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KIWANIS CLUB TO HAVE JAMBOREE THURSDAY NIGHT

Old-timey "Box Supper" or Shadow Party Will Be Feature of Meet

Thursday night the Kiwanis group hold their annual ladies' night program, at which time each member is to bring his wife or lady friend to the yearly jamboree.

This program is to be featured by an old-timey "box supper" or shadow party. Assembling in the hall at 7 o'clock Thursday night each lady attending is to bring a box containing supper for herself and whatever man may be the lucky one purchasing her box.

According to present plans, some of the boxes will be disguised and sold to the highest bidder; while, on the other hand, certain of the ladies will be marched behind a sheet and "bought" from the shadow they cast. This party is going to be one of the most popular yearly affairs the Kiwanians have ever put on in this town.

There will be a light program, consisting of stunts, music, and what-have-you. Each member is supposed to be in attendance promptly at 7 o'clock, accompanied by his guest. Ladies' night comes in this organization once each year, and always it is the red-letter program of the year.

The program committee is composed of these single gentlemen: Bill Peel, Bill Spivey, and Bill Carstarphen, with Harcum Grimes thrown in for good measure.

EXPECT OVER 200 JUNIORS HERE AT MEETING FRIDAY

Public Invited To Attend Meeting in High School Building at 7:30

More than 200 visitors and a large number of local juniors and other citizens of the town are expected to take part in a district Junior Order meeting here next Friday afternoon and evening. Leading officials in the organization are scheduled to take part in the program, and much interest is expected to center in the two sessions. It was stated by District Deputy S. L. Robertson yesterday.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the juniors will hold a business meeting in the Legionaire Hall, followed by a parade of the members. A barbecue supper will be served the members just before the public meeting that will be held in the high school building at 7:30 o'clock. The following program has been arranged for the public gathering:

- Song, "America," by audience.
- Invocation, by Rev. J. M. Perry.
- Address of welcome, by Mayor R. L. Coburn.
- Response, by Albert S. Peel.
- Address by Lewis P. Hamlin, State Councillor.
- Trio, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. W. C. Manning, jr., Mrs. Parker.
- Introduction of speaker, by E. V. Harris.
- Address by E. A. Llewellyn, past national councillor.
- Duet, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Perry.
- Song, by audience.
- Benediction, by Rev. C. H. Dickey.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY E. WARD

Was Mother of the Late James Herbert Ward of Williamston

Mrs. Mary E. Ward, mother of the late Herbert Ward, of this place, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Rufus Carson, near Parmele, early last Sunday morning. She was found dead in bed, relatives believing she had been dead only a short while when they reached her. When Mrs. Ward retired Saturday night she was believed to have been in her usual health except for a slight cold.

Mrs. Ward was well known in Williamston, she having spent much time here during the past 20 years visiting her son and daughter, Mrs. J. H. Page. Since the death of Mr. Ward she visited her grandchildren frequently, and had many friends in the town and community.

One son, Hutchinson Ward, of Greenville; two daughters, Mrs. J. Rufus Carson and Mrs. Sallie Jones, of Bethel; one sister, Mrs. Martha Moore, of Greenville, and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren survive.

Mrs. Ward was 81 years old and was noted for her gentleness and Christianlike character.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Elder B. S. Cowin. Interment was in the Lake Ward burial ground in Pitt County.

Worker Secured for County Welfare Work Last Week

Meeting last week, the Martin County Welfare Board discussed plans for handling relief work in the county during the coming winter, making such suggestions that will be of much value to all concerned, it is believed. Miss Ward, representing the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, from whence much of the relief money is received, suggested that a case worker be appointed to investigate the applications and make recommendations for relief. J. R. Manning, of Jamesville, who has handled local relief work in that stricken section for some time, was appointed, and already he has investigated more than 150 cases in all parts of the county.

The most deplorable individual case reported so far was in Goose Nest Township, where a family of considerable size was without a chair, a table, and as many as four children were sleeping between two mattresses to keep from freezing.

The lower part of the county, as a whole, is suffering most, it was found. However, there are many cases scattered throughout the county, probably 500 or 600. The case worker states that in only a very few cases were the conditions exaggerated, indicating that much relief work will be necessary to furnish even the bare necessities of life.

Cooperative Sale of Potatoes Is Planned

AUTOS KILL 33,500

Washington, Nov. 28.—A toll of 33,500 deaths and injuries to more than 1,000,000 people was exacted by traffic accidents in the United States in 1931.

The national conference on street and highway safety, Secretary Chapin said in his annual report today, estimated the economic loss of the accidents, together with traffic congestion, at more than \$3,000,000,000.

"Reports for 1932," the secretary continued, "so far as available on June 30, show for the first time in automobile history a decrease in the fatality rate but this decrease is small and it attributable in the main to reduction in automobile registrations."

ENTER PROTEST AGAINST LOW PEANUT PRICES

Mention March on Nation's Capital and Picketing of Highways

Strongly protesting the prevailing low prices offered for peanuts, farmers in this and several adjoining counties are discussing the situation in a mass meeting being held this afternoon at Murfreesboro. A number of Martin farmers and business men are attending the meeting this afternoon.

Those concerned in the industry are said to have in mind drastic measures for boosting prices of the coburns and a few are contemplating actions including a march on Washington and picketing of highways to prevent delivery of peanuts at present prices.

At a meeting held in Scotland Neck yesterday the growers pledged themselves to maintain a solid and united front in the fight for higher prices, and after much discussion, that at times grew heated, adopted a resolution that embodied three salient points.

The resolution read "that the peanut growers of the peanut belt declare themselves unwilling to accept less than a cent and a half to two cents per pound for common shelling stock; that the farmers establish a central agency for the allotment of peanuts to be moved proportionately from each locality;

"That the cleaners of this section be asked to buy only peanuts allotted for sale by such organizations;

"To insure the moving of peanuts through this agency, a thorough and effective system of picketing will shortly be established in the counties of the peanut belt and no more movement of peanuts by cars, trucks, railroads or wagons will be permitted without a written order from such agency."

The farmers held that the cleaning establishments were not to blame for current prices and maintained that "harmonious feeling" exists between them and the growers but farmers and business men held that prices are "unjustly" low.

Young Child Dies at Home Of Parents in Poplar Point

The five-months-old daughter, Marjorie Pauline, of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hester died at the home of her parents in Poplar Point Sunday afternoon of pneumonia. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, and interment followed in a Franklin County cemetery near the old home of the parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Hester have lived in this county about three years.

TO MAKE CHANGE IN RURAL ROUTES HERE THIS WEEK

Route Five Will Be Consolidated with Routes One and Two

Rural Free Delivery Route No. 5, maintained out of the local post office for many years, will go out of existence Thursday, when it will be consolidated with routes 1 and 2, it was announced yesterday by Postmaster Jesse T. Price. While the rural mail deliveries will be handled by four men after tomorrow instead of five, service for patrons on the route now known as No. 5 will not be impaired, the postmaster said. Only one box will have to be moved, the service continuing to all the others as has been the practice for years, it was pointed out.

The only difference that will be noticed, with the exception of the case where the one patron will have to move his box, is the slight change in schedule. Starting Thursday of this week, the carriers will leave the local office at 8:15 instead of 9 o'clock, causing a variation in the schedule of only a few minutes.

Mr. John A. Ward, present carrier on No. 5, will be assigned No. 1, the change adding a little over 14 miles to his daily trips. Mr. J. R. Leggett, carrier on No. 2, will continue to serve his present patrons, but in the change he will serve a portion of No. 1 from Bear Grass around by Eli Hoyt Robertson's and then back to Bear Grass, an added distance of about 17 miles.

The established routes 3 and 4 will remain unchanged except for the new schedule, giving patrons their mail 45 minutes earlier than the time they are receiving mail now.

The readjustment of the service will save the government about \$1,200 annually, it is estimated.

MRS. N. T. PERRY DIED SATURDAY AT HOME HERE

Last Rites Were Held from Christian Church Here Yesterday

Mrs. Louisa Perry, one of the town's oldest residents, died at her home here early last Saturday morning of pneumonia. She had been sick for about two weeks.

Born in Beaufort County, Mrs. Perry was Miss Louisa Walker before her marriage to the late N. T. Perry more than 60 years ago. Following her marriage she moved to Griffins Township, where she lived until 33 years ago, at which time she and her family moved to Williamston to make their home. She would have been 81 years old the 8th of next month. In early life she joined the Christian church, ever remaining loyal to her religious duties until her health failed her a short time ago.

She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Joseph F. Jones, of Williamston; Mrs. J. D. Tetterton, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; five sons, Messrs. James R. Perry, of Palmyra; Albert T. Perry, of Williamston; Arthur G. Perry, of Dreyryville, Va.; W. H. Perry, of Plymouth; and Rev. P. L. Perry, of Centerville, Ala.; and one sister, Mrs. Wynn, of Norfolk. She also leaves a host of grandchildren and a number of great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the Christian church, where she attended regularly throughout her residence here, by her pastor, Rev. J. M. Perry, assisted by Rev. C. H. Dickey, of the local Baptist church, yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment followed in the local cemetery beside her husband, who died about 16 years ago.

RED CROSS ADDS 22 MORE NAMES

School at Oak City Sends \$5 to Chairman County Chapter Here

Twenty-two names have been added to the Red Cross Roll call in the county chapter since the last report, it was announced by Mrs. A. R. Dunning, chairman, yesterday. The Oak City school, one of the few among outside individuals or agencies to take part in the roll call, forwarded \$5 to the chapter chairman.

The names: Mrs. C. T. Rogers, \$1; Mr. C. T. Rogers, \$1; Mrs. Albert Perry, 50c; Mrs. John R. Peel, \$1; Mr. Roger Critcher, 50c; Mrs. Daisy Pope, 25c; Mrs. Paul Jones, \$1; Mrs. L. B. Harrison, \$1; Mrs. R. J. Peel, \$1; Miss Sarah Harrell, \$1; Miss Mary Wagstaff, \$1; Mrs. John Pope, 35c; Mr. C. B. Roebuck, \$1; Oak City School \$5; Mr. F. W. Hoyt, \$1; Mrs. Cortez Green, \$1; Mr. C. H. Dickey, \$1; Mrs. Lawrence Lindsey, \$1; Mrs. Gus Harrison, \$1; Mrs. Clayton Moore, \$1.

Order Non-Suit in Smithwick Creek Church Case Yesterday

COUNTY MEET OF TEACHERS TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Meeting Is First of a Series of Five To Be Held During Term

Martin County's white teachers will meet in the high school building here next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for the first of a series of five meetings to be held during the 1932-33 school term, according to an announcement sent out from the office of the county superintendent of schools this week.

The following program has been arranged: Devotional. Organization. Announcements about following meetings. Discussion of reading in the schools, Miss McDougal.

Results of reading tests in Martin County, Superintendent Manning. Making a better beginning in the year's work:

1. Finding the beginning point for each child: Mrs. Taylor, first grade, Williamston; Miss Modlin, fourth grade, Bear Grass; Miss Peel, high school, Robersonville (3 minutes each).
2. Review and preparation for new work, Miss Cochran, first grade, Robersonville; Miss Whichard, seventh grade, Oak City; Mr. Williams, high school, Oak City.
3. Pupil adjustment and grade placement, Mr. Pollock, Jamesville, 5 minutes.
4. The detailed program in reading, Mr. Hix, Everetts, 5 minutes.
5. How will my school actually measure up to the attainments in reading as suggested in the hand book? Mr. Ainsley, Oak City; Mr. Plyler, Hamilton; Mr. Wynne, Parmele; Mr. Leake, Robersonville; Mr. Watson, Williamston; Mr. Haislip, Hassell; Miss Cooke, Dardens; Mr. Edmondson, Gold Point (these talks will be limited to 3 minutes each).

Discussion.

COUNTY NATIVE KILLED BY MULE

Minton Rawls Died Within Few Hours After Being Attacked by Animal

Minton Rawls, aged farmer of Bertie County, was attacked and fatally hurt by a mule near Republican last Tuesday. He was removed to a Washington hospital, where he died the following evening at 6 o'clock.

According to reports reaching here, Mr. Rawls was working near a peanut picker when the mule became frightened. Running to Mr. Rawls, the animal raised his front legs and struck the man in the breast, injuring his lungs and breaking his back.

Interment was in the Mizelle burial ground in Bear Grass Township Thursday afternoon.

A native of this county, Mr. Rawls moved from Bear Grass Township, where he was worked, to Bertie County, where he worked on a farm.

One sister, Mrs. Lizzie Rogerson, of this county, three brothers, John and Mack Rawls, of Norfolk; and Bob Rawls, of Bertie County, and several children survive.

LANDLORDS AND TENANTS MEET

To Discuss Farming Plans at Parmele Training School Thursday

Parmele, Nov. 29.—A conference of landowners and tenants will be held at the Training School here Thursday afternoon, December 1, beginning at one o'clock. Such a meeting was held last spring, the effect of which was so far reaching that another such gathering is considered highly important.

Among the leading features of this meeting will be addresses from representatives of the State Department of Agriculture and the presence of prominent local white farmers and business men who will also take part on the program. Local farmers will report on some of their recent achievements and will place on exhibition farm products grown this year. "Digging out of the Depression," is the theme of the conference.

It is reported that much resulted from the last meeting in which many of the leading landlords of the county in cooperation with their tenants found and developed many valuable points that have helped both by a better understanding and closer cooperation.

The Reed's strain of Danish cabbage grown in Alleghany County has produced from one to three tons more an acre than the ordinary varieties returning the growers from \$5 to \$30 more an acre.

22 SHOPPING DAYS

Just 22 more shopping days are left before Christmas, bringing into being, and properly so, too, that old advice, "Shop early and avoid the last-minute rush."

Williamston merchants are preparing for the seasonal trade. Decorations are already noticed in a number of windows and stores and within the next few days or two, the holiday spirit will be evidenced by more decorations and the large stocks of articles that are in demand at the particular season of the year.

Shop at home is very good advice, too, for around the home merchants is centered the hope for continued community progress and even the economic life of all. They justly appeal to everyone for a chance in meeting the demands of shoppers this 1932 Christmas season.

BAILEY HOLDS HIS LAST COURT SESSION TODAY

H. O. Peel and W. H. Coburn To Take Charge Next Tuesday

Holding a session of recorder's court here on a Saturday for the first time since the tribunal was established several years ago, Judge Jos. W. Bailey last Saturday reviewed a number of cases where the defendants had failed to comply with the judgment of the court. One or two of the several defendants facing the court for being delinquent in their fines and costs were dismissed, the judge finding that they were unable to pay and would hardly ever be in a position to square the accounts. Several others were ordered to make arrangements to pay by a certain time or go to jail. A few down payments were made, but none of the old and book-worn accounts was settled in full last Saturday.

Floyd James, facing the court on a larceny and receiving count, was sentenced to the roads for a period of 12 months. Judge Bailey is holding his last session of the court this afternoon for a further review of delinquent fine and cost accounts and for the trial of any cases that might be on docket. His duties as judge of the county court will cease next week when the new officers take charge. Judge Bailey completing two terms as head of the court at that time.

Next Monday Solicitor H. O. Peel will accept the required oath and be ready to take the bench at the next Tuesday session of the court. Attorney W. H. Coburn will take the role of solicitor, provided of course, his nomination last June is approved by the county commissioners. And as there are no objections to be entered against his nomination by the people, it now stands that Judge H. O. Peel and Solicitor Coburn will take over the operation of the court for the first time next Tuesday.

Rev. C. T. Rogers Returns Here for His Third Year

Rev. Chas. T. Rogers, Methodist minister, was returned to the Williamston charge for another year yesterday when appointments for the new year were announced. Following the annual North Carolina Conference held in Rocky Mount. The new year will be Mr. Rogers' third here since leaving Red Springs. During his pastorate here he has worked untiringly for the betterment of his church and the community, in general.

Negro Loses Life In the Roanoke at Jamesville

Clarence Moore, young Jamesville negro, was drowned in the Roanoke River there last Friday morning about 9:30 o'clock. Moore, working on a log barge for Fleming and Roberson, is said to have jumped into the stream when he thought a log was going to hit him. Unable to swim, he drowned before help could reach him. His body was recovered about 45 minutes after he went down.

Reed's Strain of Cabbage Is Found More Profitable

The Reed's strain of Danish cabbage grown in Alleghany County has produced from one to three tons more an acre than the ordinary varieties returning the growers from \$5 to \$30 more an acre.

MOTION ASKING CONTINUANCE IS DENIED BY JUDGE

Judge Frank Daniels Urges Litigants To Settle Case Peacefully Out of Court

Another chapter—probably the last and probably not—in the faced Smithwick Creek Church case was brought to an abrupt close in the Martin County Superior Court here yesterday when the plaintiffs took a non-suit in the action after Judge Frank A. Daniels denied a motion made to continue the action on account of the illness of Elder Newsome H. Harrison, one of the principal witnesses for the plaintiffs, or majority group.

In this way the unusual case, which began five or six years ago and took its course through the courts here nearly three years ago, and which was scheduled for retrial this week, goes out of the courts and will probably never come up again, though the plaintiffs have one year to reopen the case if they so desire.

When court opened, Hallet S. Ward, for the plaintiffs, asked that the case be continued because their star witness, Elder Newsome H. Harrison, could not be present. The 87-year-old elder is sick after having preached for 71 years. His physician would not permit him to attend court. The plaintiffs contended they could not proceed without his testimony. "We lean on him as a pillar," declared Mr. Ward, "for he knows what happened in this case, and is an authority on the doctrine of the church."

A. D. MacLean, replying to the argument for the defendants, said that if the plaintiffs did not care to proceed with the case they could take a non-suit, but that Elder Harrison had nothing to do with the case, the Rev. W. B. Harrington being the minister when the church differences came up. "Therefore, we contend," said Mr. MacLean, "that he can testify to nothing which can not be testified to by numerous other witnesses fully as competent."

But the preponderant feeling was against carrying the case on through court again, possibly taking a full week or more. There was talk of the action being dismissed. "Now is the acceptable time to end this case," declared one lawyer. It was suggested that three men be chosen to decide the case. Another suggestion was that a man be chosen from either faction to sit with Judge Daniels in an effort to peacefully determine the outcome.

After both the plaintiffs and defendants had been heard through their lawyers, and after numerous suggestions as to a possible compromise, from which nothing came, Judge Daniels announced, in the fewest of words, that he saw no reason why the case should be continued. At this point, strong men cried, so intense had been the feeling in the matter and so determined had been the attempt, on the part of some, to see the matter through to a finish.

During a 30-minute recess the plaintiffs' lawyers decided to take a non-suit, and Judge Daniels signed the order before coming back to the bench at 12:30 o'clock. Deepest silence prevailed as he began to speak. All eyes were fastened on him. Every one leaned forward to hear. For the parties on both sides had seemed eminently satisfied with Judge Daniels as their trial judge. He had designated himself in the court as a "Primitive Baptist-Methodist," and at one point had stopped a lawyer who was expounding to him the Primitive Baptist doctrines, saying that he was thoroughly conversant with their doctrines.

The judge announced that he had just signed the non-suit and that before adjourning court he had a few things to say to both sides. Referring to the fine type of citizens on both sides, he said, "This case is one of the most deplorable situations ever encountered. I hope, that brotherly counsel on both sides may result in resuscitating the power of this great old church. I regret the course for this division. I trust that good sense and brotherly kindness may bring you together in some arrangement where none of you will have to sacrifice your deep convictions, but where the life of this historical old church may be resumed again and carried on as becomes the people of God. Nothing will give me more pleasure than to hear that just this has come about."

And thus the court adjourned with a general feeling of gladness that this case does not have to drag on through a week or more of court proceedings. And while it is possible that it may

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