

## Funeral Services Held Monday For Jack Swain Class Mates Pall Bearers

Funeral services were held Monday, for Jack Swain, the 23 years old son of Mrs. Henrietta Swain, who was killed in an automobile accident in Kentucky. Interment was made in an Edenton Cemetery on the same day.

Jack was the youngest son of Mrs. Swain and had just finished from State College last Spring and had begun work with the State of Ohio. He was sent, with two others, to Kentucky to get soil samples and on the returned trip, an accident occurred which resulted in his death in about an hour and a half. His right side was crushed and one of his ribs punctured his lung which made it impossible for him to exhale but he could inhale.

He was president of the graduating class of 1926 at Plymouth High School. During his school life, both in high school and college, he was admired and held in high esteem by his class mates. His active pall bearers were members of his high school class, along with his college room mate. He played both football and basket ball during his high school life. He gained the reputation of being a clean cut young man long before he left Plymouth High School. Perhaps the most attractive floral offering adorning the grave was the one furnished by his high school class which shows the esteem in which he was held by his class mates.

Many friends join with his mother and the brothers and sisters in mourning the death of Jack.

### AMBROSE

It is with a sad and lonely heart that I sit and write the death of my loving sister, Mrs. Pennie Ambrose, who only a few days ago was taken from her home, with that awful disease T. B. And placed in the arms of Jesus we hope. She leaves to mourn her loss a loving husband, two children, two brothers three sisters and a mother.

The church of which she was a member, will greatly feel her loss. She was a faithful and very devoted church member for many years. She was loved by all who knew her. On her death bed she prayed for Jesus to take her home, where pain and sorrow is felt no more. She said many times that she wasn't afraid to die, that she knew she was prepared to meet her Saviour. She would say, "Dear Lord please take me away out of my suffering." We all hated to part from her, but we feel that our loss is her eternal gain.

She was born January 28, 1905. And died July 10, 1930, making her stay here on earth, 25 years, five months and 13 days. All was done for her that Doctors and loving hands could do.

Dearest sister thou hast left us, your sweet face no more we'll see, but in Heaven we hope to greet you, there to spend eternity.

Sleep on dear sister. Take thy rest. We miss you most who loved you best. God took you home, it was his will; but in our hearts you're living still.

Written By Her Sister,  
WILMA DAVENPORT.

### MASONIC NOTICE

Perseverance lodge no. 59 A. F. and A. M. will hold their regular communication Tuesday September 9th, 1930 at 8 o'clock, P. M. There will be work in the Master Masons degree. All Master Masons are cordially invited to attend.

C. T. ROBBINS, J. W.

## TOBACCO MARKETS OPENED TUESDAY WITH PRICES UNUSUALLY LOW

As has been expected by the public at large, the tobacco market opened Tuesday with prices far below that of last year. The average this year being eight and one half cents.

The Williamston and Robersonville markets had about 100,000 lbs on their floors each while Greenville had some more than this. The same prices prevailed at each market, the government graded tobacco bringing a little better price than the ungraded.

When one stops to think about the conditions that are existing as to the grower and the manufacturer, it is enough to cause the farmers to discontinue growing this commodity. North Carolina is probably the hardest hit state in the Union as she produces more tobacco than any other state. The big four, as the four leading manufacturers are often called, have in the past few years, begun making as much profit as the farmers have gotten for all of the weed that they have grown.

This is just another example of how capital is smothering out all opposition. They are allowing the farmers a bare living and making them like it. There is supposed to be such a thing in the United States as an anti-trust law. Apparently this law has become obsolete or else it is convenient for higher ups to forget that such a law is really on our statute books.

### FAMILY REUNION

A great family reunion of the direct descendants of Nicodemus Bateman Sr. was held at Seuppernong Christian Church Sunday Aug. 31. Around one hundred and fifty were present. An organization was perfected Sept. 1 1929 to work out a complete line of posterity from Nicodemus Bateman Sr. It was agreed upon at this particular time the Sunday immediately before labor day should be set aside for the family reunion each year. H. L. Swain of Raleigh a grandson was elected president of the organization and H. S. Swain also a grandson, of Columbia N. C. secretary. During the past year the historical, advisory and program committees of this organization have contributed all the data possible.

At the first meeting it was decided to establish a family tree of the Bateman family also the wife of Nicodemus Bateman Sr. Lovia Elizabeth Hatfield. Dock Hatfield and Mrs. Jennie Hatfield Hopkins, of Creswell, were to furnish all the available information concerning this branch of the family, they brought a splendid report. A memorial service for the dead children of Nicodemus Bateman Sr. was held at eleven o'clock. Which are as follows: Indiana Swain and Griselle Roughton, with special music for the occasion, this service was very impressive. Louise Hatfield a great niece and Mrs. Lovie Howett a great grand daughter of Lovie E. Hatfield Bateman sang "Whispering Hope". "My old Cottage Home" was sung by the choir. A quartett composed of H. S. Swain, Robert Swain, Harry Swain and Clyde Roughton grandsons and great grandsons of Nicodemus Bateman and wife sang "Sleeping gently Sleeping" which was enjoyed by all. A bountiful dinner was served on the grounds.

At two o'clock the business session began. The constitution and by-laws were read adopted, before the business session, Olena Belle Swain gave a humorous reading and Dora Weatherly sang "Mama kissed me in a dream last night." Little Katherine and Daniel Reaves children of Maud Swain, gave one of the grand daughters of old. "I think when I read the story of old." The officers were elected for the coming year. By one enjoyed the day to the fullest extent.

## STATE SUPPORTED SCHOOLS ALL BUNK MEANS STATE CONTROLLED SCHOOLS

State supported public schools has a mighty good sound to many taxpayers who feel that they are carrying too heavy a load of local taxation for the aid of public education. But state controlled public schools might not appeal so favorably to those who feel that they would like the several communities to retain some voice in the matter of who controls their schools.

In a measure we now have state controlled public schools, but this control has its limits and there are not a few people who feel that these limits should be still more restricted. The present system of control does in a measure prescribe the amount of school tax that each county or community shall levy. But in the final analysis each community or county has the right to say what provisions it shall order for schools, the kind of buildings and equipment it shall have and to a large extent the sort of teachers it will employ. The state has not yet ordered any community to erect a better school building or levy a special district tax. It does say that each child must have a constitutional six months term. The people themselves voted that into the constitution. We dare say the majority of them would not care to take it out. And when this compulsion was written into our fundamental law the people took upon themselves the obligation to maintain it. But a large measure of freedom of operation is still left to the localities. There have been encroachments by the state from time to time. But if the entire duty of support were turned over to the state it is difficult to see how any local selfcontrol of schools could be retained. In no other instance where the state provides for the full support of a public institution is the matter of control left to local agencies.

It is entirely possible that some arrangements might be made for even more financial aid from state sources for the public schools. But there is room for grave doubt as to the advisability of surrendering the last vestige of local authority in school matters. The present measure of state control is probably mainly designed to secure uniformity of opportunity for all children of the state. But uniformity and centralization of control are entirely different propositions. Under the present system we do retain the right to kick, under a state supported and controlled system we would probably have to surrender even that privilege. We'd merely be dependencies and not stockholders. Directly or indirectly, we would still be paying. No system is possible that would relieve the three million North Carolinians from paying the bills. We could merely change collectors and paymasters as well as taskmasters.

### IN MEMORIUM

In sad but loving remembrance of my dear mother, Ida A. Swain, who passed into the great beyond, Aug. 8, 1930.

When mother breathed her last farewell,

The stave means more than tongue can tell;

The world seems quite an empty place

Without the smile on mother's face,

Sometimes, somewhere, nosad farewells,

There hand in hand and heart to heart,

Through countless ages, never to part.

Her Daughter,  
GLADYS BASINGER

## Plymouth Schools Open Monday; Approximately 650 Students To Enroll

### Governor Gardner's Live-At-Home Program To Be Featured State Fair

### TIME NOW TO PLANT WINTER HAY CROPS

An acre of land planted to small grain this month will produce at least one ton of hay next spring and will keep the grower from having to buy high priced hay to feed work stock.

"There is a greater need for planting winter hay crops this year than ever before," says E. C. Blair, extension agronomist at State College. The crops over a large part of the State have been severely damaged by the dry weather and this means a shortage of feedstuffs in that section. There are other sections where the crops are good but where many farmers depend on buying western hay. Those farmers are now facing the prospect of paying high prices for their hay as dry weather has also cut the hay crop in these western states.

Mr. Blair recommends that an acre of land be sown to small grain for every mule and cow on the farm. This will produce sufficient hay to last from May until the soybean hay is ready in the fall.

Three seeding mixtures are recommended as follows:

No. 1 Oats 2 bu; barley 1 bu; wheat 1 peck; vetch 20 pounds.

No. 2 Barley 1 bu; oats 1 bu; vetch 20 pounds.

No. 3 Wheat 1 bu; barley 1 bu; vetch 20 pounds.

### IN MEMORIUM

In memory of husband B. F. Overton who died August 15, 1930.

You are gone but not forgotten

Never shall your memory fade.

Sweetest thoughts shall ever linger.

Around the grave where you are laid.

A bitter cup a shock severe

To part with one we love so dear,

My loss is great; I'll not complain

But trust to God to meet again.

Sleep on, dear one, and take thy rest

We miss you most who loved you best.

God took you home it was his will

But in our hearts you're living still.

But again sometime dear husband

When my days of life are fled,

In Heaven I hope to meet you

Where no farewell tears are shed.

Days of darkness still come o'er us,

Tears of sorrow silently flow,

But fond memory keeps you near me,

Tho' Heaven claimed you just three weeks ago.

WIFE, MRS. B. F. OVERTON

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

List of Contagious Diseases occurring in Washington county during the month of August 1930:

Whooping Cough

Plymouth R. 2: (colored)

James E. Jordon, Castell Small, Emmanuel Small, Vilma Small, Warren Small, Fred Small, Robert Gee, Martha L. Gee, Gladys Gee, Rosetta Gee, Victorix Gee, Alatha Boston, Sarah Boston, Albert Moore, Hattie Moore, Ethel Moore. Total 16 cases.

W. H. WARD, MD. Quarantine Officer.

The law requires all contagious diseases except Mumps and Teth to be reported within 24 hours under severe penalty.

W. H. WARD, MD.

Raleigh. The biggest Special to the best State Fair in the history of North Carolina, planned as an object lesson of what can be accomplished through Governor Gardner's Live-At-Home program, was promised the State of North Carolina today, by Secretary T. B. Smith.

The Premium List has again been thoroughly Revised this year and 28 additional pages offering more high premiums, have been added, Secretary T. B. Smith said today.

More than \$25,000 in premiums, exclusive of the purses for the Horse racing was given away by the Fair last year. It is expected that this total will be exceeded this year. Since the Farmers of the State have had better crops; They have more livestock to display. Ten thousand Premium Lists have already been distributed to the Farmers of North Carolina and there are more still to go out from the Secretary's Office in Raleigh. Competition in some classes is limited to North Carolina, But in many Classes it is open to the World

### WHITEHURST-STERN

The following announcement has been received by friends in Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Stearn announce the marriage of their daughter, Esther Bernice, to Dr. Roland Luther Whitehurst on Thursday, the third of September, nineteen hundred and thirty, Washington, North Carolina.

### SERVICES GRACE CHURCH SUNDAY

Services will be held at Grace Episcopal Church Sunday morning, September 7th. Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m., and Holy Communion and sermon will be at 11 a. m. Rev. Marshall, who is now in Ohio, is very anxious that as many of the members and visitors as possibly can attend these services.

## POET AND PEASANT

"I just had a talk with Chief of Police P. W. Brown and he certainly does have a hard time keeping the streets of Plymouth looking good," said the Peasant.

"I don't see that he has such a hard time," said the Poet, "it seems to me that the streets of Plymouth look just as good as the streets of any other town."

"They would look much better if the people would cooperate with him," said the Peasant.

"What do you mean," said the Poet.

"I mean that the people do not help him as much as they could if they would try," said the Peasant. "He sends his men around every Wednesday and Saturday morning to sweep the streets and just after they finish the people will begin cleaning their yards and sweep most trash on the streets than was on them before the men began sweeping them. People should have more pride in their town than to do this."

"Come to think of it I do believe that you are right," said the Poet, "but we shouldn't judge the people so harshly, I believe that as soon as they realize that they are handicapping him that they will do their yard cleaning early enough for the street sweepers to get the trash when they sweep."

"I don't know," said the Peasant. "The people in Plymouth have a desire to keep putting things

off until the last minute. That has grown to be a characteristic of this town, and of the East. There is a certain professor in one of our State owned colleges that teaches his students to dislike the eastern part of North Carolina. He says that we are a lazy people; that our moral standards are somewhat below that of the western part of our State. To a certain extent I am inclined to believe that he is somewhat right, especially about the lazy business. We are inclined to keep putting things off that should be done at once. Various reasons have been advanced as to the cause for this, all of which are feasible. Now in Washington county we can produce anything that can be produced most anywhere else and up until some time ago we only produced cotton, peanuts, tobacco and corn; most of the corn now produced is in the liquid form. This year the farmers have realized that it is time that they began producing some truck crops and they have realized quite a bit from it."

"I can't understand a fellow like you quoting a college professor," said the Poet.

"You see it is like this," said the Peasant. "I might be ignorant and all of that, but I do get to talk to folks sometimes."

"If what you say is true," said the Poet, "and Mr. Brown wants the people to help him, I hope that they do."

### MRS. RESPASS ENTERTAINS

At the home of Mrs. E. L. Respass, on Friday evening from 7 to 12 o'clock. She entertained a number of friends, which numbered about forty.

Mrs. Respass served many courses of ice cream. After this music and games were enjoyed.

The guest departed voting Mrs. Respass a charming hostess.