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D. SAMUEL JONES PASSES AWAY AT HIS HOME HERE

Was One of Town's Most Prominent Citizens; Last Rites Held Yesterday

Denson Samuel Jones, 72 years of age, and one of Plymouth's most prominent citizens, died at his home here Wednesday morning at 1:30 o'clock. Mr. Jones had been in ill health for something over a year, but was not taken seriously ill until several days ago. He was a member of the local Methodist church, having affiliated himself with the church during youth. He was also a member of the local Masonic lodge.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with Rev. R. G. L. Edwards pastor of the deceased officiating. The funeral was largely attended, and the floral offerings were very beautiful. The local Masonic lodge had charge of the service at the cemetery, rendering full Masonic honors.

Mr. Jones came to Washington County twenty-seven years ago, having been born in Duplin County, near Mount Olive. He was roadmaster of the Norfolk Southern Railroad at one time. He moved to Plymouth about 19 years ago, and for many years had been engaged in a brick manufacturing business here.

The deceased was twice married, the first time to Miss Fannie McCoy, of Suffolk, Va. To this union was born one son, Frank C. Jones, now a resident of Los Angeles, Calif. In 1904, Mr. Jones was again married, to Miss Frances Skittetharpe, of Washington County. To this union one son survives, Lawrence Denson Jones, of Plymouth.

During his active years, the deceased took a leading part in religious and civic affairs of his community. He was a man of fine Christian character and had many friends, not only in Plymouth but throughout this section of the state.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET FRIDAY

Held At School Building; Faculty and Seniors Honor Guests

One of the outstanding social events of the season was the annual Junior-Senior banquet of the Plymouth high school, staged here last Friday night by the juniors in honor of the seniors and the members of the high school faculty.

The second hall, where the banquet was held in the school building, was transformed into a picturesque rainbow scene, the pastel colors of the rainbow being used overhead as a canopy. Mass of pink roses, snapdragons, ragged robins, daisies, and all other early spring flowers stood in relief against a restful background of long-leaf pine.

The seniors and members of the faculty were greeted at the main entrance by Misses Margaret Ayers and Lydia McGee, who were attired in pink orchid taffeta evening gowns. Others to receive were Messrs. Lawrence Swain and Clytes Cantrell, who were in full evening dress.

Presiding at the punch bowl were Misses Virginia Johnston, Virginia Stokes, Jean Martin, and Edna Ayers, who were attractively attired in slumber pajamas of the rainbow shades.

During the evening quite a number of interesting contests were enjoyed and dancing was featured until the president of the junior class entered, bearing a large white basket filled with variegated sweetpeas, the class flower, upon which was the invitation to the dining room. Here ice cream, cake, mints, and salted nuts were served. The room was a profusion of flowers, and the place cards, favors, and refreshments carried out the motif of the rainbow.

Swain's Woman's Club Holds Regular Meet

The Swain's Woman's Club held its regular monthly meeting, Wednesday, May 20, at the home of Mrs. O. A. Chesson. A large attendance was had and every one had an enjoyable time.

Following the devotional, the meeting was turned over to Miss Pratt Covington, who gave a demonstration on the proper curtains and drapery to use in order to harmonize with the furniture and walls of the living room. The club requested the use of the county steam pressure cooker for Tuesday of this week for canning May peas.

The club will hold its next meeting in the home of Mrs. C. E. Swain.

Sheep Owners Plan To Pool Wool This Year

Alleghany sheep growers will pool their wool clip this season and plan to hold it for 20 cents a pound.

Commencement Exercises At Plymouth School To Be Brought To Close Tonight

DR. H. M. POTEAT OF WAKE FOREST IS MAIN SPEAKER

Rev. Mr. Barnes, of Raleigh, Preaches Commencement Sermon Last Sunday

The commencement exercises of the Plymouth high school got under way here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the high school auditorium with the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist orphanage of Raleigh. The speaker delivered a very inspiring and effective sermon, but stated in the outset that he could not tell the members of the graduating class how they could all become successes in life. But he proceeded to give them and the audience the principles upon which success is achieved. He stressed that it was essential that they have faith in God as revealed in the Bible, together with will power, and a determination to overcome obstacles and work toward success.

Mr. Barnes was introduced by Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, pastor of the Methodist church, in a brief but appropriate speech. The invocation was also delivered by Mr. Edwards. Scripture reading and prayer was offered by Rev. Conley Greer, pastor of the Christian church.

The processional, "God of Our Fathers," was sung by the members of the senior class and the high school glee club, under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Hicks. A number of other selections were also rendered by the glee club which were greatly enjoyed by every one.

The musical recital, "A Springtime Flower Garden," was presented by the pupils of Mrs. E. H. Hicks' class on Wednesday night. This program proved a most delightful and enjoyable occasion, especially to all lovers of music.

The literary address will be delivered Friday night by Dr. Hubert McNeil Poteat, of Wake Forest College. The graduating exercises will be held at this time also. It is expected that a large crowd will be present to hear Dr. Poteat.

HOLD-UP MAN IS SENT TO ROADS

Uses Finger As Weapon To Rob Negro Firemen From Boat

James Respass, local colored man, proved himself something of an artist in the racketeering game here Monday night when he succeeded in holding up a fellow brother of color, namely, one Henry Greer, with nothing but his lone finger as a weapon.

Greer, it seems, is a fireman on a tug boat which docks at the Plymouth harbor occasionally. Monday night, about 11:30 o'clock, Greer stepped off the boat, headed for the colored section of the town. He had scarcely placed his feet on dry land until stick-up-man Respass commanded him to reach for the moon.

Hence, steambotman Greer lost no time in obeying the command, and Respass proceeded to search his person for valuables. However, he only got a watch and fountain pen.

Respass received a chain-gang sentence in recorder's court here Tuesday for his daring hold-up.

Program of Services At Grace Church Here

Rev. Arthur H. Marshall, rector, Church school at 10 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 5. Next Sunday being Trinity Sunday, which is the first Sunday of the second half of the church year, all members of the church are urged to be present at the services, and all members of the Sunday school and teachers in attendance at church school. The Saviour's government and church's teaching is gentle as the falling snow on a fleece of wool, and refreshing as the rain of heaven on the newly mown field.

Leon Sugar's Store Has Very Successful Opening

Mr. Leon Sugar states that the opening of his store here last Friday and Saturday proved a success in every way, large crowds having visited the store on both days. Many old customers and friends of Mr. Sugar attended the opening.

Commenting on the sales for the two days, Mr. Sugar states that they were as good as could be expected. The store is located in the room formerly occupied by The Hub.

3 GET LOST AND SPEND NIGHT IN BULL BAY SWAMP

Had Gone Into Swamp To Make Estimate of Value For Listing Purposes

P. H. Darden, of Plymouth, together with Clint Everett and Milton Davenport, of near Creswell, were haled into court on charges of infidelity, Monday night when they failed to return from the fastness of Bull Bay Swamp, located near the mouth of Scuppernon River in Washington County. A searching party was being organized early Tuesday morning to go in search of the men when they emerged from the swamp.

These three gentlemen had gone to Bull Bay Swamp in company with John Darden and others, for the purpose of looking the swamp over in order to place an assessment upon the timber so that it could be listed for taxes.

Accordingly, the above named three men went forth into the swamp and before they realized it, night was upon them. Then it was they decided that they were lost and did not know how to find their way out. Hence, they built up a big fire and spent the night. It is understood that little sleeping was engaged in, due to the fact that Bull Bay Swamp is said to be inhabited by snakes, and very large snakes, too. Ernest Carstaphen, manager of the Smoke Shop, declares that there are moosehairs in Bull Bay Swamp as large as a fat man's leg. It is also understood that these huge moosehairs take a keen delight in biting people who wander into the swamp.

Just as the searching party was making ready to adventure into the swamp early Tuesday morning in quest of the lost men, they found their way out. It is understood that they were little the worse for their night in the swamp, except for the loss of sleep.

BEGINS REVIVAL SERVICE SUNDAY

Rev. P. O. Lee, of Windsor, To Preach at Mackeys Methodist Church

A series of revival services will begin at the Methodist church at Mackeys Sunday night, May 31, with Rev. P. O. Lee, pastor of the Methodist church of Windsor, doing the preaching. The singing will be under the direction of the pastor, Rev. J. Bascom Hurley.

The meeting will continue through the first Sunday and there will be night services except on the first Sunday. On Monday night the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Services will also be held at Roper next Sunday, the fifth Sunday, at 11 o'clock with preaching by the pastor. The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

Entertains Young People

Cherry, May 26.—Miss Lucy Ray Spruill delightfully entertained a number of young people at a social last Friday night in honor of Miss Eadie Gibbs, who is expecting to move to Portsmouth with her family some time in the near future.

During the entire evening many enjoyable games were played, after which a variety of home made candies were served. Those enjoying this hospitality were: Misses Teadie Gibbs, Mae Woodley, Feda Davenport, Bernice and Doris Snell, Stella Phelps, Virginia White, Evelyn, Iva and Kathleen Spruill; Messrs. Julian Roebuck and Noah Harrison, of Williamston; Jesse Spruill, Marshall Woodley, Ira Phelps, Lancelot and Winton Davenport, Dennis Phelps, Bill Woodley, Mitchell Sawyer, Troy Snell, Wilson Phelps, Jesse Herrington and Braxton Litchfield, all of this community.

Singing Is Awful, But Nearest Harmony Among Legislators

Up until last week, when the House and the Senate accepted the conference report, there had been very little harmony in the activities of the astute bodies. On one occasion, harmony is said to have reigned in the legislative halls, according to the following report: "Each day before the legislature convenes for its day's work, many representatives and senators, door-keepers, lobbyists, and others gather around the railing between the entrances to the two halls of the assembly, and sing. Old-time hymns are their favorites, and all sorts of vocal monstrosities are put on exhibition. The other day they were singing, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There," when a prominent senator arrived. He remarked, "No, you won't. The way things look now, when the roll is called up yonder, you'll be here." A bystander said that while he couldn't get enthusiastic about the harmony in that singing, it was the nearest to harmony he had heard around the legislative halls in sixty days. And that declaration got unanimous approval from the other spectators in that group.

RECORDER HELD WEEKLY SESSION HERE TUESDAY

Several Road Sentences Are Handed Out by Judge E. L. Owens

Recorder's court held its regular session here Tuesday with Judge Edward L. Owens presiding and Solicitor Carl L. Bailey representing the state. C. V. W. Aushon, clerk, was in his usual place, recording the proceedings thereof.

James Respass, 21-year-old negro, was tried and convicted on larceny charges and was sentenced to the county chain gang for 22 months. This is one of the stiffest sentences handed out by Judge Owens in several months. James Spruill, 39-year-old negro, charged with violating the prohibition laws, was tried and found guilty of possessing liquor for the purpose of sale. He was given 12 months suspended road sentence, on condition that he pay a \$100 fine and the court costs. The defendant gave notice of appeal to the superior court. Bond was fixed at \$500.

B. F. Twiddy and Annie Mae Davenport, of near Creswell, were haled into court on charges of infidelity. Both defendants pleaded guilty to the charges. Twiddy was also charged with violation of the prohibition laws. He was tried and found guilty of this charge also.

Twiddy was given 8 months on the chain gang on the first count and 6 months on the second. He gave notice of appeal to the superior court, and his bond was fixed at \$500.

Defendant Davenport was placed under a \$200 bond, and prayer for judgment was continued until June 2, at which time the court will render sentence.

This case consumed the major part of the session.

17 WOMEN HAVE SIGNED UP FOR WESTERN TOUR

Others Who Wish To Go Asked to Notify County Home Agent

Seventeen women have already registered for the mountain trip which is being planned by the club women of Washington County, Miss Pratt Covington, home agent, announced here yesterday. This is expected to be one of the most interesting trips ever staged from Washington County.

Every lady interested in taking this trip is required to deposit \$10.70 on or by Monday, June 15. Only thirty people can take the trip, as this is the capacity of the big bus which has been chartered for this occasion. The bus is one of the newest and best equipped in use today, being equipped with a radio and parlor chair seats. After June 15th another county will be given an opportunity to make up the number of passengers this county may lack, if any.

The trip will be made by way of route number 10, which will take the party by the assembly grounds of the Y. W. C. A., the Presbyterian church, the Southern Baptist church, the State Test Farm, the Asheville recreation park, Mount Mitchell, etc.

On the return trip, highway number 20 will be followed. This will take the party by Hendersonville, Chimney Rock, Lake Lure, and some of the most fascinating scenes in the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina. The trip will last five days, during which time an interesting schedule has been planned for visiting all of the places of interest in and around Asheville, located in the "Land of the Sky." The famous Biltmore Estate, Kenilworth Inn, Grove Park Inn, Lake Junaluska, the Great Smoky National Park, etc., will be visited.

The party will probably stop at the Langren Hotel, which is located in the heart of Asheville.

The deadly blue mold disease destroyed about 1,100 yards of young tobacco plants belonging to J. R. Howell, of Clarks, in Craven County. The bed was burned and plowed up.

Salaries of Town Employees Are Ordered Cut By Council

CREAMERY WILL GET UNDER WAY ABOUT JULY 15TH

Routes To Be Established In Washington County For Farmers

Information has just been received here to the effect that the creamery which has been secured for Washington, N. C., is expected to be in operation some time between July 1 and 15. This creamery will buy milk from farmers and dairymen in Washington County, which will furnish a weekly and monthly pay roll.

Within a short time, it is understood that arrangements will be made to make some cooperative purchases of cows for those wanting them. Any person desiring one or more milk cows in the near future should communicate with R. E. Dunning, county farm agent of Washington County, in order that arrangements may be made to get the cows.

It is advised that success with cows at the beginning will depend largely on feed. Therefore, it is urged that farmers who are planning to establish a dairy herd should start preparing to grow plenty of feed for the number of cows they are expecting to keep. Make plans for not less than one and one-half tons of soybeans or other good legume hay for each cow you will likely keep. Twenty to twenty-five bushels of corn will be needed for each cow also. It is also urged that farmers make plans to put in fall oats to harvest and use to supplement soybean hay and corn.

Also provide one acre of good pasture for each cow. Not all grazing, however, should be depended on to come from the permanent pasture. Much economical grazing can be secured from temporary pastures by the use of oats, rye, clover, vetch, or a combination of these. This can be seeded in the fall after a field crop has been harvested, grazed during the winter, and the land put back into a field crop next year. Lespedeza sown in February or March will give good middle to late summer grazing. Sudan grass seeded now or later will give fine grazing through the summer even in dry weather.

County Agent R. E. Dunning stated here yesterday that one community in Washington County was in position to furnish 50 gallons of milk a day in addition to that of other communities. After the creamery is placed in operation, it is planned to open milk routes in Washington County just as soon as the supply of milk will justify.

ELECTRIC STOVE COOKING SHOW

Many Women Attend V. E. & P. Co. Demonstration Here Wednesday

A large attendance of women was had at the cooking demonstration which was held Wednesday in the vacant store room adjoining Dr. McGowan's office by the Virginia Electric and Power Company.

Two ladies, experts in this line, were in charge of the demonstration, and various kinds of foods were cooked on electric stoves which are sold by this company.

The ladies were required to register when they entered the building, giving the name of their church. The company gave twenty cents to the various local churches for each person present from the different churches. The demonstration was considered a success in every way, and different ladies went home carrying huge cakes which they won as prizes, all of which had been cooked during the demonstration.

Roper, May 25.—The Roper Circuit Missionary Society held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. B. B. Spencer Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A good attendance was had and the program proved very interesting.

Roper Missionary Society Holds Meeting Monday

After the transaction of business, Mrs. B. B. Spencer offered a prayer of thanks.

The meeting closed with the benediction by the society. Following, refreshments were served by the hostess, after which the society adjourned to meet with Mrs. A. R. Hooker in June.

Oats and Vetch Hay Is Favored in Johnston

A bumper crop of oat and vetch hay is being grown in Johnston County this year for the first time. The combination is fast gaining popularity in the county.

Summer School Will Be Held Here Next Month

There will be a session of summer school held at the Plymouth High School building during the month of June for high school students in an effort to aid students to make up work they have failed during the regular school term. Supt. E. H. Hicks announced here yesterday. Students desiring to enroll for this session should be at the high school building Monday morning, June 1, at 9 o'clock, for registration. Superintendent Hicks stated. It is not expected that the cost will exceed over \$3 per course.

ENTIRE SCHOOL FACULTY NAMED FOR NEXT YEAR

Present Members Are Re-Elected With But Two Exceptions

Announcement was made here yesterday of the election of the entire city school faculty and superintendent for another year at a meeting of the city board of education held here recently by Superintendent E. H. Hicks. However, there are two vacant places, history and coaching, and science, which have not been filled as yet.

There will be six teachers in the Plymouth High School next year, and following are the names of those elected for another term: Miss Ethel Spruill, city; Miss Pauline Lucas, city; Mrs. Doris Thompson, city; and Miss Lucille Parker, of Durham.

Following are the names of those elected in the grammar school: Miss Lula Belle Felts, of Georgia; Miss Nellie Tarkenton, Mrs. Mary Spruill Dinkins, Mrs. R. G. L. Edwards, L. J. Davis, Nevie Pickett, and Mrs. E. H. Hicks, teacher of piano.

Those in the primary school are: Miss Katherine Harrison, Miss Sidney McLean Curry, Miss Ursula Bateman, Mrs. Esther Stern Whitehurst, and Mrs. Leta Liverman, principal.

Superintendent Hicks stated yesterday that the city school had a total enrollment of 757 pupils, there being 192 in the high school and 565 in the elementary schools this year. The elementary grades had an attendance of 91 per cent during the year, and the high school had an attendance of 92.5 per cent for the year. This is considered an extra good record in attendance, being considerably above the average school of this size and larger in the state.

A finance committee which will be directly in charge of the clerk's office was also appointed, consisting of Mayor A. L. Owens, H. C. Spruill, and B. G. Campbell.

A motion was also made and carried appointing Harry Stell and A. E. Brothers as street and police committee. It is understood that whoever is appointed in Mr. Stell's place will also fill this place on the committee.

E. R. Jackson and B. G. Davis were appointed a committee of two to look after the sewer system.

Home Agent Announces Schedule for Next Week

Miss Pratt Covington, home agent of Washington County, announced her schedule for the coming two weeks as follows:

Monday, June 1, at Plymouth; Tuesday, district health elimination, at Washington, N. C. (Hoke Club will meet Friday, June 5); Wednesday, at Roper; Thursday, at Chapel Hill with Mrs. Mizelle; Friday, Hoke Club; and Saturday, curb market.

Curb Market Prices For Saturday Are Announced

For week beginning June 8th (clubs will please note changes): Monday, at Scuppernon; Tuesday, at Cherry; Wednesday and Thursday, agent will be called to another county; Albemarle club will meet June 23; Saturday, curb market.

Cream	25c qt.
Cabbage	2c
Irish potatoes	3c
Turnip greens	2c lb.
Radishes, bunch	5c
Turnips, large bunch	10c
Asparagus	10c
Eggs	15c
Strawberries, 3 for	25c
Hams	25c
Onions, large bunch	5c
Butter	35c
Young chickens	34c
Layer cake	\$1.00
Beets, large bunch	5c
All salad greens Saturday for 2c a pound, special.	

Program of Services at St. Luke's Church, Roper

Rev. Arthur H. Marshall, rector, Church school at 10 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 8. All members of the church and church school are urged to be present Sunday with all others who want to worship God with us.

WILL SAVE TOWN AROUND \$1,222.00 IN FISCAL YEAR

Councilman Stell Resigns; Appointment Expected At the Next Meeting

Cuts in salaries of the various employees for the town of Plymouth, which were placed in effect at a special meeting of the City Council here Monday night will amount to a total saving in money of \$1,222 during the fiscal year for the town, according to official estimate.

Just before the Council adjourned, with Mayor A. L. Owens presiding, Harry Stell, councilman from the Third Ward, offered his resignation, effective at once. And upon a motion made and carried, Mr. Stell's resignation was accepted by the council.

It now becomes the official duty of the council to appoint a councilman to succeed Mr. Stell. However, as yet no appointment has been made, but it is expected that this will be done at the next regular meeting, which will be Friday night, June 5.

The committee which was appointed at the previous meeting to investigate and secure prices on a siren for the local fire department, consisting of Mayor A. L. Owens and L. W. Gurkin, chief of the fire department, made their report. Following, a motion was made and carried to the effect that the town purchase a siren outfit from a Chicago firm for \$265. This siren is sold on a 60-day guarantee.

The council also appropriated \$20 for having the fire department building screened, in order to keep out mosquitoes, gnats, and other insects which the human race has been afflicted with for the past several thousand years.

The committee on wages and salaries of town employees, made the following recommendations for cuts in salaries, which was adopted and placed into effect:

P. W. Brown, chief of police, was reduced from \$160 per month to \$150; M. W. Spruill, city clerk, from \$100 per month to \$75; night policeman's salary of \$75 per month was not reduced and therefore remains the same; utility man, I. E. Ange, from \$30 per week to \$25 per week; night man at the water pumping plant remains the same also, \$17.50 per week; Noah Taylor, colored street worker, from \$16.50 per week to \$13.75; Walter Hoggard, from \$16 per week to \$13.75; Joe Gaylord, from \$13.75 per week to \$12.25.

The council elected A. E. Brothers mayor pro tem, whose duty it will be to act as mayor in the absence of Mayor A. L. Owens.

L. W. Gurkin was reappointed city inspector at a yearly salary of \$60.

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Albemarle Home Club Holds Meeting Monday

The Albemarle Home Demonstration club met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Will Swain, Mrs. J. C. Tarkington, president, called the meeting to order, and Miss Janie Reddick acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. Della Chesson. During the business hour parliamentary laws were discussed and adopted. Following the business hour the meeting was turned over to the home agent, Miss Pratt Covington.

Following the demonstration little Miss Elizabeth Tarkington recited a very attractive poem on vitamins. Mrs. Swain, assisted by Miss Margaret Swain, served a delicious ice course and cake.

Dance Is Held Here Last Friday Night

People from various adjoining towns as well as from Plymouth, attended the dance held in Hampton's warehouse here last Friday night, which was sponsored by P. M. Arps. Silas Green's orchestra supplied the music, as the show by this name played Plymouth at this time.

The warehouse was decorated in fitting style for the occasion, and the dancing lasted from 10:45 until the wee small hours of the morning. As usual, the dance was well chaperoned by the various parents of the younger people who attended.