

FOOD LAWS AND REGULATIONS EXPLAINED BY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR MANNING

Meeting for this Purpose Attended by Citizens and
Many Merchants of Martin

HOARDERS AND EVADERS TO BE VIGOROUSLY PROSECUTED

A large and representative number of merchants of Martin gathered at the court house here on Monday afternoon at the call of the County Food Administrator, W. C. Manning. The meeting, as was explained by Mr. Manning at the opening, was called for the purpose of defining and explaining the Food Laws of the Government.

In an address to the meeting Mr. Manning took up each commodity separately and explained in detail the regulations and penalties applying to them, and also spoke extensively on the duties of the merchants during the war. At the close of his remarks, Mr. Manning earnestly requested all present to lend their hearty co-operation in the enforcement of the Food Laws and to report every violation coming under their observation, assuring the people that hoarders and violators of the laws would be vigorously prosecuted.

Following the remarks of Mr. Manning the meeting was turned into a round table discussion in which many of the merchants took part. In these discussions various details were threshed out much to the benefit of those present.

The sugar question is foremost in the minds of the people, in regard to these matters and for the benefits of those unable to attend the meeting we give the following:

All sugar dealers and all users of sugar, including wholesale and retail merchants, hotels, boarding houses and restaurants, hospitals and other institutions and bakers will be able to purchase sugar after July 1 only upon certificates furnished by the Food Administration after the dealers or users have made statements of their requirements to the Food Administration upon blanks which are provided for this purpose. Those who do not make such statements by July 15 will be refused any certificates at all.

In order to prevent any interruption to the normal flow of sugar to the trade, the Food Administration will issue certificates to the wholesalers and jobbers in order to give them 30 days supply of sugar including the supply they have on hand already.

It is important that sugar shall be available for canning and preserving purposes at this season and it is the desire of the Food Administration that all wholesalers and jobbers shall immediately take steps to secure certificates for their 30 days supply of sugar. After they have used these certificates they will purchase sugar from brokers or refiners upon certificates which they will receive from retailers.

Dealers Must Keep Records.
All dealers are required henceforth to keep an accurate record of all sales of sugar, this record to embrace the name of purchaser, quantity and price. Every wholesaler, as well as a retailer, is required to keep these records and every pound of sugar sold must be accounted for. The records are to be held subject to the inspection of representatives of the Food Administration, or may be required by county food administrators.

Failed To Get Bruin

Several men from here joined a bear-hunting party down in the lower part of the county last week. Bruin is a great lover of fresh pork, and had been feasting nightly in the neighborhood's supply; it is said that about 30 pigs had been slaughtered by these marauders, who have never heard of Hoover and would not care if they had. The beasts were baited with cows heads, but to no avail, and the hunting party failed to run them out of their lairs. The pocusin is so thick that it is difficult to get in far enough to scare the animals out.

Mrs. J. G. Godard and son with Miss Sallie Hadley visited in Greenville this week.

Death of Mrs. Eliza Keith

Death has again invaded a home and taken the wife away from earth, after weary months of intense suffering from which there was no relief save through loosening "the silver cord." This time the town and community lost one of its most popular and estimable women, who has lived among this people for more than a score of years.

Eliza Hodges Keith was born in Beaufort County on February 16th, 1862, her parents being the late James and Olivia Hodges, being a family of prominence in Eastern Carolina. Of the daughters of the house, none now survive and only three sons are living: Messrs. F. K. and W. J. Hodges, of Williamston, and Jesse Hodges, of Washington. Mrs. Keith reared the son of one of her sisters, W. Fountain Lipscomb, who now resides in Norfolk, and to whom she gave the love of a mother. In 1891, she married Claude W. Keith, who survives her. To their union were born several children, but each died in infancy.

Very few women enjoyed a larger circle of friends than did she; loving life, home and friends, she gave and received that gift of friendship without which the individual is bereft. She was the devoted wife, kind neighbor and true friend always until the end. For years she had been a devout member of the Methodist Church, and until her health failed, there were none more attentive to every call that the Church gave to its members. But long months ago, she became a victim to rheumatism and no remedy applied could relieve the pain and its attendant effects. Great sympathy was felt for her during those periods of intense suffering, which nurse, physician and friends tried to lessen.

Sunday afternoon, at the home on Smithwick Street, funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. M. Eure, pastor of the Methodist Church; interment was in the family plot at Oakdale Cemetery. Floral wreaths, as tokens of love and esteem, covered the mound beneath which lies all that is mortal, but the soul is with the God who gave it.

Those attending the funeral from out of town were, Jesse Hodges and Willis Avera, of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Clary, of Washington; W. Fountain Lipscomb, of Norfolk.

French Soldier An Artist

C. H. Godwin has in his possession a unique cigar lighter. It was made by a French soldier from a German shell. On one side is a reproduction of "The Angels" and on the front is the shield of the United States with stars and wheat around it. The interior is filled with gasoline which generates electricity. The souvenir was the gift of Major Pendleton, brother of Mrs. Godwin, who is fighting in France.

Was Well Known Here

The Blacknall tragedy at Kittrell on Saturday afternoon filled the hearts of many of the people here with sorrow, for Miss Kate Blacknall was well known having, visited friends here and in the county many times within the past few years. She was an intimate friend of Miss Mildred Purvis, who, upon being informed of the tragedy, immediately left for Kittrell by automobile accompanied by her brother, Julius Purvis.

SOUTH CAROLINA TOBACCO OPENING ENCOURAGING

Primings Commoner than Last Year
But Average is 7c Higher

That the tobacco farmers of Martin County are to reap great rewards this season, is very evident from the splendorous prospects, which are better than for many years. At the beginning of the time for setting, many farmers were discouraged, but June weather brought richness to the stalk and leaf, and now at curing time, the crop is representative of that the county can produce.

As usual, Williamston will be a live center for the sale of the weed, and with the present repairs and additions to the warehouses, the accommodations will be augmented greatly. The usual strong crops of buyers will be here to take the crop, and the personnel of the warehousemen issues the very best for the farmers.

Both warehousemen and farmers waited anxiously for the opening of the South Carolina markets to get the trend of the prices. Last year, the average on that market was 18 cents for primings, and on July 9th, or Tuesday of this week, primings brought an average around 25 cents on the same markets. It is a well-known fact that the South Carolina primings this year were inferior to those of last year, and so the prospects for high prices on the Williamston market and other North Carolina markets are fine for the season of 1918.

Clark-Crawford

A very quiet marriage was solemnized here on Saturday morning, July 6th, when Miss Hilda Crawford and Mr. Harold Clark plighted their troth, at the home of the bride on Haughton Street, at 7:30 o'clock A. M. Only a few intimate friends and relatives were present; Rev. H. M. Eure, pastor of the bride, gave the marriage vows.

The bride is the oldest daughter of Ex-Sheriff and Mrs. J. Cornelius Crawford, and a young woman of charm both in manner and character. She is an accomplished musician and a graduate of the Greensboro College for Women. She was becomingly attired in a blue cloth traveling suit with hat to match.

Mr. Clark is formerly from Belhaven, but is now with the Goodrich Rubber Co., with headquarters at Jacksonville, Fla. He was manager of the Belhaven Telephone Co., for a number of years, and possesses splendid business qualities, which give a fair promise for the future.

Among the out-of-town guests attending the marriage were: Mrs. Clark, mother of the groom, Mrs. U. S. Hassell, of Jamesville; Miss Mattie Morgan, of Bailey; Miss Alez Aycock, of Belhaven.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Clark drove to the A. C. L. station and left for Jacksonville, Fla.

Lost or Taken Up

About ten days ago, somewhere between Poplar Point Farm and Gardner's brick kiln, near Williamston.

"A fine Airedale Pup, about ten months old, black, with fuzzy trimmings of brown about mouth, breast and feet." Will pay \$5.00 to any one apprehending same, where I can get him.

Followed wagon, going from Poplar Point farm to Gardner's brick kiln on 26th. or 27th. of June, not heard from since.

T. B. Slade
Mrs. Lizzie Ewell and little daughter, of Hamilton, are visitors in town this week.

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mrs. Myrtle Evans, Misses Gussie Winstead, and Esther Gussie with R. E. Roberson and C. P. Sewell, motored to Washington Sunday afternoon.

Evidently the cows had the town Saturday night, and trios of them were seen on parade Sunday evening. The two-dollar fine has no terrors for them nor any attraction for those whose duty it is to get the animals.

Hide sugar, hide, the inspector will catch you. But it is not thought that there is much secreted around these parts. Prices are so high that it takes some bank account to hoard.

LOST.—One dark red ox with one horn, the other broken off. A reward of ten dollars will be given to any one returning this steer. S. J. Parisher, Cooperage Company.

Mrs. J. G. Godard is the champion tomato grower of the town, as she has been gathering them since June 11th. She secured plants from Wood and set them early.

In the publication of the list of Directors of the Roanoke Tobacco Warehouse Company the name of Mr. Ben Weaver was in some manner omitted from the list.

Judge Frank Carter, who has risen to the dignity of a country editor, vigorously attacks moonshiners. He says "that the most despicable traitors at large in North Carolina are the men who are using grain, sugar and molasses to make blockade liquor." Tack these words on some folks in Martin County.

A mule, on mischief bent, ran through the furniture store of B. S. Courtney on Monday morning. As the way was clear for him, he failed to smash things up.

The handsome building of the Peoples Bank is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy.

Rev. W. R. Burrell, who applied for Y. M. C. A. work overseas, has received orders to report to headquarters at New York on July 23rd, unless otherwise instructed.

Dr. W. F. Sawyer, who is associated with Dr. A. R. Bell, Osteopath, has permanently located in Williamston. The large practice of Dr. Bell required an assistant.

The first load of watermelons seen in town this season was brought here yesterday by George Coltrane and sold to Theo. Roberson & Co. The melons were raised near the sound.

The bulldog of Matthew Spano severely scratched Ellen Cowing, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cowing, on Wednesday. The dog was said to have been playing with some children and attempted to reach the parol of the little girl.

A fishing party from Scotland Neck arrived here by motor early Wednesday morning and accompanied by Messrs. Webb and Courtney went to Gardner's Creek, where the fishing was exceptionally good on that day. Bass weighing as much as four pounds each were caught. The visitors were, Dr. A. C. Liverman, J. D. Ray, Ashby Dunn and Mr. B. F. Tillery.

The notice given of services at Hamilton next Sunday has been recalled, and Rev. C. H. Jordan will have the usual services here.

Card of Thanks

I am deeply grateful to many friends and neighbors for their kind attention to my wife during her illness, and at the time of her death, and desire to thus publicly express my appreciation.
C. W. Keith.

9 WHITE AND 35 COLORED MEN TO LEAVE FOR CAMPS

Three Calls Issued by Local Board.
Men Leave July 19, 22 and 29

The following colored men have been and are notified to appear before the Local War Board here on July 18th, 21 of whom will leave on the morning of the 19th for Camp Meade, Admiral, Md.

David Keel, Hiliary Anthony, Henry Mason, Daniel Morton, James Whitehurst, Felix Morton, Bryant Thomas Andrews, Wm. Henry Andrews, Wm. Lawrence Tyner, Willie Jolly, Leon Andrews, Rhoden Green, Kiah Brown, George Jones, Frank Whaley Knight, Wm. R. Dawson, Job Council, James Henry Mayo, Heber Carr, Edgar Weston, Lecta Page, George Wynn, Joseph Henderson Mizell, Smita Langley Thompson, Jacob Smith, Noah Andrews, Edward Allen, Louis Griffin, Wm. A. Price.

Call No. 866 for nine white men, to entrain July 22, for Fort Hancock, Ga. The men listed below will report to the Local Board of the War Department on Saturday, July 20th.

John Daniel Matthews, Joseph Lanier Godard, Joseph Phosanton Pender, Henry Frank Williams, Heber Alex. Jenkins, Noah Riddick Peel, George Washington Hodges, Louis Wobbleton, Wm. Thomas Roberson, Harvey Dennis Moore, William Harrison, Julius Slade Andrews, James Asa Hardison, Neazer Harrison, Wm. Orlando Griffin, Alonzo Timothy Roberson.

Eleven of the following colored men will leave for Camp Green on the 29th of this month. All are required to report to the Local Board of the War Department here on the 28th.

Edwin Esta Jones, Neil Brown, Alonzo Lloyd, William Bryant, Andrew Latham, Walter Forrest, John Jones, Echo Henry Staton, John Henry Moore, Harry Howell, Bennie Bowser, Floyd Page, George Fountain Godard, George Daniel, Frank Miller, Wm. Howell.

Two Martin County boys, James Oliver Egerson and John Phillips House are to receive training from Uncle Sam. These young men will enter Clinton College at Clemson, S. C., to take a course in Mechanical Engineering, and then they will be assigned to duty in the service of the United States. The offer of the government to prepare young men by giving them college training, is a splendid one and many will thus fit themselves for both present and future work.

Has Accepted Position In Rocky Mount

Miss Helen Louise Maynard, who for the past two years has been teacher of music at the Graded School and also organist at the Episcopal Church, has resigned to accept a position in the Graded School at Rocky Mount and that of organist of the Episcopal Church there. She enters upon her duties in that town about the first of September. In the meantime she will visit her home at Williamsport Pa., and left here Monday afternoon for Rocky Mount, where she took passage on a northbound train early Tuesday morning.

It is regretted that Miss Maynard decided to leave here, but the work at Rocky Mount, is a promotion for her with greatly increased salary. During the time she has remained in Williamston, she has made many warm friends who feel a personal loss. In the work in which she engaged, there was a close application to every duty, and being a trained musician, she had much success in instructing the pupils under her. The parish here will miss the strong personal interest that she took in Sunday School and every phase of the work; as organist she has given splendid service, and is especially trained in pipe organ music.

PRELIMINARY SURVEY FOR ROANOKE-BANKHEAD NEAR HIGHWAY NOW BEING MADE

State Highway Engineer and Party Arrived Tuesday.
Mr. Rich Brings Encouraging News

GENERAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON SOON

Williamston Personal

Miss Gussie Winstead, left Monday for Richmond.

Simon Rutenberg spent Sunday in Hertford and from there went to Seven Springs for a few days of recreation.

Mrs. W. A. Ellison, Misses Musa Eure and Mary King Ellison with Hermon Taylor went to Washington Monday.

Miss Elizabeth Braswell, of Battleboro, is the guest of Miss Velma Harrison.

Mrs. C. B. Baker and Miss Pearl Meadows are visiting relatives in Raleigh.

F. H. Saunders is in Marion, S. C., on business.

Messrs. Hugh Burras and Harry Meador attended the opening sale of the Florence, S. C., tobacco market.

Dr. J. S. Rhodes returned from Richmond on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Riddick and sons, of Richmond, and Mrs. A. M. Riddick and Mrs. Shackel, of Scotland Neck, visited friends here Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. John D. Biggs and Mrs. W. R. Burrell are in Greensboro this week attending the State meeting of the Woman's Council of National Defense.

Miss Carrie Dell Blount is visiting friends in Pantego.

Wheeler Martin motored to Wake Forest Saturday and returned with Mrs. Martin and Wheeler, Jr.

Harry M. Stubbs is in Wake Forest this week with his family, who are visiting there.

Miss Musa Eure, left Thursday morning for Red Springs to visit relatives.

Mrs. Geo. M. Burras, of Jamesville, is visiting Mrs. H. M. Burras on Main Street.

Mr. J. H. Rich who visited our city in the interest of National Highways, will deliver three lectures at the University of Virginia following the 15th of July, on community cooperation in the maintenance of roads.

J. H. Thrower and family, of Hollister, spent Sunday here leaving in the afternoon accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Thrower and Dorothy Thrower.

John A. Gettinger and family with Misses Ruth and Kate Darden were here Sunday visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hedgepeth and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hedgepeth, of Hobgood, were visitors in town Sunday.

Fred Smith and family, of Plymouth, were in town Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. O'Hare, who are now residing at Robersonville, spent a short time here Sunday.

Miss Alma Sparks, who has been in Kinston, for treatment, has returned home and resumed her duties at the F. & M. Bank.

Thurman and Roscoe Cooper, who visited their grandmother here for the past month, left Saturday for their home in Raleigh.

Miss Louise Upton has returned from a visit in Norfolk.

J. Earl Leggett is at home this week visiting his mother.

Miss Sue Leggett spent Sunday in Rocky Mount with friends.

Private Arthur White is at home on a furlough.

Mr. W. S. Fallis, State Highway Engineer, and Mr. R. E. Snowden, his first assistant, together with Maj. Wm. Moncre, arrived at Williamston Tuesday and are busily engaged in making preliminary survey to determine the best route and approximate cost of the bridge across Roanoke River and the low grounds of Bertie County for the proposed branch of the Bankhead Highway and the Boone Trans-Continental Highway. Their report will be made to a general convention to be held the last week in this month at Washington, N. C.

The progressive men, all along from Raleigh, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Goldsboro to Norfolk are working hard to secure the branch which will mean more to Eastern North Carolina than anything that has occurred since the building of the Norfolk Southern railway from Raleigh to Norfolk.

The Highway will mean the opening up of the richest section of North Carolina to Norfolk, one of the leading ports of the world, besides connecting this section with a National Highway leading to the foot of the Rockies and on to the Golden Gate of the Pacific. The people of Norfolk are alive to the situation and practically every association and commercial club in the city have pledged their interest and support, and the prevailing sentiment of a meeting held in Norfolk in the early part of the month seemed to favor bridging the Roanoke at Williamston.

At Norfolk on Tuesday last the Rotary Club of the City at their Luncheon was addressed in a short talk by J. H. Rich, Managing Director of the Boone Trail Highway Association who remained over in Norfolk to form a unit of his association and to create greater interest in the Boone-Bankhead Highway. Mr. T. S. Southgate was selected Chairman of the Norfolk Unit.

A full attendance of the club was present and much interest was in evidence in the highway proposition. Rotarian Parker, a former North Carolinian, is Chairman of the Rotary Highway Committee, and offered to give all possible aid. Mr. Rich expressed the opinion that Suffolk and Norfolk would give \$60,000 the proposition.

Martin County cannot afford to let this great opportunity pass and we urge every citizen in the county to do his part towards the securing the Raleigh-Norfolk Branch of the Bankhead National Highway and the Boone Trans-Continental Highway. WITH A BRIDGE ACROSS THE ROANOKE AT WILLIAMSTON.

Misses Ethel Britt and Virginia Herick with Clyde Anderson went to Washington Sunday.

Miss Jessie Hodges is visiting relatives in town.

John R. Ellison, of Suffolk, was here Saturday.

W. A. Ellison, of Belhaven, spent the week-end with his family.

Miss Irene Smith with Leslie Fowden and William Manning motored to Beaufort early Sunday morning and returned Monday.

John W. Manning and Eason Lilley have returned from a visit to Camp Jackson.

Charles B. Baker left Monday for Florence S. C., where he will be on the tobacco market.