

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Merit Browning spent Sunday in Hinson.

Mrs. C. J. Norman is visiting friends and relatives in Norfolk.

Hon. H. S. Ward of Washington was in town on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Watts of Williamston were in town Tuesday.

The ground-hog seems to have sadly missed his calculations this year.

Miss Katie Gray Edwards spent last week at her home in Ransomville.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Lyon have been visiting friends in Henderson this week.

Mrs. E. G. Arps returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives in Hampton, Va.

Mr. John Liverman of Halifax was the guest of his son, Mr. E. H. Liverman, Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Lucas of Belhaven have been visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Lyon of Ayden are the guests of Mrs. L. P. Hornthal this week.

Mr. M. F. Davenport and Mrs. N. J. Rhodes of Seppernong were in the city Tuesday.

Messrs. A. L. Alexander, Herman Alexander and H. V. Austin were in Wilson Saturday.

Atty. S. S. Woodley of Columbia and Mr. E. S. Woodley of Creswell were in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bassinger and little daughter, Francis, and Miss Edna Earl Nurney motored to Hertford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Satterthwaite and family, Roy Swain and Miss Louise Darden were in Petersburg, Va., Sunday.

Mr. C. J. Norman left Monday for New York where he will purchase spring and summer merchandise for Normans.

Mr. H. D. Bateman, president of the Branch Banking and Trust Company, of Wilson was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Messrs. J. W. Starr, T. C. Holmes, A. L. Holmes and C. B. Holmes of Creswell were business visitors here Tuesday.

Mesdames Ellis Broughton, H. G. Winslow and Miss Mable Winslow of Hertford were the guests of Mrs. Clyde McCallum last Friday.

Messrs. T. A. Stubbs, Stark Nurney, Mesdames Clyde Cahoon, E. G. Harrison and Miss Evelyn Cahoon were in Wilson Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Horton, Mrs. P. M. Arps, Miss Lenore Stone and Mr. Lloyd Horton attended the George White Scandals in Raleigh last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Austin, Mesdames Jack Read, Charlie W. Cahoon, Jewel Ayers and Miss Ruby Templeton attended George White's Scandals in Wilson Monday.

RECORDER'S COURT

The following cases were disposed of before Recorder Norman Tuesday:

William Barco, operating car while under influence of liquor. Defendant entered plea of nolo contendere and was fined \$50.00 and cost.

Prince Webb, violating stock law. Found guilty and judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

Horace Chesson, found guilty of violating stock law. Judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

Joe Simpson, violating stock law, found guilty. Judgment suspended on payment of the cost.

Informal Dance

Roper, N. C., Feb 10th—One of the interesting social functions of the month was an informal dance given at the home of Mrs. E. M. Chesson, Thursday evening, February 10th., in honor of her son, Thomas Chesson.

The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Chesson and ushered into the living room where music and dancing were the features of the evening. During the intermission a delicious course of fruit salad was served.

The guests present were Misses Vera and Edna Mizelle, Mildred Lewis, Perla Hopkins, Mildred Marrow, Lelah and Irma Chesson, Helen Brey, Mrs. Ben Snell and Messrs. Charles Mizelle, Ralph Harrell, Nathan Thompson, Robert, Knowles, Clyde and Hallet Chesson, and Aubrey Phelps.

Mrs. Alexander Entertains

Mrs. A. L. Alexander delightfully entertained at a bridge party on Saturday night at her home in Main street. Five tables of bridge were arranged and the Valentine idea was effectively carried out. Top score prize was won by Mrs. A. L. Owens and the consolation prize went to Miss Fannie Hilliard.

A salad course with hot coffee was charmingly served by the hostess and the guests numbered about twenty.

Valentine Birthday Party

At the home of Mr. J. T. McNair in Washington street, on Monday afternoon, Miss Naomi Swain, the little grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McNair, celebrated her third birthday with twenty-four of her little friends.

The home was artistically decorated with a color scheme of red and green, carrying out the spirit of St. Valentine. The little guests were received at the door by the hostess and presented with a heart shaped all-day sucker. Then the tiny tots repaired to the living room where all kinds of games were played and delicious iced punch was served.

After an hour of frolicking the guests were invited into the dining room, which was beautiful in its snowy whiteness, illuminated by the three tiny candles which gleamed from the birthday cake that formed the center-piece of the table. Ice cream and cake were served and little baskets of candy hearts were used as favors.

Mr. T. C. Burgess was in Aurora Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Owens, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Walker, Miss Mavis Thigpen and Mr. Edward Owens were in Norfolk Thursday

BISHOPS' CRUSADE

The General Convention of the Episcopal church at a meeting held in New Orleans in 1925, appointed a Commission on Evangelism, with Bishop Darst of the Diocese of East Carolina as chairman. This Commission at once decided that the first step in any program for Evangelism in the Church should be a re-dedication to Jesus Christ in life and service on the part of the members of the Church. Out of this conviction grew the Bishops' Crusade which is to be preeminently a call to the laity, a re-enlistment of the whole Church under the banner of our great leader, Christ.

During January and February nearly three hundred Bishops, priests, laymen and women will go out as Crusaders to at least eighty-four of the eighty-seven dioceses and missionary districts in the United States, conducting two or more Crusades of six days each in all dioceses visited by them.

Crusade services are being held in Plymouth this week by Rev. W. R. Noe, Wilmington. Next week services will be held at Roper by Rev. E. T. Jilson of Hertford; Columbia by Rev. G. H. Madara of New Bern, and Williamston by Rev. E. W. Hallcock of Wilmington.

Dr. Whitehurst in Auto Accident

Dr. R. L. Whitehurst had the misfortune of almost demolishing his automobile Saturday morning by colliding with a concrete culvert near Creswell. Dr. Whitehurst practices dental surgery, and had been attending patients in Columbia Friday, and arose earlier than his accustomed hour the following day, and in the early morning hour drowsiness possessed him while driving and he failed to perceive the culvert until too late to avoid striking it.

Dr. Whitehurst sustained slight bruises, while his machine suffered almost destruction.

C. of C. Interested in Confederate Marker

The chamber of commerce Monday night gave its meeting almost entirely to a motion by R. P. Walker in which interest is to be solicited for the placing of a tablet or marker at a point near where the Confederate Ram Albemarle was sunk during the Civil war.

Interesting history surrounds the sinking of the ram; history that has especial and virulent appeal to the people of this entire section. A committee composed of John W. Darden, James W. Norman and Robert P. Walker was appointed to confer with the State Historical Commission in this movement, and to also create local interest in the project.

Data will be assembled as quickly as possible, and a detailed account of the destruction of the valiant craft will be given our readers.

Smith-Swain

A quiet and interesting marriage took place at the Methodist parsonage on Tuesday night, when Miss Annie Mae Swain became the bride of Mr. Ralph S. Smith. Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, pastor of the Methodist church performed the ceremony.

Mr. Smith is a native of Pennsylvania, but has been in this section for several weeks. Mrs. Smith is from Mackeys and enjoys a host of friends who extend to her their best wishes.

BETTER HEALTH IN FOOD CROPS

Raleigh, N. C. Feb. Not only will it pay to grow the food and feed crops needed on North Carolina farms this year but the health of the people is improved when there is milk to drink and vegetables and fruit to eat.

Such things cost money to buy and many times they are not bought. Then the health of the family suffers and the children are underweight and undernourished. Surveys made by home demonstration agents of State College show that many children and adults too on a number of farms are not properly fed. This does not mean that the folks do not get enough to eat. They do. But the food is not of the right kind. Fat back, grits, black coffee and molasses are not healthy foods but many children have to exist on these as their principal diet because other foods are not raised at home and the cash income is not sufficient to permit better foods being bought.

The person who would be strong, healthy and active must have plenty of fruit and vegetables in the diet and should drink milk regularly, say home demonstration workers. If the children are to develop and grow into hearty manhood and womanhood with vigorous, happy, intelligent bodies and minds, they will need an abundance of fresh vegetables, fruits, milk, butter, eggs, poultry, and other foods containing the elements essential to best growth. All of these may be produced on the home farm with little extra effort, yet in some sections of North Carolina tobacco and cotton need so much time attention that these other important crops are overlooked. Then the returns from the cotton and tobacco are too little to allow such things to be bought.

It is important that these better food crops be available regularly throughout the year and the only way to insure this is to produce them on the farm. With the outlook for crop production as it is in 1927, the wise farmer will prepare to have his food grown on the home farm this year.

AMONG OUR CHURCHES

METHODIST

Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, Pastor
MORNING SERVICE:
Sunday School, 9:45 o'clock.
Preaching services, 11 o'clock.
EVENING SERVICE:
Preaching service, 7:30 o'clock
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 7:30 o'clock.

BAPTIST

Rev. J. R. Everett, Pastor
MORNING SERVICE:
Sunday School, 9:45 o'clock.
Preaching service, 11 o'clock.
Subject: "Sleeping Christians".
EVENING SERVICE:
B. Y. P. U., 6:30 o'clock.
Preaching service, 7:30 o'clock.
Subject: Eighth Commandment or "Who Is a Thief".
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 7:30 o'clock.

At the age of 40, Morse, inventor of the telegraph, was a successful artist.

FARM AGENT ARRIVES

Robert E. Dunning arrived Tuesday morning to assume the duties of county farm agent, an office established or authorized in the January meeting of the county commissioners. He was accompanied by Mr. Ferguson, district agent, who is assisting him in the preliminaries of his work.

Mr. Dunning is a young man of eminent capabilities, sound thinking judgment and sterling worth, if the record he brings from Hyde county where he has served for the past year, is to be taken as an index.

He will assist the farmers in the economical production of crops and live stock, soil building, proper selection of seed, balancing fertilizers, cultivation and all manners of harvesting. He will use much of this year in the instruction of making temporary and permanent pastures, and introducing live stock, such as the family cow and breeding and feeding of swine and poultry.

Bridge Party

Mrs. Van B. Martin delightfully entertained a number of her friends at a bridge party Tuesday afternoon at her home on Morning Side Drive. The entire lower floor was decorated in pine and early spring flowers. The Valentine idea was carried out artistically in tally cards, favors, and refreshments. Mrs. J. B. Edmondson won a box of hand made handkerchiefs as high score prize and Mrs. C. W. Cahoon was awarded a 'Fools Cap' of red crepe paper as low score prize. There were six tables and those playing were: Mesdames: Jewel Ayers, H. R. Blount, J. W. Williamson, W. R. Hampton, J. B. Edmondson, F. J. King, E. D. Carstarphen, A. L. Owens, R. P. Walker, R. W. Johnston, S. A. Ward, W. L. Whitley, C. E. Ayers, H. A. Williford, A. T. Leary, B. G. Campbell, Clyde McCallum, P. M. Arps, H. V. Austin, C. W. Cahoon, Lewis Horton, Z. V. Norman, B. A. Summer, C. L. Groves, and Misses Fannie Hilliard and Mavis Thigpen.

Celebrates Birthday

Little Miss Lillian Reid McGowan entertained a number of her little friends on Tuesday afternoon at the home of her father, Dr. Claudius McGowan, in honor of her sixth birthday.

Valentine decorations were used and amusing games played. The birthday cake adorned with six candles excited much admiration. Ice cream and cake were served as refreshments, with baskets of mints as favors. There were about eighteen little guests present.

Wall Collapses in Hampton Building

In building a communicating arch which leads from the household necessities department to the general department of the store to be occupied by Miller, Inc., five cent to five dollar store, the upper brick section gave way Tuesday afternoon. The collapsed section will have to be rebuilt, which occasions much delay in the completion of the work.

Card of Thanks

I wish to take this method of extending my sincere thanks and appreciation to my neighbors, and to the Plymouth Fire Company, for the valuable assistance rendered me during the fire that destroyed my barn last Sunday morning. Had it not been for this splendid neighborly conduct my loss might have been total.

Gratefully,
MRS. M. J. STILLMAN

LOSES BARN BY FIRE

A barn on the premises of Mrs. M. J. Stillman was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning, and all its contents, including a Ford roadster, succumbed to the flames, except a quantity of corn which had been placed there a short while ago.

The fire was discovered by passers-by about three-thirty, who gave the alarm. The Plymouth fire department was immediately notified and responded in an incredibly short time. A shortage of water handicapped them to a great extent, but adjoining buildings were saved and the green shucks of the corn protected the grain.

It is supposed that the fire originated from a short circuit in the automobile or by spontaneous combustion. It is said that the loss was partially covered by insurance.

B. Y. P. U. Social

A very enjoyable Valentine social was held by the Baptist Young People's Union on Monday evening in the basement of the court house. Miss Mildred Dixon, in an attractive costume of hearts, greeted the guests at the door and had charge of the numerous games and contests. Hot chocolate and cakes were served as refreshments.

Literary Club Meets

The Thursday Afternoon literary club was delightfully entertained Thursday afternoon of last week by Mrs. Joe Norman at her home in Adams street. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. W. H. Clark. Mrs. Robert Campbell, custodian of the library, reported that the library had been thoroughly renovated and also that an alphabetical arrangement of books had been made.

The president announced a joint meeting of several committees to be held next Thursday afternoon for the purpose of making detailed arrangements for the Cotton Fashion Show, which is to be held in the spring.

The program consisted of the reading of papers dealing with the life works of Galsworthy by Mrs. R. P. Walker and Mrs. H. S. Midgett. Mrs. Z. V. Norman led in a discussion of the play, "Strife", and also read selections from the play. At the conclusion of the program the hostess served refreshments which carried out the Valentine scheme.

Mrs. Cicero Norman was an invited guest. The members attending were Mesdames S. A. Ward, Z. V. Norman, H. A. Blount, R. W. Johnston, B. G. Campbell, J. R. Campbell, J. B. Edmondson, T. L. Bray, H. S. Midgett, W. R. Hampton, P. W. Brinkley, R. P. Walker, C. S. Ausbon, C. S. Blount, W. H. Clark, and Miss Mavis Thigpen.

Birthday Party

On Wednesday afternoon, February 9th, Mrs. S. B. Hilliard entertained at a party in honor of her brother, Bill Martin in celebration of his ninth birthday. Fourteen little folks were present and greatly enjoyed the variety of interesting games. A delicious course of jello, cake and fruit was served. Valentine favors were given each little guest.

The little playlet, "Keep The Home Fires Burning," given by the Epworth league in the Methodist church last Sunday evening was well attended and enjoyed by all.