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## LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hayes spent Sunday in Windsor.

Mr. J. F. Ausbon spent the past week-end in Raleigh.

Mrs. Z. G. Lyon returned Saturday to her home in Ayden.

Mrs. P. M. Arps is visiting her mother in Columbia this week.

Mr. A. J. Pemberton of Wilson was in town during the week-end.

Sheriff J. K. Reid made a professional trip to Hertford Sunday.

Mr. J. W. Buchanan of Roper, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mrs. Bill Cotter returned last week to her home in Elizabeth City.

Miss Gertrude Norton spent Sunday in Williamston with her parents.

Mr. R. E. White of Ahoskie has been in town for a few days recently.

Mr. C. S. Haynes of Wenaona, was a business visitor here last Saturday.

Messrs. R. A., and Whit Turner of Roper were business visitors here Saturday.

Dr. W. H. Ward and Mr. L. P. Hornthal motored to Williamston Wednesday.

Mrs. W. C. Ewart of Charlotte is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Stubbs.

Mrs. T. W. Tennille of Orlando, Fla., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. L. Owens.

Messrs. L. P. Hornthal and Lue Road made a business trip to Jamesville Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Bray and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Beam spent Sunday in Rocky Mount.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Liverman and little daughter, Anne, visited relatives in Columbia, Sunday.

Mrs. Herman Alexander of Tarboro is visiting Mrs. A. L. Alexander on E. Main street.

Mr. F. J. Knight attended the funeral of his uncle, Dr. S. M. Jones in Grimesland this week.

Mrs. S. B. Hilliard returned Sunday from Pinetown, where she spent several days with relatives.

Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Rhodes of New York, are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. W. H. Clark on Main St.

Messdames P. W. Brown and A. R. Dupree and Mr. Owens Dupree motored to Winston-Salem Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Chesson and children of Wilson have been visiting Mrs. J. S. Chesson here this week.

Mr. Stark Nurney returned to Rocky Mount last Saturday, after spending a few days here with his parents.

Mrs. en Goodwin and daughter, Eunice, of Elizabeth City were the guests of Miss Hope Hardison last Friday.

Mr. S. A. Ward is spending a few days here with his family, after having been away for several weeks on business.

Messrs. J. S. Brown, Harry Choppick, Jessie McNair and Sterling Marriner attended the ball game in Wilson Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Brewer and Mr. Fitz Rawls of Rocky Mount spent part of Sunday here. They were accompanied home by Miss Sadie Ausbon.

Miss Nellie Nelson, who has been nursing Mrs. L. P. Hornthal during her recent illness, returned to her home in Washington this week.

Mr. H. A. Litchfield, Jr., of Emporia, Va., passed through here Sunday with a party of friends from that place enroute to Lake Phelps, where they spent several days fishing.

## SCHOOL PLAN DEFEATED

A majority of four hundred and seventy-seven voters who registered for the special school election held in this county Wednesday stated in no uncertain tones their opposition to a county-wide consolidation of schools with a tax levy of same rate.

Much interest was manifested throughout the county by champions of both pro and con, and especially in Plymouth did both factions give of their time and energy in support of their views on this question. The election was marked by quiet and orderly crowds throughout the day.

Of the seventeen hundred and three who registered for the election there were only fourteen hundred and eight who voted, thereby giving the opposition a lead of two hundred and ninety-five before the actual vote was counted.

The schools of the county will present a decidedly different aspect when the fall session begins. Trucks will not be employed to carry rural children to and from the schools that are maintained in the towns, and a greater enrollment will no doubt be noticed in the various rural schools. The children who have been attending school in the towns will now be taught in their immediate districts.

As we are informed by officials of the school board accredited high schools will only be available to those schools who have a sufficient number of high school students to maintain such an institution, and that rural children will not be accorded the privilege of attending the high schools of the towns unless they provide their own means of transportation and then in addition pay a tuition fee commensurate with the facilities afforded.

Activities will be more pronounced in the neighborhoods of the country schools and it is expected that community interest will be greatly enhanced.

No definite plans have been announced as to the disposition of the twenty-one trucks now owned by the county schoolboard, and for which there will be no further use. The vote of the different precincts are as follows:

| Voting Precinct | Cast For | Cast Against | Not Voting |
|-----------------|----------|--------------|------------|
| Plymouth        | 472      | 101          | 54         |
| Lee's Mills     | 64       | 127          | 95         |
| Skinner'sville  | 4        | 222          | 65         |
| Scuppernong     | 55       | 336          | 66         |
| Wenaona         | 18       | 9            | 15         |
| Total           | 613      | 795          | 295        |

The 295 not voting are under the election law placed in the column of those voting against the issue, giving them a vote of 1,090 with a majority of 477.

### Announcement

I take this method of announcing to my friends that I will again be a candidate for the office of Superior Court Clerk for Washington County, subject to the action of the coming Democratic primary and election.

No man in office can hope to please everybody, and adverse criticism is often elaborated by those not pleased, yet there are always two sides to every question. The man not in, of course has done nothing to be criticised for.

If nominated and elected I can only promise to do in the future what I have done in the past - my very best to serve you honestly and well.

Thanking you in advance for your support, I am,

Your official servant,  
C. V. W. AUSBON

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johnston and children of Roper, were here last night.

## PRIMARY NEXT SATURDAY

Saturday of next week, June 5th, is the day set for the Democratic Primary Election, and all registered Democrats of the county owe it to themselves and their party to cast a vote for the candidate of their choice.

The privilege of voting for the government of your choice is something that should be cherished by the people, and they should avail themselves of each opportunity, for by this means only can they use their power in placing men or women of their selection in the offices to conduct the business affairs of the county.

To vote is not only a privilege, but a duty owed to the commonwealth, and unless the people take an active interest as a whole they cannot expect a few to carry the whole load. Then if the candidates selected or the men elected are not to their liking they have no one to blame but themselves. The primary election is held to provide a means whereby every Democratic voter in the county may have a say as to who shall be placed on the ticket for the general election; and if they have a person whom they wish to represent, their party as a candidate the only way they can place them on the ticket, if they have opposition, is to go to the primary and vote. If you fail to vote and the candidates are selected that you do not want, you have no one to blame. The primary is there for you as much as for anyone.

Arrange to go to the polls next Saturday, June 5th, and vote for the one of your choice.

## SKINNERSVILLE NEWS

Miss Louise Smith is the guest of Miss Mary Spruill this week.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. H. E. Biggs is very ill at his home.

Mr. Leon Spruill was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Davenport Monday.

Misses Mary Spruill, Louise Smith and Mr. Leon motored to Plymouth Tuesday.

The Sunday school convention will meet at the Holly Neck church on the third Sunday in June.

Miss Jessie Elizabeth Curles was entertained Sunday afternoon at the home of Miss Alice White.

Quite a number of girls of this community have been helping Mr. Joe White pick May peas this past week.

The members of Rehoboth church are busy practicing for a children's day exercise to be given the third Sunday in June.

Messdames G. L. Davenport, W. E. Blount, Miss Francis Biggs and Mr. Thomas Curles, Jr., were present at the quarterly conference held at Mr. Elmer church Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Davenport, Misses Frances Biggs, Jessie Elizabeth Curles and Thomas Curles attended the county Sunday school convention at Plymouth on Thursday and Friday evenings.

### Quarterly Conference at Siloam

A quarterly conference will be held at Siloam Methodist church, near Jamesville tomorrow beginning at ten-thirty. Interesting topics will be discussed by a number of visiting preachers and laymen, and the conference will be presided over by Rev. C. B. Culbreth, presiding elder of the Elizabeth City district. Dinner for everybody will be served on the grounds at 12.30.

## LITERARY CLUB MEETS

The Thursday Afternoon Literary Club met May 20th, at the home of Mrs. J. B. Edmondson with nineteen members present.

A report was made by the committee on the selection of a course of study for next year. The chairman reported that a variety of material had been passed among the members for their inspection, after which a ballot vote was taken, the outcome of which will be announced at the next meeting.

Mrs. Sidney Ward read an interesting paper concerning Edna St. Vincent Millay, the great American poet, and Mrs. R. P. Walker read selections from her book of poems. Mrs. Robert Johnston and Mrs. Joe Blount also read interesting papers dealing with the life and works of Robert Frost.

The hostess served cream and cake.

## CRESWELL NEWS

Mrs. Mae Simmons was in Columbia last week.

Mr. J. H. Bateman of Columbia was in town this week.

Mr. Fletcher Ausbon of Plymouth, was in town Sunday.

Mr. Lindsay Swindell of Edenton was a visitor here Sunday.

Mr. Oliver Davenport has returned from an extended visit in Norfolk, Va.

Miss Katherine Pinner of Elizabeth City is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Alexander.

Miss Elizabeth McCabe left Monday for St. Brides, Va., where she will stay for a few days.

Misses Lucy and Ruth Swain are spending a few days in Elizabeth City as the guests of Miss Helen O'Neal.

Messdames G. L. Davenport, W. E. Blount, Miss Frances Biggs and Thomas Curles of Skimmersville were in town Sunday.

The entire community wishes to congratulate Rev. Withers on his new paper, "The Under Shepherd", which he is having published.

Messrs. Mahlon Phelps and Harry Harris, who are attending school at Lynchburg, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Phelps.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Phelps and his daughter and Miss Carrie Cooper of Raleigh, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Phelps.

The Episcopal Sunday school, Galilee Mission at Lake Phelps is making steady progress. Last Sunday they had a record attendance of 110 members, which is a just reward for the zealous and untiring efforts of Rev. C. E. Williams.

Mr. Roland Phelps of Somerset Farm was severely bitten by a popular-leaf snake last Friday afternoon while shucking corn. He was driven to Creswell and first aid was rendered by Dr. Norman of Columbia. It is understood that the bite will not prove fatal.

### North Carolina Firm Gets Huge Granite Order

At a meeting of the bridge commission held in Washington, D. C., last week contracts for nearly \$2,000,000 worth of granite were let, the largest part of which comes to North Carolina to the North Carolina Granite Corporation of Mt. Airy, and being for \$1,615,300 worth of white granite to be used in the main structure. This bridge is being constructed as a memorial to all war veterans will span the Potomac river, beginning at Lincoln's Memorial in Potomac Park, Washington, and ending at Arlington cemetery on the Virginia side.

## FIFTH SUNDAY EXERCISE

AT  
MACKEYS METHODIST CHURCH  
- MAY 30, 1926

MORNING SERVICE, 11-15

ORGAN PRELUDE  
ANTHEM  
INVOCATION  
SCRIPTURE READING  
OFFERTORY  
STATEMENT  
READING  
SPECIAL MUSIC  
ADDRESS, "Relation of Home and Church"  
ANTHEM  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
MUSIC

ROPER CHOIR  
REV. D. A. CLARK  
BY THE PASTOR  
MRS. W. B. CHESSON  
ROPER CHOIR  
HON. Z. V. NORMAN  
CHOIR  
W. S. DAVENPORT  
CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF MACKEYS

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS

AFTERNOON SERVICE, 2-30

CORNET SOLO  
SPECIAL MUSIC  
SCRIPTURE READING  
INVOCATION  
MUSIC  
REMARKS  
READING  
DUET  
ADDRESS, "Relation of the Church to the Home"  
VIOLIN SOLO  
RELATION OF ROPER CHARGE TO THE DISTRICT  
MUSIC

ASA JOHNSTON  
ROPER CHOIR  
F. D. WILSON  
HERBERT LEWIS  
CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF PLEASANT GROVE  
BY THE PASTOR  
MRS. JAMES DAVENPORT  
MRS. W. B. CHESSON AND CORINNE BELL  
REV. T. PARTRICK  
MRS. LOUIS HASSELL  
REV. C. B. CULBRETH  
CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF ROPER

EVENING SERVICE, 8 O'CLOCK

SPECIAL MUSIC  
INVOCATION  
SCRIPTURE READING  
SOCIAL SOLO  
READING  
READING  
ADDRESS, "Literature in the Home"  
SPECIAL MUSIC  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
DOXOLOGY

## MATHIAS OWENS DEAD

Mathias Owens, aged sixty-four, died suddenly in his home in Elizabeth City last Saturday morning at 8:30, from a heart attack. His health had been failing for the past two years.

The deceased was well known and had a wide circle of friends in this section. He was prominently identified with business and political activities in Pasquotank county, and was held in high esteem by those who knew him.

He leaves a wife and son, Oscar; three brothers, W. L. Owens of Elizabeth City, Z. D. Owens of Norfolk and A. L. Owens of Plymouth; and one grandchild.

Beats 400,000



Miss Dorothy Jean Utley, age 14, of Bemidji, Minnesota is the proudest young lady in the land. Her essay on "Highway Safety" won first prize in a state contest in which 400,000 other boys and girls competed. Miss Utley, was given a free trip to Washington, met our President and received a gold watch. No wonder she's proud.

Miss Margaret Ward Jackson left Wednesday for Blackstone, Va., to attend the commencement exercises of Blackstone College, she was accompanied by Miss Rita Norton of Williamston.

## OUTING AT MACKEYS

The junior and senior classes of the Plymouth high school enjoyed an outing at Davenport Beach, Mackeys, during the past week-end. They were accompanied by Misses Louise Jennette Gladys Baccaman and Hope Hardison of the faculty, and were chaperoned by Mrs. R. P. Walker and Prof. and Mrs. L. H. Hubble.

The party used the Mackeys school building for a camp, and amused and entertained themselves in various manners. They carried sufficient lunches to satisfy their appetites during their stay there.

### Fishing Party at Lake Phelps

A party of business men from Emporia, Va., composed of H. A. Litchfield, Jr., formerly of this county, W. W. Robertson, A. C. Robertson, J. P. Taylor, R. A. Hall and B. M. Garner, spent several days this week at Lake Phelps on a fishing trip.

They passed through here on their return trip home and were highly elated at the angling achievements made, and were very much pleased with the hospitality extended them by the people of that community. They occupied the old historic building at the lake during their trip.

### Announces Wedding

Friends of Mr. G. R. Blount will be interested in the following announcement:

"Mr. and Mrs. Parmenio Sylvester Rothrock announce the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Allen, to Mr. Gerald Rowden Blount, on Sunday, May the twenty-third, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, Mount Airy, North Carolina.