins Township, and quite a number came down and introduced again the square dances, as were enjoyed in the years past before the modern figures had been the rage. They brought with them four musicians, who rendered airs suitable to the figure, and did it with a master's touch of the bow. Every thing was ready for the opening of the dance at 7:30 but a heavy rain delayed the coming of the dancers until a little later. There was a large crowd of spectators, who thoroughly enjoyed every moment and felt again that desire to trip the light fantastic as they did in the years gone by. The floor was crowded with dancers, who were prompted by Mr. Dawson Griffin and others. Later Alexander's Orchestra played several popular selections and the waltz and two-step were danced for a short time. An elegant supper consisting of turkey, ham, celery, pickles, sauces, saltines and coffee was served at the conclusion of the dance, tables being arranged on the stage. The young men here who arranged for the dance with all who were present appreciated and thoroughly enjoyed the presence of the visitors, and hope that the visit will be repeated in the near future. An invitation was extended to the town people to attend a dance in Griffins some time during the holidays.

Embroidery Club

Miss Deborah Fleming was hostess to the Embroidery Club on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. J. T. Jerome was honor guest. The hour was spent in the transaction of business, needlework and in the enjoyment of the delicious refreshments which were served in the dining room. The table was beautifully arranged, the centerpiece being a tiny Christmas tree decorated and lighted with colored candles. The office of Secretary, which had been left vacant, was filled by the election of Mrs. Grover Hardison, the president, Mrs. J. G. Staton, having been chosen at the last meeting. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Hardison on December 31st.

Death of Mr. Bynun Wynn

Near Williamston, December 11th, 1912, after months of suffering, the spirit of Mr. Bynun Wynn left his emaciated body and returned to the God who made it. A wife, three daughters and five sons mourn their loss. He said before he passed away "that he had made some mistakes, but he had prayed to God and believed he had received forgiveness. And he had never wilfully wronged his fellowmen." He had seen sixty years of earthly life and was tired and willing to go where he could rest.

Two sons within the last fourteen months had preceded him to the grave. The funeral services at the residence and the Baptist Cemetery were conducted by Rev. Geo. J. Dowell. May the sorrowing friends look to the Comforter and find consolation in this sad hour.

"I say my dear," exclaimed a "golden youth" to a pretty nurse maid in Hyde Park. "I wish I was a youngster in your charge."
"So do I," responded the girl.
"I should then have the chance of teaching you better manners."
—Red Hen.

—Gasoline 16½ cent by the barrel Martin County Buggy Co.

The Servant in the House

"There's a lot of brothers knob-kin' about the world as we don't know of."

This striking sentence spoken by the Drain Man in the second act of "The Servant in the House" furnishes the keynot of the entire play, which comes to the Opera House on Monday December 23.

The play, which has been acclaimed from coast to coast as one of the greatest plays in all the wide range of English drama, and as a lasting contribution to the English literature, is on the idea of universal brotherhood and it teaches with compelling force the lesson that man's highest happiness comes from unselfish service to others.

The central figure in the play is a quiet, impressive man, garbed in long, flowing oriental robes, who has taken a place as butler in the home of an English clergyman, and who wields a strange, uncanny influence over everyone with whom he is brought in contact.

It must not be imagined that "The Servant in the House" is a dry preachment, a dramatized sermon, or a prosy succession of platitudinous speeches. It is a drama that throbs with life, that is instinct with power and dramatic force. And it is acted by one of the most remarkable companies recently seen on the American stage, a company which includes among its members no less than three former stars and is headed by the most popular of younger American players, Victor E. Lambert.

Fine Statements

The statements of the banks in Martin County published last week, showed a splendid condition of all of these institutions. The Bank of Martin County has been on the Roll of Honor for some time. It is ninth on the list in North Carolina. There are nine hundred Roll of Honor banks in the United States. This distinction is reached only when the surplus and profits exceed the capital stock. It is the oldest bank in the County, and had on November 20th, deposits amounting to \$179,319.99. The Farmers and Merchants is second in age, and showed on the same date deposits to the sum of \$188,659.39. It will be seen that the Williamston banks have combined deposits of \$367,979.38, exceeding the sums in the other four banks by \$152,698.27. The whole amount deposits in the county being \$585,250.39, and the total of statements, \$720,792.23. The Bank of Robersonville stands third in the list of deposits with \$112,343.73. This institution making great strides since the beginning of the year. The Banks of Hamilton, Oak City and Jamesville, have creditable increases and Martin County should be and is proud of her banking institutions.

A Card

I take this method of returning my thanks to the good people of Williamston Baptist Church for the love and confidence they have shown me during the last six years, and especially for their renewed confidence in having called me to serve them another year. I thank them for the generous gifts of this week enlarging our pantry supplies and thus encouraging us to go on cheerfully in our work.

With a heart full of love and best wishes for all the people of this town and community, I beg leave to say that I am here to serve you to the best of my ability. Come to the services when you can and feel welcome. Pray for us, and if you need any service which I can render, commend me and I will only be too happy to serve you.

Yours to serve,
Geo. J. Dowell.